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March: : Originally first month of the Roman calendar. Named for Mars the Roman god of war, crops and vegetation

**Life's richest treasure
That money cannot measure
Is a Mother's love,
A heart gift from God above.**

Happy Mother's Day

***GUIMID LA SHONA AOIBHINN DIAR MATHRACHA AR A LA
SPECISIALTA***

Happy Saint Patrick's Day

BEANNACHTAI NA FEILE PADRAIG ORAIBH GO LEIR

**THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE DALKEY COMMUNITY
COUNCIL
WILL TAKE PLACE ON MONDAY, 1 MARCH
IN OUR LADY'S HALL CASTLE STREET, DALKEY
AT 7.30PM.**

**THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND EVERY RESIDENT OF
DALKEY IS BOTH WELCOME AND INVITED TO ATTEND.
IN ADDITION THIS IS AN ELECTION YEAR FOR THE COMMUNITY
COUNCIL.**

**SHOULD YOU WISH TO BE CONSIDERED AS A REPRESENTATIVE FOR
YOUR ROAD PLEASE READ THE ENCLOSED LEAFLET CAREFULLY.**

MANY THANKS.

The monthly meeting of the Dalkey Community Council was held on Monday, 2

February.

HERITAGE:

The absence of the Dart at the weekends is having an affect on the Heritage Centre. The 'Living History' is continuing through till the end of March and this affords school children the opportunity to see and understand the living and social conditions of an earlier time. On completion of the enactment each child receives a personalised scroll from the King of Dalkey. The lunchtime theatre resumes after Easter.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH:

Sergeant Majella Lynch and Inspector Pat Ward addressed the meeting on Neighbourhood Watch (NW) and shared with the Community Council members their aspirations to revitalise the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme and how to be a good neighbour. NW has suffered due to the change in our lifestyles and many not knowing their next door neighbours due to work and family commitments. However both Majella and Pat emphasised to the meeting that should any resident see or hear anything that he/she feels is anyway suspicious to please ring the Gardaí. It appears that recently in Cabinteely a lady rang the Gardaí because she felt a man was acting suspiciously, the Gardaí intercepted the individual and arrested him for burglary as he was caught with his haul. They emphasised also that crime prevention is important - most break-ins appear to be carried out in the afternoon or early evening and in many of these cases the householder has left his/her house unlocked or forgotten to activate the alarm, the would be thief then avails of such opportunities. Also while out in the garden keep front, back and side doors locked. We will soon see bicycle Gardaí 'on patrol' and these Gardaí will give greater scope to the force in not alone combating crime but also in forging even better relations between our community and the Gardaí with Dalkey being all the better for it.

PLANNING:

Ballycrane, Castle Park Road:

An application has been made in respect of 9 apartments. There have been serious concerns with regard to the current traffic problem in this locality (junction of Castle Park Road with Barnhill Road) for many years therefore concern is heightened that this development may exacerbate the situation.

Draft Development Plan:

The Community Council submitted its observations to the adjustments made to the Draft Development Plan. It is of great concern to the Community Council and many residents that there could be an attempt to remove all conservation locations from the County Council area, (to include Dalkey). It is also thought that the County Council would then reinstate these conservation locations when funding becomes available. However it is felt that this possible alteration would be to the detriment of Dalkey and the whole County Council area thus possibly allowing developers to gain planning approval when previously this would have been refused thus allowing our unique heritage to be lost forever in the process.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

The change in structure of Vico Road with the addition of seats, along with the ramps and roundabouts in Killiney Village is causing concern to many residents it seems. Vico Road is now narrower since the addition of the seats and it is felt these are not necessary as there is adequate seating on the green area.

● **DALKEY COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP** ●

There will be a Pub Quiz for Dalkey Community Playgroup on Friday, 12 March in the Cuala Bar at 9pm sharp. All welcome.

FROM HERE TO CHINA AND BACK A WINNER

Dalkey girl, Rosanna Davison did Dalkey and Ireland proud in China last December when she became Miss World beating off tough competition from some 100 or so other contestants from all over the globe. Many congratulations and the very best of luck to you during your reign as Miss World and in your most-promising career to come.

● **SOME QUICK 'EARTH SHATTERING' FACTS** ●

- The earth is not entirely round it flattens slightly at the north and south poles and bulges at the Equator.
- The Equator is an imaginary line round the middle of the earth.
- The distance around the Equator is 24,904 miles.
- The earth weighs 6,000 million, million, million tonnes!
- Nearly three quarters of the earth's surface is covered by water.
- There is more land to the north of the Equator than the south. Most people live in the countries to the north of the Equator.

