

THE WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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REGISTER: Twinning of Cleveland, Ohio, and the Parish of Achill, County Mayo,
Ireland Records
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The Twinning of Cleveland, Ohio, and the Parish of Achill, County Mayo, Ireland occurred in 2003. This historic occasion was the result of several years' work by a number of Cleveland Irish Americans with ties to Achill, spearheaded by Stephen L. Mulloy. This twinning was undertaken to mark the fact that over 80% of Cleveland's Irish claim direct ancestry to Achill Island, and to nurture business and social relationships between the two regions. Celebrations commenced in July, 2003, with a group of delegates from Cleveland, Ohio, who visited Achill Island, and other parts of County Mayo, in July, 2003. The delegation included Jane Campbell, Mayor of Cleveland, Stephen Mulloy, and other prominent Irish Americans from north east Ohio. In October 2003, the Mayo delegates came to Cleveland, Ohio, to finalize the twinning ceremonies. This group included Frank Chambers, Chairman Mayo County Council and other dignitaries.

The Twinning of Cleveland, Ohio, and the Parish of Achill, County Mayo, Ireland Records (2003), consist of agendas, booklets, brochures, business cards, calendar, catalog, correspondence, drafts, fact sheets, financial report, flyers, handwritten notes, information packet, invitations, itineraries, lists, menu, minutes, newsletters, newspaper, newspaper clippings, notes, photographs, postcards, programs, resolution, summary and typescripts. These items were collected by Judge Sean C. Gallagher, who was involved in the planning and organization of this event. A number of items were also donated by Regina Costello.

The collection is arranged alphabetically by document type, and then chronologically.

This collection is of value to researchers studying Irish American history pertaining to Cleveland, Ohio. The records will be of particular value to those interested in the connection between Cleveland, Ohio and the parish of Achill, County Mayo, Ireland. Those interested in Mayo politics will find the governmental information to be of value. Individuals interested in the history of County Mayo will find these records useful. Those interested in the planning, background, research, and participants in the twinning of Cleveland, Ohio and the Parish of Achill, County Mayo will find this collection valuable.

Three compact disks and one floppy disk have been removed from this collection.

All photographs regarding the visit to the Western Reserve Historical Society by the officials from County Mayo, Ireland, remain with the collection, given their integral relationship to a number of manuscript items.

Provenance: Judge Sean C. Gallagher, 2004.
Regina A. Costello, 2004.

Number of Containers: 1 Oversize Folders: Oversize Volumes:

Size: 3.01 linear feet / 0.31 linear meters

Restrictions: None.

Container

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- Folder 1: Agenda, Achill-Cleveland Twinning Committee, July 10, 2003.
- Folder 2: _____, October 5, 2003.
- Folder 3: _____, West Side Irish American Club Official Twinning Dinner, October 24, 2003.
- Folder 4: _____, handwritten, undated.
- Folder 5: Appointment Request Form, Cleveland-Achill Twinning Business Meeting, October, 2003.
- Folder 6: Booklet, "Achill-Cleveland Twinning 2003".
- Folder 7: _____, "Cleveland, Come Join Our Success", City of Cleveland, Ohio, undated.
- Folder 8: _____, "Welcome to MBNA, Government Delegation County Mayo, Ireland," October 27, 2003.
- Folder 9: Brochure, "The Official Twinning of the City of Cleveland, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, United States of America and the Parish of Achill, County Mayo, Ireland, 2003".
- Folder 10: Brochures, (6), Achill Island and County Mayo, Ireland.
- Folder 11: _____, (22), Cleveland, Ohio.
- Folder 12: Business cards, (22).
- Folder 13: Calendar, Cleveland delegation to Ireland, July 30, 2003-August 4, 2003.
- Folder 14: Card, thank you card to Regina Costello from the Achill Delegation in Ireland.
- Folder 15: Catalog, Business and Community Information Catalog, The Growth Association, Cleveland,

undated.

