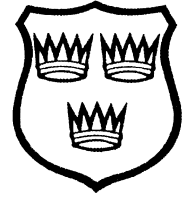




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BOARD MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Before we leave July in thoughts, it is important to offer another round of sincere thanks to those from the UICC and the United Irish Societies who sponsored a very successful fundraiser for those J-I victims of the Berkeley tragedy and their families. Well done!

Welcome to August. The Boys of Summer" (also known as the SF Giants) provide summer entertainment for those of us who are baseball fans. Why not come out to the ballpark on Irish Heritage Night (Tuesday, August 11th) to enjoy a great experience in a beautiful venue. Tickets are available from the Irish Immigration and Pastoral Center (IIPC) at (415) 752-6006.

Your UICC will NOT be closed for the usual 10 days during the month of August this year. Patronize your Center with some of the activities planned:

- On Friday, August 14th the great Finbar Furey will provide us with a "once-in-a-lifetime" show in the St. Patrick's Room. Tickets can be purchased online at <https://sfirishcenter.vbotickets.com/events>. The price is \$50 and \$15 for children. See all of you there!
- Thursday, August 20th will be "Ladies' Night" in the Restaurant. Come in at 7 and enjoy dinner and a bit of a show as well! Gentlemen are more than welcome, but we'll be honoring the ladies with fun and surprises! I will act as your hostess for the evening. Call Mary in the office (415) 661-2700 to make your reservations for this "memorable" event!
- Friday, August 21st will be a very special art show. Olivia Browne and Caitie O'Shea have teamed up to bring the work of some very interesting Irish artists to the Center for your enjoyment. A first!
- Sunday, August 23rd is the Robert Emmet Remembrance Day at the Band Concourse in Golden Gate Park. The United Irish Societies sponsors this annual event for all!
- Tuesday, August 25th will see Cairde Café back in the restaurant from 10-12:30 pm. Come and relax, have some tea/coffee and Irish bread and enjoy some great activities. Donation is \$5. This wonderful event (held monthly) is sponsored by the IIPC Active Retirement Group.

Save the dates for important events in September that are heralded in our "Events" calendar elsewhere in the Bulletin. We are in the process of creating a "UICC Restaurant Campaign" to get more of you eating the fine food and enjoying the atmosphere in the UICC restaurant. Plan on "eating out" at the UICC soon!

In Unity and Good Health,

Judith Kell, *President*
UCC Board of Directors

Purpose ~ Respect ~ Organization ~ Unity ~ Determination

THERE WILL BE NO GENERAL MEETING IN AUGUST

LADIES NIGHT

On Thursday, August 20

Join UICC Board President Judith Kell for Ladies Night!

Enjoy a night of fun and with a surprise performance for those who attend! Call the Center for reservations for 7pm at 415/661-2700. *Gentleman are welcome also!!*

SILVER GAELS

Silver Gaels luncheon & card playing ~ Friday, August 28, at 12:30 pm. All are welcome.

32/50 CLUB

The 32/50 Drawing for June 25, 2015

The winning combination was Wisconsin & Dublin held by the Michael A. Keys for \$550.

32/50 Club	32/50 Club	Ann & John Hayes	Kathleen O'Keeffe
32/50 Club	Michael J. Brady	Maureen Leonard	John S. O'Keeffe*
32/50 Club	Sheila Brosnan	Kathleen Luhman	Peg Ryan
32/50 Club	Maggie Burke	William Luqué*	Debbie & Mitzi Samson*
32/50 Club	Pat Conroy	Alice & James Mayo	Alice C. Mibach/Connie Lynch*
32/50 Club	Agnes Fee/Monica Duffy	Dan McDonagh	Daniel & Kathy Slane/ Teresa Slane
32/50 Club	Margaret Gavney*	McLoughlin Family	
32/50 Club	Con/Marge Hagan	Hannah O'Connell	Brooke Gavney/Margaret Gavney

Congratulations to all the \$50 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.

