



May 2017

**Genealogy
Weekend
May 5 & 6**

The Irish American Heritage Museum is proud to bring to you, for the first time ever, a weekend dedicated to Irish American Genealogy, right here in the Capital District. Join presenters from all over the region to help gain a better understanding of your own family history and discover what resources are available for your use.



The weekend begins Friday, May 5 at 9:00AM, with registration at the Irish American Heritage Museum, located at 370 Broadway Albany, NY. Irish American Genealogy weekend includes a trip to the Albany County Hall of Records, St. Agnes Cemetery, and presentations by some of the top genealogical researchers and archives in the region.

You can participate in one day or both. Cost of the event is \$40 for the full two-day pass, \$25 if you are coming for one day. Admission price does not include meals.

The schedule for Irish American Genealogy Weekend is as follows:

Day 1- Friday
9:00AM Registration @ the Museum

9:30 travel to Albany County Hall of Records

10:00 - 12:00 Guided tour and information gathering including immigration records and marriage certificates. Participants will be told how to read the records & what to do with information once you have found it

12:00 ~ Lunch Druthers Restaurant

2:00 travel to Albany Diocesan Cemeteries

2:30 Guided tour of the cemetery by historian Kelly Grimaldi with time to explore on your own

Day 2 Saturday

9:00 Registration @ the Museum

9:15 Introduction to Day

9:30 Jack McEneny - Albany Historian ~ The Irish influence in Albany & the Capital Region

10:15 Lisa Dougherty - Genealogist ~ Using the On-line Irish Roman Catholic Parish Records

11:00 Christine Connell - Troy Irish Genealogy Society ~ What the Society is all about & how to use their records for research.

12:00 - Lunch

2:00 Erica Burke - Crandall Library ~ The Folklife Center

2:45 Terri Moran - Capital District Genealogical Society ~ What their purpose is and how they can help you in your research.

3:30 Wrap up



**Seanachie Eves-
Featuring Bairbre
McCarthy and Frank
Orsini
May 12 @ 7PM**

Bairbre McCarthy is a storyteller and



author from County Clare on Ireland's west coast. She is noted for her knowledge of Irish mythology, folklore and language, and she enjoys collaborations with other artists. Bairbre is the founder of the children's program at Catskills Irish Arts Week, in East Durham NY, the largest summer school in North

America devoted to the Irish Traditional Arts, and she is also a NYS certified teacher of English, French and Gifted students.

Bairbre 's books and CDs include: Favorite Irish Legends (dual-language book and CD), 1997, Irish Leprechaun Stories, 1998, The Adventures of Cúchulainn, 2000, The Keeper of the Crock of Gold, 2008. She has produced the CD Introduction to the Irish Language: Easy Irish Lessons for Beginners.

Bairbre is joined by multi-instrumentalist Frank Orsini whose skill on fiddle, guitar & harp, enhance Bairbre's storytelling & adds tandem-storytelling, singing and dancing to the program.

This program will be fun for all ages.

Seanachie Eves is sponsored by Berkshire Bank.

Admission -
Members- \$5
non-members- \$10

The Irish American Architect, Patrick C. Keely, and his Soaring Six Spires, of Albany! May 20th @ 2PM

As one crosses over the Hudson River coming into Albany, one is easily struck by some soaring church spires. Near the south of the city's center, one sees the two great spires of Patrick C. Keely's, Immaculate Conception Cathedral, and to the North of the city, one perceives a cluster of three spires, which belong to the great, Keely Church of St. Joseph, funded by some of the "Lumber Barons of Albany." The Madames of the Sacred Heart would call upon Patrick Keely to build their notable Convent an Kenwood Academy, in the southern end of Albany, and to that Keely structure, a grand central tower would soar heavenward



Patrick C. Keely was an immigrant carpenter who migrated to America in 1842. Thurles, County Tipperary, was his hometown. His father William, was superintendent of St. Patrick's College in Thurles, Eventually the two Keely sons emigrated to America. Patrick arrived in Brooklyn in 1842, to practice his skill, and William arrived in Louisville, Kentucky. Thus began two great careers in architecture, that would supply great churches to these areas of America.

