



## The Museum of Newport Irish History MNIH

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**THE NEXT MUSEUM OF NEWPORT IRISH HISTORY'S MICHAEL F. CROWLEY LECTURE WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>, 6PM, AT THE LAFORGE CASINO RESTAURANT.**

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**THE SPEAKER WILL BE Dr. Maureen Lapan, who has been a Berkeley scholar for over 35 years. Ms. Lapan is a graduate of the Rhode Island College of Education, received her M.A. degree from Brown University, and a PhD from the University of Connecticut.**

**Professor Lapan was a founding member of the International Berkeley Society and has served as an officer in the Society ever since, currently as the Archivist. She participated in developing a major exhibition on Berkeley at the National Gallery of Ireland in Dublin. Dr. Lapan worked on the preservation of the Berkeley home site in Kilkenny and co-authored "Images of Berkeley", a critically acclaimed book, which includes material on Berkeley's travel to America. Dr. Lapan is known in Ireland as a leading scholar on the subject of Berkeley in America.**

**Professor Lapan's talk will, of course, be about George Berkeley, who is regarded as one of the greatest philosophers in the western tradition.**

**Berkeley arrived in Newport in 1729, hoping to establish a utopian university in America for the education of both young native Americans and the sons of European settlers. Dr. Lapan's lecture will relate to that story and includes slides concerning Berkeley in Ireland and America.**

***RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR THIS TALK. PLEASE CALL SKIP CARTER AT 683-4137. MEMBERS ARE FREE, AND NON-MEMBERS ARE ASKED FOR A \$10 DONATION.***