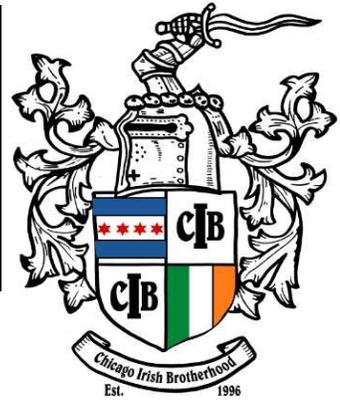


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C.I.B.'s December to Remember

The year **2005** was a wonderful time frame for the **Chicago Irish Brotherhood** capped off by an extremely fruitful December.

We started off the month of December by presenting a **\$5,000** check to the **Make-A-Wish Foundation** at their **Hispanic Council's** Inaugural meeting at **Norwegian American Hospital**.

Please see page two for the complete story on how our efforts were responsible for making a little girl's wish come true.

We continued spreading pre-Christmas good cheer as our **Elmhurst** contingent came out in full force for a **Special Olympics Fundraiser** at **Fitz's Pub**.

Thanks to the generosity of the folks at **Fitz's** we raised a fast **\$1,200** for the world's most courageous athletes.

Things really got jump started when we decided to pitch in and help the **Williams' family**, originally from **Chicago's**

Edison Park.

Bill Williams received a liver transplant in November and is unable to work his union job. We called on our **Northside** delegates and they delivered with dynamic style.

C.I.B. members **Tim O'Donnell** and **Peter Meade** rallied the troops from **St. Angela's** school and a massive outpouring of generosity lead to over **\$12,000** in much needed funds for the **Williams' family**.

Bill's wife **Karen** had a wonderful time visiting with friends and well wishers at the **Emerald Isle** on Northwest Highway.

Karen's sister **Donna Hyde** (formerly **Tedeschi**) was instrumental in gathering raffle prizes and items for the silent auction, which really fueled the evening's success.

While there are many, many individuals who deserve

"Thanks" for making our return to the Northside a spectacular event, we would like to extend our gratitude for their generosity to some special folks.

The **Rose Family** business, **Monarch Tool & Die** was especially helpful. **Tim Rose** is married to **Peggy (Olsen)** and **Greg Rose** to **Sue (Frasco)**, who are both **St. Angela's** alum.

Teresa Severson and **Teresa Connelly** (husband **Tom** went to **St. Angela's**) were a great help.

Since you can't have a party north of Division St. sans **CUBS** tickets, we "thank" **Jim** and **Noreen Powers** for their stubs to **Wrigley**.

Among the silent auction items was a generous gift certificate to the **Marilyn Miglin Spa** on **Chicago's Oak Street**.

The night of the event went very smoothly thanks to **C.I.B.** organizers. Bringing their charity event experience, good spirits and taking care of business were **Wendi Congleton**, **Tom Egan Jr.**, **Noah Garcia** and **Patrick Hynes**.

Lastly, we would like to thank **Jim Martin** from the **Emerald Isle** for his extreme graciousness in hosting this truly heroic and gallant event.

Definitely more than three cheers deserved here!

A Million
A Million
THANKS!

From The Williams' Family

The C.I.B.'s Make-A-Wish Recipient

15-year-old **Gabriela** has a high level of self-esteem and is quite a talker. She is very friendly to everyone, and always acts maturely. She lives in Chicago with her parents, five siblings and her dog. One of the favorite activities Gabriela enjoys is salsa dancing. **Gabriela** is an intelligent girl and is always on the honor roll at school, which is likely because she does a lot of homework and reading. With her spare time, **Gabriela** loves to go shopping!

In 2005, **Gabriela** was diagnosed with **Chronic Myelocytic Leukemia**, in which the bone marrow produces stem cells that do not become necessary blood cells. This inability of the stem cells to become necessary blood cells happens over a long duration of time. **Gabriela's** sense of self and ability to remain active is helping her when she is not feeling well. **Gabriela** just had chemotherapy and is currently on medication. She sees the doctor every three weeks.



