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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MESSAGE



Dour Center is Open!Come Celebrate!

It has been said that change is good for the soul. If that is true then the UICC is gearing up for some major soul rejuvenation. The UICC has had its share of ups and downs, but through it all the pulse of the Center has continues to beat, faintly at times, but it never went out. The finan-

cial challenges that the Center has faced over the past few years have tested us all and now it brings us closer together. The UICC Board wants you to get ready for that "good old days feeling". Tom Clune has returned with new jokes in hand. The restaurant doors are open, but we need you to make the Center the hub of the Sunset again. March is "our" month so come for brunch, lunch or dinner. St. Paddy's Day will be an all day event so be sure to drop in. See new faces and old friends. Families are welcome, so bring the kids and head to your Center. Say hi to Tommy and enjoy a wonderful meal and some great music.

Your Board of Directors has also been undergoing some changes. Karen Kinahan is now president and Margaret McAuliffe is treasurer. We say goodbye to Pat Maguire and thank him for his service and welcome two new board members, Rich Seguine and Anne Carew. They bring their managerial expertise to the board and have hit the ground running. We welcome them and applaud them for their dedication and service. The board expresses special thanks to our past president, Bob Twomey. Bob guided the Center through one of its toughest times and brought us to the threshold of where we are now. He gave countless hours to the UICC, made some very tough decisions and always had the Center's best interest at heart. Bob, we thank you and salute you for your tireless dedication to the Center.

See you at the Center.

Your Board of Directors

Purpose \sim Respect \sim Organization \sim Unity \sim Determination

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY wishes are extended to Tom and Patty Landers. Charlie and Arleen Myers celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary, February 5th. We wish the two couples many more happy years together.

REMEMBER STARTING MARCH 3 dinners will be served at the UICC Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. See back of this bulletin for times. There is no change in the lunch or Sunday brunch schedule.

UICC SCHOLARSHIP applications are due March 10, 2006. This spring the UICC will award \$1,000 scholarships to five high school seniors and five 8th graders in our community. Go to website: www.irishcentersf.org/scholarships.htm to learn more and download an application. Questions? Email: scholarship@irishcentersf.org

ETERNAL REST to the following members who have passed away: Patrick Griffin, John Cunningham, Ruth Chesbro and Michael Stanfield. Condolences to Peggy Mylett, whose sister, Brigid Beaumont, died in England, Ewelyn Lynch, whose sister, Brigid Devine, died in London, and Carole Deeb, whose mother, Edna May Cain, died in San Francisco, MAY ALL THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE.

A Reartfelt Thank You from Josephine Realy: "I wanted to thank everyone for their get-well wishes and prayers for my recovery. The get-well cards, mass offerings, spiritual bouquets, flowers, donations to the Saint Anthony Foundation, plants and phone calls have lifted my spirits and have been really helpful in my healing. I am doing well and looking forward to seeing you all soon."

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CLUB

A wonderful Thursday Night Dinner was had by all February 16. Thanks for attending and a special thank you to those who contributed to our raffle: Barbara & Bill O'Brien, Luke Philpott, Pat D'arcey, Sally Mulkerrins, Dorothy & John Sorenson, Bill Luqué, Eileen Healy, Arlene & Charles Meyers, Margaret Keohane, Patricia O'Connor, Donna Jean McCarthy. March's Thursday night dinner will be held on Thursday March 16. 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 Corned Beef or Fillet of Sole, dessert and coffee or tea. The tax and tip is included in the price. Please make your reservations early with Kathleen Mooney or Eileen O'Sullivan. Reservations close on Sunday, March 12, 2006.

— Anne Quilter and Molly Fitzpatrick, Co-Chairpersons

LADIES AUXILIARY

The UICC's Annual Corned Beef Dinner

will be served in the St. Patrick's room on Sunday, March 12th, 2006.

Dinner will be served 3:30pm

Come and enjoy with family and friends
\$6 children \$12 Adults

Our next meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary will be Tuesday, March 14, 2006 at 7:30 pm. We will be discussing the Corned Beef dinner held on the previous Sunday. We were pleased to be asked for our participation in the Annual St. Patrick's Corned Beef Dinner.

