



The Council of Irish Associations of Greater Bergen County, Inc.

Comhairle na Cumainn Gaeilge de Mhorcheantar Bergen Contae

An Irish Vision on American Soil!

PO Box 5113 Bergenfield, NJ 07621

September 16, 2023

Dear Friends,

As President of the Council of Irish Associations of Greater Bergen County, I am pleased to announce that **Sally & John Roche (Bergen Irish Association) have been named Grand Marshals for the 42nd Annual Bergen County St. Patrick's Day Parade. The parade will be held on Sunday, March 10, 2024.** The Council looks forward to the parade, a proud tradition of honoring St. Patrick and the Irish people of Bergen County.

The Council also recognizes our **Aides to the Grand Marshal & Gunning Award Recipients for 2024:**

- ★ **Kate Duggan**, Bergen Family Promise
- ★ **Michael Devine**, Bergen County Sheriff's Office & Ancient Order of Hibernians
- ★ **John Devine**, Paramus Police Department & Ancient Order of Hibernians
- ★ **James Higgins, Jr.**, Bergen Irish Pipe Band
- ★ **Mike McFadden**, Bergen Irish Association
- ★ **Kevin McCann**, Clan Na Vale Pipe Band

Gunning Award Recipient

- ★ **Bridget McLaughlin**, Council of Irish Associations

Collectively, we look forward to honoring this group as they march down Washington Avenue on March 10th.

The Council of Irish Associations of Greater Bergen County Inc. will host the annual Grand Marshal Installation Brunch on **Saturday, November 4, 2023, at The Graycliff in Moonachie, NJ, from 12 PM to 4 PM. The cost is \$100 per person which includes an open bar, buffet, and music by Mike Keough. We encourage you to visit our website <https://www.bergencountyirish.org/> to purchase tickets.**

As grand and stirring as parades may be, they come with a substantial price tag. The funds which we raise with our parade dance, journal, and sponsorship opportunities go to fund the running of the parade. It is only through the success of these activities that we can hope to continue our 42-year tradition in Bergen County. **Please consider a Sponsorship Opportunity (attached) to support the parade, including an ad in our parade journal.** We invite you to submit a journal ad through our online portal here: <https://www.bergencountyirish.org/journal> .

Our journal book will be digitally displayed on the afternoon of the Installation Brunch and available for pre-order following the Parade. To be included in a digital display on the afternoon of the Installation Brunch, ads should be completed online no later than October 21, 2023. If you are completing a paper form, this should be returned to the Journal Committee with a check payable to The Council of Irish Associations of Greater Bergen County, Inc., no later than October 21st.

Thank you for your help in continuing our long-standing tradition of the parade. We look forward to seeing all of you and thank you for your continued support!

Sincere Regards,

Deirdre Spollen-LaRaia, Ed.D.

Council President

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2024 Bergen County Saint Patrick's Day Parade Journal

42nd Annual Parade - Sunday, March 10, 2024 - Bergenfield, New Jersey

Grand Marshals 2024

Sally & John Roche

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<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Full Page	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Half Page	\$75

Please submit your journal online here: <https://www.bergencountyirish.org/journal> where you may pay online or email as a Word doc or mail your journal ad to the committee members below.

Please make checks payable to:

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