

# Shamrocks & Seashells

The Museum of Newport Irish History



The 10th Annual Benefit for the Museum's Interpretive Center, "Shamrocks & Seashells," drew 170 members and community supporters to Easton's Beach Rotunda ballroom on Saturday, August 17. Guests of the sold-out event were welcomed by bagpiper Michael O'Connor, and traditional Irish music was performed throughout the evening by the five-musician group, "The Exiles." Board of Directors president, Mike Slein, welcomed the guests and provided highlights of our upcoming activities, including the kick-off of the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Crowley Lecture Series on September 26.

Guests delighted in the opportunity to ride the beach's vintage carousel and capture the evening's festive mood at the Irish-themed photo booth. Many took in the ocean views from the wrap-around deck during the balmy summer evening. Kitchen Companion Catering provided the delicious summer-inspired menu which had an international flair and the hosted bar.

The popular silent auction included such unique items as an escorted Climb to the Top of the Newport Bridge Tower for Two, an award-winning oil painting of an Irish step-dancer by local artist, Johnathan Small, and a replica of Titanic Lifeboat #14.

Event proceeds will help defray ongoing operating expenses of the Museum's Interpretive Center, fund enhancements to Center displays, and bolster its endowment. ***Please scroll down to see photos of the event.***

## THANK YOU

### Attendees, Sponsors & Donors

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***If you have not had the opportunity to support this, our most important fundraising event of the year, it's not too late!***

Membership fees alone do not cover the cost to operate our Interpretive Center. Your tax-deductible donation ***in any amount*** is much appreciated.

To donate using a credit card, click the "Donate Now" button.

In the "*special instructions to the seller*" field please write "Shamrocks & Seashells." To donate by check payable to "MNIH" please mail to PO Box address provided below. Please indicate that the donation is intended to support Shamrocks & Seashells.

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