— Alice Mayo, President

MARCH CALENDAR

MARCH 2, Thursday

- Karan Casey & Flook Concert ~ St. Patrick's Room Opening act will be Coulann's Hounds
- Silver Gaels Luncheon ~ Noon ~ UICC

MARCH 6, Monday

• Silver Gaels trip to River Rock Casino

MARCH 7, Tuesday

Crossroads Panel Discussion ~ 7pm-I0pm
 "25th Anniversary of the Hunger Strike of 1981"
 St. Francis Room

MARCH 9, Thursday

- Crossroads Panel Discussion ~ 7pm-10pm
 "Experiences of the Irish —in the Sunset District"
 St. Patrick's Room
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm 9:30pm

MARCH 10, Friday

• Grand Marshal Banquet ~ Honoring Bob Baker ~ UICC

MARCH 12, Sunday

- Mass St. Patrick's Church 9am
- St. Patrick's Parade ~ II:30am ~ 2nd & Market
- Sunday Brunch ~ 10am 2pm
- Sunday Dinner ~ 5pm 9pm
- St. Patrick's Day Annual Ladies Auxiliary
 Corned Beef Dinner ~ \$6 children \$12 Adults
 3:30pm 6:30pm ~ UICC
- Live Music ~ 4pm 9pm Upstairs - Tipsey House
- Downstairs Bar Music Pat Ryan's Celtic Junket
- Throughout the day performances by pipers and dancers from local schools

MARCH 15, Wednesday

The Black Brothers in Concert
7:30pm ~ St. Patrick's Room
\$15 in advance/\$17 at the door
For ticket & information call 415/254-6381

MARCH 16, Thursday

• Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm

MARCH 17, Friday IIAM until 2 AM

- St. Patrick's Day Annual Lunch & Dinner All day entertainment, dancing, and family events in St. Francis Room
- Music Scheduled
 Noon 4pm ~ Louise & Shades of Green
 4:30pm 7:30 pm ~ Pat Ryan's Celtic Junket
 8pm Midnight ~ The Shannon Ceili Band

MARCH 18, Saturday

• St. Stephen Dinner & Silent Auction

MARCH 23, Thursday

• Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30 - 9:30pm

MARCH 26, Sunday

• Ceili ~ 7:00 - 10:00pm Adults \$10. Children under 12 FREE

MARCH 30, Thursday

• Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30 - 9:30pm

~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

APRIL 6, Thursday

• Silver Gaels Luncheon ~ Noon ~ UICC

APRIL 7, Friday

 Dinner to Honor Pat & Sheila Brosnan ~ UICC Benefit for Valentia Cottage Hospital, County Kerry

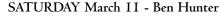
MUSIC AT THE BAR



FRIDAY March 3 - Kevin Roche



SATURDAY March 4 - Michael Foley





SATURDAY March 18 - Comhaltas



Musicians & Dancers



SATURDAY March 25 - The Gasmen

32/50CLUB

The February Drawing was held at the monthly meeting on February 23, 2006. The winning combination was Maine and Laois, held by Edward & Judith Murphy, who will receive \$550.00. Those holding the state of Maine each receive \$50.00.

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Annie Marie O'Connor Jerry/Annette Murphy

Pat Dillon Helen Kelly

Cornelius & Nuala Murphy

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Michael & Sheila Moynihan

Phyllis O'Connor/Maura O'Connor

Agnes Dalberg Bill Luque

Teresa & James Slane

Mary Anne McGuire-Hickey

Mary & Joe Moore Cecilia Mateik

Diarmuid & Mary Ann Philpott

Judith Holm John E. Heim*

Mary Shea/Mary Porter

Pat Burke Ann Sullivan Carole Thompson Mary Fitzgerald

B.Reilly-M. Thompson

Daniel Sheehan

Maureen & Ed Hartnett

Julia Fitzgerald Julia R. Turner Carol Heally

Those members who attended the monthly meeting and received the \$50 meeting bonus were:

Ann Sullivan, Bill Luque, Teresa Slane, and Julia Fitzgerald. Congratulations to all the winners! The final drawing of 2005/2006 and the first drawing of 2006/2007 will be held at the 32/50 Club Members Appreciation Event in April. Invitations will be sent out shortly. If you haven't done so already, please renew your membership as soon as possible. Combinations will not be sold after April I, 2006. Thank you for your continued support and good luck to all of our members!

If you are interested in purchasing a combination, please send your name, address, phone number, and the name of the individual(s) as you would like it to appear on the certificate if different from your name, along with a check for \$32.50 for each combination, to the UICC, Attn: 32/50 Committee. If you have a preferred combination, please list that also. 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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3 FAVORITE IRISH RECIPES

RICH TEA BRACK Serves 8-10

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 lb mixed dried fruit
- 1 cup soft light brown sugar
- 1-2/3 cups black tea, warm
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 2 tsp mixed spice
- 2 large eggs, beaten

- Grease and line 2 1 lb loaf pans.
 Put the fruit and sugar into a large bowl and pour on the tea.
 Leave for 24 hours, if possible.
- 2) Preheat the oven to 325 degrees.

