

# Foras Cultuir Gaeil Aontuighthe

# United Irish Cultural Center, Inc.





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# **BOARD MESSAGE**

First things first — WE ARE OPEN! AND we ended the first month of 2019 positive.

# SUPPORT YOUR CENTER.

I encourage you:

- I. To regularly check out our website or Facebook, monthly UICC Bulletin or the Herald for an upcoming opportunity for you to chat with Board members.
- 2. Mark your calendar for our upcoming events. Have you bought your Dervish tickets yet? They are brilliant! Come out for Saint Patrick's day weekend.
- 3. Renew your membership. \$150 per person that's equal to \$12.50 a month.
- 4. Make a donation supporting our transitional phase.
- 5. Learn how you can help continue the UICC Leo T. Walsh Scholarship Program.

  Create a scholarship in honor of your parents or grandparents. Encourage your loved ones

  (8th graders and HS seniors) to submit a scholarship application. (Due 3/17/19.)
- 6. Stop by our Irish library. There is always something new to explore. You could learn more about Saint Patrick and his amazing contribution to Ireland.
- 7. Book your next meeting at the Irish Center.
- 8. Book your next event/party/gathering at the Center with Knights Catering-Local 2 as your Caterer.
- 9. Learn Set dancing on Thursday nights with Comhaltas.
- 10. Learn the Irish Language on Saturday mornings.

In the month of March, our library is open and promotes and supports all aspects of Irish Culture. Please take time to visit this special part of our Center this month. Storytelling for the Irish is one of the finest attributes the Irish have shared with the world. Saint Patrick is an example of one of our greatest stories ever passed down from many centuries. I didn't know much about Saint Patrick except that he taught the trinity with the shamrock and that he drove the snakes out of Ireland. Additionally, he was a man that was brave, compassionate, determined and faithful and died at 76 years old.

Our partners continue to collaborate and work with the Center and we are grateful for our deep long term relationships that have forged for the last 45 years. The United Irish Societies is scheduled to honor the Grand Marshall of the Saint Patrick's Day Parade on March Ist. Rose of Tralee selection, March 2nd.

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The month of March celebrates St. Patrick's Day by bringing in traditional Irish Music, food, and dance co-sponsored with our member Irish clubs. Some of these clubs include the Comhaltas Ceoltóiri Éireann and the Irish schools of dance, United Irish Societies, Gaelic Athletic Association, Irish Youth Football League, Irish Pipers, Irish Immigration Pastoral Center, and Irish American Crossroads. Check out our website to see how Comhaltas and the Irish Pipers continue to have classes promoting language, dance, and music.

Some members have said that they will not pay their membership dues or make a donation without seeing "progress"? What equates to progress? Well, if I can be so frank, progress for me is that we are not in the red. That we had a positive month. Progress is that we have a fun-filled March planned and we continue to work with our wonderful partners.

Almost half of our budget relies upon membership dues and donations. Progress for me would also be if we exceeded our budgeted membership dues and donation amounts. Progress would be if more members supported the Center and had faith in the future like Saint Patrick. Progress is that we have Knights Catering that is providing exceptional service and amazing food. Progress for me is planning more member events similar to the Irish New Year's Eve and the Super Bowl gathering where families can come together.

# If you're lucky enough to be Irish, then you're lucky enough!

Anne Cassidy-Carew, President

Peter & Patricia Quirke

# "An Irish Christmas" At a wonderful concert with wonderful people! ~ December 9, 2018 ~



Mary Scanlon, Ed Carew & Joannie O'Leary



Margaret McAuliffe, John Manning, Peggy O'Sullivan & Josephine Brogan.



Connie Lynch, Anne Cassidy-Carew & Cathy Mibach.

# MARCH CALENDAR

- MARCH I, FRIDAY
- Grand Marshal Dinner ~ 6:00pm
- MARCH 2, SATURDAY
- Rose of Tralee Selection ~ 6:00pm
- MARCH 14, THURSDAY
- IIPC Mass & Luncheon  $\sim 12:15 pm \sim See Ad$ Contact Joan at the IIPC for reservations and information 415/752-6006
- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class ~ 7:30pm ~ Main Bar area For info call Josephine Brogan 415-264-8856
- MARCH 16, SATURDAY
- UICC Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner ~ 3:00pm \$20 per person ~ Music - upstairs and downstairs
- MARCH 17, SUNDAY
- UICC Block Party ~ II:00am Java beach and the Unitied Irish Societies
- $\bullet$  Restaurant will be open for Dinner  $\sim 4:00 pm$  8:00 pm Call the UICC for reservations and details
- Leo Walsh Scholarship deadline
- MARCH 21, THURSDAY
- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class  $\sim 7:30 \,\mathrm{pm} \sim \mathrm{Main}$  Bar area For info call Josephine Brogan 415-264-8856

