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### A Message from the President

It was a wonderful Irish Fest this year. We were blessed with good weather and, as always, excellent entertainment. Thanks go out to the many volunteers who worked in the Genealogy tent. The event would be impossible without these volunteers. Take a bow, all of you!

My message theme last Quarterly was regeneration, and the current seasonal change brings to mind harvest and reaping the rewards of hard work. At this year's Fest, IGSW took steps to cultivate new members, and this fall will reveal whether these efforts were successful. We tried a new outreach method in the form of giving away free back issues of the Quarterly with an invitation to subscribe. We also handed out hundreds of brochures for IGSW and for the Library, as well as over 1200 copies of our always popular genealogy website flier. Many visitors to the tent and to the computer stations were not aware of IGSW or the Library, and were impressed that these resources are available right here in Milwaukee. The work will hopefully result in new members in the upcoming months.

In the meantime, I am asking the current membership to give thought to whether you may have friends or family with a fledgling interest in genealogy and/or in IGSW. Possibly a friend has retired and now has time to pursue family research. Your experience could be of great help, and you might consider inviting him/her to join you at a Monday program. A family gathering such as Thanksgiving may be an opportune time to explore whether anyone in your family is developing an interest in genealogy. You may be surprised to discover that a niece or nephew no longer rolls his/her eyes in boredom, but in contrast has developed enthusiastic curiosity about roots. Perhaps a relative would welcome an invitation to attend an IGSW program, or a Christmas gift of your family research, or perhaps even a gift of IGSW membership...?

Last Quarterly I shared my plan to use this president's message to reflect on lessons learned while researching each of my eight great grandparents. The issue of communicating with family about your research brings me to great grandmother Mary K. who married Daniel Mooney, Jr. in 1871. Had I made a habit of questioning family earlier in my research, I could have saved myself a lot of time and trouble...

My niece and I had looked everywhere for Mary K.'s elusive maiden name. Records identified her only as 'Mary Mooney' or 'Mary K.' on her children's records and even on her headstone! Those of you who have had a similar challenge know how frustrating the search for a female ancestor's name can be. After several years we finally located the out of state death record that gave her maiden name as Keenan and her father's name as Cornelius Keenan. Victory!

When we excitedly announced our breakthrough, my brother Frank was not impressed: "Yeah. Keenan. I knew that. I knew Grampie's mother was a Keenan." I had never even thought to ask him, and I am still not sure how he knew that. (From there it was short work to trace Cornelius Keenan back through serial RI censuses to his immigration, then to the Termonmaquirk, County Tyrone births of Mary's six older siblings. A book in our Irish Emigration Library, Glimpses of Carrickmore donated by Michele Patin, was crucial in placing the hamlet Straid mentioned in the birth records.)

So chat up your family and friends this fall at Packer halftime or Thanksgiving or whenever. Ask about that mystery person in your tree, that missing maiden name or disappeared great uncle. You may get an answer, or perhaps a potential research partner to help grapple with your brick wall. And if IGSW eventually gains a new member, all the better.

### - Kris Mooney

### **NEWS FROM THE WEB**

by Mary Kay Kuhfittig

### IRELAND'S CIVIL REGISTRATION INDEXES ONLINE—-OR NOT

In July the General Register Office (GRO) put Irish birth, marriage and death indexes online. These civil records begin with non-Catholic marriages in 1845, and include all births, marriages and deaths from January 1864 up to 2013. The indexes up to 1958 were filmed by the Church of Latter Day Saints, and may be accessed through ancestry.com and findmypast.com. The new GRO online indexes feature some enhancement to the previous microfilmed records, including actual dates of birth, marriage and death, the surnames of both marriage partners, and the marital status of the deceased.

But wait! Just three weeks later the government took the site down, due to privacy concerns, as, obviously, the records include living people. There was concern that the information could enable identity thieves.

### **CAPITAL PUNISHMENT IN IRELAND, 1835-1899**

A site at <<u>www.capitalpunishmentuk.org/ir1835.html</u>> has a list of people executed for criminal acts. Between 1835 and the end of the century 237 people were hanged, 224 men, and 13 women. The most common crime earning the death penalty was murder, including conspiracy to murder, aiding and abetting murder, and attempted murder. Other capital crimes were shooting and rape. The website gives a list of names, ages, place of the crime, victim's name and the nature of the crime.

