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2010

July



Welcome!

Save this Date!

Friday – Sunday, July 9, 10, 11, 2010
Clement Park Littleton, Colorado

Get Ready for the *Colorado Irish Festival* & *spraíonna*!

spraíonna = fun, sport; a carefree lively outing



Beginning Friday night on the Celtic stage ... **ENNIS** followed by
THE ELDERS (one night only)

If you have been wondering - what is there possibly to do on a summer's Friday night by the lake? Wondering how you can escape the heat of the day and see a beautiful sunset - wonder no more. Get you and your family to Clement Park July 9th to see headliners **The Elders**. Then go home, rest up and get ready for a Saturday and Sunday full of fun, sport, music, culture & *spraíonna*!

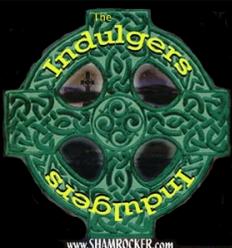
Also over on the Jamieson Pub Stage Friday night will be **McPEAKE** followed by **SEVEN NATIONS**. (And this, my friends, is just the opening night!)

Come see and hear Pipe Band competition, Cultural Village exhibits, Irish Feis, Denver Gaels competition, along with **Natalie MacMaster, Ennis, McPeake, The Elders, 7 Nations, Poge**y and much more. **VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!**



Vice Consul General Barry O'Brien of the San Francisco consulate office, will be in town to help launch our new Irish community organization. This will put our community on the national and international "Irish" Diaspora map, so you will want to be part of that event when the news is released. Be sure to stop by the tent at the festival and learn more about '**INCOLORADO**'.

Volunteer or Buy your tickets online today by visiting the Colorado Irish Festival website:
<http://www.coloradoirishfestival.org/2010/pages/tickets.htm>



Join the **Indulgents** on their "Tour Of Ireland"

October 18-26, 2010

Call Celtic Tours 1-800-833-4373 (ask for Kathy Gordon)

Deadline for reservations is July 9th ... with just a few seats still available. What a perfect time to help the economy in Ireland. Fly into Shannon Airport in Co. Clare. From there you are off to your Ennis hotel. Next day visit the 700 foot high '**Cliffs of Moher**', '**Bunratty Castle and Folk Park**'. Next day you're off to **Foynes** on the Shannon River. Then on to the village of **Blarney** where you can kiss the stone (or not), then **Killarney** where you find your next hotel. Next day visit the '**Ring of Kerry**' and see Ireland as you have imagined. Next its off for Dublin to visit **Kilmainham Jail, Guinness storehouse, Tara, Newgrange & Knowth** ruins. Plus hear the band perform.

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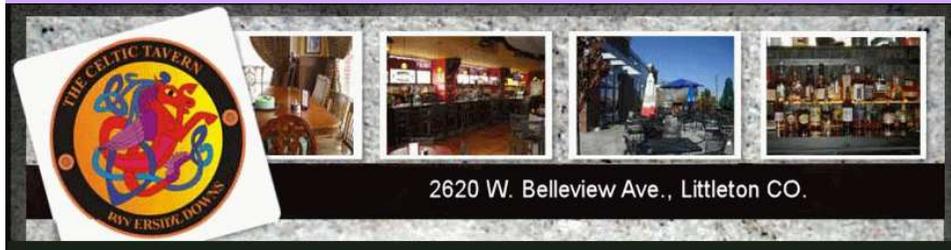
Doing Business
the Celtic Way



INCOLORADO is launching on **July 8, 2010** and you can be part of the celebration!

HOST: Celtic Tavern at Riverside Downs - 6:30 PM

Entry Music: Members of the AOH Michael Collins Pipes and Drums



“San Francisco based **Vice Consul General Barry O’Brien** will formally launch the ‘**Irish Network Colorado**’ at a special event to take place on **July 8th at 6:30pm** at the **Celtic Tavern Riverside Downs**. Entertainment will be provided by Belfast based **McPeake**, courtesy of the **Colorado Irish Festival**. Irish Network Colorado (IN-Colorado) is a business network that connects Irish expatriates, Irish-Americans and friends of Ireland. Our mission is to provide a forum for social, business, and professional networking for our members and to strengthen economic, social, and cultural ties between Irish and American businesses in Colorado and more broadly between the U.S. and Ireland.”

