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**From:** Pat Connors [nymets11@pacbell.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 01, 2003 12:57 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] new members and logo

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Deboraha  
Frank Ryan  
Carolyn Helin  
Carole Buskin

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Oh, wow, heat on tonight....and it is still in the upper 80s low 90s in CA!!!

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**From:** Bill and Cathy McGrath [seamus@capital.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 01, 2003 9:21 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] LOGO

Ginger did a great job on the logo.

Using the image of Uncle Sam along with the Irish Flag and Shamrock really gets to the core of our groups interest - Troy and the Irish.

Bill

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**From:** Donna K. Vaughn [dkvaughn@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 01, 2003 9:35 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] new members and logo

Very nice (logo)!

I had to laugh, Pat, when I read your comment about the heat being on. As some of you know, I just moved to a new house, and because it was cool this evening (and I have an elderly mom living with me), I turned the heat on for the 1st time. Well, apparently there was dust in the new heating lines and all the smoke alarms went off! Mom heard this & said, "Oh darn! I must have set my Lifeline off by accident!" Before I could stop her, she pressed the Lifeline button. Then the emergency on-call person came on the speaker to ask if she needed help. I said, "NO, and I can't hear you too well because our smoke alarms are going off!" She said, "Is your house on fire? Shall I call the fire department?" NOOOO! Good grief! What an evening! :-) There's a chuckle for you tonight.....Everything's back to normal here now, AND we have heat! I'm going to bed before anything else happens....

Donna

----- Original Message -----

From: "Pat Connors" <nymets11@pacbell.net>  
To: <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
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**From:** Kris6851@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 01, 2003 10:18 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] new members and logo

The logo has the idea we wanted, but is he a little stern looking?? Can we find a friendly looking Uncle Sam ??

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**From:** Philip Doherty [ldohert2@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 01, 2003 10:23 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] new members and logo

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**From:** Donna K. Vaughn [dkvaughn@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 02, 2003 6:58 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] LOGO

There are some pretty interesting Uncle Sam graphics at this site:  
[http://home.nycap.rr.com/content/us\\_contents.html](http://home.nycap.rr.com/content/us_contents.html)

Donna

----- Original Message -----  
From: "Regina Atchinson" <HyTekRedNeck@msn.com>  
To: <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
Sent: Thursday, October 02, 2003 5:36 AM  
Subject: [TIGS] LOGO

> You're right, Uncle Sam does look a little stern. This is the graphic the  
army used to use "Uncle Sam Wants You". How about putting something in like  
"We want YOU to join the Troy Irish Genealogy Society" or "We want YOU as a  
member"?

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> Any suggestions?  
>  
> Ginger

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**From:** RitOBrien@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 02, 2003 1:16 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Where they worked

Hi Bill, My parents both worked in Cluett-Peabody. They worked there abt. 1906 and were married in 1908, and lived in Troy all their life. My Dad was a collar cutter and my Mom, an ironer. When sanferizing came my Mom, having 7 sons, agreed to test the shirts over a period of time for Cluetts. THAT's how I learned to iron men's shirts properly. I, too, worked there for a short period when young. You have an interesting point. I'd like to hear from others whose ancestors worked there. I really think everyone in Troy was Irish-seems that way anyway. All the names are so familiar!. Rita

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**From:** mmcalonie mcalonie [MMCALONIE@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 02, 2003 5:21 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Where they worked

I believe my Grandmother Josie Radigan worked there around 1920. Don't know what she did, its nice to read about the place. Do they have records?

Mike McAlonie

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**From:** RitOBrien@aol.com  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
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**Subject:** [TIGS] Where they worked

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**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Where they worked

My grandmother, Anna Driscoll, worked in a sweater mill called Etna Mills in North Troy, around 1910. Her daughter, Carolyn Butler, worked in Frear's Department Store in Troy in the mid-1940's in the children's wear department.

My grandfather, James Butler, was an optician in Plumb's, Troy (early to mid 1900's).

My great-grandfather, John A. Driscoll, was a sign painter for the D&H Railroad, Green Island. (late 1800's)

My great-grandfather James Butler also worked for the D&H Railroad, Green Island. He was killed in a freak accident in 1881. I will be posting the article describing the accident, on our website.

Donna

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**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Tour of Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel/Oakwood Cemetery

Hi Listers:

Those of us who are on the Rensselaer County List have seen the various postings from the Book Troy's One Hundred Years. One of the postings on June 12, 2003 was on the History of Oakwood Cemetery and the following extract is from that posting

" The beautiful Romanesque architecture of the Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel is exceedingly imposing. The richness of the colors and tints of the ornate windows of the chapel, its choice marbles and elaborate sculpture, the artistic configuration of the mosaic floor, and the harmonious designs of the foliated arches in other parts of the handsome building give an enduring expression of the love of the bereaved parents, William S. and Hannah M. Earl, for their only son, Gardner, who died on March 3d, 1887, to whose memory they reared the costly structure. It is one of the few mortuary shrines in the United States that ennoble the fame of their architects.

The erection of the building was begun on April 12th, 1888, under the superintendence of Fuller & Wheeler, architects, and with its various appointments, completed in November, 1889. Built on a rise of ground three hundred feet above the level of the Hudson River, which it overlooks, it affords a charming and wide-sweeping prospect of the valley and the high land bordering it on the east and west. The tower at the south end of the building is ninety feet high. The loggias connecting it with the chapel is twenty-six by forty feet, and the chancel sixteen by twenty-six feet. The length of the building is one hundred and-six feet, with a width of seventy feet , at the north end. The crematory, on the west side of the chapel, is provided with incinerating apparatus of the most approved construction."

This building is full of Tiffany windows, is priceless and is CLOSED to the public. In speaking to staff at the Cemetery, I have found that they do give guided tours by appointment at a charge as a fund raiser. Cost would be under \$10.00 a person and they do give tours on a Saturday. Morning or early afternoon is the best time to get the benefit of the stained glass windows.

So, my question to the list, would there be any interest in such an outing in November? October is already booked.

Regards,

Bill McGrath  
Clifton Park

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**Sent:** Thursday, October 02, 2003 9:56 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Tour of Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel/Oakwood Cemetery

Bill I have actually been there on 2 different occasions for prayer following a funeral. We went from the church to the Chapel, much like you would take the deceased to the grave site.

I would love to really tour it.....count me in.....Kris

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**Sent:** Thursday, October 02, 2003 10:06 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Tour of Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel/Oakwood Cemetery

Oh! That sounds wonderful. I've been to Oakwood but have not taken the tour so have not seen the Chapel. Please count me in if on a Sat.

Donna

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**To:** <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
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**From:** marlar35@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 02, 2003 10:37 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Earl Gardner Tour

Sounds like a great idea.

Mary Ann

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**From:** KyBrrt@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 02, 2003 11:27 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Tour of Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel/Oakwood Cemetery

I would be very interested, especially since I just completed reading "The Trial of Bat Shea". I've had the book since 1994 and just got around to reading it.

I would especially like to see Robert Ross' gravestone.

