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Newsletter for the Gaelic-American Club
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CÉAD MÍLE FÁILTE One Hundred Thousand Welcomes



LÁNÁSA | August 2022



CHERISH THE LADIES

SUNDAY AUGUST 14TH @ 4PM

For over 37 years, **Cherish The Ladies**, one of America's most heralded Irish music ensembles, has won the hearts of audiences worldwide with their rousing blend of traditional music, captivating vocals, and lively step dancing. Featuring Joanie Madden, Mary Coogan, Mirella Murray, Nollig Casidy, Kate Purcell, Gabriel Donohue with Champion Irish Dancers

Tickets: Adults \$20 | Kids \$10
For reservations Email
lizbyrnefeeney@hotmail.com

IRISH LANGUAGE & CULTURE DAY COME ONE, COME ALL Let's learn some Irish!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 1st as The Irish Language Group will be presenting a day of Irish Language and Culture at the Gaelic-American Club.

We welcome all level of speakers, including beginners. For more information, please contact:
Cáit Thopsey-203-459-9686 or
Robin Griskus-203-233-4979.

FRIDAY NIGHT TRIVIA 8/5 @ 8PM

Trivia is back from last month's break and it's sure to be great craic - so wear some black and join us on August 5th for your chance to win some goodies.

WEEKEND MUSIC IS INDOORS 8-11PM

Friday	Aug 5	Liz McNichol
Saturday	Aug 6	Keltic Kick
Friday	Aug 12	Sharon & Her Band
Saturday	Aug 13	Susan & Gerard
Friday	Aug 19	Camac
Saturday	Aug 20	Keltic Kick
Friday	Aug 26	Name that Tune
Saturday	Aug 27	Jolly Beggars



IRISH HISTORY LECTURE
Save The Date
October 2nd 2022 at 2:00 pm
Irish History Lecture

SEPTEMBER MARKS THE RETURN OF GAC'S CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

So many to choose from! There's The Genealogy Group, Irish Literature Group, Clan na Gael Players, The Pipe Band, Senior Lunch, Irish Dance instruction for young members and of course the ever popular Set Dancing for Adults - to name a few. If you're a chairperson please help our members connect with a club or activity by sending updated information to communications@gacemail.org. Want to get involved? Check out all the club has to offer by visiting the GAC website at GAOnline.org - Get involved, Make Friends & Have Fun!

MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONS?

Please direct all your Membership questions to the membership committee: membership@gacemail.org

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Friday July 8th @ 8PM

Members are encouraged to attend!

MEMBERSHIP REMINDERS

The white membership card with your name and a 5 digit number is used for both entering the club and scrip DO NOT DISCARD AFTER USING UP YOUR SCRIP. \$10 replacement fee for lost card. You can mail or drop off payment with your info to the Attn: Membership. To check Scrip balance, log into gac.campuscardcenter.com/ch/login.html. For more information contact membership@gacemail.org

GAC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meets monthly and can be reached Via email at executive@gacemail.org

BUSINESS & TRADES DIRECTORY

To place your professional listing in the GAC Business Directory Trades List at www.gaonline.org. send info to communications@gacemail.org. And when you need a business or trade service check the list and support your fellow members.

FÁILTE COMMITTEE

We are getting into our busy times at the GAC and we do need to have people to volunteer to sit for a few hours at the front desk. It's a great way for new members to meet new people. Ideally we like a 3 (or more) hour shift - once a week, a month or year! We have roughly 6000 members, yet we only have 3 volunteers to sit at the front desk. Please volunteer to help out. No experience necessary. Please call Bette Leary at 203-767-0117. Thank you

FAIRFIELD GAELIC PIPE BAND

The group practices Mondays at 6:30pm in the Carolan Room of the GAC. For more info visit fairfieldgaelicpipeband.org or call 475-329-0202.

GENEALOGY GROUP**FREÁMh ÉIREANN**

Is on break till September. The group meets on the 2nd Saturday of the month @ 10:30am in the O'Keefe Room. For information or link contact FESecretaryGAC@gmail.com.

