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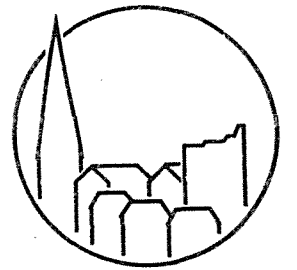
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DIARY DATES

January 10th Senior Citizen's Annual Dinner.

January 10th Clane Musical Society resume in the Abbey at 3.p.m.

January 11th M.A.D.E. Next term enrolment 10a.m. to 12 noon

January 12th Senior Citizen's Re-open.

January 13-14th Language Classes N.U.I. enrolment from 7 to 9p.m. nightly.

January 15th Night Out Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich.

January 18th Old Greenfield Residents Association A.G.M. Caulfields at 8p.m.

January 18th Maynooth I.C.A. Crafts resume

January 19th I.C.A. Badminton resumes at 10.30a.m.

January 19th Flower Club Dinner Moyglare Manor Hotel.

January 22nd Credit Union Primary Schools Table Quiz in St. Patrick's College.

May 30th Pioneer Rally in Croke Park.

June 99 Pioneer International Conference Maynooth College.

EDITORIAL

The turn of the year is a time for looking backwards and looking forwards. It is a time for New Year resolutions, discarding what's negative and setting ourselves targets for the future. It's also a time for handing out plaudits to people who make Maynooth a better place to live in. The list could be a long one and includes the huge number of residents working in voluntary and sporting bodies who give so freely of their time. The Newsletter would like to mention just three groups of people who for many years have been making a huge contribution to the town.

First of all there is the Senior Citizens Committee who do a fantastic job in arranging activities and generally caring for our older residents. The Newsletter regularly publishes photographs of their events and always capture the sense of fun and enjoyment which marks out their parties and outings.

Second, St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band had a very active year in 1998 and showed that they are a very valuable resource in our community. Apart from the pleasure they bring when performing in the town, the band plays an important role in developing the musical talents of many young aspiring musicians. No doubt, later this year, many of us will see in the new millennium to the strains of St. Mary's Band.

Third, Maynooth is fortunate in having a range of excellent schools in the town. This is down to the talents and dedication of our teachers who give of their time, not just in the classroom, but in the whole range of extra-curricular activities from debating to drama and football. The demands of toddlers in the infants class to Leaving Cert students, striving for maximum points grow more challenging every year. But the future of Maynooth's young people appears to be in safe hands.

Here's to 1999, a Happy New Year to all our readers.

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Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Control of alcohol in public places - Regulations proposed by Kildare County Council

Councillor John McGinley informed the December meeting of Maynooth Community Council, that Kildare County Council has put forward regulations regarding the control of alcohol in public places. Under powers granted to them in the Local Government Act 1994, Councillors can adopt these new regulations making it an offence to consume alcohol in public places. Fines of £25 can be imposed for a breach of the regulation and if it goes to court the fine increases to £500. The draft regulations will go on display for the public response for one month.

Maynooth Community Council objects to Landfill Dump proposal

The proposal by Thorntons to site a Landfill Dump in the Moyglare area was unanimously rejected by Maynooth Community Council at the December meeting. The Council has objected to the proposal and has encouraged everybody in the town to add their support, by actively campaigning against this proposal.

Maynooth Community Council supports extension of Dublin Taxi Meter Area to Maynooth

Leixlip Town Commission has sought the support of Maynooth Community Council for their application for the extension of the Dublin taxi meter area into North Kildare. The matter was considered at our December meeting, where there was unanimous agreement to support this proposal.

Maynooth 1798 Commemoration Group congratulated

The events of 1798 are recorded in the booklet published by the group called Maynooth and 1798. It is written by Liam Chambers and contains additional maps and letters relating to Maynooth. It also includes poetry written by local people to celebrate aspects of the rising relating specifically to Maynooth.

The success of the events that they arranged during the year bore testament to the excellent work undertaken by this group, to ensure that the bi-centenary of 1798 was celebrated in Maynooth. Maynooth Community Council accorded its congratulations to the group and were pleased to hear that the group is staying in place as a local history group.

Kairos - 25 years in Maynooth

Kairos celebrated twenty five years in Maynooth last month with a visit from President McAleese. The well known Communications Group has established a strong reputation in their field. Maynooth Community Council congratulated them on their silver jubilee in the town and wished them many more years of success.

Maynooth Band - Thanked for Christmas Cheer

Maynooth Community Council congratulated St. Mary's Band on their excellent performances over the Christmas period, in particular with their concert in the Aula Maxima, NUI, Maynooth on Saturday December 12th. The concert was a most enjoyable evening where the band took the opportunity to display the incredible range of their talents. The arrival on stage of Eoin Donovan, a piper with the Narraghmore Pipe Band to play with the Maynooth Band was the first occasion that this has occurred. Judging by the reaction of the audience it may become a regular feature.

Senior Citizens - a new co-option

Maynooth Community Council, Chairman Mr. Tom McMullon welcomed Ms. Joan Lennon as a member of the Council on her co-option as a representative for the Maynooth Senior Citizens Association.

Railway Station Footbridge - Community Council seeks update from Iarnrod Eireann

Maynooth Community Council has written to Iarnrod Eireann seeking information regarding the expected completion date for the new footbridge in the Harbour. Community Councillors also expressed their gratitude to Maynooth Students Union for their continuous efforts to bring this matter to a speedy conclusion.

*Paul Croghan
PRO*

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

First of all may I wish all our readers a happy New Year. At this time of the year resolutions are being made.

May I ask for one more to be included - for you to do your best to keep Maynooth tidy. We as a committee are small in number but big in ideas. We would welcome any help that you the readers can give us.

You could join our committee and help us formulate our plans for the next 3 - 5 years or you could help us with the Sunday morning clean up, 9 o'clock outside the Geraldine Hall.

Finally, please use the recycling facilities at Quinnsnorth and Glenroyal Shopping Centre.

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*Richard Farrell
P.R.O.*

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Maynooth Development Plan - Back to the Drawing Boards

January is always an anti-climax. Once the champagne has been consumed, and the strains of 'Auld Lang Syne' are over for another year, the realisation that 1999 will bring a familiar set of problems dawns. But while this is true of Maynooth's on-going planning tribulations, 1999 also brings a new set of challenges as signs of a more progressive approach to planning its future appear. Who would have believed in the dark days of the 1996 Amended Draft Plan for Maynooth that by the beginning of 1999 this would still not have been adopted? Who would have believed that by the end of 1998 the proposed Maynooth Plan would be scrapped?

Acting on the basis of legal advice, the County Manager announced last month that the town development the plans for Maynooth, and four other towns, must be started again from scratch in 1999 and must undergo again the various display periods laid down in the statutes. This about-turn reflects concerns that these plans are not compliant with the County Development Plan shortly to be adopted, and would, if proceeded with, run the risk of legal challenges. The Council had already lost legal challenges to the Clane and Kill plans over the past few years. The furnishing of a coherent strategy at county level to which individual towns complied at local level was also part of the requirement insisted on by successive Ministers for the Environment in recent years in granting Kildare councillors extensions of time to replace the out-dated 1985 County Plan (something that should have been completed by them in 1990). Certainly, as pointed out frequently in this column, several flaws in the proposals for Maynooth rendered them unlikely to stay within the required targets due to excessive residential rezonings.

For Maynooth, this new situation represents a reversal of the previously held position which was that no further display periods were to occur before the passage of the Plan. The new approach provides an opportunity for stricter compliance with the County Development Plan which specifies a target population for Maynooth of 11,500 by the year 2006. However, it also means that recent and currently proposed development must now be incorporated into the population commitments. In particular, proposed major new apartment complexes and proposed changes in density of residential developments become highly relevant to the calculation of residential land needs over the next five years and Maynooth Planning Alliance will be studying carefully how such matters are handled. The Council's legal advice appears to be that any actions which provide for a greater population increase by 2006 than specified in the County Development Plan will leave any proposed Town Plan open to challenge.

The news of this fresh approach was received with considerable dismay by some councillors who had expected a speedy resolution to Kildare's planning saga in the early weeks of the New Year. It now looks like the adoption of the various plans may not even be completed before the council elections in June. In some parts of Europe, councils are elected immediately after their planning proposals are passed, giving the electorate an opportunity to judge each on their actions and on their records. Perhaps 1999 will pose new challenges for some after all!

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

As we embark on a brand New Year, on the road to the millennium, lets just retrace our steps to the closing days of '98. "Our Sale of Work", which we held in November, was once again a resounding success. The amount raised was £6,615.54. This achievement was down to a dedicated Committee, hard working helpers and a responsive, generous community. All this despite the fact that we had stiff competitions elsewhere in the town. Many thanks to our loyal following who did not desert us for "pastures new". As Denis O'Brien said, referring to Telecom losing their monopoly, "this is a sweet day."

We are very grateful to Quinnsworth who allow us to sell our tickets on their premises each year and to Ollie for arranging the facility. I hope this will continue with the new proprietors. A special word of thanks to Donovans in general and Seán in particular for their generosity and support. To Bernard Flanagan for his help with the Hall and to 'Westside Waste for the free use of not one but two skips.



*Leixlip Active Retirement Group,
Enjoying the Christmas Party*

I also thank those who spent that Sunday night spreading the contents of those skips around the car park, as filling them again was great exercise for us. I am glad we brought such excitement into their otherwise dull little lives.

Congratulations to all who won prizes on the day especially Pat O'Rourke from Rail Park who won our "Monster Hamper"

See opposite page for results of all draws.

We held our Christmas Party on Dec 13th. We were joined on the day by a fairly new group in the area, Leixlip Active Retirement Association, who enhanced the enjoyment of the occasion. Our Mass was celebrated by Fr. Pat O'Connor and made all the more reverent by the participation of our own folk group. The rest of the evening was spent sampling the Christmas "goodies" and of course dancing the extra pounds

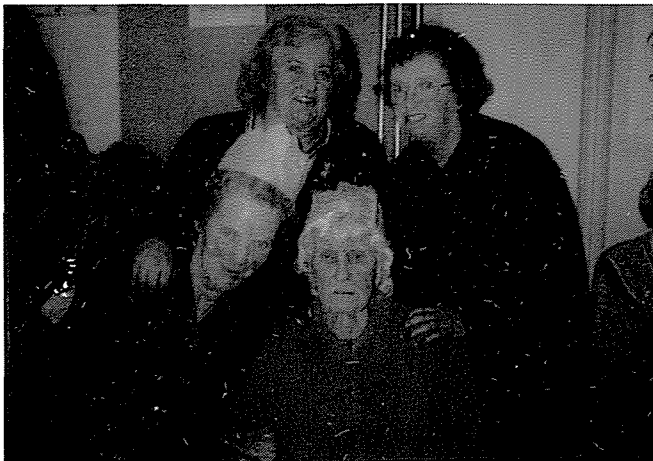
off. No Christmas party would be complete without a visit from Santa and sure enough he arrived on time with a gift for "everyone in the audience". Many thanks to all who made our final party of '98 so enjoyable, especially Brian who prepares the school for us without fail time and time again.



*Imelda Farrelly, Toisin Farrell,
enjoying the Christmas Party*

Our next event was on Monday December 14th, when Super Valu extended the hand of friendship for the third Christmas. This was a most enjoyable occasion indeed. Not only could our older people shop without all the discomfort associated with Supermarkets at Christmas time, but were also entertained with live music and plenty to eat and drink. Many thanks to Brian, Derek, Marjorie, Ann and all the staff who were so kind and helpful throughout the evening.

Cont./



*In Christmas Party Spirit, Mrs. Leavey,
Rita Thompson, Veronica Dolan and
Mrs. Thompson*

Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee Results of Draw . Nov 22nd 98

Draw 1

1st Prize	Monster Hamper	-	Pat O' Rourke Railpark
2nd Prize	£50	-	Sarah Curran Moneycooley
3rd Prize	£25	-	Dan Conway (Senior) Old Greenfield

Draw 2

1st Prize	C.D.R.C. Player	-	Rosemary Hanley Greenfield Drive
2nd Prize	Presentation Tray	-	Tess Mc Keown Greenlane Leixlip
3rd Prize	Btl. Baileys	-	Kathleen Gilten Newtown
4th Prize	Btl. Wine	-	Helen White Old Greenfield

Draw 3

1st Prize	Christmas Cake	-	Eileen Quinn Rockfield
2nd Prize	Btl. Whiskey	-	Della Clerkin Maynooth
3rd Prize	Basket of Fruit	-	Marie Nolan Newtown
4th Prize	Btl. Wine	-	Mary Daly Moyglare Rd

Special Draw

Portable T.V with Text	-	Sandra White Old Greenfield
Video Recorder	-	Eddie Cusker Old Greenfield

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE (Cont.)

You will have noticed that I mentioned three shopping venues in this one article. Isn't it nice to know that our larger shopping outlets can take time out from their busy schedule and make way for the more Senior members of our society, each playing a vital role in the scheme of things. Just another example of the Community spirit that is the hallmark of Maynooth. Well done to all concerned.

Our Annual Dinner will take place on Sunday January 10th at 5 p.m. If you have not got your name in, do it now. All our Senior Citizens in the area are welcome to all our events.

Our Club will re-open on Tuesday January 12th. Our Annual General Meeting will take place on Tuesday February 2nd at 8 p.m. in the Health Centre. This is an open meeting to which all are welcome.

Our sincere sympathy to the Newton family on the death of their Father Dan, to the Cusack family on the death of their Mother Claire, to the Farrelly family on the death of their Mother Rita, to the Flood family on the death of their Mother Essie and to the Murphy family on the death of their Mother Kathleen. May they all rest in the peace of Christ.

Finally may I wish each and every one of you a fruitful and peaceful New Year and remember take care of yourselves, take care of each other.

P.S. Only thirty nine more weeks to our next "Sale of Work".....Now isn't that a sobering thought!

Josephine Moore

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BAND BULLETIN

The early editorial deadline for the January Bulletin does not allow me to include much of our December news but two events stood out for mention.

Christmas Concert

It has been a long time since the Band last held a concert at Christmas and this was very much of an experiment. A £1 admission charge had a two fold purpose, to thank the people of Maynooth for their support in 1998 and to put 'bums on seats'. The formula worked reasonably well and over 200 musical connoisseurs turned out for what (in the view of the audience) was a magical experience. The emphasis was on entertainment and a jazzed-up Rudolph together with an experimental appearance by Eoin Donovan on Bagpipes had the crowd in top class form calling for more at the end of the evening. It was a most enjoyable evening for all concerned including the boys and girls in our junior classes who performed brilliantly on their first public performance. This will certainly be a hard act to follow in 1999.

Carol Service

The second Christmas Carol Service in the Parish Church was a huge success. All of the musicians and singers produced an exciting and varied programme during the 75 minute service and the congregation responded by joining in on all the carols. As with our concert a new standard has been set in the quality of the music and we hope this can be improved on next year.

January gives us an opportunity to recover from our hectic Christmas schedule and the only significant events will be the start-up of our new music classes and our Annual General Meeting. We will catch up with all the news in our February Bulletin.

Finally we would like to express our deepest sympathy to Cliff Murphy and his family on the death of their Mother last month.

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FLOWER CLUB

At our last meeting on the 17th. November, our demonstrator Irene Cunningham was excellent. Her exhibition the "Titanic" was magnificent. Her use of colours was truly beautiful.

We have no club meeting in January but we have our annual dinner at the Moyglare Manor Hotel on the 19th January to look forward to.

A great night was had by all, at the preview opening of the Flower Festival in St. Patricks Hospital, James St., Dublin, on Friday evening the 4th December. The Maynooth Flower Club produced some beautiful exhibits of their work. A big thank you to all our club members who helped out at our work nights. It was very much appreciated.

I wish all our members and their families a very happy New Year and may 1999 bring all of you health, wealth and happiness.