Be sure to visit the “Irish Network Colorado” tent at the Colorado Irish Festival!



Colorado’s Premier Irish Pipe and Drum Band went to the Utah Scottish Festival and Highland Games in June, and competed against some very tough pipe bands in their first **WUSPBA-2010 Grade 4 competition**. (WUSPBA has ‘32’ Grade 4 Bands.)



When the dust had settled, the MCPB walked away surprising many by beating out the Wasatch & District Pipe Band 4 and the Snake River Pipe Band, both of which had competed several times already this year. **No other Irish pipe band** was present for the competition.

Then on **June 19th**, the **AOH Michael Collins Pipes and Drums Band** took “**2nd**” place at the Evergreen Parade beating out nearly 100 parade entries! **Go maire tú an lá! (Congratulations!)**

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CLANN Ó hANNÁIN - O'HANNON

"A Worldwide Ancient Irish Genealogical Clann"
Originally found in Counties

Clare, Galway, Sligo, Limerick and Cork



As President of *Clann Ó hAnnáin-O'Hannon*, I first learned of plans to organize an event to mark the celebration of the **Clontarf 2014 Millennium** back in March of 2009. At that time the *Clans Of Ireland* in Dublin began working with the *Dublin City Council* and of course the descendents of Brian Boru, *Clann Ó Briain-O'Brien*. We, the Irish Clanns, were asked to remain silent on the planning of the celebration till events had been arranged and scheduled.

I can now inform you of the upcoming Millennium celebration that is being called the "**Clontarf 2014 Millennium**". Some years ago I wrote a research article on the battle and have since become quite familiar with this piece of Irish history. It is the story of intrigue, envy, jealousy, deception, loyalty, nationalism, conquest and power. The schedule you see below is as it stands today and given that we are some 4 years away from the Millennium one or two items may surely be enhanced. Nevertheless, I think you will be impressed by the current program. ~ *Ken Hannon Larson, Uachtarán*

CLONTARF 2014 Millennium PROGRAM

DAY	DATE	TIME	PLACE	CITY	EVENT
Wednesday	23-Apr-2014	11:00 AM	St. Mary's Pro Cathedral (Catholic)	Dublin	Solemn Requiem Latin Mass
	23-Apr-2014	2:00 PM	St. Patrick's Hall; Dublin Castle	Dublin	Reception Luncheon
	23-Apr-2014	5:00 PM	Trinity College	Dublin	Clontarf - The Birth of Irish Nationalism
	23-Apr-2014	6:00 PM	Trinity College	Dublin	Keynote Address by Morgan Llywelyn (author)
	23-Apr-2014	7:30 PM	Trinity College	Dublin	"High King of Tara" Concert by Maurice Lennon
	23-Apr-2014	9:00 PM	Trinity College	Dublin	Irish Céilí in the Pavillion Bar
Thursday	24-Apr-2014	10AM-6PM	Trinity College	Dublin	Brian Boru "Battle of Clontarf" Symposium
Friday	25-Apr-2014	9:00 AM	St. Anne's Park and Gardens	Dublin	Gathering of the Clanns
	25-Apr-2014	11:00 AM	North Bull Island	Dublin	Battle of Clontarf Re-enactment
Saturday	25-Apr-2014	1:00 PM	North Bull Island	Dublin	Medieval Fair and Viking Feast
	26-Apr-2014	8:00 PM	Clontarf Castle	Dublin	O'Brien Clann Banquet
Sunday	26-Apr-2014	10:00 PM	Clontarf Castle	Dublin	Dennis McNeill Concert
	26-Apr-2014	11:59 PM	Clontarf Castle	Dublin	"Farewell Toast" - Conor O'Brien, The O'Brien
	27-Apr-2014	10:00 AM	Dublin Castle	Dublin	Repeat Brian Boru's Funeral Procession to Armagh
	27-Apr-2014	1:00 PM	St. Patrick Roman Catholic Cathedral	Armagh	Solemn Requiem Latin Mass



St. Patrick Roman Catholic Cathedral
Sally Hill, Armagh, Co. Armagh

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Did You Know?



