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International Newsletter of the Clann O'Dochartaigh

CROWNING GLORY FOR CLANN



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CELTIC CEREMONY REVIVED

After weeks of intense research and minute preparation, an ancient ceremony was revived in Derry on Friday, July 13th, for the inauguration of a Spanish doctor as Chieftain of the O'Dochartaigh Clann. Dr. Ramon S. O'Dogherty, the undisputed 37th. Hereditary Chief of Inis Owen, was officially installed, with all due pomp, and according to a traditional rite involving the presentation of a peeled white willow rod and a pair of gold-edged slippers.

This ceremony, rooted in Celtic antiquity, was being performed for the first time in 400 years, and was naturally the major highlight of the 11-day Clann Reunion & Pan-Celtic Festival, which

attracted Dohertys from all over the world, to Derry and Donegal, their ancestral homelands. The event was not merely of interest to Celtic anthropologists, but marked a symbolic watershed in contemporary Clann history, which is part and parcel of a grass-roots cultural revival in Ireland reflected by increased activity by other Clanns.

The name O'Dochartaigh is generally accepted to mean 'The People of the Oak Houses'. It can be traced back to Naill of the Nine Hostages, a High King of Ireland in the 4th. century. The ceremony had many elements of the original prestige and status accorded to a Clann Chieftain. The family of Dr. O'Dogherty can be traced back to a brother of Sir Cahir Rua, the last Chieftain, who was shot dead at Kilmaccrennan, Co. Donegal, his body being captured, beheaded and quartered between Derry and Culmore after his abortive revolt against

English occupation forces one year after the Flight of the Earls in 1608.

At the historic July ceremony Sir Cahir Rua's battle sword, which is preserved in Derry's Guildhall, was carried on a blue cushion (Clann colours) in procession by the Chieftain's brother, Pascual, a Rear-Admiral, who acted as 'Tanaiste' (deputy) during the ceremony. Dr. O'Dogherty (aged 71) is from San Franado, Cadiz.

The ceremonial rites took place in the gardens of the large residence at Belmont, which is today a school, where 'The Crowning Stone' now rests. The Stone is also referred to as "St. Columb's Stone", which the highly-informative Clann directory, WHO'S WHO, adds: "though this name is a misnomer". The directory describes the Stone as "a great block of gneiss, about six foot square at the top, marked with the sculptured prints of two feet-left and right- each about ten

inches long. It is almost absolutely certain that it was brought from the Grianan of Aileach, after its destruction, probably by an O'Doherty for his own installation". Ancient Christian records state that it was blessed by St. Patrick in 433 A.D. The new Chieftain, whose profile is included in the Clann directory, followed the ancient rite by standing in the imprints. He listened to an inaugural address read in Irish by his "Ollamh" (a sage), Mr. Liam O'Dochartaigh followed by a Spanish translation by Mrs. Rita Henderson and lastly read in English by the ceremony's narrator, Mrs. Carita Kerr. The proceedings were captured on camera during the making of a new Clann video made by PMC Ltd.

The Chieftain was presented with a peeled willow wand "as an emblem of the pure and gentle sway he should exercise over his tribe" and a pair of gold-edged slippers, one of which

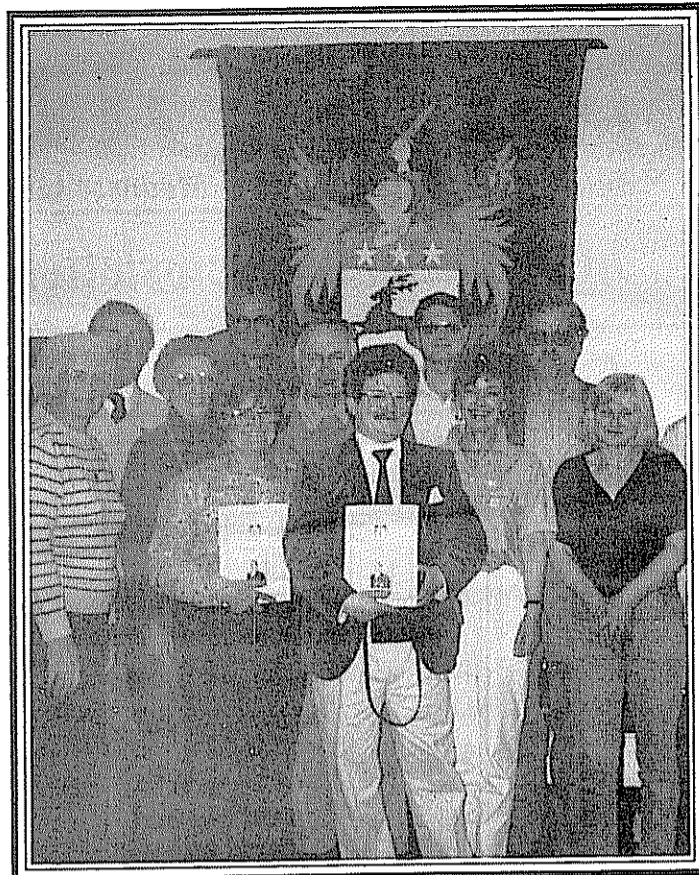
was cast over his left shoulder for good luck during his reign. Holding the heavy battle sword of Sir Cahir Rua aloft, he pointed it in the four directions of the compass, as a sign that he would "preserve inviolable the ancient customs of his country, and to signify that he was ready to meet all foes from whatever quarter they might come". He was presented with the address in a scroll form. On dismounting from the stone, after being inaugurated, the Chieftain was greeted with the loud cries of "An Dochartaigh" - The O'Dogherty- by the large clann assembly and interested gaels. The Chieftain, who was at the rear of the procession when it entered the grounds, with Irish pipers to the fore, was to subsequently lead the Clann members from the 7-ton Crowning Stone, at the end of the colourful rit-

CLANN NOTES

Our newsletter has a new editor, who is interested in making a number of changes, not least of which is introducing a new format. He hopes to customize the publication by giving it set categories, e.g. **Clann Notes**, (international reports) ; **MISSING LINKS** (updates on genealogical activities) etc. He hopes that these, and other features will become popular in due course, and wishes to stress that the eventual final copy will always depend on readers' participation, i.e. sending in press clippings, reports, letters, etc. from Clann at home and abroad.

The new format is less bulky than the former magazine-type editions, and it is hoped that our massive postage bill will be reduced accordingly. The editor believes that such saving can be ploughed back into increasing the quality and quantity of future editions. The present format allows for photographs to be included, without too much extra cost, which is to be welcomed. The few who are involved with this new development wish to acknowledge with thanks those people, listed

ual. He, wearing again his ceremonial celtic robes made in the Clann colours, later entered Derry's Guildhall to an enthusiastic reception. He took his place at the centre of the head-table, with his wife and family, Reunion organisers, and the Mayor of the city and his wife during a memorable celebration banquet. A special cake bearing the Clann's Coat-of-Arms was cut by the Mrs. O'Dogherty and Mrs. Davies, the wives of our Chieftain and the city's Mayor, and pieces distributed to those in attendance. The Guildhall then echoed to the music, dance steps and voices of many talented artists, was bedecked with the flags of many nations, which was indeed a fitting gesture by the City Council and appreciated by truly international audiences.



Group pictured at the launch of the Clann Directory - WHO'S WHO, 1990.

herein, whose generosity has made this special free issue possible. Their donations, at this crucial time, is much appreciated and all future contributions to the Publication Fund will be similarly acknowledged.

Our current readership target is 10,000 internationally. This is our highest ever circulation in over a decade of publication. From the first day, many production tasks are involved, needing some 150 hours, on the part of the Editor alone. The team hope all the effort is worthwhile, and that you share this viewpoint.