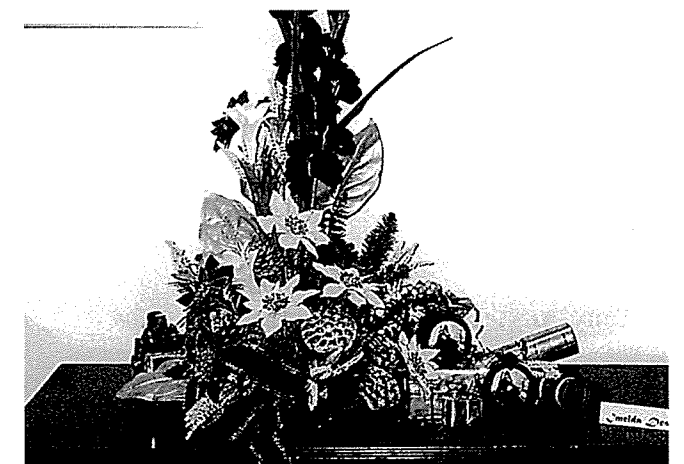
Maureen Fagan PRO



Enjoying the preview of the Flower Festival in St. Patrick's Hospital were from left Jo O'Connell
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GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH

Féasta na Nollag:

Because the páistí in “Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich” are so good Santa made an extra special visit to our Christmas Party which was held in the Parish Hall on the day we got our Christmas Holidays. He arrived laden down with wonderful presents for all the children. The party was organised by Liz Byrne and Joanna Sherry and was thoroughly enjoyed by parents and children alike.

Míle Buíochas libh Liz and Joanna.

Christmas Tour:

On Friday, 18th December we had a magical trip into the Arc Cultural Centre in Temple Bar to see a musical called ‘Christmas Island’. It was an exciting and enjoyable hour of music, theatre, stories and singing. Just the ticket for getting us in the Christmas mood!

Book Fair:

We held a Folens book fair in the school during December. The fair was a great success and as a result we received £160 worth of books for our school library. Thanks for the support!



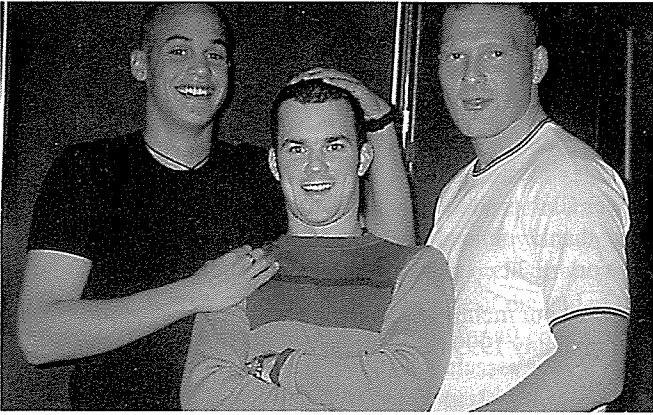
Nicole Troy and Sarah Edwards at the Fashion Show

Bogadh:

Finally, after a lot of hardwork, frustration and patience we are moving to our new premises at harbour View on Monday, 11th January, please God. We hope this will be a new era for our Gaelscoil and we are sure we will all be very happy with the move. Our new building will have a Computer Room, Staff Room/Office, Library, Resource Area and Classrooms. Visitors are always welcome to come and have a look!

Oscailt Oifigiúil:

After all our hard work obtaining our New Building we feel everyone deserves a night out. Friday 15th January has been

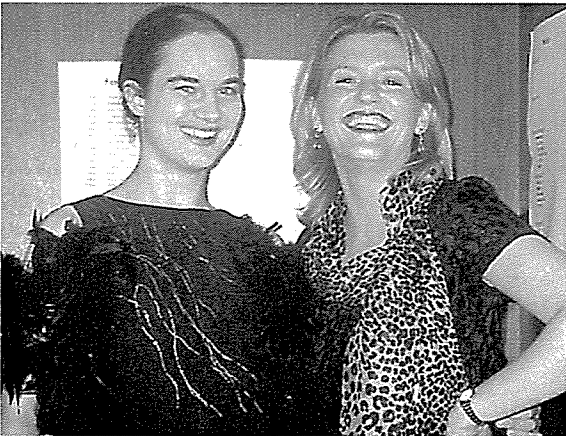


L-R Rory Wetherford, Fehin McDwyer and Paul Sparks at Scoil Uí Fhiaich Fashion Show

chosen provisionally as our ‘Opening Night’ in the school. Watch this space for more details!

Ranganna Fraincise

French classes for all the children will be recommencing this term. We have secured a lovely Parisien to come in from the College and teach the children. These classes are free of charge to parents as the Cairde Committee meet all the expenses.



Miriam Gormally and friend modelling at Scoil Uí Fhiaich Fashion Show

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GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH (Cont)

Parents Trip to Gaeltacht!

Liz Byrne is organising a weekend trip for parents to Rath Cairn, the Gaeltacht area in Co. Meath. The weekend will consist of ceol, craic, ól and a little Gaeilge! The dates for the trip are 19th - 21st February and the cost is £45 p.p. Further details are available at the school, phone 6290667.

Ranganna Gaeilge for Parents:

Depending on demand we will hold Beginners or Intermediate Classes for parents this term. The classes will be held on Tuesday nights in the school. If you are interested in attending these classes please contact Aisling at the school, phone 6290667.

Cártaí Nollag:

Máirín and I would like to thank all those who supported our sale of Christmas Cards. The card was designed by Emma Ní Chearúil, Naíonáin Shóisir and all proceeds went to the school. Go raibh maith agaibh ar fad.

Calendar:

Our calendar will be distributed to every household in Maynooth this month. We are extremely grateful to all those businesses that supported us and ask you to support them in return!

Ath-bhliain faoi shéan daoibh ar fad/Wishing you all A Very Happy New Year.

Aisling Ní Bhriain.



Elaine Flood Celebrating her 21st at the Kildrough.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION
BOYS SCHOOL MAYNOOTH

Our A.G.M. was held on the 4th of November in the school, there was a good attendance and a new committee was formed.

Chairperson:	Mary Mc Namara.
Secretary:	Yvonne Comerford.
Treasurer:	Margaret O Regan-Arden
Assistant Treasurer:	Sheila Hawthorn.
P.R.O:	Claire O Rourke.

The committee also consists of representatives from most areas of Maynooth.

Over the past year the Parents Association have been fund raising for various activities and events in the school such as: Irish Dancing, Goal Posts, School Parties and Educational Equipment.

We would like to thank the parents and teachers for their support.

Claire O Rourke ,
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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Our A.G.M. was held on the 11th of November in the I.C.A. Hall at 8.00pm, with a very poor attendance. To put it more clearly the only people who attended were last years committee who had no choice but to go forward for re-election if the Summer Project is to continue. When you consider that approx. 300 children took part in last years project it is hard to believe that there are so few parents available to take on the responsibility of helping out.

If there is any parent out there who would like to join, please contact any committee member or leave your name and particulars in the Community Council Office or phone 6285922

LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Laraghbryan Cemetery Committee held its Annual General Meeting on the 24th November, 1998.

The following committee was elected:-

Chairperson:	Breda Holmes
Vice Chairperson:	Larry O'Brien
Secretary:	Helen Johnson
Treasurer:	Eoin Donovan
Committee Members:	Ann Nugent, Breda Ward, Lil Hyland, Mary Kenny, John Saults, Michael Kelly, Pat McDonald, Lenny Murphy, Dominic Nyland.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking our outgoing Chairman Lenny Murphy, also Tony Mooney, Peter Flynn, Marie Nolan and Patricia Malone who were part of the committee over the last two years.

A special thanks and best wishes to Ita McTiernan who contributed enormously to the committee also.

During 1998 we have made a lot of progress due to the fundraising received from parishioners and Kildare County Council. We would like to thank everyone who has helped us over the last year in particular our Local Councillors and Fr. Sinnott.

Again we would like to appeal for help in the coming year. If you can give us any support in our work we would greatly appreciate it. Please contact any of the above members if you have a few hours to spare and we can assure you that you will find the work very rewarding.

Thank you.

Breda Holmes.

ROYAL CANAL RENEWAL OF COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME

We can report very good news of the scheme for a further year.

INTERNATIONAL BOAT RALLY

This rally on the Royal Canal will now take place in August 1999. Maynooth will be the real starting point with a stopover for one night. It will be an opportunity to promote the North Kildare area. Our group intends to have it coincide with a mini-festival.

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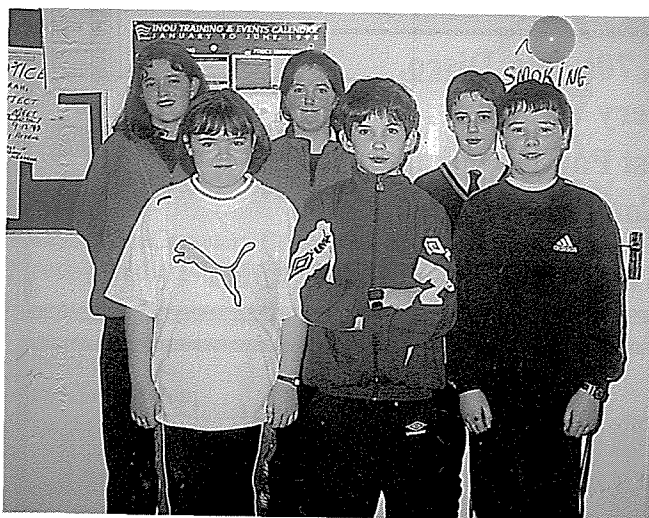
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Clubs, Organisations and Societies

MAYNOOTH JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB

The Club are enjoying their most successful year to date. Two teams have been entered in the Leinster Championship Juvenile Leagues. Both teams have enjoyed a great run of success. The U-13 team defeated their neighbours Kilcock in a match played in Scoil Dara. They had a second victory on the home ground in the return match against Kilcock. Much to the delight of the team they won a great victory over a team from the home of badminton, Terenure. They however conceded defeat to a very strong and experienced Mount Pleasant. A fine standard of badminton was displayed by both teams. The team are now eager for their next challenges against Terenure and Mount Pleasant. Boys and girls you have done us proud. We wish you success and hope you enjoy your next matches.



U-13 Team: Back: Suzanne O'Burley, Holly Murray, Roman Phelan.
Front: Keira Hayes, Patrick Larraghy, Darren Hayes

Baldoyle. We are hopeful that members from the Maynooth Club will qualify for selection and enjoy the great honour of playing for their County. The success of the Badminton Club is due in no small way to the sterling work and interest



U-17 Team: Back: John Healy, Morgan Sweeney, Barry Coughlan
Front: Alan Sweeney, Gerard McCarthy

of the coaches Msgr. Alex Stenson, Siobhain O'Riordan, and Colin Phelan. Coaching sessions are held in the Parish Hall on Tuesdays 3.15 -5pm, for beginners and improvers and on Saturdays 2-4pm, for more advanced players. New members are welcome to both sessions. Finally we wish our members and supporters a happy and successful New Year.

Secretary

The U-17 team under the leadership of their Captain John Healy got off to a flying start. Maynooth won all six matches and it was a rather crestfallen team that returned home to Skerries. Eager for their next challenge the team took on K.A.D.C.A. in the rather exclusive Baldoyle premises. Despite being presented with unfamiliar flooring our team displayed great confidence and stamina. Not deterred by this experience they were even more determined than ever. To their delight they won the return match on the home ground before an enthusiastic audience. The most exciting encounter so far was that of Dal Riada v Maynooth match. At the end of play the score was 3 all, so the final result was decided on the points scored. Alas, Maynooth lost by just 9 points. Spurred on by this close encounter the boys are now eagerly awaiting the opportunity of the return match to reverse the score. Well done lads!

The Club has entered members for Trials from which players will be selected to represent Kildare in an Inter-County Competition, which is scheduled later next month in

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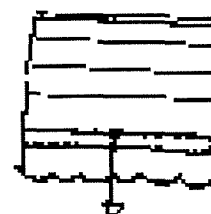
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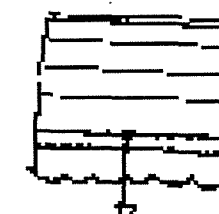
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Clubs, Organisations and Societies

MAYNOOTHATHLETIC CLUB

N.A.C.A.I. Athletes of the Year:

Two 'running partners' were rewarded for their achievements during the year at the N.A.C.A.I. Congress on Saturday 21st November.

Last September Bobby King from Kilcock won two medals in Italy when he took a gold and silver in the European Veteran's Walks Championships.

Bobby is ranked one of the world's top race walkers and the large attendance was delighted to see the Dunboyne clubman awarded Veteran Athlete of 1998. He is regularly found at



Rita Brady, N.A.C.A.I. Vice President presenting the awards to Bobby King and David Campbell.

sports meetings throughout the country, encouraging the next generation of athletes and so he was doubly delighted when Maynooth runner David Campbell was honoured, as the Juvenile Track Athlete of the Year.

Among David's highlights of the year was an Irish Under 16 record in the 800 Metres and on that day he was cheered through the finishing line by none other than Bobby.

David was selected for Leinster and he duly won a gold and silver medal in the Tailteann Games. However his biggest honour came when he wore the green of Ireland in the International Schools Championships in Scotland and finished in fourth place just outside the medals as the Irish boys took 2nd team to England.

Both athletes are training hard for next year, when Bobby will contest the indoor European championship in Malmo and David will be trying to reduce his times still further. They still regularly run together and hopefully will swap more tales of victory from the track in the future.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The December Guild meeting was held on the 3rd of December in the I.C.A. hall, with Rosemary Hanley presiding. Rosemary welcomed us all and wished all members and friends a very Happy Christmas.

Guild Activities:

Sport - Badminton will resume on Tuesday the 19th of January 1999 after the Christmas break, as usual in the Parish Hall at 10.30 a.m.

Crafts - Crafts will resume on the 18th of January at 8.00 p.m. in the I.C.A. hall with lots of bright new ideas for the New Year.

The winner of the December Guild competition "Decorative Christmas Candle":-

- 1st - Jo O'Connell
- 2nd - Betty Farrell
- 3rd - Margaret Houlihan
- 4th - Rosemary Hanley

Quiz:

Rosemary Hanley and Veva Kearins tested all our brains on a very enjoyable quiz. These quizzes always prove to be very popular. There were lots of prizes plus also a few booby prizes. The winning team on this occasion was Mary Deane, May Haren and Bernadette Raftery.

The lucky winners of the turkey and ham were:-

- 1st - Bernie Doyle (Turkey)
- 2nd - Theresa Brennan (Turkey)
- 3rd - Veva Kearins (Ham)
- 4th - Dorothy Guinan Dornan (Bottle Wine)

The January Guild competition is a "Slice of Christmas Cake".

The Christmas night out was on December the 15th in the Red House where we were joined by Guild members from Kildare Federation. A most enjoyable evening was had by all.

Kildare Week in An Grianan is the 21st of June to the 25th of June at 8.00 p.m. Finally a very Happy New Year to all our members and friends.

Irene Matthews, P.R.O.

CLANE MUSICAL SOCIETY

Clane Musical Society are looking for more men. The parts of the sheriff and Melvin P. Thorpe have not been cast yet for **BEST LITTLE WHOREHOUSE IN TEXAS**. CLANE MUSICAL SOCIETY would be delighted to hear from anyone interested in auditioning for these parts, or interested in joining the male chorus.

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Residents Associations

MOYGLARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Moyglare residents object to Thorntons Landfill Dump

Moyglare Residents Association has written to Meath County Council formally objecting to the proposal from Thorntons seeking planning permission for a Landfill Dump. The site of the proposed dump is just up the road from the people represented by this association and it would have serious implications for the quality of life of over 1,000 people as well as on property values.

The Association urges residents to take the trouble to write individual letters to Meath County Council, as any apparent lack of interest by those directly affected could determine the response of the council to this application. The next residents meeting will discuss the tactics that the association will adopt in relation to reports that an illegal dump is already in place. It is hoped to form a sub-committee to deal exclusively with this issue and residents, particularly with specific skills from Moyglare Village, Road, Meadows and Abbey are welcome to get involved.

Warning traffic lights at the schools are welcomed

The installation of traffic warning lights at the schools on the Moyglare Road are well overdue. This area is used by all school children in the town and is a serious traffic bottleneck at times during the day. Full marks to those who identified the problem and worked hard to obtain these lights, which will be a great asset in assisting to prevent a serious accident.

Nobody knows better than the residents of this area about the level of traffic on the Moyglare Road. Many parents drive their children to the schools the short distance from Moyglare, as they fear for their childrens lives on a road that cannot be widened and where the footpaths are very narrow. This Association is studying the level of traffic using the Moyglare Road and will be seeking further traffic calming measures before it is too late for some young life.

Moyglare Village boundary with the Moyglare Road

This matter was foremost in our actions in 1998. Despite a number of letters to Kildare County Council, we have not received a reply outlining the current position. Through a number of local Councillors it has been indicated to us that the Council are facing a difficult situation with the developer.

