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O'DOCHARTAIGH



FOREVER!
2000 AD



Clan Chieftain Dr. Ramon S. O'Dogherty bears Sir Cahir Rua's battle-sword aloft. The weapon is displayed at Derry's O'Doherty Tower Museum.

"From Ramon O'Dogherty, Chief of the Clann" The ties between Ireland and Spain are great and many. From Mile' and his sons and the invasion of Ireland by the Spanish Celts, (Milesian), 1000 BC., to the unbelievable bloodshed of the Spanish during the Armada in 1587; to the Battle of Kinsale where the Spanish fought side by side with the O'Donnel, O'Dogherty, the McSweeney, the O'Neill, the McCarthy, the O'Driscoll, the McDevitt and the O'Sullivan. This exceptional connection remains today, with your Chief, Dr. Ramon O'Dogherty, a Spanish Doctor and with the bestowing of the "Hospitalarious Knight of St. John the Baptist"(a Spanish Knighthood), on the renowned author Brian Bonner who's records of Clann O'Dochartaigh, Derry and the Inishowen will enlighten us forever.

work in progress and some final organizing to do.

The front yard is now but 20 by 40 ft., with a back yard 20 by 50. It will all be rather labor free, with no lawn. A small golf course is across the street, so we do have a lawn but with no care. The Swilly is a wide expanse before us, with the Fanad Peninsula beyond.

The Clann Forest:

The trees are alive and well ! We have signs, as to whom they are dedicated to and by whom, on all the trees now and they are in the N.W. corner of the Inch property. This 1/3 acre is now under the ownership of John Doherty, (our groundsman and building maintainer for 6 years). Anthony Johnston, the new owner of the former Clann Headquarters, has agreed to John's ownership and is cooperating wholeheartedly with this Memorial Garden of the Clann. This coming spring, a large engraved sign will go up at the site commemorating the purpose. With more than 10 years of growth, they are dominating the area.

Cahir's Monument:

With only a few months passing since it's dedication, we are concerned with it on the property. We have several options: Leave it there to be matched with other monuments of great Gaelic leaders of the past, move it into Bunrana and have a ceremony during next summer's reunion or bring the plaque and place it with others in the Inishowen.

A Working Committee:

In preparation for the coming Reunion, the Derry Committee and the Inishowen Clann are coming together with exceptional plans. The committee is made up of: Chairperson, James Doherty, Derry; Correspondance Secretary,

Sue Doherty, Inishowen Tourism; Recording Secretary, Pat Dougherty, Headquarters; Derry and Inishowen Representatives, Albert & Joan Doherty, Seamus Doherty, Benny Doherty, Thomas Doherty, Kitty Daugherty-Barr, Carita Kerr, Marcas O'Murchu, Helena Downey, and Sally Litchfield.

The committee was very saddened to lose Paddy Joe Doherty of Derry as Chairperson due to ill health. He has been working on Reunion committees since 1985.

Clann O'Dochartaigh

Is pleased to inform you that our next newsletter, (no. 32) is on two World Wide Web sources. Note the contact initials listed below. There is much to tell. Some of the news is a tragedy, but there is also much happiness, therein. There are many ways for you to get on the WEB without having a computer. Libraries are an easy station and with expert help.

We do promise that no. 33 will be on the WWW by January. Then, we will try to do one every two months on the Web. Especially during the "Year of the O'Dochartaigh-2000" (Reunion Dates are: 23 June till 7th. July)

NOTE: If you feel this is an impossibility, we can send you a copy of No. 32. You must let us know. Using the Web will allow us to keep dues as they have been for 10 years and to get more news to you. We sure appreciate Brian Baker, Missouri and Daniel Doherty, British Columbia for stepping forward with this grand offer. Stick with them. They will help lift this Clann into the prominence it deserves. Reunion committees are going full tilt over here. They are preparing you for the new

Millinium, (or are we leaving the last ??) *A grand time will be had by all !*

WWW sites: <http://pages.prodigy.net/bkbaker1/>

or: <http://www.islandnet.com/~doherty/clann>

[Clann Centre now: Aileach Road, Shore Front, Buncrana, Donegal, Eire].



O'DOCHARTAIGH NEWSLETTER #32 NOVEMBER 1999

*From our new headquarters, Aileach
Road, Shore Front, Bunrana, Inishowen,
Co. Donegal, Ireland.*

Topics touched upon in this issue:

Leaving Inch, the New Headquarters, The Clann Forest, The 2000 Gathering, Cahir's Monument, The Active Committees, Researching the Clann, Genealogy Continues, a New Paper for the Inishowen.

Leaving Inch

We did not arrive at this decision alone. Mother Nature was a major decider along with several O'Dochartaigh, but especially with John Doherty and Paddy O'. These last two were in residence for many years. John for 6 years and Paddy for 15. Paddy O' admits to living on Inch at Clann Headquarters longer than he has lived any place else in his looonnggg 70 plus years.

We were looking at very high costs for repairing the house roof and of replacing the outbuilding roof. Trees were down by the dozens and we could not get any timber company to haul them away. It was looking like a bad 1999 year. We thought we would put out feelers for selling or trading. We did wish to continue with a Clann Headquarters.

We wrote letters to all share holders explaining the options. We asked them their feelings on the situation and if they wished to stay with us and the new headquarters. One letter was returned unopened and another was not answered. Most wanted their money back, so we accepted that as an OK for the sale to proceed. We soon realized that selling their shares back to Headquarters would be leaving us destitute. We are so pleased with those that agreed to continue having shares in this venture. There were not many who did. We will be listing their names later.

