

Voluntary Work in the Community

Letterkenny C.D.P. A haven..... For all



Myra Corcoran

My Story: Married to Pat. We have 5 Children ranging in ages from 13yrs to 32yrs. I have been involved in voluntary work with the Letterkenny Community Development Project for about four years. I am involved with the Summer Schemes, St. Patrick's Day Parade, Glencar Funweek, Halloween Monster Bash, and Santa in Isle of

Doagh, but mostly with Letterkenny C.D.P. Youth Carnival Band. I enjoy behind the scenes with the support of Zena Mc Kinley Youth worker with Letterkenny C.D.P. There is a lot of work and time involved in preparing the children for these events to make them look good when they are performing at different venues Band/Dance Practice, Costume Making Washing and Ironing of costumes are some of behind the scenes that go unnoticed by the public, but it is all worth while when you see the children in their full colours, performing. I have great support from my

husband Pat, who is also is involved in community work, and my neighbour Carol Elliott not forgetting Margaret Toner Project Co-ordinator Letterkenny C.D.P. My daughter Mairead is a dancer in the Youth Carnival Band and my grandson Keelan, who is 9 years old, plays drums in the Band. I would like to see more parents/guardians and grandparents getting involved in voluntary work with Letterkenny Community Project.

Voluntary work is un-paid work, you don't have to do it, you choose to do it and make a difference where it counts. Contact Letterkenny C.D.P. 2 Errigal Road, Letterkenny. ☎074 91 20633 Email: lkennycdp@eircom.net

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Newsletter Winners



Colouring Competition
4 - 7yrs.
Rachel Mullen



Colouring Competition
8- 11yrs.
Desure Agyemang



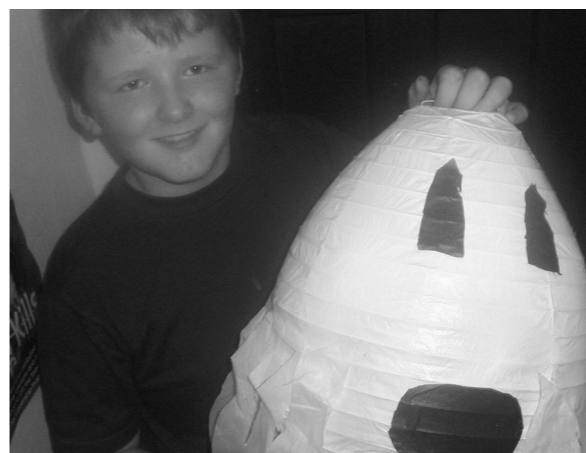
New Facility Name
Matthew Johnston

Dec'06 Newsletter Prizes
Sponsored by
4 Lanterns &
Century Cinema



Top L-R Stella Oladapo
Kegite Club, Cllr. Jean
Crossan and Margaret Toner
Project Letterkenny C.D.P.

Bottom R: Martin Boyle and
Rebecca Toomey enjoying The
Halloween Monster Bash
Bottom L:
At the Crafts Work Shop, a
member of the Caw Youth
Group, Derry showing off his
Halloween Lantern .



“A closed mouth - - a wise head”



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Mgt. Toner
Co-ordinator

Letterkenny C.D.P. "Working For You"

Ongoing Programme of Activities in Letterkenny Community Development Project



Lourda Nee
Administrator

Community:

- Support to Community/Voluntary Groups
- Community Facilities
- Community Events
- Childcare
- Mental Health
- Transport (Town Bus)
- Older Adults
- Lone Parent's Group
- Multi-Purpose Community Building

Training & Development:

