

Irish American Archives Society
Outreach events March 2015

March 3, 7:00 pm

“Gangs, Gangsters, and Gamblers”

Talk at Middleburg Heights Historical Society

15700 Bagley Road, Middleburg Heights, Ohio 44130

Details below

March 6, 6:00 pm

“Johnny Kilbane Sculpture Project”

Gallery Talk at Cleveland Museum of Art

11150 East Boulevard, Cleveland, OH 44106

Details below.

March 7, 10 am – Noon

Irish Heritage Bike Ride

Ohio City Bicycle Co-op

1840 Columbus Road • Cleveland, Ohio • 44113

Details below.

March 21-23

Kilbanetown Comeback

Sculpture Documentary at the Cleveland International Film Festival

We will be selling tickets to the March 22 screening at the Capitol Theatre as a fundraiser for the sculpture maintenance fund. For details click on newsletter link on home page.

March 29, 7 pm and 11 pm

Johnny Kilbane *Fighting Heart* documentary on WVIZ TV

Details:

March 3, 7:00 pm

“Gangs, Gangsters, and Gamblers”

Talk sponsored by the Middleburg Heights Historical Society at the Middleburg Heights

Recreation Center, 15700 Bagley Road, Middleburg Heights, Ohio 44130

Find out about the Irish gangs, gangsters and gamblers who roamed the streets of Cleveland's near west side in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The McCart Street Gang of today's

West 69th Street terrorized family business owners and fellow residents alike in the 1890s. Then the gang morphed into “The Cheyennes”--newsboys and would-be boxers who were accused of involvement in the “Circulation Wars” between the Cleveland Plain Dealer and the Cleveland Leader-News circa 1914. The likes of notorious Cleveland racketeer “Black Jack” McGinty rose from the ranks of the Cheyennes in the aftermath of the Circulation Wars. Margaret Lynch, Executive Director of the Irish American Archives Society and Jim Dubelko, CSU historian, talk about some of Irish Cleveland's colorful characters.

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Stag at Sharkey’s, a boxing painting by George W. Bellows in the Cleveland Museum of Art, provides a jumping off point for a gallery talk about the Irish and boxing, including Cleveland boxer Johnny Kilbane and for an overview of the new bronze sculpture *Fighting Heart*. Given by IAAS Board President Thomas D. Corrigan, the gallery talk is free, but takes place during the Museum’s monthly MIX event, which involves food, drink, and music by the Portersharks in the CMA atrium. For atrium activities, see <http://www.clevelandart.org/events/special-events/mix-at-cma>. Also that evening at the CMA, at 7 pm, The Irish Pub Film is being screened. For tickets to the film benefiting the Irish Network Cleveland, see <https://www.facebook.com/events/1537705733157698/?fref=ts>

March 7, 10 am – Noon

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Each month, the Ohio City Bicycle Co-op sponsors a “Free Social Ride” from 10 am – Noon on the FIRST Saturday, year-round, any weather: loaner bikes and gear available. On March 7, the ride will focus on the Irish heritage of the Ohio City and Detroit Shoreway Neighborhoods, with commentary provided by IAAS Executive Director Margaret Lynch and Colleen Corrigan Day of the Mayo Society and Cleveland-Achill Twinning. For details, see <http://www.ohiocitycycles.org/>