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BOARD MESSAGE

Dear Members,

An exciting time at the Irish Center! Many members are very pleased and plan to vote "YES" to our simple conversion of the Center to a Non-Profit designation that will allow us to seek tax deductible donations from members, corporations, philanthropies and others!

Most are asking: "Why didn't we do this sooner"? Perhaps it wasn't well explained, or not well endorsed by leaders at the Center. Well, let's look forward to a long future together for our Center by voting "YES" on the ballots that were mailed, or by bringing your vote to our meeting on November I6th! See who's endorsed the plan on our website!

Join me on Friday evenings in the Restaurant from 6-7PM, or Sundays from II-I2 during Brunch to hear more about our wonderful plans for the future.

All the best.

Michael Barnacle President

Purpose ~ Respect ~ Organization ~ Unity ~ Determination











THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER / SILVER GAELS

There will be no Thursday Night Dinner in November and December and no Silver Gaels card playing.

TRIVIA TUESDAY

Trivia Tuesdays in the main bar at 8pm

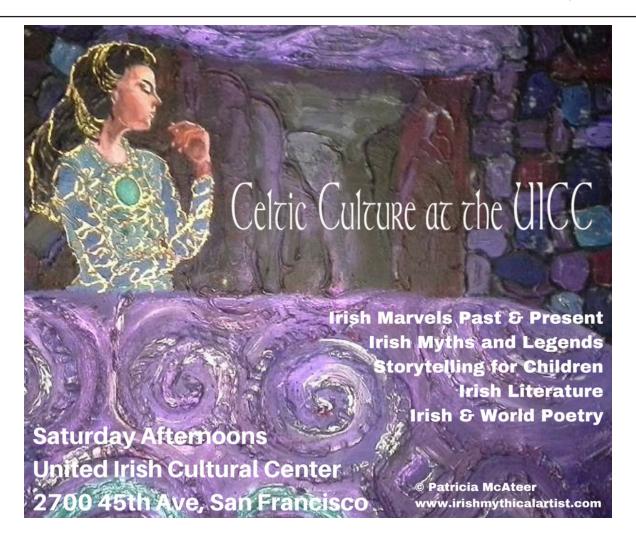
Hosted by: Donagh McKeown

PATRICK J. DOWLING LIBRARY NEWS

Thanks to funding from the Gellert Foundation and Friends of the Patrick J. Dowling Library, we have been able to convert all the microfilm copies of the LEADER newspaper in our collection to a digital format. Next time you visit the library you will be able to read 40 years of the LEADER newspapers on our PC. From 1902-1942, these editions chronicle the life and times of the Irish Americans in San Francisco and tell us what was happening in Ireland during that same time period. For instance, in the 1916 edition you can read articles by Father Peter Yorke which discuss the support that the Irish in San Francisco gave to the Irish republicans following the 1916 Rising. This is a great improvement over reading them on the microfilm machine which frequently malfunctioned. We have contracted with BMI Imaging and can read the newspaper using their state of the art Digital Reel program.

I hank you to all of you who made this possible through your donations to Friends of the Library and your support of our fundraisers.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR NEXT FUNDRAISER ~ WHISKEY TASTING FEBRUARY 2, 2017



NOVEMBER CALENDAR

■ NOVEMBER 5, SATURDAY

• Celtic Culture at the UICC~ 2:30pm - 4:30pm Join us in the Boardroom for discussion, debate, and conversation on various aspects of Irish Culture, from Poetry to Literature, hear Irish Legends and Myths, Irish History, and once a month there'll be a storytelling session for our younger folk. See Ad

■ NOVEMBER 6, SUNDAY

• The Conversation Circle ~ 3:00pm - 5:00pm Main Bar area

Come and join in the conversation on various topics each week. It's a chance to catch up with old friends, make new ones, over a cup of tea or coffee

Ceili ~ 7pm - 10pm ~ St. Patrick's Room
 With LIVE music. Admission is \$10 for Adults.
 Children Free when accompanied by an adult
 For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803

■ NOVEMBER 10, THURSDAY

- IIPC Mass & Luncheon ~ See Ad Call Joan 415/752-6006
- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm 9:30pm For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803

■ NOVEMBER 11, FRIDAY

• I Am Ireland ~ 7:30pm See Ad

■ NOVEMBER 12, SATURDAY

• Irish Marvels, Past and Present Study Group 2:30pm - 4:30pm ~ Boardroom "Remembering Our Loved Ones" Everyone welcome. Lisa Hilmoe 707/364-5484 email: hilmoe.gleason@gmail.com

