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	First Steps in Search for Welsh Ancestors	Adding DNA to Your Genealogical Toolkit		Mapping Your Celtic Ancestry: by Surname, by DNA, by Place	Using Autosomal DNA to Find Cousins and Break through Brick Walls	Births, Marriages and Deaths in The National Archives	
	<b>Woodcock - F14</b>	<b>Moughty - F23</b>		<b>Durie - F34</b>		<b>Moughty - F53</b>	
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# Lecture Topics

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Betit	Kyle	Using Canadian Records for Your Irish Research	Learn sources and strategies for tracing Irish immigrants who settled in Canada back to a specific place of origin in Ireland; determine when to look at records from Ireland and when your research needs to stay in Canada. Sources will include immigration records, border crossing records, civil registration, church records, land records, newspapers, cemeteries, and military records. Strategies include research of collateral relatives and types of migration.	S12
Betit	Kyle	Irish and Irish Immigrant Societies and Their Records	Identify societies in Ireland and abroad; how to use their records to trace immigrant origins; document ancestors in Ireland; and fill in the stories of an Irish family history. Society memberships and records may be key to important genealogical information about members.	F42
Betit	Kyle	Using Ancestry DNA	An overview of the powerful features of the AncestryDNA test; the meaning of ethnicity results and genetic communities as well as how to most effectively use the DNA cousin results and related tools.	S43
Chadbourne	Kate	Fairy Paths and Ancient Ways: Songs and Stories of Roads and Remembering	Kate Chadbourne is a singer, storyteller, and scholar. Join her on a journey down Irish by-ways in this program of traditional songs and stories that touch on the lore and significance of paths and roads. Meet <i>na daoine maith</i> , "the good folk," and learn of the peril and promise connected with their ancient ways – literally and metaphorically. Come sing, laugh, and enjoy the sounds of harp, flute, and whistle, and walk down your family's pathway to the past.	F Lunch
Collins	Audrey	Tracing Irish Ancestors in The National Archives – in England	Less than a century ago all of Ireland was part of the United Kingdom; six of its northern counties, making up Northern Ireland, still are. Many records relating to our ancestors are to be found in the UK and not in Ireland. There are some records in The National Archives that have obvious Irish descriptions, but there are many more hidden treasures in UK-wide collections, such as the armed forces, the merchant navy and much more. Better still, increasing numbers of them are now online.	F31
Collins	Audrey	Births, Marriages and Death Records in The National Archives – in England	Birth, marriage and death records are not held at The National Archives – apart from the thousands of files that we DO hold! Civil registers are in the appropriate General Register Office, and parish records are in county archives, or in national repositories outside England. But that leaves registers from nonconformist congregations, the armed forces, consulates and churches abroad, and British-registered ships. There is even more information recorded in other records.	F52
Collins	Audrey	There and Back Again (Going Away Doesn't Mean Staying Away)	It is easy to think of emigration as a one-way process, but not everyone who went to live in another country stayed there permanently. As more and more records are indexed online, you may find family members in unexpected places, and as a result discover that your 'stay at home' ancestors were more well-travelled than you thought. There are lots of reasons for leaving your country of birth, but all kinds of factors might propel you back there, too.	S23
Daly	Marie	Transatlantic Genealogy: Linking American Ancestors to Ireland	Explore methods for overcoming brick walls by widening the focus of research; highlight most common American records that detail origin in Ireland; and review Irish online databases that locate ancestors.	S34