Extra copies can be obtained by forwarding a small donation towards printing and postage. Non-members who desire to obtain future issues should do likewise, as it not possible to furnish complimentary copies on a regular basis. 1990 has been an exceptional year for our Clann, and as promised, we hope that this special issue will reach old friends and extend the hand of fraternity to potential new contacts. Your feedback is always desirable, and certainly welcome, so that this publication can provide a worthy

service to all its readers. Our ultimate objective is to produce a quarterly newspaper and the new format is a positive step in that direction. The Editor has been informed that desktop publishing equipment has been donated by a Clann member in the USA and is currently in transit to H.Q. This is a most welcome gift that will be of immense importance to the Publication Dept., and a full acknowledgement at this time should go to Edward Dougherty of Coronado, California with our most grateful thanks for this expensive and highly useful equipment.

The compiling of material, word-processing, lay-out and editing as well as printing supervision is the sole responsibility of the editor whose duties are performed on a totally voluntary basis. These tasks are greatly aided by his skillful use of modern technology, and it is hoped that when the correct hardware is installed, even greater improvements will be possible.

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HOTEL DOHERTY :

This establishment was founded by the grandfather of A.J. Doherty who was literally born into the family hotel business, first seeing the light of day from one of its third floor windows. Now 56, A. J. is helped by his two able sons, Jim and Dean and all are keen to see the end results of major expansion work. Final touches are being put on a \$1.5 million project which will add 33 rooms and an indoor pool.

The HOTEL DOHERTY has prospered for sixty five years at the main intersection in downtown Clare, at the junction of U.S. 10 and U.S. 27 freeways and is 91 miles northwest of Flint. Clare bills itself as 'Michigan's gateway to the North' and has a population of only 3,500 people. It would be interesting to know if the name Clare has links with the Irish county of that name, and how many Dohertys planted their Irish roots there.

The builder of the hotel was the powerful state senator, Alfred James Doherty, and Detroit newspapers called the Clare Republican the "bell cow" of the U.S. Senate in the first decade of the 20th. Century. It would be interesting to know if this family is related to the current chairman of the Irish senate, Sean Doherty T.D., who sent fraternal greetings to the 1990 Reunion via its Derry Secretary.

Henry Ford of Model - T fame, called this establishment "the best hotel in Michigan " in 1925. He often slipped through its kitchens, so he wouldn't be noticed. HOTELDOHERTY has quite a history it appears and seems an excellent venue for any Clann reunion or conference.

DR. JAMES

Among those to receive honorary scholarships from the University of Ulster on Friday July 6th. was leading Derry businessman, Mr. James Doherty who received the award of Doctor of Letters (DLitt). Dr. James was one of the active members of the O'Dochartaigh Association who assisted in preparations for the 1990 Clann Reunion locally and the impressive ceremony at Derry's Guildhall was attended by Rear-Admiral Pascual O'Dogherty from Spain who received a special invitation which was obtained after representations made to the University by the local Reunion secretary, who is now our current editor. He also arranged for part of the ceremony to be captured on video as part of the PMC film on the history

of the Clann and the recent Reunion, which is now available for distribution.

Presenting Mr. Doherty for the award, Prof. Peter Daws, Dean of the Faculty of Education, said he was privileged to honour the Derryman " in recognition of the many benefits that his talents and unstinting industry have brought to this province ". Dr. Daws continued, " Those who have worked with James testify to a life never stained by expedient compromise with principles, nor by loss of his genuine modesty, nor by want of the common touch and understanding of those less gifted than himself. It has earned him the affection and respect of many in this province. It has also earned him university honours elsewhere and a Papal Knighthood ".

Dr. James Doherty was born in Derry in 1924 and obtained his grammar school education at St. Columb's College before gaining a double first in Arts and Commerce in the National University of Ireland (Dublin) where he headed the list of scholarship winners alongside his friend, Dermot Ryan, subsequently Archbishop of Dublin. He also became auditor of the Commerce Society and was succeeded in that office by the present Taoiseach, Charles J. Haughey.

On leaving the university, he joined the family meat business, begun by his grandfather. Alongside this demanding occupation, he found time through the 1950's and '60's to serve as a councillor in the city, only giving up office in 1969 on an issue of principle. He continued to serve the community, however, on a number of committees including the Industrial Development Committee.

The other recipient of an honorary degree on July 6th. was Dr. David V.S. Williamson, vice-chairman of Du Pont, the giant American chemical company which has a plant in Derry for some decades.



Professor Robert Gavin, Provost, Magee College, second from left, pictured with Honorary Graduands Mr. James Doherty, awarded Doctor of Letters (DLitt) and Dr. David V. S. Williamson, awarded Doctor of Science (DSc). Included is Miryam Williamson.

NEW MUSIC CASSETTE & BOOKLET

"Inishowen - Songs and Stories" by Roy Arbuckle was released to coincide with the 1990 Clann Reunion. This Derry songwriter, musician and poet successfully conveys a sense of the beauty and mystery and the stories and glories of this region, full of Clann history. The slim 14-page, illustrated pocket-book has many interesting features, not least of which being hints to tourists and should come with each cassette. To be fair to this latest piece of native culture, it deserves a proper review rather than a few lines in passing, which it will receive in No. 23. The music is haunting and Sir Cahir Rua is remembered with pride.

DOUGHERTY SWIFT

Dr. Gary and Dee Dougherty of Dallas, Texas, announced the engagement of their daughter Dianna Sue to William E. Swift II. He is the son of William and Barbara Swift of Grand Blanc. The bride-elect attended Texas A & M University. She is a paralegal for a Dallas law firm. Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Michigan - Flint. He is employed by E.D.S. in Dallas. A St. Patrick's Day wedding is planned.

DERRY GRADUATE

Catriona Doherty, daughter of Michael and Eithne Doherty, 39 Troy Park, Derry City, graduated from Queen's University, Belfast, with a B.A. joint degree in French and Spanish. Catriona is a past-pupil of St. Patrick's, Pennyburn, and Thornhill Convent.

AN INNOVATIVE AND REMARKABLE CAREER

Dr. Leila Daughtry Denmark, at 91. has been treating children for 61 years and recently was the subject of a major feature article in the women's press in the U.S. on the topic of motherhood. One illustrated report appeared under the title "The hardest job on earth " and was penned by the renown journalist Lou Ann Walker.

Leila Daughtry was graduated from the Medical College of Georgia in 1928 (she being its third woman graduate), a time when only four or five women were graduating annually from the nation's medical schools. She then became the first intern of Igleston Hospital for Children, now one of the South's largest hospitals. She also began charity work at a clinic in a Presbyterian church, and for the next 56 years she spent every Thursday afternoon there, treating maladies from colds to syphilis, often as not giving patients a nicker to get home on the streetcar.

When a baby found in a trash can didn't respond to conventional treatment, the young woman intern broke the rules by inventing a special formula. The baby lived. Many of her treatments for disorders from milk intolerance to polio - have been innovative. Her famous book, EVERY CHILD SHOULD HAVE A CHANCE, has influenced Georgia mothers for decades.

The journalist concludes her lengthy and illustrated report thus:

"I had gone to Georgia to write about an unusual woman at the end of her life, but what I found was a woman living an astonishingly rich life. She wasn't just helping young people, she was teaching all people - young, middle-aged and old - to live their lives as fully as they can".

PRO - WRESTLING

When she was only 5-years-old Toni Dougherty used to "drag" her mother to wrestling matches. At the age of 19 she was headline news in the sports-pages of papers like THE EXPOSITOR as she was embarking on a professional wrestling career of her own.

