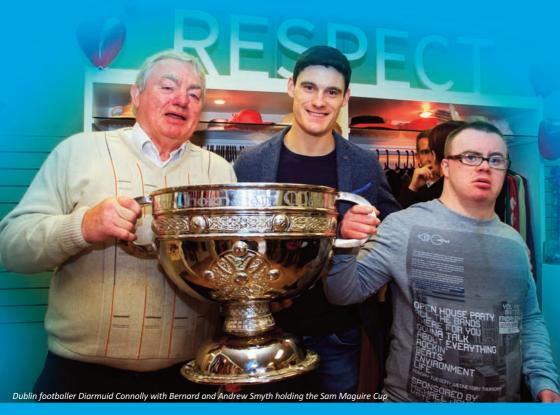


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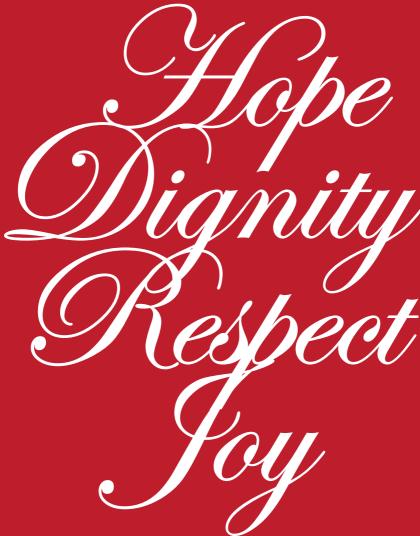


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# A Message from Dermot Desmond Chairman of RESPECT

Dear Friends,

Another exciting and eventful year has unfolded for RESPECT. The fourth DOCTRID International Conference took place at Queen's University in Belfast in April. It was attended by 140 delegates from

the USA, Ireland and mainland Europe. The DOCTRID Conference gives us the opportunity to hear and learn from worldwide experts in their chosen field of assistive technologies, which can enhance the quality of life for people with an intellectual disability and autism. Congratulations to Prof Brian Harvey and Prof Mike Leahy for their leadership and commitment to DOCTRID.

In September, we welcomed the first cohort of ASSISTID Fellows to St Joseph's Centre in Clonsilla. Eight Incoming Fellows will conduct their Research in Ireland and five Outgoing Fellows will study at one of the non Irish University Partners. Through DOCTRID and the EU Marie Curie ASSISTID programme, Ireland will become a major international hub for assistive technology research. Three new Hegarty Fellowships were established by DOCTRID in the name of the late Sr Martha Hegarty and these three researchers are based at Michigan State University and will also be attached to an Irish University and will spend time within the Daughters of Charity Services.

I am pleased to report that refurbishment of three Bungalows has commenced at Clonsilla. The new furnishings and equipment being installed will enhance the daily life of the residents.

Fundraising is the key to all our efforts and impact. I would like to thank all of the Committees and Volunteers for their dedication and hard work. RESPECT's Summer Lunch, the Charity Ball and Christmas Variety Lunch all continue to be very well supported, thanks to the superb work by the organising committees and their dedicated and loyal supporters. The Peter Lawrie Golf Outing is an annual highlight in RESPECT's calendar and we are very grateful to Peter for his support. A big thank you to everybody who cycled, walked and ran during the year in aid of RESPECT.

In particular, the 'inaugural' Greenway Cycle and Walk in Mayo was a great success. The RESPECT Shop in Prussia Street has been refurbished and I'm sure this new look will attract even more customers. The volunteers who operate the shop give wonderful service to the local community.

I would like to personally thank Dan Lenihan and Anthony Collins who announced their retirements during the year. Dan was Chairman for over 15 years and Anthony served on the Board for over 20 years. I know you will join me in extending our appreciation for everything they have done. Noel Kidney who is on the Board of RESPECT has been appointed Chairman.

I would also like to welcome some new faces to the fundraising Board, namely, Conor Mallaghan, Michelle Murphy, Dervla Cunningham, Catriona Gleeson and Karen Doyle. These individuals have a wealth of corporate experience between them and we are very grateful to them for giving of their valuable time to RESPECT. I would also like to thank Sr Goretti Butler for all her support, Sr Zoë Killeen, the Board of RESPECT, Liam Walsh and Staff. Finally, we can't thank enough the amazing families, volunteers and supporters who are an inspiration to us all.

