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BOARD MESSAGE

Dear Members,

There's an old Irish song whose lyrics include "You're welcome as the flowers in May...." This June we are issuing a resounding "welcome" to all I,I74+ active members of the United Irish Cultural Center! This incredible number of dues-paying active members is a clear message that the work of the Center will go on so that future generations of Irish will be able to know and cherish our heritage. The membership drive is far from over as new membership is growing and additional dues payments are being received daily. It is important for all to know that the dedicated funds from the membership dues will be spent in a completely transparent way. Your Board of Directors will vote on each expenditure, and membership will be made aware of expenditures in a timely fashion. The Board has agreed to build up the "reserve" fund (to be used for extreme emergencies in building repair and maintenance) to \$50,000. We have been quite awhile without an adequate amount in this critical fund.

May has been an exhilarating month! To begin, the Irish Cultural Center of California (our sister non-profit foundational organization) has sponsored an incredible event: The Leo T. Walsh Scholarship Awards Ceremony. Hats off to Peggy Nevin and volunteer readers and interviewers who worked to ensure that eleven outstanding scholarship recipients will be able to start their high school or college experiences with a monetary boost. Six eighth graders received \$750 scholarships and five high school seniors received \$1,000 scholarships, each of which was received in the designated names of: Dr. Mary C. Murphy, Diarmuid Philpott, Margaret Keohane, Jerry Lucey, Tom Mylett, the Bud Duggan Family, Tom Hayes, Mary Looney, Tom, Bridie and Jack Culhane, Frank and Martin Keane and Leo T. Walsh. Peggy is open to additional donations for next year's scholarship and a scholarship dinner is planned for the future.

Now is the time to plan for the "second step" for the Center. We have extended the "no initiation fee for new members" and are open to new members for our wonderful organization. Megan Cummins and Jordan Buckley are planning a series of new member orientation sessions so that all will become familiar with the mission, goals, activities and resources of the UICC. Along with new members, your Board of Directors is planning a "Membership Appreciation Day" on Sunday, September 8th. It will be an event featuring free food and beverage for all members along with special entertainment and an opportunity to explore the possibility of committee membership.

In terms of volunteer work, we are looking for a volunteer photographer for UICC/ICCC events as well as a Coordinator for "Events and Promotions" at the Center. We will have many other opportunities for those who want to assist with their time and energy and look forward to sharing these in the future.

The summer is almost upon us. We are moving into a new "Cycle of Life" for the United Irish Cultural Center. We have much to celebrate! We are on our way!

In Unity, Judith Kell, *President*

UICC Board of Directors

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

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CLUB

Our May 23 Thursday Night Dinner was enjoyed by all. The next Thursday Night Dinner will be on June 27. The price is \$25. 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 Beef Stroganoff or Baked Cod Please make your reservations early with Phyllis O'Connor at 650/878-5986 or Alice Mayo at 415/584-6334 or the Center at 415/661-2700. Reservations close on Sunday, June 23. Invite your friends!

— Molly Fitzpatrick, Co-Chairperson

SILVER GAELS

Friday, June 21st will be our next date for our Silver Gaels luncheon and card playing at 12:30 pm. All are welcome.

Support those who support YOUR UICC!

ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM



Thursday, June 13, 2013

United Irish Cultural Center 2700 45th Avenue, San Francisco

12 noon Mass

celebrated by Fr. Brendan McBride

Hillary Flynn, Crossroads Oral History

Hillary returns to give us an update on the The Crossroads Irish Oral and Video History Archive of the San Francisco Bay Area.

This valuable project will preserve the history of the Irish in San Francisco for generations to come!

