

# Terminal Thursdays

The Monthly Joint Meeting of Georgia Southern's TWO Irish Student Clubs  
*Club Gael* ♦ *Ancient Order of Hibernians*  
Last Thursday of the Month @ 6:00 PM

## What's Happening on Thursday 26 February

Meeting Place: Russell Union, Room 2071

### PART 1: THE BIG CHECK!

**Michael Forbes**, President of the State of Georgia Office of the Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) will be "in the house" to present a **\$1,500 check** to the **Iolar ("Eagle") Division** of the AOH, based at Georgia Southern University. This check, a gift from the AOH National Office, will support **academic scholarships** for members of our Iolar Division. Yes: we're all about our students!!! We're hoping that the National Office, plus our regional friends, will help us to build this scholarship fund. Our first goal is to raise **\$20,000**, which will allow us to create an endowed scholarship. We anticipate that Mr. Forbes will bring with him some other members of his local AOH Division (Savannah).



### PART 2: IRISH ROAD BOWLING



♦ The Savannah AOH will join forces with **Jimmy Sheahan**, a history grad. student at Southern, to offer a fun, informal introduction to the traditional Irish sport of Road Bowling (aka Long Bullets). When the weather improves, our Student Clubs will get together with the Savannah AOH for a **Road Bowling Tournament!!!** This sport began in 17<sup>th</sup>-century Ireland, and it traveled with the millions of Irish who migrated to North America. Its scoring system is similar to that used in golf.

♦ So, what are the rules? Each player throws an 800 g steel or iron cannonball, known as a "bowl" or "bullet," down a 4 km-long road, using the fewest throws possible. If two players finish the game in the same number of throws, the winner is the one whose last throw went farthest over the finish line. It's traditional for observers to place bets on the competitor they believe will win the contest.

♦ Players may have a coach, known as the "Road Shower." Jimmy will say more about coaching and techniques; and he'll also share some of the terminology peculiar to Road Bowling. For example, a "Bowl of Odds" refers to the situation where one bowler completes the distance one throw ahead of the next competitor. A favorite phrase is "**Faugh a ballach!**"—which we'll teach you to pronounce. It's Gaelic for "Clear the way!" and it's an ancient battle cry. Here are a few more specialist terms. Any ideas about what they may mean???

"Butt" • "Open the Corner" • "Kitter-Paw" • "Sop"

### PART 3: PADDY PIZZA

Yes, we feed you! During the meeting, we order in pizza, and we provide sodas. The fellowship is terrific, and you can continue networking by joining our Facebook community. The Center for Irish Studies is serious about putting students first!



# Irish Student Clubs

## Events: February & March 2009

### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February

*What* **Tabling by Irish Student Clubs**  
*When* All Day  
*Where* Central Foyer, Russell Union  
*Features* Irish Bling—Free, Fun, and in Time for St. Patrick's Day!



### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February

*What* **Monthly "Terminal Thursday" Meeting**  
*When* 6:00 PM  
*Where* Room 2071, Russell Union  
*Features* Big Check Ceremony • Road Bowling Presentation • Paddy Pizza

### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

*What* **Irish Nights: Live Music @ Loco's with Harry O'Donoghue**  
*When* 9:00 PM each Night (NO Cover)  
*Where* Loco's Bar & Grill on the Bypass  
*Features* Special Group Table each Night for Members of the Irish Student Clubs

### Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March

*What* **Screening of *Boondock Saints*: Free Presentation by the Irish Student Clubs and *Eleventh Hour Weekly***  
*When* 7:00 PM  
*Where* Emma Kelly Theater, Courthouse Square, Downtown Statesboro  
*Features* Troy Duffy's 1999 Indie Classic about Two Boston-Irish Brothers Who Become Vigilantes to Rid Beantown of Crime and Evil

### Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March: St. Patrick's Day

*What* **Marching with the Savannah Ancient Order of Hibernians in the 185<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade**  
*When* 9:30 AM  
*Where* Assemble at or near Forsythe Park, Savannah: Check OUR Webpage One Week before Parade for Exact Details  
*Features* Show Pride in our Irish Student Clubs during America's Second-Biggest St. Patrick's Day Parade

### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March

*What* **Monthly "Terminal Thursday" Meeting**  
*When* 6:00 PM  
*Where* Georgia Southern Museum (Sweetheart Circle) with Follow-up at Kböb-Kelly's (South Main St.)  
*Features* Induction Ceremony for New Members • then "Fish 'n' Chips 'n' Fellowship" • Live Irish Music Possible

**Please Note: Our April Terminal Thursday will be on 23<sup>rd</sup> April (not 30<sup>th</sup> April) in Room 2048, Russell Union**