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'Family History Month'

Eddie Gahan, the Society's Director of Outreach & Education, and his team were on top form on *Culture Night* at the DLR Lexicon and were kept extremely busy all evening assisting visitors to that specular venue with their family history.

So busy, according to reports, that they were amongst the last to leave the DLR Lexicon. The staff at the DLR Lexicon worked flat-out to make *Culture Night* a wonderful success and they must be congratulated on a job well done.

This month, now celebrated as '*Family History Month*' by genealogical societies around the world, Eddie's team are participating in two major events. Firstly, at the *DLR Festival of Inclusion* from October 5th to 13th and then in the RDS for the '*Back To Our Past*' event from October 19th to 21st.



The *DLR Festival of Inclusion* provides an excellent opportunity for the Society to emphasise that its mission is to promote the study of genealogy amongst all sections of our increasingly diverse community. Indeed, it should be noted that we are the '*Genealogical Society of Ireland*' and not an 'Irish' genealogical organisation dealing with exclusively Irish ancestry.

Family history or genealogy is the study of only a small part of our own ancestral journey which, through advances in DNA testing capabilities, we have discovered we share with peoples throughout the world stretching back thousands of years. So whether your ancestors were Irish, Polish, Chinese, Kenyan or whatever, the *Genealogical Society of Ireland* is on



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hand to assist and advise you on your research and especially, on the on-line resources available. With the ever increasing number of records being uploaded to various websites, researching your ancestors from anywhere in the world is now possible to varying degrees depending on the quality of the extant records uploaded.

'*Back To Our Past*' is the flagship genealogical event in Ireland attracting thousands to the RDS in Dublin each year. The Society will have a stand and, of course, the '*Irish DNA Atlas*' project undertaken by the *Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI)* and the Society will feature in the hugely popular '*Genetic Genealogy Ireland*' lecture series at '*Back To Our Past*'. The project is viewed in the scientific community hugely significant due to its unique research criteria where the DNA samples are accompanied by verified genealogies for each participant.

The promotion of genealogy and related subjects is the main objective of this Society and its volunteers work hard each year to participate in events throughout Ireland and occasionally overseas. The Society is grateful to *Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council* for its continued support in the promotion of its '*Genealogy Help Centre*' in Loughlinstown. See p.4

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DATA PROTECTION

The Board on May 3rd 2018 adopted the following resolution on the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) - *Res: 18/05/1380*

"That, the Board, in order to make arrangements for compliance with the **European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)** which comes into force on **May 25th 2018**, agrees to place a notice in '*Ireland's Genealogical Gazette*' advising Members that the Society holds the following records on its Members (1) Name; (2) Address; (3) Telephone Number; (4) Email Address and (5) the name of the Associate Member, if applicable, and that such records are **only used** for the purpose of contacting Members on Society matters and for the dispatch of the Monthly Newsletter and the Annual Journal and furthermore, that these records are **only held** by the Director of Membership Services and are **inaccessible to all other persons** and that, the **Society does not share this information** with any other individual or organisation." Records are also held for **contractual necessity** to deliver paid services.

OPEN MEETINGS

Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute

Cumberland Street, Dún Laoghaire

Tuesday 9th October—20.00hrs

Tuesday 13 November—20.00hrs

Royal Marine Hotel

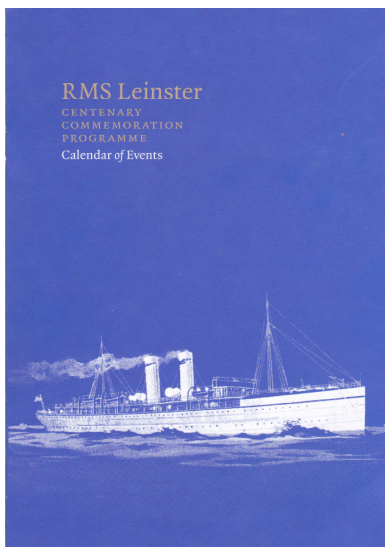
Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire

Wednesday 24 October—10.30hrs

Wednesday 28 November—10.30hrs

Contribution €3.00 p.p.

