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ENGLEWOOD — Father Son and Friends, a local Celtic/Folk band, performs across the United States throughout the year, but stick close to home around March 17, with a marathon of performances leading up to St. Patrick's Day that any Irishman would envy.

This year, the band's nearly ten-day run of pub-and-club shows includes stops at the Dublin Pub, the Milton Athletic Club, Peaches Bar and Grill, Harrigan's Tavern, the new Mulligan's Irish Pub in Piqua, and the Dorothy Love Retirement Center Variety Concert Series in Sidney.

The band consists of Joey Hall (Father), Shawn Hall (Son), and a wide array of friends that offer instruments like Guitar, Fiddle, Irish Tenor Banjo, Penny Whistle, Mandolin and Bagpipes.

"We play everything from sad Irish Ballads like 'Danny Boy' to let's-get-up-and-fight-something-English songs like 'Whiskey in the Jar,'" Shawn said. "Our fans call this time of year 'the second holiday season,'" laughs Shawn Hall, the "Son" of the band's name. "These St. Patrick's Day shows are when we blast off the

cobwebs and get ready for our touring season."

Father Son and Friends travel to many Celtic, folk and renaissance festivals beginning in the spring, and lasting through late fall each year. After a break for the Christmas holidays, the band tends to look toward the new touring season with an eye toward new songs and tunes they plan to incorporate into their shows in the year.

Folks who attend the St. Patrick's Day celebrations featuring Father Son and Friends will hear songs, like "Danny Boy," that, to many, make the holiday Irish, but may also hear the band try out some "new" old songs and arrangements that are sure to become band and crowd favorites.

The traditional Irish-Scottish music group, from Dayton, Ohio, has welcomed many fine musicians to their roster since forming in 1989; with Father, Joey Hall, and Son, Shawn Hall, the mainstays of the band. Friends from near and far come in for the St. Patrick's Day shows. At any given time, you could see John Lardinois (of the Dayton Philharmonic) on fiddle, Bart

The Father Son and Friends St. Patrick's Schedule

March 9: Dublin Pub 9 p.m.-Midnight Dayton
 March 10: Harrigan's Tavern 6-8 p.m. Kettering
 March 14: Mulligan's Irish Pub 8-10 p.m. Piqua
 March 15: Milton Athletic Club 7-10 p.m. Dayton
 March 16: Peach's Bar and Grill 2:30-5 p.m. Yellow Springs
 March 16: DLRC Variety Series 7-8:30 p.m. Sidney Amos Community Center
 March 17: Harrigan's Tavern 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Kettering
 March 17: Dublin Pub 2-6 p.m. Dayton
 March 17: Harrigan's Tavern 8 p.m.-midnight, Kettering

Cason (of the band Dulahan) on percussion, Sue Tillotson on fiddle, Erich Reith on percussion, Stephanie Garner on whistle, and John Johnston on mandolin, as well as the McGovern Ceili Dancers.

No matter who sits in, the band continues its tradition of performing energetic shows that keep their audiences involved and entertained with humorous stories, traditional Celtic songs, shanties, jigs and reels, as well as some good ol' Irish tear-jerking ballads.

Hibernians plan event

The Montgomery County Chapters of the Men's and Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians will sponsor its annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration from 3-10 p.m. Saturday, March 16, at the Dayton IUE - CWA Local 755 Hall, located at 1675 Woodman Drive in

Dayton. Musical entertainment will feature the Celtic band "Sons O' Blarney", and the toe-tapping dancers from the Celtic Academy of Irish Dance, the McGovern Ceili (pronounced "Kay-Lee") Dancers, and the Dwyer School

of Irish Dance. Traditional Celtic and American food and beverages will be provided, and all are invited.

For ticket information, contact Maura Dashewich at 937-901-4738.

Philharmonic Youth Strings to perform

The Youth Strings will perform their Spring Concert on March 10 at 3 p.m. at the Dayton Art Institute, 456 Belmonte Park North in Dayton and feature works by William Boyce, Beethoven and David Stone. Admission is free but tickets must be reserved by calling 224-3521 ext. 1136.

"Opening the Youth Strings concert on March 10 will be music from the court of Queen Elizabeth I, played in Renaissance style. Another offering from Great Britain is Boyce's Symphony #1, a baroque masterpiece," said Dr. Betsey Hofeldt, Youth Strings conductor. "Closing the program is a Miniature Quartet by David Stone, a living composer and educator from England. His style is tonal, yet graced with 20th century flavors of dissonance and impressionism."

