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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

Ask Not What Your Center Can Do For You, But What You Can Do For Your Center

It was the spirit of volunteerism that laid the foundation of the UICC many years ago. From the first brick that was laid to the last finish- trim piece, the membership came together and built the United Irish Cultural Center.

The Irish Center is once again calling on our members to breathe new life and spirit into the organization. More specifically, we need someone to chair our Volunteer Committee and coordinate people to volunteer a few hours a week to answer phones, greet guests, and assist with other projects around the center. Basically, help perpetuate our tradition of the warm Irish welcome at the Center. If you are that person, please let us know. Any time you can give, be it a few hours a week to answer phones or do mailings, would be greatly appreciated.

Traditionally, the UICC is closed during the month of August for cleaning and refurbishing. This year we will REMAIN OPEN. Instead we are having an August "Spring" Cleaning weekend on August 18th and 19th starting at 9:00am. Drop by for a short while or stay all day and have some fun cleaning with us. The first 50 volunteers will receive a UICC T-shirt!

Calling all past board members! On September 17, 2006, the Board of Directors will host a round table meeting of all past board members to discuss the UICC present and future. Please try to attend this important meeting. Brunch will be served and RSVP's are required, so please call Karen McDonald at (415) 731-2458 if you will be attending, and also if you would like to come to our August Spring Cleaning.

To everyone, thank you all for your unfailing support, and we will see you all soon at the Center.

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MEMBERSHIP CORNER

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY to Agnes Farrell who celebrated with family and friends at our Center on Saturday, June 24th. Agnes is still a dedicated Bingo player.

THE NATIONAL HIBERNIAN CONVENTION was held in Boston, July 5-8. Led by AOH State President Bob Baker, and LAOH State President Kathleen Manning, the following Center members were in attendance: Terry Kelleher, Mary I. Callanan, Marie Doherty, Katy O'Shea, Ann Sullivan, Margaret McAuliffe, Lyn Burkhart, Jack Curtin, Gerry DeRyan, John Casserly, and Ed McEntee. Congratulations to Marie Doherty who received National Life Memberhsip in the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians.

CONGRATULATIONS to Louise of "Shades of Green and Dermot Moore on the birth of their baby boy, Caolan. We hope to see you back in the "Swing of Things' soon.

BEST WISHES to Emmet Minagh and Tara Carolan, daughter of Seamus and Attie Carolan, who were married May 27 and to Thomas McGuigan and Veronica Bricker who were married June 30. We wish both couples health and happiness.

ETERNAL REST to the following members who have passed away: Pat Brosnan, Theresa Foley, Danny Boyle, Eamon Fealey, and Helen Gallagher. MAY ALL THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE.

GAA - AUGUST 2006 Football & Hurling

Direct from Ireland at Your United Irish Cultural Center

Every Sunday at 6:15 am & 8:15 am Call the Center for more information.

All games and times are subject to change. Please check www.setanta.com/usa for up to date listings

Sunday, August 6 All Ireland Hurling Semi Final: Teams to be announced Sunday, August 13 All Ireland Hurling Semi Final: Teams to be announced Sunday, August 20 All Ireland Football Semi Final: Teams to be announced

Sunday, August 27 All Ireland Football Semi Final: Teams to be announced Connacht/QF Winner v Leinster/QF Winner

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CLUB

A wonderful Thursday Night Dinner was had by all July 20. Thanks for attending and a special thank you to those who contributed to our raffle: Phyllis O'Connor, Pat Quinn, Marie Doherty, Maureen Hickey, Laura Busby, Geri & Denis McCarthy, Bill Luqué, Eileen & Pat O'Sullivan, Pat D'Arcy, Peg & Bash McCarthy and Alene & Charlie Meyers, and Mike & Josephine McLaughlin.

Our next Thursday night dinner will be held on August 17. No-host cocktails start at 5:30 pm and dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. The price is \$18.00 per person. Dinner includes soup or salad, your choice of Pot Roast or Trout, dessert and coffee or tea. The tax and tip is included in the price. Please make your reservations early with Josephine Healy at 415-681-8385 or Kathleen Mooney at 415-731-8747. Reservations close on Sunday, August 13, 2006.

— Anne Quilter and Molly Fitzpatrick, Co-Chairpersons

LADIES AUXILIARY

Our BINGO/ RAFFLE Luncheon will be held Saturday October 14. This is the Auxiliary's only fund raising activity and is always a lot of fun. So save prizes for BINGO and the raffle and bring to our next meeting Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 pm.

