



Michael F. Crowley Lectures

Our 2nd Program of the 2011-2012 Series

Dr. John F. Quinn

Thursday, October 13, 2011, 6:00 p.m.

**La Forge Casino Restaurant
186 Bellevue Avenue, Newport**

The Irish In Gilded Age Newport

Gilded Age Newport is well-known for its summer colonists and for the “cottages” that they built. However, less attention has been paid to the city’s year-round residents, at least one-third of whom were Irish. For Irish Newporters, this was a time of increasing visibility and influence. They were becoming prominent in local politics and in civic and religious organizations and a few of them even owned estates on Bellevue Avenue and Ocean Drive.

JOHN F. QUINN received his Ph.D. in history from Notre Dame. He has been professor of history with Salve Regina since 1992, and is History Department Chair. A prolific writer, Dr. Quinn is the author of numerous articles, as well as the book *Father Mathew’s Crusade: Temperance in Nineteenth Century Ireland and Irish-America* (U. of Mass. Press, 2002). His interests include Irish America, Modern Ireland, and American Religion and Ethnicity. He is an expert on Irish and Irish-American attitudes towards slavery in the 19th Century. Dr. Quinn’s professional memberships include: American Catholic Historical Association, American Conference on Irish Studies, Irish American Cultural Institute, and Society of Catholic Social Scientists. This is Dr. Quinn’s fourth speaking engagement with the Museum.

Following the lecture, a reception with light hors d'oeuvres will be held.

**Reservations are required. Please call or e-mail Ann Arnold at 401-841-5493
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