Ted Beare, its sports-editor, wrote of Brandfort's first woman wrestler: "Don't jump to conclusions that Mrs. Dougherty is an Amazon who can cause an earthquake just by flexing a set of outsized biceps. On the contrary, she's a pert five-foot-one blonde who weights 125 pounds. This newspaper illustrated her obvious skills by printing a large photograph, with the caption, "Brandfort's Toni Dougherty sends a male opponent flying through the air during a workout in Hamilton".

"FLYING MACHINE"

This is the press nickname for a determined John Doherty who stands centre stage in world athletics, being viewed as the finest of Ireland's outdoor athletes. This distance-king Doherty

has a number of targets in mind, number one being to bring home a medal from the 1991 World Championships.

John is planning to write his name into the record books in indelible ink by smashing the longest standing men's track record in Irish athletics - John Tracy's 10,000 metre best of 27 minutes 48.7 seconds posted in 1980. He also plans to follow up by erasing Frank O' Mara's 5,000 metre best from the files as well. It is a mammoth task but the American-based athlete is itching to prove he can follow up on his Olympics heroics.

Doherty smashed the world best on the road for 8,000 metres in late May 1989 with a time of 22 mins 8 secs. We don't have his address, so if YOU know him, show him this newsletter as we'd like to do a fuller profile.

OTHER CLANN REUNIONS

The Clans of Ireland Office in Dublin inform us that the following Clans gathered in 1990. A full list of contact addresses can be obtained from the editor by way of encouraging the growth of other clann associations:

BRENNAN (KILKENNY);
EGAN (REDWOOD CASTLE, BIRR);
GORMLEY (LETTERKENNY);
KILLORAN (CO. SLIGO);
LONG (CO. CORK);
McDONAGH (CO. SLIGO);
McGETTIGAN (DOE CASTLE, CO. DONEGAL);
O'BYRNE (CO. WICKLOW);
O'CONNOR (CO. ROSSCOMMON & KERRY);
O'DEA (CO. CLARE);
O'DOWD (CO. SLIGO);
O'DRISCOLL (CO. CORK);
O'MAHONY (CO. CORK);
O'MALLEY (CO. MAYO);
& O'ROURKE (CO. LEITRIM).

3 BUNDLES OF JOY!

The WINNIPEG SUN of May 21, 1989 has landed on our editor's in-tray. It reported "Sleepless nights for triplet parents" i.e. Maryann & Chuck Doherty who had to sleep on a sofa bed in their living room since having triplets in July '88. The Knights of Columbus, Local 4819 came to their rescue by building an addition unto the Doherty's 800-square-foot home. The project cost approximately \$8,000 thanks to local companies providing materials wholesale, and 10 Knights tackled the job every Saturday "in their spare-time".

HEADLINES

The London-based, SUNDAY EXPRESS (9/8/90) ran its front-page leader on Joseph Doherty whom it claimed was having his payphone tapped "secretly" by the FBI. Doherty, it reports has been given permission to apply for political asylum in the U.S.A. Aged 35, he made a daring escape from a highly-fortified prison camp in N. E. Ireland, which like many others, was erected and guarded by the British military, during "The Troubles". His escape some ten years ago resulted in a series of massive searches and after lying low for a period he resurfaced in America, hoping no doubt to find a better life. He has spent over seven years in a New York jail fighting attempts by the British administration in N.E. Ireland to have him extradited, back to "the cages" he escaped from. The highly-conservative SUNDAY EXPRESS, like some other English papers, return to Doherty's situation frequently. This weekly laments: "He has gained almost folk-hero status among the powerful Irish - American lobby". The paper, by implication rebukes the Pacific Bell Telephone Company, which it claimed, wrote to a friend of Doherty's, called Malone, "informing him that Secret Service agents were logging all his telephone calls". It was an interesting front-page story in more ways

than one.

EXECUTIVE CHEF

The glossy and popular U.S. magazine, FAMILY CIRCLE throws the spotlight on 'How Waldorf chef John Doherty serves the best - for 5 to 5,000'. We are told by David Ricketts in his COOK LIKE A PRO section that "John Doherty is a young man accustomed to working with large numbers. As executive chef of the world-famous Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York, he supervises a staff of 150, including five assistants (sous chefs) working out of 13 kitchens producing 5,000 to 6,000 meals a day, to the tune of \$30 million in annual revenue."

At his home in Garden City, New York - in the Colonial-style house he shares with his wife, Donna, 3-year-old daughter, Jenna Rose, and baby son Patrick - things are a little less complicated. Even so, whether he's planning a banquet for President Reagan or sitting down with close friends for a quiet Sunday dinner, John applies the same menu-planning principles.

"Keep the food simple", he advises. "Every item should be as good as it is in its natural state - zucchini should taste like zucchini, chicken like chicken. You shouldn't try to change or improve the taste of a particular food. If you don't like the way something tastes, don't use it. Experiment with some new foods from time to time - and cook them properly to enhance their best qualities. Use delicate seasonings; you don't want competing flavours".

N.B.
'Texas Jack' Daugherty is requested to return 'the manuscript' to the Editor if he has finished reading it. Please correspond soon as we know you're 'on the road' somewhere and this message may get you quicker than a letter via the Clann grapevine.



ULSTER - AMERICAN FOLK PARK

Correspondence has been received indicating that a major database, which will be available to tourists and the public is currently being constructed. The O' Dochartaigh Clann is invited to input a package of information, associated with emigration in the past two centuries. This invite needs a lot more thinking about, and the views of our readers, as to what should be included would be most welcome before the close of 1990. If you have any ideas please correspond soon. Your suggestions will be published in the next edition.



**John O'Dogherty
(1777-1847)**

left Ireland exactly 200 years ago to begin a highly distinguished career in the Royal Spanish Navy. Our Chieftain comes from this line. His brothers, Henry and Clinton-Dillon joined him in many sea battles during the Napoleonic Wars.

SPANISH INSTITUTE PLANS

Magee University College in Derry has plans to create a Spanish Institute which has attracted the attention of academics, public officials and business elements in the North-West generally. The editor was one of a few Clann who attended an initial meeting and spoke of Irish-Spanish links, and the Dogherty connection with the ill-fated Spanish Armada and our current clann in Spain. He made arrangements for institute pioneers to meet with Rear-Admiral Pascual O' Dogherty and other Spanish visitors during the Reunion, and will report on this project in future issues.

IN MEMORIAM

MARGARET M. DOUGHERTY, left this life on Sept. 29, 1989. Beloved wife of James F., dear mother of Ann, Treasa, Patrick & Elizabeth; also survived by two grandchildren, two brothers and one sister. Funeral Mass was held at St. Rapheal's R.C. Church, Garden City, S.E. Michigan.

MATTHEW H. DOUGHERTY, aged 80, of Lapaer, U.S.A. left this life on October 21, 1989. Matthew was retired Lapaer City police chief, working and living in the area for 50 years. He is survived by his wife, 4 sons, 3 daughters, 27 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren; 2 brothers and 3 sisters.

HARRY O'DOHERTY, 15 Crawford Square, Derry City, who left this life on December 7th. 1989, was remembered at a simple tree planting ceremony by the staff at Ar nDuthchas, the Clann H.Q., on Inch Island earlier this year. A small certificate was delivered to his family home, by the Clann Herald, recording such.

Harry, born at the close of the last century, was a decorated veteran of the War for Irish Independence (1919-23), fought against partition in 'the civil war', was foremost in the revival of the G.A.A. in the 1920s, held national positions within the trade union movement and was a delegate to the T.U.C. annual conferences. His obituary is included, with others, in the 1990 edition of WHO'S WHO.

O'DOCHARTAIGH-THE MOVIE

by Noel Curry,
*Sterling University,
Scotland*

I spent my summer doing what more and more people seem to be getting involved in; tracing family roots. I managed to trace them back to around 400 A.D., but the odd thing was that it wasn't my own roots that I was tracing. The reason behind my research was a video about the O'Dochartaigh Clann and its history, which is being

produced by PMC Ltd., a multi-media company experienced in video production.

