

The D.C. Friends of Ireland presents its  
**2020 IRISH FESTIVAL**

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**HONORING**



**Mark McManus**

*General President of the United Association*

**Monday, March 30, 2020**

Washington Hilton Hotel

2020 Festival Chairman Terry O'Sullivan

# MARK McMANUS

*General President,  
United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the  
Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of the United States and Canada*



In August 2016, Mark McManus was unanimously elected General President of the United Association (UA) at the UA's 39<sup>th</sup> General Convention and on November 10, 2016, he assumed his new position. General President McManus represents over 355,000 Plumbers, Pipefitters, Sprinkler Fitters, Welders and HVAC Service Technicians across the United States and Canada.

Mark began his career with the UA in 1983 when he was initiated into Plumbers Local 24 in Newark, New Jersey. He was elected Business Agent in 1994 and Business Manager in 1997. His talents and leadership brought him to the United Association General Office in 2007 where he has served as International Representative, Administrative Assistant to the General President and General Secretary-Treasurer.

As General President Mark McManus is responsible for supervising the day-to-day affairs of the United Association and for decisions concerning internal union governance, as well as rendering decisions and adjusting disputes and other matters affecting the organization. He is the Chairman of the UA General Executive Board, UA Strategic Planning Committee and is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees on multiple UA Pension Funds. Mark McManus supervises the development and implementation of all major policies and programs of the United Association including the industry leading UA Veterans in Piping<sup>®</sup> (VIP) Program.

Mark and the UA are extremely active in all aspects of the political world — National, State and Local, in a bipartisan manner.

Mark McManus has had a distinguished career in support of our nation's hard-working men and women and is unwavering in his commitment to a strong and mutually beneficial partnership between labor and management.

# FORMER HONOREES

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## 1992

John J. Barry, President\*  
*International Brotherhood  
of Electrical Workers*

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## 1993

John J. Sweeney, President  
*Service Employees  
International Union*

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## 1994

Edward T. Hanley, President\*  
*Hotel Employees Restaurant  
Employees International Union*

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## 1995

Thomas R. Donahue, President  
*American Federation of Labor  
and Congress of Industrial  
Organizations*

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John J. Sweeney, President  
*American Federation of Labor  
and Congress of Industrial  
Organizations*

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## 1997

William G. Bernard, President\*  
*International Association of  
Heat and Frost Insulators and  
Asbestos Workers*

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## 1998

Vincent R. Sombrotto, President\*  
*National Association  
of Letter Carriers*

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## 1999

John M. Bowers, President\*  
*International Longshoremen's  
Association*

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## 2000

John J. Flynn, President  
*International Union of Bricklayers  
and Allied Craftworkers*

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## 2001

Terry O'Sullivan,  
General President  
*Laborers' International Union  
of North America*

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## 2002

Michael J. Sullivan,  
General President  
*Sheet Metal Workers'  
International Association*

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## 2003

James Williams,  
General President  
*International Union of Painters  
and Allied Trades*

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## 2004

James P. Hoffa,  
General President  
*International Brotherhood  
of Teamsters*

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## 2005

Edward C. Sullivan, President  
*Building and Construction  
Trades Department, AFL-CIO*

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## 2006

Edwin D. Hill,  
International President\*  
*International Brotherhood  
of Electrical Workers*

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## 2007

Michael A. Fitzpatrick,  
General Secretary  
*International Association of  
Bridge, Structural, Ornamental  
and Reinforcing Iron Workers*

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## 2008

Richard Hughes, President\*  
*International Longshoremen's  
Association, AFL-CIO*

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## 2009

Michael J. Brennan,  
and Terence J. O'Sullivan\*  
*DCFJ Past Presidents*

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## 2010

Richard L. Trumka, President  
*AFL-CIO*

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## 2011

James Boland, President  
*International Union of Bricklayers  
and Allied Craftworkers (BAC)*

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## 2012

Mark Ayers, President\*  
*Building and Construction  
Trades Department, AFL-CIO*

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## 2013

Sean McGarvey, President  
*Building and Construction Trades  
Department, AFL-CIO (BCTD)*

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## 2014

William P. Hite, President  
*General President, U.A. Union  
of Plumbers, Fitters, Welders  
and HVAC Service Tech*

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## 2015

Patrick D. Finley,  
General President\*  
*Operative Plasterers' and Cement  
Masons' International Association*