- Capacity Building

- Basic I.T.
- Committee Skills

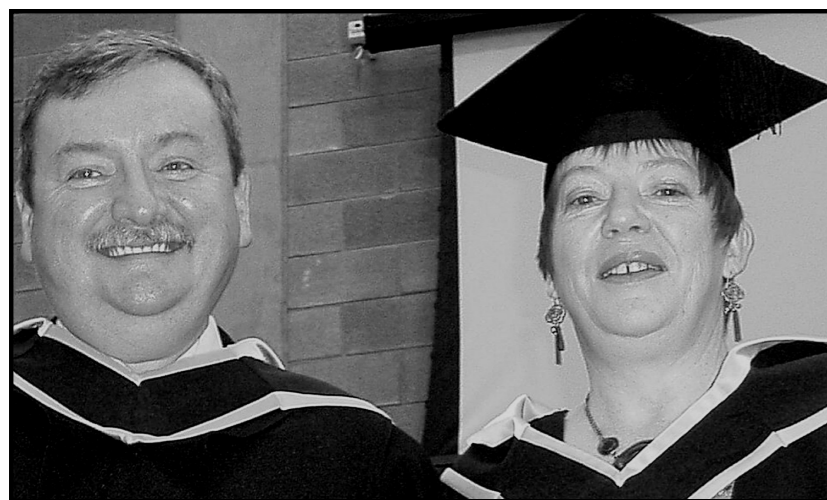
Youth:

- Youth Carnival Group (4-18yrs)
- Halloween Extravaganza
- Visit to Santa's Grotto at Isle of Doagh



Representatives of the Department of Community Rural & Gaeltacht Affairs on a recent visit to the Community House, where they met with the Management and Staff of Letterkenny C.D.P. to review the work carried out by the project in 2006 and to look at their plans for the community in 2007-2010.

Back L-R Lourda Nee Project Administrator, Margaret Toner Project Co-ordinator, Anne Boyle Asst. Secretary, Pat Corcoran P.R.O. and Gerry Mc Monagle Treasurer of Letterkenny C.D.P. Sitting L-R John Moran and Martin Joyce from the Dept. Community Rural & Gaeltacht Affairs.



Denis O'Donnell Chairperson and Margaret Toner Project Co-ordinator of Letterkenny C.D.P. who were recently conferred with their B.A. in Community Development (Hons) at L.Y.I.T. Margaret and Denis want to thank the Management and Staff of Letterkenny C.D.P for their support and encouragement in this achievement.



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Tel: 074 9120633

CHILDREN'S FUN PAGE

Post your entries or drop them into The Community House 2 Errigal Road Letterkenny
Closing Date for Entry Feb. 5th. 2007



Name _____

Address _____

Phone No: _____

Age Group Categories: 4-7 8-11

Prizes: Vouchers for Cinema and Four Lantern's for winner of each age group:-
Judges decision is final.

"Name This Group"

Chasing Cars

Name _____

Address _____

Phone No: _____

Age Group Category 11- 14

A Little bit
of Irish
Tosach sláinte
codladh.



Sleep is the first
sign of recovery.

Mission Statement

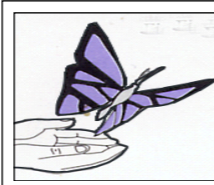
Letterkenny Community Development Project is a voluntary group of caring and supporting people. Our ambition is to improve our community for all, by encouraging participation, personal development and inclusiveness throughout our programmes and facilities.
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€1500 Raised for Children's Ward



Fashion Show raises €1500 for Children's Ward: Michelle Nee and Catherine Kelly presenting Sr. Helen Mc Keown Children's Ward, Letterkenny General Hospital with a cheque for €1500 which was raised during a recent spectacular Fashion Show organised by the Youth of Letterkenny. Back L-R Lisa Daly Project Officer Family Action Letterkenny, Chris Blockley, Zena Mc Kinley Youth Worker Letterkenny C.D.P. Darragh Condon, and Vickey Roche. Front L-R Orla Reilly Youth Leader, L.O.F.T. LK Sharon Dockery, and Avril Finnerty. This was the idea of the Sub-group of "Family Action Letterkenny which is a H.S.E. initiative, that facilitates and supports networking of numerous voluntary and statutory agencies, who are working together to improve services for families in Letterkenny.



