



Irish American Home Society Inc. FEBRUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

President's Message

Dear Fellow Members,

Please join me in welcoming the **89 new members** we swore in during our 2nd annual "Membership Mania" weekend held the first weekend in January. This event was a huge success! The demands for our famous corned beef sandwiches were enormous and our kitchen staff did an amazing job of keeping up with that demand. Many thanks to our Officers, Directors and volunteers who helped all weekend to ensure the success of this event and especially to our membership team who did a fabulous job!

Speaking of events, we are approaching our "high holidays" in March ...St. Patrick's Day (March 17th) and our beloved St. Patrick's Day Parade Day (March 9th). The Club will hold its annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner on March 3rd, and these are three (3) huge events for us. We draw many members and guests for these events and require lots of Volunteers to run them. In addition to needing volunteers to work in the kitchen on both Parade Day and St. Patrick's Day, we are looking for help with set up and clean up for these events. Information regarding volunteer opportunities are contained in the insert of this Newsletter. We hope you'll come out and support these events and lend a hand in making these events a huge success!

Our events are announced at our Monthly Members meeting, among other important Club information you may or may not see in the Newsletter. To keep apprised of all our happenings, please consider attending the monthly membership meetings, held the second Friday of every month.

All the best,

Elizabeth O'Leary

President

KARAOKE NIGHT
Saturday, February 9th 7 to 10 pm
Drink specials, Bar bites will be available or
bring your own snacks!!



PUB GRUB

Join us for Pub Grub every Friday in February from **6 to 8 pm**

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

February 1 - Dually Noted

February 8 - Dan Ringrose

February 15 - The Brennan Brothers

February 22 - The Cabey's

All music begins at 7:30 pm unless otherwise noted.

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 **February 13th at 6:30 pm** in the downstairs lounge. All members are welcome. 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.

Mark your calendars!

Sr. Peggy Evans will be celebrating her 50th anniversary in the near future. We would like to invite everyone to her **50th anniversary** celebration on Saturday, **April 6, 2019**. The celebration will start with a mass in the auditorium, with a reception afterwards. For more information and tickets, please contact the ECHS advancement office at (860) 649.5336. Tickets will be available soon. <https://www.echs.com/srpeggy>

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 pm**, St Patrick / St Anthony Church, 285 Church St, Hartford.

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

2019 St Patrick 's Day Parade Book Sponsorship

Due February 16th, 2019. Application forms and levels of sponsorship available online www.irishamericanparade.com under the fundraiser tab or via post card mailers available in the lower level of the Club.

It is a great way to honor and remember friends and family in addition to the 2019 Honorees: Grand Marshals Myles and Eileen McGee and Person of the Year- Renee DiNino. Questions can be directed to 5Cparadebook@gmail.com.



2019 Greater Hartford St. Patrick's Day Parade honors: **SPECTACULATOR SPECTATORS**

Has your family been standing in the same spot for decades – grateful that you represent generations? OK – so this may be the year to put the Kellys, the O'Briens, or the Murphys – “on the map.” Does Hartford's St Patrick's Day Parade translate as “time to tailgate?” Well – this may be the year to trade the green eggs and ham for Eggs St Benedict, the Solo Cups for Walsh family Waterford . . .and – if the “Wearin O' The Green” is your “go to” – consider this year – the “Singin' O' The Song” or a rendition of Connecticut Riverdance. Spectators will be viewed/judged **prior** to the parade and prizes will be awarded to **SPECTACULATOR SPECTATORS** in the categories of **Family, Tailgaters, and Spirit**. Start planning and stay tuned for more details.

St. Patrick's Day Parade New York Bus Trip Sponsored by Hartford Irish Northern Aid Saturday, March 16th 2019

Departs CT at 8:30 am, Leaves NY at 7:00 pm Enjoy St. Patrick's Day in New York, march in the parade, shop, or just enjoy the day visiting your favorite sites. **\$50 pp round trip**, make checks payable to INA mail to: Cathy Hodlin, 4 Vincy Drive, Cromwell, CT 06416

PARADE FUNDRAISERS

Town Marshal/Honoree Reception (Glastonbury Parade Committee)

Saturday, February 2, 2019 6:30 pm

Irish American Home Society,
132 Commerce St, Glastonbury, CT 06033

\$25 Dinner, Music and Raffles

Honoring Dave O'Leary, Town Marshal
Contact Jessica Dunn (860) 681-3347

jessdunn21@gmail.com

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

36th Annual Dinner Dance

(Manchester Parade Committee)

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner

Saturday, February 23, 2019 5 to 7 pm

Doors Open at 6 pm; Manchester Elks
Club, 30 Bissell Street, Manchester, CT
Music from Boston's Andy Healy

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 Marshal

Tim Farrell, Town Honoree

Town Marshal/Honoree Reception (West Hartford Parade Committee)

Saturday, March 2, 2019 3 to 7 pm

Beachland Tavern; 1128 New Britain Ave,
West Hartford, CT **\$5 donation**;

Guinness, Harp, Wine \$5, lite fare served

Barbara Foley, Town Marshal

Mark Jamin, Town Honoree



Parade Grand Marshal and Person of the Year Reception

Sunday, February 17, 2019 1:30 to 5 pm

Irish American Home Society, Glastonbury
The Central Connecticut Celtic Cultural
Committee has selected **Myles and**

**Eileen McGee as the 2019 Parade Grand
Marshals and Renee DiNino as the 2019
Person of the Year**. A buffet by Michael's

Catering will be served. **Tickets are \$35**.

