

Lincoln businesses offer St. Pat's Day festivities

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Despite the fact that this St. Patrick's Day falls on a Sunday, Lincoln businesses have planned a variety of weekend entertainment to celebrate it properly.

Most plant shops are stocking shamrock plants. The cheapest I found were from Danielson Florist, 127 S. 13th St., for \$3.75. They also offer Oxalis plants, which roughly resemble clover, for \$3.75. Most florists also offer green carnations ranging in price from \$1 at House of Flowers, 226 S. 11th St., to \$1.50 at University Floral, 118 N. 14th St.

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church and the Newman Center, 320 N. 16th St., Sunday will have their 15th annual brunch centered on a St. Patrick's theme. The brunch will feature some Irish foods, along with games and homemade goods for sale. The brunch is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the cost is \$4 for adults.

Most bars, such as O'Rourke's, 121 N. 14th St., and Duffy's, 1412 O St., will offer green beer on request, but many aren't going all out because of the shortened bar hours on Sundays. Some restaurants and bars are, however, offering some compelling entertainment.

H.B. Brand's Restaurant and Patoots Saloon, 800 P St., will have "Worst Irish Tenor" contest tonight. Cost is \$2. The contest winner will receive a free trip for two to the Tubbery and dinner at H.B. Brand's. Friday and Saturday night they are serving Mickey's beer for 99 cents, Irish import beers — Guinness and Harp — and Irish cream and coffee drinks.

The Skylight Bistro, 235 N. 11th St.,

will serve its regular Irish drinks and Chris Sayre will play from 9 p.m. to closing Friday and Sunday nights, featuring Irish folk music.

The following restaurants and bars also will offer St. Patrick's Day specials throughout the weekend:

Bill's Saloon, 1020 P St., will serve Irish Whiskeys of the variety of Old Bushmill and Jameson for \$1, and an Irish Kiss, a green drink made of orange juice and blue curacao for \$1, along with green beer and Irish music on the juke box.

Brittany's Grand Edibles, 227 N. Ninth St., will offer green beer draws for 55 cents, corned beef and cabbage for \$3.95 and Irish stew for \$3.95.

The Lucky Lady, 1033 O St., in the lower level of the Gold's Galleria Building, will offer a mystical Irish punch for \$1.25 a glass Saturday night. There also will be a special appearance by a leprechaun, a blarney stone to kiss for luck and lip-sync performances.

Chesterfield, Bottomsley & Potts, 245 N. 13th St., will offer two-fers on hamburgers and special Irish drinks. B & the Hot Notes are playing Sunday night. No cover.

Desserts 222, 222 S. 13th St., will offer special St. Patrick's Day cakes starting at \$11.50 and specially decorated desserts.

Dinsdale's Restaurant and Lounge, 1228 P St., will offer specially priced drinks Friday and Saturday night with more than 10 Irish drinks to choose from. Saturday night the bar will give Irish hats to lucky people.

Grandmother's, 201 Sunvalley Blvd., will offer corned beef and cabbage for \$3.75, buy one sandwich get another one of equal or lesser price for \$1, and green beer on request on Sunday.



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The Lincoln Exchange, 132 S. 13th St., will offer poached salmon for \$11, donny brooke trout for \$10.95, north atlantic fruits de mer for \$8.75, mulligan stew for \$7.50, cork country chicken for \$8.50 and corned beef and cabbage for \$6.25 Friday and Saturday nights. A Dixieland Band, "The Red Stompers," will play Saturday night from 6 to 10 p.m.

Phil's Cafe, 2630 Orchard St., will serve corned beef and cabbage for \$3.25.

Sidetrack, Seventh and P streets, will serve green beer starting Friday at 5 p.m. and will have a party and Irish drinks Sunday from 6 to 11 p.m.

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