

## **EMERALD ISLE IMMIGRATION CENTER'S 22nd ANNIVERSARY HONOREES**

### **Elizabeth Crowley**

NYC Council Member – District 30th

Elizabeth Crowley aspired to public service early in life, was born and raised in Middle Village and now resides with her family in Glendale. She is the first Democrat and first woman to represent the 30<sup>th</sup> Council District. Elizabeth Crowley has a Masters Degree in City and Regional Planning from Pratt Institute's Graduate school of Architecture where she studied architecture, historic preservation, in addition to environmental and city planning. Elizabeth Crowley holds a Bachelors Degree in Restoration/Preservation from SUNY Fashion Institute of Technology where she graduated Magna Cum Laude and participated in the school's Presidential Scholars program. After graduating, Elizabeth worked on active construction sites as a member of D.C. 9 International Union of Painters and Allied Trades utilizing her skills in preservation on historic renovations. Elizabeth's work includes the New York City's historic landmarks of Radio City Music Hall, Central Synagogue and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Elizabeth Crowley won election to the New York City Council in the 30th district with an overwhelming majority. Her district covers the neighborhoods of Maspeth, Middle Village, Glendale, Ridgewood, Woodhaven and Richmond Hill.

### **Joseph Carty**

Proprietor, The Rambling House

Joseph Carty, the eldest son of six children born to Mary & Peter Carty. Joe grew up in Aughavas, County Leitrim, Ireland and completed his primary education in Croduff. Joe began working at a woodwork shop in Carrigallen and eventually found his way to England, where he worked for a couple of years; in July, 1970, Joe emigrated to the United States and settled in New York City and in 1975 he decided to work on the Alaskan Pipeline and stayed in Alaska for the next five years. He then returned to Ireland and opened "Carty's Pub" in Jamestown, Co. Leitrim. In 1994, Joe went into business with Rory Dolan and Mike Brennan and opened Rory Dolan's restaurant and Bar on McLean Avenue in Yonkers, New York. In 2003, they opened The Rambling House Bar and Restaurant on Katonah Avenue in the Bronx. Joe is a dedicated member of the Irish-American community of New York City and has worked to promote his Leitrim heritage. Joe and his wife, Mary Curly Carty and their four children, Tara, Colleen, Catherine, and Peter reside in Eastchester and are parishioners of St. Joseph's Church in Bronxville.

### **Terence O'Sullivan**

General President of LIUNA

Terence M. O'Sullivan has been General President of LIUNA – the Laborer's International Union of North America, since January 1, 2000. He joined LIUNA in 1974 and is a long time member of Local Union 1353, Charleston, West Virginia. A native of San Francisco, the city his grandparents Florence and Cathleen O'Sullivan settled in on arrival from Glencar, Co. Kerry. Terence now resides in Virginia. He is a graduate of Catholic University of America where he played baseball and basketball. He is known as an innovator among the newest generation of labor leaders dedicated to aggressive and sometimes radical approaches designed to increase the power of working people in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. At LIUNA's 2006 Convention, O'Sullivan led delegates to an historic commitment for helping more workers join the Union with the passage of resolutions that will raise more than \$100 million a year for organizing – more than any construction union and more than virtually any union in North America. He also led the charge for greater political strength with unprecedented commitments for voter registration, member activism and fundraising. Terence is the proud father of two children – Brendan and Caitlin. He takes great pride in his Irish heritage; he supports Sinn Féin and has been involved in fund raising on their behalf. On several occasions he has been a speaker at their annual Ard Fheis. His welcomes the Peace Process and his wish is for peace and prosperity for all of Ireland.