



**COUNTY ROSCOMMON SOCIETY OF
NEW YORK, INC.**

90th Annual
Dinner Dance



FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2019

GUEST OF HONOR
P. Christopher Tully

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
Aoife Elizabeth Butler

Congratulations

Assemblyman Tully!

**Since I met you 20 years ago,
you've been going gangbusters.**

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government.**

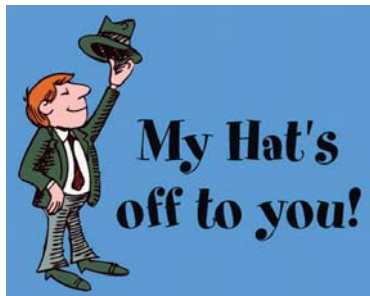
Winning election after election.

Marriage. Son.

**Can't wait to see what you'll
accomplish in the next 20 years.**

Your friend forever,

Johnny Bang.





Mary C. Montgomery, President

On behalf of all members and officers of the County Roscommon Society of New York, it is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 90th Annual Dinner Dance.

On this special decade, it with great pleasure that we welcome our Guest of Honor P. Christopher Tully who proudly represents the 38th Legislative District in the New Jersey General Assembly. Welcome also to Aoife Elizabeth Butler who will receive our Distinguished Service Award. Aoife is an intellectual property attorney in New York and a member of the Board of Directors of the Emerald Isle Immigration Center. We are proud of their accomplishments and contributions to society. This year, we are also acknowledging Past Presidents of the Roscommon Society who have kept the Rossie flag flying over the decades. Some of whom are in attendance with us this evening. Welcome also to the Ivan Connaughton Chairperson of the Roscommon County Council, Brian O'Dwyer, Grand Marshal of the NYC St. Patrick's Day parade, Ciaran Madden, Consul General of Ireland, Tom Tuffy, President of the United Irish Counties and all our guests.

The Roscommon Society celebrates its 90th Dinner Dance anniversary this year. To put that in context, 1927 was just about ten years after the 1916 Rising and ten years before Roscommon born Douglas Hyde served as Ireland's first president. Imagine the pride in the Roscommon Society and even more, I think Douglas Hyde would be proud of our keeping the Roscommon tradition alive. If you have been following the Douglas Hyde series in the newsletter, you know that Hyde was also the founder and first president of the Irish National Literary Society. To quote a piece from Part Three, "Hyde's lecture to the National Literary Society functioned as a keynote address on the cultural movement known as the Irish Revival. The Irish Revival describes an era (1890-1930) during which academics, writers, and artists looked to the ancient past, or to country people living in the west of Ireland, in order to discover what was most authentically Irish about the nation." As we march in our parades and attend our celebrations, continue to keep this tradition alive as both a tribute to the past but to continue supporting one another and traditions going forward.

I would like to thank the members of the Committee who all worked very hard to make this evening possible: Msgr. Flanagan - Chaplain, Bernie Sharkey – Vice President, John Kenny – Treasurer, Bill Montgomery – Financial Secretary, Katie Kenny – Recording Secretary, Bernadette Connor – Corresponding Secretary and Rosaleen Gormley – Sergeant-at-Arms. Without an active committee and membership, an event like tonight could not be accomplished. To continue to make the Roscommon Society strong and viable, the Officers need your thoughts, encouragement and participation. The Association also needs new members to keep our traditions and culture alive. Please remember those who are no longer with us but whose commitment and joy helped bring us here today.

Please take time to note our journal sponsors and patronize them. These businesses together with our active membership ensure a strong society. Enjoy the evening by catching up with old friends and meeting new members.

Best wishes,

Mary

Mary C. Montgomery
President

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The County Roscommon Society of New York, Inc.



PETER CHRISTOPHER “CHRIS” TULLY



Peter Christopher “Chris” Tully was born in Holy Name Hospital in Teaneck NJ to the late Peter (Co. Meath) and Philomena (Co. Roscommon) Tully. Chris is the 2nd youngest with one older half brother, three older half sisters and a younger sister. He was fortunate enough to spend some time on his mother’s family farm in his youth which gave him an appreciation for Ireland.

Chris is a life long resident of Bergenfield NJ and a proud graduate of Bergenfield High School, (along with Bob Gaudio of the Four Seasons, though decades apart). While attending BHS, he was a proud member of the School Choir.