Thank you all for your continued participation, support and efforts on behalf of RESPECT, which are warmly welcomed. We look forward to a busy and exciting 2016.

**Dermot Desmond** 

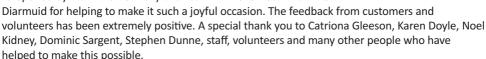
## **Dublin-Navan Cycle**



## Zoë Killeen DC Director of RESPECT

The year 2015 appears to have passed so quickly, yet as I reflect on it, so many great things have happened for RESPECT and ultimately for people with intellectual disability and autism. My deep gratitude to all of you who have made this possible.

Our shop in Prussia Street, was totally refurbished and was officially re-opened by Diarmuid Connolly and "Sam" in November. Thank You



The DOCTRID IV International conference was hosted by Queens University Belfast in April, where many academics and service providers gathered, shared and listened to each other in order to find new ways through technology to further enhance the quality of life for people with intellectual disability and autism and help them to reach their full potential. In September we welcomed our new ASSISTID research fellows and wish them well in their various areas of research into assistive technology and look forward to many new initiatives and developments to support people with ID and autism. We also look forward to welcoming our three "Hegarty Fellows" from Michigan State University, in early 2016.

Refurbishment has commenced on the "Cara Residential Centre" project at St Joseph's, Clonsilla, and the residents are keeping a close eye on its progress and waiting eagerly to return to their new re-vamped homes.

Dan Lenihan resigned as chairperson and also as a member of the fundraising board during the past year. I would like to express our deep gratitude to Dan for his expertise, support and guiding the fundraising board in some building projects over many years and always keeping in mind the people in the service. Anthony Collins also retired from the fundraising board this year. We thank him for his many years of generous service and commitment to RESPECT.

A special thank you to Noel Kidney on becoming the chairperson of the fundraising board. Noel brings a wealth of experience and talent to this position and shares his time so generously in the interest of people with intellectual disability. I would like to welcome Dervla Cunningham and Michelle Murphy as new members of the board and thank them for their time, expertise and commitment. Thanks also to each member of the fundraising board for their time and service.

I would like to thank our Chairman, Dermot Desmond for his continual guidance and support to RESPECT and ultimately to people within the service. Thank you also to Sr Goretti Butler, our Provincial for her ongoing interest and support. To Michael Horgan, Chairman, and all the members of the DOCTRID Research Board, thank you.

Finally my deep gratitude to all the staff in RESPECT, our many volunteers, families, supporters, and friends who continue to support us in various ways throughout the year. Our fundraising challenges are great but together we can make them a reality.

May I take this opportunity to wish you and all your loved ones, every blessing, peace and joy at this time. God Bless

Zé Killeen P.C.

Zoë Killeen DC



### 200km Cycle for RESPECT









#### Women's Mini-Marathon

Thank you to all who took part in the women's mini-marathon in aid of RESPECT, to Sheehans for looking after us so well post-race and to all who sponsored our walkers and runners.

#### Dublin City Marathon

Congratulations and thank you to Ciaran Mulholland who took part in the Dublin City Marathon in aid of RESPECT.





### **RESPECT Charity Ball – Killiney Castle**

The annual RESPECT Charity Ball took place in Fitzpatrick's Hotel, Killiney, where over 340 guests gathered to a great evening of enjoyment and entertainment with Kathryn Thomas as MC.

A sincere word of thanks to the Doyle Family and also to the committee members who work tirelessly to make it a great event. Thank you to all who supported the Charity Ball.



