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

Events this Month

CCE Night at the UICC - On the third Saturday of the month, July 16th, CCE will host a night of dancing at the UICC Music begins at 7:30 with dancing at 8PM to live traditional Irish Music. Admission is free. Contact: Michael Riemer (riemer@ce.berkeley.edu). **No CCE Night in August.**

South Bay/ Peninsula - On Tuesdays we meet at Lily Mac's in Sunnyvale. Lessons: 7:30; Dance to live music 8-10. \$5 donation suggested. Info: Michael Murphy at irishboogieman@yahoo.com 415-999-6062.

East Bay - Starry Plough in Berkeley hosts ceili dancing on Mondays. Lessons from 7 to 9PM and dancing to live music from 9 to 11PM. Contact: John Slaymaker.

North Bay - No North Bay dancing in August. Mary McDonagh and Micheal Minihane teach Set Dancing on the second and fourth Fridays of the month at Brosnan School of Irish Dance from 7 to 9PM. There is a \$5 charge for this class. Tea and cakes or sweets will be served. Contact: Mary McDonagh (irishsetdancer@yahoo.com), Micheal Minihane (michealminihane@yahoo.com)

Children's Ceili - The next Children's Ceili may be held at the Irish Cultural Center in late August. **Stay tuned for details.** Comhaltas Members. Free. Non Comhaltas Members: \$5 per child or \$10 for two or more children.. Contact Josephine Brogan at 415-681-4803 or josephinebrogan@yahoo.com.

See calendar page for address, phone number and web page for all venues.

Deireadh Seachtain Gaeltachta

Bígi Linn!

The 13th annual Deireadh Seachtaine Gaeltachta (Irish language Immersion Weekend) takes place September 30 - October 2. This event features intensive tutorials focusing on spoken language and increasing fluency. Four class levels, beginning to advanced. Teachers are native speakers of Irish who travel into SF for this event. Meals included. Venue is UICC. Bring instruments & voices for sessions each evening -- playing music, & sharing songs, poetry, stories & craic in Irish.

More info, pictures, and online registration at: <http://www.OneSourceGraphics.com/Gaeilge/DeireadhSeachtaine.html> or contact 510 881 5958, or cce_gaeilge@ccewest.org

Song and Storytelling

There is no Seisiún in July. The next Singing and Storytelling Seisiún will be hosted by Thomas Clark on August 5th.

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General Meeting

General Meetings of the Membership are held on the first Tuesday of the month. The next ones will be on August 2nd starting at 7:30 at the UICC. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. (No meeting in July)



FOUNDED IN 1951, COMHALTAS CEOLTÓIRÍ ÉIREANN IS IRELAND'S PREMIERE CULTURAL MOVEMENT. WHEN YOU JOIN COMHALTAS, YOU JOIN PEOPLE IN MORE THAN 400 BRANCHES WORLDWIDE IN SUPPORT OF THE TRADITIONAL IRISH ARTS OF MUSIC, DANCE AND LANGUAGE. WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS. PLEASE CONTACT THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY FOR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION OR VISIT US ON THE WEB AT [HTTP://SF.CCEWEST.ORG](http://sf.ccewest.org)

Thank You Volunteers

Thank you to all who volunteered for the recent KALW pledge drive in May. KALW was able to meet its pledge drive goal! Special thanks to Tim Sullivan and Bill Ngai for volunteering to take pledges. For those who were not able to make it out for this pledge drive, there will be another pledge drive in the fall and volunteers are always very welcome. -- Jen Mahoney

CCE Classes

CCE sponsors the following classes at the UICC.

Adult Irish Language
Children's Tin Whistle
Children's Fiddle
Children & Adult Bodhran

For more information, please contact Josephine Brogan at josephinebrogan@yahoo.com or 415-681-4803.

Pre-registration and payment is required to secure a place for all classes.



