



Irish American Home Society Inc. JANUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

President's Message

Dear Fellow Members,

Athbhliain faoi Mhaise Dhuit (Happy New Year)! May this year be happy and prosperous for all of our members and your families. December was full of wonderful events and we hope you enjoyed them all! We are kicking the new year off with our second annual "Membership Mania-Open House Weekend" which runs January 4th, 5th and 6th. There will be music, food and lots of fun. More details are included within this Newsletter. I hope to see you all there!

Congratulations to Myles and Eileen McGee on being selected as the 2019 Grand Marshals for the Greater Hartford St. Patrick's Day Parade! Also, congratulations to Renee DiNino on being selected the 2019 Person of the Year. Details for the many upcoming parade fundraisers and events are also included in this Newsletter. I hope you can make some time to attend an event or two and support this great parade. It's also not too early to start thinking about volunteer opportunities for all the upcoming events such as our Clubs Annual Corned Beef Dinner, Parade Day and St. Patrick's Day. Help is always welcomed and greatly appreciated!

All the best,

Elizabeth O'Leary

MEMBERSHIP MANIA

January 4,5 and 6, 2019 - see more information in this Newsletter

Please support your Club, help defray the cost of two mailings by coming down this weekend to renew your membership, and have some fun!

Single membership \$100

Spousal Membership \$100 + \$40

Serving our famous Corned beef sandwiches all weekend (while they last!)

PUB GRUB

January 4 - Pub Grub MEMBERSHIP MANIA

January 18 - Pub Grub

January 11 Bears Barbeque in our Kitchen

January 25 - Pub Grub by Irish Northern Aid

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

ENTERTAINMENT

January 4 - Jeff Conlon

January 18 - The Brennan Brothers

January 5 - Dan Ringrose (Membership Mania)

January 25 - The Coricals

January 11 - Dan Ringrose

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.

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.

Events Committee

The Events Committee meetings are held the **second Wednesday of the month**. The next meeting is January 9th at 6:30 pm in the downstairs lounge. All members are welcome. We are looking for a chair and co-chair for the Children's Holiday Events (Easter Egg hunt, Halloween and Christmas parties). The Events Committee will offer lots of support for the chairs. If you cannot attend the next meeting, but have a suggestion or idea for an event, please email Ann Purcell-Murray at apurcell-murray@sbcglobal.net.

BAR BITES

The IAHS is now offering a simple menu that is aimed to satisfy. We will offer:

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

Served Tuesday through Sunday. Bar bites will be available on Fridays, **only after** Pub Grub or Food Truck times.

SAVE THE DATE!

- Karaoke Night February 9
- Parade Day March 9
- FEIS June 2
- Scholarship Golf Tournament September 6
- Halfway to St. Patrick's Day September 21

**MEMBERSHIP MANIA
OPEN HOUSE - RETURNS**

Due to the overwhelming success of last years' "Membership Weekend" we are doing it again! The weekend of January 4, 5 and 6, 2019 has been designated as "Membership Weekend". All members are **encouraged** to come to the Club during the times listed below to pay your renewal membership dues and receive your new card. We will have more help this year to make the process go smoothly. Please support your Club, help defray the cost of two mailings by coming down this weekend to renew your membership. Let someone else cook dinner & spend time relaxing after the hectic Holidays. **Pub Grub will be open featuring our delicious corned beef sandwiches and other fare. Also look for " Drink Specials" all weekend !**

PLEASE bring a friend or friends to show off our renovated Pub Area and maybe become a potential member. Our Board of Directors will be on hand to screen new members and our President will swear them in.

There will be Prize Drawings for all members who renew during "Membership Mania". You will get FREE chances to win a prize:
Renew on Friday January 4th get 6 tickets
Renew on Saturday, January 5th get 4 tickets
Renew on Sunday, January 6th get 2 tickets

Also receive one (1) additional ticket for every new member you sponsor that gets sworn in during the weekend.

Hours and Entertainment:

- Friday, 6:00 to 8:00 pm Jeff Conlon
- Saturday 5:00 to 9:00 pm Dan Ringrose
- Sunday 2:00 to 6:00 pm Seisun

Prizes drawn on Sunday at 6:00 pm

FOOD – MUSIC – FUN and GIVE AWAYS ALL WEEKEND

**Greater Hartford St Patrick's Day
Parade Annual Mass**

The Central CT Celtic Cultural Committee will hold the annual parade mass on **Friday, March 8, 2019 at 7:00 pm** St Patrick / St Anthony Church, 285 Church St, Hartford, CT

Free, convenient, well lit and reserved parking is available in the Saints Parking Lot, (directly across from the church entrance). Please join us as we start Parade Weekend with this very special celebration which will conclude with the presentation of traditional walking sticks to the 2019 Parade Grand Marshals, **Myles and Eileen McGee.**



