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I Irish Network Arizona is part of IrishNetwork USA organization. Members connect with their peers and develop relationships
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LOS SAN PATRICIOS DE ARIZONA (ST. PATRICK’S BATTALION)
The organization honors the 150-year-old bond of friendship
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For information, please call 480-951-1152 or email
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NORTHERN ARIZONA CELTIC HERITAGE SOCIETY
The nonprofit organization is dedicated to presenting,
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the Arizona Highland Celtic Festival (July 20 & 21, 2019 in the
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PHOENIX ST. PATRICK’S DAY PARADE
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Formed in 1983, the Committee has the responsibility for
organizing the annual Phoenix St. Patrick’s Day Parade
and the Faire that follows, which are held on Saturday (the
closest before or falling on March 17); and the Arizona
Colleen Programs throughout the year. It is entirely volunteers
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SCOTTISH-AMERICAN MILITARY SOCIETY (SAMS), FLAGSTAFF
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TUCSON ST. PATRICK’S DAY PARADE AND FESTIVAL
Celebrating our 33rd year on March 15, 2020! The parade starts at 11am and winds through downtown Tucson ending up with a great festival at Armory Park from 10am until 6pm. Serving Guinness and Harp! Great food, Irish music and dance, a Kids’ Corner, face painting and much more! Established 1987. www.tucsonstpatricksday.com

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