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#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

Dear Members and Friends;

We would like to thank all of you who came to the Center this last month to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. It was grand to see so many of you enjoying your Center with your families and friends. As you well know, the reason for building this United Irish Cultural Center was to provide a central location for the Irish community of San Francisco to congregate and celebrate.

Now for some serious matters, we must increase attendance in the restaurant during the week and throughout the year. The Center offers lunch Thursday and Friday and dinner Thursday through Sunday. It is becoming more and more difficult to maintain the restaurant due to lack of business. The Board is most concerned. Without your support and attendance, we cannot go on indefinitely covering the cost of the staff and the other expenses related to running a restaurant without your support and attendance. We are not "crying wolf!"

We are asking all Members and Friends to step up and use your Restaurant. We have a new chef, a new early bird special menu, and we are trying to update the menu to reflect what is in season, while maintaining some of the more popular longtime items. The staff of the Center is doing its best to serve you.

As you know, because of our IRS status, we are unable to advertise. It is through the bulletin that we are able to let you know of our doings and needs. We need your help. Come and support the restaurant. Have lunch or dinner here at the Center once or more a month. If we, the members, would make this commitment to support our restaurant, the United Irish Cultural Center will survive. If not....

Sincerely,

**UICC** Board of Directors

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#### THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CLUB

Our March 24th dinner was enjoyed by all. Many thanks for everyone's support and special thanks to those who donated raffle prizes. No Thursday night dinner in April due to Holy Thursday. We'll resume again in May. Happy Easter to all.

— Anne Quilter and Molly Fitzpatrick, Co-Chairpersons

#### LADIES AUXILIARY

Thank you to all the people that helped serve the corned beef & cabbage dinner on March 12, 2011. Thank you to Jim & Alice Mayo, Mollie Fitzgerald, Kathy Breen, Josephine Healy, Kathleen Fitzgerald, Kathleen Mooney, Noreen Corry, Sheila Corry and Lilo Price. They all did a great job. Happy Easter to all.

— Anne Quilter, President

#### SILVER GAELS

Next trip to River Rock Casino will be June 6, 2011. Save the date, more information in the May bulletin. Friday, April 8, 2011 will be our next luncheon and card playing. Time 12:30.

— Anne Quilter

#### 32/50 CLUB

#### The 32/50 Drawing for February 2011

The winning combination was Tennessee & Leitrim held by Blanche Raven

32/3	50 Club	32/50 Club	32/50 Club	32/50 Club
32/3	50 Club	32/50 Club	32/50 Club	Kathleen/Anne Burke*
Joe/	Bridget Byrne	Sean Callan	Daniel Casey	Hugh Duggan
Jean	Dusil	M/M Jimmy Fergus	Kerry/Julia Fitzgerald*	James Flannery
Cynt	thia Foster	Josephine Hughes	Patrick O'Grady	Patrick Fergus Greene
Patri	cia Keller	Rose Kennedy	Denis Moroney	Sean Morris
Saral	h Mulkerrins	Jim Jr./Cathie Mullan	Ellen M. Murphy	Daniel/Margaret Gavney*
Iohn	S. O'Keeffe	Frances Porter	Kathleen Walker	

#### Congratulations to all the \$100 winners!

\* Received an additional \$50 for being present.

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

#### APRIL CALENDAR

#### MUSIC AT THE BAR

#### ■ APRIL 2, SATURDAY

• Study Group on The Ancient Mysteries of Ireland 2:00pm - 4:00pm ~ UICC Board Room Everyone welcome. For more information call Jo Coffey 415/585-6506 or email: coffey.jo@gmail.com

#### ■APRIL 14, THURSDAY

• Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803 or josephinebrogan@yahoo.com

#### ■APRIL 17, SUNDAY

Children's Ceili ~ 4 - 6pm
 Comhaltas children FREE
 Non Comhaltas members \$5 per child or \$10 for two or more in family
 Call Josephine Brogan at 415-681-4803 or josephinebrogan@yahoo.com

#### ■APRIL 21, THURSDAY

• Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm For info call Josephine Brogan 4I5/68I-4803

#### ■APRIL 22, FRIDAY

• The UICC will be closed for Good Friday

#### APRIL 23, SATURDAY

• Rose of Tralee Selection & Dinner Dance ~ See Ad

#### ■APRIL 24, SUNDAY

• Easter Brunch ~ 10am - 2pm Call the Center 415/661-2700

#### ■APRIL 28, THURSDAY

- KRB Luncheon ~ II:30am ~ See Ad
- GENERAL MEETING ~ 7:30pm
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm 9:30pm For info call Josephine Brogan 415/68I-4803