Organising Committee with Kathryn Thomas and Sr Zoë



Sinead Dolan, Lyndsay Maughan, Sarah Flood, Aisling McInerney and Aisling Dolly



Kathryn Thomas, Catherine Doyle, Miriam Doyle and Sr Zoë



Grainne Shiel and Hugh Doyle



Brendan and Mel Connors with Joe Doyle



Ingrid Olson-Borg and Laura O'Byrne



Elaine, Claire and Joanne Murphy



Kevin and James Doyle



Sheena Bowers and Fred Symmons



Sinead Dolan and Aisling Dolly Bernie and Denis Cronin



## **RESPECT & Cuala GAA Night**

RESPECT joined with Cuala GAA in Croke Park with 300 guests attending a Black Tie event. The guest of honour at this event was Mícheál Ó Muircheartaigh. Rob Hartnett from "Sport for Business" was the MC on the evening and auctioneer. The event comprised of a raffle and auction with both Cups "Liam and Sam" present for what was a great nights entertainment.



David Byrne and Gerry Byrne



Vincent Flynn, Pat Feeney and Michael O'Brien



Kevin Smith, Loughlin Garvey, Peter O'Connell, Donal O'Connor and Kyle Douglas



George and Helen Sothern with Tom Naughton



Aogan O'Fearghail, President of GAA and Sr. Zoë Killeen.



John Meehan, Marie Meehan, Mary O'Reilly and Phil Meehan



Sr Zoë Killeen and Mícheál Ó Muircheartaigh



Michael Salley, Andrew Smyth, Lisette Smyth, Bernard Smyth and Anna Woloszyn



Cronan O'Donnell, Pat O'Donnell, Marleen O'Donnell, Don O'Mahony and Mary O'Mahony



Maeve Feeney, Collette Flynn, Mary O'Brien and Ann Whitty



Paul Stephens, Cathal Ryan, Ronan Kelly, Ger Reddy and Bill Reilly



Bernard and Nuala McGranaghan, Joan Wylde, Liz Coffey and Mark Dorman



## Noel Kidney Chairman, Fundraising Board

2015 began with planning our strategy for raising funds over the period to 2020. These funds will enable us to continue our support for the Daughters of Charity Disability Support Services and the DOCTRID Institute providing matching funding for the EU Marie Curie grant for the ASSISTID project. Over the year we saw how the hard work, talents and commitment of the RESPECT team at Clonsilla contributed in no small way to our success in implementing this strategy.

The appointment by DOCTRID of the first group of ASSISTID Fellowships brought home to us all the potential of assistive technology in the world of intellectual disability and autism and we

hope to focus on this in the coming year.

During the year Anthony Collins stepped down from the Fundraising Board after many years of providing support and advice. Marian Kelly stepped down from the Board and continues her organisation of the Peter Lawrie Golf Tournament.

I would like to welcome Dervla Cunningham and Michelle Murphy to the Board and we are already benefiting from their expertise and energies!

Dan Lenihan stepped down as Chairman of the Fundraising Board and as a member after many years. In his time in the chair Dan oversaw the growth of RESPECT and our funding and advocacy for the completed projects at Glenmaroon and Clonsilla and I saw how Dan's commitment and practical approach was central to a successful outcome. I was honoured to be requested to succeed Dan as Chairman.

In what will soon be three years into her role as Director of RESPECT, Sr Zoë Killeen continues to introduce the changes and development required in our organisation as we continue to raise support for projects in the Service and address the challenges of DOCTRID. Sr Zoë brings the ethos of caring to all our activities, keeping all of us focussed on what we are doing and for whom we are doing it. Thank you Sr Zoë.

I would like to thank our Board Members, RESPECT staff, volunteers and the many many supporters of our events for their contribution during the year. We receive ongoing support and advice from Denis Cronin CEO of the Service, Sr Goretti Butler Provincial of the Daughters of Charity, and Michael Horgan Chair and the members of the DOCTRID Board, for which I would like to thank them.

On behalf of us all, I would like to thank Dermot Desmond for his commitment as Chairman of RESPECT and his continued encouragement, support and advice.

RESPECT has changed the lives of many people with intellectual disability and autism, with your help the coming years will see our efforts going beyond our achievements with bricks and mortar into a wider world of international research.

Thank you

**Noel Kidney** 

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## **RESPECT Shop Opening**



he official opening of the newly refurbished shop in Prussia street took place on Tuesday the 10th of November. We were lucky enough to have All-Ireland winning Dublin footballer Diarmuid Connolly to cut the ribbon on the day. Diarmuid brought along the Sam Maguire and brightened up the morning for the volunteers and locals. A big thank you to all the ladies who so generously give up their time and make the shop such an important part of the community. We are very grateful to Dominic and Stephen who did a terrific job transforming the shop into such a bright and inviting place. We appreciate all donations, big or small and look forward to your continued support.

