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**NEXT MEETING**  
**SECOND TUESDAY OF**  
**EACH MONTH**  
**JUNE 11, 2024**  
**WHITE EAGLE HALL**  
**6:30 PM**



**THE IRISH SHOW**

Every Sunday Morning at 8:00 AM WKNY with Ken and Anna Brett. www.radiokingston.org  
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**THE HISTORIAN'S CORNER**

**NEIL MURRAY**

When New York Was Irish  
Written by Terence Winch, "When New York Was Irish" has become a famous Irish American ballad. Covered by artists such as Mary O'Dowd, Paddy Reilly, Annmarie O'Riordan, and Shilelagh Law the song has become an anthology of Irish immigrant life in New York. Winch was born in 1945 and grew

up in the Irish Woodlawn section of the Bronx. Primarily a poet, Winch also co-founded the Irish band Celtic Thunder. His best-known composition is "When New York Was Irish". Although focused on New York City, we can draw many parallels to the Kingston and Mid-Hudson region. Here in Kingston the Irish ran the saloons, built all the bridges and played all the tunes. We put out the fires, and controlled City Hall, we started with nothing and wound up with it all. Please see the full lyrics as written by Terence Winch of Celtic Thunder.

I'll sing you a song, of days long ago,  
When people from Galway and the County Mayo.  
From all over Ireland came over to stay,  
And take up a new life in Amerikay.

They were ever so happy, they were ever so sad,  
To grow old in a new world, through good times and bad.  
All the parties and weddings, the Ceilis and Wakes,  
When New York was Irish, full of joy and heartbreaks.

We worked on the subways, we ran the saloons,

We built all the bridges, we played all the tunes  
We put out the fires, and controlled City Hall,  
We started with nothing and wound up with it all.

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When New York was Irish, full of joy and heartbreaks.

You can travel from Kingsbridge, to Queens or midtown.  
From Highbridge to Bayridge, from uptown to down.  
From the Eastside to the seaside, sweet summer scenes,  
We made New York City, our island of dreams.

They were ever so happy, they were ever so sad,  
To grow old in a new world, through good times and bad.  
All the parties and weddings, the Ceilis and Wakes,  
When New York was Irish, full of joy and heartbreaks.

I look at the photos, now brittle with time;  
Of the people I cherished, when the city was mine.

Oh how I love, all those radiant smiles,  
How I long for the days, when we danced in the aisles.

They were ever so happy, they were ever so sad,  
To grow old in a new world, through good times and bad.  
All the parties and weddings, the Ceilis and Wakes,  
When New York was Irish, full of joy and heartbreaks.

Slainte, Neil



**AOH**

**“LUCKY THREE” IRISH CALENDAR WINNERS**

Bill Murphy

**MAY**

5/05 #345 \$75 Bill Gallagher  
5/05 #345 \$75 Henry Wallace  
5/06 #854 \$35 Bob Howe  
5/07 #369 \$35 Bill Gallagher  
5/08 #545 \$35 Lorie Wenzel c/o Susan Newell  
5/09 #757 \$35 John Gorman  
5/13 #457 \$35 Geraldine Maloney  
5/18 #830 \$35 Brad Moore  
5/20 #506 \$35 Craig D Crump  
5/20 #506 \$35 Tony Chessari  
5/20 #506 \$35 Jill Williams  
5/24 #654 \$35 Jim Gilpatric  
5/24 #654 \$35 Missy Harjes  
5/24 #654 \$35 Rose Boyle  
5/28 #775 \$35 Rachel Carey  
5/28 #775 \$35 John Gorman  
5/29 #810 \$35 Justin Kelly  
5/29 #810 \$35 Amanda Hesse  
5/31 #223 \$35 Donald Kiernan  
5/31 #223 \$35 Rose Boyle



**DUES-DUES--DUES**  
**DUES ARE DUE FOR 2024**

The bills for the 2024 were sent out to the membership. Please pay as soon as you can, we need your help this year more than ever. Our dues are very reasonable at \$25.00 per year. Or you can pay at the next meeting. **MEMBERSHIP CARDS ARE IN. THOSE WHO HAVE PAID WILL BE RECEIVING YOUR CARDS IN THE MAIL. YOU CAN STILL PAY YOU DUES AT OUR NEXT MEETING AND RECEIVE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD.** Keep up your support for our efforts to educate our kids and the general public about our great culture.

Remember we need to pay for all those on our membership list for National and State Dues.