### CHURCH OF IRELAND PARISH REGISTERS

The Representative Church Body [RCB] Library in Dublin has prepared a list of Church of Ireland parish registers and their location, complete for the Republic of Ireland. Together with the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland [PRONI] they are working to finish the list for Northern Ireland. You can view the list at the RCB Library website:

<ireland.anglican.org/about/128>

### HISTORIC DIGITIZED CANADIAN NEWSPAPERS ONLINE

Bowling Green State University's site at <a href="http://libguides.bgsu.edu/content.php?">http://libguides.bgsu.edu/content.php?</a>
<a href="pid=489945&sid=4018722">pid=489945&sid=4018722</a>
<a href="mailto:offers">offers</a> links to digitized Canadian newspapers. Access is free. The site is searchable by provinces as follows: Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Saskatchewan and Yukon Territory.

### IRISH MARRIAGE FINDER

Civil registration of marriages in Ireland began in 1845. The Irish Genealogical Research Society (IGRS) publishes a list of pre-1845 marriages, currently listing 50,000 persons.

Information is drawn from Chancery bills, diaries, deeds, marriage settlements, memorial inscriptions, wills, family letters, newspapers, and others. The database is located at <www.irishancestors.ie/?page\_id=1926> Access is free.

### MORE FREE DIGITIZED NEWSPAPERS GOING ONLINE

The Fort Dodge, Iowa Public Library has placed 56 local and area newspapers and publications online for years 1856 to 1934. The database is searchable and may be narrowed by publication, year, and month. There is a binocular-like icon on the left which you can use to search within the document.

These local newspapers are a gold mine for finding obituaries, accounts of weddings, and general news about local families.

The site is located at <a href="http://www1.youseemore.com/NILC/FortDodgePL/">http://www1.youseemore.com/NILC/FortDodgePL/</a>

### AND MORE NEWSPAPERS ONLINE

44 Illinois newspapers have been digitized and may be accessed at:

<a href="http://idnc.library.illinois.edu/cqi-bin/illinois">http://idnc.library.illinois.edu/cqi-bin/illinois</a>>

50 California newspapers are online at: <a href="http://cdnc.ucr.edu/cgi-bin/cdnc">http://cdnc.ucr.edu/cgi-bin/cdnc</a>

Indiana has 40 newspapers at: <a href="https://newspapers.library.in.gov">https://newspapers.library.in.gov</a>>

The University of Pennsylvania Libraries has a site that provides links to newspapers online. They are organized by national collections, *i.e.* Chronicling America and GoogleNewspapers, and by individual U.S. states. This very extensive collection is found at: <a href="http://guides.library.upenn.edu/historicalnewspapersonline">http://guides.library.upenn.edu/historicalnewspapersonline</a>>

### PRONI'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL

The Public Record Office of Northern Ireland [PRONI] now has a YouTube channel, featuring videos of talks and conferences. The talks have been divided into sections for more convenient viewing. They may be accessed at <www.proni.gov.uk/index/search\_the\_archives/proni-on-youtube.htm>

### LINKS TO RAILROAD SITES

There are dozens and dozens of links to railroad sites at < <a href="http://www.nmra-mertidewater.org/historical.htm">http://www.nmra-mertidewater.org/historical.htm</a>

### RESOURCES for BANDON, CO. CORK

Bandon is a West Cork town, about 19 miles from Cork City. There is a free site offering genealogical information at <a href="http://www.bandon-genealogy.com">http://www.bandon-genealogy.com</a>

### **COUNTY CLARE EJECTMENT BOOKS, 1816-1835**

Nineteenth-century landlords needed to obtain judgement from a Circuit Court in order to evict tenants. Record of these cases were compiled in Ejectment Books, of which County Clare has the most complete set. Seventeen survive for 1816 to 1850, and twenty-eight for 1850 to 1914. Extracts from the first six books, covering 1816 to 1850 are online. The originals are in Dublin's National Archives.