As a result, I found myself having to trace the O'Dochartaigh's route through history, and subsequently the route of Ireland itself through the centuries (a topic, I am afraid to say, at the beginning of the summer I was embarrassingly unfamiliar with.)

Although I was assigned the task of actually researching and sourcing the necessary material, I wasn't too sure where to start. I thought that the local libraries would be the best places and it happened to



Grand Finale: Clann Newsletter Editor presents a mirror which depicts the O'Doherty Fort in Derry to the Chieftain. The mirrors are made by Castle Crystals, Carrickfergus, Co. Antrim.

be a wise choice, for wherever I turned, there was a Doherty to help me along. Carmel O' Doherty at the central Library and Frances Doherty at the Heritage Library were both extremely helpful during my initial research. The information gathered there led us onto other locations such as the Ulster Museum; the National Museum, Dublin; the Public Records Office and, of course, the impressive O' Dochartaigh H.Q. at Inch House on the island of Inch, in Co. Donegal.

The Clann, naturally, remained helpful and accommodating throughout the filming of the Reunion, having to put up with camera and crew during events such as the opening and closing ceremonies, and, the most hectic of all, the inauguration of Clann Chieftain, Dr. Ramon Salvador O Dogherty. At this we had to jostle with various reporters, photographers and camera crews (including national television) in order to obtain a prime position.

And after a successful, but exhausting Reunion, the

clann organisers were still enthusiastic and co-operative about the round of interviews that were organised for them. Finally, we had to film the land of the people whose history we were covering. We managed to select the two best weeks of the summer for this: We were the envy of the office as we sauntered about the Inishowen peninsula, while everyone else was sweating over invoices and order forms. We even experienced a spectacular trip in a light aircraft over the peninsula in order to obtain some equally spectacular footage of the O' Dochartaigh forts and castles. In addition to this, some maps, dating back to

1600 (the era of the last O' Dochartaigh chieftain) were unearthed and subsequently filmed.

After the filming was over and we had (literally) come back down to earth, the more difficult task of logging footage, writing scripts, selecting soundtrack music and making final editing decisions was begun. This process is still on-going, but soon we will have the final video as evidence of a hard summer's work.

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1990 REUNION SUMMARY

Several weeks prior to the commencement of the Clann Reunion vacant premises beside the O'Doherty Fort, near the Magazine Gate of the ancient walled city of Derry, were refurbished and officially opened by the Mayor. The occasion took the form of a wine and cheese evening, speeches and distribution of the official programme. Members of the media were in attendance as this information centre was opened to the public, to be staffed daily until the close of the Reunion by mainly female members of the local organising committee.

A celebration barbecue, on the evening of Friday July 6th, marked the beginning of the programme of events in Donegal. The event was held at Clann H.Q. and included the launch of the first edition of the O'Doherty Clann Directory, WHO'S WHO. This publication includes profiles of many prominent Dohertys, and contains interesting historical research on Clann castles, former chieftains, the 'crowning stone', the installation rites of old, as well as a major section on the life of Sir Cahir Rua O'Dogherty and the events leading up to his revolt against the forces of occupation, which resulted in his death at the age of 21 in the year 1608.

The supplied reunion report from H.Q. makes the following remarks:-

"With many months of planning, many miles on the road and a considerable amount of worry, events took place, but quite a few were cancelled.

On the two Sundays of the 11-day Reunion, open house was held at Arduthchas. Tea was continually served by our resident share-holders. Music, by our Clann Bard, was played at the request of clann during a number of fraternal and enjoyable socials at H.Q. Roy Arbuckle introduced his new songs and prose of the O'Dochartaigh Clann, called "Inishowen", which is available from 'The Clann Shop'.

Lands were our Clann members reside were represented by flags, continually flown, in front of H.Q. on the Island of Inch. This daily tribute was possible due to the efforts of Bob Lee, who formed the flag-holders and to the many who donated flags from their respective lands.

JULY 10TH – THE NORTH-WEST DONEGAL TOUR:

A bus left Derry, another Carndonagh, another Buncrana, in a well-planned expedition to the beauty sights (and sites) of this famous region, which was organised by Neil Doherty of Rosemont, Kilmacrennan. With May McClintock, Neil took us on an adventure, never to be forgotten. We ended up at The Lagoon in Termon, where we had a well needed dinner. An evening of song and Clann talk progressed. Our appointed Newsletter Editor outlined his views on what could be a bright future for the Clann "Fiamhain" given a proper strategy backed by increased activity; Jean Whisler covered the important points for us to record in gathering genealogical materials; Our Clann chieftain, Dr. Ramon O'Dogherty and his brother, Rear-Admiral Pascual O'Dogherty were introduced by the Clann Herald who presided. Both talked about how important their Irish roots were to them and their families. A well performed solo act 'The Wild Colonial Boy', was given by young James Doherty. The band of James Doherty (another James) entertained us throughout the program.

JULY 11th – NORTHERN INISHOWEN & MOUNTAIN TOUR

The day-time tour and evening program was cancelled and buses returned. We must thank Conal Byrne and his brother, Cara Byrne for organising this tour as both are well versed in both the history of our Clann and Inishowen. They took a car load around, spending

several hours walking and talking about this love of theirs, north Inishowen.

JULY 13TH – GREAT DAY FOR CLANN

The white rod of office was passed on to our 1990 Chieftain. This was a great day in the annals of the Clann. Make sure you see it on the PMC video, which gets a mention elsewhere in this newsletter.

JULY 14TH – SWILLY BOAT TOUR

This was one of the most beautiful days of summer, as we set out for a boat tour of the lovely Swilly. A lot of planning, a lot of cost and a lot of concern went into this event. The tide was a problem, but with the help of John Farren, John Holt and Boyd Bryce we worked out a time schedule. Again, our expectations had been set too high. Four boats were chartered for over 100 people (and all cleaned up from the fishing season).

It was a glorious day; a well planned route, a lunch ready in Rathmullen, a visit to the sea approaches used by the O'Dochartaighs, but with a disappointing crowd. The fault may have lay with our communications network as many Dohertys later felt regret that they missed this event. 3 boats were returned and only one set out (with ten people aboard). We also had a display from the lifeboat crew, fast, efficient and proud they were.

JULY 16th – CAHIR RUA COMMEMORATION (Editor's Report)

The evening was dry, calm and sunny and the proceedings to commemorate Sir Cahir Rua O'Dogherty, began in a fitting way. The Colmcille Brass Band from Derry City began the festivities. It was noted that one-third of the band was made up of 'Dohertys', which was a factor of some historical significance.

Considering the plight of the Dohertys after 1608 it is nothing short of a miracle that the name survives to this day, but such says a lot about, what some describe as 'the indomitable Irish'; Considering that shortly after Cahir Rua was shot, beheaded and quartered, certain elements in lofty places within the English Establishment, bragged that as his head was displayed on a spike outside Dublin castle, so Ireland was completely conquered.

Our Clann was their last stumbling block to imposing the English yoke on the Irish race, and thus establishing their first colony in their expansionist designs to construct a global Empire. The English rulers, after Cahir Rua's death, were gleeful that Inishowen was now in their grasp. They believed that our Clann had been entirely emasculated by death on the battlefield, forced deportation to serve English interests abroad, or been captured and put to the sword in various 'mopping-up operations' of those who continued to resist the occupation of their celtic lands. For all these reasons his commemoration on a pleasant July evening in 1990 took on a truly historic significance, for those who know their history, or others who know the potential of such knowledge and would have it safely buried to promote ulterior motives.

