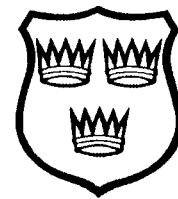




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BOARD MESSAGE

Dear Members,

The shining hour(s) in September will be during our first annual UICC Open House. (September 8th from 1-5 pm) Your Board of Directors wants every one of you to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to see the Center with some superb new renovations, meet your Board of Directors, talk with representatives of Bay Area Irish Clubs and Organizations, hear a variety of Irish music and enjoy the company of other center members while having some very fine complimentary food and beverage.

In terms of news at the Center itself, we are pleased to present to you the new changes and renovations made to beautify the Center and to make it more attractive to all members. The front trees have been removed, room has been made for replanting closer to the curb and the trees on the north side of the building have been trimmed. (Thanks to volunteers from the San Francisco Irish Pipers, namely: Piper and Arborist Lisa Graves, Wendy Young, Steve Harrington, Dave Vasheressse, Rob Boyd, Joe O'Leary and Jocelyn Poisien.) The Ladies' Rest Room has been renovated beautifully with the help of Martin Falvey, John Manning and Gerry Cassidy. The three men also worked tirelessly on other areas of the building needing attention. The beautiful refurbished Healy-Waterford chandelier is again hanging proudly at the renovated head of the stairs outside the St. Patrick's Room thanks to the Falvey, Manning, Cassidy trio with significant help from Dan McAuliffe. Mike Bowler worked on the kitchen with the re-tiling task and was still working when most left on the 17th of August. Thanks to Mike, we are above compliance requirements for a high-functioning kitchen area downstairs! To cap things off, "JB" John Buckley, his wife, Joanne, and Megan Cummins worked to prepare an outstanding meal for the hard-working volunteers on the Saturdays as well.

The dining room floor is in, thanks to the 32/50 club's outstanding contribution. The old rug (which has seen its day) was taken up and the new floor is a thing of beauty!

Caitie O'Shea has been working with the office and restaurant staff on implementing our new technology system. We are pleased to say that the system promises to save time, money and energy in the long run and will help as we implement our 10% food and beverage discounts to active members.

Heartfelt thanks to all volunteers and superb office staff – Teresa, Mary, Ligia and Derek. A special thanks, too, to all active members who have made these positive changes possible!

In Unity,

Judith Kell, *President*

Your UICC Board of Directors

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THIS MONTH'S MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2013 ~ 7:30 PM

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CLUB

Our July 25 Thursday Night Dinner was enjoyed by all. Special thanks to those who donated raffle prizes at the Dinner: Mike & Josephine McLoughlin, Bill Luqué, Agnes Fee, Gertrude Kyne, Dorothy & John Sorenson and Marie Gavney. THURSDAY NIGHT DINNERS WILL NOW BE ON THE THIRD THURSDAY. SEPTEMBER 19 WILL BE OUR NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER. 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 Lamb Shank or Parmesan Crusted Filet of Sole. 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, September 15. Invite your friends!

— Molly Fitzpatrick, Co-Chairperson

SILVER GAELS

Friday, September 27 will be our next date for our Silver Gaels luncheon and card playing at 12:30 pm. All are welcome.

32/50 CLUB

The 32/50 Drawing for July 25, 2013

The winning combination was California & Derry held by Rita Sullivan for \$550

32/50 Club	Pamela Guiney	Sarah Mulkerrins
Catherine Breen	John M. Hart	Noreen Murphy
Kathleen Breen*	Helena Keane/John O'Keeffe*	Timothy Murphy
Laura Busby	John Kerrigan	Patricia O'Brien
Tom Clune	Art Luhman	John S. O'Keeffe
Sean Cooper	Diane Luhman	Catie O'Shea*
Paul Ferris & Francine Luqué*	Erin/Kathleen Manning*	Megan O'Sullivan
Mary/Julia Fitzgerald	Peggy McCarthy	Linda D. Ryan
Dennis Galvin	Richard McLinden	Mitzi & Bruce Samson*
Margaret Gavney*	Deanna Mooney	Christa Sullivan
"Five" Gill Girls		

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.

