



THE CORK REBEL



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

Thursday, November 2nd – 6:00 pm: Building Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 2nd – 7:30 pm: Officers Meeting

Sunday, November 5th – 3:30 pm: General Membership Meeting

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Saturday, November 4th – The Mercy Centre Gala Fundraiser, NY Irish Center, Long Island City

Monday, November 6th – Line Dancing at the Cork Hall, 7pm

Sunday, December 10th – Cork Children's Christmas Party, Cork Hall

Sunday, January 14th – Installation of Officers & Scholarship Awards Dinner, Cork Hall

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TREASA GOODWIN-SMYTH

Hope this finds you all well, as we head into the shorter days of fall. I would like to thank the Officers and members for having the confidence in my abilities to continue to lead the Association into and through 2018. I am humbled and honored to serve as your president. However, this would not be possible without the dedicated Officers by my side. I thank you all for your dedication and hard work and for accepting your positions again for the year ahead. I look forward to doing even more next year and having fun along our journey together. I would be remiss if I did not thank our past presidents for their guidance and support during the past year.

Congratulations to member Eileen Flynn Cronin who was recently chosen as Woman of the Year by the Irish Examiner USA along with John Dunleavy of the N.Y.C. St. Patrick's Day Parade. Congratulations, also, to Kathy Feeley on winning "Best Woman Golfer" at John Browne's recent Grandstand Golf Outing in aid of the Mercy Centre in Bangkok.

Please mark your calendars for our annual St. Patrick's Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 3rd at Antun's. I am honored to briefly introduce our wonderful and esteemed honorees. Our Cork Woman of the Year is Mary Cahill from Bartlemy who has dedicated her working life to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) providing humanitarian and developmental assistance to children and mothers in developing countries. Cork Man of the Year is Eddie O'Brien from Passage. A Hurler and Footballer, Eddie is always remembered for his "All-Ireland hat-trick" in the 1970 All Ireland hurling final where Cork played Wexford. Eddie scored three goals to help Cork to a 6-21 to 5-10 victory. The recipient of the Frank T. Carvill Distinguished Service Award is our own Michael Doherty who comes from Frank Carvill's father's county Armagh and is a Vietnam Veteran. Congratulations to all our honorees.

Join us on November 6th for Line Dancing lessons at the Cork Hall with Audrey providing instructions. She encourages young and old to come out for a fun hour and a half. This is a new social venture and I sincerely ask you to come along and support. It will be a lot of fun and I am really looking forward to it, even though I have two left feet! I would like to thank Paddy McCarthy of the Irish Examiner for all his support in spreading the word.

My husband Tommy Smyth has made history, by becoming the first non-American to broadcast NFL games around the world on Amazon Prime Video every Thursday night. Join him for a fun broadcast with Derek Rae.

Wishing you and your families a blessed and Happy Thanksgiving.

I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting. Slán anois.

NOMINATION OF 2018 OFFICERS

The Association held our Nomination of Officers at the meeting and, since there were no challenges for any of the offices, we would like to congratulate the nominated leaders of 2018, who'll be officially elected by single ballot at the general meeting of November 5th as the 2018 Officers elect.

2018 Board of Officers

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Current Trustees: **Martin Hurley, Timothy Murphy**

COUNTY CORK B.P.&P. ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION IS NOW OPEN

The Scholarship competition is open to members and children of members in good standing as of 11/1/17. There are two competition levels:

Christopher Murphy College Scholarship:

Open to applicants who graduated high school in 2017. Applicant must submit SAT scores and an essay on **Thomas Ashe: An Irish Patriot**. The award will be based on the highest SAT score with a special award for best essay.

Myra Koteri O'Connor High School Scholarship: Open to eighth grade students graduating into high school in 2018. Applicant must submit an essay on **Hanna Sheehy-Skeffington: A Woman in History**.

To request an application, please contact Kathy McCarthy, Scholarship Chairperson, at 516-536-9395 or email mcleen16@aol.com.

DEADLINE FOR ALL ENTRIES: JANUARY 2, 2018

Winners will be announced at the Annual Awards Dinner – Sunday, January 14, 2018.

