



Irish American Home Society Inc. OCTOBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

President's Message

Dear Fellow Members,

We kicked off our season with a great **Halfway to St. Patrick's Day** event on September 15th. The weather was perfect for our first ever Cornhole Tournament, which was a huge success and lots of fun! It was a great day of fun and music for everyone and it was nice to see so many people come out and support this event. Thanks to The Griffith and Mulcahey Academies of Irish Dance for entertaining the crowd and to The GAA for the demonstrations out on the field! Many thanks to the committee who worked tirelessly to plan and carry out this event along with all the volunteers who helped make this happen.

Elections will be held Sunday, September 30th from 2 to 4 pm and Friday, October 5th from 6 to 8 pm in the upstairs hall. The positions being voted on are a two-year and a three-year Board of Directors position as well as Membership Secretary, Recording Secretary and Sargent-at-Arms (more details included in this newsletter) Please stop by and cast your vote and remember to bring your current membership card. Results will be tallied and reported on Friday October 5th. Also, please consider joining us for the Installation of Officers on Friday October 19th at 8:00 pm.

All the best,

Elizabeth O'Leary
President

Next New Member screening: Friday, October 12th @ 6 pm
Next Monthly Meeting: Friday, October 12th @ 7:30 pm

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS are back in October

October 5, 12, 19 And 26

**Members—kindly refrain from bringing food in from 6 to 8 pm on Friday evenings.
We appreciate your support for the Food Trucks**

ENTERTAINMENT

October 5 - Liz McNichol
October 12 - Jeff Conlon

October 19 - The Brennan Brothers
October 26 = Dually Noted

EVENTS COMMITTEE

The next Events Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, October 3 at 6 pm in the downstairs lounge. We will be finalizing plans for our Kids and Member's Halloween parties, as well as getting a head start on November Events. All members are welcome. If you can't attend but have an idea or request for an event, please email Ann Purcell-Murray at apurcell-murray@sbcglobal.net

VOLUNTEERS

Please check the [Sign up Genius](#) link on our webpage for current and upcoming volunteer opportunities. We need help on Friday nights both at the door welcoming members and in the kitchen for Pub Grub. If you would rather volunteer via email or phone call, please contact Elizabeth O'Leary at (860) 888-8200 president@irishamericanhome.com

SIGN IN YOUR GUESTS! PROTECT YOUR CLUB!

State liquor control laws mandate that private clubs maintain a guest book where non-member guests are required to register and be signed in by the member. ***Please ensure that your guests are properly signed in...help protect your club!*** Failure to comply with the liquor laws may result in fines or other penalties such as closure of our pub for a period determined by the Liquor Control Commission. ***Please remember that you are responsible for the conduct of your guests and they must depart the premises when you depart...no exceptions.*** This is your club...protect it at all times! Thank you for your cooperation.

ELECTIONS

Nominees:

Recording Secretary

Eileen K. Moore
Mary Alice Dwyer Hughes

Membership Secretary

Kathy Saimininkas
Kathleen Nevins Colletti

Sargent-at-Arms

Ted Lloyd
Rick Breen

Board of Directors (3 year term)

Paul O'Sullivan
Robert Merrick

Board of Directors (2 year term)

Patricia Bruhn
Jim Moriarty
Maureen Kennedy
Jim Droney

Sunday, September 30, 2018, from 2 to 4 pm.
Friday, October 5, 2018, from 6 to 8 pm.
Results will be announced on October 5th following tabulation. You **must** be a Member in Good Standing as of March 31, 2018 to be eligible to vote. You must also present your Membership Card to cast your vote..

**Thanks to everyone who came out
and enjoyed the day!
See you on September 21, 2019**



Hartford GAA

A special thanks to all of those that participated in or helped sponsor our annual golf tournament this year. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

Training/Games

The Senior Hurling and Football teams continue to practice outdoors at the Irish Home, on Monday & Wednesday nights respectively.

Come on down to the Irish Home to cheer on your teams as Senior Hurling faces Providence twice this month, on October 14th & 28th, and Senior Football takes on the newly reformed Worcester football team on October 21st!

See Hartfordgaa.com and the club calendar to confirm dates and times or find us on Facebook!

