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IRISH SOCIETY LIFETIME MEMBERS UST IRISH GALA HONOREES



Our lifetime members Tom & Jeani Horan and Mary Elizabeth Donovan will be honored, along with Sister Mary Brendan O'Donnell, CVI, at this year's UST Center for Irish Studies Irish Gala to be held at the Houstonian Hotel on Friday, November 9, 2012.

Tom is Houston's most popular Irish American. He and Jeani are huge supporters of the University and the William J. Flynn Center for Irish Studies. Tom is a 1966 graduate of UST and he served on the Center's Advisory Board.

Mary Elizabeth also is a long-time supporter of UST and the Center. She has served on the Center's Advisory Board and as a Cultural Outreach Ambassador.

Please contact Lori Gallagher at (713) 525-3592 or via Email at irishstudies@stthom.edu if you are interested in attending. Price for the evening is \$250 per ticket.

Thank you for the kind note of thanks to Cristina.



THE HOUSTON FOOD BANK

The Irish Society plans to volunteer for work at the Houston Food Bank this autumn. Keep viewing our Web site for details. We anticipate it will be on a Saturday. If you are interested, please let Neil Miggins and/or Patrick Barden Keegan know and they'll keep you posted. The Houston Food Bank has been a regular annual recipient of a contribution from our organization.

MEMORIAL GIFTS TO THE IRISH SOCIETY

Many thanks to the Hafner family for suggesting donations in the memory of Mary McGowan Hafner, recently deceased. The obit in the Houston Chronicle suggested financial donations to The Irish Society in lieu of flowers. We hope that in similar circumstances, other members of The Irish Society will consider honoring their deceased loved ones with a financial memorial donation to The Irish Society. We are a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization. Our address is on the last page.

IRISH AIRES FAMILY PICNIC AT DAN ELECTRO'S GUITAR BAR

The KPFT 90.1 FM fundraiser will take place on Sunday, September 30, 2012, at Dan Electro's Guitar Bar located at 1031 East 24th St. in the Heights. It's from 12:30 PM to 6 PM. As last year, cost will be \$10 for adults and children, free.

Great live Irish music and Irish dancing. Call Pete Little at (832) 722-3788 or Email PeteLittle@comcast.net for further info.

The Irish Aires radio program has long promoted the image and the presence of the Houston Irish. The picnic is always supported by the Irish Society of Houston and the Irish American Heritage Association of Katy.

If you have any newsworthy info about our members or the Houston Irish community in general, please contact our Webmaster Gregory Horan at gphoran@hotmail.com.

Please visit our Web site www.TheIrishSociety.org for regular updates.

2012 BLOOMSDAY AT THE OLDE CITY PUB

Our annual event was as successful as usual. The music by Hugh Morrison & "Murder the Stout" was GREAT. The Irish food court was again exceptional. And, there was plenty to drink.

Thank you to all the members who made it out. We look forward to seeing you all again soon.

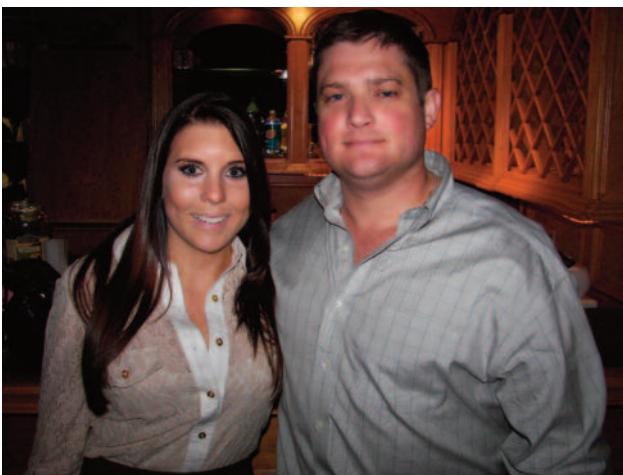


Above is Neil Connelly, Mike Carr, and David Carr, the remnants of the original Carr Bros. "Bones Band."



Above is our reigning "Molly," Mary Hohlt, with her proud grandparents, Kathleen and Larry Miggins.

Below is our newest Board Member, John Urquhart made his social debut here at Bloomsday. Here are John and Jessica Chipman.



Below right is Max Triola, newly elected President of the IAHA. Shown here are Ann & Tom Hoar with Merilyn & Ron Deane joining Max.



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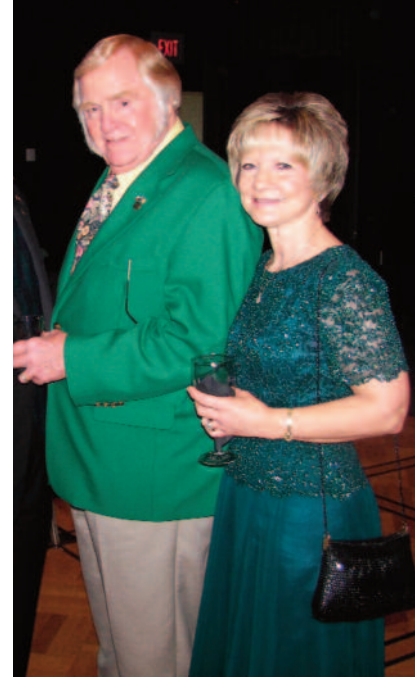
ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION DINNER AUCTION WINNERS CHARLIE AND SEINE FOGARTY

The 2012 St. Patrick's CELEBRATION DINNER silent auction winners were Charlie and Seine Fogarty, owners of the Steamboat House Steakhouse located at 8045 N. Sam Houston Parkway W., Houston, Texas 77064, near the horse track.

They recently returned from their winning "on Island" Ireland tour, provided by CIE Tours.

Thanks again to Charlie, our Lifetime member, for his generous bid.

The Dinner honorees for 2013 have just been announced: Tom Horan, Larry Miggins and Burke O'Rourke. As they say, "Time marches on." All three of their sons are presently on our Board of Directors.



THE CELTIC OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Celtic Open, benefitting the Houston St. Patrick's Day Parade Commission, will be held on **Monday, October 29, 2012** at Cypresswood Golf Club, 21602 Cypresswood Drive, Spring, Texas 77373.

The Celtic Open will be played on the Tradition Course with a Shotgun Start at Noon. The price for a round of golf, lunch and fun is only \$150 before October 22, 2012 and \$175 at the door. Get your foursomes set!

For more information please contact Mary Kearns at irishmkk@aol.com.



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