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Book Buzz

Bonnie Easton

Some April offerings.

What Happened to Nina: A Novel by Irish-born author Dervla McTiernan takes place in the mountains of New Hampshire. Nina and Simon were childhood friends who are now dating in college. Their relationship turns dark when they drive to Simon's family cabin for a weekend. Simon comes home alone. He is a spoiled rich kid who is now the prime suspect in Nina's disappearance. McTiernan has written a thriller mystery that is possibly in development as a movie.

Murder at an Irish Chipper is another installment in Carlene O'Connor's *Irish Village Mystery* series. The chipper is a fish and chips shop in County Cork run by aptly named Mrs. Chipper. Her ex-husband is opening a competing shop right across the street. While on his route, a delivery driver finds Mrs. Chipper's store closed and sounds an alarm that leads to finding the owner's body. An accidental death? The garda are investigating, but amateur sleuths Siobhan and Macdara put their honeymoon on hold to help apprehend the murderer.

Death of an Irish Druid by Catie Murphy is the sixth book in the author's *Dublin Driver Mystery* series. While transplanted American Megan Malone takes a vacation from her job as a driver in Dublin, she entertains her American friends Rafael and Sarah Williams and their two Jack Russell terriers and takes them to St. Brigid's Well to pray for a baby to bless their marriage. While there, the dogs discover the body of Seamus Nolan. He was a member of the Anglo-Irish aristocracy known as Detective Sergeant Irish Druid Patrick Doyle. His bicycle is found nearby. The garda want to write his death off as an accident, but Megan has solved murders before and believes he has been murdered. She befriends Nolan's teenage daughter and investigates.

The Secret of Kells: A Graphic Novel is another installment in the children's *Cartoon Saloon Irish Folklore* series. Brendan is the youngest monk at the Abbey of Kells. He and his fellow monks spend their days working at building walls to defend themselves from Viking invasions under the watchful of his uncle. When a master illuminator arrives with an unfinished sacred book that seems to have extraordinary powers, Brendan is needed to help transcribe it. Evil is lurking in the shadows of the enchanted woods, but Brendan has the help of the fairy Aisling. The other two books in the series are *Song of the Sea* and *Wolfwalkers*. All are based on movies.

For those whose ancestors sailed on the coffin ships from 1845-1855 and wonder what that experience was like, Professor Cian T. McMahon offers ***The Coffin Ship: Life and Death at Sea during the Great Famine***. Two million people fled their homeland on these ships. Genealogist Rhonda McClure from the New England Historic Genealogical Society found this to be the best book she

has read on the subject. The passengers dealt with brutal crew members, heartless captains, and angry seas. The author quotes poetry and primary documents to tell the story of these brave souls.

Anyone interested in the political history of The Troubles of Northern Ireland? PBS and Apple TV are streaming the five episodes of a documentary, ***Once Upon a Time in Northern Ireland***. It covers life in Ulster (1968-1998) from the civil rights marches to the Good Friday Agreement. Correspondents interview many people who were either victims or perpetrators of the violence.

Oldies but goodies: ***Rain on the Wind*** by Walter Macken, How the ***Irish Saved Civilization*** by Thomas Cahill, ***Orphan Train*** by Christina Baker Kline, ***Alias Grace*** by Margaret Atwood, and ***Skippy Dies*** by Paul Murray.

HE SAID. . .SHE SAID. . .

Donna Baioni and The Membership

Happy April birthdays to **Karoline Ferencak**, April 1; **Sheila Joyce Byrne**, **Alex Cavelli**, **John Cousineau**, **Bruce Greig & Celia Brewer** all share an April 2 birthday; **Bella Behm & Chris Halley**, April 4; **Gerry Quinn &Carolynn Evers**, April; **5 Dorothy Gallagher, Bridget Piotrowski, & Jim Nugent**, April 6; **Fiona Cavelli, Joe Ward & Wes Feathers**, April 8; **Nolan Waite**, April 12; **Dave Baioni**, April 14; **Sean Fitzgerald**, April 15; **Michaela Pingstock**, April 17; **Erin Homan, & Sue Guzik**, April 18; We heard that it is **Jack Carroll's 80th birthday** on April 19; **Maureen Dowd**, April 20; **Amelia Carroll**, April 22; **Ann Corrigan** is 10 on, April 22; **Ann Campbell Dunham, & Patty Baroni**, April 24; **Brandan Cosgriff, Judy Sullivan & Duffy Wagner**, April 25; **John Homan**, April 26; **Heather O'Brien & Connor Gallagher Stringer**, April 28; **Liam Piotrowski, Peggy Bennett & Kelly Perko**, April 29.