K. Brearton  
Wynantskill NY

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**From:** Marialice P. Mangan [marialis@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 04, 2003 1:07 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Troy's 100 Years -- Reprint

The book, Troy's One Hundred Years, 1789-1889, by Arthur James Weise was published in 1891. Reprints are available at the Higginson Book Company in Salem, MA. Their website is [www.higginsonbooks.com](http://www.higginsonbooks.com)

I ordered my copy about 6 years ago and recall that the company prints books as orders come in so there is a wait of several weeks to actually receive the book, although that wait may have been shortened since the time I placed my order.

The reprint quality is good and I would recommend ordering it with the hardcover binding as it is a large, thick book.

This company has several Troy local history books available as reprints.

Marialice P. Mangan

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**Sent:** Saturday, October 04, 2003 9:57 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] website update

Pat I have sent two e-mails to you off list and they have been returned "cannot deliver within 8 hours"?? Do you have some kind of control on you e-mail??  
I will try again today. I sent a logo for you to look at.....Kris

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**Sent:** Saturday, October 04, 2003 9:53 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Next Meeting?

Did we decide on a date/time/place for our next meeting? I believe one suggestion was the second Thursday of the month, which would be this Thurs. the 9th. Unfortunately, if that is the case, I have another commitment. But I think we should get something on our calendars, does the list agree?

I called the Troy Public Library, and they do have a private meeting room upstairs that we could use free of charge. They are open Mon-Thurs. 10A-8P and Fri-Sat. 9A-5P. We could just call ahead & let them know if we chose to meet there for some of our meetings.

Donna

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**From:** Kris6851@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 04, 2003 10:24 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Next Meeting?

Donna on 9/30 I posted a suggestion for the meeting this month. Since the last meeting was just a couple of weeks ago I thought the 16th should be good and then we could revert to the 2nd Thursday of each month.

I think the library would be great and if you could get it for the 16th and the majority of the list agrees, go for it. Individuals could even do some look ups while there....Kris

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**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Next Meeting?

Great! Would the 16th work for everyone? and do we want to do the Library this time? Please everyone reply to list if interested.

Donna

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**From:** <Kris6851@aol.com>  
**To:** <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 04, 2003 10:24 AM  
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**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Next Meeting?

The 16th is fine with me. I like the idea of going to the Library for our first meeting. We could alternate the library with dining out at places like Marty Burke's.

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**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] October Meeting

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Marialice

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**From:** Pat Connors [nymets11@pacbell.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 05, 2003 8:46 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] website update

Kris, I haven't been on line since Friday morning. Still it should have been waiting for me when I downloaded my mail a few minutes ago, but not there...Try again, please.

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**From:** Donna K. Vaughn [dkvaughn@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 06, 2003 9:11 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] October Meeting

Shall we say 7:00 pm for the meeting on the 16th? I'll be happy to call the Troy Library & reserve the room if all agree. Those who would like to do a little research could come a bit earlier. If there are not too many of us and the genealogy room is empty, we could meet there, but I will reserve the upstairs room just in case, if that's OK with everyone...

Donna

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**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] October Meeting

Sounds great to me, they are open until 8:00 so that gives us an hour to figure out what we want to discuss....(joking)...see you then...kris

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**From:** Pat Connors [nymets11@pacbell.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 06, 2003 1:26 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] New members

Lauri  
Barbara Wagner  
James Thompson  
Priscilla Young-Leary  
Dixon Stevens  
Paul VanBuren  
Carol Schrom  
Joan Howe

Our membership is now at 43. Kris sent me another logo and I hope to get it on line tomorrow (trying to catch-up). I have a bunch of new surnames but don't believe I'll have the time to get them on the surname page until after I get home from Dublin (10/25). None of the surnames that are listed on the website are linked because I don't have any histories/genealogies (on word/works documents) to link them to....

When you have your meeting, how about someone taking notes and reporting back to the list. Also, how about the list creating some kind of an agenda....suggestions from afar.

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**Sent:** Monday, October 06, 2003 9:34 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] October Meeting

Since I won't be able to make it to this month's meeting, could someone please post on the list a summary of what is discussed, decided or discovered? How's that for an agenda? ...Discussion, decision and discovery! :>)

Lynn

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**From:** Donna K. Vaughn [dkvaughn@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 07, 2003 12:32 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Library NOT AVAILABLE for our meeting

The meeting room at the Troy Library is booked for Thurs. eve. Oct. 16, so we need to meet elsewhere. For future reference, the room closes at 7:30.

Shall we go back to our original plan & meet @ the South End Tavern? 6:00 pm? Or does anyone have another suggestion?

Donna

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## FX Ryan

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**From:** Kris6851@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 07, 2003 6:34 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Library NOT AVAILABLE for our meeting

Sounds good to me Donna. We may want to decide early for November (2nd Thurs) and book in advance. We don't appear to be hearing from anyone else???..Kris

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**From:** Donna K. Vaughn [dkvaughn@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 07, 2003 7:24 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Library NOT AVAILABLE for our meeting

I called the Troy Library again, and there is a group that has booked ahead for the 2nd Thursday's. She mentioned that the 3rd Thursdays are free. I'm just throwing this out there in case we want to go with the Library in the future.

Donna

----- Original Message -----

From: <Kris6851@aol.com>  
To: <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2003 6:33 PM  
Subject: Re: [TIGS] Library NOT AVAILABLE for our meeting

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**From:** Carolynhelin@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 08, 2003 9:49 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Library NOT AVAILABLE for our meeting

Does anyone remember Burke's does corn beef and cabbage on Thursday nights. I don't think anyone could get in there for a meeting If it is still the same as I remember

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**From:** Jeanne M. Keefe [keefej@rpi.edu]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 08, 2003 1:08 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Next Meeting?

Hello all:

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Jeanne Keefe  
Troy, NY

At 03:33 PM 10/4/2003, you wrote:

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**From:** Donna K. Vaughn [dkvaughn@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 08, 2003 6:39 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Next Meeting?

Hi Jeanne,  
I think the plan is to meet at the South End Tavern at 6:00 pm on Oct. 16, if that is agreeable to all. I confused things by suggesting the library, and now it isn't available that night. Keep watching the list for details.  
You are most welcome to join the meeting!

Donna

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From: "Jeanne M. Keefe" <keefej@rpi.edu>  
To: <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
Sent: Wednesday, October 08, 2003 1:08 PM  
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**From:** Bill and Cathy McGrath [seamus@capital.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 08, 2003 9:11 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Thursday Meeting

Burke's is great for eating and having a drink but is not very conducive to having a meeting.

Another suggestion would be the back room of the Irish Mist. I'm sure we would have the room all to ourselves.

Bill McGrath

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## FX Ryan

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**From:** Jeanne M. Keefe [keefej@rpi.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 09, 2003 9:10 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Next Meeting?

Thanks Donna, I will try and keep track from here on out and attend if I can.  
Jeanne

At 06:38 PM 10/8/2003, you wrote:

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>To: <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
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**From:** marlar35@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 09, 2003 11:22 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Thursday Meeting

In a message dated 10/8/2003 9:18:05 PM Eastern Daylight Time, seamus@capital.net writes:  
Another suggestion would be the back room of the Irish Mist. I'm sure we would have the  
room all to ourselves.

Bill McGrath

Bill - I agree, I thought the Irish Mist was a much quieter place for a meeting. The back  
room seemed to be just perfect for our meetings.

