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Michael Kenneally appointed inaugural Chair in Canadian Irish Studies at Concordia

Dr. Martin Singer, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science at Concordia University is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Michael Kenneally as the first Chair in Canadian Irish Studies at Concordia University.

Dr. Kenneally, one of Canada's distinguished Irish Studies scholars, served as Interim-Director of the Concordia Centre for Canadian Irish Studies last year.

Dr. Kenneally's teaching and research interests include issues related to Irish landscape, memory and identity in contemporary Irish literature, and the writings of Irish exiles in nineteenth-century Canada and other countries with large Irish immigrant populations. He has lectured on Irish writing at conferences around the world, and has been a Visiting Professor at Simon Fraser University (Vancouver), Waseda University (Tokyo) and the University of Innsbruck (Austria). He is the author of *Sean O'Casey and the Art of Autobiography*, and he has edited three books on Irish literature. He is the current editor of the *Canadian Journal of Irish Studies*, a scholarly journal published at the Centre.

Dr. Kenneally has degrees from the University of British Columbia (BA),



Michael Kenneally, Chair of Canadian Irish Studies

McGill University (MA) and the University of Toronto (PhD). He is a former President of the Canadian Association for Irish Studies and has served two terms as Chair of the International Association for the Study of Irish Literatures.

Concordia's Chair in Canadian Irish Studies, along with its recently-established Centre for Canadian Irish Studies, was created to provide a structured home for the university's growing body of teaching and research in the field. Although many courses will focus on the history, culture and politics of Ireland, the Chair and the Centre will emphasize the Irish immigrant experience in Canada, as well as the unique contributions of the Irish in Quebec and Canada. The Chair and the Centre were founded in large part thanks to the financial support of the Canadian Irish Studies Foundation, which spearheaded a \$3.3 million fundraising campaign.

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Patrick Dunn addresses St. Patrick's Society AGM

First of all, let me take this opportunity to thank you all for the honour and the privilege of serving as President of the St. Patrick's Society of Montreal, a society that, as you well know, has had such a long and remarkable history. I am indeed proud to have received your vote of confidence and I'm looking forward to an interesting and productive term of office.

I would like to acknowledge the dedication and hard work that Peter has given in order to leave the Society in such excellent shape for me to carry on. Peter took his responsibilities seriously and I appreciate that kind of attitude.

I'm neither a Montrealer by birth nor am I Irish. My roots, however, are predominantly Irish with a smattering of Scottish and French. I was born and raised on a farm in Southwestern Ontario in the late forties. My father's family came originally from Co. Westmeath and my mother's from Co. Wexford. I did my undergraduate studies in the United States, my doctoral studies in Ontario, and further graduate studies here at McGill. It was a job opportunity with Imperial Tobacco that brought me to Montreal in 1975. I'm now Vice-President of Product Research and Development. I also married into a family of Kellys and Coughlins, Quebecers all since the 1840s. If I'm here tonight, it's largely because of Irish dancing — my daughter's, not my own. That's where I got my first real taste of Irish culture, as distinct from the North American Irish culture with which I grew up.

Where some may see problems, I tend to see opportunities — opportunities to establish closer ties with, for example, the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society. Our English-speaking population in Montreal is decreasing and we need to reinforce our similarities rather than emphasize our differences or we'll disappear altogether.

At the same time, we cannot afford to isolate ourselves from the larger French-speaking population, many of whom, share our Irish roots. We are amazed, and delighted, to see how many francophones are taking up Irish dancing and enjoying and playing Irish music. It is this type of cultural expression and exchange, rather than politics, that will lead us to better understanding with our neighbours.

I also see a need to communicate more among ourselves. We have a rich heritage. So many of our Montreal institutions were founded by the Irish: parishes, schools, university, hospitals, social services. We need to remind ourselves of past achievements, not to gloat but to boost our self-confidence and sense of belonging. Communications tools within our Society such as *Nuacht*, which

is in the process of being revived, serve not only to disseminate the news but to record our history. Through it, we have archival material for future generations.

We've moved into the telecommunications age now with our own website and we have to learn how to capitalize on the opportunities

that it provides. It's our younger members who will show us the way here. And this, in turn, will give us an opportunity to reach out and invite young people to become active participants in our Society.

