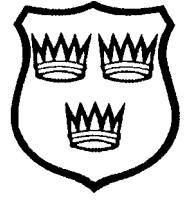




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## **BOARD MESSAGE**

Dear Members,

The Board and our Committees are working hard to prepare for what we hope will be an exciting new year for the Center in 2019. In January, we transition to new Board leadership and anticipate the election of Anne Cassidy Carew, a long standing member, as our new Board President.

We would love to see our entire community join in our optimism for the future, since the Board cannot accomplish much without your personal commitment to the Center, including paying our modest membership dues, volunteering or making donations.

We have an Asset worth millions of dollars that can be preserved and rejuvenated into a thriving Center of Irish Culture in San Francisco for the benefit of future generations.

We believe, that with your commitment, we can make steady progress in preserving our current investment in the building and keep our community coming to the Center to celebrate friendship and special occasions, all while creating a long-term vision and strategic plan.

For example, we would like to make some near-term improvements to rejuvenate the Member's Room to create a warm and welcoming atmosphere, including couches, chairs, tables, a coffee machine and tea service, and other improvements. It would become a place where Members can gather during Center business hours with other members and their guests, a potential new component of Membership benefits!

However, with estimates of about \$20,000 for this project, it would take 154 Membership renewals out of our roughly 1,100 Active Members just to cover this small cost for the Member's Room. Perhaps we can find a Sponsor for the entire project, wouldn't that be awesome? If interested in becoming a sponsor please contact a board member.

We're also working on concepts to create a direct connection from the Center into the Dowling Library so it will be easier to experience the amazing collection of books and historical artifacts collected over the years. We will be working with interested Members to create this vision and a fund-raising plan.

Stay tuned for other initiatives that will provide monthly Membership gatherings to include food, cocktails, and special cultural presentations, including whiskey tastings, all to be developed by the Board and other volunteers.

We appreciate your patience as we work through so many details to ensure that the transition to the new way of operating at the Center will be seamless for our members and friends. Please join us on January 10th at 7:30 to learn more and bring suggestions and solutions for the upcoming year.

2019  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Michael Barnacle  
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Maggie Overbay  
Michael Bowler  
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James Sweeney

Here's an update on some other things to expect starting January 1, 2019:

- Please enter the Building through the Front Door Entrance Only so we can control access and the security for our employees and members. Please also check-in at the Office by the front door and sign-in to our Membership Book.

- Our Catering and Event Package will be posted to our Website soon! We are working out all the pertinent details with Knight's Catering, a Local 2 Union operator, that is the only approved caterer at this time per the union. We are continuing discussions with the union to find additional solutions that will allow us to attract more opportunities for cost effective room rentals and catering packages at the Center.

- Our Staff: As part of the transition we will regrettably be saying goodbye to two very long-standing and loyal staff members, Teresa Moore and Mary Magee. We wish them well on their new adventures.

- As of January 1st we will have two employees on site:

Marcus Tolero, Marketing and Event Manager. Marcus will coordinate space availability with you and connect you with our Catering resource and other services to enhance your event experience at the Center. He will also be on-site to welcome our Clubs on our Tuesday and Wednesday evening "Club Meeting Nights", or at other times by appointment.

Ligia Torres, Membership and Accounting Director, already well-known to many of you, will keep our books in shape, work with our outside Auditor, and oversee our Membership services.

Board and Member Volunteers. We need you! Please contact Marcus Tolero to learn about ways that you can get involved.

2018 Board & Officers Departing from the Board: We will say goodbye to 5 dedicated Board Members this year, Bill Luque, Jo Coffey, Caitie O'Shea, Valerie McGrew, and James Sweeney. We are fortunate that they will all continue to support the Center by participating on various committees going forward.

2019 Board and Officers: Anne Cassidy Carew has the full support of our Board Members for the role of Board President, which will be voted on during our first Board meeting in January. Board members include: Michael Barnacle, Michael Bowler, Josephine Brogan, Anne Cassidy Carew, Shannon Durkan, Brian Gaffney, Patricia Hayes, Jim McFadden, Rebeca Moran, Peggy Nevin, Maggie Overbay, Patrick Shannon, and Patrick Shannon, Jr.

Regular Hours of Operation for the Members Room, Offices & Library:

Day	Hours	Other information
Tue	1:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Members Room Open, Club Meeting Night
Wed	1:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Members Room Open, Club Meeting Night
Thu	10:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Members Room Open. Library: 1:30-4:30
Fri	10:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Members Room Open. Library: 1:30-4:30
Sat	10:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Members Room Open. Library: 1:30-4:30
Sun	Closed	
Mon	Closed	

Office Location: Please say hello to Marcus and Ligia when you enter by the front door. Ligia and Marcus will be found in the two offices at the main entrance. We may repurpose the current office space as a Meeting Room.

Members Room:

The Members Room is open to Members and their Guests at no charge (not intended for meetings) during our scheduled hours, unless scheduled for a special event, in which case we will provide an alternate space for members to gather. Come and read, play a game, or simply relax with fellow Members and friends. Coffee and tea service will be provided throughout the day in the Member's Room. Please sign in at the Member's Room upon arrival and note the name of your guests.