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Durie	Bruce	Scots Migrations to Colonial America	The Scots got to early America by a variety of routes and for various reasons. Lowland Scots (both those who came directly, and those who had lived in Ulster) greatly outnumbered Highlanders. This talk will consider their original destinations in America, and the migration routes by which they afterwards travelled. It will also deal with the misleading terms "Scots-Irish" and "Celtic", and why both should be avoided.	S14
Durie	Bruce	Why the Scots & Irish (Welsh, Britons, Picts, etc.) are NOT Celtic!	The Celts were a culture & language group that occupied central Europe about the same time as the Romans held sway. The designation "Celt" for these people is a 300 year old mistake, perpetrated by a Welsh scholar. And "Pict" does not mean painted. Come & discover more.	S32
Durie	Bruce	Scottish records you cannot get on Ancestry.com 2 HRS	Scotland has the longest-reaching, best-preserved and most accessible records on the planet, including a great deal online. This talk – of special interest to those trying to connect Ulster Scots to earlier records in Scotland – will deal mainly with the sources in ScotlandsPeople, ScotlandsPlaces, and the National Library of Scotland, and more.	F34
Fitzsimons	Fiona	Irish Church Records 2 HRS	Researchers often find the earliest evidence for Irish ancestors in the surviving church records. This lecture explores the many faith communities that coexisted in Ireland from the 1600s to the 20th Century (Roman Catholic, Episcopalian, Reformed Protestant, and Jewish), learn what records they made and where you can find them.	F11
Fitzsimons	Fiona	Educational and Occupational Records	Ireland has never had a strong industrial base, but enterprise flourished! The greater part of the Irish population were employed in small to medium enterprises, and on the land. Although literacy was low, the Irish seized on education as the way forward. In this talk, we cover how to find your ancestors school and career records.	S31
Galvin	Nora	Mapping Your Ancestral Home In Ireland Using Google Earth	Discover how mapping with Google Earth can identify Irish jurisdictions in relation to each other and to today's locales in Ireland. Compare old maps to new and learn whether the old cottage is still standing. Case studies as illustration.	F51
Gleeson	Maurice	Adding DNA to Your Genealogical Toolkit	DNA has become an indispensable tool for a genealogical toolkit. This introductory explains the basics of DNA testing, the three main types of test, how each one can be applied in practice (with examples), and which one is best to address the genealogical dead ends specific to your family tree.	F22
Gleeson	Maurice	Using autosomal DNA to find cousins and Break Through Brick Walls	The most popular of the DNA tests is the autosomal test because it helps in researching all of your ancestral lines (as opposed to Y-DNA and mitochondrial DNA). This talk explores the basic science behind autosomal DNA testing, the secrets to successfully applying it, and how to combine it with other tests and genealogy to help answer specific genealogical questions.	F43
Gleeson	Maurice	Using Y-DNA to research your surname	Since the Y chromosome is passed from father to son, just like the surname (i.e. family name), it is an excellent tool for surname research. This talk explores how to use Y-DNA in surname research, what it can tell you, and how joining a surname DNA project can further advance your own research.	S33
Grenham	John	Things you didn't know you didn't know about Irish genealogy	Most researchers using Irish records make assumptions about the ways the records came into existence, how they're searchable and how they relate to each other. This talk aims to shake up those assumptions by teasing out little-known aspects of familiar institutions and websites, and in the process shedding fresh light on them.	S41