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## 2016

James A. Grogan,  
General President Emeritus  
*International Association  
of Heat and Frost Insulators  
and Allied Trades*

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## 2017

James T. Callahan,  
General President  
*International Union of  
Operating Engineers*

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## 2018

Eric M. Dean, General President  
*International Association of  
Bridge, Structural, Ornamental  
& Reinforcing Iron Workers*

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## 2019

Lonnie R. Stephenson,  
International President  
*International Brotherhood  
of Electrical Workers*

\*Deceased

# YOU'RE INVITED!

## D.C. Friends of Ireland Irish Festival

### **DATE:**

Monday, March 30, 2020

### **TIME:**

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

### **PLACE:**

Washington Hilton  
1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20009

### **D.C. Friends of Ireland**

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**DONATIONS:** \$225 individual; \$2,250 reserved table of 10.

**NOTE:** Reservations for tables received by Friday, March 20, 2020, will be guaranteed. After that date, requests for reserved tables will be handled as space permits – **NO GUARANTEE.**

**Registration Card Enclosed**



### Officers

Terry O'Sullivan  
Chairman

Trish Sweeney  
President

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Secretary-Treasurer

John J. Sweeney  
Chairman Emeritus

James J. Kennedy, Jr  
President Emeritus

Michael Brennan  
President Emeritus

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James Boland  
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Kevin Brennan  
Dana A. Brigham  
James T. Callahan  
Frank Christensen  
Kevin P. Collins  
Brendan Connors  
Maurice J. Cullinane  
Eric Dean

Brian Doherty  
John C. Donohue  
Bill Edwards  
Michael Fitzpatrick  
John J. Flynn  
Joyce Flynn  
John Harrison  
Kathy Power van Helden  
James P. Hoffa  
Newton B. Jones  
Paul Kelly  
Sean Kelly

Joel Manion  
James P. "Bud" McCourt  
Edward J. McElroy  
Mark McManus  
Ted Pappas  
Kenneth E. Rigmaiden  
Kinsey M. Robinson  
Joseph Sellers, Jr.  
Edward Smith  
Daniel E. Stepano  
Lonnie R. Stephenson  
Edward F. Sullivan

### Charitable Contributions

Since 2010, we have made charitable contributions totaling more than \$850,000 to many well-deserving charities such as:

**Helmets to Hardhats**  
**Washington Ireland Program**  
**Belfast Beltway Project**  
**Solas Nua**  
**James Connolly Centre**

**D.C. Friends of Ireland, 905 16th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006**

# TERRY O'SULLIVAN

## A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Brothers and sisters, Irish-Americans have always been a part of the ongoing struggle for workers' rights, civil rights, and human rights. We have played a disproportionate role in building the American Trade Union Movement, and almost every union in our great nation can count Irish immigrants among its founders and leaders. Although separated from our beloved ancestral homeland by distance and circumstance, the bonds between Ireland and her exiled children in America remain unbreakable. You can take the Irish out of Ireland, but you can't take Ireland out of the Irish, which is why the DC Friends of Ireland (DCFOI) and its sister organizations across the United States continue to support worthwhile organizations in Ireland.

Our support for these worthwhile causes is more critical now than ever before. After a three-year deadlock, a new government was finally formed in Stormont, and with it, there is renewed hope for a cross-border vote that would make real the centuries-old dream of a free and united Ireland. That is why I hope you will join us on Monday, March 30, 2020, as we raise money while celebrating our history, our heritage, and our culture.

This year, we will gather to honor our friend and our brother, United Association General President Mark McManus. A fierce working-class warrior, Mark McManus puts his fighting Irish spirit to work on behalf of more than 350,000 plumbers, pipefitters, sprinkler fitters, service technicians, and welders across the United States and Canada. He has also forged international federation agreements with Australian and Irish trade unions, recognizing that trade unions must be as global as the corporations that employ their members. As a member of the Board of Directors of both Veterans in Piping and Helmets to Hardhats, he helps those who have served our nation build rewarding careers in the building trades. Mark McManus is leaving his union, our Movement, and our world, better than the way that he found them. He shows us all what it takes, and what it means, to be a true labor leader.

I hope you will join us to honor Mark on March 30, and on behalf of all the members of DCFOI, I wish you and your family the very best for 2020.