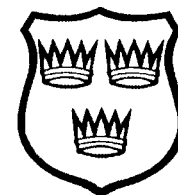




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BOARD MESSAGE

Dear Members,

As we move into the fall season, your Board takes great pride in pointing to the many changes that have taken place at the United Irish Cultural Center as a result of our annual two-week closure for clean-up and Center renewal. With the solid help of the 32/50 Club's donation, there is new flooring in the Members' Room, the hallways upstairs and downstairs, and in the elevator at the Center. The material used is of very high quality and is noted to be safe as well as long-lived. Special thanks to those of you who participate in the 32/50 Club and to Bill Luqué and the leadership of the 32/50 Club for stepping up to the plate for this major improvement to the Center.

Additionally, the Center was able to have the wood dance floor in the bar sanded and refinished; special thanks for this to Comhaltas. (We can kick up our heels anew!) The summer cleaning brings out dedicated volunteers to help with the construction of storage space, repair of worn items and general clean-up. Special mention and thanks to all who participated. Our Board Building Committee (Martin Falvey, John Manning, Jerry Cassidy, and Martin Howard with help from Board treasurer, Mike Bowler) are to be thanked, as are Comhaltas, the Celtic Dance Ensemble and our own capable Banquet staff. A special item in next month's bulletin will be devoted to honoring those volunteers and many others who keep the Center moving so well. It goes without saying that the Center could not survive without the dedicated efforts of so many!

The summer months are always a little slow for our dining room and bar sales. Actually, the dining room sales were down during July (12%) and bar sales downstairs down (16%). Upstairs, banquet sales are up a staggering 58%! As the Board does not want to have to limit the dining room and bar hours, we encourage all to come and enjoy the wonderful new menu in our dining room on Thursday or Friday for lunch and/or Friday, Saturday, Sunday for dinner. Brunch on Sunday is very special, too. Bring family and friends. The prices are moderate and the ambiance at your Center is always the best!

The pledge drive for the Center has been launched, and the response has been wonderful. Next month's bulletin will list all non-anonymous contributors to date in the various shamrock categories. We are halfway to our pledge goal of \$60,000. Those of you who have not had the opportunity to show your support for the Center by reaching for one of the shamrock categories are encouraged to contribute.

Several activities of note are on the September/October calendar for the Center. Space in this message doesn't allow for elaboration. Please see notations regarding the Peggy Mylett's Celebration, the date of the General Membership meeting, the Author/Book Event on September 5th as well as the October 12th 80th Anniversary Event for our beloved SF Irish Pipers.

The brick campaign is coming back by popular demand. This wonderful effort of the ICCC will be chaired by dual UICC/ICCC Board members John Tucker and Michael Leboeuf. Call the Center Office (661-2700) for more information.

Once again, heartfelt thanks to you, the UICC members and lifeblood of the Center for the incredible support that you show in so many different ways.

In Unity,

Judith M. Kell, President
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THIS MONTH'S MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2012 ~ 7:30 PM

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CLUB

The next Thursday Night Dinner will be September 20. The price is \$22. No-host cocktails start at 5:30 pm and dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. Dinner includes soup or salad and your choice of half baked chicken or fish. Please make your reservations early with Phyllis O'Connor at 650/878-5986 or Alice Mayo 415/584-6334. Reservations close on Sunday, September 16. Invite your friends!

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

LADIES AUXILIARY

Our next meeting will be in October. Date to be announced.

Anne Quilter, *President*

SILVER GAELS

Friday, September 14 will be our next Silver Gaels luncheon and card playing at 12:30 pm. All are welcome. Thunder Valley Trip is October 15. Reservations and payment must be in by Tuesday, September 25. See ad inside this bulletin.

— Anne Quilter

PATRICK J. DOWLING LIBRARY NEWS



Book Release Party for Jane Porter, Bestselling Author

Wednesday, September 5, 2012 at 6pm

United Irish Cultural Center

Join bestselling author Jane Porter as she celebrates the release of her latest women's fiction novel, *THE GOOD WOMAN*. Come meet Jane, enjoy some beer, wine and appetizers and hear about Jane's latest novel and why she chose San Francisco as the setting. As a special treat, San Francisco Irish-American firefighter, Tom Callen, the inspiration for the Brennan family in *THE GOOD WOMAN*, and a few members of his crew will be at the event to chat with guests about what it's like to be an Irish-American firefighter in such a strong Irish community.

Praise for Jane Porter:

"Porter writes with genuine warmth and quiet grace." — Chicago Tribune

"[Porter's] musings on balancing work, life and love ring true." — Entertainment Weekly

For more information, please contact the UICC at 661.2700 or visit www.janeporter.com

Event sponsored by the Patrick J. Dowling Library in partnership with Jane Porter

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

■ SEPTEMBER 5, WEDNESDAY

- ICCC Library Jane Porter book signing ~ 6pm

■ SEPTEMBER 8, SATURDAY

- Study Group on Irish Marvels, Past and Present
2:00pm - 4:00pm ~ UICC Board Room
Everyone welcome. For more information call
Jo Coffey 415/585-6506
or email: coffey.jo@gmail.com
- Retirement Party for PEGGY MYLETT
Tickets \$25. Call the UICC 415/661-2700

