



Denis Leonard, Limerick Citizen of the Year 1983 (second from left), at the presentation ceremony with (from left): John Stapleton, president, Junior Chamber, Mayor Tony Bromell, Don Reddan, I.C.S. (sponsors) and Pat Carroll, project chairman, Junior Chamber.

CITIZEN OF YEAR: DENIS LEONARD

By LEADER REPORTER

MR. DENIS Leonard, chairman of Limerick Civic Trust, the first organisation of its kind in this country, was this week named Limerick Citizen of the Year, 1983.

The award was organised by Junior Chamber Limerick and sponsored by the Irish Civil Service Building Society.

As the Limerick Image Project chairman, Mr. Leonard, a native of Limerick, spearheaded and worked unceasingly to implement the objectives of the committee.

Objectives

Their original objectives were to present nationally and internationally the many outstanding attributes of Limerick, and to act as a local liaison group to assist with the smooth transfer to Limerick of the Revenue Commissioners staff, as announced by the Government.

The committee was formed with 20 statutory and voluntary organisations actively participating.

The committee decided to expand its activities to include the restoration and preservation of historic buildings. Thus the Limerick Civic Trust was created.

Since 1976, six recipients have been awarded the prestigious title, Limerick Citizen of the Year.

The award is made to "the person, organisation or group, who has contributed most to an awareness of citizenship in Limerick."

The past recipients included Mr. Joe Scallon, for his work with the Vizes Court Homes; Brother Anthony Ferri, for his work with the Simon Community; Fr. Vincent Kava-

nagh, for his social work in the city; Mr. Michael Daly, for his efforts in attracting industry to the Limerick region; Mr. Eoin Hand, for his contribution to the sporting activities of the city; and Mrs. Brid Dukes, for her cultural contribution in establishing the Belltable Arts Centre.

Conservation

The Limerick Civic Trust is a non-profit making voluntary body whose objective is to secure the preservation, conservation, development and improvement of features of general, public and historical interest in Limerick.

The following are among-

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Clean-up

The "green areas" of Southill are to be cleaned by the parks department of Limerick Corporation next week. Ald. Tommy Allen has been informed by Mr. Des Murphy, parks superintendent.

DEATHS

HICKEY (Limerick) — on June 9, 1983, at St. Camillus Hospital, Lillian, late of 8 Lough Quay. Very deeply regretted by her loving sister-in-law, nephews, relatives and friends. May she rest in peace. Removal from the hospital to St. John's Cathedral this Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Requiem Mass tomorrow (Saturday) at 11 o'clock. Funeral afterwards to Mt. St. Laurence Cemetery. (c)

MANGAN — Limerick, on June 9, 1983 (unexpectedly), at his residence, Thomas, beloved husband of Bridget, 35 Canon Breen Park, and late of 3 Barrack Lane, Thomondgate (late of Condensed Milk Co.). Very deeply regretted by his loving wife, son, Anthony; daughters, Patricia and Marie; brothers, sister, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends. R.I.P. Removal from Griffin's Funeral Home, Gerald Griffin St., to St. Munchin's Church this (Friday) evening at 7.30 p.m. Requiem Mass on Saturday, at 10 a.m. Funeral afterwards to Mount St. Laurence Cemetery. (c)

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