Mary Ann McConnell  
Troy, NY

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**From:** Donna K. Vaughn [dkvaughn@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 10, 2003 7:14 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Thursday Meeting

The Irish Mist is fine with me, too. What time shall we meet?

Donna

----- Original Message -----

**From:** <marlar35@aol.com>  
**To:** <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 09, 2003 11:21 PM  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Thursday Meeting

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**From:** KyBrtr@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, October 10, 2003 4:03 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Thursday Meeting

I agree with meeting at the Irish Mist. I like Marty Burke's, but I think it would be difficult to conduct any kind of discussion there.

K. Brearton  
Wynantskill NY

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## FX Ryan

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**From:** Kris6851@aol.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 12, 2003 9:07 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Thursday Meeting

I have no problem with the Irish Mist, like Donna just let me know what time...Kris

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## FX Ryan

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**From:** KyBrtr@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 14, 2003 3:11 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Troy Newspapers in 1894

Is there one particular newspaper that was circulated in Troy in 1894 that would be best to locate obituary information on a Irish/American who died in South Troy?

Has anyone on the list had experience with locating obituary information in that time period?

Today I searched the microfilm for the Troy Daily Times and found just one sentence about my paternal grandmother's death and it was listed under the heading of "From the Iron Works", not with the few other obits listed in the paper.

K. Brearton  
Wynantskill NY

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## FX Ryan

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**From:** Donna K. Vaughn [dkvaughn@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2003 6:48 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Troy Newspapers in 1894

Kay,  
I'm assuming you were at the Troy Library? I don't remember off the top of my head the names of the papers they had, but they sometimes overlapped in dates. I'm assuming too that you checked days before and after the entry in "From the Iron Works." I have found detailed obits in the Troy Daily Times during that time period.

I do recall a sign up over the microfilm cabinets (second floor of library) listing the papers and years available. I also got some good advice from the person at the reference desk regarding which paper would be "best" for what I was looking for at the time. And you did check the death file in the genealogy room, on the left when you enter the room?

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**From:** Marialice P. Mangan [marialis@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2003 2:13 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Thursday Meeting Time?

I must have missed the time for our Thursday (tomorrow) evening meeting at the Irish Mist. Will someone please enlighten me?

Thanks!!

Marialice

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**From:** Donna K. Vaughn [dkvaughn@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2003 7:28 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Thursday Meeting Time?

Hi Marialice (and the list too),  
I had a death in my extended family this week and will not be able to make the meeting this month. I don't think anyone suggested a time for the meeting, or else I missed it too. If it takes place, it would be great to read about what happened, if someone would kindly post a few notes to the list. What I was going to bring up as an agenda item, was that I would like to do the history piece on Green Island for our website, as I have their bicentennial book and other information to draw from.

Best to all,  
Donna

----- Original Message -----

From: "Marialice P. Mangan" <marialis@nycap.rr.com>  
To: <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
Sent: Wednesday, October 15, 2003 2:12 PM  
Subject: [TIGS] Thursday Meeting Time?

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> Marialice

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**From:** Kris6851@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2003 7:35 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Meeting

I just responded but realized it went directly to Marialice and not to the list. A few of us were in discussion about the place, time, etc. Nothing was decided. I plan on being at the Irish Mist at 6:30 tomorrow evening, if others are going to be there???? We need to keep the momentum going, keep our enthusiasm.....  
Kristin Cooney-Ayotte  
Cooney, Malone, Hull, MacGregor and McIntyre

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**From:** KyBrnt@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2003 7:47 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Meeting

That was my understanding also. I plan to be there around 6 or 6:30.

K. Brearton  
Wynantskill NY

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**From:** Kris6851@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2003 7:50 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Library Troy Room

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**From:** Nancy Peregrine [nancyperegrine@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2003 8:04 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Library Troy Room

Would the Troy Library Troy Room have info on the smaller towns around Troy? I'm researching Clinton Heights, to the south. Thanks, Nancy Peregrine

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**From:** Kris6851@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2003 8:29 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Library Troy Room

There was information on Watervliet, West Troy, Green Island, Greenbush, etc.

I cannot say with certainty but it is certainly worth a look.

Kristin Cooney-Ayotte

Cooney, Malone, Hull, McIntyre, MacGregor

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**From:** Lauri [lmosall@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 16, 2003 9:15 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Library Troy Room

Nancy you have to remember that Clinton Heights is now East Greenbush, and they have a terrific new library right next to the new YMCA just before the High School, they may have history info you are looking for.

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**From:** Marialice P. Mangan [marialis@nycap.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 16, 2003 9:46 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Meeting

Thanks to all who responded to my question about the meeting tonight. I plan to be at the Irish Mist at 6:00.

Do we need a certain number of people to get that back room?

I look forward to seeing as many of us that can make it.

Marialice

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## FX Ryan

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**From:** Bill and Cathy McGrath [seamus@capital.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 16, 2003 10:06 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] New Family Tree Branch

Hi Listers:

Have been in Connecticut since Sunday and just got back yesterday. We were there for the birth of our son's first child and our sixth grandchild. So here are details and the paternal generation list as much as I have uncovered so far.

1. Rory Catherine McGrath - Born October 12, 2003  
Greenwich, Conn.
2. Parents: Shawn Michael Patrick McGrath  
Nora Christine O'Heaney
3. Grandparents: William O'Connor Francis McGrath - Born Troy  
Catherine Loretta Thon Smith  
  
Michael O'Heaney  
Heather Eastman
4. Great grandparents: James Joseph McGrath, Sr. - Born & Died Troy  
Mary Elizabeth O'Connor - Born & Died Troy  
  
Margaret Manning Reilly  
Harry Julius Thon  
Harvey John Smith
5. gg grandparents: Thomas Francis McGrath - Born Ireland - Died Troy  
Nora Kennedy - Born Ireland - Died Geddes, NY  
  
William Arthur James Francis O'Connor - Born & Died Troy  
Mary Elizabeth Carroll - Born Hurley, NY - Died Troy  
  
Joseph Robison E. Reilly  
Anna Loretta Manning  
  
George Thon  
Elizabeth Dux
6. ggg grandparents: John McGrath - Born & Died Ireland  
Johanna Hayes - Born & Died Ireland  
  
Patrick Kennedy - Born & Died Ireland  
  
Timothy Joseph O'Connor - Born Ireland - Died Troy  
Catherine McCormick - Born Ireland - Died Troy  
James Carroll - Born Ireland - Died Troy  
Mary Elizabeth Dunn - Born Hurley, NY - Died Troy  
  
Catherine Loretta Manning - Born & Died Troy  
Hugh Manning  
  
Felix Reilly  
Margaret Ellen Manning
7. gggg grandparents: William O'Connor - Born & Died Ireland  
Catherine Gleason - Born & Died Ireland

Patrick McCormick - Born & Died Ireland  
Catherine Gaskin - Born & Died Ireland

Lawrence Carroll - Born & Died Ireland  
Dora Conroy - Born & Died Ireland

Thomas Dunn - Born Ireland  
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**From:** Nancy Peregrine [nancyperegrine@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 16, 2003 10:41 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Library Troy Room

Yes, I did contact them & they referred me to their historian, who is checking to see if she can find anything. Thank you! Nancy

Lauri <lmosall@yahoo.com> wrote:Nancy you have to remember that Clinton Heights is now East Greenbush, and they have a terrific new library right next to the new YMCA just before the High School, they may have history info you are looking for.