Help keep YOUR library open on Saturdays!

Please consider volunteering once or twice a month for three hours. With Chris leaving, we have two vacant volunteer slots from 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm. No library experience needed-just a friendly face to greet the visitors and a love of Irish culture.

Please call Valerie at 650-991-3129 if you are interested.



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THURSDAY - SUNDAY

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AUGUST CALENDAR

■ AUGUST 1 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 email: coffey.jo@gmail.com

■ AUGUST 13, THURSDAY

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

■ AUGUST 14, FRIDAY

- Finbar Furey in Concert ~ *See Ad*

■ AUGUST 20, THURSDAY

- Ladies Night with UICC Board President Judith Kell
Make reservations for dinner at 7pm ~ 415/661-2700
A surprise performance is in store for those who attend.
Gentlemen are welcome also!
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:30pm
For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803

■ AUGUST 21, FRIDAY

- ICCU/UICC Art Show ~ *See Ad*
5:30pm ~ 9:00pm

■ AUGUST 22, SATURDAY

- St. Cecilia's Welcome Back to School Nite!

■ AUGUST 23, SUNDAY

- Robert Emmet Remembrance ~ Noon
Band Concourse in Golden Gate Park

■ AUGUST 25, TUESDAY

- Cairde Café /Coffee Morning ~ 10:00am ~ *See Ad*

■ AUGUST 27, THURSDAY

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

■ AUGUST 28, FRIDAY

- Silver Gael Card Playing ~ 12:30pm

DEADLINE for SEPTEMBER BULLETIN is AUGUST 15

If you have specific artwork questions contact:
Adrienne Verreos Falcon Associates Inc.

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



MUSIC AT THE BAR

- FRIDAY, AUGUST 14 - 10 PM TILL LATE
KEVIN ROCHE & FRIENDS (POST-FUREY SHOW)
- SATURDAY, AUGUST 15
COMHALTAS - TRADITIONAL IRISH DANCING
- SATURDAY, AUGUST 22 - 6:30 PM TILL LATE
THE BOGUES - A TRIBUTE TO THE POGUES

Save the Date!

September 10

Irish Mex Dinner

For info call Gloria at 415/286-0883

September 19

Come celebrate with us the
return of Seamus Whitney
who will be visiting San Francisco

September 20

UICC Fundraiser for
Building Repairs & Projects

September 25-27

Irish Immersion Weekend

October 17

Connaught Annual Dinner Dance

October 18

The High Kings



The High Kings coming to the UICC

Early bird tickets available at:

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Please call Bernadette Kennedy - Administrator to arrange a tour of the facility and enjoy a complimentary lunch

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ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM

**** IS DELIGHTED TO INTRODUCE A NEW ****



CAIRDE CAFÉ

COFFEE MORNING

Tuesday, August 25, 2015

10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

United Irish Cultural Center

The Restaurant - 2700 45th Avenue, San Francisco



10.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. Tea/Coffee & Chat
Grab a cup of tea/coffee, relax and get acquainted.

10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. RTÉ Programming
Screening of RTÉ News or other programming from Ireland.

11.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. Activity
A different activity will be offered each month.

12.00 p.m. - 12.30 p.m. Wrap up and goodbyes
We will wrap up the afternoon's conversation and adjourn.

The IIPC is delighted to expand our Active Retirement Club program to offer a monthly coffee morning get-together. The coffee morning is designed to be an informal gathering of friends, old and new. Come along play cards, read the Irish newspapers or just have a chat.

Each month we will have a different conversation topic and a guest who will join us for a cup of tea/coffee.

This will be a new and exciting social opportunity to get out of the house for a few hours and spend it in the company of friends.

