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The Irish Center of Southern California Inc., is a 503 c (3) Not for Profit Corporation.

Our tax ID is 95-4442397.

We are a fundraising group with no "paid" staff. Our primary aim is to acquire a multi-purpose facility including a theater, library, social hall, meeting rooms etc.

If you have "any news" re graduations, births, weddings, deaths, relocating etc. Please send news re graduations, births, weddings, deaths, relocating, etc., to Lawtech@sprintmail.com
Our address is 1931 W. Glenoaks Blvd., Glendale, CA 91201.

If you know anyone who would like to receive this newsletter and doesn't have a computer we will send by post. Let us know. This goes to over 2800 email addresses. We would like to thank those people who donated to the Irish Center to help us with expenses (including ink and postage for this newsletter):

SAVE THE DATES

MARCH 17, 2018

**IRISH CENTER OF SO. CALIFORNIA
ST. PATRICK'S DINNER DANCE AT THE HILTON,
GLENDALE.**

Entertainment by

Ken O'Malley & The Twilight Lords

And

Cleary School of Irish Dancing

**IRELAND WEEK – CONNECTING MODERN
IRELAND October 16 – October 21, 2017**

DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Deirdre O'Neill Machin at

deirdre@the-oneillgroup.com

Congratulations to our friend

***Michael Breen** on his new job with APPLE. A few years ago Michael moved to Co. Mayo, Ireland. While living in California Michael was a committee member of the Irish Center of So. California. Michael is remembered for his dance performances at the Irish Center Dinner Dances and at other events.*

Congratulations to:

Shannon Cox (granddaughter of Mary Cox) on her admission to UCLA in Fall 2017.

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MONTHLY EVENTS:

Sunday, August 6th, at 1 p.m. Irish Center “get-together” lunch at Hill Street Café, 3301 N. Glenoaks Blvd., Burbank. Easy to find, between Hollywood Way and Buena Vista on Glenoaks (right next to St. Leon’s Cathedral). Hill Street Café telephone number is 818-845-0046. A separate dining room for 40-50 people. Parking right beside the building. Order what you want – a cup of coffee to full breakfast or lunch – and pay separately.

Tuesday. August 1st, at 9.30 am, Friends of Ireland monthly breakfast at Katella Restaurant, 4470 Katella Ave, Los Alamitos, CA 90720. RSVP Pete Walsh, 714 200 7365 or pbeireanua@att.net

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REMINDER FROM SISTER ALICIA: EACH YEAR WE HAVE TAKEN A "VACATION" FROM OUR MONTHLY SOCIALS IN JULY & AUGUST & RETURN AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER

Irish Social from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at St. Cornelius Church Hall, 5500 E. Wardlow, Long Beach, CA 90808. Good food, good music, good conversation, singing and dancing. Music by Dennis Murray. Thanks to the Pastor, Fr. Michael Gleeson. The organizer, Sister Alicia from Castleblaney, says “Please come and bring a friend and a dish.”

MONTHLY ADULT CEILI CLASS from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. the last Friday of every month at the Mag Studio, 173 W. Magnolia Blvd., Unit 103, Burbank, CA 91502. No partners or experience necessary. All are welcome. \$15 drop in class fee.
www.clearyirishdance.com

CELTIC ARTS CENTER, Mondays Celtic Irish Dance and workshop at the Mayflower Club, 11110 Victory Boulevard, North Hollywood, CA 91606

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ACCORDIONAIRES – Enjoy Accordion Music at Victorio’s Ristorante, 10901 Victory Blvd., No. Hollywood, CA 91606 (Vineland/Victory) on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. *****

KEN O’MALLEY

Tam O’Shanter July 1, 8 p.m. House concert, July 8, 4:30 p.m. in Pasadena “Stonywood” (Ne’er Duwels) For more info write to fullmoonsaturdays@yahoo.com And check out their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/fullmoonsaturdays/>.