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<b>Grenham</b>	<b>John</b>	Valuation Office (Ordnance Survey, pre-publication records, Griffith's and Revisions) 2 HRS	The most useful Irish nineteenth-century census substitutes are usually approached as if they were separate. These records are best understood when seen as part of an inter-connected process. The talk will trace the evolution of the measuring of Ireland and the records it produced between 1820s and the 1970s, with emphasis on the practical usefulness of each record class.	<b>F41</b>
<b>Guye Holland</b>	<b>Pamela</b>	Family History On Your Smartphone or Tablet	Ever wondered how to use your smart device to retrieve, store and share your genealogical data? This talk will cover family trees, note taking, oral history, photos, family stories and more.	<b>F21</b>
<b>Katie &amp; Friends</b>		Songs from Both Sides of the Atlantic	Katie & Friends consists of Katie O'Neill, Kate Chadbourne, Mike Kerr, & Greg Bacon. Katie has a strong love of singing but is a recent convert to the traditional Irish music form. Kate is a singer, storyteller & poet who combines traditional tales with music in her performances & has a Ph.D. in Celtic Languages & Literature from Harvard University. Mike has a background in drama, is a former radio host, & featured soloist with local singing events. He possesses a voracious knowledge of Irish music & heritage. Greg is a performer, musician, & composer of traditional-sounding Celtic music & a virtuoso on the fife. He is associated with the Ancient Mariners & Stoneybatter Band.	<b>F Banquet</b>
<b>Kennedy</b>	<b>Sharon</b>	The Strike for Bread and Roses, Lawrence: 1912	"The Strike for Bread and Roses: Lawrence, 1912," was commissioned by the Bread and Roses Festival Committee in Lawrence, Massachusetts, where this historic labor strike took place. One of the most important labor strikes in the United States, it was unique because it was conceived of and led by women. These female textile workers refused to accept a cut in pay and walked out en masse in January of 1912. For more than two months, seven out of eight mills were completely shut down. Take a trip back in time to see what this strike was really like.	<b>S Lunch</b>
<b>Moughty</b>	<b>Donna</b>	Seeking your Scots-Irish Ancestors	For those researching early Scots-Irish ancestry, focusing on U.S. resources can give one a real passport to finding the right place and time in Ireland. Identifying the initial location in the U.S. as well as understanding migration patterns throughout the U.S. is key to the search.	<b>F23</b>
<b>Moughty</b>	<b>Donna</b>	The Public Record Office Of Northern Ireland Online and Off	Discover the treasure trove of records at the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland for your Ulster ancestors, and maybe even some of your ancestors from the Republic of Ireland.	<b>F53</b>
<b>Moughty</b>	<b>Donna</b>	Strategies for Finding the Origins of Your Irish Ancestors	Success in Irish research is dependent on discovering the exact location in Ireland of one's ancestors. Learn strategies for finding the information in US records. This lecture will explore the myth and reality of Irish records, family sources for discovering Irish localities and answering "What's an Irish Townland?" (an Irish administrative district).	<b>S11</b>
<b>Moughty</b>	<b>Donna</b>	Irish Civil Registration and Church Records...It's a New World!	The landscape of Irish research has changed drastically over the past few years with the digitization of the Roman Catholic records by the National Library, followed by the release of images of birth, deaths, and marriages (with restrictions) by IrishGenealogy.ie. This lecture will include a history of Irish Civil Registrations, and Roman Catholic and other Church records. It is truly a new world for Irish researchers!	<b>S42</b>

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Rencher	David	Mining the Destination Data	Using all the data available to determine the number of touch points needed to successfully identify your emigrant ancestor using an Irish example. Comparative analysis yields clues that may not be identifiable in any other manner	S21
Rencher	David	Chasing the Poor & Landless	Defining the landless and alternate record sources is crucial for identifying the poorest of the poor. The records of the Irish poor are voluminous, but scattered throughout the country. This session helps you understand where and how to approach this particular type of problem	F32
Rencher	David	Introduction to Irish Internet Sites	The Internet has created an explosion in Irish genealogy with more relevant materials being added each day. This talk is an introduction to established Internet sites and some of the newest sites that are bedrock sources for conducting research in Ireland.	F12
Schnelle	John	Townland Valuation Translator	The Irish Valuation Office Field Books have the potential to paint a detailed picture of the lives of our ancestors – the limitations, the possibilities, and the hard realities they faced. This talk explores the use of the presenter's website to detail your ancestor's life in rural Ireland.	S22
Williams	Darris	First Steps in Search for Welsh Ancestors	Discover information about your Welsh ancestors through key research principles and basic records. Be prepared with the tools to search and sort common names effectively. Learn about online records proving information about your ancestor and which John Jones is really yours!	F13
Williams	Darris	Next Steps in Search for Welsh Ancestors	Discover extra steps to ensure you have the correct Welsh ancestor; careful analysis and the use of under-utilized records and collateration with other descendants of your ancestor through DNA testing and pedigree matching. Discussion of records and strategies for success.	S13
Williams	Darris	Mapping Your Celtic Ancestry: by surname, by DNA, by place	Learn how to use maps in ways that will improve what you know about your ancestors and reveal their world in context. Some maps are ready to view; learn to create others from information you gather in your research.	F33
Woodcock	Christine	In Search of Scottish Ancestors: Search Your Roots, Discover Your Heritage	Beginner. While many people want to know more about their Scottish heritage, they don't know where to begin. Fortunately, researching our Scottish ancestors is a fairly easy task. Knowing where to look is usually where we get tied up. This talk will get you started in researching your Scottish ancestry as well as how to make the most of your research by exploring how to reach out to others with similar research, helpful websites, Scottish history societies, and more.	F14
Woodcock	Christine	They Were Highlanders	In this session, you will learn about the importance of the events in Scottish history (and the clues they left behind) that led to large number of Scots leaving their homeland for life in the Americas. You will learn how to bridge the gap between finding them in North American records (birth, marriage, death and census records) and being able to locate them in Scottish records.	S24
Woodcock	Christine	Step AWAY From the Computer	Your Scottish ancestors are waiting for you to find them. But in order to do that, you may need to step away from your computer. Many records are available in Scottish repositories, but few are digitized or available online. This talk will assist you in understanding the types of records that exist at national and university archives and libraries, including estate papers, court, club, society and asylum records, and more.	S44