“2” Saint Patrick Cathedrals in Armagh, Co. Armagh



This may look like dueling cathedrals, but both have a historical attachment to the man himself, St. Patrick.

On the left is “Sandy Hill” where the original church founded by *Saint Patrick* once stood. A later church on that site was where the funeral of *Brian Boru* took place. I have it on good information from the leaders of Clan O’Brien that Boru’s body was returned to the Kingdom of Thomond by Brian’s own Dál gCais of Co. Clare. There is where Boru was secretly buried (not in/near this church). The cathedral you see was built in 1832 by the Church of Ireland and is known as “**Saint Patrick Church of Ireland Cathedral**”.

On the right is “Sally Hill” where it is said that Saint Patrick carried a deer fawn followed by its mother up that hill away from men who wished to dine on them both. It is said that this action was Pádraig’s way of stating this hill was just as important to him. The cathedral you see was built in 1904 by the Roman Catholic Church and is known as “**Saint Patrick Roman Catholic Cathedral**”.



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A Penny And four Pence
Worth of Thoughts

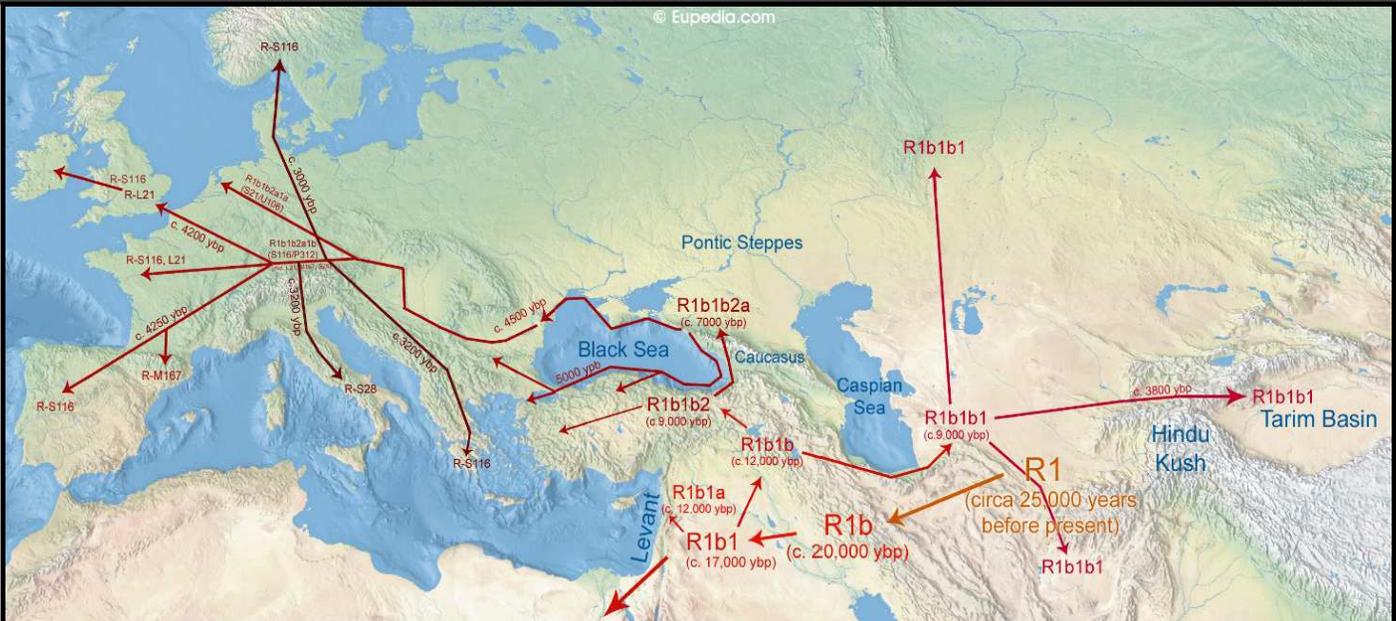
It would appear that *Teach Tábhairne Fógra was ahead of the curve* back in April 2010, when we ran the story on the “**R1b1b1**” mummies found in China’s Tarim Basin! In the upcoming *Archaeology Magazine (July/August)* they tell the story of the mummies and refer to them as Europeans who may have travelled east 4,000 years ago. **DNA has proven otherwise**. The Tocharian of the Tarim Basin were a distinct ‘R1b’ male lineage that never entered Europe, but did have similar cultural items such as this “**tartan**” taken from a 2,000 year old mummy found by Chinese archaeologists. **This raises a new question as to perhaps a Caspian Sea origin of ‘R1b’ tartan patterns.** *Archaeology Magazine* reports that a similar pattern was later found in Austria. By 1,000 BC “**R1b1b2a1**” DNA-males controlled most of Europe.