San Diego Folk Heritage August 5, 7:30 p.m. Pilgrim UCC 2020 Chestnut Ave, Carlsbad (Ne’er Duwels)
Tam O’Shanter August 12, 8 p.m.

NE’ER DUWELS FACEBOOK PAGE, WEBSITE AND MAILING LIST: The Ne’er Duwels also have their own mailing list and website where you can also sign up to receive notices of upcoming Ne’er Duwels shows. The website is neerduwels.com and you can “like” the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/theneerduwels.

IRISH VETERANS

For information on the Irish Veterans organization visit www.Irishveterans.org June Bulletin (James Sikora & Declan Hughes from Kinsale)

Prayers and good wishes to our friends who are “a bit under the weather”

Brian Joseph McConville, Florence, Oregon, formerly of Granada Hills.
Rev. Francis Oman and his sister, Sister Nancy Oman (requested by Mary Ann Adams, Moreno Valley)

Let's hear from the Irish



Community Letters to the Editor

This section will be dedicated to short letters submitted by our readers. If you have a

family member or friend who has graduated, or should be recognized please submit a picture and a short article. A good story (yarn) will be given the additional space it deserves ☺. Because the community is spread throughout Southern California it is difficult for many of our seniors to attend the "get-togethers" but I am sure they want to stay in touch. Let me hear from those of you who use "skype" or "facetime" as this may be a way of also staying in touch with our community.

In the event of an unfortunate passing of one of our Irish friends please send the details of the services and a short article and photograph for insertion in the newsletter.

IMPORTANT Note: Obituaries must be submitted and approved by a family member.

For additional information visit the website at: <http://www.irishcenter.org>

AUGUST 2017 BIRTHDAYS

1. Erin Garvey, Michael Hawe, Paula Doyle, Audrey Doherty, Geraldine O'Sullivan
2. Casey Doyle, Siobhan O'Callaghan Robinson, Sister Margaret Oman
3. Francis McCaughey
4. Marie Shivan.
5. Mary Barrett, Rachel Copley.
6. Sarah Noone, Jarlath Kane, Robert Cleary
7. Betty King, Nick Jordan, Rosaleen McKenna,
8. Ashley Crowell, Rob Driscoll, Anne Donohue
9. Aileen McBride, Patrick Drohan
10. Margaret Cleary, Helen Cox, Timothy O'Toole, Jimmy Curran, Tara Dilloughery, Marge Sweeney
11. Bridie McDermott, Deirdre Gibson, Aidan Stewart, Alexia Prokop
12. Niamh Kennedy, Terrance Murphy, Patrick Houser, Michael O'Sullivan, Ciaran Thornton.
13. Tommy McDonagh, Ann Fallon
14. Sue Cutshaw, David Curran, Brian Dunn
15. Sean Cleary, John Evans
16. Jim Kennelly Jr.
18. Lena Gregg.
19. Margaret Courtney
20. Brick Price
21. Deirdre McLaughlin, Maureen Smith, Kevin Roberts
22. Maeve Shivan, Emily Van Seggern
23. Kevin Murphy

AUGUST 2017 ANNIVERSARIES

1. Jed & Siobhan O'Callaghan Robinson, Jeri & Jerry O'Keefe
2. John & Mary Dempsey
3. Tom & Joan McConville
12. Finbar & Carmel Hill
23. Dennis & Paula Doyle
24. Frank & Delia Mackey-Rüdiger
28. Kevin Rüdiger & Kirsten Isaacson
30. Frank & Norah Murphy

***2017 Southern California
Rose of Tralee
Claire McManamon***



***Brought to you by the
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Rose of Tralee Center***

***Sponsored by the Irish Fair Foundation,
Inc.
Allyn Anderson. President.***



Our 50th Show! - Sunday - August 6!

Howdy Friends!

Our 50th show has arrived! Its my party so I'll be singing whatever the heck I want!!

We are expecting a sell out so get your tickets by clicking [HERE](#) Or just call the club directly at 310-372-1193

The Comedy & Magic Club 1018 Hermosa Ave.
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

See you there!

