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# CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S EVE

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7:30 pm - No Host Cocktails

8:30 pm - Dinner

9:30 pm - 1:30 am - Dancing

\$80.00 per person

Choice of Filet Mignon or Filet of Salmon  
Dinner includes garden fresh salad,  
fresh vegetable, potatoes, rolls, butter  
coffee tea, dessert, wine  
champagne & favors

Reservations are limited, so please remit all reservations by December 18, 2006  
so we can mail your tickets to you.

Please use this reservation form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ persons

Choice of entrée: Filet Mignon \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon \_\_\_\_\_

Please remit to the UICC, c/o Mary Looney or Sash Nagle.  
For more information call Mary at 415/665-4595 or Sash at 415/370-6140

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THERE WILL BE NO DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

### Christmas Greetings!

December will be another exciting and joyous month at the Center – we hope everyone will include the United Irish Cultural Center in your Christmas festivities. Whether meeting an old friend for lunch, sharing a special holiday meal with your family, or bringing your children or grandchildren to the Christmas party on the 17th, the UICC can be part of your Christmas story.

As a Board, we would like to recognize the various clubs who have begun scheduling lunch/dinner group meetings in the Restaurant. While the club benefits from having more time to socialize, the Center benefits from the business in the restaurant. So, if you are looking for the place to throw your end of the year lunch for a group of friends or a club you are involved in, look no further than the Center! Please call 415.661.2700 to make reservations for lunch or dinner.

With so much going on, we wanted to highlight a few events we hope to see you at this month. On December 9th, celebrate Cork at the Cork Dinner Dance. Keep your dancing shoes on for the Christmas Ceili on December 10th. Remember the good ol' days at the K.R.B Gang Get Together on December 14. See Santa at the UICC Children's Christmas Party on December 17th from 11:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m and "Walk the line" with the The Ring of Fire, playing December 30th.

The biggest event this month will be our New Year's Eve celebration. In the St. Patrick's Room, Louise and the Shades of Green will entertain guests at the New Year's Eve Dinner Dance. Thank you to the committee, led by Peggy McDonald, for organizing this spectacular event. Downstairs, the Sligo Rags will entertain guests during dinner.

Look in your mailboxes this month for the 32/50 renewal letters. Combinations for 2007 will go on sale this month, and we encourage everyone to purchase combinations as soon as possible. Don't forget -they make great Christmas gifts!

Finally, we are looking forward to the new year. As a board, we are optimistic our profits for the Center will continue to grow and that we will increase membership and patronage. In addition, we are discussing the possibility of hosting our first annual UICC Festival during a weekend in June. Through this event we hope to partner with existing Irish clubs and organizations throughout the Bay Area and provide a weekend of entertainment and celebration of Irish Culture. More information will follow in the months to come. If you are interested in chairing a committee or volunteering in general, please email us at [board@irishcentersf.org](mailto:board@irishcentersf.org).

We want to wish everyone a happy, healthy Christmas and New Year. We look forward to seeing each of you at the Center this month. Together, we continue to write the UICC story.

## MEMBERSHIP CORNER

**WELCOME** to the following **new members**: Catherine McGarvey Livy, Bill Bowe, Jason Roe, Joyce Rowe, Michael Foster, Sarah Calvani; and to **transfer members**: Megan Pohley and Betty Mahoney.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Kevin and Laura Murphy on the birth in Portland of daughter Brigid Ann. Big brother, Sean, is delighted. So, too, are grandparents, Tom and Katharine Murphy. This makes thirteen grandchildren in the Murphy household.

**ROSEANN MCFADDEN CLAVELLI** recently returned from another one of her trips to Ireland. This time she and her husband Al purchased a large relatively new house in Magheraarty, Gortahark (County Donegal). The house has a fantastic ocean view where one can watch fishing boats in the harbor and beautiful sunsets over the islands of Tory and Inishbofin. Roseann has indicated that she plans on spending about four months each year in Ireland researching her roots.

**ETERNAL REST** to the following members who passed away recently: John J. O'Neill and Chuck Sullivan. Condolences to Jack and Heather Hart on the death of their son, Gerry. **MAY ALL THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE.**

**LET US KNOW** what our members are doing. Provide us with information of weddings, births, anniversaries, graduations, or other special occasions. Send information to the Center c/o Katy O'Shea.

## THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CLUB

Many thanks to everyone who helped make our dinners so successful in 2006, the UICC staff, chefs and servers; especially the ladies who take reservations each month, Josephine Healy, Kathleen Mooney & Eileen O'Sullivan; Molly Fitzpatrick for a great job with our raffles and of course to all the raffle donors.