(including Tea/Coffee at the Morning Meeting)



RMS Leinster Centenary—see www.dlrcoo.ie

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MEN'S SHED GIFT

The Society is extremely grateful for the very kind donation by the *Loughlinstown, Ballybrack & Shankill (LBS) Men's Shed* of an iPad to the Society.

The iPad was presented to the Board by Shane O'Brien, GSI Director of Finance, on behalf of the members of the LBS Men's Shed on Thursday October 4th 2018.

Shane O'Brien said that it was in recognition of the assistance given by Eddie Gahan and his team during the *Loughlinstown 40th Anniversary* celebrations. Sincere thanks to the LBS Men's Shed for this wonderful gift.

GENEALOGY HELP CENTRE

Did you know that this Society operates a "Help Centre" for those researching their family history?

Family history need not be a lonely pilgrimage of discovery with many bumps in a very twisty road of pitfalls. Many of these research problems appear as impenetrable "brick walls" but they are rarely new problems. Many have overcome such and progressed their research with the help and advice of others.

The Society's "Help Centre" is open to the public twice weekly where you can discuss your research problems with experienced researchers who will take you through the available resources. For times and directions please see page 4 of this newsletter.

Local History Reviews

'Bray Historical Record Volume 1: No. 9 - First World War Special Edition', Edited by Henry Cairns, published by the Old Bray Society - €10.

This special publication deals with those from Bray, Co. Wicklow, who took part in World War One, with some 900 from a town with a 1914-1918 population of 7600, who enlisted, on whom at least 155 were killed.

Divided into 6 chapters, the Introduction provides an overview of the town between 1914 and 1918, details of the Campaign Medals awarded and Medals of Valour, Rank Abbreviations and those of various regiments in which Bray men served.

Chapter 1 deals with the 'Bray Roll of Honour 1914-1918' listing all those of those mentioned in it supplemented by a vast array of images relating to those mentioned in it. Chapter 2 covers 'The Bray War Memorial' on which 155 Bray men killed in this conflict are named on bronze panels with brief personal histories of all these individuals.

Chapter 3 is devoted to 'Sergeant Bernard Martin' blinded in this conflict while serving in Bulgaria, where he won the Military Medal, based on the diaries he kept, while Chapter 4 is devoted to military chaplain Fr. Francis Gleeson, who after the war eventually was appointed Parish Priest of Bray in 1924. Included in this chapter is the text of 1940 Special Branch report on speech he made from the pulpit during mass against evictions being carried out by the Bray Urban District Council. Subsequently appointed to Aughrim, in 1944 he was appointed Parish Priest of St. Catherine's, Meath Street, Dublin, where he served until his death in 1959.

Chapter 5 is devoted to 'Drummer Tom Brennan' by Tom Curtis who researched the life of his maternal grand-father who joined up with the Royal Munster Fusiliers in 1909 aged 16, and saw service in India, Gallipoli, the Somme, Passchendaele, and post war in Egypt and Sudan, until demobilised in 1922. He died in 1965 aged 75. The final chapter contains additional information on North Wicklow People in the First World War by name, other information, and war information.

All-in-all this remarkable 120 A4 sized publication ensures that those from Bray and North Wicklow are remembered and have not vanished unforgotten and unremembered into the mists of time. Over the counter copies can be obtained from The Town Hall Bookshop, 23 Florence Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow. Postal inquiries can be sent to the same address.

James Scannell

Have you visited An Daonchartlann at the DLR Loughlinstown Leisure Centre?

Limerick—The Irish Revolution 1912-23

The Ireland of the revolutionary period is of particular interest to genealogists and local historians, not least because we are currently in the "Decade of Centenaries", but also because many of us have known family members that have lived through and witnessed events of this period of our recent history. Others we may have met over the years may have recalled their discussions with participants in the various revolutionary movements and organisations, or indeed, were victims of the actions of such groups or of the British forces.

My maternal grandfather was born in Thomondgate in 1902, the second youngest of nine children, however, we have no family lore regarding this period or more precisely, none that came down our line. This is intriguing given the events in Limerick City from 1912 onwards and through the Civil War of 1922-23. With little chance now of retrieving any family lore on this period, works like *'Limerick—The Irish Revolution 1912-23'* by **John O'Callaghan** (ISBN: 978-1-84682-742-6 : P/bk : 192pp : ills : Price €19.95 : Web Price €17.95), published by Four Courts Press, provide the essential backdrop to our understanding of the life and times of the people of Limerick, including possibly members of my own family, during the revolutionary period. This information is vitally important to our family history research and especially, to the compilation of the family narrative. The Military Archives has uploaded many thousands of records, papers and documents relating to the revolutionary period to its website (www.militaryarchives.ie), however, if none of your relatives are mentioned in these records, it doesn't necessarily mean that they were not touched by events. This is where research like that published in this book becomes essential reading for those with ancestral links to Limerick City and County.