The extracts are online at Clare Library's site and may be found at

<a href="http://tinyurl.com/8fa27on">http://tinyurl.com/8fa27on</a>>

The records include names of evicted tenants, landlords and their attorneys, the location of farms and sometimes details of leases and grounds for eviction.

### IRISH NAME VARIATIONS

There is an interesting book published in 1901 available on <u>archive.org</u> by Robert E. Matheson called *Varieties and Synonymes of Surnames and Christian Names in Ireland for the Guidance of Registration Officers and the Public in Searching the Indexes of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.* The full url is <a href="https://archive.org/stream/varietiessynonym00math#page/n5/mode/2up">https://archive.org/stream/varietiessynonym00math#page/n5/mode/2up</a> or use: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/mjl56p8">https://tinyurl.com/mjl56p8</a>>

Here is one small example of what the book contains:

### Irregular Use of Maiden Surnames

It is a common practice for mothers of children, who register births to sign the entry with the maiden surname. Cases have also frequently come under notice where in death entries deceased widows are registered under the maiden name instead of the married name, the maiden name having resumed on the death of the husband.

The Registrar of Tuam No. 2 further reports that on some cases in his District the mother's maiden surname is used by the children, instead of the father's.

### **ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH REGISTERS**

There is a good article on finding your Irish ancestors in Catholic parish registers at:

<a href="http://thenewwildgeese.com/profiles/blogs/finding-your-ancestors-in-the-roman-catholic-parish-registers">http://thenewwildgeese.com/profiles/blogs/finding-your-ancestors-in-the-roman-catholic-parish-registers</a>

### FAMILYSEARCH AND WORLDCAT ARE BEING COMBINED

<a href="mailto:sworldcat.com"><a href="mailto:sworldcat.com">

FamilySearch has been added to WorldCat. If digitized, WorldCat will link to FamilySearch where records can be viewed online. The Mormons are continually digitizing their records. If still on film, they have to be ordered.

The Family History Library in Salt Lake City has many valuable books which may also be held by other libraries. Now the FamilySearch catalog will provide locations for these books which may be at a nearer library.

### LADY SLIGO'S FAMINE LETTERS

Quinnipiac University located just outside New Haven, Connecticut, hopes to become the leading university for scholarly research on the Great Hunger. Prof. Christine Kinealy, author of *This Great Calamity*, has been appointed to become professor of Irish studies and director of the university's new Great Hunger Institute.

Ireland's Great Hunger Museum has a collection of 200 letters written by Hester Catherine Browne, wife of the second marquis of Sligo. 20 of them have recently been put on display at the Museum's inaugural exhibition.

The letters give a picture of an Anglo-Irish Protestant landlady who had to run the affairs of her estate without the help of an ill husband, and while raising 13 children. After her husband died in 1845 she helped out her tenants. A letter written to the steward of her estate asked how she could help people around Westport House in Co. Sligo. "Which do you think best—that I should send you 25 to buy blankets for some of the very poor people at Westport or in the neighborhood of Westport, or that I should buy the blankets here and send them to you?"

The letters were found by Conor Kenny of Kenny's bookshop and sold to Quinnipiac University by someone who had found them in France. Descendants of Lady Sligo had been unaware of the letters' existence.

### WEST CORK GENEALOGY

There is a comprehensive site for West Cork genealogy at<westcorkgenealogy.com> Besides compiling a database of people of West Cork heritage, there are many links to sites containing genealogical information

### CO. CLARE BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGE REGISTER INDEXES Ennis Parish

The Clare Roots Society has a project to make County Clare 19th century Catholic parish records available online. An effort beginning in 2009 has resulted in complete transcriptions for Ennis Parish. The records begin in 1837 for marriages and 1841 for baptisms, with 12,000 baptisms entered and 2,960 marriages. Both records end with 1900. Altogether there are 47 parishes in Clare, so the Society has a lot of work ahead.

The original baptismal font where these baptisms took place in the Ennis cathedral has recently been re-installed.

