

Crystal Swing honoured by Midleton Town Council

ON Monday night, June 14th, Midleton Town Council hosted a civic reception to honour Mary Murray Burke and her children Derek and Dervla, collectively known as Crystal Swing.

The Lisgoold / Leamlara band's meteoric rise to fame has been well charted: appearances on the Late, Late Show, over 1,000,000 hits on YouTube for their song 'He Drinks Tequila' and, in April 2010, a visit to Hollywood to appear on the Ellen DeGeneres Show.

Last Monday, Cllr. Ted Murphy, Mayor of Midleton spoke of the trio's success, whilst reminding all those present that, wherever in the world Crystal Swing went, they never forgot about East Cork always mentioning their home town and, he laughed, doing a better job of promoting

the East Cork area than the council ever could! Mary Murray Burke received a presentation from Mayor Murphy, before thanking everyone present for attending.

She spoke of her love of East Cork, and individually thanked those present for being with her on her, Derek and Dervla's special night.

'This means more than anything,' Mary stated, 'I never dreamed we'd be honoured like this, and I'm truly humbled to be here tonight.'

Mary paid tribute to all those who had supported her, giving special mention to Kathleen Woulfe, Josie Buckley, Cllr. Gerry Kelly and his wife Maura, Fr. O'Brien and Noreen Dillon.

Of Fr. O'Brien, Mary stated, 'We had the Stations in our house about 2 weeks before everything took off for us. I still say there was a little miracle involved!'

Crystal Swing who had invited ten of their own friends and supporters along on the night posed for photographs with those present including the town's councillors, with Derek (who is mid way through his Leaving Certificate) even giving an impromptu recital of the Hucklebuck!



Cork DAWG Street Collection: Volunteers needed

THIS Saturday, Cork Dog Action Welfare Group (DAWG) will be holding a street collection in Cork City. Volunteers are needed for this day so if you can spare a few hours to help out, please contact Noelle on 087 7545748. Your time can help a dog get a second chance in life.