After graduating High School, Chris attended North Eastern University, in Boston. During this time, Chris realized that he needed to get over his fear of speaking in public and began attending open mic nights at local Boston Comedy Clubs. While he knew he could never make a career of a stand-up comic, he began to hone his skills as a public speaker and he mastered his fear. He was Fortunate enough to have former Presidential Hopeful Michael Dukakis his Senior thesis advisor and became an invaluable assets while completing his five year program in four. During his Tenure at North Eastern, Chris volunteered for the 2004 John Kerry Campaign which sparked his interest in public service. But what may well be one his favorite memories was being in Boston during the 2004 World Series win of the Boston Red Sox, he had never been a part of a celebration that big before or since. After graduating Cum Laud with a BS in Political Science, Chris moved to South Dakota to work on the former Senate Minority Leader Tom Dashed Campaign. Though Dashed was unsuccessful in his bid for office, the lessons that Chris learned have stayed with him today.

With his father’s health declining, Chris had a decision to make, move on to the next campaign or move back home so he was there for his family. Chris went with family and it was a decision he has never regretted.

Not long after moving back home, that Chris became an Aide to the late Senator Frank Lautenberg where he was an integral part of his team, he even had the pleasure of meeting future President Barak Obama when he was only a Junior Senator. After his time with Senator Lautenberg, Chris joined Governor Codey’s team as an aid, but he felt there was something missing.

In 2006, Chris was asked to run for the Bergenfield Council, an opportunity he jumped at when he realized that he could finally give back to his community. Chris started his grass roots campaign, and one the primary against the incumbent and went on to win the overall election in November. On January 1, 2007, Chris was sworn in at 26 years old. During his tenure on the Council, tenure on Council, he reduced debt and delivered stable budgets while maintaining borough services. Bergenfield was also recognized for its safe community as one of the best places to raise children. Chris eventually rose to the position of Council President.

Chris’s life took a turn that he never expected in 2015. Not only was he an Aid to the Grand Marshal in the Bergen County St. Patrick’s Day Parade but he was named an Irish Echo 40 Under 40 where he met Mairead, his future wife. They had a what many have called a world wind romance, that neither one had expected. Chris and Mairead were engaged in October and married one year to the day of when they met at the Manhattan Club at Rosie O’Grady’s, exchanging their wedding vows one foot from exact spot of where they met. Later in 2016, they welcomed their Son Finnian Turlogh Eoaghan Tully.

Not long after becoming a new father, a new opportunity came knocking. Chris was asked to join Congressman Gottheimer’s office as District Director a position that would require him to step down as a Councilman. As much as he loved serving his community for 9 years, Chris knew that this was an opportunity to help more than just the residents of Bergenfield. He also knew that it would take him away from his new family but after considering all the pros and cons with his wife, they both decided that this was an opportunity that he could not give up. During his time with the Congressman, Chris worked with community groups and other constituents’ to ensure they had voices in Washington through Rep. Gottheimer.

Just when Chris thought his days as an elected official were over, there was another knock at the door. In May 2018, Chris was asked to take the recently vacated NJ Assembly seat for Legislative District 38. Again Chris and his wife had to weigh in the pros and cons of running for office with a toddler at home. But the call for public service and the desire to make New Jersey a better place not just for his son but for all future generations was to great, and Chris excepted. On May 27th 2018, Chris was sworn in on the Assembly Floor with his wife Mairead and son Finnian holding a bible, one of the proudest moments of his life and he knew his father was smiling down on him from Heaven. Chris ran for Assembly to finish out the term and won in November. This year, Chris is running again, for a full two year term and he knows that if there is anything that he has learned in the past few year, he can accomplish anything with his wife and son by his side.



AOIFE ELIZABETH BUTLER, ESQ.