Your Clann Herald was the Master of Ceremonies at this truly international gathering. As each county, state or country was called out Dohertys raised their hands to indicate their residency there. He was very ably assisted by the following Fionnbarra O'Dochartaigh; Liam O'Dochartaigh, Patrick (Joe) Doherty, all of Derry. Jeanne Dougherty whisler, of Washington State; Rear-Admiral Pascual O'Dogherty of the Spanish Navy, and his brother, our Chieftain, Dr. Ramon S. O'Dogherty.

A special invitation to Fergus Gillespie, Deputy Herald of Ireland was accepted. He represented the Chief Herald's Office in Dublin which was established in 1522. Official records there can trace the Doherty family from the

present day to the 16th century and beyond. With him was brought a beautiful scroll which confirmed that Dr. Ramon S. O'Dogherty satisfied the strict stipulations required to install him as the 37th. Hereditary Chief of Inis Eoghan. This was gratefully accepted by all the members of the Spanish delegation headed by our Chieftain, and Mr. Gillespie, himself a native of Inish Eoghan, was warmly thanked for making the long journey from Dublin to attend these significant and memorable proceedings.

After the ceremony, those in attendance retired from the lawns to sign the Visitors Book, and enjoy refreshments while music and songs, appropriate to the occasion were provided by the Clann Bard, Roy Doherty Arbuckle.

MEMORIAL PLINTH

Clann H.Q. wishes to acknowledge with thanks the positive assistance given in constructing the memorial plinth which was dedicated during the Cahir Rua Commemoration.

This structure was possible due to Pascual O' Dogherty of Spain, Philip Doherty of France, Bob and Doris Lee of Florida, Paddy Dougherty of Inch and hundreds of Clann in North America. All of the latter helped in sending out thousands of raffle tickets, which in turn were returned with money to finance the initial stages of the memorial.

We must give some extra thanks to several Islanders and to one Floridian, for efforts "above and beyond the call of duty". To Brendan Boyle, always giving that extra in assisting your Clann Herald, in the memorials construction; to James Boyle for that finishing touch; to Bobby Mc Ivor for helping save the concrete from early hardening and especially to Bob Lee. Robert E. Lee has been fortunate enough (unfortunate enough?) to be married to a Clann member who brings him along, while she performs all sorts of operations at H.Q. Well, Bob Lee, put the finishing touches to the colonade which bordered the walk-

way, then to the colonade that surrounded the plinth itself. He did days of hard and exacting work on the memorial. All for the price of a Thank You!

COST:
SAND (FILL)-
83.00 POUNDS
HIREDLABOR:
88.00 POUNDS
CONCRETE - 290.00 "
WOOD (FORMS) 90.00
TOOLS - 27.00 "
SUPPLIES -49.00 "
PLASTER - 8.00 "
PLANTS - 24.00 "
RAFFLE PRIZES -
130.00 "
FLAG POLES - 67.00 "
TOTAL COST =
856.00 IRISH POUNDS
TOTAL INCOME =
987.00 U.S. DOLLARS
(VALUE)

Pound Value = 680.00 Irish

Some cost covered by Inch Island Group, owners of Ar nDuthchas, some by Paddy Inch, some by Bob Lee. We are in debt to the International O'Dochartaigh Association for the majority of the overrun, Cost above income = 256.00 pounds.

DERRY EVENTS

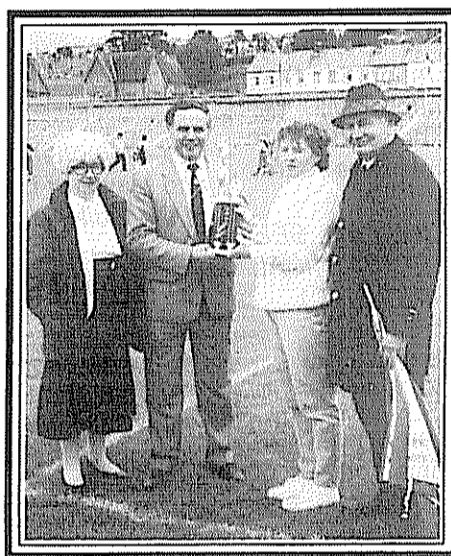
From March 1989 preparations were taking place for the Clann Reunion, which included budgeting estimates, the obtaining of halls of residence at Magee University College (which proved to be highly economical and satisfactory), compiling a draft programme of events, publishing local newsletters and installing a 24-hour answerphone service. Colr. Tony Carlin, then Mayor of Derry, received a delegation from the U.S. and later with Colr. William O'Connell attended a public meeting in the city's Guildhall. Meetings were held with Mr. Kevin McCaul the chief official of the City Council's Amenities and Leisure Dept. Some one thousand calendars, promoting the 1990 Reunion were designed and printed, for distribution at home and abroad; in addition were two special 32-page clann newsletters. The Clann Herald and the then acting-secretary in Derry, attended a week-end Tourist Conference sponsored by the University of Ulster at Magee College, at which they spoke and established valuable linkages. Besides activity at H.Q., hundreds of enquires were dealt with at

a temporary office, at Crawford Square in Derry City. In early December, the 1985 Reunion Committee reconvened, the Heritage Library became a regular meeting place, until a public information centre was established, as previously mentioned herein.

The L'Derry Sentinel as the Reunion got underway reported: "The O'Dochartaigh Clan Gathering, which has already attracted several hundred visitors to Londonderry and Donegal got into full swing with lectures, exhibitions, music and all round entertainment and the (planned) formal installation of the Clan

Chieftain.

About two hundred foreign visitors joined with many North West Dohertys and O'Dohertys, at the grand opening of the 1990 International Reunion in the city's Guildhall. The visitors from the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Holland and Germany attended a Guildhall reception hosted by the Mayor, Councilor David Davies. Much of the rest of the night of music and dancing was spent renewing old friendships among clann members and making new acquaintances."



• *Gaelic Sports Day: Mary O'Dogherty of Detroit presents the Sir Cahir Rua O'Dogherty Memorial Trophy to G.A.A. Chairman, Brendan O'Neill at Celtic Park. Also in the photo is our Clann Herald and Sally Litchfield (nee Doherty) the G.A.A. City Board Treasurer.*

GAELIC SPORTS DAY

The second day of the Reunion, being a Sunday, had been set aside as a Gaelic Sports Day, which was held at the recently refurbished Celtic Park. Prior to the first throw-in, the Clann Crest, Stars and Stripes and the Irish Tricolor were hoisted by G.A.A. officials to mark the significance of the day's programme.

In the Under-12 camogie, Na Magha (The Girls) A-Team beat Na Magha B-Team 2-1 to 1-1 and the captain, Maura McCallion was presented with the Sir Cahir Rua Memorial Trophy by Mary O'Dogherty from Detroit on behalf of the Clan headquarters, Ar nDuthchas, Inch Island.

In football Under-14, St. Mary's, Creggan, beat Ardmore 1-4 to 0-4. Mrs.

Mary O'Dogherty, of Crawford Square, presented a memorial cup which bore the inscription in old Gaelic, "To the perpetual memory of Harry O'Dochartaigh (1899-1989) who was a good friend of the G.A.A. all his life", to the winners as a tribute to her late husband. Harry had been active in earlier activity associated with the Reunion and had initially proposed a Gaelic Sports Day.

In Under-15 hurling, Gallagher beat St. Eugene's 9-2 to 5-7 and Mr. Fergal O'Doherty of The Carrick Bar, presented the P.K. O'Doherty Memorial Cup to the winning team's captain, Tomas O' hAgain. The late P. K. O'Doherty, the father of Fergal, was a well-known and respected accountant and businessman in Derry.

