

Nuachtlitr CCÉ Craobh Ottawa Branch Newsletter

August 2013

Lúnasa 2013

Acacia Lyra House Concert

You are invited to attend an evening of music and song performed by the Acacia Lyra harp duo, in support of the Ottawa Irish Language Group – Caint is Comhrá.



Proceeds to go to the Annual Irish Language Immersion Weekend at Galilee Centre, in Arnprior, from September 27 – 29, 2013.

Monday, August 26th
Pot-luck at 6:30 pm, Concert at 7:30 pm

Where: At the home of Margaret Moriarty,
36 Burnham Rd, Ottawa

Cost: \$20 (at the door)

Reservation essential. To reserve, please call Dorine Best at 613-868-2225.

There will also be a pot-luck. You may find out what to bring when you call to reserve your seat.

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

*If you do not receive the renewal notice, please contact Pat at:
819-778-2827 or p_cassidy@sympatico.ca*

Forms for new memberships are available from Pat or on-line at: www.ottawacomhaltas.com

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

North American Gaeltacht Irish Language Immersion Week

August 11 – 17, 2013

**Permanent North
American Gaeltacht**

**#298 Gilmore Rd,
Tamworth/Erinsville,
Ontario**



Would you like to learn your ancestral language, or revive the "cúpla focal", nó comhluadar a roinnt le Gaeilgeoirí eile in atmaisféar lán-Ghaeilge ar feadh seachtaine?

Why not come to the North American Gaeltacht?

Come for a few days or the whole week.

Camp at the Gaeltacht site, or stay in nearby accommodations. B&B and local billeting available within a mile of the Gaeltacht – just like in Ireland.

Also, there will be workshops in singing, dancing, and in arts and crafts.

For information on the Irish immersion week:

http://www.srayner.ca/comhaltas/M_Language.htm

Or, contact Stiofáin Raghnaid:
stephen.rayner99@gmail.com,
(613) 379-5578 or (613) 384-8921

Other CCÉ News

Irish Language Immersion Weekend

September 27 – 29, 2013

Galilee Mission Centre
398 John Street, Arnprior, ON
(45 minutes northwest from downtown Ottawa)

For beginners to fluent speakers

For more information contact, Toni Forsythe :
613-233-9927 , or toni144@gmail.com

History of CCÉ in North America

Bill McEvoy is planning on compiling a book about the History of Comhaltas of North America.

This is a great opportunity for everyone if they have any information to share with Bill to do so. Feel free to forward anything to Bill at: mikedineen@optonline.net

If you would like to mail Bill anything he is at the following address:
928 Hawkins Avenue, Lake Grove, NY 11755,
and his phone number is: 631-588-3709.

Branch Musical Instruments Available For Loan

Musical instruments are available on a loan basis to CCÉ Ottawa members for learning Irish music at the beginner level.

More information on the instrument loans program is available on the Comhaltas Ottawa Branch website or blog:
<http://www.ottawacomhaltas.com/instruments.php>
<http://ottawacomhaltas.blogspot.ca/2013/01/instrument-loans-for-beginner-musicians.html>

Interested people should contact the Branch Vice-Chair via the CCÉ Ottawa Branch website.

For general information on Comhaltas and Ottawa Comhaltas, the various Ottawa Comhaltas events, links to other Comhaltas branches and more, check out our website at:

<http://www.ottawacomhaltas.com>

Also, check out: <http://comhaltas.ie>

Check out the new blog for the Ottawa Branch:
<http://ottawacomhaltas.blogspot.ca/>

Also, follow us on Facebook and Twitter:
<http://www.facebook.com/groups/193752260177>
<http://twitter.com/@OttawaCCE>

New Comhaltas Ottawa Blog

CCÉ Ottawa Branch now has a blog at:
<http://ottawacomhaltas.blogspot.ca/>

What is a blog? A blog is a 'web log' (thus, 'blog') which logs, or captures the stories and news of the blog author, or its various contributors. Normally you just read the blog online just like any other website. The latest news is nearer the top of the blog, and the older news is towards the bottom. The new CCÉ blog can also be easily read on your mobile device, such as the many 'smart phones' that now exist. You can also subscribe to the blog so you can receive the latest posts via email.