I do not want to lose sight of our fundraising efforts which have been so successful this year. With this type of diligence we can further extend our cultural and benevolent grants. I would like to see us give more prominence to our Community Service Award. To date, winners have been honoured at the Ball, or at our Christmas party and grants evening, or more recently at the luncheon. Surely it is deserving to be an event of its own.



Patrick Dunn receiving the chains of office from Peter Shea

We have a good slate, people who are willing to roll up their sleeves and get things done.

*Patrick Dunn
June 5, 2002*

Annual charity golf tournament yet another sold-out success!

Under the chairmanship of Grand Marshal Wayne Hogan and the NHL's Brian O'Neill, the June 17th tournament held at the Bellevue Golf Club raised over \$11,000, the highest amount ever for this event.

This year's grand prize of a golf week for two in Phoenix, Arizona, generously donated by Terry Bowes, owner of Gryphon Travel Agency, was won by Patrick Short. Mary McDaid, the society's new Executive Secretary, won the low net for the women, and the low gross was again won by Ed Dubiel.

Congratulations and thanks to our hard-working golf committee of Wayne Hogan, Brian O'Neill, Paul Doyle, Jim Heaslip, Betty Scott, Andrea Bobkowicz, Des Irving, Al Strong, Bob McDevitt, Ron Pilon, Cathy Smith and Matthew Mumley. Also, thanks to Pat Dunn for his generous support and encouragement.

To join the golf committee or help out in any way, please contact Doris Rooney at (514) 481-1346.

St. Patrick's Society of Montreal

Executive Committee & Board of Directors 2002-2003

Patrick Dunn	President
Edward Eustace	Vice President
John Little	Vice President
Geoffrey Moore	Vice President
Paul Dunne	Treasurer
Mary McDaid	Secretary
Peter Shea	Immediate Past President

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Christie Brown	Frank McMahon	

New members enrolled from June 2001 to June 2002

Joan Berriman • Andrea Bobkowicz • Karen Bright • Christie Brown • Robin Burns • Marie Carrigan • James Cherry • Francis Coyle • Colleen Curran • Christopher Deehy • Eileen DeNeeve • Daniel Dorey • Karen Doyle • Brenda Ferguson • Nancy Fortier • Sylvie Gauthier • Patrick Gillen • Don Griffin • Desmond Irving • Margaret Irving • John Lemieux • Stan Lemieux • Shawn McAlear • Owen McAleer • Gordon McCambridge • Maureen McCormick • Bob McDevitt • Anne McGinley • Robert McKay • Leonard Moran • Alfred Muelly • Maeve Muldowney • Ann O'Neill • Ronald Pilon • Glenn Rioux • Katie Sheahan • Gail Sheehan • Patrick Sheehan • Kerrie Smith • Regina Valente • Roberta Wheeler • Danny Zangwill

How to join the Society

Any person of Irish origin or descent who is interested in the promotion and welfare of the Irish community and its traditions is invited to join St. Patrick's Society. For further information and application forms, please contact **Doris Rooney** at the Society office: **(514) 481-1346**.

Check out St. Patrick Society's website

Designed by new member Karen Doyle (daughter of Lynn Doyle, former President of the Society), this website will provide information on upcoming events and offer useful links to areas of interest.

www.stpatrickssociety.com

Contact Karen by e-mail with suggestions and comments at Karend@PrestigeNT.com

In Memoriam

John H. Sullivan, K.C.L.J., President of St. Patrick's Society for two terms: 1963-65, and 1972-73, died in August 2002. Members of the Board of Directors attended his funeral and a donation was made in his memory to the Armand Frappier Research Institute.

Gerry Adams to visit Montreal

Members of the Montreal Irish Community are invited to attend a Wine and Cheese Reception for Mr. Gerry Adams, M.P. (leader of the Sinn Féin party in Ireland) on Sunday, November 10, 2002, from 17h00-19h00 at the Holiday Inn Select – Montréal Centre Ville, Salles Orchidée A & B at 99 Viger West, Montréal



Gerry Adams

Mr. Adams, an internationally renowned political figure, has been instrumental in building the Irish peace process. His party, Sinn Féin, is the fastest growing in Ireland and now holds four seats in Westminster, five in the Irish parliament, and the position of mayor of Belfast. This will be a unique opportunity for everyone to meet Mr. Adams and hear what is really happening behind the headlines.