This Association has written to Crewhill Properties seeking a meeting to resolve the situation. The level of anger is now so strong among residents on this matter, that the possibility of a picket at another site being developed by the same company is a real possibility, in the near future.

Revised Application by Manor Mills is Studied

A revised application for the development of the Manor Mills site in Mill Street was submitted to Kildare County Council. This Association welcomes in principle the re-development of the mill site, but will be studying the revised

application to see if our concerns regarding the impact on the residents in Moyglare have been addressed.

Vandals damage trees outside Moyglare Village

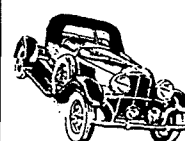
Pre-Christmas revelry resulted in the complete damage of a number of trees at the entrance to Moyglare Village. This Association believes that regrettably small trees are unlikely to survive in this particular area. It is intended to complete a tree planting and landscaping plan for Moyglare Village in 1999 and this area will be considered in the study.

*Paul Croghan, Chairman,
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OLD GREENFIELD MAYNOOTH NOTES JAN 99

Our A.G.M. will take place on Monday 18th January at 8pm in Caulfields Meeting Room.

Our Neighbourhood watch scheme is up and running, more details in February issue. We wish all our Residents a very happy 1999.

Our Christmas party was held on the 19th December, and was a great success. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors, without their support our job would have been made more difficult. Such as Katies Flowers, Tender Touch, Olympic Sports, Brady's, Caulfields, Head to Toe, Pottery Barn, Maynooth Garden Centre, Mill Wine Cellar, Housepride, O'Neills Butchers, St. Patrick's Pharmacy, Leinster Arms, Flower Pot, Fruit and Veg shop, Equestrian World, Mulcahy's Butchers, also Supervalu, Quinnsnorth, Londis and many more. Also we would like to send sympathy to the McEvoy family on the death of Larry, also to Liam Farrelly and Ethna Fanning on the death of Rita Farrelly and Ann King and her family on the death of her father Dan Newton.

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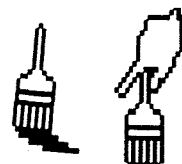
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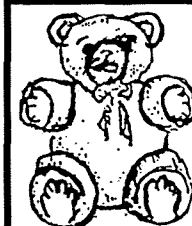
As I sit here now I'm not over glad,
I can't remember a Christmas so bad,
Without any money I feel quite bereft,
But that wouldn't matter if I'd some drink left.
The smoke from the chimney is blowing in my face,
Of the chimney-sweep from Longford there is no trace.
The big lumps of coal are hard to get lit,
I have to use petrol and that costs a bit.
The Newsletter says "In Maynooth, you have a good time",
But I'm not so sure when I've barely a dime.

It's amazing the money you'll find when you're stuck.
A big jar full of coppers brought me more luck.
We stacked them up on the table in lines.
'Till we made a New York City of tupenny coins.
The children all joined and built bridges across,
Shur you have great fun when you haven't a toss.
We stood amazed at the scene we had made,
Knowing we'd lose the 'Big Apple' if the milkman was paid.
It's only from pain you produce great art
And you know something suffering enriches the heart.

The kids brought in stones and added them all
'Till we made the Rockies looking so tall.
A few bean cans were an oil refinery
And the tea-pot, a space-ship, I flew it with glee.
Some split water, did the Amazon describe
With broom handles and sticks we were a wild tribe.
'I'm a Balluba," said my little lad,
"You play the big chief, you're fat enough Dad."
"Ballubas don't believe in Christmas," I said chancedly,
"Now why are yis all glaring at me?"

As we surveyed the sculpture of an empty purse,
I thought to myself things can't get any worse.
Then a stranger knocked on the door,
His hands they were cold and his coat it was tore.
We chatted a while, he seemed to get bored,
"Please sir, give me what you can afford."
The money on the table I tried so to hide,
But the spirit of Christmas welled up inside.
So I give him the Empire State Building
And that was worth quite a few schillings
But then I really felt quite a jerk,
When he was picked up in a big white merc.

Its a wonder when theres an economic boom,
There's no money and you can't afford a room.
At least I'll cry on New Years Eve,
You're always like that when you fail to achieve.
We were down to crisps, we'd ate all the spam,
It was nearly all over and we still had the jam.
Then in the post there came a late gift
And it really gave us quite a lift.
'I've got plans," I said gleeful and clever
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Features

Dowdstown Hotel

The official opening of Dowdstown Hotel took place on Friday 4th of December, by the Minister for Finance, Charlie McCreedy.

It was attended by all the local business people who wished Mr and Mrs James Hoare best wishes on their new venture. All the guests were greeted by James and Gay and General Manager Oliver Brennan. A light snack reception and a free bar were supplied for the occasion. A very enjoyable evening was had by all.

The Hotel is being run under the watchful eye of General Manager, Oliver Brennan, who hails from Gorey Co. Wexford. Oliver is married to Fiona who is nursing in Cappagh Hospital. Oliver trained in Hotel Management in Cathal Brugha Street in 1980. Since then he has worked in America and was also General Manager of the Spring Hill Court Hotel for 3 years. Oliver was born into the hotel trade. Oliver's family owns 'Brennans 64' pub and restaurant in Gorey. It is a well known landmark to anyone in that area. At present his family owns the Arklow Bay Hotel and the Spring Hill Court Hotel in Kilkenny.

Oliver feels that the personal touch is most important and would delight in assisting people with weddings and functions. The main bar is called The Horseshoe Bar. Carvery lunch is served here on a daily basis and then changes over to a bar snack menu in the evening. The Courtyard Restaurant is open nightly from 6pm-9pm and also for Sunday lunch. There is a full A La Carte menu and a table d'hôte.

The function room is called The Pavillion Suite and caters for Weddings, Dinner Dances and functions.

The Hotel at present has 17 ensuite bedrooms and there will be future development in 1999. At present the Hotel is employing 30 people in fulltime and part - time positions and are all mostly from the local area.



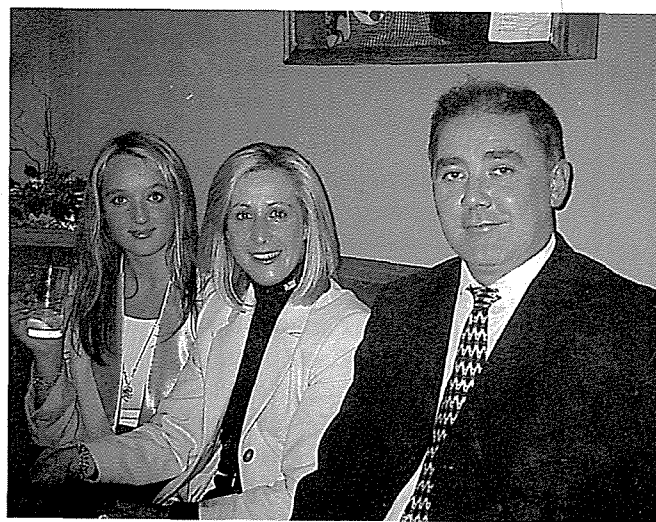
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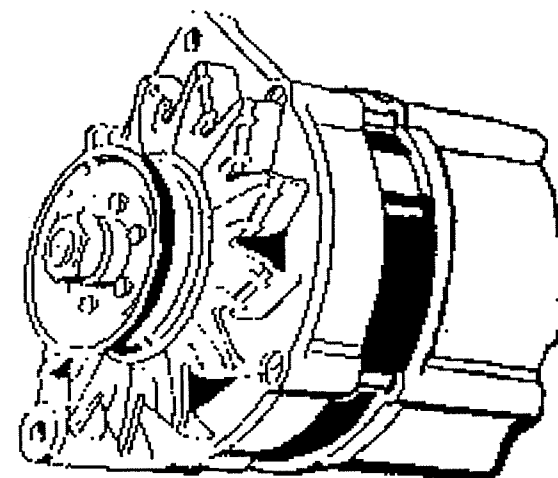
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A DIRTY BUSINESS AND THE CASE FOR RECYCLING

The December issue of the Newsletter featured an article recalling Maynooth's deliverance from becoming a dump town one year ago and went on to encourage residents to be responsible for their own waste through recycling. It considered that this community through its experience should be actively involved in recycling.

In this frame of mind it is hard to adjust to or to take on board the news that planning permission is again being sought for a dump in the same area. It can only be compared to the recurrence of a nightmare.

As an argument for recycling, but more importantly, just now, the residents of this community need to be aware of what it means to have a dump in their area.

Household waste contains some of the worst pollutants. People dump old batteries, bandages, nappies, oil, etc. This ends up compressed into bales and deposited in a landfill site where in a short time decomposition starts. The effluent from the decaying matter is toxic and can pollute everything it touches. Decomposition also creates gases known as land-fill gas (LFG). These gases, which include methane and carbon dioxide constantly escape into the atmosphere. They are a major contributor to the 'greenhouse effect' which is believed to be causing progressive global warming. The ozone layer is also affected by the CFCs that are part of the content of land-fill gas. What issues from these sites is sixteen times stronger than that contained in refrigerators.

Another effect is not above ground but below. LFG is a dangerous pollutant with the possibility of migration underground and off site. It is explosive and asphyxiating.

The landfill site is normally sunk to such a depth into the earth that its effluent reaches the level of the water table and there is then a very real danger of water contamination.

Vermin, air pollution, noise pollution and smell are more of the problems facing the person, unfortunate enough to live near a dump. Large numbers of foul smelling trucks converging on the site will be likely to cause traffic chaos in towns and the destruction of roads not designed to take heavy traffic.

Possibly the greatest threat of all is the unseen and unheard danger that lurks in industrial waste. Metals and toxic chemicals can escape into the air during transport before they reach the landfill site. Polluted and dust laden air can and does affect the health of those living near a dump as can be seen from the following.

For example, some years ago health nurses in the Finglas area of Dublin noticed that an unusually high number of babies and young children they visited, suffered from asthma. A survey was carried out with the participation of the doctors. The findings showed an increase of 39% in the instance of asthma in children living in the vicinity of the

landfill site. It is of concern to note that this increase manifested itself only after the refuse dump had been in operation for some time.


A comprehensive European study involving more than 1,000 children found they were 33% more likely to suffer from spina bifida, heart problems or a range of other defects if their mothers lived within three km (1.8 miles) of a toxic dump.

"There was a significantly overall increased risk of neural-tube defects, malformation of the cardiac septa (heart defects), malformations of the great arteries and veins in residents near landfill sites in our study," Dr Helen Dolk, of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, said in a report in The Lancet medical journal.

An understanding of how we have been polluting our planet up until now, has to be a real incentive to at least begin to think about recycling as an alternative. The knowledge that we are contributing to conditions that adversely affect the health of people unfortunate enough to live near these sites should be enough to convince us of the necessity to take action. The fact that Kildare, Meath and Dublin are seriously short of landfill sites has to be the deciding factor in the case for recycling.

For those interested in making a start on recycling the following information should be useful. As stated in last month's Newsletter Kerbside (a Dublin based recycling company), operate a monthly service from Riverforest shopping centre in Leixlip. They will take mixed materials such as glass, milk and juice cartons, all food, petfood and drink cans, plastic soft drink and mineral water bottles and detergent containers. Just rinse and remove caps - no need to sort. Their truck is in the car park from 2 p m until 4 p m on the last Saturday of every month. They can be contacted at 01 459 7677.

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ATTEMPTED ABDUCTION OF A YOUNG GIRL

An attempt was made to abduct a 14 year old female.

The girl was walking from Quinnsnorth to her home along Doctor's Lane at 5.30p.m., when she met a large silver/grey car with three men.

A passenger jumped out and grabbed her by the arm and tried to force her into the car.

The girl resisted and made good her escape.

The Gardai wish to alert schools, parents and students to be extra vigilant following this incident.

Gardai would be grateful for any assistance and information with regard to this, or any other similar type incidents.

Telephone Maynooth 6291444 or Naas 045/897333.

GARDA TALK

Special Effort For Children:

The Gardai have a responsibility for protecting all citizens, but we make a special effort to ensure that children should be particularly safe and free from all types of Criminal abuse. In achieving this goal its vital that adults appreciate this concern and that children themselves understand that the Gardai are there to help them.

Parents and Guardians should keep the following set guidelines in mind for the protection of children:

1. Keep informed of their whereabouts/company and expected time of return home.
2. Remember that children are always safer playing in groups than alone.
3. Make sure that they do not play in secluded or concealed places.
4. Ensure that they do not involve unknown adults in their games or activities.

While the dangers of strangers are often discussed, many abusers of children are actually known to their victims.

So before entrusting children into the care of adults, satisfy yourself that they are trustworthy and reliable. In this respect the following advice should prove helpful:

1. Use recommended babysitters.
2. Be alert to danger signs, for example, if your child exhibits strange or reluctant behaviour in the presence of a particular adult.

3. Warn children against talking to adults they do not know. Threats or bribes are frequently used to silence a child. but if you have any doubts, always listen to the child. Intuition should tell you if something is troubling them. Be receptive to any discussion and never doubt any disclosures: abuse is very difficult to reveal for fear of disbelief or rejection. If your child does disclose abuse, the Gardai recommend that parents/guardians try to remain calm as over reaction may reinforce the child's bad feelings of guilt. Seek help from any of the following:

1. Local social worker, who has access to the service of a psychologist.
2. Your Family doctor.
3. The Rape Crisis Centre where excellent counselling for children is provided.
4. For legal advice call to your local Garda station; specially trained members, male and female, will be assigned to such sensitive cases and you can be assured of a sympathetic hearing; calling to the Gardai and seeking advice will not in itself lead to a subsequent court case; the Gardai will appraise you of all the relevant agencies and confidentiality will be assured.

GARDA TALK:

Safe Driving Precautions:

That time of year is upon us in the depth of winter with all its accompanying road hazard conditions for driving. Freezing weather conditions are a feature:- cold, rainy, icy elements combined with snow create dangerous and unsuitable situations for road users. Consequently anyone contemplating doing a journey should spend a little time making a few precautionary checks on their vehicle.

Tyre pressures (including the spare) should be checked; clean vehicle windows, mirrors and lights. While travelling if you encounter any of the following weather elements follow this advice:

Fog:

1. Slow down - Fog is very deceptive.
2. Use dipped headlights.
3. If you have fog lights, use them.
4. Keep a safe distance from the vehicle in front.

Snow:

1. Remove all snow from windows and mirrors.
2. Accelerate gently - brake gently.
3. Use Main Road where possible.
4. Most important avoid speed, but if travelling fast, slow down gradually.

Ice:

1. In the comforts and heat of your vehicle you may be unaware of the drop in temperatures outside - Be aware and always alert.

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2. Black ice - you cannot see it, but reduced road noise tells you that its there.
3. Above all - slow down and take your time - its better to **be late than dead on time**. Carry de-icers, jump leads and in every severe weather situation carry a shovel, a heavy warm coat and an effective sizeable Car Lamp.

Forewarned is Forearmed.

DRINK DRIVING / SPEEDING

As we approach New Year, we must advise our readers of the inherent dangers of driving a car under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and at excessive speed.

The protection of life stands uppermost in the functions of the Garda Siochana, and we will continue our policy of checkpoints and other measures in bringing the message home. To be fair, most drivers observe the traffic code, and by doing so, reduces the number of traffic accidents on the roads. The growth in taxi and hackney business means that such services are more available.

Be sensible during this season of good will, and don't allow your actions to bring tragedy to others. **'Safe motoring'**

Finally we would like to wish all our patrons a very happy and peaceful and **Crime-Free** New Year, and take this opportunity to express our appreciation for your valued co-operation throughout the year.

STARTING A NEW BUSINESS - AT 51

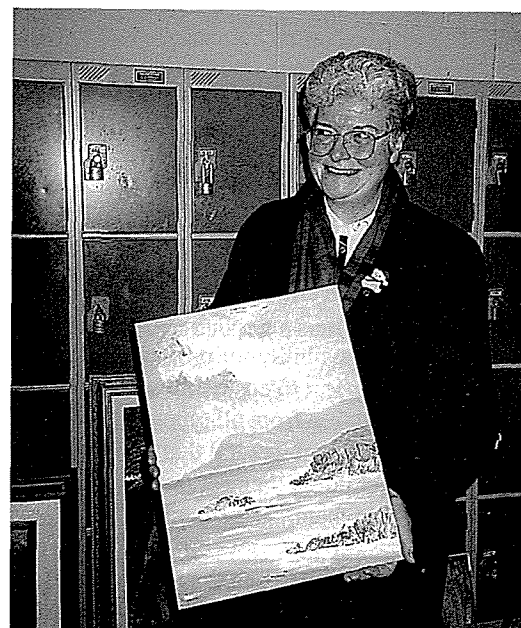
People who may worry about getting into a new business late in life can take solace from John Carpenter. This 51 year old Dubliner was a salesman for 25, but after he found himself out of a job for the third time in ten years, he had reached crisis point.