## Presenters

<b>Betit</b>	<b>Kyle</b>	Kyle Betit grew up in Juneau, Alaska, where he started researching his family history at age nine. Kyle co-founded AncestryProGenealogists and manages Ancestry's travel program. His areas of expertise include Ireland, Canada, Eastern Europe, immigration, and DNA. He has researched many episodes and appeared on the "Who Do You Think You Are?" television program
<b>Collins</b>	<b>Audrey</b>	Audrey Collins is a Family History Specialist at The National Archives, which she joined in 2002. She is a regular speaker at major genealogy events in the UK and overseas, and has researched extensively on the General Register Office and its records. She co-wrote 'Birth, Marriage and Death Records' with David Annal, and authored a number of blog posts, podcasts and webinars on The National Archives site <a href="http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk">www.nationalarchives.gov.uk</a>
<b>Daly</b>	<b>Marie</b>	Marie E. Daly is one of the founders of TIARA, a former president of TIARA, 30-year employee of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, where she worked as the CFO, Library Director and Senior Genealogist. She has been involved with Irish genealogy since 1976, and has travelled to Ireland on numerous occasions. She has written and lectured on Irish genealogical topics, among which is her latest publication, <i>Genealogist's Handbook for Irish Research</i> .
<b>Durie</b>	<b>Bruce</b>	Dr. Bruce Durie BSc(Hons) PhD OMLJ FSAScot FCollT FIGRS FHEA QG is considered one of Scotland's top genealogists, with an international reputation in researching, lecturing, writing and broadcasting. Recently elected an Academician of the prestigious Académie Internationale de Généalogie he is <i>Shennachie</i> (Genealogist and Historian) to the Chief of Durie. His book <i>Scottish genealogy</i> is an international best-seller
<b>Fitzsimons</b>	<b>Fiona</b>	Fiona Fitzsimons is a founder of (Eneclann), a Trinity College campus company. She combines a rigorous academic training with 25 years as a practitioner in Irish family history. Research credits include Who do you think you are (2005 to the present), PBS's Finding your Roots & Faces of America, and the Genealogy Roadshow (U.S. edition). Fiona is a columnist for <i>History Ireland</i> and <i>Irish Lives Remembered</i> , and a regular contributor to national newspapers and radio (BBC4, RTE). She teaches Family History in Trinity College Dublin
<b>Galvin</b>	<b>Nora</b>	Nora Galvin's nine immigrant ancestors were from eight different counties in Ireland. She is a professional genealogist specializing in Irish and Connecticut research and DNA analysis. She also lectures on these and other genealogy subjects. She's thrilled to be presenting at the third CCC.
<b>Gleeson</b>	<b>Maurice</b>	Maurice Gleeson is a psychiatrist and pharmaceutical physician as well as a genetic genealogist. He is administrator of several Surname DNA Projects, works with adoptees, and has appeared on TV as a DNA consultant. He authors several blogs, is a regular contributor to genealogical magazines, and his YouTube videos are very popular. He has organised the DNA Lectures for "Genetic Genealogy Ireland" in Dublin and "Who Do You Think You Are" in the UK since 2012, as well as given talks all over Ireland, the UK, and internationally. He was voted "Genetic Genealogist of the Year 2015" (SurnameDNA Journal) and "Superstar Genealogist, Ireland" in 2016 (Canada's Anglo-Celtic Connections)
<b>Grenham</b>	<b>John</b>	John Grenham was Project Manager with the Irish Genealogical Project from 1991 to 1995. He developed a genealogical software, "Grenham's Irish Recordfinder" and was the first (and so far only) Genealogist-in-Residence at Dublin City Library. He was awarded a fellowship of The Irish Genealogical Research Society and of the Genealogical Society of Ireland. John is the author of <i>Tracing Your Irish Ancestors</i> (4th ed. Dublin, Baltimore MD, 2012), the standard reference guide for Irish genealogy and <i>Clans and Families of Ireland</i> (1995), among other works. He wrote the "Irish Roots" column in <i>The Irish Times</i> from 2009 to 2016 and ran the Irish Ancestors website until 2016. He now runs the successor website.