The purpose of the new blog is to post topics of interest to the CCÉ Ottawa Branch membership and greater community. For this we need your help. We strongly encourage your direct submissions on topics that you want us to post. Examples are: your favourite or heirloom Irish soda bread recipe, poems, short stories, reminiscences, or event news that are related to the CCÉ Ottawa Branch mission.

Direct submissions (you write the content, we post it for you) can be sent to the CCÉ Ottawa Branch webmaster at:
webmaster.ottawacomhaltas@gmail.com,
or you can submit your post at:
webmaster8617.comhaltas@blogger.com

Other Irish Community Events

Ottawa Celtic Choir

New members are welcome. If you are interested, contact the director, Ellen MacIsaac: 613-552-3964 or ellen@laughingbrook.ca

Rehearsals: Tuesdays, 7:00 – 9:00 pm
Location: St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church, Somerset and Elgin

George Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man"

Odyssey Theatre's Theatre Under the Stars presents "Arms and the Man" by George Bernard Shaw.

July 25 to August 25, 2013
Tuesdays to Sundays at 8:00 pm
Strathcona Park, Ottawa

More information:
<http://www.odysseytheatre.ca/index.php/events/theatre-under-the-stars/>

B in the Park

An evening of Celtic excellence featuring the Sons of Scotland Pipe Band, George Watson's College of Edinburgh and the City of Washington Pipe Bands.

Thursday, August 1, 2013
6:30 to 8:30 pm

Major's Hill Park, Ottawa

Tickets: \$10.00 (available at the show)

Visit www.sospb.com for more information!

Celtic Cross is a new performance group made up of adult dancers from the disciplines of Irish, Highland, and Ottawa Valley step dance.

The group has a roster of over 20 dancers with decades of experience as teachers, choreographers, performers and competitors. They perform traditional dances, and original contemporary choreographies that blend all three dance styles. Celtic Cross is available for performances at concerts, festivals, parties, weddings and more.

Contact them if you'd like some lively dancing at your event!

For more information, e-mail:
celticcrossottawa@gmail.com
<http://celticcrossdancers.com/>



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

Irish Seniors Drop-in Centre

Tuesdays, 11 am to 1:30 pm
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

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
613-552-3964 or ellen@laughingbrook.ca

Blog: <http://ottawacelticchoir.blogspot.ca/>

Annual Fall Celtic Festival

Sunday, September 8, 2013
Noon to 6:00 pm

Saint Brigid's Centre for the Arts
310 St. Patrick St (entrance on Cumberland Street)

Free admission

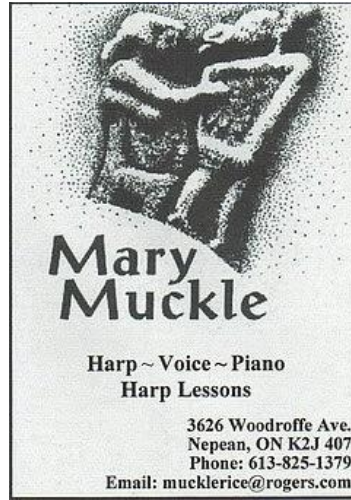
BBQ – Bar – Refreshments

Music for all ages, with a host of local musicians and dancers on stage, as well as activities for kids.

Information:

613-244-7373, or

<http://saintbrigidscentre.com/Events.htm>



Mary Muckle
Harp ~ Voice ~ Piano
Harp Lessons
3626 Woodroffe Ave.
Nepean, ON K2J 407
Phone: 613-825-1379
Email: mucklerice@rogers.com

Anyone interested in music classes, contact:
Rita Walker
jantarborzoi@sympatico.ca

Ottawa Valley Step Dancing Lessons:

Contact Dawn Dewar
(613) 794-3296

Sessions in Ottawa and the Valley!
Contact Charles Dunlap or Craig Hamm for information on music, workshops and concerts in your area!

Contact Charles Dunlap at cdunlap@explornet.com to get on the mailing list.

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

ATTENTION MUSICIANS!

Videos, sheet music and more at:
<http://comhaltas.ie/music/>

Also, check out the ComhaltasLive Programme Listing:
<http://comhaltas.ie/music/programmes>

Check out the Comhaltas Archive as well:
<http://comhaltasarchive.ie/>



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