### **TUBBER PARISH**

A donation has been made to the Clare Library website of a transcription of Tubber Roman Catholic parish baptismal records from 1833-1881. They may be accessed at:

<http://tinyurl.com/34vc9ev>

### **DONEGAL RESOURCES**

For researchers on County Donelal there is a ten page guide located here:

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~donegal/genbooklet.pdf

Additionally, Donegal researchers have available this very comprehensive site:

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~donegal/>There are more than 2,825 pages of transcriptions beginning with 18th century records. The transcriptions are ongoing. Access is free, but donations are accepted.

### MORE FREE IRISH GENEALOGY BOOKS ONLINE

About 4,000 free ebooks and journals on Irish, Irish-American, and Irish-Canadian genealogy are available to be read online or downloaded to a Kindle, IPad, Tablet, etc. Possible items of interest include family histories, journals, directories, guidebooks and Irish genealogical resources. Clicking on a title leads to the book. The site is found at <a href="mailto:reeirishgenebooks.blogspot.co.uk">reeirishgenebooks.blogspot.co.uk</a>

### THE IREATLAS TOWNLAND DATABASE

Formerly accessed at <u>seanruad.com</u>, the Ireatlas townland database is now found at <<u>www.thecore.com/ireatlas</u>> Entering the name of a townland and county will give the names of the civil parish, poor law union and province as well as the extent in acreage.

### **GENFORUM IS GOING AWAY**

genforum.com has been the largest genealogy message board for many years. It offered free boards for exchanging information on surnames, U.S. states, countries and general topics on genealogy, immigration, emigration and migration, religions, wars, miscellaneous and genealogy software and the internet. In spite of its popularity, its owner, <u>ancestry.com</u> has decided not to accept messages after September 30. Messages already posted will not go away; they will remain posted on a read-only basis.

### **VIKINGS IN IRELAND**

Archeologists and historians have been reconsidering their analyses of Viking presence in Ireland. The annals told of thousands of Viking warriors coming to Dublin, and it's long been considered that this was an exaggeration. Now, a 15 year project has revealed that there is an "astounding" number of Viking warrior graves with their artifacts buried under Dublin streets. The graves date between AD 670 and AD 902. The quality of the artifacts indicates these were important aristocratic burials. An 800-page book, *Viking Graves and Grave Goods in Ireland,* is being readied for publication.

A University of Limerick project called Genes of Celts, Vikings and Normans is testing people with surnames that appear in townland names.

### ITEMS OF IRISH INTEREST ON FACEBOOK

< https://www.facebook.com/RareIrishStuff> is a facebook page on which people post pictures and comments about Irelad.

### HISTORIC GRAVEYARDS AND STORIES PROJECT

The Historic Graves Project was begun as a community based heritage project in Ireland. People volunteer to survey a nearby graveyard, and are then trained in the use of digital cameras and smartphones. These results are then combined with earlier records, then posted on the website, with pictures of the stones, copies of the epitaphs and recording of oral histories. See: <historicgraves.ie>

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### ITEMS OF IRISH INTEREST ON PINTEREST

Have you heard of Pinterest? Pinterest.com is a free site which posts images, called "pins." The pins are categorized into "boards" of different topics. After registering you may follow a particular board that interests you, and you may post pictures yourself. The site at pinterest.com/thewildgeese/Irish-genealogy. > leads to many valuable links having to do with Irish genealogy.

### THE IRISH IN THE CIVIL WAR

< http://irishamericancivilwar.com> seeks to explore the role of the Irish during America's Civil War. One example reveals that the US government had seriously considered having a recruiting station at Castle Garden, where many Irish and other immigrants entered the country. This was never carried out. It was known that the Irish kept an ongoing correspondence with their people in the Old County, and it was feared this would discourage future emigration and cut down on enlistments.

Another article lists the names of 871 Union men who donated money for the relief of the poor in Ireland in 1862 and 1863. They are listed by name, regiment, amount of money donated, and their ultimate fate, if known.

### **FAMILYSEARCH CATALOG**

As of September 2, <u>familysearch.org</u> is dropping its old catalog. You will be redirected to the new one after logging on.

### **IRISH QUOTE**

To begin with Ireland, the most western part of the continent, the natives are peculiarly remarkable for their gaiety and levity of their disposition; the English, transplanted there, in time lose their serious melancholy air, and become gay....