Aoife hails from Keoghville in South Roscommon and is a graduate of the University of Dublin, Trinity College (M.A. Chemistry), the University of London (LL.B.), and Harvard Business School (Intellectual Property Strategy), and has been in New York since 2007 (moving to NY from Chicago which she had lived permanently since 2002, and semi-permanently since 1993). She is an intellectual property attorney and strategist, and represents clients with the development of IP strategies, the commercialization and enforcement of IP portfolios, and the defence against third party IP portfolios across various industries. She was elected a Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America in 2015; was selected to the NY Metro Super Lawyer's Rising Star list for 2013-2017; and was honoured as one of Fortune's 50 Most Powerful Women - Women Leaders in Law in 2013 and 2014, as one of the Irish Legal 100, and as one of the Top 40 Under 40 Irish/Irish Americans for contributions in the Irish-American community. Aoife devotes countless hours to not-for-profit activities. She serves on the Board of Directors of the Emerald Isle Immigration Center, is the co-founder and inaugural President of Irish Network USA, served as Chair of the All-Ireland U.S. Pan-Alumni Association, and served on both the Board of Directors and Emerging Leaders Board of the Children's Medical Research Foundation. She has also worked in a legal capacity on a pro bono basis to assist Chinese asylum seekers; to help elderly nuns keep their home; and to assist Irish start-ups with legal issues in the U.S. market. In a personal and non-legal capacity she has also volunteered with rape crisis centers, children's hospitals, and animal shelters; during the winter months, fed the homeless in Hells Kitchen; and helped numerous Irish law graduates navigate the perils of seeking employment in NY. Despite all this, she is never far from Roscommon – going home every 8-10 weeks to visit her family and the county she knows best.



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Message from the Consul General of Ireland New York

Tá an-áthas orm an seans seo a ghlacadh le comhghairdeas ó chroí a ghabháil le muintir Chumann Chontae Ros Comáin ar bhúr Dinnéar Ceiliúra na Nócha Bliana.

It is a pleasure to extend my warmest greetings and best wishes to the County Roscommon Society of New York on the occasion of your 90th Annual Dinner Dance.

I am delighted to send my congratulations to all the members, friends and supporters. I very much admire the commitment and years of service that the officers and members of the Society have given to their fellow county men and women.

I would like to recognize and salute your 2019 Guest of Honor, P. Christopher Tully who represents the 38th Legislative District in the New Jersey General Assembly. Chris is a first generation Irish American. His mother came from County Roscommon and his late father from Co. Meath.

I would also like to recognize and salute your 2019 Distinguished Service Award recipient, Roscommon born Aoife Elizabeth Burke from Keoghville. Aoife has a distinguished career in the legal field here in New York City and personifies the commitment and dedication of those who serve on many charitable Boards and Foundations.

I wish the County Roscommon Society, your guests and supporters a most enjoyable evening of celebration and continued success in the future.

Claran Madden

Consul General

I look forward to celebrating with you.



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March 1, 2019
Feast of St. David of Wales

Dear Friends in the Lord,

It is a joy to greet you this evening as you gather for the *90th Annual County Roscommon Society of New York Saint Patrick's Celebration Dinner Dance*.

The County Roscommon Society of New York has brought together a vibrant community to celebrate the best of Irish culture and values: their wit, humor, strong values, love of family, and, above all, faith. Since coming to the shores of our beloved nation, the Irish and Irish-American communities have made significant accomplishments that have greatly added to all areas of life. How grateful we are to the Lord for the talents, energy, and fortitude He has given to the Irish. Let us celebrate Irish heritage and culture tonight.

I am pleased to note that partial proceeds from this year's Dinner Dance will be used to support the work of the Emerald Isle Immigration Center, in honor of their 30th Anniversary. Your spirit of generosity is deeply appreciated.

Permit me to offer a special word of congratulation to this evening's worthy honorees, P. Christopher Tully, as well as Aoife Elizabeth Butler, tonight's recipient of the Distinguished Service Award.

Please know that all of you will have a special remembrance in my prayers today.

Faithfully in Christ,

†Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

TMD:jm



ROSCOMMON KIDS NEED YOUR HELP

Archie, George and Isaac, three brothers who were diagnosed with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. (DMD) is a fatal, muscle debilitating disease. Imagine the simple pleasures of children running, jumping and skipping. Instead, boys like Archie, George and Isaac will be confined to a wheel chair before their teenage years. Currently, there is no treatment and no cure for DMD.

We are trying to raise funds to build a specific home that will support comfort level and complex needs of the boys' daily living so they can remain together as a family and to allow the boys to be as independent as possible, for as long as possible. The Naughton family would "borrow" the house for the time required for the boys.

Your support is critical to our efforts to provide a safe home for the 3 boys. We are hosting a benefit for this fantastic cause on **MARCH 30th in Elks Lodge @ 3pm.**

Time is precious for the boys to live in the best possible way for their time with those who love them most. Please take a moment of your time to visit our Facebook page Join Our Boys Benefit NY and donate to this incredibly important cause. You can also make checks payable to Join Our Boys New York and mail it to P.O. Box 604725, Bayside, NY 11360.

Please also connect with us if you have any questions about the cause at joinourboysny@gamil.com.



