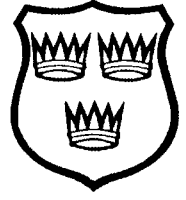




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BOARD MESSAGE

Dear UICC Members

I have been racking my brain for the Month of May Bulletin...and what to say. I sat my husband down and told him what I was trying to say and his response very matter of fact, "Well Anne, just say it," and so I will.

It's the middle of April and so much has taken place for the last 100 days with still so much more to do. We have hired new part time staff to support our cultural mission and event venue program. "Céad Míle Fáilte" Lisa Michelis and Diana Zogaric.

I would like to remind you of who the board members are. I mention all their names to say **THANK YOU** and to recognize the hours, the time and the energy that everyone of these board members dedicate to our CENTER. There are many many moving parts to focus on during our transitional period and lots of work to be done. **THANK YOU** Michael Barnacle, Mike Bowler, Josephine Brogan, Shannon Durkan, Brian Gaffney, Patty Hayes, Jim McFadden, Tom McKeon, Rebecca Moran, Peggy Nevin, Maggie Overbay, Liam Reidy, Patrick Shannon Sr. and Patrick Shannon Jr.

By the time this bulletin goes out, the UICC Leo T. Walsh Scholarship Program Committee will have selected the 2019 finalists. This successful program celebrates its 26th year, growing leaps and bounds since its inception in 1994. A big **THANK YOU** to the dedicated scholarship committee. More news about the May 1st awards presentation in the June bulletin.

If you find yourself with extra time on your hands, we have many opportunities to volunteer. Please email the center at <https://irishcentersf.org/contact/#email>. Also during our events, we always need volunteers to help- it's a way for you to give back to **YOUR CENTER**.

Speaking of volunteers: A BIG **THANK YOU** to Mark and Molly Burke for organizing and supporting the Frank O'Connor guest appearance. It was a brilliant night and we could not have done it without the following volunteers. Michael Barnacle- Mike Bowler- Josephine Brogan- Lynn Burkart- Anne Cassidy Carew- Shannon Durkan- Suzy Hart- Paul Haettenschwiller- Patty Hayes-Che Heron- Morgan Kulla- Marilyn Lara- Thomas McKeon- Kathleen McKeon- Mike McKeon- Donagh Mekown-Peggy Nevin- Liam Reidy- Carmelle Reiser- David Reiser

Updates:

- The audit is in full swing. As soon as we have an idea as to when it will be completed, we will set a date for our Members meeting.
- We have a team of people that have been working on finalizing the details to our event venue rental program.
- We have the cultural committee planning events to support our Cultural programming. Last Saturday, there was an amazing exhibit sponsored by Irish Marvels and the UICC History Committee -The Day Before and The Day After April 18th, 1906, earthquake photos were captured by photographer and police, Charles Fennell.
- Now that we are a non profit, we are speaking to all vendors about the non profits status benefits and dis-

counts so that we can put the money back into supporting our cultural CENTER.

• Thank you to Micheal Bowler, Martin Falvey and John Manning our wonderful Building team as they continue to support our UICC. Thank you to Steve Cloherty of the electrician's union and also to Century Electric for all the work that has been done at the UICC.

It's time to start talking about **our future**. I could write about the future of the Center and take up the 8 pages in this bulletin but I turn to our members for sentiment and feedback. It excites me that we have an opportunity to revitalize the "Accomplished Dream" by celebrating and promoting Irish history and culture while expanding cross-cultural partnerships. Honoring the work of the Irish and their impact on San Francisco history. Expanding and maintaining cultural programs and activities to connect, promote, foster, and preserve the legacy and traditional values of Ireland in literature, art, music, folklore, language, drama, dancing and sports AND we have a 20,000 square foot building to do all of this in.

What do we need at the Center? I have created a checklist below that can be scanned or mailed attention Anne Cassidy Carew.

Please circle the top ten upgrades and/or programs you would like to see happen in the next year.

