

The Dalton Genealogical Society

Annual Gathering for 2019

Friday 26th July to Monday 29th July 2019

Dublin, Republic of Ireland

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INVITATION AND DETAILS

For 2019, the DGS Annual Gathering is being held in Ireland and will be based at the Ashling Hotel in Dublin, conveniently situated near the city centre. This event will take place from Friday 26th to Monday 29th July 2019.

The Dalton Genealogical Society extends an invitation to all DGS members and their families to attend the 2019 Gathering of the Society in Dublin, Ireland from Friday 26th to Monday 29th July. All will be welcome, and the theme of the weekend will be the origins and the history of Irish Dalton families. Coupled with this we will review some of the projects that the Society is working on and look ahead to the future.

The weekend will include the opportunity to visit a number of interesting places both inside and outside Dublin, including some with direct Dalton connections, together with talks about Dalton family history and, of course, the opportunity to meet and chat with fellow members. The DGS Annual Dinner will take place on the Saturday evening.

Full details of the programme for the weekend, costs and booking arrangements will be found in this leaflet. If you require any further information or have any queries, please contact Michael Neale Dalton (DGS Chairman - email: michaeldalton@aol.com) who will be pleased to assist.

This will be the **Fourth DGS Irish Gathering**. Previous Irish Gatherings in 2005, 2008 and 2013 have attracted wide support, particularly from members with Irish Dalton descent but also from many other members as well. This 2019 Irish Gathering will provide the opportunity:

- to explore more about Irish Dalton ancestry
- to meet up with others and share their quest to unlock elusive ancestors
- to experience and enjoy that special Irish hospitality which has been a hallmark of our previous events.

A note about travel arrangements

You may want to combine your stay in Dublin with visits to other parts of Ireland, the UK or Europe. There are a number of options. You can fly to Dublin which has good international connections. The Irish airlines are Aer Lingus (www.aerlingus.com) and Ryan Air (www.ryanair.com). Many other airlines also fly into Dublin.

The best way to get around Ireland is by car, and it is easy to arrange a hire car for pick up at the airport. Visit www.auto-europe.co.uk/car-hire/Ireland.cfm, which is one of many options available to obtain a competitive quote.

Alternatively, there are good car and passenger ferry services from mainland UK to Ireland, with Holyhead to Dublin or to Dun Laoghaire, and Fishguard to Rosslare probably being the best options. Visit www.directferries.co.uk/ireland.htm for further information. Dublin is about one and a half hours drive from Rosslare.

If you do not want to drive a car, Ireland offers extensive railway and bus services. Details can be found at www.irishrail.ie and www.buseireann.ie respectively.

If you need advice, guidance or assistance with your travel plans, please contact Michael who will do his best to help.

A note about the Ashling Hotel

The venue for the Gathering is the Ashling Hotel. This is where we were accommodated for the 2005 and 2013 Gatherings. The hotel is modern and well appointed. We anticipate being well looked after at the Ashling and further details can be found on their website at www.ashlinghotel.ie. The hotel is conveniently situated on the River Liffey and the City Centre is within walking distance or a short ride on the Luas tram which passes by the hotel entrance.

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Friday 26th July 2019

from 12 noon	Check in at the Ashling Hotel in the usual way and register at the DGS desk in reception . Light lunches can be taken at the Hotel.
afternoon	The afternoon will be free for you to visit places of interest in Dublin. Subject to demand we will arrange visits to specific libraries and research centres – A DGS representative will be on hand to assist with this.
evening	Dinner will be available in the Hotel restaurant, or you may wish to explore what Dublin has to offer with its wide array of restaurants and bars. We will make suggestions for those not familiar with Dublin and ensure that all delegates are included in a DGS group.

Saturday 27th July 2019

morning	<p>The programme will commence with the DGS Annual General Meeting. This will be followed by talks about Dalton family history and the work of the Society. It will take place in the Kilmainham Suite at the Hotel.</p> <p>Buffet lunch served in the Kilmainham Suite.</p>
afternoon	<p>Further talks and/or another opportunity to visit places of interest in the city of Dublin. Again we will make suggestions.</p>
evening	<p>The DGS Annual Dinner will take place in the Liffey Suite at the Hotel and it will be followed by entertainment.</p>

Sunday 28th July 2019

daytime	<p>We are arranging a day out with visits to places of interest with connections to Dalton family history. Details will be announced as arrangements are made.</p>
evening	<p>We will book a restaurant for our farewell dinner somewhere within walking distance of the hotel. Again, details will be announced when the arrangements are made.</p>

Monday 29th July 2019

morning	<p>The conclusion of the DGS Gathering. Check out from your accommodation. Arrangements can be made for those who wish to stay over.</p>
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REGISTRATION FORM NOTES

The Registration Form follows. Please note the points below:

