



O'Malley Clan Association Monthly Newsletter

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Summer has arrived in Mayo! Come on over!!



As if you didn't have enough reasons to plan a visit to Ireland this year already!!,

Summer has arrived here in County Mayo, Ireland. **The Annual Clan Rally in Louisburgh, is on the weekend of the 26th to 28th June.** Now We can't guarantee the fabulous weather, but it should be fairly good so make sure to get your travel arrangements sorted out and make it a summer to remember in Mayo on beaches like this one above!!



Get in touch and share your O'Malley Heritage!

Have you got an article or old photographs that you'd like to submit for future editions of "O Máille" The O'Malley Clan Association Newsletter.

We'd love to hear from you wherever you're based around the world. Old photographs and stories to go with them, old letters, family trees or just an arti-

cle that you'd like to share with the rest of the clan. Drop us a line and We'll get right to it!



The Annual Clan Rally 2015, 26th to 28th June

Programme of Events

Friday 26th June 2015:

- **7:30pm Registration at The Granuaile Centre, Louisburgh
Meeting of Former Chieftains**
- **8pm** **Talks by:
Chieftain Brigid O'Malley
Former Chieftain Ellen O'Malley-Dunlop
John O'Malley McNamara**

Saturday 27th June 2015:

- **Coach Tour of some of O'Malley country, leaving Westport along the coast road to Louisburgh, then South through the spectacular scenery of the Doolough Valley into Leenane, and then to Kilmilkin where We will stop to take a look at the O'Malley stained glass window by Evie Hone.**

Onwards then to Cong village where people can explore the village and find the cross of cong, or the monastic settlements, and the Quiet Man Museum, and stop for lunch in one of the lovely restaurants in Cong.

After Lunch then its on to Lisloughry for a short cruise of Lough Corrib, with a stop off on Inchagoill Island, returning to the pier We will return by coach to Louisburgh via Joyce Country in time for the evening events.

9:30am: Pickup from Westport Coast Hotel

9:45pm: Pickup from Murrisk Bus Stop

10am: Pickup from The Derrylahan, Louisburgh.

8:30pm Annual Clan A.G.M. All Welcome, The Derrylahan, Louisburgh

9pm: Chieftains Reception: Join our Chieftain Brigid in celebrating the 61st Anniversary of the first clan rally. Meet old and new friends and enjoy the vast array of clan talent.

Sunday 28th June 2015:

11:30am Clan Mass in The Holy Family Church, Killeen, Louisburgh.

2pm Annual Clan Luncheon in The Derrylahan, Louisburgh followed by investiture of Denis O'Malley of Limerick as Chieftain for 2015-2016.

Robert E O'Malley Medal of Honour Winner, A Profile

Robert Emmett O'Malley (born June 3, 1943) is a former United States Marine who was the first Marine Corps recipient of the Medal of Honor — the United States' highest military decoration — in the Vietnam War. He received the medal for his actions as a corporal on August 18, 1965, during Operation Starlite.



The President of the United States takes pride in presenting the MEDAL OF HONOR to

CORPORAL ROBERT E. O'MALLEY, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

for service as set forth in the following CITATION:

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action against the communist (Viet Cong) forces at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while serving as Squad Leader in Company "I", Third Battalion, Third Marines, Third Marine Division (Reinforced) near An Cu'ong 2, South Vietnam, on 18 August 1965. While leading his squad in the assault against a strongly entrenched enemy force, his unit came under intense small arms fire. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Corporal O'Malley raced across an open rice paddy to a trench line where the enemy forces were located. Jumping into the trench, he attacked the Viet Cong with his rifle and grenades, and singly killed eight of the enemy. He then led his squad to the assistance of an adjacent Marine unit which was suffering heavy casualties. Continuing to press forward, he reloaded his weapon and fired with telling effect into the enemy emplacement. He personally assisted in the evacuation of several wounded Marines, and again regrouping the remnants of his squad, he returned to the point of the heaviest fighting. Ordered to an evacuation point by an officer, Corporal O'Malley gathered his besieged and badly wounded squad, and boldly led them under fire to a helicopter for withdrawal. Although three times wounded in this encounter, and facing imminent death from a fanatic and determined enemy, he steadfastly refused evacuation and continued to cover his squad's boarding of the helicopters while, from an exposed position, he delivered fire against the enemy until his wounded men were evacuated. Only then, with his last mission accomplished, did he permit himself to be removed from the battlefield. By his valor, leadership, and courageous efforts in behalf of his comrades, he served as an inspiration to all who observed him, and reflected the highest credit upon the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

Lyndon B Johnson



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The O'Malley Clan Association aims to reach out to O'Malleys from all around the world and foster links between the O'Malleys around the globe and the clan at home here in Ireland.

The Clan Association formed in 1953 has been connecting O'Malleys around the world in The US and Canada, Britain, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, South America, and anywhere else you can think of for over 60 years now.

We hope with our new website, and newsletter, that We can go from strength to strength in our aim to connect all the O'Malleys around the world.

The Doolough Valley & Cong, A coach trip not to be missed!



On Saturday the 27th June, as part of the Annual O'Malley Clan Rally, A coach trip has been organised for everyone to tour from Louisburgh, down through the Doolough Valley to Cong. As you'll see from the picture to the left, this is one of the most stunning scenic areas in Ireland, and a trip surely not to be missed.

Also included in the trip will be a visit to Cong, where you can check out the village where

"The Quiet Man" was filmed, and the Quiet Man Museum. There'll be a boat trip to Inchagoill Island on Lough Corrib too. It'll be a trip where your senses will probably reach overload with the vast amount of stunning scenery on offer, so get yourself booked in today!!