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WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT OF IRELAND NETWORK CHICAGO



At long last, after a year-long hiatus, I'm thrilled to welcome you to Ireland Network Chicago's Annual Ball!

Thank you to those who made this evening possible – first and foremost, our Executive Committee for making the 2022 Ball a reality. I'd also like to thank

Antoinette Cahill, Ann O'Riordan and the staff at The Drake for hosting a safe and fun evening for us.

To our generous sponsors of tonight's Ball – we could not have done this without you: most notably, DW Hammer, Aer Lingus, and all our sponsors and donors. Remember, all proceeds from the raffle benefit Irish Community Services and Concern Worldwide so please buy your tickets to support these non-profit organizations who make a tremendous impact both locally and internationally.

I'd also like to thank our IN Spirit Award winner Cliff Carlson for his many contributions to the Irish community. Congratulations!

Despite the obvious challenges, I'm proud to say that Ireland Network Chicago had a fantastic year. We successfully hosted a wide range of virtual and in-person events, which included an IN Conversation featuring former Taoiseach John Bruton, our first-ever diversity-related event in partnership with the Irish Consulate and Irish Community Services, a service outing to the Greater Chicago Food Depository as well as our Friday Fridays, summer boat cruise and golf outing, among others. While we missed hosting a Ball last year, we are thankful that we were able to gather together beginning this past summer to make business and social connections, raise money for some causes near and dear to our heart, and support the mission of the Ireland Network.

Mise Le Meas,

Garrett Diamond
President, Ireland Network Chicago

This is in large part due to the dedication of our Executive Committee, who divided into sub-committees to get the job done. Our Communications team helped to update marketing materials, improve the database and backend processes, and grow traffic to our website and social media channels. Our Sponsorship team cultivated a new pool of potential sponsors while engaging ongoing partners. Our Community Outreach team coordinated a service outing with more on the horizon. And our Events team managed logistics for in-person events that sold out month after month. I'd like to especially thank our Treasurer, Nora Walsh, for her diligence in getting our accounts in order and ensuring that Ireland Network Chicago is in compliance now that we have a paid position.

On that note, I'm proud to say that my presidency oversaw a historic move for our organization: the hiring of our first-ever Executive Director. Thanks to Katie Fitzpatrick taking the reins during this exciting time.

I'd also like to express our gratitude for the Irish Government, through their Emigrant Support Program, for providing Ireland Network Chicago with a generous grant to make much of this work possible. We are fortunate to have the best Consulate in the world here in Chicago. Thank you to Consul General Kevin Byrne, Vice Consul Sarah Keating and the consular team for being here tonight and for their continued support and belief in our mission.

Finally, thanks to all of YOU for being here this evening and for doing your part to connect and contribute to a stronger, more vibrant Irish community.

It hasn't been easy but I am so proud of the past two years of my presidency. Despite everything, Ireland Network Chicago remains the strongest Irish network in the country.

Enjoy the evening!

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7:45 P.M. WELCOME
Garrett Diamond,
INC President

7:50 P.M. WELCOME
Kevin Byrne,
Consul General of Ireland
in Chicago

**7:55 P.M. IRISH AND AMERICAN
NATIONAL ANTHEMS**
Paddy Homan

8:00 P.M. DINNER SERVICE

**9:15 P.M. IN SPIRIT AWARD
PRESENTATION**
Katie Fitzpatrick,
INC Executive Director
Cliff Carlson, 2022 Honoree

9:30 P.M. RAFFLE DRAWINGS

**9:40 P.M. TRINITY IRISH
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9:45 P.M. LIVE MUSIC
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12:00 A.M. AFTER PARTY
To be announced

MENU

SOUP Carrot and ginger

SALAD Endive salad

INTERMEZZO

ENTREE Beef Wellington

DESSERT Jameson chocolate cake



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- Irish Whiskey Basket by Pearse Lyons Distillery

PRIZE 3: THE SPORTS PACKAGE \$800.00 VALUE

- 2 Tickets to a Northwestern Football game with autographed Coach Fitz football
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- 2 Tickets to a Chicago Cubs game
- 1 Night stay at the Hyatt Regency Chicago
- \$100 Farmhouse Restaurant gift certificate

