

# THE CORK REBEL The County Cork B. P. & P. Association



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### **MEETINGS:**

Thursday, April 4th - 6P Building Committee Meeting

Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> – 7P Officers Meeting

Sunday, April 7th - 3:30P General Membership Meeting

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Saturday, May 11th – Enable Ireland – Cork Benefit, West Roxbury, Massachusetts

Sunday, June 9th - UIC Feis @ Saunders Trade High School Yonkers, NY

Wednesday, June 12th – Emerald Isle Immigration Center Celtic Cruise – Chelsea Piers, NYC

# **NOTICE OF MOTION:** May & June General Meeting Date/Time Change.

The County Cork B. P. & P. Association May & June General Membership meeting will be held on Thursday, May  $2^{nd}$  & Thursday, June  $6^{th}$  at 7pm at the Cork Hall respectively to facilitate membership attendance and enrollment to those who are unable to attend our usual Sunday afternoon meetings.

### March 2019 St. Patrick's Dance

The Association celebrated its 135th St. Patrick's Dance in style on March 2nd at Antun's in Queens Village, NY. A great night was had by all and our three wonderful honorees Dan O'Brien, Martina O'Dowd & Eileen O'Hea made it a night to remember along with Past President Martin Hickey's daughter Julie, representing her Dad who has been a member for 50 years.

L to R: Eileen O'Hea, Martina O'Dowd, Dan O'Brien, Julie Hickey



Web: http://www.nycorkassociation.com E-Mail: nycorkbpp@gmail.com March 2019 St. Patrick's Dance - Continued: We were also honored on the night with the presence of Lord Mayor Cllr. Mick Finn, County Mayor Cllr. Patrick Murphy, County Executive Tim Lucey, Grand Marshal NYC St. Patrick's Parade Dr. Brian O'Dwyer, Esq., Consul General Ciaran Madden & NYC St. Patrick's Parade Chairman Sean Lane.

The night was made possible by the tireless work of Dinner Chair Deirdre O'Hea, Journal Chairs Mae O'Driscoll & Dolores Casey, Reservations Chairs Kathy McCarthy, Josie Callanan & Mary O'Sullivan. We also need to thank MC Eileen Cronin, Denis McCarthy, Mary Power, Rumor Has It, Natasha O'Reilly, Antun's and finally all the members & patrons who supported the dance. See you all next year at the <u>136<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner Dance</u> which will be held on <u>March</u> 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade & Association Afterparty: The Association marched up 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue in style on March 16<sup>th</sup> led by Pipe Major. Kevin Healey, Drum Major. Tim Henning and the rest of the County Cork Pipe & Drums. Leading up the marchers were our 2019 St. Patrick's Honorees Dan O'Brien, Martina O'Dowd and the Deputy Mayor of Cork County Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley (Youghal). Afterwards the Association headed back to the Cork Hall to listen to the music of Mickey Peare and feast on the food of the Bantry Bay. Thank you to Noel Hayes for once again marshaling the Association, Kathy Feely for Chairing the afterparty & Jamie Power for table flowers, dessert & handling payment on the night.

<u>Update: New Center in Cork to Benefit Irish Children with Disabilities:</u> The Knights and Ladies of St. Finbarr - Cork club in association with many of the Irish clubs in the Boston area & including our Association are promoting a benefit dance on May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Irish Social Club, West Roxbury, to help complete a new state of the art facility, known as ENABLE IRELAND - CORK to benefit Irish children with disabilities. Services provided by Enable Ireland include vital therapy and rehabilitation services to children with physical disabilities and their families.

DATE: Saturday, May 11, 2019

MUSIC: Noel Henry's Irish Show Band

PLACE: The Irish Social Club, 119 Park Street, West Roxbury, MA

DONATION: \$15.00 per person. Reserve tables of ten for \$150.00

For tickets kindly mail a check to the Knights and Ladies of St. Finbarr at Post Office Box 4132, Dedham, 02027. Donations may also be sent to our Post Office Box and made payable to Enable Ireland-Cork or the Knights and Ladies of St. Finbarr. You may also donate on line at <a href="https://www.enableireland.ie/donate">www.enableireland.ie/donate</a>. Please call Richard at (781) 326-0388 or Mary (978) 664-4652 for additional information.

