



# SUMMERVILLE NEWSLETTER

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## NEWS OF THE MONTH

### SADIE MAGUIRE IN DOCUMENTARY.

Sadie Maguire was a primary school teacher in Sligo, she taught children from 4 to 12 years and has helped educate quite a number of people. One in particular was Martin McDonnagh a member of the travelling community.

The documentary in which Sadie appears is based on the McDonnagh clan. It follows Martin McDonnagh as he sets out to explore the history of the relationship between the Travelling community and the settled community within county Sligo over the last 100 years through reminiscences between local residents. As Martin says at the beginning of the film when he went to school there was no history of the travelling community and through his personal journey he attempts to redress the balance. Mr McDonnagh goes onto say that he owes a lot to Sadie Maguire as she was the first teacher to really sit down and teach him.

Mr. McDonnagh came to Summerville to personally thank Sadie for the help

and support she gave him while growing up. They reminisced about his behaviour at school when Sadie told him that he never did anything she asked and that he was very disobedient!

The short documentary film created by R.E.C.A.L.L. (Reflecting Each Community at Local Level) is the outcome of a year long project that attempts to make visible what is often hidden from mainstream society and oral history of the travelling community told through personal memories.

The film is being shown in the Sligo Gaiety Cinema on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

*Sligo Champion*



### 90TH TODAY!

On Thursday 15th April 2010 Raphael O'Rourke celebrated her 90th Birthday. Raphael was joined by a host of family and friends who toasted her 90th year. One special visitor was her primary school friend Breege McCarrick who coincidentally shares the same birthday and age with Raphael. Raphael would like to thank everyone for helping her celebrate and for all of the lovely gifts she received. She thoroughly had a wonderful time.



## 10 QUESTIONS

- 1). Richard Nixon was the first President of the USA to resign; in which year?
- 2). Who was the President of Argentina when they invaded the Falkland Islands?
- 3). What is or was Breitling Orbiter 3?
- 4). What was the name of the Wing Commander who led the famous 617 Squadron of "Dam Busters" on May 16th 1943?
- 5). On which Island was Napoleon born?
- 6). What was Apollo 11's landing module called?
- 7). There were two authors of the 'Communist Manifesto', which was first published 1848? Karl MARX was one. Who was the other?
- 8). What was the name of the highly diluted rum that admiral Vernon ordered given to British sailors to reduce drunkenness?
- 9). Before the terrorist attack how many stories high were the World Trade Centre's twin towers?
- 10). How many Catherine's did Henry VIII marry?

### Fishers Return

They sailed afar over the outer bar when the sea and sunlight laughed  
 Now the storm is rising and night over this great world sinks  
 There is sad unrest on her weary breast ah will he come home she thinks  
 By the wind and the waves are fettle and certain faiths decree  
 For lonely lives have the weary wife's of those who sail the sea

The kettle is merrily singing the chamber is cheery and gay  
 And fire wood raise and the drift blaze as the Kat and her kitten at play  
 And baby at last asleep with her two little fist double tights  
 for the pale faced still at the window sill watches out at the stormy night

Is it a gleam of a lantern no but a cloud chased star  
 for seen and tossed now seen and lost and the 13 shadows afar  
 for the swing and springs on the water like only a ships light can and the fishers wife has  
 sprung new life in the coming of her good man.



Submitted by  
 John Joe Herity

### ANSWERS - 10 QUESTIONS

- 1). 1974 2). General Galtieri 3). The name of the balloon which circumnavigated the Earth in 1999 4). Guy Penrose Gibson. The squadron was formed in 1943 from aircrew within 5 Group Bomber Command and other squadrons under the command of Wing Commander Gibson, and was based initially at RAF Scampton in Lincolnshire. 5). Corsica 6). Eagle 7). Friedrich Engels 8). Grog 9). 110 10). 3 - Parr, Aragon & Howard

## WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

Late April	Expect to see planting. From late April the landscape gardener will be here to revamp the grounds around Summerville. Keep an eye out for the sensory garden!
Tea Day	In aid of the Alzheimer society of Ireland. May 6th at 10:30
Active Retired	Feel free to join in on a game of boules, they meet every second Tuesday at 11:30 in the recreation room at Summerville.
Keep Fit	Every Tuesday with Miriam & Thursday with Rocio
Bingo	Every Friday at 3pm
Mass	Every Saturday at 4:15pm in the Oratory with Fr. Leo Henry
Hairdresser	Visit every Friday
Chiropodist	Visits every second Tuesday
Beautician	On request

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## PATIENCE

Patience is neither weariness nor dreary surrender. It is a positive virtue, the capacity to wait for an opportunity, a necessary weapon in our armament of life.

There are many images that portray patience:

The lioness waiting in the high grass for her prey to pass by, making no movement for hours except for gentle twitches of her tail;

The old monk waiting for God – the ancient eyes filled with wisdom, his mind and body filled with tranquillity;

The picture of the slow growth of the solid oak tree. Imperceptibly, little by little, the acorn becomes a tree. Slowly – that's how it becomes strong.

We live in a time when speed seems to be essential. Fast trains, fast planes, fast cars, fast walking, fast-food restaurants, broadband. Even our perception of growth is speeded up with the use of the stop-frame camera.

Recently, has a little halt being called to our gallop?

Have we being moving too fast?

Has nature answered us back?

The hand of God!

There is nothing wrong with speed in itself, but a question is forced upon us.

Does speed necessarily require us to be unreflective?

If so, then we are rushing into lives that are not reflected upon, not examined.