The political and social landscape of Limerick City and County in 1912, at the start of the revolutionary period, was to undergo seismic change at the hand of nationalists, radicals, separatists, suffragettes and, of course, with the response from unionists, landlords, business owners and the British military establishment. At the end of the period in 1923, Limerick had endured a bitter Civil War, depression, unemployment and increased emigration. The latter devastated my own Limerick family where we lost touch with our Limerick City roots and, with it, our family lore, if any, of this period.

Organised labour was central to the revolutionary movement in Limerick City, indeed the "Limerick Soviet" is often cited, however, the impact of strikes on the population must have been considerable given that, for example as O'Callaghan points out, there were thirty-seven strikes in 1919. The ITGWU (Trades Union) in 1920 had 7,738 members in forty-five branches in the city. This book explores the background to the difficulties, rivalries and complexities of the many interwoven political, agrarian, labour and social platforms that engulfed Limerick City and County during the revolutionary period. For anyone with Limerick connections this work is highly recommended.

John O'Callaghan lectures in history in St Angela's College, Sligo. Among other works on the Irish Revolution, he is the author of *Con Colbert* (Dublin, 2015) and *The battle for Kilmallock* (Cork, 2011).

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DONATIONS TO THE SOCIETY

The past eighteen months have been extremely challenging for the Society. The closure of the facility at the Carlisle Pier and the relocation to

Loughlinstown placed a heavy burden on the Society's financial reserves.



It must be remembered that the Society is funded largely by its Membership

Fees and the kind donations received from Members and friends at home and overseas.

The Society is a Registered Charity in Ireland and is currently considering options for fund raising and grant applications. The possibility of crowdfunding for specific projects is being considered. However, in the meantime it was decided to appeal to our Members and friends for help in defraying these exceptional costs.

Donations can be made on-line via the Society's website or by cheque payable to the *Genealogical Society of Ireland* and sent to: **Shane O'Brien, MGSI**, Director of Finance, GSI, 135, Coolevin, Ballybrack, Co. Dublin, A96 C9F7. The Board would like to sincerely thank

the Members and friends of the Society who have already donated. *Many Thanks!*

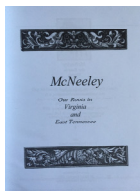
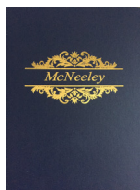
McNEELY FAMILY HISTORY

The Director of the GSI Archive & Research Centre, Lua Ó Scolai, and the Members of the Society are very grateful to **Larry and Joyce**

McCutcheon of Hohenwald, Tennessee, USA, for their very kind donation of a beautiful bound family history.

'McNeely—Our Roots in Virginia and East Tennessee' is extremely well researched and presented. Indeed, it is a fine example of the type of family history that many of us intend to produce for presentation to family members, but never get around to it.

This exceptional work will be an important addition to our collection of family histories.



AN DAONCHARTLANN

The Society's Archive and Research Centre—*An Daonchartlann*—located at the rear of the DLR Leisure Centre at Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin, has an impressive collection of books, journals, research papers, archival records, microform, CD and digital resources.

Many of the overseas family history journals, for example, contain wonderful information on the Irish abroad. Access to this exceptional

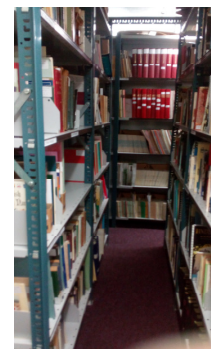
body of research on the Irish overseas is not readily available to the public elsewhere in this country.

The Society's original archival collections include school and other institutional registers, deeds, land records and assorted family papers.

In addition, the facility offers online access to a number of the popular pay-for-view websites that have become essential for genealogical research.