■ SEPTEMBER 13, THURSDAY

- Irish Immigration & Pastoral Center
Senior Mass and Lunch
For reservations call the Pastoral Center
415/752-6006
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm
For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803

■ SEPTEMBER 16, SUNDAY

- LAOH St. Francis Division I Mass & Brunch
10am ~ St. Francis Room
Contact Marie Doherty at 415/ xxx-xxxx
or Happy Kramer 415/694-8349

■ SEPTEMBER 20, THURSDAY

- 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
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■ SEPTEMBER 24, MONDAY

- Connaught Club Golf Dinner
For reservations call John Joyce 650/212-5050

■ SEPTEMBER 27, THURSDAY

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

■ SEPTEMBER 28, FRIDAY

- Irish Immersion Weekend at the UICC
For all those looking to learn Irish or to speak with
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MEMBERSHIP CORNER

September (Meán Fómhair), which translates directly as “middle of Autumn”, was the second month of Autumn in the old Celtic calendar and the second to last month of the year since New Year was November 1. In the 1752, when the British government switched from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar, September 3 suddenly became September 14 losing 11 calendar days. There were protests in the street since many people feared that their life would be shortened as a result..

Welcome to New Members: *Michael Beere, Jeremiah Casey, Elizabeth DeVito, Declan Gilmartin, John Hallisy, Brendan Hart, Frank Jordan, Sharon McElearney, Michael O'Brien, Aislin Roche, Claire Settles, Albert Wait, Joan McElearney Walsh, John Webb*

Heartfelt condolences to the families of: *Margaret Elsbernd, Anne Jordan, Barbara O'Brien*
RIP

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Happy 80th Birthday to *Nora O'Sullivan*. All her children – *Mary, Kevin, Elizabeth, TJ* -- went to New York City to celebrate; daughters-in-law (Lauren and Tina) and son-in-law (*Tom O'Connor*) and most of the grandkids were able to come too. And Nora's nephew Tommy Moynihan flew in from Ballyseedy (Tralee) Co Kerry. The family braved 105degree weather and visited all the usual tourist spots, Nora hadn't been to New York City since her arrival from Co. Kerry, over 50 yrs ago. One of the highlights was getting Nora's Birthday cake from the famous Carlo's bakery (Cake Boss on TBS).

Now is the time to welcome back our members from their summer travels, including *Tommy Clune*, who had a lovely visit to Ireland with his family and friends, and *Patty Diner & family*, who have enjoyed several short trips to the Russian River. Please write and tell us what you have been doing this vacation season even if it was just enjoying the fog which they say is great for your complexion!

Several former Superior Court employees, including *Patricia Kelleher, Nora Shea, & Valerie McGrew*, met for a small reunion over lunch at the Center a couple of Thursdays ago -it was so much fun catching up on everyone's news over a lovely meal followed by a tour of the library that they plan on doing this on a regular basis.



Spotlight on the Volunteers

Our loyal volunteers, along with the some paid specialists, have done a great job sprucing up the Center during the annual August closure. Come by and check out the new floors (paid for by the supporters of the 32/50 club) – they look great and will last a long time.

Please tell us what you and your family are doing. Send your news for inclusion in next month's newsletter 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 file is confidential. If you have any concerns or questions, direct them to Membership Committee.

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32/50 CLUB

The 32/50 Drawing for July 26, 2012

The winning combination was North Dakota & Louth held by John & Darlene Flynn for \$550

32/50 Club	Pat Barnard	Mary Mahoney
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32/50 Club	Pat & Michael Bowler*	Peter McDonagh
32/50 Club	Rita Collins	Joseph O'Leary/Teresa Moore*
32/50 Club	Michael Curran	James & Rita O'Mahoney
32/50 Club	John & Margaret Duffy	Eleanor Otterstedt
32/50 Club	Dave Enos	Luke Philpott
32/50 Club	Teresa Ford	Ian Taylor
32/50 Club	RoseMary Kennedy	Ligia Torres/John O'Keeffe*
32/50 Club	Joan Lawrie	
32/50 Club	William Luqué*	

Congratulations to all the \$100 Winners

*Received an additional \$50 for being present.

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

Back by popular demand! The Brick Campaign continues



We are now taking
names for our next
Brick Installation.

Call the UICC office
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ICCC CORNER



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The ICCC is now participating in a number of workplace campaigns and we are asking you to consider our non-profit as one of your charitable designations. If you are part of the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), our code is #15239. For the California State Employees' Charitable Campaign (Campaign) we are listed as a "non-affiliated beneficiary agency" (non-affiliate), code #3677. For other local campaigns, it is easiest to check under "Local Independent Agencies" and find us in the alphabetical listing.

Our program has expanded over the last year from one donor to several. We appreciate all who designated us for the 2012 campaigns and we hope you will consider us again for 2013.

If you have any questions, please contact Carmelle Reiser, ICCC Treasurer at 415-665-4021 or at reis-4elks@comcast.net. —*Thank you for your consideration!*



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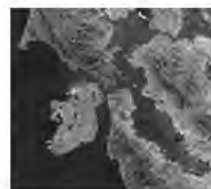
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