There will be two Masses offered for Anne Quilter

at St. Cecilia's Church

2555 17th Avenue San Francisco



Thursday, September 5, 2013 offered by UICC Ladies Auxiliary

Friday, September 6, 2013 ~ 1 year Memorial Mass

Both services at 5:30 pm

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

■ SEPTEMBER 7, SATURDAY

- **Irish Marvels, Past and Present Study Group**
2:00pm - 4:00pm ~ UICC Board Room
Everyone welcome. For more information call
Jo Coffey 415/585-6506
or email: coffey.jo@gmail.com

■ SEPTEMBER 8, SUNDAY

- **UICC Open House ~ See Ad**

■ SEPTEMBER 10, TUESDAY

- **49er Booster Club**
Dinner and meet and greet a 49er!
For info call Sue Hoffman 415/665-4483.

■ SEPTEMBER 12, THURSDAY

- **IIPC Mass & Lunch & Book Swap ~ See Ad**
Call Natasha to let her know you are coming
415/752-6006
- **Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm**
For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803
- **Irish Mex Dinner**
Contact Gloria at Centro Latino for reservations
415/861-2657

■ SEPTEMBER 13, FRIDAY

- **Connaught Night in the Dining Room**
Music - Kevin Roche

■ SEPTEMBER 15, SUNDAY

- **Poetry Workshop ~ 1pm ~ UICC Boardroom**
Contact Sean Casey 415/668-0102 or
irishpoetryworkshop@gmail.com

■ SEPTEMBER 19, THURSDAY

- **THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER ~ NOW ON THE 3RD THURSDAY**
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

■ SEPTEMBER 20, FRIDAY

- **Cork Night in the Dining Room**
Music - Christy O'Connell

■ SEPTEMBER 26, THURSDAY

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

■ SEPTEMBER 27, FRIDAY - 29, SUNDAY

- **15th Irish Immersion Weekend**
For reservations call Nikki Ragsdale 510/881-0285
Info see www.onesourcegraphics.com/Gaeilge

■ SEPTEMBER 29, SUNDAY

- **The Irish Literary & Historical Society**
5pm ~ St Francis Room,
welcomes Irish author Nuala Ni Conchuir, a fiction
writer and poet, who has won numerous awards for her
short stories. She will speak on the state of the short
story in Ireland and read from her own works. ILHS
Members Free, Visitors \$5, reception follows.
www.ILHsf.org

MUSIC IN SEPTEMBER

Saturday September 7

Shards of Green

Saturday September 21

Comhaltas Traditional Irish Dancing



Mark Your Calendar!

Sunday, October 13
ICCC hosting a Book Review

Saturday, October 19
Connaught Dinner Dance

Sunday, November 17
Members Mass

Saturday December 7
Cork Club Dinner Dance

Sunday December 8
Comhaltas Christmas Ceili
Christmas Time in Ireland
direct from Dublin!

DEADLINE for OCTOBER 2013 BULLETIN is SEPTEMBER 15

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

- tel: 415/468-4130 • fax: 415/468-3549
- email: falconassoc@earthlink.net

ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM



Thursday, September 12, 2013

United Irish Cultural Center

2700 45th Avenue, San Francisco

12 noon Mass

celebrated by Fr. Brendan McBride

followed by lunch and special guests

Consul General Gerry & Mrs. Mary Staunton

We are delighted to welcome Gerry and Mary to bid them farewell as they finish their diplomatic posting and return to Ireland!

