



● THE DEPARTURE



● THE WATER-CRESS GATHERER

OLIVER GOLDSMITH

SOME IMPORTANT DATES

- 1728 November 10th – Born at Pallas, Co. Longford.
- 1730 Family moved to Lissoy, Co. Westmeath.
- 1734 Attended village school under Thomas Byrne.
- 1741 Sent to school at Edgeworthstown (Mr. Hughes's).
- 1744 Entered Trinity College, Dublin, as a sizar.
- 1749 Took Bachelor of Arts Degree.
- 1751 Rejected for orders by the Bishop of Elphin.
- 1752 Went to Edinburgh University to study medicine.
- 1754 Arrived at Leyden, in Holland, to continue his studies of medicine.
- 1755 Left Leyden and took Degree of Bachelor of Medicine at Louvain.
Travelled on foot in France, Germany, Switzerland and Italy.
- 1756 Landed at Dover.
- 1764 "The Traveller" published.
- 1766 "Vicar of Wakefield" published.
- 1768 "The Good Natured Man" published.
- 1770 "Deserted Village" published.
- 1773 "She Stoops to Conquer" published.
- 1774 Died April 4th and buried in the Temple.

*"Let not his frailties be remembered,"
said Dr Johnson, "He was a very
great man."*



Goldsmith Summer School

26th June to 28th June, 1992



● THE BIRTHPLACE OF OLIVER GOLDSMITH



● "THE NEVER FAILING BROOK, THE BUSY MILL"

The Organising Committee (in conjunction with the Goldsmith Society) invites you to attend the Eighth Summer School from Friday 26th June, 1992, to Sunday, 28th June, 1992.

THEME: "GOLDSMITH THE SATIRIST - THE CREATIVE WRITER AS COMMENTATOR THEN AND NOW"

Those attending should make their own accommodation arrangements. As poet, playwright and novelist, Oliver Goldsmith is world renowned for his "Deserted Village", "The Traveller", "She Stoops to Conquer" and "The Vicar of Wakefield". His interest in Irish culture and traditional music in particular can be seen from his Essay on Carolan, the blind harpist. In view of this connection nationally known musicians will provide a suitable backdrop to the proceedings.

The Goldsmith Summer School has three main objectives:

- (1) To restore Oliver Goldsmith to his rightful place in Irish Literature.
- (2) To develop a deeper insight into the writings of Goldsmith.
- (3) To promote the Goldsmith country as a major tourist attraction.

Registration fee: *£30.

Payment by cheque/order to:
 "GOLDSMITH SUMMER SCHOOL",
 c/o MR. SEAN RYAN, Secretary,
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FRIDAY, 26th JUNE, 1992:

RUSTIC INN, ABBEYSHRULE, CO. LONGFORD.

7.30 p.m. Registration

8.30 p.m. Official Opening and Keynote Address:
 "The Creative Commentator" by **BRUCE ARNOLD**.

Chairperson: Mr. Noel Heuston.

9.30 p.m. "Across the Spectrum" - One-man stage presentation by Brendan O'Reilly, R.T.E.

SATURDAY, 27th JUNE, 1992:

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL, BALLYMAHON, CO. LONGFORD

10.15 a.m. "The Writer's Duty to the Present"
 Speaker: **JOHN WATERS, IRISH TIMES**.
 Chairperson: Margaret Grennan, Westmeath/Offaly Independent.

11.45 a.m. "What Is Satire"
 Speaker: **DR. ANDREW CARPENTER, U.C.D.**
 Chairperson: Cecil Horan, Athlone R.T.C.

3.30 p.m. Bus Tour of Goldsmith Country.

THE THREE JOLLY PIGEONS, ATHLONE.

5.30 p.m. Traditional Music and Song.



● REV. CHARLES GOLDSMITH'S HOUSE AT LISSOY

SUNDAY, 28th JUNE, 1992:

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL, BALLYMAHON, CO. LONGFORD

12.15 p.m. "Goldsmith - The Satirist"
 Speaker: **NOEL MONAHAN - Poet, Director Temenos Theatre Group.**

Chairperson: Cathal McGoey, Longford Historical Society.

1.00 p.m. Lunch.

PALLAS, ABBEYSHRULE, CO. LONGFORD

4.00 p.m. "Sitka Spruce at Satellites and Sheepmen"
 by **BRIAN LEYDEN, SLIGO**.
 R.T.E. Jacobs Award Documentary Winner.

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9.30 p.m. Musical Entertainment.



● HAWTHORN TREE

ART EXHIBITION

Lakeland Art Group
 Thursday 25th June at 8.20 p.m.
 Rustic Inn, Abbeyshrule