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MARIN IRISH AMERICAN CLUB NEWSLETTER











2010 CHRISTMAS PARTY, ANOTHER SUCCESS

By: Bernie Kelleher

Thanks to all of you who attended the Christmas party on Friday, December 10th. This MIAC was another great success.

The Club at McInnis once again did a fabulous job with the food. Grand Slam provided great music for dancing.

The silent auction and raffle were generously supported and thank you for all of your wonderful gift donations. The Scholarship Fund made quite a bit of money from the proceeds.

Remember Friday, December 9th, 2011 at McInnis. Grand Slam has also been reserved. Mark your calendars!

In memoriam:

Mrs. Evelyn O'Sullivan, mother of Rev. Cyril O'Sullivan died January 10th in County Cork, Ireland. Mrs. O' Sullivan was in her 80s and ill for quite some time.

Fr. Cyril, Pastor of St. Cecilia, Lagunitas and St. Mary, Nicasio and moderator of MIAC, left for Ireland to join his family, including is twin brother Oliver; sister, Yvonne and younger brother Claran and will remain in Ireland for a few weeks and should return at the end of January.

Please remember Fr. Cyril and his family in your prayers.









2010 MEMORIAL MASS AND IRISH BREAKFAST

Father 'O and St. Cecilia's provided a wonderful location and service for our annual event. Mary once again coordinated a full and satisfying Breakfast with all of the Irish fixings. It was a beautiful memorial-community gathering

for the 40 plus club members who attended. Everyone went away with a warm glow and a full stomach.

Thanks again to our Irish Chef, Brian McKeon for his hard work and delicious presentation. .



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2011 MIAC Calendar of Events

March 6th St. Patrick's Potluck Diner

St. Isabella Parish Center

Sundays Irish Music

uly Dixieland Jazz and Wine

Cline Winery

Nov Memorial Mass & Breakfast

St. Cecilia Lagunitas

Dec 9th Christmas Party

The Club at McInnis

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2011 CLUB EVENTS

The Board will meet in early February to plan our 2011 events. Once again we start with our mainstay events: St. Patrick's Potluck Dinner, our Cline Wine Jazz festival, Memorial Mass and Breakfast and Christmas party.

We hope to add some additional events and as always invite your input. Our copresident Tom has been contacted by the Oakland A's baseball team and is working on getting club tickets for the A's and Giants.



2011 SCHOLARSHIPS

Last year the Marin Irish American Club was proud to award three \$500.00 scholarships to deserving students, one presented in honor of John Trimble.. This year we will award two \$500.00 scholarships based on academic scholarship and the John Trimble Award emphasizing community service.

The Marin Irish American Scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors or continuing college students carrying a minimum of 12 semester units and earning a current G.P.A. of 2.50 or better.



The applicant must be a current Marin Irish American Club member or a relative - daughter, son, or grandchild - of a current member.

Applications will be mailed to interested participants. Please contact: Patricia McEntee, Chairperson, 17 Piper Lane, Fairfax, CA 94930 415-454-4788

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HELP ON THE BOARD

There are a number of opportunities to serve on the MIAC Board for the year 2011—2012. Although the response to the board positions has not

been overwhelming in the past, we continue to ask you to help the Club. A new MIAC Board will be elected at the 2011 St. Patrick's Potluck. Please

consider participating as a board member or event chairperson. We need YOU, your ideas and your enthusiasm.

2011 POT LUCK

One of the best events of the year is the St. Patrick's Potluck. More and more this is becoming a total family event and the kids and grandkids have a wonderful time. Games, prizes, song and dancing are there to excite all of the ages. The Ceoitans are always entertaining and grace us with their music.

The Irish dancers get better and better and there is no

loss for food or a bit of the bubbly, with some Irish cof-



fee to finish off a perfect Irish celebration. Good Irish fun and a chance to win some wonderful prizes in our raffle are also reasons to mark your calendars now and call the kids to tell them this is a must event for your St. Patrick party season.

See you there on Sunday afternoon, March 6th in your green with your glasses empty and your plates ready to be filled.

Watch for further details!!!