Gabriela's wish was to receive a laptop to prepare for her computer class in school, and help with her research and typing skills. Thanks to the **Chicago Irish Brotherhood**, **Gabriela's** wish came true in **December 2005** and she can now practice all of her computer abilities in any place!

www.wish.org

**R U a Member in Good Standing (MIGS)?
Please become a 2006 MIGS by paying
your annual \$20 C.I.B. dues.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Send your dues check to or use PayPal online:

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Member of the Year Award 2.17.06 @ Molly's in FP

Nearly 20 years ago, **Jim Fogarty** stood in the middle of a gang crossfire and offered his life to stop 'gangbangers' shooting between buildings in **Chicago's Dearborn Homes** housing project. The gunfire had raged for an hour when shooters from both sides spotted a man standing under a tree in the crossfire. The next time the gang members came across "**Brother Jim**", they asked why he risked his life. "**Because I care,**" he said.

"**Brother Jim**" then became an

untouchable man of God deserving respect. He is what young people growing up in urban war zones desperately need; a friend.

Brother Jim is neither a priest nor an ordained brother of any order; he's the lone active member of a Catholic ministry called **The Brothers & Sisters of Love**. Funding comes from individual contributors, so the **C.I.B.**, at the request of member **Paul Kraft**, will donate all proceeds from our "**Member of the Year**" Award night on **Friday, Feb. 17th**.

"Member of the Year" Award Night

**Friday, February 17th
8 p.m. to 11 p.m.**

**Molly Malone's Pub
7652 W. Madison
Forest Park**

\$50 per person, includes all you can drink and appetizer buffet

The winner is.....

2006 Ten Year Anniversary Ad Book

As we approach our **10th Anniversary** in October of 2006, we've decided to put together an Ad Book highlighting the last decade.

Please submit your ad ASAP to cut down on the deadline work and make it easy on our volunteer layout and design experts.

Take a look at some of the ads on

our website that have already been purchased. These ads will be placed in our newsletters and on our website as bonuses for submitting early.

The **2006 Ad Book** will be sent to all members, contributors, associates and establishments around Chicago.

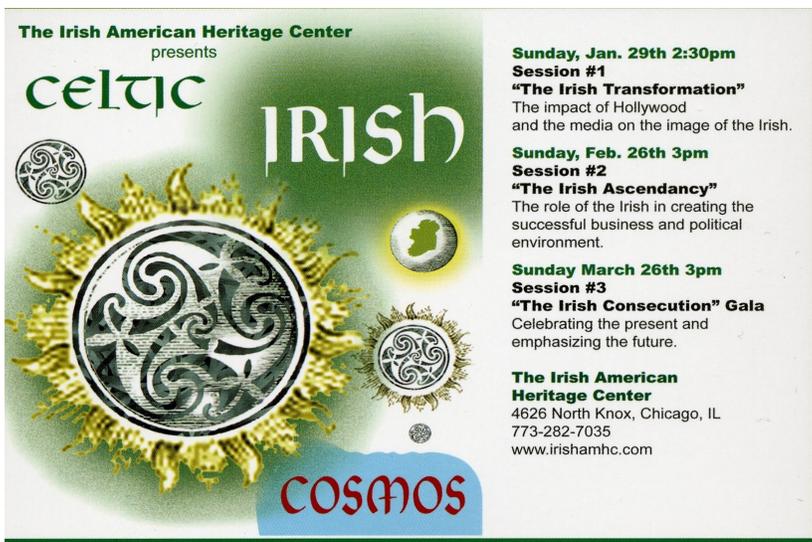
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Ad Book Pricing:

Business Card \$ 50
1/2 Page Ad \$100

Full Page Ads:
B&W \$150
Color \$200
Covers (1 of 3) \$250

Ad Deadline March 1, '06



The Irish American Heritage Center
presents
celtic IRISH COSMOS

**Sunday, Jan. 29th 2:30pm
Session #1
"The Irish Transformation"**
The impact of Hollywood and the media on the image of the Irish.