**Catriona Gleeson** and **Karen Doyle** (Members of the RESPECT Fundraising Board)

The newly refurbished shop



Internal view of the shop

## after Refurbishment



Volunteers who work in the shop



Diarmuid and Paddy



Catriona, Diarmuid and Karen



Some of our daily supporters



Dominic, Diarmuid and Stephen



Enjoying the event

#### **DOCTRID IV International Conference**





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Professor Mike Leahy Professor Brian Harvey



The latter half of 2015 saw an expansion of the DOCTRID research programmes through the appointment of three new Sr Martha Hegarty Fellows and thirteen Marie Curie ASSISTID Fellows. The Hegarty Fellows, Drs. Hyun-Ju Kang, Rebecca Irvine and Nicole Neil will divide their two year research appointments between Michigan State University and an Irish host university. The host universities for this group of Fellows include: NUIG, TCD and Queens University. Their projects will also involve service users and staff at the DoC and are focused in the areas of employment outcomes, policy, accessibility, self-advocacy and behavioural interventions. Some of the ASSISTID projects include increasing independence of individuals with ID or ASD using smartphones, virtual learning and employment training, interactive toys and computerized speech development. A special focus is being placed on the ethics and policy of assistive technology and its role in social inclusion.

Finally DOCTRID has been invited to present the "ASSISTID programme: supporting fellowships in Intellectual Disability and Autism" to the EU Luxembourg Presidency Conference on Equal Opportunities, Gender and Diversity, 10th December 2015.

All the delegates who attended the conference at QUB.



Sr Goretti Butler (Provincial), Nigel Harris (Director of Designability, Bath Institute of Medical Engineering) and Sr Zoë Killeen (Director of RESPECT) signing a Memorandum of Understandina.



Sr Goretti Butler (Provincial), Denis Cummins (President of Dundalk Institute of Technology) and Sr Zoë Killeen (Director of RESPECT) signing a Memorandum of Understanding.

Below: Lou Anna K Simon (President of Michigan State University) addresses the conference.



### **Queens University Belfast**



Professor David Jones, Pro-Vice Chancellor speaking at the Welcome Dinner of DOCTRID IV in the Great Hall at Queens University Belfast.



Mike Leahy, Ian Gray, Sr Zoë Killeen, Brian Harvey and Denis Cronin



## Welcome of DOCTRID Fellows

Delegates attending the workshops at the conference.



Prof Brian Harvey, Director of Research



Above: Professor Brian Harvey with Sheeona Gorman and Gretta Fitzgerald. Below: Some invited quests at the event





L-R. Dr Ken Kerr, UCD and Ulster University; Dr Sean O'Neill, DCU; Dr Bryan Boyle, TCD; Dr Enrique Garcia, UCC;Dr Ram Prasad Krishnamoorthy, DCU, Dr Cathy Dalton, UCD & Ulster University; Dr Fiachra O Brolchain, DCU and QUB.



Denis Cronin, CEO DOC Disability Support Services Ltd. Sr Zoë Killeen, Director of RESPECT



## **RESPECT Summer Lunch**

This year's Summer Lunch took place in the Intercontinental Hotel (formerly the Four Seasons Hotel) for the 14th consecutive year. The sun was shining and our regular supporters enjoyed a very memorable and indeed special day, it was great to see a number of new faces and we hope to see everyone back on Saturday 11th June 2016.

A special thanks to the organising committee: Niall Gunne, Stephen Mallaghan, Shane Taggart, Mary Quinn and Ali Quinn. A special thanks to Barry Murphy who provided marvellous entertainment on the day.

Many thanks to all our guests for their continued support.

