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Dear Member,

As we begin 2024, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very Happy, Healthy and Blessed New Year. I hope that this year will be filled with many graces and blessings. I would like to thank you all for your wonderful support in 2023.

We had a lovely crowd at our December meeting, followed by an enjoyable evening with good food and great company. Thank you to all who joined us, and for contributing to our annual collection for the **Aisling Irish Center**. I had the pleasure of swearing in three of our new members, **Maureen Curtin, John Cronogue and Rory Brigid Slattery**. Welcome onboard and hope to see you soon.

Our January meeting will take place on **Thursday January 18th at 7:30pm** at the **Heritage Bar and Restaurant, 960 McLean Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10704**. Please try to attend, and if so, bring someone. We are always looking for new members. If you would like to participate *virtually* via **ZOOM**, the **ID number is 530 678 7556** and **Passcode is 707748**. For **Zoom** assistance, please contact **Meg McKeon-Baker @ (718) 445-8365**.

Payment of dues for 2024 are also being accepted now and can be paid in person at any upcoming meeting or by mailing in your check to the **Financial Secretary** at the **P.O. Box address above**. **Dues are \$20.00 per person or \$30.00 per couple per year**.

The **56th edition** of the '**Leitrim Guardian 2024**' is still available for purchase. If you would like to obtain a copy of this unique publication, please contact **Frank Brady at 914-963-8729** or email him at frank.brady@liu.edu. A great way to pass a long winter's night!

Preparations are currently in progress for our **127th Annual St. Patrick's Day Dance**. The dance will take place on **Friday, March 8th at Antuns, 96-43 Springfield Blvd, Queens Village, NY**. Please go to the Dinner Dance page on our website for all the details of the dance and to download a Journal Ad Contract. We are looking forward to a great night.

Reminder – Don't forget to purchase your box for our **NFL Superbowl Pool** for the game next month. Half of the proceeds will go to **Leitrim GAA** and half to winners. Boxes are **\$100.00 each** and can be purchased from **Margaret Taylor Finucane at 917-655-1493**. **Half-time score is \$1,500 and Final score is \$3,000. Remember 'if you're not in, you cannot win'.**

The **United Irish Counties Association of New York** will hold their **119th Annual Dinner Dance** on **Friday, January 26th 2024 at Antun's, 96-43 Springfield Blvd, Queens Village, N.Y. 11429**. **Cocktail Hour begins at 7.30pm, followed by Dinner and Dancing to 'Rumor Has It'** This year's "**Gael of the Year**" is **William M. "Bill" Lynn**, Business Manager and Financial Secretary I.U.O.E. Local 30 and "**Rose Cosgrove Distinguished Service Award**" will be presented to Co. Tipperary delegate, **Regina O'Dwyer**. For reservations please contact **Margaret Taylor Finucane at 917-655-1493 or via email to UICANY.Reservations@gmail.com**. Congratulations and have a great night.

Brooklyn 49th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade Dance and Fundraiser will be held on **Saturday, February 10th, 2024** at **St. Patrick's Hall, Bayridge, 97th Street and 4th Avenue from 8:00 p.m. - Midnight**. Their **St. Patrick's Day Parade** will take place on **Sunday March 17th, 2024**. **Grand Marshal is Gerald L. Keogh, Esq., Keogh Law Group**. For information please call **Mary Hogan at 917-699-9290**. Your support is always appreciated.

NY Ladies GAA will hold their **Annual Dinner Dance** on **Friday January 19th, 2024**, at **Terrace on the Park, 52-11 111th Street, Queens, NY**. **'Guest of Honor'** is **Nollaig Cleary** and the **Colette Horkan Award recipient** is **Sharon Redican**. For information please contact **Keva Moore 516-360-4456**.

Bayside 6th Annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade Dinner Dance will take place on **Friday February 9th, 2024** at **7:00** at **Leonard's Palazzo, 555 Northern Blvd, Great Neck, NY 11021**. Music will be **'McLean Avenue Band'**. **Parade Grand Marshal is Sean Lane, Chairman – NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade**. For information please contact **Betty Mc Loughlin 718-352-2452** or **Cell 347-613-1303**.

50 miles in January challenge is happening once again. **Leitrim supporters** are again **walking or running 50 miles in January**. From **Drumshanbo** to **Dubai**, they're braving the elements to get fitter and raise funds to support all of Leitrim's inter-county teams in 2024. Here in **New York** a large group of staunch **Leitrim GAA exiles** have once again signed up for this challenge. For information regarding **participation/sponsorship** you can contact **John Conefrey at 646-460-2702**, **Pat Reynolds 914-879-9753** or **Frank Brady 914-536-3512**.

Please remember our sick members: **Brigid Buggy (Aunt of Noeleen Bohan McGovern, and sister-in-law of Anna Mulvey Buggy)** and anyone who is not mentioned here. Wishing them all a speedy and full recovery.

We remember our deceased: **Tony McGovern (McGovern Bros)**, **Aughavas** who died recently in London, and **Mary T. Breheny, (Drumshanbo South)**, sister-in-law of Ann Brogan's son Tommy. May all our departed Rest in Peace.

Please continue to pray for the health and safety of all our **first responders, medical staff and all essential service employees** who continue their great work. We also pray for peace at this very unsettling time in our world.

Sincerely,

Margaret Taylor-Finucane
President

Anna Mulvey Buggy
Corresponding Secretary