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(Cont'd from Pg. 4) The photo of the “tartan” taken from the Tocharian mummy of the Tarim Basin in western China does raise the question of origin of “tartan” patterns used by “R1b” DNA-males. As you see on the map east of the Caspian Sea we find **R1b1b1**. In their chariots ‘R1b1b1’ males migrated north into Siberia, east into the Tarim Basin (China), south into India and west into the Caucasus region where a new male Y-DNA variation now known as **R1b1b2** began to show up in Anatolia (Turkey) around 7,000 B.C.

It would seem that “tartan” patterns must have had an origin near the Caspian Sea region in order for the Tocharians ‘**R1b1b1**’ of the Tarim Basin (China) to have used such patterns; and for these patterns to have later migrated westward with the ‘**R1b1b2**’ Celts into the heart of western Europe.

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King Tut Exhibit (June 29-January 2011) at the Denver Art Museum

<http://www.tutdenver.com/>



At the cost of repeating ourselves, back in *April 2010 Teach Tábhairne Fógra* ran the story of the Egyptians performing ancient DNA testing on King Tut’s mummy as well as on his father Akhenaten and grandfather, Amenhotep III. All three were reported in the *Discovery Channel* story (“*King Tut Unwrapped*”) as having DNA markers that clearly put them into the **R1b1b2** DNA group. This shocked the Egyptians and the DNA experts. Here is one more interesting piece to the Tutankhamen story. When the young King Tut died of malaria (1323 BC), his wife contacted the King of the Hittites in southeastern Turkey and asked to marry one of his seven sons. The Hittite King did agree, and yet one has to wonder why would an Egyptian queen contact the Hittites? It turns out the Hittites were also of **R1b1b2** DNA male lineage. Which leads one to wonder if the Egyptian “*New Kingdom*” and the change of burying their pharaohs earlier in pyramids to the later “*Valley of the Kings*”, was really because of new **R1b1b2** “pharaohs” that had taken control of Egypt from earlier peoples.

If you go to the Exhibit over the next six months, keep in mind that King Tut is of **R1b1b2** lineage which is just slightly different from the **Celts of Europe** ... but a lot closer than you may have ever before imagined! In fact, as DNA Project Administrator for *Clann Ó hAnnáin-O’Hannon*, I can tell you that **King Tut shares 7 markers of the first 12 DNA markers** ... with **Niall of the Nine Hostages** who was to live in Ireland’s Ulster Province some 1,700 years later.

