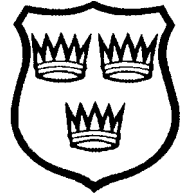




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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

Dear Members,

On the 16th of November we will hold our Annual Mass for Deceased UICC Members. It will be celebrated by Father Clogherty in the St. Francis Room at 10AM. We have lost some dear friends over the years and everyone should make a special effort to attend this event. If you are staying for brunch afterwards, please make sure to call and make your reservation.

The time of year is once again upon us when we all get together with our family and friends to celebrate Thanksgiving. We are open that day, and welcome all of you to come and enjoy your holiday at the Center. There will be a special Thanksgiving Menu including choices for the children. Look for more information on the entrees, prices and seating times inside this issue.

As we don't collect dues from members, we have been relying on your generosity with an Annual Pledge to help finance larger projects for the Center. One necessary repair is the parking lot which desperately needs repaving. This will be one of our most expensive upcoming expenditures among others. In these tougher financial times, any gift you can make will be all the more appreciated. You will receive this letter sometime in the coming weeks.

At last month's General Meeting, Joe O'Leary reported that the contract negotiations with the Union had stalled. The negotiations committee continues to work towards a final agreement, and hope that all parties will sit down together to finalize the remaining issues.

The ICCB Board is pleased to report that the first phase of the Brick Campaign raised more than \$92,500 as of October 6, 2008. The committee looks forward to laying the first round of bricks before the end of the year. There is still time to get involved in this campaign – all proceeds will benefit our Center and our community. The Library recently received a generous donation of microfilm and a microfilm reader from Mr. Thomas Wrin. This donation is a great addition to the Library collection. If you have not stopped by the Library, please see what we have to offer. Librarian Wendy King and her volunteer staff continue to do a great job with the collection.

The ICCB Board moved to amend the bylaws to include a membership. All UICC members will be members of the ICCB, and we look forward to holding our first Annual Meeting sometime in the fall of 2009. Also, we are all excited about the new ICCB office space, right off the front door entrance. We look forward to settling in and expanding what we have to offer at the Center.

The next UICC General Meeting will be Thursday, November 20th at 7:30PM.

Here's to a wonderful November!

Sincerely,
The UICC and ICCB Boards

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This month's meeting — Thursday, November 20, 2008 at 7:30 PM

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

CONGRATULATIONS to Pat Gardner on his appointment to Deputy Chief in the San Francisco Fire Department. He is the husband of Maureen and son-in-law of Frank and Mary O'Rourke and son of the late Pete and Joan Gardner.

ETERNAL REST to the following members who passed away recently: Kevin McTiernan, Vera Whelan, Catherine McCarthy Carli and Tommy Dunn. MAY ALL THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE.

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CLUB

The October 16 Thursday Night Dinner was enjoyed by all. Thank you to our guests with a special thank you to those who contributed to our raffle: Alene & Charlie Meyer, Alice & Jim Mayo, John & Dorothy Sorenson, Ann Young, John & Doris Baratti, Peggy & Oliver Sheridan, Margaret & Tom Skelly, Maureen Hickey and Jack Curtin. Our next dinner is Thursday, November 20. No-host cocktails start at 5:30 pm and dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. The price is \$20.00 per person. Dinner includes soup or salad, your choice of Pot Roast or Filet of Sole, 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 Eileen O'Sullivan 415/681-2987. Reservations close on Sunday, November 16.

— Anne Quilter and Molly Fitzpatrick, Co-Chairpersons

SILVER GAELS

Our River Rock Casino Trip is scheduled for Monday, November 3. We hope to have lots of winners! Come and enjoy the good food, conversation and card games at our next lunch on Friday, November 14 at 12:30 pm at the Center. Reservations appreciated. Please call Anne Quilter at 415/586-8017 or the UICC at 415/661-2700. There will be no lunch in December.

— Anne Quilter

LADIES AUXILIARY

Our next meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary will be Tuesday, November 11 at 7 pm. Many thanks to everyone who are helping with our November 1st Lunch, BINGO and Raffle. There will be no meeting in December. Our Christmas Dinner will be Sunday, December 14. For reservations please call Anne Quilter 415/586-8017 or Phyllis O'Connor 650/878-5986.

— Anne Quilter, President

FREE FLU SHOTS

Michael Vaughan, MD (Doctor Mick) along with other volunteers will be administering influenza immunizations to those in need in the Irish community, on Sunday, November 9, and November 16 and November 30 at the United Irish Cultural Center from 10 am to 1 pm.

If you are a nurse or nurse's aid and would like to volunteer to help please contact Doctor Mick at 415/412-1749.