Dennis

**Dennis and Ed - The Birthday Bash
Sunday, August 6
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
(Doors Open For Dinner At 6:00 PM)
Comedy and Magic Club
Live at the Lounge**

Our condolences to the families who have lost loved ones.



Patrick J. Lynch
8/25/31-6/19/17

P.J. was born and raised in Ireland. He immigrated to the U.S. at 17 yrs old. He served in the Korean war and became an American citizen. He was married to Martha G. Sullivan (deceased) for 49 yrs. Together they raised children in the Catholic faith. He is survived by his 4 siblings, 5 adult children, 7 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren.

Fred M. Leathem passed away on Sunday, July 9th. He was born in Downpatrick Co. Down on 25 October 1922. He came to America in January 1948. In December of the same year he met Rosamond Redmond and they were married 11 February 1950. They had two children Tom and Rita, two Grandchildren Brendan and Meghan, two great grandchildren Raymar and Tomas with a 3rd great grand daughter due in October.

Fred worked at the White King Soap Co. before going to work at the Los Angeles Times. He left the Times to go work with Pacific Press and became a mailer. He ran and became President of the local ITU union and later became the Vice President of the CWA union. He retired in 1992 and started going back to Ireland every summer for the next 20 years.

His mass will be on Saturday 19 August at St James the Less Catholic Church (4625 Dunsmore Avenue, La Crescenta CA 91214) at 11 AM. RIP

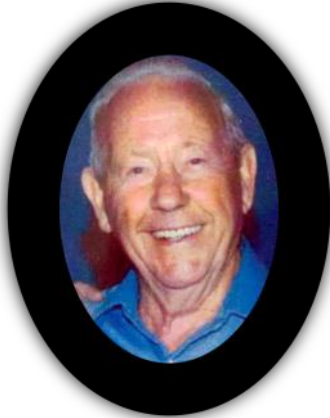
Miriam Devlin



Miriam Devlin was born August 16, 1931 in Dublin, Ireland. She was the 2nd of 9 children to William Tyrrell and Clare (Kelly) Tyrrell. She immigrated to Canada in her twenties, where she met her future husband Peter, and they were married in 1956. Shortly afterwards, the newlyweds joined their brother, Dr. Patrick Devlin in the Long Beach area where they built their business, Devco Medical Industries, and ultimately lived for 6 decades. But Ireland was never far from her heart, and she visited her home country almost yearly.

Miriam was a gifted painter and spent many hours creating lovely water color renditions of places she visited. A life-long lover of books, Miriam was known for weekly trips to the local library, leaving with up to 5 books at a time! Miriam passed away on June 19, 2017 after a very short illness. She was preceded in death by her parents and her older sister, Rebecca Halion and brothers, Billy and Brian Tyrrell, and best friends, Bridget Naughton, Msgr. Desmond Quinn, and Don Kiikka. She is survived by her husband of 61 years, Peter; daughter, Dina Polkinghorne and her husband Ori and grandchildren Quinn and Olivia Polkinghorne; her daughter, Mandy; her sisters, Jeanne Cahill, Ann Drumgoole, and Jackie Tyrrell, brothers, Pat and Paul Tyrrell, and many in-laws, nieces and nephews.

We love you Miriam. There truly was no sweeter soul on earth. Your memory will be forever present in our hearts until we meet again.



Thomas George Kiernan

Thomas "Tommy" George Kiernan

August 12, 1926 - June 27, 2017

Thomas George Kiernan was born in Dublin, Ireland, August 12, 1926. He attended the local elementary and high schools there. As a young man in his early 20's he became a professional speedway motorcycle racer. "Tommy", met the love of his life, Kathleen O'Reilly and married her August 4, 1952.