● **BUYING A HOUSE** ●

To judge by scratches on the floors
And marks of wear low down on doors
The recent occupants, now left,
Must of their senses been bereft,
And owned a CAT.

But further studying this place,
With scratches on the walls and base,
The answer would appear to me,
As anyone can plainly see,
They **MUST** have owned a chimpanzee.

The draperies are very bad,
The chewed up curtains seem to add
New evidence, that even now,
I argue with the neighbours how,
These people EVER kept a cow.

How could its outside look so new,
Its inside looking like a zoo?
I found, Sir; in the basement, frogs!
The hairs on stairs belong to dogs!
WHAT NEXT? I ask of you?

"They had no cat," the agent said,
No dogs or chimps have made this mess,
But had six children since they wed
And lived their lives in happiness
Loving the Lord, His Word and Creed.
"I'll buy," I said,
And signed the Deed

David E. Cohen (deceased) brother to Colleen Cohen, member of DARA

• **SMOKING ARE YOU THINKING OF QUITTING?** •

The smoking ban will come into force on Monday, 29 March so you might be thinking of quitting, the following are a few points and tips which may help:

The benefits: when you stop straight away your breath will be fresher, so will your hair and clothes you'll also have more money in your pocket.

Within twenty minutes your blood pressure and pulse rates begin to return to normal;

within a day your risk of heart attack falls;

within two days you will have a better sense of taste and smell;

within three days you will feel fitter as you will not be as breathless as when you were smoking and

after one year the risk of sudden death from a heart attack is almost cut in half.

The risk from cancer is also reduced.

The facts: tobacco smoke contains over 4,000 chemicals, including tar which can cause cancer; smoking can take 10-15 years off your potential life span; smoking is a major risk factor for heart disease and increases the risk of stroke; smoking stains your teeth and fingers and is bad for your skin and complexion.

Some tips: if you like to smoke when you're on the telephone remove the ashtray; if you enjoy a cigarette after a meal brush your teeth or chew some sugar-free gum; in the first few weeks while you are off the cigarettes socialising in a smoky environment can be difficult, avoid these situations for a while; if you are used to having a cigarette in your hand find something else to hold like a pencil; if you are having a few alcoholic drinks be careful, you can often forget you've given up smoking; drink juice or water or eat fruit when you feel like a cigarette, this helps by freshening your mouth and hopefully lower

your craving, a craving only lasts 3 to 5 minutes at a time and it will pass;

Nicotine Replacement Therapy can help double your chances of stopping.

Tips on cravings - DELAY, DRINK, DISTRACT, DEEP that is delay three to five minutes the urge will pass, drink a glass of water or fruit juice, distract yourself, move away from the situation, breathe deeply and slowly. Once you have decided to give up be positive, enlist the help of family and friends who will be supportive and encourage you. Smoking is addictive which is why it can be difficult to stop, but you can stop. Wishing you the very best of luck.

Information courtesy of the Irish Cancer Society

• **CITIZENS INFORMATION CENTRE: Know Your Rights.....** •

I heard it is possible to receive medical treatment abroad. Is this true?

Yes. It is possible in certain circumstances. Under EU regulations an individual from one member state is entitled to medical benefits on the same basis as nationals in another member state if authorised by the competent institution in his/her own state i.e. your local Health Board in Ireland. This authorisation may not be refused if ·

The treatment is among the benefits provided for in the home state's legislation and ·
The individual cannot be given this treatment within the time normally necessary for obtaining it in the home state, taking account of his/her current state of health and the probable course of the disease.

The Health Board has guidelines that set out the conditions for authorisation: Your application must be assessed before you go abroad although some leeway may be allowed in extremely urgent cases. A hospital consultant must provide medical evidence of the details of your condition and of the type of treatment envisaged. The consultant must certify that - the treatment concerned is not available in this country - there is urgent medical necessity for the treatment - there is a reasonable medical prognosis - the treatment is regarded as a proven form of medical treatment and - the treatment abroad is in a recognised hospital or other institution and is under the control of a registered medical practitioner. If authorised to go to another member state your Health Board will give you Form E112, which establishes entitlement to the treatment and implies a commitment by your Health Board to pay the cost of the treatment. People on public hospital waiting lists may be sent to Northern Ireland or the UK for treatment by the National Treatment Purchase Fund (NTPF). The NTPF was set up to source treatment for adults waiting over a year and children waiting over six months. In some areas these waiting times have been reduced to six months and three months respectively. Contact the NTPF at LoCall 1890 720 820 to check whether you may qualify.

