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# **Two Vice-Presidents Elected**

The Board at its meeting on Thursday September 1st 2022 elected new Vice-Presidents of the Society. These positions had been vacant since the passing of James Davidson and David O'Morchoe. The new Vice-Presidents will assume their positions on October 25th 2022 the 32nd anniversary of the founding of the Society in 1990.



Fiona Fitzsimons, FGSI, is a company director and the research & PR director at the Irish Family History Centre in Dublin. She is a graduate of Trinity College Dublin, a historical expert and entrepreneur. Since 1996, Fiona has developed historical research depart-

ment at the Centre, setting high standards for all its research work. Fiona's team have provided research and historical consultancy for television and film production, including WDYTYA, Face of America, Finding Our Roots, Ancestors in the Famine and many more. As a renowned professional genealogist, and an educator and writer in Irish Public History, Fiona has contributed enormously to the promotion of the study of Irish genealogy, local history, and related studies. Not only by the traditional methods of articles, lectures, classes, seminars, and conference papers, but by the full embrace of social media through weekly broadcasts to audiences around the world. Fiona's ability to clearly explain how to get the most from the various resources is greatly appreciated by her weekly followers on Facebook and by readers of her column, 'Kindred Lines', published in 'History Ireland' magazine.



Francis O'Donnell, GCMM, GCEG, KC\*SG, KM, KCHS, KCMCO, BA (Hons), MGSI, is a former diplomat and the author of 'The O'Donnell's of Tyrconnell—A Hidden Legacy' (ISBN: 978-1-68053-474-0 published by Academica Press). Frank retired from the United Nations after thirty-two

years in 2009, having most recently held the following positions: UN Resident Coordinator & UNDP Resident Coordina dent Representative in Ukraine (2004-2009); UN Resident Coordinator & UNDP Resident Representative in F.R. Yugoslavia (Serbia & Montenegro) (2000-2004); He was Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the SMOM to the Slovak Republic (2009 -2013). He is a life member of the Institute of International and European Affairs, Dublin, and a member of the Military History Society of Ireland; the County Donegal Historical Society, the Kerry Archaeological and Historical Society, and the O'Donnell Clan Association and served as its delegate to Clans of Ireland and briefly as Chancellor of its Order of Merit. Frank is a Director/Trustee of the School of Civic Education under the auspices of the Council of Europe; member/ moderator of the Global Baku Forum hosted by the Nizami Ganjavi International Centre, and have been an expert/participant in the InterAction Council; a listed advisor to the Global Partnerships Forum (New York); occasional advisor to the Non-Violent PeaceForce (an NGO consortium); and a participant in recent discussions on improving UN response to the Russian-Ukrainian war under the auspices of the Foundation for Global Governance and Sustainability (Brussels).

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### DATA PROTECTION

The European Union's General Data Protec-The European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force on May 25th 2018. The Board, under Res: 18/05/1380, advises Members that the Society holds the following records on its Members (1) Name; (2) Address; (3) Telephone Number; (4) Email Address and (5) the name of the Associate Member, if applicable, and that such records are **only used** for the purpose of contacting Members on Society matters and for the dispatch of the Monthly Newsletter and the Annual Journal and furthermore, that these records are only held by the Director of Membership Services and are inaccessible to all other persons and that, the Society does not share this information with any other individual or organisation. Records are also held for contractual necessity to deliver paid services.

# ARCHIVE DAY

Gerard Corcoran, MGSI, Director of Archival Services & Education, and his archive team have assessed the volunteer levels required to reopen An Daonchartlann on Wednesdays to both Members and the public. See page 4.

### MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY—DID YOU KNOW?

- Did you know that Membership of this Society is open to all with an interest in family history, heraldry, vexillology (study of flags and emblems) and related subjects?
- Did you know that Membership is open to anyone living in Ireland or overseas and with Irish ancestry or with ancestors from anywhere in the world? All are most welcome
- Did you know that Student Membership is also available at 50% off the subscription?
- Please checkout: www.familyhistoty.ie

SEmail: membership@familyhistory.ie

# **GSI ON YOUTUBE**

The Society's lectures and some informational short videos were uploaded to our YouTube Channel.