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**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] New Family Tree Branch

Congratulations, Bill and Cathy! Oh, to get a girl on the first try, is so exciting!  
(coming from a mother of 6 sons and 1 dgt and 8 grsons and 1 grdgt)

It is 9:30pm over here and 4:30pm NY time so you still all have time to have a drink for me. I'll do the same for you on this side of the pond.

Don't forget to tell all of us who can't meet with you, what you all discussed.

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**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
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In a message dated 10/16/2003 10:09:46 AM Eastern Daylight Time, seamus@capital.net writes:

Rory Catherine McGrath - Born October 12, 2003  
Greenwich, Conn.

Congratulations on the birth of your new granddaughter.

Mary Ann McConnell  
Troy, NY

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**Sent:** Friday, October 17, 2003 9:57 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Meeting ???

Hi List,

Did anyone meet at the Irish Mist last evening and, if so, can someone fill us in on what was discussed? I wish I could have made it but I was at a concert at Troy Music Hall instead - an excellent performance by the Canadian family, Leahy. I hope to meet with the TIGS in November.

To Bill and Cathy - Congratulations on the birth of your granddaughter!

Lynn

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**Sent:** Friday, October 17, 2003 4:28 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Meeting

Rick, you are the only one on the digest form of the list. All others get the posts as posted. There are only 40 or so on the list, so you might reconsider your options. You will need to email me, however, to change, since this is not an open list. I will be happy to change your subscription.

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Bill,

I'd also be very interested in the tour if it was in early November - perhaps the 8th?

Did anyone show up at the meeting last night?  
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**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Tour of Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel/Oakwood Cemetery

Do you have a date in November, Bill? I will be in PA in the first week of November and might be interested in changing some of my plans about going back to CA if this was in early November....

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**Sent:** Friday, October 17, 2003 5:55 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Tour of Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel/Oakwood Cemetery

First, may I say to Bill & Cathy, CONGRATULATIONS on your new grandchild!

I am most interested in the Oakwood Tour in November. Any Sat. is fine with me. Hey! Maybe we could do our Nov. meeting at that time as well? They probably have a room we could use. Like one of the mausoleums, perhaps?! :-)  
Just kidding....but maybe we COULD do the meeting too at the same time, before or after the tour.

Anybody have a comment on last night's meeting, which I regretfully missed?

Donna

----- Original Message -----

From: "Bill and Cathy McGrath" <seamus@capital.net>  
To: <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
Sent: Friday, October 17, 2003 3:15 PM  
Subject: [TIGS] Tour of Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel/Oakwood Cemetery

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**Sent:** Saturday, October 18, 2003 8:02 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Meeting hope

Thank you for the update on the meeting; it sounds very productive and makes me wish I was closer.

Now where are Frank's Ryans from? :o)

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**Sent:** Saturday, October 18, 2003 8:11 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Meeting hope

Thanks very much for the meeting notes, Kris. Yes, you are "the organizer," but you also could be known as Kris the Writer! You certainly have a way with words. I enjoyed reading your posting.

Donna

----- Original Message -----  
From: <Kris6851@aol.com>  
To: <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
Sent: Saturday, October 18, 2003 7:51 PM  
Subject: Re: [TIGS] Meeting hope

> I apologize for not getting to this sooner, but it is the weekend!!! I spent  
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This is wonderful, Kris.

Let's start a dialogue on where we want the group to go...also, as a charter member (met at Irish Mist and Burke's South End Pub), do we really have more power than those who joined after the fact? Just a question we need to debate...

So far, I agree 100% of what was discussed Thursday night (if the wrong date, I am totally off kilter, being in Ireland but will be back in America Wednesday if I make all my connections).

PS Can't put the 2nd picture on line because it was formatted with more than one image using Word...need just one image file...

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**Sent:** Saturday, October 18, 2003 9:13 PM  
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Researching McConnell, Cunningham & Delaney

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Bill, did you ever know any of the family of Dollard's in Troy. jd

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**From:** Lynn Grice [megrice@attglobal.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 19, 2003 7:50 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Meeting hope

Thanks, Kris, for your thorough and entertaining summary of Thursday's meeting. I think the Mission statement is great! I look forward to the meeting in November.

Lynn

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**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Troy Library Card File

The genealogy room in the Troy Library has a 3 x 5 card file which at different times was compiled by library staff from the daily newspaper. Card shows date of event, date of newspaper, page number for referenced item and in some case the column number of the newspaper.

### DEATHS:

1882-1899

1975-1979

1980-1984

1985-1987

### BIRTHS:

1980-1984

### MARRIAGES:

1882-1899

1900

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### WEDDINGS:

1985-1988

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**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Tour of Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel

Hi Listers:

Our tour of the beautiful Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel at Oakwood Cemetery is scheduled for Saturday, November 8, 2003.

Tour will start at the Chapel at 9:30 and can run from one half hour to an hour. If the weather permits we may also be able to get a quick tour of the grounds. Tours are used as a fund raiser and cost no more than \$10.00. Hopefully it will be a sunny bright day to get the full benefit of viewing the Tiffany windows.

I would like to hear from any list members who are interested in joining us. Lynn, Donna and Kay have already expressed an interest.

Bill McGrath  
Clifton Park, NY

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**From:** Kris6851@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 20, 2003 8:52 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] Tour of Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel

Count me in\  
Thanks Kristin

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**From:** KyBrnt@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 20, 2003 9:00 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Thanks to Seamus

Thanks to Bill for arranging the Oakwood Cemetery tour and for generously sharing research information we can access in the Rensselaer County Courthouse.

K. Brearton  
Wynantskill NY

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Thank you,  
Mike McAlonie

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HI Bill-

As Donna said at the RCHS they also have guardianship papers from the surrogate court. I found my great grandmother Kerwick's 1884 guardianship files in the index. But I did not have to go to the court house to see them, someone pulled them out of a box in the basement and photocopied them for me (for a fee) right there, as well as some wills/probate packets I relevant found. I was told (by Lynn Grice I think) that the Surrogates Court surrendered (a certain range of years I am not sure of) these files to the RCHS due to storage issues or something like that.

Mike

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**From:** Pat Connors [nymets11@pacbell.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 29, 2003 11:33 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] new members

Well, I got back to CA yesterday and still suffering from jet lag.  
Actually, I was in Ireland this time last week, then went back to EST, then Daylight  
savings came to an end and now back to PST....my body and head really don't know what the  
heck time it is!

Now, I have a ton of catching up to do and one of my biggest jobs will be our website...we  
now have 45 members and since we don't have archives with this list (due to it being a  
private organization), I don't remember when I sent the last member names. If someone has  
the email where I sent the last names, could you forward it to me and then I'll announce  
the new members.

Hope this finds everyone well. Besides me getting all the names on the website and their  
corresponding pages, we still need to decide on a logo and a society mission....

