

Fashion show ready to go

TICKETS are still on sale for the Coláiste Eoin fashion show on Thursday next 5 November, in the new sports hall in Coláiste Eoin. The shops who have generously donated clothes are Alana, Serena Carlow, Dorothy Perkins, Fairytale moments New look, Elanna's Boutique, Evens, Anthony Kenny, Des Doran, Darling Ware, Kaideen Knitwear, debs dresses by Norma Hunt. There will be lots of entertainment with music and male and female makeovers. The tickets are €10 which will include a draw for a door prize and are available from Coláiste Eoin or the post office and from the parents' council.

COMMUNITY GAMES SOCCER
Girls under-15 soccer indoor five-a-side and outdoor eleven-a-side girls' under-13 also indoor five-a-side soccer football. Competitors must be under age specified on 31 July 2010.

Anyone interested in taking part please contact Johnny Maguire 059 647176

RUGBY BUILDS CONFIDENCE
The Tullow rugby football club reminds Hacketstown

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and Clonmore children that rugby is a great team game and is ideal for building confidence in children. For general enquiries phone Mick on 086 8276474 or John on 086 2719143.

CD LAUNCH
Ballinglass folk group and friends charity CD launch concert featuring Rosin Jackman (soprano) Tullow singers, with special guest Liam Lawton, in St Joseph's Church Ballinglass on Thursday 5 November, at 8pm. Admission to this concert is €10 with a door prize of €10. All proceeds go to the school for Deaf Children in Beirut and comfort beds for Ballinglass Hospital. Tickets are available from Vinnie 086 1560963 or from Geraldine 086 6093558.

SFAI SECOND ROUND HACKETSTOWN UTD V ST SAVIOUR'S
Hacketstown Utd got off to a flying start when Dale Blake hit the back of the

net seconds from kick-off to put them ahead. Within minutes Matthew Pearson walked through midfield and defence to put opposition's goalkeeper to the test to no avail. Gordon Hickey found it difficult to get himself behind a well-placed cross from Matthew Pearson again and put his shot straight to goalkeeper's hands. From a corner kick Mark Hennessy full back latched on to a rebound ball from 20 yards out and a beautiful volley to the back of St Saviour's net. Very blustery conditions in the second half made play very unpredictable. Jordan Walsh had the only shot on target for the home side in the second half. With a comfortable lead Hacketstown were happy to sit on the 18 yard box and just hold on for the win. Final score was 2-0 to the home side. Best for Hacketstown on the day were Glenn Farrar, Paul Hogan, Jordan Walsh and Mark Byrne.

HACKETSTOWN UNDER 14 BS V MILLTOWN

Hacketstown showed some fantastic bounce-back ability and came out from the start fighting in this home fixture against Milltown. It seemed to be a complete showcase for Byrnes with scores from Anthony Byrne, Jason Byrne, Adam and Gary Byrne (brothers) and Kenneth Joyce. The blustery and unpredictable weather seemed to be an advantage for the home side. Gary Byrne was unfortunate when a 25 yard missile rattled the bar and fell to the head of the unsuspecting goal keeper and rolled wide. Entertaining football from both teams but it was the home side that made the most of their shots on target. Best on the day for Hacketstown were, Shannon and Jesse Byrne and Joe Mulhall and Keane Hickey.

HACKETSTOWN UTD V VALE WANDERERS
Despite harrowing weather

conditions both teams showed outstanding football and sportsmanship in this head to head match. Rory McKernan missed a fantastic shot in the first half. Both Cormac Malee and Rory McKernan making chances for Frances Whelan and Eoin Byrne in the second half but to no avail. With ten minutes to go Keane Doyle goalkeeper made some fantastic saves to keep a clean sheet for his team. In the dying minutes both teams made some fantastic plays to create chances, best of which was a great shot by Jack Kelly, and Frances Whelan on the end of a well-placed cross by full-back Josh Bowes. Best for Hacketstown were Megan Kane, Keith Bowes, Jake Hickey and captain James Whelan.

LINE DANCING
Line dancing every Tuesday night in Knockanna hall only €6 per night and everyone is welcome.

