



# SCÉALA

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

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## GAA SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIANTS

This year we had nineteen very qualified applicants for the GAC Scholarship. It is with great pride that The GAC Scholarship Committee announces the winners.

**Chole Oliver, from Foran High School in Milford.**  
Chole is headed to Albertus Magnus College and will major in Elementary Education

**Aiden Derby from Fairfield Prep.**  
Aiden is off to the University of Richmond and plans to major in Business.

**Both attained GPAs exceeding 4.0.**

The committee wishes the winners as well as all the applicants success in their college experience as well as all future endeavors. Many thanks to the committee members, Griffin Reidy, Breda O'Sullivan co-chairs, Peg O'Connor and Elizabeth Power. It is never an easy job when so many extraordinary students apply.

## TRADITIONAL MUSIC SESSIONS ARE BACK

The Shamroques host an Open Traditional Music Session every Wednesday 7 to 9 PM in the Carolan Room.

Beginning in August, The Shamroques in partnership with the GAC to sponsor a once-a-month special Trad Music Sessions in the Pub from 6 to 8 PM.

The first Special Guest Artist will be Loretta Murphy on August 6th session. See you there!

## WEEKEND MUSIC IS INDOORS 8:30-11:30

~ UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ~

Friday	Jul 2	Camac
Saturday	Jul 3	Liz McNichol
Sunday	Jul 4	Allen Gogarty (12-3pm)
Friday	Jul 9	Liz McNichol Band (outside 6-8pm) Sharon & Her Band (inside 8:30-11:30)
Saturday	Jul 10	TBA
Friday	Jul 16	Bedlam Brothers (outside 6:30-9:30)
Saturday	Jul 17	Allen Gogarty
Friday	Jul 23	Mike McGovern
Saturday	Jul 24	Keltic Kick
Friday	Jul 30	Once Removed
Saturday	Jul 31	Susan Gillespie & Gerard Corbett

**MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING AT THE GAC**  
**FRIDAY JULY 9TH @ 8PM**  
**ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!**

## CLAN NA GAEL IS HAPPY TO BE BACK!



Under the direction of Mathew Appgar, a Staged Reading of *The Walworth Farce* was held in early May. Mat and the cast did a fantastic job 'turning the lights back on' our stage and we'd like to thank all who attended!

CnG along with Feile, Inc. organized the return of Liz McNicholl's Childrens' Interactive Workshop, on Sunday May 30th. This free outdoor event was brought inside due to weather, but we made our rainy day one of music, sing-a-longs, instrument playing, dancing and laughter. Liz even had the kids counting in Irish as well as saying a few phrases - great fun for both kids and adults!

Jillian Polmin is currently running a six-week Actors Workshop for Middle and High School Students which concludes on July 14. For more information contact: [jplomin@gmail.com](mailto:jplomin@gmail.com)

The CnG board, welcomes three new members, John Moran, Sue O'Hara and Griffin Reidy who along with the rest of the board, have been busy reading scripts for our fall play. And we are now very pleased to announce CnG's fall production is *Second Honeymoon*, a rib-tickling comedy by Sam Cree and directed by Peg O'Leary. We urge everyone to come laugh with us as we take back the stage on November 18, 19, 20 & 21.

CnG is an open and welcoming group! If you'd like to get involved as an actor, producer, director, or in any other aspect of the creative team - who help put a production together - please get in touch with us. We love getting new people involved! No Experience Necessary! [opegyo812@gmail.com](mailto:opegyo812@gmail.com).

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**CELEBRATE WITH THE GAC!**

# FOURTH OF JULY BBQ

**SUNDAY JULY 4TH 12-3PM**

**MUSIC | FOOD | FUN**

**ADULTS \$15 | CHILDREN \$7**

**MUSIC BY ALAN GOGARTY**

The Fairfield Town fireworks happen on July 3rd (rain date 7/5) at about 9:15 pm. So why not enjoy a tasty dinner at the GAC before heading out to watch the fireworks. Once you're done oohing and aahing - stop back for a drink and enjoy some live music in the pub till 11:30pm.



Games are televised every weekend in the Pub. It is a shortened season this year, so there'll be multiple games and excitement on the weekends.

### Fáilte Committee

The Fáilte Committee greets members as they enter the club and assists them if they need to sign in guests. The State Liquor Commission mandates all guests to be signed in by a member so the book needs to be maintained properly.

It's real easy and a great way to get to know everyone. Volunteer once a week, once a month, any nights Wednesday thru Sunday. Shift length flexible and no experience necessary. Call Bette Leary at 203-767-0117.

### The Library

Please note that the Library has temporarily suspended receiving book donations.

### Good and Welfare - April, May & June

Three deceased member plaques were engraved in April and May for **James McInerney - Paul Dodson - Larry Kinsella**.

In June; A Mass card was sent to **Maura O'Connell** on the passing of her Mother, **Kathleen**.

A get well card was sent to **John Curtin** after recent surgery. A deceased member plaque was engraved for **Adele Thomas**.

*Please share all the latest life events and member news with Mary Alvarez @ [alvarezmp@icloud.com](mailto:alvarezmp@icloud.com)*



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