# May 2016

# The 1916 Easter Rising ~ A Military Perspective by; Robert Mulligan



#### May 1, 2 PM

Join the Irish American Heritage Museum and retired New York State Museum curator and historian Robert Mulligan on Sunday May 1st at 2PM for a unique look at the Events of the Eater Rising through a military perspective. Robert Mulligan breakdown the Rising by days and offer a view of the 1916 Rising that is not often told. Join the Museum as it continues its look into the events surrounding the Easter Rising of 1916 during the commemoration of the 100th Anniversary. This event is free and open to the public.

#### Seanachie Evenings Stories of Spring's Green, and Surprises: Claire Beetleston and Lee Ellen Marvin May 13, 7 PM

Claire Beetleston from Cooperstown and Lee Ellen Marvin from Ithaca combine a range of interests of life and story, to bring charm and insight into their tales, and performances. Claire Beetleston was born into a creative family, who were professionals yet thrived on

avocations in the arts, music and literature. She's following in their footsteps! The mother of five, she has been a docent to a tropical zoo, a dancer, and an

art impresario. Dr. Beetleston is a practicing specialist physician and calls Cooperstown, NY or Argyllshire Scotland (home). She has traveled through Europe, Africa, and Asia listening along the way. Dr. Beetleston has collected stories and legends, specializing in international folktales, making sure to create a few of her own. Lee Ellen Marvin has devoted over 30 years to understanding



storytelling from all angles. Her journey began in Boston, Massachusetts as a producer for a children' radio program heard on NPR and went on to producing storytelling conferences, festivals, and concert series, performances of a wide range of materials, and study. In her performance she'll feature "The Three Wise Women" and will weave traditional Irish folklore with oral histories of Irish-American women, seeking connections between everyday life, the heartbreak an adventure of immigration an the themes of fairytales. She holds a Ph.D. in Folklore and Folk life, and is currently is the Director of the education program for Suicide Prevention & Crisis Service of Tompkins County, where she uses storytelling to start conversations about difficult subjects.

Seanachie Eves will run from January through May on the second Friday of each month. The admission cost is as follows: for Members of IAHM \$5/person \$12/Family; Non Members \$10/person, \$25 family- Reservations suggested please call (518) 427-1916. All performances

will take place in the Museum's Trustco Bank Gallery and Hogarty Family Exhibition Hall. Seanachie Eves at the Irish American Heritage Museum is sponsored by Berkshire Bank.

#### **Cooking Irish**

The Irish American Heritage Museum, with the support of the Irish government, is having a year-long Cooking Irish series that focuses on the preservation of Irish culture, heritage, and identity through food.

Chef Peter Desmond taught a packed class on Tuesday evening April 26th @ The Celtic Hall

on New Karner Rd in Colonie creating a four-course meal that the students were able to eat at the end of the class.. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter for announcements on when and where our next class will be. Get all of our recipes on our website ~ www.info@irish-us.org.



### CALENDAR

Note : For events at the <u>Museum</u>, free street parking after 5 PM on weekdays and all day on weekends. Please do not park in the private lots behind the Museum.

Sunday May 1st - 2pm ~ The 1916 Easter Rising - A Military Perspective presented by Robert Mulligan ~ Irish American Heritage Museum 370 Broadway Albany, NY

Saturday May 7- Albany LAOH 103rd Anniversary Dinner Dance. IMPORTANT!! Tickets will not be sold at the door!! All tickets must be reserved in advance so that we can have an accurate count for dinner. Deadline for reservations is May 3rd so reserve your tickets now by calling Carole Hackett at 928-3655 (or email <u>carolehackett@hotmail.com</u>) Tables for 8 or more can also be reserved. Bring your friends!

Friday May 13th - 7pm ~ Seanachie Evenings ~ Spring's Green, and Surprises by; Claire Beetleston and Lee Ellen Marvin

Saturday May 14th - 1pm ~ Commemorating James Connolly in Troy at 447 Tenth Street ~ Unveiling of a permanent historic sign at the spot where James Connolly, Republican Socialist labor leader and signer of the 1916 Proclation of the Irish Republic, lived in Troy between 1903 and 1905. Music, readings of the Proclamation and Connolly's last words, a talk on Connolly in Troy and the unveiling of the sign.

Wednesday May 25th - 11:00 - 2:00 ~ Open Genealogy by Lisa Dougherty here at the Museum Library - Irish American Heritage Museum 370 Broadway Albany, NY

## About Us

The Irish American Heritage Museum is a permanently chartered 501(c)3 non-profit with an educational mission: To preserve and tell the story of the contributions of the Irish people and their culture in America, inspiring individuals to examine the importance of their own heritage as part of the American cultural mosaic.

As such, the Museum is unique in America, where almost 40 million individuals claim Irish ancestry. It is committed to the basic tenet that preserving one's heritage is vital to providing a cultural and historical foundation to future generations of Americans.

Our museum in Albany, New York, provides year-round access, especially by school groups, to our exhibits, our Paul O'Dwyer Library, lectures, presentations, film screenings, book signings and other special programs.

To contact us, email here or call 518-427-1916.