The Donegal Women's Domestic Violence Service provides a 24 hour help line, a locally based Domestic Violence clinic service and crisis accommodation for women and children who are at risk or have suffered physical, sexual or financial abuse. The D.D.V.S. can provide housing, legal/benefits, advocacy, information, referrals and domestic violence counselling support. Awareness Training & Education Service is also available.

24Hr. Help line 0749126267
Gen. Office Enquiries 0749129725

Watching

Watching for the change of mood
Now there is more bad than good
Listening for the change of tone
This is no more a happy home

Flight is now my only choice
Before I no longer have a voice
A nest anew, I can rebuild
With hope not fear it will be filled.

By Mary McKenna

"DONEGAL PET RESCUE"

Neutering your dog or cat

It does cost money to neuter a dog or cat but if you weigh up the cost of that against the cost of raising a litter of unwanted pups or kittens (someone has to feed them and find them homes, not that easy) or other hidden costs, then it will not seem much. Ask about financial neutering offers. Dogs and cats do not get fat and lazy as a result of neutering, they get fat and lazy because they are being fed too much or not being exercised enough. A working dog will work just as well (when it's had time to recover) after it has been neutered. The only reason a working dog will not work is, if it is injured or hasn't been trained or treated properly. What's "natural" in this world is not relevant anymore. Very little is natural anymore. We live in changed times and there is no space for dogs and cats to roam around and breed freely like they used to. There are laws against it now and heavy fines. Pedigree dogs need to be neutered the same as any other dog. They break out, breed (creating mongrel pups) and cause havoc just like any other dog, regardless of what they cost. "Pedigree dogs with papers" means nothing if they are not up to breed standard... and very few are, If you are not an actual "breeder" that shows your dogs (they need

to be getting 1st prize 2nd prize or 3rd prize regularly) then please don't breed. "Once breeding" only gives an animal a taste for something it won't be allowed to repeat (unfair), it is just using a dog as an extra income and will also most likely bring down the standard of the breed as a result. Not neutering your dog or cat can cause overpopulation (the dog pound never empties), cruelty, aggression problems, unruly behaviour, diseases, and car accidents... to name but a few. Do the right thing, please neuter.



Helpline 0868566626 Mon-Fri 12am-2pm
Website www.donegalpetrescue.com

Irish Academy of Public Relations Certificates Presentation



L-R Michael Mc Cormack Croagh Patrick Ave. and Jimmy Kavanagh Ash Brook pictured recently receiving certificates in Introduction to Public Relations through Irish Academy of Public Relations and L.Y.I.T., also in picture Joanne Sweeney Tutor.



Bridget Grant attending the Flower Arranging course organised by Letterkenny C.D.P.

The Management & Staff of Letterkenny Community Development Project Wish Everyone A Very Happy Christmas & A Prosperous New Year.



Anne Boyle Asst. Secretary Letterkenny C.D.P. Margaret Toner Project Co-ordinator Letterkenny C.D.P., Minister Mary Coughlan and Pat Corcoran P.R.O. Letterkenny C.D.P. pictured recently at the official opening of the LOFT Letterkenny. The LOFT is a drop in centre for the Youth to meet, also the use of facilities to help them in their leisure times.

..... Don't just take our word for it
Have Your Say!!!

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Funweek 5K Charity Walk Presentation



Front L-R Davey Moore, Paul Rodgers Coravadey & Trentagh Gun Clubs presenting Anne Maloney Manager Ballaghaderg Pre School receiving a cheque for €1200 raised during the Glencar Funweek Clay Pigeon Shoot. Back L-R Kevin Mc Feely Fun Week Committee, members of the Management of Letterkenny C.D.P. Hugo Roarty, Denis O'Donnell and Pat Corcoran, and Gerry Mc Monagle chairperson Glencar Funweek.



