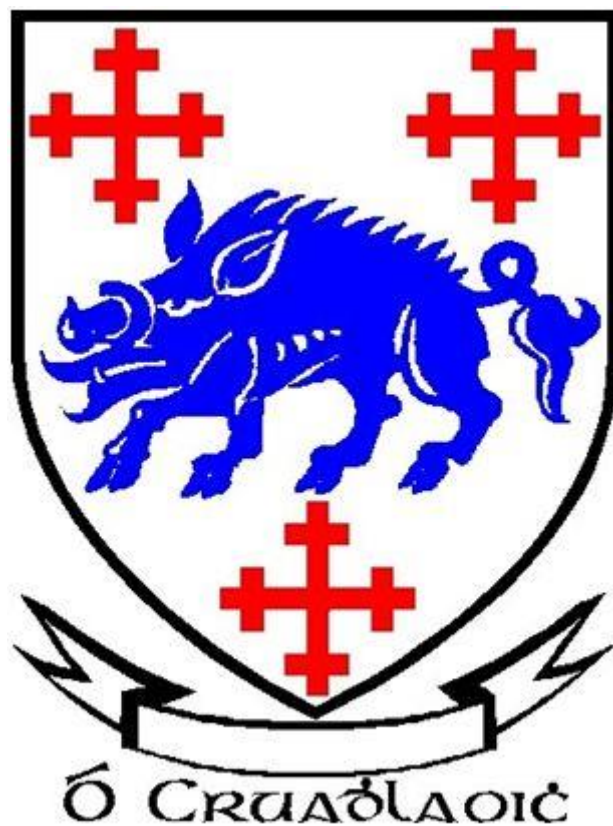


CROWLEY CLAN NEWSLETTER

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compiled by Marian Crowley Chamberlain



Letter from the Crowley Clan Taoiseach

Hello from Bandon. Our plans for the 2007 Crowley Clan Gathering in Clonakilty are coming along nicely. We have a tentative schedule filled with events I think you will enjoy.

We have several bids for the first stage of the restoration of the Crowley Castle at Ahakeera. The details of the project will be at www.crowleyclan.com very soon. It would be marvelous if the first phase of the work could be completed before the Clan Gathering next September.

Now is the time for all of you to put your hands in your pockets and make a contribution to the Crowley Castle Fund. Your donations can be sent to your country representatives who are listed in the [Gathering announcement](#). I know you will all be generous in contributing to this important work.

God bless,

Liam Crowley

An Taoiseach

From Marian's Desk

Dia duit,

In less than eleven months the Crowley Clan will gather from around the world in the town of Clonakilty, County Cork, Ireland. Will you be there? I hope so! Full details are in this issue.

As most of you know, I will be taking on new responsibilities for the Crowley Clan beginning next September. After 11 years of editing the Crowley Clan Newsletter, it is time for me to be thinking about turning the Crowley Clan Newsletter over to new leadership. I am asking anyone who has any interest in helping with the Crowley Clan Newsletter to contact me.

The jobs involved in producing this newsletter can be divided into publisher, editor, proof-reader, and staff writers. None of these jobs need consume a lot of time. And one person can do several or all of the jobs. I would like to begin turning these responsibilities over at the beginning of 2007 and to phase my responsibilities out by the end of the year. I have certainly enjoyed my 11 years of producing the newsletter, but it is clearly time for new people and fresh ideas.

You will see elsewhere in this newsletter that the fee for the activities of the Crowley Gathering weekend is €150 per person. Those activities will include the wine reception, the banquet, the music, all activities, and all transportation. Other than the wine reception and the banquet, all food and drink will be on your own. If there is enough interest, there may be a golf outing on Monday. There will be an additional fee for this outing.

You will also find information about lodging at the Quality Hotel in Clonakilty which is the primary venue for the Crowley Gathering. Be sure to mention the Crowley reference number when you book. And be sure to ask for a written confirmation.

Time flies and September 2007 will be here before we know it! Start making your plans now. Bring your smiles, your stories, your curiosity, and your friendliness. Come and be a part of our international "family". See you in Clonakilty.