ST PATRICK'S
St Patrick's missionary society's pack of ten cards and envelopes cost €5. Send you name and

address together with your donation to Fr Billy Fulton. St Patrick's, Kiltegan and they will post the cards to you.

BINGO CELEBRATIONS
Hacketstown Community Centre Bingo would like to thank most sincerely all who came and celebrated their special birthday with them on 7 October. A word of thanks to all who attended and helped out including ticket sellers. The night was a great success. Sincere thanks to all who came and supported us each week, we hope you will continue to do so in the year ahead.

CARE OF THE AGED
Hacketstown Care of the Aged committee Christmas dinner for our senior citizens takes place on Sunday 6 December in Hacketstown Community Centre. To organise the dinner, a meeting will take place on Monday, 9 November at 8pm As this is for all our senior citizens in the parish we would like to invite a representative from the Knockanna and Rathdangan area to help us contact those who would like to attend.



Having fun at the Ballon/ Rathoe Community Playschool's Halloween Party was Abigail Coyle. Pic: Michael O'Rourke.



Buzz Lightyear Patrick and Vampire Kevin Mortan in Dunne's, Clonegal

Special memorial mass for November

THERE will be a special memorial mass for the parishioners who died during the past year on 4 November at 7pm in the Church of the Assumption, Castledermot. All families relatives and friends of the deceased are invited to attend.

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GIRLS' FOOTBALL
Castledermot's minor girls team train each Wednesday evening at 7pm in Castledermot GAA grounds. All new players are welcome. Their championship game is next weekend when they play Robert Emmet (date and time to be confirmed).

CASTLE VILLA LOTTO
There was no winner of the Lotto Jackpot of €7,700 and the numbers drawn were 9, 13, 21 and 22. There was one Match Three winner of €200, Eibhlin Haughney, Hamilton Road, Castledermot. The next lotto jackpot is €2,900 and the venue is Doyle's Pub.

CASTLE VILLA'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE
Castle Villa will celebrate its 40th anniversary with a dinner dance in the Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow on Friday 20 November. Tickets cost €25 each and can be obtained from any committee member.

CASTLE VILLA DRAW
A reminder to get your ticket for Castle Villa's draw starting in November for four months, joined with South East Co-Op draw organised by clubs in the South East. Tickets cost €10 per month. There will be 70 prizes each month including cars and cash. Tickets from Tommy O'Connell, Peg Kirwan, Pat Core, Ollie Coleman, Liam Murphy or any member of the club.

VESTRY MEETINGS
Vestry meetings will take place in St James school hall on 24 November at 9pm and in Timolin School on November 30 at 8pm.

WHIST DRIVE
A Whist Drive will take place in Timolin Hall on Saturday 14 November at 8.45pm

COLAISTE LORCAIN
Stan Dolan, PRO for Coláiste Lorcaín reports that guidance counselor, Shane Hutton and the sixth year students of Coláiste Lorcaín have had a busy term in helping them prepare for their future educational choices after the leaving certificate. They attended an open day at Queen's University Belfast. This trip was a joint venture between the guidance department and the history department.

MAUREEN DOYLE RIP
We wish to express condolences to husband Jack, sons John and Dermot, daughters Geraldine, Ber, Ita and Josephine, sister Peg, brothers Micheal and Christy, grandchildren, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, sisters-in-law, relatives and many friends of the Maureen Doyle who died recently. Maureen was pre-deceased by her two sons Colin and Michael. Maureen was a wonderful wife, mother and great neighbour. She attended mass daily until her illness and was a great church worker involved in everything parochial. She was amongst the first group of people to be commissioned as ministers of the eucharist in the Church of the Assumption, Castledermot where she carried out this duty until her illness.

The large attendance at her removal, funeral mass and burial was a testimony to the fondness and esteem which Maureen was held. May she rest in peace.

LEVITSTOWN FOROIGE CLUB - INFORMATION NIGHT
The club is hosting an information night in Levitstown Community Hall on Friday 6 November at 8.30pm. Elaine Boyle, Regional Youth officer with Foroige will be guest speaker.

