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WHAT: Lecture: "My Life with the Clancy Brothers"

WHO: Mary Clancy, wife of famous Irish musician Paddy Clancy of the famed Clancy Brothers, well-known Irish folk band.

WHEN: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31

WHERE: Jones Hall, 3910 Yoakum
University of St. Thomas campus

COST: Free. Public welcome.
No RSVP or advance tickets;
First- come, first- served.

PARKING: $2 in the Moran Center Parking Facility, 3807 Graustark and W. Alabama

DETAILS: The UST Center for Irish Studies Cultural Outreach Forum, the Irish American Cultural Institute and The Irish Society sponsor "My Life with the Clancy Brothers," by Mary Clancy. She will discuss her research on "various problems during and after the Second World War and how people and families coped with these economically difficult years in Ireland." She will review changes that have taken place in Ireland, contrasting her childhood with that of her grandchildren's generation. Clancy will also talk about agrarian culture in Ireland and her experiences in sustaining her own farm, her life with her husband and her years of "raising children, cattle and horses," all of which are "molded around a life of song and travel."

Clancy was born in County Mayo and emigrated to the United States in the mid-1950s as a teenager. She married Paddy Clancy in 1963 and lived in New York until she returned to Ireland in 1968 to rear a family and establish a farm. After her husband died, Clancy created the Paddy Clancy Memorial Scholarship Fund to sponsor American students to study for a year at the Irish World Music Center of the University of Limerick. Clancy works now as a freelance public speaker, engaging in talks at various Irish festivals and other venues.

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