— Anne Quilter, President

DEADLINE for SEPTEMBER BULLETIN is AUGUST 15

Please call the UICC with questions at 415-661-2700. If you have specific artwork questions contact Adrienne at Falcon Associates Inc. tel 415-468-4130 ~ fax 415-468-3549 ~ email falconassoc@earthlink.net

AUGUST CALENDAR & UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 10, Thursday

• Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm For info call Josephine Brogan - 415/681-4803

AUGUST 13, Sunday

Children's Irish Music & Singing Workshops
 12:30 to 5pm - UICC
 \$20 per participant, \$50 for two or more participants
 For info call Maureen Murphy - 415/661-0351 or
 Michael Riemer - 510/548-4727

AUGUST 17, Thursday

- Monthly Thursday Night Dinner
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm 9:30pm
 For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803

AUGUST 21, Monday

• Irish Night at AT&T Park

AUGUST 24, Thursday

- Monthly General Meeting
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm 9:30pm For info call Josephine Brogan- 415/68I-4803

AUGUST 28, Monday

• Emerald Society Golf Tournament

SEPTEMBER

- 7 Silver Gaels Lunch ~ Noon ~ UICC Reservations - Anne Quilter 415/586-8017
- 11 Silver Gaels River Rock Trip
 Prepaid reservations required by August 29
 Anne Quilter 415/586-8017
- 30 Fight Night

OCTOBER

- Leo Walsh Scholarship Program Dinner Speaker Series
- 13 LAOH York Div. 3 104th Anniversary Dinner
- 21 Connaught Club Dinner
- 27-29 Ulster Social Club Reno Trip
- 29 Halloween Celebration

MUSIC AT THE BAR

SATURDAYS in AUGUST



- AUGUST 5-TBD
- AUGUST 12 Rusty Evans "Ring of Fire"
- AUGUST 19 Comhaltas

Musicians & Dancers

AUGUST 26 - Michael Foley

32/50 CLUB

The 32/50 drawing was held at the monthly meeting on June 22. The winning combination was Nebraska and Mayo, held by George Gulbengay, who will receive \$550.00. Those holding the state of Nebraska each receive \$50.00. Congratulations to all the winners!

Agnes O'Connor Maura Duffy James Horan Cornelius Murphy Robert M. Twomey Joan McClain* Garry O'Reilly Patricia Hegarty Theresa O'Connor Michael Breen Joseph McNamara Patsy Lee Edward J. Murphy Walter/Mary Ann Kelly Claire Fitzpatrick Robert Clark Philomena McPartlan Michael Kelly George Gulbengay Anne Ouilter* Elizabeth/Bridget O'Connor* Rosemary Shanahan Eileen Kyne Kathy Graham Joyce Erlwin Martin Togher Maureen Pohley John McNulty Frank Leonard Thomas Picha

* Members who attended the monthly meeting will receive a \$50 meeting bonus.

If you would like more information, please leave a message for the 32/50 Committee at (415) 661-2700, ext. 305.



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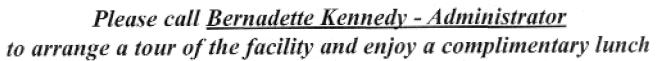
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Aislin Roche ~ Our 2006 Rose of Tralee



June began with the annual selection of the San Francisco Rose of Tralee on Saturday 3rd at the United Irish Cultural Center. With girls from both city and peninsula, the St. Patrick room was alive and buzzing with friends and families out in strength to support six beautiful and accomplished young ladies.

Accompanied by their dashing escorts, all of whom were sponsored by local GAA teams or businesses, the Rose contestants were Noreen Byrne, San Francisco; Orla Cloherty, Millbrae; Erin O'Brien, Daly City; Aislin Roche, San Francisco; Maureen Murphy, San Francisco and

Sarah Manson, Pacifica.

Having completed their one-to-one interview with judges Diane Roberts (chair), Joan McGrath and Dermot Tuohy a week prior, the girls were interviewed on stage by the debonair Angus McCarthy who served as MC for the event. Angus was every bit the match for Ray D'Arcy who hosts the event in Tralee keeping the audience entertained and the girls at ease.

Following recitations, song and dance, the judging panel retired for brief deliberations and returned to announce their choice for 2006. I9 year old Aislin Roche was selected to represent San Francisco at the 2006 International Rose of Tralee Festival this coming August.

2005 San Francisco Rose of Tralee, Katie Watts was on hand to crown Aislin

as this year's Rose while Ben Hunter had the honor of serenading Aislin with the Rose of Tralee. In addition to her flight and \$1,000 from the UICC, Aislin was bestowed with gifts from Waterford Crystal, Four Green Fields, All Things Irish, The Kerry Club, the Rose of Tralee Committee and Seoda Mháire Jewelry

Aislin is a full time student at UCLA studying World Arts and Cultures/Political Science and plans to double

major in Political Science. A world champion Irish dancer, Aislin also plays Gaelic Football with Saoirse Ladies Football Team and is an accomplished musician playing piano, button accordion and tin whistle.

The daughter of musician Kevin and Marina Roche and grand-daughter of Louis Roche of Irish Imports, Aislin is the first member of her family to participate in the International Festival in Kerry, which will take place from August 18 – 22nd.

We wish her every success!

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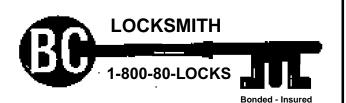
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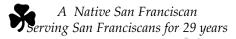
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WEDNESDAY 5 PM - 10 PM

THURSDAY IIAM - 2:00 PM

then 5 PM - 10 PM

FRIDAY 4 PM - 12 AM

SATURDAY 5 PM - I AM

SUNDAY 10 AM - 10 PM

Lunch on THURSDAYS / /:30am - 2pm

Dinner on SATURDAYS 5pm - 9pm

Brunch on SUNDAYS / 0am - 2pm

Dinner on FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS

5pm - 9pm

Dinner on SUNDAYS

4:30pm - 8:30pm

Reservations are appreciated to better serve our members

Come for the "Craic"!!