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**From:** Regina Atchinson [HyTekRedNeck@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 29, 2003 12:06 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Irish Halloween Traditions

I thought you might be interested in this article I found in the Irish News.  
Ginger

### IRISH HALLOWEEN TRADITIONS ~~~~~

The Celts celebrated Halloween as Samhain, 'All Hallowtide' - the 'Feast of the Dead', when the dead revisited the mortal world. The celebration marked the end of Summer and the start of the Winter months.

During the eighth century the Catholic Church designated the first day of November as 'All Saints Day' ('All Hallows') - a day of commemoration for those Saints that did not have a specific day of remembrance. The night before was known as 'All Hallows Eve' which, over time, became known as Halloween.

Here are the most notable Irish Halloween Traditions:

**Colcannon for Dinner:** Boiled Potato, Curly Kale (a cabbage) and raw Onions are provided as the traditional Irish Halloween dinner. Clean coins are wrapped in baking paper and placed in the potato for children to find and keep.

**The Barnbrack Cake:** The traditional Halloween cake in Ireland is the barnbrack which is a fruit bread. Each member of the family gets a slice. Great interest is taken in the outcome as there is a piece of rag, a coin and a ring in each cake. If you get the rag then your financial future is doubtful. If you get the coin then you can look forward to a prosperous year. Getting the ring is a sure sign of impending romance or continued happiness.

**The Ivy Leaf:** Each member of the family places a perfect ivy leaf into a cup of water and it is then left undisturbed overnight. If, in the morning, a leaf is still perfect and has not developed any spots then the person who placed the leaf in the cup can be sure of 12 months health until the following Halloween. If not.....

**The Pumpkin:** Carving Pumpkins dates back to the eighteenth century and to an Irish blacksmith named Jack who colluded with the Devil and was denied entry to Heaven. He was condemned to wander the earth but asked the Devil for some light. He was given a burning coal ember which he placed inside a turnip that he had gouged out.

Thus, the tradition of Jack O'Lanterns was born - the bearer being the wandering blacksmith - a damned soul. Villagers in Ireland hoped that the lantern in their window would keep the wanderer away. When the Irish emigrated in their millions to America there was not a great supply of turnips so pumpkins were used instead.

**Halloween Costumes:** On Halloween night children would dress up in scary costumes and go house to house. 'Help the Halloween Party' and 'Trick or Treat' were the cries to be heard at each door.

This tradition of wearing costumes also dates back to Celtic times. On the special night when the living and the dead were at their closest the Celtic Druids would dress up in elaborate costumes to disguise themselves as spirits and devils in case they encountered other devils and spirits during the night. By disguising they hoped that they would be able to avoid being carried away at the end of the night. This explains why witches, goblins and ghosts remain the most popular choices for the costumes.

**Snap Apple:** After the visits to the neighbours the Halloween games begin, the most popular

of which is Snap Apple. An apple is suspended from a string and children are blindfolded. The first child to get a decent bite of the apple gets to keep their prize. The same game can be played by placing apples in a basin of water and trying to get a grip on the apple without too much mess!

The Bonfire: The Halloween bonfire is a tradition to encourage dreams of who your future husband or wife is going to be. The idea was to drop a cutting of your hair into the burning embers and then dream of you future loved one. Halloween was one of the Celt 'fire' celebrations.

Blind Date: Blindfolded local girls would go out into the fields and pull up the first cabbage they could find. If their cabbage had a substantial amount of earth attached to the roots then their future loved one would have money. Eating the cabbage would reveal the nature of their future husband - bitter or sweet!

Another way of finding your future spouse is to peel an apple in one go. If done successfully the single apple peel could be dropped on the floor to reveal the initials of the future-intended.

Anti-Fairy Measures: Fairies and goblins try to collect as many souls as they can at Halloween but if they met a person who threw the dust from under their feet at the Fairy then they would be obliged to release any souls that they held captive.

Holy water was sometimes anointed on farm animals to keep them safe during the night. If the animals were showing signs of ill health on All Hallows Eve then they would be spat on to try to ward off any evil spirits.

Happy Halloween from Ireland!

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**Subject:** [TIGS] New Members

Thanks to Bill, he forwarded me my last 'new member' post. Funny it said we had 43 members and now we have 45 and I am giving you 7 more names! Maybe some dropped and I didn't notice. Anyway, no one can join automatically but they can unsub automatically.

Anyhow, here are the new members:

Tom Manning  
MaryLee Dunn  
Fran Bates  
Alan Cook  
Betty Cary  
Joan Vooris  
Ruth Cherenich

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**Subject:** [TIGS] NEWS SNAPS FROM IRELAND (From The Irish Newsletter)

NEWS SNAPS FROM IRELAND

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ELECTIONS TO BE HELD IN NORTHERN IRELAND

November 26th is the date set for elections to the Northern Ireland Assembly but it is still unclear if any new power-sharing executive can be formed after the election. The IRA recently carried out a major act of decommissioning (destruction of weapons) but the Ulster Unionist Party (UUP), headed by David Trimble, are dissatisfied with the secrecy surrounding this latest decommissioning act and want to know the exact numbers of weapons and explosives that were destroyed.

NEW LAWS TO MAKE PARENTS LIABLE FOR CHILD VANDALISM

New laws are being introduced which will make the parents of children who commit acts of vandalism or other crime liable to pay compensation to victims. Gangs of youths who repeatedly cause damage to property will not only risk jail but will also financially implicate their parents.

IRISH PEACEKEEPERS MAY USE TANKS

The Irish peacekeeping force which is part of the UN mission to Liberia may employ tanks in their peace-keeping efforts. An advance team is visiting Liberia to determine the equipment required for the mission. Up to 430 Irish soldiers may be deployed in the troubled African country.

I.D. CARDS MAY BE COMPULSORY IN IRELAND

A leaked report in Britain has indicated that the British government is considering the introduction of compulsory identification cards there. With over one million Irish citizens currently resident in Britain the Tony Blair led government has indicated that any scheme would be unworkable unless Ireland introduces a similar scheme.

Supporters of compulsory identification cards maintain that the apparent loss of civil liberty caused by the compulsory nature of the scheme is more than offset by the value to the national security interest in preventing terrorist and crime threats as well as making refugee control easier.

Of the 15 members of the European Union 11 already have compulsory identification card schemes.

HOUSE PRICE INCREASE SLOWS

Irish houses prices increased by 0.5% during October. This represents a slowing down of the rate of increase. The rate of increase is now approximately 11% annually. The cost of a second-hand home in Dublin is now EURO 370,000 (approx US\$400,000).

NO U-TURN ON PUB SMOKING BAN

The Minister for Health has indicated that there is to be no watering down of the new laws which will see the introduction of a total ban on smoking in pubs, restaurants and the

workplace.

Despite a concerted campaign of opposition by hoteliers and publicans the Minister has repeated that premises that flout the new law are liable to have their licences revoked. The new laws will come into force on January 26th.

#### IRISH CRASH OUT OF EUROPEAN SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Irish soccer team crashed out of the European championships and will not be travelling to Portugal for the finals next Summer. Brian Kerr's team were beaten 2-0 in Basel by a well organised Switzerland side. Switzerland topped the group with Russia finishing runners-up. Russia subsequently drew Wales in the 'play-offs' to reach the finals.

