



THE CORK REBEL



The County Cork B. P. & P. Association
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**2014
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MEETINGS:

Thursday, October 30th – 6:30 pm: Building Committee Meeting
Thursday, October 30th – 7:00 pm: Officers Meeting
Sunday, November 2nd – 2:30 pm: Cork Céilí & Trad Seisiún Committee Meeting
Sunday, November 2nd – 3:30 pm: General Membership Meeting

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Saturday, November 1st – The Mercy Center Gala Fundraiser, NY Irish Centre, Long Island City
Saturday, November 8th – Team Robert Browne Fundraiser, The Inn, Long Beach
Saturday, November 8th – County Louth Society Dinner Dance, Irish American Center, Mineola
Sunday, November 16th – Cork Céilí & Trad Seisiún and Fundraiser, Cork Hall
Sunday, December 14th – Cork Children’s Christmas Party, Cork Hall
Sunday, January 18th – Installation of Officers & Scholarship Dinner



President’s Message

“I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things.” Mother Teresa

Congratulations to the Cork Association’s nominated leaders of 2015, who’ll be officially elected by single ballot at the general meeting of November 2nd as the 2015 Officers elect.

Our 2015 Board of Officers are: President – Deirdre O’Hea; 1st Vice President – Treasa Goodwin-Smyth; 2nd Vice President – Gary Power; Treasurer – Sean McDermott; Recording Secretary – Kathleen McCarthy; Financial Secretary – Kathy Feeley; Corresponding Secretary – Eileen O’Hea; Sergeant at Arms – Larry Finn; and Trustee – Mary Waters.

I’ve had the honor of serving with many of these officers in various capacities, and believe their servant based leadership to the County Cork BP&P Association will continue to contribute toward our proud 130+ year legacy. It’s been an honor to serve this great organization, which continues to be the pre-eminent leading Irish organization in the tri-state area and for people of Cork in the USA and Ireland.

There is no true leadership without service, and no true service without leadership, in the words of Mother Teresa: “A life not lived for others is not a life.”

Leaders... have Vision, they... take Action, they... are effective Communicators (Listeners), they... develop new Leaders, they... employ a foundation of Integrity (character), and Leaders serve Others/ the whole - to accomplish the Mission of the organization.

I believe we have accomplished much, yet there is more to do...

Whatever you can do, or dream you can do, begin it now...

“Until one is committed, there is hesitancy, the chance to draw back— concerning all acts of initiative (and creation), there is one elementary truth that ignorance of which kills countless ideas and splendid plans:

That the moment one definitely commits oneself, then Providence moves too. All sorts of things occur to help one that would never otherwise have occurred. A whole stream of events issues from the decision, raising in one’s favor all manner of unforeseen incidents and meetings and material assistance, which no man(woman) could have dreamed would have come his(her) way.

Whatever you can do, or dream you can do, begin it. Boldness has genius, power, and magic in it. Begin it now.” Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

CORK CÉILÍ & TRAD SEISIÚN & FUNDRAISER NOVEMBER 16TH

Join us for an afternoon of live music, dancing, refreshments and a RAFFLE & PRIZES. Sunday, November 16th at the Cork Hall (33-01 Greenpoint Avenue, Long Island City) from 3pm – 7pm. Admission \$20 per person. Please see flyer enclosed.

Proceeds will go toward upgrades to the Cork building and Hall. Come on down and support the Association.

GALA FUNDRAISER FOR THE MERCY CENTRE (BANGKOK) NOVEMBER 1ST

There will be a fundraising concert at the New York Irish Centre (Long Island City) to benefit the **Mercy Centre of Bangkok** which was founded in 1971. The Centre builds and operates schools, improves family health and welfare, protects street children's rights, combats the AIDS crisis, responds to daily emergencies, and offers shelter to orphans, street children and children and adults with AIDS.

The all-star concert will feature our own **Donie Carroll, Mick Moloney, Jerry O'Sullivan, Liz Hanley, Victor Cuneen** and many more.

Full cocktail reception, hosted by **John Browne**, begins at 7pm, with the concert starting at 8:15pm. Tickets are \$50pp. Tickets: contact Donie Carroll (917) 723-7488 or email ducksyc@earthlink.net

SEEKING INFORMATION about Past President Patrick Twohig (1925/26, 1931/32): The Association received an email from one Robert Evans seeking information about his family. Mr. Evans late mother, Kathleen Evans (nee Twohig) was the niece of Patrick Twohig who presided over the Association 1925/26 and 1931/32. Anyone with information about Patrick Twohig is requested to email Mr. Evans at bobev@esateclear.ie

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS FOR 2015 was held at the October meeting. There were no challengers for any of the offices so the official ballot will be cast at the November meeting and the 2015 Board of Officers will be announced in the December newsletter.

UNITED IRISH COUNTIES SCHOLARSHIP: The UIC is sponsoring a Middle Grades (6th, 7th and 8th) and Junior High (9th and 10th) Research Essay Contest. For information on the topics, requirements, prizes and UIC contact information, please visit uicany.org/United_Irish_Counties/Essay_Contest.html **Entries must be postmarked by OCTOBER 31ST.**

CROSS BORDER ORCHESTRA OF IRELAND, a 120-piece youth orchestra, will perform at Carnegie Hall on **Thursday, Oct. 30th**. The performance begins at 7:30 pm in the Stern Auditorium. Tickets are \$35, \$50, \$75 or \$100. For information, contact carnegiehall.org or call (212) 247-7800.

