

Dáil days diary

IN THE lead up to the Christmas break, I spent my time tying up loose

ends and finishing off signments. Upon my return in January, I feel refreshed and more determined to make the most of my time in Leinster House.

This work is not easy as it involves unwavering dedication to duty, paying attention to details and above all, due diligence as I have had to cross-check some issues with Deputy Moynihan before they are made public for legal and other obvious reasons.

Dublin 15 local Ekow Agyeman Prempeh is taking part in Crosscare's Opening Power to Diversity migrant project, during which he's working on an internship with Fianna Fáil TD Michael Moynihan. Here's his experience.



Ghanaian community in Ireland.

I have spent my time to conducting a comparative analysis on RTE and ARD (Consortium of Public Law Broadcasting Institutions of the Federal Republic of Germany), both state owned public broadcasters.

As a Spokesperson on Communications, Energy and Natural Resources, this academic exercise is of special interest to Deputy Moynihan. It's also of particular advantage to me as it broadens my horizon on managing political complexities while at the same time honing my knowledge of Irish socio-political history.

I have humbly asked to be granted an informal meeting with the leader of the Fianna Fail party, Michael Martin, with the intention of tapping into his storehouse of experiences.

I also intend to meet the Taoiseach before my internship is finished, not only to gain insight into his knowledge and experience but to thank him for the rare privilege given to me and by extension, the entire

I have already been privileged to have met some Irish political giants in the likes of Gerry Adams, Eamon O'Cuiv, Joan Burton, Mary Lou McDonald and leader of People Before Profit, Richard Boyd Barret, just to name a few.

To crown it all, I attended the Fianna Fail end of year Christmas Party and one cannot imagine how elated I was to have been in the midst of it all.



Sheridan show proceeds go to SVP

A CHEQUE for €650 was presented to the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP) following a recent special performance at Clontarf's Viking Theatre of Peter Sheridan's new one-man-show.

Sheridan's show 'Break a Leg' is based on his second memoir, recently published under the same title. His performance weaves together stories from

his earliest days in amateur drama under his father's guidance to his pioneering projects of the 1980s in community drama in Dublin's inner city.

The fundraiser was organised by Bohemian FC on Monday, February 4 in association with the Viking Theatre. Jimmy Scurry of Finglas SVP accepted the cheque on behalf of the society.

In recognition of their contribution to

the event, Bohemian PRO Tommy Hynes presented Laura Dowdall and Andy Murray of the Viking Theatre and Peter Sheridan with honorary membership of the Northside soccer club.

Photo shows (l-r) Andy Murray and Laura Dowdall of Viking Theatre, Jimmy Scurry, Finglas SVP, Tommy Hynes, Bohemian FC PRO, and Peter Sheridan.

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