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*Andrew Trimble	1932 – 1934
*Michael Conry	1935 – 1936
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*Bill Tiernan	1939 – 1940
*Tom Killea	1941 – 1944
*Andrew Trimble	1945 – 1946
*John McDermott	1947 – 1948
*Patrick Drury	1949 - 1950
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*Thomas Leonard	1952 – 1953
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In Honor of

P. Christopher Tully
and
Aoife Elizabeth Butler

Congratulations

Best Wishes,

Brian & Joelle Kelly and Family



**Best wishes to the
County Roscommon Society of
New York**

**Many congratulations to
tonights honored guests**

P. Christopher Tully

And

Aoife Elizabeth Butler

And

All Past Chairs especially

Alfie Sharkey

**on his years of service to the
County Roscommon Society**

**Bernie Sharkey
Gerry Eustace
Sean and Teresa**





***Congratulations and
best wishes to the honorees
P. Christopher Tully
And
Aoife Elizabeth Butler***

From the Sugrue family



Congratulations & Best Wishes
to the
County Roscommon Society of New York, Inc.
on 90 years of
Promoting Irish Culture and Traditions

Fondly remembering many of the society's past
members, officers and events

The Carlos Family

In loving memory of our grandparents and parents
Michael Brennan (President 1951)
and Catherine Geelan Brennan

William Carlos (President 1954-1955)
and Dorcas Brennan Carlos



Congratulations
P. Christopher Tully

And
Aoife Elizabeth Butler

Best wishes to the County Roscommon
Society of their 90th Anniversary.





Congratulations
to
Our EIIC Board Member Aoife E. Butler, Esq.
&
Honoree
P. Christopher Tully



Best wishes to the Roscommon Society





***Congratulations and Best Wishes to
P. Christopher Tully
And
Aoife Elizabeth Butler***

Best wishes to the Past Presidents. Thank you for all your support during the years.

***In loving memory of my brother Padraic Keane, Clooncrim,
Ballinlough and Swords, Co. Dublin
January 5, 1952 – January 26, 2016***

***A Runner's Prayer
Run by my side Lord
Live in my heartbeat
Give strength to my steps
As the cold whirls around me
As the wind pushes me
As the sun warms me
As the rain cleanses me
I know you are touching me
Challenging me, loving me
And so I give you this run
Thank you God
For matching my stride
Amen***



Bill and Mary Montgomery



Congratulations to the Honorees

P. Christopher Tully

And

Aoife Elizabeth Butler



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Honorees
P. Christopher Tully
and
Aoife Elizabeth Butler**





**Best Wishes to
County Roscommon Society of
New York, Inc.
Congratulations to honoree
P. Christopher Tully
And
Distinguished Service Award
Recipient
Aoife Elizabeth Butler**



Dee and Davie Flattery



**Congratulations
To
Our very own Superman**



**Thank you for being the best Husband
and Daddy we could ask for.**

**With all our love,
Mairead & Finnian**



***Congratulations and
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P. Christopher Tully
And
Aoife Elizabeth Butler
And to the Past Chairs
Of the Roscommon Society of
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Aoife Elizabeth Butler
On their well-deserved Honors!

Congratulations and Best Wishes for
Continued Success to
The County Roscommon Society of New York
and President Mary Montgomery

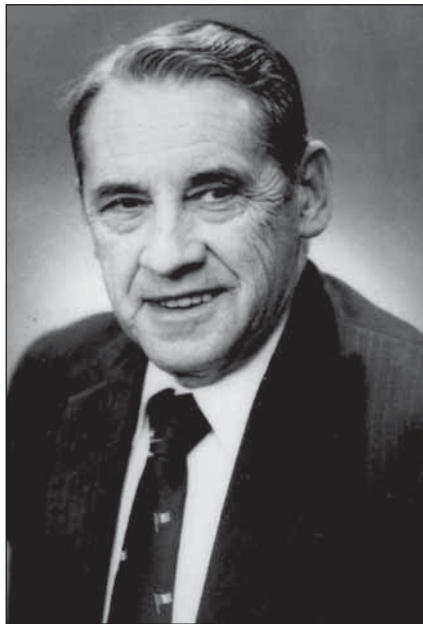
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Hon. Christopher Tully***



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to the

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of New York**

From

Mary Scally-O'Brien

Loughglynn, Co. Roscommon

In Loving Memory of my husband

Patrick O'Brien

May 18, 1937 – November 11, 2010

Ballinrobe, Co. Mayo and New Hyde Park, NY



**Congratulations to the
Roscommon Society of New York, Inc.,
on your 90th Anniversary
In memory of
Nora & Tony Clarke**

**Marion O'Neill
Brian Clarke
Debbie & John Hanrahan**



Congratulations to
All the honorees
And continued success to the
County Roscommon Society of New York, Inc.



