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Dear Members and Friends,

By the time you get this letter, Thanksgiving will be over and I hope you all had a happy one with your families. It's hard to believe Christmas is just a few weeks away, with all the hustle and bustle let us not forget the real meaning of Christmas.

We are busy at the center, our fashion show was great and everyone enjoyed themselves. Our feis was wonderful, thanks to all the volunteers who helped out and all those people who came in week after week to make the trophies for us. Rosemarie Byrne, Maureen Callahan and all their helpers, and the kitchen crew, thank you all!

We had a wonderful night at our ceili dance with Joanie Maddens ceili band. Thank you to all the chair people and to everyone that brought cakes.

We are looking forward to our Cill Cáis players on December 3rd and to our children's Christmas play and party December 10th. We will have a repeat performance of the children's play on December 22nd. Our Holly and Ivy dance is coming up on December 16th with Sharon and Mike Keogh. On December the 9th at our December ceili we are honoring Pete Kelly and his band for keeping our traditions alive and teaching so many of our young people to play music. We hope you will come out and support us! Thank you to our knitting club we appreciate all the good work they do.

A big thank you to Brendan and Pat Kerins for decorating our lobby, they are always the first to volunteer. Thank to Tom Deegan for helping also.

Congratulations to Jeff Clark our Grand Marshal of 2018 and his aids, Michelle Byrne, Nancy Doyle, Declan Coles and Ciaran Spillane. Please support our Parade Journal.

Please pray for our sick: Pat McHugh, Eileen Daley, Kathleen Perro, Eileen Flannery, Jim Morris and Margaret Kelly. Please pray for our deceased members and friends: Martin Lydon, Gerard Cunningham and Douglas Bird, may they rest in peace.

I would like to wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2018!

Betty McLoughlin

President