At the simple presentation ceremonies Mr. Brendan O'Neill, Chairman of the Derry City G.A.A. Board thanked all those associated with the Gaelic Sports Day, in particular those awarding such excellent trophies, which he said, was a great encouragement to the youth during this period of revival for all gaelic sports at the newly re-opened Celtic Park. Mrs. Sally Doherty Litchfield, the Board's Treasurer, was also in attendance and was presented with a wall crest bearing the Clann Coat-of-Arms by the Derry Reunion Secretary, Mr. Fionnbarra O'Dochartaigh, which will hang in the new committee rooms at the Park. The G.A.A. intend to erect a permanent glass cabinet for the O'Doherty Trophies presented that day, and such will be awarded to the school-age competitors of future years.

(MONDAY, JULY 9th. SEE SEPARATE ECUMENICAL SERVICES REPORT)

THE FORT

The O'Doherty Fort was the venue for a number of interesting lectures and events throughout the Reunion. A series of lively lunch-time lectures were very well attended during the first week. The topics were diverse, and each speaker was a recognised authority on the subject matter and included:

Inishowen: Homeland of O'Dochartaigh (Conal Byrne); Ulster 1607-1980 - The Aftermath of the Gaelic Rulers (Brian Bonner) ; Shame and Emigration-Last Legacies of Colonialism (Dr. Garret O'Connor, Los Angeles); Names and Surnames of Ireland (Ristead Mac Gabhann) ; The Siege (Anthony Crowe) ; & Exiled Survivors of Derry, Limerick and The Boyne (Frank D'Arcy).

Besides the lectures Mary Murphy presented a storytelling session, and Gordon Fulton staged his one-man show "John George Adair and The Australian" based on the Glenveagh, Co. Donegal evictions in the last century. Local artists displayed their work at two arts and crafts exhibitions, one in The Fort, and

the other entitled ART SPEAKS FOR ITSELF at The Heritage Library, which also had its genealogical department open daily.

Other events took place in public lounges where traditional musicians and singers abound, or on 'the fringe'.



Mrs. O'Dogherty and Mrs. Davis, the wives of our Chieftain and Mayor of Derry cut a Clann Cake at the Grand Finale at the Guildhall.

OTHER EVENTS

On the afternoon of Friday, July 13th. the Inauguration of the Chief was the central highlight of the Reunion. In the evening Dr. O'Dogherty in ceremonial robes entered the Guildhall, to warm applause, for a celebration banquet which formed part of the City Festival programme. He and his family, together with the Mayor and the Mayoress, joined members of the Reunion Committee at the head table. Another banquet marked the Grand Finale of the Reunion, at the Guildhall, on July 16th. Guests at both feasts were entertained by a variety of artists including the George Kilkie Ceili Band, Frankie Roddy and his Gaelic dance team, the Colmcille Ladies Choir (on their return from a European Tour) and other local talent.

The City Council Arts Festival, which coincided with the Clann Reunion and was included in the official programme, offered a wide choice of entertainment from Tuesday 12th. to 15th. International artists travelled from Angola, Mozambique and Zambia for the folk festival which included an indoor ceili and an open-air Fleadh Ceoil in Guildhall Square. Many places of interest like the Foyle Valley Railway

Museum or Siege Centre Exhibition were open to the public free of charge, as were all the events in the programme except for the Guildhall banquets.

REPORTS FROM H.Q.

THAT CREW AT AR NDUTHCHAS

Prior to, during and after this Reunion, we had a loyal, steadfast and perceptive group of Clann staying at Headquarters. They were the share-holders in the buildings and grounds. They were the ones which made this dream possible, i.e. the creation of a permanent base for activity and leisure upon on our ancestral lands.

But, they were share-holders in more than investment. They jumped into the planning, setting-up and conducting of the programmes. They were involved in all aspects of the Gathering.

Doris and Bob Lee came in several weeks early to lend a hand with the grounds and the memorial to Cahir Rua, from lakeland, Florida. Brian and Mary Dougherty, Michigan were also invaluable to the overall effort taking over the Clann Shop display, mowing the lawns, clearing areas of the grounds and keeping the

autos functioning. They stayed at H.Q. for one whole month.

Lois and Jackson Daugherty arrived from a grand European tour and settled into work diligently on our total program. They are our Texas Coordinators. From far away Washington, came the Whislers, Jean to take over talks on genealogy and Wilton, to work on the computer. They moved over to Scotland to later attend the Crawford Rally. From Pennsylvania came Marie and Dennis Dougherty, she choosing the kitchen and he house repairs. They also set up an evening program at Kilmacrennan (near their home base).

These all involved themselves in selling, entertaining, cleaning, mowing, chauffeuring, lecturing, most cooking, shopping, building, repairing, gardening etc. One Donegal journalist was heard to say "WHAT A CREW !!!".

Throughout this organised confusion, sailed Rear-Admiral Pascaul O'Dogherty and his son, exerting an influence wherever needed. The Admiral was a guest at Ar nDuthchas, compliments of Dr. John J. Dougherty, Prescott, Arizona. We were all pleased to have these two members of the larger Spanish delegation with us through the 1990 Reunion. This was indeed an international crew which ended up with its own Admiral.

FRAMED MEMORIAL

An impressive memorial of the 1990 O'Dochartaigh Clann Reunion has been produced by a Derry artist. Now available, it consists of a 19" x 21" etching in gold and black, commissioned especially for members as a reminder of this historic 1990 Clann gathering.

This superbly framed and artistically prepared item shows the O'Dochartaigh Forts and Castles of Inishowen. Also on this clann memorabilia are the two latest Clann structures, the rebuilt O'Doherty Fort inside Derry's ancient walls and our H.Q. on Inch Island. A number are still available. All will be

securely wrapped and insured before posting. Send Christmas orders as soon as possible. See CLANN SHOP for further details.

MISSING LINKS

Well, we've done it again! Yes, our Clann Office has moved. It is now back at H.Q. Thanks to Robert Lee and Brian Dougherty, a roomy basement has been insulated, wired and readied for occupancy by late July.

So back we came from the Tullyarvan Mill site in July. Got a crew of young Island fellows and for the ninth time, all files, records, etc were boxed and carted to a new station. The present room is smaller but snug and well organised. We are real busy with genealogy as results are flying out of this underground facility.

Do keep in touch. Any new info may assist. Remember A.G. Campbell? He's just what we needed as he is currently attempting to train your Clann Herald, but is finding that difficult. A.G. has installed a hard disk, to the computer, purchased recently at his own expense. He has provided a great genealogical program and we are well into the Family Group Numbers with it. He is busy cleaning up loose ends and finalizing, with the PC File program, all Inishowen birth records.

A valuable contact has offered her services by way of research in London, at such official buildings as Sommerset House, the British War Museum etc. She is currently corresponding with the Editor, is compiling extensive listings of all Dohertys, initially concentrating on those lost at sea, both sailors and passengers, for as far back as possible. Those interested in this, or other research, need only correspond, stating their particular sphere of interest. The Clann Herald continues to make regular trips to the Public Records Office in Belfast and occasionally research takes place in Dublin. This column will be a regular feature as clann keep asking "Where are we going with genealogy?".

We are progressing very well with tracing one's ancestry. Our main emphasis is on the Clann Fiamhain, from which the O'Dochartaighs emerge as its most dominant branch. Other clanns are part of the same tree. Gradually, the materials being accumulated on these branches is becoming voluminous, beyond belief. That is why we must make an effort to further computerise and train volunteers and others on work experience schemes. In the year 1990 with only a few faithful volunteers, we have added 147 Family Groups to our files; and updating has progressed on another 360 registered families. We have united 37 families that did not know about each other and this is usually the most rewarding aspect of our work. The more we gather, the more we can join others together.

