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Martina Bobbett was the lucky winner of two tickets to Ireland on Aer Lingus flying nonstop from Los Angeles to Dublin at the Irish Center’s St Patrick’s Celebration on 12th March. The Dublin born lady was in attendance with family and was so excited when her name was called.

Sunday 3rd April at 1 pm at --- NEW LOCATION --- Hill Street Café, 3301 N. Glenoaks Blvd., Burbank. Irish Center’s monthly “get-together-at-Hill-Street.” Easy to find, between Hollywood Way and Buena Vista on Glenoaks. (Right next to St Leon’s Cathedral). Hill Street telephone is 818 845 0046. A separate dining room for 40-50 people. Parking right beside the building. Order what you want—a cup of coffee to full lunch—and pay for yourself. Please do make reservations by calling Bridget Hana at 818 249 7911.

Tuesday. 5th April at 9.30 am, Friends of Ireland monthly breakfast at Katella Restaurant, 4470 Katella Ave, Los Alamitos, CA 90720. RSVP Pete Walsh, 714 200 7365 or pbeireanua@att.net

Sunday. 10th April. Irish Social from 2 pm to 6 pm at St Cornelius Church hall, 5500 E. Wardlow, Long Beach. 90808 has been cancelled. The St Cornelius school children have their annual spring show/play that weekend.
Hannah O'Callaghan of O'Callaghan Travel, makes an annual visit to her native Ireland. This year, however, she is escorting a very special tour of Ireland, visiting many places of interest, not usually included in an escorted tour. Perhaps some of you would like to join in this tour from October 4 to October 16. For information or brochure call O'Callaghan Travel at 818-790-1111 or e mail Hannah@montrosetravel.com.

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A one hour historical documentary on the 1916 Uprising as told by Brendan Carroll, better known as TV’s Mrs. Brown, in a BBC documentary. Not everyone, for whom the event has special meaning, will have an opportunity to attend a commemorative event, much less visit Ireland in this centennial year, where so much will be going on. But this is something, and well done. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0f2zhDS0_mA&feature=youtu.b

Andrew & Adena Chawke of Sherman Oaks were the winners of the Irish Center’s Early Bird Raffle Ticket drawing on 13th February.

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Our condolences to the families who have lost loved ones.

We mourn the death on March 1, 2016, of Beeda O’Sullivan Cusack. Born in 1929 in Ballintatin, Co. Kerry, Breeda arrived in California with her husband, Harry, in 1966 and shortly thereafter she became one of the first teachers hired for the fledgling Head Start program in Los Angeles. A true Gael, Breeda was devoted to the Irish Community. In 1988, she was named “Irishwoman of the Year” by the city of Los Angeles. Her contributions toward preserving Irish culture were many and diverse. She joined the Orange County Gaelic Choir at its inception in 1981, was involved in the Irish Ethos movement, and originated the “hedge school” at the Irish Fair. This “Gaeilgeoir” (Irish Speaker) was a huge supporter of the Irish Language community. Every Wednesday night, for over 25 years, regardless of the weather, Breeda hosted an “Irish Book Reading Society” or “Sochai Leamh na Gaeilge” at her home in Inglewood. Breeda is survived by her brother, Ulich, in England, and locally, by her sister-in-law Mary Cusack, her niece, Helen Cusack Condit, and nephew, Steve Cusack. The Williams family (Maureen Kennedy, Liam, Sean) and the Whelan family (Ramona, Kevin and Eileen Roberts) will miss their loving “Aunty” Breeda. She was a dear and devoted friend to her “nearly sister-in-law” Monica Williams Martin. Breeda was finally released from her pain and is with her beloved Harry, who died in 2010. She is at peace. Burial took place on March 19 at Holy Cross Cemetery. (from Monica Williams Martin)

Katherine Quigley Connelly, “Kit” was born in Sligo and passed away in Santa Monica. Her funeral took place on 14th March at Holy Cross Cemetery. Kit was predeceased by her husband, Patrick. Kit was one of the first Catholic women to graduate from Trinity College, Dublin. She is survived by her sister Nan Brouder; brother Ted Quigley; step children Kevin; Michael, Patrick Connelly & several nephews & nieces.
Celestine McConville, a professor at the Fowler School of Law, was recently published in Volume 24, Issue 2 of the “William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal.”

The title of McConville’s article is “The (Not so Dire) Future of the Necessary and Proper Power After National Federation of Independent Business v. Sebelius.”

The article looks at the fallout of NFIB v. Sebelius, the decision that allowed Congress to enact most provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and whether the decision limits the scope of the Necessary and Proper Clause.

McConville joined Chapman’s faculty in 2000; since then she has received the Professor of the Year award three times.

— Jonathan Winslow

Sister Alicia McNally, a Sister of St. Louis receiving a Plaque from Tom McConville of the Irish Center
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The Cleary School of Irish Dance will be on "Little Big Shots" television program on 10th April.

Chaffey Community Museum of art presents Art and Soul now through 4th June, 2016. Artist Brenda Welsh will have two paintings exhibited--one from her After Provence Series and one from her black & white La Negra series. “The Chaffey” is at 217 S. Lemon Ave, Ontario. CA 91761. Info: 909 463 3733.

30th April. Saturday. The Wild Geese G.A.A. Football Club will have their Annual Dinner Dance and Awards night at Meadow Lark Golf Club, 16782 Graham St, Huntington Beach. Admission is $ 55 with a table of ten costing $ 500. Live music. Info: Tom -657 245 7507; Damien--949 545 1408.
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Welcome,
As part of the worldwide commemorations to mark the centenary of the 1916 Rising, M. Finbar Hill, Hon. Consul General of Ireland and Regional Bishop David G. O’Connell of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles invite you to participate in a special commemoration at St. Cornelius Catholic Church in Long Beach, California.

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Coming July 1st.