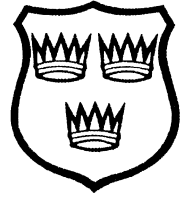




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BOARD MESSAGE

Dear Members,

What a truly amazing year it has been here at the Irish Center! The year ahead looks to be even more exciting as we develop our strategic plan to celebrate Irish exceptionalism for our children, grandchildren and all future generations of Irish Americans here at the UICC. Our wonderful Members gave an overwhelming endorsement in our Ballot to convert the UICC to a 501c3 Non-Profit Corporation, now eligible for tax deductible dues and donations.

We finished 2016 with 130 renewed memberships and a total membership count of 1200, including 730 Charter Members. We also ended the year with a profit (before depreciation) for the first time in 4 years, not counting the membership dues collected.

So, what can we expect in 2017?

- **Dues and Donations are now Tax Deductible!**
- Dues for 2017 are \$150.00 per person (or, \$250.00 for a couple), and only \$130.00 per person (\$230 for a couple), if paid by February 28th.
- Music, and more special events every Friday & Saturday in the Bar/Restaurant.
- Facility upgrades such as: paint, lighting, audio visual equipment, new bathrooms.
- Community meetings regarding facility enhancements, and more programming.
- More Staff/Management to support increased programming and member engagement.
- Hire Architects/Designers, and other experts to scope out our future facilities.
- A Capital goal ("The Generations Fund") of \$1,000,000 for 2017.
- Greater engagement and outreach to other Irish societies and philanthropies.

We sincerely hope you will renew your membership for 2017. Look for the letter in the mail or by e-mail and possibly consider an additional Tax Deductible donation. You can also pay on line at www.IrishCenterSF.org.

The future of the Center is now!

We value your support.

Sincerely,

Michael Barnacle, *President*

Purpose ~ Respect ~ Organization ~ Unity ~ Determination

GENERAL MEETING THURSDAY FEBRUARY 23 ~ 7:30 PM

SILVER GAELS

Silver Gaels luncheon & card playing ~ Friday, February 3, 2017 at 12:30 pm.

TRIVIA TUESDAY

Trivia Tuesdays in the main bar at 8pm Hosted by: Donagh McKeown

SUPPORT THE 166TH SAINT PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

The Board of the United Irish Societies invites you to support the Saint Patrick's Day Parade and their other events in March by purchasing an advertisement in the 2017 Commemorative Parade Edition, which will be circulated with all copies of the March edition of the Irish Herald. This is an opportunity to not only support the parade but also to provide a lasting memento for DIARMUID PHILPOTT, the Grand Marshal of the Parade and Past President of the UICC and the UIS and for the families of the Honorary Grand Marshals, the late CLAIRE HACKETT, the late RITA O'MAHONEY, and the late FRANK O'ROURKE.

**YOU CAN PURCHASE AN INDIVIDUAL AD
OR GET TOGETHER WITH FRIENDS AND PURCHASE A LARGER, GROUP AD**
For further information, please contact Valerie McGrew at 650-991-3129 no later than February 10.

32/50

Don't forget to renew your 32/50s!
For information and questions call Bill Luqué 415/264-9897



SUNDAY, MARCH 26

Phil Coulter

United Irish Cultural Center

Doors Open 6:00 pm • Show 7:00 pm

**Pre-Sale Tickets at the Bar \$42.00 per person
or go online to:**

<http://www.sfirishcenter.vbotickets.com/events>

Phil Coulter is up in that Pantheon inhabited by the biggest selling recording artistes of all time in Ireland, rubbing shoulders with Bono and the Boys. From Derry, Northern Ireland, Phil has performed with everyone from James Galway and the London Symphony Orchestra to Nanci Griffith and The Blue Moon Orchestra, not to mention Henry Mancini, Elmer Bernstein and Quincy Jones.

He has contributed at least four titles to the list of Great Irish Songs - the anthems "The Town I Loved So Well" and "Ireland's Call" and the haunting "Scorn Not His Simplicity" and "Steal Away".

We welcome him back to San Francisco to the United Irish Cultural Center. A night not to be missed!

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

■ FEBRUARY 1, WEDNESDAY

- The Leo Walsh Scholarship applications are available at the UICC or from the website www.irishcentersf.org. The applications are due March 17, 2017

■ FEBRUARY 4, SATURDAY

- Celtic Culture at the UICC
2:30pm - 4:30pm
St. Brigid, Patron of Poetry Day

■ FEBRUARY 5, SUNDAY

- Come make St. Brigid crosses
Everyone welcome. This is a free event. Donations gladly accepted. For information call Josephine Coffey 415/585-6506 or coffey.jo@gmail.com
- Come join us in watching the Super Bowl
~ Main Bar

■ FEBRUARY 9, 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

■ FEBRUARY 11, SATURDAY

- Irish Marvels, Past and Present Study Group
2:30pm - 4:30pm ~ Boardroom
Topic: Sacred Trees of Ireland
Everyone welcome. Lisa Hilmoe 707/364-5484
email: hilmoe.gleason@gmail.com

■ FEBRUARY 12, SUNDAY

- Columban Fathers Luncheon
For tickets and info call
Peggy Cooney 650/878-8260
Colleen Durkin 415/731-3046