NEW MEMBER UPDATE: Welcome to **Sharon Mannix** (Cork City) who joined the Association at the October Meeting. Thanks to our Investigating Committee: **Patricia Young O'Connor, Bridget Cagney, and Larry Finn**.

GALA FUNDRAISER FOR THE MERCY CENTRE takes place on **Saturday, 11/4**, at the New York Irish Center, Long Island City, to benefit the Mercy Centre of Bangkok which helps orphans, street children, and children and adults with AIDS. The concert will feature our own **Donie Carroll**, Jerry O'Sullivan, Mick Moloney, Robbie O'Connell, Brenda Castles, Haley Richardson, Niall O'Leary, and Heather Martin Bixler. The Cocktail Reception, hosted by member **John Browne**, begins at 7pm, with the concert starting at 8:15pm. Tickets are \$70pp. Contact Donie Carroll at (917) 723-7488 or email ducksyc@earthlink.net for tickets.

LINE DANCING AT THE CORK HALL: Put on your dancing shoes and bring your friends down to the Cork Hall on **Monday, 11/6**, from 7-8:30pm. Our instructor Audrey will be teaching some of the most popular dances. Sure to be a good time and a good workout! Entry is just \$5/pp. *Yeehaw!*

REBEL ROSSA SCREENING: Don't miss your chance to see this movie about Jeremiah O'Donovan Rossa by our members **Williams Rossa Cole** and **Rossa Williams Cole** on **Monday, 11/20, 7pm**, at the New York Irish Center in Long Island City. Tickets are \$10 each online at www.eventbrite.com and search for Rebel Rossa.

MEMBER BOB BATEMAN LECTURES IN CORK: Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the execution of Allen, Larkin and O'Brien, member **Bob Bateman** is scheduled to give two lectures on the Manchester Martyrs in Cork City. The first is being hosted by the County Cork Heritage Office at the County Hall on **Monday, 11/13**, at 7:00 pm. The second is being hosted by UCC and the Cork City Library at the library on **Tuesday, 11/14**.

UNITED IRISH COUNTIES ESSAY COMPETITION DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 30TH: UICA essay competition is for students from 6th through 10th grades. The topic for the 6/7/8th grade essay is **The Life and Legacy of Thomas Ashe**, with \$800, \$500, and \$300 prizes awarded. For the 9/10th grade entrants the essay topic is **The Manchester Martyrs**, with winners receiving prizes of \$1,200, \$800, and \$500. Essays and completed applications must be postmarked **no later than November 30th, 2017**. For further information and Application Forms please check the UICA website: UICANY.org or email: Unitedirishcounties@gmail.com.

CORK CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY will take place at 2pm on **Sunday, 12/10**. Kids will enjoy lunch, coloring, Christmas carols, and more...along with a visit from Santa, himself! Be sure to fill out the attached form listing the names and ages of all of the children who will be coming and send your sign-up form to **Deirdre O'Hea** by **12/1** so the Cork Elves can let the North Pole know who is coming to meet Santa.



Congratulations to **Conor Hurley**, on receiving the Michael Bagdzinski Memorial Theatre Scholarship for 2017-18. (Pictured L to R: Academic Theatre Program Director Dr. Hank Willenbrink, Conor Hurley, and Mr. Walter Bagdzinski, Michael's father)



Member **Eileen Cronin** accepts her 2017 Woman of the Year award from Irish Examiner USA publisher (and Cork member) **Paddy McCarthy**. Eileen was honored alongside our friend John Dunleavy on 10/24.



Congratulations to member **Chrissy Meyer** for finishing strong at the 5th Avenue Mile road race on 9/10. Good luck in the NYC Marathon!



