

**\*\* MEDIA ADVISORY \*\***  
**Adams County Irish Festival**  
**Saturday, July 17, 2010**

**What:** Adams County Irish Festival

**Where:** Gettysburg Moose Park, 100 Moose Road, located off Route 30 east of Gettysburg, PA

**When:** Saturday, July 17, from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**Who:** Irish Heritage Foundation of Gettysburg, [www.adamscountyirishfestival.com](http://www.adamscountyirishfestival.com)

The Irish Heritage Foundation of Gettysburg will present the 11th annual Adams County Irish Festival on Saturday, July 17, 2010. The event will run from 10 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. and will feature all things Irish – music, dance, food, merchandise and more. The Festival will be held, rain or shine, at Gettysburg Moose Park (100 Moose Road), located off US Route 30, approximately 1.5 miles east of the US Route 15 intersection.

Each year, the Adams County Irish Festival draws thousands to the shady grounds of Moose Park for Adams County's only Irish festival.

Making their Festival debut is this year's headliner, the Makem & Spain Brothers, who hail from New England, and bring their robust and hearty voices and instrumentation to a new generation of Irish folk music fans. Visitors to the Festival will also be entertained by regional favorites Irishtown Road, Kilshanny, and Barleyjuice, and will be introduced to new regional favorites, Raining Hearts and Rigadoo.

The Coyle School of Irish Dance and the Broesler School of Irish Dance will also be featured. Family entertainment by Tom Jolin, and storytelling by Kate Danaher, along with pipe, fiddle, whistle, and bodhran workshops round out the day. New this year are workshops on Irish Genealogy and Research offered by Mike Healy, from Reston, Va.

**Entertainment Schedule**

10:30-11 a.m. Tom Jolin – Children's Show (Glen Stage)  
11 a.m.-12 p.m. Kilshanny  
12-12:30 p.m. Opening Ceremony – Bagpiper Rodney Owens, Susquehanna Pipes and Drums, AOH-Armed Services Community Covenant  
12:30-1:30 p.m. Rigadoo  
2-3 p.m. Raining Hearts  
3-3:30 p.m. Broesler School of Irish Dance (Third Stage) & Storytelling (Glen Stage)  
3:30-4:30 p.m. Irishtown Road  
4:30-5:00p.m. Kate Danaher-Children's Tales & Tunes  
5-6 p.m. Makem & Spain Brothers  
6-6:30 p.m. Coyle School of Irish Dance (Third Stage)  
6:30-7:30 p.m. Barleyjuice  
12:30 & 4:30 p.m. Irish Genealogy Workshops by Mike Healy (at vendor's space)

Also at noon, during the opening ceremony, the Ancient Order of Hibernians will be signing a Community Covenant with the Armed Forces to support U.S. Service members and their families. Afterward, those attending the festival are invited to sign the covenant.

Proceeds from the Adams County Irish Festival benefit the Irish Heritage Foundation of Gettysburg, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, and the Conway Mill Trust, an Irish-American charity working for community redevelopment in Northern Ireland.

For a complete schedule of the day's events, and additional information on the Festival, visit [www.adamscountyirishfestival.com](http://www.adamscountyirishfestival.com)

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