# ■APRIL 29, FRIDAY RESCHEDULED - NEW DATE • Irish Literary & Historical Society ~ 7:30pm MAY 1ST ~ 4PM

Irish Literary & Historical Society ~ 7:30pm
 Mary McLaughlin, her topic will be
 The Ritual Of Lament; keening and Irish funeral rites in the 1800's.
 A reception will follow. St. Francis Room
 Free for members, \$5 suggested donation for visitors www.ILHSsf.org

#### APRIL 30, SATURDAY

• Ulster Social Club Dinner ~ See Ad



SATURDAY 2 Christy O'Connell & Kevin Roche

SATURDAY 9 Pat Hamilton

SATURDAY 16 Comhaltas Traditional Music

SATURDAY 23 Sean Lightholder

SATURDAY 30 Ring of Fire

### Save the Date

**SUNDAY, MAY 8** Mother's Day Brunch 10am-2pm

> SUNDAY, MAY 15 32/50 Annual Luncheon

**SATURDAY, MAY 21** Emerald Society Dinner Dance

**SUNDAY, MAY 22**Celtic Voice Concert

#### "Early Bird Special"

UICC Dining Room is offering dinner for \$16.50, from 5pm to 6:30pm. Please call Jennifer at the UICC (415) 661-2700

No Member Card discount.

#### **DEADLINE for MAY 2011 BULLETIN is APRIL 15**

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

If you have a specific question
contact Adrienne Verreos at
Falcon Associates Inc.

• tel: 415/468-4130 • fax: 415/468-3549

• email: falconassoc@earthlink.net

#### MEMBERSHIP CORNER

uicc\_membership@yahoo.com



POPE LEO I CALLED EASTER THE GREATEST FEAST AND SAID THAT CHRISTMAS WAS ONLY IN PREPARATION FOR EASTER. HAPPY EASTER!

Welcome to NEW Members: Elleen McHugh, Jim NcHugh, Kevin McHugh, and Patricia Ann Welsh

Welcome to TRANSFER Members: Mary Denise Bradley

Heartfelt condolences to the Families of: Rita Coyne RIP

#### MEMBER NEWS

March was a great month for celebrations in the SF Irish community. To name but a few — At the Grand Marshalls' Dinner Maureen & Mike Moriarty were honored for all that they have contributed to the Irish community. The United Irish Societies put on some lovely St. Patrick's Day parties at several senior communities, including Alma Via, St. Anne's, Veterans' Retirement Home and Laguna Honda. At the Crossroads event on 3/13, a very appreciative group heard the emigration stories of Peggy Mylett, Jerry Cassidy, Martin Falvey, Gerry Driscoll and daughter for her Mom Sally, Peter O'Driscoll & Michael Mooney, who emigrated from Ireland in the '50s & '60s when 17% of the population left Ireland —it was great to hear of their journeys to San Francisco, all their hard work once they got here, their successes with careers and family, and their impressions of San Francisco in 1960s.

By January/end the Membership Committee identified 378 Charter memberships, of deceased members, that have not been transferred; family has not requested transfer. Before the #'s are made available for upgrade and/or purchase, the Board of Directors is giving families of inactive Charter membership's one final opportunity to request the transfer to an eligible family member.

Please go to UICC website, membership page: http://www.irishcentersf.org/membership.html to review the list of the last 'owner' of Charter membership and inform the Membership Committee, by April 15, 2011, of the family's intent to transfer in writing. A list of available Charter memberships will be forwarded to the Board of Directors on April 30, 2011 and will be available for sale.



Spotlight on Volunteers & Staff

Job well done to all the volunteers & UICC staff who made the St. Patrick's Day celebrations so special.

#### **MEMBERSHIP FILES**

It's important that your individual Membership file is accurate and current. Send "Change of Address" (via e-mail address below OR mail to UICC) to keep your file current. Review the MIA's members on the Membership page of UICC website and forward updates.

Forward your e-mail address to receive bi-weekly updates of UICC events and activities.

Please know that your member files are confidential. If you have any concerns or questions, direct them to Membership Committee. UICC\_membership@yahoo.com

#### \*\* MEMBER NEWS

Send/share Member news items like birthdays, weddings and other special events or comments for inclusion in the Membership Corner of the monthly UICC newsletter by sending them to the attention of MEMBERSHIP at UICC or e-mail news to

UICC\_membership@yahoo.com



# The 52nd Annual San Francisco Rose Selection and Oinner Oance

Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 United Irish Cultural Center

Applications now being accepted

Call 415/615-2669 or email sproseoptralee@gmail.com

The winner will receive a free trip to Tralee, Ireland to represent San Francisco in the International Rose of Tralee Competition and Festival.

