



# Newsletter

## Irish American Community Center New Haven Gaelic Football & Hurling Club



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**CLUB HOURS:** Wednesday & Thursday: 7pm-1am; Friday & Saturday: 7pm-2am; Sunday: 1pm-9p

**March 2018**

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### March

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Parade Day  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting, 7pm.  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> East Haven Chamber Meet & Greet 5.30pm  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>, Retirees Meeting, 12:30pm

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day, 9am  
Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> Easter Egg Hunt, 10-12 noon

#### April

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Happy Hour, 4pm  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>, Kid U Not Motown Fundraising Dance, 7pm

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>, Retirees Meeting, 12:30pm  
Sat 21<sup>st</sup> & Sun 22<sup>nd</sup>, UCONN Collegiate Gaelic Football & Hurling Tournament  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup>, Parade Awards Ceremony, 6pm.

## Upcoming Events

### PARADE DAY MARCHERS Sunday 11th March at 1.30pm

Thank you to the members who have signed up to carry a flag or march on Sunday, 11th March. Let's hope the sun will be shining! Anne Hines is still working on organizing our Club's marching contingent for our Parade and hopes to hear from you. Still a few flags not spoken for! If anyone is interested in marching or carrying one of our many County flags please contact Anne. The appointment of flag bearers is on a first come, first served basis Call/text 203-215-5997 or email ahsheep@aol.com early if you have a particular flag you wish to carry.

### ANNUAL PARADE MASS to HONOUR JOAN MOYNIHAN Sun. 11th March at 10am.

On Sunday March 11, the 10a.m. parade Mass will be celebrated for Joan Moynihan at St. Mary's Church on Hillhouse Ave., New Haven. The Most Reverend Leonard Blair, Archbishop of Hartford will once again preside as celebrant. Last year's Mass resulted in 'standing room only'. Besides our patron, Saint Patrick being honored, Joan, who was president of the Irish American Community Center in 1988/89 as well as being quite active in the Greater New Haven Irish community will also share in the celebration, Joan passed away on March 13, 2009. The parade committee will march up the center aisle in full dress. Also in attendance will be colour guards from both the Knights of Columbus and the New Haven Police Emerald Society. Quite a colourful Mass. Hope to see you all there. Thank you. Finbarr.

### PARADE DAY Sunday 11th March

Start your day off great with a special Parade Mass at St. Mary Church, Hillhouse Ave., at 10am. After Mass refreshments will be served thanks to the Pioneers of the Sacred Heart. We are appealing to everyone young and old to come out on Sunday, March 11th at 1.30pm. to show the spectators our pride in our true Irish heritage as we march down the streets of New Haven. We need 42 people to carry the various flags, so call soon as they are going fast. There will be a bus leaving from our Club at 11.30 SHARP!! to bring us to the starting point of the parade. After the parade the bus will bring the marchers back to the club for ceol agus craic. Entertainment by DJ Rick - no admission charge and food and beverages will be available. Please don't let the people down who revived this grand parade in 1956. Some of them may have passed on, but their memories are still with us. For further information please contact Anne Hines 203 215 5997.

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Tuesday 13th March at 7pm.

In March, the general meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 13th at 7pm. After March, we will implement quarterly membership meetings. The first quarterly meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 12 at 7pm.

### MEET and GREET CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Wed. 14th March 5.30-7.30pm

Meet and greet the East Haven Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday 14th March 5.30-7.30pm at our club. Say hello to the members and IACC/NHGF&H Club members are welcome

to attend and network with each other. \$15 per person cash or check payable to IACC at the door. All will receive 1 drink, live music, corned beef sandwiches and baked potato bar. Register online to [www.easthavenchamber.com](http://www.easthavenchamber.com) or call 203 467 4305.

#### **RETIREES MEETING Thurs. 15<sup>th</sup> March at 12.30pm**

The Retirees will meet on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> March at 12:30 p.m. This meeting will be the Retirees Corned Beef Dinner prepared by Anne Hines. In addition, cake will be provided for dessert. Please call Sharon Kearns (203) 488-6605 or Pat Donohue at (203) 248-4325. They would love to see all of the members of the Retirees group at this meeting!

#### **GAA GAMES Saturday 17th March 9am**

All Ireland Club Football Final Corofin (Galway) V Nemo Rangers (Cork) 9:00am. All Ireland Club Hurling Final Cuala (Dublin) V Na Piaraisaigh (Limerick) 10:45. Donation \$20.00.

#### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY Saturday 17th March**

Rise up early as we kick-off St. Patrick's Day at our club. Watch the All Ireland Club Football and Hurling Finals. Irish breakfast will be served 9 till noon at \$10. Corned beef sandwiches and hot dogs will be available all day. Reservations for breakfast call Anne Hines 203 488 4902. Traditional Irish music in the afternoon and DJ Rick Scirroco will entertain us starting at 6.30pm. Family friendly atmosphere so bring the family. If you have time to volunteer this day please call any club officer.