To purchase tickets, send check (payable
to CCCCC) to Mary Lynch – 177 Hopewell
Road, So. Glastonbury, CT 06073. For

more information 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.

Hartford GAA

Indoor Hurling practice at Star Hill in Vernon on eight (8) consecutive Thursdays starting February 7th at 9 pm. Cost is \$50 per session. All are welcome.

March 24th 2 to 4 pm Open house and registration for youth (4 to 16 years) and all senior players. You don't have to be Irish to play.

May 11th Harford GAA Golf Tournament at Goodwin Golf Course in Harford. Lunch at 12 noon, and tee off 1 pm. \$140 pp which includes lunch and dinner at Goodwin. Contact Stephen Miskell (860) 478-2052 or email: stephenmiskell@icloud.com

www.HarfordGAA.com

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 Fund**, established to fund a proposed new building in the future.

Sympathy to the Family of:

James Carroll
Kieran Egan
Bridget Marceau
Helen Salata



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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FEBRUARY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 <i>SEISUN 4 to 6 pm</i>	4 St. Patrick's Pipe Band	5 <i>7:30 pm Board Meeting</i>	6 <i>7 pm Set Dancing</i>	7 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>	8 <i>7:30 pm Monthly Meeting</i> DAN RINGROSE	9 KARAOKE NIGHT 7 to 10 pm
10	11 St. Patrick's Pipe Band	12 7	13 <i>6:30 pm Events Committee</i> <i>7 pm Set Dancing</i>	14 <i>7 pm Set Back</i> 	15 <i>Pub Grub</i> THE BRENNAN BROTHERS	16
17 <i>SEISUN 4 to 6 pm</i>	18 St. Patrick's Pipe Band	19	20 <i>7 pm Set Dancing</i>	21 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>	22 <i>Pub Grub</i> THE CABEYS	23
24	25 St. Patrick's Pipe Band	26	28	28 <i>7 pm Set Back</i>		

LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD VOLUNTEERS IN MARCH!

(The truth be told, we're looking for more than a few) Please consider volunteering for one of the events below or offer your services prior to the event. There are plenty of volunteer opportunities...find one that suits you. It's a great way to meet your fellow members. In fact, you just might find yourself enjoying a pint or two afterwards with your new-found friends! Call Elizabeth O'Leary **(860) 888-8200** or email president@irishamericanhome.com or utilize **Sign Up Genius:** www.irishamericanhome.com/

ANNUAL CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER

Our annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 3, 2019, from 1 to 4 pm. Join us for our famous corned beef, served with cabbage, potato, carrots, dinner rolls and Irish Soda Bread. **Adults \$15 and kids 12 and under \$8.** Nobody does corned beef better than the IAHS! Enjoy performances of Irish step dancing in the upstairs hall beginning at 12 noon. We serve in the downstairs lounge as well. We hope to see you there!

Peeling Party for Corned Beef Dinner: Saturday, March 2nd at 10 am. BYOP (bring your own peeler). We also need help setting up the Upstairs Hall for the dinner.

Corned Beef Dinner: Sunday, March 3rd from 1 to 4 pm. We need volunteers to help set-up, clean-up and serve during the event.

Parade Day: Saturday, March 9th: We need volunteers to staff the kitchen after the Parade until the last sandwich is sold! The Upstairs Hall will be open from 2 to 6 p.m. Sign up for a shift!

Thursday, March 14th: We need volunteers to help prepare for St. Patrick's Day! We will be portioning cole slaw, pickles, etc. We begin at 6 pm and it won't take much more than an hour or so, with enough volunteers.

St. Patrick's Day, Sunday March 17th: From 11 am until??? We need volunteers to staff the kitchen. Sign up for a shift! We need volunteers to staff the doors on Parade Day and St. Patrick's Day.

Doors (March 14 and 17): We need volunteers to check ID's and collect the cover charge. If you are interested, please contact Eileen McGee at (860) 550-3732 by phone or text.

CARRY YOUR COUNTY FLAG!

Carry your County flag in the Greater Hartford St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, **March 9th, 2019**. Please consider joining your fellow members and carry a flag in the club's contingent. Flags will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis. We provide a Club windbreaker and ask that you wear black pants. Please call Elizabeth O'Leary to reserve your flag **(860) 888- 8200** or email president@irishamericanhome.com