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In a message dated 10/29/2003 10:03:01 AM Mountain Standard Time, nymets11@pacbell.net writes:  
Ruth Cherenich  
That's Ruth Cherecwich <grin> Pronounced like "chairwich". Not an Irish name, but there's Irish in me mixed with the Russian and German. <vbg>

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Sorry about that, Ruth. I had 'w' written down in my notes but typed an 'n'....I have always been a lousy typist.

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**Subject:** [TIGS] National Library of Ireland

Out of ten days of being in Dublin recently, I spent eight of them at the NLI. I brought home a brochure so I could share the info with the list in case any are planning to do research there in the future. I will eventually post more info from the library when the boxes I sent from PA arrive. Except for the Diocese of Cashel & Emly, all Catholic Church records are at the library for free viewing. They are on microfilm and sadly, they do not print copies when you find a record you would like to keep. So, make sure you bring paper and pencils (can't use pens) to copy any records you find important. Since you have to check your overcoat and bags (no cost), bring a warm sweater/jacket that can go on or come off easily. While I was there at times it was icy cold and sweaty warm (sometimes in the same day). Also, I found my magnifying glass helpful when records were hard to read. Remember, the church registers were handwritten and at times difficult, at best, to read.

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**Subject:** [TIGS] Vital Statistics, part 1

While doing research in Troy this summer I came across this interesting article. I will type it in two parts.

### VITAL STATISTICS

How the Records are Kept--What the City Pays For--The Death Rate for a Year--Abuses that Should be Corrected.

The Troy Daily Times, January 6, 1887

The report of the Registrar of Vital Statistics Hutton for the year ended December 31, 1886, shows a glaring discrepancy in the number of births as compared with the population of the city, which is estimated at 65,000. The report gives the number of births as 829, while it is conceded that there were as many births during the year as there were deaths, and the number of the latter is given as 1,506 in the report.

The vital statistics of Troy and Albany--the Albany figures being for the twelve months ended November 30, 1886, and those of Troy for the year ended December 31, 1886--compare as follows:

City; Population; Births; Marriages; Deaths:

Troy; 65,000; 829; 241; 1,506

Albany; 96,080; 1,725; 536; 2,187

In Albany the number of stillbirths is not reported; in Troy there were sixty-one. The death rate based on the above figures is 22.78 in Albany and 23.16 in Troy.

It is assumed that the reports as the numbers of deaths are substantially correct, for the law provides that no burial can be had until a permit be obtained from the registrar of vital statistics. The figures relating to marriages and births, however, are not to be accepted as reliable. The law requires that the physician or parents of a child shall report the birth to the registrar, but the law is not generally complied with, and in the case of marriages clergymen sometimes neglect to forward reports to the registrar.

The registrar of vital statistics in the city of Troy is paid by the city seventy-five cents for each death recorded--his fees not to exceed \$900 a year--and it would seem that the compensation is liberal. Yet the superintendent of public burial grounds is also paid for recording deaths, at the rate of fifty cents for each interment. And the superintendent receives fifty cents for every body that is brought to Troy and buried from other cities or towns. What is still more peculiar, the superintendent of public burial grounds in many cases is paid by the city for interments made in Lansingburgh and Brunswick of persons who died in Albany or elsewhere than in Troy. The superintendent of public burial grounds has no jurisdiction whatever over the Oakwood cemetery or any of the other cemeteries except the old and new Mount Ida cemeteries. Yet the city pays him fifty cents for each burial in all the cemeteries in Troy and those immediately contiguous to the city. This is radically wrong, but it is provided for in the ordinances prescribing the duties of the superintendent. The ordinance requires the persons in charge of the cemeteries in the city to furnish the superintendent of public burial grounds a statement of the number of interments made, and from the information so furnished the superintendent is supposed to make up his report. It is said the superintendent sometimes receives the information from the undertakers, and sometimes he goes around to the different burying grounds and ascertains the number--a hap-hazard way of doing business at best. Of course, the superintendent's record of deaths is not official, for it includes, or is supposed to include, the number of persons brought to Troy for burial from other places, as well as those who die and are buried in the city.

---to be continued

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**From:** Pat Connors [nymets11@pacbell.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 29, 2003 5:01 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Vital Statistics--part 2

In September last a resolution was introduced in the common council as follows:

Whereas, By the laws of the state of New York it is the duty of the registrar of vital statistics to register all deaths, therefore be it

Resolved, That all fees for registering deaths in connection with the office of the superintendent of burial grounds be abolished from this date, September 16, 1886.

City Attorney Parmenter, after reviewing the laws under which the registrar of vital statistics was appointed and the charter provisions relating to the superintendent of public burial grounds, concluded an opinion on the above resolution as follows: Until the legislation shall intervene by abolishing the office of superintendent of public burial grounds and putting such burial grounds under the charge and supervision of the board of health, I am unable to see how the common council can abolish the fees now legally paid to the superintendent for registering deaths. It would be perfectly competent for the legislature to abolish the office of superintendent of public burial grounds and impose the duties of the office upon the registrar of vital statistics or the board of health. Without such intervention by the legislature the purpose of the resolution referred to the city attorney cannot in my judgment be properly and legally carried into effect.

Surely, the legislature should be asked to carry out the suggestions of the city attorney, or some arrangement should be made by which the city would be asked to pay but once for recording deaths.

The report of Superintendent James Collins for the month of December, 1886, shows the total number of interments in that month to have been 136, of which forty-four were of children under five years of age, and one was a centenarian. Consumption carried off sixteen, pneumonia sixteen and diphtheria twelve. The total deaths in December, 1885, were 103, of which twenty-one died from consumption, thirteen from pneumonia and three from diphtheria.

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**From:** MaryLDunn@aol.com  
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**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Research problems

To the Troy Irish List,

It's great to see researchers organizing to share and encourage work on the Irish in Troy. And I, in eastern Massachusetts, appreciate your efforts to update and inform the list members who cannot make it to meetings in Troy.

Thank you.

Thanks for the introduction to the list, Pat, and I look forward to hearing more about your Ireland trip. I have done research at both the National Library and the National Archives in Dublin, and am happy to say that at the Archives you can request copies, pay for them, and they will mail them to you at home a few weeks later.

I descend from Michael Dunn of County Kildare who arrived in Troy in the late 1850s. In Troy, he married Elizabeth Dunne, also of Kildare, and worked at Burden Iron Works. She died soon after the birth of their sixth child and Michael remarried to Catherine Walsh in New Jersey, where several of his siblings lived. Catherine came from his homeplace in Kildare as well. The couple had 8 children in Troy. Michael eventually opened a grocery store in South Troy. Related names include Farrell and Clinton.

Years ago, we found the death record in Troy of a cousin of Michael's; it named the cousin's father in Kildare. That info, in combination with facts in letters written by Kate Walsh Dunn's mother to her children in the U.S., enabled me to find Dunn family in Kildare about 10 years ago.

Kate's sister, Rose Walsh Clinton, lived in Troy and died young; one of her descendants became mayor of Troy in the early 1900s.

Any help learning more about these families would be appreciated.