Send your dues and also for any other prior years to:

UCAOH Div 1  
PO Box 2026  
Kingston, NY 12402



**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Please keep in your prayers all our members who may be experiencing ill health. Please keep in your prayers, Brian Devine, Frank Egan, Fr. Edmund Burke, Larry Dunne.



**MEMBERSHIP**

Sponsor someone for membership. Applications are on the website and dues are only \$25.00 per year.

Keep searching out those Irish sons that qualify for membership. Dues mailing is out and dues are coming in. thank you to all and please pay your dues.

**Remember-**

There are no strangers here; Only friends you haven't yet met.  
W.B. Yeats.



**IN MEMORIUM**

Our great friend, brother and band member Eric Hansen passed away this past month. Eric was a great guy and a member of our Honor Guard. Please remember Eric his wife Jill and his two daughters and his whole family in your prayers. May he rest in peace, may perpetual light shine upon him.



Eric Hansen, 67, of Rogers Street, Ulster Park, NY, passed away May 7th, 2024 while in the comforting presence of his family.

He was born in Kingston, New York on April 13th, 1957, a son of the late Robert and Rose (Saccoman) Hansen. A graduate of Onteora High School, Class of 1975, Eric graduated from Ulster County Community College and then went on to pursue a degree in Criminal Justice from Florida Atlantic University.

Eric was employed as an Advisory Software Engineer for IBM and also a licensed Real Estate. He was a member of the IBM Quarter Century Club. Eric's talents were many. He was quick to learn new skills and found success in carpentry and stone work. He would fix just about anything and would often turn a profit in doing so; as they say "trash into treasure."

Eric was a man of faith, family, friends, and fun! He loved to support his daughters in both their sports and musical interests from elementary school on through their college years. He coached tee-ball and basketball. He never missed a musical concert or performance. Eric enjoyed using his talents as a set builder for Kingston High School Musical Theatrics. He looked forward to his annual family trips to the beach; which was a tradition that began as a small child. Eric looked forward to attending James Madison University football games and cheering on the JMU Marching Royal Dukes. He enjoyed traveling to PA to spend time playing with his grandson and spent many afternoons walking through Kingston with his grand pup, Fozzie Bear.

Eric will be remembered for his incredible commitment to his family, friends and community. His ability to organize and take charge was an asset to many local groups. Over the years, he was involved in the Port Ewen Athletic Association (president), the Sons American Legion, the KHS Band Boosters (president), VFW Auxiliary and the Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH). Many Shamrock Runs and Hooleys on the Hudson found Eric behind the scenes preparing for the events and enthusiastically participating in them. In recent years, weekly involvement with the Keegan Army runners enhanced his passion for fitness and brought him many treasured memories and friends.

The family is forever grateful for the supportive care given to Eric by Dr. Simon Hanft and his team from West Chester Medical Center.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Jill (Spath) Hansen, two daughters, Erica (Greggory) Musser of Strasburg, PA and Elissa Hansen of Kingston, one brother, Kurt (Barbara) Hansen of Town Ulster, Grandchild, Brayden, dear family friend, Vicki Youlio (Eric considered her as another daughter), and two uncles, Joseph Saccoman of Kingston, and Willard (Esther) Hansen of Maryland. Many nieces, nephews and cousins also survive. Eric also leaves behind his grand pups, Fozzie Bear and Piper, who will greatly miss his love and affection.

In addition to his parents, he is predeceased by his sister, Ingrid Yankowski (2011).



### AOH JUNIOR DIVISION

As always, we need your help to spread the word. Nephews, Cousins, Grandsons, Family Friends... we need them all to join! Please help keep the AOH alive by infecting our youngsters with the same beliefs and cultural richness as we have! Any input and assistance are welcomed!!



### TIN WHISTLE LESSONS

Saturday Mornings  
Arace, Broadwav, Kingston, NY

Did you ever want to learn to play the Tin Whistle? Well, you are in luck. Our very own Shea Gallagher who is a Piper in the band is conducting A SECOND Tin Whistle 10-week class at Arace just after pipe practice Saturday Mornings. Bring your own tin whistle or we have them for sale. Give a call 845-338-6622 and get the details as to what you need to start.



### PIPE, DRUM AND HONOR GUARD NEWS

Scott Benson

Feel free to join us at any event and all are welcome to come and learn Saturday mornings with Jim Carey or with the band at Monday night practice.