To view the videos and hopefully, to 'Like' and 'Share' them, and to 'Subscribe' to our YouTube channel—please checkout:

www.YouTube.com/c/ **GenealogicalSocietyOfIrelandGSI** 

### **ON INSTAGRAM**

The Society has been expanding its presence across all social media platforms and we're on Instagram! Please checkout this link:

> www.instagram.com/ GenSocIreland

# MONTHLY MEETINGS

EVENING OPEN MEETING

(via Zoom)

Tuesday 13 September —20.00hrs

Tuesday 11 October -20.00hrs

**MORNING OPEN MEETING** (via Zoom)

Wednesday 28 September 2022 —11.00hrs

Wednesday 26 October 2022 —11.00hrs

Contribution €5.00 p.p.

(Donations via www.familyhistory.ie)

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### YOUNG GENEALOGISTS

Real Asociación de Hidalgos de España (Royal Association of Gentry of Spain) is currently organising the *1st International Congress of Young Genealogists*.

It will take place in the wonderful city of Madrid on 17 and 18 February 2023.

The event is hosted in collaboration with the International Confederation of Genealogy and Heraldry, the International Academy of Genealogy, the International Institute of Genealogy and Heraldry and the International Institute of Genealogy and Family History.

The theme of the congress will be "Retrospective, actuality and future of a historiographic science".

For further information, including the submission of congress papers (wonderful opportunity), please see https://www.congresojovenesgenealogistas2023.es/

### "ARCHIVE DROP-INS"

The weekly "Drop-Ins" hosted by **Eddie Gahan**, **FGSI**, Director of the Outreach Programme, are hugely popular with our Members around the world.

These informal weekly "Drop-Ins" are only for fully paid up Members and are designed to allow you to join the Zoom meeting at any time between 11.00hrs and 12.00hrs on Wednesdays.

The "Drop-In" on the 4th Wednesday is a publicly accessible 'Drop-In' for Members and visitors alike. Visitors can email membership@familyhistory.ie for the link to this Zoom meeting on the 4th Wednesday.

Members receive an email from the Director of Membership Services each week with access details.

Members can send in their research query in advance to Archivist@familyhistory.ie

# We'll All Stay Connected via Zoom & Teams

# **Need to Regularly Check the "Back in Prints"**

This column occasionally features books that are back in print, usually having been out-of-print for several years, and we've always advised our readers to keep a look out for the "Back in Prints" as many usually don't stay long on the shelves. Indeed, some end up on popular bookseller sites and often at much inflated prices due to their demand as has happened with some of our own Society's publications.

One such work should be of particular interest to those with ancestral connections to the "Banner County" and its wonderfully rich reservoir of Irish traditional music and song—'The Mount Callan Garland — Songs from the repertoire of Tom Lenihan, Knockbrack, Miltown Malbay, County Clare' collected and edited by Tom Munnelly with music transcriptions by Marian Deasy (ISBN: 978-0-906-426-16-2: 188pp: ills. with two CDs: Price: €24.00: Web Price €22.50). This collection was originally published in 1994 and was republished in October 2017 in an updated format by Four Courts Press. The Four Courts Press website describes the above work as follows.



Tom Lenihan of Knockbrack, Miltown Malbay, Co. Clare (1905–1990), was a farmer. Though English is the language of his area, it is deeply coloured by Irish idiom and constructions as can be seen in the many hundreds of pages of lore and song, which were collected from him throughout the 1970s and 1980s. Although Tom was a rich source of Clare tradition, he was primarily known as a singer. In addition to songs of Irish origin he performed older international ballads along with local songs; all were grist to his unbiased mill.

The fifty-two pieces reproduced in this book cover aspects of Tom's repertoire, and about half of them are contained on the accompanying CDs. Tom's skill as a performer is captured along with his very obvious and contagious enjoyment in singing, which also comes across.

Dubliner Tom Munnelly (1944–2007) was passionate about song. His life's work revolved around collecting, publishing and researching traditional song.

In particular, he focused on songs in English whether of Irish origin or of the international ballad genre. In 1978, Tom moved, with his family, to settle near Miltown Malbay in Clare.

Tom Lenihan was not only one of Tom Munnelly's most prolific sources but also a good friend. A publication such as *The Mount Callan Garland* reflects some of the fruits of this relationship.

First published in 1994, Comhairle Bhéaloideas Éireann has now issued this reprint in an updated format. The sound recordings have been remastered by Harry Bradshaw.

