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Toward the Centennial and Beyond...



First, we want to assure everyone that plans for making 07' the Best Ever proceed apace. We fully expect to see every event at its best this year and we hope to see you all back for our last big hoorah before the Centennial.

Now. About the Centennial. Here on campus, we stand ready to provide all the support and energy we possibly can to make the 100th Saint Pats a spectacular event to which every board alum can bring family, meet with old classmates, and take part in a variety of events designed both to recall and to celebrate anew the spirit that has made the Best Ever the best College celebration in the nation. Although we don't want to overshadow '99, we also want to be clear with everyone that the current Board and campus are not prepared to do this alone. The class of '08 now has 16 members and is working hard to get as big an '09 class as possible but our numbers are small compared to much of the past. What is more, although we operated in the black this year for the first time in a decade, we will

need help with outside funding if we are to see the kind of Centennial celebration that we believe you all want.

The time has come when we really need a strong effort by Board Alumni to help make this happen. If you are willing to become part of our planning effort, there are several ways you can help.

First, the Board will be hosting a Centennial planning meeting on Saturday morning during Homecoming festivities this year. If you are interested and able to attend, please let us know you're coming by contacting David Luttrell ('05, e-mail: dsl7a3@umr.edu, cell: 573-578-6329).

Second, we plan to establish Alumni committees to plan and, in coordination with '08, '09, and the campus, to execute appropriate commemorative and celebratory events. If you are willing to serve on one of these committees, please send an e-mail or call John Gantner ('05, e-mail: jcgb6f@umr.edu, cell: 618-977-6233).

Third, two years ago, with the help of Dan Hinkle ('73), the University and the Board established a Saint Pat's Celebration Fund. Money donated to the university and specifically earmarked for the Saint Pats Fund provide a means for you to make tax-deductible donations that are restricted to use only for funding the celebration in perpetuity. Mike Gross ('88) has agreed to serve as the initial focal point for a fund-raising drive and is leading an effort to contact and enlist the aid of every living Saint Pat in building this fund. It will be used not only to ensure that the Centennial celebration is spectacular, but also to ensure that UMR always has a Best Ever celebration.

So, in sum, we need planners, workers and donors. We know old Board Reps are pretty good at all three. Please let us hear from you.

Dan Kienitz, President
Lance Haynes, Advisor



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President's Article

I would like to start off by thanking all of the alumni that came down and supported the 98th Annual BEST EVER! The celebration was once again great and can be made even better. Last year the St. Pat's Board put on the Grateful Board concert after the parade. We are going to continue on with the concert and hope it continues to add to the celebration. With the semester started, the junior reps have already begun working and thinking on ways to improve the celebration. The junior rep class is big and ready to continue the tradition. We have already started recruiting the next baby rep class that will be putting on the centennial. With all of the enthusiasm going around, this upcoming St. Pat's will truly be the

BEST EVER. Last year was Chancellor Carney's first St. Pat's here at UMR. He is very supportive of the celebration and told me he wants to help us any way he can. This is encouraging news for the St. Pat's Board and the future of the greatest tradition in the history of UMR. If you ever find yourself in Rolla on a Thursday evening, our meetings are now in Fulton 227 at 8:00 pm due to the ME Annex demolition. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at (573) 364-6434 and drktg2@umr.edu.

Greenly,
Dan Kienitz
President

We're on the web at <http://web.umr.edu/~stpats>

Merchandise Sales

There shouldn't be any concern for this year's merchandise because every item will be the best it has ever been. It can rain and it can snow but the sun will shine in the eyes of every St. Pat's Board rep selling sweatshirts on Saturday. I look forward to a prosperous year of sales and hope all the alumni can experience the joy of purchasing a brand new 2007 St. sweatshirt this spring.

Ray Beezley
Sales Manager

Gonzo and Games

Although called by a different name than many years ago, the tradition that is Gonzo & Games remains: Everyone from around campus and town gather to have the Best Ever. A great turnout as everyone knows is supported by a great cudgel turnout. This is why I will be relentlessly checking up on everyone's cudgels as early and often as possible. In addition to cudgel judging and the cudgel carry, other competitions such as volleyball and the shillelagh toss will remain from previous years. I intend to bring more physical and team based games to Gonzo this year that are still in the works. Games that pit large portions of houses against each other in competition is my idea of a great Gonzo & Games. I look forward to the great turnout in 2007 and even more so the cudgels that will draw everyone.

Greenly, Doug Hunsicker

Local Sales

Days are getting a little chillier making it perfect sweatshirt weather. As you can guess, it's that time of the year again. With Homecoming right around the corner we're kicking off town sales on October 21. So stop by one of our sales locations clearly marked with a sign reading "St. Pat's Green Sold Here" or catch one of us on Saturday, all over Rolla proudly selling our awesome sweatshirts. So if when you're in town don't hesitate to pickup a brand new sweatshirt so you'll be ready for the 99th Annual. This year sales should be the best ever!