These records are freely available to the GSI Members and for a modest daily research fee to non-Members. New Members are always most welcome.

For directions to the facility please see page 4 of this newsletter. *(Photo by Tom Conlon)*



In Brief....

GSI MEMBERSHIP

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

PARKING AT DFEI

Car-parking facilities at the **Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute**. The best option is to use public transport. Dublin Bus nos. 7, 7A, 46A and 75 all serve the college or streets adjacent to the college—Lower George's Street, York Road, Clarence Street. The DART (suburban rail) services to Salthill & Monkstown. On street car-parking is usually available in the area also. Members are asked to consider 'car pooling' for each month's open meeting. For details on the Institute and its courses please checkout www.dfei.ie

DISCOUNTS

Exclusive discounts for the Members of the Society are available for online genealogical services and publications, including, **Findmypast**, **Forces War Records** and from **Flatcap-sandbonnets.com**. To avail of any of these Member discounts, please contact **Barry O'Connor**, FGSI, by email: membership@familyhistory.ie

IDEAL GIFT IDEAS

Genealogists and local historians love books! So if you have a birthday gift to buy—think books by our Members. Much of the research for these books was undertaken at the Society's Archive & Research Centre—**An Daonchartlann**.

'**Victorian Dún Laoghaire**' by Tom Conlon—excellent local history of the town and the first to deal extensively with the poor and "the courts" where they lived. Price: €20.00

'**Labour in Kingstown, 1890-1920**' by Charlie Callan—explores a much neglected subject—the working class of Kingstown (now Dún Laoghaire) and the development of organised labour and its political representation. Price: €10.00 (published privately contact: chascallan@gmail.com)

'**Twice Built—The Construction of St. Patrick's Church, Monkstown, Co. Dublin, 1861-66**' by Tom Conlon. An intriguing story of "church politics" surrounding the building of a parish church in Dublin. Price €12.00



www.eneclann.ie



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

JAMES SCANNELL REPORTS...

RMS LEINSTER LECTURES

James Scannell will present '*The Torpedoing of the RMS Leinster - October 10th 1918*' to the Old Dublin Society at 18.00hrs on Wednesday 10 October in the Conference Room, Dublin City Library & Archive, 138-144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2. All welcome – admission free.

Philip Lecane will present '*The Sinking of the RMS Leinster*' at 15.00hrs on Sunday 14 October in the Phoenix Park Visitors Centre, Dublin 7. Admission free.

James Scannell will present his lecture '*The Torpedoing of the RMS Leinster - October 10th 1918 and the last days of the War*' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 18 October to the Bray Cualann Historical Society in the Royal Hotel, Main Street, Bray, Co. Wicklow. All welcome - admission €5.

OPW staff will present '*The Sinking of the RMS Leinster - what happened to the mail and packages and the impact of the sinking on soldiers and their families*' at 15.00hrs on Sunday 21 October in the Phoenix Park Visitors Centre, Dublin 7. Admission free.

OLD DUBLIN SOCIETY

On Wednesday 24 October at 18.00hrs Dr. Colm Lennon will present '*Richard Stanhurst (1547-1618): Dublin's Earliest Historian*' in the Conference Room of Dublin City Library & Archive, 138-144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2. Admission free – all welcome.

KILMACUD-STILLORGAN LHS

Cormac Lowth will present '*Some History of Dún Laoghaire Harbour*' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 11 October to the Glenalbyn Sports Club, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin. All welcome – Contribution €3.00

FOXROCK LOCAL HISTORY CLUB

Liz Gillis will present '*Irish Women's Involvement in Politics, Nationalism, Revolution, and Suffrage in 1918*' at 20.00hrs on Tuesday 16 October in Foxrock Parish Centre, rere Rockrock R.C. Church, Foxrock, Co. Dublin. Brian MacAongusa will give a short talk '*The Anglo-Normans and their influence in our area.*' All welcome – admission €5.00

DÚN LAOGHAIRE BORO HIST SOC

Ms. Bernardine Ruddy will present '*Watsons Nurseries: Clontarf to Killiney 1884 – 1967*' at 20.00hrs on Wednesday 17

September in the Royal Maine Hotel, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire. All welcome – admission €3.00



THIS SOCIETY AT A GLANCE

The Society's objective is to promote an awareness, appreciation and knowledge of our genealogical, heraldic and vexillological heritage at home and overseas amongst our diaspora.