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**Congratulations to the
County Roscommon Society of NY**

&

**Special Thanks To
President Mary Montgomery and Committee
for acknowledging the
Past Presidents of the Society**

&

**Congratulations to my fellow past Presidents,
Patrick Leyden, T. Vincent Geelan,
Meta Brady (in memory of her husband Kevin and
Fr. Coman Brady) Stephen Groarke, Thomas P. Giblin,
Mike Lyons and Kevin O'Connor.**

**Due to a previously scheduled family commitment,
I'm very sorry I cannot share this special occasion with
you all. Enjoy your evening!**



**Alfie Sharkey
President 1984-1986**



Congratulations to
The County Roscommon Society of New York
On Your 90th Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

&

Special Congratulations to Honoree

P. Christopher Tully

&

Distinguished Service Award Recipient

Aoife Elizabeth Butler



Continued Success to the Roscommon Society &
President Mary Montgomery

Sending Warm Wishes to Our Castlereagh Friends
and especially to Helena, Gerry, Pauline and
the entire Beirne Family



In Loving Memory of Robert Sharkey and
Mollie Beirne, RIP



Past President Alfie & Helena Sharkey





**Many Congratulations to a true
Rossie**

Carol Sharkey Corcoran

**on being chosen as the 2019
Grand Marshal of the
West Orange, NJ, St. Patrick's
Day Parade.**

**Love your cuz,
Bernie, Gerry
Sean and Teresa**



**Garrett Doyle and Staff
Extend Congratulations to**

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Aoife Elizabeth Butler
And
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CONGRATULATIONS

2019 honorees

P. Christopher Tully

&

Aoife Elizabeth Butler

Thank you to the Past President's for keeping the flag
flying for the Roscommon Society

Jimmy Naughton, Chairman Val McGlynn, Secretary

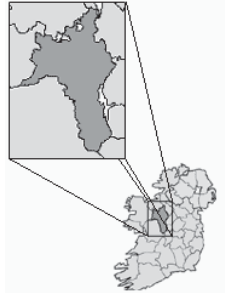
Roscommon Football Club





Congratulations to
P. Christopher Tully
And
Aoife Elizabeth Butler

**Thank you Past President's for your
dedication to the Roscommon Society
over the years.**



Best wishes,
Mick, Dolores, Ryan, Tara and Kyle
Brennan



Bill Carlos and Family



Taoiseach Albert Reynolds and Msgr. Kevin Flanagan, 1993



Kevin O'Connor and Stephen Groarke



**Msgr. Kevin Flanagan, Mary Montgomery, Dermot O'Grady,
Kevin O'Connor, Bill Montgomery, Geraldine O'Brien Massey,
Martin Dowd and Mary Scally O'Brien - 2016**



Vincent Geelan



Roscommon Society officers

Officers and guests of the Roscommon Society at the St. Patrick's dinner. Seated L to R: Michael O'Callaghan, editor Roscommon Herald, Essie Geelan, Michael Forde, Rose Anne Scallys, Pat Drury and Martin Kearns. Standing: Vincent Geelan, Eamon McGarry, Pat Lavin, Tony Fallon, Mary Spright, Helena Sharkey, Alphie Sharkey, Jim Coleman, Pat Leyden, Malachy Gately and Rev. Coman Brady.



**Grand Marshal St. Patrick's Day Parade 1915
Michael J. Brown a Roscommon Native**



Rogers sisters, Mary Cunnane, Mary Geraghty, Roscommon Dance 1964



**P. Connolly, Bill Carlos, Andy Malone, Mary Mannion,
Jimmy Cunnane, Andy Dockery - Roscommon Dance 1964**



Taoiseach Albert Reynolds with Kevin Flanagan's Family



Michael McGreal, former Roscommon Mayor and Mrs. & Mrs. Michael Ford





1st Row: Mary Montgomery, Bill Montgomery, Eileen Lyons and Michael Lyons
2nd Row: Sean McNeill, Karen O'Connor, Hilary Beirne and Kevin O'Connor