Come Join Us at the Center All K.R.B. Gang

Reunite with old friends ~ Invite a friend, neighbor ~ Everyone welcome

Date: Thursday, December 4, 2008 Time: 11:30 am No Host Cocktails

Christmas Holiday Luncheon *Enjoy our talents and have some fun!*

For reservations call: Rita McEvoy 415/563-4320
Tom Hayes 415/584-6200 • John Moylan 415/731-6882

Menu Choices: Filet of Sole
Chicken or Corned Beef and Cabbage

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

MUSIC AT THE BAR

NOVEMBER 1, SATURDAY

- Ladies Auxiliary Luncheon • Raffle • BINGO
For info call Anne Quilter 415/586-8017
- Irish Language Classes ~ See information this page

NOVEMBER 3, MONDAY

- Silver Gaels' River Rock Casino Trip
For info call Anne Quilter 415/586-8017

NOVEMBER 8, SATURDAY

- Irish Pipers Fundraiser Dinner ~ 6pm
For info call John Flynn 650/355-0346

NOVEMBER 9, SUNDAY

- November Night Ceili ~ 6:30pm - 10pm ~ UICC
Live Irish traditional music, singing & dancing
Adults \$10.00 Children FREE
For info call Josephine Brogan - 415/681-4803
or email: josephinebrogan@yahoo.com

NOVEMBER 11, TUESDAY

- SF 49er Goal Rushers, Inc. Booster Club
Monthly dinner. 49er FANS are invited to join us!
For reservations call:
Sue Hoffman 415/665-4483

NOVEMBER 13, THURSDAY

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

NOVEMBER 14, FRIDAY

- Silver Gaels Lunch ~ 12:30pm ~ UICC
Reservations appreciated.
Anne Quilter at 415/586-8017
or the UICC at 415/661-2700.

NOVEMBER 16, SUNDAY

- Deceased Members Mass ~ 10am ~ St. Francis Room
For info call Jack Curtin 415/587-6779

NOVEMBER 20, THURSDAY

- Thursday Night Dinner Reservations required
Josephine Healy at 415-681-8385 or
Eileen O'Sullivan 415/681-2987
- GENERAL MEETING ~ 7:30pm
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm
For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803

NOVEMBER 27, THURSDAY

- Thanksgiving Day at the Center!
Make your reservations early! See information in this bulletin



IN NOVEMBER



SATURDAY 1 Kathy Holly Band

SATURDAY 8 Pat Hamilton

SATURDAY 15 Comhaltas Traditional Irish Music

SATURDAY 22 Jimmy James

SATURDAY 29 Ben Hunter



UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 4, THURSDAY

K.R.B. Luncheon (See ad)

DECEMBER 6, SATURDAY

Rebel Cork Dinner (See ad)

DECEMBER 7, SUNDAY

GAA Dinner Dance Honoring the Irish Football Stars
2pm game on Treasure Island • 6:30 Cocktails & Dinner at the
Center • Music by Kevin Roche Band • Tickets \$100 • Contact Anne
O'Donoghue 650/219-1169 or Joe Duffy 415/260-8093

DECEMBER 14, SUNDAY

Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Dinner ~ 6pm
For reservations call Anne Quilter 415/586-8017
or Phyllis O'Connor 650/878-5986.



CHILDREN'S FIDDLE CLASSES*

Wednesday • 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Beginners & Intermediate

For more information contact Josephine Brogan at 415/681-4803
Classes are sponsored by Comhaltas



CHILDREN'S TIN WHISTLE CLASSES*

Tuesday Night • 7pm - 8:30pm

Beginners & Intermediate



IRISH LANGUAGE CLASSES*

SATURDAYS AT THE CENTER

TEACHER, IMELDA WHITE

CHILDREN ~ 10am - 11:30am

(minimum age 4)

ADULTS ~ Noon - 2pm

For more information contact Josephine Brogan
at 415/681-4803 or
josephinebrogan@yahoo.com

**Pre-registration is required for all classes*

32/50 CLUB

The 32/50 drawing held on September 25 was for AUGUST and SEPTEMBER

AUGUST 2008

The winning combination was Nevada and Dublin
held by Carmel Cormack who will receive \$550.

Joan Lawrie	32/50 Club	Margaret Gavney	Benjamin/Agnes Dalberg
Cormac Brady	Tom McCormack	Jane Fowlie	32/50 Club
Sharon Whicher	Michael Keating	Eugene/Mary Brennan	Eileen Kivlehan
32/50 Club	Ed Kelly	Megan Pohley	Marilyn Driscoll
32/50 Club	32/50 Club	Timothy O'Sullivan	Pat (John) Dillon
Peter Naughton	Ben Dalberg	Lorraine McGrath	32/50 Club
Dorothy Anders	Dean Wilson	Sally Harrington	Lily Weaver/Anne Burke*
Michael/Kathleen Gallagher	Vera Key/John O'Keeffe	Donna Sullivan Costello	

SEPTEMBER 2008

The winning combination was Alaska and Kilkenny
held by the 32/50 Club

Timothy Breen	Bob Duncan	Kathleen O'Keeffe	Thomas O'Neill
Tom Clune	James O'Mahoney	Florence M. Morris	Andy Driscoll
Mary Geracimos	Hugh Devlin	Michelle Curran	Mary L. Morch
Joseph Sullivan	John O'Keeffe	32/50 Club	32/50 Club
32/50 Club	David Thompson	Anthony Anderson	Lynn King
Mary Hyland	Sally Harrington	Barry R. King	Dennis Galvin*
Kevin McCormick	Maureen Hickey*	Thomas/Alice Flynn	Julia Fitzgerald*
Stephen/Margaret Gavney*	Michael/Margaret Cooney	Thom/Barbara Anderson	Gerard/Margaret Gavney*

Congratulations to all the \$50 winners!