For more info contact Joan at 415.752.6006

Event Donation: \$5

A Community Outreach Service of the Irish Immigration Pastoral Center of San Francisco supported, in part, by the Emigrant Support Programme of the Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade



ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM

Thursday, September 10, 2015

United Irish Cultural Center, 2700 45th Avenue, San Francisco

12.15 p.m. Mass celebrated by Fr. Brendan McBride
followed by lunch and special guest

Guest Speaker - TBC

Welcome back after the summer break! We are waiting on final confirmation for a guest speaker at our September luncheon. We will write to you with the speaker details shortly!

** Time for a Book Swap!!!

If you have some books that you would like to swap out, please bring them along!

Tickets - \$20

RSVP to Joan at 415.752.6006

ALL WELCOME

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





Irish legend
Finbar Furey
at the UICC
August 14, 2015

Finbar Furey will treat you to evening of pure Irish magic, great music, good humor, and the charm and sparkling wit associated with one of Ireland's great raconteurs.

Pre-Show Entertainment ~ Vince Keehan & Friends

Tickets: Adult \$50 (\$40 if purchased before August 1)

Children under 16 years \$15 • Doors open at 7pm

Purchase tickets at :

https://sfirishcenter.vbotickets.com/event/Finbar_Furey_2015/9660

Group Bookings & information 415/860-1854



ROBERT EMMET
IRISH ORATOR AND PATRIOT

Robert Emmet Remembrance

August 23, 2015 Noon

Band Concourse in the Golden Gate Park.

Excerpts from his famous speech from the dock will be read followed by music and dance.

Sponsored by the United Irish Societies of San Francisco

PATRICK J. DOWLING LIBRARY NEWS



Treasures of the Patrick J. Dowling Library

"Let no man write my epitaph: for as no man who knows my motives are now vindicate them. Let not prejudice or ignorance asperse them. Let them and me repose in obscurity and peace, and my tomb remain uninscribed, until other times, and other men, can do justice to my character; when my country takes her place among the nations of the earth, then, and not till then, let my epitaph be written. I have done."

Excerpt from Robert Emmet's Speech from the Dock

The walls of the library are lined with maps, pictures and other memorabilia reflecting Irish history and culture. Several heroic figures from Irish history are featured in the collection including Robert Emmet. Robert Emmet, a Protestant and son of a Dublin doctor, was an Irish patriot, nationalist, and orator who led an unsuccessful rebellion against British rule. Convicted of high treason, he was most cruelly executed by being drawn, quartered & beheaded on September 20, 1803 in Dublin. One of four statues of Robert Emmet created by Jerome Connor in 1916 stands outside the California Academy of Sciences building near the Concourse in the Golden Gate Park. It was donated to the Park in 1919 by James D. Phelan, San Francisco mayor and son of Irish immigrants and dedicated by Eamon DeValera during a fund raiser of the US.

Each year the United Irish Societies of San Francisco remembers his heroism with Irish music, dance, and a recitation of his memorable Speech from Dock, which was first delivered on the eve of his execution. This year's event will be held on **August 23 at 12:00 noon in the Concourse area of the Golden Gate Park.**

