

# Irish History Round Table



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## Celtic Myth and Irish Revival



For our November 15 meeting of the IHRT, we are pleased to welcome Joel Feimer. He will give us insight into the historic myths upon which the Irish culture was built and the revival of these myths in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, particularly the works of W.B. Yeats, that would establish the identity of a new nation. He draws on an amazing rich background to explain his subject, covering the Celtic world from Brittany to the west of Ireland. Join us at 7:30pm at the Knights of St. Patrick hall for this powerful talk.

### Joel Feimer's Bio:



I am currently facilitating courses in Irish Literature, Fairy Tales, The Bible as Literature, and Classical Greek Literature for The Institute for Learning in Retirement at Alberts Magnus College. During the course of eleven years as Director of the M.A. in English, which I designed and founded, at Mercy College, I guided many students through their theses. My dissertation (CUNY 1983), "The Figure of Medea in Medieval Literature: A Thematic Metamorphosis," won the Margaret M. Bryant Award for the best Dissertation in Comparative Literature. I have published numerous scholarly articles on topics from Medieval to Fantasy Literature, as well as Folklore/Folk Tales and Education. I have contributed papers to many scholarly conferences, and served on the Executive Board of the IAFA (International Association for the Fantastic in the Arts). I'm in the process of producing a revised edition

for my writing textbook, "Tales of Wonder from Many Lands,"

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- *RSVP for IHRT Xmas party on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> at the Playwright.*
- *November 27 (Sunday), 2pm----Irish Book Club; reading "Where are you really from?"*