(Niall Gunne, Chairperson)



Mary and Lee Mallaghan with Sr Zoë Killeen



Niamh Fagan and Natasha Obernik



Sinéad and Nicholas O'Gorman



Ali Quinn and Caroline Hamilton



Aoife Bushell and Stephanie Desmond



Criona O'Daly



Andrea Corr and Lucy Nagle



Amy Healy and Stephen Mallaghan



Organising Committee Seated L-R: Mary Quinn, Sr Zoë and Ale Quinn Standing L-R: Liam Walsh, Niall Gunne (Chairman), Shane Taggart, Barry Murphy (MC) and Stephen Mallaghan



Sarah Lipsett

#### **Events for RESPECT**

#### **Fashion Show**



Mary Lynch MC for the event with Sr Zoë

This Fashion Show was kindly hosted in aid of RESPECT by Edinburgh Woollen Mills at Plantegen Garden Centre, Clonee. This was a very pleasant and enjoyable occasion.

Thank you to Kathleen and all her staff for organising this event and also thank you to the models who took to the catwalk and all who supported it.

## School Enrichment Programme

The RESPECT School Enrichment Programme runs throughout the year with St Dominic's and St Declan's Transition Year Students.

We wish to thank both schools, their Principals and in particular the teachers involved Ms Fiona Spain, Ms Claire Breen (St Declan's) and Ms Aoife Lynch, Ms Nicole Brady (St Dominic's) for their enthusiasm, time and commitment to the programme. The student committee are planning an Inter-Schools Quiz, Carol Singing and a special event in 2016. The team at RESPECT wish them well and thank them for sharing their talents and their time, all in the name of RESPECT.

#### Go Green for RESPECT

Thank You to Ms Nóirín Behan (Principal), teachers, students and parents at St Benedict's NS Ongar for organising the Going Green Fundraiser for RESPECT on Friday 13th March. Well done to one and all.

#### **Clonee Girl Guides**

A big thank you to Robyn for organising with her friends in the Clonee Girl Guides.

- Skipathon Thirty minute non-stop
- Unwanted clothes turned into cash

#### **Tennis**

Ciaran MacDiarmada and Tommy Coyle members of Castleknock Lawn Tennis Club who organised a great afternoon of Mixed Doubles Tennis at the Club. The event was a wonderful success thanks to Grainne Doyle (Hon Secretary) for the use of the facilities. To all who organised the event, those who supported the competition through prizes and to all who played, a big Thank You.



L-R Ciaran Mac Diarmada, Sr Zoë Killeen and Tommy Coyle (Organisers)

#### **Miele Cookery Demonstration**



A special thank you to Pat McGrath (CEO) and Margaret Crerar (Events & PR Manager) from Miele. For hosting the "Ultimate Dinner Party" cookery Demo in association with The Butler's Pantry, and Chef Niall Hill (above) in aid of RESPECT, on Tuesday 9th June at the Miele Gallery. A great night was enjoyed by all. Thank you also to Mary Crotty, her team for organising the night and all involved.

To all who supported this event, a sincere thank you.

### **Denis Cronin** CEO, Daughters of Charity Disability Support Services Ltd.

#### Dear Friends

This has been a particularly busy year for the Daughters of Charity Disability Support Services as we prepare for registration inspections of our residential facilities by the regulatory body HIQA. The Service manages 75 designated centres across three regions in Dublin, Limerick and North Tipperary.



To date 23 centres have been registered and we look forward to the remainder being registered in the New Year. Needless to say the regulator is particularly critical of sub standard facilities, and the Service is grateful for the contribution which RESPECT has made to assist the Service in refurbishing some of our residential accommodation over the last number of years. We are delighted that RESPECT have agreed to support our most recent refurbishment project, Cara Residential Centre at St. Joseph's in Clonsilla. Work has already started on this and residents are looking forward to moving into their revamped bungalows in the new year.

I am delighted to see that RESPECT's involvement in research continues through DOCTRID and the appointment of the research fellows is a great achievement. The research proposals are very interesting and I am sure they will contribute greatly to our overall understanding and capacity to support people with intellectual disability.

As we approach the holy season of Christmas, I would like to thank everyone involved with RESPECT for their ongoing support and wish everyone a peaceful and holy Christmas and a very happy New Year.