John has a talent for drawing and painting and so decided to start up his own company drawing or painting people's childhood homes. Naturally, he has tapped into the Irish expatriate community. "Thousands of Irish homes are missing brothers, sisters, uncles and family members who, over the years, went to live in America, Canada, Australia and the UK. They all have one thing in common, a family home," he says. "Maybe the parents are gone, or the family is no longer living there, but it holds a special place for people, a reminder of their childhood years". He works from a photograph of the home and will draw it to the customer's specifications. The internet has been a major tool in promoting this new enterprise. To make contact with Irish emigrants, John started a web page on the internet. However getting business on the internet is not as easy as some people suggest. "I thought that once I had set up with my e-mail, the work would flow in but it hasn't. Someone explained it to me this way - it's like having your book in a library of one million books. Why should anyone pick yours? So you have to go out there and work at it."

Every day, John drops about 100 leaflets into houses around the Dublin area. He is also hoping to get involved in wedding fairs by selling wedding gifts of three paintings in one - the bride's home, the groom's home and their new home.

At the moment, he is doing about five pieces a week. He charges approximately £80 for a framed watercolour painting. So is he making a living from it? "I better make a living from it. There's certainly a big market out there but, in the initial stages its going to be tight. However it's coming along gently and nicely." He can be contacted at 01-4510704.

In these days of the Celtic Tiger it is never too late to try a new venture and John is determined to be the proof that there is life after unemployment.



Sister Aquinas with one of her oil paintings at the Castle Keep Art Exhibition

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LAUNCH OF MAYNOOTH ARTS FORUM

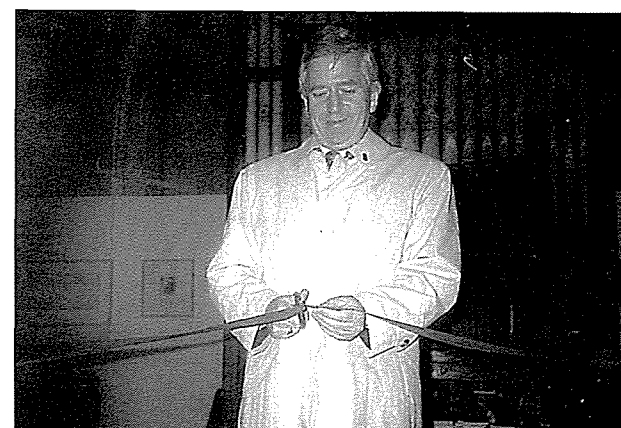
Under the auspices of Maynooth Action Strategy, Maynooth Arts Forum was formally launched in St. Mary's Church of Ireland on December 4th last. Over the past 18 months the Strategy group have been devising a blueprint for the town's future development. During the summer three working groups were formed to address the physical, commercial and the social development of Maynooth. Among a wide range of projects identified was the formation of an Arts Forum with a view to developing the arts in the town and exploring the possibility of obtaining a suitable venue for performances and exhibitions. The event in St. Mary's is the first of what is hoped to be a series of events in the New Year bringing together the wide range of talent that exists in the community.

Compered by Strategy Group member Sharon Geoghegan, the evening started with a performance given by the Maynooth School of Speech and Drama founded in 1993. A number of dramatic pieces were performed by Ross Cullinane, Eileen Ryan, Sarah Gibbons, Patrich McCarthy, Gemma Hawthorne, Matthew Kavanagh and Elouise McNeely. Martina Murphy, who is a teacher with the group and is currently working on a novel to be published in the New Year by Poolbeg, performed three pieces which demonstrated some of the disciplines involved in drama.

Clara Monahan was next on stage and charmed the audience with the power and beauty of her voice - and all this from one who is only 14 years old. Clara is an All-Ireland winner in the Fleadh na hEireann. Four players from Maynooth University Orchestra - Eileen



Charlie McCreedy & Pauline Keena at the Arts Night in Church of Ireland



Charlie McGreevy Opening the Arts Night.



Enjoying the Arts Night in Church of Ireland

and Caroline Manning, Lisa Travers and Eileen Creevy - formed a string quartet for the evening and played three pieces beautifully. We next had a reading from well known Maynooth author Joe Buckley who has written a number of novels for young people including a trilogy based on the character Donny which is on the Junior Cert curriculum. Poet Bill Tinley read a number of his poems - two in particular struck a chord with the audience as they were set in Maynooth.

The evening was rounded off in rousing fashion by Maynooth University Chamber Choir who performed a range of Christmas carols and then by St. Mary's Band who once again demonstrated very high standards of musicianship.

A further highlight of the evening was a number of exhibitions on display in the church. Pauline Keena exhibited some of her latest work, together with local artist Vinny Doyle, paintings from the Castle Keep Group and innovative photography by Dermot Nangle.

Minister for Finance Charlie McCreedy formally launched the Forum and complimented the performers for providing an entertaining evening. Maynooth Action Strategy hope to bring together all who are interested in developing the arts in the town early in the New Year with a view to building on the success of the launch.

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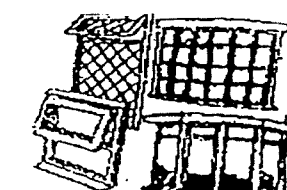
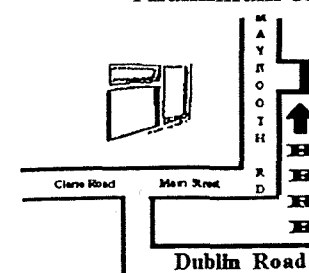
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MAYNOOTH ADULT DAY-TIME EDUCATION

The old prefab in the grounds of the Post Primary School which is used by Maynooth Adult Day-time Education during the day and by the scouts at night and week-ends, is getting face-lift thanks to Intel. Under their 'Intel Involved Programme', a number of Intel Employees are spending some time painting the prefab. The objective of this programme is to encourage the participation of Intel employees in projects that will ultimately benefit the community. This programme started in 1996 and since then over 5,000 volunteer hours have been clocked up on various community projects.

During the summer, MADE wrote to Angela Larkin, Intel's Community Relations Specialist, looking for help to repair and paint the prefab. When she came to inspect the prefab, it was in a terrible state. It had been broken into and the wall was covered with a fine white foam, because the hooligans who broke into the place had had great fun spraying the contents of the fire extinguishers all over the prefab. Paint had also been sprayed on the floor and the walls. Intel agreed to paint the prefab but not to do the repairs. The painters arrived on December 8th and they will paint the hall, the two big rooms and the toilet for now. The creche will be done in January. We are very grateful for their help.

The prefab had to be cleaned for the new term and Johnny Dowling, one of the Scout Leaders, spent a lot of time trying to get rid of the fine dust that had been there since the break in. Thank you Johnny. You were great. We had to wash the floor and the tables and chairs many times over and even now there is still a residue of this dust around the place.

The prefab was badly in need of repair. Some sections of the wall were rotting and other sections were coming away from the rest of the building leaving huge draughty gaps in between. There were holes everywhere which meant that the mice had no problems finding shelter there. We contacted Mr. Noel Dalton who is in charge of 'Adult Education' in Kildare V.E.C. to find out if the prefab could be patched up before it was too late. He got in touch with Mr. McGiveeney the wood-work teacher in the Post Primary School who undertook to do the repairs with the help of some of his students. Since September they have been working there whenever they had the time. They had to get special equipment to push the walls back to their original position. The place looks so much better now and we would like to thank them for the work that they have done.

The two groups involved then decided that it was time to dump all the rubbish that had accumulated over the years. A skip was hired and everything that was broken and not needed was thrown away.

The next project is to fix the outside of the prefab and to

paint it. Hopefully, this will help to prolong the life of the building which is very important to the community. Some people think that it is an eye sore and that a match should be set to it, but until a Community Centre is built in Maynooth, this modest prefab will be used to serve the community.

Classes for the Spring Term are:

Monday:	Flower Arranging for beginners and Parenting.
Tuesday:	Yoga and Doughcraft.
Wednesday:	Irish Theatre Workshop and Celtic Spirituality.
Thursday:	Calligraphy and Mother/Toddlers Group.
Friday:	Aromatherapy and Ballroom Dancing.

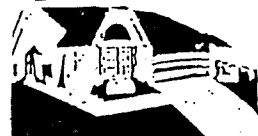
Next term enrolment will take place on Monday January 11th from 10 a.m. to 12.00 noon in the Centre. The first day of class will be January 25th 1999.



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PRESS RELEASE

LONG AND SHORT TERM SOLUTIONS TO THE DUMPING OF WASTE.

Short Term Solution

The Green Party of Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge is 100% behind The North Kildare-South Meath Environment Protection Group that are opposing Mr. Padraig Thornton's Landfill Planning application.

Long Term Solution

As Green Party member, Leo Armstrong stressed at last Tuesday night's meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel, "that it is not just good enough to oppose a Landfill at our own backdoor, we must reduce domestic waste by good Waste Management. This will entail an effort on both Local Authorities and on a personal level."

The Green Party are only too aware of Dublin Corporations problems regarding the disposal of waste. However, why should we, in Maynooth have Dublin waste dumped on us. In fact why should Dublin Corporation be allowed to dump waste in any of the counties bordering Dublin.

As Mr. Armstrong pointed out at the meeting, "similar groups will be forming in Wicklow, Kildare and Meath to oppose the Thornton's of this world who stand to make millions out of this lucrative business. So it is not good enough just to oppose these plans we must put pressure on Dublin Corporation to adopt a waste management programme that reduces waste to a minimum. If we do not take such action meetings like this will be a regular occurrence, opposing dump planning applications, and eventually, Meath County Council or Bord Pleannala will have no alternative but to accede to Dump Planning Applications by people like Mr. Thornton."

It is on a personal level that everyone can reduce these enormous Waste Dumps - At Supermarkets, don't take plastic bags home with you - **waste you are left to get rid of** - bring your own bag or box with you - it doesn't take such a big effort.

Remember you are paying for the packaging, not just the contents. Look at the number of wrappings (mostly made from oil) that your favourite chocolates at Christmas are wrapped in. Ask in your Supermarket for alternatives. **They will supply if you demand.**

In 1840 there was a population of over 8 million people in Ireland and they left us with no Waste. Today, with less than half of that population what are we leaving behind us?

AULA MAXIMA CONCERT

The Maynooth Brass and Reed Band gave a wonderful performance on Saturday night. It was their first concert in the College and by the enthusiastic reception they got it will certainly become an annual event. The wide repertoire under Niall gave something for everyone - from The Millennium Medley - Molly Malone, The Rare Old Times etc. to Sinatra numbers. Dressed in their Christmas hats and red noses they gave us Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer. Christmas carols were a treat, and then no long drive home from the National Concert Hall.

The band will continue with its younger members giving such an accomplished performance. The Coventry Carol was a joy to listen to. Two junior members have joined the big band. 89 are taking music lessons. The highlight of the evening was the lone piper from the Narraghmore Pipe Band making his way from the back of the hall and joining the Maynooth band on stage. They got feet tapping. The new Parish Priest of Narraghmore, Fr. Colm O'Siochru certainly has a musical treat in store. Thank you to one and all.

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

Maynooth Development Plan - Back to the Drawing Boards

January is always an anti-climax. Once the champagne has been consumed, and the strains of 'Auld Lang Syne' are over for another year, the realisation that 1999 will bring a familiar set of problems dawns. But while this is true of Maynooth's on-going planning tribulations, 1999 also brings a new set of challenges as signs of a more progressive approach to planning its future appear. Who would have believed in the dark days of the 1996 Amended Draft Plan for Maynooth that by the beginning of 1999 this would still not have been adopted? Who would have believed that by the end of 1998 the proposed Maynooth Plan would be scrapped?

Acting on the basis of legal advice, the County Manager announced last month that the town development plans for Maynooth, and four other towns, must be started again from scratch in 1999 and must undergo against the various display periods laid down in the statutes. This about-turn reflects concerns that these plans are not compliant with the County Development Plan shortly to be adopted, and would, if proceeded with, run the risk of legal challenges. The Council had already lost legal challenges to the Clane and Kill plans over the past few years. The furnishing of a coherent strategy at county level to which individual towns complied at local level was also part of the requirement insisted on by successive Ministers for the Environment in recent years in granting Kildare councillors extensions of time to replace the out-dated 1985 County Plan (something that should have been completed by them in 1990). Certainly, as pointed out frequently in this column, several flaws in the proposals for Maynooth rendered them unlikely to stay within the required targets due to excessive residential rezonings.

For Maynooth, this new situation represents a reversal of the previously held position which was that no further display periods were to occur before the passage of the Plan. The new approach provides an opportunity for stricter compliance with the County Development Plan which specifies a target population for Maynooth of 11,500 by the year 2006. However, it also means that recent and currently proposed development must now be incorporated into the population commitments. In particular, proposed major new apartment complexes and proposed changes in density of residential developments become highly relevant to the calculation of residential land needs over the next five years and Maynooth Planning Alliance will be studying carefully how such matters are handled. The Council's legal advice appears to be that any actions which provide for a greater population increase by 2006 than specified in the County Development Plan will leave any proposed Town Plan open to challenge.

The news of this fresh approach was received with considerable dismay by some councillors who had expected

a speedy resolution to Kildare's planning saga in the early weeks of the New Year. It now looks like the adoption of the various plans may not even be completed before the council elections in June. In some parts of Europe, councils are elected immediately after their planning proposals are passed, giving the electorate an opportunity to judge each on their actions and on their records. Perhaps 1999 will pose new challenges for some after all!



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NEW MANAGER FOR TESCO MAYNOOTH

Originally from Limerick, Errol Flynn arrived at his new position as Manager of Quinnsworth Maynooth in late November. He started his work in the retail trade when he was sixteen years of age, working for Dunnes Stores. He swept the floors in Dunnes Stores for two and a half years, after which he took time out from the trade. Mr Flynn joined the Quinnsworth group two years ago. He has been transferred from Quinnsworth in Rathfarnham. A married man living in Dublin, he is looking forward to working in the Maynooth store.

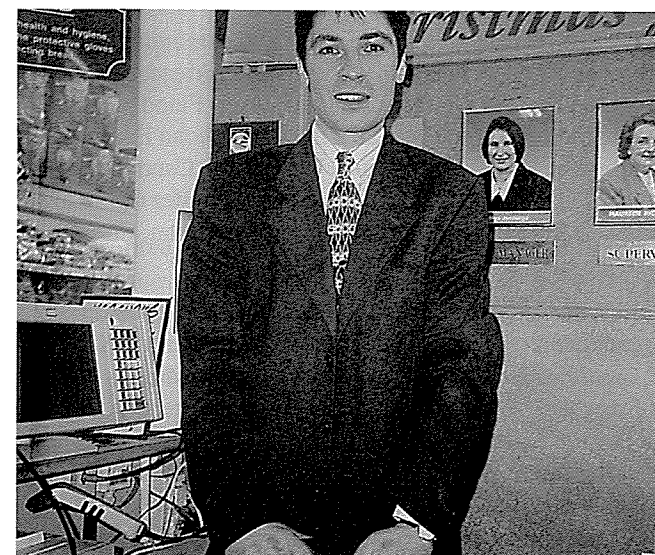
With the take - over from Tesco in the intermediate stage, Mr Flynn has many ideas for his new position. As he says "the Maynooth shop has a lot of potential and with such expertise on the shop floor it will make a good transition to a Tesco Store in time to come".

With a lot of Irish produced Tesco products on the shelves and many Irish companies supplying the store, it is a great boost to the Irish traders. The average Irish product sales is 100,000 per week in Quinnsworth's Maynooth store.

At present while being very busy looking after customers and staff's well being, Errol is already preparing for a successful January Sale.

Mr Flynn's message to the Maynooth people who are in search of jobs is "Come on in to see us, your hours may suit us".

Mr Flynn is looking forward to meeting the people of Maynooth, and is grateful for the welcome he has received from the community.

