

County Leitrim Society of New York



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Dear Member,

We are almost half way through the year already and winding down our Society for a well-earned summer break. Wishing all our **mothers** a belated **Happy Mother's Day**. Hope you were all appreciated and celebrated on your special day!

Our Dance Chairman would like to share the following message:

"After four postponements, our **125th Annual Dinner Dance** finally took place on **Sunday May 1st**. It was a wonderful occasion and a resounding success, as is evident by the large attendance. Thank you to everyone who worked in any way towards making it such a marvelous afternoon. The biggest '**thank you**' is reserved for our **eleven outstanding honorees** who all have played a major role for over half a century in making our 125th Anniversary celebration possible. '**Thanks**' to our **Distinguished Service Award honoree, Bernadette Dunleavy**, who is now diligently carrying on the work and duties of those gone before. It is now up to all of us to ensure the customs and traditions of our Society continue to prosper into the future. If anyone needs a copy of our Dance Journal, copies will be available at our May meeting. If you cannot attend, please contact **Dessie McWeeney** at **516-443-0485** or **Donal O'Connell** at **914-356-1989**."

Our **May meeting** will be held on **Friday, May 20th, 2022 at 7:30pm in the Heritage Bar, 960 McLean Avenue, Yonkers, NY**. All members are welcome to attend. If you would like to participate virtually via **ZOOM**, the **ID Number is 530 678 7556 and Passcode is 707748**. For further assistance, please contact **Meg McKeon-Baker at 718-445-8365**. We will have the drawing for the Scholarship winners at this meeting. Refreshments will be served. **Please note date change!**

Payment of dues for 2022 should be mailed to the **Financial Secretary** at the **P.O. Box** address above. **Dues are still only \$20.00 per person or \$30.00 per couple.**

'Welcome' to our **new members. Kevin Cooley, Sean Cooley, Thomas Cullen, Gerard Dunleavy, John and Marian Kilkenny, Michael Meegan and Catherine Kilkenny-Mower**. We thank you for becoming part of the **Leitrim Society** and look forward to seeing you at an upcoming meeting.

The '**Leitrim Guardian 2022**' will be launched on **Sunday May 15th, 2022** in the **Bush Hotel, Carrick-on-Shannon**. This event was postponed due to Covid. We congratulate our past **Guest of Honor** and great supporter, **Pat Gallagher** on being chosen as their '**Leitrim Person of the Year**'. A well-deserved recognition for his constant support of many charities and organizations. Pat is truly a great **Ambassador** for his native **County Leitrim**.

The new '**Drive to Revive**' initiative will be having a **Race Night** on **Saturday May 21st 2022, 7:30pm** at **St. Margaret of Cortona School, 452 West 260th St., Riverdale, NY 10471**. For further information please contact **John Duggan @ 347-512-2401**.

The **United Irish Counties Association of New York** will hold their **82nd Annual Feis** on **Sunday June 12th 2022** at **Saunders Trades and Technical High School, 183 Palmer Road, Yonkers, NY**. Volunteers are always needed on June 11th and 12th for both setting up and keeping the day running smoothly. For Information please check their website at <https://www.uicany.org/> or you can email them at UICANYFeis@gmail.com. Feis registration is available at <https://feisweb.com/>. The **deadline for entries** is **May 22nd, 2022**. For information please contact **Cathy Hogan @ 646-489-5258**.

Please remember our sick members: **Michael O'Rourke, Pidgie Murray, Anna Bohan, John Duggan (brother in law of Mike Carty), Agnes O'Brien (sister of Pat Murray) and Joe Reynolds (brother in law of Cathy Mitchell Miceli)**

Condolences to the family of **Joe McCabe (Cloone)** who died recently, and to **Anna and Joe Buggy** on the untimely passing of **Joe's niece, Patricia (Buggy) Cristostomo**, aged 40 years old last week. Please keep her husband and family in your prayers. May all our departed Rest in Peace.

We continue to pray for the health and safety of all our **first responders, medical staff and all essential service employees** who continue their heroic work on the **front lines**. We thank them for their continued service. We also remember all our families in Ireland during these very difficult times. Please continue to remember the people of Ukraine and pray for an end to the ongoing conflict.

Sincerely,

Donal O'Connell
President

Anna Mulvey Buggy
Corresponding Secretary

A message from our President

*Thank you to all who contributed in any way to our Society in the past year;
To our officers for their continued work behind the scenes;
To Dessie McWeeney, Chair of our Dance Committee, for a very successful 125th.
Anniversary Dance at Antun's.*

*The year brought with it many challenges. We are a better Society because of these.
Enjoy the Summer in Good Health and Safety. Please keep us informed of Welfare and
other Society issues. We'll see you in September!*

*Thank you.
Your President,
Donal O Connell.*