- **You are asked to make your own reservation at the Ashling Hotel**, secured by credit card. The easiest way to do this will be by telephone (+353 (0)1 677 2324) or email (info@ashling.ie). When you book, be sure to mention that you are attending **the Dalton Genealogical Society Gathering** and quote **reference Block ID 895216** in order to obtain your room at the specially negotiated rates for our block booking.
- It is important to make your accommodation requirements absolutely clear – number of nights and type of room.
- The Society has already made certain commitments in order to be able to offer the programme for the weekend. We need to know numbers attending as early as we can in order to finalise the arrangements for the various events and visits during the weekend. If you wish to attend, it would therefore be extremely helpful if you are able to return your registration form and deposit before 31 March 2019.
- We will endeavour to maintain availability of hotel accommodation for as long as we can, but it is unlikely that we will be able to take any more bookings after the end of May 2019.
- We will keep you informed about take up and availability of rooms on the DGS website at www.daltongenealogicalsociety.org. Just follow the link to Events. This website, the members only website, and social media (Facebook and Twitter) will also carry further information about Ireland, about the speakers who will address us and about the places we will be visiting during the weekend. We will also feature articles about Irish Daltons and their family history.
- **Members in the UK are asked to pay in advance a deposit of £50 sterling per person** towards the cost of the Saturday morning conference and buffet lunch, the Saturday evening dinner, the Sunday visits and the Sunday evening dinner.
- As soon as final costings are available for the various elements of the programme, you will be advised of these and asked to confirm the elements in which you wish to participate. The balance due will be payable in euros when you are in Dublin.
- The Society will **return deposits** to delegates who subsequently are unable to attend, **subject to the deduction of any unrecoverable costs incurred.**
- If you wish to extend your stay either before or after the three nights (Fri/Sat/Sun), please make your requirements clear to the Ashling Hotel and they will reserve the extra nights for you, subject to availability of rooms.

REGISTRATION FORM NOTES continued

Prices for accommodation are as follows:

The Ashling Hotel – 3 night package (Fri 26/Sat 27/Sun 28 Jul)

620 euros for bed & breakfast for 2 people in a double/twin room.

(individual night rates are Fri/Sat 220 euros, Sun 180 euros)

575 euros for bed & breakfast for 1 person in a single room

(individual night rates are Fri/Sat 205 euros, Sun 165 euros)

Additional nights before or after will be quoted by the hotel at the time of booking.

If you prefer to take alternative accommodation there are a number of other possible options locally. Please indicate this on the registration form and we will assist if we can. It is also possible for those who live locally to join the weekend as day delegates.

Indicative prices for events and visits are as follows:

<u>Dinner on Friday evening</u>	own arrangements
<u>Conference & Buffet Lunch on Saturday</u>	40 euros per person
<u>DGS Annual Dinner on Saturday (3 courses excl. drinks)</u>	45 euros per person
<u>Sunday visits</u> – details to be advised	price per person tba
<u>Dinner on Sunday evening</u> – details to be advised	price per person tba

As soon as final details and costings are known, they will be advised to all those who have made reservations, and they will be published on the DGS website.

Notes for overseas members

Members in the United States and Canada may remit to the Society's North American Secretary in US dollars. A deposit of \$100 per person should be paid, preferably using PayPal on the DGS website. Please email a copy of the registration form to: Karen Dalton Preston, DGS North American Secretary (karen@golden-hills.com) or post to 6522 Green Acres Boulevard, New Port Richey, Florida 34655, USA. Members living in all other parts of the world should request guidance about paying the deposit from Michael N Dalton (michaeldalton@aol.com).

All deposits paid will be converted into euros at the prevailing rate and balances due will be payable in euros when you are in Dublin. Please remember that even if your remittance is being sent to Karen Preston, you must also email/send your registration form with all the details to Michael N Dalton at the UK address on the form.

REGISTRATION FORM

for THE DALTON GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY GATHERING, DUBLIN 2019

Name

Address

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Tel No Email

I/we will attend the Gathering from Friday 26th to Monday 29th July 2019.

Please give the names of additional members of your party and indicate clearly the rooms that you are booking (double, twin or single), together with the nights that you plan to stay at the Ashling Hotel. Alternatively please indicate that you plan to stay elsewhere or to attend as a day delegate.

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Please remember it is your responsibility to reserve your accommodation at the Ashling Hotel – see note above for details of this. Deposits for your accommodation are not required. Your reservation should be secured by credit card.

Please indicate any special requirements:-

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****** please now turn over and fill in the form overleaf and sign the declaration ******

Additional elements of the weekend programme

Please fill in to indicate your expected participation in the following events and the numbers in your party:-

Date	Event	Est. cost per head euros	Tick to indicate participation	No in party
Friday 26th July	Dinner - in a DGS group	-		
Saturday 27th July	Conference including coffee & biscuits and buffet lunch	40.00		
Saturday 27th July	DGS Annual Dinner	45.00		
Sunday 28th July	Visits – details to be advised	tba		
Sunday 28th July	Dinner – details to be advised	tba		
TOTAL DEPOSIT FOR EVENTS @ £50.00 per person				

Declaration

I have read the enclosed details and ticked the boxes as requested, and enclose my cheque for the total indicated above and made payable to ‘Dalton Genealogical Society’. Alternatively, I have made arrangements for the payment to be sent to the DGS North American Secretary.

I understand the terms outlined above relating to the return of deposit monies paid to the Society.

In the event of any changes to my booking or cancellation, I undertake to notify the DGS Chairman & 2019 Gathering Organiser, Michael N Dalton, at the earliest opportunity.

Signed:

Date.....

**Please return this registration form, completed and signed, to:
Michael N Dalton, 2 Harewood Close, Reigate, Surrey RH2 0HE, UK**