This year, while Hon. Secretary of the Derry Reunion Committee, our editor awakened the Clann in Scotland. The Derry Committee approved the bulk mailing of 1,500 copies of a special information sheet, to announce the 1990 Reunion. The response since the Reunion has been most encouraging and Scotland may well be a major force in future organisational developments. The areas targetted were merely Glasgow and Paisley, but thousands of other Doherty families are scattered all over Scotland. We feel that if it were possible, and a few Scottish Dohertys were to take the initiative, a separate Clann reunion could be held in that Celtic nation, thereby laying a firm foundation for future expansion. It is such a pleasure to feel the enthusiasm these people have for their history and ancestry.

Besides the Dohertys of Inishowen, we are tackling research on request for other families living here. One area of prime interest is Laggan, which is north of Inishowen. We have developed a network of contacts all over Ireland, & we attempt to maintain contact with each centre, even if only to mail this newsletter when funds permit. But we here at Inch, have something no other centre has; we have those

ancestral charts and family group sheets that all of you have been diligently researching, completing and returning.

Don't be reluctant to send us ancestral materials, think you haven't enough. Some records are better than nothing and can often unlock the door to a mine of information. Often it takes very little to tie families to another. However, to get the records we now have into the computer, it would take approximately 10,000 hours. If you have a few weeks of time to give to your Clann, we can work out details. Try us!

A.G. Campbell is at present our major authority on all programs on our computer to do with genealogy. He is presently cleaning up and imputting, on the hard-disk drive. He has before him a massive collection of Birth records for Inshowen.

To Clann in Michigan, Northern Indiana and Western Ohio; we have had an offer too good to resist. Paul Doherty, in Southern Michigan, has agreed to computerise all Clann records sent to him. He will then send them to the underground office at H.Q., where we will convert them to our system. More of this later.

The Clann Directory WHO's WHO is being seen as a means of placing your genealogical history into a permanent publication, that can be passed around the family, photo-copied etc. While many have used the Directory to include their photo and personal profile, its genealogical purpose should not be neglected either. The next issue will be published after the first 100 entries have been received at H.Q., and application forms are available on request.

Remember to help us to discover our collective MISSING LINKS. This column will continue to focus on that prime goal; to gather the genealogy of this great Clann and to have all aspects of it available to interested parties.



FROM NEW YORK CITY

One blistery day in August we had a visitor. With this gentleman was carried, a battle-ready shield of the O'Dochartaighs. Our Clann Poet, John Davis Doherty, of Middle Village, New York City, in conjunction with his son, John, added to the archives of Clann Fiamhain. It measures 24" x 38" and has our springing red stag, "on the move". A man indeed, to carry this into battle!

A man indeed, to bring it all the way from 'The Big Apple'! This shield not hangs in the Ohio Room, topped by two swords. John was able to spend two sessions with us and regaled us with traditional song and also music from the harmonica. John, in his 85th year, is a tribute to the Celts. May he enjoy his next 85 as much as he has the first. John, your support is a Godsend to us.

John Davies Doherty, in the name of all the Davis Dohertys, hereby dedicates this page to that "Grand Family". Thank you John for your donation towards this newsletter.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We have started to raise cash on the next step towards the completion of the memorial to Cahir Rua O'Dogherty. Thanks to Betty Moriarty, we can now proceed with the remainder of the project. She has just sent a cheque towards this venture. Some ideas have been forwarded by Clann, but we will keep an open mind on any suggestions. If you have comments on the Memorial, please consider sending such to our envisaged CLANN LETTERS page.

THE PUBLICATION FUND

We wish to thank Betty Moriarty, of Long Beach, California, for sponsoring a page of this newsletter, as well as the following who did likewise:

John Davis Doherty, of New York; the Clann Herald who also inserted an advert; Bridie Doherty, of the Corner Shop, Carndonagh, Fr. Tadhg

O'Dochartaigh of the Parish of Castlegregory, Tralee, Co. Kerry; and Ruth Daugherty Roman, Warren, Ohio for also assisting with this printing. This newsletter welcomes such practical assistance from Clann at home and abroad.

SPECIAL THANK YOU !!!

A special thanks is due to a number of ladies, besides those already acknowledged in this issue. Mary O'Doherty of Crawford Square, in spite of a recent bereavement in the family, always had a warm welcome, like her husband before her, for Doherty Clann from all over the world. Their home was central in the early days of planning the Reunion, and her hospitality since then has been appreciated in many letters to H.Q.

Two other ladies of Inch Island, who were always thereto assist at H.Q., when visitors became too many, must be recognised. They are Agnes Mc Ivor and Betty Doherty. They not only helped but often brought their home-baked specialities to pass around.

The Editor wishes to acknowledge the major contribution made by Darlene Dougherty, the wife of the Clann Herald, for the many tasks performed before, during and after the 1990 Reunion. He hopes that she enjoys her well-earned rest back in the States and all associated with this newsletter hope that she will return to H.Q. refreshed, sooner rather than later.

1990 ECUMENICAL SERVICES

These now traditional services took place at the Long Tower Church, the site of the first Christain monastery founded by St. Columba, and the Church of Ireland Cathedral, which withstood the Siege of Derry (1689). At the Long Tower the Catholic Bishop of Derry, Dr. Edward Daly, welcomed the international congregation and spoke in some detail of the history of this famous church and the past tribulations in this Irish

diocese. The church choir, wearing green and white attire, sang at both places of worship, and walked with the Bishop and the congregation through Bishop Gate, into the old walled-city, and the historic Protestant cathedral. The latter ceremony was conducted by the Rev. David Skuse, who also gave an informative historical talk, and special prayers were said for exiles, peace and Ireland with selected Dohertys being invited to deliver chosen readings. It is noteworthy that both the Catholic and Protestant Bishops mailed fraternal greetings to the Clann some months prior to the actual Reunion, and the text of their greetings were published in the official programme of events.

After both impressive services, members of the Clann returned to the Long Tower to view a copy of the unique Book of Kells, or returned to the Information centre for light-refreshments. Others travelled to Muff, Co. Donegal, for "a flough" - a traditional entertaining session, at which tea, home-made breads and jams are served, while listening to music and yarns in a farmhouse environment, which usually goes on untill 'the wee hours'.

O'DOCHARTAIGH VIDEO UPDATE: USA PROMOTIONAL MISSION

Gerard Curry of PMC Ltd, who is co-ordinating the O'Dochartaigh film project, recently visited the United States to carry out some research and promotional work for the film.

During the visit Gerard met with several O'Doherty Clann members to show them the promotional video for the forthcoming release of the full-length O'Dochartaigh film. Reaction to the promotional reel was extremely encouraging and Doctor Ed. Doherty, (Clann representative for the state of Massachusetts) met with Gerard to advise on how best to distribute the video in the USA so as to ensure every person associated with the O'Dochartaigh

Clann got every opportunity to purchase the film for themselves. Currently negotiations are underway with the Clann and a film distributor based in the USA to establish proper distribution channels. It is hoped the video will be available in time for Christmas.

Before finishing his trip to the USA, Gerard attended

the Boston Ireland Trade Show at the World Trade centre in Boston. There, he met with Paddy 'Bogside' Doherty who organised a screening of the promotional video at the Trade Show. Paddy ensured that the video got screened 3-4 times daily over the 3-day period of the show, and reported afterwards that public reaction was very positive.



• **Clann Film Makers:** Pictured here are some of the film-makers engaged in the O'Doherty Video (Left to Right): Gerard Curry, Margaret Gallagher and Tony Brennan. Absent members of the film-crew include Chris Orr, Noel Curry and Joe McGilloway.

