



THE CORK REBEL



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

Thursday, September 28th – 6:30 pm: Building Committee Meeting
Thursday, September 28th – 7:30 pm: Officers Meeting
Sunday, October 1st – 3:30 pm: General Membership Meeting

**NOMINATION OF OFFICERS WILL TAKE PLACE AT
THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Saturday, October 28th – Emerald Guild Society 25th Anniversary Banquet, Cipriani, NYC
Sunday, October 29th – Irish Guide Dog for the Blind Fundraiser, Rory Dolan's, Yonkers
Monday, October 30th – Emerald Isle Immigration Center Fall Fundraiser, Manhattan Club, NYC

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TREASA GOODWIN-SMYTH

Greetings to all! It was so wonderful to see such a packed hall at our September meeting and great to see some of our newest members present and getting to know everyone. Our annual Welcome Back BBQ was a beautiful event and together we celebrated two milestone birthdays: our esteemed Past President **Sean Driscoll** celebrated his 90th Birthday and our dedicated member **Bridget Cagney** celebrated her 80th birthday. We wish you both health and happiness always. A big thank you to our BBQ Chairman **Tim Murphy**, his wife **Denise**, and Grill Master **Noel Hayes** for all their hard work in organizing and running the BBQ. Thanks also to **Deirdre O'Hea**, **Martina & Bernie O'Dowd**, **Mike & Cathy Doherty**, **Kathy Feeley**, and **Gary Power** for all their assistance. The day was a great success.

Thank you to Chairman **Martin Hurley** and the Building Committee for keeping our Cork Hall in fine working order. They had the flooring in the back room of the hall touched up and contracted member **Donie Carroll's** company, DC Painting & Wallcovering, Inc., to repaint it. In addition, our tenants recently completed a lovely renovation of the bar and dining areas of the Bantry Bay restaurant. These improvements continue to revitalize our beloved Hall.

On behalf of the Association, I salute, congratulate, and thank member **Ed Shevlin**, recipient of the Frank T. Carvill Distinguished Service Award in 2016. On Sept 11th Ed and his friend Leslie Mahoney, drove a trailer full of donated supplies to Port Arthur, Texas, to help people affected by Hurricane Harvey. After two solid days of driving they reached their destination at St. Catherine of Siena School. The stop lasted just 90 minutes and they were on their way back to New York. The trip took a total of 96 hours, during which Leslie discovered that the children at St. Catherine's are also in need of uniforms. She plans to start another collection drive shortly. This hurricane season has had a devastating impact on many people in many different states. Taking care of those in need and being able to help is a wonderful thing. Please consider supporting the ongoing relief efforts and keep them all in your prayers.

Congratulations to **Tom Power** who was recently honored in Middleton, County Cork, along with his Hurling team in recognition of their 50th Anniversary. Rumor has it that even Christy Ring would have had to watch out when Tom took the field!

We'd also like to congratulate Clive Anderson on being one of the guests of honor at the upcoming Aisling Irish Community Center Dinner Dance. Have a wonderful night, Clive.

As always, please keep our sick and deceased members and friends in your prayers.

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

NOMINATION OF 2018 OFFICERS: The nomination of 2018 Officers will take place at the October General Membership meeting on Sunday, October 1st at 3:30pm.

Article X: No Member shall be eligible for nomination unless he/she shall have been one year continuously a member prior to the date of the election, and shall be financially in good standing before the close of the business on the day of nomination. No member can be nominated in their absence, or elected to any office, unless they signify in writing, a willingness to accept.

142ND ANNUAL QUEENS COUNTY AOH/LAOH DINNER DANCE will take place on **Friday, October 20th**, beginning at 7:00pm at Russo's on the Bay, Howard Beach. Honorees include John Manning, Mary Forde, Maureen Byrnes, and Catherine Mitchell Miceli. \$125/pp. For information contact Walter Cooper at (347) 724-6438.

EMERALD GUILD SOCIETY 25TH ANNIVERSARY GALA will take place on **Saturday, October 28th**, beginning at 6:30pm at Cipriani. Black Tie Optional. Tickets are \$300pp. For reservations, please contact Declan Hennessey at (212) 288-3416.

IRISH GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND ANNUAL FUNDRAISER will take place on **Sunday, October 29th**, at Rory Dolan's (890 McLean Avenue, Yonkers) from 3-7pm. The IGDB charity is dedicated to helping visually impaired and autistic children achieve mobility and independence in Ireland. Donation is \$30pp, which includes a buffet meal. For further information, please contact Margaret Fogarty at (914) 337-3295 or Kathleen Bramhall at (914) 793-3428.

EMERALD ISLE IMMIGRATION CENTER FALL FUNDRAISER will be held on **Monday, October 30th**, from 6:30-8:30pm at The Manhattan Club (201 West 52nd Street, NYC). Honorees are TBA and more information will be shared in our October Newsletter. You can find out more at their website, www.EIIC.org.

UNITED IRISH COUNTIES ESSAY COMPETITION DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 30TH: The UICA is sponsoring an essay competition for students from 6th through 10th grades. The topic for the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade essay is *The Life and Legacy of Thomas Ashe*, with \$800, \$500, and \$300 prizes awarded. For the 9th and 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.



Our past president **Mae O'Driscoll** visited Ireland and joined two life-long friends, Kathleen Joyce and Margaret Larkin who hail from Co. Roscommon, on a tour to the North and West of Ireland. While in Belfast, Mae caught up with old friends **Carl & Kate Von Ohsen**. Carl is a past corresponding secretary of the Cork Association (1988-1990). Mae also met up with her school friends at a class reunion from the Convent of Mercy in Skibbereen. One of Mae's class mates travelled from South Africa for the occasion - Sister Leo (Mary) Hegarty



Hurricane Harvey Relief Mission - Haidee Todora (Principle, St. Catherine of Sienna), Fr. Sinclair Oubre (St. Francis of Assisi & Apostleship of the Sea), Tammy Granger Domingue (Director, Port Arthur International Seafarers Center), Cork Association member **Ed Shevlin**, Doreen Badeaux (Apostleship of the Sea), Leslie Mahoney, Kim Vui Tran (Apostleship of the Sea & Port Arthur Area Shrimpers Association), and Mr. Jesse Marcell.

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.

Condolences

The County Cork B.P.&P. Association wishes to pay its condolences to our member Patricia Fitzgibbon on the passing of her father **John Patrick Fitzgibbon** of Sunnyside and formerly from Charleville, Co. Cork. He is survived by his loving wife, Susan, with whom he celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary in September. John is also survived by his children Ann, Rose, Margaret, Patricia, Teresa, Patrick, and Brian and fourteen grandchildren.

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. **Tresa 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, Artie or Jimmy 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.

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.



Members of the **Cork Association** welcomed the new Consul General to New York Ciaran Madden from Cork.



Mae O'Driscoll and Treasa Goodwin-Smyth pictured at the Consulate with Sen. Joan Freeman (center), founder of Pieta House, and Ann Garvey.

2017 WELCOME BACK BBQ

