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# **O'Malley Clan Association Monthly Newsletter**

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This month's highlights

- Happy Easter to all of the O'Malleys around the world
- Get in touch and share your stories!
- An amazing story, Dr Austin O'Malley
- The O'Malley Clan Gathering 2019, Programme of Events
- About the O'Malley Clan
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- The O'Malley Clan DNA Project on Family Tree DNA

## Happy Easter to all you O'Malleys out there!

It's the week when our thoughts turn to Easter Eggs and the Easter bunny and holidays with family and friends!

We hope you enjoy the Easter Holidays wherever you are and if you'd like to send in some pictures of your Easter 2019 festivities, don't be shy, drop us a line at omalleyclanireland@gmail.com









Have you got an article or old photographs that you'd like to submit for future editions of "O Maille" 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-

Get in touch and share your O'Malley Heritage!

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

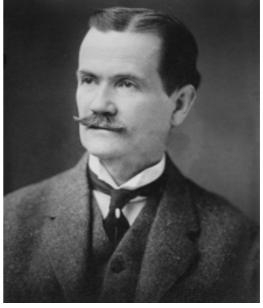


### An amazing story- Dr Austin O'Malley

Dr Austin O'Malley was born on October 1st 1858 in Pittston, Pennsylvania, to William O'Malley and Katherine Ward. He had two brothers, Dr. Joseph O'Malley, and Frank Ward O'Malley, the noted playwright. He also had 2 sisters . He entered Fordham University at the age of 14 and graduated top of his class three years later.

For the following three years He studied Philosophy and Languages at the Gregorian University in Rome, and then took up several teaching and lecturing posts in New York, Baltimore, and Washington. During this time He started contributing to several periodicals and also began his medical studies at Georgetown University.

After two years at the medical school in the University of Berlin, O'Malley took clinical courses in bacteriology in both Vienna and Paris. It was during this time that Dr O'Malley studied under Behring, who had just perfected an anti-toxin for Diphtheria. Then in 1983 He returned to Washington



and became Bacteriologist and Pathologist at The Marine Hospital and the Georgetown Medical School. It was on his return that He began to strongly advocate for the use of the new anti-toxin for Diphtheria across the American medical world.

Dr O'Malley then changed his focus once more and became Professor of Literature at Notre Dame University in Indiana. It was during his time here that He met his future bride Ailene Demetria Ellis.

In March 1902 Dr O'Malley married Ailene Demetria Ellis in New York. She was 20 years his junior. Shortly after the marriage, Ailene poisoned O'Malley using arsenic in his food as She wished to elope with another man, William J Hearin, who was 20 years old.

Dr O'Malley survived the attempt and was brought to hospital accompanied by his wife and his brother Dr Joseph O'Malley. With the cause of his illness still unknown Ailene stayed with Austin's brother Joseph for a period while he was being treated and during this time Joseph suspected that something was afoot between Ailene and Mr Hearin.

It was then noticed that some jewellery had gone missing in the house and Joseph searched the room where Ailene was staying finding a torn up letter that He was able to piece together and decipher the plan for elopement drawn up by Ailene and Hearin.

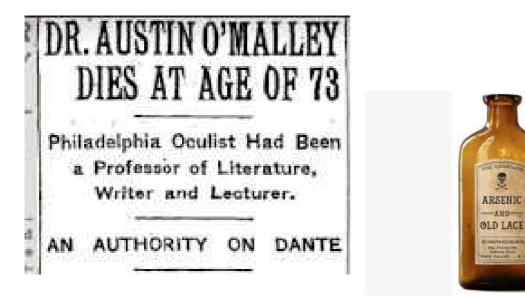
He immediately contacted the police who tracked down Hearin waiting for Ailene at a train station about to catch a train to the west of the country, and also caught Ailene in a cab on the way to the station in possession of some of the stolen jewellery and pawn tickets for the rest.

Ailene and William Hearin faced charges of robbery of the jewellery and it is unknown by the author at this point how that trial turned out, (if any of our subscribers can shed light on that it would be great). Both defendants were bailed for \$1,200 on July 10th 1902.

Dr Austin O'Malley eventually recovered from the poisoning and stayed on in Philadelphia where he had been in hospital and specialised as an oculist. He later continued his writing on both medicine and literature becoming a noted scholar on Dante and lecturing around the US.

He died on February 26th 1932 in Philadelphia, in St Agnes' Hospital where He had spent so long in recovery from the poisoning by his wife all those years before.

## An amazing story- Dr Austin O'Malley (contd)



# MRS. ALINE O'MALLEY HELD.

Professor's Wife and W. J. Hearin Put Under \$1,200 Bail on Charge of Taking Jewelry.