Happy Anniversary to **Sheila & Matthew Byrne**, April 11; **Jason & Kelly Pingstock**, April 17; **Matt & Erica Drew**, April 22; **Tom & Betty Cosgriff**, April 25; and **JJ & Erin Behm**, April 30;

Get well wishes to **Bud Eppich**, and **Bianca Hurley** for a speedy recovery.

Our sympathy goes out to the families of **Helen Bacon**, and also to the **Schultie & Gallagher** families on the death of **Dr. Tim Gallagher**.

Congratulations to **Kevin Coyne** who was named **2025 Irish Person of the Year!**

We are so proud of our own **Bree Gurry** she was selected 4th in the **Irish Echo 40 under 40**. She spent a weekend in New York, where she received her award.

The year was 1975, **Mary McClusky** was selected **Mother of the Year** by the **Westside Irish Club**. Fast forward to March 10, 2025. Mary was honored again 50 years later using the original sash from 1975.

Congratulations to **Linda Walsh**, the rest of the **IACES board** and cast of **volunteers** for all their hard work to make the "**Green Season**" such a success. Shout out to the kitchen crew, the food was great!

Membership Has Its Privileges

- ☘ There were 250 members signed in at the March 10, 2025 meeting.
- ☘ If you paid your dues, but are not receiving *The Schanachie*, contact Membership Secretary, Mary Alice Curran 440.665.8110. *The Schanachie* is available online on the Club website (eastsideirish.org) and on our Facebook page (IACES).
- ☘ If you have a child 18 years old coming off your membership, we have a student membership \$20 per year.

March MONTHLY DRAWING

Member Dawn Banc #9012 was not present at the March 10 membership meeting and did not win \$300. Attend the April 14 meeting and sign in for a chance to WIN \$647.

Club Rental Information

The Irish American Club East Side is available for gatherings of all sizes. We can host your party, shower, luncheon, wedding, banquet, or fundraiser. The upper hall can accommodate up to 500 people depending on setup. The lower level Phil Walsh Cabaret Room can seat up to 130 guests. If you wish to rent the Phil Walsh Cabaret Room you may bring in your own food or you have the option of using one of our club caterers. To reserve either the upper hall or the Phil Walsh Cabaret Room, contact Mary McCluskey at 216.978.4926, Linnea Meaney at 216.870.9404.

HEADLINES and DEADLINES

If you would like to submit an article for *The Schanachie*, the **deadline** for the **May** issue is **April 3**. You may continue to send your articles to the Club or you may email them to Schanachie@gmail.com. Submission time is not the only criteria for inclusion and we reserve the right to edit due to content and space. If you have any questions call Ann Turk at 440.943.3088 or Linda Walsh at 216.538.1358.

Monthly Membership Meetings Members are allowed to bring a dessert for the monthly meetings.

Month	Letter	Month	Letter
JANUARY	A & B	JULY	N & O
FEBRUARY	C & D	AUGUST	P, Q & R
MARCH	E & F	SEPTEMBER	S
APRIL	G, H & I	OCTOBER	T, U & V
MAY	J, K & L	NOVEMBER	W, X, Y & Z
JUNE	M	DECEMBER	All Members

“In Memoriam” Plaque

In the lower hall there is an “In Memoriam” Plaque with the names of deceased members of the Club listed. If you have a friend or loved one that was a member of the Club and has passed away and you would like their name to be included on this Plaque, you can send their name and a check for \$50 made out to the Irish American Club: or you can contact Linda Walsh at 216.538.1358.



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Sunday	6 pm - 11 pm

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13 Palm Sunday	14 Monthly Meeting 7:30 pm & Cash Drawing	15 	16 	17 Thirsty Thursday In the Pub	18 Good Friday I.A.C.E.S Fish Fry	19 
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