



THE CORK REBEL



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MEETINGS:

Thursday, April 28th – 6:30pm: Building Committee Meeting

Thursday, April 28th – 7:30pm: Officers Meeting

Sunday, May 1st – 3:30pm: General Membership Meeting

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Saturday, May 7th – Pieta House Darkness Into Light 5K Walk/Run, Bronx, 4:30am

Sunday, May 15th – McEntee (Gibbons) Family Benefit, The Elks Lodge, Elmhurst, 2pm

Wednesday, June 8th – EIIC Celtic Cruise, New York City, 6pm Boarding, 6:45pm Sailing

Tuesday, June 21st – Emerald Guild Golf Outing, Pelham Golf Course, 11:30am

Saturday, August 13th – Cork Biennial Dinner Dance, Rochestown Park Hotel, Douglas, Co. Cork

“You must not grieve for all this. We have preserved Ireland’s honour and our own. Our deeds of last week are the most splendid in Ireland’s history. People will say hard things of us now, but we shall be remembered by posterity and blessed by unborn generations. You too will be blessed because you were my mother.”

Excerpt from letter written by Pdraig Pearse to his mother, May 1, 1916

APRIL ROUNDUP: Members of the County Cork B. P. & P. Association were proud to take part in a number of events held in New York commemorating the 100th anniversary of the 1916 Easter Rising.

The Westchester County AOH held their 1916 Easter Rising Centennial and Annual Dinner Dance in Tarrytown on April 16th. Honorees included celebrated author Tim Pat Coogan and the U.S. Ambassador Thomas Foley. A great evening was had by all in attendance, including President Deirdre O’Hea and Past Presidents Mae O’Driscoll and Dan Dennehy.

On Saturday, April 23rd, a commemoration Mass was held at St. Patrick’s Cathedral, followed by a flag-raising on the plaza of the Irish Consulate.

On Sunday, April 24th, the Cork contingent were on hand to support the United Irish Counties at Antun’s as they launched *The 1916 Easter Rising: New York and Beyond*, their book of essays commemorating the Irish and Irish Americans who took part in The Rising.





A GREAT BIG THANK YOU: From Patricia Young O'Connor, our 2016 Honoree for being a 65-Year Member: "I wanted to thank everyone who attended the Dinner Dance in March. I know I did get to say hello to so many people that night, but I know that I missed many others. It was such a wonderful night, but it seemed to go by so fast. I'd like to thank Chairman Gary Power and Journal Chairwoman Eileen O'Hea and the entire committee for making the evening so memorable. Thank you, also, to President Deirdre O'Hea and her Board of Officers, and to Mae O'Driscoll for all of her help. That night meant so much to me to be able to share the night with my family, friends, and all of the wonderful members of the Cork Association."

KERRYMAN'S DINNER DANCE: I ran across this photo above on the internet and wanted to share the Cork contingent in fine form at the Kerryman's P&B Association back on March 18th. Ah, the interwebs...

2016 HONOREE ED SHEVLIN PUBLISHED IN THE WAVE: Congratulations to our member, Ed Shevlin, on having his story about Rockaway native and Irish patriot John Kilgallon published in the April 22nd edition of The Wave. Ed's tireless research and commitment to this project has brought to life the story of an unknown young man just in time for him to take his place amongst the heroes of 1916. If anyone is interested in reading the article, please visit www.rockawave.com

WRHU'S ANNUAL IRISH MARATHON: Support "Irish Music Saturdays" on Saturday, May 7th, by calling WHRU at 516-463-9748 and making a pledge during "The Long Ireland Show" with Eileen Cronin from 2-5pm and "That's How I Spell Ireland Show" with Kevin Westley from 5-9pm. Help keep Irish programming on the radio and tune in every Saturday.

PIETA HOUSE DARKNESS INTO LIGHT 5K WALK/RUN: Pieta House is a center for prevention of suicide and self-harm. The walk begins while it is still dark and finishes just as the dawn is rising symbolizing their mission of helping people who are distressed or in crisis come out from their darkness into the light. The walk will take place on **Saturday, May 7th**, at Gaelic Park in the Bronx, starting at 4:15am. Registration fee is \$35pp. To register, go to pietahouse.eventgrid.com

EMERALD GUILD JONATHAN MURPHY FUNDRAISER: Young Jonathan Murphy has been dealing with Generalized Epilepsy since he was 8-years old. Recently, he was diagnosed with a second, rare form of inherited epilepsy and will be undergoing surgery. The Emerald Guild is sponsoring a fundraiser at Rosie O'Grady's in New York City on **Sunday, May 15th**, from 2pm to 8pm. There will be live music, raffles and auctions, and donations will be accepted. For information, please contact Michael Gubbins at 212-528-2200.

MCENTEE (GIBBONS) FAMILY BENEFIT: In October 2015, 47-year old Bernie McEntee was diagnosed with a Basilar Tip Brain Aneurysm and immediately had surgery. He is improving, but has been out of work during his recovery. Bernie and his wife Siobhan (nee Gibbons) have four children and this fundraiser on **Sunday, May 15th**, will help the family in this difficult time. The event takes place at the Elks Lodge on Queens Boulevard in Elmhurst from 2pm to 8pm and will have live music, raffles, auctions, and kids activities.

ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL FUNDRAISER: On **Saturday, May 21st**, from 7-11pm, St. Sebastian's School in Woodside will celebrate its 90th anniversary with a fundraising celebration with food and music at the school auditorium. All alumni and friends are invited to attend. Tickets are \$45pp and commemorative t-shirts will be on sale for \$20 each. Seating is limited, so please order your tickets by May 6th by calling 718-429-1982 ext. 135.

EMERALD ISLE IMMIGRATION CENTER CELTIC CRUISE will set sail on **Wednesday, June 8th**. The evening includes a launch party at 6pm, boat ride setting sail at 6:45pm, and after party beginning at 10pm. Enjoy live music, food, cocktails, and great company, plus, you'll be supporting a great organization that does so much to help the Irish and immigrant community. Tickets are \$100pp in advance (\$110 at the dock). Launch time is tbd at this time, but you may reserve your tickets by going to www.celticcharity.com or calling 212-717-9955.

EMERALD GUILD 16TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING: Get tee'd off with the Emerald Guild on **Tuesday, June 21st**, at the Pelham Golf Course. This year's event is in memory of Timothy J. O'Connor and all proceeds will go toward Jonathan Murphy and his family. Registration and Cookout BBQ Lunch begins at 11:30am, Shotgun Start at 1pm, followed by dinner and an awards ceremony at 6:15pm. For information, contact Committee Chairman Andrew Ward at 646-745-7934 or by emailing Andrew.Ward@ellimanpm.com

KNIGHTS & LADIES OF ST. FINBARR CORK CLUB OF BOSTON: Save the date and mark your calendars. Our Cork brothers and sisters in Boston will hold their 112th Anniversary Dinner Dance coming up on **October 8th**. More information will be shared in our next Newsletter, but you may want to mark your calendars now. Who knows? Maybe there will be some playoff baseball up there at the same time...

ENTERTAINMENT: **Donie Carroll** hosts the Sunnyside Singers Club at Café Aubergine (Wednesdays, 8pm) on Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside. **Eileen Cronin** hosts the “Long Ireland Show” on Saturdays from 2-5pm on WRHU 88.7 FM Hofstra University www.WRHU.org. **Treasa Goodwin Smyth** and husband Tommy Smyth host the show “Ireland Calls” every Saturday. Listen live at irelandcallsradioshow.com at 6pm or on WVOX 1460 AM (Twitter: @irelandcalls).

CORK PUBLICANS/RESTAURATEURS: Enjoy great food & drink at John Browne’s **Grandstand Pub & Restaurant** and come down for American Idol Karaoke on Friday nights. Visit Pat Burke’s **Brickyard Gastropub** in NYC, **The Courtyard** in Sunnyside, or **Woodbines** in LIC. Be sure to visit Sharon Crowley and her staff at **The Garth Road Inn**, Scarsdale, for great food and great craic and a traditional Seisun on Sunday afternoons.

PLANNING A SPECIAL EVENT? The **Cork Hall** is available for rental to all members for parties and functions at special rates. The **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.

CORK PHONE NOTIFICATION SYSTEM: Sign up 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

GOOD & WELFARE: To report any births, marriages, illnesses, recoveries or deaths of a member or family member, contact **Eileen O’Hea @ 516-557-7105**.

ADDRESS CHANGES: If you are moving or have moved recently, **please** notify the Cork Association at the address listed on the letterhead. Or you can contact **Corresponding Secretary Eileen O’Hea @ (516) 557-7105**.

ARE YOUR DUES IN ORDER? Renew your membership for 2016. Don’t miss out on all of the great news and events that the County Cork B.P.&P. Association has planned for 2016. Please make an effort to catch up if you’re in arrears, or contact Kathy to find out the status of your dues. You may forward dues of \$24.00 for the year 2016 to the attention of **Kathy Feeley Financial Secretary** and mail to the address noted on the masthead of the newsletter.

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 Facebook page. Many Colleges offer Scholarships to experienced pipe & drum players, such as IONA and Manhattan College, among others.

Get Well Wishes & Prayers

We would like to send get-well wishes and prayers to our Past President **Joe Murphy**. Please continue to pray for the restoration of health for Past-President **Bill O’Driscoll, Karen Cross, and Ted Flanagan**. Continued prayers for **Dan O’Neill**. We are also sending prayers to **Maisie and Brendan Brophy** and **Sheila Creedon**, sister of Past President Mary Power.

Condolences

The Cork Association extends its deepest sympathies to the family of **FRANK HEALY** who passed away in Kanturk, Co. Cork, on April 16th. Frank was a life-long friend of our Past Presidents John and the late Jimmy Browne. In 2004 Frank travelled to New York to deliver the eulogy at Jimmy’s funeral. He was a great supporter of all of our reunion dinners in Cork and was honored by the Association in 2007. Frank is survived by his loving wife, Anne, children Elizabeth, Norma, Marie, Gerarda, Timothy, Noelle, James, and Frank Jr., brother Conor, sister Noreen and extended family including 25 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. He will be missed by all who knew him. Go dtuga Dia suaimhneas sioraí dó.

Deepest condolences to our member Noel Hayes and his family on the passing of his sister-in-law. **ANNE HAYES** (nee O’Donovan) passed away in Rosscarbery, Co. Cork, on April 19th. She is survived by her loving husband Stephen and extended family and friends. I measc na naomh go raibh sí.