GAA AGM
The Juvenile Annual General meeting takes place on Friday 20 November in the clubhouse at 8.00pm. All members are requested to attend and new members are welcome.

U-15 LEAGUE
Castledermot was defeated by Kilkullen in

the U-15 football league on Sunday 1 November. Scorers Kealan Hegerty 1-1, Eugene Mahon 0-3, Anthony Kelly 1-0 and Paul Murphy 0-1. Others to play well Mark Kirwan, James Byrne, Jordan Harmon and Jamie Doyle. On Sunday 8 November we travel to Monasterevin. Training continues on Monday and Thursday nights at 7pm.

U-21 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP
Castledermot was defeated by Carbury in the U-21

football B championship in Rathangan on Saturday 31 October. Scorers were Patrick Whelan 0-3, Shane Carroll, Martin Farrell, Aidan Murphy and David Keating 0-1 each. Others to play well Brian Darcy, Brian Kenny, Paraic Murphy, Niall Dooley and Stephen McDonald.

ICA
The local guild of the ICA meets on Thursday 12 November in the Community Centre at 8pm. New members are welcome.



Gilmore ar thdhchaí na Gaeilge

LABHAIR ceannaire Pháirtí an Lucht Oibre, Eamon Gilmore T.D. faoi obair Glór Cheatharlach ar son na Gaeilge i gCeatharlach agus faoi thodhchaí na teanga go náisiúnta agus é ag labhairt oráid na féile le déanaí ag Féile an Fhómhair.

Dar le TD Gilmore is é briseadh síos an bhacainn a sheasann i síl na 1.6 milliún duine gur féidir leo Gaeilge a labhairt í a úsáid ina ngnáth saol ó lá go lá an dúshlán is mó atá ag an teanga faoi láthair. Ba thábhachtai é sin ná na seanagóintí faoi Ghaeilge éigeantach nó cén Roinn na raibh cúram na teanga uirthi, a dúirt sé. Ach creideann sé go bhfuil eagraíochtaí cosúil le Glór Cheatharlach ag freagairt an dúshláin seo agus mhol sé an eagraíocht as a gcuid oibre ag cur na teanga chun cinn agus é ag súil go mbunófar a leithéid d'eagraíochtaí in áiteanna eile mórthimpeall na tíre.

Dúirt sé gur thaispeán Féile an Fhómhair cé chomh beo is atá an teanga í láthair na huairé agus gur comhartha maith é gur féidir an teanga a thabhairt lasmuigh den seomra ranga agus amach ar na sráideanna.

Labhair Gilmore faoi cé chomh suimíuil is atá rudaí í láthair na huairé don Ghaeilge, go háirithe i measc daoine

óga. Dúirt sé go bhfuil meath ar úsáid na Gaeilge sna Gaeltachtaí ach go bhfuil borradh fúithi in áiteanna agus go feictear é seo trí fhás na gaeilscoláiochta timpeall na tíre. Creideann sé go bhfuil daoine an-dhearthach faoin nGaeilge anois le níos mó daoine, ag rá gur féidir leo í a labhairt i ngach daonáireamh ó bhunú an Stáit. I 2006 dúirt 1.6 milliún daoine go raibh Gaeilge acu i gcomparáid le 1.4 milliúin i 1996.

Chomh maith leis sin labhair Gilmore faoin athrú mór ó thaobh geografíochta i labhairt na Gaeilge le blianta beag anuas. Dúirt sé go bhfuil níos mó daoine ag labhairt Gaeilge ina dháilcheantar féin i nDún Laoghaire-Rathdown anois ná mar atá i gContae na Gaillimhe a chontae dúchais. Anseo i gCeatharlach tá Gaeilge ag breis is 18,000 duine de réir an daonáirimh déireannach i 2006 agus an uimhir sin ag meadú i gcónaí.