Slán, Marian

Gathering Announcement

On September 14, 15 & 16 2007 the Clan Crowley will gather in Clonakilty, County Cork. Reserve your place now and be a part of Crowley history. Registration fee for the gathering is €150 per person. Send a check for the equivalent amount in your country's currency to your country representative:

Ireland & Europe:

*Flor Crowley,
Knocknacurra, Bandon,
County Cork, Ireland*

Canada:

*Terry Crowley,
86 Anglese St.,
Goderich, Ontario, N7A 1V3*

New Zealand & Australia;

*Pauline Crowley-Zieltjes,
614 Kelly Road, Rd New Plymouth, New Zealand*

United States of America

*John A. Crowley,
2506 Elton St. Albany, GA 31707*

**Reserve your hotel rooms at Quality Hotel in Clonakilty Phone 011-353-23-36-400 Group
Reference#CG1407**

The 2007 Crowley Clan Gathering Tentative Schedule

Friday Sept 14

2:00pm - Registration at Quality Hotel

6:00pm - Wine/Cheese at Quality Hotel

8:00pm - Bus departs for Crowley's Pub

Saturday Sept 15

10:00am - General Business Meeting at Quality Hotel including DNA report by Cathy Budd, and Crowley History by Seamus Crowley

1:00pm - Bus departs for Crowley Castle

6:00pm - Reception at Quality Hotel

8:00pm - Banquet at Quality Hotel

Sunday Sept 16

10:00am - Road Bowling

3:00pm - Mass at Mass Rock

Monday Sept 17

Possible golf (additional fee)

Crowley Clan News from Around the World

Sunny Crowley, Honolulu, Hawaii: (sunny@a-natural-choice.net)

I would sure love to see everyone again at the gathering in Clonakilty next year. Perhaps we could start some kind of a car pool notice board going so we don't all have to rent cars. (Anyone interested could contact Sunny at the above e-mail or contact the Crowley Clan Newsletter)

Pauline Crowley-Zieltjes, New Plymouth, NZ: (nakicrowley@gmail.com)

Had an empowering letter from Catherine Budd re our fathers DNA a 35/37 match so generating some excitement for us all. Very busy down under as we have 17 Teachers from Shanghai at our school for 5 weeks learning our English Language programme. Tony is off to Brisbane tomorrow to work for 10 days so a chance for me to catch up on Crowley Stuff. I am hoping to get my IT department to support me in setting up a NZ Crowley Clan Website which I hope to have a link established from the main one. Then we can have our news and history recorded for easy access. God Bless for now.

Mark D. Crowley, Kalispell, MT: (mark@crowleyforcommissioner.com)

My summer has been busier than any I have ever experienced. I am energized and looking forward to representing the people of Flathead County on the Commission! The Crowleys are alive and well in Montana. (Editor's note: Mark is running for County Commissioner in Flathead County, MT. Here is his website. Check it out to find out about this interesting young man. www.crowleyforcommissioner.com)

Lisa Butchart (Agent For Chrissy Crowley, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia):

Chrissy is still hoping to come to the Crowley Gathering in Clonakilty next year. In the meantime you can go to www.sonicbids.com/ChrissyCrowley to find out about Chrissy and to hear her music.

Glennnda Day, Bruneau, ID: (daysomeday@sbcglobal.net)

Looking for information on Patrick Henry Crowley born 1863 in New York and died 1911 in Boone, Iowa. He was buried in Sacred Heart cemetery, Boone, Iowa. His father and mother were born in Ireland. He married Ellen Bain born 1867 in Ohio and died in 1946 in California. His children were John Laurence Crowley, born 1891 in Boone, Iowa, died 1932 in Illinois, and buried in Boone, Iowa, and Clarence Henry Crowley born 1895 Boone, Iowa and died 1965 in California.

Linda Ebersole, Hamilton, OH (Ruedenauer2@aol.com)

Seeking information on Cornelius Crowley born 1839 probably in Ireland and died in 1907. He married Ellen O'Brien about 1869. Ellen was born 1845 in Ireland. Their children were John B. born 1871 in St. Lawrence County, NY, Catherine born circa 1864 in St. Lawrence County, NY and married about 1895 in St. Lawrence County, NY, David A. born 1872, Cornelius born 1874 and died 1968, Mary A. born 1876 (she married George Green in 1898 and their children were Helen born about 1901, Marie born about 1903 who married Fred Strickland, Catherine born about 1905, George born about 1907), Kate born 1878, James born 1880, Patsy born 1884 (who married Hayes and had children Patricia M. and Ellen).

