

# CROWLEY CLAN NEWSLETTER

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## Crowley Clan Will Gather in Kinsale!!

The Crowley Clan Council has announced that the 2013 Gathering of the Clan Crowley will occur from Friday September 13, 2013 to Sunday September 15, 2013 in Kinsale, County Cork, Ireland. The primary venue will be:

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The Trident can offer a 10% discount on the quoted rates for bookings made and confirmed with credit card before May 1, 2013. The hotel prefers that bookings be made by email. Be sure to mention that you are with the Crowley Clan group (reference number 089246). Quoted rates per person were as follows:

Three night's bed and breakfast, September 13 to 15, 2013

Standard rooms: €220.00

Executive rooms: €265.00

Suites: €310.00

Two night's bed and breakfast, September 13 to 14, 2013

Standard: €150.00

Executive room: €180.00

Suites: €210.00

All prices are per person, sharing. Cancellation within 48 hours of arrival or non-arrival, the first night's rate will be charged to the credit card provided.

Go to [www.tridenthotel.com](http://www.tridenthotel.com) to view pictures and for further information about the hotel.



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## From Marian's Desk

Welcome to the final issue of the Crowley Clan Newsletter for 2012. As we head into the holiday season, thoughts are pulled in two directions, past and future. This year has been an interesting year. The Crowley Clan Newsletter began its 17th year of publication, [www.crowleyclan.com](http://www.crowleyclan.com) began its 10th year, and our Facebook page, [crowleyclan.com](http://crowleyclan.com), began its 2nd year.

The success of our Facebook page is interesting. Facebook provides demographics every week, so it is relatively easy to see how many people see us on Facebook, how old the users are, where they live and which posts are most popular. Our most popular post, about the Irish Olympic medal winners meeting with Irish Taoiseach Enda Kenny, was seen by almost 400 people. Other recent popular posts have been a video about the Irish language and one about a new book entitled Illustrated Irish Folklore.

Most people still read our Facebook in English, followed by German, Dutch, Czech, French, and Irish. The big news currently, in the newsletter, on the web, and on Facebook, has to do with our upcoming Crowley Clan Gathering planned for the weekend of September 13, 14, & 15 in Kinsale, Ireland. The Trident Hotel, which is on the waterfront in Kinsale, will be our primary venue.

Any Crowley who has attended a gathering (I've attended five) will tell you that it is a fun, exciting and interesting weekend. Crowleys are not known for being quiet or withdrawn. It is a large group of interesting people who are eager to meet each other and to share their histories.

Crowleys from all over the globe come home and celebrate their Irish heritage. There will be good food, good fun, and many surprises. Six years ago we actually had a brother and sister, who hadn't seen each other in years, arrive without knowing the other persons was coming! I had the privilege of pointing out to the sister that her brother was in the same room. It was emotional and exciting. You never know who you will meet at a Crowley Clan Gathering.

Kinsale is a truly Irish city, and it is also a truly European city with a history dating back in time. The winding streets can attest to that! It has many hotels, guesthouses, and B & Bs. Kinsale is known as the gourmet capital of Ireland with world class restaurants and cozy pubs. It is a walkable city even at night if you have good walking shoes and a flashlight.

Most people fly into either Shannon or Dublin and rent a car. However, there are also flights into Cork City which is only 18 miles away. And, our Winter/Spring 2012 newsletter, which is on our website, has an article by Maureen Crowley of Ontario about traveling by bus and train in Ireland.

Start planning now. If you have questions or comments, send them to the newsletter. We will try to find answers for you.

Mise le meas,

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# Crowley Clan News

**Ann Plant, Warren, Ohio, USA**

**(roysann@aol.com):**

I have been more and more upset with people who use Ancestry.com and copy anything they find as fact. They hear, "go to Ancestry.com and if your ancestor has a leaf you will find out everything you ever wanted to know about him." FALSE: You still have to do the homework!

