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If you have “any news” re graduations, births, weddings, deaths, relocating etc please send to: tomirishhour@msn.com.

If you know anyone who would like to receive this newsletter and doesn't have a computer we will send by U S Mail. Let us know. This goes to over 2500 email addresses.



Tuesday. 2nd June 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

Sunday. 7th June. The Irish Center's informal “get together luncheon” will be held at the Angeles National Golf Club, 9401 Foothill Blvd., Sunland, CA 91040. Telephone # 818 951 8771. Let's meet at 12.45 pm. Free parking & wheelchair access. Bring your children. (Half price). The brunch includes lunch (salads, shrimp, beef, sausages, omelets, etc) coffee or iced tea, dessert (a variety) tax & gratuity. All for \$25.

Always fun, good food, good company+ singing etc. Remember, the brunch starts at 1 pm. Call Bridget Hana at 818 249 7911 for reservations.

Sunday. 14th June. Irish Social from 2 pm to 6 pm at St Cornelius Church hall, 5500 E. Wardlow, Long Beach. 90808. Thanks to the pastor, Fr Michael Gleeson.

As Sister Alicia says “please come and bring a friend”. Good food, good music, good conversation, singing & dancing.

Monthly adult ceili class from 7pm to 9pm 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.

Saturday. 13th June 11.00am to 12 noon. . Joe Praml will read selections from James Joyce's novel *Ulysses*, one of the great novels of the 20th century. It was banned in the UK until the 1930s and in the US until 1933. Joe Praml's love and enthusiasm for the novel, its characters, and Dublin, bring out the ribald comedy of *Ulysses*. Porter Ranch Branch Library, 11371 Tampa Ave., Porter Ranch, CA 91326; Tel: (818) 360-5706.

www.lapl.org/branches/porter-ranch and www.joepraml.com.

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Sunday, 21st June. "A Special Father's Day Show" with Dennis McNeil and Ed Martel at The Comedy and Magic Club, 1014 Hermosa Ave, Hermosa Beach at 7.30 pm. General admission \$20. (2 items minimum). Dennis McNeil with Ed Martel on the piano. Info: 310 372 1193. www.comedyandmagicclub.com.

Dear friends of St. Columban, you will be happy to hear that the archdiocese of Los Angeles has entrusted to the Columban Fathers the parish of St. Hilary in Pico Rivera. Four Columban priests will take over there on July 1st: Frs. Diego Cabrera (pastor), Peter Kenny, Gerry O'Shaughnessy and T. P. Reynolds. We are very happy with this outcome. Please refocus your attention on that part of town after we leave 2600 N. Vermont Avenue. You are always welcome there as you are indeed to wherever a Columban resides. Rev T. P. Reynolds.

From M.Finbar Hill, Honorary Consul General of Ireland,

1. Ethiopian airlines have been persuaded to extend their special introductory fare to Ireland of less than \$1000 return for reservations made prior to the end of June 2015. Flights commence on June 20 and shall operate 3 days per week direct non stop from LAX to Dublin. Return flights are also nonstop Dublin to LAX. The Aircraft is Boeing's new Dreamliner.

2. Special Olympics

The Special Olympics are seeking volunteers and supporters to attend the events and support the athletes not only the 100 plus Irish Athletes taking part but the over 3000 athletes in total.

If you are willing to volunteer please email the Irish Consulate General in the first instance at irishconsulatela@gmail.com.

James Charles' inspiring and achingly personal memoir "Becoming Unique". A good part the book is set in County Leitrim. "Becoming Unique" is a moving and informative account of one man's journey towards Autism Spectrum Disorder. Whilst delivering practical and constructive advice for those living with autism, Charles also examines the positive attributes of the disorder, which he calls a diffability. Becoming Unique is also a story of faith, as James examined his relationship with God and how he made peace with his diagnosis. A rare and valuable first-person narrative about living with autism, James Charles' story will stay with the reader forever. You can purchase it here: http://www.amazon.com/Becoming-Unique-James-Charles/dp/1909477907/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1428945500&sr=8-1&keywords=becoming+unique



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

Catherine Taylor, Fullerton;

Congratulations to:

Monsignor Jeremiah O’Sullivan of The Spa, Tralee who celebrates his 90th birthday on 13th June 2015. Monsignor “Jerry” served in San Diego where he still lives.