### ULSTER COUNTY AOH DIVISION 1 FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM

- Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/UlsterAOH>

We also have pages setup for the Irish Cultural Center Hudson Valley. They can be found at:

- Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/ICCHudsonValley>
- Web: <http://www.icchv.org>
- Instagram @icchudsonvalley

Finally, if you have any pictures, events, or announcements you would like to have posted on the AOH or ICC Facebook pages, please send a message to either Facebook Account.



### IRISH CULTURAL CENTER (ICC) - HUDSON VALLEY

[www.icchv.org](http://www.icchv.org)

There are a lot of activities the ICCHV is conducting each month. You should all be receiving the ICCHV newsletter.



### GAELIC CLASSES

Gaelic Classes conducted by our own Bob McDonald Classes are each Friday – Gaelic in the Glen, online language classes 5:30pm Beginner 6:30pm Intermediate





## **TRAD SESSIONS**

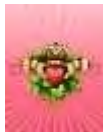
**Trad Sessions** at the Ole Savannah Restaurant continue on the first Sunday of each month.

**NEXT SESSION**

**Sunday, June 2, 2024** - Irish Trad Music Session 2-4pm Ole Savannah Southern Table & Bar Please make sure to attend as this is our final session until the fall.

Mile buiochas (A thousand thanks) and we look forward to seeing YOU at the sessions.

Check out the ICCHV website ICCHV.ORG support our loyal sponsors. Thank you. Keep Moving Forward!!



## **LAOH DIVISION 5 NEWS**

Jean Steuding

### **NEXT MEETING**

**June 11, 2024**

**5:30 PM**

**Picnic - Sue Feeney's Home**

Happy June! At our May meeting, Gerry Wilson, sponsored by Mary Ann Brundage, was sworn in as a new member of the LAOH. Congratulations and welcome, Gerry! Our Communion Breakfast was held on Sunday, May 5. Mass was offered at St. Mary's St. Peter's at 9:30 by Father Nelson followed by a brunch at Ole Savannah attended by twenty-four people. The food and the company assured a good time for everyone! Thank you Chrissie Wrixon, Pam Boyle and

Sue Feeney for planning this event which is one of our always successful spring gatherings. At our May meeting our yearly "baby shower" took place. Michele Whitaker, who is the coordinator of the Pregnancy Support Center, was very grateful for the many items which were donated. Thank you all for your generosity. Our annual June picnic meeting will be held on June 11 at 5:30 p.m. Sue Feeney, again this year, has volunteered to host it at her beautiful home (1256 Rt. 213, Ulster Park). We always enjoy relaxing, socializing and, beginning the summer season with this annual, fun event! The price is \$15. The menu includes barbequed chicken, sausage and peppers, antipasto salad, pasta salad, bread, coffee, water and ice cream sundaes. Bring a lawn chair, and you can bring alcoholic beverages if you wish and/or chips or other snacks. Send checks to the LAOH, PO Box 2432, Kingston, NY 12402. Twenty-week raffle tickets will be available for those who attend. Thank you Rose Ferraro Bruck for ordering the tickets. There is a \$25 and a \$50 winner each week, and the grand prizes are \$1000, \$500 and \$250. If you do not attend the picnic, contact Chrissie Wrixon, 845-901-1191; Pam Boyle, 845-901-1465 or pboyle991@gmail.com or Patty Jacob, 845-594-6594, for tickets. You will be notified when the drawing starts. It's not too early to be thinking about the Hooley. We need many volunteers. If you would like to help get gift cards to restaurants, there will be a letter available for you to show the merchants. We need about

ten sponsors whose names will be printed on the back of our shirts. Save the date (September 1) and think about how you would like to volunteer. Did you know that we (the LAOH) have own genealogist? Janine Fallon Mower gave a presentation at our May meeting. Janine is a local author and historian as well as a genealogist. She teaches a writing club in Woodstock and would love to get you started tracing your Irish roots. The class is fun and honors our families and friends. Janine is a member of the Historical Society and will help you in any way she can. If you want to get on board, notify Janine at roscommongirl@gmail.com or 845-679-9032. Congratulations, Janine, for your wonderful contributions to our Irish Community.