Club Meeting Nights: All Irish Clubs and Organizations are welcome and we ask that you please schedule with us in advance. \$30 for up to 4 hours. Discount Rate of \$300 for up to 12 meetings per year, payable in advance. Other times may be available by appointment. Meetings must include one Active Member. Meetings can also be scheduled on other days based on availability. Please notify us in advance by calling or emailing Marcus Tolero, Marketing & Event Coordinator at [mtolero@irishcentersf.org](mailto:mtolero@irishcentersf.org) or (415) 661-2700.

We wish all of our members, and friends a Happy New Year! Please remember to check back regularly on our website/social media, volunteer, verify we have your updated email and address, renew your membership and/or make a donation! All of this can be done on our website and or in person at the Center. Here's to a brilliant 2019!

Slainte,

Michael Barnacle & Anne Cassidy Carew, *on behalf of the Board of Directors*

# JANUARY CALENDAR

## ■ JANUARY 8, TUESDAY

- Warrior Irish Heritage Night ~ *See Ad*

## ■ JANUARY 10, THURSDAY

- IIPC Mass & Luncheon ~ Noon ~ *See Ad*  
Contact Joan at the IIPC for reservations and information 415/752-6006

- General Members Meeting ~ 7:30pm

- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class

7:30pm to 9:15pm ~ Main Bar area

For info call Josephine Brogan 415-264-8856

## ■ JANUARY 12, SATURDAY

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

“The Irish Uprising” an audio visual presentation  
UICC, 3rd floor Boardroom

All welcome. \$5 donation appreciated.

Contact Lisa at: [hilmoe.gleason@gmail.com](mailto:hilmoe.gleason@gmail.com)

## ■ JANUARY 17, THURSDAY

- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class

7:30pm ~ Main Bar area

For info call Josephine Brogan 415-264-8856

## ■ JANUARY 22,, TUESDAY

- Cairde Café/Coffee Morning ~ 10:00am - 12:30pm ~ *See Ad*

Come and join in on this informal gathering of friends,  
old and new and enjoy your morning coffee or tea! RSVP

Joan at the IIPC 415/752-6006

## ■ JANUARY 24, THURSDAY

- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class

7:30pm ~ Main Bar area

For info call Josephine Brogan 415-264-8856

## ■ JANUARY 27, SUNDAY

- Irish Literary & Historical Society presents writer Emer Martin, who will speak about her widely acclaimed newest novel “The Cruelty Men” a sweeping multi-generational view of an Irish-speaking family who moved from Kerry to the Meath Gaeltacht and the disasters that befall their children in Irish institutions.

UICC St. Francis Room ~ 5pm

ILHS members free, visitors \$5

## ■ JANUARY 31, THURSDAY

- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class

7:30pm ~ Main Bar area

For info call Josephine Brogan 415-264-8856

### DEADLINE for FEBRUARY 2019 BULLETIN is JANUARY 15

Please call the UICC with questions  
at 415/661-2700

or email: [falconassoc@earthlink.net](mailto:falconassoc@earthlink.net)  
or call 415/468-4130

## PATRICK J. DOWLING LIBRARY

January 12, 2018 - 2:30 pm - Saturday

Boardroom, United Irish Cultural Center



Join the Irish Marvels, Past & Present for an audio-visual presentation centered around “The Irish Uprising”, a vinyl album which tells the story of Ireland’s fight for freedom through songs and ballads, interviews with survivors and excerpts from speeches by its leaders and includes music by Tommy Makem and the Clancy Brothers. The album was donated to the library by long time UICC member, **Joe Galvin**. The library, which is partnering with the Irish Marvels on this presentation, will also share with the audience a small part of its collection relating to the Rising including information about the role of the San Francisco Irish in the Rising.

**IRISH HERITAGE NIGHT  
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# ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM

Thursday, January 10, 2019

## Mass at St. Philip's Church, Noe Valley

Join us to celebrate Mass with Fr. Brendan McBride as he welcomes us to celebrate and give thanks for a new year in his parish of St. Philip's in Noe Valley. Bus and luncheon included.

**11.15 a.m. Bus departs UICC** 2700 45th Ave, San Francisco

**12.00 p.m. Mass** celebrated by Fr. Brendan McBride

St. Philip's Church, 725 Diamond Street, San Francisco

followed by a specially catered lunch at St. Philip's.

**3.15 p.m. Bus returns to UICC**

**\*\*Advance booking & payment required by January 2!\*\***

Tickets - \$25

RSVP to Joan at 415.752.6006

**ALL WELCOME**

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# ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM

## CAIRDE CAFÉ

### COFFEE MORNING

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

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.** Inter-County Table Quiz  
*Quiz master Joan will test your knowledge of Ireland!*

**11.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.** BINGO & Cards  
*Try your hand at 25s with Jerry Cassidy and Bingo with Jannette Masterson.*

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

For more info contact Joan at 415.752.6006

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.

Event Donation: \$5

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# PHIL COULTER CONCERT

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

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 Irelands Call and the haunting Scorn Not His Simplicity and Steal Away.

<https://sfrishcenter.vbotickets.com/events>

*We welcome him back to San Francisco  
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 **SAVE** the **DATE**

Sunday, February 10 ~ Phil Coulter Concert  
with Special Guest Geraldine Brannigan

Sunday, February 24 ~ Irish Literary & Historical Society  
presents Evelyn Rose on Pioneering Aviator Daniel Maloney



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