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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

Dear Members,

We are truly in the autumn of the year. The days are getting shorter and we are beginning to look for a nice warm cozy place to settle for a time. May we suggest the Irish Center? The Center has a truly warm atmosphere. We, Irish, are known for our hospitality and good cheer. Have your fall doings here at the Center. Have dinner with us or join us for a jar or two.

As usual, The Center will be serving Thanksgiving dinner. Make your reservations early, and let us do the cooking and cleaning up for you. Call the Center, 415-661-2700.

We were most pleased to hear that the United Irish Societies had chosen John O'Rourke as the Grand Marshall for the 2012 St. Patrick's Day parade. We whole heartedly congratulate him. John, we know you will do all of us proud.

The Board would like to thank all of our young people who submitted applications for the UICC Scholarship. It was a difficult decision, but we are happy to present Scholarships to Eoin Lyons and Padraig Lyons. Thank you all for your interest.

The Irish Cultural Center of California is sponsoring a Dance on Friday, November 18th here at the Center. Maria Shea, a member of our Board is the chair for this event. She and her committee have spent long hours working to make this event a success. In conjunction with the SF Food Bank, bringing and donating a can of food to the dance will enter you into the evening's raffle (to find out what raffle prizes are being given away please visit the UICC website for more details:

http://www.irishcentersf.org/pdf/ICCC-Dance-2011.pdf

If you show your rewards card at the door a free libation will be yours. The Board heartedly supports this event. Come have dinner in our restaurant first, and then dance the night way, with DJ Peter Haley with SpinHeads. It will be a night to remember.

Sincerely,

UICC Board of Directors

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

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CLUB

Our October 20th dinner was enjoyed by all. Many thanks for everyone's continuing support and special thanks to those who donated raffle prizes: Heather Johnston, Jim & Alice Mayo, Maura Moylan, Pat D'Arcy, Luke Philpott, Jack Curtin, Bill Luqué, Doris & John Baratti, Alene Meyers, Bridget Byrne, Betty Shanahan, Gertrude Kyne, Noreen Corry, Rosemary Shanahan, Mitzi Samson, Jackie Feretzis, and Margaret Gavney. The next Thursday Night Dinner will be November 17. No-host cocktails start at 5:30 pm and dinner will be served at 6:00 pm sharp to accommodate the monthly membership meeting at 7:30 pm. The price is \$20.00 per person. Dinner includes soup or salad, your choice of Oven Baked Ham and Salmon, dessert and coffee or tea. The tax and tip is included in the price. Please make your reservations early with Phyllis O'Connor at 650/878-5986 or Alice Mayo at 415/584-6334. Reservations close on Sunday, November 13.

- Anne Quilter and Molly Fitzpatrick, Co-Chairpersons

LADIES AUXILIARY

Our Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be Sunday, November I3 at IIam. We will finalize plans for our Annual Christmas Dinner on Friday, December 9 at 6 pm. The cost will be \$25 per person. Please make reservations with Phyllis O'Connor at 650/878-5986 or Alice Mayo at 415/584-6334. We will have a raffle and prizes are appreciated.

— Anne Quilter, President

SILVER GAELS

Everyone enjoyed a great trip to Thunder Valley Casino in October. We are planning a trip to River Rock in 2012. We will have lunch and card playing on Friday, November II at 12:30 pm. Everyone welcome.

Johnny McKiernan from Bawnboy, Co. Cavan, travelled to Greece this summer to represent Ireland in the Special Olympics World Games. He was one of 126 Irish athletes who were

incredibly successful - taking home a total of 107 medals for Ireland! Johnny won a Bronze in the soft ball throw and a Gold in 100m speedwalking. A total of 7,000 athletes competed in 21 sports, assisted by 2,500 coaches and 25,000 volunteers. Returning to Ireland the Irish contingent received a magnificent welcome at Dublin Airport where over 1,000 family members and friends packed the arrivals hall to welcome home the champions. Back home in Bawnboy, over



500 friends and neighbors came out for the Welcome Home Celebration. Here Johnny is pictured sporting his Gold medal with his sisters Noreen and Ann (San Francisco) who travelled the distance to support their brother.