## **HOOLEY ON THE HUDSON XXIII IRISH FESTIVAL** **2024**

### **SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**

Planning meetings for the Hooley on the Hudson™ are coming up. We need all the help we can get. Please volunteer. Information is on our website for Vendor Applications and Sponsorships. [ulsteraoh.com](http://ulsteraoh.com)



## Slow-Cooker Barbecued Ribs

Betty Crocker Kitchens

- Prep **15 Min**
- Total **10 Hr 15 Min**
- Servings **4**

### **Ingredients**

- **3 ½** pounds pork loin back ribs
- **¼** cup packed brown sugar
- **1** teaspoon salt
- **½** teaspoon pepper
- **3** tablespoons liquid smoke
- **2** garlic cloves, chopped
- **1** medium onion, sliced
- **½** cup cola
- **1 ½** cups barbecue sauce

### **Steps**

- **1** Spray inside of 4- to 5-quart slow cooker with cooking spray.
- **2** Remove inner skin from ribs; cut into 4-inch pieces. Mix brown sugar, salt, pepper, liquid smoke and garlic; rub mixture into ribs. Layer ribs and onion in slow cooker. Pour cola over ribs.
- **3** Cover and cook on low heat setting 8 to 9 hours or until tender. Remove ribs from slow cooker. Drain and discard liquid.
- **4** Pour barbecue sauce into shallow bowl. Dip ribs into sauce. Place ribs in slow cooker. Pour any remaining sauce over ribs. Cover and cook on low heat setting 1 hour. Note:

This recipe was tested in slow cookers with heating elements in the side and bottom of the cooker, not in cookers that stand only on a heated base. For slow cookers with just a heated base, follow the manufacturer's directions for layering ingredients and choosing a temperature.



## Creamy Parmesan Pork

### Chop Skillet

Betty Crocker Kitchens

- Prep **25 Min**
- Total **25 Min**
- Servings **4**

### **Ingredients**

- **4** boneless pork chops (1 1/2 lb), trimmed of fat
- **¼** teaspoon salt
- **¼** teaspoon ground black pepper
- **4** tablespoons butter
- **1** cup thinly sliced sweet onions
- **¼** cup Gold Medal™ all-purpose flour
- **1 ½** cups Progresso™ chicken broth (from 32-oz carton)
- **¼** cup heavy whipping cream
- **½** cup shredded Parmesan cheese (2 oz)
- **2** tablespoons chopped fresh Italian (flat-leaf) parsley
- **1** pouch (4.7 oz) Betty Crocker™ roasted garlic mashed potatoes, prepared as directed on pouch

### **Steps**

- **1** Rub pork chops with salt and pepper. In 12-inch nonstick

skillet, melt 2 tablespoons of the butter over medium-high heat. Add pork; cook 2 to 4 minutes or until browned on first side. Turn pork; reduce heat to medium; cook 1 to 2 minutes or until browned on second side. Transfer to plate; cover with foil to keep warm. Butter will be very dark.

- **2** Add remaining 2 tablespoons butter and the onions to skillet; cook 3 to 4 minutes or until onions soften and begin to brown. Stir in flour; cook and stir 30 to 60 seconds or until mixture thickens and begins to brown. Stir in broth and whipping cream; heat to simmering over medium-high heat. Return pork to skillet; reduce heat to low. Cover and cook 4 to 6 minutes or until pork is no longer pink in center (at least 145°F).
- **3** Remove from heat; transfer pork to plates. Stir Parmesan cheese into sauce mixture in skillet. Spoon sauce over pork; top with parsley. Serve with potatoes.



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# GAELIC IN THE GLEN

Fridays 5:30pm Beginner, 6:30pm Intermediate



Online Gaelic language classes with  
in-person activities. Learn to speak, write, and  
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Ireland and Scotland.

Contact Bob to register: [bobdomhnallach10@outlook.com](mailto:bobdomhnallach10@outlook.com)



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\$80 Adults, \$70 Seniors  
\$50 ICCHV/AOH members  
Free to students K-college



ICCHV presents

# IRISH TRAD MUSIC SESSION

First Sunday of each month, 2-4pm  
All ages and levels welcome!



Join us for a traditional Irish music jam session.  
Bring an instrument and join the music, or join  
the audience and enjoy the show!

Ole Savannah Southern Table  
100 Rondout Landing, Kingston



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**ole Savannah**  
★ SOUTHERN TABLE & BAR ★



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### **Hibernian Motto**

Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity  
(Cairdis, Aontacht agus, Chríostaí Carthanais)

Keep the Faith  
(Coinnigh an Faith)

Is Cuimhin Linn  
(We Remember)