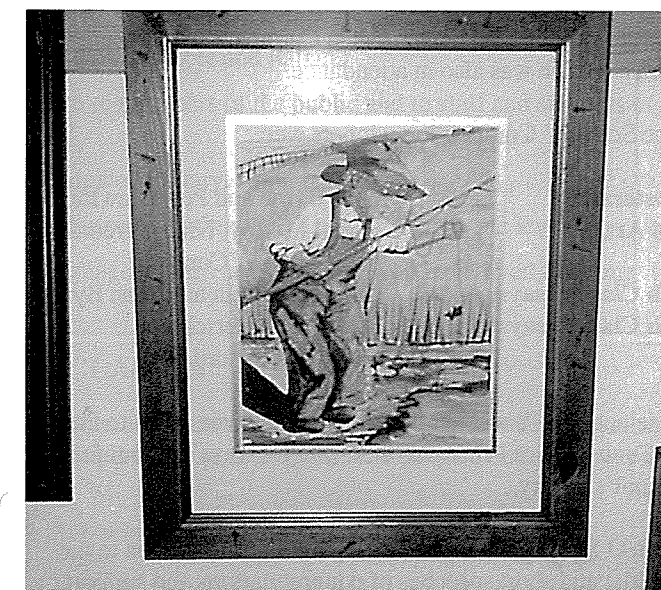


Errol Flynn
New Manager, Tesco

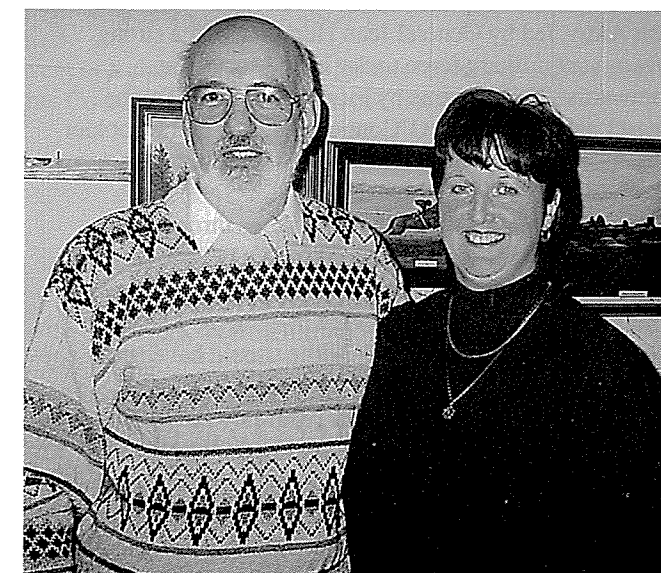
CASTLE KEEP ART EXHIBITION

This was the group's second Art Exhibition. Again it was held over three days. Friday 27th, Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th of November. Over 200 paintings were shown. Well done to all the Artists. The standard of work was second to none.

A big thank you must go to Henry and Lila Flynn, whose tireless work brought the whole Exhibition about. Well done Henry and Lila, thanks a lot. We look forward to the next Exhibition - watch the Newsletter for details.



The Fisher Boy
By Fiona O'Connor



Harry and Lily Flynn
Organisers of Art Exhibition

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MAYNOOTH 1798 COMMEMORATION GROUP (Comoradh '98 Maigh Nuad)

1798 and Maynooth Booklet Launched

A large attendance of adults and school pupils was present in the Library on Friday, 11th December for the official launch of our booklet and the presentation of prizes to the winners of our schools' competition. The attendance included: Councillor P.J. Sheridan, Vice Chair of Kildare County Council (deputising for the Chair of the County Council); Michael Kavanagh of Kildare County Council's 1798 Committee; members of Kilcock '98 Group; Paul Croghan, Maynooth Community Council, and Dermot Nangle, representing Joe Wall and staff at Cardinal Press. Councillor Senan Griffin was also in attendance.

The Schools' Competition winners were:

Posters:	Cian Byrne and Peter Lawlor
A4 Art:	Fergal Molloy, Niall Corcoran and Darren O'Connell
5th Class Essays:	Ciaran Duignan and Cian Byrne
6th Class Essays:	Stephen Broderick and Kevin Comerford

A selection of books on the theme of '98 was given to Pat O'Connor, Vice Principal of St. Mary's Boys' School for the school's library.

Sean O Siiothchain, our P.R.O., gave an introduction to the booklet and short speeches of congratulations and support were made by Seamus Cullen of Kilcock '98 Group and by Liam Chambers, author of the booklet. Councillor Sheridan officially launched the publication and recalled his own childhood in Ballinamuc, Co. Longford, which was the battle-site on 8th September 1798 between a French / United Irish Army, led by General Jean Humbert, and a strong government military force under Lord Lieutenant Cornwallis. Three poems by local poets, Hilda Dunne, Stuart Lane and Declan O'Connor, featured in the booklet were then read by the authors.

The booklet is now on sale in many shops throughout Maynooth, at three pounds per copy. We believe that it is both a stimulating account of 1798 and Maynooth, and a worthy souvenir publication of the bi-centenary year's commemorative events. Every home should have one!

An announcement was also made regarding the future of our group. We will be reforming in 1999 as the Maynooth History and Civic Forum, whose purpose will be "exploring local history and promoting social debate". Should you be interested in joining the new group, please phone Michael Quinn, Tel. 6285258.

Michael Quinn.

PARISH FAITH FRIENDS COMMISSIONED

On Sunday 6th December, 2nd Sunday of Advent at 11.30am. Mass Monsignor Alex Stenson, p.p. commissioned this year's group of Faith Friends, who on behalf of St. Mary's Parish Maynooth, will help in the preparation of our boys and girls for Confirmation. This year Confirmation will be celebrated on Friday 19th and Saturday 20th of February 99.

This is the second year that the Confirmation Faith Friends Programme has operated in the parish. Nineteen young men and women undertook a training programme in November, and are now ready to meet the young candidates in January.

Faith Friends is a programme where adult members of the parish community share faith, in small groups, with the Confirmation Candidates. The role of the Faith Friends is not to teach, but rather to give witness to their faith, to share with the young boys and girls about how their belief in God and Christ affects their daily lives. So, over a series of four meetings, the Faith Friend talks with six or seven Confirmation children about such topics as: "when did I Feel close to God", "How do I pray", "Caring", "My gifts and talents" etc. Attractive worksheets are used at these small group meetings, to help the sharing and discussion.

Faith Friends provide a Parish/Community dimension to the preparation the children are already receiving at home (from their parents), and at school (from their teachers). It offers the young candidates a concrete experience of the interested and welcoming Community into which they are being fully initiated in faith-the parish of St Mary's, Maynooth.

We can trace the roots of Faith Friends back to the Celtic Church. In early times in Ireland, Christian Communities appointed "ordinary" people of faith to help those preparing for Baptism, and those returning to the Church in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. These Christians were called "Anamchara", or Soul-friend. They walked in faith and gave example through prayer and christian living to the candidates for the sacraments.

The Parish is proud of the dedication and commitment of the young people who are this year's Faith Friends. They are: Emer O Keeffe, Lisa King, Anna Flood, Della Clerkin, Pádraig Madden, Rachel Watson, Fiona Hoare, Michael Madden, Andrée Ennis, Patricia Mc Cann, Dearbhla Boylan, Johanne Duignan, Karen Brady, Jennifer Gannon, Eimear O Reilly, Caitríona Monahan, Mary Lynn, Corina Wallisch and Christof Kracht.

Thanks are also extended to the Planning Team, who direct the programme and train the Faith Friends-Peter Mc Namara, Liz Jennings, Jennifer Quigley, Joan Lennon, Maeve Moloney and Noel Topley. Monsignor Alex Stenson, P.P. and Fr John Sinnott, C.C. have supported and encouraged along the way. A big "Thank You" to Mr Sean Ashe, Mr Senan Griffin, Caroline and Paul and all the staff of Maynooth Post Primary School, who have helped by providing rooms for the meetings.

Any information about Faith Friends can be obtained from the Co-Ordinator, Noelle Topley, Tel 628-5888.

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LANGUAGE CLASSES IN MAYNOOTH

INTRODUCTION

This year N.U.I., Maynooth Language Centre is offering extra-mural courses in Irish, French, German, Italian, Arabic and English as a Foreign Language. Our language courses are open to people of all ages and backgrounds. The emphasis is on communication and a practical knowledge of the language. Classes are limited to twelve students and take place in an informal, structured atmosphere, to ensure that each learner is given ample opportunity to practise his/her newly-acquired skills. Students may further enhance their language skills by availing of the Language Centre's up-to-date technology. Our Computer Assisted Language Learning and Self Access Language Learning centre have the latest language-learning software and audio-visual materials.

We look forward to meeting you.

GENERAL LANGUAGE SKILLS

Languages offered: Irish, French, German, English as a Foreign Language, Arabic and Italian.

All courses are offered subject to demand. Language courses are open to members of the public and to staff and students of the University.

Beginners' Level is suitable for those who have no previous knowledge of the target language.

Intermediate Level is suitable for those who have studied the target language to Junior or Leaving Certificate level.

Advanced Level is suitable for those who have studied the target language at third level or those who have lived for some time in the country of the target language.

FORMATION OF CLASSES

Commencement of classes will depend on a minimum number of enrolments. No more than twelve students will be admitted to each group. If there is sufficient demand, a second class will be formed where possible. The Language Centre reserves the right to cancel a course.

A Certificate of Attendance is awarded on request to students with 80% minimum attendance.

DURATION AND DATES

Each course lasts for nine weeks with two hours of tuition each week. The extra-mural term dates will be:-

Course 1	Course 2
Monday, 5th October 1998 - Friday, 4th December 1998	Monday, 11th January 1999 - Friday, 12th March 1999

No classes will be held on public or University holidays. In the event of a class being missed for this reason, an extra class will be added on at the end of the extra-mural term. Please note that Course 2 is a continuation of Course 1.

ENROLMENT FOR COURSES

Enrolment for courses will take place on:

Course 1	Course 2
Wednesday, 30th September 1998, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m. Thursday, 1st October 1998, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	Wednesday, 13th January 1999, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m. Thursday, 14th January 1999, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.

in **Room T8, Language Centre, Arts Building.** For E.F.L., please contact us directly.

For participants who join classes after their commencement, enrolment will take place on:

Course 1	Course 2
Monday, 12th October, 1998, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	Monday, 25th January 1999, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.

in **Room T8, Language Centre, Arts Building.** Enrolment will only take place at the stated times.

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LANGUAGE CLASSES IN MAYNOOTH (Cont.) COURSE FEES

- £59 Wage earners from outside the University.
- £50 University staff and registered students of the University.
- £35 Social Welfare recipients (with proof of situation).
- £72 English as a Foreign Language.

Cheques should be made payable to: **The Language Centre, N.U.I., Maynooth.**

Course fees must be paid in full on enrolment; admission to classes is subject to this. Receipts should be retained. Fees will be refunded should a class not take place due to insufficient numbers.

The closing dates for refund applications are:

Course 1
Friday, 30th October 1998

Course 2
Friday, 5th February 1999

SCHEDULE OF LANGUAGE CLASSES

COURSE 1

Language	Day	Time	Venue	Starting
Arabic - Beginners	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	T7	5th October
Irish - Beginners	Thursday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	T7	8th October
Irish - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	T7	6th October
French - Beginners	Tuesday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	T8	6th October
French - Intermediate	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	5th October
French - Advanced	Wednesday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	7th October
German - Beginners	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	Classhall E	5th October
German - Intermediate	Wednesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	Classhall E	7th October
Italian - Beginners	Monday	6.00 - 7.30 p.m.	T8	5th October
Italian - Intermediate	Monday	7.30 - 9.00 p.m.	T8	5th October
E.F.L. - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre
E.F.L. - Advanced	Thursday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre

COURSE 2

Arabic - Beginners	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	T7	11th January
Irish - Beginners	Thursday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	T7	14th January
Irish - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	T7	12th January
French - Beginners	Tuesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	T8	12th January
French - Intermediate	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	11th January
French - Advanced	Wednesday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	13th January
German - Beginners	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	Classhall E	11th January
German - Intermediate	Wednesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	Classhall E	13th January
Italian - Beginners	Monday	6.00 - 7.30 p.m.	T8	11th January
Italian - Intermediate	Monday	7.30 - 9.00 p.m.	T8	11th January
E.F.L. - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre
E.F.L. - Advanced	Thursday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre

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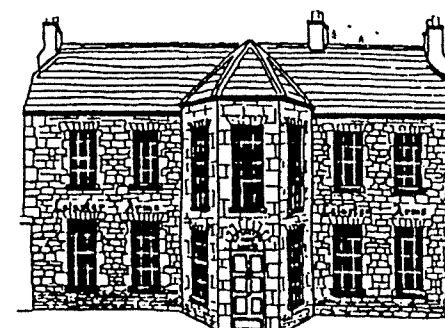
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We open in early February our "J1 Visa" programme for 3rd level full-time students. This visa enables the student to work from June to October legally in the States. It's always very popular and proves very successful every year.

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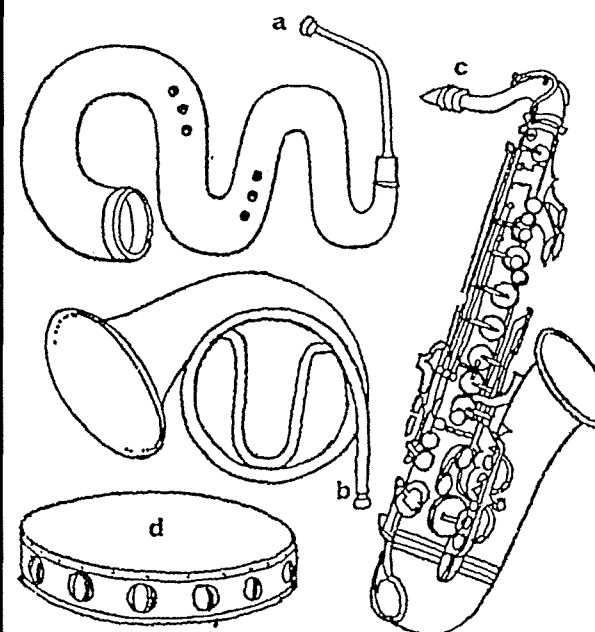


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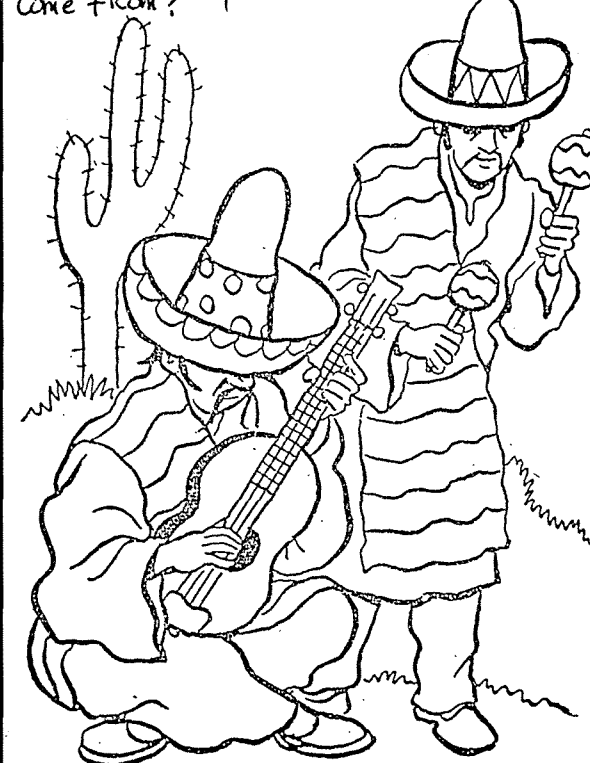


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Leixlip

2nd Prize
Mark O'Connell
8 Woodlands
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3rd Prize
Mathew O'Gorman
41 Maynooth Park
Maynooth

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PIONEERS

In Christmas week 1898 Fr. James Cullen of the Society of Jesus in Dublin began a movement which became known as the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association. He could not have foreseen that one hundred years later the Association would be alive and that there would be just as much need for it.

There are about 200,000 Pioneers in this country now. The movement has spread to all five continents but sadly the Maynooth Parish Branch has lapsed. Perhaps the No Name Club has replaced it.

