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### BOOK BUZZ

*Bonnie Easton*

The Booker Prize Winner for 2023 is *Prophet Song* by Paul Lynch (*Grace, Red Sky Morning*). It's a story with a dystopian bent in which Ireland finds itself a country that has chosen an authoritarian government with militant secret police. Larry Stuck is arrested for participating in a protest march in favor of trade unions. His wife, Eilish, and their children believe he has been killed, but she still refuses to move to somewhere safer. She is caring for her father who has dementia and swears at the soldiers. When one of her sons is tortured to death and she must claim his body, she considers whether to leave the country to the "thugs" who are running it.

The setting for *The Half Moon: A Novel* by Mary Beth Keane (*Ask Again, Yes; Fever*) is a bar in suburban New York. Malcolm has bought a bar from his former boss who had decided to retire. His wife is a lawyer and the breadwinner in the family. They thought they would have children someday, but they can't seem to slow down long enough to get around to it. Malcolm has sunk everything into the bar without discussing any of it with his wife. Finally, his wife walks out, leaving them to tackle the problems in their marriage and accept their disappointments.

*The Ballad of Lord Edward and Citizen Small* by award-winning Irish film director Neil Jordan is historical fiction based on a friendship between a British Army Officer from a wealthy Anglo-Irish family and his former enslaved companion. The story begins in South Carolina in 1781 during the American Revolution when Tony Small saves Lord Edward Fitzgerald's life. Tony becomes Fitzgerald's friend and manservant. They travel together back to Dublin and play a role in the Rebellion of 1798 on the side of the United Irishmen. The story is told from Small's point of view.

*Unforgettable, A Legal Thriller* by Deborah Hawkins revolves around Cameron Rhodes, a 45-year-old partner in a law firm in Ireland. He is the grandson of one of the firm's founders and son of one of their current chief litigants. In walks the beautiful Raven Adair, also a solicitor, who wants to hire him to defend her father, Lachlan Adair, a famous poet and patriot, who is accused of killing his actress wife. Cam's mother and the family matriarch believes her husband is having an affair and commits suicide. There are attempts on Cam's life, so he sends his wife and daughters away for their safety. He can't resist Raven, also a suspect in the actress' death, and has an affair. The motive proposed for Lachlan to kill his wife was that she was blocking his multimillionaire dollar sequel to his hit movie, *Unforgettable*. Raven is desperate to keep her father out of prison, but she reveals that her father is a former IRA gunman, adding even more fuel to the fire. All evidence points to Lachlan's guilt. Oh! What a tangled web we weave! Lots of twists and turns in this one.

More reading suggestions can be found at [PadraicPearseCenter.weebly.com](http://PadraicPearseCenter.weebly.com). Happy Reading!

### HE SAID. . .SHE SAID. . .

*Donna Baioni and The Membership*

### *To all our New Year's babies Happy Birthday!*

Sarah O'Brien, January 2; Teresa McCorkle, January 3; Brianna Byrne, Sandi Sakenes and Catherine Zbiegien, January 4; Maeve Carroll is 20 on January 6; Linda Walsh, January 7; Sharon Spinks, January 9; Debbie Lind, January 10; Brian Hart, January 12; Debbie Wachter,

January 13; Mary Kay Cervenik, January 18; Brigid Campbell, January 20; Colette O'Linn, January 23; Martha Byrne, January 24; Pattie Byrne, January 27; Mary Cosgriff, January 28; Gracie Giancola, January 31;

Sending our condolences to the family of Jack Carney.

Happy Anniversary to Jim and Linda Burke, January 19 and Jim and Carolynn Evers 41, January 22;

Get well wishes to Linda Burke, Pat Dowd, Martha Dodd, and Patt Gronick.

Congratulations to John Homan, who received the Commodore John Berry Award for his involvement in the AOH in Columbus.

Congratulations to the 2024 St. Patrick's Day Parade Honorees from the United Irish Societies of Greater Cleveland. A well-deserved honor to Patrick Murphy, Grand Marshal, Patrica Homan, Irish Mother of the Year, Inside Co Chair Dave McLaughlin, Outside Co. Chair Fr. Francis Walsh.

