



THE CORK REBEL



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2014

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MEETINGS:

Thursday, June 5th – 6:00 pm: Cork Banquet Committee meeting

Thursday, June 5th – 6:30 pm: Building Committee Meeting

Thursday, June 5th – 7:00 pm: Officers Meeting

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

Sunday, June 1st – Cork & Celtic “REBEL” Field Day & Picnic, VE Macy Park, Ardsley, NY

Sunday, June 8th – United Irish Counties of New York 76th Feis, Yonkers NY

Saturday, August 9th – Cork’s Biennial Dinner Dance in Ireland - Rochestown Park Hotel



President’s Message

A Blessed Memorial Day

President Abraham Lincoln’s ‘Gettysburg Address’ solemnly and poignantly reminds us about the importance of Memorial Day (excerpt from November 19, 1863) “...*But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work, which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.*”

More than 150 years later it is important to recognize that there will always be some “unfinished work”. Each generation bears a responsibility to not only preserve and protect our hallowed principles, but also to promote and improve the great task before us.

130 years old, the County Cork B. P. & P. Association remains dedicated to its mission and its members, especially those who have gone before us. We salute all those who have served in the United States Armed forces, especially those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice, and endeavor to continue the unfinished work and the cause of promoting freedom!

We look forward to revisiting a historic tradition and celebration with as many Cork fiends & families at our collaborative “Field Day & Picnic” with the Cork Gaelic Football Club and The Celtic Football Club on Sunday, June 1st, 2014; 12-6pm at V.E. Macy Park, Saw Mill River Rd (Rt. 9A) Ardsley, NY. The event promises to be an enjoyable day for members and families of all ages, as well as a seisuin under the sheltered rotunda provided.

20TH BIENNIAL REUNION BANQUET IN CORK

The 20th Biennial Reunion Banquet will take place on **August 9th**, 2014 at the Rochestown Park Hotel in Douglas, Co. Cork. Held every two years, the Dinner Dance is always a great time, and this year's event is certain to be memorable.

This year's honorees are Past President Jim O'Driscoll (New York and Cape Clear) and Cork businessman James A. Barry (Banteer).

Chairman Dan McCarthy notified the membership at the last meeting that there are 30 rooms reserved at the Rochestown Park Hotel. Rates are €99/person for a Double and €89/person for a Single. Rooms are going fast, so please contact the hotel to reserve your spot and then notify our **Reservations Chairpersons, Treasa Goodwin Smyth** (718-651-7336) and **Timothy Murphy** (718-578-8761).

There will be a Souvenir Journal to commemorate the event. **Mae O'Driscoll is the Journal Chairperson.**

Please see the Banquet letter and Journal Contract/Reservation form included with this month's newsletter.

JOIN US ON JUNE 1ST



CORK & CELTIC
"REBEL" FAMILY FIELD DAY & PICNIC
VE Macy Park, Ardsley, NY
Sunday, June 1st, 2014

The Association will be teaming up with the **Cork GFC** and the **Celtic GFC** to sponsor a Family Field Day and Picnic on Sunday, **June 1st**, from 12 noon-6pm. The event will be held at the VE Macy Park in Ardsley. There will be food, beverages, games, music and Gaelic football. \$20/Adult and \$10/kids over 10 or \$40 per family. For information, contact [Denis McCarthy](mailto:Denis.McCarthy@nycorkassociation.com) at (917) 309-7409 or [Jeremiah Harington](mailto:Jeremiah.Harington@nycorkassociation.com) at (914) 906-6315.

UICANY Feis: The United Irish Counties Association of New York will be holding their 76th Feis on **Sunday, June 8th**, at Saunders Trades & Technical High School in Yonkers, NY. Doors open at 8 am. There will be competitions in Irish step dancing, music, language and singing, with trophies and prizes for the winners. For information, or to volunteer for set up on the 7th or the day of, please contact Anne Hearn at (917) 751-3484.

Commodore John Barry Book Award: Established by the New York Council, Navy League of the United States, the award recognizes significant contributions to American maritime literature. The inaugural event will take place on **Tuesday, June 10th**, at the Fraunces Tavern. There will be a reception beginning at 6pm, followed by dinner and the awards ceremony. For information, visit nynavyleague.org.

