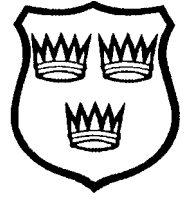




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BOARD MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Too much news, too little space to write it!

First, let me say happy holidays and a blessed Christmas to all our members!

November was a busy month in the Irish community and at the Center. Your Board met An Taoiseach, Leo Varadkar, at City Hall for a special reception during his short West Coast visit to influential tech companies who maintain operations and/or European headquarters in Ireland.

At the Center, we had a phenomenal wine tasting event organized by Executive Director, Robert Sparks and our Staff. Wonderful food, including Pasta stations, hors d'oeuvres, desserts, by Chef Paul, and amazing organization and service by Teresa, Eileen and team. Many new and young faces participated in this outstanding event. We enjoyed wines from 12 participating Vineyards, and our members and guests ordered 37 cases of wine for their holiday celebrations. The event ended with rave reviews, and requests for more similar events.

The 4th Annual Irish Thanksgiving event co-organized with the Irish Network Bay Area also took place, which honored contributions to the Irish Community by Martin Falvey and Brian Sheehy. Vice Consul, John Callaghan, accompanied by his parents Charlie and Mary, visiting from Ireland were also guests at this special event, and he extended a warm welcome to the participants.

Robert Sparks and I met with our Bankers to answer remaining questions about support for our renovation plans, and meetings with architectural and design firms continued under Robert's direction.

We were also encouraged by a visit from our local Supervisor Katy Tang with Robert Sparks, Jo Coffey and with me. Katy requested this visit to see how her office and the Mayor could be helpful to the Irish Center from City Hall. She was amazed by our library and the extent of our collection, not to mention, our future vision for the Irish Center. She also pledged assistance on a few items we asked of her, and I am pleased to report that she is truly an ally for us with the city government. I'm glad I had the chance to become better acquainted with Katy during the Mayoral Mission to Cork last month.

Happy Holidays to all our members from your Board and Staff, and watch out for our Membership Renewal Notice in the mail and on-line, and our request for contributions to our Generations Fund.

All the best,

Michael Barnacle, *For the Board*

Purpose ~ Respect ~ Organization ~ Unity ~ Determination

THERE IS NO GENERAL MEETING IN DECEMBER

SILVER GAELS

Silver Gaels luncheon & card playing ~ Friday, December 15, 2017 at 12:30 pm.
All card Players welcome! Come for the craic!!

TRIVIA TUESDAY

Trivia Tuesdays in the main bar at 8pm

Info: 415/661-2700

IN MEMORY

The family of the late Julia Verling Fitzgerald wish to express their appreciation to those who have offered kindness, support and messages of sympathy and comfort in our bereavement.

—The Fitzgerald Family

LEO T. WALSH SCHOLARSHIP



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LEO T. WALSH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

1994-2018

25th Year Anniversary

As we approach the Christmas Season and year end, we remember so many of our family members who are no longer with us. They instilled in us the importance of remembering our Irish Heritage.

What better way to honor and memorialize their lives than by giving an ICCC Scholarship in their name. 2018 marks the scholarship program's 25th year. 357 students from our community have been awarded scholarships; many whose grandparents and parents have been active at the Irish Center.

In order to keep up with the increasing number of worthy student applicants, we are hoping you will support our great cause by contributing to the scholarship fund.

The ICCC is a 501c (3) non-profit organization. All donations are tax deductible and 100% of the contributions go directly to the student awards.

Naming an award after your family or memorializing a loved one is easy:

8th grade Scholarship - \$750 High School Scholarship - \$1,000

Donations of any denomination are gratefully accepted.

Donate online at the ICCC website, www.icccsf.org/donate/

Or

Write a check payable to: ICCC Leo Walsh Scholarship Fund, and drop it off or mail to:

The United Irish Cultural Center

2700-45th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94116

For further information, visit www.ICCCSF.org, email donations@icccsf.org or call 415-305-2754.

DEADLINE for JANUARY 2018 BULLETIN is DECEMBER 15

Please call the UICC with questions 415/661-2700. If you have specific artwork questions contact:
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DECEMBER CALENDAR



MUSIC AT THE BAR

EVERY FRIDAY & SATURDAY 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 IVOR COLLINS

- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

CORMAC GANNON AND FRIENDS

- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8 EMILY HAYES

- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 CORCA BAISCIN

- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 THE TOAST INSPECTORS

- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16 CELTIC SCANDAL

- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22 CELTIC SCANDAL

- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23 SIN SILVER

- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29 TONY McMAHON

- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30 TBA

- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

PAUL HATTENSCHWILLER 3PM TO 6PM

KEVIN ROCHE BAND

SAVE the DATE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

The Irish Literary & Historical Society welcomes independent scholar **Tom Clancy** who will explore the recent history of Ireland in his lecture titled "Go, move, shift: Exploring Irish cultural changes through ten songs".

■ DECEMBER 2, SATURDAY

- Rebel Cork Dinner - 6:00pm

Contact Valerie McGrew 415/672-0375 or
Liam Reidy 415/860-1854 for information
and reservations.

■ DECEMBER 9, SATURDAY

- Irish Marvels, Past & Present ~ 2:30pm - 4:30pm

Jo Coffey presents: Kate Kennedy - SF teacher
and social advocate Everyone welcome.

Email Lisa: Hilmoe.gleason@gmail.com

■ DECEMBER 10, SUNDAY

- Comhaltas Christmas Ceili ~7:00pm-10pm

For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803

■ DECEMBER 14, THURSDAY

- IIPC Monthly Mass & Luncheon ~ See Ad

Call Joan at the IIPC 415/752-6006

- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:15pm

For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803

■ DECEMBER 17, SUNDAY

- Community Christmas Party

with IIPC, GAA, UICC and UIS

Fun for everyone in the family.