As we ran articles in the Derry Journal about the plight at Headquarters there was little response from the Clann out in the wider community. Thus, we went ahead and ran For Sale notices. The response from the area was good with many people looking us over. We were especially attracted by an offer from an acquaintance who had a possible residence in Buncrana as a trade. We agreed to the trade and its been all go since. We are now in a large mid-floor office, processing this newsletter, even though it is months late.

New Headquarters:

A seven bedroom, 3 story terraced house, with 3 other peoples apartments in the same structure. Main floor has a large reception room, bedroom, toilet, kitchen and a newly built (by us) sun-room (to the east). Mid-floor has 3 bedrooms in it. But we have purloined two of them for the offices, one the computer room and the other a record storage room. There are two baths on this floor, also. The top floor has 4 bedrooms, (two very small,) and two baths. One of the small bedrooms was turned into a library. The rooms are all furnished with pictures going up, electrical

Celebrating The Millennium

O'Dochartaigh

As one of the oldest surnames in modern Europe we proudly announce the approaching Clann Reunion.

Wishing to celebrate the new millennium in the best of procedures (and also to follow our 5 year plan), we are carrying out the organizing of this momentous event. Support and encouragement is coming from all sides as we meet, discuss, barter, coax, squabble, spar and succeed in putting it all together!

Remember: Reservations will be needed on many events, especially for the banquets and bus tours. We need your help on such activities, (to stay out of the red)

From Far North
Malin Head to
South Derry, we
shall gather by
the Atlantic Sea
and by the River
Foyle!



Events are being planned that include many dedications, bus tours, banquets, association meetings, future planning, people mixers, scenic walks, Irish dancing, lunches, style shows and sports events.



At this time, we introduce you to the standing Reunion Committees:

The 2000 Year O'Dochartaig Clann Gathering Committee !!
Chairperson:
James Doherty,
Secretary:
Pat Dougherty.
Derry Reps:
Carita Kerr,
Helen Downey,
James Doherty,
Paddy Bogside
Doherty,
Marcus O'Murchu,
Sally Litchfield,
Moville Reps:
Kathleen Barr,
Joan Doherty,
Albert Doherty,
Mary K. Harley,
Valerie O'Brien.
Buncrana Reps:
Seamus Doherty
Mary Doherty,
Richard Crowley
Roselene Hegarty

(continue commitments)

Malin Comm.

Mich."Doc" Doherty
Cathy O'Donnell.

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Carndonagh:

Not assigned yet.

Activities planned !

Derry City, (on the banks of the River Foyle), has many activities for the reunion: Every weekday a luncheon will be provided with a noted speaker. **BUT,** The whole affair will have a gala beginning with a Banquet on day no. 1. (23rd. June). This will be held in a great hall in Derry. Derry will also host this 2000 reunion on the final day, 7, July. Our Clann is very populous in Derry & we will need to reserve a seat ahead.

Bunrana: Briefly, a Clann mixer, several dedications, walking tours of historical interest, a banquet & a Headquarters day.

Save two full days for this lovely Village (on the banks of the

Swilly)()()()()()()()()

Moville: The committee has a well planned tour of the lovely Foyle Valley .

You will visit

O'Dogherty Castles, Clann Estates and a special luncheon.

The evening will have Music, Drama and Dance in the famous Greencastle Village. Clann

History of the area on tap and followed with a traditional Irish meal: Stew, brown bread, scones will be featured.

(Remember Moville, On the Banks of Lough Foyle).

Malin Peninsula:

Save two days for this area "the most northerly point in Ireland" Here we have walking tours, bus tours, area dedications, historical and archaeological-site viewing, topped by some great cuisine. We will be introduced to the latest in salt water health treatment.

"Meet Me in Malin", (On the banks of the raging North Atlantic Ocean)()()()()()()()()

Clonmany: The last Gaelic Speaking Area of O'Doherty Country. Hemmed in by the mountain ranges, Clonmany remained "Auld" Irish for decades longer. Travel back in time, culture and folklore with Clann O'Dochartaigh. Two major happenings: We will spend

Clonmany Cont.:
on a special day hon-
ouring an author
from this locality, A
visit to the sea and
then on to the Isle of
Doagh. We visit a
Clann Castle of fame,
beautiful shorelines
and then on to the
Paddy Doherty
"Farm". Here a
"Double" Doherty
will show us actual
scenes, of : living in
the 1700's,an Irish
Wake, houses (and
life within), the peat
fire, tools, furniture,
etc. A famous Clann
cook, Rosemary
Doherty, will demon-
strate an Irish meal
(at another site) and
sit us down to this
scrumptious example
of Irish cooking cul-
ture.*****

Through these many
activities, the Irish
will show you life in

rural Ireland when
your ancestors resid-
ed in the "Auld Sod".

Reservations will be
expected with many
events, tours and
sites. We will have at
least 3 places to reg-
ister.These three are:
The Heritage Library,
(1985 fame), (Derry
Phone), 269792: The
Inishowen Tourism
office, (Donegal
Phone): 74933 and
your Clann Center:
63998, The Donegal
code 077 converts to
011-353-77 from
overseas(USA).

A Salute to

Kathleen,(Kitty):
Born in Pontiac, Michigan,
she raised a family, while
working for GM. On a tour of
O'Doherty Country, during
the 1990 Clann reunion,
she met a gentleman from
Moville, Bernard Barr. They
corresponded and that lead
to a proposal, which lead
to a marriage. So here
Kitty is, back in the land
of her families origin and
has assisted her Clann
for many years. She work-
ed for a grand cause,
probably the best cause
there is.