#### **IRISH MUSIC ALL DAY LONG WNHU 88.7FM 8am - 6pm Saturday 17th March**

WNHU 88.7 F.M. will present a "Day of Irish Music" on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 2018. Join us from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M. as we play your requests and dedications. We will have lots of guests joining us throughout the day so set your radio dial to 88.7 F.M. and we will do the rest. Mike, Pat, Chuck and Pat & Joan will be your hosts for the show, playing the music we love. Looking forward to hearing from all of you, the studio number is 203-934-9648.

#### **HAPPY HOUR Fri. 13<sup>th</sup> April at 4pm**

Happy Hours are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of every month at 4pm. Each happy hour we will have drink specials, half price on the choice of the day, buy one get one etc. Come on out and join your friends and fellow members for good conversation and snacks in the lounge - bring a snack to share if you wish.

#### **KID-U-NOT MOTOWN FUNDRAISING DANCE Sat. 14th April at 7pm**

2nd Annual Kid-U-Not Motown Dance fundraiser to benefit Kid-U-Not on 14th April at 7pm at our club. Motown attire suggested. Bring your own snacks - coffee, tea and dessert will be provided. 50/50 raffle, silent auction, DJ and cash bar. \$20 per person, seating limited to 250 people. Order your tickets, donate online at [KidUNot.org](http://KidUNot.org). For more information, please contact Sally McCartin (203) 988-2724 or [smccartin1@yahoo.com](mailto:smccartin1@yahoo.com).

#### **PARADE AWARDS Fri. 27th April at 6.00pm**

The Annual Parade Awards Night will be hosted by the NHGF&H Club on Friday, 27th April at 6.30pm. This year the IACC is proud to present an award in honour of Joan and Chris Rynne and the NHGF&H Club will proudly present an award in honour of John Hines. If you plan on attending, please call Anne Hines 203-488-4902 or [ahsheep@aol.com](mailto:ahsheep@aol.com).

#### **JUNIOR LADIES WANTED!**

Forget your CrossFit! New Haven Junior Ladies Team calling all players 14-70yrs to dust of your boots and get back on the field! We will be playing in NY junior league beginning in June through middle of August. 8 teams entered. We will play 7 league games, 1 semifinal & 1 final. Training will be at 6.30pm on Thursday nights following minors training. Home games will be at 10.30am on Sundays. For more information, please contact Geoff Maxwell at (203) 605 7413 or [gmaxwell1601@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gmaxwell1601@sbcglobal.net).

#### **NEW HAVEN GAELIC FOOTBALL GEAR AVAILABLE AT THE CLUB!**

A limited supply of performance short sleeved New Haven Gaelic Football jerseys are available for \$20 at the club!! Adult sizes, Medium to XL. Let's all show our New Haven Pride!!

#### **NEW HAVEN CUL CAMP SUMMER 2018**

New Haven Youth Gaelic Football is bringing back our Cul Camp! This year's camp will be held from July 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and is for boys and girls age 5-12. The camp will be held at the Irish American Community Center, 9 Venice Pl., East Haven, CT 06512. From 9:00 – 1:00 each day the boys and girls will be instructed in Gaelic Football and Hurling by qualified coaches from Ireland in a safe and fun environment. At 1:00, the children will have lunch, followed by a variety of Irish Cultural activities until 3:00. The cost is \$120 for the first child, and \$100 for each additional child in the same family. Registration forms can be found on the club's website – [www.iacc-ct.com](http://www.iacc-ct.com). For more information, please contact John McCormack at (203) 651-9634 or [john@mccormackinsurance.com](mailto:john@mccormackinsurance.com)

## DYLAN FOLEY & FRIENDS FROM NEW YORK

Please mark your calendars for Saturday May 12 for a traditional Irish concert of music and song, with Dylan Foley and Friends from New York. For more information, please contact John O'Donovan at (203) 281-3563.



## DAVE KANE'S "JOKES MY IRISH FATHER TOLD ME", Sat. June 2 at 7pm

Please join in the fun as comedian Dave Kane brings you a laugh filled presentation of jokes, one

liners and stories that celebrate the Irish sense of humor. The show is being presented by the New Haven Youth Football and Hurling Club on Saturday, June 2 at the IACC. Doors will open at 6:30 pm, dinner at 7pm and the show starts at 8pm. For tickets (\$20) and information, please contact Geoff Maxwell at (203) 605 7413 or [grmaxwell1601@sbcglobal.net](mailto:grmaxwell1601@sbcglobal.net).

## ANNUAL RAFFLE

Raffle Co-Chairmen John O'Donovan and Gerry Stratton would like the input of any member who might be interested on working on the annual club raffle....please call ASAP and offer your ideas and suggestions to make this fund-raiser a huge success. (203) 281-3563 or (203) 214-8578 or email [odonovankinsale@snet.net](mailto:odonovankinsale@snet.net)

## SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL BANQUET

Please mark your calendars for the 2018 Irish Man and Woman of the Year banquet on Saturday, November 17 at 7pm at Cascades, 480 Sherman Ave., Hamden. It is always a great celebration for our members and our club. Additional details to come!