The Wine and Cheese Reception is being organized by the Friends of Sinn Féin (Canada) Inc., whose mandate is to inform the Canadian public about Sinn Féin and the peace process and to build support for the party among the Canadian Irish Community. Mr. Adams will be introduced by the Honourable Warren Allmand, former MP and Solicitor General of Canada.

A limited number of tickets is available at \$75.00 per person which helps to cover the costs of the visit of Mr. Adams and his aides to Canada as they present the Sinn Féin perspective to the Canadian people. Place your order as soon as possible by contacting Georges Beriault at joygeo@sympatico.ca or (514) 495-3689, or sending your cheque payable to:

Friends of Sinn Féin (Canada) Inc.
P.O. Box 55056 – CSP Fairmount,
Montréal, QC H2T 3E2
(514) 495-3689

Ticket(s) will be mailed to you as soon as possible.



Get into the Christmas spirit

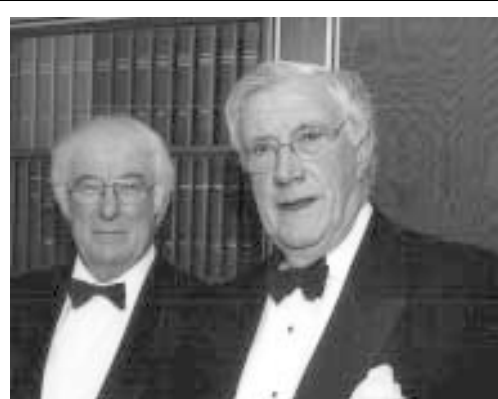
St. Patrick's Society is hosting its annual Christmas Concert at St. Patrick's Basilica on Wednesday, 4 December, at 7:30 p.m. The program will feature the Bernadette Short School of Irish Dancing, highlighting the Celtic Grace Dancers, followed by the St Lambert Choral Society — a choir of more than 60 voices.

You are invited to attend this uplifting event and get into the Christmas spirit as you sing along. You'll also be helping St. Patrick's Society with one of its major fundraising and social community activities. Tickets at \$12.00 each are available from Doris Rooney (514) 481-1346.

Nobel Laureate accepts degree at Concordia

It has been said that Seamus Heaney could spend every day accepting honorary degrees from universities around the world as there are so many who wish to recognize his astounding artistic achievement as Irish poet, essayist, playwright and Nobel Laureate.

Described by Robert Lowell as “the greatest Irish poet since Yeats” he, like Yeats, is mindful that the artist can debase the coinage of his realm by accepting too readily honours heaped upon him. When Seamus Heaney accepts such recognition it also signifies his acknowledgment of the institution’s contribution. Thus it was this past June when he visited Montreal to accept the degree of Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa* from Concordia University. The historic connection of Loyola College to the Irish community in Canada and Quebec and Concordia’s commitment to Irish studies were being recognized too.



Seamus Heaney and Brian Gallery (Chair of the CISF) at Gala Dinner

At his investiture on June 12, 2002, Dr. Heaney also gave the Convocation Address to the Faculty of Arts and Science, with an eloquence and clarity that the audience had a strong sense of being present at a great occasion. The instrument for Seamus Heaney’s art is, of course, language and the following extract from his address, although not in poetic form, amply demonstrates this skill:

...It is a special honour for me to have been asked to speak at Concordia. As a poet from Ireland, I feel a particular connection with this University because of the commitment it has shown to Irish Studies. ... Thinking about the Irish dimension in all this, I remembered that the word for a degree in the Irish language is *céim*, which is the same word that is used to mean a step. And of course that immediately reminded me of the root meaning of the English word “graduate,” which comes from the Latin *gradus*, also meaning a step, and *gradus* in turn is obviously related to the idea of grades. So there is this whole cluster of meanings that leads me to think the following: today, those of you who receive your degrees must be conscious that on the one hand you have made the grade, but on the other hand you are equally conscious that making the grade turns out to be just a matter of taking a step.

And that is the gist of what I have to say as your convocation speaker: that life is very much a matter of taking steps, of finding stepping stones, of stepping out or stepping away or stepping ahead. Sometimes, as a matter of courtesy and kindness, it will also involve stepping aside, for the sake of love, for the sake of another, for the good of something bigger than yourself; and sometimes it will entail a refusal to step down, for

the sake of principle, for the sake of truth; but always there will be some step to be taken or not taken, some move to be made or not made, some purpose to be embraced or refused....