St. Patrick's Day Parade



**Fr. Coman Brady, Taoiseach Albert Reynolds and Msgr. Kevin Flanagan.
All school mates at Summerhill College, Sligo**



Eric Connor, Msgr. Kevin Flanagan, Karen, Owen and Kevin O'Connor





**Roscommon Society of New York
Presentation of New Banner 1960.**

Included in picture; Jim Noone President and Mrs Noone
Bill Carlos, Pat Drury, Andrew Trimble and Mrs Trimble
Collins Healy and Fr. Kevin Flanagan Chaplain



**Seated: Eileen Lyons and Mary Montgomery
Standing: Ann Kenny, Karen O'Connor and Bernadette Connor**



**1st Row: Smith, Stephen Caslin, Bill Carlos (honoree),
Gerry Keegan and Msgr. Kevin Flanagan**

2nd Row: Jack Cummings, Tom Hagan, Gerry Reynolds and Mike Forde



**Front Row: Essie Geelan
Back Row: Mike Forde and Vincent Geelan**



Msgr. Kevin Flanagan, Kevin Brady, RIP, Michael Lyons, Malachy Gatley Vincent Geelan and Stephen Groarke



I received a scanned copy of an article in a 1955 newspaper regarding the Roscommon football team. Unfortunately, it was of poor quality and couldn't be rescanned. I typed as much as I could read for inclusion.



IN NEW YORK TOO ROSCOMMON FOOTBALLERS ARE ACTIVE

From New York comes news of great doings by Roscommon Gaels in America. On Easter Sunday Roscommon played in the 1955 semi-final at Gaelic Park, New York. Kerry won by 4-8 to 3-7 in one of the best football games ever seen in New York. In the other semi- final Cork beat Cavan.

Almost 8,000 spectators watched the games played in ideal weather. It was not until the last ten minutes of the first half that the Roscommon-Kerry game reached its expected heights. Roscommon fielded without fullback Bill Carlos and center fielder Pasty Keegan. It was in this sector that Roscommon suffered defeat in the first twenty minutes when Kerry scored eight points to two points. But when Jerry Sweeney was moved from center forward to center field it was a new game. Never has a player in blue and gold in New York covered himself with such glory. His high catching and his three points from center field were a treat to watch. Jerry who hails from near Ballaghaderreen played with Loughlynn minors and Roscommon County minors in 1953.

Roscommon backs stood up very well to such great forwards as Jim Brosnan, Mickey and Eddie Sullivan, Mike Moriarity and Jimmy O'Grady.

Dermot Finn and Vincent Galvin were good half forwards while Frank Gibbons was very solid at right full.

One man who saved Roscommon ? time out of number, ? McDermott. This former Athleague man could only be compared with a tiger in the way he came though the Kerry forwards. Of the forwards it is hard to single out anyone for special praise as never before since the days of Jimmie Murray, Donal Keenan, J ? Nearney, J. McQuillan and F. Kinlough, have a Roscommon forward line combined so well and effectively. For the last ten minutes they were running the Kerry backs ???

All this information comes from Mr. Benny Connaughton former Athleague hurler and now hurling with Clare in New York. He adds: For 1956 we are expecting big things from Roscommon footballers in New York. One thing we are all hoping and praying for is that Roscommon of Ireland will be the National league champions for 1956/57, so they can visit New York in 1957. Some of the spectators who cheered their hearts out for Roscommon were President of the football club, Steve Caslin, (Kilmore) Mat Murtagh, (Ballinameen) Tom McCormack, (Fuerty) John Cunningham, (?) Andy Docherty, (Ballinamenn) Paddy Goode, (Athlone) Pat Lavin, (Tiobhine) Martin Dowd, (Tiobhine) Ray Dowd, (Tiobhine) Sonny Fallon, (Rahara) Paddy Connaughton, (St. Patrick's) George Prichard, (Tiobhine) Eamon McGarry, (Tiobhine) Matthew Sharkey, (Tiobhine) Bert Coyle, (Castlerea) John Gibbons, (Strokestown) Paddy Reynolds, (Donamon) Bill Padain, (Scramogue) Andy Lane, (Athleague) Terry Connaughton, (Athleague) Tom Parnell, (Athleague) Jack Finnegan, (Athleague) John Lane, (Bluefield) Kathleen Keegan, (Creggs) Loretta Kerins, (Ballaghaderreen).

