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A PUB BANS 'DANNY BOY' AS ST. PATRICK'S DAY NEARS.

The Osgood File. This is Dave Ross.

It's been a strange year already on so many levels. And now we must report to you that, on the grounds that it is consistently among the 25 most depressing songs ever written, Foley's Pub and Restaurant in Manhattan will prohibit any patron from singing "Danny Boy". for the rest of the month.

See, I always liked this song. Sure, it's depressing, but what do you expect with carbon dioxide levels as high as they are.

Oh no, Shaun Clancy at Foley's Pub has had enough.

SOT - Shaun Clancy, owner of Foley's Pub and Restaurant in New York City

"Initially what prompted the ban was 12 years spent bartending and being subjected to what is a beautiful Irish song being butchered over and over and over again."

Oh come on. This is America. Butchering songs with what we do!

But it's his bar, so he's decided to motivate his patrons to widen their musical horizons.

SOT - Shaun Clancy

"We're giving a free pint of Guinness to anybody who'll sing a different traditional Irish song."

Well, shouldn't be too hard to find. All you have to do is go on line and type "Irish" into the search box.

Let's try it, here we go: Here's a group called The Wolf Tones

That could all by itself make soccer popular in America.

Here you go: some Irish techno.

Oh, and I do like this one.

See, that's exactly how I feel after a shower with that Irish bath soap.

SOT - Shaun Clancy

"It's a bit of fun and it's a chance to let people know there's more to Ireland than Lucky Charms and Danny Boy."

I'll raise a pint to that.

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