Local Sales
Kiernan Shea



Campus Sales

Homecoming is approaching quickly, which means we are all busy getting ready to start sales. Sales look to be very promising this year with great new merchandise ideas and a completely new way of carrying and displaying merchandise with a new Campus Sales road box. This road box is basically a store on wheels that will allow us to be able to move merchandise quickly from one location to another, which will help out greatly during the hectic week of St. Pat's. We are also anxious to be able to anchor the sales canopy with the road box, since the wind has caused problems with the sales canopy in years past. This year looks to be great for sales and filled with great improvement, which will make this year's, St. Pat's the BEST EVER!

Danny Ryan
Campus Sales

Special Sales

It's that time of year again, and the new designs and merchandise are better than the last! Now we are taking sales to a whole new level. We are extending the market beyond just selling at businesses and running daily sales, the push for custom designed sweatshirts is the focus for this year. Instead of students just buying a plain sweatshirt on campus, they can get a custom design one from one of our many organizations that we will be pushing to purchase sweatshirts. Same for our local businesses, no longer will they just sell our sweatshirts, but they will wear them with their own custom design. With the centennial being so close, the push for sweatshirt sales is greater than ever!

Special Sales
Elliott Giles

Parade Fund

The St. Pat's parade has always been a big part of the celebration every year. This year is no exception. Each year we try to add new attractions into the parade. A crucial part of the parade and the entire celebration are the donations we receive from local businesses. Good organization and participation will help tremendously in encouraging people to donate. Expanding our coverage to some major businesses in Columbia, St. Louis, or surrounding areas could also be a big factor in the amount of donations we receive. Finally, if a store owner doesn't want to make a monetary donation we talk with them and see if we can get some tools, paint, or other things we could really use to make this year the best ever.



Darrin Smith
Parade Fund



Recruitment

With the beginning of a new school year comes the beginning of a vital part of the St. Pats Board, RECRUITMENT. This year we have a harder task than years before because the students that we get to join will be Junior Reps next year for the 100th Annual, so they will be putting on the biggest Celebration the City of Rolla has ever seen. I am confident that with the help of all of the Board members still currently in school that we can accomplish the goal of recruiting a class worthy of putting on the 100th Annual.

Philip Ford
Recruitment

Follies

Follies is in charge of Monday through Wednesday events at the puck as well as providing the Board with a good laugh through the year. This year's Follies will include some of your old time favorites such as greenest person as well as some new events you will have to wait to see. The art of getting a good laugh out of people is often underrated.

Paul Voss
Follies

Local/Campus Pub

This year I have extremely high hopes and expectations for all Pubs. I 'am trying to get more green up around campus through fliers, and banners. As for the town I 'am trying to get more involvement in the community through fliers and poster all over Pine St. and at local businesses around Rolla. As for State and Nat. Pub I'm trying to get a power point show at a Springfield, and St. Louis movie theater. I' am also going to get radio stations in Columbia, St. Louis, Kirksville, Springfield, and possibly Kansas City. I want to get the word out on St. Pat's and I will go where ever I need to go to get the job done.

Greenly, Tyler Baker

Costumes

This is a good year for costumes as we are currently in the process of designing new formal Master Guard and Guard costumes. I am working with Lance Haynes and Dottye Wolf to fabricate the best looking Master Guard and Guard costumes yet. I have new informal shields, new boot guards, and a new spear head mold. I am currently seeking resources to replace the formal shields, as they are due for replacing. Everything is running smoothly for my committee. Time to start getting ready as the Best Ever 99th annual is less than 200 days away.

Adam King
Costumes

Fundraising

For the BEST EVER 2007 the board has created a new committee with hopes of great success. With the 100th St. Pats near the Fundraising Committee will hopefully become another source of money for the board just like sales. If this committee is done right then the Board should see a fundraising event per month. Events are working at the Savvis Center, a poker tournament, and maybe a homecoming BBQ. Along with raising money for the Board, we will try and draw more support to the best organization on campus.

Jared Harrison
Fundraising

Blarney Club

As the fall semester begins, preparations are well under way for the Best Ever St. Pat's 2007. However, if we are truly going to make this year the Best Ever, we need your help! While we greatly appreciate donations in any amount, now is your chance to become a member of the exclusive St. Patrick's Blarney Club. This year's Blarney Club members wearing the shamrock lapel pin will receive exclusive reserved seating at the 2007 Coronation Knighting Ceremony and your membership will be recognized during the ceremony by St. Patrick himself. Upon receipt of your membership donation, the St. Pat's Committee will send you the unique Shamrock Lapel pin. All that is required for this year's membership is a donation of \$35.00. If you are interested in donating and becoming a member of the Blarney Club: Email Anna Trumble at aetq48@umr.edu

Anna Trumble
Blarney/Century Club

Float and Parade

This year I will continue to build on the tradition of high school marching bands participating in the parade. Though last year four bands came to the parade I think that I can build on that and have even more attend the parade. I just need to snag the principals and I will have the band directors by the balls. I would like to try and get more military vehicles involved in the parade as well. Call it a tribute to or just patriotism but as long as city regulations don't stop me from getting tracked vehicles in, they will hopefully be in the parade. Lastly, I am working to get a bagpipe band to march in the parade. I don't know when the last time a piping band was in the parade, but if I can help it this years parade will have one.

Float and Parade
Michael Guerin

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