

SCÉAL ÉILE

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE COOLEY-KEEGAN BRANCH OF COMHALTAS CEOLTÓIRÍ ÉIREANN

From the Chairman

A chairde,

The summer seems to have finally arrived - it's been heating up and the fog has been rolling in over the hills from the sea. It makes for a lovely sight.

We have a few things going on in the month ahead. We have several musicians visiting from Ireland; Patrick Egan who is playing at the Shannon Arms and other pubs throughout the City. He has been here for some weeks now, and if you have not gone to see him, you are missing out. Also we have returning to us one Denis Liddy, leader of the of Barefield Céilí Band. He is without the band, but will be playing at selected venues in the Bay area. On Friday July 29th, he is playing a house concert at Angeline LeLeux's house in Cupertino. I know that it's a little late for most of us to make that one, but bear in mind that Angeline does have a nice concert series going. For more info on this and other concerts, please contact here directly via e-mail at angeline@angeline-leleux.com

Slan,
Michael

General Meetings

The next General Meetings of the Membership will be on Tuesday August 2nd and September 6th at 7:30pm at the United Irish Cultural Center.

Ceili's this Month

There will be a Children's Ceili on Sunday, August 21st from 4-6 p.m. at the UICC, St. Patrick's Room (Stage Side-Upstairs). There will be a live band, songs, stories, ceili dancing and musical demonstration. Contact: Michael Murphy, 415-786-1337 or irishboogieman@yahoo.com.

The Irish Network will have a Ceili on Saturday, August 27, 8 p.m.-11:30ish; St. Athanasius Parish Hall, 160 N. Rengstorff Avenue in Mountain View; Admission: \$10 for non-members; \$8 for Irish Network members. Two complimentary drink tix. Ceili dancing with some set dancing. Live band. Contact: Michael Murphy, 415-564-7188 or irishboogieman@yahoo.com.

Our 'CCE' nights at the UICC have been very well attended. Thank you all for helping to make this a big success. There will not be a CCE night for August; they will resume in September.

Set Dancing Classes

There will not be any Thursday lessons at UICC during the month of August. We will still meet at the Plough and Stars as usual. Lessons will resume on the second Thursday in September (the 8th).

Josephine Moore's Wednesday classes in Milbrae are also suspended for the month of August. Join us again in September when classes resume.



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Song and Storytelling

The next CCE Singing and Storytelling session will be hosted by Madeleine Adkins in Oakland on Friday, August 5th @ 8pm. Contact info:

Madeleine Adkins
276 Adams St. #17
Oakland 94610
(510) 891-3953

The September 2nd session contact info:

John Hopkirk
145 Highland Ave.
San Carlos, Ca. 94070
hopkirk@earthlink.net



CCE Conventions

To make reservations for the 2006 convention contact Lisa Pharazis, Crowne Plaza Chicago O'Hare. Her direct line is: 847-928-3743.

An important item on our agenda over the next few months will be the North American Convention in 2008. We must make a proposal and commitment to the Province at the next Provincial meeting to be held in Chicago this November - just three months away. This will be discussed at the next few Board meetings and if any of you would like to help out with the convention planning, please be sure to attend these meetings.



Gaeilge - Irish Language



Oíche Ghaeltachta, Dé Domhnaigh, 21 Lúnasa. Hayward, 6:30 i.n. (3ú Domhnach de mhí) - comhrá as Gaeilge agus seisiún ceoil agus amhránaíocht ar an tseannós. "Ádh an phóta" don dinnéar: 6:30; seisiún thart fá 8:00 i.n. An chéad ceann eile: 18 Meán Fómhair 2005, in Hayward. Seoaldh agus treoreacha le fáil: gaeilge@ccewest.org, (510) 881-5958

Gaeltacht Night, Hayward, Sunday 21 August, 6:30p.m. (3rd Sunday of the month) - conversation in Irish and a music and sean-nós singing session. "Pot luck" dinner: 6:30; session: about 8:00 p.m. Next one: 18 September 2005, in Hayward. Address and directions: gaeilge@ccewest.org, (510) 881 5958.



Condolences



All of us would like to express our sincere sympathy to Mary McDonagh and her family on the recent passing of her Father, Michael Healy.