PARADE FUNDRAISERS

Pub Night—Cromwell Parade Committee
Friday, January 11, 2019 5-8 pm
The Well, 546 Main Street, Cromwell, CT 06416. **\$10 per person**, Food, raffles and drink specials. Contact Samantha Slade for tickets or more information Samantha.C.Slade@gmail.com

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner (Wethersfield Parade Committee)
Saturday, January 19, 2019 6 to 11 pm
Wethersfield Community Center 30 Greenfield Street, Wethersfield, CT 06109 **\$35 per person**, BYOB. Dancing to the Billy Egan Band Honoring Rick Bailey, Town Marshal and Rick Garrey, Town Honoree. For tickets contact Mike Hurley (860) 305-4407 or mikehurley64@cox.net

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner (East Hartford Parade Committee)
Sunday, February 10, 2019 12:30 - 5 pm
Irish American Home Society, 132 Commerce St, Glastonbury, CT 06033 **\$25 in advance**
Honoring Timothy Larson, Town Marshal and Robert Buettner, Town Honoree Contact Theresa Doyle (860) 568-7685 or Sana Hart (860) 558-6261

Town Marshal/Honoree Reception (Cromwell Parade Committee)
Saturday, March 2, 2019 5 to 7 pm
Cromwell Town Hall, 41 West Street, Cromwell, CT 06416
Edward H. Mann, Town Marshall
Tim Farrell, Town Honoree



Parade Grand Marshal and Person of the Year Reception

Sunday, February 17, 2019 1:30 pm
Irish American Home Society, 132 Commerce St. Glastonbury, CT 06033
The Central Connecticut Celtic Cultural Committee has selected **Myles and Eileen McGee as the 2019 Parade Grand Marshal and Renee DiNino as the 2019 Person of the Year.** The reception will be held on Sunday, February 17 from 1:30 to 5 pm. A buffet by Michael's Catering will be served. **Tickets are \$35.**
To purchase tickets, send check (payable to CCCC) to Mary Lynch – 177 Hopewell Road, So. Glastonbury, CT 06073. For more information or to reserve tables of 10 you may contact Mary Lynch @ (860) 462-2881. **Tickets are available on a first come basis and are available until SOLD OUT or February 1, 2019**

Hartford GAA

Sunday Jan. 27, 2019 - We will be having the 2019 convention and elections for the HGAA Board at the Irish American Home at 2 pm. If you are interested in a HGAA board position please contact Dan Ustach at ustachdaniel@gmail.com. Come get involved and support your HGAA in 2019!

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

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.

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 in the existing building.

Sympathy to the Family of:

Margaret Chapman
(mother of Dee McCann)
Maggi Nolan-Thibault
(sister of Dan Nolan)

Michael Mullan
(son of Kate and Hugh Mullan)
Patricia Droney

Get Well Wishes to

Gerry Feeney

WINTER STORM CLOSING INFORMATION

The winter season is upon us and with that brings the eventuality of ice, snow and wintry mix. The Irish American Home Society will do its best to remain open during inclement weather but will close if conditions warrant. Closing information may be found on our website, Facebook, and the following TV stations: WFSB Channel 3, WVIT Channel 30 and Fox 61. We ask that you refrain from parking in our lot during snow storms so that snow removal may be done as quickly and completely as possible. If we need a plow to return to re-plow where a car sat during a storm, we pay additional snow removal costs. Thank you!!

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 Droney at (860) 521-2696.

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.

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@irishamericanhome.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.



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.

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JANUARY 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 <i>7 pm Set Dancing</i>	3 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>	4 <i>Pub Grub Membership Mania JEFF CONLON</i>	5 <i>Membership Mania</i>
6 <i>Membership Mania SEISUN 4 to 6 pm</i>	7 <i>St. Patrick's Pipe Band</i>	8 <i>7:30 pm Board Meeting</i>	9 <i>7 pm Set Dancing</i>	10 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>	11 <i>7:30 pm Monthly Meeting Food Truck, Bears BBQ DAN RINGROSE</i>	12
13	14 <i>St. Patrick's Pipe Band</i>	15 <i>7</i>	16 <i>7 pm Set Dancing</i>	17 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>	18 <i>Pub Grub THE BRENNAN BROTHERS</i>	19
20 <i>SEISUN 4 to 6 pm</i>	21 <i>St. Patrick's Pipe Band</i>	22	23	24 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>	25 <i>Pub Grub THE CORICALS</i>	26
27	28 <i>St. Patrick's Pipe Band</i>	29	30 <i>7 pm Set Dancing</i>	31 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>		