Your name _____ Member number _____

Storefront tea shop promoting Barry's tea and baked goods

Irish Gift shop

State of the Art Stage area for plays and concerts -

Reception/lobby area

Museum of San Francisco Irish Heritage honoring the contributions of the Irish in San Francisco

Updated and expanded Library with tables for research

Genealogy Center- with computers,

Classrooms/meeting rooms

Space for other Irish organizations

Music sound room- top of the line

Rooftop members lounge

Upgraded bathrooms

Windows 1st and 2nd floor

Updated ballroom

Redesign bar/restaurant space

Irish Speakers series

More Irish concerts

Irish whiskey tasting

Irish Soda bread competition

Corn beef competition

Irish wine maker tastings

A Feis

Irish crafts fair

Irish language children and adult classes

Irish dance children and adult classes

Irish open seisuns

Irish karaoke evening

Cultural Programming

Cross cultural programming with partners in the community

Irish farmers market- vendors bring their goods and sell at the Center

All things Irish antique/flea market

Library/museum/genealogy accessible 5-7 days a week in the heart of the building

Children and adult tin whistle classes, fiddle and bodhran classes all week; summer camps/workshops.

Invite artists to show art displays.

Writers/poets/authors book signing/

Poetry/writing competition- slam poetry nights

Irish movie night – monthly

Irish comedy night

Photo/scrapbook night

MAY CALENDAR

■ MAY 5, SUNDAY

- Retirement Party for Joanne Hayes-White ~ *See Ad*

■ MAY 9, THURSDAY

- IIPC Mass & Luncheon ~ *See Ad*

Contact Joan at the IIPC for reservations and information 415/752-6006 - *Space is Limited*

- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class ~ 7:30pm ~ Main Bar area
For info call Josephine Brogan 415-264-8856

■ MAY 10, FRIDAY

- The U2 Experience- Music by the ZOO ~ *See Ad*

■ MAY 11, SATURDAY

- Irish Marvels, Past & Present

Join us for a field trip to Silicon Valley Irish Fleadh.

This two-day event features Irish performers both traditional and modern, Irish dancers, Irish arts & crafts, Irish food vendors and a Kids' Zone. All welcome.

For info on ride-sharing, etc

Contact Lisa at: hilmoe.gleason@gmail.com

■ MAY 16, THURSDAY

- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class ~ 7:30pm ~ Main Bar area
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■ MAY 23, THURSDAY

- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class ~ 7:30pm ~ Main Bar area
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■ MAY 28, TUESDAY

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

■ MAY 30, THURSDAY

- Comhaltas Set Dancing Class ~ 7:30pm ~ Main Bar area
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ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM

Thursday, May 9, 2018

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

Kate Fitzpatrick, SF Paratransit Mobility Management

Our speaker, Kate Fitzpatrick joins us from SFMTA SF Paratransit. She is a mobility management specialist, and will give a presentation on 'The Many Ways to Get Around Town'. She will have information on transportation options and services available for Seniors, such as the Van Gogh Shuttle, Shop-a-round and SF Access - ADA Paratransit.

Tickets - \$25

PAYMENT MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE

by Wednesday May 1 to Joan at 415.752.6006

ALL WELCOME



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ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB OUTREACH PROGRAM

CAIRDE CAFÉ

COFFEE MORNING

Tuesday, May 28, 2019

10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

United Irish Cultural Center

St. Francis Room - 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. - 12.00 p.m. Activities!