In celebration of his visit and the occasion, the Canadian Irish Studies Foundation held a Gala Dinner at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel at which Dr. Heaney, accompanied by his wife Marie, was the guest of honour. With over 200 people from the community in attendance, we heard Brian Gallery, Chair of the CISF and MC for the evening, describe Seamus Heaney not once, but many times, as the world’s greatest poet. Responding, we saw Seamus Heaney’s sense of humour and way with words as well as his recognition of Brian Gallery’s major role in making an Irish studies program at Concordia a reality. Dr. Heaney, pointed out that some of

his works were handled by a smaller Dublin publishing house called the Gallery Press, and went on to say he had to come to Montreal to see the real “Gallery press” in action. On a more serious vein he emphasized that a result of the Irish studies programme, funded by the CISF, would be to enable continued research in the field the results of which would enhance our understanding of the Irish contribution to Canada. During his relaxed speech to the gathering, punctuated with references to Yeats and others, he recited one of his earlier poems, “Digging,” in which he metaphorically compares his pen to the spade of his forefathers.

In Ireland Seamus Heaney is known affectionately as “Famous Seamus” where no one can recall him ever rebuffing an admirer or student. Stories of this literary giant’s lack of pretence and down-to-earth accessibility are legion. At the Ritz-Carlton event, during the cocktail reception before dinner and later as the evening drew to a close, his renowned easy-going gregariousness conveyed a sense of the ordinary in this extraordinary of men. He tolerantly autographed books of his collected works brought out by Montreal admirers for the occasion — sometimes three and four a person — without any hint of impatience. He chatted amiably with all who sought him out and seemed well pleased when told a bottle of Black Bush, distilled not too far from his birthplace, had been left in his room. His wife, equally charming, was heard to say that she’s learned not to leave a room before him as she never knows how long he’ll remain inside. When someone remarked how ordinary he seemed to be in person, she said, “Ah, yes, but you know, there’s a big engine in there.”

Seamus and Marie Heaney also visited Grosse Île during their brief stay in Quebec before continuing on to Edmonton for a private visit with his brother.

Ned Eustace

Halifax conference informative and rewarding experience

by Sylvie Gauthier

From August 21-24, St. Patrick's Society members Dr. Dana Hearne, Prof. Kathleen O'Brien and I attended an Irish/Canadian Conference in Halifax co-sponsored by the D'Arcy McGee Chair of Irish Studies, St. Mary's University and the Women's Education Research and Resource Centre (WERCC) at University College Dublin.

The main objective of this international conference was "to initiate and provide an important venue for the exchange of ideas and information, and to foster a network of research and dialogue between Irish and Canadian scholars and researchers of women's history"¹ and other related areas. The conference was organised around three main themes: 1) Documenting Women's Lives; 2) Women, Politics and Citizenship; and 3) Women's Movements and Social Change. The conference succeeded in sowing the seeds for a cross-cultural interdisciplinary network of Irish and Canadian scholars, with participants enthusiastically supporting the idea of another conference to be held within a few years, perhaps in Dublin.

Participants came from across Canada and Ireland, as well as from Great Britain, the United States, and Sweden. Concordia University and the Canadian Irish Studies Programme were well represented. Dr. Hearne and Prof. O'Brien, of Concordia, and Rosemary

O'Flaherty, a graduate student in History, gave presentations that were all well attended and received with enthusiasm. Hearne spoke about the production of sexuality in Ireland through an analysis of Irish newspapers columns. O'Brien presented a paper related to her ongoing research on Famine commemorations and the presence and absence of the traditional female mourning voices in Famine literature and Famine commemorations in North America and Ireland. O'Flaherty's paper explored the relationship between Thomas D'Arcy McGee and Mary Ann Madden Sadlier, a 19th-century Irish-born writer and publisher who emigrated to Sainte-Marthe, a village bordering on Ontario, and spent part of her life in New York City.

In addition to these three and the over 50 other presentations, participants were treated to readings by Éilís Ní Dhuibhne, a folklorist and writer in both the Irish and English languages, Mary Dorsey, a well-known poet and writer, and Canadian historian and poet Ruth Roach Pierson. Alexa McDonough, Halifax MP and leader of the NDP, was one of the speakers at the opening of the conference. Perhaps the most stirring moment was when Ailbhe Smyth, the Director of WERRC at University College Dublin, read from her personal journal and spoke about her recent difficult experiences in the academic world.

