

# County Leitrim Society of New York



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Dear Member,

I am delighted to **welcome you all back** after a very hot steamy summer. I hope it was a time for you to relax and spend time with family. Hope you all had a great **Labor Day** weekend. School is open again so we are all back on schedule. We pray for the safety of all our children, parents and teachers as the school year begins again. Now it's time to get to work again!

Due to vacation conflicts our **September meeting** will be held one week later, on **Thursday, October 3, 2024 at the Heritage Bar and Restaurant, McLean Avenue, Yonkers, NY at 7.30 pm.** Please try to attend and get involved. **Our Society can only grow with the help of new people.** We need a lot of help to run our events throughout the year. We also urge more members to sign up to receive the newsletter via email, as this will expedite getting the news out to you, and will help with our monthly expenses. 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. PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE FOR MEETING**

We had a large attendance at our May meeting. It really was nice to see everyone and catch up. At that meeting we held the drawing for the annual scholarships and the following students were selected winners:

### GRAMMAR SCHOOL:

1. William Brady – Detective Barney Ferguson Award - \$500
2. Thomas Dolan – Aisling Cooke Award - \$500

### HIGH SCHOOL:

1. Cate Taylor - \$1000
2. James Meegan - \$500 – Pidgie Murray Award
3. Mary Grace Mulvey – Richard Reynolds Award - \$1000
4. Kevin Taylor – Larry Dolan Award - \$500

### COLLEGE:

1. Jack Dolan – Barney & Olive McKeon Essay Contest - \$2000
2. Pierce Taylor - \$1000
3. Aiden Murphy - \$1000 – Helen Brady Memorial Award
4. Dylan Murphy - \$1000

**Congratulations** to all our lucky winners. These scholarships will be presented at our **Annual Memorial Mass/Scholarship dance on Sunday November 3rd, 2024 at Dunwoodie Golf Club.** Details will be published in next month's letter. In conjunction with this event, which is the only fundraiser for the scholarship we are enclosing **two books of raffle tickets.** Please return tickets and payment to **Bernadette Dunleavy, 238 Blackford Ave, Yonkers, NY 10704 before October 31st.** Checks should be made payable to the '**County Leitrim Scholarship Fund**'

**Payment of Dues for 2025 should be mailed to the Financial Secretary** at the P.O. address above. **Dues are \$20.00 per person or \$30.00 per couple.**

Congratulations to **Cathy Mitchell Miceli** on being chosen as an **Irish Echo 2024 Community Champion Honoree**. Cathy is so well deserving of this award for all her hard work over so many years. Awards will be presented at the **9<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Dinner** on **Friday October 11<sup>th</sup> at Rosie O'Grady's, 148 W. 51<sup>st</sup>, New York, NY 10019**. The event is from **5.30pm to 9pm**. **Tickets are \$175.00 each**. Wishing Cathy a wonderful evening.

**American Irish Association of Westchester** will celebrate **50 years** on **Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> 2024**. Please see attached flyer with all the information.

**Please remember the following who passed away during the summer:**

**Angelo Leggiero** (father of Mark and father-in-law of Noreen Leggiero)

**Elizabeth Hayes** (sister of Beatrice McWeeney), Birmingham, England

**Sharon O'Brien** (sister in law of Alice O'Brien -Bermejo)

**Angela Carty**

**Adrian Flannelly** (Irish Radio Show Host for 54 years)

**Yvonne Buckley** (daughter of Pat Buckley) who died tragically

**Billy Keenan** (Stoney Point)

**Michael Fraioli** (grandson of Frank McKenna whose wife was from Drumshanbo)

**Brian McCabe** (native of Gortletteragh)

**John O'Mahony** (former Leitrim football manager who successfully brought glory to our County when Leitrim were crowned **Connacht Champions in 1994**).

May the souls of all our departed Rest in Peace.

We also ask you to pray for our sick members, John Taylor, Brigid Buggy (receiving treatment) and our own Donal O'Connell who is recovering from recent Knee surgery. Wishing them a full recovery to good health.

We continue to pray for the health and safety of all our **first responders, medical staff and all essential service employees**. We thank them for their service.

As we remember the **23rd anniversary of 9-11** we think of all those lives lost on that awful day, which is forever etched in our memory. We also remember all those who have died as a result of World Trade Center illnesses. **We must never forget.**

Hope you are getting a chance to enjoy this beautiful Fall weather.

**Sincerely,**

**Margaret Taylor Finucane**  
**President**

**Anna Mulvey Buggy**  
**Corresponding Secretary**