Front R-L Gerry Mc Monagle chairperson Glencar Funweek presenting members "Multiple Sclerosis Comfort Fund" Majella Doherty, Muriel Perry and Shiela Neidlands, with a Cheque for €1500 raised during the Glencar Funweek 5K Charity Walk which is supported by Letterkenny C.D.P. Back L-R Kevin Mc Feely Funweek Committee and members of the Management Committee of Letterkenny C.D.P. Hugo Roarty, Denis O'Donnell and Pat Corcoran.



Front R-L Gerry Mc Monagle chairperson Glencar Funweek presenting Isobel Sparks, James Sparks and Barbra Curran Educate Together, with a cheque for €1500 raised during the Glencar Funweek 5K Charity Walk, supported by Letterkenny C.D.P. Back L-R Kevin Mc Feely Fun Week Committee and members of the Management of Letterkenny C.D.P. Hugo Roarty, Denis O'Donnell and Pat Corcoran.

**Volunteers for the Funweek, are Always Welcome.
Contact 074 9120633**

The organising committee of this year's Glencar Community Funweek worked hard to guarantee that a great weekend of entertainment was in place for children and adults to enjoy. The Funweek is organised in conjunction with the Glencar Inn, Guinness, and Letterkenny C.D.P. The Ballaghaderg Pre School benefited from the Coravadey & Trentagh Clay Pigeon Shoot, and M.S. Comfort Fund and Educate Together benefited from this year's 5K Charity walk. €4200 in total was presented to the chosen charities. I take this opportunity to thank all voluntary workers who helped to make the Glencar Funweek 2006 another success story. Chairperson Gerry Mc Monagle



Nuala Mc Garrigle
FÁS
Development
Officer

Community Employment Project News



Mary Rose Sheridan
Community
Employment

The Community Employment Project is funded by the Irish Government under the National Development Plan 2000 - 2006 and supported by the local community.



L-R Mary Rose Sheridan Community Employment Officer, Nuala Mc Garrigle FÁS Development Officer and Una Donnelly FÁS Development Officer Gweedore on a recent visit to Letterkenny C.D.P.



Paul Carberry

Welcome :

Paul joined the Letterkenny C.D.P. in Sept. 2006 working in the Doorway Project as Security/Maintenance, all his work colleagues welcome Paul to the team.



Eileen Mc Cleland

Sorry to see you go:

Eileen joined the Letterkenny C.D.P. in August 2006, working in The Cheshire Apartments. Eileen is very appreciative to Letterkenny C.D.P. for their support. All her work colleagues wish her well in her venture's.



Front L-R Margaret Edwards, Evelyn Duigan, Clare Mc Cormack and Niamh Robinson receiving Certificates in Core Skills in the Mount Errigal Hotel recently.

Back L-R Wendy Mc Carry Core Skills Facilitator, Francis Byrne FÁS Sligo, Mary Rose Sheridan Community Employment Officer, and Nuala Mc Garrigle FÁS Development Officer.

Kegite Club 1st. Anniversary

The Kegite Club celebrated its first Anniversary in Conwal Parish Hall Letterkenny recently. There was singing, dancing, drumming, face-painting, African food, lots of people and most of all, everyone having a good time. The Kegite Club based on a traditional custom, of singing and dancing meet fortnightly, and provides an opportunity for Letterkenny's African residents to meet up with locals for an evening of fun, sociability and community building. The Club produces a Newsletter to keep the community informed of ongoing activities and events in the area. The Kegite

Club was formed by Stella and Will Oladapo originally from Nigeria, but now firmly entrenched in Letterkenny. The Kegite Club can be contacted at: kegiteclub@hotmail.com

Below:
Some of the Kegite Club who dressed in traditional costume to celebrate their first anniversary.



Donegal African Women's Association



Collage of Photo's from the International Social Night with Donegal African Women's Association held recently in Ramada Encore Hotel (who gave their facilities free). Activities included African Fashion Show, Children's Dance, and Letterkenny C.D.P. Youth Carnival Group who performed on the night. This programme was in aid of Africa's Greater Life Mission (orphanage in Uganda and East Africa). Some of Mangement & Staff of Letterkenny C.D.P. also made their Modelling Debut on the night. The organizers wish to thank everyone in the community for their support on his successful event.