Mike Hanley Family Benefit: There will be a benefit for Mike's family on **Sunday, June 22nd**, at Rory Dolan's Bar & Restaurant (890 McLean Ave., Yonkers) from 2-10pm for the family of the late Mike Hanley (Castletownbere) who suffered a fatal heart attack, leaving behind a wife, Anne, and 12 year-old son, Daniel. Music, raffles and more. If you would care to donate, please contact Benefit Chairman, Gerry Rodican at (917) 337-5654.

NOTICE OF MOTION: Suspension of the August Officers and General Membership meetings – That the County Cork B. P. & P. Association suspend the August meetings for the Board of Officers and the General Membership for the summer holidays. Regular meetings will resume in September.

News and entertainment: Donie Carroll seisiúns: Sunnyside Singers Club at Café Aubergine (Wednesdays, 8 pm) and The Brogue (Fridays, 9:30 pm). Both venues are located on Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside. **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). **Eileen Cronin** hosts the "Long Ireland Show" on Saturdays from 2-5 pm on WRHU 88.7 FM Hofstra University www.WRHU.org. **Hugh O'Rourke** hosts the Leitrim Ceili on Tuesdays at 8pm on 90.3 FM.

Cork Publicans/ Restaurateurs: Enjoy great food & drink at John Browns' **Grandstand Pub & Restaurant**, where on Friday nights you can practice for American Idol - Karaoke. Check out Pat Burke's **Brickyard Gastropub** (www.brickyardnyc.com), **Woodbines** (www.woodbinesnyc.com), in Long Island City or **the Courtyard** (www.courtyardalehouse.com) in Sunnyside, Queens. For the ultimate soccer viewing experience, visit **Nevada Smiths** (www.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.

Get Well Wishes and prayers: continued prayers for member **Daniel O'Neill**.

Planning a special event? The **Cork Hall** is available for rental to all members for parties/functions at special rates. **Bantry Bay Publick House & Restaurant** (www.bantrybaypub.com), which has the best food in Long Island City, will provide for all of your catering needs. Plus, Association members receive discounts on meals. Call Matt, Artie or Jimmy at (718) 784-9500 for information.

JULY MEETING: TIME CHANGE

The date and time for the July meeting has changed in order to accommodate the Independence Day Holiday. Since this is our last meeting before the Cork Biennial Banquet and the last meeting of the summer, we hope to see you.

New Date: Thursday, July 10th

- 6:00 pm: Cork Banquet Committee meeting
- 6:30 pm: Building Committee meeting
- 7:00 pm: Officers meeting
- 7:30 pm: General Membership meeting

HOW YOU CAN STAY INFORMED

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

THANK YOU: I've received a number of compliments from members about the newsletter. I am so pleased you enjoy reading it. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have anything to share including news, events or photos.

~Eileen O'Hea, Corresponding Secretary

Condolences

EUGENE O'DRISCOLL

The County Cork Officers & members extend their deepest sympathies to the family of esteemed member Eugene O'Driscoll, who passed away peacefully at home on May 16, 2014. Native of Commons, Glenville, Co. Cork, Ireland, Eugene was a 21-year member of the County Cork Association. We extend our condolences to his beloved wife Mary, nieces, nephews and his extended family both here and in Ireland.

MARY DREW

The County Cork Officers & members extend their deepest sympathies to the family of Mary Drew, beloved mother of our Association Chaplain, Fr. James Drew, who passed peacefully on May 24, 2014. Mary hailed from Crowhill, Upton, Co. Cork, and was the wife of the late Tadg. We extend our condolences to her family, including her children Fr. Jim, Teddy, Pat and Philomena, her sister Sr. Dolores, son-in-law Pat, grandchildren, nephew, niece, relatives, neighbours and friends.

Ar Dheis De go raibh a hanam!

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**.

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. Please check out the following websites for more information on scholarships:
<http://fraser.cc/pipes/bands.html#USAU>

<http://www.pipedrums.com/ViewObject.aspx?sys-Portal=57&sys-Class=Article&sys-ID=18784>



CORK & CELTIC

“REBEL” Field Day & Picnic

Sunday, June 1st, 2014 ~ 12 noon - 6 pm
VE Macy Park; Saw Mill River Rd/ RT. 9A Ardsley, NY
Enclosed Rotunda Picnic Area & Field 1

FOOD • BEVERAGES • FUN • GAMES
GAELIC FOOTBALL • MUSIC

Sponsored by the Cork GFC, Celtic GFC &
The County Cork BP&P Association

\$40 per family or {\$20 Adults / \$10 kids over 10}

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