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NUACHT NA hÉIREANN



1901 Census Of Ireland

On **June 3, 2010** the *National Archives Of Ireland* released the full digitized copies of the earliest Census in their possession. It is known as the 1901 Census of Ireland undertaken by Great Britain in all 32 counties. This along with the 1911 Census of Ireland (*released Aug. 30, 2009*) on the internet, represent the oldest two Censuses in the possession of the Irish government. As members of the Irish Diaspora I know I speak for many when I say we are grateful to Ireland for making these documents available to us on the internet. We are also grateful to all the volunteers who tirelessly went through every family document and recorded these in the NAI database so that we can quickly call up documents on our ancestors. Those volunteers worked on this project for 10 months straight.

What makes both the **1901 and 1911 Censuses** so valuable is that they give the researcher information directly from our ancestors (often in their own handwriting). I know in my family's case I was able to find the names of siblings of my maternal grandfather living in the household of my great-grandparents. These were names never before known to me, or to my siblings, and so we are grateful to now have them. As to my *Great Grandfather Patrick Hannon*, he was a mere child when the man-made **"Great Hunger (An Gorta Mór)"** struck Ireland. So to see him as a survivor of that terrible period & listed in both of these censuses, makes me very proud. Like many of his generation that survived, my Great Grandfather had witnessed the death and emigration of all too many. By choice, he would forever remain in Éire.

You can do your own family research at the National Archives website link:

<http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/>

Britain had undertaken a census in 1821, 1831, 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871, 1881 and 1891 in all 32 counties. None of these have survived and some may believe that all were destroyed during the Irish Civil War. That belief is only partially true. Statistics have survived, but the actual family documents giving names and ages ... are gone forever. Here is the list of questions they asked, and the years the Census was destroyed. (*In 1917, Britain needed 'pulp' for the WWI war effort & so they chose to use the 1861-1891 Censuses for 'pulp'.*)

Year of Census	Name	Age	Occupation	Relationship to Head of Household	Acreage or Who has Title to the Land	Number of House Stories	Religion (If Protestant state sect)	Years Married	Children Born and/or Dead	Literacy	Absent and Present Family Members	Has Anyone Died Since Last Census?	County or Country Where Born?	Do You Speak Irish/English or Both?	Census Destroyed by British Govt. for WWI War Effort 1917	Census Destroyed in Irish Civil War 1922
1821	X	X	X	X	X	X										X
1831	X	X	X	X	X		X									X
1841	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X					X
1851	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X					X
1861	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X				X	
1871	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X				X	
1881	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X				X	
1891	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X				X	
1901	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X		
1911	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		