Club ACTIVITIES**GOOD & WELFARE**

Mass Cards were sent to: Brian Ellard on the passing of Margaret Kirby; To John Mahar on the passing of his wife, Jackie.

Sympathy Cards were sent to: Simon McCarthy on the passing of his grandmother; To Fred Cotter on the passing of his Mother, Marie.

A get well card was sent to Gerry Rooney

Deceased member plaques were engraved for: Ann Marie Carney; And for Jackie Mahar

Notify Mary Alvarez of all member news at alvarezmp@icloud.com.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Ilona Paxton, House Chairperson
203-372-1280

IRISH LANGUAGE GROUP

Thursday Evenings via Zoom
6:45 beginners | 7:30 intermediate
For more information: Cait Thopsey
203-459-9686

LIBRARY

The library will NOT be accepting donations at this time.

LITERATURE GROUP

The Literature Group will meet on September 21 at 7pm. We will be discussing 'The Lost Girls of Ireland' by Susanne O'Leary. All are welcome to attend. For more information please contact Mary Ellen Keresey @ maryellenkeresey@gmail.com.

SENIOR LUNCH

On Break until September

SET DANCING

On break until September

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

contact social@gacemail.org.

TRAD MUSIC SESSION

The Shamroques host an Irish Trad Music Night every Wednesday from 7-9pm in the Carolan Room. All are welcome to join in or just listen.

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

Meetings are held at the GAC every 3rd Thursday of the month. The AOH is a fraternal group that mixes social functions and Christian charity on a regular basis. Join your fellow Irish Catholic brothers for good times and on-going charitable works. Contact Mark Ryan at 203 258-9846 or mark.ryan@sbcglobal.net.

**HALFWAY TO SAINT PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION**

September 18 from 4-7PM at the GAC Side Yard.

Introducing Gerry Reidy
as the 2023 Parade Grand Marshall

Appetizers and Cash Bar

Music & Entertainment by the Allen Gogarty, Bernadette Fee, Lenihan School of Irish Dancer and the Fairfield Gaelic Pipe Band.

For reservations: Pat Carolan at pjcarolan@gmail.com
\$25 per person

17TH SCHORLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT

To Honor Parade Grand Marshal Gerry Reidy

Tuesday September 20th at Mill River Golf Course.
Registration: 11:30 am | Lunch: 11:30 am to 12:30 pm
Shotgun start: 1:00 pm | Cocktails/Dinner: After golf
\$275 pp - \$1100 Foursome | Tee Sponsors \$300

TO SIGN UP CONTACT:

John Carolan: 203-521-1028 | Dave Curtin: 203-366-7187
Dan Ford: 203-209-3989 | Elizabeth Power: 203-685-6256
Terry O'Connor: 203-243-8240 | Peter Carroll: 203-913-0259

August Lánasa



Schedule

Mon & Tues
Wed & Thurs
Friday
Saturday
Sunday

Kitchen hours

4pm - 9pm
4pm - 10pm
12pm - 10pm
12pm - 8 pm

pub hours

Closed
4 pm - 10 pm
4 pm - 12 am
12 noon - 12 am
12 noon - 9pm

How To Reach us

Office (203) 254-0673
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Pub emergencies (203) 254-2723
Membership (203) 256-0380
Social (203) 418-7676
Website www.gaonline.org

