### IRISH HISTORY MONTH—HIGHLIGHTS



DANCING AT THE 40 STEPS IN 2022. (PHOTO BY LEW ABRAMSON)

## SUNDAY, MARCH 16 Trolley Tour of "Irish Newport"

Hibernian Hall, 2 Wellington Ave.
Two-hour tour, narrated by Mike Slein. Includes brief stops at various sites connected to the history of the Irish in Newport. Presented by the Museum of Newport Irish History and sponsored by Viking Tours of Newport, in memory of Karen Oakley.
Reservations are a must as capacity is limited. Go to NewportIrishHistory.org/Events

Time: 1pm Cost: free

# WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19 Rhode Island Irish History Lecture

Wyndham Newport Hotel, 240 Aquidneck Ave., Middletown; and via Zoom The Museum of Newport Irish History's 23rd Annual Lecture Series concludes with a presentation by Raymond McKenna titled, "The Old Stone Bank: A Window Into The Lives Of Our 19th Century Ancestors." Reservations required for both in-person and Zoom participation.



ST. MARY'S CEMETERY, "A TREASURE TROVE OF NEWPORT IRISH GENEOLOGY." (STEVE MARINO)

For talk overview, speaker bio, and links to reserve, go to NewportIrishHistory.org/lectures

**Time:** 6pn

Cost: \$5 (no cost to Zoom)

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 22 Historic Irish Cemetery Tour (circa 1828)

Barney St. Cemetery, corner Barney and Mt. Vernon streets.

Visit the state's oldest Catholic cemetery and site of Rhode Island's first Catholic church, built in 1828, established to serve Newport's growing Irish immigrant community.

The tour, by local guide Steve Marino, is approximately 30 minutes long. Sponsored by the Museum of Newport Irish History. Reservations requested; go to NewportIrishHistory.org/Events

Time: 1pm Cost: free

### SATURDAY, MARCH 29

#### Historic Irish Cemetery Tour (circa 1852)

Saint Mary's Cemetery, Kingston Ave. near Warner St.

Explore the final resting place of well over a thousand Newport residents of the mid-1800s through the early1900s, including countless immigrants from Ireland and first-generation Irish-Americans.

The tour, by local guide Steve Marino, is approximately 45 minutes.

Sponsored by the Museum of Newport Irish History.

Reservations requested; go to NewportIrishHistory.org/Events

Time: 1pm Cost: free

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 30**

### **Dancing at the Forty Steps**

Cliff Walk, east end of Narragansett Ave.
Commemorating the informal dances held here by the Irish who made Newport their home in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Enjoy live traditional Irish music and watch or join in the Irish set dancing demonstrations, led by Donal and Mary Lehane. Includes an appearance by the Ancient Order of Hibernian Men Singers.
Weather permitting. No reservations.



A GATHERING OF MUSICIANS AT 40 STEPS. (LEW ABRAMSON)

Visit NewportIrishHistory.org/Events for details and updates.

Repeating:

# Museum of Newport Irish History Interpretive Center

648 Lower Thames St.

**Time:** 12 noon – 5pm, Fridays - Sundays, March 7-9; 14-16; and 21-23.

Learn about Irish immigration to Newport County and the contributions to the community from individuals of Irish descent from the 1600s to the present, through various exhibits, including photographs, artifacts and more.

**Cost:** Admission by donation. MNIH Members and children under 16 are free. For more information visit
NewportIrishHistory.org



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