Ach ag labhairt faoin dúshlán mór atá ós comhair na teanga arís dúirt Eamon Gilmore go bhfuil bearna mór idir na daoine a deireann gur féidir leo an teanga a labhairt agus iadsan a úsáideann í ó lá go lá ag bualadh le cairde, ag déanamh gnó nó ag siopadóireacht. Is ins an mionlach atá na daoine atá ag úsáid na Gaeilge sa gnáthshaol laethúil dar leis. Luaigh sé tábhacht na n-udaráis

áitiúil freisin agus an ról atá acu i gcur chun cinn an dátheangachais trí deiseanna a chur ar fáil do dhaoine chun an Gaeilge a úsáid ó lá go lá.

Creideann TD Gilmore go bhfuil todhchaí an-shláintiúil agus dearfach ann don Ghaeilge má leanfar le tacaíocht agus infheistiú sa teanga. Creideann sé nár chóir laghdú a dhéanamh ar infheistíocht ins na healaíona ach an oiread agus go gcaibróidh an teanga agus na healaíona leis an tír fíú sa chúil eacnamaíochta.



Gaeilge Le Chéile

BUAILEANN lucht labhartha na Gaeilge le chéile i dteach tábhairne Reddys ar an gcéad Chéadaoin de gach mí. Séard atá i gceist le Gaeilge le chéile ná oíche shóisialta neamh-thoimíúil a thugann deis do dhaoine Gaeilge a labhairt go nádúrtha. Céad míle fáilte go Tigh Reddys anocht, Dé Céadaoin, an 4ú lá do mí na Samhna ag 9:00 le haghaidh teacht le chéile na míosa.

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Getting into the Hallowe'en spirit in Dunne's, Clonegal.

Gearrscéalta agus Urscéal Stairiúil

B'É seoladh oifigiúil dhá leabhar nua ins an Ionad d'Ealain Chomhaimseartha Visual ceann de mhór ocaidí Fhéile an Fhómhair le déanaí. B'iad na leabhair a láin-seáladh ná cnuasach gearrscéalta 'An Banana Bean Sí agus Scéalta Eile' le Deirdre Brennan agus urscéal stairiúil 'Lucinda Sly' le Maidhc Dainín Ó Sé. An Dochtúir Proinsias Ó Drisceoil, údar, léirmheastóir agus eagarthóir a sheol an dá leabhar agus b'iontach an moladh a thug sé don bheirt údar. Seo blas den mead a bhí le rá aige.

Tá 'An Banana Bean Sí agus Scéalta Eile' anseo againn agus, mar is léir ón teideal, is mar gearrscéaltaí atá saothar cruthaíoch Dheirdre Brennan a chur os ár gcomhair sa chnuasach áirithe seo anocht aici.

Mná iad na príomhcharachtair go minic agus bíonn teacht aniar thar an ngnáth iontu, rud nach léir don léitheoir ar an gcéad amharc. Mná iad seo ar gá dóibh teacht chun réitigh le firinne atá searbh dosheachanta agus nach léir dúinne, na léitheoirí, ná dóibh féin go minic, céard í féin go baileach. Is minic i gcoimhlint leis an gcine fireann iad ach ní sin le rá nach gcaitear sna scéalta seo le gach carachtar ar leith le báúlacht agus le cásamh atá géar, géarchúiseach agus a chaitheann léas síceolaíoch ar gach aon charachtar acu atá domhain taispeántach. Bíonn ar

na carachtair sna gearrscéalta seo teacht chun réitigh go minic le saol nach bhfuil chun a sásaimh féin nó a bhfuil gnéithe de faoi cheilt agus faoi rún, i ngan fhios do na carachtair féin go minic.

Ach ná ceapadh éinne go bhfuil an greann in easnamh sna scéalta seo. Níl ná baol air: tá an greann ina orlaí tríd síos. Sa scéal 'Dúrlín', tá seo, cuir i gcás, agus cur síos a dhéanamh ar mhúinteoir óg scoile ó Bhaile Átha Cliath atá i ndiaidh bogadh chun na tuaithe. 'Bhí na leids difriúil freisin. I mBaile Átha Cliath bhí siad simplí ar shíl. Bheadh fhios agat cá mbeifeá leo. Faoin tuath ní bheadh fhios agat ó neamh anuas cad ar a bheidís ag smaoineamh. Bhí fhios aici go rí-mhaith go raibh sí á scrúdú acu an t-am ar fad.'