- Folder 16: Correspondence, cards, (4) 2003, and undated.
- Folder 17: _____, faxes, (12), regarding preparations for the twinning, 2003.
- Folder 18: _____, e-mails, (30) regarding preparations for the twinning, 2003.
- Folder 19: _____, letters, (33) regarding the twinning event, 2003.
- Folder 20: _____, memoranda (7) regarding the twinning event, 2003.
- Folder 21: Draft, Brochure, "The Official Twinning of the City of Cleveland, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, United States of America and the Parish of Achill, County Mayo, Ireland, 2003.
- Folder 22: Drafts, emergency resolutions regarding Cleveland City Council's interest in establishing a permanent sister city relationship with Achill Parish. Resolution Numbers 572-01 and 919-03, 2003.
- Folder 23: Fact Sheet, The Cleveland Clinic Fact Sheet, The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, 2003.
- Folder 24: Financial Report, Cleveland-Achill Twinning Committee, December 18, 2003.
- Folder 25: Flyer, Cleveland: Gateway to the North American Market, World Trade Center, Cleveland, undated.
- Folder 26: _____, Getting Connected with Ireland's West Coast, The Cleveland-Achill Twinning Committee, October 24, 2003.
- Folder 27: Handwritten notes, 2003.
- Folder 28: Information Packet, International Children's Games, Cleveland, 2004.

- Folder 29: Invitation, West Side Irish American Club, official reception, October 24, 2003.
- Folder 30: Itinerary, Cleveland delegation to Achill Island, July, 2003.
- Folder 31: Itinerary, Mayo delegation to Cleveland, Ohio, October 2003.
- Folder 32: Letterhead, Cleveland-Achill/Mayo Twinning Committee, undated.
- Folder 33: List, attendees at unidentified meeting, Cleveland, Ohio, October 12, 2003
- Folder 34: _____, attendees at business meeting, October 24, 2003.
- Folder 35: _____, events open to the public, October 23-October 29, 2003.
- Folder 36: _____, Irish Twinning Contacts, undated.
- Folder 37: _____, Mayo County Councilors, undated.
- Folder 38: _____, staff, Court of Appeals, July 7, 2003.
- Folder 39: Menu, Achill Sound Hotel, Achill Island, County Mayo, August 1, 2003.
- Folder 40: Minutes, Tentative Cleveland Events and Contacts, September 4, 2003.
- Folder 41: Newsletter, "Achill-Link" Winter 2001, Summer 2003.
- Folder 42: _____, "Environment News", Mayo County Council, Spring 2003.
- Folder 43: _____, "In Mayo", Mayo County Council, Winter, 2002.
- Folder 44: _____, "Irish American Archives Society", Fall, 2003.

- Folder 45: Newsletters, various, Greater Cleveland Growth Association, Research Department 1996-2003.
- Folder 46: Newspaper, "The Irish Times", August 4, 2003.
- Folder 47: Newspaper clippings, "The Plain Dealer", August 3, 2004; "Connaught Telegraph" November 19, 2003; "West Side Sun News", undated.
- Folder 48: Notes, Cleveland Mayor's visit to Achill Island, April 28, 2003.
- Folder 49: Notes, plans for Mayo delegation to Cleveland, Ohio, undated.
- Folder 50: Photographs, (11) Achill delegation from Ireland visit the Irish American Archives of the Western Reserve Historical Society.
- Folder 51: Phrases, Irish phrases provided to the Mayor's office by Regina Costello, 2004.
- Folder 52: Postcards, Famine Memorial Monument, Irish Memorial Park, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Folder 53: Program, Irish delegation visit to the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Friday, October 24, 2003.
- Folder 54: Resolution, City of Cleveland "The Cleveland – Achill, County Mayo, Twinning, October 27, 2003. (original stored in Oversize Folder 1, Oversize materials, Container 2.)
- Folder 55: Speech, Mayo County Council Officials visit the Irish American Archives of the Western Reserve Historical Society, Regina Costello, October 23, 2003.
- Folder 56: Summary, "Irish Political Parties" Judge Sean C. Gallagher, undated.
- Folder 57: Typescript, "Cleveland Irish Americans Today with a Connection to Achill Island, the Corraun Peninsula and other parts of County Mayo" by

Regina A. Costello. Provided to Mayor Campbell at the request of her office. 2004.

Folder 58: Typescript, Mayo County Council information, 2003.

Folder 59: Typescript, "Twin City Project" undated.

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Folder 1: Oversize material described above in Container 1, Folder 51.