



In 2007, the Board of the Emerald Isle Immigration Center honored Mae at their annual Dinner Dance. Additionally at the event and in recognition of her singular contributions to the organization, the Board announced as a surprise to Mae that a living Scholarship had been established in her name. So far over \$20,000 has been raised to support the Mae O'Driscoll Scholarship Award and a committee has been established to continue to raise funds for it, in addition to reviewing and monitoring the scholarship awards annually

THE MAE O'DRISCOLL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The committee is chaired by EIIC Board member Dr. Maureen Murphy with additional help and support from EIIC Executive Director, Siobhan Dennehy, Paul Finnegan, John and Ann Garvey, Lisa Johnston Esq., Noreen O'Donoghue, Frank Schorn, Esq., and Mae O'Driscoll.

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the Irish American
community.*

INFORMATION & APPLICATION



The MAE O'DRISCOLL SCHOLARSHIP

MAE O'DRISCOLL was born in Lisheen, Skibber-
een, County Cork, Ireland.
She was educated at the lo-
cal National School and the Convent of Mercy in
Skibbereen. In 1958 she immigrated to New York
and worked in the Banking and Travel Industries.
She continued her education at Brooklyn College
where she received a Bachelor of Science Degree
in Accounting. After twenty eight years of service
Mae recently retired from J. P. Morgan & Compa-
ny where she was an Assistant Vice President.

Mae has been active in the Irish American com-
munity since her arrival in New York. Whether
it was in organizing a benefit for a worthy cause
or walking a picket line in support of Civil
Rights, Mae could always be counted among the
most actively involved. Mae's care and concern
once again manifested itself in the 1980s when
thousands of undocumented Irish immigrants
flocked to our shores. In response to the cri-
sis situation facing these immigrants, the Irish
Immigration Reform Movement (IIRM) was
founded at the Cork Association meeting in May
1987. Mae is a charter member and served as
Chairperson of the New York State Branch. The
IIRM successfully lobbied for comprehensive
immigration reform. As a result of their dedi-
cated efforts the "Immigration Act of 1990" was
passed into law providing thousands of visas for
the Irish through the "Morrison Visa" program.
Mae is also a founding member of the Emerald
Isle Immigration Center, a fully staffed Immi-
grant Advice Center, with offices in Woodside,
Queens and Woodlawn, in the Bronx. Mae has
encouraged many to pursue education to college
level as she did herself. She continues to serve the

Irish immigrant community in her work as Di-
rector and Trustee of the EIIC.

Mae resides in Brooklyn and is a member of
Good Shepherd Parish.



The Mae O'Driscoll Scholarship was established
by the Board of the Emerald Isle Immigration
Center with funds contributed by friends of
Mae to recognize her singular contribution to
the Irish American community and particularly
Irish immigrants to New York. The "inaugural"
scholarship awards will be in the amounts of
\$500, \$300 and \$200 to provide financial aid for
higher education to an immigrant or the son or
daughter or grandson/granddaughter of an im-
migrant to the US.



WHO CAN APPLY?

Applicants must be: Qualifying immigrants (in-
dividuals who have immigrated to the US from
another country), or, children and grandchildren
of such immigrants who are enrolled in an ac-
credited US post-secondary educational facility.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

(Please read carefully)

- **All submissions will be accepted via e-mail only**
- **The e-mail address to send your submission to: scholarship@eiic.org**
- **Place use the following subject line: Mae O'Driscoll Scholarship**
- **Applications must be received before 5pm on October 12, 2010**

REQUIREMENTS

Your requirements are both an essay (as speci-
fied below) and the answers to these questions:

- 1) Your Name
- 2) Your Address
- 3) Your Phone Number
- 4) Why do you qualify to apply for this scholar-
ship? (See previous section: 'Who can apply?';
please specify if you are a qualifying immi-
grant, or the child or grandchild of a qualify-
ing immigrant)
- 5) Depending on your answer to Question 4,
what year did you, your parent or your grand-
parent immigrate to the US, and what was the
country of origin?
- 6) What is the highest level of education you
have obtained thus far?
- 7) Where will you be enrolled for the upcoming
Spring semester?

ESSAY: We would like to know something about
your educational background and/or work his-
tory, your post secondary college plans and your
long term career goals. Please provide us with an
essay (1000–1500 words or 3–5 pages) that dis-
cusses your life as a learner and the way that the
Mae O'Driscoll Scholarship would help you to
realize that future.

Place your answers to our questions in the
body of your e-mail response, and attach your
essay in one of the following two formats only:
Microsoft Word, or as a PDF.

Note: an incomplete application (i.e. an in-
complete set of answers to our questions, and/or
an essay which doesn't meet our guidelines) will
be rejected.