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APRIL 2010

April Program: Our General Membership Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, April 14, 2010**. The meeting will be held promptly at **7:30PM**. We have a busy evening ahead of us! We will be holding our **Nominations of Officers** followed by our special speaker **Henry P. McNally**. Mr. McNally has a passion for and thorough knowledge of Irish history. Mr. McNally is a successful lecturer and consultant in areas connected to our Irish heritage. He has taught Irish History at Marist and Dominican Colleges. He continues to teach semesters at Bergen, Brookdale, and Ocean County Colleges. He has also conducted many educational tours of Ireland. Mr. McNally's topic will be on the Potato Famine that ravaged the homeland.

Post Parade Party: If you missed the Post Parade Party you missed the best time ever! Thank you to Kerri Arrington and Peggy Carroll for planning a great event! A tremendous amount of time and work is involved in planning such a successful event. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed a great evening of delicious food and great music and dancing.

50/50 Raffle Tickets: Our annual **50/50 Raffle** tickets will be available for purchase at our general membership meetings. Each member is encouraged to take a few tickets to sell to their friends and family. All proceeds from the raffle benefit our Scholarship Fund. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased from **Mary Keane**. The lucky winner will be drawn at our **May** general membership meeting.

Nomination of Officers: If any of our members is interested in holding an office you will find it most rewarding and will help in keeping the organization growing, productive and strong. Nominations are made in April, voting in May and installation in June. Any member in good standing can run for any office. Officers are elected for a one year term and per the By-Laws there is a three year term limit for all offices. If you have any questions pertaining to an office that you may be interested in, contact a member of the

nominating committee: **Kerry Arrington** 732-722-8326, or **Clarissa Gerraty** 732-223-3519, or **Eileen Herbert** 732-612-3322. Descriptions of each office and can be found in the bylaws in your Member's Handbook or you can refer to the insert in last month's newsletter.

Monday, May 24, 2010: WOIHJS Golf Outing will be held at Cruz Farms Golf Course, Farmingdale, New Jersey. Shotgun start @ 8AM. Cost is \$100.00 per golfer, which includes 18 holes, continental breakfast, cart and free beverages. Buffet immediately following at Connolly Station in Belmar (cash bar). For non-golfers the cost of the buffet only is \$35.00. Outing is open to all members, family and friends. Registration deadline is **May 1**. To reserve your single, twosome, foursome or buffet only, contacts are **Joan Mueller** 732-887-7561 or **Clare DeStoppelaire** 732-216-3369.

New Members: Cead Mile Failte to our seven new members Cecilia Baptis, Mary Beatty-Sharisky, Liz Griffin, Mary Hanley, Rosemary Hearn, Kathleen Madaras, and Joyce McNichol.

Food Bank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties: Feeding the hungry is a work of mercy. Please share with the less fortunate. Non-perishable foods and monetary donations are collected at the monthly general meetings. Please see Kate Mulvey at the Welcome Table if you would like to help.

Desserts for April: Due to the cancellation of our February meeting, anyone who signed up to bring a dessert, please bring them to our **April** meeting.

Spotlight: Member **Jean McLean** welcomed her second granddaughter Samantha McLean Soll on March 5, 2010. Also, member **Maureen O'Halloran**, also was blessed with her fourth grandchild, Terrence William Mountford on March 18, 2010. God Bless these two new additions to our Irish-American community.

Fashion Show and Luncheon: Mark Your Calendars! The Kickoff Meeting for the WOIHJS 2010 Fashion Show and Luncheon will be held on Saturday April 10th, 2010 from noon till 2 pm at 50 Willow Way, Manasquan NJ. A lite lunch and beverages will be served. We hope that you can join us on one of the committees or as a volunteer this year! This is a wonderful opportunity to show off your special talents, meet new friends and be a part of this year's exciting event. There are so many opportunities both before and on the day of the event. We hope to see you on Saturday April 10th!

If you can't make the kick-off party, stop by the Welcome Table at the April meeting or contact Clare at 732-216-3369 or Joanne at 732-757-7527.

We are also accepting new, unopened gifts and donations for the gift auction. This is a great time to donate any Christmas gifts you received and will not be using. Please bring your donations to the General Meetings.

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, April 18, 2010: Frank McGovern Assoc. will be holding their Annual Dinner at Mayfair Farms in West Orange at 5:30. Honorees will be Maura & Billy Scully. Cost is \$75.00 per person. For tickets, please call 973-643-3984.

Thursday, April 29, 2010: Greater Spring Lake Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner. Event will be held at the Spring Lake Manor at 6:30. Honoree is member **Mary Foley-Reilly**. Cost is \$75.00 per person, including 1 hour open bar, dinner and an entertaining Irish program. For tickets, please contact **CC Gerraty** at 908-489-8839.

Friday, April 30, 2010: WOIH North will be hosting "Simply the Best" Tricky Tray and Dinner. Event to be held at Victors Chateau, 215 Rt 23 South, Little Falls, NJ. Doors open at 6PM, dinner will be served at 7PM. \$50.00 per person which includes a 4 hour open bar and DJ. For

reservations, please contact **Barbara Hanrahan** at 973-696-4731.

Saturday, May 1, 2010: **FSOS in Belmar** will hold their Annual Dinner Dance at the Barclay in Belmar. Cost is \$85.00 per person.

Sunday, May 16, 2010: A bus trip has been arranged for Michael Flatley's "Lord of the Dance" at the Merriam Theatre, Philadelphia. Tickets are \$129 per person (orchestra seating) and include the show, bus transportation, gratuity as well as a post-theater luncheon at McGillin's Old Ale House. Lunch will include a **3 hour open bar** and a **2 hour hot and cold buffet**. Flyers are available at the Welcome table. Contact Broadway Ray at 732-528-8434 for reservations. Checks can be made payable to: Broadway Ray, 1625 Holly Blvd, Manasquan, NJ 08736.

Saturday, June 12, 2010: The 40th New Jersey Irish Festival 12 to 8 p.m. First Energy Park, Lakewood, NJ. Advanced tickets are \$8.00, \$10.00 at the gate. Please see **Barbara Bassell** for tickets at the meetings. Tickets are also available for purchase at the **Irish Centre**, 1120 3rd Avenue, Spring Lake, NJ.

Sunday, July 25, 2010: Save the date!! **Day at the Races**, details to follow in future newsletters.

Saturday, August 14, 2010: Save the date! Irish Night at Blue Claws, Lakewood, NJ. We will be hosting a picnic at the game this year! Details to follow in future newsletters.

Respectfully submitted:
Therese Ebert
Corresponding Secretary



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