Citizens Information Centre,
85-86 Patrick Street,
Dun Laoghaire,
telephone 284 4544.

SCOUTING IRELAND IN DALKEY

You may have seen some media coverage in recent weeks about the formation of Scouting Ireland. This new national Scout Association has been formed by the two long established organisations - Scouting Ireland CSI and Scouting Ireland SAI. This represents the culmination of a number of years' work to bring all scouts in Ireland into a single organisation, which was formally agreed by both associations last May.

While all Scouts in Dalkey will now be members of Scouting Ireland, the two local groups - 17th Dublin (formerly CSI) and 41st Dublin (formerly SAI) - will continue to operate within SI very much as before.

17th Dublin has Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers and meet at the scout Den off St. Begnet's Villas. They may be contacted through their Group Leader, Martin Ellard, telephone 087 226 2317.

41st Dublin (3rd Port of Dublin) have Sea Cubs and Sea Scouts and meet at St. Patrick's Hall, Harbour Road. They may be contacted through their Group Leader, Brian Meyer, telephone 086 669 6812.

FOR THE LOVE OF CHINA AND ONE DALKEY MAN'S QUEST TO HELP

Best of luck to Gary Cooney who is taking part in the 'Connemarathon' to raise funds for The China Care Foundation Charity on 28 March 2004. The China Care Foundation (www.chinacare.org) works with the abandoned children of China funding surgeries for many so they can be adopted both in China and abroad. The Foundation also provides financial assistance to some of China's poorest orphanages, so the children can grow up with improved care and in more sanitary conditions. Money goes a great deal further in China, which means that any amount of sponsorship, no matter how small, can make a difference. Should you wish to pledge any support for Gary or make contact with him you can do so by reaching him at 'Windward', Dalkey Avenue.

DO YOU KNOW HOW IT CAME ABOUT? FIRE

It is very easy for us to strike a match to light a fire for example and not think anything of it but how did fire come into being? In Africa as early as 1,500,000 to 1,400,000 BC man's ancestors made use of bush fires when they came across them. Between 730,000 to 200,000 BC man searched for natural fires i.e. fires caused by lightning and carefully kept burning as it was not known how to keep them going. It only became known how to light a fire in the time between 200,000 to 60,000 BC. At this stage the first tents were made from animal skins. In the era from 60,300 to 40,300 BC camp fires were guarded carefully and the first house like structures came into being. Fire now not only provided warmth and protection from wild animals but cooked food, thawed animal carcasses from their store rooms, made way for cultivation by burning clearings and flaming arrows also came about during war. Fire was not let go out because if it did the entire settlement would suffer therefore a lot of magic and ritual became attached to fire as it was considered a living being, one that had to be pacified with burnt offerings. Later eras gave names to

their gods of fire such as Prometheus, Girru and Hephaistos.

BREASTCHECK

BreastCheck, the National Breast Screening Programme, for women aged 50 to 64 years living in the Dalkey, Dundrum, Sandyford and Ballaly areas has been taking place between December and February. BreastCheck aims to reduce the number of women dying from breast cancer by finding and treating the disease at an early stage. If you want to check if your name is on the BreastCheck list, or have other questions, you can Freephone 1800 45 45 55.

DALKEY COMMUNITY GAMES

Are you aged between 7 to 18 years of age and want to take part in the Community Games? If so we'd like to hear from you. Let us know if you are interested in, for example, swimming, athletics, art, model making, choir, variety, hockey, to name but a few. Please leave your name, address, telephone number and what you're interested in to the Dalkey Community Council post box in Our Lady's Hall in Castle Street. Also we'd love to hear from those over 18 who would like to help with the Games in Dalkey, please also leave your name, address and telephone number the Community Council's post box.

CIRCLE

Slow down the seasons, they're turning too fast!
Spring is delightful, but quickly slips past,
Summer is beautiful, peaches and cream,
Long days and holidays pass like a dream.
Autumn comes swiftly, with russet and red,
A glorious canopy over my head,
Winter comes creeping soon, misty and chill,
Lights in the city and snow on the hill.
The circle keeps spinning, the year rushing past,
Slow down the seasons, they're turning too fast!