PRIZE 4: THE CHI-RISH PACKAGE \$700.00 VALUE

- 2 tickets to Chicago Irish Film Festival opening night on March 3rd at Theater on the Lake, plus a 2022 festival poster
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- Overnight stay at 21c Museum Hotel Chicago on March 3rd, with breakfast
- 2 Tickets to the Trinity Irish Dance Company performance in Milwaukee on March 26
- \$100 Galway Arms gift certificate
- Kerrygold Cheese hamper
- Irish Whiskey Basket by Pearse Lyons Distillery

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A LOOK BACK AT IRELAND NETWORK CHICAGO EVENTS IN 2021

Despite the many challenges that 2021 presented, we were delighted to be back IN business this past year and deliver a dynamic calendar that featured the return of First Fridays, IN Conversations, Signature Events and Partner Events! We are especially proud that in-person events were held safely while selling out month after month thanks to our enthusiastic members and friends. Special thanks to the Irish Government and the Department of Foreign Affairs for their generous grant support which makes much of this possible. Roll on 2022!



JANUARY

Online Speed Networking

MARCH

St Patrick's Day Virtual Celebration

INC PARTNER EVENT Irish Network USA "Silver Linings" St. Patrick's Day Event

APRIL

IN CONVERSATION Made in Brexit: economic, political and cultural shifts in US-EU-Ireland relations

2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Back IN Business!

JUNE

FIRST FRIDAY Chicago Brewhouse on the Chicago Riverwalk

JULY

FIRST FRIDAY Lizzie McNeill's

AUGUST

FIRST FRIDAY Little Toasted

SERVICE OUTING Mission of Our Lady of the Angels Backpack Drive & Block Party

SEPTEMBER

FIRST THURSDAY Rivers Restaurant and Bar

SIGNATURE EVENT AND IN CONVERSATION Annual Summer Boat Cruise and Chicago Irish Architecture Lecture delivered by Seamus Byrne

OCTOBER

FIRST FRIDAY Mrs. Murphy's Bistro

SIGNATURE EVENT Second Annual Golf Outing – Cog Hill Golf and Country Club

IN CONVERSATION In partnership with Irish Community Services: The Art of Being Seen – Irish American Heritage Center

INC PARTNER EVENT iBAM! Gala Awards Dinner – Irish American Heritage Center

NOVEMBER

IN CONVERSATION Paradise Square - The Dearborn and The Nederlander Theatre

SERVICE OUTING Greater Chicago Food Depository

DECEMBER

FIRST FRIDAY Emerald Loop

INC PARTNER EVENT The Ireland Funds 37th Annual Chicago Dinner

INC PARTNER EVENT Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago Annual Christmas luncheon

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A Chairde, Friends,

I am delighted, on behalf of the Consulate and Government of Ireland, to extend very best wishes to the Ireland Network Chicago on the occasion of your annual ball 2022.

It is particularly special that we can gather tonight in person after the difficulties of the last two years. This time apart has made us all realise how cherished are these times together. I am so glad to be joined by the rest of the Consulate team here tonight as we re-engage with our community after this difficult time.

Let me take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt congratulations to all members of the Ireland Network, especially the committee and board responsible for the organisation of tonight's wonderful event. Particular thanks must also go to President Garrett Diamond and Executive Director Katie Fitzpatrick for their sterling work and leadership over the past year. Despite the challenges of the last 18 months, the Ireland Network has had many successes including innovative events, both online and in person, and the great achievement of tripling its membership numbers.

Although I am in my second year as Consul General to the great city of Chicago and the US Midwest, this is my first opportunity to attend the Ireland Network ball. I have however attended a number of Ireland Network events during my time here and have seen first hand how the Network provides connection, opportunity and indeed friendship to its members. The Ireland Network is such an important part of the Irish community in the city, and I am delighted that the Consulate, through the Emigrant Support Programme, can support these excellent efforts.

Finally, I would like to thank the Ireland Network for the partnership and friendship it offers to the Consulate. The Network remains a valuable partner to the Consulate and are always a joy to work with in our efforts to support the Irish community here in Chicago. I look forward to continuing this relationship throughout my time here. I wish all at the Network the very best for the coming year and hope the great success of the last year continues.