Newcomers just arrived to see the game were: Eamon Lynch (Roscommon) Peter McDermott (Roscommon) and Michael Keegan (Creggs). They arrived on St. Patrick's Day. A lot of credit goes to George Ryan, Castleplunkett, manager of the team for the great work he is doing in keeping the team ?

Thanks to Pat J. Finn for submitting this article. His father Dermot Finn had it in his files.



Congratulations to
P. Christopher Tully
And
Aoife Elizabeth Butler

And to All Past Presidents of the
Society



Monsignor Kevin Flanagan



Congratulations
P. Christopher Tully
Guest of Honor
And
Aoife Elizabeth Butler
Distinguished Service Award
Thank you past chairs for your
dedication to
The County Roscommon Society of
New York

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*Congratulations to
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Distinguished Service Award Recipient:
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Have a great night...

Best Wishes

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Of the County Roscommon Society of NY

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Karen and Owen





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And to the County Roscommon Society of NY
on your 90th Anniversary Dinner Dance

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For their dedication to the society
Especially to our own,
Kevin P. O'Connor**



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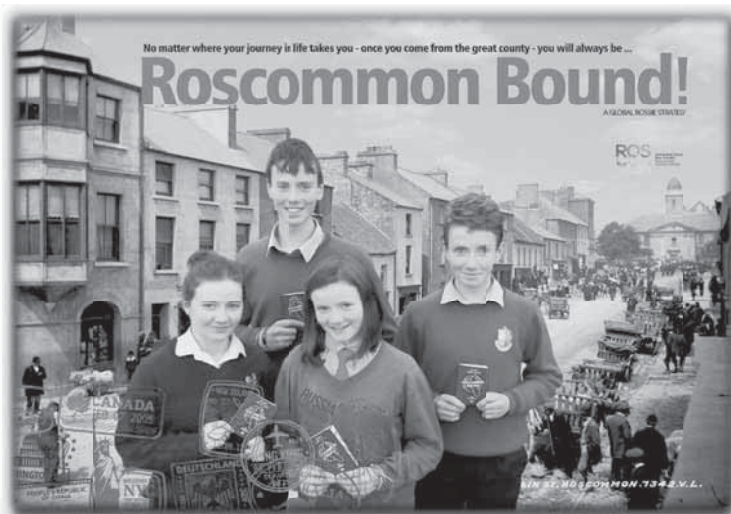
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Bernie and Mike, Chicky and Billy (RIP),
Jerry and Noreen, Noel and Maureen



“Congratulations & Best Wishes to County Roscommon Society of New York and Mr. P. Christopher Tully and Ms. Aoife Elizabeth Butler”

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*And to the Past President's of the
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Aoife Elizabeth Butler!

**Look forward to seeing you all on March 30th at the Bayside Saint
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**Best wishes to the County Roscommon
Society of New York, Inc.,
on celebrating their 90th Anniversary
And your Honorees**

**P. Christopher Tully
And
Aoife Elizabeth Butler**



**Danny Burke
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P. Christopher Tully

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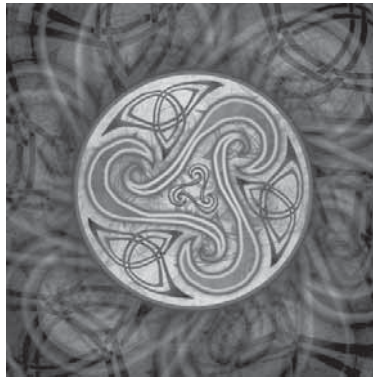
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Rosie & John Gormley and Family



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DAY**

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And Congratulations to the Honorees**

**P. Christopher Tully
And
Aoife Elizabeth Butler**

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**Continued success to
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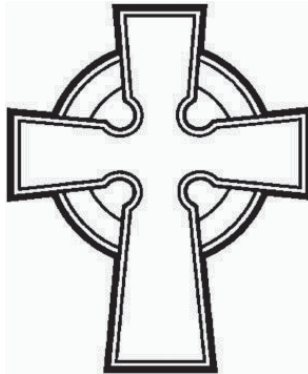
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Joe, Maggie, Ryan and Amy Vesey



Congratulations & Continued Success to
County Roscommon Society of New York

&

Best Wishes for a Lovely Evening to

Honorees

P. Christopher Tully *and* Aoife Elizabeth Butler

along with the

Past Society Presidents

including our father

Alfie Sharkey



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**Congratulations
And Best Wishes
To the Guest of Honor
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And
The County Roscommon Society