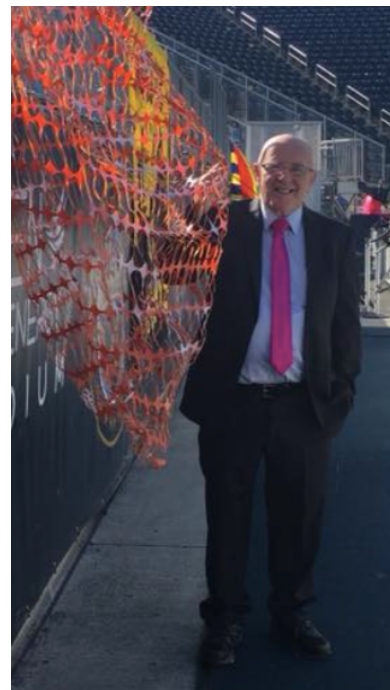
Cork members at the Irish Consulate for the "One Here Now Restoration Project" to benefit the Sirius Arts Centre Cobh. (Pictured L-R: **Bridget Cagney**, **Mae O'Driscoll**, Mayor of the County of Cork **Declan Hurley**, **Treasa Goodwin-Smyth**, **James Cagney**)



Mae O'Driscoll and **Treasa Goodwin-Smyth** were on hand at the Irish Consulate at a reception to introduce Loretta Brennan Glucksman as the Grand Marshal of the 2018 NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade. Her official installation will take place in February.



Congrats to the **County Cork B.P.&P. Association** on receiving the 3rd Place award in the Counties Division of the NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade!



Pictured here in Philadelphia is **Tommy Smyth** who is co-commentator for the *Philadelphia Union* with JP Dellacamera. The fans in Philly love his famous saying "A bulge in the Auld Onion Bag" and they even made an Onion bag in the goal area!

Get Well Wishes & Prayers

We would like to send get-well wishes and prayers to our Past President **Joe Murphy**, **Alice Smith**, **Dan O'Neill**, **Ed Shevlin Jr.**, **Anne Guinee**, **Connie Feeley**, mother-in-law of member Kathy Feeley, **Liam Ahern**. Get well wishes to **Ted Flanagan** who was recently hospitalized and is now in rehab. Prayers are also requested for **Marjorie Hayes**, sister of our member Cathy Farrell, who has been very ill and is now recovering.

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).

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**, 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, Jimmy, or Erika at (718) 784-9500 for information.

CORK PUBLICANS/RESTAURATEURS: **John Browne's Grandstand Pub & Restaurant** located on Grand Avenue in Maspeth has a beautiful dining room that is a perfect place to bring your family, small or large, for a delicious dinner or drinks. 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 and Trivia Quiz Night every Tuesday at 7:30pm.

IRISH EXAMINER USA ONLINE: Keep up to date on the important news, entertainment, and sports from Ireland. Our own **Paddy McCarthy** publishes this great paper and an online edition you can read at www.irishexaminerusa.com/digital

VISITATION & FUNERAL PLANNING: Member **Clive Anderson** and his staff at the **Pelham Funeral Home** (64 Lincoln Avenue, Pelham) will help to honor and tell the story of your loved one in the serene environment of their beautiful home. Repatriation services also available. For information, call (914) 738-1060, email clive@pelhamfuneral.com, or visit www.pelhamfuneral.com.

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.

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 nycorkbpp@gmail.com or call **Tim Murphy** at (718) 578-8761.

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

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2017: Don't miss out on all of the great news and events that the County Cork B.P.&P. Association has planned for 2017. 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 2017 to the attention of Kathy Feeley, Financial Secretary, and mail to the address noted on the masthead of the newsletter.



New York Guard soldiers, including our member **Ed Shevlin**, have been on State Active Duty alongside the Army National Guard as a part of Task Force Donation Warehouse Ops supporting the Hurricane Maria recovery efforts in Puerto Rico.



The County Cork BP & P Association of New York
3301 Greenpoint Avenue Long Island City, NY 11101
Tresa Goodwin-Smyth, President



Children's Christmas Party with Santa!

Sunday, December 10, 2017 @ 2:00 PM

Registration Form

Please List Names of Attendees in the Spaces Provided Below

Member's Name _____ Phone# _____

of Adults planning to attend _____

CHILDREN - (Aged 10 and under only!) PLEASE PRINT!

| <u>BOYS</u> | <u>Age</u> | <u>GIRLS</u> | <u>Age</u> |
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Please return this form to

Deirdre O'Hea @ 193 Radcliffe Rd., Island Park, NY 11558

NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2017.

Any questions, please call

Deirdre O'Hea: 516-398-6204 | Tresa Goodwin-Smyth: 718-651-7336 | Kathy McCarthy: 516-314-6440