Terry Jo Wiedeman, Cedar Rapids, IA (terrijo45@msn.com)

I am researching the families of Dennis Driscoll born 1805 in County Cork and Margaret Crowley born about 1815. They were married about 1836 and came to America about 1839-1840 where their oldest son John was born in New York. The family then moved to Louisiana and on to Dubuque County, Iowa. I have also found that Dennis had a brother Daniel who could have come with them to America. I found mention of

him living with Daniel in a later Iowa census record. I am wondering if there is anyone out there that might have a connection to Dennis and Margaret. I would appreciate any contact.

Remembering Kitty Horgan

by Sunny Crowley

Kitty was the first person I met at my first Crowley reunion in 2005. She sparkled at me and I called her cousin. We seemed to talk and talk. I felt an immediate connection to this lovely, bright and interesting woman. Her husband and life partner Tim Horgan was as interesting as she. I sat with them at JJ's bar one night and then gave them a ride back to where they were staying. We talked about many things, my love of Ireland and their love of horses. I love horses, and they love Ireland too, of course, but you get the idea. During that Clan Gathering one of the horses they had bred won an event in the Olympics. Kitty was very excited about that.

On a later trip I met with Kitty at a Crowley Clan Council meeting. She was wonderful to me once again. It was as if we had known each other a long while. She invited me over to an early dinner before I went back to Hawaii and I was delighted to accept her offer. When I arrived, Tim, Kitty and I talked about their land, their family, their life together, and how they had traded horses their entire lives. Kitty told of hauling a huge trailer full of horses across the Irish Sea on the Ferry to grazing land they had in England. She and Tim did this many times. Kitty would stay with the horses for the season or until the sale. She told me stories about slinging hay, and feed bags, and much more. I could just imagine that spry and so full of life woman doing all those things.

While we were talking over dinner Tim offered to show me their country place on the ocean in Clan Cool Beg, Bandon, near Liam and Martin Crowley homes. So off we went and oh what an adventure. Kitty was quite the driver! I would be happy to share with you the beautiful photos I took of Kitty at sunset opening and closing the gate locks and trudging through the fields with me. Email me at sunnyc8@gmail.net and I will email them to you.

I felt honored that they asked if I was interested in buying this family land. I regret not being able to buy that land as it was a life's dream to me. I will always cherish my memories of Kitty Horgan and am grateful for the time I was able to know her and she me. I will miss her and pray that Tim stay well and with us for a bit longer. I know he and his family miss her a lot more than I.

Case Studies in Genetic Genealogy

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Case Study:

I've had the 37 marker Y DNA test through a Surname Project for my surname. I don't have any matches with my surname. Is there anything further I can do? I have a brick wall with my 2nd great grandparents who left Ireland in the early 1800s. They only said that they were born in Ireland in the various censuses. Their death certificates didn't give parents.

Recommendation:

It is only a matter of time before you will have a match. If you want to speed up the process, the first step is to learn more about your surname in Ireland to see if a geographic area is indicated. One approach is to look at the distribution of the surname in Ireland in the mid-1800's by using a database based on Griffiths Valuation. Click on the link here and enter your surname scripts.ireland.com/ancestor/index.cfm. The results tell the number of households with that surname for each county.

Depending on your surname, you could find the majority of the surname in one county, or two heavy concentrations, or perhaps the surname is spread out in low levels in several counties.

Let's assume you find two concentrations of your surname, in distant counties. One approach would be to recruit participants in Ireland today who are living in each of these counties. Perhaps you will find a match to those in one county. This provides a clue as to the county in which you should search parish registers for the marriage of your great-grandparents.

You can further refine your search by also searching on your grandmother's surname. Perhaps both these surnames are only found in one county. Then, invite persons in Ireland to participate who reside in that county. Since this is important to your research, you may want to sponsor the test kit.

To find persons and their address in Ireland today, go to 159.134.203.172/search.asp?source=GP. After getting a DNA match in Ireland you can prioritize the parish registers to search by extracting the Griffiths Valuation data for both surnames for the identified county or area and determining which parishes have both surnames present.