Oliver Goldsmith (Irish born British Essayist, Poet, Novelist and Dramatist. 1730-1774)

Monday, August 11, 2014

### FHLC Retiring 2 September 2014

FamilySearch revealed this (Monday) morning that it is retiring the old Family History Library catalog on the 2nd of September. On that date, users will automatically be redirected to the new FamilySearch catalog. To give feedback before that date, visit the old catalog at https://familysearch.org/eng/Library/FHLC/frameset\_fhlc.asp and click Give Feedback. To use the new FamilySearch catalog, hover over Search on the menu bar and click Catalog. Or go directly to https://familysearch.org/catalog-search.

### The records are in a searchable database

http://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/agreement.jsp

http://ireland.anglican.org/about/128

http://ireland.anglican.org/about/128

http://www.goldenlangan.com/headstones.html

https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1462519

### http://www.familytreewebinars.com

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### **IRISH FEST 2014**

The 34th Milwaukee Irish Fest has come and gone with many stories and memories of a very successful four days. We were blessed with ideal weather conditions. The bit of "Irish mist" that fell after closing Saturday night made it all that much more authentic.

A total of 115,114 were in attendance with 13,000 attending the Liturgy for Peace and Justice. The celebrant of the Mass was Bishop Richard B. Higgins, the Vicar for Veterans Affairs at the Archdiocese for Military Services USA.

We collected 49,000 pounds of food that was donated to the Hunger Task force and over 5,000 school supplies were donated to Hope House of Milwaukee.

The co-coordinators of the Genealogy Tent, Jane Maher and Faith O'Connell, the Special Volunteers Sandy and Larry Petricek want to thank all our volunteers for their dedicated work and their enthusiasm. It's a pleasure to have you a part of the team which makes our Tent the success that it is.

We want to share with you a sample of the interesting experiences some our volunteers experiences with the following reports:

- Jane Maher

We never know what type of questions we'll be asked when we volunteer at the Genealogy Tent at Irish Fest.

For instance, one white haired gentleman who appeared to be in his late sixties, early seventies came to my table and said that he would be going to Ireland soon and he was hoping to find out where his people had lived. This is often an unanswerable question without doing a great deal of research, but as it turned out his name was unusual and was only to be found in County Roscommon. After giving him this information, he asked how far that would be from his arrival point. I told him that he would probably be arriving in Dublin and I guessed it to be a three or four hour drive. He then asked how many kilometers it would be and I said that I didn't know, but I was fairly certain my driving estimate would be close. He then told me he wouldn't be driving, but he would be walking!

I had another visitor to my table who was a bit more typical. She planned on purchasing a kilt for her son and needed to know what part of Ireland her family was from. She had very little family history, just their last name. Hoping I might have as much luck as I did with the Roscommon gentleman, I asked her for her family name. Kelly! Knowing it was hopeless to identify any one area for her, I at least looked it up on Griffiths. There were 22,000 pages of Kelly's. She could choose any Ireland tartan she wanted!

From Fran O'Herron Irish Fest, August 2014

### Tim Dowling wrote:

I was helping out a lady who's grandfather Joshua came over from Ireland, but his name was recorded in the Irish births as a female Jessie. I was able to find several documents showing his date of birth and when and where he died in Florida, made several suggestions about how to get more information, but noticed no census pages had shown up in my searches. So I then searched on variations of the surname and the 1930 and 1940 censuses showed up in Chicago. She mentioned that they had lived in the Hyde Park neighborhood and I mentioned that it was the same neighborhood that 0bama had lived in. So we found her mother and twin sister living with the parents and older sister in the 1940 census. She also recognized the name of the maid, who her mother said raised her because the parents were busy people. We then took a look at the census to get the street address. I immediately noticed that it was on a street named Eastview and said that was the same street that 0bama had lived on in Hyde Park. I remembered that because I had lived on a street named Eastview in Tucson. The house number of her mother was 5420 and I checked and found out that 0bama had lived only a few doors down at 5450 about 50 years later. I think that they were more excited about that then the other information that I had found for them.