You have to look at the sources given, if there are any, and **prove the information**. Ninety percent of the people do not do this and just copy what someone else posted. Example: My ancestor Baltis Algyre m. Susan Noble. One person added his genealogy to Ancestry.com saying that his ancestor was Noble Baltis Algyre, a definite error, and nine people posted their line with the same mistake!! They just copied what they saw without question

Your research is so important to your descendents, why would you put down something that you just copied from someone else without checking it out? Use the information found as a possibility and check it out!! Use census, death records, cemetery records, county histories, city directories, and family stories as your sources. Never believe everything you read as true or accurate.

Your descendents will believe what you wrote, make sure it's right. You are making yourself the family historian. Don't make your ancestors angry by copying someone else's work!!

**Pauline Crowley Zweiltjes, New Plymouth, New Zealand**

**(pcrowleyz@zeiland.com):**

My aunt, Sister Mary Cornelius Crowley (Bernadette) died unexpectedly on 2 July 2012 at her home, Waitara, Taranaki, New Zealand. She was a daughter of Alice Primer and Cornelius Crowley, Kaponga, Taranaki, New Zealand one of a family of 12 whose grandparents, Daniel Crowley, Gurrenreigh, Kilmichael, County Cork and Hannah Burke, Kilarvarrig, Timoleague, County Cork emigrated to New Zealand in the 1880s. She is survived by her sisters Ellie, Kate, Therese and brother Jim Crowley.

A Requiem Mass was held at St. Joseph's Church, Waitara on Friday 6 July 2012 and she was buried in her family cemetery. Sister Cornelius was a driving force in the 2000 Crowley Clan celebrations in New Zealand.



**Fran Yates Kaliszewski, Minnesota, USA**

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I am the granddaughter of Mary Elizabeth Crowley, and I am excited about the work many of you have done in Crowley Genealogy. This spurs me on to finding the history of my father's mother's family. I will continue in the Fall/Winter at the Minnesota Genealogical Association. Perhaps I will travel to Ireland again for the September 2013 gathering of the clan. Thank you for all the work that has been done for the Clan.

**Thomas Crowley, Ohio/Arizona, USA**

**(tcrow95758@aol.com):**

Sue Foerster-Arnold (great granddaughter of Denis Crowley who came to America from Beara, County Cork) of Brecksville, Ohio decided to join people who exercise, but she did it by five months of training for a triathlon!!

Already an avid runner, Sue had to learn how to swim! She trained with coach Troy Jacobsen who developed the Iron Girl Advanced Training Schedule. She spent 12 weeks of training in three disciplines: swimming, biking, and running and practiced two disciplines daily, and all three on Saturdays.

Sue said "Training like this takes a patient spouse, sometimes not eating until eight or nine at night because of training, planning your work and social schedules around the training requirements." She consumed 4,000 calories a day, consuming carbohydrates, eating fish, vegetables, smoothies, and yogurt. She was constantly hungry!

The Iron Girl Atlanta, GA at Lake Lanier consisted of a one third mile swim, a 19 mile bike course, and a three mile run. The 1,200 competitors arose at 4:30 a.m. Women over 50 swam first, so Sue was in the choppy water at 7 a.m. This was followed by a bike ride through the hilly course, followed by the 3 mile run. Sue completed the three events in just over two hours, a very respectable time.

**David Timothy Michael Crowley, Canton, MA**

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I am SO looking forward to the gathering. I had planned to attend the last one but my mother became sick, and we decided it wasn't the right time to take a trip. My wife and I plan to travel with two other couples both close friends.

It is great to see the hotel in Kinsale has been announced. My wife and I have been to Ireland three times, initially for our honeymoon in 1989, in 2008 and in 2009. My GGF was Cornelius Crowley, he was born in 1840 Mont Massey/Massytown Macroom. He survived the famine, served the British Army in 1858 and was awarded a medal for the Battle of Lucknow (India Uprising). He immigrated to Boston in 1870 where he got a job as a servant for a prominent family in Boston's Beacon Hill. He moved to Canton and became "carer of cows" at a large estate.