With best wishes,

Kevin Byrne

Consul General of Ireland

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LETTER



I am thrilled to write this as the inaugural Executive Director of Ireland Network Chicago!

INC began in 2003 as a vision realized by a small group of ex-pats, many of whom remain active in the organization today. The concept - to serve as a business and social network of Irish living and working in Chicago - was so successful that other cities began to adopt the idea. In 2010, the national umbrella organization Irish Network USA was established to integrate the various chapters that had popped up across the U.S.

In 2018, former INC Presidents and members came together to launch the Advisory Board, with the shared goal to ensure the sustained growth of INC. The group agreed that a paid position was necessary to take the organization to the next level and focused on establishing proper governance and planning to get there.

In 2021, the Irish Government's Department of Foreign Affairs agreed with our vision and, through its Emigrant Support Programme, funded a part-time Executive Director role to oversee the organization's professional development and strategic direction.

And here we are today! My goal is to implement best practices in terms of board governance, strategic communications and, most importantly, membership engagement. I'm happy to share that membership has already tripled in just 10 months, and our strategic plan and supporting initiatives will strive to maintain this incredible momentum.

None of this would be possible without the dedication of INC's leadership team, led by President Garrett Diamond, Treasurer Nora Walsh and Secretary Dede Simon, and the inimitable Executive Committee and Advisory Board, all of whom who lend their time and talents because they believe in the future of INC. I'd also like to thank the Consulate General of Ireland team for their confidence in our mission.

On a personal note, I'd like to extend a special note of gratitude to Cliff Carlson, our IN Spirit Award winner. Twenty years ago, Cliff graciously allowed me to write for the Irish American News, an occasional gig that continued throughout graduate school in Ireland and still to this day. Ten years ago, Cliff introduced me to then-Consul General Aidan Cronin and encouraged him to hire me as Public Affairs Officer. He did, and it was while working for the Irish Consulate that I first become involved with INC. Tonight, I have the honor of presenting Cliff with the IN Spirit Award, a special moment that demonstrates the gift of connecting the dots among the Irish in Chicago.

This is a big year for INC. We will embark on a renewed five-year strategic plan, one that aims to inform, entice, and engage our members, partners, and the wider Irish community. We will continue to deliver on our mission to strengthen a vibrant, diverse Irish community that is connected to Ireland and to each other. And this time next year, we will usher in Ireland Network Chicago's 20th anniversary – now that is something to look forward to!

Best,

Katie Fitzpatrick
Executive Director, Ireland Network Chicago



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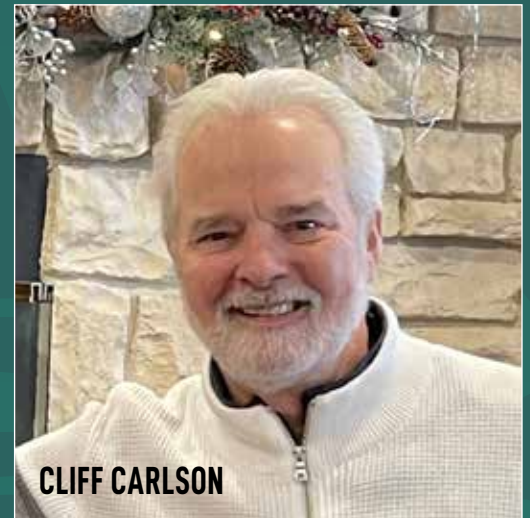
IRELAND NETWORK IN SPIRIT AWARD 2021

ABOUT THE AWARD

Each year, Ireland Network Chicago honors an individual who has made significant and sustained contributions to the Chicago Irish community with the IN Spirit Award. This Award expresses our profound gratitude and appreciation for an individual's incredible service to the Irish community.

It is our great privilege to honor **CLIFF CARLSON** with the 2022 IN Spirit Award! Cliff exemplifies the mission of Ireland Network Chicago. From his stewardship at the *Irish American News*, iBAM! and the Irish American Heritage Center, Cliff serves as the ultimate connector and advocate, joining people and organizations together in thoughtful and selfless ways that reflects his passion and support for the Irish in Chicago and beyond.

While Cliff is usually the person writing about the news, we are thrilled that tonight, he IS the news. Congratulations, Cliff!