They had five children, Carol Kiernan-Griswold, Pauline Kiernan, Aileen Kiernan, Dermot Kiernan, and Kathleen Kiernan Jr. They have three grandchildren, Monica Denney, Ryan Wood-Taylor, and Makayla Smith. Also, they have three great grandchildren, Colin Denney, Brianna Denney and Nyla Wood-Taylor.

In 1956, Tommy and Kathleen and children immigrated to Toronto, Canada and stayed for two years, waiting to be admitted into the United States of America. Finally, in 1959 they drove across the US to California and settled in the San Fernando Valley.

As owner and contractor of "Tommy Kiernan Plumbing," he made many friends and business associates throughout the San Fernando Valley and Los Angeles County.

He was active in the Irish community, belonging to Irish Clubs and a participant in the St. Ambrose Ceili Set Dancers. He attended yearly the Irish Center of Southern California St. Patrick's Day dinner dance and show. In March of 2017, at the St. Patrick's Day celebration he was awarded the Irishman of the Year 2017!

Tommy passed away and went home to the Lord on June 27, 2017, in his daughter, Aileen's home in Oceanside, California. He will be remembered as a loving family man, a hard worker, optimistic, and a God loving, giving person. There was always a twinkle in his eye and a joke to follow! We will miss him always

Thomas Kiernan lost his fight with lung cancer and went home to the Lord.

July 22, 2017 was a very special day for the Kiernan family. We honored our Dad, "Tommy", with his funeral/celebration of life at St. Cyril's in Encino. Burial was held at San Fernando Mission Hills Cemetery and a reception at the Mayflower Club in North Hollywood.

It was a fantastic day! Father Donie Keohane (West Cork) presided over a beautiful mass and our singer, Helena Buscema was angelic! Her guitarist, Phil Buscema, was wonderful and learned, "Our Lady of Knock". just for the occasion, bringing tears to many eyes.

At the burial, Brian Walsh played an ancient Irish horn, echoing two memorable soothing tunes.

Afterwards, at the Mayflower Club, we ate a good meal and kicked up our heels to the fantastic band. "Wakin Kate"!

Upon the request of Tim Martin, some of the Irish set dancers happily agreed to perform and honor Dad/ Tommy by dancing many great sets for all to enjoy! Then, Maggie Cleary surprised us, bringing six of her dancers that performed several dances as a tribute to our Dad/Tommy! The evening ended with individuals, voluntarily singing Irish songs and ballads.

We, the Kiernan family, want to thank all who attended to give Dad a great send off! There was so much love in the room and we know Dad is smiling down from above!



James B O'Dea

Passed away
Services will be held at
St Elizabeth Ann Seton
1835 Larkvane Road
Rowland Heights. 91748-2501
10 am Thursday 10th August 2017

When we receive more information it will be
on our [website Irish center.org](http://www.IrishCenter.org)



Charlotte Peters stars in a new short film called The Widow's Last. A moving story about the Irish famine, it's already being picked up by film festivals across the US.

We would be delighted if you & any of your friends were able to attend the screening on
9th August at 3.15pm : Laemmle NoHo 7, 5240 Lankershim Blvd. North Hollywood 91601

Tickets: <http://lashortsfest.com/content.asp?PageID=81>

More information:

http://lashortsfest.com/film_program_details.asp?programnumber=36

<http://charlottepeters.me/widows-last-chosen-international-film-festivals/>



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It's Not Yet Dark

"The very definition of a documentary crowd-pleaser... a poignant and upbeat account of...Fitzmaurice's inspiring triumph over physical limitations." -- Variety

It's Not Yet Dark, narrated by Colin Farrell, is being released in select theaters and On Demand on Friday, August 4th.

It's Not Yet Dark tells the groundbreaking story of Simon Fitzmaurice, a talented young Irish film maker with ALS (MND), as he embarks on directing his first feature film (MY NAME IS EMILY) through the use of his eyes and eye gaze technology.

Screening in LA at Laemmle [Monica Film Center](#) 1332 2nd Street, Santa Monica

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Ireland Week is coming to Los Angeles – October 16th to 21st 2017
Don't miss it!