Ábhar dóchais agus misnigh dúinne ar fad ar mór againn an gearrscéal an leabhar seo. Molaim éacht Dheirdre agus molaim daobhse go láidir an leabhar seo a léamh.

Anois tá an urscéal stairiúil 'Lucinda Sly' againn leis an scríbhneoir cumasach Maidhc Dainín Ó Sé. Scéal é seo ar deacair é a chur uait. Tá sé suite anseo i gCeatharlach mar ar crochadh Lucinda Sly sa bhliain 1835, an bhean dheireanach a chrochadh sa bhaile mór seo i gCeatharlach. Crochadh í mar a bhfuil Superquinn inniu ann, nó gar go maith dó. Scéal tragóideach é a

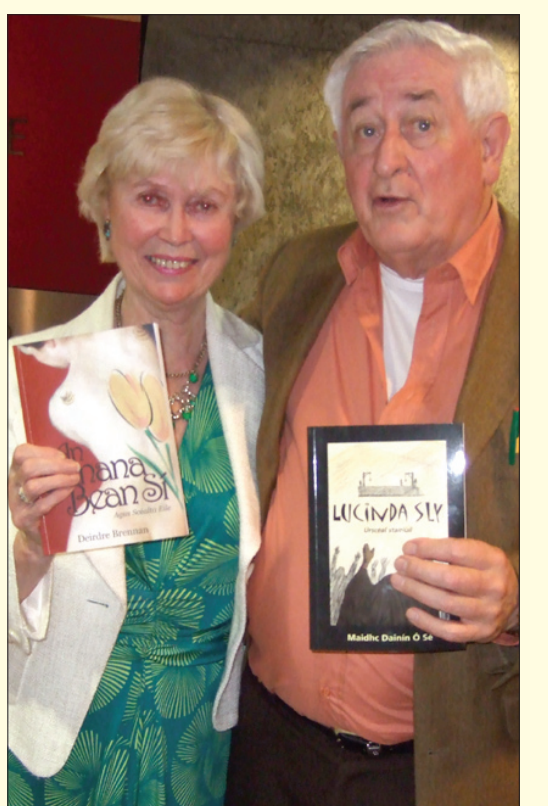
insítear ar chuma a fhágann bá thar na bearta againn le Lucinda agus a chuireann inár láthair i mar charachtar atá inchreidte beo, daonna, í ag seasamh ansin os ár gcomhair agus sinn ag casadh na leathanach.

Tá tuiscint ar leith ag an údar don fhulaingt phearsanta. Tá sé de bhua aige gur féidir leis an scéal a thiomáint ar aghaidh sa chaoi is nach maolaítear riann ar spéis an léitheora. Tuigtear dúinn láithreach go bhfuil casadh cinniúnach le teacht – ach cén casadh é féin? Caithear leanúint den léitheoireacht.

Urscéal morálta é seo, scéal a théann i ngleic leis an gcuma inar caitheadh le mná le linn na staire – agus ar an gcuma sin tá go leor atá sa choiteann ag an dá leabhar atá anseo anocht againn. An bhuncheist mhorálta a chuirtear i Lucinda Spy ná cén rud é ciontach, céard is brí go cruinn leis an scéal a thiomáint?

Duine as an ngnáth í Lucinda sa mhéid is go luaitear sa stair i ach gnáthduine í go bunúsach atá ag plé le gnáthshaol. Thar rud ar bith eile is scéal é Maidhc Dainín agus is iontach go deo an cumas atá ann le scéal a chur go borradh is ag fás.

Tréaslaim a saothar le Deirdre agus le Maidhc Dainín agus geallaim daoibh go bhfuil féasta léitheoireachta romhaibh amach. Tá 'An Banana Bean Sí agus Scéalta Eile' agus 'Lucinda Sly' foilsithe ag Coiscéim Teo, Gach eolas ar fáil ó Glór Cheatharlach.



Beirt Údar ag Seoladh a Leabhar, Deirdre Brennan agus Maidhc Dainín Ó Sé.