ABOUT CLIFF CARLSON

Cliff had a newspaper route at age 11 in Chicago, then worked as a short order cook at age 13, delivered groceries, stocked shelves and ran a cash register at 14. At age 16 he was paid full wage as a cashier.

He was hired full-time by Safeway Stores while still in high school, and went on to manage six different stores for the company in Arizona and California. When approached about being a district manager, he decided to step down and try being his own boss.

A typing class he took in high school led to him involvement in the publishing business, and in 1980 he helped create a food industry buyer's guide in California. He brought that concept to Chicago in 1983 and founded Food Industry News, a very successful trade publication which he sold to his partner in 1991.

He bought *Irish American News* that same year from the original publisher, Bob Burns. In 2007 Cliff expanded *Irish American News*, founding *IAN Ohio*, an Irish paper in Ohio now in its 15th year.

Cliff then formed a newspaper group called AIM American Irish Media, bringing the leaders of nine Irish American newspapers from around the country together to combine strengths and promote the advertising and editorial needs of customers beyond the borders of Chicago.

In 2009, Cliff, and his wife, Cathy, created iBAM! which fulfills the mission of the Irish American Heritage Center, and has developed into a respected cultural event honoring those of Irish Heritage around the world.

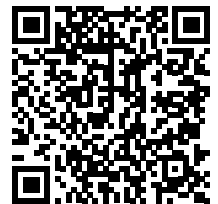


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IRELAND NETWORK CHICAGO COMMITTEE MEMBERS



RUAIRI BARNWELL

Ruairi has lived in Chicago for over 20 years, but hails from Tullamore in the heart of Ireland. Ruairi graduated from Dublin Institute of Technology, Bolton Street, with a degree in Engineering. Today he is a Principal at global design firm, DLR Group, where he leads the smart building design practice. Outside of work, Ruairi enjoys spending time with his wife Andrea, and three daughters Bella, Catelin and Maeve, who each share his passion for soccer and traditional Irish music. He travels annually to the All-Ireland Fleadh Cheoil to support his daughters' adventures with the Murphy Roche Irish Music School.



JERRY BRANSFIELD

Jerry helps people (businesses and individuals) replace the Geek Squad in their lives. He assists with purchasing computers; transferring data from old to new computers (Mac/Windows); training people how to use software, iPad and mobile phones; setting up new offices with computer hardware and printers, telephones (VoIP), and wifi access; and answering any number of tech support questions. Jerry has a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science from Loyola University and a Master's in Science Information from DePaul University.



SHEILA CONNOLLY

Sheila is a Portfolio Management Banker at BMO Wealth Management. Sheila has over 11 years of investment experience in the financial service industry specializing in asset allocation, performance, private equity, research, commercial, valuation, credit risk and analytics. Sheila is a Cum Laude graduate of Lake Forest College. She has a Bachelor's in Business and was Captain of the Women's Golf Team. She was also a 3-time National Handball Champion at Lake Forest College. She has an MBA in Finance from Saint Xavier University. Sheila joined IN Chicago several years ago through the Rose of Tralee organization. Her parents are from Valentia Island, Co. Kerry and Lettermore, Co. Galway. She enjoys visiting family and friends in Ireland annually. Sheila has played Camogie with Saint Mary's and Gaelic Football with the Erin Rover's and is very involved in Gaelic Park.



RORY CONVERY

Originally from Belfast, Co. Antrim, with family ties to Co. Derry and Co. Fermanagh, Rory grew up in Dubai, U.A.E. He moved to the U.S. in 2009 to attend the University of Notre Dame before moving to Chicago in 2013 to attend Loyola University Chicago School of Law. A member of the Ireland Network since 2013, he joined the committee in 2020. He is an attorney in the General Counsel's Office of RSM US LLP. A rugby man, Rory played for his university team and continues to spend his summers contributing his now limited skills to their alumni 7's team, the Krakens. Rory frequently travels back to Ireland to spend time with his family and attend Ireland and Ulster rugby matches.