## NEW MEMBERS

Daryel Barros (New Haven), Gramen Wilson (Hamden), Rory & Jennifer Patton (Killingworth), Mary Elizabeth Radigan (Hamden), Harold Wilson (Hamden), Elvis Diaz (Branford), Neil & Christie Everett (Orange), Daniel Lugo (New Haven), Bill & Cynthia Furce (Monroe), Kim & Marty Lendroth (East Haven), George & Lisa Carranzo (East Haven)

## DONATIONS

Many thanks to the following members who paid their dues and enclosed an additional donation to our club: Stephen Flynn, Kevin & Eileen Roxbee, George Waldron, Doreen & Sean Busca, Maureen Rynne, John O'Keefe, Marguerite & William Donohue, Jason & Jillian Simms, Joseph & Cecilia Martin, Joan Atzbach, Mary Smith, Gerry & Nancy Stratton, Mary & Gerry Roddy.

## THANK YOU

A special thank you to Maureen, Patricia and Christine for their generous donation to our club in memory of their parents, Joan & Chris Rynne.

## PRAYERS and SYMPATHY

Our prayers and sympathy go out to:

Carl Gorman, on the death of his father, club member Edward Gorman, Hamden.

George Pritchard, Orange on the death of his son Graham Pritchard, Waterbury.

The family of Theresa McKiernan, Hamden.

*Get well wishes to the following members:*

Best wishes for a speedy recovery goes out to our member Alice Sette, Wolcott.

## UP TO DATE MAILING ADDRESS

If you have moved or are planning on moving please keep the Club informed of your new address. Please call Mary Roddy 203 506 8367 or email her at [mroddy@snet.net](mailto:mroddy@snet.net). This would include any phone number and email changes also. In an effort to keep mailing costs down, anyone who receives the email newsletter will no longer receive the paper copy in the US mail. If you wish to continue receiving both the email and the paper newsletter, please let Mary know.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE NEWSLETTER

If you would like to make an announcement in the newsletter i.e. engagement, marriage, birth, graduation from college, or an achievement of any kind, please submit via email to Doreen Busca at [dkbusca73@yahoo.com](mailto:dkbusca73@yahoo.com) by the 15th of the month.

## EMAILS / NEWSLETTER

If you would like to receive emails from the IACC which include the info on the latest events and/or the newsletter by email please send your name and email address to [mroddy@snet.net](mailto:mroddy@snet.net).

## LOCAL IRISH RADIO PROGRAMS

Sounds of Ireland Sun. 9:00 A.M.-11:00 P.M. AM 1220 WQUN or [www.wqun.com](http://www.wqun.com)

Echoes of Erin Sun. 12- 2pm FM 88.7 WNHU [www.wnhu.net](http://www.wnhu.net)

Celtic Airs Tuesday 6-9pm WWUH91.3 or [www.wjuh.org](http://www.wjuh.org)



**IACC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Dear club members,

We are gearing up for a great St. Patrick's Day season! We hope to see you all at our club after the parade on Sunday, March 11 and to celebrate St. Patrick's Day on Saturday, March 17th. Congratulations to our Queen Bridget Judd, Honor Attendant Maureen Heeran and Grand Marshal Patrick Smith. It will be a great parade! Also, please don't forget to come to our General Membership meeting on Tuesday, March 13 at 7pm for updates on scheduled work at our facility.

Slainte,  
Eileen

**NHGF&H CLUB'S PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Our corned beef dinner was a great success - thank you to all our members and friends for attending. My thanks to Mary Roddy for helping me cook 500lbs of corned beef and to all the kitchen help at the dinner. You did an outstanding job getting everyone fed and a special thanks to Bob Roche for volunteering to scrub all the pots and pans. DJ Rick will entertain us after the parade

on 11th March, starting around 3pm and we will have a full day on 17th March, St. Patrick's day. Irish breakfast will be served so make your reservations to me and we will have traditional Irish music in the afternoon and a DJ at night so please circle some events on your calendar - it's your club and we hope to see you there.

Please let me know if you are willing to carry a flag in our St. Patrick's Parade on 11th March and a sincere thank you to so many club members who sent in their lucky leprechaun payment for the month of March raffle. Next newsletter I will list all the lucky winners. We hope to spruce up around the bar with the profit from this raffle. Congratulations to all the honourees at the Parade Ball on 3rd March and to the 2018 Grand Marshal, Patrick Smith. It was a lovely night enjoyed by all. Hope to see you all around the club.

God Bless,  
Anne Hines

**MEMBERSHIP DUES**  
Our Financial Secretary, Mary Roddy, would like to remind all our members that membership dues are payable 1st January. Please keep in mind dues are a vital part of the running of our Club so if you have not already remitted your payment please do so as soon as possible. Family \$75, Individual \$50, renewing seniors \$20 each and \$30 per couple. **KEY LOCK WAS INSTALLED ON DOOR SO YOU WILL NEED YOUR CARD TO ENTER.**

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