The above work is but one example of the hugely important resources published, and occasionally republished, by Four Courts Press. Checkout the "Back in Prints" at www.fourcourtspress.ie

#### FOUR COURTS PRESS

Irish History, Genealogy, Local History and much more. Checkout the extensive online catalogue for 2022 and the wonderful special offers at www.fourcourtspress.ie

### **GSI BOARD NEWS**

The Board of Directors held its first meeting after the August break on **Thursday September 1st 2022** at 11.00hrs via Zoom.

With apologies from An Cathaoirleach and due to sound difficulties with the Zoom connection with the Leas-Chathaoirleach, the Board asked Barry O'Connor, FGSI, to chair the meeting.

The General Secretary brought proposals to the Board in respect of the convening of an incorporeal meeting of the *College of Fellows*. It was agreed, due to the need to update the contact details for the Fellows, to postpone the presidential election until 2024.

The Board agreed under *Res: 22/09/1683* to extend the term of office of **President Stuart Rosenblatt**, **PC**, **FGSI**, until March 2024 with the president's consent. President Rosenblatt was pleased to agree.

The Board, under *Res: 22/09/1684*, elected two Vice-Presidents of the Society who will take office on October 25th 2022, the thirty-second anniversary of the foundation of the Society. See page 1 of this newsletter.

The Board also agreed to **nominate five persons** to the *College of Fellows* under *Res: 22/09/1686*, however, the election of these nominees to the College of Fellows must await the production of an up-to-date *Electoral Roll* of the Fellows. The new *Electoral Roll* 

will be presented to the Board in December.

The responsibility for convening the *Presidential Forum* on *Funding (Res: 21/04/1581)* was transferred to *An Daonchartlann Foundation* (ADF) under *Res: 22/09/1687* and the following Trustees of the ADF, Lua OScolaí, Paula Jones and Gerard Corcoran, who will now nominate three Members to be Trustees and present these nominations to the Board next month for approval.

**Paula Jones, MGSI**, advised the Board that the *JGSI* 2022 will be published, as planned, next month.

The Board agreed, under **Res:** 22/09/1688, to register the Arms of the Presidents, and those of the Society, with **The Armorial Register** to highlight the Society's promotion of an awareness, appreciation and knowledge of our heraldic heritage. See: www.armorial-register.com

Other matters considered by the Board at this meeting were as follows: (1) Whether to resume the in-person Open Meeting each month now that Covid-19 restrictions have been lifted; (2) Opening days and times for An Daonchartlann; (3) The draft National Heraldic Survey: and (4) The Digitisation Project—both group projects. It decided to place these matters on the Agenda for the Board meeting on October 6th 2022 to hear reports on each which will inform the Board's decisions. The next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday October 6th 2022 at 11.00hrs via Zoom. General Secretary

# **JACK SWEENEY, RIP**

It is with great sadness that we learned of the passing on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2022 of one of our earliest Members, Jack Sweeney, of Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin, in his 91<sup>st</sup> year.

Jack joined the Society back in 1992 and was a very regular attendee at the Open Meetings, although, never a "committee man" as he would say himself, Jack was always on hand to help out in any way possible.



To Jack and his late wife, Daphne, who passed away on 14<sup>th</sup> May 1994, we owe a great debt of gratitude for the donation of an enormous collection of papers, some dating from the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, to the Society's archive in 1993. This collection is now kept at *An Daonchartlann* as the "Laois Papers".

Jack and his daughter Catherine were responsible for the launch of 'The Genie Gazette' as a social newsletter for the Society in January 1996 and by January 1997, it was decided to adopt 'The Genie Gazette' as the sole monthly newsletter of the Society. It continued until December 2005 and from January 2006, it was incorporated into 'Ireland's Genealogical Gazette' – Ireland's longest running monthly genealogical newsletter.

Always very jovial and with great stories, he was a font of knowledge on local and family history, especially, when it came to Donegal or to his time as a Radio Officer in the Merchant Navy. He will be very sadly missed by all who knew him.

Our sincerest condolences to his daughters, Catherine and Margaret and his son, John, and their families. Jack was buried on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2022 in Deansgrange Cemetery, Blackrock, Co. Dublin. RIP

### NOW AVIALIABLE



Recommended by **James Scannell**, please checkout www.historyireland.com and www.irelandsown.ie for further information and to order copies.

### HERITAGE WEEK 2022

**Eddie Gahan, FGSI,** Director of the GSI Outreach Programme, wishes to thank the volunteers that assisted with the Society's *Archive Open Days* for Heritage Week.

