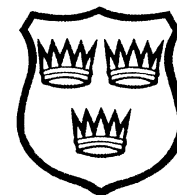




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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

Dear Members,

With the resignation of Paul Downey, the Board entertained the nomination of Anna Shea. The nomination was seconded and approved by the Board. It's grand to have you, Anna, as a member of the Board. The Board would like to thank Paul for his service to the United Irish Cultural Center and to the Irish community.

The 32/50 club was responsible for a sizeable donation for the repair of the parking lot. Ten thousand dollars is a sizeable donation, and special thanks are in order for your wonderful help with this project. Thank you, again.

The doors of the Center have seen their better days. The Board feels that it is imperative that they be replaced. This is a project that needs to begin before the cost of such replacement rises, as it surely will. This year the annual pledge, that you have so wonderfully supported in the past, will be used for the replacement of all of the doors at the Center. The cost for these repairs will be substantial and your help is sorely needed. Please look for the Pledge letter in the near future and help your Center.

It's never too early to plan for the upcoming holiday season and to mark your calendars. The Thanksgiving dinner will be held in the downstairs dining room. A traditional menu is being planned, as usual. The annual New Year's celebration will be held in the St. Patrick's room. There will be more information coming in future bulletins. Look for them. We will be looking forward to seeing you this holiday season.

The Board has discussed the formation of an Events committee. This committee would work to bring special events to the Center that would benefit it as well as the membership. At this time the Board is seeking volunteers to help with the formation of this committee. If you would like to volunteer, please call, leave your name and phone number and someone will get back to you. The Center depends on you the members. See you soon at the Center.

Sincerely,

UICC Board of Directors

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THIS MONTH'S MEETING THURSDAY OCTOBER 22, 2009 AT 7:30 PM

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS: Josephine Coffey, Nancy Carrey, Jennifer Hawkins, Pari Livermore, Putnam Livermore, John Demakas, Valerie McGrew, Liam Reidy, Stephanie Reidy, Caroline Ward, Matt Ward, Catherine Quinn-Chrastil, Michael McGuire, Jim O'Sullivan, Anna Shea, Maria Shea, Barbara Burgess, Susan Cohn, Darryl Cohn, Kathleen Luhrman and Eileen Murphy; and to **TRANSER MEMBERS:** Mary Dudley and Patricia Carini.

ETERNAL REST to the following members who passed away recently: Robert E. Buckley and Rose Anne O'Driscoll.
MAY ALL THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE.

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CLUB

The September 17 Thursday Night Dinner was enjoyed by all. Thank you to all who contributed to our raffle: Lois & Walter Heim, Geraldine McCarthy, Dorothy & John Sorenson, Sue & Darryl Cohn, Ann Young, Pat D'Arcy, Barbara & Bill O'Brien, Alice & Jim Mayo, John & Doris Bacotti, Donajean McCarthy, Patricia O'Connor and Bill Luqué. Next Thursday Night Dinner will be October 15. 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 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 Eileen O'Sullivan 415/681-2987. Reservations close on Sunday, October 11.

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

SILVER GAELS

Our next luncheon will be Friday, October 9 at 12:30. All are welcome and reservations are appreciated.

— Anne Quilter

LADIES AUXILIARY

Our next meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary will be Tuesday, October 13 at 6:30pm. We will be finalizing and wrapping up plans for our annual BINGO & Raffle Luncheon on Saturday, October 17. All ladies are welcome.

— Anne Quilter, *President*

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OCTOBER CALENDAR

MUSIC AT THE BAR

OCTOBER 2-4, FRIDAY- SUNDAY

- 11th Annual Irish Immersion Weekend
For information call Nikki Ragsdale 510/881-5958
or email cce_gaeilge@ccewest.org

OCTOBER 4, SUNDAY

- Irish Immigration & Pastoral Center - Grandparents Day
Mass 2pm ~ Lunch following
For information call IIPC 415/752-6006

OCTOBER 8, THURSDAY

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

OCTOBER 15, THURSDAY

- Thursday Night Dinner ~ 6pm
No-host cocktails 5:30pm and dinner 6pm
Reservations required. Call Josephine Healy 415/681-8385
or Eileen O'Sullivan 415/681-2987
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm
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OCTOBER 17, SATURDAY