Our condolences to the families who have lost loved ones---

Rev Fr Hugh Crowe was born in Ballygar, Co Galway on 9th June 1932 and passed away in Los Angeles on the 19th May 2015. Fr Hugh was educated at Summerhill College in Sligo before he entered the Seminary in Carlow. He served in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles since 1958. Fr Hugh was appointed to St Ann’s Church in 1986 where he served for 27 years. To quote the church bulletin: “This faith-filled beautiful man led humbly and quietly with his pious lifestyle” He is survived by a nephew—John Crowe in Welwyn Garden City. England. Requiem Mass for Fr Hugh Crowe, Pastor Emeritus of St Ann’s will take place on Monday, 1st June at 11 am at St Ann Church, 2303 Riverdale Ave., Los Angeles. 90031.(323 221 6368)

Sr. Melania Hogan died on March 27 at the Holy Faith Motherhouse in Glasnevin, Dublin. A native of Kilkenny and the 7th child of a family of 15 children, she was the first to enter Religious life. Educated in Ballyhale parish and later in Rosbercon, New Ross, she entered the Holy Faith Congregation in 1943. Following her Novitiate she trained at Carysfort Teacher Training College, Dublin. Soon after training she was chosen as one of the pioneer Sister to start the New Zealand mission in 1955. She served as teacher and later as Principal in Christchurch and Auckland and later returned to Ireland and became Principal in Glasnevin, Greystones, Celbridge, Mullinavat and Rosbercon. In her retirement she served in Tallaght, a newly developing area of Dublin, as a parish Sister. She is mourned by her two youngest sisters: Sr. Joan also Holy Faith who has served in the LA Archdiocese since 1956 and Sr. Alicia who serves as a Holy Cross Sister in South Africa.



Sister Andrew Crean SJC was born near Ballina, Co Mayo on 24th January 1942 and passed away in Providence Little Company of Mary Hospital in San Pedro on 4th May 2015. After her religious profession in 1962 she came to this country and served in Providence, Watch Hill, Rhode Island and in Stella Maris in Newport, Rhode Island. In the 1990's, Sister Andrew moved here to the West Coast where she pursued hospital work in the South Bay.

Mass of the Resurrection took place at Mary Star of the Sea, San Pedro on 12th May. Sister Andrew is sadly missed by her brothers: Andy and Kevin; sister-in-law Bernadette; and many cousins and friends; also her Sisters in the St Joseph of Cluny Order.

Mrs Ellen Donnellan Haverty of Springlawn, Mountbellew who passed away on 19th May at University College Hospital, Galway. Ellen was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer in March—just six weeks earlier.

She is survived by her husband, Seamus; daughter, Susan (Vincent) O'Mahony; grandchildren: Seamus and Grace O'Mahony; sister: Mary Donnellan Stout in Huntington Beach; brothers: Laurence, Peter, Anthony, John, Francis, Kevin and Declan; and nineteen nephews and thirteen nieces.

Requiem Mass took place at St Mary's Church, Mountbellew, Co Galway on 22nd May.

Thomas Leo McCormack was born and raised in Dublin on July 18, 1938 and passed away in Los Angeles on April 9th, 2015. He emigrated to New York at 20 and worked as an electrician/ electrical engineer. He moved west and began working for Walt Disney studios. He then moved to Warner Brothers where he remained for 30 years and retiring as Vice President of Sound in 1994. He loved to travel and spend time with family in America and in Ireland. He had a program on MidWest Radio in Ireland for over 10 years called "Songs of Praise" that included the recitation of the Holy Rosary which was near and dear to his heart. He met his wife Rosaleen in Los Angeles and just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 2014. He is survived by his wife, Rosaleen; daughter Eveleen and her husband, Keith Bandy, daughter Tara; sons: Sean and wife Julianne, Patrick and wife, Sarah; six grandchildren: Fiona, Clare, Deborah, Morgan, David, and Natalie.