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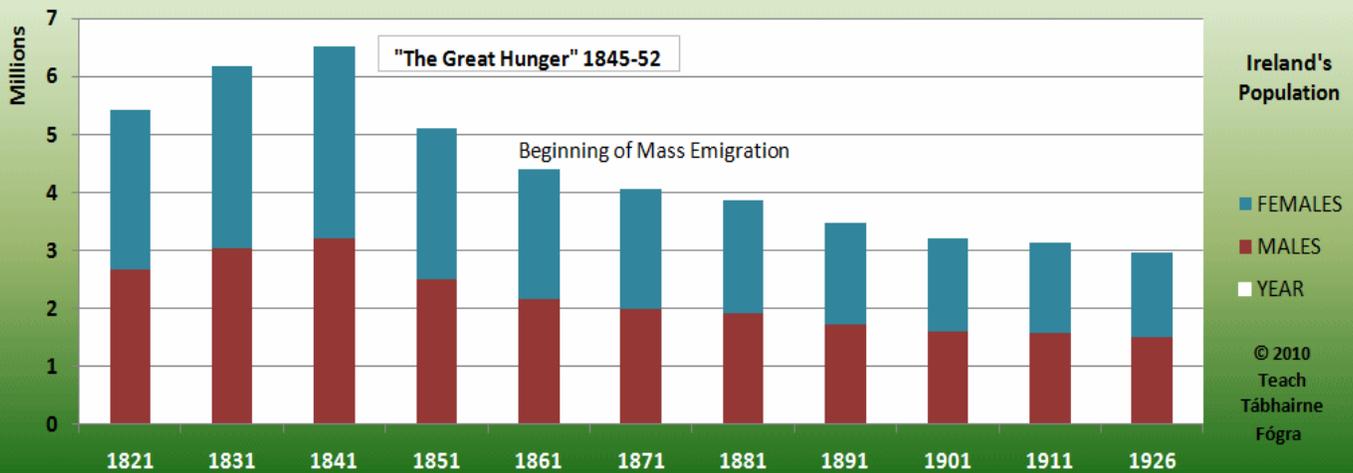
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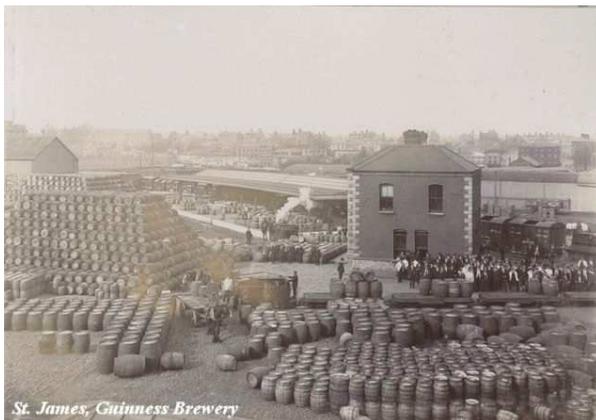


You can now understand why the **1901** and **1911 Censuses** are so very important. They are the only complete 'family' documents still available to give us a brief 32 county look into the Ireland of the late 19th century. In just 5 years (1917-22), some 70 years of census 'family documents' would be destroyed.

Population statistics do exist for prior decades, and they tell their own story ...



In 1821 the population of Ireland was **5,421,376**.
 By 1831 it had risen to **6,193,397** persons.
 Then in 1841 it reached its highest historical peak ... **6,528,799** men, women and children.
 By 1851 after six years of hunger, the population had dropped quickly to **5,111,557**.
 By 1861 those that had survived began to emigrate leaving a population of only **4,402,111**.
In just 20 short years (1841-1861) ... Ireland's population had decreased 33%.



St. James, Guinness Brewery, 1906



Claddagh, Co. Galway, Early 1900s

Rocky Mountain Irish Festival - ****CANCELLED****

John Schreck owner and founder of the **Rocky Mountain Irish Festival, in Loveland Colorado** has **CANCELLED** his 2010 festival due to lack of “sponsorship funding” (re-scheduled for 2011).

Questions can be directed to: info@rockymountainirishfestival.com

(The Colorado Irish Festival remains scheduled for July 9-11th, and is NOT affiliated in any way with the RMIF.)

From The Irish Diaspora Mailbag

(NOTE: The economy is a concern to all, especially to family and friends living in Ireland. In an attempt to increase business between the Irish Diaspora and Ireland, I recently wrote an email to my fellow Irish clann leaders asking them to promote business opportunities to their extensive worldwide memberships. What follows is one clann leader's support for Irish products. Donough McGillicuddy is chieftain of Clann Mac Giolla Chuda-McGillicuddy of the Reeks of Co. Kerry, a branch of the O'Sullivans. He lives in South Africa, and gives testament to the length and width of the Irish Diaspora.)

Dear Ken,

I have had an amusing and interesting encounter with Kerrygold and the Manager of our local SPAR which **serves to illustrate what everyone pulling together could achieve for Ireland**. As 'needs must', I think it possible that a few other members of *The Standing Council of Irish Chiefs and Chieftains* may be motivated to encourage their widely dispersed clann members to engage in Irish interests.