There are four age levels:

Juveniles: - 9-11 year old

Juniors: - 12-15 year old

Young: - 15-18 year old

Full membership: - 16 years and upwards

Pioneers of 25 years standing can get a silver pin; 50 years a Pioneer merits a gold pin.

Many functions are organised for the centenary celebrations. Archbishop Connell will open the Centenary with Mass at Gardiner Street Church at 3.00 p.m. on 28th December 1998. A Rally will take place in Croke Park on 30th May. A National Ball will be held in the Court Hotel, Carrigaline, Co. Cork on 27th March and an International Conference will assemble at Maynooth College in June.

Each year a young peoples seminar is held. The week of games, tennis and discos is attended by about 200 people. A seminar of 17+ age group is also held.

For some people Christmas and the New Year will be the time when they will have to admit to themselves "That we are powerless over alcohol and our lives have become unmanageable". The Alcohol Anonymous Group would welcome those wishing to resume control and to bring some peace into their lives before the year 2000.

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1. Where is Karl Marx buried?
2. Who wrote the Opera, Iolanthe?
3. Who designed the Dome of St. Peter's, Rome?
4. Which was the first of Jane Austen's novels to be published?
5. How many flights of Hurdles are there in a 110 meter hurdles race?
6. What does F.M. stand for on a radio?
7. What motor manufacturers produces a model called the Micra?
8. What is the chemical symbol for silver?
9. What is apiculture?
10. What two colours are on Sweden's flag?
11. Who in 1970 had her only No. 1 hit with "Band of Gold"?
12. What type of fish is a Toho?
13. Where does the celebrity guest sit in "Countdown"?
14. Who wrote "Snakes and Ladders"?
15. Which was Elvis Presley's first No. 1 U.K. hit single record?
16. What was the name of the Chief Pig in George Orwell's Animal Farm?
17. Where is the official residence of the President of France?
18. What colour is an opal stone?
19. What is a young elephant called?
20. What is the S.I. Unit of Energy?
21. When were the Premium Bonds first sold?
22. To which order do snails and slugs belong?
23. What is the liquid part of blood called?
24. In legend, who is said to have built "The Giant's Causeway"?
25. Which of the Beatles was known as "The Walrus"?
26. Which suit is ranked lowest in Bridge?
27. With which sport is the Isle of Man associated?
28. Which Irish town is famous for its Annual Open Horse Sales?
29. What was Stephen Spielberg's first blockbuster film?
30. What is the name of Maynooth's Lord Mayor?

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Closing Date: 18th January 1998

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MAYNOOTH LIBRARY NOTES

New books for Children in Maynooth Library, available in 1999. Watch this space for New Adult books coming in the New year.

Junior Non-Fiction

Moore, R. My life with the Indians
Sanders, P. and Farquhar, C. Aids
Horrell, S. The History of Emigration from Eastern Europe
Prior, K. The History of Emigration from the Indian Sub-Continent
Hirst, M. The History of Emigration from Scotland
Yorke, J. Shapes
Amos, J. Hospital
Yorke, J. Noises
Snazaroo. F.X. Faces
Roberts, E. Russia and the Republics
Miller, J. Training and Fitness
Original Graphics Story Book. Ireland
Pollard, M. Thinkers
Ross, S. Causes and Consequesces of the First World War
Waterlow, J. A Family from Bosnia
Wood, R. Diana: The People's Princess
Needham, K. and Smith, L. The Usborne Riding School
Parker, Steve and Jane. I Can Experiment
Palmer, Douglas. The First Humans
Royston, Angela. Trucks
McLeish, Ewan. Europe
Gibson, R. Masks
Gibson, R. Papier Mache
Miller, J. The Usborne Soccer School: Goal Keeping
Dungworth, R. The Usborne Soccer School: Attacking
Dungworth, R. The Usborne Soccer School: Dead Ball Skills
Harvey, G. The Usborne Soccer School: Defending
McGillivray, J. Standard Computing Book 2
Fisher, C. Publisher
Schofield and Sims. Occupations
Moore, C. Film Studio
Hudson, M. Working Worldwide: Doctor
Watson and Petrone. If You Were A Pilot
Watson, C. A Day in the Life of a Vet
Watson, C. A Day in the Life of a Teacher
Watson, C. A Day in the Life of a Baker
Watson, C. A Day in the Life of a Bus Driver
Hales, S. Real Lives, Real Times
Potter, T. Louis Braille
Castor, H. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Matthews, A. Alfred the Great
Fischel, E. William Shakespeare
Wilkins, V. Martin Luther King
Fischel, E. Alexander Graham Bell
Castor, H. Anne Frank.
Castor, H. Queen Victoria
Fischel, E. Florence Nightingale
Wallace, K. Louis Pasteur
Matthews, A. Dick Whittington
Wallace, K. Thomas Edison

Wallace, K. Marie Curie
Fitzgerald, M. The World of Colmcille
Fischel, E. Captain Scott
Barker, C. A Question of Refugees
Elliott, D. Life in Europe
Condon, Judith. Chernobyl and Other Nuclear Accidents
Condon, J. Recycling Paper
Peckham, A. Resources Control
Baines, J. Keeping the Air Clean
Walker, J. The Ozone Hole
Brown, P. Energy and Resources
Beavis and Barrie, Living for the Future
Brown, J. Your Environment
Penny, M. Our World: Pollution and Conservation
Nelson, N. Conservation
Graham, I. Solar Power
Roden, K. Then and Now: Farming
Swift, F. R.S.P.C.A.
Shipson, J. Help the Aged
Clayton, E. OXFAM
Church, D. Barnardos
Bailey, K. Irish Proverbs
Walker, J. Man Made disasters: Oil Spills
Perry and Gibbs. Teamwork: Building Site
Litton, H. The Celts
Litton, H. The Irish Famine
Litton, H. Irish Rebellions 1798-1916
Litton, H. The Irish Civil War
Corey, P. Coping with Exams and Tests
Webb, S. Kids Can Cook
Duffy, R. Quiz Book 2000
Doherty and Hickey. The All Ireland Sport Quiz Book
Doherty and Hickey. The All Ireland History Quiz Book
Doherty and Hickey. The All Ireland Geography Quiz Book
Conroy and Wilson. Wildlife
Llywelyn and Scott, Ireland a Graphic History
Elsom, D. Planet Earth
Conroy, D. Cartoon Fun
O'Grady, A. Everything Irish

Bird, B. Flying High
Bird, B. World Tour
Hazell, V. Helicopters
Potter, T. Chillers: The Dinner Lady
The Quest and Other Stories
Something to Prove and Other Stories
Wooderson, P. Chillers: The Mincing Machine
Wooderson, P. Chillers: Spooked
Allen, E. Chillers: Ghost from the Sea
Christie, S. Chillers: Sarah Scarer

Irish Books:
Crosher, J. An tSean Eigipt
Stubbs, L. Seimi ar an gCoisir
Wood, D. and A. An Bear Mor Ocrach
Rabhlai Rabhlai Rogha Rannta Traidisiunta Don Aos Og
Wood, T. An Renaissance

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Williams, B. An tSean Sin
Ray, S Ainmhithe na h-Oiche
Davies, H. Beginners Irish Dictionary
Giona and Glasauer. An Fear a Chuireadh Crainn
Dys, C. Ca Bhfuil Mamai?
Dys, C. Ca Bhfuil Daidi?
Riddell, E. 100 Focal Tosaigh
Wolde, G. Eithne agus an bhruitineach
Wolde, G. Dearthainin Eithne
Wolde, G. Nuair a bhionn Eithne dana
Civardi and Cartwright. A Dul go dti an Fiacloir
Civardi and Cartwright. Ag dul go dti an tOspideal
Civardi and Cartwright. Ag dul go dti an Choisir
Civardi and Cartwright. An Leanbh Nua
Civardi and Cartwright. Ag Aistriú Ti
O'Raghallaigh, C. He, a Ruairi
Ni Ailpin, T. Ruairi agus Una ag an Ollmhargadh
Amery and Cartwright. Cead Focal

Young Adult Fiction:

Jones, J. The Webbed hand
Nicholls, S. The Book of shadows
Pierce, T. Wild Magic
Scott, M. Vampire
Brennan, J. Nightmares
Lynch C. Chiller
Doyle, R. Shiver
O'Laighleis, R. Ecstasy
Cooney, C. Vampire's Promise
Learangis, P. Driver's Dead
McFann, J. Hide and Seek
Smith, L.J. The Hunter
Smith, L.J. The Chase
Smith, L.J. The Kill
Steiner, B. Spring Break
Steiner, B. The Phantom
Steiner, B. The Mummy
Stine, R.L. The Babysitter
Stine, R.L. The Babysitter II
Stine, R.L. The Babysitter III
Stine, R.L. The Babysitter IV
Stine, R.L. Beach Party
Stine, R.L. The Dead Girlfriend
Stine, R.L. Halloween II
Stine, R.L. Hit and Run
Stine, R.L. Call Waiting
Littke, L. The Watcher
Rees, C. The Vanished
Hoh, D. Nightmare Hall: The wish
Hoh, D. Nightmare Hall: The Silent Scream
Hoh, D. Nightmare Hall: Monster
Hoh, D. Nightmare Hall: Truth or Die
Hoh, D. Nightmare Hall: The Initiation
Hon, D. Funhouse
Hoh, D. The Invitation
Hall, J. Homecoming Queen
Harrell, J. Vampires Love 2: Blood Spell

Bates, A. Krazy 4-U.
Cooney, C. Freeze Tag
Cooney, C. The Perfume
Cooney, C. The Stranger
Cooney, C. Return of the Vampire
Ellis, C. Silent Witness
Ellis, C. My Secret Admirer
Jeffries, F. Sweet Sixteen
Smith, S. Double Date
Smith, S. Second Sight
Parkinson, S. Four Kids, Three Cats, Two Cows, One Witch (Maybe)
Parkinson, S. Sisters, No Way
Parkinson, S. Amelia
Parkinson, S. No Peace for Amelia
O'Sullivan, M. Angels Without Wings
O'Sullivan, M. White Lies
Swindells, R. Jacqueline Hyde
Arrigan, M. Saving the Dark Planet
Arrigan, M. Searching for the Green
Walsh, M. Catwalk

Early Readers:

Crowther, R. Jungle Jumble
Glioni, D. Hello Baby Bear
Hissey, J. Old Bear
Hissey, J. Little Bear's Trousers
Hill, E. Spot at Home
Hill, E. Spot in the Garden
Inkpen, M. If I had a Pig
Ladybird. The Three Little Pigs
Kittamura, S. Bath Time Boots
Kittamura, S. A Friend for Boots
Leslie, A. Let's Look inside the Yellow Truck
Crowther, R. Tractors and Trucks
Nilsen and Wells. Drive Your Tractor
Leslie, A. Let's Look Inside the Car
BBC Children's Books. Dino Babies
Awdry, W. James and the Rescue Train
Awdry, W. Henry pulls the Express
Awdry, W. Percy the Seaside Train
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Dad
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Brother
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Fish
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Ponies
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Sister
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Mum
Abel, S. Two Bears have a Picnic
Inkpen, M. Say 'AAAH'
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat and the Blue Ball
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat gets Fat
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat makes a Present
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat's Sleepy Days
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat Wins a Prize
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat's Holiday Packing
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat, Plant Sitter

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Young Readers:

Prater, J. Bear's Bad Mood
 Ruepp, K. Midnight Rider
 Jessame To The Rescue and Other Stories
 How to Lose your Best Friend and Other Stories
 Scheffer, U. The return of Rinaldo the Sly Fox
 Scheffer, U. Rinaldo on the Run
 Scheffer, U. Rinaldo the Sly Fox
 Scheidl, G. Loretta and the Little Fairy
 Hanel, W. Jasmine and Rex
 Hanel, W. The Old Man and the Bear
 Hanel, W. The Extraordinary Adventures of an Ordinary Hat
 Hanel, W. Lila's Little Dinosaur
 Hanel, W. Mia the Beach Cat
 Herron, A. Ribbit, Ribbit!
 Hickey, Granny Learns to Fly
 Impey, R. Sleepover Club at Felicity's
 Impey, R. Sleepover Club at Kenny's
 Ball, B. Bellaad the Ball
 Ball, B. Hop it, Duggy Dog
 Barry, M.S. Diz and the Big Fat Burglar
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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Preamble of Alcoholics Anonymous

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The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any Sect, Denomination, Politics, Organisation or Institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy; neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other Alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

What A.A. Does Not Do

1. Solicit membership or try to persuade anyone to join A.A. who does not want to.
2. Keep membership records or case histories.
3. Engage in or sponsor research.
4. Join counselling or social agencies, although A.A. members frequently co-operate with them.
5. Make medical or psychological diagnosis or prognosis.
6. Provide drying out or nursing services, hospitalisation, drugs or any medical or psychiatric treatment.
7. Engage in education or propaganda about alcohol.
8. Provide housing, clothes, food, jobs, money or other welfare or social services.
9. Provide domestic counselling.
10. Accept money for its service or any money from non A.A. sources.

The Twelve Steps

1. We admitted we were powerless over alcohol - that our lives had become unmanageable.
2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God *as we understood Him*.
4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
5. Admitted to God, to ourselves and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
6. We're entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.

8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong, promptly admitted it.
11. Sought, through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God *as we understood Him*.
12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics and practice these principles in all our affairs.

The Twelve Traditions

1. Our common welfare should come first, personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.
2. For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority - a loving God as He may express Himself in our Group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants - they do not govern.
3. The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.
4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.
5. Each group has but one primary purpose - to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.
6. An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.
7. Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
8. Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever non-professional, but our service centres may employ special workers.
9. A.A., as such, ought never be organised; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
10. Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.
12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

Features

CREDIT UNION NEWS

Whats New, In 1999.

1. New Board of Directors.
2. New Loan Interest Rate.
3. New Services.

The new Board of Directors are K. Loane, P. Harney, A. Higgins, J. Read, M. Doran, M.T. Kelly, P. Holmes, M. O'Reilly, H. Devane, M.T. Power, F. Kelleher.

Some long serving Board members and some new ones, together with the other voluntary officers are offering their time and energy to serve us the members, for another year. May I take the opportunity to welcome the newest members to the Board.

A new lower Loan Interest Rate was introduced as and from December 1st. We have reduced our rate by 20% i.e. from 1% to 0.80% per month. The 12.68% A.P.R. is down to 10.14%. This will mean a big saving to the borrowing member over the loan term, less interest to pay is **Good News** for everyone.

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Junior Members are reminded that we are hosting the school table quiz on January 22nd in St. Patrick's College and during the event we will have a prize draw for all our junior members. It is more favourable to hold this draw separate to our A.G.M.

We are also preparing to set up a credit union in the Post Primary School, similar to the one already running in the primary schools.

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VIDEO REVIEW

The Wedding Singer (12's)

This is one of the best comedies to come on stream recently. The story centres around a cheesy, second-rate cabaret-style crooner, played superbly by Adam Sandler, who falls in love with Drew Barrymore, a waitress who works for a wedding caterers firm. The problem is that she's engaged to someone else, and Sandler's attempts to impress her and win her over are absolutely hilarious. The soundtrack is brilliant and straight out of the seventies, and the film is worth seeing for the music alone. All in all a very worthwhile and funny experience.

Verdict: Excellent.

Great Expectations (15's)

This is one of those movies that leaves you wondering why the makers bothered. For those of you who don't know the plot, it's basically about a Victorian *femme fatale* with a secret past. Gwyneth Paltrow plays our heroine, Ethan Hawke and, of all people, Robert DeNiro are the men in her life. Paltrow is, as usual, highly effective rubbish, and Ethan Hawke, who appears to appeal mostly to the 'teen viewers', is not much better. Robert DeNiro, who is always worth watching (although this time it's for completely different reasons) is totally miscast. There should be a law against the murder of what is great literature, and the perpetrators should be jailed for life. Charles Dickens must be turning over in his grave.

Verdict: Abysmal!

Hobbies & Interests



Deliciously Simple



LAMB CASSEROLE

1lb/450g lean lamb
1tbsp olive oil
6oz/175g button onions, peeled
1 red pepper, halved, deseeded and sliced
2 sticks celery, trimmed and chopped
1oz/25g flour
1pt/600ml vegetable stock
14oz/397g can chick peas, drained
14oz/397g can artichoke hearts, drained
A few rosemary sprigs
Salt and ground black pepper
Rosemary sprigs to garnish

1. Trim the lamb of any remaining fat and cut the meat into 2in/5cm chunks. Heat the oil in a flameproof casserole dish and sauté the onions for 5 mins. Add the lamb and cook for 7 mins, or until sealed.
2. Preheat the oven to Gas 4, 350F, 180C, 10 mins before cooking the casserole. Add the peppers, celery and flour to the lamb and onions, then continue to cook, stirring constantly, for 1 min. Stir in the vegetable stock, chick peas, artichoke hearts and rosemary. Season well and bring to the boil. Cover the casserole and transfer to the preheated oven. Cook for 1 1/2 hrs., or until lamb is tender.
3. Remove casserole lid, garnish with rosemary and serve.

