

## No luck of the Irish needed at St. Patrick's Day event in Faraday



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The Faraday Recreation Committee's St. Patrick's Day party on March 15 had no need for the luck of the Irish as it was a big success. It attracted some 130 people out to enjoy the festivities, which in addition to green beer and full Irish regalia, included a performance by the Charlie Bird Band. Proceeds from the event went to support the Faraday Township Fire Department. Amanda Stone with the Faraday Recreation Committee and David Reed, guitarist with the Charlie Bird Band, comment on this wonderful evening. The Faraday Recreation Committee put on this St. Patrick's Day party with music by the Charlie Bird Band on March 15 at the Faraday Community Centre, with proceeds going to the Faraday Fire Department. Stone said that the preparations were going great on March 12 and they were ready for their St. Patrick's Day party. "We are excited to welcome our community to yet another fun event packed with live music, dancing and fun St. Patrick's Day swag!" she says. Reed said that Mary Brown with the Faraday Recreation Committee had reach out to them many months ago, to invite them to play at the St. Patrick's Day party on March 15. "We start at 9 p.m. We play mostly southern rock and rock with music by Neil Young, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Johnny Cash, The Rolling Stones, Tom Petty, and more. Charlie has been playing around this area for decades, and the core of the band has been together for nearly 20 years," he says. After the St. Patrick's Day party on March 16, Reed thought it was a great night. "We had a lot of fun playing. Friendly bunch of folks and a good sounding hall," he says. Stone told Bancroft This Week that they had around 130 people come by to enjoy the festivities the previous evening. "Everything went fantastic! We had such an amazing turnout, almost a sold-out event. So that's great," she says. "A great time was had by everyone and we can't wait to do it again!"