Tickets - \$20

RSVP to Natasha at 415.752.6006

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ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM

**** SPECIAL OUTING - IRISH MOVIE EVENT ****

in partnership with the San Francisco Irish Film Festival

WHEN ALI CAME TO IRELAND

Saturday, September 21, 2013

Delancey Street Theatre

600 The Embarcadero, San Francisco

3.30 p.m. Buses leave from UICC, 2700 45th Avenue

4.30 p.m. Arrive at Delancey Street Theatre

5.00 p.m. Movie Screening

followed by Q & A session with JJ Whelan

7.00 p.m. Buses return to UICC, 2700 45th Avenue

In partnership with the San Francisco Irish Film Festival we are delighted to invite you to a special screening of a new documentary film 'When Ali came to Ireland', the amazing story of when The Greatest fought in Croke Park at the height of his career. The movie will be followed by a Q & A session with our very own JJ Whelan who actually met the great man himself during that 1972 visit.

Tickets - \$15

includes bus and movie ticket

MUST RSVP to Natasha at 415.752.6006



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.

DECEASED: **Eneas Kane, Giles Miller M.D., Eugene (Gene) Needham, Peter Ryan, Rita Torpey RIP**

Sincere condolences to **Buffy** and **Pat Maguire** on the passing of their 9yr old son, Kevin.

Rose (Scudder) Curry writes, “My Mother, **Frances Doherty Scudder**, was very proud of her involvement at UICC. I remember fondly every event my mother, Frances, ‘roped’ me in to dancing. Such great memories of a delightful meeting place and Great Craic! Brilliant!”

REMINDER UICC Open House is September 8 -- ALL members encouraged to attend. Meet your fellow members and Board of Directors.

Deceased Members mass is November -- the specific date will be published in coming weeks.

The History Walk (Irish in the Mission/24th St Murals) on July 30 turned out to be great fun-**Valerie McGrew** talked about the Irish in the Mission and **Jo Coffey** about the murals with a lot of group participation and music on the street by Martin Byrne-the group ended out at Napper Tandy’s for more conversation and music. Much thanks to **Patricia D’Arcy, Joan McClain**, and **Dennis O’Connor** who provided background information about the Irish in the Mission.

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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No Host Bar 7pm ~ Dinner 8pm