Serves 4: 451 calories per portion.
Preparation time: 20 mins.
Cooking time: 1 hr 45 mins.

PICTURE LOGO

CHEESY VEGETABLES WITH TAGLIATELLE

A colourful mix of two standbys - cauliflower or macaroni cheese

1 1/2 lbs/700g mixed fresh broccoli and cauliflower florets
6ozs/175g fresh baby corn cobs
8ozs/225g dried tagliatelle
2oz/50g butter
2oz/50g flour
1pt/600ml milk
3oz/75g cheddar cheese, grated
1oz/25g fresh breadcrumbs, toasted
Garlic bread, to serve

1. Cook pasta in lightly salted boiling water for 10 minutes until al dente.
2. Meanwhile, cook vegetables in lightly salted boiling water for 5 minutes until just tender.
3. Melt butter in a saucepan, add flour and cook for 1 minute. Gradually add milk and bring to the boil, stirring constantly, until sauce thickens. Simmer for 1 minute. Stir in cheese and season to taste.
4. Drain vegetables, add to cheese sauce and mix until coated. Drain pasta and divide between plates. Spoon vegetables and cheese sauce over and sprinkle with breadcrumbs. Serve with garlic bread.

MANGO ICE WITH CREAM CHEESE

Serves 4

1 large fresh mango or a 15oz/425g can of mango pieces
Juice 1 lemon
8oz/250g cream cheese
1 tablespoon honey
Large pinch of ground cardamom, optional
Skin and stone the fresh mango, or drain the juice from the canned mango.

Put the fruit into a food processor with the rest of the ingredients, or sieve the fruit and mix in the other ingredients until smooth. Pour into a plastic container and freeze until firm. Allow to soften for about 30 mins. in the fridge before serving.

EASY RICE PUDDING

40g fine grain cereal or 50g large grain cereal
25g sugar
500ml milk
13g margarine
cinnamon

1. Wash large grain rice. Place rice, sugar, milk and margarine into a greased pie dish. Stir well.
2. Bake in a cool oven, 150C/300F or Gas 2, for 1 1/2 - 2 hrs, stirring once or twice during first hour, with a fork, to prevent rice settling on base. Sprinkle with cinnamon and cook until set, and beginning to brown on top.
3. Serve as above.

CHOCOLATE FLAPJACKS

4oz/125g butter or margarine
4oz/125g light brown sugar
1 tablespoon golden syrup
6oz/175g jumbo or porridge oats
2oz/60g chocolate drops
20z/60g toasted hazelnuts, chopped
11x7in shallow baking tin

Set oven to moderate, Gas 4 or 350F/180C.

Melt the butter, then slowly stir in the sugar and golden syrup. Stir in the rest of the ingredients. Spoon into the greased tin and spread evenly over the base. Bake above the centre of the oven for 30 minutes. Mark into 15 or 14 fingers while still warm. Allow to cool in the tin, then cut into pieces.

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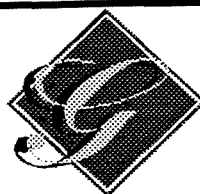
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JANUARY IN THE GARDEN

FLOWERS

This is usually the coldest month of the year. Conditions are frustrating for the gardener with many left over jobs from December waiting to be done. January is often thought as a colourless month in the garden, but there is quite a number of plants that bloom now, such as the winter flowering Jasime [Fasminum nudiflorum].

Little outdoor work can be done this month. If new areas are to be planted with shrubs or other plants, or sown with seed in the spring, plan these on paper now. Protect with cloches the flowers of Christmas roses [Helleborous niger] to prevent weather or bird damage. Water plants in containers sheltered from the weather, such as window boxes, hanging baskets and pots on patios.

Fruit

If weather and soil conditions are suitable, plant trees and bushes. Complete the pruning of established fruits and spray them all, except strawberries, with a tar-oil winter-wash to kill insect pest eggs.

Vegetables

Order seeds, seed potatoes and plant this month. Store them in a cool, frost-free and rodent - free place until required. In warm and sheltered gardens, the first sowings of certain cultivators of peas and broad beans can be made if the soil is friable and not too wet or cold.

Where necessary, apply lime to the soil-if not already done. Do not mix lime and animal manures. Lift parsnips and leeks as required. Inspect root vegetables in store and remove any that show signs of disease.

TREES, SHRUBS AND CLIMBERS

If the weather is suitable and in a friable condition, plant trees, shrubs and climbers. During inclement weather, store the plants in straw, in a cool frost-free place, or unwrap them and heel them into a trench in a sheltered part of the garden.

Prevent branches being broken by the weight of snow, removing it by hand. Ensure that small or tender plants have adequate protection. Check all plant supports and ties to ensure they are firm and in good condition.

UNDER GLASS

Order seeds and new plants now for sowing and planting during the next two months. Ventilate and water existing plants carefully to keep them in good health. Remove dead flowers heads and leaves to prevent infection and if necessary spray against pests and diseases. Make the first sowing of greenhouse tomato seeds in boxes or pots in heat. In the home, water houseplants given as Christmas presents, according to their requirements, and give them the temperature and amount of light they need.

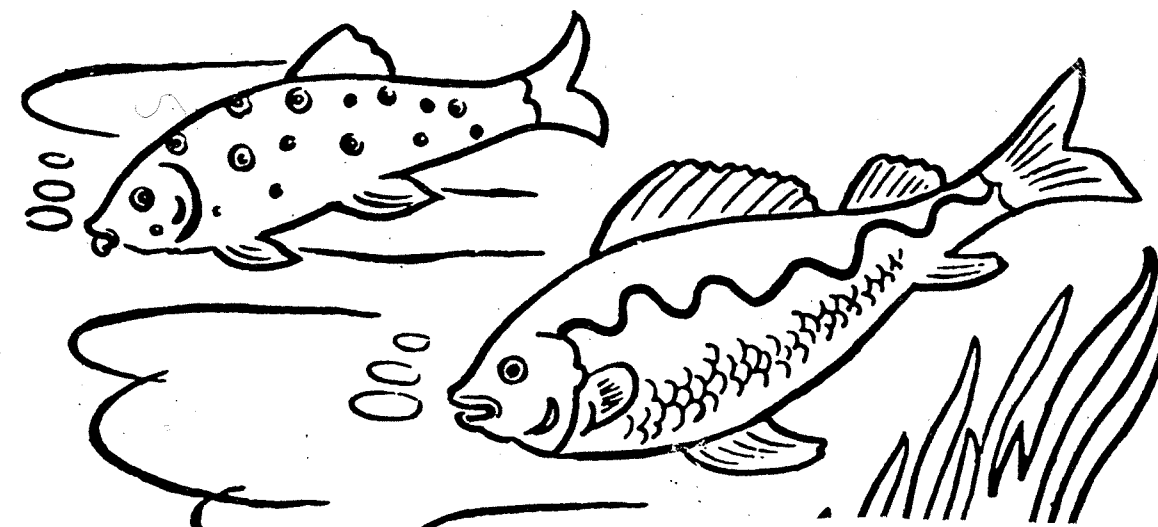
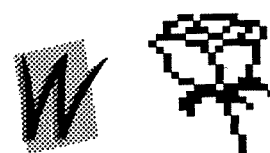
As forced bulbs, particularly hyacinths, tulips and narcissi, in bowls reach the correct stage of growth, bring them from the cold into the home. Water them as necessary. Plant hippeastrums to flower next month. Check that all seed sowing and potting equipment is in good condition.

AND DON'T FORGET

Clear away all leaves and debris by raking or brushing them into heaps and placing them on the compost heap. Prepare the ground for new lawns by digging the area whenever soil conditions permit. Check that the drainage is all right. Leave the soil surface roughly dug to enable the frost to produce a fine tilth.

Tread and firm the soil around plants recently set in position, especially if it has been loosened by frost or the plants rocked by the wind.

Check all machinery and tools to ensure they are in good working order for the forthcoming season. Make a note of paved or concrete areas that collect moisture which ices up, and correct the levels when time and weather permit. Also, keep drainage areas free of debris. Keep an area open in ice on the garden pool, to allow fish to breathe.



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Party Political

FINE GAEL NOTES

New Year Greetings

Dep. Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin wish all their friends and supporters a very happy and prosperous new year.

Barrockstown Landfill Site

Fine Gael in Maynooth are opposing the location of this proposed dump on the grounds that it will eventually pollute the ground water, thereby causing problems for residents, the Lyreen, the Rye and further downstream the River Liffey. This site is deemed to be most unsuitable.

The dump has now brought into focus the requirements for all residents to change their habits when disposing of rubbish. Cllr. Senan Griffin recently stated that this can only be done with a proper waste management plan which will have to include recycling. Senan Griffin further stated that it will be a much more expensive operation if landfill sites are to be a thing of the past, but a price worth paying. Cllr. Griffin believes that the sooner the residents change and reduce the volume of disposable rubbish the better for the local environment.

Footpaths

At long last the laying of the footpaths has commenced and it is hoped that both sides of the street will be completed early in the new year.

Back Streets

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested that K.C.C. resurface the back streets. Double Lane, Buckleys, Fagans, Pound and Doctors Lane, while at the same time ensuring that adequate traffic calming measures are put in place for the safety of pedestrians.

Poor Quality Public Lighting

Despite numerous requests from Cllr. Senan Griffin and K.C.C., the E.S.B. are failing to provide a quality public lighting service to the people of Maynooth. The lights on the Moyglare Road and the Kilcock Road are frequently out of action. These two roads are now a danger to the pedestrians due to the poor quality of lighting.

Resurfacing of Estates

The Co., Councillors in agreeing the estimates have included a sum of money to resurface estates that are about twenty years old. This will be of benefit to estates like **Carton Court, Railpark, Cluain Aoibhinn and Greenfield Estate**. However the money allocated will not be adequate to do all the estates.

Control of Alcohol

At a recent meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee it was agreed that a draft of the bye laws for Maynooth be published for a period of one month. Submissions must be made within seven days after the end of the publication of

the draft proposals. It is important that all residents keep an eye on these proposals.

Greenfield Lane

K.C.C. have accepted the proposal by Cllr. Senan Griffin that the lane is in need of resurfacing and the laying of a surfacing water pipe. The funds required to do the job can be made available from the roads restoration grant programme.

Maynooth Interchange

Senan Griffin has requested K.C.C. to carry out a survey at the Maynooth interchange in order to improve its present poor quality exist. It is obvious that traffic wishing to turn right towards Maynooth are experiencing extreme difficulties and should be upgraded to roundabout status. It is the function of the N.R.A. to provide motorists with a safe exit from the motorway.

Maynooth Pumping Station

Cllr. Senan Griffin has welcomed the allocation of £60,000 to upgrade the sewerage pumping station at Dunboyne Road. This is a positive development and long overdue.

Girls National School

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested the engineering staff at K.C.C. to prepare plans so as to enhance the entrance to the Girls National School and to Carton Avenue. This area is now becoming totally congested and is in urgent need of a proper bus bay, and controlled car parking for the safety of the school going children.

Griffin Selected To Run

At a packed convention, held in the Glenroyal Hotel, Senan Griffin was selected to run for Fine Gael in the local elections to be held in June. He will contest the new Leixlip district which embraces Leixlip and Maynooth.

Senan currently occupies the Council seat vacated by Bernard Durkan T.D. when he became a Minister of State in the last Coalition. He is a member of a number of Council Sub Committees and represents the Council on the boards of Kildare Fáilte and mid- east tourism.

In his acceptance speech Councillor Griffin said that if elected his priorities would continue to be the provision of affordable housing, amenity facilities and the alleviation of traffic congestion in Maynooth and in Leixlip through the provision of ring roads. He reminded his audience that decisions made by the councillors elected in June would have profound affect on the future housing prospects and quality of life of the students who will be sitting the Junior Certificate at election time. He said he would strive to ensure that all decisions taken would be in the best interests of the population of Kildare.

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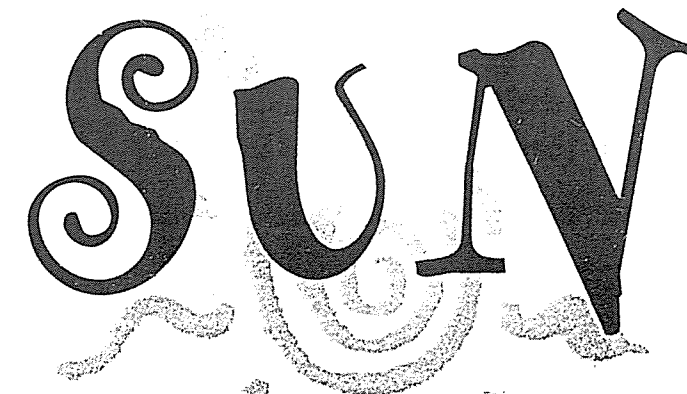
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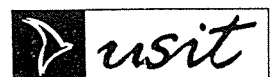


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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES - DECEMBER

MAIN STREET FOOTPATHS:

Work is progressing well on the new footpaths as no major problems have been encountered. The new footpaths, which include a cycle lane, will extend as far as the Castle and to Kavanagh's Mill. Traffic lights with a pedestrian crossing phase will be erected at the bottom of the town in order to regulate traffic at this very busy junction. The work is due for completion by the end of March.

MAYNOOTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN:

As a result of legal advice, the County Council have decided that the Development Plan for Maynooth must start from scratch. The first meeting to discuss the plan will be held on the 15th of January, 1999. A full day has been set aside on 18th January to discuss submissions received following the public display of the County Development Plan. If there are no changes to the population targets for Maynooth, the Maynooth Plan can then be approved to go on public display for the three months, first display period. As the Local Government Elections are due on the 11th of June, 1999, it is unlikely that the Maynooth Plan will be progressed beyond the first display period by the present Council.

RE-INSTALEMENT OF GREEN AT THE 67A TURNING POINT:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised by the Chief Executive of C.I.E. that they have arranged for the reinstatement of the green area at the 67A bus turning point on the Straffan Road.

SAFETY IN MOYGLARE ABBEY:

As a result of representations from residents in Moyglare Abbey, Cllr. John McGinley has asked the developer to clean up the roadways and to stop diggers from driving on the footpath green areas.

SPEED LIMIT ON LUCAN BY-PASS:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked his Labour Party Colleague on South Dublin County Council, Eamonn Walsh, to have the speed limit on the Lucan By-Pass changed to one more appropriate to an urban motorway. The speed limit is presently 40 m.p.h. even though the road is built to motorway standard i.e. it does not have footpaths or cycle lanes. Such roads elsewhere throughout the Country have a 60 m.p.h. speed limit.

MECHANISED STREET CLEANING FOR MAYNOOTH:

As stated in our November Newsletter Notes, Cllr. John McGinley was advised that mechanised street cleaning would take place in Maynooth following completion of the new footpaths. The County Manager confirmed this publicly at the Estimates Meeting on the 7th of December when asked by Cllr. McGinley.

ADDITIONAL LIGHTS FOR MAYNOOTH:

As a result of a proposal from Cllr. John McGinley new public lights will be erected in the following areas:

- Kilcock Road to beyond the new N.U.I. entrance.
- Three new lights at Doctor's Lane.

- Two new lights at Fagan's Lane.
- Two new lights at O'Neill Park.
- One new light at House No. 102, Carton Court.

If residents feel that additional lights should be located in a certain area please contact Cllr. John McGinley at 6285293.

TAKING HOUSING ESTATES IN CHARGE:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to speed up the taking in charge of estates. There is no excuse for the delay in the case of Kingsbry, where the outstanding work has been identified and the money to do the work is in place.

67A TURNING POINT, STRAFFAN ROAD:

Cllr. John McGinley has proposed that the roadside section of the 67A turning point on the Straffan Road, Maynooth be converted into a footpath in the interests of pedestrians safety and the environment. The Council's Engineering Section stated that it would cost £15,000. Cllr McGinley has pointed out to the County Secretary that it is only 8 metres of footpath and the outer edge is already in place. The County Secretary agreed to get the County Engineer to come up with a down to earth price.