The GSI widely acclaimed as being the most active voluntary genealogical organisation in Ireland hosting Monthly Lectures each month throughout the year and eleven Morning Open Meetings from January to November each year. These are open to the public—everyone is welcome!

We publish a Monthly Newsletter, Annual Journal, operates an Archive and Research Centre and promote genealogy, heraldry and vexillology at events around Ireland through our very active 'Outreach Programme' offering '*Free Family History Advice*' to the public, active retirement groups, ladies' clubs and all sorts of community groups.

The Society has a collaborative academic research project with the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, RCSI. The *Irish DNA Atlas* project was co-designed by population geneticists at the RCSI and this Society coming together to collect DNA samples from individuals with four generations of ancestry linked to specific areas across the island of Ireland. This research has been funded through an Award from Science Foundation Ireland.

We have two 'specialist branches' one for heraldry and the other for vexillology (flags)—the only organisation in Ireland promoting this aspect of our cultural heritage. We maintain a very active on-line presence promoting sustainable contacts with our diaspora.

We also campaign to obtain better public access to our genealogical heritage and records held by the State or other agencies. However, as a registered charity, none of the above would be possible without the generosity of our Members who, through their Annual Subscriptions and volunteerism, provide these services throughout the year.

PLEASE help us to do more by joining the Society—new Members always welcome or by making a donation, no matter how small, to the Society—please see page 2 of this newsletter. *Many thanks!*

TRACING YOUR IRISH ANCESTORS

by John Grenham, MA, MAPGI, FIGRS, FGSI

The Society strongly recommends to anyone embarking on their family history quest that one essential piece of kit must be, without doubt, a copy of the latest edition of '*Tracing Your Irish Ancestors*'. Please checkout the website www.gillmacmillan.com Price €22.99 [RRP].

Précis of the September Lecture

'Using the Irish Newspaper Archive' by **Andrew Martin**. Andrew told us that the Irish Newspaper Archive is a family run business and has been around for sixty years. The site contains over nine million pages of newspaper with eighty one newspaper titles online to date, comprising nine national and seventy two regional titles, including northern and southern papers. Starting with the Belfast Newsletter in 1737 up to the present day. The distribution of titles proved interesting in that Kerry has nineteen with Dublin only having ten, by comparison. The country was well served by newspapers, with seventy one, in what is today the Republic of Ireland and seven in the north.

Breaking down the type of newspapers by category, the INA have National Daily, Regional and Out of Print as the three main categories available. From a National point of view the inclusion of the Irish and Sunday Independent from 1905 and 1906 respectively plus the Irish Examiner (Cork) 1841 – 1999 and for Dublin readers the Evening Herald from 1891 to the present day. One new piece of information Andrew imparted was that the Evening and Irish Press will be available soon, as the details are being discussed as I write.

The regional newspapers are the backbone of the company's offering from the Angle Celt to the Wicklow Newsletter. Andrew offered a view as to why newspapers are used for genealogy insofar as they offer crucial sources of information about social, economic, cultural and political trends. They supply both narrative reporting and offer colourful commentary. The style of reporting often carries personal details of those involved in articles of note and can contain invaluable sources of information for family historians. Lastly, newspapers can offer a broader understanding of the environment in which events happen.

Andrew then gave an example of how to look for a Patrick Collins and how to present your query so as to ensure more speedy and accurate results. He detailed how to query for a "Patrick Collins"<NEAR> Deaths and from that Boolean search operation, the results were fine-tuned from sixty nine down to six result – a much more manageable number of results to process. He further demonstrated how to open a page view, an article view and how to print articles. Amongst others items he spoke about the save function, which saves the articles as a PDF to the local hard drive and provides improved quality over the original.

New developments projected to happen with the company in a new rebranding exercise, with new content history, outlining the origin and orientation of the paper, whether pro unionist or pro nationalist.

Andrew also mentioned a new project called the 'Irish Famine Eviction project' headed up by Dr. Ciaran Reilly. It uses newspapers of the time to identify the names of the evicted parties thereby helping to put a human face on the large numbers of people who were evicted from their homes during that dreadful period. There was a Q&A session following the talk and all in all, this was a well-received talk about a most absorbing subject.