That's pretty good -- here is a footnote I can add: Back in the late 1970s and 80s I lived at 54th and Ellis in Hyde Park, about four blocks away from the house occupied by the Obamas twenty-five years later. (Their address is on Greenwood.) I used to walk past that house all the time. Who knew?!

-- Michele Patin

### Of Feeneys, Fords and O'Fearnas

The last hour of the last day of Irish Fest, and I was still hoping for an unusual story. A lovely young couple from California approached and asked if I might help them with her family history. They were engaged and planning a honeymoon to Ireland next year. Her last name was O'Fearna, and she wondered where in Ireland the name might have originated.

We checked Grenham's and the Ireland census records, and found no trace of O'Fearna in Ireland in either the mid 1800s or early 1900s. She said she thought the name may have been changed somewhere along the way. She took out her phone and made a few calls to family in California for some more information. (Such wondrous technology times we are in!)

She then displayed on her phone a photo of her great grandfather's relatives on a Hollywood set, and she explained that her great grandfather Edward O'Fearna worked in movies with his brothers, or possibly his uncles: the director John Ford and the actor Francis Ford. Aha! Nothing like a famous relation to fast track genealogy research.

We quickly found much information about John Ford, including multiple Ancestry trees. It became evident that the brothers were born neither Fords nor O'Fearnas, but Feeneys. The name Ford was adopted in Hollywood, and O'Fearna taken later by Edward as a Gaelic version of Feeney. The brothers were born in Maine in the late 1800s to John Augustine Feeney and his wife Barbara 'Abbie" Curran. We were able to find their Maine birth records as well as the 1875 Portland, Maine marriage record for immigrants John and Abbie. The couple hoped to learn more during an upcoming visit to the groom's sister in Maine.

We next found biographies of the director John Ford referenced on line. These reported that his father John Augustine Feeney came from Spiddal, Galway and his mother Abbie Curran came from Kilronan, Inishmore, the largest of the Aran Islands. I gave them the requisite cautions about trusting others' research, but they were eager to hear more about the area. We looked at maps and traced the bus route out of Galway through Spiddal to the Aran Islands ferry. They decided that colorful, buzzy, musical Galway combined with the remote and quiet beauty of the Aran Islands would make a truly wonderful Irish honeymoon. I couldn't agree more.

Kris Mooney

# REGISTRATION

Register online at www.mngs.org North Star 2014

or by mail (see inside)

### Conference - Saturday only MGS member—\$50 After September 7—\$60 After September 7-\$60 After September 7-\$65 Conference - Friday only MGS member—\$50 Non-member-\$55 Non-member—\$55

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FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE North Star 2014 "NEW FRONTIERS IN GENEALOGY"

Friday/Saturday October 3 & 4

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Four plenary sessions featuring ludy G. Russell, CGSM, CGLSM

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Twenty breakout sessions by Upper Midwest presenters

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### SPEAKERS

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## Breakout speakers:

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Monday, October 6, 2014 • 7:00 p.m. Irish Cultural & Heritage Center "Night of the Roundtables"

This is a small group discussions that allows you to ask questions of other IC members and share tips that you have discovered while searching your famil history. Some of the topics to be covered include: DNA, and How to Orgar your Research, Sharing your Family Tree Online and Follow the Land

Monday, November 3, 2014 • 7:00 p.m. Irish Cultural & Heritage Center "Irish places names"

Many places in Ireland were named in Gaelic based on the landscape feature as rocks, hills, valleys, harbors and woodlands. Other place were named fo made features, such as churches, castles, forts or graveyards. Bairbre Chiardha, Director of UWM Celtic Studies Center, will speak on place nan Ireland and their meaning in the Irish Language.

Monday, **December 1, 2014 •** 7:00 p.m. Irish Cultural & Heritage Center **Holiday Gathering** 

Monday, **Jan 5 2015 •** 7:00 p.m.
Shorewood Village Center Meeting Room, Lower Level, Shorewood Public Librar

TBA

The Shorewood Village Center is located at 3920 N. Murray Ave one block south of Capitol Drive. Meeti are on the lower level.

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