



IRISH AMERICAN PARTNERSHIP

ST. PATRICK'S DAY BREAKFAST CELEBRATION

Boston Harbor Hotel ♦ March 15th, 2018



Former State Senator Linda Dorcena-Forry, Partnership CEO Mary Sugrue, Minister Michael Ring, Dr. Maeve Liston, and Boston Corporation Counsel Eugene O'Flaherty

ST. PATRICK'S DAY BREAKFAST 2018

The Boston Harbor Hotel was alive with Irish spirit for the Partnership's annual St. Patrick's Day Breakfast on March 15th. Over 300 Partnership supporters enjoyed the opportunity to celebrate the holiday, network, and reconnect with friends.

In commemoration of the upcoming twentieth anniversary of the Belfast/Good Friday agreement, all guests received a copy of the signatory page of the Agreement. The Partnership will be honoring this occasion with an upcoming publication reflecting on twenty years of work in Northern Ireland.

Dr. Maeve Liston, Professor at Mary Immaculate College in Limerick and the coordinator of the Partnership's science development program in Munster, presented on the impact of the Partnership's programs in science teacher training and STEM education outreach. She discussed her work promoting the integration of robotics in the curriculum through a free summer course for local teachers partially funded by the Partnership.

Michael Ring T.D., Irish Minister for Rural & Community Development, endorsed the Partnership's work and testified to its impact across Ireland. He was touched by the overwhelming show of solidarity by Irish-America and thanked the audience for their generosity in supporting such an important cause.

CEO Mary Sugrue thanked everyone for coming and discussed the Partnership's impact in promoting education and community development. In commemoration of the anniversary of the Belfast/Good Friday Agreement, she emphasized the importance of working with schools of all affiliations in Northern Ireland and of maintaining funding of cross-community initiatives.

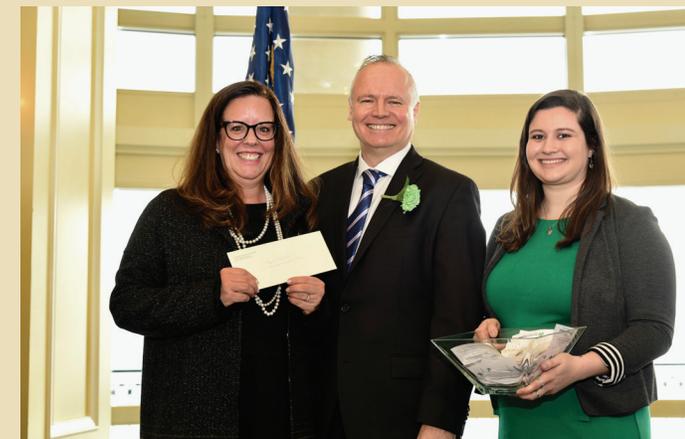
Special thanks to **Kevin J. Leary of VPNE**, **Kevin Kelley of Ironshore**, **Aidan Browne of Sullivan & Worcester**, and **Bob Mauro of Boston College** for their generous sponsorship of the breakfast.



Minister Michael Ring endorsed the work of the Partnership and spoke of the importance of investing in rural Ireland.



Dr. Maeve Liston, Professor at Mary Immaculate College in Limerick and coordinator of the Partnership's STEM program in Munster, presented on her work.



Raffle ticket winner Jennifer McMahon, Paul McDonagh of Tourism Ireland and Partnership staffer Natalie Metz. Jennifer won 2 roundtrip tickets to Ireland courtesy of Tourism Ireland.



View the gallery at www.irishap.org and www.facebook.com/irishamericanpartnership

Thanks to all those who attended

The Irish American Partnership's St. Patrick's Day Breakfast

The Irish American Partnership works to empower the next generation of Irish leaders by supporting educational initiatives and community development programs in **Ireland, North and South**. The Partnership provides forums for visiting leaders from Ireland to speak in the U.S., connecting Irish-Americans with their heritage and promoting economic development through tourism, trade, and mutual exchange.



Father William Joy offers the benediction



Mary Conroy singing the American and Irish National Anthems



City of Boston Corporation Counsel Eugene O'Flaherty gave Mayor Marty Walsh's regards to the audience and reflected on the importance of the Irish American relationship



CEO Mary Sugrue discussed the impact of the Partnership's work for Ireland, emphasizing the work done promoting peace and reconciliation



Mayor of Lynn Tom McGee and former State Senator Linda Dorcena Forry



Committee Member Jim Brett and Partnership supporter Paddy Grace

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