

The County Cork B.P. & P. Association

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"The Cork Rebel" X.MMXIII

Cctober 2013 - Happy Halloween



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Mae O'Driscoll

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MEETINGS:

Tuesday October 1st 2013 – 6:30 PM – Building Committee Meeting & Newsletter Mailing Tuesday October 1st 2013 – 7:00 PM: Officers Meeting (Note: please assist w/ mailing @ 6:30) Sunday October 6th 2013 - 3:30 PM: General Membership Meeting

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday October 14th, 2013 – The Grandstand Golf Outing to Benefit the "Rise Foundation" Thursday, October 17th, 2013 – The Knights of St. Patrick Dinner dance; 6:30 PM Friday, October 25th, 2013 – The Emerald Isle Immigration Center: 7:00 PM Sunday, October 27th, 2013 - The AOH Division No. 4, NY County: 4:00 PM

Presidents Message

Notice of Motion: 1) That the County Cork Association contribute the amount of 250.00 towards a ½ page journal advert for the Knights of St. Patrick Dinner honoring Jack Ahern on October 17th.

The Cork Centenary Commemoration of the 1913 Dublin Lockout took place on Sunday, September 29th. The event was a tremendous success beginning with Mass celebrated by our Chaplain Fr. James Drew, cantor Mary Deady, and music accompaniment by Gabriel Donohue. Thank you to my eldest daughter-Aileen McCarthy for singing the American National Anthem, to readers Eleanor O'Gorman, Kerry Driscoll, and Ashling & Cara Dennehy for reading the prayers of the faithful. Historian Mike McCormack shared the importance of the Dublin Lockout; not just for the Labor movement in Ireland, but as the event that seeded the Easter Rising and the body politic in Ireland today. Historian **Ms. Daphne Wolf** continued the program, emphasizing the idea and vision of "Labor Rights" that was internationally shared across the Atlantic by James Connolly and Jim Larkin; the similarities of working conditions as well as the different tactics learned and shared within the Irish & American Labor movement. Congratulations to Chairman John Driscoll Esq., Past President of the CEA, Honorary Chairman Bill O'Driscoll, Directing Chairman & President & IAMAW as well as to Thomas Murphy, President of UFT Retirees, and Trustee Mae O'Driscoll who collaborated on the souvenir program and a great historical event. Gabriel Donohue musician extraordinaire and **Vonnie Ouinn** on fiddle and vocals entertained us with music, song and dancing. The **Bantry Bay** served a terrific Lunch & Cocktail reception, which along with the program, was sponsored and underwritten by our patrons: Jack Ahern - IUOE Local 30, James Mahoney- Local 580. James McNamara. ILA. Thomas Murphy - United Federation of Teachers Edward Murphy -NYS AFL-CIO, Sean McDermott – Morgan Stanley, and the Sergeants Benevolent Association.

Thanks also to *Consul General* **Noel Kilkenny** and wife **Hanora** for the invitation on Friday, September 27th to meet Ireland's *Deputy Prime Minister, Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs & Trade* **Mr. Eamon Gilmore** T.D., as well as view the <u>Launch of the James Connolly commemorative</u> <u>exhibition</u> by **Ms. Daphne Wolf**, whose historical display is truly magnificent! <u>http://www.consulateofirelandnewyork.org/uploads/documents/embassy/New%20York%20CG/Connolly%20ex</u> <u>hibition/connolly_booklet_interactive%20(2).pdf</u>

Our Welcome Back Barbeque: was held on **September 8th 2013**, immediately following our meeting, and was enjoyed by all...thanks to all who helped out: **Tim Murphy**, **Mae O'Driscoll**, **Deirdre O'Hea**, **Treasa Goodwin Smyth**, "**Boston**" **Bob Coveney**, **Sean McDermott**, **Bob Sullivan** and of course our Master BBQ Chef and Chair of many hats: **Noel Hayes**, along with wife **Barbara**!

Membership Update: We are still reaching out to our Membership and requesting your help to update our records; improve communications as well as receive constructive feedback to improve our organization and recruitment of New Members – please take a moment to fill out and return enclosed Membership form & survey; <u>Att</u>: **Deidre O'Hea**, Membership Chairperson.

<u>The 5th Annual Hudson Valley Irish Festival</u>: was another tremendous success; the Music, the scenic vista, the food, festivities, and kid friendly activities made an enjoyable day for all Corkonians and others who attended – Congratulations to Chairman **Dan Dennehy** and his committee.