She has used her skills
as a secretary attempting
to organize a fast growing
project.. All those attrib-
utes were tested as she
assisted headquarters
with trying to forge out
into the unknown by elab-
orating on the past. We
were so appreciative of
her precise help at Head-
quarters and of her eng-
aging personality. She
will continue assisting
with the Reunion Comm-
ittee but will no longer
work with us on the
Genealogical aspect.
She will be sorely missed.

O'Dochartaigh,
Irish Research,
The Inishowen,
County Donegal

Republic of Ireland

An Australian: Denis Doherty, Matthews.

January, 2000

My three brothers have been involved with the Clann Association in various ways for some time. I only got involved because I was able handle e-mail messages for them.

It has long been an ambition of mine to experience the four seasons in Ireland but I had no immediate plans till I read one day in a message from Paddy that he needed help. It was not long till I was suggesting that I might be able to work as a volunteer for a year. That message must have created a record in the speed with which it was answered.

I then had to make arrangements for travel and there were many jobs to be done on our little property before I could abandon my wife for a whole year. A friend was going to set up a yardstick so that I could get regular reports as to the rate of growth in the grass at home. The grass might grow greener in Ireland but it does not grow so fast as it does in summer in North Eastern New South Wales. We are less than an hour's drive from Cape Byron, Australia's most easterly point. We are trying to re-establish rainforest on our six acre property so I am quite prepared to see some growth of grass as well of trees in my absence. My wife Marie has made remarkable progress in handling the mower to keep the main tracks open .

So far I have begun to make myself useful in handling e-mail correspondence and in various odd jobs. I am looking forward to getting more involved in the genealogy. If anyone is inclined to help out at Clann HQ for any length of time, then I can assure you that it can be a pleasant as well as a useful interlude. I can look out the window from this computer and see across Lough Swilly. On a clear day it is picture postcard Ireland. On other days I know that it is still Ireland, the home of my forefathers. My mother was a Doherty whose grandparents were all born in Tipperary. My father was born at Lettergull near Raphoe. He was taken to Australia as a babe in arms. We have just recently discovered that his father's mother was also a Doherty. I hope that I can find more about her before I return home.

Denis Matthews.

(WE are able to take in the traditional evenings around the area. Such as "The Wee House" in Carndonagh and the Catholic Club in Derry).

O'Dochartaigh

Rev. Paul Doherty and your Clann Herald have long been friends in Michigan.

Paul has been a supporter of this Clann,, joining in 1982. He and son_ Michael, showed up at Clann Headquarters last year for some up to the minute genealogy. We all converged on their ancestry and found what we were looking for in the PC's. We were able to tie them to the

"Chamberlains", an ancestor of Paul Doherty.

Nichole, our aide:

Nichole is from County Antrim and has been researching Dohertys in that area for several months. Her mother is Doherty and both are very interested in what we are doing. Thus Nichola has sent in hundreds of graveyard findings and church records many times a year from all over eastern Antrim.

Last Publication:

Our Clann Herald was able to return to the USA Nov.98 He took back and mailed 2000 Newsletters, got a lot of Dental work done, brought back a state of the art computer with many programs and other office material. The PC, the programs and added office material was through the help of Cameron Dougherty, Grand Rapids, Mich. The savings to Clann Headquarters, because of this trip, was well over \$2500.00 as Cameron and Pat covered the total cost of the computers and the posting.

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During the 2000 Reunion, Clann will honour many members who have been instrumental in the success of this Clann O'Dochartaigh Association.

Read on-----

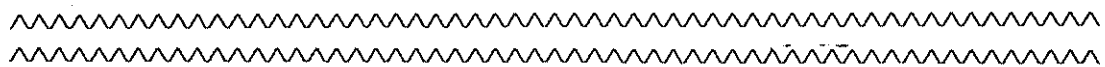
To establish Honours to those who advance the cause of Clann O'Dochartaigh.

At a special event during the 2000 Reunion we will bestow an Honorary "an Ridire" (Knighthood) on many deserving Clann. Date and place for this presentation has not been determined yet. Notification will be sent out this spring ensuring that all have the opportunity to attend. Our Chieftain, DR, Ramon O'Dogherty, will present these honors. We are also open to suggestions and recommendations from Clann as to whom might receive these awards.

(Hurry, don't be shy)

People, Happenings and Occasions of Clann
O'Dochartaigh.

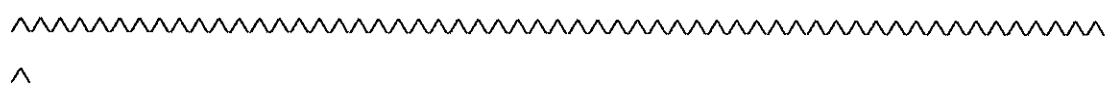
Be it hereby acknowledged the terrible debt owed to the following Clanns: McDevitt, McDaid, McCaffery, (with variations), McMahan, O'Quigley, O'Boyles and McCallion. This occasion was in regard to their support to O'Dochartaigh during Cahir Rua's battle against the oppressive British Armies in 1608. They gave of their time, goods and lives to the cause of Irish freedom.



