



# Gaelic Athletic Association of Greater New York



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Dear Friends,

The Gaelic Athletic Association of Greater New York is pleased to announce our **89th Annual Banquet** will be held on **Saturday, June 10, 2023**, at the Fairways at Dunwoodie, located at 1 Wasylenko Lane, Yonkers, N.Y. 10701, with cocktails and dinner and dancing from 7:00pm to 12:00am to the music of Mary G and Frankie Lee. Tickets are \$125.00 per person.



We are delighted to announce this year's **Guest of Honor** is **Laurence McGrath**. A native of Pettigo, Co. Donegal, Laurence arrived in New York in the mid '80s, and from his very first Sunday to current day, can be found in Gaelic Park. He is a proud member of the Donegal Football Club of New York, where he also served as Chairman, and the New York Celtics GFC. He has been an active member and officer of the New York County Board and served as Chairman for five years. He owns a construction business, DL Contracting Inc. and just recently opened his own bar, the Horse and Jockey on Katonah Avenue in the Bronx. Laurence is a vital cog in the NY GAA wheel, working tirelessly to promote the Gaelic games,

and we are grateful to him for his passion, commitment and dedication.



We are pleased to announce the recipient of this year's **Lifetime Achievement Award** is **Frank Brady**. Hailing from Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim, Frank is a retired university professor. He has been a member of the Leitrim Football Club since his arrival in New York and also the Leitrim Society. He is an active member of the LGFA NY, and was the manager of a New York County team, as well as a selector and a referee in both codes. He is currently a sports journalist with the Irish Echo. Frank is well known for his love of running and is a member of Team Aisling, as well as serving on the Board of Directors of the Aisling Irish Community Center. We are grateful to Frank for his many years of dedicated commitment.



We are proud to present the **GAA Community Spirit Award** to **Sophie Colgan**. A native of Co. Down, Sophie immersed herself in the Irish community from the moment she arrived in New York in 2014. She is a member of the Manhattan Gaels LGFA and Liberty Gaels Camogie. Sophie is President of SC Communications LLC, through which she consults in events, marketing and public relations. Sophie also works with The Ireland-U.S. Council for Commerce and Industry as Program Director, building business links between America and Ireland. In the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, Sophie and fellow Meitheal volunteers worked tirelessly collecting PPE supplies as well as food donations for New York healthcare workers. Sophie is a trailblazer who leads by example. A brilliant fundraiser who never

asks for anything in return, Sophie embodies the meaning of community spirit!

In conjunction with the banquet and in recognition of our honorees, we will be publishing a souvenir journal. A journal contract is attached for your consideration. Deadline for receipt of advertisements is Saturday, May 27th, and payment for tables is Saturday, June 3, 2023.

We look forward to greeting you on June 10th as we pay tribute to our distinguished guests.

Yours in sport,

*Joan Henchy*

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You are hereby authorized to insert a \_\_\_\_\_ page advertisement in the Souvenir Journal honoring **Guest of Honor, Laurence McGrath, Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient, Frank Brady and GAA Community Spirit Award Recipient, Sophie Colgan** on the occasion of your 89th Annual Banquet at the Fairways at Dunwoodie in Yonkers, N.Y. on Saturday, June 10, 2023.

I agree to pay the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  Green Page \$500 ~  Gold Page \$300 ~  White Page \$100

**Please mail to: New York GAA Banquet** c/o Catherine T. Hogan, 698 Yonkers Avenue - #3F, Yonkers, NY 10704 or forward via e-mail:

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**Deadline for returns and payments for advertisements is SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2023.**