** Time for a Book Swap!!! Bring one, take one!

Tickets - \$20 RSVP to Natasha at 415.752.6006

ALL WELCOME

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DEADLINE for JULY 2013 BULLETIN is JUNE 15

Please call the UICC with questions at 415/661-2700. If you have specific questions contact Adrienne Verreos

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JUNE CALENDAR

■ JUNE I, SATURDAY

- Irish Marvels, Past and Present Study Group $2:00pm - 4:00pm \sim UICC$ Board Room Everyone welcome. For more information call Jo Coffey 415/585-6506 or email: coffey.jo@gmail.com
- Elvis Manny's Way Wine, Dine & Dance 6pm - I Ipm ~ Grand Ballroom \$60 per person For reservations call: Maureen Hickey 650/375-0277 or Phyllis 650/878-5986 or Manny Catania 650/452-2234

■ JUNE 2, SUNDAY

- Poetry Workshop ~ Ipm ~ UICC Boardroom Contact Sean Casey 415/668-0102 or irishpoetryworkshop@gmail.com
- ICCC Mad Hatter Tea Party ~ Ipm ~ St. Francis Room Contact Sally Cassidy 415/665-0689 or Ann Carew 650/359-5268
- Music Workshop ~ 2pm 6pm ~ Main Bar area Everyone interested in learning traditional Irish music. Local musicians will showcase their instruments, answer questions and lead a learner's session. There will also be an introduction to set dancing for children. No cover charge.

■ JUNE 13, THURSDAY

- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm 9:30pm For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803
- IIPC Senior Luncheon & Mass ~ Noon For info call Natasha 415/752-6006

■ JUNE 16, SUNDAY

- Father's Day Come for Brunch or Dinner!
- Music session with the Fiddle and Tin Whistle classes followed by a performance by the Island Vinegar Band Ceri Garfield, Comhaltas music teacher, will be hosting starting at 3pm in the Main Bar.

■ JUNE 20, THURSDAY

- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm 9:30pm For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803
- JUNE 22, SATURDAY
 - AOH/LAOH State Convention Lunch at II:30 and dinner at 7pm Call Margaret McAuliffe for reservations & info 415/664-7212

■ JUNE 23, SUNDAY

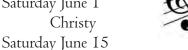
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■ JUNE 27, THURSDAY

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

Music In JUNE

Saturday June I Christy



Comhaltas Traditional Irish Dancing Saturday June 22

Mundy with the Shams

Mark Your Calendar!

July 7 Sean Casey's Poetry Workshop

July 12 Brendan Grace - Irish comic

July 21 Sean Casey's Poetry Workshop

> July 28 Celtic Art class!

August 13 – 27 UICC Closed for Annual Cleaning

> September 12 Irish Mex Dinner

September 20 Cork Night in the Dining Room

September 27 – 29 Irish Immersion Weekend

September 28 **Members Open House**

October 19 **Connaught Dinner Dance**

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

A Father is someone who carries pictures in his wallet where his money used to be.

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A very Happy Father's Day to all Dad's, Godfather's, Uncles, Brothers, Sons and all men that nurture us.

Welcome to NEW members: Michael Barnacle, Robert Boyd, Helen Carolan, Joan Dupnik, Rose Farrell, Dulce Kellogg Fegan, Michael J Fegan, Colleen Flynn, Michael Thomas Flynn, John Garvey, Lisa Graves, Vincent Guinnane, Stephen A Harrington, Adrienne Hirt, Patricia Magee, William Magee, Colleen McCarthy, Linda M Barron-McKay, David McKay, Daniel Nevin, Patrick T O'Regan, Claire Raftery, Jeffrey Rodman, Dana Trillo Margaret P Walden, Harold E.S. Wilkes

Welcome to TRANSFER members: Brian P Busby, Catherine Davis, Juanita Malone, Florence M Morris, Margaret M Sutton

Condolences to families of DECEASED members: Kathleen Fitzgerald, Edward McEntee and Mary Jo McGreevy Rest in Peace.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Please keep Kevin Maguire, son of **Buffy and Pat Maguire**, in your prayers for a complete recovery. And also keep **PJ McGee's** grandchildren Kara and Justin McGee in your prayers for their successful recovery.