Leo McCormack was laid to rest at the San Fernando Mission on April 15, 2015.



Peter and Mary Glenane have recently moved to Laguna Woods Village to be closer to their kids. (I think they were in Oceanside). Peter Jr and his wife Amy are very active in Orange County. Amy just received her Master’s degree in Pastoral Theology from Loyola Marymount.

Peter, her husband, is the Orange Co G.A.A. Youth Coordinator and coaches Gaelic football with his brother Ron as assistant coach. Six of the eight grandchildren play Gaelic football.



If you are interested in getting married in Ireland here is a website you should check out: www.celebrant-services-ni.co.uk. Julie Antonette is based in Belfast and covers all Ireland.



May 29 - June 28, 2015. World Premiere. *“WATERFALL”*----A New Musical
 Book and Lyrics by Tony Award Winner Richard Maltby Jr.
 Music by Academy Award Winner David Shire.
 Choreographed by Tony Award Nominee Dan Knechtges.
 Directed by Tak Viravan

Featuring Emily Padgett (Broadway Revival - *SIDE SHOW*)
 and introducing Thai pop sensation Bie Sukrit

WATERFALL is an epic love story, set in Bangkok and Tokyo between the turbulent years of 1933 and 1939, as a monarchy falls in Thailand and Japan moves to the brink of war. A young Thai student falls in love with the American wife of a Thai diplomat, and the story of their forbidden love parallels history as the new democracy of Siam moves into the vortex of the increasingly anti-American Japan. With a gloriously romantic score, *WATERFALL* is a modern love story of timeless scale. Tickets are available [online](http://PasadenaPlayhouse.org) at PasadenaPlayhouse.org or by calling 626-356-7529.

Save 20% on tickets by using Code W F 20.

The Pasadena Playhouse, 39 South El Molino, Pasadena, CA 91101



Wednesday 15th July at 7.30 pm. “ Dancing with the Stars: Live!”---
 All-Stars Champion Melissa Rycroft Headlines Tour Dancing, with Witney Carson, Valentin Chmerkovskiy, Artem Chigvintsev, Keo Motsepe, Peta Murgatroyd and Emma Slater. Tickets from \$49.
 Segerstrom Center for the Arts (600 Town Center Drive, Costa Mesa). Info: 714 556 2787.

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In the October newsletter we mentioned that Tom McConville, an Irvine-based attorney at Orrick Herrington and Sutcliffe was leading an appeal of a conviction of Sr Megan Rice and two companions for entering a U.S. nuclear facility in Tennessee. The verdict was reversed this week. (On receiving a copy of the appeal Sr Megan Rice asked if McConville was related to Sr Bernadette McConville. MMM. with whom she worked in Nigeria many, many years ago. Tom is a nephew of Sr Bernadette who is now based in Drogheda)



The Ne'er Duwels are very pleased to announce the release of their long awaited debut album, titled “Ne'er Duwels”.

The band members include well known local Irish singer Ken O'Malley, virtuoso Irish uilleann piper Patrick D'Arcy, multi string instrumentalist/producer Bryan Dobbs and Grammy winning drummer/percussionist Forrest Robinson.



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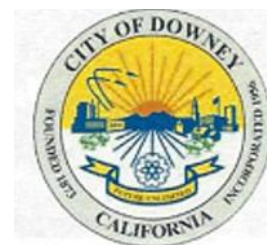
Michael Patrick Breen with Mr. Edna Kenny



**Mrs. Kathleen Hart, Mrs. Mary Ellen Hart,
and Mrs. Bridget (Babe) Nagle**



From some years ago



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To the best of our knowledge the information provided in this newsletter is correct but please check to finalize event dates etc.



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Happy Father's Day