#### **Denis Cronin**

### **RESPECT Christmas Lunch**

Over 350 quests enjoyed a wonderful lunch in the Shelbourne Hotel hosted by Kathryn Thomas, with lots of surprises and entertainment. A special thank you to Kathryn Thomas, a true Ambassador to RESPECT and her committee namely Jill Robinson, Gemma Teeling, Sally-Anne Kehoe and Barbara Ennis. Thank you also to all who supported and sponsored this truly great occasion.



Sr Zoë with Kathryn Thomas



The Organising Committee



Oliver Callan



Andrew Gunne

### Greenway Here We Come ...

This family friendly event took place on Saturday 9th May when a great number of people took to cycling and walking the **Greenway route** from Achill to Westport.

We were blessed with the weather. as people enjoyed what is one of the most scenic routes in the West of Ireland. A special thank you to Derek Tallant, as this was his brainchild and what a great fundraiser it turned out to be for **RESPECT. Thank** you to all who supported this event.

The good news is there are many enquiries for next year already!































### Peter Lawrie Golf Classic at Carton House

The Annual Peter Lawrie Golf Classic took place at Carton House GC. on Monday 7th September and was a resounding success. Thanks to the 24 teams who entered and to my fellow committee members namely Marian Kelly and Roger Hynes. A special thank you to Peter who travelled to be present for the evening event and prize-giving. We were blessed with the weather and all players seemed to have enjoyed the many challenges of the Montgomerie Course. Congratulations to the winning team from Avenue Cafe who were also one of the main sponsors of the day. A special thank you to the Mallaghan Family who hosted the players after the days Golf with Dinner, Prize-giving and auction in the Gold Salon, Carton House Hotel" (Conor Mallaghan, Organising Committee)



Sr Zoë with Peter Lawrie



Winning Team: Fergal Harte, Peter Sinclair, Robert Kennedy and Padraig Whelan



Steve Greenwood, Willie Byrne, Ciara Greenwood and David Bruton Below: Austin Conboy Snr watches Austin Jnr putting



L-R: John Giblin, Conor, Alex and Lee Mallaghan Below: Pat O'Donnell. Jim Mulcair and Eoin O'Donnell





## Goretti Butler DC Provincial of the Daughters of Charity

Another year is quickly passing and a New Year is round the corner so as we approach the Christmas season I am very happy to have this opportunity to wish each of you and your loved ones a very blessed and happy Christmas

Christmas brings family and friends together; it helps us to appreciate the love and care in our lives that we can often take for granted, it is a time for remembering the past and hoping for the future.

Once again on behalf of the Daughters of Charity Community I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Dermot Desmond and the RESPECT Board Members; to Mr. Noel Kidney and the Fundraising Board Members and to Mr. Michael Horgan and the DOCTRID Board Members who have supported us so generously during the past year. A special word of thanks to the many friends and volunteers who have contributed in so many different ways to the development of RESPECT and in so doing are helping to give our people with an intellectual disability a much better quality of life.

Two long serving members of the Fundraising Board – its Chairman Mr. Dan Lenihan and Mr. Anthony Collins resigned recently. It would be impossible to quantify what each has done over the years to making RESPECT what it is today. Fundraising is always a challenge but both Dan and Anthony have over many years led RESPECT with enthusiasm, energy and wisdom. They will be missed greatly but we all benefit from the legacy and example they left us. A sincere thank you to you both. May you both enjoy a blessed and happy retirement.

We are very happy that Noel Kidney took on the role of Chairman of the Fundraising Board following the retirement of Dan. Noel has been a member of the Board for a long time and brings a wealth of experience to the post and for this we are very grateful.

We welcomed two new members to the Board in January, Dervla Cunningham and Michelle Murphy. They each bring new vitality, expertise and ideas. I would like to thank Michelle and Dervla for agreeing to join the Fundraising Board and hope that they will find the work rewarding despite the challenges.

Finally a special word of thanks to Sr. Zoë, Liam Walsh and all the team in the RESPECT offices. They are the people who link us together and who work tirelessly with the Boards of Management, the service users, fundraising events and volunteers.

May this Christmas be a season of great joy for each of you, a time for remembering the past and hoping for the future

Goretti Butler,

**Provincial of the Daughters of Charity** 

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throughout the Dublin area. We thank those who display and contribute to them in the various outlets.

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