

Nuachlitir CCÉ Craobh Ottawa Branch Newsletter

December 2011

Nollaig 2011

CCÉ Ottawa Branch Membership Renewals

Your Comhaltas membership needs to be renewed each year. Invoices have been sent out to all members and we would appreciate receiving your form and payment as soon as possible.



If you have not received the renewal notice or have any questions about membership, please contact Pat Cassidy.

Telephone: 819-778-2827
Or e-mail: patatcce@sympatico.ca

December Céilí

Saturday, December 17th

8:00 pm to 11:30 pm
Blessed Sacrament Church Hall
194 Fourth Ave.

Toques and Toes – Don't forget to bring along to the December céilí your donations of warm outer winter wear, mitts, gloves, hats, scarves and socks too for our annual Toques and Toes drive, which will be distributed to the area's needy. These items must be new.

Bake Sale – The December céilí will have a bake sale, so please bring along baked items to be sold.

Entertainment – The entertainment for the December céilí will be provided by the Ottawa Celtic Choir, under the direction of Ellen

MacIsaac. The Ottawa Celtic Choir is a community choir whose mandate is to sing the songs of the Celtic nations and the Celtic diaspora in English and in the six Celtic languages.

Upcoming January Céilí

The January céilí will be on **Saturday, January 21st**.

Entertainment – For the January céilí, entertainment will be provided by the Comhaltas Dancers.

2011/2012 CCÉ Céilís

November 19th

December 17th

January 21st

February 18th

March 17th – Dinner/Céilí
(Tickets are on sale now)

April 21st

May 19th

March Céilí

Tickets are currently on sale for the **March 17th St. Patrick's Day dinner and céilí**.
Cost: \$30 before December 31, 2011, \$35 afterwards.

Irish Seniors Drop-in Centre

Tuesdays 11a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

St. Margaret Mary's Church Hall, Fairbairn at Sunnyside.

Join the gang for pot-luck lunch, stories, music and great craic!

Kay 613-829-8467 or Margo 613-837-4164

*Have information for the newsletter, contact the PRO:
613-722-3620
criostoir.seoirse@gmail.com*

December Events

Asheline Concert

December 2nd, at 8:00 pm
Harold Shenkman Hall, 245 Centrum Blvd
Tickets: capitaltickets.ca or shenkmanarts.ca

ACACIA LYRA CD Release Concert

PERFORMERS: Harp and Voice Duo Janine Dudding and Susan Sweeney Hermon

PLACE:
National Arts
Centre, Fourth
Stage



DATE/TIME:
Saturday
December 3rd,
7:30 pm

TICKETS: \$22.00

NAC Box Office: 613-947-7000
Ticketmaster: 613-755-1111

FURTHER INFO: <http://www.acacialyra.com>

Susan Sweeney Hermon 613-749-2519

ACACIA LYRA is not just your average harp and voice duo. Janine Dudding and Susan Sweeney Hermon sing in English, French, Spanish and Gaelic, accompanying themselves on Celtic harps and guitars.

The duo will launch their third CD at the NAC Fourth Stage December 3rd. This latest CD, entitled Silver Sun, is a unique offering of original material and their own arrangements of seasonal and Christmas music from around the world.

The duo will be joined by storyteller Gail Anglin, and guest musicians on flute, violin, cello, and percussion.

Susan and Janine's music is a beautiful melding of voices, instruments and spirit. A true friendship in music – Sharlene Wallace, harpist-composer

Irish Rovers Concert

December 9th, at 8:00 pm
Centrepointe Theatre



St. Brigid's Pancake Breakfast

Come one, come all. This is always a lively event. The next breakfast will be held on Dec. 11 from 10 am to Noon. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children and includes a great breakfasts plus musical entertainment by very talented musicians from the local Irish community.

Upcoming Events

SAINT BRIGID'S EVE

January 28, 2012
6:30PM (Doors open), 7:30PM Concert

A Celtic music performance in celebration of the female patron saint of Ireland featuring Mary Muckle, harp and voice, with Kirsten Carlson, flute, and the Ottawa Youth Harp Ensemble under the direction of Mary Muckle. Also featuring the musical group, Daughters of Brien.

Saint Brigid's Centre for the Arts
Home of the National Irish Canadian Cultural Centre
310 St. Patrick Street Ottawa (Entrance on Cumberland Street)

Tickets: \$10 advance, \$15 at the door

For more information, please contact:
Saint Brigid's Centre for the Arts offices
Telephone: (613) 244-7373
E-mail: info@sbcottawa.ca

www.saintbrigidscentre.com

Call for Artists for June Art Show and Sale

The working title of the theme is "Our Roots", and the artwork will be examined by a jury. Proceeds to go to the Permanent North American Gaeltacht. Planned date is at the **end of June, 2012** at Saint Brigid's Centre for the Arts.

Contact e-mail: toni144@gmail.com

Announcements

A chairde, once again tragedy has come to rest at the Murray family's door. Larry Murray, brother of Bridgit Ripley, has succumbed to leukemia after a 2 year battle with the disease. The fourth sibling to pass away in the last 4 years, it is especially hard on the remaining 3 sisters. Condolences can be sent to:

Mrs. Bridgit Ripley
481 Monique Street
Chelmsford, Ontario P0M 1L0
Or by e-mail: beeripley@bell.net

It is also with a very heavy heart that I write to say that the husband of Susan Sweeney Hermon, Richard Hermon died suddenly and peacefully in his sleep. Survived by his loving wife Susan and children Julia, Brian and Katharine. Please keep Susan in your prayers.

Other Points of Interest

Embassy Newsletter: The latest newsletter from the Irish Embassy is now available and it is full of information on the Irish economy, the Ambassador's travels and stories from across Canada. Go to www.embassyofireland.ca and click on the link Embassy Newsletter.

Sessions in Ottawa and the Valley!
Contact Janice Parton or Craig Hamm for info on music, workshops and concerts in your area!

<http://www.irishmusicottawa.ca/>
<http://irishmusicottawa.blogspot.com/>



THE GAELIC HOUR
Sunday 8:00am - 10:00am
cjll 97.9fm

Streaming: www.thegaelichour.ca e-mail: austin@thegaelichour.ca

Come out for ...

Set dancing:

Mondays, 5:30-7:00 PM, Blessed Sacrament Church Hall
Contact Síle Scott: Sheila.Scott@uottawa.ca

Irish Solo dance:

Mondays, 7:00-8:30 PM, Blessed Sacrament Church Hall
Contact Caitlin Crockard: csrockard@hotmail.com


Irish language classes for beginners, intermediate or fluent speakers!

Classes are at Blessed Sacrament and we are fortunate to have some native fluent speakers as instructors. This is a wonderful opportunity to speak with some BLAS!!

Send an e-mail to Sheila.Scott@uottawa.ca for details and rates.

Anyone interested in music classes, contact:

Roisín Philippe 613-440-3118
roseandrich@gmail.com



Mary Muckle

Harp ~ Voice ~ Piano
Harp Lessons

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Oireachtas Cheanada
July 6-8, 2012

Details to follow!
Volunteers are needed
in all capacities – pre-
planning and the day of!
We would love you to
help!!

