

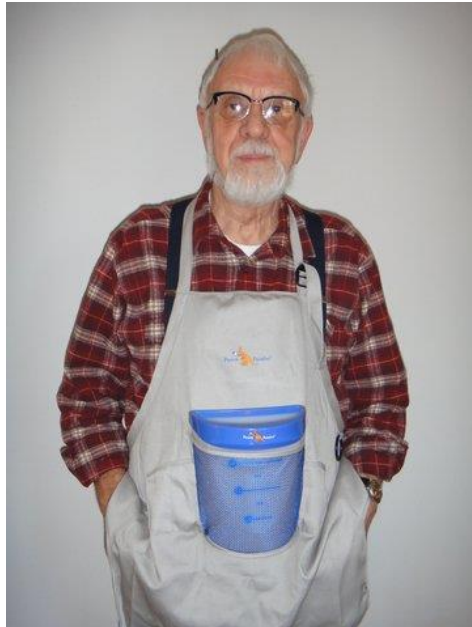
# Irish History Round Table



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## Vignettes from Dublin

Our speaker for May is Sean O'Connor, a man with many hats: gardener, cook, teacher of Irish and a writer of Irish stories. We will hear a book of short stories, translated on the spot from Irish, entitled "*Inne Agam Mar Chiste*" or "Yesterdays are my Treasure". These are delightful stories of his family's life in Dublin during the 1940's to 1960's. He's written other kinds of stories such as the one about the space travelers marooned in Kerry and a bigger than life Irish hero. The stories we will hear are both touching and hilarious, as only the Irish can tell.

In the past, Dr. O'Connor has been involved with research at Bristol-Myers Squibb and was a co-founder of Myco Pharmaceuticals in Massachusetts. Today, he is a senior consultant, finding cost-effective and reasonable solutions.

### IN RASPBERRY PICKING MODE

With his roots in Dublin, and seeped in the best Gaelic language school in Ireland, he's had a rigorous education, graduating from University College Dublin with a PhD in Organic Chemistry. He moved into our colder climes at U of Minnesota for his post-doc studies but the bitter winter made him decide to move south. Since 1998, he's been a writer in Irish of 5 books already in print. He's been part of the Sean Ruiseal Trilogy, a series of detective stories in modern Irish. He sees himself as a nice, fairly competent, Irish Catholic lad doing his best to keep his head above water in this great country of ours. Please join us on **May 20<sup>th</sup>** and enjoy the whit and the twinkle of the eye in these richly drawn Irish stories.

Upcoming Meeting in June

June 17-Irish in the Labor Union

July/August-Summer Recess