The full lecture is online at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_Ox41JBY68U&feature=youtu.be
Many thanks to Andrew.

Tony O'Hara, MGSJ

Checkout the Society's website www.familyhistory.ie

AN DAONCHARTLANN IN LOUGHLINSTOWN

Travel Information for visitors to the An Daonchartlann, Loughlinstown Leisure Centre, Loughlinstown Drive, Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin, A96 XP60.

DART & DUBLIN BUS—Dún Laoghaire DART Station—Bus 111 & 7A from Crofton Road, Bus Stop no. 2036 to Loughlinstown Park, Bus Stop no. 3222

LUAS & DUBLIN BUS—Bride's Glen (Green Line) - Bus 111 from outside the Luas station, Bus Stop no. 7639 to Loughlinstown Park, Bus Stop no. 3222

DUBLIN BUS from City Centre—O'Connell Bridge, Bus Stop no. 273 or Nassau Street, Bus Stop no. 405—Bus 7A to Loughlinstown Park, Bus stop no. 3222

DRIVING—From the M50 - at Junction 16 follow the signs for Loughlinstown. Straight on through Cherrywood and over the N11 flyover. **Signposted** at the second traffic lights beyond the flyover on Wyattville Road turn right into Loughlinstown Drive. Follow this twisty road for about 1km to Loughlinstown Leisure Centre (very large buildings on right). GSI is behind these buildings. **From N11 southwards** - after Cabinteely junction, and Topaz garage move to left lane and exit left to Wyattville Road. At the second traffic lights on Wyattville Road, turn right into Loughlinstown Drive and follow as above. Checkout www.dlrleisure.ie/Loughlinstown

Mobile Phone Offer for GSI Members



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The GSI arranges various discounted products for its Members. The Board has agreed to make the following available in conjunction with THREE. The two options are as follows:

1. The price plan is NOW only €28.91 including VAT. In the plan you get the following calls, texts.

- Unlimited calls to any Irish mobile network.
- Unlimited texts to any Irish mobile network.
- Unlimited calls to Irish landlines.
- 5GB of internet data.
- 100 international mins & 100 international texts.

This plan is a 24 month contract and would come with a **FREE SMART PHONE**—Samsung Galaxy J3 2016 or a HTC Desire 530. Another option is a **SIM ONLY** offer which consists of.....

2. The price plan is NOW only €19.99 including VAT. In the plan you get the following calls, texts.

- Unlimited calls to any Irish mobile network.
- Unlimited texts to any Irish mobile network.

- Unlimited calls to Irish landlines.
- 5GB of internet data.
- 100 international mins and texts.

This plan is an 18 month contract. If you would like to avail of either of the above offers please contact **CONOR** at Conor@threegovstaff.com or by phone on 01.687 6013 (**Conor Dalton**)

Please Note: Your current membership of the Society will be subsequently verified to THREE by the GSI Director of Membership Services in accordance with **RES: 17/04/1302**

GSI LECTURE PROGRAMME

On **Tuesday October 9th**—*The Records of St. Michael's Dun Laoghaire and their relevance to family and local history*—Jim Ryan

On **Tuesday November 13th**—TBA see website

On **Tuesday December 11th**—*Genealogy as a contribution to Local History*—Billy Saunderson

All WELCOME—Contribution €3.00

Please note the advice regarding '**Parking at DFEI**' on panel to the left on page 3. We welcome your comments on the lecture programme.

Please email **Tony O'Hara**, MGSJ, the Director of Lecture Programme at toharadsl@gmail.com

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"HALL'S INDEX"

The "Gazette" is Ireland's longest running monthly genealogical newsletter and it is read by thousands each month around the world. All the past issues of this newsletter and its predecessor back to 1996 have been fully indexed by the late **Brendan Hall**, MGSJ and they are available in pdf format to read or to download free of charge on www.familyhistory.ie

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

GENEALOGY HELP CENTRE

An Daonchartlann, the Society's Archive and Research Centre is located at the DLR Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin. OPEN on the following days: Currently:- **Wednesdays**—10.00hrs to 16.00hrs and **Saturdays**—14.00hrs to 17.00hrs. The use of our extensive archival resources is reserved for fully paid-up GSI members, however, day research membership is available for just €5.00.