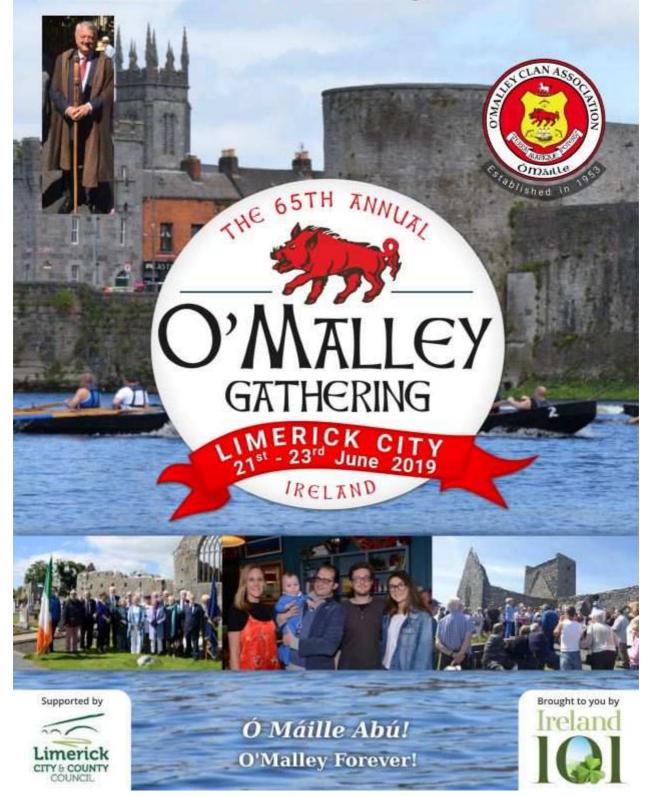
# NEW YORK WOMAN ACCUSED BY HER BROTHER-IN-LAW.

Mrs. Ailene O'Malley Charged with Larceny in Philadelphia—Is Said to Have Planned an Elopement.

Special to The New York Times.

## The O'Malley Clan Gathering 2019

Chieftain Brendan and the O'Malley Clan Association invite you to...



## The O'Malley Clan Gathering 2019

# 65<sup>th</sup>Annual O'Malley Gathering Limerick City - 2019

#### Friday June 21st

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM Limerick Courthouse, Merchant's Quay

6:00 PM onwards Istabrag Hall Admission: Complementary

#### Saturday June 22<sup>nd</sup>

10:00 AM - 3:30 PM Pick up at Strand Hotel & Cappavilla Village (UL) (Exact locations TBC) Admission: €25 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Strand Hotel Admission: Complementary

7:00 PM Strand Hotel Admission: €35

9:30 PM - ~12:00 AM Strand Hotel Admission: Complementary

### Sunday June 23rd

11:00 AM - 12:00 noon St. Mary's Church, Athlunkard Street

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Hunt Museum

1:30 PM - 2:15 PM Hunt Museum

2:00 PM Hunt Museum Admission: €27.50 Under 12's: €15



#### Walking Tour

Walking tour of Historic Limerick, led by Dr. Liam Irwin, distinguished historian. Maximum of 25 people. No charge but must book.

#### O'Malleys in Public Life Exhibition

To be opened by the Mayor of Limerick. Hear how O'Malleys have featured in the arts, politics, sport, music, and other fields.

#### Bus tour of Limerick and its surroundings

Programme to be announced. Lunch included.

#### O'Malley Genealogy Workshop

Learn the essentials of genealogy research. Bring your O'Malley family tree & find out new connections. Learn about the O'Malley DNA Project and how to capture oral history.

#### Dinner

Enjoy a three course meal in the rooftop Harris suite of the Strand Hotel, with spectacular views over the Shannon river and Limerick City.

#### **Chieftain's Welcome Evening**

An evening of traditional music, song and dancing with an official welcome by Chieftain Brendan O'Malley. (attendance is complementary but please book your place to ensure we have enough space).

#### O'Malley Gathering Mass

Special O'Malley Mass celebrated by Canon Donough O'Malley.

#### Family & Kids' Events



#### Annual General Meeting

All members are welcome to attend and discuss ideas for the year ahead.

#### The Gathering Lunch

The highlight of the weekend! Chieftain's awards, Fundraising Raffle, Inauguration of new chieftain 2019-2020.

#### Book now to avoid disappointment.

Tickets and accommodation can be booked at special rates through: https://www.ireland101.com/booking/start/omalley















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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 O'Malley Clan DNA Project on Family Tree DNA

The most common queries we get at The O'Malley Clan Association are queries in relation to helping to trace peoples ancestors in Ireland. As we all know, written records can only take us so far, (if you're lucky you'll get back to the early 1800's or late 1700's).

Many of the Irish Census Records and other historic documents were destroyed during the early part of the 20th century and as a result it can be very hard to trace ancestors back beyond the 19th century. Church records are a help, but can be patchy at times.

One way of narrowing down the search is through DNA testing. The O'Malley Clan Association is involved in a project with Family Tree DNA to test as many O'Malleys as possible to try and expand our knowledge of our roots as much as we possibly can.

There's a specific page for the project on the Family Tree DNA website:

https://www.familytreedna.com/groups/omalley/about

Check it out, there's lots of info there, and administrators also for any questions.

