



## Public Service Announcement

*for immediate release*

### No Shenanigans! It's the Shamrock Supper

**Newport, OR** - Newport-based Celtic Heritage Alliance (CHA) is celebrating all things Irish during its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual "Shamrock Supper" on Saturday, March 15, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., at the Shilo Inn Ballroom (Newport).

The Supper will feature tasty traditional Irish fare with corned beef and cabbage accompanied by Irish soda bread, boiled potatoes & parsley sauce, with mashed carrots & parsnips. Among the many tasty temptations presented to accompany this festive feast; a delectable bread pudding or apple crisp for dessert!

Between courses, Irish Whiskey (as opposed to Scotch Whisky) connoisseurs will enjoy five exceptional tastings from the Emerald Isle along with short educational vignettes about Irish heritage and culture, music and song presented by the Wayne Plourde and Norm Halsey as returning guest hosts, *The Rusty Rovers*. The poetry of *William Butler Yeats* will also be a feature, along with a rousing "Pub Quiz" and special performances of Irish Dancing by *An Daire Academy of Irish Dance* (Corvallis).

"Due to overwhelming popularity of our outreach events, we have had to expand to a larger venue" said Susan Spencer, CHA Vice President, who is organizing the event. "Saint Patrick's Day is a time when all Irish immigrants and Americans with Irish heritage gather to celebrate their common bond and, when over 36 million Americans can claim Irish roots, it becomes apparent how important it is to stay connected with our culture through events just like this."

The Shamrock Supper is CHA's last fundraising event before the third annual Newport Celtic Festival and Highland Games, scheduled for June 13-15, 2014 at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds.

Tickets: \$35 for the Shamrock Supper + \$25 for the Irish Whiskey Tasting (includes live entertainment).

Your ticket purchase serves as a fundraiser for the benefit of the Celtic Heritage Alliance, a 501(c) 3 charitable non-profit organization and member of the Oregon Cultural Trust.

For event details, or to purchase tickets online, visit [www.newportcelticfestival.com](http://www.newportcelticfestival.com). Tickets by phone; call 541-961-7696.

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**CHA - Shamrock Supper Broadcast PSA (:30)**

Run from 12 February - 15 March 2014

(up-tempo Irish music up for :02, then under voiceover)

Connect with your Irish heritage with the Celtic Heritage Alliance during its 2nd annual fundraiser: the "Shamrock Supper" on Saturday, March 15th at 6:30 pm at the Shilo Inn Ballroom in Newport. Lovers of the Emerald Isle: come together for traditional fare, music, Irish dancing, the best of Yeats and an Irish Whiskey tasting as an extra treat.

For tickets, visit [Newport-Celtic-Festival-dot-com](http://Newport-Celtic-Festival-dot-com), or 541-961-7696

Let the shenanigans begin!

(music up and fade at :30).

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