■ NOVEMBER 13, SUNDAY

• The Conversation Circle $\sim 3:00 \mathrm{pm}$ - $5:00 \mathrm{pm}$

■ NOVEMBER 16, WEDNESDAY

• SPECIAL MEETING & Vote Results ~ 7:00pm

■ NOVEMBER 17, THURSDAY

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

■ NOVEMBER 19, SATURDAY

• Celtic Culture at the UICC $\sim 2:30 pm$ - 4:30 pm



MUSIC AT THE BAR 6:30 PM - 9 PM

- Friday, November 4 ~ Tony McMahon
- Saturday, November 5 ~ Traditional Irish Music ~ 7:30pm
- Friday, November II ~ The Toast Inspectors
- Saturday, November 12 ~ Ivor Collins
- Friday, November 18 ~ Christy O'Connell & Kerry Night
- Saturday, November 19 ~ The Mystery Man
- Saturday, November 26 ~ Ring of Truth Trio



■ NOVEMBER 20, SUNDAY

- UICC Deceased Members Mass ~ 10:00am
- The Conversation Circle $\sim 3:00 \mathrm{pm}$ $5:00 \mathrm{pm}$
- The Irish Literary and Historical Society*
 5:00pm ~ St. Francis Room
 Charlotte Headrick on Irish women playwrights
 ILHS members free, \$5 visitors www.ILHSsf.org

■ NOVEMBER 22, TUESDAY

Cairde Café / Coffee Morning ~ 10:30am See Ad
 For info call Joan at the IIPC 415/752-6006

■ NOVEMBER 24, THURSDAY

• Annual Thanksgiving Dinner at the UICC Call the Center for reservations 415/661-2700

■ NOVEMBER 25, FRIDAY

- Center Closed
 Business resumes Satruday the 26th
- NOVEMBER 26, SATURDAY
 - Celtic Culture at the UICC ~ 2:30pm 4:30pm

■ NOVEMBER 27, SUNDAY

• The Conversation Circle ~ 3:00pm - 5:00pm

^{*} October 30th The Irish Literary & Historical Society welcomes Professor Fran O'Rourke, speaking about James Joyce and Irish Song (rescheduled from November 6th)



Annual Memorial Mass

to Honor Our Deceased Members of the United Irish Cultural Center

Sunday, November 20, 2016

St. Francis Room 10:00 am

Brunch to follow in the main dining room.

Reservations are suggested UICC 415/661-2700

Mark Codd, one of the founding fathers of the United Irish Cultural Center, passed away September 23, 2016, in Tralee, County Kerry, Ireland. He is survived by his wife, Mary and their children. Mark was involved in the early days of the formation of the United Irish Cultural Center along with Rita and Jim O'Mahoney, John Brosnan, Pat Brosnan, Dan Boyle, John Jones Sean Conefrey, John Callan, Charles Doherty, Pat Corbett, Jerry Cronin and Liam Spiers.





MARY ESTHER (CUFFE) BURGESS 1921-2016

Esther Burgess died at the age of 95 at her home in Alexandria Virginia after a prolonged illness. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Frederick Burgess on 1991. Esther raised her family with husband James ,in Niagara Falls , NY and later in Charleston, W.Va. The family attended Saint Teresa's Catholic Church in Niagara Falls and Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Charleston, W.Va.

Mrs. Burgess was the daughter of Edward Cuffe of County Mayo, and Mary Jane (McCormack) Cuffe of Limerick, Republic of Ireland. Esther's parents names are memorialized in the San

Francisco Irish Cultural Center Brick Path, a tribute that gave her great pleasure.

Mrs Burgess grew up in Niagara Falls NY, where her parents settled after emigrating from Ireland, Edward in 1917 and Mary Jane In 1919. Edward Cuffe worked on the Sligo to Limerick rail system and subsequently worked for the New York Central Rail System. Two of Esther's siblings, both deceased, are her beloved sister and brother, Eileen Burnett and Edward Cuffe.

Esther was an avid gardener, baker,reader,seamstress, and watercolor artist; she inherited an Irish wit that she used with great humor. She volunteered as a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Library Guild. Esther served in the Coast Guard during WWII, stationed in Washington DC. She was awarded a Victory medal and an American Campaign metal.