Iris Hesselden from The Fireside Book of David Hope 2003

CASTLE PARK SCHOOL - CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

This year sees the centenary of the founding of Castle Park School. The Centenary year will be launched on 15th March, traditionally celebrated as the school's Founder's Day. It was on this day in 1904 that the school grounds and premises were acquired by W.P.Toone. The school itself opened in September 1904 and as W.P.T. himself wrote in 1925, "How those first parents were persuaded into sending their sons to be experimented on - in an entirely new school by an unknown Englishman - remains still a mystery." The school opened with 20 boys. The very first boy to be entered was W. A. Gausson and on the same day, E.F. Carter, who later became a famous golfer, was also entered. The first boy to arrive at the school, Harold Boyd, came from Hertfordshire in England and he arrived the day before the school officially opened. Sadly, he was also the first old boy of the school (or Old Cepian) to be killed during the First World War. Mr. Toone belonged to

the old school of Headmasters and could be a very strict disciplinarian but his justice was never questioned and by his example he imparted to all who knew him a strict sense of honour, fair play, generosity and good manners. He was clearly much loved and respected by the boys who attended Castle Park during his time as Headmaster and he equally clearly loved the boys who attended his school. He was a cricket fanatic and by all accounts an excellent coach. Pupils came from all areas of Ireland and from overseas. Several have recounted their journeys on the train from Belfast and thence on the tram from "Kingstown". Mr. Toone ran the school very successfully for 34 years, only retiring in 1938. He handed over the reins to his good friend D.S. Pringle. The school continued to flourish under D.S.P's guidance and he carried on many of the traditions established by W.P.T. until his untimely death during the winter of 1961. Until this time, Castle Park was a proprietary school, that is it was owned by the principal. D.S.P's death, therefore caused some concern and the school was run by two senior masters until it was decided what was to become of Castle Park. Thanks largely to the drive and initiative of Maurice Horan and a group of Old Cepians who gathered together to negotiate with the Pringle family, the school remained open and a new Headmaster, Mr. R.P.G. Carter, was appointed by the newly formed Board of Directors. Mr. Carter oversaw one of the most progressive times in the school's history as much development of the school's facilities took place during the 1960's and 1970's. It was at this time that a new classroom block was built, a new dining room and dormitory wing added, a new all-weather surface for hockey laid and perhaps the one feature that many local residents have made considerable use of, the swimming pool was installed. This also meant that Castle Park children no longer had to resort to Bulloch Harbour for their swimming lessons! Castle Park now had facilities of the highest standard, probably unrivalled in Ireland for the age- group being catered for. It was also during this time that other fundamental changes took place with the introduction of co-education in the early 1970's and the advent of day pupils in the early 1980's. The current generation of Castle Park pupils continues to enjoy the legacy of this period of rapid development. Carl Collings This article continues next month.

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION FOR HOUSEHOLDERS

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council is organising free collections of Hazardous Waste items such as Paints, Strippers, Thinners, Batteries, Fluorescent Tubes, Insecticides, Old Medicines, Cleaning Agents, Detergents, Bleaches and Waste Oils. These hazardous wastes SHOULD NOT be presented with normal household waste for landfill.

A Cara Chemcar truck will be located at the West Pier council car park (Salthill/Monkstown) on Saturday, 6 March and on Saturday, 4 April at Our Lady's Girls' National School, Ballinteer Avenue between 9am and 1pm and 2pm to 5pm.

It is very difficult to predict the amount of hazardous waste being deposited so unfortunately once the Chemcar truck is full on the day no more items can be accepted. For further information please telephone 2054817, e-mail environ@dlrcoco.ie or check our website www.dlrcoco.ie.

BOOKBRIEF

Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society Journal - 2004 As always, there is an excellent selection of articles in this, the latest issue of the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society, covering a variety of local history topics relative to Dun Laoghaire and South County Dublin. Copies, price Euro 6 are available at monthly meetings of the Society or a selected number of booksellers/newsagents.

The Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society may be contacted at 7 Northumberland Park, Dun Laoghaire - Colin Scudds.

James Scannell

LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY LECTURES

Wednesday, 3 March: Susan Roundtree will present her lecture 'Mount Pleasant Square, Dublin' at 8pm to the Rathmichael Historical Society in Rathmichael School, Shankill.

Wednesday, 10 March: Seamus O Maitiu will present his lecture 'Dublin Townships: Dalkey/Killiney' at 7.30pm to the Ballybrack-Killiney History Society in the Parochial Hall, Saint Alphonsus and Columba Church, Ballybrack.

Wednesday, 24 March: John Donnelly and Brian Maguire will present their lecture 'Lighthouses around the Irish Sea' at 8pm to the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire.