For the first time in its history, the Youth Strings will perform music of Beethoven, the scherzo movement from his string quartet in C Minor, filled with interplay between all the sections of the orchestra. The melancholic Intermezzo from Cavalleria Rusticana will feature both piano and the organ of the Renaissance Auditorium along with the strings. This favorite from the operatic repertoire has one of the most spiritually soaring melodies from the Romantic period.

DPO to hold auditions for youth strings

Calling all student musicians! The Dayton Performing Arts Alliance is pleased to announce auditions and two concert dates for the Dayton Philharmonic Youth Orchestra and Dayton Philharmonic Youth Strings.

"Each year, our Youth Orchestras



offer talented, young musicians the opportunity to perform fine orchestral literature and further develop their musical talents, said Gloria Pugh, Director of Education for the DPAA. "Working with professional musicians, the culmination will be three concert performances by the Youth Orchestra and two concerts by the Youth Strings." Audition dates for both orchestras are April 13, 14, May 4 and 11 for the 2013-2014 Season at Reichard Hall at the University of Dayton. To schedule an audition time, applicants must phone the Dayton Performing Arts Alliance at (937) 224-3521 ext. 1136 or ext. 1118.

About the Dayton Philharmonic Youth Strings

Established in 1982 with the support of Mrs. Virginia Kettering, the mission of the Dayton Philharmonic Youth Strings is to provide musical enrichment and advanced concert experience for string students in grades 6 through 12. The Youth Strings consists of 67 students representing 28 different schools from the Greater Dayton area. Students in the Junior String Orchestra perform challenging original string literature. Regularly performing winter and spring concerts,

the Youth Strings often performs additional concerts throughout the year for senior centers and at community events. About the Dayton Philharmonic Youth Strings Conductor

Dr. Betsey Hofeldt received her Bachelor of Music Education degree from St. Olaf College in Minnesota in 1978 and her Master of Music degree in violin performance from the University of Illinois in Urbana in 1980 under the tutelage of Paul Rolland and Sergiu Luca. She earned her doctoral degree in violin performance from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music in 2000, where her principal teachers were Naoka Tanaka and Won Bin Yim. Shirley Givens at the Aspen Music Festival is also one of her principal teachers.

Since 1988, Dr. Hofeldt has been a member of the first violin section of the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra. Prior to coming to the DPO, Dr. Hofeldt performed with the Virginia Symphony, the Ohio Chamber Orchestra, the Toledo Symphony, and the Omaha Symphony. Since 1991, Betsey has performed as a member of the Hofeldt-Phillips Trio throughout the Miami Valley.

Supreme court hears landmark school case

Many constitutional scholars, education officials, and religious leaders are looking to the Ohio Supreme Court regarding a possible landmark case decision dealing with the doctrine of separation of church and state.

The Founding Fathers had several different viewpoints of how religion and government should interact. The overarching concern was not to have a national religion due to the diverse religions present in the colonies. The Founders keenly looked to the history of the world regarding interaction of religion and government realizing the possible issues. They did not want to take religious beliefs out of society, rather they opted to protect each entity from one another as much as possible.

Under the U.S. Constitution, the treatment of religion by our government is broken into two clauses in the First Amendment, the establishment clause and the free exercise clause. The Establishment Clause has generally been interpreted to prohibit the establishment of a national religion by Congress, or the preference by the U.S. government of one religion over another. This applies to all government actors, including all states under the

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Fourteenth Amendment.

The issue of law the seven Ohio justices may have to answer is did John Freshwater, an 8th-grade public school science teacher, firing for presenting religious doctrine in his science class violate the teacher's free speech and freedom of religion under the First Amendment.

Freshwater claims the school district violated his First Amendment rights and he had academic freedom to teach. The school district disagrees and counters saying the Establishment Clause forbid government to endorse religion. The school had a duty not to violate the law.

According to the Mount Vernon school district, Freshwater's speech was made pursuant to his duties as an employee for the school and the school had to ensure their employee did not violate the law. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in Garcetti that public employees

have no free speech rights when they speak pursuant to their official duties. The Sixth Circuit ruled when teachers go to work they act not as individuals but rather as a government employee.

In Freshwater, he repeatedly taught religion in his classroom by invoking creationism and taught what he considered "gaps" in the curriculum. He filled the gaps by referring students to specific Web sites, providing handouts, and bibles in the classroom.

Second, according to the school, Freshwater's teaching methods were against the school's policy and applicable academic content standards. Freshwater's employer, the Mount Vernon school district, had specific policies regarding their curriculum and the teaching of controversial issues. Oral arguments on the case was held on February 27, 2013. For more information on the case, go to supremecourt.ohio.gov

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