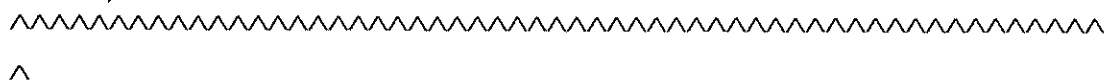
From Clann Seanachie: Edward J. Dougherty, LaJolla, Calif.

Our Clann founder, Conall "Gulban" lived at Ballyshannon, Southern Donegal, in the first half of the 400's. He grew up knowing Sucat who was a shepard. Sucat was a Roman/Celt, who was brought into Ireland by Conall's father, Niall "of the Nine Hostages". After escaping, Sucat came back into Ireland as **St. Patrick** on a mission to Christianize the Irish, He visited Conall many times in the Ballyshannon area. He and his new religion were accepted quickly by the three brothers in N.W.

Ireland, Conall, Eoghan, (Owen) and Enda. Most of the Gaelic names of present Donegal come down from these three brothers. Thus, the three Races of the Region: The Race of Owen, Conall and Enda.



Our Clann Seanachie, Edward J, Dougherty is a graduate of Fordham, Univ., Bronx, N.Y. "Clann of 1939"(A Catholic Univ.)



To Joseph Patrick Doherty: Held for more than a decade, (from 1983 on), imprisoned in New York City without charges, then returned to the United Kingdom. We wish him the best as we are concerned about the danger of persecution.



A few more Doherty's:

Gerry Doherty: He was one of the 5 elected Sinn Fein members of the 1985-1989 Derry City Council. He had previously served a term of imprisonment, after being convicted of taking part in planting explosives ? It has been ascertained that it was a statue of Queen Victoria that this group attempted to blow up. This was in the Council's Guildhall building, where Gerry later sat in power.

Aindiles O'Dochartaigh:

He died in Derry in 1180. First person of this surname to be mentioned in association with this settlement. He is known as part of the long line of Dohertys who were chieftains in the area. This surname is now the most popular in the City amongst both Catholics and protestants. There is a variety of spellings and pronunciations of this name in Derry.

Sean Og O'Dogherty:

Chieftain of the Inishowen in the late 1500's. He died 27th. Jan. 1601. His eldest son, Cahir, had been held hostage by Red Hugh O'Donnell. Sean had been held by the English till he was ransomed by the people of Inishowen. The English believed Sean og. had possessed Spanish wealth from the Armada. Cahir did not enjoy his Hostage tenure within the House of O'Donnell. He was very ill treated by them, even though he was about 10 at the time. The O'Donnells set up Sean Og's brother, Phelim Og as Chieftain of the O'Doghertys. Eventually Cahir Rua became Chief though only 14. He never was close to the O'Donnells and he needed them greatly a few years later.

Hugh C. O'Doherty:

Mentioned elsewhere, also. He was a local solicitor, becoming the city's first mayor in Jan., 1920.

A Mystery still Reigns: In the year 2000, the search is still in going on as to who was Galgach. He gave Derry it's first name, "Derry Galgach", (The oak grove of Calgach) . Galgach, (Galga) This time period was in the very early centuries of the first millennium, (abt. 300 AD). He was a great warrior.

'A DEADLY FIRE FROM THE CITY WALLS':
SECTARIAN WARFARE IN DERRY, 1920

'No Surrender- Citadel Conquered After Centuries of Oppression-Overthrow of Ascendancy': this is how the Derry Journal trumpeted the Unionists' first ever loss of control over the Londonderry Corporation in January 1920. Alderman Hugh O'Doherty, the city's first Catholic mayor put in office by the combined vote of Irish Parliamentary Party and Sinn Fein councillors, in his inaugural speech had few words of comfort for local loyalists:

' Rest assured that mighty changes are coming in Ireland. Do you Protestants wish to play a part in them? The unionist position is no longer tenable; your leaders are abandoning it...do you not see that English-men are prepared to sacrifice you if they can secure the goodwill of the rest of

*Ireland?...Ireland's right to determine her own destiny will come about whether the Protestants of Ulster like it or not'.
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There is nowhere that can compare With this dearest land of all,
From Farnad Shore to the proud Erne's roar
Our own loved Donegal,
And may God above bless the land we love,
This dear old Donegal.*

by: Harry

*Percival Swan
(author of "Romantic Inishowen" and "Twixt Foyle and Swilly").*

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Remember the romantic mountains of Inishowen, with Slieve Snaght as their highest peak, whilst facing the town in the immediate foreground is the "rosy wee, cosy wee, Island of Inch".*

The many spellings of the Irish Surname,
O'Dochartaigh: "The Destroyers"
The original, *Docartaig, (about 850 AD)*
His Grandson, *O'Docartaig (901 AD)*
, O'Dochartaigh

The Hearth Money Rolls of the mid-1600's use the anglicization form:
O'Dougherty and to a lesser degree, O'Dogherty.

Our last Chieftain, "Cahir Rua O'Dogherty", signed his name
thus.(1608).

Our present Chieftain, **Dr. Ramon O'Dogherty** signs his
name the same way. He is a descendant of
Cahir Rua's brother, John.

Canada and the USA, (all North America, at one time), caused
these many variations:

Dougherty, then came Daugherty, from Daugherty
Daughtry, Daughtery, Daugharty, Daughtey, Daughirty,
Daughty, Daghrtey, Daughery, Darighty, Daugherdy.



Dougherty brought about these changes: Dougharty,
Doughirty, Douerty, Dourty, Dougherdy, Doughderdy,
Dourgharty.