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Halloween Fun 2006

Monster Bash organised by Letterkenny Community Development Project

Children, Parents/Guardians, and Older Adults from all areas of Letterkenny came together to enjoy a great night of fun and craic in Trinity Hall on Halloween Eve. The Management and staff of Letterkenny Community Development Project appreciate the main sponsorship from Letterkenny Town Council, all the volunteers who helped to plan and put in order this great occasion and the Local Business throughout Letterkenny who sponsored wonderful prizes for our Free Draw.

Letterkenny Town Mayor Cllr. Ciaran Brogan mixed with the witches, ghouls and everything scary, he praised highly all the

people from Letterkenny C.D.P. including the voluntary workers for their outstanding community work which they are involved in throughout Letterkenny Town and it's environs.

Margaret Toner Project Co-ordinator of Letterkenny C.D.P. praised all the people involved in this event, above all the children who made the Monster Bash worth while and especially the voluntary Management of Letterkenny C.D.P. who give so much of their time and energy freely, for the benefit of the community.

List of Local Businesses who sponsored prizes for Free Draw Listed below

Halloween Sponsors 2006

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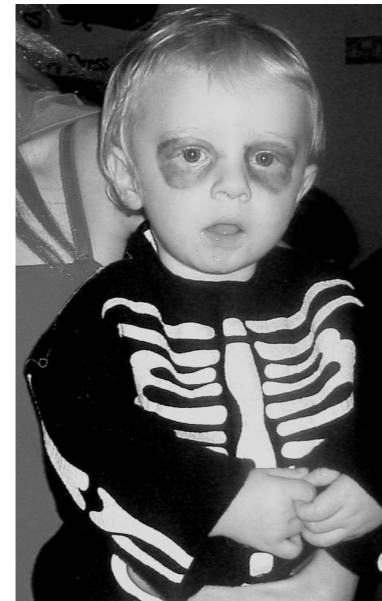


L-R Donna Edwards & Lucy Boal at the Monster Bash



Children enjoying Monster Bash Organized by Letterkenny C.D.P.

Halloween Bash 2006 Fancy Dress Winners



0-3 years Oisín Logue



4-9 years Louis Carson



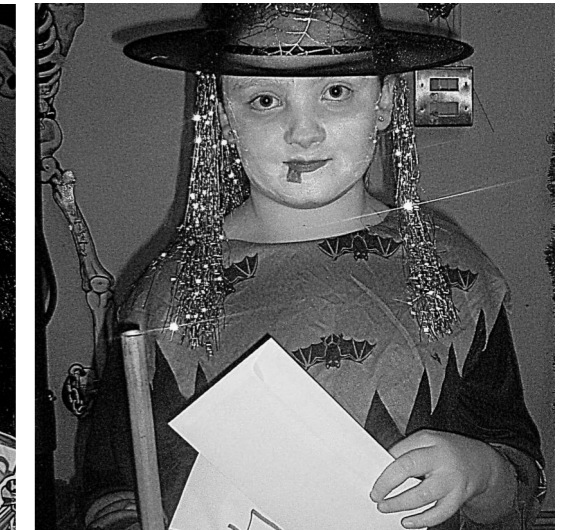
10 years and over Brodeagh Gildea



0-3 years Laura Mc Ginty



4-9 years Chesseá Gildea



10 years and over Seannagh Orr



Family Category: The Oz Family.
Back Carrie Laughlin and her family made a great effort to carry away this prize against great competition.



Best Male: Stephen Atkinson.
Best Female: Donna Atkinson

Letterkenny C.D.P. takes this opportunity to thank everyone who put in such an effort to make this fancy dress the most spectacular to date.

New Ideas Welcome 074 9120633