 Sift the dry ingredients into a large bowl, then gradually work in the beaten eggs and the soaked fruits until well incorporated.
- 3) Spoon into the loaf pans and bake for about 1-1/2 hours or until firm to the touch.
- 4) Partly cool in the pans, then turn out and cool on a wire rack. Wrap tightly and store 1-2 days to mature before cutting. Serve sliced and buttered or toasted

LENTIL, LAMB & RED ONION SOUP Serves 4

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 cup split red lentils
- 2 tbsp vegetable oil
- 3-4 celery sticks, roughly chopped
- 1 white part of leek, washed and chopped
- 1 carrot grated
- 1 parsnip grated
- 1 small onion grated

Salt and freshly ground black pepper

5 cups lamb stock

Squeeze of lemon juice

3/4 cup heavy cream

- 1) Place the lentils in a bowl, cover them with water, and leave them to soak for a few minutes.
- 2) Heat the oil in a large pan and sauté the vegetables until soft. Drain lentils well and add to the pan with the stock. Cover, bring to a boil and simmer for 20 minutes until the vegetables and lentils are tender.
- 3) Blend or process the soup until it is creamy smooth, sieving it if you wish, and return it to the pan.

 Season to taste, add a squeeze of lemon juice, the cream and heat through.

 Serve topped with croutons, pepper and a few parsley or coriander leaves.

TO SERVE:

2 tbsp bread croutons and a few leaves of coriander or parsley

Soda Bread

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 cups plain flour
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp sugar (optional)
- 2 cups buttermilk or sour milk
- 1) Sieve the dry ingredients into a large bowl. Scoop up handfuls and allow to drop back into the bowl to aerate the mixture.
- 2) Add enough buttermilk to make a soft dough. Now work quickly as the buttermilk and soda are already reacting. Knead the dough lightly— too much handling will toughen it, while too little means it won't rise properly.
- 3) Form a round loaf about as thick as your fist. Place it on a lightly floured baking sheet and cut a cross in the top with a floured knife.
- 4) Put at once to bake near the top of a preheated oven, 450 degrees, for 30-45 minutes. When baked, the loaf will sound hollow when rapped on the bottom with your knuckles. Wrap immediately in a clean tea-towel to stop the crust hardening too much.

Dinner Dance to Honor PAT & SHEILA BROSNAN

Proceeds to benefit Valentia Cottage Hospital
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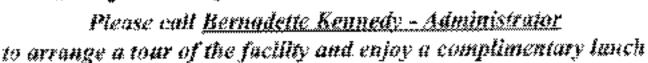
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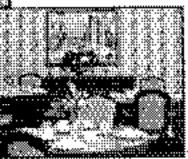
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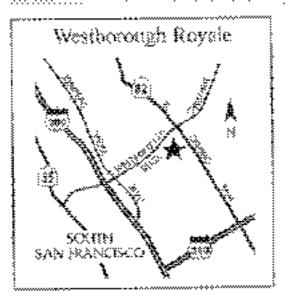


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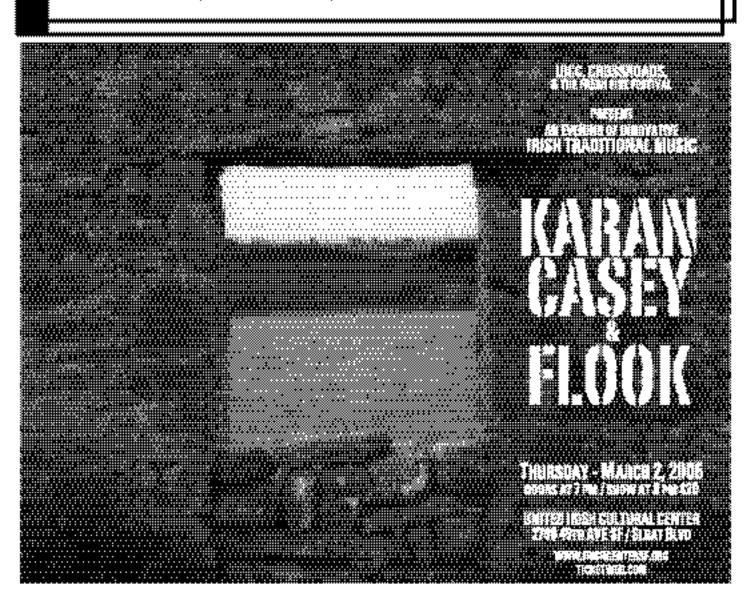
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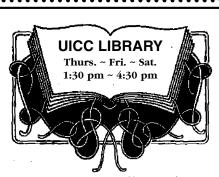
BOOK PROGRAM

Do you like to talk about books you have read?

A program will be starting at the Center to meet with others to talk about the books (fiction/non-fiction) read during the past month or year. Coffee and tea and old country bread will be served.

If you would like to volunteer or join the book program call Joan at a phone number listed below or cut off the section below and mail to :

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