Contact IIPC for reservations and information

415/752-6006

■ DECEMBER 21, THURSDAY

- First Annual Family Holiday

Pasta Buffet Dinner~ 5pm - 8pm ~ See Ad

For reservations and information call the Center

415/661-2700

- Set Dancing Classes ~ 7:30pm - 9:15pm

For info call Josephine Brogan 415/681-4803

■ DECEMBER 24, SUNDAY,

DECEMBER 25, MONDAY

DECEMBER 26, TUESDAY

- The Center will be closed for the Christmas Holidays

■ DECEMBER 27, WEDNESDAY

- The Center is open as usual

■ DECEMBER 31, SUNDAY

- Two ways to Celebrate New Year's!

First, come and celebrate Irish New Years with us,
at 3pm and ring in New Year's in Ireland!

Goes until 6pm. Then stay and have dinner in our

restaurant. Chef Paul will be serving a special New

Year's menu! Stay and ring in the New Years at

midnight! Call the office for reservations and further

information 415/661-2700.

In December There will be no

MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING

IRISH LITERARY & HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

CAIRDE CAFE

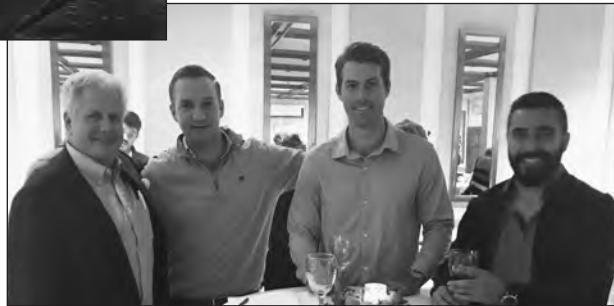


Honorees Brian Sheehy
& Martin Falvey

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*MEETING
WITH
KATY TANG*



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CONCERT

6.15 PM

7.00 PM SHARP

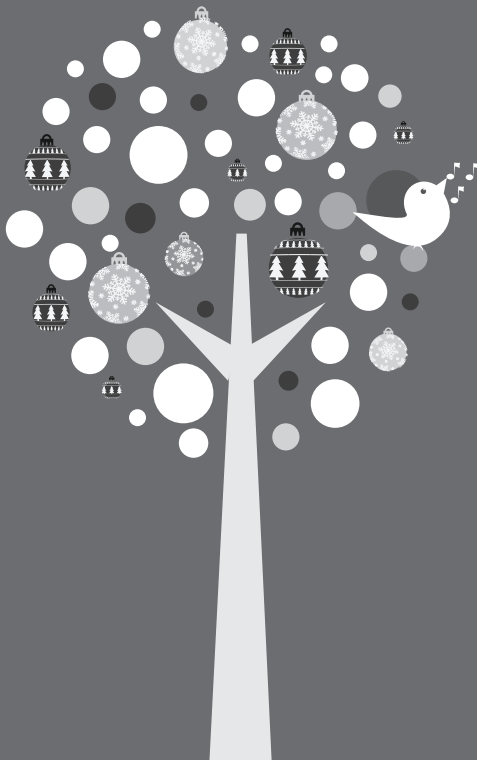
ADULTS: \$20

SENIORS: \$10

CHILDREN: \$5

ADVANCE TICKETS: CELTICVOICESCHRISTMASTREASURES.EVENTBRITE.COM

ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM



Thursday, December 14, 2017

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

12.15 p.m. Mass with Christmas Carols

followed by lunch and

A Festive Afternoon Seisiún

Bring your party piece and join us for an afternoon of music, song, recitation, storytelling, and a joke or two as we celebrate the start of the Christmas season with a gathering reminiscent of nights around the fire in Ireland. There may even be a surprise guest appearance!!

Tickets - \$20

ALL WELCOME RSVP NECESSARY to Joan at 415.752.6006

Tel: 415.752.6006 Fax: 415.752.6910 Email: info@sfiipc.org

A Community Outreach Service of the Irish Immigration Pastoral Center of San Francisco
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Moving to a senior community can be difficult for the entire family. It's good to have devoted, loving Sisters there to help.

With a 150-year history of caring for people the world over, the Sisters of Nazareth fully appreciate just how trying it can be for a senior to forgo independence and accept help. It's this same empathy and understanding that helps the Sisters ease the transition and quickly make our new residents feel the welcome embrace of our community.



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Family Holiday
Pasta Night Buffet Dinner

Thursday
DECEMBER 21, 2017
5pm – 8pm
In the Restaurant



Serving:

ANTIPASTO PLATTER, CAESAR SALAD, TOMATOES, MOZZARELLA & BASIL POPS, FRUIT SALAD. SPAGHETTI WITH MEAT SAUCE. LASAGNA. MEATBALLS. MACARONI AND CHEESE. CHEESE TORTELLINI WITH PROSCIUTTO, PEAS, MUSHROOMS, PARMESAN CHEESE SAUCE. FUSILLI PASTA WITH CHICKEN IN A CREAMY TOMATO SAUCE. GARLIC BREAD. BREADSTICKS. TIRAMISU. YULE LOG. CHRISTMAS COOKIES. PEPPERMINT CANDY CANES. HOT CHOCOLATE.

PRICE: ADULTS: \$33 (includes service charge and tax).
CHILDREN 8 – 12: \$17 (includes service charge and tax).
CHILDREN 7 AND UNDER FREE!

Contact the office for reservations and further information: 415/661-2700
Regular Dining Room Dinner Menu Not Available.



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a Very Happy New Year!*