CÉAD MILE FÁILTE



Sunday <i>Dombnach</i>	Monday <i>Luan</i>	Tuesday <i>Máirt</i>	Wednesday <i>Céadaoin</i>	Thursday <i>Deardaoin</i>	Friday <i>Aoine</i>	Saturday <i>Satharn</i>
<p>Reminder Please Sign in Your Guests in the Lobby</p>	<p>1 Gaelic Pipe Band - 6:30pm</p>	<p>2 Lenihan Dance Lessons 4pm Children - 8pm Adult</p>	<p>3 Trad Music Session 7-9PM</p>	<p>4 Irish Language Class • Beginners (zoom) 6:45 • Intermediate(zoom) 7:30</p>	<p>5 Trivia Night @ 8pm ♪ Liz McNichol 8-11pm</p>	<p>6 ♪ Keltic Kick 8-11pm</p>
<p>7 </p>	<p>8 Gaelic Pipe Band - 6:30pm</p>	<p>9 Executive Committee Meeting 7pm Lenihan Dance Lessons 4pm Children - 8pm Adult</p>	<p>10 Trad Music Session 7-9PM</p>	<p>11 Irish Language Class • Beginners (zoom) 6:45 • Intermediate(zoom) 7:30</p>	<p>12 Membership Meeting 8pm Sceala Submissions Due ♪ Sharon & Her Band</p>	<p>13  Meteor Showers Look up! ♪ Susan & Gerard 8-11pm</p>
<p>14 Cherish the Ladies @ 4pm</p>	<p>15 Gaelic Pipe Band - 6:30pm</p>	<p>16 Lenihan Dance Lessons 4pm Children - 8pm Adult</p>	<p>17 Trad Music Session 7-9PM</p>	<p>18 Irish Language Class • Beginners (zoom) 6:45 • Intermediate(zoom) 7:30</p>	<p>19 ♪ Camac 8-11pm</p>	<p>20 ♪ Keltic Kick 8-11pm</p>
<p>21 Reminder Please Return Your Glasses to the Bar</p>	<p>22 Gaelic Pipe Band - 6:30pm</p>	<p>23 Lenihan Dance Lessons</p>	<p>24 Trad Music Session 7-9PM</p>	<p>25 Irish Language Class • Beginners (zoom) 6:45 • Intermediate(zoom) 7:30</p>	<p>26 ♪ Name that Tune</p>	<p>27 ♪ Jolly Beggars 8-11pm</p>
<p>28 </p>	<p>29 Gaelic Pipe Band - 6:30pm</p>	<p>30 Lenihan Dance Lessons 4pm Children - 8pm Adult</p>	<p>31 Trad Music Session 7-9PM</p>	<p>1 Irish Language Class • Beginners (zoom) 6:45 • Intermediate(zoom) 7:30</p>	<p>2 ♪ TBA</p>	<p>3 ♪ TBA</p>



CLAN NA GAEL HAS MOVED THE PRODUCTION OF "OUTSIDE MULLINGAR"

BY JOHN PATRICK SHANLEY TO THE FALL.

Clan na Gael is pleased to announce the spring production of "Outside Mullingar" by John Patrick Shanley has been rescheduled for the fall.

This four person play featuring Tristen Cole, Valerie Huegal, Susan Maxham and Mike O'Mara tells two intertwined stories of a long standing land dispute, between neighbors, which has kept the second story, about a rather one sided romance, on the back of the turf stove for many years. It is by turns, poetic, uplifting, dark and funny!

The play is being directed by Jillian Plomin and produced by Peg O'Leary.

"Outside Mullingar" New Production dates: November 17, 18, 19 at 8:00 and Sunday November 20, at 2:30

Updated reservations can be had at: playresvcng@gmail.com or 203-377-1070

IRISH TRADITION MUSIC IS COMING BACK

This Fall promises to be very exciting. First Friday Sessions will restart October 7th in the Pub and continue on the First Friday of every month until June of 2023.

Also in the works is a robust concert series sponsored by Shamrock Traditional Irish Music Society and the Gaelic-American Club.

Saturday, September 24th @8pm

Seán Clohessy, Kathleen Conneely, and John Coyne. The trio has released a new CD 'All Jokes Aside'.

Saturday, October 22nd @ 8pm

Katie Linnane and Ivan Goff

And a very special show

Saturday, November 5th @ 8pm

Gregg and Clare Burnett's 1st Annual Memorial Concert
Nathan Gourley and Joey Abarta

Please stay tuned for possible changes or updates!

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