### Come & Support our Rose Contestants!

6 pm No host Cocktails ~ 7 pm Sharp! Dinner Music

Adults \$75 ~ Children \$45







## 32/50 Luncheon

The annual drawing will be held at a luncheon on Sunday May 15, 2011 at 1:00 pm. The final drawing of 2010 and the first drawing of 2011 will be held. A total of \$4,800 in prize money will be awarded for each drawing at the luncheon.

You do not need to be present to win.

Doors open at 12 noon.

The price of the luncheon is \$25 per person

**MENU** 

Potato Leek Soup

Choice of entrée:

Chicken Wellington or Baked Cod Fish

Strawberry Shortcake

Wine

All reservations must in no later than May 8, 2011.

For any questions please call Bill Luqué at (415) 552-9620. No reserved seats. All tickets must be paid in advance.

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Make check payable to 32/50 Club and mail to:

32/50 Club 2700 - 45th Avenue San Francisco, CA 94116

Number of reservations:	_ @\$25.00 each for a total of \$
Number of Chicken Wellington	Number of Baked Cod Fish

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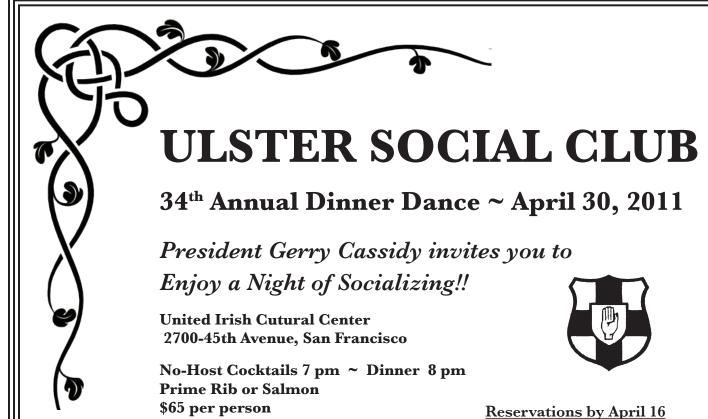
Guest Speaker ~ Mark Farrell
San Francisco Supervisor District 2

Date: Thursday, April 28, 2011 Time: 11:30 am No Host Cocktails

Place: St. Francis Room ~ UICC

Menu Choices: Crusted Filet of Sole, Chicken Pomodoro or Corned Beef

For reservations call: Rita McEvoy 415/563-4320 or John Moylan 415/731-6882



Marie Gavney 415/731-0787 Gerry Cassidy 415/665-0689 Agnes Fee 415/661-2819

Music ~ Kevin Roche

#### IRISH SENIOR CITIZEN OUTREACH PROGRAM



A Community Outreach Service of the Irish Immigration Pastoral Center of San Francisco

### Wednesday, April 13, 2011

#### City Forest Lodge

245 Laguna Honda Boulevard, San Francisco

\*\* parking available in Forest Hill Christian Church parking lot

#### 12 noon Mass

celebrated by Fr. Brendan McBride

followed by

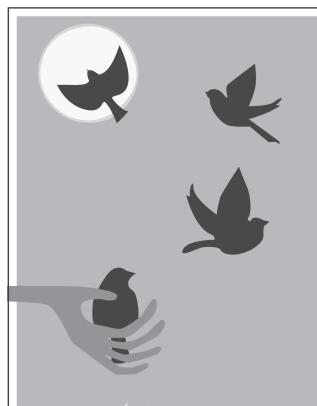
Special Guest - Claire Hackett an afternoon of laughs and song!

Tickets - \$20 MUST RSVP to Natasha at 415.752.6006

**ALL WELCOME** 

Tel: 415.752.6006 Fax: 415.752.6910 Email: info@sfiipc.org





IRISH IMMIGRATION PASTORAL CENTER PRESENTS

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Sunday, May 22, 2011 6.00 p.m.

United Irish Cultural Center 2700 45th Avenue, San Francisco



## Thank you to everyone who helped to make this 160th St. Patrick's Day parade a success!

UIS President Diarmuid Philpott and Grand Marshals Maureen and Mike Moriarty



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> Annual Easter Champagne Brunch April 24, 2011

10 am - 2 pm Adults \$26\* Children 5-12 \$12\*

Reservations 415/661-2700

\* does not included tax or gratuity