The power point presentation on Patrick Keely, will follow his life and great work in his nearly 700 ecclesiastical designs in architecture, along the Atlantic seaboard, into Canada, out to Watertown Wisconsin, and down to New Orleans, where he designed the largest church in the South.

The presentation will be given by Edward Furey, President of the Patrick Keely Society.

This program was rescheduled from April 1, due to the weather

This lecture is co-sponsored by the Society of Architectural Historians, Turpin Bannister Chapter.

Free to members

\$5 non-members



Brexit and its Global Consequences **May 24 @ 6:30PM**

Join Irish-born, Boston College Visiting History Professor, Peter Molony, for an interesting look at the landscape of Modern Europe.

In the next few weeks, British Prime Minister, Theresa May, will trigger the mechanism that

will officially launch the UK on an irreversible path towards exiting the European Union, the world's largest free-trade zone, featuring over half a billion inhabitants. Article 50, as the mechanism is officially called, will bring to an end the diplomatic shadow boxing that has dominated British political life since the June referendum. The divorce process will become a reality and the most complex set of negotiations ever held among modern sovereign states will commence in earnest.

The... progress of Brexit will have an impact far beyond Europe. It is the first time any member state has left the EU and a fascinating litmus test of what an individual independent state can actually achieve in a world where the post-war globalization order is facing significant challenges.

For the United States, it poses several critical questions. First, like watching close friends divorce, the US may be unwillingly drawn into the diplomatic and trade battles that lay ahead. After decades of promoting closer European cooperation, how will the US government deal with the first significant disintegration of the historically successful European integration model? Second, what does this mean for American trade with Europe, its single largest trading partner? With the joint US-EU economies accounting for half of global GDP and one third of total global trade, this relationship is critical to global stability and economic growth.

A messy Brexit could have serious consequences for American businesses and consumers. In preparation, the American public needs to be aware of what's at stake for them and their country

**2017 Joseph J. Dolan, Jr. Mostly
Irish Classic
June 19
Mohawk Golf Club**

Join the Museum for a fantastic day of golf, Irish cheer, and excitement, at the 18th Annual Mostly Irish Golf Classic. This annual event raises money for the Museum's world class educational programming and exhibits.

The 2017 golf tournament will be taking place at the beautiful Mohawk Golf Club. Also featured will be Irish music, a fantastic auction and raffle, amazing food, and so much more.

We still have openings for participants. If your organization is interested in sponsorship opportunities, if you are an individual and interested in playing, or if you are looking for further information please call the Museum at 518-427-1916 and let us know today!



May Calendar of Local of Events

May 5- 8PM- Remembering Bobby Sands: An Evening of Rebel Songs. The Hanger on the Hudson. 675 River St. Troy, NY 12180

May 5 & 6- Genealogy Weekend- Irish American Heritage Museum. 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207.

May 7- Voice of the Mountains: Jeanne Robert Foster, an Adirondack Legacy. Featuring Dan Berggren and Eileen Eagan Mack. Glen Sanders Mansion. 1 Glen Avenue, Scotia, NY. Reservations required. Call (518) 384-1700.

May12- 7PM- Seanachie Eves Featuring Bairbre McCarthy and Frank Orsini. Irish American Heritage Museum. 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207.

May 13- Albany LAOH 104th Anniversary Dinner Dance. 375 Ontario St. Albany, NY 12208.

May 20- 2PM- Irish American Architect Patrick Keely. Irish American Heritage Museum. 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207.

May 21- Schenectady AOH Communion Breakfast. 1748 State Street. Schenectady, NY 12304

May 24- 6:30PM. Brexit and its Global Consequences. Irish American Heritage Museum. 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207.

May 27 & 28- 40th Annual East Durham Irish Festival. East Durham, NY 12423

May 31- 11AM-2PM- Open Genealogy Consultation. Irish American Heritage Museum. 370 Broadway Albany, NY 12207.

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