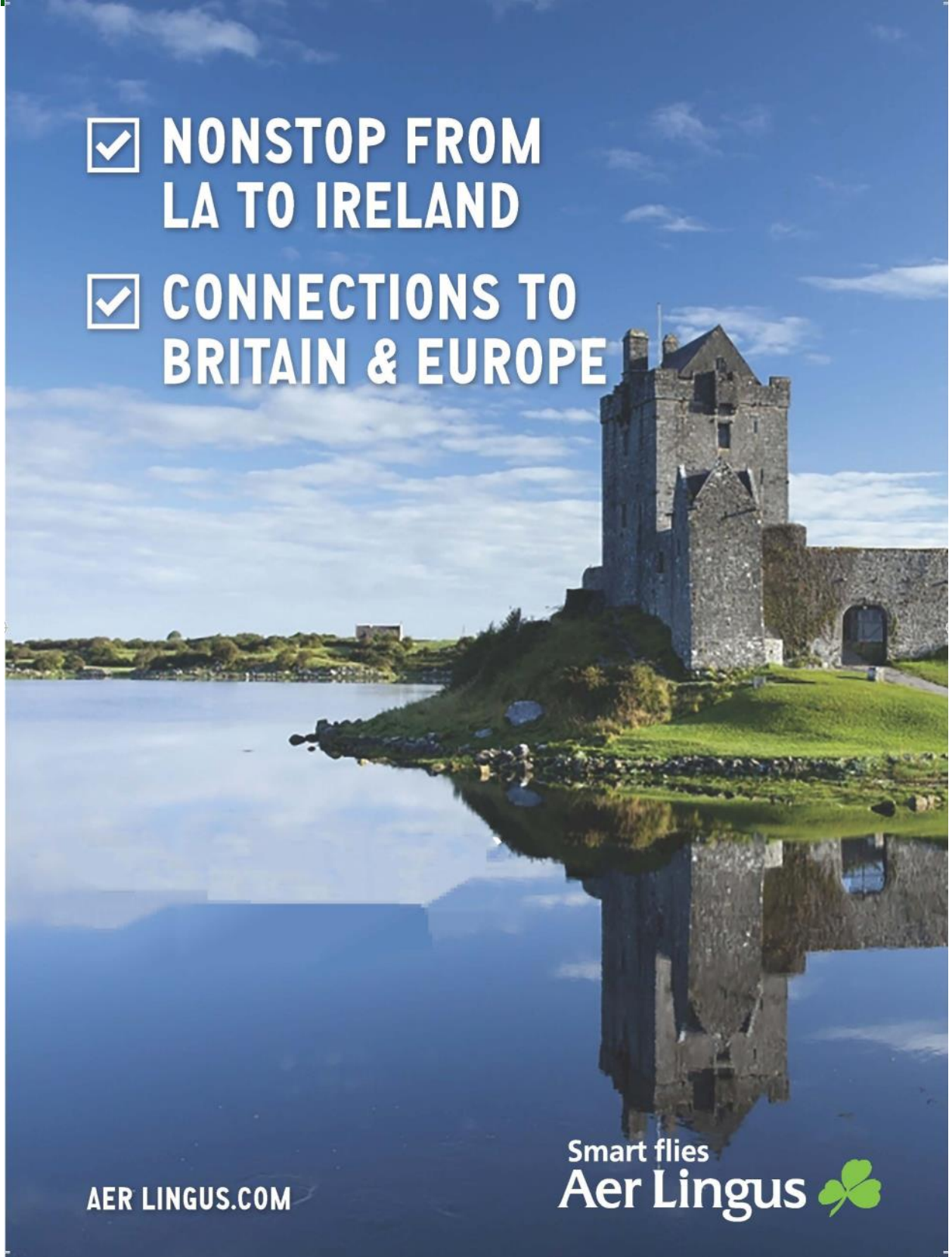


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<https://www.irelandweek.com/>

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