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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 to: tomirishhour@msn.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.



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Here comes Bridget Duffy Hana!!!!

I have been involved with the Irish Community in Los Angeles since about 1970. First with the Shamrock Show, then with the Irish Hour and followed by the Irish Center. I have enjoyed the ride. I have made so many good friends. I had wonderful support.

This will be my last newsletter. I was 86 on the 28th March. I didn't feel very well around that time. I ended up in hospital with pneumonia. I'm taking this as a warning!!

There are so many people I need to thank. I hope to answer all the emails that I haven't touched for a long time.

If you have any news for this newsletter please send to Bridget Duffy Hana : law-tech@sprintmail.com.

I would like to thank my friend, Peter Albiez for doing the newsletter every month.

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Sunday 14th May. Irish Social from 2 pm to 6 pm at St Cornelius Church hall, 5500 E. Wardlow, Long Beach. 90808. Good food, good music, good conversation, singing and dancing. FREE. thanks to the pastor, Fr Michael Gleeson.

The organizer, Sister Alicia from Castleblaney, says "Please come and bring a friend".

Sunday. 7th May at 1 pm at Hill Street Café, 3301 N. Glenoaks Blvd., Burbank. Irish Center's monthly "get-together-at-Hill-Street."

Easy to find, between Hollywood Way and Buena Vista on Glenoaks. (Right next to St Leon's Cathedral). Hill Street telephone 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 lunch—and pay yourself.

Tuesday. 2th May 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



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

Thomas "Tommy" Kiernan who has STAGE FOUR lung cancer.

Brian Joseph McConville, Florence, Oregon formerly of Granada Hills;

Rev Fr Francis Oman and his sister, Sister Nancy Oman (Requested by Mary Ann Adams, Moreno Valley)

Rev Fr Frank Kelly living in Long Beach, from Killenaule, Co Tipperary.

Gerry O'Sullivan

Thomas Myles McConville



Congratulations

To Michael and Desiree McConville on the birth of their second son—Landon Quinn McConville on 14th April 2017.

To Emma K. McConville on her graduation with a B.A. in Psychology and Theology from Creighton University, Omaha, NE.

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MAY 2017 BIRTHDAYS

1. Charmain Kreider
2. Cathy Dennison, Jerry O'Keefe
3. Barry Taylor
4. Frank & Brian Rudiger (father & son), Brian McCaughey, Anita Brunnell
5. Ann Culligan, Mark Campbell, Ryder John McConville
6. Mary Bridget Snee
7. Eamon Hughes, Kevin McGlinchey
8. Gerry Walsh
9. Barbara Whistler, Molly Cassidy
10. Thomas and Michael McConville (Twins)
11. Michael James Doyle
12. Christopher Cleary Jr
13. Debbie and Caroline Coughlin (Twins), Brian Dennison
14. Maureen Meek, Moya Kathleen Zaleski,
15. Sean Michael Grainey, Gerry Vaughan, Tony Bates
16. Maeve Loughnane, Connor Thomas Gould, Mary Boland
17. Anne Hanson, Brendan Dilloughery
18. Evan Patrick Doyle, Sean Michael Burke
19. George Byrne
20. Dan Guiney, Aisling Guiney (neice), Colm Doherty, John Michael Murphy
21. Pat Guiney, Bridget Sullivan Brian Sullivan, (son), Amber King, Ann McCoy,
Sheila McErlain
22. Michael Brennan
24. Shannon Cox, Joan Elliott
25. Brian Garvey
26. Sean Daniel Murphy
27. Brian Blake
28. Mary Murray, Isobel Phillips, Madelaine Evans, Brian Michael Murphy
29. Aaron McErlain, Ciara and Colin Martin(twins), Kiernan Barrett
30. Eamonn Price
31. Laura May Murphy, Allen McClafferty, Aisling Thornton

MAY 2017 ANNIVERSARIES

5. Sean and Peggy Branley
13. Chuck and Doris Gildea
14. Eamonn & Sivorn Price
21. Dennis and Marie Sweeney
25. Brian and Laura Cox
29. Daniel and Nellie McConville

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Mr. Wray lived most of his life in California and studied painting at the Art League in New York. He made his living as a cartoonist who specialized in painted subjects. After spending many years coalescing an eclectic array of art styles, he ultimately found his voice by using a blend of traditional California regional painting with abstract expressionism. My assemblage, pictured below, is entitled "Fiddle-Dee-Dee." The mixed media includes collage, cardboard, metal, paper, wood, plastic and silk. I had a lot of fun creating it.

The exhibit runs from April 25 thru May 13, 2017. . If you are in the area I hope you will have an opportunity to see this fun and whimsical exhibit. The Gallery address, contact information and other details are in the announcement below.

Brenda

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CALIFORNIA ART LEAGUE
presents

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April 25 - May 13, 2017

Fiddle-Dee-Dee mixed media assemblage 40" X 13" X 13"

SFV Arts Gallery
18312 OXNARD STREET
TARZANA, CALIFORNIA 91356
818-342-4601

GALLERY HOURS: TUESDAY - SATURDAY, 11:00am - 5:00pm

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Limited Tickets Left. Purchase Yours Today.