He would also like to thank the organisers of this year's Heritage Week for the inclusion of the Society's events in the publication and on the website. Looking forward to next year.

# In Brief....

Join on-line at www.familyhistory.ie Please note that GSI Membership is open to all interested in genealogy and related subjects. Discounted membership rates available for under 25s and students at recognised genealogy courses.

**GSI MEMBERSHIP** 

### **GSI OPEN MEETINGS**

Society's Monthly Open Meetings are held via **ZOOM** to allow the fullest access by Members from Ireland and overseas.

**Tuesday September 13th** —Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - Gerard O'Meara 'Lorrha in the Great War'.

Wednesday September 22nd —Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

**Tuesday October 11th** —Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - 'National Archives of Ireland' - Zoe Reid

Wednesday October 22nd—Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)— Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

**Tuesday November 8th**—Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - 'Connemara Irish: Despair in the Heartland of Minnesota' - Jane Kennedy

Wednesday November 23rd—Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

**Tuesday December 13th** —Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) -

Wednesday December 28th —Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)— Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

Talks will be posted on YouTube.

### **ZOOM MEETINGS**

Membership Director, Barry O'Connor, FGSI, will email Members to log in to Zoom for the two Open Meetings.

The lectures are open to the public and the access details are available on request by email from Membership@Familyhistory.ie

Suggestions on the Monthly Lecture Programme to: DepGenSec@familyhistory.ie

Members may send their research queries in advance for the Morning Open Meeting by email to Archivist@familyhistory.ie

The Lecture Programme is recorded for the GSI YouTube Channel as a free, publicly accessible educational resource.

We endeavour to have each lecture up as soon as possible after the event.

# IRISH DNA ATLAS

Checkout the short video and the lectures on the *Irish DNA Atlas* project on YouTube Channel—www.youtube.com/ c/GenealogicalSocietyOfIrelandGSI





Some of the Archival Collections in An Daonchartlann, Loughlinstown. (Photo: Tom Conlon)

# James Scannell Reports...

# LORD MAYOR'S CERTIFICATE IN LOCAL HISTORY STUDIES 2022-2023

Dublin City Libraries are delighted to announce the return of this popular course facilitated by Dublin City Archives, 144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2, in which participants will learn how to research local history in a lively and accessible manner, get practical training in how to carry out research in local studies with an emphasis on the history and heritage of local places, and learn to write up their findings in the form of a dissertation. The course consists of 100 hours part-time from October 2022 to May 2023, comprising 70 hours of online or class-based tuition; a presentation of the holdings of Dublin City Library & Archive; and two full-day field trips. Commencing in October 2022, classes will be held on Tuesday evenings at Dublin City Library & Archive, 138-144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2. The closing date for applications is 17.00hrs Monday September 19th September. Dublin City Council offers two bursaries for candidates taking the Lord Mayor's Certificate in Local Studies and closing date for bursary applications is 17.00hrs Thursday September, 15th. Apply online.

#### THE OLD DUBLIN SOCIETY

Liz Gillis will present 'The Battle for Dublin, June 28th to July 5th 1922' at 18.00hrs on Wednesday 14 September in The Conference Room, Dublin City Library & Archive, 144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2. Thomas Burke will present 'Sarah Cecilia Harrison, Dublin' First Female Councillor' at 18.00hrs on 28 September in the same venue. All welcome - admission free to both lectures

### **FOXROCK LOCAL HISTORY CLUB**

Philip Lecane will give the short talk 'George McElroy: Ireland's Forgotten First World War Ace' and Deirdre Rafferty the long talk 'The Big Houses in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown as Religious Institutions' at 20.00hrs on Tues 20 Sept. in Foxrock Parish Pastoral Centre, Foxrock, Co. Dublin and on Zoom. Admission is £5.00

### **DUN LAOGHAIRE BORO HIST SOC**

Peadar Curran will present 'A trip through the history of Dalkey Island' at 20.00hrs on Wednesday 21 September in the Royal Marine Hotel, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire. All welcome - admission 65.00

### **DUBLIN CENTRAL LIBRARY**

Dr. Mary Muldowney will present 'Whoring for a Living: Prostitution in Dublin' at 13.00hrs on Wednesday 5th October in Dublin Central Library, Ilac Centre, Henry Street, Dublin 1. All are welcome - booking required - bookings call 01-2228300, or by email: centrallibrary@dublincity.ie

### **RATHMICHAEL HIST SOC**

Rob Goodbody will present '50 Years of the Rathmichael Historical Society' at 20.00hrs on Wednesday 5 October in Rathmichael School, Stonebridge Road, Shankill, Co. Dublin, and simultaneously on Zoom. Admission is €5.00, tea and coffee included.