The musicians for the Saint Patrick's float -- Lew Milligan, John Sherry, Linnea Sepe-Forrest and Sean O'Donnell. Not pictured are Barb Southworth and Michael Reimer



The "Live Oak Ceili Band" (Miliosa and Richard Lundy, Peter Persoff and Lew Milligan) performed at the 33rd San Francisco Ethnic Dance festival with the Murphy Irish Dance school



Set Dancing



1st Thursday: Plough and Stars in San Francisco at 8:00pm. Music by the Shannon Céilí 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:
- Plough and Stars in San Francisco at 9:30pm. Shannon Ceili Band typically plays on the 1st and 2nd Thursday; Topsy House on the 3rd and 4th and last Thursday;
- Dancers are encouraged to contribute \$5 to support the live music.

Tuesdays:

- Lily Mac's in Sunnyvale. Lessons: 7:30; Dance to live music 8-10. \$5 suggested to support the live music.

Mondays:

- Starry Plough in Berkeley: Ceili dancing on Mondays. Lessons from 7 to 9PM and dancing to live music from 9 to 11PM. Contact: John Slaymaker.

2nd and 4th Fridays:

- Brosnan School of Irish Dance in San Rafael: From 7 to 9 pm. There is a \$5 charge for this class. Contact: Mary McDonagh (irishsetdancer@yahoo.com), Micheal Minihane (michealminihane@yahoo.com)



Seisiún



Slow Seisiún:

- Junior Seisiun/slow seisiun is now held one hour prior to each Children's Ceili at the UICC. Please check the calendar for details and dates.

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

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

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Iúil 2011						
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Jun 26 <u>Seisiún</u> - Plough and Stars	27	28 <u>Set Dancing</u> Lily Mac's, Sunnyvale <u>Seisiún</u> Plough and Stars	29	30 <u>Set Dancing</u> UICC for class Plough & Stars w/ Shannon Ceili Band	Jul 1 <u>Song Seisiún</u> TBD	2
3 <u>Seisiún</u> - Plough and Stars	4	5 <u>Set Dancing</u> Lily Mac's, Sunnyvale <u>Seisiún</u> Plough and Stars	6	7 <u>Set Dancing</u> Plough & Stars w/ Shannon Ceili Band	8 <u>Set Dancing</u> Bronsan Dance Studio San Rafael	9
10 <u>Seisiún</u> - Plough and Stars	11	12 <u>Set Dancing</u> Lily Mac's Sunnyvale <u>Seisiún</u> - Plough and Stars	13	14 <u>Set Dancing</u> UICC for class Plough & Stars w/ Topsy House	15	16 <u>CCE Ceili</u> UICC 8PM w/ Live Music
17 <u>Seisiún</u> - Plough and Stars	18	19 <u>Set Dancing</u> Lily Mac's Sunnyvale <u>Seisiún</u> Plough and Stars	20	21 <u>Set Dancing</u> UICC for class Plough & Stars w/ Topsy House	22 <u>Set Dancing</u> Bronsan Dance Studio San Rafael	23
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LÚNASA 2011

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Jul 31 <u>Seisiún</u> Plough and Stars	Aug 1	2 <u>CCÉ Meeting</u> UICC 7:30PM <u>Set Dancing</u> Lily Mac's, Sunnyvale <u>Seisiún</u> - Plough and Stars	3	4 <u>Set Dancing</u> Plough & Stars w/ Shannon Ceili Band	5 <u>Song Seisiún</u> Thomas Clark Oakland	6
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Plough and Stars - 116 Clement Ave. (Between 2nd and 3rd), San Francisco, (415) 751-1122 theploughandstars.com

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

Lily Mac's - 118 S. Murphy St. Sunnyvale (between Washington and Evelyn Aves)

Starry Plough - 3101 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley (510) 841-2082 starryploughpub.com

Beckett's Irish Pub - 2271 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley (510) 647-1790 www.beckettsirishpub.com

Brosnan School of Irish Dance - 1879 2nd Street, San Rafael (415) 259-0992 brosnanschool.com

You can also visit the following websites for events:

San Francisco CCE - Cooley-Keegan Branch - sf.ccewest.org

Santa Cruz CCE - Clifford-Hoban Branch - www.folkplanet.com/cce