I request help as well on another problem related to other research I am doing. I want to identify the home place in Ireland of a John (or maybe Patrick) Roche/Roach/etc. who was in Troy in the 1860s and was a Fenian. I learned about him last year while doing research for a master's degree that involved tracing Roscommoners to Rutland, VT. Laurie Burns of the Troy Library and I were not able to identify Roche in Troy records.

John had an interesting role in Fenian history. He tried to "out" a major British spy in the Fenian organization at a Fenian conference in Philadelphia in December 1868. But Fenian authorities gave no credence to his charges and the spy, Henri Le Caron, who used the name Thomas Miller Beach in the U.S., continued spying on the organization for years and effectively curbed the Fenians' effort to invade Canada in the 1860s. John Roche was rebuked at the convention for making accusations against him.

Efforts to obtain Troy or Philadelphia newspaper articles pertaining to the Fenian sessions in which Roche brought his charges were unsuccessful, though the Free Library of Philadelphia did find news stories about general sessions of that convention.

I have seen this story told in two books. In one, Roche's first name was given as Patrick. The second book, which I consider likely to be more accurate since it was written by Le Caron, identified him as John Roche.

The Roscommoners I was tracing in the larger project came from Kilglass Parish. There is evidence that members of a Kilglass Roch family were in Troy a short while before John made his allegations against the spy. The evidence is a Missing Friends ad that was published in The Boston Pilot:

Missing Friends, 1853: "Of James McCue and wife, whose maiden name was Honora Roch, from parish of Kilglass, Townland of Col (co. Roscommon) - was last heard from resided in Lockport, NY. Her sister Catherine, lies dangerously ill in Troy hospital. Any information respecting them will be thankfully received by Edward Sweeny, Cohoes, Albany County, NY."

In the 1880s, there was further evidence of an active Irish nationalist named Roche from Troy, though it is not known whether the two nationalists named Roche, both from Troy

nearly 20 years apart, were the same man. But "Brother Roach" of Troy was named as an attendee at a nationalist meeting in Philadelphia in 1883. If anyone knows anything about a John or Patrick Roche/Roach/etc. in Troy or can help identify him there and his home place in Ireland, please contact me. I want to know whether he came from Kilglass Parish in County Roscommon. I appreciate, and welcome, any help you can give.

FYI, Catholic University is posting on-line a searchable database of Fenian Brotherhood records that once belonged to O'Donovan Rossa. Some of them concern Fenians in Troy. The web address is <http://www.aladin.wrlc.org/gsd1/collect/fenian/fenian.shtml> if anyone wants to look at them. I understand that there were about 1,000 Fenians in Troy in the mid-1860s. I wonder whether the local newspapers reported on their doings and named their officers or members. Does anyone know more?

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**From:** Bill and Cathy McGrath [seamus@capital.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 30, 2003 8:55 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Dunn & Clinton In Troy

I would like to welcome Mary L Dunn to the TIGS list.

Several years ago we exchanged email on the Dunn's and Clinton's in Troy.

My great grandmother was Mary Dunn Carroll, born 1854 in Hurley, NY and died on Ida Street, Troy on March 11, 1881. My great great grandmother was Margaret Finn Dunn, born County Laois, Ireland around 1825 and died in Troy on December 12, 1885.

One daughter of my grandmother, Mary Carroll O'Connor, was Florence O'Connor who married John H. Clinton, Sr. the Troy undertaker. I knew there were Dunn's on the Clinton side and I linked Mary up with one of my Clinton cousins at that time.

So it looks like my Dunn's are not the same as Mary's and my Clinton cousins are related to Mary but she is not related to me.

This is like one of the meetings of the TIGS group. You mention a family name and someone at the meeting has a connection or knows them.

Regards,

Bill McGrath  
Clifton Park, NY

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**From:** Bill and Cathy McGrath [seamus@capital.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 30, 2003 9:13 AM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel, Oakwood Cemetery

Hi Listers:

As there are several new members on the TIGS list, I am reposting the message on our upcoming tour (November 8, 2003 - 9:30 AM) of the Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel.

Here is the previous message which gives an overview of what the Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel is.

Those of us who are on the Rensselaer County List have seen the various postings from the Book Troy's One Hundred Years. One of the postings on June 12, 2003 was on the History of Oakwood Cemetery and the following extract is from that posting

" The beautiful Romanesque architecture of the Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel is exceedingly imposing. The richness of the colors and tints of the ornate windows of the chapel, its choice marbles and elaborate sculpture, the artistic configuration of the mosaic floor, and the harmonious designs of the foliated arches in other parts of the handsome building give an enduring expression of the love of the bereaved parents, William S. and Hannah M. Earl, for their only son, Gardner, who died on March 3d, 1887, to whose memory they reared the costly structure. It is one of the few mortuary shrines in the United States that ennoble the fame of their architects.

The erection of the building was begun on April 12th, 1888, under the superintendence of Fuller & Wheeler, architects, and with its various appointments, completed in November, 1889. Built on a rise of ground three hundred feet above the level of the Hudson River, which it overlooks, it affords a charming and wide-sweeping prospect of the valley and the high land bordering it on the east and west. The tower at the south end of the building is ninety feet high. The loggias connecting it with the chapel is twenty-six by forty feet, and the chancel sixteen by twenty-six feet. The length of the building is one hundred and-six feet, with a width of seventy feet , at the north end. The crematory, on the west side of the chapel, is provided with incinerating apparatus of the most approved construction."

This building is full of Tiffany windows, is priceless and is CLOSED to the public. In speaking to staff at the Cemetery, I have found that they do give guided tours by appointment at a charge as a fund raiser. Morning or early afternoon is the best time to get the benefit of the stained glass windows.

Our tour of the beautiful Gardner Earl Memorial Chapel at Oakwood Cemetery is scheduled for Saturday, November 8, 2003.

Tour will start at the Chapel at 9:30 and can run from one half hour to an hour. If the weather permits we may also be able to get a quick tour of the grounds. Tours are used as a fund raiser and cost no more than \$10.00. Hopefully it will be a sunny bright day to get the full benefit of viewing the Tiffany windows.

I would like to hear from any list members who are interested in joining us. Lynn, Donna, Mary Ann, Kristin and Kay have already expressed an interest.

Bill McGrath  
Clifton Park, NY

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**From:** ALJEAN111@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 30, 2003 4:37 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] New Members

Being a new member would it be possible to get a complete list of members?  
Also, could I substitute for my name my wife's name which is Jean Fitzgerald Cook?

Alan Cook

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**From:** Pat Connors [nymets11@pacbell.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 30, 2003 5:26 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] New Members

As ALJEAN111@aol.com stated:

>Being a new member would it be possible to get a complete list of members?  
>Also, could I substitute for my name my wife's name which is Jean  
>Fitzgerald Cook?

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>Alan Cook

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I've noted the change, Alan. Eventually, all the names will be represented on the TIGS website. Right now, I am catching up on all my previously committed website duties and then will start working on the TIGS website. Remember fellow members....if you would like genealogical info for the surname you sent, if you put it on a Word or Works document and send it to me off list (attached to an email), I will link it to your surname when I finally get to our website. So far I have received doc files from Tom Manning and Donna Vaughn.