In light of the success of this first endeavour, perhaps it is not impossible to hope that at some point Montréal will host the conference, enabling more of us to partake in what is likely to become a very fruitful and enriching exchange.

¹ Ailbhe Smyth, Director, WERRC.

Irish language week a great success

In July, five members of Comhrá (the Montréal Irish Language Study Circle) drove down to Wappinger's Falls, a small town about 75 minutes north of New York City, to attend the yearly intensive Irish language week organised by Daltaí na Gaeilge. Held on an old country estate nestled in the woods a few minutes outside the town, the setting is ideal for this type of event, where participants can concentrate on the subject at hand, in this case learning Gaelic or improving their knowledge of the language.

As usual, our small group made its mark, especially through the precious contribution of Gus Ó Gormáin, who taught an advanced class. Despite his having contracted a bug that affected about half the people in attendance, he was able to step in when the other teacher of this group fell ill. Other Comhrá members who made the trip were John Donahue, Bev McGuire, Doris Dae, and I. On Saturday evening during the céilí, nine people were awarded either a gold or silver fáinne (pin in the form of a circle) in recognition of the level of competency attained in the language. Among the recipients were three Canadians: Harold Kenny (gold), and Bev McGuire and Sylvie Gauthier (silver). We all agreed that the week had been a success.

Sylvie Gauthier

Siúlóid Ceolmhar Amhránach (Walk-a-Song) raises funds for children of Fiji

Featured recently in the *Gazette*, CFCF and le *Progrès*, Patrick McLaughlin has set out to raise funds for a school and community in Fiji. This is in response to the exhortations of his sister, a member of the Daughters of Charity of St-Vincent de Paul, who is spending a four-year stint over there. These Pacific islands have been shaken by sectarian violence recently and the political instability has diminished the availability of Government funds.

Patrick hopes to raise funds by means of what he calls a 'Walk-a-Song.' The objective is to participate, or perform, in 10k, 20k, etc., walks while singing and making music all the way. His sights

are set on completing a full marathon (42K) within the next year. The repertoire, of approximately two hundred titles, consists of songs in Gaelic, in English from the Irish tradition, in French from Quebec and from France, and others from Scotland, Wales, Canada, Australia, and the United States. He plans to add some in Latin and Hebrew.

The next major event, scheduled for November, will take place in Kingston, coinciding with the unveiling of the Famine memorial there. Captain Harold Kenny of the Canadian Armed Forces has undertaken to organize a walk-a-song with musicians and other walkers.

You can help by:

- sending your contribution (receive a tax receipt) to :
Development and Peace/Fiji Project
5633 Sherbrooke Street East,
Montreal, Qc. H1N 9Z9
- sending an international money order to :
Sr. Patricia McLaughlin,
St. Joseph the Worker Primary School,
P.O. Box 1424,
Nausori,
Fiji Islands
- contributing directly to Patrick to help raise funds to enable him to produce a CD of Irish content, featuring local singers and musicians. Tax receipts issued by 'Development and Peace.' All the profits from this endeavour will be used for the Fiji Project.

Patrick McLaughlin,
Suite 190,
4880 Sherbrooke West,
Montreal, Qc.
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— organizing events (fund-raising dinners with Irish singers and musicians, a walk-a-song in your community for example).

—contributing \$5.00, you receive a Project coffee cup with printing in four languages and a Fijian palm tree embedded in a Celtic design. You can then invite your friends to contribute.

Contact Patrick at:

(514) 483-1083 (evenings)

(514) 483-4201 (office until 16h 30)

GAA News – September 2002

Toronto Championship Game at Montreal Celtic Festival

The Toronto Gaelic Football Championship match between Montreal Shamrocks and Ottawa Gaels on August 11, staged as part of this year's Montreal International Celtic Festival, was a huge success. Played at the Douglas Hospital grounds in Verdun, the game was a thriller that went down to the final whistle. In the end, despite a heroic comeback by Montreal with one man short, Ottawa hung on to win by only 2 points, 3-13 to 3-11. Both teams produced a fine exhibition of Gaelic football in front of an appreciative crowd of several hundred festival spectators. A full match report is available on Montreal GAA's website at: http://www.geocities.com/montreal_gaa/TorontoChampMatchReport.htm

The GAA booth at the Celtic Festival also attracted a lot of interest over the three days and hopefully will lead to an increase in our playing membership next year.