## 2012 Northern Ohio Rose of Tralee



Greetings from Ohio, Crowley Clan! My name is Ashley Speaker. I am a 24-year-old substitute teacher, and the third great granddaughter of Denis Crowley, who migrated from Beara, County Cork, Ireland to the United States in 1870. In April, I was honored with the title of 2012 Northern Ohio Rose of Tralee, enabling me to represent Northern Ohio in the International Rose of Tralee Festival Regional Finals. This festival has been in existence for more than 50 years and is celebrated in several countries around the world. The honor has proven to be a life changing experience gaining new friends all over the world, working with charities, and becoming more connected with my Irish heritage.

I travelled to Portlaoise, Ireland to compete in the Regional Finals. There I met 53 amazing, accomplished, educated and ambitious women of Irish descent, who traveled to Ireland from all over the world. While there, I visited local government buildings, civic sites, areas of historical significance, a hospital, mentoring young girls (rosebuds), a vintage car parade, and a pub twinning. During our time there, we were judged, but it didn't feel that way, because the camaraderie among the girls took the pressure off, leaving me with a sense of only something to gain. On the last night, 23 women were chosen to move on to the International Festival in Tralee during August.

Although I was not chosen, the support of my family, friends, and the Ohio Center kept my spirits up and I know that my year as the 2012 Northern Ohio Rose will be full and rewarding. Already, I have travelled to Ellis Island in New York City for a Tourism Ireland event, where I met the managers of the Festival and members of local government, and received an invitation from the Mayo Society of Cleveland Annual Charity Ball this fall to welcome the Prime Minister of Ireland. I've been twice featured on Quinn's Irish Radio in Cleveland. I have taken Cystic Fibrosis as my charity for the year. I met inspirational families at the Cleveland Metro Parks Zoo in May 2012 for their annual fundraiser, and I look forward to continuing to support them and their mission. I continue to volunteer at my local church as a deaconess and youth coordinator, to play guitar, read, and spend time with my four year old nephew. I am so honored to represent the Northern Ohio Irish and the Crowley Clan. Please join me during this exciting year on Facebook and on our website, [northernohiorose.com](http://northernohiorose.com)."

## Crowley Clan Council Meets in Bandon

Thomas Crowley of Ohio and Arizona traveled to Ireland this fall and attended a meeting of the Crowley Clan Council at Taoiseach Jerry Crowley's pub in Crossmahon near Bandon. Tom reports that the meeting focused on preliminary plans for the 2013 Crowley Clan Gathering in Kinsale.

At this time the schedule calls for meeting at the Trident Hotel on the waterfront in Kinsale on the evening of Friday September 13 for a wine and cheese party. Saturday morning will begin with a brief business meeting followed by a talk on genealogy.

The Council would like to put a focus on genealogy and on helping visitors to Ireland make the most of their time. They are planning on having a speaker who is an expert on the topic speak and answer questions.

Activities for the afternoon are still being discussed. Our traditional Crowley Clan Banquet will be on Saturday evening preceded by a cocktail hour and cash bar. The cost for the weekend had not yet set. Three years ago the cost was €150, and the council would like to stay close to that price.

Sunday will begin with Mass at the Crowley Castle in Ahakeera. There will be a road bowling competition, open to all, in the afternoon, and an evening barbeque at Crowley's Pub in Crossmahon.



## The Trident Hotel in Kinsale, Ireland

With an enviable location on the waterfront, the **Trident Hotel** in Kinsale is unquestionably one of the most spectacularly located hotels in Ireland. Why not treat yourself to a night in one of our master suites, boasting a large, private balcony with awe-inspiring views over Kinsale Harbour with the option of private dining and a personal butler!

The award-winning **Pier One** restaurant has breathtaking sea views and even boasts a wine cave. Renowned for its fresh local seafood and interesting menu, it's a favourite for visitors and locals alike.

Meanwhile, the more traditional Wharf Tavern is always cosy, warm and welcoming, while the Harpoon Suite offers excellent facilities for meetings, weddings and special events, guaranteeing that extra wow factor with superb attention to detail.

Only five minutes' walk from the centre of Kinsale, the Trident Hotel is an excellent base to explore the winding streets and many shops, cafés, galleries and restaurants for which Kinsale is famous. You'll soon discover why Kinsale has earned a reputation as the 'Gourmet Capital' of Ireland.

(Taken from the Trident Hotel's Website)