In America, for many generations Dougherty was the most
common form of our name., but it is being slowly supplanted by
Doherty due to more recent arrivals.

What ever happened to the "O" ? The Penal Laws adopted in the
late 1600's forbid the use of the "O". We ,being a long way from
Dublin, got away with it much longer. We find it dropping off
more in the late 1700's.

In Derry and in parts of America we find: Dorrity, Dority,
Other places we find: Darity and Darerty.

A change of residence to Scotland by many , caused the name to
be written: "Docherty/Dougherty"

How about this ? From out of the West Virginia Mountains came the spelling:

"Daughheetee". Tracing it back to it's origin, we found it as "Dougherty".

There are over 150 ways of spelling this Grand Irish name.

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They are all an anglicized form of this Auld Gaelic

Name: "O' D o c a r t a i g " If that spelling is written without the Irish pronunciation marks, the name is written "O'Dochartaigh"

From many reference Books:

this appears to be the 2nd. surname to come into use in all of Europe. The spelling of your name in Canada and the USA helps Headquarters to gage about when your ancestors arrived there, (generally).

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In a lighter vein: We wish to acknowledge the marriage of Matthew Dougherty of Attica, Michigan to Michelle Joles of Columbiaville, Mi. A reception was held in Grand Blanc, Mi. Matt is the son of Larry and Sally Dougherty, Imlay City, Michigan. They are of Family Group No.

001. ~~~~~

To Lydia Daugharty of St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada: Over the many decades she has provided "Tots for Toys" at Christmas time. She is now well up in her 80's and is of Family Group No. 10.

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^From another Edward J. Dougherty, Coronado, Calif. comes an article on some memoirs of Gen. Wm. T. Sherman:He quotes" I would like to go over the many magnificent trips made across the interior plains, mountains and deserts with regular "Doughertys" drawn by four smart mules, one soldier with carbine alongside the driver; two in the back seat with rifles, light baggage and with a large bag of oats as fuel. With many of

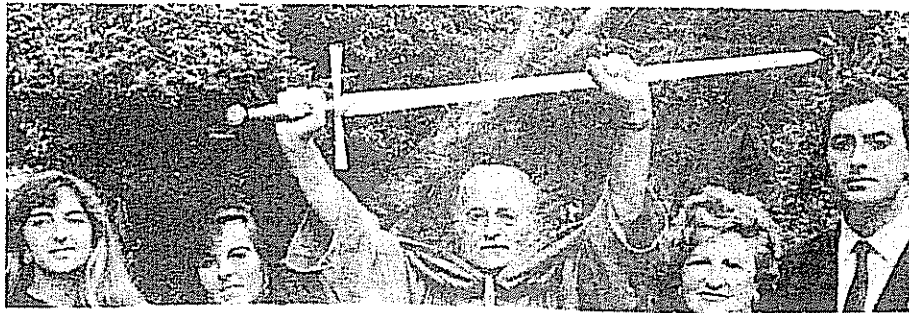
"He mentioned that his wife's old mother had given him a lot of bother, and the other day, he thought, Her funeral money he'd have got," It went on to tell of his pain of the fact that she lived. A delightful tale of a royal rouge. But, we must speak kindly of him as he has scores of Dohertys, Heaneys, Deans and O'Dohertys relatives all over the place. It has been said, by Micky McGuinness, that it is an inheritable disease and that many of those relatives can't lie straight in their beds. ^~~~~~

From Over the Sea: Rather belatedly: Thelma Daugherty Burkett passed away. Born in 1908 with parents, Vern Clyde Daugherty and Hazel Misner, Family No. 83. She died in Warren, Ohio. (R.I.P.) ^~~~~~ Helen Doherty, of the Co. Clare Dohertys, (both in Ireland and Michigan), passed away. She was the wife and daughter-in-law of the Doherty Hotel managers in Co. Clare, Michigan, USA. She is survived by over 50 children, grandchildren and great-grand children. She is of Family Group No. 6. (R.I.P.)

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In 1905, East Elgin County, Ontario, Canada, gave birth to a human knitting machine., (quote from the London Times, Ontario). Bertha Daugherty is often showing her skills which she was taught by her Grandmother at the Metcalf Gardens Retirement Home. In Jan, 2000 the residence will be exhibiting such skills to the public. ^~~~~~

The Crowning Stone: Near Derry City Limits is the Crowning stone of N.W. Irelands Chieftains. It lies in Belmont, a large residence, now a training school. It was at the Grianan of Aileach where the inaugural ceremony took place before 1200 AD. After the O'Briens destroyed the Grianan the stone was brought to Derry by an O'Dogherty. It was last used for the inaugural occasion in 1990 of Ramon O'Dogherty, the Chief and "The O'Dochartaigh".