GAA World Cup

Montreal Shamrock players, Sean Heavens and Murdoch Fitzgerald, were selected to the Canadian squad for the GAA World Cup which took place in Dublin from 17-20 September and involved teams from North America, Canada, Australia, Europe,

Scotland and England. This was a tremendous honour for the players and a great boost for Gaelic football in Montreal.

More details of the GAA World Cup competition are available on the following websites:

<http://www.hoganstand.com/general/2002arts/august/0808023.htm>

<http://www.naomhmearnog.ie/worldcup.htm>

Annual Golf Tournament

Montreal GAA's Annual Golf Tournament will be held this year at the Lafleur Golf Club in Kahnawake on Saturday 28 September with a tee-off time of 10:00 a.m. Anyone can take part in what will surely be a fun event. Further details available from John O'Shea (514-697-8889)

Membership

Anyone wishing to become a member of Montreal GAA send a cheque for \$10 with their contact details (address, phone numbers, e-mail address) to our Treasurer, Cathal Marlow, 855 Des Roses, Mascouche, QC, J7L 2Z8. Anyone wishing to contact us can call our President, Paddy Mahon at (514) 631-4847 or e-mail us at montreal_gaa@yahoo.com. Our website is available at http://www.geocities.com/montreal_gaa.

What's happening around town

Brush up your Irish

Concordia University is offering an Irish language course beginning this fall. The Irish language is still spoken in Ireland by small pockets of the population, while the majority of people have gained some understanding of the language from school. In Ireland today, there is a national radio station and national television station both of which broadcast exclusively in the Irish language.

An appreciation of the Irish language is a good foundation for understanding all aspects of Irish culture and history. There is a huge body of written material in the Irish language dealing with folklore, local history, myths and legends. The Irish language also finds eloquent expression in countless Irish songs and ballads.

Students in this course will have the option of participating in extra-curriculum Irish language conversation groups the members of which meet informally and organize a range of weekend trips to Irish-language gatherings in Ottawa, Kingston and New York State.

Intended for students with no knowledge of Irish the course, *The Structure of Modern Irish*, will be offered 6:00 - 8:15 on Thursdays. To register, contact the Dept. of Classics, Modern Languages at 848-2310 or The Centre for Canadian Irish Studies at 848-8711. The instructor is John Donahue.



Weekly group classes for adults in fiddle, whistle, bodhran, set and céilí dancing, Irish drama, banjo, mandolin, celtic guitar, and pub singing.

SIAMSA CÉILÍS

September 28 October 26 November 30

Céilís are held at the Royal Canadian Legion, Addington and De Maisonneuve, from 8-12 pm. No experience necessary! Admission \$8. For more information, please see our website www.siamsa.org or contact:

Emily Andrews
Director, Siamsa School of Irish Music
418 Clarke Avenue
Westmount QC
Canada H3Y 3C4
(514) 932-0135

Take a cemetery tour

A guided tour of the Irish highlights of two Montreal cemeteries will be held on Saturday, October 5th, 2002. Hosted by the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society, your guide will be Gary Schroder, President Quebec Family History Society.

Mount Royal Cemetery 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Côte des Neiges Cemetery 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Bring a picnic lunch to enjoy between tours. Cost - \$10.00 per person

Discover the history of the prominent citizens interred in these cemeteries. Later have a Crescent/Bishop Streets 'thirst chaser.' Call David Hannaford at 879-1318 to reserve.

Comhaltas concert returns to Montreal

Featuring the Champion Traditional Entertainers from Ireland. Saturday, October 19th, 7:45 p.m. Oscar Peterson Hall, Loyola Campus of Concordia - 7141 Sherbrooke St. West.

The Tour Group is composed of the best in Irish Music, Dance & Song. The artistes visit 17 cities in North America over a three-week stay. Tickets: \$12.00. Call Joe Mell - 514-935-3961, Bev. McGuire at 514-767-2105 or John McDonaugh at 514- 697-6918.

