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**Set / Céilí Dance Workshop** - Every Tuesday evening, Sept. thru May, at 7:30 p.m. at the Canadian-American Hall in Watertown.

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### A Cháirde,

A new year is upon us and I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to all who've supported the RHC Branch in the past year in countless ways. Many thanks to the musicians, dancers, toe-tappers, our youth, teachers, members, and lovers of traditional Irish music. I am truly proud to chair the Boston Comhaltas Branch and grateful to my fellow officers and others who are the strong force behind all we accomplish. Looking forward to the New Year with all its challenges knowing the branch has such a solid footing and ask for everyone's continued support.

Phyllis Reynolds and family Thank You for supporting the Larry Reynolds Memorial Scholarship Fund Benefit. It was such a delight to see Phyllis, her daughter Debbie and son Larry Jr. witness the aspiring young musicians, recipients of the Larry Reynolds Memorial Scholarship, showcase their talent. The family is so pleased that your generosity enables us to uphold Larry's legacy and pass the tradition on to the next generation.

**A Huge Shout Out** to Dan Mahoney. Kudos to you for being the person who handled sending out the emailed newsletters over many years. Going forward email subscribers will only receive the MailChimp version.

May your days be filled with good thoughts, kind people, happy moments and unexpected blessings. *Happy New Year and Happy Valentine's Day!*

God bless everyone... **Tara Lynch, Chairperson**

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## EVENTS/NOTICES

- ♦ **Seisiún / Ceilí** – Sun., Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> ▪ Sun., Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>  
▪ Sun., Feb., 10<sup>th</sup> and Sun. Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> ▪ 3-7p.m.,  
Adm. \$10 ▪ Canadian-American Hall, 202  
Arlington St., Watertown ~ Donations of baked  
goods and /or raffle prizes gratefully appreciated.  
*Doors open at 1:30p.m. on the fourth Sundays for  
a slow session.*

Note: It is important to check the website  
[www.cceboston.org](http://www.cceboston.org) for cancellations due to  
weather, etc. Also watch your email for notices.

- ♦ **Set / Ceilí Dance Workshops** ~ Tues. 7:30 p.m.  
Can-Am Hall, Watertown. *Beginners always welcome!*

Notice: Sally Harney and her Harney Academy Team  
wish to thank all who attended St. Stephen's  
night. They are so very grateful for the  
donations of goodies and raffle prizes too.

## CONDOLENCES AND SYMPATHY

- ♦ To John and Philomena Hogan, family and friends, on  
the loss of Philomena's dear sister Sarah Tommaney.
- ♦ To John Droney, family and friends, on the passing  
of his beloved wife, Patricia (Pat) Droney. She was  
a longtime member and loyal supporter of the RHC  
Branch. We are saddened by her loss and particularly  
grateful to John and the family for listing the Boston  
CCE Music School as donations in her memory.

Thank you to all those who attended the  
Larry Reynolds Memorial Scholarship Fund Benefit.  
Your commitment and support of our youth and  
traditional Irish music is commendable!  
If you were unable to attend and wish to send in a  
contribution, the fund is open year round. (*Look  
under Regular Branch Activities for specific details.*)  
Sincere appreciation to all who sent in a donation.  
*You're helping to Keep the Tradition Alive !!*

- ♦ **Membership Dues:** If you've put becoming a  
member or renewing your membership on the  
back burner during the holidays it's not too late  
to be counted as a RHC branch member. *Details  
on front cover.* Thanks again for the timely  
membership renewals and welcome to our newest  
members.

- ♦ **NA Comhaltas Convention** ~ June 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> 2019  
Parsippany Hilton Hotel, Parsippany, New Jersey  
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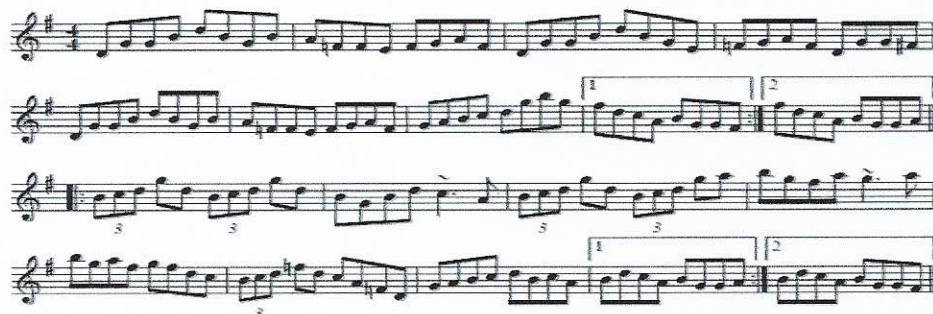
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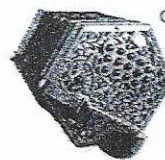


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