THORNTON DUMP:

Emmet Stagg, T.D. and Cllr. John McGinley have both objected to the planning application by Thornton's for a super dump at Barrockstown, Co. Meath. We are offering our full support to the North Kildare / South Meath Environmental Protection Group who successfully opposed Thornton's earlier proposal for the same site.

GREENFIELD CLOSE / KINGSBRY:

As a result of Cllr. John McGinley's Motion, the Council will erect bollards at the Greenfield Close end of the pedestrian walk between it and Kingsbry in order to stop cars from using it.

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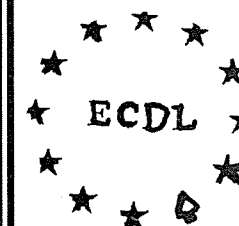
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

DATE	LEVEL	RESULT
15th November 1998	U.21 Football Championship	Rathangan 1-7 Maynooth 0-8
21st November 1998	U.15 Winter Football League	Confey 4-6 Maynooth 0-16
22nd November 1998	U.15 Winter Football League	Carbury 4-16 Maynooth 3-7
4th December 1998	Senior Hurling League Div. 2 Final	Moorefield 2-11 Maynooth 2-3

MATCH REPORTS

MAYNOOTH v KILCOCK - 7th November 1998

Maynooth under 9's had a very difficult first outing of the season against a very good Kilcock team. Playing with wind advantage in the first half they kept the score to 1-4 to 1 pt., the one point being scored by Keith Leonard. In goals, Sean Fox proved to be a very brave goalie. The full-back line of Ben Finnegan, Eoin Hynes and Sean Moore put in a solid performance. The half back line of Eoin Curran, Tomas Donnelly and Danny Finnan played well but were under enormous pressure especially in the second half. James Molloy and Brian Twomey were really up against a big Kilcock pairing. The half forward line of Joe Dempsey, Alex Cash (Captain) and Keith Leonard made the most of the scraps they got. William Reynolds and Sean McTernan tried hard with Conor O'Brien playing a roving role. The subs, when introduced, Barry Connellan, Philip Corbally and Edel Curran did well but could not turn the tide. P.S. Well done to all and great to see the parents support.

Team: Sean Fox, Ben Finnegan, Eoin Hynes, Sean Moore, Eoin Curran, Tomas Donnelly, Danny Finnan, James Molloy, Brian Twomey, Joe Dempsey, Alex Cash (Capt.), Keith Leonard, William Reynolds, Sean McTernan, Conor O'Brien.
Subs: Barry Connellan, Philip Corbally, Edel Curran.

RATHANGAN 1-7 : MAYNOOTH 0-8
Half-time Rathangan 0-3 : Maynooth 0-5

Team and Scores: John Fagan, Daragh Carr, James Gallagher, Alan Nugent, Niall Byrne, Eamon Gallagher (0-4), Marty Byrne (0-1), Ronan Murphy, Mick Bennett (0-1), Declan Buckley, Sean Lennon, Mark Nugent, Cathal Ryan, Karl Ennis (0-1), Niall Naughton (0-1).
Subs: Senan Griffin for C. Ryan.

CONFHEY 4-6 : MAYNOOTH 0-16
Half-time Confey 1-5 : Maynooth 0-4

Team and Scores: Colin O'Neill, Joe Brennan, Graham Quinn, Peter Sheehan, Tadg O Corcaire, Stephen Curran, Killian Carr (0-2), Patrick O'Rourke (0-8), Stephen O'Malley, Morgan Sweeney (0-2), Fintan O'Donohue, Brian Downey (0-3), Peter Lee, Fintan O'Gorman (0-1).

CARBURY 4-16 : MAYNOOTH 3-7
Half-time Carbury 3-11 : Maynooth 0-2

Best for Maynooth were: Peter Sheehan, Killian Carr, Graham Quinn, Pierre Ennis and Donal O'Houlihan.

Scorers: Donal O'Houlihan 1-2; Pierre Ennis 1-5; Eric Roberts 1-0; Peter Lee (0-2); Patrick O'Rourke 0-2.

MOOREFIELD 2-11 : MAYNOOTH 2-3
Half-time Moorefield 2-9 : Maynooth 0-2

Best for Maynooth were: Declan Buckley, Jimmy Cahill, Hugh Nevin, Killian Fagan, Fergal Scully, Conor Diggins, Karl Ennis and substitute John O'Brien.

Team: Matt Carroll, Stephen Noonan, Declan Buckley, Rory Kelly, Jimmy Cahill, Hugh Nevin, Tom Farrell, Killian Fagan, Fergal Scully, Conor Diggins, Ronan Murphy, Mick Bennett, Jim O'Mahony, Vincent Coughlin and Karl Ennis.
Subs: Eoin Nevin for Stephen Noonan, John O'Brien for Jim O'Mahoney, Padraic Ward for Tom Farrell.

Cont./

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS 6th December 1998	
This Weeks Numbers	1 - 4 - 12 - 23
This Weeks Jackpot	- £1,200
Winner:	No Winner
Next Weeks Jackpot	- £1,300
WINNERS OF WEEKLY £10.00	
1.	John Kennedy c/o Ollie
2.	Angela Caffrey c/o Domo
3.	Brigid Waldron c/o McCormacks
4.	Trish Reilly c/o Quinnsworth
5.	Shay Brennan c/o Domo

MAYNOOTH G.A.A.
NOTES (Cont.)

The A.G.M. of Maynooth G.A.A. Club was held on Monday, 7th December 1998 in the Clubhouse.

The following officers were elected to the Executive:-

Chairman: Roddy Molloy (outgoing)
Vice Chairman: Tommy Fay (outgoing)
Secretary: Noel Farrelly (outgoing)
Assistant Secretary: Dominic Nugent (outgoing)
Treasurer: Mick Gleeson (outgoing)
Joint P.R.O.'s: Tom Coffey / Johnny Nevin
Registrar: Madeline Stynes (outgoing)
Football Committee Chairman: Pat Nevin (outgoing)
Hurling Committee Chairman: Larry Comerford
Handball Committee Chairman: Declan Quigley
Finance Committee Chairman: Matt Doran (outgoing)
Grounds and Development: Mick Gillick (outgoing)
Bar and Social Committee: Martin Bambrick

Also elected to Executive:
Dick Sheehan and Tony Mooney

Former Kildare stalwart Davy Dalton has been appointed Manager of the Maynooth Intermediate Football Team. He will take up his new appointment in January for a two year term. The highlight of the year was the success of the Intermediate B team in winning both League and Championship. The shortage of pitches is a perennial problem which needs to be addressed as a matter of extreme urgency.

Maynooth G.A.A. cater for nine adult teams, twelve under age teams, ladies football, camogie, hurling and give pitch facilities to the Boys National School, Post Primary School and Athletic Club. The ground available to the club at present has been developed to its full potential which sadly only allows for the use of one adult and one juvenile pitch. Given the vital contribution the G.A.A. makes to the local community it is essential that additional land be made available to foster and develop our national games and to ensure that our juvenile players are provided with the necessary infrastructure to develop and harness their sporting talents. Maybe the local public representatives and planning alliance organisation would consider this in their future deliberations concerning land rezoning.

Finally on behalf of Maynooth G.A.A. I would like to wish all our members a very happy Christmas and enjoyable 1999.

Tom Coffey,
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MAYNOOTH TOWN F. C. CLUB NOTES (Cont.)

Weather has played havoc with recent fixtures and highlighted that our dependence on one full size playing pitch is unsustainable with the rapid growth the Club has experienced. The lack of suitable playing surfaces is now the single biggest constraint Maynooth Town F.C. faces in allowing the youth of the town to play soccer at a competitive level. The Club now supports eleven schoolboy teams along with two senior mens and a ladies team. With the lack of reasonably priced suitable land close to the town the Club now finds itself unable to cope with current demand. The hope to cater for all age groups from seven years to senior level within the next four years is no longer a reasonable expectation. The fact that some teams have fulfilled less than half of their fixtures is a sad reflection of the facilities available and a tremendous frustration to both players and team managers alike. The dilemma the Club now faces is to streamline the amount of teams it supports or continue to fight a losing battle against the elements to keep our pitch playable. A decision on the amount of teams that the Club can realistically support next season with one full size pitch will be made early in the New Year. It is hoped that players, parents and supporters will understand the hard choices the Club is forced to make.

A small but welcome break in the heavy rain allowed a resumption of fixtures with mixed fortunes for the schoolboy teams. The under 16's lost home advantage in both their Cup-ties due to a waterlogged pitch and were knocked out of both competitions. The under 14A1's, 12A1's and 11B's are still involved in Cup competitions with the U11B's due to play for a place in the last eight. Unfortunately home advantage in that tie has also been lost due to a waterlogged pitch. All four teams are doing well and are in the top half of their respective leagues. The seven-a-side teams (7 to 10 years) have completed the league section of their games. The under 8's are doing exceptionally well in their first year with Cathal Murphy's side finishing third in their league. Well done to them and lets hope they can improve on that excellent performance in the second stage of the competition. The next section will be run in World Cup format and teams will be seeded on their finishing position in the league section.

WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS					
DATE	NO'S	JACKPOT	TURKEY	HAM	BTL. WHISKEY
22.11.98	6,15,29	£525	Mary Flanagan	John Devine	Kathleen Gilton
29.11.98	1,22,28	£550	Aidan Oxley	Joey Dempsey	Helen Brazil
6.12.98	6,8,25	£575	Dave Mahoney	Ciara Murray	Marie McGovern
13.12.98	13,25,27	£600	Ann Marie Lyons	Rosemary McManus	Tom Flatley

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MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Sunday, 15th November

Joe "Do Do" Murray Memorial Cup at
Bodenstown Golf Club

1st Overall	-	Gerry McTernan	34 pts
2nd	-	Owen Byrne	30 pts
3rd	-	John Byrne	29 pts - (Back 9)
4th	-	Pa Conway	29 pts - (Back 9)
5th	-	Sean Tracey	29 pts
6th	-	Miley Scanlon	28 pts - (Back 9)
7th	-	Sean O'Connell	28 pts
Front 9	-	John Carroll	16 pts
Back 9	-	Paddy Foy	14 pts
Visitors	-	Kevin Loftus	36 pts
Nearest the Pin		Terry Moore	
Two's Club		Derek Murray - Terry Moore	
G.O.Y.		Sean Tracey	
Senior G.O.Y.		Owen Byrne	
Team Winners		Tom O'Haire and Sean O'Connell	
		Sean Horgan Pa Conway	

Mc The Master at Bodenstown

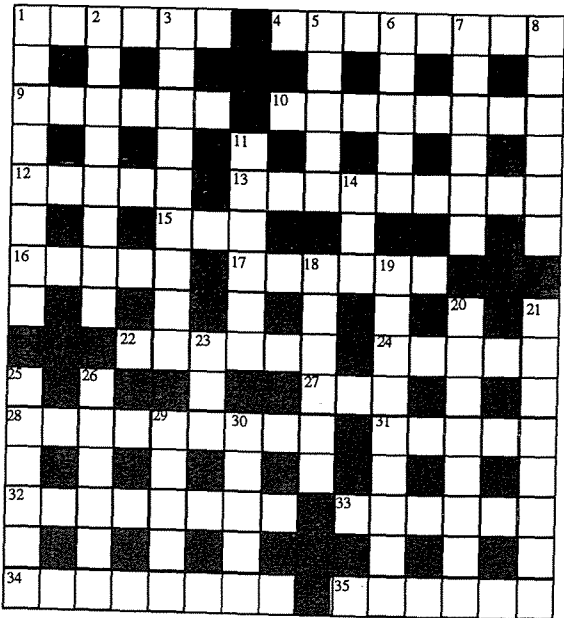
The final outing of the year for the 'Do Do' Murray Cup took place at Bodenstown (Ladyhill) Golf Club on Sunday 15th November. Early frost made for a delayed start with the Final 4 Ball putting out on the 18th in twilight. Heavy underfoot conditions made the course quite long and players struggled to score points. Local knowledge played its part with member Gerry McTernan scoring 34 points to win the coveted Trophy. Congrats Gerry. The presentation was made by Marie Murray in Caulfields that evening.

Thanks to sponsors John Byrne and Martin Doyle.

Finally we would like to thank our sponsors throughout the year and the members who supported each outing.

Roll on 1999.

Crossword No. 134



Entries before Monday 18th January

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Across:

- 1. Boy's name [6]
- 4. Confused [3,2,3]
- 9. Coaches (6)
- 10. Obvious (8)
- 12. Likeness (5)
- 13. Revenge [3,3,3]
- 15. Neither (3)
- 16. Lubricated (5)
- 17. Calls off (6)
- 22. Doorkeeper (6)
- 24. Bell peal (5)
- 27. Female sheep (3)
- 28. Washing powder (9)
- 31. Put straight (5)
- 32. Not adept (8)
- 33. Layers (6)
- 34. Avoid (8)
- 35. Woollen design (6)

Down:

- 1. Throw overboard (8)
- 2. Capable of being climbed (8)
- 3. Insinuations (9)
- 5. Smallest (5)
- 6. Spanish pal (5)
- 7. Scabbard (6)
- 8. Clever (6)
- 11. Aerial attack (6)

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- 14. Tree (3)
- 18. Beginnings (6)
- 19. Resemble (4,5)
- 20. Lone (8)
- 21. Extend (8)
- 23. Embrace (3)
- 25. Whirlpools (6)
- 26. Be present (6)
- 29. Cords (5)
- 30. Weird (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 133

Across: 1. Strive; 4. Sponsors; 9. Sedans; 10. Palimony; 12. Erase; 13. Tennessee; 15. Art; 16. Spoon; 17. Arable; 22. Peeked; 24. Maine; 27. Imp; 28. Restraint; 31. Patch; 32. Abounded; 33. Usurer; 34. Elements; 35. Escape.

Down: 1. Suspense; 2. Radiator; 3 Vengeance; 5. Plain; 6. Noise; 7. Oboist; 8. Styles ; 11. Attack; 14. Nib; 18. Audits ; 19. Lamposts; 20. Victoria; 21. Recharge; 23. Era; 25. Crease; 26. Ashore; 29. Range; 30. Inert.

Winner of Crossword No. 133
Patrick Healy
9 Leinster Pk.
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Classifieds

SYMPATHIES

Flood (nee Malone) Maynooth. Co. Kildare Dec 10, 1998, (peacefully at home). Essie, beloved wife of the late Thomas and loving mother of Gerard, Catherine and Maria: deeply regretted by her loving brother Patsy, grandchildren, family, relatives and friends. May she rest in peace.

Newton Son, daughters, brother, sisters, daughter-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, great-grand-child, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Dan Newton, Greenfield, Maynooth.

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Nolan. John, Jacqueline and the family of the late Tom (Spin) Nolan wish to thank most sincerely all those who shared in their recent sad bereavement. Those who attended the removal, mass and funeral. Those who sent Mass Cards, perpetual enrolments, telemessages letters of sympathy and floral tributes, those who called to our home and supported and comforted us in so many ways. A special word of thanks to Monsignor Stenson and Fr. Sinnott, Mass Servers, Laura Duff and Organist, Oliver Reilly Undertakers and the G.A.A. Club for their Guard of Honour. To Dr. Cowhey, the Doctors and Nurses of J.C.M. Hospital, Blanchardstown. A special word of thanks to his nephew Liam, niece Mary and daughter-in-law Frances, his many friends especially Jimmy, Patsy and Phil, whom he used to enjoy meeting each day, for their kindness and friendship to him and to all our relatives who gave us great support at this very sad time. As it is impossible to thank you all individually we hope you will accept our sincere thanks in grateful appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Murphy. (nee Kennedy), husband, sons, daughters, sister, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, sisters-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends of Kathleen Murphy Maynooth late of Kilbride.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Shirley Morgan** and **Martin Salmon** on the Birth of your baby son **Daniel** born on the 26th. November '98. Love from Liz, Jenny, Sarah, Ger, Elaine, Kathryn and family.

Congratulations to **Ian Kavanagh**, Kingsbry and **Niamh White**, Celbridge on the birth of your baby son **Seán** born on 23rd November 1998. Love from Mam, Neil, Karen, Mark, Declan and Jennnifer.

Wishing a very Happy 18th Birthday to **Karina McGovern** on the 14th. January
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