Save the Date

Sports Night will take place on Saturday, **November 3rd** in the upstairs hall of the Irish American Home. This year we will be honoring Sister Peggy Evans and the Hartford Gaelic Football North American Champions. Come join us at 6 pm for a night of dinner, dancing, and music by The Tommy Flynn Band. Reserve your tickets now for **\$40.00**, please contact Paul O'Sullivan at 203-527-7253 or fota86@yahoo.com, or Dan Ustach at ustachdaniel@gmail.com.

November 18, 2018 – Fenway Hurling Classic. Join us to go see Clare, Cork, Limerick, and Wexford play in Boston! Stay tuned online for more information on tickets.

December 31, 2018 – Come celebrate the Irish New Year's in the upstairs hall of the Irish American Home. A great family event and we look forward to seeing you there to celebrate the end of the year! More to details to come...

NOTE: The Bus trip to New York City in November has been cancelled due to lack of sign up

NEW MEMBER SCREENING

The Board of Directors are available to screen any potential new members beginning at 6 pm on meeting nights (**the 2nd Friday of each month**). Successful candidates will be sworn in the same night, during the monthly meeting at 7:30 pm.

HALLOWEEN PARTIES

Join us for our Member Halloween party! Come down to the Club on **Saturday, October 20th** for a spirited evening of fun! Enjoy beverages, food and music. We will be awarding prizes after our costume parade, including "Best Couple" "Scariest" "Most Creative" and "People's choice". There will be refreshments & great music.

Our annual Kid's Halloween and Costume party will be held **Sunday, October 28th** in the upstairs hall from Noon to 2 pm. Cost is \$5 per child. The party will include a pumpkin patch, games, and a special dessert. **Reservations are a must** so we don't have to turn any children away! Contact apurcell-murray@sbcglobal.net with the number of children attending. It will be a hauntingly good time for all!



**Wethersfield Parade Committee
Oktoberfest Beer and Wine Tasting**
Thursday, October 18th, at 7 pm Kenney Memorial Cultural Center, 200 Main Street Wethersfield. Light refreshments will be served plus a raffle. Tickets are \$25. Contact Mike Hurley at 860-305-4407 or mikehurley64@cox.net

CHANGES TO HALL RENTALS

Our Upstairs and Downstairs Halls are available to rent for parties and gatherings. Please contact **Mary DaMotta** at (860) 881-5092 mmsay@aol.com or **Elizabeth O'Leary** at (860) 888-8200 president@irishamerican.com for available dates and rates. They have the ability to check dates electronically. Please keep in mind the downstairs hall is only available for rent to members in good standing. Any Satellite organizations (namely, Irish Northern Aid, Ancient Order of Hibernians, or the Gaelic Athletic Association) wishing to rent halls, should contact Dan O'Connell at (860) 633-9691. Normal protocols that have been established for these Satellite groups must be followed.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

To become a life member you must be a member for 25 continuous years, be 65 years of age and your dues must be current. If you believe you meet these criteria, please contact Membership Secretary Kathy Saimininkas at (860) 633-9691 or membership@irishamericanhome.com or Assistant Membership Secretary Ann Purcell-Murray apurcell-murray@sbcglobal.net. Please note that you must contact us in order to establish your eligibility. As most of the applications lack a date of birth, we rely on each member to let us know they are eligible. Life Membership is awarded at the annual President's Dance.

BAR BITES

Hear the rumbling (not mumbering) from the other side of the bar? We do too! The IAHS is now offering Bar Bites to satisfy that tummy rumble. The menu is simple and aimed to satisfy. We will offer

Mini Pizzas \$3,
Pretzel Sticks \$3,
Mac & Cheese Bites \$4
Chicken Bites \$5

to take care of your rumbling tummy. We will offer Bar Bites **Tuesday through Sunday**. Ask your server for details. Bar bites will be available on Fridays but **not** during Pub Grub or Food Truck times.

IRISH NORTHERN AID

The Hartford Unit of Irish Northern Aid meets the 3rd Friday of every month at 8 pm in the Upstairs Hall of the Irish American Home. Since 1970, the Irish Northern Aid Committee has been at the forefront in support of the struggle for freedom, justice, and self-determination for all the people of Ireland. For more information, contact Tom McBride (860) 983 - 0846.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) Division #2 and Ladies AOH meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm in the Downstairs Lounge. The AOH is an Irish Catholic organization that promotes and encourages participation in our religion, charity and Irish culture, following the motto, "In Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity".