NY Rose of Tralee 2019 Applications: Calling all potential NY Cork Roses 2019 marks the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Rose of Tralee Festival and NY Rose Center. Eligibility requirements are as follows: Be 18 years of age by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 and will not have reached your 29th birthday on or prior to September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Be unmarried or never been married, born in Ireland or an Irish citizen or of Irish origin by virtue of one of your ancestors having been born in Ireland & a resident of the Tri-State area. Email <a href="mailto:nyroseoftraleecenter@gmail.com">nyroseoftraleecenter@gmail.com</a> for further information or go to <a href="https://www.roseoftralee.ie/roses/apply-to-be-a-rose">www.roseoftralee.ie/roses/apply-to-be-a-rose</a>. The winner will receive a free trip to Ireland to participate in the International Rose of Tralee Festival held in Tralee, Co. Kerry August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>.

NY Rose of Tralee 2019 Selection Weekend Events: Friday May 31st 630PM at the Empire City Casino @ Yonkers, NY meet & greet the roses and hear their interviews with the judges. Night at the Races event will take place in the Empire Terrace with Food & Cash bar. Other events are as follows: Rosebud & Buddy Party on Saturday June 1st & Selection Night Dinner on Sunday, June 2nd @ 2P in the Good Times Room at Empire City Casino.

<u>United Irish Counties 2019 Feis:</u> This year's Feis will take place on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at Saunders Trade High School located at 183 Palmer Rd, Yonkers, NY. The oldest Feis in the US is always looking for volunteers to help setup & staff the event itself. If interested, please contact co-chair Anne Hearn @ 917.751.3484 or <u>anne.hearn@verizon.net</u>.

<u>Emerald Isle Immigration Center Charity Cruise:</u> The Celtic Cruise will be held on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in aid of the EIIC. Cost is \$125 per person and includes live music, full buffet dinner & premium open bar. Boarding is at 6P @ Chelsea Piers located at 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue at West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street in NYC. Call 917.627.0858 for further information.

<u>Irish Roots Magazine:</u> Founded in December 2007 this magazine covers ancestral research within the entire island of Ireland. 2019 1Q issue contains an article written by UIC NY Sligo delegate Colette Connolly's article "New York's United Irish Counties – A Resource For the Irish-American Diaspora". More information can be found at <a href="https://www.irish-roots-magazine.myshopify.com/collections/frontpage">www.irish-roots-magazine.myshopify.com/collections/frontpage</a>.

### **Congratulations:**



To Thomas O'Driscoll who graduated from the Marine reserves on March 1, having completed his basic training at Parris Island, S.C. Thomas is the son of member John Stephen O'Driscoll and grandson of past president the late Bill O'Driscoll

Congratulations are also extended to member Jeff O'Sullivan and his wife Maureen who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 30.

<u>Condolences:</u> To Judy and Joe Murphy on the passing of Judy's sister, Nuala Kelly (nee O'Connor) in Coventry, England and late of Ballinmore Bridge, Co. Galway on March 16.

To Martin & Kathleen O'Mahony and the entire O'Mahony family on the death of Martin's mother, Mary O'Mahony of Bohonagh, Rosscarbery on March 15. Her funeral was on March 18 in Rosscarbery.

To our Vice President, Martina O'Dowd and husband Bernard on the passing of Martina's uncle, Msgr. James O'Neill in Casper, Wyoming and late of Moloughmore, Bantry, Co. Cork, on March 18<sup>th</sup>. Msgr. O'Neill was a great advocate for immigration reform and was very helpful to the IIRM during their lobbying campaign in the late 80s. He attended St Facthna's Christian Brothers school in Skibbereen and was a classmate of our past president the late Bill O'Driscoll.