The excellent Kerrygold 'Dubliner' cheese disappeared from our SPAR shelves for a while. The buyer was ordering but not being supplied. I addressed the matter to Kerrygold's head office in Staffordshire and as a quick as a flash the representative e-mailed me for further particulars. I supply SPAR with small quantities of fresh vegetables and whilst delivering, the manager said that he'd had a telephone call to say that there was a complaint that Kerrygold products were not available. I had initiated the said complaint. He looked up the ordering record, realized that deliveries were not happening and told the distributor (The Cold Store-Durban) that if he did not get what his manager was ordering, they could expect a visit from an irate tribal chieftain. Lo and behold **Kerrygold Butter, Kerrygold Softer Butter** and **Kerrygold Dubliner** all arrived on the next delivery. I do a little in-store tidying to keep them looking in order in case off-take has left shelf space. Kerrygold most kindly and generously made me a small present of some stock and I shall continue to keep their interests forefront.

I happened to be in correspondence with the **Irish Embassy, Pretoria** and mentioned that if they encountered the Kerrygold representative at a trade fair or such, he should be congratulated upon bringing to the notice of The Cold Store the fact that they were being neglectful of Irish interests in Underberg. You'll find Underberg on the map near the intersection of 30 deg. East and 30 deg. South. To be deprived of Irish dairy products in this dairy farming area was ironic.

I am in touch with members of the McGillicuddy sept/clann in many parts of the world & have made mention of the **promotion of Irish products in their countries of adoption**, both on my website and on Facebook. Excess jingoism can be offensive. A moderate amount thereof **could benefit someone in Ireland**. You therefore should be given every possible encouragement to stir clann leaders into action. The Council are a good lot and have many diverse interests. I have taken up Facebook as a means of communication and networking. In an ever shrinking world there's always someone who knows someone someplace who could do something. **The motivation is to get the Mother country back on her feet.**

~ Donough McGillicuddy,
Clann Mac Giolla Chuda - McGillicuddy of the Reeks

Teach Tábhairne FÓGRA BREAKING ... NEWS!

Certificate of Irish Heritage open to 70 million people worldwide

THE GOVERNMENT has announced plans to introduce a certificate of Irish heritage for up to 70 million people of Irish descent around the world who do not qualify for citizenship. **Minister for Foreign Affairs Micheál Martin** said at the weekend he had decided to proceed with the initiative, which was first proposed at the **Global Irish Economic Forum at Farnleigh** last year.

The certificates will be issued by a third party agency acting under licence from the Department of Foreign Affairs, which is considering charging a fee for each document issued. The initiative is intended to be self-financing, according to a department source. But he said it was not designed with the intention of raising significant amounts of revenue.

The price charged for the certificates has yet to be set. The tendering documents state that the level of fees shall be subject to the department's agreement. They add: "The Department is open to considering proposals that provide for sharing a proportion of the fees received with the Department". The exact size of the market for a heritage certificate is not known. **But it is anticipated that many descendants of Irish emigrants would wish to buy one to display in their homes or as gifts for their children.**

Some speakers at last year's forum were critical of the disconnection between Ireland and members of the Diaspora, particularly those unable to qualify for citizenship by virtue of having a parent or grandparent born in Ireland. The forum also highlighted the role the emigrant network could play in helping Ireland improve its economic fortunes.

Mr. Martin said the Government had taken a broad and inclusive approach to defining Ireland's global community. **"The Irish Diaspora is not limited to Irish citizens living abroad or to those who have activated citizenship. Instead, it encompasses all those who believe they are of Irish descent and feel a sense of affinity with this country."**

The reach, power and influence of many members of the Diaspora can provide Ireland with an important competitive edge, he pointed out. According to the tender documents, it is not possible to determine the value of the concession: "The Irish Diaspora is estimated to consist of 70 million . . . many of whom are proud of their Irish heritage".

The process of selecting a service provider for a trial one-year period is under way, and the **issuing of certificates is expected to start later this year, according to the minister.** Operators are likely to have a background in heritage or genealogy. The department is investigating the possibility that certificate-holders would benefit from discounts while visiting Ireland as tourists.

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