San Fernando. CLANN O'DOGHERTY CHIEFTAIN Cadiz, Spain.  
**Ramon**, born in San Fernando, Spain on 30th. April, 1919, a Doctor of Biopathology, graduating as a medical doctor in Cadiz, in 1942. The following year he studied for a Doctorate in the Faculty of Medicine at Madrid University. He holds a Diploma in infectious illnesses, awarded at the Hospital del Rey, Madrid. In 1966 he became a recognised specialist in Clinical Analyses, and in the same year obtained a Diploma in Laboratory Techniques at the Escuela Nacional del Medicina del Trabajo. In addition, he is a Fellow of the Royal Academy of San Romualdo of Letters, Arts and Sciences, and a Corresponding Member of the Royal Academy of Medicine of Palma de Mallorca. His duties included, Deputy General Visitor of the Supreme Council of the Royal Institution of Knights Hospitaller of St. John the Baptist. Our Clann Chieftain. Married Catalina Febra, Dame Hospitaller of St. John the Baptist. Their three children are Ramon Jr., Cristina and Begofia. He is the XXXVII hereditary Chief of Inishowen, being the lineal descendant of the first line of descent of this illustrious name, as shown by family documents issued at Dublin Castle in 1790 and 1793. Records of this Sept of O'Dogherty, date back to 1522 at the Office of the Chief Herald in Dublin, (established by our editor recently), [our Chieftain has since retired from all Medical duties]  
His ancient surname, descending directly from Niall the Great, (Niall of the Nine Hostages), High King of All Ireland, through his son Conall Gulban and his direct descendants, Fianhain, ninth grandson of Niall, then by his grandson Dochartaigh, has been recorded as participating actively in all relevant events of Irish history. The O'Dogherty-Spanish links go back some time. Among Ramon's direct ancestors are the Lords of Inishowen, Sean Mor O'Dogherty (1536-1582) and his son Sean Og, who died in 1601. The latter was to face the wrath of the English because he dared to help the survivors of the Spanish Armada in 1588. He was duly imprisoned by the Lord Deputy of the occupying power. He was held in captivity until the oppressed people of Inis-Eoghain raised the tithe necessary to pay a ransom for his freedom. Genealogical listing of all the known chieftains of the O'Dochartaigh Clann starting in the period of the clann's initial attachment to Doire ~ Inis Eoghain. Donall (Died, 1342); Sean Or John (1342-1359). Conchur-An- Oinigh (1350-1413); Shane (1413-1439); Donall Mor (1439-1440). Edmond (Died, 1440-?); Brian Dubh (?-1496); Shane (1496-1511). Conchur Carrach (1511-1516); Eachmarcach (1516-1526). Gearalt (1526-40); Feilim (1540-1556); Shane Mor (1556-1582). Shane Og (1582-1601); Cathaoir Rua (1601-1608 Our Last Ruling Celtic Chieftain); Sean (1608-1638); Shane (1588,-1638). Eoghan (1611- 1642); Cahir Or Charles (1639-1714); Owen (1665-1732) A John (Died, 1762); Owen (1743-1784); Henry (1776-1803). John (1777- 1847); Ramon (1835-1902); Pascual (1886-1964). Ramon (1919) Our present Clann Chieftain was inaugurated at "The Crowning, Stone", which goes back to pre-Christian times, and is now situated at Belmont House School, near Derry City. The ceremony conformed to Celtic ritual, and was performed on Friday 13th. July, 1990.

# Cousins !

We give recognition to the thousands of kin who are cloaked in another surname. From research out of the Chief Heralds Office, from the Linen Hall Library and from research at Clann Headquarters, we find these local names are branches of O'Dochartaigh, therefore members of Clann

Fiamhain:(Feowhine),

**McDevitt**

**McNamee**

**McDaid**

**McCaffrey**

**McBride**

**Menealy**

**McConnalogue**

**McKevitt**

**McNeeley**

**(some McCafferty, McCallion and Davidson)**

**The O'Dochartaigh Clann Centre  
and it's Purposes.**  
(Fourteen Resolutions)

1. To gather our Clann History.
2. To gather the genealogy of this Family.
3. To acquaint members with the area of their origin.
4. To promote a Family Reunion every 5 years,
5. To encourage tourism into Donegal.
6. To encourage Clann to return to their Homeland.
7. To interest local members with helping.
8. To publish a Clann Newsletter several times a year. Have number 35 out by 2001
9. To combine our publication with an American, Canadian and Australian O'Doherty Clann Edition.
10. To maintain a Forestry plantation.

## Clann Shop Supplies

The proceeds from this project assist in the running of our association activities.

Clann Crests, books, music, hats, T-shirts, videos, jumpers, framed maps.  
O'Doherty, People and Places are being mailed for \$15 (USA).  
Inishowen CD-\$15.00  
Inishowen Maps-\$2.50  
Large Donegal Maps-\$ 6.00.

11. To publish a Clann History, (Number 5), by 2001.
12. To do the above activities with volunteer workers.
13. To work with other Clanns of the area in promoting their cause.
14. To remain solvent through it all.

## **The Inishowen, (O'Dochartaigh Country)-**

**We have had a CD developed for our members by a local Historian, Brendan Foley.**

### **It is Titled Inishowen 2000:**

**It enables you to tour Irelands most northerly peninsula,**

**The Beautiful Inishowen, (Island of Owen).**

**On this CD are Interactive Maps, Scenic Pictures, Historical Places and Events and Video Clips, (as a start).**

**You will enjoy seeing the many places that we have discussed and that you will be visiting during Reunion 2000. We have delved into our wealth of photos and used them where fitting.**

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**Your O'Dochartaigh Association is about to embark on putting together another CD. It's theme: O'Dochartaigh.**

**It will have music, lovely scenery, Historical clips, the Association Years and clips of members who have promoted the Clann in the present years.**

**If you have played any part in the development of the Association,**

in the purchase of Headquarters, great views of the area and (or) in the promotion of any Family or Clann Gathering, we need your photos. Get duplicates. as we cannot promise to return them. **BUT** you must detail **EXACTLY** what the view encompasses. **We**, **ALSO** reserve the right to edit each photo. This CD project is only in the planning stage so if you have ideas, drop a line to our new address. Place on the lower left corner: **CD**, so we can keep these ideas or photos separate from other mail.