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

MUSIC AT THE BAR

NOVEMBER 6, SUNDAY

• Annual Memorial Mass 10am ~ St. Francis Room

• LAOH, Columbia Div 2 Fall Fashion Show For info call Maureen Hickey 650/375-0277

NOVEMBER 9, THURSDAY

• The Cork Literary Review presented by Bradshaw Books Poetry reading, music, libations and more For info call Diarmuid Philpott 415/586-4826

NOVEMBER 10, THURSDAY

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

NOVEMBER 12, 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

NOVEMBER 17, THURSDAY

- GENERAL MEETING ~ 7:30pm
- Thursday Night Dinner ~ 6pm No-host cocktails 5:30pm and dinner 6pm Reservations required. Call Phyllis O'Connor 650/878-5986 or Alice Mayo 415/584-6334
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm 9:30pm For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803

NOVEMBER 18, FRIDAY

• ICCC First Annual Dance ~ See Ad

NOVEMBER 20, SUNDAY

• The Irish Literary and Historical Society 4pm ~ St. Francis Room

Speaker: Joseph McBride, American film historian, biographer, screenwriter and Associate Professor of Cinema at San Francisco State University Topic: John Ford, Irish American Director. His book, Searching For John Ford: A Life is the first full-length critical biography of Ford, presenting a complex, fascinating portrait of a troubled and conflicted artist and man.

NOVEMBER 24, THURSDAY

• Thanksgiving Dinner ~ 2 seatings 4pm and 6:30pm Call the Center for reservations 415/661-2700





SATURDAY 5 Christy O'Connell & Kevin Roche SATURDAY 12 Michael Foley SATURDAY 19 Comhaltas SATURDAY 26 Michael Foley

Annual Memorial Mass

to Honor Our Deceased Members of the United Irish Cultural Center

Sunday, November 6, 2011

St. Francis Room ~ 10 am

Reverend John J. O'Neill will celebrate this special Mass

Brunch to follow in the main dining room.

Reservations are suggested UICC 415/661-2700

For more information Jack Curtin 415/587-6779

DEADLINE for DECEMBER 2011 BULLETIN is NOVEMBER 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

THANKSGIVING



For each new morning with its light, For rest and shelter of the night, For health and food, For love and friends, For everything Thy goodness sends. - Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882)

New Members: Kiera Noelle O'Shea

Transfer Members: Paul Timothy Buran, Lynne Carberry, Tamara DiCarlo, Anne Marie Doherty, Matthew Duggan, Daniel Hugh Maguire, Robert A. Porter, Catherine Anne Sorgie, Catherine Marie Thomas-Feltz, Angela Wilkinson

Heartfelt condolences to: *Kathleen Delucchi* on the passing of her sister, Lily Doherty of Carndonagh, County Donegal passed away in Ireland and she would like it mentioned in the Membership Corner. Lily is also the aunt of Bob Newman. **And to:**

Brian Whitty on the passing of his wife Sibeal, on September 13.



Big thanks to **Mary O'Sullivan** for undertaking the task of assembling all the information for the Memorial Mass pamphlet- what a huge job and much appreciated by the friends and families of our deceased members.

MEMBER NEWS

Please tell us about your vacation adventures, special events or what you are thinking about. Send/share Member news items 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

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. Direct concerns or questions to Membership Committee at UICC_membership@yahoo.com

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IRISH SENIOR CITIZEN OUTREACH PROGRAM



Wednesday, November 16, 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 lunch and guest speaker

Wills, Trusts and Advance Directives

Have you updated your will lately? Is your trust in place?Have you spoken to your family about your medical decisions?Maureen McFadden (Attorney at Law) will talk us through making some of the more important decisions in life.

Tickets - \$20 RSVP to Natasha at 415.752.6006

ALL WELCOME



Tel: 415.752.6006 Fax: 415.752.6910 Email: info@sfiipc.org A Community Outreach Service of the Irish Immigration Pastoral Center of San Francisco

Christmas is ... just around the corner!



Give a 32/50 ticket A great stocking stuffer!

> Contact Bill Luqué at 415/552-9620



Rebel Cork Annual Christmas Dinner Dance

Saturday, December 3, 2011

United Trish Cultural Center

Honoring Margaret McAuliffe

Drime Rib, Salmon or Chicken \$65 per person Music ~ Kevin Roche Band

No -Host Cocktails @ 7 pm ~ Dinner @ 8 pm

Come socialize with family and friends. Eat, Dance and Be Merry!



For reservations and information : Nora Daly 415/664-8966 Jimmy Daly 415/753-6804

Save the Date! Save the Date! Save the Date

November 18th, 2011 The Irish Cultural Centre of California Proudly Presents

The First Annual Dance

Must be 21 or older. ID's will be checked at the door.