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<b>Guye Holland</b>	<b>Pamela</b>	<p>Pamela Guye Holland lives in Swampscott, Massachusetts, and has been conducting genealogical research since 2001. Her specialties are Irish research and genetic genealogy. She serves on the boards of TIARA and NEAPG, is a professional genealogist, and works for research services at NEHGS. She can be found online at her <a href="http://www.genealogybypamholland.com">www.genealogybypamholland.com</a>.</p>
<b>Moughty</b>	<b>Donna</b>	<p>Donna Moughty, a Professional Genealogist and member of the Association of Professional Genealogists and of the Genealogical Speakers' Guild, is a researcher, lecturer, and blogger. She teaches and lectures on a variety of subjects including the Internet, Irish research, methodology and computer topics both locally and at national and regional conferences and institutes. In addition, she provides consultations, research assistance, and training. She is the author of the Quick Reference Guides for Irish Research and conducts Irish research trips. Her genealogy blog can be found at <a href="http://www.moughty.com">www.moughty.com</a>.</p>
<b>Rencher</b>	<b>David</b>	<p>David E. Rencher, AG, CG, FUGA, FIGRS, is employed as the Chief Genealogical Officer for FamilySearch. He graduated from Brigham Young University in 1980 with a B.A. in Family and Local History. A professional genealogist since 1977, he is one of the rare few who have earned both credentials: Accredited Genealogist<sup>CM</sup> with ICAPGen<sup>SM</sup> in Ireland research and Certified Genealogist<sup>®</sup> with the Board for Certification of Genealogists<sup>®</sup>. Since 1997, he serves as the Irish course coordinator and instructor for the Institute of Genealogical and Historical Research. He is a past-president of the Federation of Genealogical Societies and the Utah Genealogical Association. David is a Fellow of the Utah Genealogical Association and the Irish Genealogical Research Society, London and is currently an instructor for the British Institute where he also serves as a Trustee of the International Society for British Genealogy and Family History. He currently serves on the Board of the Federation of Genealogical Societies.</p>
<b>Schnelle</b>	<b>John</b>	<p>John Schnelle is a graduate of Holy Cross and Temple University. He has conducted extensive research into land valuation, early agricultural science, and mid-19th century farming to breath life into the numerical evidence our ancestors left behind. In 2016 John created an interactive website for genealogists to access his research: <a href="http://TownlandValuationTranslator.com">TownlandValuationTranslator.com</a>.</p>
<b>Williams</b>	<b>Darris</b>	<p>Darris Williams, AG<sup>®</sup> is a "Research Community Manager" at FamilySearch applying lean startup concepts to family history, a freelance genealogist and instructor. He worked as a British reference consultant at the Family History Library for 15 years and was a co-founder of the FamilySearch wiki. Darris helped create the "Colt Game" as a tool to teach FamilySearch computer engineers about family history and the challenges that genealogists encounter. He is the only person currently accredited by ICAPGen<sup>™</sup> for Wales and the second person to ever pass the test.</p>
<b>Woodcock</b>	<b>Christine</b>	<p>Christine Woodcock is a genealogy educator with an expertise in the Scottish records. To allow family history researchers the chance to learn about their ancestors in their ancestral homeland, Christine began her business, Genealogy Tours of Scotland. In addition, she shares her knowledge through talks, webinars and articles. She recently authored Tracing Your Scottish Ancestors, a special edition magazine for Internet Genealogy.</p>

# General Information

The 2018 Celtic Connections Conference is hosted by The Irish Ancestral Research Association (TIARA) and The Irish Genealogical Society International (IGSI). Both organizations foster education in Celtic family history and culture.