## A DAY TO REMEMBER

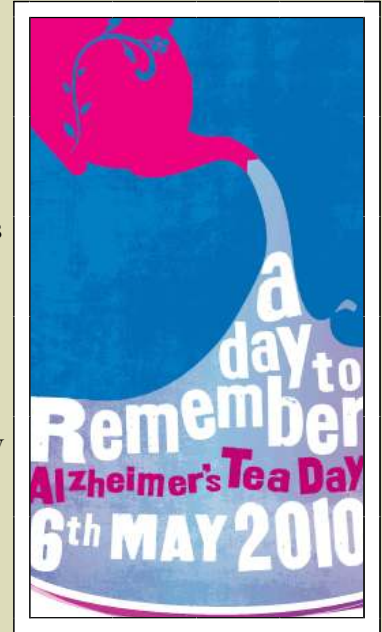
Please help raise €550,000 for  
Alzheimer care and support by hosting an Alzheimer Tea Day

All over the country on Tea Day, people come together in their homes and places of work for a cup of tea, to share time together and to raise money for The Alzheimer Society of Ireland. This year we want to make it the biggest and best Tea Day yet!

My mother Connie lived with Alzheimers disease for the last 14 years of her life. Because of this I understand the importance of Tea Day to The Alzheimer Society of Ireland.

Alzheimer's Tea Day is critical to people who care for loved ones with Alzheimer's - because it funds real, tangible, hands-on services that make an enormous difference to their everyday lives. Every cent raised will go to help the 44,000 families in Ireland who depend on these services.

*Pat Kenny*  
RTE



### SUMMERVILLE'S TEA DAY

#### What is Alzheimer's Tea Day?

Tea Day is a social occasion where thousands of people - friends, family, work colleagues, neighbours - come together to drink tea and raise money for The Alzheimer Society of Ireland.

#### Where and When is Tea Day?

This year the official Alzheimer's Tea Day for Summerville is **Thursday 6th May** at 10:30am and will be held in the lobby of Summerville Healthcare. The important thing to remember is to raise as much money as possible. This year the Alzheimer society of Ireland are hoping to reach €550,000!

#### How much should people give?

Whatever you feel is appropriate. For every €25 raised the society can provide an extra hour of care in our area. There are also raffle tickets on sale with great prizes to be won.

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| 1st Prize | 2 night B& B & evening meal for two in the McWilliam Park Hotel, Co. Mayo |
| 2nd Prize | 1 nights stay and evening meal in Fitzpatrick Castle Hotel, Dublin        |
| 3rd Prize | 2 nights B&B in the Stillorgan Park Hotel Dublin.                         |

Tickets on sale at Reception



THE ALZHEIMER  
SOCIETY of IRELAND

## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

### FRANK MCGOVERN



**Born:** Gortnaleg, Swanlinbar, Co. Cavan (near Fermanagh Boarder)

**School:** Tircahal School, Swanlinbar – They cut across the fields to get to school and wore no shoes at the time.

**Occupation:** Worked on the Building Sites in London where he was known as “Wee Pat” – everyone was called “Pat”. When he returned to Ireland he had other occupations: Making shoes for all his family with leather bought from a local shop, who in turn bought it from a tannery in the vicinity - Built furniture - Kept farm animals, which he loved - Worked in the Cinema - Plasterer - People used to come to him to stitch the Gaelic footballs when they burst - Frank also had his own Forge in Ballinrillick, Frank also worked in an Orphanage in

Bundoran and worked the farm there.

**Family:** Wife: Maisie and 5 children: Francis, Philip, Pauline, Geraldine, Ita

**Pets:** Lassie the dog, who was a full bread Collie – She died at age 12 or 13. Frank said she would nearly talk to you. Frank said when he worked with animals he was “as happy as a pig in muck” He loved them and they trusted him.

**First Car:** A Volkswagon Beetle which he bought in the 40’s for £250 approx

**Favourite singer:** John McCormick and Maureen O’Hara

**Favourite sports hero:** Barry McGuigan, Boxer

**Favourite Movie Star:** Bing Crosbie

**Favourite Movie:** The Quiet Man

**What one word would you use to describe yourself:** Frank is not a man of “ONE WORD”. He described himself as “An Ordinary 5/8<sup>th</sup>” - HE SAID THIS WILL SET YOU WONDERING

**What’s the one thing about you few people know?** “What I’m made of”

### R.I.P.

#### Jack Roberts

25th March 1914 - 12th March 2010

#### Br. Philip Kerrigan O.P.

29th April 1932 - 27th March 2010

#### William Farrell

18th April 1928 - 8th April 2010

*We will miss you dearly*

### BIRTHDAYS

#### Residents

Fr. Kevin Keany	2 <sup>nd</sup> May
Fr. Richard Young	3 <sup>rd</sup> May
Kate Burke	9 <sup>th</sup> May
May Woods	2 <sup>nd</sup> June
Ena Drudy	2 <sup>nd</sup> June
Frank McGovern	26 <sup>th</sup> June

#### Staff

Helena Hasking	2 <sup>nd</sup> May
Jason Kane	11 <sup>th</sup> May
Joseph Quigley	18 <sup>th</sup> May
Dympna O’Loughlin	28 <sup>th</sup> May
Kevin Finnegan	31 <sup>st</sup> May
Tina Golden	1 <sup>st</sup> June
Mary McMorro	10 <sup>th</sup> June
Lorraine Wimsey	20 <sup>th</sup> June
Nessa Clarke	30 <sup>th</sup> June