For more information contact John Slevin www.hartfordaoh.com

AOH Fundraiser

Saturday, October 13, 2018 from 6 to 11 pm

Location: IAHS Glastonbury – Upstairs

Join us for a full-filled evening! There will be a silent auction and raffle drawings, along with a buffet dinner, Irish dancers and music. Tickets are \$30 per person. Please visit our website for further information: www.hartfordaoh.com or see the flyer in this Newsletter

Memorial Funds

Please consider naming one of two funds the IAHS has established over the years to receive memorial donations upon your passing. Both funds are intended to memorialize our deceased loved ones while benefiting our members. The first is our **Scholarship Fund** which was established to grant educational scholarships to the children of members in good standing. Scholarships are awarded in June of each year. The second fund is our **Building Renovation Fund**, established to help fund the proposed new building and any additional renovation needs for the existing building.



Sympathy to the Family of:

Mary Ellen Ashe
Thomas Flynn

IRISH SET DANCE CLASSES

Traditional Irish country set dancing classes are held on Wednesday evenings (*except the fourth Wednesday of the month*). This is a cultural function of the Irish American Home Society and there is no charge. The only requirements are hard-soled shoes and a little stamina. Classes begin at 7 pm. For more information, please call John Dronay at (860) 521-2696.

IRISH LANGUAGE CLASSES

Irish Language Classes will be starting back up at the Club in September. There is room in the Intermediate Class for anyone who has previously studied the Irish language. We will also be offering a beginners class for anyone with little or no previous experience with the Irish language. If you are interested, please contact Johanna Mackey at: Johannah@snet.net or (860) 982-1959

Seisiun Every 1st and 3rd Sundays

Live traditional Irish music continues on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at the Irish American Home Society, from 4 to 6 pm. Come join the singers and musicians at this open seisiun. Listen or play along with the lively jigs and reels...sing a song if you are so inclined...or simply relax and enjoy the music of Ireland. A slow music seisiun is held on the third Sunday from 3 to 4 pm. This is an opportunity to learn Irish music. For more information, contact Liz Raymond (860) 614-9431.

WEEKLY CARD GAME

Enjoy playing cards? Every Thursday evening at 7 pm. in the downstairs lounge, members and guests are invited to join in a friendly game of Setback.

HONOR GUARD

It is this Society's tradition to honor our deceased members by the presence of an Honor Guard at the funeral service and interment. While we have several dedicated members who faithfully participate in this tradition, we would like to ensure a full complement at each service. If you are interested in participating when the need arises, please contact Charlie Murray at (860) 633-0663 or Kathleen Blake at (860) 633-0587.

The Honor Guard will participate in the funeral services for all members when the member has previously requested or the family requests our services. If you would like to have an Honor Guard at a member's funeral, please call Charlie or Kathleen to advise them of the arrangements.



Newsletter deadline is the 15th of the month for inclusion in the next month's edition. Please send contributions, in **WORD FORMAT only**, to newsletter@irishamericanhome.com.

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GOOD AND WELFARE

If you know of any member who is ill, in the hospital or has passed away, please contact Margaret Moriarty (860) 563-0804 or otkerry27@gmail.com so that an appropriate remembrance may be sent on behalf of the membership. If you have good news to share, i.e. birth, graduation, etc., please send the information to newsletter@irishamericanhome.com

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Effective _____

OCTOBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>St. Patrick's Pipe Band</i>	2	3 <i>7 pm Set Dancing</i>	4 <i>7:30 pm AOH Meeting 7 pm Set Back</i>	5 <i>ELECTIONS Food Truck LIZ McNICHOL</i>	6
7 <i>SEISUN 4 to 6 pm</i>	8 <i>St. Patrick's Pipe Band</i>	9 <i>7:30 pm Board Meeting</i>	10 <i>7 pm Set Dancing</i>	11 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>	12 <i>7:30 pm Monthly Meeting Food Truck JEFF CONLON</i>	13
14	15 <i>St. Patrick's Pipe Band</i>	16	17 <i>7 pm Set Dancing</i>	18 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>	19 <i>Food Truck BRENNAN BROTHERS 8 pm Installation of Officers</i>	20
21 <i>SEISUN 4 to 6 pm</i>	22 <i>St. Patrick's Pipe Band</i>	23	24	25 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>	26 <i>Food Truck: DUALY NOTED</i>	27
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