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and painting and the less traditional such as sound. And Mr Ottmann promise for g the ig cer

And Mr Ottmann promises some surprises, some of which may arise simply because of where the work is placed.

City Council Arts Officer, Sheila Deegan who is also secretary of ev+a, also promises "banners up in unusual places".

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ty and confidence in the countryside. This was something I witnessed myself in rural Kerry in 1970 and it affected me profoundly."

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relationship with the EU has undergone successive changes, with the new found wealth it initially brought leading to great support. Mr Murphy said: "Of course over the years, we became less infatuated with the EU thanks to changes in Europe, especially in agriculture policy like milk quotas. Also, changes in the nature of the EU caused us to examine deeper issues like our neutrality and sovereignty, issues which interested me and caused me to choose this area for study."

study."
And he has now told the forum how Ireland views the EU today: "By the time of the first referendum on the Nice Treaty, Ireland really was a different country, feeling self confident and prosperous like never before," he said. "For the first time the Irish rejected a European treaty recommend-

pean treaty recommend-ed by our government. It was fascinating to observe the shock here and within Europe that we could be so ungrateful, the country who had been apparently so well treated! This reaction, which was over the top and seemed very patronising, irritated me as it avoided the issue – why did we reject the treaty? The Forum seems an honest attempt to look into that attempt to look into that issue, and is headed by an eminent Irishman who

runs it fairly and with balance. There is no cer-

tainty that we would have approved the EU constitution if put to us."

June. A schools programme will also run.

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the success we've had has pupils and parents," she been the strong sense of said.

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# Mike Houlihan: master of elegance and a clean strike

NEIGHBOURS and friends of All-Star and Kilmallock hurl-ing legend Mike Houlihan, paid trib-ute to his long career on the hurling field at a special function at a special function in the town, writes Deirdre McGrath. The evening was organised by Mr Houlihan's neighbours on the Green Road in Kilmallock, who wished to mark who wished to mark his retirement on the field of play which spans a 20-year peri-

Kevin Staunton, master of ceremonies, said it was a pleasure to have someone of Mr Houlihan's calibre living on the same road. He out-lined Mr Houlihan's long and illustrious career, which began in 1987 when he won a Munster hurling final and a county minor football final in the same year in the same year.
He was a county U21
football winner in
1989 and 1990, and a
Munster Club winner
in 1992 and 1994.
Mr Houlihan was an All-Ireland club runner-up in 1993, a county senior winner in 1992 and 1994, Munster inter-county winner in 1994 and 1996. He was an All-Ireland runner up in 1994 and 1996, and a National league win-ner in 1992 and in 1997.

The Kilmallock man was a Railway Cup winner in 1992, and Railway cup runner-up in 1991, 1993 and 1994. He won All-Star awards in 1994 and 1996, and represent-ed Ireland in shinty ed freiand in shifty against Scotland, Canon Willie Fitz-maurice, PP, Kilmal-lock, an ex-Limerick player and a selector, described Mr Houli-han as a successful han as a successful player who had elegance and a clean strike, the like of which of which will probably not been seen again in the county province or county, province or in the whole of Ireland.

He wished Mr Houlihan the best of luck in his new role as coach of Kilmallock senior hurling team, and wished him as much success off the field as he had on the

Life-long friend and neighbour of the Cal Houlihan family. O'Donnell, recalled Mr Houlihan's love of hurling as a young boy, and spoke of he would always roundup cattle with a hurlev and sliothar in





Mike Houlihan receives a presentation to mark his sporting life from Cal O'Donnell and Jimmy Mulcahy

his hand. Mr O'Donnell pre-sented Mr Houlihan with a portrait featuring action shots of

him. He said he was proud to make such a presentation to such a magnificent hurler. Mr Houlihan thanked

his friends and neighbours, and said he appreciated their kind words of trib-

By LEADER REPORTER

TWO young mothers, who assaulted two female Gardai, during a violent incident in Thomondgate last year, have each been jailed for six months by Limerick District

Vicky Ryan 27, of Round House Apartments, High Street, lashed out at Garda Roberta Guest during a vio-lent incident at High Street on

December 27, 2006. Limerick District Court was told that she struck the young female Garda more than a

A co-accused Nancy Doran 27, of Steamboat Quay, was jailed for assaulting Garda Louise Kingston, whom she pushed out of a Garda van on

the same night.

Judge Tom O'Donnell was told that each of the Gardai assaulted, as they responded to a disturbance, at an apartment block on High

The court heard that when Gardai arrived at the scene, Ms Doran was smashing plates on the floor of Ms

Ryan's apartment. Earlier, Ms Ryan had kicked neighbours' apartment, after they told her that they had called the gardai

The 27-year-old mother then beat her own apartment door with the handle of a sweeping brush, in an effort to make it look like her neighbours had done it, Judge O'Donnell

According to Garda Guest, both Ms Ryan and Ms Doran were drunk and they remained very abusive towards the gardai while they abusive were being arrested.

The women also shouted abuse at their Latvian neighbours and told them to "go back to their own country", as they were being taken away. Defence solicitor John Devane said both women were 'extremely remorseful" and had apologised several times to each of the Gardai for what had happened.

Judge O'Donnell said he had never heard a case of such "outrageous behaviour" and he described the level of violence as "remarkable"

He also criticised the level of fear that both defendants had instilled in the four children who were present, two of

whom were their own. He then imposed a six month jail sentence on each of the women.





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