- Ladies Auxiliary BINGO, Raffle & Luncheon
- Connaught Athletic & Social Club Dinner Dance *See Ad*

OCTOBER 19, MONDAY

- Connaught Club ~ Golf Tournament & Dinner
For info call Martin Joyce 650/218-1535

OCTOBER 22, THURSDAY

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

OCTOBER 29, THURSDAY

- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm
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IN OCTOBER



- SATURDAY 3 Shades of Green,
featuring a new singer
- SATURDAY 10 Pat Hamilton
- SATURDAY 17 Comhaltas Traditional Irish Music
- SATURDAY 24 Ben Hunter
- SATURDAY 31 Halloween Night!
Costume Party with DJ Wayne Noel

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 12

UICC Volunteer Dinner

November 15

LAOH Columbia Div. 2 Fall Fashion Show

November 22

Deceased Members Mass

November 26

Thanksgiving Dinner at the Center

DEADLINE for NOVEMBER BULLETIN is OCTOBER 15

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It is advised to e-mail or call before coming as the library is sometimes staffed by volunteers

Wendy King, *Librarian*

Halloween

Halloween's origins have roots in Samhain (pronounced SOW-in in Irish), the ancient Celtic Feast of the Dead, which signaled the end of the harvest and the beginning of winter and the New Year. The Celts believed that on the night of October 31 the dead returned, and that mortals could communicate with their departed ancestors, who possessed great wisdom and knowledge. Food was put out for the spirits. To drive off evil spirits, the Celts used bonfires and jack-o'-lanterns. To learn more about the Celts and get in the Halloween mood, the library recommends the following books in its collection:

The World of the Druids by Miranda J. Green

A fascinating insight into the Celtic religion, including ceremonies and sacred places.

The Lively Ghosts of Ireland by Hans Holzer

Renowned ghost hunter Holzer investigates spirits haunting Dublin, Tara, Mayo and Skerne Castle.

Celtic Tales of the Strange by Joanne Asala

Banshees, water beasts, phantoms, half-dog half-fish creatures, and demonic formorians.

Irish Tales of Terror, edited by Peter Haining. Includes Irish authors James Joyce, W.B. Yeats, Oscar Wilde and George Moore.

Witchcraft in Ireland by Patrick F. Byrne

True stories of Irish women accused of sorcery.

New Books

Learning Irish: An Introductory Self-Tutor by Michael O'Siadhail

Nor Meekly Serve My Time: H Block Struggle 1976-1981 edited by Brian Campbell,
Laurence McKeown and Felim O'Hagan

The Irish in the United States by John B. Duff

Cultural Traditions in Northern Ireland edited by Maurna Crozier

Botany Bay: The Story of the Convicts Transported from Ireland to Australia, 1791-1853
by Con Costello

Rare Book

Eamon de Valera by the Earl of Longford and Thomas P. O'Neill. Signed by de Valera shortly before his death in 1974 and given to the library by Jack Lynch, Prime Minister of Ireland. De Valera, born in New York City, was a significant leader in Ireland's struggle for independence from the U.K. He was Ireland's first Taoiseach (Prime Minister) and third president. The book can be viewed in the wall display case.

DVDs Wanted

The library has a DVD player and we're building a collection of DVDs. We are interested in Irish and Irish American history, music, literature, and culture as well as feature films. Contact the librarian for more info.

Connaught Athletic & Social Club

Annual Dinner Dance

Saturday, October 17, 2009

United Irish Cultural Center ~ Grand Ballroom
2700 - 45th Avenue, San Francisco

No Host Bar 7pm ~ Dinner 8pm
\$65 per person ~ Filet Mignon or Salmon

Music ~ Ben Hunter

Tickets & Information:

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Thursday, October 22 at 7:30 PM



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Saturday October 31st

Restaurant Opens at 5pm

No Cover Charge ~ Reservations Encouraged



*Come on out & join in the fun!
Music Dancing & Best Costume Contest!*

