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## WHEN IRISH EYES ARE SMILING

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**RUMSON:** In the small villages that dot Ireland, the pub culture plays an important role in social life; it is the public hub of the community. Half of the magic of Ireland lies in the people, for whom great conversation and high good humor are at the very heart of a wonderful culture. Village folks don't sit in front of the television after supper; they meet at the local pub and don't go home until everyone at the table has politely bought a round.

For over forty years, Briody's Blackpoint Inn has been that "Irish Pub" to the residents of Rumson and the surrounding towns and villages. It has been a place where one could get a casual bite to eat and a few pints. Somewhere that made you feel good about yourself and a place that was always bustling with that famous Irish atmosphere and hospitality. The most important thing about Briody's is that when people visited, they felt at home.

Nevertheless, all good things must come to a close, and today marked the close of a Rumson mainstay, Briody's Blackpoint Inn. The cozy Irish pub, located at 132 East River Road, Rumson, New Jersey has been sold according to *Richard R. Santore of, Bielat Santore & Company, Allenhurst, New Jersey*, the broker for the sale.

But holy shamrocks hold on to your shillelagh; the luck of the Irish may remain in Rumson in the presence of new owners Timothy and Matthew Harmon. The Harmons are the crafty, energetic brothers that own and operate two successful taverns in Belmar, New Jersey; the "Boathouse" and "507 Main." They bring with them a fresh new outlook and a wealth of innovative ideas and concepts that are bound to make the Rumson location bigger and better than ever.

The Harmons are planning to close the facility for a period of 4-6 weeks in order to completely renovate both the interior and exterior of the building. The new improved location will have a larger, more comfortable bar, domed with flat screen televisions and a state-of-art sound system. The dining rooms will also be upgraded with new tables, chairs and artwork. The exterior will be fitted with a new façade, windows and signage. And the food and drink... outstanding!

As the old Irish toast goes; "may the roof above you never fall in, and those gathered beneath it never fall out." Although the name on the front of the building will no longer read Briody's Blackpoint Inn, it is this author's unofficial opinion that the new roof will never fall in and that beneath, Irish eyes will be smiling again at 132 East River Road, Rumson, New Jersey.