CARDS: Try your luck and enjoy a game of 25's with Jerry

BINGO: Hosted by Janette

QUIZ: Hosted by Joan

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 to 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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5:30 TO 7:00 P.M. IRISH MUSIC & DANCERS
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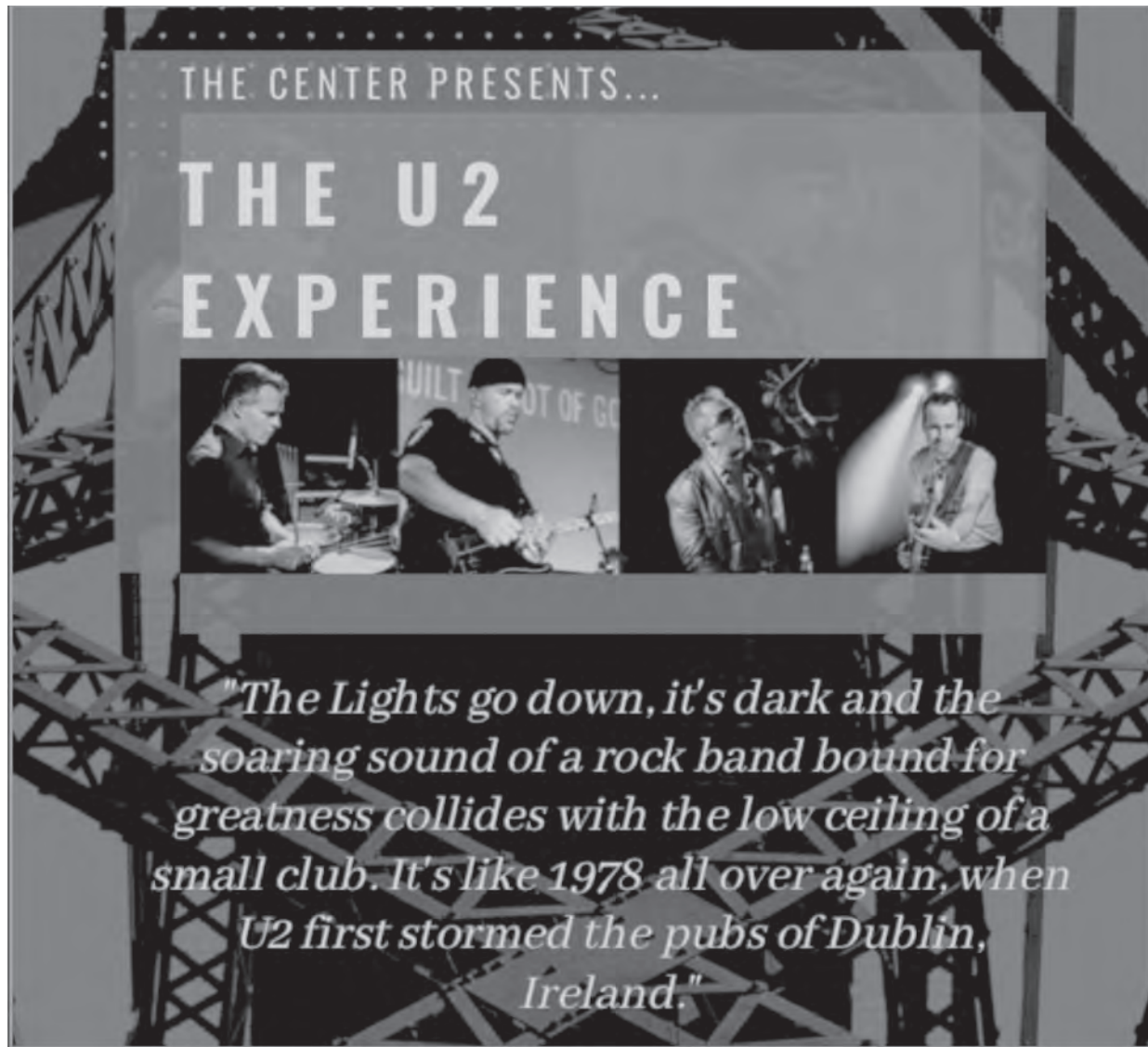
Tickets can be purchased online at: Hayes-White.eventbrite.com

Anyone who cannot buy online can contact us.

For more information email kathleen@littlecablecars.com or call 415-307-2433.

No tickets will be sold at the door

*The Generations Fund was established to enhance the facilities of the UICC and to continue to provide and promote cultural programs to solidify the Center's role as an enduring home for the preservation of Irish culture, heritage and brotherhood in San Francisco.



MAY 10, 2019

LIVE MUSIC by: ZOO STATION

Ticket on sale now!

The Center is excited to host established U2 tribute band Zoo Station downstairs in a rock concert format. Zoo Station has played over 600 shows and now flourishes a repertoire of more than 160 U2 songs. The band is bringing in professional lights and professional sound, so be ready for the rooms to be “loud with a crowd”.



Sunday, June 9^h Remembrance of Kate Kennedy 1:30pm
Pioneer Advocate for Women’s Rights and Workers’ Rights,
Cypress Lawn Cemetery, Colma.

Friday, June 28th De Bogman - Storytelling & physical comedy

Sunday, June 30th 8th Annual Mad Hatter Tea Party 1pm - 3pm

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