

CORRECTION AND APOLOGY - THE LATE JOHN MALONEY

IN the Sunday World's magazine published on November 7 last - 'Gangland's Deadliest Hits', we mistakenly and erroneously included a photograph of the late John Maloney of Cashel Road, Dublin 12, in repose at his funeral surrounded by members of his family.

The Sunday World apologises for mistakenly publishing this photograph and identifying the late Mr Maloney as James Maloney late of St Theresa's Gardens who was referred to in the accompanying text.

We sincerely apologise for this mistake and for the upset and distress caused to the family of the late Mr Maloney.



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JAW DROPPED: Shocked Dragon Gavin Duffy

THE APPRENTICE EXCLUSIVE

SHOCK AND BORE

APPRENTICE fans are in for a double shock tomorrow night when favourite Michelle Massey makes a bombshell confession and the candidates face a shock double eviction.

There will be just two apprentice wannabes left to battle it out for the €100,000 job by the end of the show.

And the Sunday World can exclusively reveal that stunner Michelle will make an embarrassing admission in an interview with business guru Gavin Duffy.

The show's producers refused to comment on what it might be, but friends of model Michelle have told the Sunday World one of her closely guarded secrets is that she once tried to become an Apprentice in Hugh Hefner's Playboy empire!

Gavin, who was called in by Apprentice boss Bill Cullen to interview the remaining four candidates, said: "My jaw literally dropped when she came out with it. I had asked each of them: 'Is there anything you're embarrassed about?' and she comes out with this."

Pressed to reveal details, Gavin admitted: "It is something that some people would find embarrassing to admit, but other people might boast about. She'll possibly be world famous after this comes out."

"But she wasn't saying it to get attention - it genuinely just slipped out when I was interrogating her."

Friends of Michelle believe her "dark" secret is that one of her last job applications was to work for Playboy TV as a presenter.

The adult channel, part of Hugh Hefner's global sex business, held auditions for new presenting talent last year and sources say Michelle applied for a telly job but was unsuccessful.

Slipped

Michelle has had a rollercoaster ride on the hit show, enjoying a romantic spark with fellow contender Jamie and alter being reduced to tears in the boardroom by Barry after a sexist row.

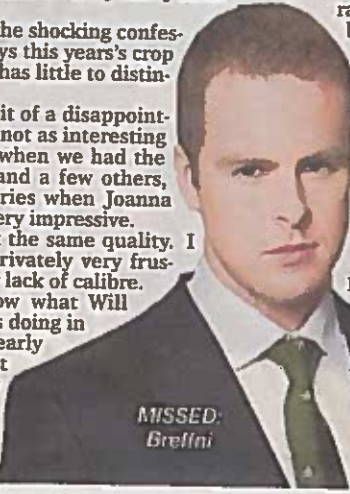
Apart from the shocking confession, Gavin says this year's crop of candidates has little to distinguish them.

"They're a bit of a disappointment. They're not as interesting as last year's when we had the Breiffmaster and a few others, or the first series when Joanna Murphy was very impressive."

"They're not the same quality. I think Bill is privately very frustrated by their lack of calibre."

"I don't know what Will [McCreevey] is doing in it at all. Clearly Jackie must fancy him but I don't fancy his chances."

"Panos MISSED: Breffni"



There's a surprise in store but Dragon Gavin says Bill's hopefuls are just dull

By GERALDINE COMMISKEY

again has nothing special to offer - he's a very poor candidate.

"Michelle's a very talented salesperson and Niamh came across as a good project manager but none of them are of the calibre of [2008 winner] Brenda Shanahan."

Gavin also believes the present contenders are all too bossy to work together as a team.

"What we have here a load of chefs and not enough people willing to serve the tables. But that's what makes it great television," he said.

He points out that the series has 100,000 more viewers this year than last year.

"They have become celebrities. But I would hope they're not going to be the kind of people who are just famous for being famous, who have no substance behind them."

But he admits: "I'm a media slut myself."

"I spent 50 years avoiding the media - I would never have given interviews like this before, but recognition helps you in business."

Gavin was working as a media adviser at Carr Communications when he met Bill Cullen.

"We worked with him when he started on the public speaking circuit. I wrote some of his speeches."

He is full of admiration for the tough but charming business guru who started off selling penny apples.

But he says Bill's glamorous partner Jackie Lavin is the real boss.

"Nothing gets past Bill without having Jackie's approval. He listens to her."

Gavin said his "fantasy candidates" for the programme would come from the world of politics.

"I'd love to get Eamon Gilmore and Enda Kenny together in a room and tell them that from now on they'll have to work together as a team."

"I'd ask them how they're going to run the country."



EMBARRASSING: Michelle

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