Boys of the Lough

Thursday, March 13, 2003
8 pm at the Barrymore Theatre
2090 Atwood Ave., Madison

The Boys of the Lough are returning to Madison after more than a decade. Their unique blend of Irish, Scottish, and Shetland musical traditions has delighted audiences since the late Sixties and secured them a privileged position in the pantheon of great Celtic touring groups, most of whom have followed in their wake. These impeccable musicians present an exciting mix of evocative songs, slow airs, and rousing dance tunes with dynamic arrangements and a spontaneous wit that make each performance a singular experience. The current line-up features founding members Cathal McConnell and Dave Richardson joined by the incomparable Brendan Begley of County Kerry, Malcolm Stitt from the Scottish Highlands, and Kevin Henderson, a brilliant young Shetland fiddler.

Tickets are $16 in advance or $18 day of show and are available at:
- Barrymore Theatre, on-line at www.barrymorelive.com, or call and charge at (608) 241-8633
- B-Side Discs (State St.)
- Deep Grooves (E. Johnson St.)
- Exclusive Company (State St. & High Point)
- Green Earth (Atwood & Middleton locations)
- Magic Mill (University Ave.)
- Orange Tree Imports (Monroe St.)
- Spruce Tree Music (E. Johnson St.)
- Strictly Discs (Monroe St.)
- Star Liquor (Williamson St.)

For further information call (608) 251-1072 or e-mail <cma@celticmadison.org>.

St. Pat’s Eve Festival

Sunday, March 16, 2003
3 pm to about 8 pm
Park Ponderosa Ballroom in McFarland

Come celebrate spring and Irish culture with music, dance, fun, and friends. In front of the stage you can dance, socialize, or just sit down and enjoy the shows. This year’s festival features so many performers that we’ve extended the event by starting one hour earlier. Family-oriented activities include a supervised creative corner, face painting, a family dance, and the Irish blessings and curses!

Schedule
3:00  Trinity Academy Irish step dancers
3:30  Keltori with Navan
4:00  Family dance with live music
4:45  Irish blessings and curses
5:00  StoneRing
5:30  Cashel-Dennehy School of Irish Dance with Public House Ceili Band
6:00  The Snug with Jeremy O’Sullivan
6:30  Americay
7:00  Irish dance with the Flying Cow Ceili Band and dance callers for ceili and set dances.

Admission is $5 for adults and $2 for kids under 12. Park Ponderosa is at 5100 Erling Ave., McFarland, Wisconsin. From Madison, take 51 south to the Siggelkow exit. Turn right. Travel one block to a four-way stop, then follow the road around Brandt Park, turning left when you see the Green Lantern. Park Ponderosa serves beverages and fresh, hot food.
Spring 2003 Celtic Events

Event details, as well as many more Celtic events in our area, are posted on-line constantly at www.celticmadison.org. The following events are merely those posted by mid February. Items in **bold print** are brought to you by your Celtic Music Association.

Feb. 28: Altan at Barrymore Theatre
Mar. 1: Learn Irish and Breton dances and listen to Public House Ceili Band and Keltori at the International Folk Ball
Mar. 1: St. David's Day Luncheon and Gymanfa Ganu with the Cambrian Heritage Society in Madison
Mar. 5: Saw Doctors at Luther's Blues
Mar. 8: Learn Irish dances to live music at Dance Alive
Mar. 10: Regular Irish ceilí/set dance at Wil-Mar
Mar. 11-16: Riverdance at the Civic Center
**Mar. 13: Boys of the Lough at Barrymore Theatre**
Mar. 15: Americay in Spring Green
Mar. 15: Navan in Mazomanie
Mar. 15: StoneRing in Milwaukee
Mar. 15: Public House Ceili Band dance in Milwaukee
Mar. 16: St. Patrick's parade in Madison
Mar. 16: Harper Rolliana Scheckler at Olbrich Gardens
**Mar. 16: St. Pat's Eve Festival in McFarland**
Mar. 16: Americay in Beloit
Mar. 17: Irish poet Cathal Ó Searcaigh reads in Madison
Mar. 17: Keltori, Navan, Snug, West Wind at Harmony Bar
Mar. 17: StoneRing in Middleton
Mar. 17: Tommy Makem in Stoughton
Mar. 24: Regular Irish ceilí/set dance at Wil-Mar
Mar. 29: West Wind in Racine
Apr. 6: Cambrian Heritage Society in Madison
Apr. 9: Film The Last Storyteller in Madison
Apr. 14: Regular Irish ceilí/set dance at Wil-Mar
Apr. 20: Night of Storytelling in Madison
Apr. 28: Joe Show in Palmyra
Apr. 28: Regular Irish ceilí/set dance at Wil-Mar
**May 9: Randal Bays and Daithi Sproule in Madison**
May 17: Fitchburg Days Festival
June 14: Cambrian Heritage Society picnic in Middleton

St. Patrick's Day Parade in Madison on March 16

Hundreds of people wearing green will “March to the Harp” at the 6th annual Greater Madison Community St. Patrick’s Day Parade. The parade will begin at 1:30 pm on the Capitol Square at the corner of N. Pinckney and E. Mifflin Streets. Governor Doyle is this year's Grand Marshal. The Flag of Ireland Raising Ceremony will begin at 12:00 noon in the Capitol rotunda, hosted by the Shamrock Club of Dane County. Family groups, schools, bands, clubs, unions, poets are encouraged to join the fun and carry banners, join contests, build and bring a parade float, march with your school or community group, or surprise us with your idea. (608) 283-7869.