

SAVE THE DATE

Spread the news, gather your golfers, come have some fun.....

SIGHT SOCIETY OF NORTHEASTERN NY LIONS EYE BANK AT ALBANY



17th ANNUAL BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT and 5th ANNUAL LIONS CLUB CHALLENGE

The winning Lions Club Team will take home a trophy and keep it until the next year's Annual Benefit Golf Tournament, where they will have the chance to defend their title and keep the trophy for another year.

Colonie Country Club
141 Maple Avenue, Route 85A
Voorheesville, NY
August 6, 2007

Event Schedule

10:00am Sign in/Practice
Putting Contest
11:30am Lunch
12:00pm Tee Off
4:30pm Happy Hour
5:30pm Dinner & Prizes

Contests to join!

Raffles to win!

For more information
Please contact Joann Beach,
Events Coordinator
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Funds raised will help us continue

To give the "Gift of Sight!"

Sponsor Opportunities

Dinner Sponsor \$1500

- Lunch, golf and dinner for 4
- Sponsor banner on display in dining room
- Half page program ad

Lunch Sponsor \$1000

- Lunch, golf and dinner for 2
- Signage/banner at lunch
- Half page program ad

Tee Sponsor \$225

- 1/4 page program ad, your name / logo on one of the 18 tees being played that day

Program Ad Book

- Full page inside cover \$350
- Full page \$200
- Half page \$125
- Quarter page \$ 75

Golf Participant \$125

“Seeing is Believing”



*Did you know that every 5 seconds someone becomes blind?
Every minute it is a child under 16.*

**The Sight Society of Northeastern New York, Inc.
Lions Eye Bank at Albany**

Cordially invites you to their 55th Anniversary Gala *“Seeing is Believing”*
Saturday, October 13, 2007 • 6:00 – 11 pm
Desmond Hotel and Conference Center
Albany, NY

Julie Chapman, Capital News 9, morning News Anchor, will emcee the Gala which promises to be a spectacular event which will include:

- Guest of Honor - “Seeing is Believing” Award (Recipient TBA)
- Cocktail Hour and Dinner
- Dancing
- Raffles
- Auction

Your support is vital. All funds raised from the 55th Anniversary Gala, *“Seeing is Believing,”* will be used to fulfill our mission regarding restoration of sight through corneal transplants and supporting sight conservation programs.

Whether you choose to attend the event, be a sponsor, purchase a journal ad or make a donation, your support of the 55th Anniversary Gala will enhance the Sight Society’s ability to cure corneal blindness.

Please call Christine Wheat, Gala Coordinator at (518) 928-3968 with questions or to:

- *Make a Reservation (\$125 per person)*
- *Discuss Sponsorship and Journal Opportunities*
- *Buy 50/50 and Raffle Tickets*
- *Bid on Auction Items*



March 6-13, 2008

\$1599.00 PER PERSON
(plus \$195.00 US departure tax*)



Sight Society of Northeastern New York
Lions Eye Bank at Albany
Presents

Classically Ireland

With Golf Option!

