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Monthly Seisiún ~ Our next monthly seisiún at the Canadian American Club in Watertown, MA, will be February 5th at 3:00 pm. Monthly seisiúns will continue on the first Sunday of each month. Remember to bring along your own tea/coffee mug! As always, donations for tea and raffle items are welcome and appreciated.

<u>Set/Céilí Dance Workshops</u> ~ Tuesday workshops with Sally & Joe Harney and Barbara Boyd are held each Tuesday at the Canadian American Club at 7:30 pm.

<u>CCÉ Music School</u> ~ Music classes for the spring term are underway starting January 28th. All classes are via Zoom and so are accessible to all. Plan now to join the fall term and improve your skills. https://bostonirishmusicschool.com/

RHC Membership Dues ~ It's not too late to renew your membership! Register by mail or online at the addresses in the box above.

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A Chairoe,

Once again, our monthly seisiún was well attended and a whole lot of fun. December's event included talented musicians making lively music, four sets of dancers on the floor and some great craic enjoyed by all. Be sure to join us on February 5th for the company, the music, the set & céilí dancing, as well as a waltz or two.

As you know, the annual North American Provincial CCÉ Convention, being hosted by the O'Neil-Malcolm Branch, will be held in Bethesda, MD, from Thursday June 29th to Sunday, July 2nd. There will be music workshops in concertina, tin whistle, fiddle, guitar, flute, accordion, harp, pipes, bodhrán and more! Dance workshops in set dance, sean-nós and clogging as well as several workshops in Irish history, language, singing and more! The Saturday night banquet will feature Billy McComiskey and the Celtic Corridor Band. Céilí music will be provided by Rambling House, Pride of Moyvane, John Whelan's All-Star Céilí Band and Ceol na gCroi Céilí Band. Multiple sessions and showcase performances will be held throughout the hotel, throughout the days and evenings. Be sure to register by February 28th to receive the discounted price of \$299 (additional charge of \$35 after 2/28).

https://www.ccenorthamerica.org/news-events/convention-2023. Book soon to enjoy this fun-filled weekend and perhaps to enjoy the many other activities our nation's capital has to offer https://washington.org.

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EVENTS/NOTICES

CCÉ CONVENTION * June 29 - July 2, 2023

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RHC-CCÉ Céilí Band ~ The pride of our branch, the Reynolds-Hanafin-Cooley Band, will play at the St. Patrick's Week Céilí at the Irish Cultural Centre in Canton on March 11th, 2-5 pm. Mark your calendars now!

CONDOLENCES AND SYMPATHY

It has been a difficult season for our members. We extend our heartfelt condolences to several of our friends on the passing of their loved ones.

- To Eileen Dugal on the untimely loss of her husband Ken
- To Josephine Molloy on the tragic loss of her grandson William.
- To Frank and John Droney on the passing of their sister-in-law Margaret
- To Nancy Scorzella on the passing of her sister Jane
- To Sheila Falls Keohane on the passing of her father Daniel
- To Joe and Sally Harney on the passing of Joe's brother Pat

PRAYERS AND GET WELL WISHES

To all those who are ill and/or scheduled or recovering from surgery for a speedy return to good health.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

<u>Irish Cultural Center</u> ~ Several events will be held in February.

- ~Join the ICC to celebrate St. Brigid's Day in conjunction with the Irish Consulate at the Westin Copley Place, 2/1, 6:30 pm.
- ~A Valentine's themed cooking class will be held on 2/2 at 6:30 pm.
- ~Or enjoy the music of Strawberry Hill in the pub on 2/18 at 6:30 pm. https://www.irishculture.org/whats-on/events/

<u>Irish History Courses</u> ~ February's topics in Sean Murphy's courses will be "From Civil Rights to Hunger Strikes 1968-1981" and "History of County Westmeath". Classes are virtual, via Zoom. To enroll, email <u>seanmurphy630@gmail.com</u>. Sean also holds a Set Dancing Workshop at O'Shea's Olde Inn in West Dennis on Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30 pm.

BC Irish Studies Gaelic Roots Event

Boston College will host Kate Chadbourne, Irish songs and folklore, 6:30-8:30 pm at Connolly House, 300 Hammond St., Chestnut Hill. Free and open to the public. For additional events, visit https://www.bc.edu/bc-web/schools/mcas/sites/irish.html

<u>Music in the Glen</u> (below) courtesy of Drogheda Comhaltas Music Book Vol.1.

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