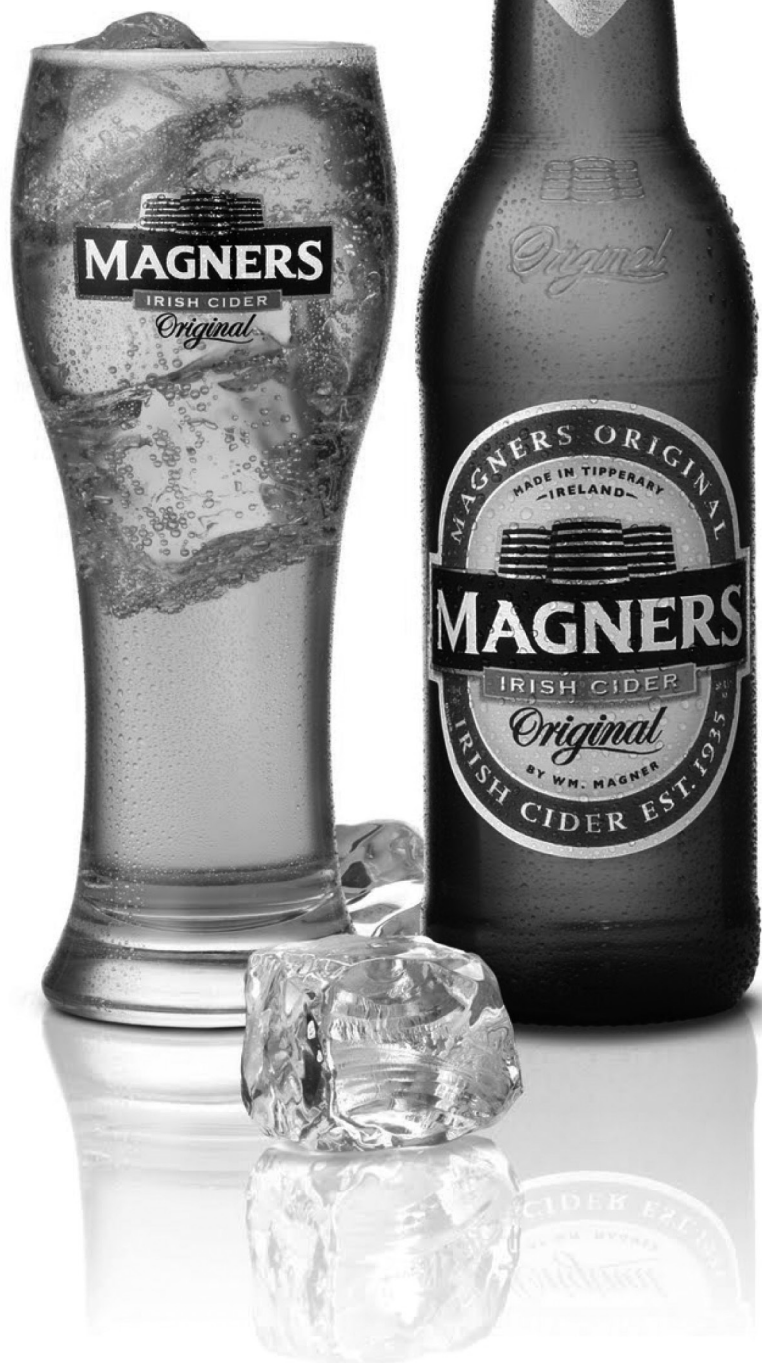


Mad Hatter Tea Party

The tea party turned out to be a huge success. Everyone had a great time with hats galore-mad and not. Joannie O'Leary, Josephine Brogan, Maureen Murphy and crew, wearing Alice in Wonderland costumes, surprised us all with a charming skit. Many thanks to Anne Carew and to Sally Cassidy for organizing the tea. Proceeds from the event exceeded \$1,900 and will go to support the activities of the library. Thanks so much to all our many supporters.

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for more pictures!*





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AT THE UNITED IRISH CULTURAL CENTER

AUGUST 21, 2015 5:30 – 9:00 ST. FRANCIS ROOM

We will be featuring budding and fully bloomed artists
as well as work from Members own collections.

Some of the artists include Harry Powers (<http://www.harrypowers.com/>), John Walker, Maureen Hickey, Phyllis O'Connor, Shea Stella, photographer Bernie Murphy, Fennell Family photos of the 1906 earthquake; Martin Byrne and Padridg Conway art from the Jo Coffey collections as well as Claudia Gallagher, Annie Holland and Dolores Murphy from Valerie McGrew's collections.

Wine and cheese will be available at the exhibit

Contact: Olivia Browne at olivia_browne119@hotmail.com, or 415-341-7710
(Olivia is a UICC Intern as part of the Council on International Educational Exchange CIEE);
or Caitie O'Shea at caitieoshi@sbcglobal.net

Come out and have dinner and celebrate the art & the artists!