TEAM ROBERT BROWNE FUNDRAISER: On July 3rd, Robert Browne suffered a severe spinal cord injury and lost the use of his legs and has limited use of his hands. A fundraiser will take place at The Inn in Long Beach on **Saturday, Nov. 8th** from 2pm – 5pm to help defray medical expenses from his continued care and rehabilitation. Tickets are \$40 for an Open Bar and Hors d'oeuvres. There will be a Raffle with prizes, a 50-50 drawing and live music by Brian Monahan, DJ Bryan XCEL & DJ Kimmie C. For more information on this event, or to keep up to date on Robert's progress, go to teamrobertbrowne.com

COUNTY LOUTH SOCIETY DINNER DANCE will take place at the Irish American Center (297 Willis Avenue, Mineola) on **Saturday, Nov. 8th**. This year's honoree is life-long Society member Liz Garvey. Cocktail Hour begins at 6pm with dinner and dancing to follow at 7pm. Tickets are \$65/pp. Reserve your seats by Nov. 1st by contacting Pres. Ron Murphy at (631) 698-0832

2015 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND SCHOLARSHIP DINNER: Join us on **Sunday, January 18th**. Mass to honor deceased members will take place at 3pm, with the Installation of Officers and Scholarship Awards commencing at 4pm. Additional information on the scholarship essay topics will be shared by the Scholarship Committee.

Cork Phone Notification system: Be sure to sign up for the Cork Phone Notification system to get important updates on your phone. Send an E-mail with your telephone numbers or email address to the **new Cork E-Mail:** nycorkbpp@gmail.com

Address Changes: If you are moving or have moved recently, **please** remember to send a change of address card to the Cork Association at the address listed on the letterhead. Or you can contact **Corresponding Secretary Eileen O'Hea** (516) 557-7105

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Welcome to **Barbara Kelly, Marianne Fitzpatrick Donahue, Clive Anderson,** and **Erika Clooney** who joined at our October meeting. We look forward to seeing them at our meetings and get-togethers and getting to know them even better.

DOUBLE CONGRATULATIONS to members **Carl and Kate Von Ohsen** on the recent marriage of their daughter Maura. In addition their daughter Fiona gave birth to their 2nd grandson in August. Health and happiness to the entire family!

GET WELL WISHES AND PRAYERS: Continued prayers for **Kitty Spedden, Dan O’Neill** and **Maisie Brophy**. Prayers also for **Fr. James Drew** for restoration of health. Continue to keep 13-year old Robert Browne in your prayers as he recovers from a surfing accident.

News and entertainment: **Donie Carroll seisiúns:** Sunnyside Singers Club at Café Aubergine (Wednesdays, 8 pm) and The Globe (Fridays, 9:30 pm). Both venues are located on Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside. **Eileen Cronin** hosts the “Long Ireland Show” on Saturdays from 2-5 pm on WRHU 88.7 FM Hofstra University www.WRHU.org. **Treasa Goodwin Smyth** co-hosts the show “Ireland Calls” with her husband Tommy Smyth. Tune in on Saturdays at 6 pm to WVOX 1460 AM irelandcallsradioshow.com (Twitter: @irelandcalls). **Hugh O’Rourke** hosts the Leitrim Ceili on Tuesdays at 8pm on 90.3 FM.

Cork Publicans/ Restaurateurs: Enjoy great food & drink at John Browne’s **Grandstand Pub & Restaurant**, and on Friday nights you can practice for American Idol Karaoke. Enjoy great food, drink and craic at Pat Burke’s **Woodbines** (woodbinesnyc.com) in Long Island City, **The Courtyard** (courtyardalehouse.com) located in Sunnyside, or **Brickyard Gastropub** (brickyardnyc.com). For the ultimate soccer viewing experience, visit **Nevada Smiths** (nevadasmiths.net), located at 100 Third Avenue (between 12th & 13th Streets).

ARE YOUR DUES IN ORDER? Please forward dues of \$24.00 for the year 2014 to the attention **Kathy Feeley - Financial Secretary** and mail to the address noted on the masthead of the newsletter. Please make an effort to catch up if you’re in arrears, or ask Kathy and she will let you know the status of your dues.

County Cork Pipe Band: is always looking for new members! Practices are held every Wednesday from 7pm – 9pm at the Cork Hall. Anyone interested can check out their Face book page. Many Colleges offer Scholarships to experienced pipe & drum players, such as IONA and Manhattan College, among others.

EMERALD ISLE IMMIGRATION CENTER ANNUAL DINNER

Cork was well represented at the Astoria World Manor on October 24th at the EIIC Annual Dinner. Thank you to Table Chairperson Mae O’Driscoll. (Pictured: Mary T. English, Deirdre O’Hea, Noelle Clancy, IGDB’s Kevin Kennedy, Jim and Bridget Cagney.)



Congratulations to the Kilmeen Drama Group on their production of *The Playboy of the Western World*. Both the Oct 24th and 25th shows received rave reviews from all those who attended. A great (and late) time was also had at the cast after-party.

Condolences

KATHLEEN O’SULLIVAN

The Officers & Members of the County Cork BP&P Association extend their deepest sympathies to dear friend Geff O’Sullivan and his family on the loss of his beloved wife Kathleen who passed away on October 22nd. Geff co-chaired our dinner in Cork for several years and was honored by the Association in Cork in 2010. Kathleen (Ballydaly, Cullen and formerly of Cahirbarnagh) passed away peacefully, at home, in the care of her family. She is survived by her loving husband Geff, son Donie, daughters Sheila, Aileen and Karen and their spouses and 8 grandchildren. Requiem Mass and burial took place at the Church of the Nativity, Cullen.

Ar Dheis Dé Go Raibh a Anam

Good and Welfare

To report any births, marriages, illnesses or deaths of a member or family member, or any other news of that sort, contact **Mary English @ 718-426-6867**.