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2019 Guest of Honor

P. Christopher Tully



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And

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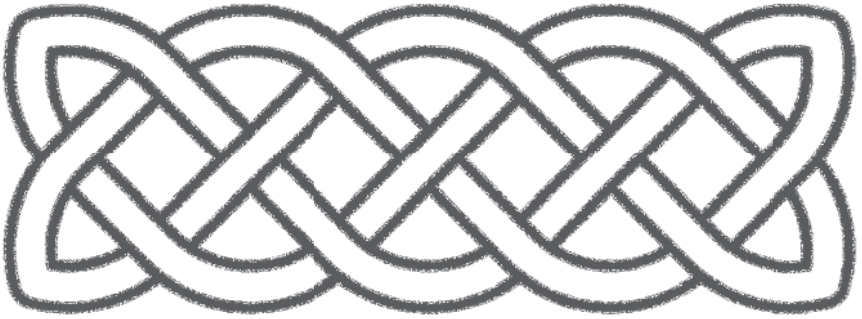
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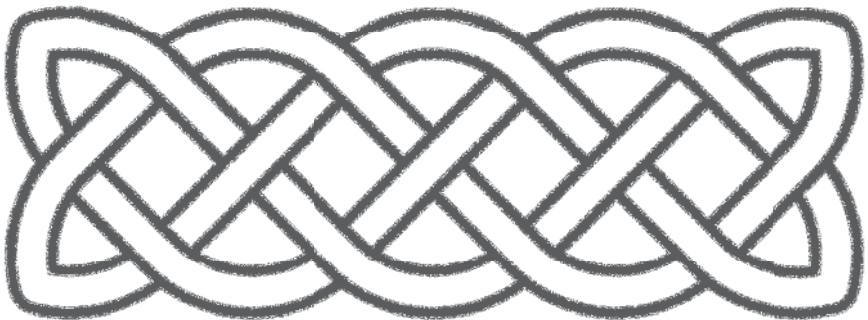


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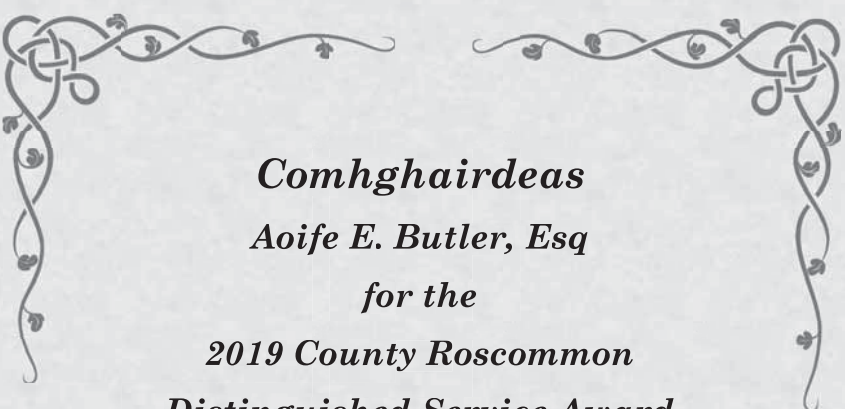
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Best wishes,

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***Comhghairdeas
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***Thank you for all that you do and your
countless hours of dedication to so many.***



Enjoy your evening.

The Dennehs xox



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And
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Best wishes,
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&

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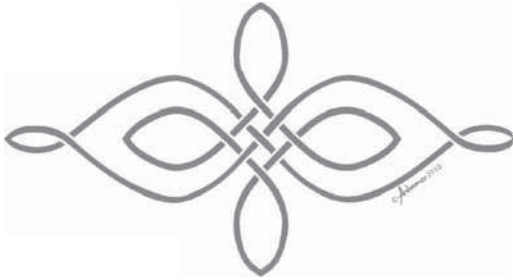
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Aoife Elizabeth Butler



Bart and Debbie Heavey



**Congratulations and Best Wishes to
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As it celebrates its 90th Anniversary**



**From
Michael Fitzmaurice (Ballinlough)
Founding Member and Life President
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Thank you

**P. Christopher Tully
And
Aoife Elizabeth Butler
For being our guests this evening.**

Thank you to all our past chairs for your dedication and commitment to the Roscommon Society over the years. Thank you to all who are here to celebrate with us this evening. You are the people who help keep this society alive. Please enjoy the evening and safe home later.

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