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6 BIG dates to remember in March! March 9th - CB-64 (64th Annual Communion Breakfast)

Here's a quick recap of what you need to know and do:

- Sunday March 9th: Our Mass is being and hosted by St. Ann's Church in **Black Rock** section of Bridgeport (481 Brewster St.)
- **NOTE: Clocks move ahead one hour for Daylight Saving Time the night before the breakfast.**
- 7:20AM: Division assembles in the School Cafeteria. Green carnations distributed here. Uniform of the day, as always, is a green necktie, suit or blazer and shined dress shoes
- 7:50 - Division forms up and begins procession into the Church.
- 8:00 – Mass. Breakfast immediately follows at the Gaelic American Club in Fairfield.
- Breakfast Speaker: **Martin Galvin** - Bronx County FFAI Chair and President of Woodlawn-Wakefield (Bronx) Division #5. Galvin is America's foremost advocate for Irish republicanism. For more than 30 years he has vigorously advocated for the right of the Irish people to freedom-for-all-Ireland. We look forward to his remarks on the current situation in Ireland and his comments on the upcoming 100th anniversary of the 1916 Easter Rising.
- **No admittance without tickets. Tickets are NOT available at the door.**
- As stated in the letter you have received from Financial Secretary Chris Boyle you may order tickets and pay your annual dues online at our Division website www.aohjfk.com. It's the fastest way to get your order processed.
- Communion Breakfast tickets are \$27 (active Junior Division Bros. @\$10). Program Sponsors (@\$10) will have their names printed in the official program. Dues are \$32.
Please make every attempt now to order your tickets and pay your dues.

MUGS for MERTON HOUSE:

Our friends on the staff at Merton advise that they are desperately short on coffee mugs. EVERY Hibernian home has extra coffee mugs in the cupboard. Please bring a mug or two to the Breakfast. Have one last cup of Joe with that forgotten vacation souvenir. Drop them off on the stage at the end of the day. We'll pick them up, wash them and send them off to their new home. Thank you, Brothers.

March 11th – Next Division Meeting

We catch our breath @ 7:30PM in the O'Keefe Room (GAC). Get ready for . . .

March 15th (Sat.) – Milford St. Patrick's Parade

It's a fun march through beautiful downtown Milford. It's always a great time; so we'll do it again! Milford has been fertile territory for recruiting new brothers for our Division. Please join us as we show our Hibernian pride. We'll assemble in the Parson's Center parking lot @ noon; step off is 1 PM. Contact Financial Secretary Chris Boyle for details. A car pool from GAC planned (call Tom Keane).

March 16th (Sun.) – 1916 Committee Fundraiser -The Druids



The Druids Irish Rebel Band based in County Kildare they have established themselves as Ireland's No 1 Live Rebel Band. Bursting onto the scene early in '09, they now play to packed houses all over Ireland and the rest of The World.

HELP SUPPORT 100th Anniversary Easter Rising Committee!

Concert: @ GAC 3PM. Tickets \$20. Call Bro. Pat O'Connell (203) 644 9073 or email poc6575@att.net

Take a listen: <http://www.thecelticcrier.com/the-druids-irish-rebel-band.html>

March 17th - Bridgeport St. Patrick's Day Parade Saddle Up!

8 AM: Mass in honor of St. Patrick at St. Augustine's. 9:15 Irish flag raising at City Hall.

10:00: Grand Marshals' Breakfast. Holiday Inn; \$15 per person.*

Noon: 32nd Annual Grand Parade with JFK Division #1 and Mae King Div. #65 LAOH marching. **All marchers need to assemble in the Harbor Yard lot by 11:45.** Look for the float we'll be sharing with St. Catherine Academy! Seating (limited) available on the float; contact President Keane.

1:30: Post Parade Luncheon and Awards Ceremony. Holiday Inn; \$20 per person. *Advance tickets only: Call Nancy Lovely --- 203-268-9657
Or, join us for a postprandial at **Brennan's Shebeen** . . . on our way to the GAC.

March 23 (Sun.) - Civil Rights Abuses in Northern Ireland

The situation in Northern Ireland is NOT as rosy as the media would have you believe.

The CT State Board is sponsoring a presentation by Kevin Winters and Niall Murphy, two prominent Human Rights lawyers from Belfast to raise awareness about long-standing human rights violations in the six counties and government stonewalling of human rights inquiries and reforms. They will discuss their direct experiences in addressing these violations and proposed human rights reforms. Simply put the U.K. government is NOT following the framework/principles of the 1998 Good Friday Agreement.

Save the Date

- **Fri. 5/16: Merton House**, JFK Division breakfast volunteer effort, 8-11AM. Merton Chair Steve Baunach (cbemu@us.ibm.com)
- **Sat. 6/07 (PM) – State Meeting.** Consult the State website for details <http://www.ctaoh.com>.

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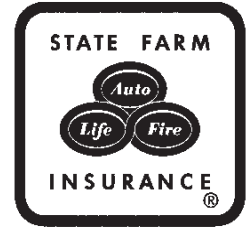
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