**Sunday, Feb. 26th 3pm
Session #2
"The Irish Ascendancy"**
The role of the Irish in creating the successful business and political environment.

**Sunday March 26th 3pm
Session #3
"The Irish Consecution" Gala**
Celebrating the present and emphasizing the future.

The Irish American Heritage Center
4626 North Knox, Chicago, IL
773-282-7035
www.irishamhc.com



PAWS Chicago Junior Board presents...
Irish Eyes Guest Bartending fundraiser!

Irish Eyes
2519 N. Lincoln Ave.
Chicago, IL
Wednesday, February 8th
7:00 p.m.

Please join us for an evening filled with fun as members from the Junior Board will be manning the taps as "Guest Bartenders," with 100% of the tips earned throughout the evening benefiting PAWS Chicago!

Membership News & Happenings

Love is in the air, or least it was nine months ago as we welcome some future C.I.B. members:

Kamin and Adrienne Mahoney welcomed **Samuel Kalin** at 2:06 p.m. on New Year's Eve. **Sam's** stats are 5 lbs.-10 oz and he's 20 inches long.

The **Willuweit** and **Kelly** families are proud to announce the birth of **Sean Patrick**, 9 lbs.-9 oz. and 21 inches long who arrived on New Year's Eve at 2:37 p.m.

Little **Lucy Wilfong** is now residing at the Naperville home of **Mike and Caroline**.

Matt and Lisa Mathey are the beaming parents of **Matthew** who arrived before Thanksgiving in 2005.

Over the foam our little Welshman **Delme Lloyd** is the happy father of **Jenson...**

Our sympathy goes out to the **Skyrd Family** for the loss of their matriarch, **Arlene...**

The **Irish Times** is hosting a "**Big Easy Fundraiser**" on **Sunday, Feb. 19th**, with all proceeds going to the **Hurricane Relief Fund**. The Jazz Extravaganza begins at **3 p.m.** in the pub, cottage and Old World Beer

Garden. A complimentary buffet will be served from **3 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

A **\$25 minimum donation** will be collected at the door. For more information please contact **Michael** at **708.485.8787**.

Irish Times is located at **8869 Burlington Ave.** in **Brookfield**.

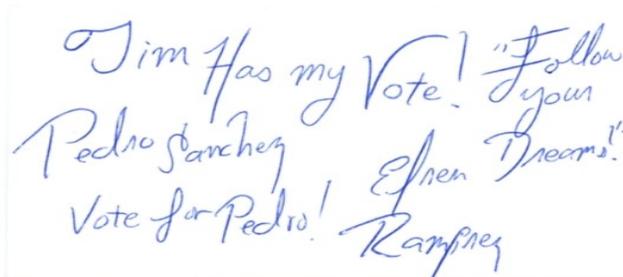
This event is run in conjunction with the **Brookfield Jazz Society**.

The **Chicago WestSide Condors** will be hosting a fundraiser on **Saturday, Feb. 4th** at the **Lincoln Tap** (3010 N. Lincoln Ave.). It's **\$30 per person** from **8 p.m. to 11 p.m.**

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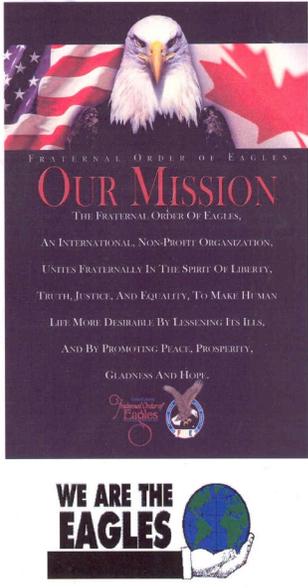
Hanging with Napoleon Dynamite's Pedro Sanchez at Bar Chicago on 1.19.06.

C.I.B. Sponsor of the Month

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