* Received an additional \$50 for being present.

Christmas is just around the corner!



Give a 32/50 ticket A great stocking stuffer!

Contact Bill Luqué at 415/552-9620

United Irish Cultural Center

Please join us for Thanksgiving!
RESERVATIONS: (415) 661-2700
Two Seatings 4:00 and 7:00

Thanksgiving Day Menu

Dinner includes: Soup, salad, and dessert



Roast Tom Turkey **\$25.00**

Sage and Onion Dressing, Giblet Gravy

Roast Prime Rib of Beef **\$30.00**

Served with Horseradish and au jus, Yorkshire pudding

Baked Virginia Ham **\$25.00**

Baked in Cloves and Brown Sugar

Roast Leg of Lamb **\$26.00**

With mint jelly

Fresh Filet of Salmon **\$27.00**

Sautéed in Lemon Butter

Dessert

Apple Pie, Pumpkin Pie or Ice Cream

For our Guests 10 & under

Baked Virginia Ham, Pasta or Roast Turkey ...\$10.00

Beverages

Tea, Coffee, Milk, Juice, ...\$2.00

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Wendy King, Librarian

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A Guide to Irish Surnames by Edward MacLysaght

Irish Cooking by Ruth Bauder Kershner

Irish Fairy Tales selected and edited by Joseph Jacobs; illustrated by John D. Batten

Irish Folk-History Plays, Volume 2 by Lady Gregory

Irish Melodies, Symphonies and Accompaniments by Sir John Stevenson and Sir Henry Bishop, lyrics by Thomas Moore

The Irish in New England by Thomas H. O'Connor

Irish Settlers in America: a consolidation of articles from the Journal of the American Irish Historical Society by Michael J. O'Brien

A Pocket History of Irish Traditional Music by Gearóid Ó hAllmhuráin

You can view all new titles from the past 5 years on the library's webpage, www.irishcentersf.org (click the "Library" tab).

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Library projects include cataloging and making labels for new books, assisting patrons finding research materials, giving library tours, inventorying, selling duplicate books, shelf-reading, library maintenance, reorganizing, and maintaining our email address list. No previous library experience required. Internet, Microsoft Word, Excel, and Irish language skills are particularly desirable. For further information, please contact the librarian.

Donations

Without donations, there would be no library. The library, however, currently has a storage room full of donations and is running out of shelf space in the library. If you would like to donate items to the library, please consult with the librarian before transporting them to the center or the library. We only accept books relating to Ireland and Irish-America that are in excellent condition and do not need any repair.



Irish Cultural Centre of California



Brick Campaign – A BIG thank you to everyone who has purchased a brick! To date, we have raised more than \$92,500 for the Irish community. We hope to lay the first phase of bricks before the end of the year. Bricks are still available – please purchase a brick today!

Scholarship Program – Applications will be available this fall – please note that the deadline has been moved up to February. *Save Saturday, February 7 for a special event honoring an important member of our community.*

Library – The Library recently received a generous donation from Mr. Thomas Wrín. Mr. Wrín gave the ICCC a microfilm collection and a microfilm reader. Stop by the Library to check out this new addition to our special collection.

Updates – The ICCC office will be up and running this month on the main floor of the Center. Please stop by and say hello. Also, stay tuned for the introduction of our logo coming soon!



REBEL CORK'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE

Saturday, December 6, 2008

United Irish Cultural Center

Musíc ~ Kevin Roche Band

Filet Mignon, Salmon or Chicken
\$65 per person

No Host Cocktails @ 7 pm
Dinner @ 8 pm



For reservations and information :

Nora Daly 415/664-8966

Jimmy Daly 415/753-6804



Memorial Mass

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of the
United Irish Cultural Center

November 16, 2008 ~ 10 am
St. Francis Room

*Brunch will be available
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*Please make your reservations early
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For reservations: UICC 415/661-2700

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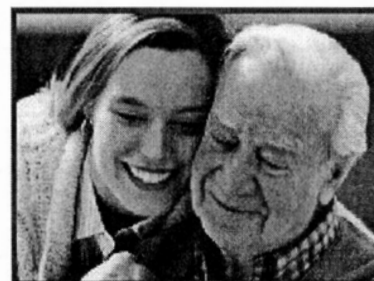
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Thursday, November 20 at 7:30 PM

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Mass, Luncheon & Senior Social

Wednesday, December 17, 2008

United Irish Cultural Center

12 noon - Mass with Christmas Carols

celebrated by Fr. Brendan McBride

followed by lunch

& entertainment with Comhaltas Ceoltoirí Éireann

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