1990 - 2000
**Come with the Clann O'Dochartaigh
into the year 2000!!!**

CLANN MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name:

Address:

Country:

Postal Code:

Your Family Group No. (if known):

State if Past Member (Give dates):

Completed forms should be sent to:-

**AR n DUTHCHAS,
INCH HOUSE,
INCH ISLAND,
Co. DONEGAL, IRELAND.**

CLANN SHOP

*Clann Merchandise for sale in time for the family at
Christmas !!!*

ITEM/S	SIZE	COST IN US \$'s (includes Shipping)
Video tapes of Clann castles & Forts	\$27.00
Video tapes of the beauties of Ireland	\$30.00
Clann History Vols. 2 & 3	ea. @ \$4.00

T-SHIRTS:

O'Dochartaigh Crest (L. M. S) Sizes available	\$8.00
1985 O'Dochartaigh Crest, <i>only M & S sizes left</i>	\$4.00
Childrens' Clann Hats, (Small)	\$3.00
Clann Directory: WHO'S WHO (First Edition)	\$8.00
Shamrock-shaped Clann Coasters (<i>Green and Gold, Box of 6</i>)	\$5.00

CRESTS OF THE CLANN:

Wooden and Metal Wall Display Shields	\$17.00 & \$15.00
Crest on Green Clann Ties (<i>Made in Derry</i>)	\$7.00
Sew-on Crests, highest quality	\$12.00

BOOKS:

Inishowen Heritage (Brian Bonner)	\$16.00
Where Aileach Guards (Brian Bonner)	\$16.00
That Audacious Traitor (Brian Bonner)	\$16.00
Inishowen, by Maghtochair, 1867 (Michael Harkin)	\$16.00
The Flower of Dundaff (Hill-Songs and Music)	\$9.00

CASSETTES:

Music to enchant the heart-all new.

O'Dochartaighs of Inishowen (by our Clann Bard)	\$13.00
Fr. Hegarty's Rock In Story by Fr. Fitzgerald	\$8.00

L.P. RECORD:

Songs of Donegal by Rob O'Dochartaigh	\$15.00
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CLANN STATIONERY:

<i>With brief history, most spellings</i>	\$15.00
Crests on Small Mirrors, <i>shipped securely</i>	\$20.00
O'Doherty Fort (Derry) <i>On mirrors, shipped securely</i>	\$20.00
Clann Crests on Red Felt Banners, 13" x 18"	\$15.00
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Clann Crests on Cigarette Lighters	\$3.00

NEW! -

Clann Crests on Rugs, 27" x 54" (<i>Heavy Matt</i>)	\$120.00
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Spectacular Reproduction of all Castles and Forts of the Clann O'Dochartaigh, on large wood and metal fastened frames, 19" x 21" - " <i>A Classic for the Family</i> "	\$90.00
<i>(This item, made especially for this Reunion Year will be securely packed and insured).</i>	
Old Newsletters	\$2.00
Postcards (<i>in full color</i>) showing Clann H.Q. (<i>Pack of Four</i>)	\$1.00

CLANN SHOP:

The above costs are as fair as possible, with little mark-up. The American dollar is at a low ebb. Remember, any profit made here goes back into providing Clann Shop facilities in the future.

Nobody makes any money on this material except our Clann. None of the above items are on consignment. all are on hand- which means we are in the red until this merchandise is moved !!!!!

We are on the phone: Call-077-60152 to speed up an order.

If you pick some of these items up at H.Q. then reductions apply to a number of the above. A reduction is permitted with

multiple purchases.

EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS GIFTS

possibly for that hard to buy for O'Dochartaigh !!!

HERALD'S COMMENTS

DUES:

All dues-paying Clann should note that the money you have paid into your association over the years has been used for: postage costs, office materials, subsidising workers on Irish grants, very little utility charges, cost of Dublin research, photocopier and operating costs, as well as a printing machine, typewriters and computer software.

We are discussing the possibility for members to pay a lump sum to take the Clann into the year 2000. By paying \$150.00 your dues will be paid up to 2001 A.D. Our European members may pay £50 for the same period. The difference is due to the exchange rate and less cost for postings.

The 1991 dues are \$15 or 5 Irish Pounds. We are not going to ask those in arrears to pay. We must make this promise to those that religiously pay each year; when a member falls more than 12 months behind or fails to pay within 6 months of receiving a notice of arrears, they will be cancelled. In a sense, paying members are subsidising non-paying members. Our activities of course can be

decreased and still make progress. Perhaps your Clann Herald can accept non-payment of dues as a mandate to do some curtail-ing.

At several executive meetings during the Reunion, annual dues were discussed. It was agreed that first year members pay \$25 or 5 Irish Pounds. The initial costs of computing and recording necessitates the added costs. It was further agreed upon that a person who keeps his yearly fee up to date only pay \$15.00 from then on.

VOLUNTEERS:

Retirees and those with long vocations please note! We need assistance no matter what your skills!!!

You can be of assistance to your Clann H.Q. We can negotiate over accommodation costs, etc. Let us know of any questions you may have. If you live locally or overseas, we can find duties for the likes of yourself, at any time of the year. Just try us!!!

NEW EDITOR:

At this time we would like to announce the offer of a youngish Derryman, Fionnbarra O'Dochartaigh, to donate his time and considerable computer skills to the publications department. He has recently



Clann Herald presents framed picture of O'Doherty Castles and Forts to the Clann Chieftain at Redcastle dinner. Standing centre, Cllr. David Davis, Mayor of Derry.

completed a commendable job of editing and compiling the new "WHO'S WHO" in the Clann O'Dochartaigh, which was ready for presentation at Reunion time and commented upon favourably by local journalists.

Another duty he has willingly entered into, on a voluntary basis, is the editing of Clann History Number 4. Fionnbarra joined the Clann only in March 1989 and was the Hon. Secretary of the Derry Reunion Committee. Our sincere congratulations to this very progressive committee. They made the 1990 Reunion a most

memorable occasion for the Clann locally and those who travelled from abroad. Our hats off to Derry City Council and his honour, Mayor David Davis.

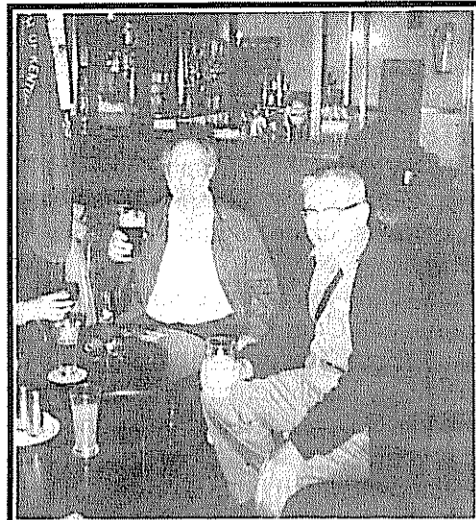
Our new editor enrolled in a Diploma in Computer Applications Course, at Magee College, Dept. of Informatics, at his own expense, for the express purpose of assisting the Clann in its research and publication programmes. His thesis included the creation of programming software aimed at tourist promotion, and he has done very well in his exams.



NEWSLETTER PICTURE PARADE



More U.S. visitors enjoying "the crack" at Kilmacrennan's Traditional Music Night.



Wilton Whistler, Seattle, Washington and Hugh Rhys Doherty from Victoria, Canada enjoying a traditional Clann evening in Kilmacrennan, Co. Donegal.



Feargal O'Doherty presents a cup in memory of his father during the Gaelic Sports Day.



The Chieftain (left) and his daughter discuss the details of the Spanish Armada with the Derry Chairperson Paddy Joe Doherty at Kinnegoe Bay.



The Harry O'Doherty Memorial Cup is presented to GAA officials during the Reunion Gaelic Sports Day at Celtic Park.



(Left to Right): Jean Whistler, May McClintock, "Texas Jack" Daugherty, an unknown guest and Wilton Whistler, all enjoying a traditional Irish evening with "the Clann".



Derry's St. Columb's Brass Band play at the Cahir Rua Commemoration at Clann H.Q.

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