November 16 was a wonderful Thursday Night Dinner for all. Thanks for attending and a special thank you to those who contributed to our raffle: Maureen Hickey, Mitzi Samson, Pat D'Arcy, Margaret & Tom Skelly, Bill Luqué, Kathleen & Pat Dunleavy, Luke Philpott, Blanche Raven, Dorothy & John Sorenson, Barbara & Bill O'Brien, Anne Young, Peggy & Bash McCarthy, Sally Mulkerrins, Eileen & Pat O'Sullivan, Alene & Charles Meyers, Lois & Walt Heim, Geri McCarthy, Pat Dillon, Marie Doherty, Marie Gavney, Anonymous, Patricia O'Connor, Donnajean McCarthy, Rosemary & Betty Shanahan and Alice Mayo. Our next Thursday night dinner will be held on **Thursday, January 18, 2007**. All information will be in the January Bulletin.

Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year!

— Anne Quilter and Molly Fitzpatrick, *Co-Chairpersons*

## LADIES AUXILIARY

Our Christmas dinner will be December 2, 2006 at 6:30pm. Please make reservations with Alice Mayo at 415/584-6334 or Phyllis O'Connor at 650/878-5986. Our next meeting will be **January 9, 2007 at 7pm**.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

— Anne Quilter, *President*

## 32 / 50 CLUB

The 32/50 drawing was held at the monthly meeting on October 26.

The winning combination was Pennsylvania and Down held by George and Teresa Pohley who will receive \$550.

Congratulations to all the winners!

Kathy Graham	John Ring*	Pat Coffey	Anne/Brian McMahon
Gladys Thompson	Kathleen Manning	32/50 Club	32/50 Club
George/Teresa Pohley*	Mary Sinclair	32/50 Club	Phyllis O'Connor
Hugh/Diana O'Connor	32/50 Club	32/50 Club	32/50 Club
Teresa Kerr	Pamela Guiney	Patricia Curran	32/50 Club
Patricia/Teresa Moore	Joan Manini	Eileen Looney	Maryjane Knoll
Eileen Cunnane	Charles Dunleavy	Margaret Gavney*	32/50 Club
Nora J. Stroke	Martin Howard	Sheilia Walsh	Therese Fontana

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

Those with an asterisk (\*) by their name received an additional \$50 for being present at the meeting.

Purchase a 32/50 for Christmas presents!!!!

### DEADLINE for JANUARY BULLETIN is December 15

Please call the UICC with questions at 415-661-2700.

If you have specific artwork questions contact Adrienne Verreos at Falcon Associates Inc.

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## DECEMBER CALENDAR

## MUSIC AT THE BAR

### DECEMBER 2, SATURDAY

- Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Dance

### DECEMBER 9, SATURDAY

- Rebel Cork Dinner Dance

### DECEMBER 10, SUNDAY

- Comhaltas Christmas Ceili  
7pm -10pm ~ UICC  
Everyone is welcome. Adults \$10  
Children *FREE* when accompanied by an adult.  
For info call Josephine Brogan - 415/681-4803

### DECEMBER 14, THURSDAY

- K.R.B. Gang "Get Together" ~ 11:30am
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm  
For info call Josephine Brogan - 415/681-4803

### DECEMBER 17, SUNDAY

- Christmas Party ~ 11am-3pm  
Santa arrives at the Center!

### DECEMBER 21, THURSDAY

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

### DECEMBER 31, SUNDAY

- New Year's Eve Celebration



### IN DECEMBER

Saturday 2 - The Michael Foley Band

Saturday 9 - Louise & the Shades of Green

Saturday 16 - Comhaltas

Musicians & Dancers

Saturday 23 - The Michael Foley Band

Saturday 30 - The Ring of Fire

COMHALTAS CEOLTOIRI EIREANN NIGHT is every third Saturday at the Center from 8pm to 11pm. Comhaltas (CCE) is a worldwide organization, based in Dublin, Ireland, dedicated to preserving and fostering the traditions of Ireland, through music, song, dance, storytelling and language. CCE has over 400 branches throughout Ireland, Britain, the U. S. and many other countries. Come out and support the Irish Culture. Admission is FREE.

### SAVE THE DATE !

February 17, 2007 EMERALD EXTRAVAGANZA  
San Francisco Cooley-Keegan branch of Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann

February 25, 2007 COLUMBAN FATHERS DINNER

## *The Perfect Gifts for Christmas*

### ✳ "The Irish Dream Accomplished"

The book chronicling the creation and building of the United Irish Cultural Center.

