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Out of the mouths of babes...

As my son Seán approached the tender age of 18 months, we began to worry that he was not really forming any new words. He rarely spoke or mimicked what we said to him. I thought I might try teaching him a few Irish words just to see if he would pick up on them instead. Sure enough, I told him he was my little 'cuisle'. And he repeated 'cuisle' to me. Then I said 'Ta se fuar' And he repeated 'fuar'. I was happy that he was mimicking some Irish words even though no one but myself in the household will understand him! I intend on teaching both Maura and Seán Irish and it seems as though Seán is a natural!

Contributor: Barbara Ann Vocisano

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OOPS....That's O' Not Mc!!!
Apologies to **Joseph O'Connell** for
referring to him as Joseph McConnell
in the December Newsletter...and let's
hope the marriage license gets it right
too!!!

Saturday Jan 15

First Céilí of 2011

Blessed Sacrament Church Hall
194 Fourth Ave. Ottawa
Admission: \$10 members~\$12
guests~\$5 students with student
card ~children under 12
free~family rates

Music by the Ottawa Céilí Band
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Many thanks to all who donated to
our "Toques and Toes" warm
clothing drive!! As well as receiving
many donations, the bake sale and
decorations table brought in \$75
which was added to the donations!!!
Go Raibh Mile Maith Agat!!!



MESSAGE FROM CCÉ CHAIR SÍLE SCOTT

2010 was quite the year for the Ottawa branch of Comhaltas Ceoltoirí Éireann! Who could have predicted such a busy and successful year? We held a wonderful St Patrick's dinner and ceili, we co-organised the very successful house concert tour for Lasairfhiona Ni Chonanaola, we co-ran a very successful Irish language weekend in Arnprior, plus we hosted the Regional AGM in October. In addition, the number of people attending our céilí and classes is up and we have been busy in the community promoting our culture. Many thanks to all our members for their support over the year. I also want to thank each member of the executive for all their hard work in keeping our branch vibrant. 2011 will be an exciting year. We can't go wrong.. because we have a Guardian Angel in Mary Kelly watching over us. Predictions for 2011? **Better than 2010!!!**

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**March 10 - Proclamation of
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**March 11 - Annual Erin
Luncheon to be held at St.
Patrick's Home of Ottawa, 2865
Riverside Drive**

**March 12 - 2011 St. Patrick's
Parade starting at 11 am from
Ottawa City Hall to Lansdowne
Park**

**March 12 - Grand Irish Party
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dor of Ireland to Canada
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the audience on

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my - implications for Irish as-
sociations in Canada"**

members \$40 non-members \$50
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It is with great sadness that Ottawa
CCÉ members learned of the passing
of **Madi Kelly-O'Keeffe**

Madi was one of the original members
of the Ottawa Branch and was very in-
volved and well-known in the Ottawa
Irish community. Her husband, Merv,
was an early inductee into the Comhal-
tas Hall of Fame.

Also thoughts and prayers are with
Pauline O'Brien on the recent passing
of her mother.... **SOLAS NA
BHFLAITHIS DI**

Thinking of learning....

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set dancing.... Mondays 8:30-10 PM
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were walking home after a night on the
beer when a severed head rolled along
the ground.

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to Paddy "Jez, that looks like Sean" to
which Paddy replied "No Sean was tall-
er than that"

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Ahead in 2011...

Just a glance into the future to let you know of some upcoming events with more info to follow!

- CCÉ celebrates its 60th this coming year and the event will be marked by special events. Info to follow!
- *Feile Cheoil* in Toronto will be happening this May and we encourage people of all skill levels in set dancing, singing, and musical performance to participate.
- The inaugural *Oireachtas Gaeilge Cheanada* will take place July 2011 in Tamworth, Ontario and will feature Irish speakers from across Canada, US and Ireland in a 3 day celebration of Irish language, culture and music. Not to be missed!

***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 Ellen MacIsaac
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***Laughter to cheer you
And those you love near
you,
And all that your heart
may desire....wishing
everyone all the best in
2011!***



photo: Clare Dwyer Galway Ireland
***Condolences to Carol Ann Bowers, Robert Ewing and Patrick McGuire on the recent passing of family members.....
our thoughts and prayers are with
you***