

## CEILIDH | Ireland dances to Kirksville

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Harker teaches ceilidh dance this semester, and she will teach set dance beginning next semester. Both are one-credit classes taken through the exercise science division.

She began Irish dancing in graduate school 12 years ago. She said many of her friends were Irish, so when they danced at parties, she learned as well.

"And then when I came out [to Kirksville], and nobody else was teaching [Irish dancing], I picked [the class] up," Harker said.

Harker said ceilidh means party, and ceilidh dancing is known as a social dance.

She said the roots go back to a prerecorded time, but modern Irish dancing began in the late 19th century. Many different people came together to put on the first ceilidh, and they wrote down dances and made up new ones.

"It was part of a national renewal of Irish culture," Harker said.

She said Riverdance stemmed from the ceilidh dance.

"Riverdance is kind of the step dance as well, the same kind of footwork," Harker said. "So essentially it's new. [Irish dancing is] really only about 150 years old, but the tradition goes way, way, way back."

There is another tradition of dance that comes from Irish dancing, she said.

"It's called the American square dance," she said. "It's a set dance, and it's performed in sets of eight people. And it goes back to the 18th century."

She said other dances might be more popular in Ireland.

"When Irish mercenaries were coming home from various wars, Napoleonic wars and so forth, they brought these Polish and French dances back with them to Ireland," she said. "And that's probably more popular in Ireland than ceilidh dances."

Ceilidh club meets at 6 p.m. every Wednesday in Baldwin Hall 303. New members are welcome and no experience is required.



Nursing Kickoff by Chris Waller

Nursing students watch videos introducing the new nursing majors on Thursday night in the Georgian Room of the Student Union Building. The party was a part of the annual Welcome Wind-up for freshman nursing students.

## Family Day Schedule of Events

Oct. 8

### Parent Seminars

9 to 9:50 a.m. and 10 to 10:50 a.m.

SUB Alumni Room

and

SUB Governors Room

### Presidential Welcome

11 a.m. • Baldwin Auditorium

### Tailgate Lunch

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. • Red Barn Park

### Second Annual Community Day

2 to 8 p.m. • Quadrangle

### Extras

Alfred and Seymour

8 p.m. • Baldwin Auditorium

Red Barn Arts & Crafts Festival

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. • Downtown Kirksville

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## RED BARN | Works submitted for judging, displayed for purchase at arts festival

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She said she might bring some beads to her booth for those who want to make their own jewelry for a small price to give her display a more interactive feel.

Aurand said she never has had anything in a judged competition and decided it would be a good experience for her. She said she is hopeful she will win one of the two cash awards but isn't sure of her chances.

"I have no idea because I don't know what the competition is or anything, but I'm just having fun with what I'm making," Aurand said.

In addition to the student art, the other two art categories, fine arts and country crafts, feature any artists who submit their work to be juried prior to the festival.

Cragg said she did not have to reject any applicants this year.

"The quality of the applications that we got was just wonderful," she said.

There are not specific requirements for the artwork, Cragg said.

"It just needs to be a fairly high quality of artifact, something that requires an amount of skill and that makes a nice presentation, and that will be appealing to people who come," she said.

Alisha Vincent, an internationally recognized fiber artist, will judge the fine arts and student art divisions, and Pat Green, a retired Kirksville art teacher, will judge the country crafts division, Cragg said.

Cragg said the festival includes several components in addition to the art booths. Food vendors will sell cotton candy, funnel cakes, barbecue, kettle corn, pizza and other festival-type food, she said.

Entertainment during the day includes performances by two dance studios and several musicians. Cragg said two of the artists also will provide official demonstrations for any attendants who want to observe.

Several artists give unofficial demonstrations of their craft within their booths, including quilt square production, wood turning, caricatures and ceramics.

The festival also will include a children's corner, Cragg said.

"We have always had a little children's activity area," she said. "This year we decided, after kind of researching it and seeing what some other festivals in the state have, we wanted to really beef it up and just expand it."

Several people were involved in the almost yearlong planning of the festival, Cragg said.

Senior Sarah Rutherford created the Kirksville Arts Association's Web site, which provides all the information about the Red Barn Arts and Crafts Festival. She also produced one of the fliers circulating around campus.

Rutherford said she will not display any of her artwork at the festival.

"The things that I've produced are either so dear to me because they took so much time, or I just didn't have enough," she said.

Rutherford said the Kirksville Arts Association is a wonderful organization, and she encourages students to become more involved.

"[The members] are very stretched with their efforts, and so if we open the pool up to students, that is a pool that is constantly going to be refreshing itself," she said.

Cragg said the efforts of her committee members and community volunteers will be apparent Saturday.

"As far as the experience goes, I think that if the weather holds out, it will be a delightful experience for anyone who comes downtown that day," Cragg said. "It's just a lot of fun. And even if the weather is a little bit colder, a little bit wetter than you would want, we'll still be there. We don't cancel because of rain."

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Red Barn Chairwoman

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