Mrs. Burgess is survived by her five children, Dr. James Edward Burgess of Pittsburgh Pa.; Thomas Burgess of Peru, W. Va.; Barbara Burgess of San Francisco, a long time member of the San Francisco UICC; Carol Goldman of Washington DC and Mary Dean of Greensboro, NC. Also surviving Esther are the four children of her deceased sister, Eileen, including Mike Burnett of San Francisco, Kathy Spuller of Grand Island, NY, Colleen Monte of Meridan, CT., and Patrick Burnett of Santa Rosa, Ca. She enjoyed and was much loved by her grandchildren Sarah, Paul, Nathan, Julia, Jim ,Connor and Emily.

Donations may be directed to the San Francisco Irish Cultural Center, 2700 45th Ave., San Francisco, CA. 94116.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM



Thursday, November 10, 2016

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

Angie Pratt - Alzheimer's Association

Join us for a Community Education Seminar offered by the Northern California Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. Angie Pratt will outline how to identify the signs of Alzheimer's Disease and explain a little about the diagnosis process. She will also offer an explanation of how to engage with the services and programs offered through your local chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

Tickets - \$20

RSVP to Joan at 415.752.6006

ALL WELCOME

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ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM



CAIRDE CAFÉ

COFFEE MORNING

Tuesday, November 22, 2016

10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. United Irish Cultural Center

The Restaurant - 2700 45th Avenue, San Francisco



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. Thanksgiving Activity Celebrate the gift of giving thanks before the holidays.

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 offer Cairde Cafe, our monthly coffee morning get-together. The coffee morning is designed to be an informal gathering of friends, old and new. Come along play cards or BINGO, read the Irish newspapers or just have a chat.

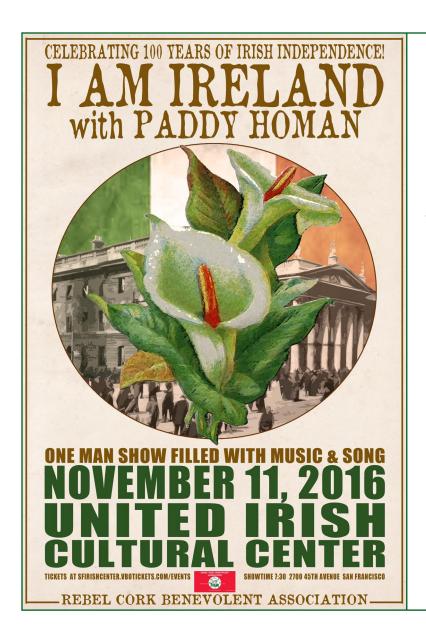
This month, we will share our own Thanksgiving traditions and express our thanks for each other before the holidays!

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





For tickets call the
UICC 415-661-2700
or
Liam Reidy 415-860-1854
or go online to:
www.sfirishcenter.vbotickets.com/events

Tickets in Advance \$40
Tickets at the Door \$45

Showtime 7:30pm



This Show is supported by a grant from Rebel Cork Benevolent Association Organized in San Francisco in 1883

SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday, November 16, 2016. of Active Members of the United Irish Cultural Center Inc.

Please return all ballots before this date or at the meeting



I vote IN FAVOR

Members' Resolution No. 2016 -01



REBEL CORKS

ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS

DINNER DANCE

Honoring Jimmy Daly 2016 Corkman of the Year



With Special Recognition to Mick Gowan, a 65 Year member of the RCBA, who celebrates his 90th Birthday this year

Saturday, December 3, 2016

United Irish Cultural Center of San Francisco 2700-45th Avenue

No Host Cocktails 6:30 PM-Dinner 7:30 PM Filet Mignon or Salmon

Music by Kevin Roche
\$70 PER PERSON

For tickets or information, please call: Valerie McGrew (415) 672-0375, Nora Mullane (415) 664-9195, Jimmy Daly (415) 515-4989

Timmy Manning (415) 517-7155, or Catherine Linehan (415) 566-9711



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laundry service
Fitness, wellness and social programs
as well as stimulating community entertainment
Transportation for medical appointments,
shopping and planned outings.





Our monthly fees are substantially less than what you would pay elsewhere and we are just 15 minutes away from the UICC (taking Skyline Blvd or the 280 South).

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



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Special Meeting & Vote Results Wednesday, November 16 ~ 7:00 pm

JOIN US AT YOUR CENTER FOR OUR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER!

Call the Center for reservations





SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

Rebel Cork Annual Christmas Dinner Dance

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

Tony Kenny Christmas Show