To our Treasurer and past president of Ladies Auxiliary Catherine O'Shea on the passing of her husband John (Sean) O'Shea a native of Glenflesk, Co. Kerry and to his children Sean, Eileen & Margaret.

Finally, condolences to Dennis, Marie and Trish O'Sullivan and the extended O'Sullivan family on the death of Cork Association member Mary O'Sullivan, Knocknagashel, Co. Kerry. She died March 11. She was predeceased by her husband Patrick O'Sullivan of Crookhaven, Co. Cork.

# Ar dheis De go raibh a n-anamacha.

<u>Prayers & Well Wishes:</u> Continued get-well wishes and prayers to our Past President Joe Murphy, Alice Smith, Dan O'Neill, Ed Shevlin Jr., Anne Guinee, Marjorie Hayes, Patricia Young O'Connor, Tim Hegarty & Dan Murphy. Prayers are also requested for Sean Driscoll, Olivene Hurley, Brian Creedon, and Liam Ahern.

### ARE YOUR DUES IN ORDER?

Don't miss out on all of the great news and events that the County Cork B.P.&P. Association has planned for 2019. Please try 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 2019 to the attention of **Kathy Feeley Financial**Secretary and mail to the address noted on the masthead of the newsletter.

# Keep your membership up to date!

# St. Patrick's Dinner Dance Photos















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<u>ENTERTAINMENT:</u> **Donie Carroll** hosts the Sunnyside Singers Club at Café Aubergine (Wednesdays, 8pm) on Skillman Avenue, Sunnyside.

<u>Irish Radio:</u> 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 <u>irelandcallsradioshow.com</u> at 6pm or on WVOX 1460 AM (Twitter: @irelandcalls). Tune in to hear **Gary Power** on his radio show "Full Irish" on WHPC 90.3FM on Saturdays from 11A-12P. Listen to "Voice of Ireland" on WRSU.org, Sundays 6P to 7P. Hosted by **Joe O'Sullivan** and colleagues.

<u>CORK PUBLICANS/RESTAURATEURS:</u> 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 <u>Brickyard Gastropub</u> in NYC, <u>The Courtyard</u> in Sunnyside, or <u>Woodbines</u> in LIC. Be sure to visit Sharon Crowley and her staff at <u>The Garth Road Inn</u>, Scarsdale, for great food and great craic and a traditional Seisun on Sunday afternoons and Trivia Quiz Night every Tuesday at 7:30pm.

<u>COMPUTER SALES, SERVICES, AND REPAIRS</u>: Visit the **Village Computer Shop** at 17 Boniface Circle in Scarsdale for all of your home or business computer needs: computer sales, network services, POS business solutions, diagnostics, repairs. Contact **Miles Spisiak**, proprietor, for information, call (914) 574-4900 or visit <u>www.villagecomputershop.com</u>.

<u>VISITATION & FUNERAL PLANNING</u>: 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 <u>clive@pelhamfuneral.com</u>, or visit <u>www.pelhamfuneral.com</u>.

<u>IRISH EXAMINER USA ONLINE:</u> Keep up to date on the important news, entertainment, and sports from Ireland thanks to member Paddy McCarthy who publishes this great paper. Go to www.irishexaminerusa.com/digital to read the online edition.

<u>COUNTY CORK PIPE BAND</u> 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.

**GOOD & WELFARE:** To report births, marriages, illnesses, recoveries or deaths of a member or family member, contact Mary Hurley at 917.886.4196.

<u>CORK PHONE NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (ROBO-CALL):</u> 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.

<u>ADDRESS CHANGES:</u> 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 Mary Hurley at 917.886.4196.

<u>PLANNING A SPECIAL EVENT?</u> The Cork Hall is available for rental to all members 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.



# **Additional Photos**





Remember the brave Men & Women of the Easter Rising, Monday, April 24th to April 29th 1916.

# Poblacht na hEireann