**Keep in mind:** The Inishowen CD is packaged and ready to mail, Send \$30 (your Country) to us. **Mark** on the check **Inish-CD** and we will mail immediatly

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**2000 Dues:** Due to the Assoc. not getting no. 32 newsletter out till Jan, 2000, we are, (as a penance) not asking for dues this year. If you have already paid them we will record 2001 as paid. Note the info. on our messages on the WWW. This is a great way to spread our newsletters around the world. Any comments ?

# O'Dochartaigh

## 2000 AD

# Festival



Days  
23 June

to 7 July

**DERRY - INISHOWEN**

Saturday, 24th June, (day two)

Friday, 23rd. June, 2000.

(Day one) ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

Venues are in readiness for the 2 week period. The Calgach Center: will take you back to Celtic & Irish History. An exceptional display from the aspirations of Paddy "Bogside" Doherty. The Tower Museum: (O'Doherty Castle): affords a grand tour of this structure which was dedicated by your Clann Association in 1982. It contains detailed accounts of local history. At 8:00 PM a Civic Reception featuring: Irish entertainment with the Clann Chieftain, DR.

Ramon O'Dogherty and family.

Derry City: (On All reunion weekdays) There will be Walking tours of the Walls of Derry; Each Luncheon period during the weekdays will have noted speakers, (see next weeks list). Parking areas will be well marked by signs .Come early !!

Clonmany - McGlinchey Festival featuring traditional music and talks about the history of this mountainous Celtic area.

Tour the Clonmany area and step back in time at Paddy Doherty's Doagh Farm with a special program for the Doherty Clann. We will visit and discuss the O'Dogherty Castle on Doagh Island, (Carrickabraghey).

(Buses may be available). ←

An evening program is in the planning stage. This will include dinner and old Irish fun.



Sunday, 25th June-----

Grianan Day - Aileach. 3:00 PM. Join us for an afternoon ceremony at this historical site. There will be music, song, and stories in the traditional manner at this ancient pre-Christian cashel or stone fort. Enjoy a magnificent view of the surrounding countryside. Buses will be provided to take you up the hill.

See Renion Programme for more details. The best musicians in all off Ulster. Come early, avoid any confusion. Buses there at 2:15.

Monday, 26th June: Buses from Derry, with pick-up points on way to Malin Head. Buses from Buncrana also, with pick-up points, (announced later) Reservation helpfull.-----

Malin Day. Visit the most northerly point in Ireland with some interesting archeological features such as Hell's Hole, Devil's Bridge, and Banba's Crown. A tour "not to be missed". You will be welcomed with arrangements at Doherty's Inn, with special entertainment. There will be a dinner served by the finest chefs in Ireland that evening.

Derry City: (You may eat before or after) All Lecture Series are at 1:00-2:00, in the "Nerve Centre". 1st.; Frank D'Arcy will speak on 18th. Century Donegal Families. Remember the tours of the area, before or after the Talk. (Walls, Calgach Centre, Heritage Centre and Tower Museum). Evening, you may drive up to Malin Head for the Clann Supper about 8:00 PM., (RSVP)

Tuesday, 27th June-----

Reunion Day. This is a good time to gather with all relations in your individual families and reconnect the ties that have been lost. Meet at O'Dochartaigh Headquarters in Buncrana or the Heritage Library in Derry and plan your own day out. The new Clann Centre in Buncrana will have special CD showings on The O'Dochartaigh Clann, the Inishowen and County Donegal, with tours of the premises.

Derry City: 1:00 to 2:00: Lecture by Tony Crowe a local Historian. He is from the Protestant Tradition and will talk on the implications of being a Derry person. The Tours and named buildings will be open for your veiwing.

VISIT LABRDISH?



Wednesday, 28th June-----

Derry City: 1:00-2:00- Gordon Fulton will talk of a great Irish Writer; John B. Keane and his story telling abilities.(Nerve Centre). Then Tours:

Buncrana Day. Is a Clann Headquarters Day at the new location: Shore Front with all the flags a flying: 1:00-5:00PM.

Several Tours and all afternoon. View: Computer office; Graphics office; CD shows. Clann Kitchen open PM for snacks; An evening meal at this next venue is available and would be exceptional.

Move 5 Blocks: We move to the Inishowen Gateway Hotel at 8:00 PM. A business meeting during which Honorary awards will be presented to Clann "Ridire". Video Cameras to record your hoped for attendance. Important session, we need you ! Complications to discuss. The only official meeting, all Clann are invited, especially the Irish.

Thursday, 29th June^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

A Derry City Day and a Very Political Day: 1:00 PM. All the Political Parties will be invited here to elaborate on the ongoing Peace Process. Much more later !! It is "The Way Forward". At the "Nerve Centre". Come and hear the latest.. Be at the Buncrana Banquet, do RSVP.

Buncrana Day. 2:00- Daytime activities to include: dedication of several memorials; O'Dochartaigh Clann Projects and walking tours along the Swilly.

At the new, (Dohertys), Gateway Hotel. an evening banquet with special guests and entertainment. One of those " don't miss occasions" (RSVP)." Music, Food and Dancing !

Friday, 30th June-----

Carndonagh Day. In planning stage, but will include: A walk around the new (Doherty designed), Town Centre. A session at the Doherty's "Quiet Lady", an All Ireland Award Inn. The "Wee House", a traditional session of music and dance in the evening, (8:00) With possible meal provided.