\$65.00 per person ~ Filet Mignon or Salmon

Music ~ Ben Hunter

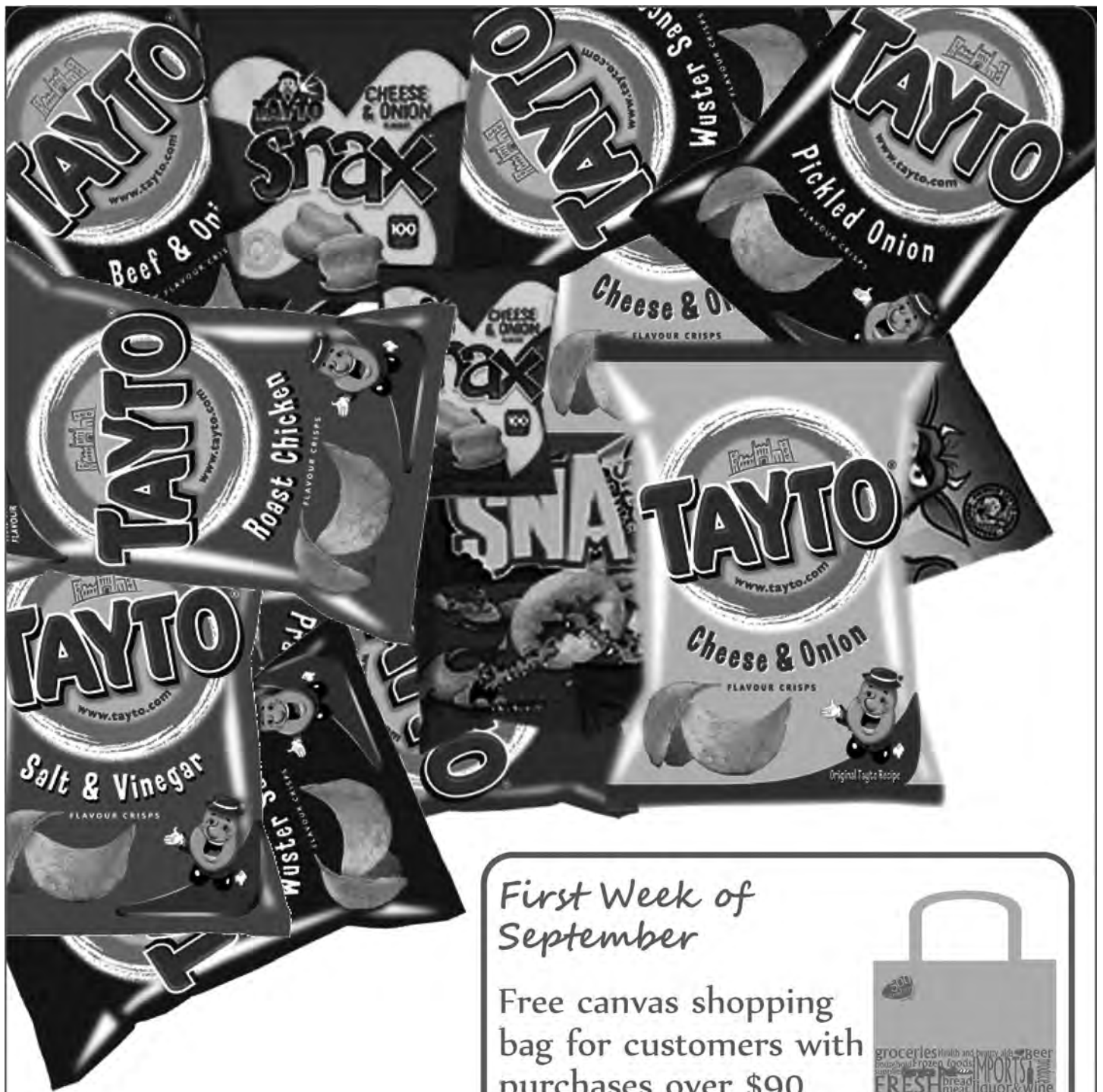
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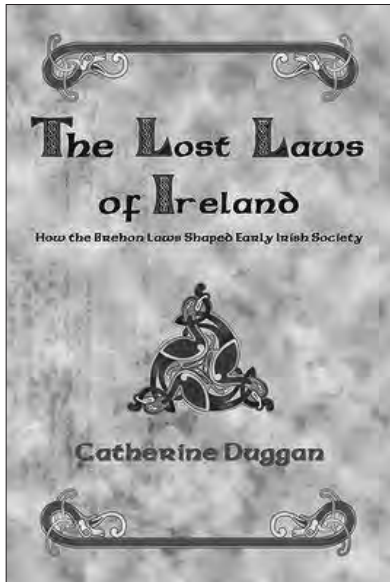
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Presentation and Book Party – Sunday, October 20, 3pm “*The Lost Laws of Ireland*” by Catherine Duggan



Join Bay Area attorney, Catherine Duggan, for a discussion on Brehon Law on October 20 at the United Irish Cultural Center. This discussion will be of interest to those who enjoy Irish history and culture as well as to those who are interested in the legal field.

Her book, *The Lost Laws of Ireland*, was recently published in Dublin. It introduces the general audience to the surprisingly modern legal system that governed Irish society for over 1000 years. It focuses on certain themes that are important to the modern reader, such as fair and transparent legal process, women's rights, and social mobility. The Brehon laws provide a window on early Ireland and reveal the complex sophisticated society that had developed by the seventh century.

Catherine has practiced law in San Francisco and Oakland since 1978. Her parents were from Co. Cork and she has regularly visited Ireland since she was a child. She and her husband live in Oakland and have one son.



LOCATION: United Irish Cultural Center, 45th & Sloat, San Francisco, CA

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