Claire Rawson, granddaughter of *Marie* and *Gerard Rawson*, traveled with Hood River Valley High School Chamber singers during Holy Week to Ireland performing in multiple churches and venues, including a lunchtime concert at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin. Links to some of the performances: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=agoqe18bg00 www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZqwOxKO3eBo

Condolences to Julia Howard on the loss of her sister, Betty Reid in Loughrea, Co. Galway.

The Murphy, Piro and Sullivan Families wish to extend sincerest gratitude to our many friends for the outpouring of love and support expressed at the loss of our beloved *Mary Catherine Murphy*. The kind words and sentiments will always be a great source of comfort for our families.

Bridie Kelly has retired from her nursing career at Kaiser and moved home with husband Paddy O'Shaughnessy. She gratefully recognizes the UICC for providing friendship special Thanks to the Cudden's, Rogers', and *Mary Dunleavy & Joe Cassidy*. Slan *Tommy Clune* and Dean!

Emerald Society - an enjoyable evening was had by all. The evening started with *Gerry D'Arcy* and *Celine Kennelly-O'Brien* singing the country anthems. Congratulations to [UICC members] *Tom Cunnane*, on his Lifetime Achievement award, and *Jerry Cassidy*, Citizen of the Year award presented by his daughter, *Anne Carew*. The evening was skillfully managed by *Brian Philpott*, Master of Ceremonies.

Thank you to all members that support dues and who have sent in comments and [very] entertaining stories. Some comments: Keep up the good work; Living in Ireland but want it (UICC) preserved; I am completely in favor of dues; Good luck with the dues... Send you in <u>your</u> memories for July Bulletin. More Comments and stories from members will be shared in coming months.

MEMBERSHIP FILES

It's important that your individual Membership record is accurate -- send 'Change of Address' (via e-mail address 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. UICC_membership@yahoo.com

Please make any comments or corrections regarding information in this Membership Section to the UICC Membership Committee at uicc_membership@yahoo.com

Irish Cultural Centre of California (ICCC) Leo T. Walsh Scholarship Award Winners

2013 Awards presented on May 15, at the UICC

~ 8TH GRADE \$750 SCHOLARSHIP ~

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JERRY LUCEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Sarah Quigley – St. Gabriel School – Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory

TOM MYLETT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Megan Sicord – St. Gabriel School – St. Ignatius College Preparatory

BUD DUGGAN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP Meghan Walsh – Our Lady of Angels School – St. Ignatius College Preparatory

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TOM HAYES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Riordan Abrams – Hillsdale High School – Wesleyan University

MARY LOONEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Katherine Caramucci – Novato High School – Long Beach State

Tom, Bridie & Jack Culhane Memorial Scholarship Generously donated by Frank & Lois Noonan Matthew Kozuch – Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory – UC Berkeley

Frank & Martin Keane Memorial Scholarship Generously donated by Joan Frost Āine McGovern – St. Ignatius College Preparatory – Boston College

LEO T. WALSH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Ryan Philpott – Alma Heights Christian – Biola University



Back row: Ryan Philpott, Katherine Caramucci, Aine McGovern, Matthew Kozuch

Middle row: Meghan Walsh, Julia Maguire, Genevieve Finn,

Front row: Sarah Quigley, Emily Naughton, Megan Sicord,

(Missing in photo: Riordan Abrams)

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This Month's Meeting Thursday, June 27 at 7:30 pm

Happy Father's Day! Come for Brunch or Dinner Sunday, June 16

Dad

He never looks for praises. He's never one to boast. He just goes on quietly working for those he loves the most. His dreams are seldom spoken. His wants are very few. And most of the time his worries will go unspoken too He's there.... a firm foundation through all our storms of life A sturdy hand to hold to in times of stress and strife A true friend we can turn to when times are good or bad One of our greatest blessings the man that we call Dad.