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**From:** Lauri [lmosall@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 30, 2003 7:46 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** Re: [TIGS] New Members

Pat eventually I plan on trying to give you the Jordan side of my family, but I'm still putting pieces together,,,not an easy name to connect all the dots to. Lauri

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**From:** CWakeley@aol.com  
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**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] National Library of Ireland, Dublin

In a message dated 10/30/03 9:15:47 AM Eastern Standard Time, NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-D-request@rootsweb.com writes:  
Date: Wed, 29 Oct 2003 12:57:31 -0800  
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To: NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
Message-ID: <3FA029BB.50705@pacbell.net>  
Subject: [TIGS] National Library of Ireland  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1; format=flowed  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Out of ten days of being in Dublin recently, I spent eight of them at the NLI. I brought home a brochure so I could share the info with the list in case any are planning to do research there in the future. I will eventually post more info from the library when the boxes I sent from PA arrive. Except for the Diocese of Cashel & Emly, all Catholic Church records are at the library for free viewing. They are on microfilm and sadly, they do not print copies when you find a record you would like to keep. So, make sure you bring paper and pencils (can't use pens) to copy any records you find important. Since you have to check your overcoat and bags (no cost), bring a warm sweater/jacket that can go on or come off easily. While I was there at times it was icy cold and sweaty warm (sometimes in the same day). Also, I found my magnifying glass helpful when records were hard to read. Remember, the church registers were handwritten and at times difficult, at best, to read.

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**From:** Bill and Cathy McGrath [seamus@capital.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 31, 2003 2:28 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] TROY NY Death AND BURIALS

The Troy Library Genealogy Room has three rolls of microfilm on Troy Deaths and Burials.

Brooke Myers, a frequent contributor to the Rensselaer County List, first clued me into the existence of these records and I ordered them from Salt Lake City and reviewed them at the Loudonville LDS Center. I found my great grandmother and one of her daughters listed on the film.

In mentioning these records to a Troy Library staff and describing the beautiful handwriting on these oversize ledger pages she knew exactly what I was talking about and showed me the same rolls of microfilm in their cabinet. I could have saved a few dollars if I had known the library had the same records.

The three rolls of film in the library are:

1. Burial Records - March 1, 1833 - September 2, 1867 2. Burial Records - August 14, 1867 - June 27, 1882 3. Burial Records - June 8, 1882 - February 27, 1891.

If you are not in the Troy area and want to order the film on Troy Deaths and Burials from Salt Lake City, the numbers required for ordering are:

1. 1434103  
2. 1434104  
3. 1434105

As I said the handwriting is beautiful to read but it may help to have some idea of what you are looking for. For example I was looking for my great grandmother Mary Carroll and her daughters Margaret and Catherine who were on Ida Street in the 1880 census and then disappear from all records. There are two surviving children of Mary and James - my grandmother Mary Carroll O'Connor and her sister Anna Carroll Rainey. By 1885 my great grandfather James Carroll is remarried and there are three more children, Helen, Elizabeth and Lawrence.

The first record I found was "Wife of Mr. Carroll" on Ida Street who died on March 11, 1881 of smallpox. The next record I found was "Child of Mr. Carroll" who died in the Troy Hospital on March 15, 1881 of smallpox. Based on the age shown for the child, I knew it was Margaret. Am still searching for Catherine and assume she also died of smallpox. By the way, no one in my family ever knew of the existence of Margaret and Catherine and I

only found out about them through the census records.

These Death and Burial records are an important reference for Troy researchers since many of the entries predate the 1880 law requiring the reporting of deaths.

Regards,

Bill McGrath  
Clifton Park, NY

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**From:** Lynn Grice [megrice@attglobal.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 31, 2003 3:29 PM  
**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Re: [Rensselaer] TROY NY Death AND BURIALS

I fully agree with Bill's statement that these films of the burial records are an extremely important resource. Since the majority of the records predate the year 1880, it may well be the only place where you'll find death information about your ancestor. I've located several of my ancestors' records using these films.

I just want to call attention to the fact that the title of the LDS film series is misleading. The title reads "Burial records, 1833-1928, of Mr.(sic) Ida Cemetery"

In fact, the records cover many of the cemeteries of the Troy area including St. Joseph's and St. Mary's.

Lynn Carey Grice  
New Paltz, NY

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**From:** Bill and Cathy McGrath [seamus@capital.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 31, 2003 5:29 PM  
**To:** NYRENSSE-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [Rensselaer] Fw: [TIGS] Troy Library Card File

I posted this on the Troy-Irish Gen list. It may also be useful to the Rensselaer County listers.

Bill McGrath

----- Original Message -----

From: "Bill and Cathy McGrath" <seamus@capital.net>  
To: <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2003 6:25 PM  
Subject: [TIGS] Troy Library Card File

> The genealogy room in the Troy Library has a 3 x 5 card file which at different times was compiled by library staff from the daily newspaper.

Card shows date of event, date of newspaper, page number for referenced item and in some case the column number of the newspaper.

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> DEATHS:  
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> 1975-1979  
> 1980-1984  
> 1985-1987  
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**From:** Bill and Cathy McGrath [seamus@capital.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 31, 2003 5:30 PM  
**To:** NYRENSSE-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [Rensselaer] Fw: [TIGS] Court Records

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Bill McGrath

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From: "Bill and Cathy McGrath" <seamus@capital.net>  
To: <NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com>  
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2003 6:17 PM  
Subject: [TIGS] Court Records

> If you are researching relatives who died in Rensselaer County, the Surrogates Court in the Court House on Second Street near the Troy Library is a great source. They allow you to see the files in the basement on Rensselaer County Decedents. Records are either on 4 x 6 cards or in bound books as follows:

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> BOOKS:  
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> 1794-1873 One Book covers A to Z.  
> 1874-1881 One Book covers A to Z.  
> 1881-1916 One Book covers A to K - Other Book covers L to Z.  
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> INDEX CARDS ARE IN DRAWERS BY YEARS:  
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> 1917-1928  
> 1929-1945  
> 1946-1959  
> 1960-1969  
> 1970-1979  
> 1980-1989  
> 1990-1999  
> 2000-Present  
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> Index cards are 4 x 6  
> Yellow cards - Testate (was a will)  
> Pink cards - Intestate (no will)  
> Green cards - Small Estate  
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> Records on cards and in books have a Volume and page reference which  
directs you to copies of legal documents in bound books on the shelves.  
Assistance is required if you require photocopies.  
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**From:** Pat Connors [nymets11@pacbell.net]  
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**To:** NY-TROY-IRISH-GENSOC-L@rootsweb.com  
**Subject:** [TIGS] Website update...

Well, I finally got to working on our website. First change you will see that I have divided the surname list into two webpages --- A to L, M to Z. I did this because of the large number of names we have.

So far I have four surname pages up: Butler, Driscoll, Lamb and Patrick Manning. You can click on the name link to find them. You will see that they are different and one even has a picture. All this is up to the submitter. If you submit it in a doc file, I can certainly get it on line. You can even send me graphic family trees if they are in a doc file (word and/or works).

If I spelled your name wrong or have omitted your name(e), let me know off list. I am sure I have made some mistakes.

I am also open to suggestions for additions and changes to the website....still need a logo....what else would you like to see on the website?

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