MY PLACE - SCOIL HARÓID, DALKEY 1971 - 2004

Last month the Dalkey Community Council wished Seán Ó Gormáin well on his retirement. The following is an article he wrote looking back on his time in Harold Boys.

I arrived in Scoil Haróid in 1971. At this time, Diarmuid Ó hAlmhain, who had been Principal there since the early '40's, was retiring. I was the youngest of six male teachers whose names were Prionsias Ó Maoláin (Principal) Diarmuid Ó Ceallaigh (Vice-Principal), Brian Ó Cuireáin, Aodh Ó Feargháil and Michael Ó Conchúir. Prionsias had been teaching here since the early '40's, Diarmuid came in the early '60's, Brian and Aodh came later in the same decade and Michael started here in 1970. All were still teaching here up to the early '80's.

When Prionsias retired in 1984 Diarmuid and myself were the only teachers left from the time of my arrival and Diarmuid retired in 1996. I took early retirement in January 2004. The physical building is now as it was in 1971. The only tree, at that time, as you came in the front gate, was the beautiful horse chestnut which, according to the locals is about 90 years of age. The other trees have been added over the last 30 years by Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. In the schoolyard, a tall Scot's Pine grew till a storm blew it down in 1990. In 1971 there was a pre-fabricated classroom standing, where years before that, pupils had vegetable plots.

We had five classrooms in the school building and the pre-fab was erected because of increasing numbers of pupils and six teachers. In the south-end of the schoolyard were old redbrick sheds which had been used as a turf shed and dry toilets. Brendan Maloney, the

man for all jobs, removed them shortly after. The type of lean-to shed still there became a bicycle shed as many pupils cycled to school then. To the north of the schoolyard was a teacher's residence called Tigh Mhichil. It was built in 1901, a two-storey redbrick building standing on a third of an acre. I lived in that house from 1971 to 1989 and after that, eleven new houses were built on that site.

Inside the school building there were toilets and cloakrooms at either end. There was an office, in the newer part, but no secretary! The teachers didn't have a staff room and this was only provided in 1990 when the original entrance hall was converted to one and teachers could now sit down for a cup of coffee! In the early '70's there was never any money for repairs and the school received no maintenance. The school was shabby and needed repairs and painting.

In the mid-70's parents and teachers devised many schemes to raise money. Parents created a Development Committee and raised thousands of pounds to modernise and develop the school. It was so bad, at one time, that the electricity supply was under threat if the bill wasn't paid!!! The parents saved the day. Some of the schemes for raising funds were - Sponsored Walk around Dalkey, Sales of Work, an Annual Easter Fair, Race Nights, 10 Week Draw, James Archbold running the Marathon for the school. We also had a monthly dance - a social occasion that did raise money too! The venue for these dances was the Shangri-La, where Pilot View Apartments now stand. Then we were in the Cliff Castle on Coliemore Road and also Dalkey Island Hotel. The enjoyment and support we got for these events had to be seen to be believed! Parents were automatically members of the Development Committee when their children became pupils. Meetings were held monthly and teachers and parents were united in supporting the school. In 1990 the school needed refurbishment and the elimination of dry and wet rot in the 1901 part of the school.

Through Father Bill Fortune's persistence and parents fundraising, the Board of Works completed a quarter of a million pounds worth of interior and exterior improvements. 1990 also saw the end of the male only presence in the school! A lady teacher, Mrs Alice Ward, arrived and a ninety-year old custom was changed forever. It was a good and sensible decision. During the last 10 years the cloakrooms became learning support and computer rooms.

The pupil population did fall and there are now four teachers. During my thirty-three years in Scoil Haróid, I have seen the village school provide modern facilities for a modern education with parents, teachers and staff working together, and it remains a village school. In 2001 we celebrated the centenary of Scoil Haróid. Past pupils and friends gathered to laud the school's 100th birthday. "Old Boys" told of their times and memories and we marvelled at the sense of continuous community that the school bred in the locality. Everyone I met had a great sense of pride in the school's history and longevity. Before I finish this look back, I would like to thank the parents I have known, the people in Dalkey and my teaching colleagues and staff of Scoil Haróid who made my years in Dalkey so happy. "Thank You" to the present staff and parents who made my retirement an event to remember. I feel Dalkey is my place because of all of these happy memories.

