



James Joyce Irish Pub
2025 Half-Way to St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser

Dear Friend,

The James Joyce Irish Pub is proud to host the **8th Annual Half-Way to St. Patrick's Day Celebration** on **Saturday, September 13th, 2025**. This festive event continues our tradition of supporting the **Band of Brothers Pipes and Drums** and their important mission.

The Band of Brothers was established in 2002 and is comprised of 40 dedicated members representing 22 fire departments from across Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana. The band proudly honors a nearly 200-year fire service tradition by traveling to and performing at line-of-duty death funerals for their fallen Brothers and Sisters. Among the members are two of Berwyn's own retired firefighters, **Tony Laureto** and **Jerry Stechmiller**, who serve as bagpipers for the band.

This fundraiser plays a vital role in helping the band continue their mission, and **we invite you to join us as a sponsor** to help keep this proud tradition alive.

Event Highlights:

- **Street Closure** from Maple to Harlem Avenues
- **Tent and Outdoor Stage Setup**
- Live performances by **Irish Dancers, Irish Folk Singers**, and the **Band of Brothers Pipes and Drums**
- **Traditional Irish Food & Atmosphere**

Sponsorship Levels:

- **Kiss the Blarney Stone** – \$100
- **The Irish Tenor** – \$200
- **The Celtic Dancer** – \$500
- **The Claddagh Ring** – \$750
- **The Leprechaun** – \$1,000

All sponsors will be recognized on the James Joyce website and with live mentions during the event.

Please make checks payable to:
The James Joyce Irish Pub

Your support will directly contribute to the band's travel, equipment, and performance needs. We thank you in advance for your generosity and hope you'll join us for a day filled with Irish spirit, community, and celebration.

Sincerely,
Colin Downes & Brendan White
Band of Brothers Pipes and Drums