### MOUNT MERRION HIST SOC

Brendan O'Brien will present 'Tom Crean - Antarctic Explorer' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 6 October in The Fitzwilliam Rooms, Mount Merrion Community Centre, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin. Admission  $\epsilon$ 4.00/Students  $\epsilon$ 2.00.

#### **PUBLICATIONS:**

Journal of the Irish Railway Record Society, Vol. 30, June 2022, No. 208', Hon. Editor (Acting) Tim Moriarty, Managing Editor Mark Merrigan, published by the Irish Railway Record Society.

With the front cover image of Great Northern Railway Board Public Time Tables, operative from June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1956, with silhouettes of railcar 611 and VS locomotive 206 set against the time table cover background, there is a grand array of articles in this particular issue which will not disappoint the reader.

Articles featured in this issue include—'Inchicore -175 Years' celebrates the 175 years of Inchicore Works which opened in 1846 and provides a brief history of it and well as looking back at the some of the Public Open Days held there from when they started in the 1990s to the most recent which took place on May 7<sup>th</sup> this year,

Barry Carse in 'The Enterprise Express - (Part 1): 1947 to 1980, the first of two-part study, based on personal observations, notes and authoritative sources, details in chronological order the development of this now famous train. Include are time tables, transition from steam to diesel traction, rolling stock, the introduction of railcars and diesel locomotives, the extension of the Enterprise Express to Cork as well as other issues related to cross border travel and services.

In 'Livestock on the Line - Case Studies from the 1930s', Mark Merrigan looks at a number of incidents with lives stock in the 1930s and their outcome given that collisions between trains and livestock are an inevitable reality and is particularly true in Ireland given the large livestock population and the proximity of farmlands to the permanent way.

'The Railways in the Economy of Salvation - 1' by Tim Moriarty is an updated version of a two-part talk given to the Society in November 2007 and November 2008 in the Librarian's Annual Lecture series, which recalls the various special pilgrimage trains and trains serving various ecclesiastical buildings, operated by the various Irish railway companies from 1853 up the 1990s. In the following Part 2, other excursions under religious auspices, pilgrimage traffic to Lourdes by boat and train, railways, and monasteries, will be examined.

John Curran in 'Howth to Beragh via Mountain Stage - Childhood memories in a Railway family' recalls his holiday memories as a small boy in a number of railway locations both north and south and is destined to invoke childhood members for many of the members of the Irish Railway Record Society and readers. This issue continues the annual 'Writing on Irish Railways 2021' compiled by Tom Wall and Alan O'Rourke which highlights articles on Irish railways published in a variety of publications, excluding articles published in the Journal of the Irish Railway Record Society. 'Irish Railways News' contains a round-up of all the latest happening on the island, supported with an excellent array of colour photographs.

Details on the Irish Railway Record Society are available on www.irrs.ie. Membership details are available on the Society's website; by email from membership@irrs.ie; or by post from Membership Secretary, Irish Railway Record Society, 48 Chalfont Road, Malahide, Co. Dublin K36 CX83. (SAE appreciated). *James Scannell* 

### TRACING YOUR IRISH ANCESTORS

by John Grenham, MA, MAGI, FIGRS, FGSI
The Society strongly recommends to anyone embarking
on their family history quest that one essential piece of kit
must be, without doubt, a copy of the FIFTH edition of
'Tracing Your Irish Ancestors'. Please checkout the
website www.gillmacmillan.com Price €24.99 [RRP].

# PRÉCIS OF THE JULY & AUGUST LECTURES

On **Tuesday July 12th 2022**, the GSI Director of Archival Services & Education, **Gerard Corcoran**, MGSI, gave a presentation on a the enormous potential for the establishment of *digitisation group projects* at *An Daonchartlann*—Archive & Research Centre. These projects could involve Members participating both in-person at *An Daonchartlann* and from home. Gerard outlined the various archival resources held by the Society that are in need of digitisation, including the manuscript collection and our published material. He also proposed the digitisation of the ancient genealogies compiled by Dubhaltach Mac Fhirbhisigh (c. 1600-1671). Gerard explained that this presentation was merely an outline of the possible digitisation projects that could be undertaken by the Society and said that there was much more preparatory work to be done before a definitive proposal can be brought to the Board and subsequently launched.

