The Art of Ceilidh

So essentially [Irish dancing is] new. It's really only 150 years old, but the tradition goes way, way, way, back. —Christine Harker

Kirksville takes a dose of Irish culture, music

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It's hard to say Kirksville lacks in culture after last weekend's performance.

The Thousand Hills Highland Games and Festival introduced not only challenges of physical strength and endurance but traditional Irish dancing as well. Christine Harker, associate professor of English, performed Irish music with a band while students from herceilidh dance class and members of the Councill Club performed. Students also turned in part of the ceilidh class, "a night out of existence, it's really, really fun," said sophomore Bethany Aurand.

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