Member Price: \$25 + \$2.13 tax, Non-Member Price: \$40 + \$3.40 tax (Mailing and packaging \$3.75 extra)

### ✳ A Membership to the UICC

### ✳ A Gift Certificate for Brunch, Lunch or Dinner at the Center

### ✳ A 32/50 Combination

*To purchase a gift and for more information  
please call the UICC at 415/661-2700*





# Rebel Cork's Annual Dinner Dance

*Saturday, December 9, 2006*

*United Irish Cultural Center*

*No-host cocktails 7:00 pm ~ Dinner 8:00 pm*

*Prime Rib, Salmon, Chicken*

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*Music by Kevin Roche*

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THURSDAY 11AM - 2:00 PM then 5 PM - 10 PM

FRIDAY 4 PM - 11PM

SATURDAY 4 PM - 1 AM

SUNDAY 10 AM - 10 PM

**Lunch on THURSDAYS 11:30am - 2pm**

**Lunch on FRIDAYS 11:30am - 2pm**

**Brunch on SUNDAYS 10am - 2pm**

**Dinner on FRIDAYS 5pm - 9pm**

**Dinner on SATURDAYS 5pm - 9:30pm**

**Dinner on SUNDAYS**

**5pm - 9pm**

Reservations are appreciated to better serve our members

Come for the "Craic"!!

*New Years Eve Menu*  
*in the Dining room*

*All entrees include soup, salad and dessert*

*Roast Prime Rib of Beef* \$29.00

*Served with horseradish and au jus, Yorkshire pudding*

*Broiled New York Steak* \$28.00

*Served with Sauted mushrooms*

*Chicken Pomodoro* \$23.00

*Served with a light cream sauce with tomato and basil*

*Roast Leg of Lamb* \$25.00

*Baked Virginia Ham* \$22.00

*Baked in cloves and brown sugar*

*Roast Filet of Salmon* \$26.00

*Sauted with lemon butter*

*Coffee, Tea or Milk* \$1.75

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*will be Southern California's premiere*

*Celtic Folk Band ~ Sligo Rags*



**COMHALTAS CEOLTÓIRÍ ÉIREANN**

San Francisco Cooley-Keegan Branch

Presents

**Emerald Extravaganza**

**Saturday, February 17, 2007**

United Irish Cultural Center

Benefiting the programs of Comhaltas and the UICC.

Come out for an evening of great fun, music, dancing, silent auction, great food, no host bar,  
and much more.....

**Dancing to: The Irish Connection Band &**

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**Reservations: Joannie O'Leary - 415/664-6579**

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## **Sincere Thanks**

*from The Patrick Brosnan Family*

When trouble strikes it certainly is comforting to know that family, friends , neighbors, and relatives pour in to help in many different ways.

Thanks for the phone calls, prayers, masses, novenas, letters, emails, flowers and beautiful cards, the lodging while Pat was in the hospital and many more little things that really help when spirits are low.

Life has changed without him; I keep telling myself fifty-three years together was a fair time without too much difficulty. My Mother died when I was seven and my older brother Pat when I was fourteen. We had to keep going and Please God I will be able now too.

I also want to thank all the committee that organized and attended meetings for the Valencia Hospital benefit and all you wonderful people who donated and attended the dinner April 7, 2006 at the United Irish Cultural Center. You made it a great success. Thanks for the certificate of honor presented by the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco. Supervisor Sean Elsbernd made it very touching, with help from Ann Aherne. The dancers were precious.

To the Valencia Committee and four Irish Sponsors the beautiful gifts I will always cherish.

We send you all our love,  
Sheila, Noreen and Kerry

## **Thank you**

*from The Kerr Family*

The family of the late Daniel (Dan) Thomas Kerr would like to thank all of you most sincerely for your prayers and kind expressions of sympathy in our recent bereavement.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

Thank you,  
Teresa and Sean Kerr

## **Our Deepest Appreciation**

*from The Hart Family*

The Hart family wishes to express its deepest thanks and appreciation to the management and membership of the UICC for the support and care shown upon the death of our beloved son and brother, Gerry Hart. Please keep him in your prayers.

Sincerely,  
Jack, Heather, Jack Jr., and Anna Hart

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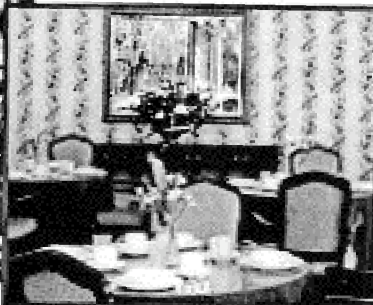
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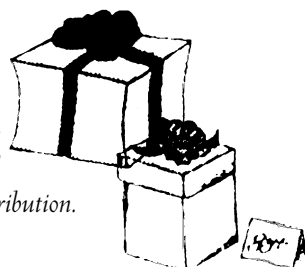


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Sunday, December 17th  
11:00 until 3:00

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