Irish Marvels, Past & Present will resume in April

- MARCH 24, SUNDAY
- DERVISH ~ 3:00pm ~ See Ad Irish Traditional Folk Band
- MARCH 26, TUESDAY
- Cairde Café/Coffee Morning ~ I0:00am I2:30pm ~ See Ad
- MARCH 28, THURSDAY
- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class ~ 7:30pm ~ Main Bar area For info call Josephine Brogan 415-264-8856
- MARCH 30, SATURDAY
- Irish American Crossroads Festival 2019
- @ 12:00pm-I:30pm ~ Writer and blogger Elizabeth Creely will show you how to tell your family's story and map your family's past using city directions, census data and digitized news sources.
- @ I:00pm-3:00pm ~ 9th annual event honoring the life histories of participants in The Irish Oral History Archive of the San Francisco Bay Area, a project of Irish-American Crossroads. Bring the whole family to this wonderful event!
- MARCH 31, SUNDAY
- Irish Mother's Day
- Comhaltas St. Patrick's Ceili ~ 6:30pm 9:30pm

# DEADLINE for APRIL 2019 BULLETIN is MARCH 15

Questions? Contact: Adrienne Verreos at 415/468-4130

or email: falconassoc@earthlink.net

# PATRICK J. DOWLING LIBRARY



# SAN FRANCISCO HISTORY DAYS

March 2 & 3, I - 4 pm

Old Mint at 5th & Mission Streets

Visit the Old Mint on the first weekend in March and join dozens of organizaions celebrating and telling the stories of the City's unique past. You will meet community historians, archivists, genealogists, archaeologists, researchers, educators, re-enactors, and other history

enthusiasts at this FREE, all-ages weekend event at the historic site.

The UICC will be represented by the UICC History/Heritage Committee who will be sharing the story of the Irish 49ers with the visitors at their table. Drop by and say hello. The story of the Irish 49ers is the theme of our latest exhibition at the Center. Pati Traktman, who researched and designed the exhibition, will be presenting at the Old Mint on March 4 at 3 pm.

# ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM



# Thursday, March 14, 2019

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

**12.15 p.m. Mass** Celebrated by Fr. Brendan McBride followed by luncheon

# St. Patrick's Day Luncheon

Join us at the UICC to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We will enjoy a delicious corned beef luncheon provided by Knights Catering. To be followed by music and entertainment from local musican Christy O'Connell, who will make sure our Irish eyes are smiling! Be sure to wear one of your forty shades of green as we celebrate the Feast of our Patron Saint!

\*\*\*ADVANCE BOOKING & PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY MARCH 6\*\*\*

Tickets - \$25

RSVP to Joan at 415.752.6006

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# CAIRDE CAFÉ

**COFFEE MORNING** 

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

**United Irish Cultural Center** 

Members Room - 2700 45th Avenue, San Francisco



10.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. Cards

Join us for a hand of 25's with Jerry Cassidy!

**11.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.** BINGO Janette will be calling numbers for a full house!

**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 variety of activities to enjoy. Our newest addition of the Inter-County Quiz is a firm favorite!

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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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).

Please call <u>Bridget Kelly - Administrator</u> to arrange a tour of the facility and enjoy a complimentary lunch.



# Time to: RENEW - SUBSCRIBE 2019 UICC BULLETIN

TO RECEIVE THE UICC BULLETIN for 2019 PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN THIS FORM ALONG WITH A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30.00

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Your subscription period is January 2019 through December 2019

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Mitzi Samson & Maureen Hickey

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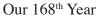
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# **D**ERVISH

SUNDAY
MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup>
3:00 PM

The hauntingly charismatic vocals of Cathy Jordan and the dazzling virtuosity of award-winning instrumentalists Tom Morrow on fiddle, Liam Kelly on flute, and Shane Mitchell on accordion, Dervish is a solid structure of a band, its foundation in legendary pub sessions, have shaped the result of years of international touring.





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# 2019 ST. PATRICK'S DAY ACTIVITIES

### FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2019

Grand Marshal Dinner
6 PM No Host Cocktails - 7 PM Dinner
United Irish Cultural Center - 2700 45th Avenue

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2019**

**10:00 AM** VETERANS RETIREMENT HOME 4150 Clement Street at 42nd Avenue

2:00 PM St. Anne's Little Sisters of the Poor 300 Lake Street

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2019

11:00 AM FLAG RAISING At City Hall

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2019**

9:00 AM LAGUNA HONDA HOSPITAL Laguna Honda Blvd. and Woodside Drive

2:00 PM ALMA VIA RETIREMENT HOME 1 Thomas More Way

### SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2019

9:00 AM St. Patrick's Day Mass & Reception 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 17, 2019** 

**12:00 PM BLOCK PARTY @ UICC** 2700 - 45t Avenue

# SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019

FR. PETER C. YORKE DAY

10:00 AM MASS - ALL SAINTS MAUSOLEUM

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### **SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019**

KATE KENNEDY DAY 11:30 AM

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# **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019**

ROBERT EMMET DAY 12:15 PM

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