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American Catholic Historical Society

*Commodore John Barry  
Award Dinner*



*Honoring*

*Theresa Flanagan Murtagh  
and Paul Murtagh*

Union League of Philadelphia

November 17, 2023

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# Theresa Flanagan Murtagh and Paul Murtagh

Paul Murtagh emigrated from Ireland in 1985 with a hundred dollars in his pocket and dreams in his heart. He worked for a construction company in Philadelphia before starting his own company with his brother about six months after he arrived.

This company, Murtagh Bros., Inc. has been engaged in residential construction in the tri-state area for the past 38 years.



Paul is number six in a family of 12 children with three sets of twins. While a few of his siblings lived in the USA at various times, Paul is the only member of the family who still resides in America. As Paul says, “I would not want to be anywhere else.”

Theresa Murtagh is a life-long resident of Delaware County. The youngest of three children, Theresa attended Our Lady of Peace grade school, Cardinal O’Hara High School, Swarthmore College, and Villanova University School of Law. Theresa was an Assistant District Attorney in Delaware County for many years before working as legal counsel for a Teamsters Union and then many years at a firm in Media, PA. Presently, she is legal counsel and CFO for Murtagh Bros., Inc.

Theresa loves the theater and has performed in many shows over her lifetime and still sings in her own Irish Band as well as cantoring at church most Sundays. She still enjoys Irish dancing as she was a Champion Irish Dancer in her youth.

While Theresa and Paul work together on a daily basis, they are also joined together in their love of philanthropic causes.

Theresa and Paul are proud parents of three college students Seamus, Colleen, and Patrick.

*The American Catholic Historical Society  
requests the pleasure of your company  
for the presentation of the*

*Annual Barry Award*

*in honor of*

*Theresa Flanagan Murtagh  
and Paul Murtagh*

*at dinner on*

*Friday, November 17th, 2023*

*Lincoln Hall*

*The Union League of Philadelphia*

*140 South Broad Street*

*Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

*Reception - 6:30 p.m.*

*Business Attire*

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