KRISTEN CURNYN

Kristen Curnyn, is American-born, yet Irish faithful with grandparents hailing from County Cavan and County Mayo. She is a hospitality executive who has managed congresses and trade shows on five continents throughout her 24 year career in corporate and non-profit event management. She is a Certified Meeting Professional and a Certified International Tour Director. Kristen has enjoyed her last few years as an IN Committee Member, and also continues her volunteer work with the Milwaukee Irish Fest, CurePSP and Meals on Wheels. Having grown up in Atlanta and having only spent a few years in Chicago, she still enjoys getting to know the city, still refuses to drive downtown and still loves the winters.



GARRETT DIAMOND (President)

Originally from Co. Meath, Garrett has lived in Chicago on and off for nearly 15 years. A DIT hospitality and Tourism Graduate, Garrett initially spent a number of years in the hotel and bar business in Chicago. He is now working as a Sales and Business Development Representative for Stuart Dean Company in Facilities Services. Garrett spends his time living in Oak Park with his wife Katie and three children, Ciara, Liam and Fiona. He also is a member of the local AOH Chicago Branch.



PAUL GILLEN

Paul was born in New York City and raised in Ridgewood, NJ. His Irish roots extend to Sligo, Fermanagh, Longford and Kerry. He's a graduate of Baldwin Wallace University, Berea, Ohio. He has a background in media sales and is now a licensed health insurance agent with Healthcare Solutions Team, Lombard, IL. He is a resident of Evanston; is the founder and past president of the Evanston chapter of BNI (Business Networking International) - Professional Community Connections. In addition to his Irish heritage and citizenship he is proud of his three adult children Mallory, Connor and Cameron.



MEGHAN LEE

Meghan is a graphic designer with more than 20 years experience, bringing her strategic branding approach to her clients in industries such as hospitality, financial services, real estate, professional services, investment sales, non-profit and healthcare management. In addition to her exciting client list, Meghan is passionate about donating her time and talent to local organizations, such as Ireland Network, whose missions align with her values. She enjoys making long-lasting connections with people in the Irish-American community of Chicago, and is looking forward to making new friends through the Ireland Network.



MOLLY MCGRAIL

While Molly hails from Texas, she grew up in the beautiful mountains of Asheville, NC and went on to pursue her B.A.s in French and Art History at Dominican University in River Forest. She then received her M.A. in Arts Policy and Practice from NUI Galway, is fluent in French and Italian, and is attempting to learn Irish by going to Donegal every summer she can and watching TG4 reruns. Molly is a Marketing and Business Development Specialist at law firm Mayer Brown LLP.



DAN O'BRIEN

Dan is an Emergency Room Physician & Medical Director for SCP Health, with deep Irish roots from Ennis, County Clare. He is passionate about Irish history, Chicago Irish history & travel. He resides in Oak Park with his wife Bethany & son Edward, and is an active member of St Giles Parish. He is a graduate & prior Chief Resident at the University of Illinois School of Medicine. He has held various teaching and administrative roles over his years in practice. He is the owner of an area commercial real estate business. He enjoys golfing, listening to live Irish Music, and being a Dad.



CAHIR O'DOHERTY

Cahir O'Doherty is a native from Derry, Ireland. Immigrated to Chicago from London in 2016. He is married to Meghan (nee Condon), a Beverly native and they have two children, Declan and Cormac. Cahir is the director of digital marketing & strategy for Ricoh and is responsible for executing eBusiness product development roadmap of web across north and south America. Cahir gained his Bachelors (with Hons) degree from the University of Liverpool in Business & Information Technology and gained a Masters in Science from the University of Ulster (International Business with Computing).



DOLORES "DEDE" SIMON (Secretary)

Dede is a business advisor for medium businesses for Insperity. Working with businesses that understand the importance of growth, and leaving the Human Resources work to Insperity. Dede is currently the secretary to the board for Ireland Network Chicago. Dede graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a B.B.A in Marketing. She is the class correspondent and the former President of the Notre Dame Club of Chicago She lives in the River North area of Chicago and enjoys spare time with her friends and her two sons and their families, who live and work in Chicago, along with her daughter and family in Boston. Dede is a dual U.S. and Irish citizen and is looking forward to attending the Notre Dame versus Navy game in Dublin in 2023.