## Conference Includes

- 33 lectures by presenters in Celtic family history research & Culture, including speakers from Ireland and Scotland.
- Continental breakfasts and luncheons with presenters
- Exhibitor Area

Guests welcome for Thursday bus tour, Friday night Banquet and Saturday Pub Quiz, include names and additional cost for each.

## Location

**Boston Marriott Newton**, 2345 Commonwealth Avenue, Auburndale, MA 02466. The recently renovated hotel is located conveniently near both US Route 95/128 and the Massachusetts Turnpike. The overnight parking fee has been waived for CCC hotel guests.

## Hotel - \$139/night plus tax

**You must make your own reservation.** A block of rooms has been set aside at the **Boston Marriott Newton**, 1-617-969-1000 Your use of the hotel supports the conference. Please identify yourself as part of the Celtic Connections Conference when making your reservation. To book online, visit [www.celtic-connections.org](http://www.celtic-connections.org) to use the lodging link so your reservation is credited to the conference. If you require special room accommodations, be sure to state your needs at the time you make your reservation.

Conference rate is available August 6-15, 2018: 1 king or 2 doubles: \$139.00 per night plus tax. Room type is not guaranteed unless listed on your confirmation. The conference discount is available until **Thursday, July 19**. For transportation between the airport and hotel: See hotel website.

## Sightseeing Bus Tour – Thursday August 9 - \$45 – limited space available

Join us for a unique tour of historic sites. The bus will pick us up at the Marriott at 10am. We'll start by visiting the Lowell National Historic Park. (<https://www.nps.gov/lowe/index.htm>). "The Irish were not the only Celts to help build the city of Lowell."

"Before Lowell was Lowell, there were farmers and tradesmen from Ulster (Scots-Irish) in Chelmsford and Dracut." See the [irishlowell.blogspot.com](http://irishlowell.blogspot.com) <http://irishlowell.blogspot.com> February 5, 2017 entry for more information on [The Scots in the Mill City](#).

From the Visitor Center, we'll take the trolley to the Boott Cotton Mill (admission included) and the Immigrant Girl Experience. We'll meet back up at the Center for lunch (box lunch included) and a lecture. From there we'll take the bus for a drive through some scenic New England towns, stopping for ice cream (cost not included) along the way. Possible stops include Concord North Bridge and Walden Pond. Return to the hotel by 4pm.

## Banquet – Friday Night August 10 - \$60

Choice of Apricot Stuffed Chicken with apricot, shallot and orange glaze OR Pan Seared Atlantic Salmon with Maple Syrup Glaze  
All dinners served with garden salad, fresh baked rolls with butter, locally grown seasonal vegetable and one accompaniment, dessert and coffee/tea.

## Friday Night – Katie & Friends – Songs from Both Sides of the Atlantic – included in banquet

After dinner, enjoy a sampling of 250+ years of Celtic music from three continents. In music and song, four Boston performers identify traditional themes, their modern descendants, and elements of cross-cultural influences.

## Pub Quiz – Saturday Night August 11 - \$25

Come one, Come all! Join us for a fun night of Celtic Trivia. Bring your knowledge of the Celtic nations and compete for some great prizes. Teams of 4 to 6 people will gather at the hotel at 6:30pm. There will be light refreshments & a cash bar. Cost for this fun night is \$25. Hope to see you there.

## Conference Lunch Choices – note your choices on registration form – one per registrant, no guests

**Friday – Oven roasted turkey**, applewood smoked bacon, avocado, tomatoes, arugula with chipotle mayo in garlic herb wrap; **Maple smoked ham**, tomatoes, lettuce, cabot cheddar, herbed male mustard on multi grain bulkie roll; **Roasted sweet peppers**, mushrooms, zucchini, squash, caramelized onion, salad greens, roasted tomato spread on herb focaccia.  
**Saturday – Slow roasted beef**, tomatoes, lettuce, caramelized onions, aged gouda, chipotle mayo on crusty French bread; **Marinated grilled chicken** breast tomatoes, mozzarella, arugula, basil, balsamic dressing in a roasted tomato wrap; **Fresh avocado**, tomatoes, mozzarella, arugula, basil, balsamic dressing in a roasted tomato wrap.

