



NATIONAL IRISH FREEDOM COMMITTEE

Cumann na Saoirse Naisiunta

The 15th Annual Michael Flannery Testimonial Awards Dinner

A cháirde,

The 15th Annual Michael Flannery Testimonial Awards Dinner will be held on Saturday April 24, 2010 from 6:00 to 9:00 PM at Connolly's Pub & Restaurant, 121 West 45th Street in New York City. This event organized by Cumann Na Saoirse Náisiúnta, honors Irish Americans and others for their contributions to the promotion of Irish history, culture, traditional Irish Republican principles, human rights and Irish freedom. The theme of this year's dinner is *Countdown to 2016: the Centenary of the Easter Rising (ÉIRIŠ AMAC NA CÁISCE)*

Connolly's is conveniently located in the heart of Times Square and is accessible by public transportation. This event includes 3 hours of top shelf open bar with hot appetizers followed by a buffet dinner with dessert, coffee and tea.

The Honorees for the 2010 Awards are:

Barney Mulligan: Recipient of the *2010 Michael Flannery Spirit of Freedom Award*. Barney has been a strong activist for the cause of Irish freedom. Barney was a close confidant of Mike Flannery, always available to do the big and little things that kept Noraid and *The Irish People* in business. Barney never lost faith in Republican ideals and remains true to the Proclamation of 1916.

Msgr. Kevin Flanagan: Recipient of the *2010 Sr. Sarah Clarke Human Rights Award*. Msgr. Flanagan, a native of Strokestown, Co. Roscommon, spent most of his ordained life tending to the spiritual needs of the people of central New Jersey. He was much sought after by his superiors because of his organizational abilities and leadership skills. Despite his busy schedule he was faithfully available to speak on matters of Irish Freedom and the inalienable rights of all human beings. Monsignor will always be remembered as a genuine patriot because of his courageous leadership during the extremely difficult times of the 1981 Hunger Strikes.

Timothy Myles: The first recipient of the *2016 Centennial Award - The James Connolly Labour Award*. Timmy, as he is known throughout the Ancient Order of Hibernians, has been a supporter of Irish reunification all his life. He is prominent in the National Freedom for All Ireland, the Ancient Order of Hibernians and has visited Ireland on numerous fact finding tours. Timmy is well known and respected due to what he has done for those who become victims of British injustice, even in America.

A Souvenir Ad Journal is being produced to mark the event. This is an ideal opportunity to place a memorial ad for the many activists and friends who have passed away having done their part here in the U.S. for the long and ongoing struggle for Irish Freedom. By placing an ad in their memory in the Souvenir Journal, their memories live on and ensure that future revisionists will not mar their work. Proceeds from the dinner and journal help provide support to the growing number of Irish Political Prisoners and their families incarcerated in both Irish states who need and deserve our support.

Tickets for the 2010 Testimonial Dinner are \$80.00 per person. For ticket information, please contact Mary at (732) 441-9923 or via email at: mc5869@yahoo.com. For journal information, see the enclosed page.

Sincerely,
Maggie Trainor

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The Michael Flannery Spirit of Freedom Award

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The James Connolly Centenary Award

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*Countdown to 2016: the Centenary of the Easter Rising.
Éirigh Amach na Cáisce*

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*** The closing date for ads is April 17th, 2010 ***