CHLOE TWOMEY

Originally from Dublin, Ireland Chloe recently made the move to Chicago in September 2019 with the Irish Gluten Free Company, BFree Foods. Chloe, a UCD Smurfit Business School graduate has spent the last number of years pursuing a career in Marketing specialising in Brand Management within the CPG sector. Chloe joined the committee in 2021 and has enjoyed getting to meet like minded people in Chicago and within the Irish Network. Chloe spends her time living in Illinois with her Fiancé Dustin and their dog Bailey.



NORA WALSH (Treasurer)

A native of Dublin, Nora moved to Chicago before enrolling at Loyola University to earn a degree in Computer Science. She began her career in finance at Morgan Stanley, and is now a Partner at Chicago-based Investment Advisor CastleArk Management, LLC. Nora is a member of The Economic Club of Chicago and the Chicago Finance Exchange. She is a Board Member for Weish4Ever: The Andrew Weishar Foundation, a nonprofit that supports teens and young adults battling cancer.



IRELAND NETWORK CHICAGO ADVISORY BOARD

The Advisory Board is tasked with overseeing the long-term strategic vision and ensuring the continued growth of Ireland Network Chicago. Thank you to the Advisory Board for their dedication and service.

SEAMUS BYRNE

Seamus Byrne is an architect from Waterford, a UCD graduate, and a Chicago resident since 1991. A long-time member and a past president of IN Chicago, he is Senior Vice President at CBIZ Gibraltar Real Estate Services, LLC, a downtown Chicago commercial real estate advisory firm serving clients nationally.

IMELDA GALLAGHER

Imelda grew up in Galway and lived in Dublin qualifying as a Barrister before returning to her native Chicago. She is a Project Manager, PMP, specializing in building fiber networks nationally. Imelda served on the IN Committee for over 10 years and as IN President before becoming an IN Advisory Board Member.

EDWARD GALVIN

Edward has been involved with IN at different times over his past 20 years in the US. A Vice President at Visa, Edward is responsible for North America commercial payments sales and business development. Edward is involved in many other diaspora related communities. He is the President of the Chicago Irish Film festival and has also been involved in the revival of the Chicago Cork Association creating more community in the mid-west area.

HELEN GARRAHY

Helen is a Senior Vice President at Heitman, a real estate investment management firm. Helen is a graduate of Dublin Institute of Technology, (Bolton Street) and NUIG, she's originally from Co. Westmeath and has lived in Chicago since 2003. She is a past president on IN Chicago and active with the group since its foundation, and was also involved in the formation of IN USA.

SARAH KEATING

Sarah is the Vice Consul at the Consulate General of Ireland in Chicago, covering the Midwestern United States. She has held this position since March 2019. Prior to her posting Sarah was assigned to the Human Rights Unit at the Department of Foreign Affairs in Dublin. During her time in Chicago, Sarah has greatly enjoyed the opportunity to be involved with the Ireland Network and is honoured to be a member of the Networks Advisory Board.

BRIAN MOORE

Brian has been a member of the Ireland Network since its inception and is a past president. He works in Corporate Finance at Exelon (parent company of ComEd) and lives with his wife Sheila, in Lincoln Park and they have three children Dylan (23), Julia (20) and Olivia (18).

DONAL O'BRIEN

Donal is a partner at Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP where he specializes in mergers and acquisitions. Donal was born and raised in Dublin and went to UCD. Donal is a founding member of the Ireland Network.

JAMES SHEEHAN

Past President of the Ireland Network, James is originally from Dublin and has been living in Chicago for 21 years. He is a member of the Chicago Association of Realtors and works closely with many of Chicago's top developers on new construction projects throughout the city. Currently residing in Lincoln Square with his wife Adrianna, and two children John Oliver and Catalina Sophia.

GARRETT SHERIDAN

Garrett Sheridan is President of Axiom Consulting Partners and specializes in working with leaders to develop and execute strategies that drive profitable growth and improve execution. Originally from Dublin, Garrett is a founding member of the Ireland Network.