Day 1 March 6 Thursday	USA to Ireland. Depart USA for overnight flight to Ireland. Dinner is served aloft.
Day 2 March 7 Friday	Dublin. Morning arrival at Dublin Airport where you are greeted by your Driver/Guide. Leaving the airport, we travel into Dublin Town where we enjoy a panoramic tour of this 1000-year old city. We then see statue filled <i>O'Connell Street, The General Post Office scene of the 1916 Easter Uprising, as well as Georgian Square.</i> After checking into our hotel, the rest of the day is free. Why not enjoy shopping along trendy Grafton Street? Optional afternoon tour to the <i>Guinness Brewery.</i> This evening dinner is on your own. Overnight Dublin.
Day 3 March 8 Saturday	Dublin-Boyne Valley. This morning we enjoy an optional tour to the Boyne Valley after our Full Irish Breakfast. This valley some 20 miles northwest from Dublin is one of the most important Irish locations as far as historical heritage is concerned, from pre-Celtic to medieval times. In this area you can find the pre-Celtic tumula of <i>Newgrange, Knowth and Dowth,</i> the Hill of Tara, where the ancient Irish kings settled their kingdom. We then visit Knowth. The Great Mound was built over 5000 years ago, probably after the construction of Newgrange and before the construction of Dowth . The Great Mound at Knowth is similar in size to Newgrange and is surrounded by 18 smaller satellite mounds. <i>Optional dinner at Taylor's Three Rock!</i>
Day 4 March 9 Sunday	Dublin-Glendalough-Waterford-Cork. After breakfast we depart Dublin and travel south. Our first stop is Enniskerry, a scenic village located in a valley and surrounded by rich vegetation. We continue on through the Wicklow Mountains to visit <i>Glendalough.</i> Here we see the round tower and ruined churches of the 6 th century monastery and stop at the visitor center for an explanation of the history of the settlement. Travel along the Vale of Avoca to Waterford where we enjoy a panoramic tour of this medieval city. We continue to Cork City for dinner and overnight.
Day 5 March 10 Monday	Cork-Blarney-Killarney. We enjoy a fabulous full Irish breakfast before continuing on to <i>Blarney</i> with its famous 14 th century kissing stone and plentiful woolen mills. We continue over The Kerry and Cork Mountains to Killarney. Plenty of time this afternoon to explore this quaint town with its plentiful shops and pubs. Overnight Killarney. Dinner is on your own with suggestions provided. <i>Optional Golf Today at Killarney National Park!</i>
Day 6 March 11 Tuesday	Dingle. After breakfast we depart Killarney for the Dingle Peninsula. The journey begins with some of the most magnificent scenery in all of Ireland. The little town of Dingle is straight out of a story book. The fishing boats in the harbor and tiny brightly painted pubs reflect a place where time has continued to stand still. The population of 1500 people and <i>only</i> 52 pubs are ready to welcome you this afternoon. Worth the wait is the native seafood chowder served up at lunch time with freshly baked brown bread. We continue on to Sleat Head. Along the way, we will see bee hive style huts, originally inhabited by 12 th century monks, which overlook the rugged Blasket Islands. The awe inspiring beauty of this particular area is unmatched. There is no other landscape in western Europe with the density and variety of archaeological monuments as found on the Dingle Peninsula. This evening dinner is at our hotel. Overnight in Killarney. <i>Optional Golf Today at Killarney National Park!</i>
Day 7 March 12 Wednesday	Killarney-Cliffs of Moher-Bunratty. After a full Irish breakfast we depart Killarney and travel north to the <i>Majestic Cliffs of Moher.</i> The Cliffs rise 700 feet and stretch out along the Atlantic coastline for five miles. We continue to Bunratty Village with its 900 year old castle and adjacent Folk Park. Make sure to stop in "Durdy Nellie's Pub" for a <i>Jar!</i> Optional Farewell Medieval Banquet at Bunratty Castle. Overnight Bunratty.
Day 8 March 13 Thursday	Bunratty-Shannon-USA. After breakfast we transfer to Shannon Airport for our flight home. Arrive home the same day. In the true Irish Tradition we wish you a "Safe Home".

Your Tour Package Includes The Following:

- **Roundtrip airfare from: JFK/DUBLIN/SHANNON/JFK**
- **Six (6) Nights Accommodations as follows or similar:**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Property</u>
Dublin	Trinity Capital Hotel-2 Nights
Cork	Kingsley Hotel-1 Night
Killarney	International Hotel-2 Nights
Bunratty	Bunratty Castle Hotel-1 Night

- Full Irish Breakfast Daily
- Two Dinners:1 Cork, 1 Killarney
- Sightseeing as per itinerary
- Touring By Deluxe Touring Motorcoach
- Services of Professional Irish Driver/Guide throughout
- Services of Hammond Tours Escort throughout
- Taxes and Service Charges except gratuity to driver/guide
- Professional Portfolio of Travel Documents

Cancellation Penalties: (LAND) If written cancellation is received by Hammond Tour more than 120 days prior to departure, a processing fee of \$250.00 per person will apply. From 119 days to 60 days prior to departure, a cancellation penalty of \$500.00 per person will apply. 60 Days or less prior to departure- a 100% cancellation penalty fee applies.

Reservation Application

Please reserve _____ seat(s) on your MARCH 6-13, 2008 Trip to Ireland (SSNENY032008)

I enclose a deposit of \$ _____ (\$250.00 per person) Deposit Due: **ASAP to hold seats**

2nd Deposit of \$300.00 due by November 2, 2007

FINAL PAYMENT DUE: January 7, 2008

Name (as on passport) _____

Address: _____

Tel: (home): _____ (work): _____ email: _____

Other passengers traveling with me: _____

Room Type: Twin(2 Beds)/Double(1 Bed): _____ Single: _____

YOU MUST PAY SINGLE RATE IF NOT TRAVELING WITH A COMPANION.

PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU NEED A ROOMMATE

Cancellation Insurance Per Person: Double (\$145.00) Single (\$179.00): Yes: ___ No: ___ (must be paid with deposit)

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: 459.00 (LIMITED NUMBER AVAILABLE) ___ YES

OPTIONAL BUS ALBANY to JFK: \$100.00 ___ YES

OPTIONAL DINNER WITH ENTERTAINMENT TAYLOR'S THREE ROCK DUBLIN: \$79.00 ___ YES

OPTIONAL GOLF PACKAGE: \$225.00 (2 Rounds of Golf) ___ YES

OPTIONAL BUNRATTY BANQUET: \$79.00 ___ YES

We Accept Visa, Mastercard & American Express. There is a 3% Charge for this service. No service charges

*on initial \$250.00 deposit *Government Departure Tax is Always Subject to Change*

TOUR IS BASED ON MINIMUM 30 PARTICPANTS

AIRFARE IS NOT GUARANTEED UNTIL PACKAGE IS PAID IN FULL

(Make Check Payable to Hammond Tours)

Send check and application to:

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