To have your important events included in this column, please write them on the flyers found on the tables at the membership meetings, or call Ann Turk at 440.943.3088, or email [schanachie@gmail.com](mailto:schanachie@gmail.com).

### It's That Time of Year

March will be here before we know it and it's time to get our units ready to perform and march down the Avenue St. Patrick's Day. Unit practices begin on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M. We are currently looking for a unit leader for our Flag Corp. If you are interested please contact Linda Walsh at 216-538-1358. On Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. If you have any questions regarding the marching units please contact:

Jack McDonough Fife and Drum Corp –  
Peggy Voll at 216-244-1521

Pom Pom Unit – Addison Hart – 216-210-0260

Flag Corp – TBD

Ladies Drill Team – Heather O'Brien - 440-547-2763

### ST. PATRICK'S DAY RAFFLE

Our biggest fundraiser of the year is upon us and we look forward to making this a huge success. It's our Annual St. Patrick's Day Raffle. We are currently looking for volunteers to sell tickets at all of our many upcoming events. If you can help at all please contact, Annie Bowen at 216-870-0268 or Linda Walsh at 216-538-1358. We will also have signup sheets at the January membership meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> prize is \$5,000.00

2<sup>nd</sup> prize is \$2,500.00

3<sup>rd</sup> prize is \$1,700.00

4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> prize is \$317.00

Drawing will be held on March 17, 2024 at 8:00 p.m.

### SAVE THE DATE

Padraic Pearse Center's Ladies Only Basket Raffle

Sunday, April 21, 2024

## Membership Has Its Privileges

There were 109 members signed in at the December 13 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](http://eastsideirish.org)) and on our Facebook page (IACES).

If you have a child 18 years of age who has come off your Family Membership, we have a membership rate of \$20 per year until s/he reaches age 21.

Welcome new members: Robert & Olga Trueman, Kathleen Galloway, Teri Dew, Maureen Lynch, Padriac Greene, Victoria Eberhard, Mackenzie Abernethy, Paul Wotila, Joseph Johnson, James & Kate Petras, Marshall Buckely, Ray DiRenzo and Daniel Michals.

## December MONTHLY DRAWING

Member Chris Novish #9443 was not at the December 13 membership meeting and did not win \$377. Attend the January 8 meeting and sign in for a chance to WIN \$569.

## 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 **February** issue is **January 1**. You may continue to send your articles to the Club or you may email them to [Schanachie@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## Tune In To Irish Radio

WHK AM 1420 – Gerry Quinn’s Irish Radio, Sun. 10:00-Noon (Cleveland) <https://whkradio.com/>  
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 WGTE FM 91.3 – Thistle & Shamrock, Sun. 7:00-8:00 PM (Toledo) <https://thistleradio.com/>  
 WOBC FM 91.5 – All Things Irish, Tues, 6:00-8:00 PM (Oberlin) <https://www.wobc.org/>  
 WCBE FM 90.5 – Toss The Feathers, Sat, 4:00-6:00 PM (Columbus) <https://www.wcbe.org>

## 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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Friday	6 pm - 11 pm
Saturday	6 pm - 11 pm
Sunday	1 pm - 11 pm

**Sunshine Club**

If you know of a member who is sick or if there has been a death in the family, Mary Kay Malone, Chairperson of the Sunshine Club, will try and send a card on behalf of the Club. You can contact Mary Kay at 216.337.4356 or send her an e-mail [mkm1159@yahoo.com](mailto:mkm1159@yahoo.com) with the member's information.

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7 	8 <b>Monthly Meeting 7:30 pm &amp; Cash Drawing</b>	9 	10 	11 <b>Thirsty Thursday In the Pub</b>	12 	13 
14 	15 <b>A.O.H. &amp; L.A.O.H. 7:30 pm</b>	16 	17 	18 <b>Thirsty Thursday In the Pub</b>	19 	20 <b>Anniversary Celebration Forty-Six Years</b>
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