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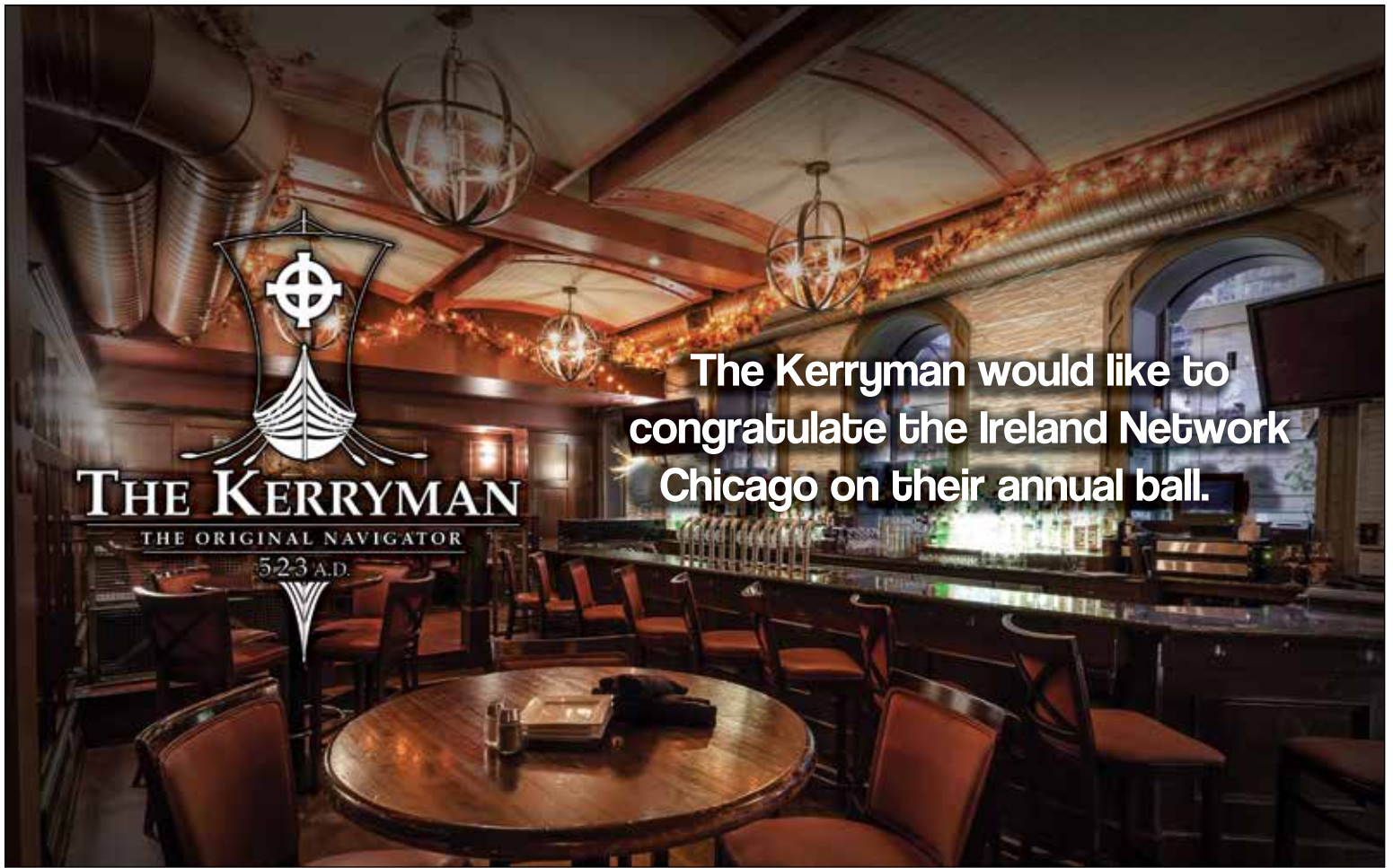