Mary McDonagh also wanted to express her thanks: "On behalf of Eileen, my sisters Joan and Kathy, myself and our families we would like to thank each and everyone for the lovely floral arrangement and thoughtful expressions of sympathy. We would like to gratefully acknowledge and thank all those who came to the wake and funeral. Frank and I feel honoured to be part of such a great group of people. Thank you again."



Irish Night at SBC Park



The San Francisco Giants are having another Irish Night featuring Coulands Hounds and cool hats. UICC would like to book a block of tickets. If you are interested, contact Bob Twomey, President of UICC at telephone: 415 661-2700 or bob2mey@yahoo.com

Irish Night at SBC Park -- August 22nd
SF Giants vs Phillies 7:15game



Irish Immersion Weekend



Deireadh Seachtaine Gaeltachta 2005
(SF Bay Area Irish Language Immersion Weekend)
September 23-25
6PM Friday through 4:30PM Sunday
Venue: United Irish Cultural Center, San Francisco.

Increase your confidence and fluency in Irish, or make a good start on learning it! Four class levels!!!

The Deireadh Seachtaine Gaeltachta features intensive tutorials focusing on spoken language and increasing fluency. Teachers are native speakers of Irish, who travel to SF for this weekend course. Bring instruments and your voices for seisiúin each evening, when we'll enjoy playing music, and sharing songs, poetry, stories, and craic in Irish.

Info & registration form available at:
<http://www.OneSourceGraphics.com/Gaeilge/DeireadhSeachtaine.html>
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August 2005

DÉ DOMHNAIGH SUNDAY	DÉ LUAN MONDAY	DÉ MÁIRT TUESDAY	DÉ Céadaoin WEDNESDAY	DÉARDAIN THURSDAY	DÉ h-Aoine FRIDAY	DÉ SATHAIRN SATURDAY
	1	2 <u>CCÉ Meeting</u> U.I.C.C.	3	4 <u>Set Dancing</u> Plough & Stars w/ Shannon Ceili Band	5 <u>Song Seisiún</u> Madeleine Adkin's Oakland	6
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Fiddler's Green - 333 El Camino Real, Millbrae, (650) 697-3419

Ireland's 32 - 3920 Geary Blvd. (Between 3rd and 4th), San Francisco, (415) 386-6173

I.O.O.F. Hall - 113 South B Street, San Mateo

Nikki's House - Call or e-mail for directions: (510) 881 5958 or gaelge@ccwest.org

Plough and Stars - 116 Clement Ave. (Between 2nd and 3rd), San Francisco, (415) 751-1122

U.I.C.C. - 2700 45th Ave. (At Sloat Blvd.), San Francisco, (415) 661-2700



Set Dancing



Every Wednesday: Fiddler's Green in Millbrae at 8:00pm. Please contact Josephine for information (650) 372-9659.
(Classes suspended for the month of August)

1st Thursday: Plough and Stars in San Francisco at 8:00pm. Music by the Shannon Céili Band.

2nd through last Thursdays:

- ~~Lessons at the United Irish Cultural Center (UICC) in San Francisco at 7:30pm -- check at bar for room. Taped music.~~
(Lessons suspended for the month of August)
- Plough and Stars in San Francisco at 9:30pm. Topsy House typically plays on the 2nd 4th and last Thursday; Shannon Ceili Band on the 1st and 3rd Thursday. Dancers are encouraged to contribute \$5 to support the live music.



Seisiún



Slow Seisiún:

- Ireland's 32, starting at 7:30pm on the 2nd and last Mondays of each month. This is intended for beginners learning to play traditional Irish tunes. Starting at 9:00pm more experienced musicians are encouraged to join in on the faster paced, more Traditional Seisiún which follows. All are welcome to come listen as well. Contact Michael Riemer or Michael Duffy for more information.
- Plough and Stars, starting at 8:30 on the second to last Tuesday of each month. This Seisiún follows the same format as the Ireland's 32 Slow Seisiún.

Seisiún: - 8:30 Sundays at the Plough and Stars, various hosts.

Song and Storytelling Seisiún: Held on the first Friday of each month, check the for exact details.

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