Irish American Center of Nassau, Suffolk and Queens will be holding their **Annual Harvest Moon Ball** on Friday, October 4th at Antuns. The Honorees are **Patrick and Patsy Kearney, Betty McLoughlin** and **Rosemarie and Mike Byrne**. Tickets are \$80 per person. Musical entertainment provided by Billy Keenan and the Primetime Showband.

Grandstand Bar 25th Anniversary Golf Tournament will take place on Columbus Day, Monday October 14th at Forest Park Golf Course in Queens. The price is \$150 for the golf which includes cart and prizes. Tee time is at 10am. Start the day with breakfast at the Grandstand at 8am. There will be lunch at the turn and dinner with open bar back at the Grandstand at 6pm. Hole sponsorship is \$100 and all proceeds go to "The Rise Foundation" of Donegal, a charity founded by singer Frances Black that helps the recovery of families affected by drugs and alcohol. If you're interested in attending, contact John Browne at 917-868-7388 or Donie Carroll at 917-723-7488.

The Knights of St. Patrick 25th Anniversary Dinner Dance will be held on Thursday, October 17th, 2013 at the Union League Club 38 East 37th Street New York, New Yourk, 10016. Cocktail Reception is at 6:30 PM; 7:30PM Dinner and Dancing. The honorees are **Andrew Breslin** Man of the year, **John (Jack) Ahern** Labor Leader of the Year and **Edmond Dowling**, Business Person of the Year. For more information, contact James Lombard – 718-733-6070 or 646-263-1733.

<u>The Emerald Isle Immigration Center</u> will be holding their Annual Dinner Dance celebrating their 25th Anniversary on Friday, October 25th, 7 pm at the Astoria World Manor. Honorees are **Senator Chuck Schumer**; **Dr. Miriam Nyhan**, Historian, Glucksman Ireland House; **Rory McCreesh**, President of Duce Construction; **John DeCourcey**, Recipient of the Frank Carvill Award. Tickets are \$90 per person with music by the New York Showband. The Cork Association will be taking a table – please contact Mae O'Driscoll if interested: 718-891-0388.

<u>The Grandstand Bar and Restaurant</u> will be holding their **Annual Halloween Costume Party** on Friday October 25th. The fun starts at 11pm, with karaoke and a costume party with prizes! So come on down and join John Browne and the Grandstand staff for a scary good time!

The Ancient Order of Hibernians-Division No. 4. NY County will hold their 2013 Annual Fall Dinner Dance on Sunday October 27th at the Astoria Manor located at 25-22 Astoria Blvd. Astoria, Queens. The festivities begin at 4PM with a cocktail reception, followed by a Dinner Dance from 5PM to 9PM. Guest Of Honor – **Jack Ahern**, recipient of the Patrick Cahill Memorial Award is **Garrett Doyle**. Tickets are \$85.00. For tickets and further information -Please contact Patrick Brady Cell: 917-797-6953. Email: <u>pbrady@nyc.rr.com</u> or Michael Prunty Cell: 917-699-3256. Email: <u>prunty1185@gmail.com</u> to make your reservations.

The Dublin Society of New York will hold their 76th Annual Dinner Dance on Saturday, November 2nd at Terrace on the Park, in Flushing meadows Park, 52-11 111 Street, Queens, NY; Cocktail hour begins at 7:30 PM. **Derek Warfield**, Wolfetone founder, Musician & Historian along with Dublin Restaurateur **Donal Crosbie** will be Guests of Honor.

<u>138th</u> Annual Queens County AOH/LAOH Dinner Dance</u> will be held on Saturday November 9, 2013 at the Immaculate Conception Center, 7200 Douglaston Parkway, Douglaston, NY. Cocktail Party at 7:30PM, Honorees are: "Hibernian of The Year", Mr. James J. Burke, President of the New York State Ancient Order of Hibernians, the "Harry S. Murphy Catholic Action Award, Mr. Timothy Quinn President of Division 22 Bellerose, the "Irish Woman of the Year" will be Mrs. Siobhan Dennehy, Executive Director of the Emerald Isle Immigration Center, and the "Hibernian Sister of the Year" Mrs. Joann Dolan Mission and Charities Officer of Division 25 Rockaway Beach/Breezy Point, NY.