Bring your dancing shoes and show off your skills. Music will be playing all night long!

Music ~ DJ, Peter Haley with Spinheads



Date: Friday, November 18th, 2011 Location: Irish Cultural Center, St. Patrick's Room Time: Kicks off at 9pm ~ 1:30am Cost: \$20

For more information please visit: www.icccsf.org

PATRICK J. DOWLING LIBRARY NEWS

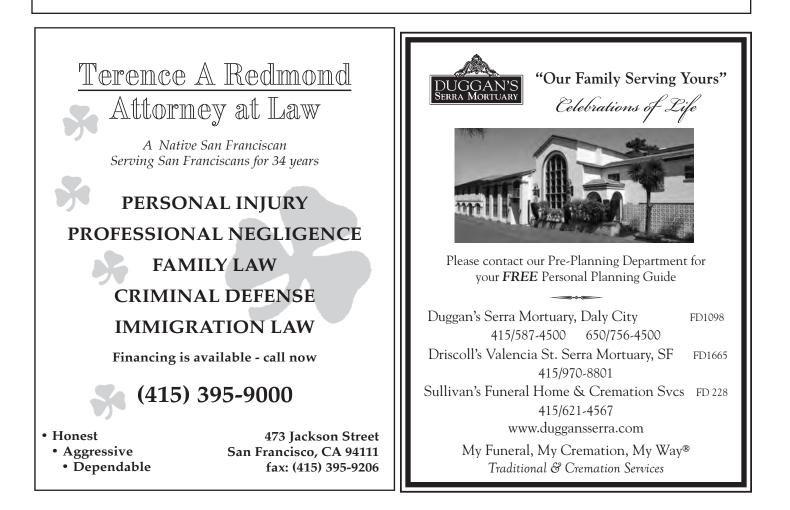
The Leader

One of the library's most popular items, our collection of editions of The Leader, gives a picture of life in the Irish Catholic community of San Francisco in the first half of the 20th century. Each edition also includes a news update from each of the counties of Ireland. The 1935 edition calls itself an Irish and Catholic weekly. Our collection includes editions from 1909 through 1940. The January 2, 1909 edition, which cost 5 cent or \$2.00 per year, features an article about Father Yorke's lecture on "The Flowing of the Tide". Drop by the library and check out the collection — it is fun to glance through as well as being a great first source for researchers.

Volunteers

Welcome to Patty Shea Diner, who started volunteering at the library in October. She brings a wealth of experience from her prior job at the California Academy of Science Library and will be a valuable addition to our team of volunteers.

For additional information, including hours, please check out the library website: library@irishcentersf.org



United Irish Cultural Center, Inc. 32/50

Dear Members,

32/50 is a game that combines the 32 counties of Ireland with the 50 states of America. It is a great opportunity to win some big prizes while raising funds for the United Irish Cultural Center.

There are a total of 1,600 combinations available in the game - 32 counties x 50 states. The cost of each annual membership is \$32.50, which allows members to participate in a monthly drawing for a full year.

Each member is assigned a county of Ireland and one of the states of America. There are no duplicate combinations. Each combination belongs to only one member.

A drawing is held each month at which one of the 50 states and one of the 32 counties is drawn. Each member holding that state receives \$50. The member holding the state plus the county drawn receives an additional \$500, for a total of \$550. Drawings in the months of June through March are held at the monthly UICC membership meeting. (If you attend the meeting and your name is on a combination drawn, you win an additional \$50!) The first and twelfth drawings of the year are held at a special event in May, held to thank 32/50 members for their support. The combination holders for those months (April/May) receive not \$550, but **\$3,250**!

It is possible to win more than once a year —and each member's chances only increase with the number of combinations they purchase!

The 2012/2013 membership year is now open. Mail requests to the United Irish Cultural Center, 2700 - 45th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94116. Requests will be filed as soon as possible.

Members of the 2011/2012 Club will receive a renewal notice in the mail. The renewal period for current memberships runs through January 2012.

If you would like more information, please leave a message for the 32/50 Committee at (415) 552-9620.

I would like to participate in the 32/50 Club this year.

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$32.50 per combination.

Name: _____

Address:

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Phone: _____ UICC Membership No. _____

I would prefer the following states and/or counties if available:

I would like to talk to a member of the 32/50 Committee.

Please return this entire sheet with your check.

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This Month's Meeting Thursday, November 17 at 7:30pm