Derry City: 1:00 to 2:00- Frank D'Arcy will discuss a topic dear to the hearts of every O'Dochartaigh, "EMIGRATION" and some unusual angles.Nerve Centre.(Usual tours to follow or proceed).

Saturday, 1st July ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

Buncrana Day. Start the day at 11:00 AM. Special Events and surprise guest feature in activities for this day followed by a welcome reception. A full day is in store for us in Buncrana. Stop at Clann Headquarters for a look-see. (more later)

Derry Day: No lectures Saturday and Sunday.

LABADISH

Sunday, 2nd July ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

The Church of your choice: or pay a visit to the religion that your Clann followed in the days of old. The Gateway Hotel will throw a Irish Ceile, (Traditional evening of everything)

Watch the WWW sites at home fo any last minute changes.

Monday, 3rd July ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

Derry Day: 1:00 till 2:00, Nerve Centre. A commentator: A local radio Wit, vibrant Anita Robinson will speak.

Open Day. We will have locations listed for you on a Reunion Pamphlet or you may check local tourist office for places of interest.

We may list some belated Clann activities on the schedule.

Tuesday, 4th, July: ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

Derry Day: 1:00-2:00-A talk by Anne Craig about Derry's forgotten Author, Kathleen Coyle, nee Doherty.

East Inishowen Day: Time listed-Buses are scheduled- Begin an historical tour along Lough Foyle. Buses will stop at pick-up-points, (announced later), for a trip to Burt castle, Culmore Fort, Whitecastle and Greencastle, (all O'Doherty Castles at one time).

A knowledgeable speaker will take you through the pages of history, elaborating on their connection to the O'Dochartaigh Clann.. There will be a stop along the way for a special meal.(RSVP). Plenty of stops with a full day of "O'Doherty" History.

Evening Session: "The Way Things Were" with "Patsy Cavanagh and Friends" is on the agenda at 8:00 PM. This will be an evening of drama, music and dance, followed by a traditional meal of Irish Stew, brown bread and scones. (RSVP) Buses will return to pickup points.

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Wednesday, 5th July-Derry Talk at 1:00-2:00, Mary Murray about "Derry as Seen by an Outsider" Nerve Centre.

^Buncrana Day: Tickets ordered ahead. A Friendship, Fair, Food and Fashion: Day. Inishowen Gateway Hotel; 4:00-Crafts of the Inishowen on display, an evening dinner of excellent cuisine, traditional Irish food, with lovely Colleens modelling Irish fashions throughout the meal. followed by music and entertainment and dancing.(Come over after the Derry Talk).Parking is easy !

Thursday, 6th July ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

Derry Day: 1:00-From our famous Paddy "Bogside" Doherty, will come a talk "The Rebuilding of Derry". Here is a lecture from the main architecture of this rebuilding process. He was a very important factor in the organizing of the Clann Association, also.

Malin Day,( in the Inishowen). Check your reunion pamphlet for this activity. Buses from Derry and Buncrana with pickup points along the way to Malin Head. This will be a dedication Day for an "American Adventure". Tour this loveliest of scenery, followed by a Clann Banquet at the Malin Hotel, (RSVP- from your home or on after you arrive)

Friday, 7th, July, Closing Day: ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

Derry City: Your last Chance: Walking Tours, the Calgach Center and the Tower Museum, (O'Doherty Castle).

Late Afternoon and evening: Reception, with Dance to follow at the Nerve Centre. A closing ceremony for the last event of the last day of this Clann Reunion, 2000 AD. Your attendance is imperative.

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We would appreciate your cooperation. Many events will need preregistration. Phone numbers and or places to do this will be listed on the Reunion Program. (Out in May, 2000. (They are also, elsewhere in this newsletter).

"Slainte"

# O'Dochartaigh

Co. Derry

## Gathering of 2000

### "An Ridire"

A great deserving honour for the many builders of the Clann Association. These people, in effect are promoting the cause of the Clann, the Irish Nation and themselves .

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Location and the day of the above Honour will be listed in our Reunion Programme. Get one early. If you wish to recommend a person for this "an Ridire" do write and list details. Any suggestions should consider,

1. Aiding the Clann Association,
2. Embellishing the Clann Name.
3. Honouring Ireland.  
Bless our Clann !

## Computer Technology:

January 2000

Newest PC and Programs

RAM 128 MB

Processor, Pentium(r) III,

Hard Disc- 26.5 GB

CD ROM/DVD.

A CD Burner

A Scanner, (HP ScanJet)

A sub-woofer.(From Clann

Herald), A brand new

Genealogical Program, built

to our specifications, called

"Legacy". (Eva Doherty

Gremmert a thank you)

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This Newsletter is going out in a mass mailing throughout Donegal and Derry. Why not come aboard this Clann Endeavor and aide the cause ! Don't sit back and grumble about what and how it is done, Be a leader among the Greatest Clann in Ireland and make it better.

Are you even a member of the Association ?

## The Clann

### Warriors:

Are those who care enough about the O'Dochartaigh Clann, about their family, about their Nation and about themselves to share in the work load necessary to promote this Clann gathering. Throughout this Newsletter you will find the many names of those who care enough. We shall call them the "Clann Warriors" !! The most numerous name in Co. Derry and Donegal is O'Doherty, Doherty coming from O'Dochartaigh. Some times we may wonder "Where have all the Leaders gone". You will find them within these pages.

"AR nOuthchas,"  
(We fight for our inheritance)