Unique Irish Bookstore: based in Ballingeary Co. Cork. We received information about this bookstore that specializes in over 1000 Books local Irish books written by local authors/Irish emigrants abroad on many localities in Ireland. Sounds very interesting - <u>www.localbooks.ie</u>

<u>Cork Publicans/ Restaurateurs</u>: The Bantry Bay Publick House & Restaurant has the best pub Grub in Long Island City; Association members receive discounts on meals, Thanks to Matty, Artie & Jim <u>http://www.bantrybaypub.com</u>, the Cork Hall is available to all members for parties/functions at special rates (718) 784-9500. Also, great food & drink at John Browns' **Grandstand Pub & Restaurant**; on Friday nights you can practice for American Idol - Karaoke. If you're in New York - Hell's Kitchen area, check out Pat Burke's **Brickyard Gastropub** <u>http://www.brickyardnyc.com</u> or his place in Sunnyside, Queens - **the Courtyard**: <u>http://courtyardalehouse.com</u> **Nevada Smiths**, located at 100 Third Avenue (between 12th & 13th Streets) -now boasts four floors, three bars and huge TV screens to broadcast all the matches you want to see! Check out the Irish Examiner (USA) or <u>www.nevadasmiths.net</u>. **News and entertainment**: Donie Carroll hosts a seisiún at Lillie's Traditional Irish Pub, 13 East 17th Street, NYC. Donie can be seen and heard at the seisiúns at Murphy's Bar on Skillman Avenue in Sunnyside on Friday and Saturday nights starting at 9:30 pm. **Treasa Goodwin Smyth** co-hosts the show "Ireland Calls" with her husband Tommy Smyth. You can tune in on Saturdays at 6pm to WVOX 1460 AM for music, news and local events: http://irelandcallsradioshow.com . **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. And check out The Irish Examiner, **Paddy McCarthy**'s weekly Irish newspaper. You can also read it online at www.irishexaminerusa.com & Paddy's magazine, Irish Connections, is online at www.irishexaminerusa.com.

<u>Condolences</u>: Sincere Condolences to *Tom Power* on the loss of his brother **David**, and to *Judy Murphy* on the passing of her sister-in-law **Nancy O'Connor** in Galway. Condolences also to the entire O'Connor family; Nancy and her family are longtime supporters of the Cork Association, never missing an event both here and in Cork. Jimmy Lynch from County Cavan, a great friend of the Cork Association and the United Irish Counties has gone to his eternal reward at age 97!

<u>Get Well Wishes and prayers</u>: Prayers requested for **Katerie Sullivan** who is undergoing surgery. She is the eight year old grand-daughter of Maureen and Larry Sullivan. Prayers also for **Liam O'Donovan**, son of Frank & Kathleen undergoing a procedure and for **Ann Collins**, mother of James Collins, whose undergoing treatment at Sloan Kettering.

<u>Good and Welfare</u>: 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**.

<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 Face book page. <u>Many Colleges offer Scholarships to experienced pipe & drum players, such as IONA, Manhattan College, among others</u>.

DUES: Please forward dues of \$24.00 for the year 2013 to the attention **Kathy Feeley** - **Financial Secretary** and mail to the address noted on the letterhead above.

<u>Address Changes:</u> If you are moving or have moved recently, **please** remember to send a <u>change of address card</u> to the Cork Association at the address listed on the letterhead. Or you can contact the Corresponding Secretary at the phone number below.

<u>Communications/ E-mail</u>: If anyone would prefer to have the newsletter emailed to them, please contact <u>hlpeare@gmail.com</u> Also, we'd like to update the Calling post/ message center – and our E-Mail contact list...Please send an E-mail with your telephone #'s to the <u>New Cork E-Mail</u>: <u>nycorkbpp@gmail.com</u> Thank you!

<u>GAA - All Ireland Finals</u>: A great Hurling rematch was held with a crowd of 82,276 at Croke Park on Saturday, September 28th between the **Cork Rebels** & **the Banner Claremen**. The Rebels made a fierce comeback to equalize in the 2nd half, where Clare pulled ahead in overtime play 5-16 to 3-16; we're sure to get the play by play from **Donie Carroll** and some other Cork members who were there to witness a great game – Congrats to the banner County!

The Ladies All Ireland Football Final however brought Glory home to Cork on Sunday, September 29th, defeating Monaghan Ladies 1-10-to 1-9 – congratulations to the Rebelettes: <u>http://www.gaa.ie</u>.

<u>New York GAA:</u> Results of September 29th Three Football Finals: Junior League: St. Barnabas 1-15; St. Raymonds 1-14, Senior Football: Kerry 0-14; Leitrim 1-07, Intermediate League: Monaghan 3-18; Celtics/Kerry 2-15

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