# Registration

**Early registration conference discount must be postmarked by June 4, 2018. Advance registration ends July 1, 2018.**

Cancellations allowed prior to July 15, 2018 – there will be a \$25 service fee for cancellation.

**Hotel not included in registration. Questions – contact [registration@celtic-connections.org](mailto:registration@celtic-connections.org)**

To use member pricing below, check here if you are a  TIARA or  IGSI member

**One form per person – guests and additional items are listed on page 12**

Funds in US\$

COST

TOTAL

Conference - Friday and/or Saturday

**Full Conference (both days)**

Registered online/postmarked by June 4    \_\_Member \$225    \_\_Non-Member \$250    \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registered online/postmarked after June 5    \_\_Member \$275    \_\_Non-Member \$300    \_\_\_\_\_

**One-Day Registration:**     Friday OR  Saturday

Registered online/postmarked by June 4    \_\_Member \$120    \_\_Non-Member \$145    \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registered online/postmarked after June 5    \_\_Member \$150    \_\_Non-Member \$175    \_\_\_\_\_

**Printed Conference Syllabus** – reserve by July 1 – each copy \$20    \_\_\_\_\_

Please see other side for additional registration items, place total cost in boxes below:

**Subtotal – conference registration & syllabus**

**Subtotal – from page 12 (bus tour, banquet, merchandise)**

**TOTAL ENCLOSED (remit to TIARA at address below)**

Name and contact information – please print clearly

Check here to allow us to provide your name & email address to other participants

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

**Breakout session choices:**  
 Circle your choice of sessions to assist us in space planning

F11	F12	F13
F14	F21	F22
F23	F31	F32
F33	F34	F41
F42	F43	F51
F52	F53	
S11	S12	S13
S14	S21	S22
S23	S24	S31
S32	S33	S34
S41	S42	S43
S44		

**Lunch Choices**

Circle one per day

<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
Turkey	Beef
Ham	Chicken
Veggie	Veggie

**Waiver of Liability**

By registering for this conference, I agree and acknowledge that I am participating in the Celtic Connections Conference and associated events and activities out of my own free will and am fully aware that possible physical injury may occur to me as a result of my participation in these events. I acknowledge that I am able to participate in conference events and activities and that I do hereby assume responsibility for my own wellbeing. I agree not to allow any other person to participate in my place.

**Register on-line or mail completed form with your check payable to TIARA to:**  
 TIARA – Celtic Connections Conference, P.O. Box 66010, Auburndale, MA 02466

**Extras** – add total \$ amounts on front of registration form – All funds in US\$

REGISTRANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Guests invited, see details on page 10. Please list names of guests & meal choices in appropriate boxes

**Sightseeing Bus Tour – Thursday - \$45 per person**

Names: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Box Lunch Roast Beef # \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Salad # \_\_\_\_\_ Caesar Salad Wrap # \_\_\_\_\_

**Banquet – Friday Evening - \$60 per person**

Names & dietary restrictions:

Salmon # \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken # \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Pub Quiz – Saturday Evening - \$25 per person**

Light refreshments and a cash bar TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Shirts – for pickup at the conference**

T-shirt \$18

Polo-shirt \$25

**SUMMARY OF EXTRAS**

Bus Tour \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pub Quiz \$ \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirts \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Polo-shirt \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Add total on page 11

**Both the polo shirt & t shirt will have an embroidered logo, color Royal Blue**



Size	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL	XXXL	Total \$
Polo-shirt quantity								_____ @ \$25 each
T-shirt quantity								_____ @ \$18 each

**Raffle Items**

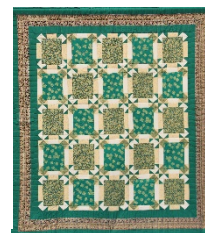


Tickets for the raffles are \$2 each, or 3 for \$5. Sold at the conference & in advance through TIARA & IGS.

No sales by mail. We have a beautiful "Green & Gold" quilt, 78"x86", fits a twin or double bed, all cotton, machine wash & dry.

Quilt made by TIARA member Carolyn Jack.

The oil painting "The Old Mill" by artist Vander Saand.



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