On Tuesday August 9th 2022, Brian Donovan of Findmypast delivered a presentation on 'The Irish in the 1921 Census of England & Wales'. The 1921 Census for England and Wales was released earlier this year and it is an exceptionally rich resource for Irish genealogy given the huge numbers that emigrated to that part of Great Britain in the decades following the Great Famine. Brian outlined the scope of the resource, its availability and, crucially, he provided a step-by-step guide to maximising the potential of this census of England and Wales to fill in the gaps for Irish researchers. Checkout the full lecture on the Society's YouTube Channel (see bottom of page 1).

### H.M. ELIZABETH II, RIP

The President, Stuart Rosenblatt, PC, FGSI, on behalf of the College of Fellows, the Board and the Members of the Society, sends his sincerest condolences to our Members, friends and readers in the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and the Commonwealth on the passing of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, on Thursday 8th September 2022.

Her Majesty's historic visit to Ireland in 2011 is remembered as a hugely defining event in the long road towards the normalisation of neighbourly relations between Ireland and the United Kingdom.

Her wonderful thought-provoking speech at Dublin Castle, the laying of the wreath with that dignified bow at the Garden of Remembrance and, with her charm, warmth and personality, her contribution to the evolving peace and reconciliation on our island is very much appreciated throughout Ireland. *Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h-anam dilis*.

# Appointment System for An Daonchartlann

An Daonchartlann - Archive & Research Centre operates these rules:

- All visits to the archive, for members and nonmembers, is by appointment only. All appointments to be made, in advance, via email to Archivist@familyhistory.ie only.
- (2) Maximum time for each visit, is 1 hour for nonmembers and 2 hours for paid-up members. Maximum number of visitors per appointment is one person.
- (3) Gloves supplied in the archive, must always be used while in the archive.
- (4) Face mask/covering must always be worn while in the archive. You will be refused admission to the archive without a face mask/covering.
- (5) A name and contact phone number will be required from each person visiting.
- (6) All visitors, members and non-members must leave the archive as soon as their allocated time has finished.

Please do not visit the archive, if you are feeling unwell or have been in contact with someone, who has been confirmed as having Covid-19 or are waiting for test results. *Gerard Corcoran, MGSI* 

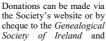
# Checkout the Society's website www.familyhistory.ie

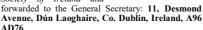
# Our Society is a Registered Charity

During the disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, many charities in Ireland and overseas are finding it difficult with reduced funding streams. This Society is funded largely by its Membership Fees and the kind donations received from Members and friends at home and overseas, without which, it simply couldn't exist.

The Society is a Registered Charity in Ireland and always considers options for fund raising and grant applications. The possibility of crowdfunding for specific projects is being considered. However, in the meantime it was decided to appeal to our Members,

friends and social media followers around the





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### **Board of Directors** (2022-2023)

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#### "HALL'S INDEX"

The "Gazette" is Ireland's longest running monthly genealogical newsletter and it is read by thousands each month around the world.

The past issues of the Society's newsletter from 1996 to 2016 had been fully indexed by the late **Brendan Hall**, **MGSI**. The "*Hall's Index*" now includes all issues right up to date and is available on www.familyhistory.ie

Although we're not members of the National Union of Journalists (NUJ), the team at the "Gazette" always endeavour to operate in accordance with the NUJ Code of Conduct www.nuj.org.uk/about/nuj-code/ and in line with the 'National Policy Statement on Ensuring Research Integrity in Ireland' which was endorsed by the Genealogical Society of Ireland back in June 2014 soon after its launch at the Royal Irish Academy. (see the June 2014 issue of the "Gazette" at www.familyhistory.ie)

### GENEALOGY HELP CENTRE

An Daonchartlann, the Society's Archive and Research Centre is located at the DLR Leisure Centre, Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin.

The use of our extensive archival resources is reserved for fully paid-up GSI members, however, day research membership is always available on request.

The facility is normally open each Wednesday from 11.00hrs to 15.00hrs but with **prior booking** on Archivist@familyhistory.ie

