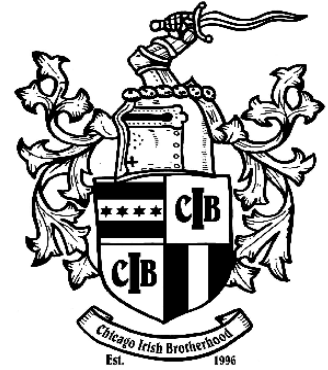


CHICAGO IRISH BROTHERHOOD

Newsletter

"The Irreverent Benevolent Society" Sept. 2003



Youth Burn Camp Success Repeat

When someone in sports has a great rookie year and experiences a let down in the second, wise-guy critics call it the "Sophomore Jinx." When it comes to the **C.I.B.**, sophomore comes to mind, but there's no Jinx.

For the second straight year, the **C.I.B.** Youth Burn Camp Fundraiser was a titillating triumph and again the organization authored a check for \$5,000 for the **Illinois Fire Safety Alliance's Camp I Am Me.**

It was an evening to remember as we got

together with friends we haven't had a jar with in a while, Colin Downes and Kamin Mahoney, and brought aboard some new members, Arky Englebert.

Oak Park Fireman Johnny McKenna, who is immortalized with a 'flexing' mural on the wall of the Oak Park Firehouse, was a driving force behind this **C.I.B.** effort. He is the perfect raffle ticket salesman because if you don't buy a ticket you get Johnny's signature "What the @&%" look.

The **C.I.B.** tag team of Tanya Bennett and Paul Robertson

should be singled out for a round of applause. Tanya was invaluable as our night of promoter of raffle ticket sales and the event could not have materialized without all of the hard work from **C.I.B.** Vice President Paul.

Special "Thanks" goes out to the Lobster House staff and Nick the Waiter who played us some songs. And how about world famous musician and **C.I.B.** member Sean Cantorna who revved up the evening by guest starring for a few tunes.

Plans for next year's event are already in the works. Third time's a charm.

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Bowling For Special Olympics, Sept. 27

When the **C.I.B.** takes to the bowling lanes, all the beer frames are expected to add up to \$1,600 for the Special Olympics of Illinois.

That handsome sum will provide a year long sponsorship for 50 of these very wonderful and truly courageous athletes.

By supporting the

Special Olympics, the **C.I.B.** is helping people with mental retardation have the chance to experience the joy of wholesome sport competition. Please join us.

Bowling for Special Olympics

Saturday,

September 27

Victory Bowling Lanes
7312 W Ogden Ave.
Riverside, IL 60564

8 p.m. to Midnight

\$25 per person

All you can eat & bowl

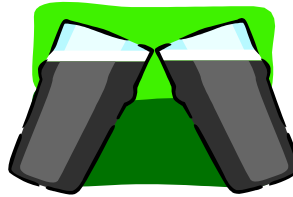
Youth Burn Camp "Thank You"s

In accordance with all of our events, there are plenty of "Thank You"s to be distributed amongst our friends. Everyone who participated is a champion and the C.I.B. would especially like to mention;

**Blue Water & Uncle Gregg Gall
Certified Tax Accountants
American Rugby Outfitters
Mike Madden
Niall Little
Oak Park Firefighter's Union**

And the best letter/donation received :

*Dear C.I.B.,
I regret that I was unable to attend the 2nd Annual Youth Burn Camp Fundraiser...I recognize the wonderful work that you do in helping young victims of tragedy.
I am enclosing this contribution to the C.I.B....not only in recognition of the fine work your organization does, but also in the memory of **Thomas P. Egan Sr.**
Sincerely,
Neal Brown
Cohon, Raizes & Regal*



Membership News

Congratulations to the **Chicago Westside Condors R.F.C.** on their national 3rd Place finish in USARFU Division II competition. It was the greatest finish in the Condors' 25 year history...

Raise a pint to **Edward Stritch** of the Concord Group for his sponsorship of Chicago's Second Chance Alternative High School... **Tappers** win the 2003 Hawthorne 16-Inch Softball Tournament. And the MVP was...

Become a **C.I.B.** Member today. Just send your \$20 dues to;

**C.I.B. HQ
P.O. Box 574
Brookfield, IL 60513**
or visit our website:
chi_irish_bro.tripod.com

C.I.B. MEMBERS TAKING THE PLUNGE

The summer weather brought us so many matrimonial unions, one can only think about the Christmas pregnancies that will bless the C.I.B. We would like to send out lifelong happiness wishes to:

Emmet & Heather Downes

P.J. & Kitty Kelly

Kevin & Colleen O'Shaunnessy

Mike and Caroline Wilfong

Justice for Barry Cunnane

Barry moved to Chicago six years ago from Dublin and was senselessly killed on May 24th. Barry was shot in the head at close range in a random, unprovoked & cowardly attack.

A session to raise money for a reward will be held:

**Sunday, Oct. 5th
3 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Irish American
Heritage Center
4626 N. Knox Ave.
Chicago**

Cash bar, live music,
Voluntary donations at the door.

For more info:
www.goodegg.net/barry

Dues Paying

Members:

**Tom Coffey
Paul Devorak
Arky Englebort
Tim Fossey
Thomas X. Hoban
"Saint" Eugene Hynes
Paul "Forky" Kraft
Tom McElligott
J.J. O'Laughlin
Chris Poluzek
Gary Reidy
Liam Ritchie
T.J. Royce Jr.
Salvatore Stangarone, Jr.
Ed Stritch**