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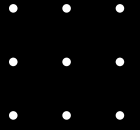
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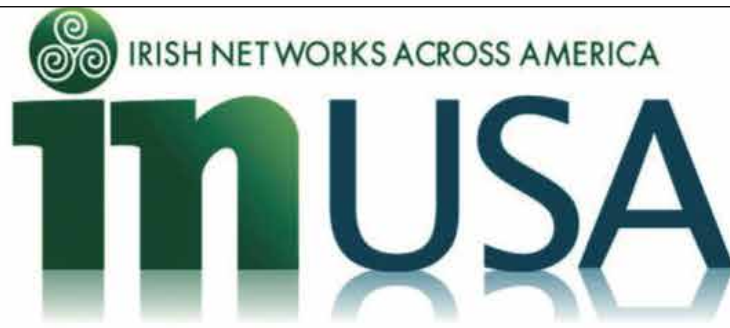
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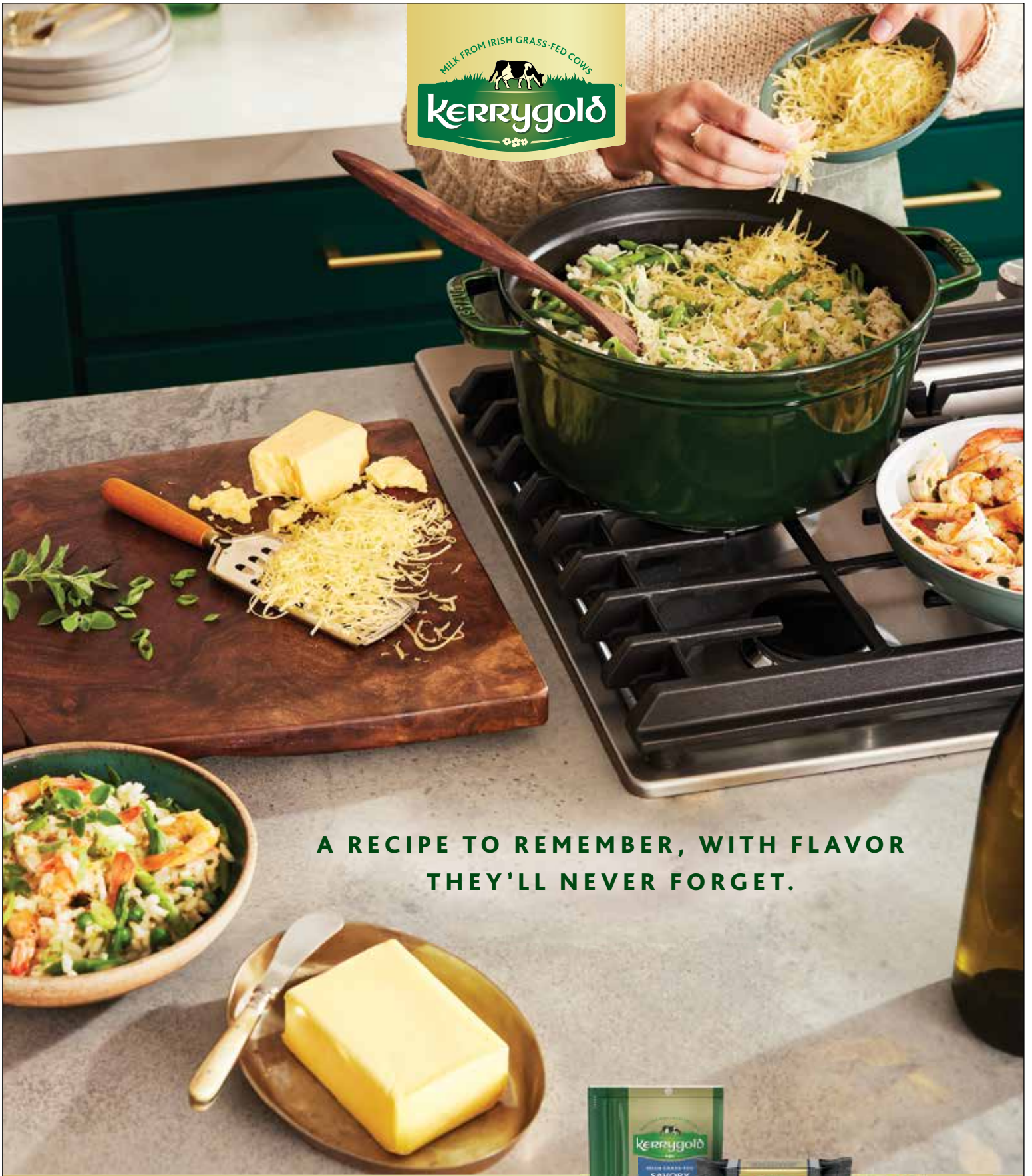
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