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Information Service to the Irish Community

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Health Information Day for Irish Women

BIAS Information Centre in association with Brent and Harrow Family Health Services Authority and Parkside Health Equal Access Team are organising a health information day specifically for Irish women.

This is your chance to:

- get information and advice on health issues important to <u>you</u>, in an informal and friendly setting.
- speak to health professionals about what the important issues are, for yourself and your family.

Date - Thursday 21st April 1994

Time - Between 11.00am and 2.00pm

Venue - Conference Room, Willesden Green Library Centre, High Road, Willesden, LONDON NW2

THIS DAY WILL BE STAFFED BY WOMEN AND IS FOR WOMEN ONLY

Free creche is available

Phone Carol Colton to book a place, and to get more information about the event:

Telephone 081-830 3232

Moving to Ireland

Information and advice on all aspects of a move to Ireland.

Thursdays 2.00pm - 5.00pm

By appointment only - please telephone or call in to make an appointment at :

BIAS Information Centre, 99 Villiers Road, Willesden, LONDON NW2 5QB Tel:- 081-830 3232

Benefit for Kilburn Irish Youth Festival

Live Band and Race Night

Time - 8.00pm 'til late Date - Friday, 22nd April

Venue -Katie O'Connors, 149 - 151 High Road, Willesden, LONDON NW10 Admission FREE/£1 a race card

Benefit for Trasna Project

Live music and a disco

Time 8.00pm 'til late
Date Friday, 29th April
Venue Biddy Early's, Church Road,
Willesden, LONDON NW10
Tickets £2.50 in advance/£3.00 on door
Contract Trasna Project, tel: - 081-328 9701

Publications available from BIAS Information Centre

Irish in Britain Directory (5th edition) £5.99 Moving to Ireland £2.00 Moving within the European Community £2.00

Publications are available at Bookstores or directly from BIAS Information Centre, 99 Villiers Road, Willesden, LONDON NW2 5QB, Tel: 081-830 3232/081-830 4440

All prices quoted include postage and packing. Sterling cheques/postal orders should be made payable to BIAS Information Centre

Telephone 081-830 3232

Lines open Monday to Friday 10.00am 5.00pm, Closed 1.00pm - 2.00pm

Irish Information Service for information on

- * Housing Options
- * Employment and Training Opportunities
- * Welfare Benefits and Services
- * Health Services
- * Legal Services
- * Irish Social and Cultural Activities
- * Moving to Ireland
- * Working in Europe

Telephone the Irish Information Service on 081-830 3232 or contact:
BIAS Information Centre, 99 Villiers Road,
Willesden, LONDON NW2 5QB

Failte Mna

FREE information and Advice Day for Irish women in Harrow

Day Saturday
Date 7th May 1994
Time 12 noon to 6pm
Venue Harrow Leisure Centre,
Christchurch Avenue, Harrow
nearest tube Harrow and Wealdstone

Information on housing, training/ employment, health stalls, and welfare rights

The event is organised by Cara Housing Association and The London Irish Womens Centre for more information, telephone Kathleen Egan 081 800 2744 or Geraldine Hickey 071 249 7318

New Irish Worker for Health Service

Parkside Health NHS Trust who provide primary health care services to the residents of Brent have just appointed a new member of staff, **Siobhan O'Sullivan** who will have specific responsibility for assisting the Irish community in Brent to have equal access to health services in Brent.

Parkside Health through Siobhan's post of Irish Outreach Worker are aiming to ensure that the large Irish population in Brent are aware of the health services available and how to make use of them.

Siobhan would welcome calls from individuals and groups within the Irish community.

She can be contacted at:

Parkside Health, Equal Access Team, 122 High Street, Harlesden, LONDON NW10 4SP Tel:- 081-961 9005

For People on Benefits

Are you on benefits and paid by girocheque, by the Department of Social Security or the Department of Employment?

Between April and July 1994, a new style girocheque is being introduced. These girocheques must be cashed within one month of issue. The date of issue is shown on the right hand side of the cheque.

Telephoning Ireland? Remember the Code:

DIAL 010 353 then the local code (except for the 0 at the start of the local code) and then the actual number required.

New Style Irish Passport Application Form

The Irish Government have introduced a new style of passport application form.

These are available from the Irish Embassy, 17 Grosvenor Place, London SWIX 7HR. Tel: 071-245 9033 or from BIAS Information Centre.

Current fees for Irish passports are as follows Standard Passport. Cost £43.00 Sterling Standard Low Season. Cost £35.00 Sterling (available in October and November)

A 3 year passport may only be obtained if under 18 or over 65 years. Cost £10.00 Sterling

You should allow at least six weeks for your application to be processed

Irish Studies Course

Birkbeck College (part of University of London) are currently running an Irish Studies course entitled Irish Communities (Tutor Sean Hutton).

For further information, contact: Social Studies Desk, Centre for Extra-Mural Studies, University of London, 26 Russell Square, London WC1B 5DQ

Directory of Services

A Directory listing all the services provided by BIAS Information Centre and BIAS Community Services is available from the Information Centre.

To obtain a copy of the Services Directory, please send an A5 size, stamp addressed (24p stamp) envelope to BIAS Information Centre.

Bias news

BIAS NEWS is issued by BIAS Information Centre every 2 months and distributed throughout Brent Specifically and London generally.

If you have any comments, ideas or suggestions about articles/topics, or have any information on events/activities that you would like included in BIAS NEWS, then please contact the Editor at BIAS Information Centre. Closing date for inclusion of information in next edition is 14th June 1994.

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NEW PUBLICATIONS FROM BIAS INFORMATION CENTRE

Irish in Britain Directory, 5th edition (£5.99)

Comprehensive guide to all aspects of Irish life in Britain, includes sections on; Irish Information & Advice agencies, Social & Community groups, Education, Arts & Culture and, Business and Commerce.

Moving to Ireland (£2.00)

Practical guide for anyone planning to move, or in many cases return to Ireland. Includes a directory of useful telephone numbers and contacts in Ireland.

Moving within the European Community (£2.00)

A concise guide to living and working in other European countries.

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