The Wild Geese Football Club Presents its Annual Dinner Dance & Presentation Night



At the Holiday Inn Long Beach Airport
2640 N Lakewood Blvd, Long Beach, CA 90815
(6pm - 1am)

Saturday May 6th 2017

Throw in 6pm.

Live Music By The Mulligans

Tickets \$65 / Table of 10 \$600

Cocktail Reception on Arrival

Over 21's Only

For More Ticket Information and Sales Please Contact:

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We Hope To See You There

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Thanks to everyone who supported our annual Spring Concert in Hermosa Beach. It was a wonderful evening. It was exciting to have Kevin Henderson and the Nordic Fiddlers Bloc on stage with us!

Also, watch for us at the Topanga Banjo & Fiddle Festival on Sunday, May 21. We will play in the Eucalyptus Grove from 1 to 2 p.m.

<http://www.topangabanjofiddle.org/>

And we are looking forward to performing at Scottish Fest in Costa Mesa over Memorial Weekend, May 27-28. We will also have our booth set up that weekend, so come by and visit us.

<http://www.scottishfest.com/>



The Irish Center's Annual Award in appreciation of the dedication in promoting and supporting Irish Culture in Southern California was presented to Bridget T. Duffy Hana.

Bridget was born and raised in Inishowen, Co Donegal. Ms. Duffy was a Senior Management Analyst at the Los Angeles Superior Court. She retired in 2009 after 33 years.



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CELTIC WOMAN



Grammy nominated sensation, Celtic Woman are returning to celebrate their album's re-release with a brand new live show 'Voices Of Angels' for an extensive North American tour, coming to San Bernardino, CA on May 24th.

Celtic Woman appearing at
The California Theatre May 24th at 7:00pm
562 W 4th St, San Bernardino, CA 92401

For Discount Tickets go to:

www.celticwoman.com

DISCOUNT CODE: IRISH

Call: 909.885.5152

Our condolences to the families who have lost loved ones.



Sinn Fein Martin McGuinness has passed away, aged 66, after a short illness.

Martin McGuinness (66) died early on Tuesday morning, at Derry's Altnagelvin Hospital surrounded by his family, following a [short illness](#).

The former member of the IRA's Army Council, Sinn Fein leader and Deputy First Minister of Northern Ireland, was diagnosed with a rare heart condition in December 2016. He [resigned in late January](#) this year. One of Sinn Fein's chief negotiators of the Northern Ireland peace process, McGuinness led the party into power-sharing with the Democratic Unionists Party in 2007. He served as Deputy First Minister alongside Ian Paisley, Peter Robinson and Arlene Foster.

McGuinness, born in 1950, was one of seven children. His mother came from Buncrana, in County Donegal and his father from Derry city. At the age of 15 McGuinness left school and took up an apprenticeship at a butcher's shop.

By 1972, the time of the [Bloody Sunday killings](#) by the British Army, in Derry's Bogside, McGuinness was a senior figure in the local Irish Republican Army (IRA).

In 1974 McGuinness was released from Portlaoise Prison having served a sentence for his membership in the IRA conviction. McGuinness never denied or apologized for his membership in the IRA. President Michael D Higgins led the tributes. On Tuesday morning he released a statement saying "The world of politics and the people across this island will miss the leadership he gave, shown most clearly during the difficult times of the peace process, and his commitment to the values of genuine democracy that he demonstrated in the development of the institutions in Northern Ireland.

"...His death leaves a gap that will be difficult to fill."

Sinn Fein President Gerry Adams said "Throughout his life Martin showed great determination, dignity and humility and it was no different during his short illness.

"He was a passionate republican who worked tirelessly for peace and reconciliation and for the re-unification of his country. "But above all he loved his family and the people of Derry and he was immensely proud of both.

"On behalf of republicans everywhere we extend our condolences to Bernie, Fiachra, Emmett, Fionnuala and Grainne, grandchildren and the extended McGuinness family.

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Sinn Fein's Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness. An Taoiseach (Ireland's Prime Minister)

Enda Kenny said he "was deeply saddened to hear of the death of Martin McGuinness today. His passing represents a significant loss, not only to politics in Northern Ireland but to the wider political landscape on this island and beyond."

Britain's former Prime Minister Tony Blair says the peace process in Northern Ireland wouldn't have been possible without Martin McGuinness. In a statement, Blair referred to McGuinness setting "aside that armed struggle in favor of making peace."

Blair was prime minister when the Good Friday Agreement, between Northern Ireland's Protestant and Catholic political leaders, was signed in 1998.

The death has occurred of Laurence DONNELLAN, Cloonreleagh, Mountbellew, Galway

Donnellan, Cloonreleagh, Mountbellew, Co Galway, April 11th 2017. Laurence, beloved husband of Angela, and loving father of Mark, Elaine and Laura. Predeceased by his brother Paddy and sister Ellen. Sadly missed by his loving family, his brothers Peter, Anthony, John, Francis, Kevin, Declan, his sister Mary Stout of Huntington Beach, brothers in law, sisters in law, nephews, nieces, neighbours and friends.

Mary Donnellan Stout lost her brother Patrick "Paddy" on 2nd June 2012 in Mountbellew; lost her husband Michael Stout on 27th January 2015 in Santa Monica; Lost her sister Mrs. Ellen Donnellan Harverty in Mountbellew in 2015.

Keep Mary and her family in your Prayers.

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