In next month's edition of the Newsletter - April, the Community Council will include its little brown envelope for the yearly collection. The Council is made-up of a group of ordinary individuals who volunteer a little of their time to represent their road/organisation and become one collective voice as it strives to make Dalkey an even nicer and more enviable place to live (if that's possible!). It acts always in the interests of the community of Dalkey and the protection of its heritage and environment. The Community council publishes, monthly, this Newsletter in addition to running other activities - the Art Exhibition, Garden Competition, Tree Planting, the Christmas Tree and many more. Neighbourhood Watch and the Community Games also come under the auspices of the Council. The only income at its disposal is from the advertisers which goes towards the publication costs of the Newsletter and this yearly collection. Without your support the Dalkey Community Council could not function and continue. The Council is very aware of the demands imposed on your generosity but hope you will be in a position to see your way to continue helping the work of this Council for the benefit of Dalkey.

COOK'S KITCHEN

: Ingredients - Method:

Mother's Day Strawberry Shortcake Wedges:

Ingredients:

8ozs self-raising flour, teaspoon baking powder, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt, 4ozs butter, 2ozs caster sugar, 1 orange, 1 egg, 3 tablespoons milk, $\frac{1}{4}$ pint double cream, 12ozs strawberries, 1 tablespoons orange juice.

Method:

Heat oven to 425°, 220°C, Gas Mark 7.

Sift flour, baking powder and salt into a bowl.

Rub in butter until it resembles breadcrumbs.

Stir in sugar and grated rind from the orange.

Beat egg and milk together and add to flour.

Mix to a soft dough.

Knead lightly on a floured surface and roll.

Cut into 8 wedges and bake for 12 to 15 minutes until risen and golden brown.

Allow to cool.

Whip cream and slice strawberries.

Split each shortcake and fill with cream and half the strawberries.

Arrange the remainder of the strawberries on top.

REMEMBER TO

put your clock forward one hour early on Sunday morning, 28 March - Summer Time Begins!!! Welcome back to those long, bright and hopefully hot summer nights.

MOTHER'S DAY

Mother's Day is remembrance day
And we pause on the path of the year
To pay honour and worshipful tribute
To the mother our heart holds dear ...

For, whether here or in heaven,
Her love is our haven and guide,
For always the memory of mother
Is a beacon light shining inside ...

Time cannot destroy her memory
And years can never erase
The tenderness and the beauty
Of the love in a mother's face ...

And, when we think of our mother,
We draw nearer to God above,
For only God in His greatness
Could fashion a mother's love.

Helen Steiner Rice

SPRING

The March wind roars
Like a lion in the sky,
And makes us shiver
As he passes by.
When winds are soft,
And the days are warm and clear,
Just like a gentle lamb,
Then spring is here.

Author Unknown

ST PATRICK'S DAY

Top of the morning
Is what we say
On March 17th St. Patrick's Day.
Wear your green
And I am told,
If you catch a leprechaun
He'll give you his gold.
Top O' the Morning

• FORTHCOMING (&PAST!) EVENTS •

Monthly Community Council Meeting -

8pm Mon 1st
Mar

St Valentine's Day

Sat 14th
February

Concorde's maiden flight

2nd Mar 1969

Lecture - Rathmichael Historical Society, Shankill

8pm Wed 3rd
Mar

Alexander Graham Bell patented the telephone

7th Mar 1876

Eiffel Tower officialy opens

31st Mar 1889

Rugby - England v Ireland

Sat 6th March

National Tree Week

Sun 7th to 14th
Mar

Collating of April Newsletter

Fri 26th March

World Book Day

Thurs 4th Mar

AGM DALKEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

7.30 Mon 1st
March

Lecture - St Alphonsus & Columba Church, Ballybrack

7.30pm Wed
10th

Pub Quiz - Cuala Bar

9pm Fri 12th
Mar

Castle Park Centenary year to be launched

Mon 15th Mar

St. Patrick's Day - National Holiday

Wed 17th Mar

Daffidil Day

Fri 19th Mar

Rugby - Ireland v Italy

Sat 20th Mar

Spring Begins!!

Sat 20th Mar

Mother's Day

Sun 21st Mar

Lecture - Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire

8pm Wed 24th
Mar

SIVE - Dalkey Town Hall and Heritage Centre

Wed Sat 24th -
27th Mar

Rugby - Ireland v Scotland

Sat 27th Mar

Summer Time begins - clock go forward

Sun 28th Mar

April Community Council Meeting

Mon 29th Mar

Eco Week

29 Mar - 4 April

Storytelling for children aged 3-6 years old takes place each Thursday between 3.30pm and 4pm in Dalkey Library.

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