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“I believe that the quality of life in society, and the ultimate health of our communities, depends on the willingness of people to become involved and active. Active on behalf of themselves and their families, their communities and the more vulnerable members of society. Happy the society that has people who act, rather than lament; who organise rather than complain; who accept a personal responsibility rather than walk by on the other side” An Taoiseach

Political Activities

- Feb 2008** Travelled to the Middle East as part of the Irish all party parliamentary delegation to Israel and the West Bank meeting with all the main players in the conflict as well as Irish and international NGOs
- Jan 2008** Was personally selected by An Taoiseach to introduce the leader at the annual party conference dinner which was attended by over 20,000 party members.
- 2007 - 2008** Was appointed to, and served in, the following positions
- Member of Joint Parliamentary Foreign Affairs Committee
 - Senate Spokesman on Overseas Development
 - Deputy Government Spokesman on Innovation, Office of Public Works and Youth Affairs.
 - Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee on Human Rights
- Sept 2007** Was elected as one of the youngest members of the 23rd Irish Senate in the 2007 election.
- 2006 - 2007** Irish Coordinator for National Forum on Europe.
- 2004** Campaign Worker for local party candidate in Local Council Election
- 1999 & 2004** Served as key member and strategist on Re-Election Committees for Brian Crowley MEP, organized canvassing and campaign in Kerry area and ran national media campaign.
- 1991 - 1994** Chairman of South Kerry Youth Branch of Fianna Fail party, organized debates, trip to 1916 Commemoration, lobbied local representatives and ministers on behalf of Community Projects.
- 1994** Campaign Worker on Brian Crowley’s First European Election Campaign
- 1992 - 1993** Chairman of College Fianna Fail branch. Activities included scheduling guest speakers to address the student body, recruitment of new members and founding the Political Society.
- 1991 – 1993** Editor of four editions of a college political magazine involving interviews with Bertie Ahern as Minister for Finance and Albert Reynolds as Prime Minister.

Media Experience

- 2008 - 2007** Presenter of new 16 part Home Improvement programme. Featuring properties from all over Ireland where the owners are helped to incorporate salvaged materials in their homes.
- 2007 - 2004** Presenter of the Radio Kerry “Kerry Property Show” Coordinated collation of information from all offices in the county, researched topics for show and liaised with producer regarding the format of the shows.
- 2004** Co-Presenter of RTE programme “Holiday Home Detectives” Travelled to seven European countries, liaised with local property experts to compile market information and prepared script for the production.
- 2003** Hosted the Book Launch of “I am of Kerry” in aid of the Kerry Rape Crisis Centre.
- 2002** Member of the cast of the Reality TV programme “Treasure Island”. Selected as a cast member from over 38,000 applicants and reached the penultimate stage of the competition, finishing third overall.
- 2001 – 2002** Journalist for the Kingdom Newspaper, making weekly submissions of up to seven articles of local interest to the editor regarding a wide range of issues.
- 2002 - 1999** Presenter of “What it says in the Papers” segment on Radio Kerry’s morning programme “Kerry Today”. Reviewing front page stories and current events from national papers and scripting of material for the show.

Voluntary & Community Positions Held

2007 – 2006 P.R. Officer for Kenmare Peninsula Action Group

Kenmare Chamber of Commerce called a public meeting at the behest of Mark Daly to discuss the proposed development of 60 acres of land adjoining the town. The people of Kenmare decided that the scale of the project would be detrimental to the town. Mark was appointed by the town’s people to act as PRO, his duties included issuing press releases to local and national papers, conducting radio interviews.

2007 – 2005 President of the Great Famine Memorial Committee

Established to commemorate the 160th anniversary of the worst years of the Great Famine 1845 – 1850. In acknowledging the countless millions of Irish who died, the committee wish to generate awareness of the plight of the starving in our world today. Chairman is Steve Piezencik author, advisor to Henry Kissinger and hostage negotiator.

www.stevepiezencik.com

2007 – 2002 Founder of the Wall of Ireland

Linking the ideas of those who financed the erection of the Statue of Liberty and the artistry of the Chicago Tribune Herald, the building of the wall raises money for the promotion of sports locally. www.wallofireland.com

2007 – 2004 Chairman of the Kenmare Community Employment Scheme

The Community Employment Scheme is designed to reskill and re-train the long term unemployed and has been very successful locally in achieving its aim of finding work for its participants. The scheme has also been instrumental in Kenmare’s recent victories in the Tidy Towns Competition.

2005 - 1999 Chairman of the Kenmare Hurling and Football Club

During my time as Chairman, the club constructed a 7,200 sq ft multi faceted sports facility. I coordinated the planning, funding and construction of a 32,000 sq ft all weather synthetic grass pitch. www.kerrygaelicsportscentre.com. The club’s income increased during my term of office from €21,000 to €73,000 per annum. Previously held the position of vice chairman and public relations officer.

2003 – 1999 Chief Executive of the All-Ireland Ladies 7 a side Gaelic Football Tournament.

Responsible for the overall planning of the event, secured sponsorship, coordinated dozens of volunteers and hundreds of competitors, formulated the timetable for games and supervised the entertainment for participants.

Education

- Bachelor of Science in Management from Greenwich University, London 1994-95
- Diploma, Property Valuation, Dublin Institute of Technology, Bolton St, Ireland 1991-94
- Holy Cross College, Secondary School, Kenmare, Co. Kerry, Ireland 1985 - 1991