■ FEBRUARY 16, THURSDAY

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



MUSIC AT THE BAR EVERY FRIDAY & SATURDAY 6:30 PM - 9 PM

- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3 ~ TONY McMAHON
- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4 ~ 7:30 PM TO CLOSE
FIRST SATURDAY TRADITIONAL IRISH SESSION
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10 ~ IVOR COLLINS
- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11 ~ KEVIN ROCHE
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17 ~ THE MILD COLONIAL BOYS
- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18 ~ 7:30 PM - 11 PM
COMHALTAS - TRADITIONAL IRISH SET DANCING
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24 ~ PAUL ESPINOZA
- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25 ~ NEIL O'NEILL
FOLLOWED BY OLDIES DISCO 9:30 TO LATE



■ FEBRUARY 18, SATURDAY

- Celtic Culture at the UICC
2:30pm - 4:30pm
Children Storytelling Day for 5 to 11 year old
- Cormac Gannon performing in concert
8:00pm ~ St. Francis Room
Contact Cormac for information and tickets at:
415/902-2947

■ FEBRUARY 23, THURSDAY

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

■ FEBRUARY 24, FRIDAY

- Grand Marshal Dinner ~ *See Ad*

■ FEBRUARY 25, SATURDAY

- Celtic Culture at the UICC
2:30pm - 4:30pm
The Art of Jim Fitzpatrick

■ FEBRUARY 28, TUESDAY

- IIPC Cairde Café ~ *See Ad*
Call Joan 415/752-6006

DEADLINE for MARCH 2017 BULLETIN is February 15

Please call the UICC with questions 415/661-2700. If you have specific artwork 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, February 9, 2017

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

12.15 p.m. Mass celebrated by Fr. Brendan McBride
followed by guest speaker and luncheon

Guest Speaker - SF Supervisor Katy Tang

Katy Tang currently serves as the District 4 (Sunset/Parkside) representative on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. Katy grew up in the Sunset District, and is a graduate of Lowell HS, UC Davis and University of San Francisco School of Law. She has represented her District since 2013 and was previously a Legislative Aide to Supervisor Carmen Chu.

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, February 28, 2017

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 Nationwide 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 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 or BINGO, read the Irish newspapers or just have a chat.

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

This is a relaxed and enjoyable 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

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United Irish Societies Grand Marshal's Dinner

Grand Marshal ~ Diarmuid Philpott

Honorary Grand Marshals

Claire Hackett Rita O'Mahoney Frank O'Rourke

Friday, February 24, 2017

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

*Cocktails 6:00 pm ~ Dinner 7:00 pm
\$80 per Person*

Please submit the following information along with your payment by February 14.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone and/or e-mail _____

I/We will attend _____ @ \$80 per person \$_____ Tables of 10 available

Indicate number of dinner entrees: _____ Lamb _____ Salmon _____ Cheese Ravioli

We regret that tables cannot be confirmed until payment is received.

Please list the names of those joining you on the reverse side of this card.

Tickets will be held at the door.

I/We are unable to attend the Dinner. Enclosed please find my/our contribution in the amount of \$_____ payable to the United Irish Societies. Tax deductible as allowed by law.

**Any questions please call: Bill Luqué
415-264-9897**



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2017 ST. PATRICK'S DAY ACTIVITIES

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2017

GRAND MARSHAL DINNER
6 PM No Host Cocktails - 7 PM Dinner
\$80 per person
United Irish Cultural Center - 2700 45th Avenue

FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2017 - TBD

10:00 AM FLAG RAISING
CO-HOSTED BY THE HONORABLE MAYOR EDWIN M. LEE
AND THE UNITED IRISH SOCIETIES OF SAN FRANCISCO
City Hall Rotunda

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2017

HONORING COMMODORE JOHN BARRY
10:00 AM VETERANS RETIREMENT HOME
4150 Clement Street at 42nd Avenue

SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2017

2:00 PM ST. ANNE'S LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR
300 Lake Street at 3rd Avenue

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2017

9:00 AM ST. PATRICK'S DAY MASS
Reception in Parish Hall
St. Patrick's Church, 756 Mission St. at 3rd Street
11:30 AM ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE & FESTIVAL
2nd and Market Streets to Civic Center

SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2017

45TH AVENUE BLOCK PARTY

SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2017

9:00 AM LAGUNA HONDA HOSPITAL
10:00 AM MASS
Laguna Honda Blvd. and Woodside Drive
2:00 PM ALMA VIA RETIREMENT HOME
1 Thomas More Way

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017

FR. PETER C. YORKE DAY
10:00 AM MASS - ALL SAINTS MAUSOLEUM
HOLY CROSS CEMETERY, 1500 MISSION RD., COLMA

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017 - TBD

ROBERT EMMET DAY

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— LUNCH —

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11:30AM TO 2PM**

— DINNER —

**THURSDAY & SUNDAY
5PM TO 8:30PM**

**Friday & Saturday
5PM TO 9:00PM**

— **SUNDAY BRUNCH** —
10AM TO 2PM

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MARCH 3 ~ ROSE OF TRALEE SELECTION



MARCH 11 ~ UICC ANNUAL CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER
AFTER THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

MARCH 17 ~ CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY
AT THE CENTER

APRIL 9 ~ THE YOUNG IRELANDERS