McGill University Department of English Drama and Theatre Program presents

Dancing at Lughnasa

Tony Award-winning play by Brian Friel

November 6-9 and 13-16, 2002 at 8:00 p.m.

Moyses Hall, McGill University, Arts Building,
853 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal

Admission: \$10 Adults; \$5 Students, Seniors, and Groups

Reservations: (514) 398-6070 Wheelchair access by reservation

Contact: Cynthia Macdonald (514) 398-6559

Do you want to be a Queen or a Princess?

If you are interested in being chosen as Queen or one of the Princesses in the 2003 St. Patrick's Parade then

contact Elizabeth Quinn (450) 672-5087 for information. All entries should be submitted by December.

Changes to Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act 2001

The Government of Ireland will introduce some changes to the Nationality and Citizenship Act, with effect from November 2002. As a result of these, spouses of Irish nationals will no longer be able to apply for citizenship by means of post-nuptial declaration unless they are resident in Ireland. There will be a three-year grace period, from 30 November, 2002, to 30

November, 2005, when the current system will continue to apply. Canadians who obtain Irish citizenship by virtue of a grandparent born in Ireland, will only be able to pass Irish citizenship on to their spouse if their own citizenship application is registered at the embassy **on or before** 30 November 2002.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS / CLAR IMEACHTAI

DATE	EVENTS	FURTHER INFORMATION	
Sep. 28	Montreal GAA Annual Golf Tournament, Lafleur Golf Club, Kahnawake, \$35	Patrick Mahon	631-4847
Sep. 28	Siamsa Céilí at Royal Canadian Legion, Addington/De Maisonneuve, 8 p.m.	Emily Andrews	932-0135
Sep. 30	St. Patrick's Society General Meeting, O'Donnell's, Bishop St., 7 p.m.	Doris Rooney	481-1346
Oct. 4	ISSC General Meeting & Social, NDG Legion Hall, Addington/De Maisonneuve, 7 p.m.	R. Wheeler-White	768-0613
Oct. 5	Cemetery Tours, Mount-Royal & Côte des Neiges, 10 a.m and 1 p.m., \$10.00	David Hannaford	879-1318
Oct. 5	Tara Golf Tournament, (season finale) Hemmingford Golf Course	Bob Batah	630-4482
Oct. 19	Comhaltas Concert, Oscar Peterson Concert Hall, 7141 Sherbrooke West	Joe Mell	935-3961
Oct. 26	Siamsa Céilí at Royal Canadian Legion, Addington/De Maisonneuve, 8 p.m.	Emily Andrews	932-0135
Nov. 2	Tara Golf Club Annual Dinner Dance, Lachine Curling Club	Joan Tousaw	697-8889
Nov. 10	Friends of Sinn Féin Wine & Cheese, Holiday Inn, 99 Viger West, 5 p.m.	George Beriault	495-3689
Nov. 11	St. Patrick's Society Executive Meeting, St. Patrick's Square, 5:30 p.m.	Doris Rooney	481-1346
Nov. 11	St. Patrick's Society Directors' Meeting, St. Patrick's Square, 7 p.m.	Doris Rooney	481-1346
Nov. 15	ISSC, Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner & Céilí, NDG Legion Hall, 6 p.m.	R. Wheeler-White	768-0613
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Dec. 4	St. Patrick's Christmas Concert, St. Patrick's Basilica, 7:30 p.m., \$12.00	Doris Rooney	481-1346
Dec. 12	ICCC Annual Cocktail Party, University Club, 2047 Mansfield, 5:30 p.m.	Paul Loftus	845-0973
Dec. 14	ISSC, Annual Christmas Party, 7 p.m.	R. Wheeler-White	768-0613
Jan. 6	St. Patrick's Society Executive Meeting, St. Patrick's Square, 5:30 p.m.	Doris Rooney	481-1346
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Jan. 24	ISSC, Innisfail Kick-Off, NDG Legion Hall, Addington/De Maisonneuve, 6 p.m.	R. Wheeler-White	768-0613
Jan. 24	Cine Gael 2003, Opening Night, Hall Bldg. H-110	Lynn Doyle	481-3503
Feb. 7	Cine Gael 2003, Hall Bldg. H-110	Lynn Doyle	481-3503
Feb. 8	UIS Queen's Pageant Selection Evening, Delta Hotel	Elizabeth Quinn (450)	672-5087
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