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Friday October 11:

3:00-8:00 REGISTRATION (Lone Mountain Conference Center)  
5:30-8:00 COCKTAIL PARTY Hosted by USF

Saturday October 12: (Room: Lone Mountain 141)

9:00-9:15 Coffee and Donuts  
9:15-9:30 Welcome by Rev. John Lo Schiavo, S.J., President of USF  
9:30-10:30 OPENING SESSION  
Moderator: Victor Power, Cochise College  
Sean O'Tuama, University College, Cork "Aspects of Place and Religion in Irish Literature"  
10:45-12:00 HISTORY SESSION  
Moderator: Donald Jordan, Stanford  
Louis R. Bisceglia, San Jose State University "The Irish in the California Gold Rush: Columbia During the 1850s and 1860s"  
Richard L. Meehan, Stanford University "On the Wagon: Midlife Abstinence in Irish and Irish-American Writers"  
Nancy Schepher-Hughes, University of California, Berkeley "The Best of Two Worlds, The Worst of Two Worlds: Reflections on Culture and Fieldwork Among the Rural Irish and Pueblo Indians"

12:30-2:00 LUNCH

Moderator: Brother Ronald Gallagher, St. Mary's College  
Timothy Foley, University College, Galway and Fulbright Scholar, University of San Francisco "Irish Intellectual History: An Untilled Field"

2:15-3:30 LITERATURE SESSION I

Moderator: Elizabeth Grubgeld, University of Wyoming  
James L. Allen, University of Hawaii, Hilo "From Innisfree to St. Sophia: the Genealogy of Meaning in 'Sailing to Byzantium'"  
Dorothea Kenny, California State University, Fullerton "The Royal House in Old Irish Myth"

Kathleen A. Quinn, Washington State University "Demythologizing in the Drama of the Literary Revival"

4:00-4:45 POETRY READING

Moderator: Thomas Parkinson, University of California, Berkeley  
John Montague, University College Cork "The Unpartitioned Intellect: A Poet's Progress Toward National Healing"

7:00-8:00 COCKTAIL PARTY

8:00-10:30 DINNER

Sunday October 13: (Room: Lone Mountain 140)

9:00-10:00 BUSINESS MEETING (coffee and donuts)  
10:15-11:30 LITERATURE SESSION II  
Moderator: David Lloyd, University of California, Berkeley  
Stephen Arkin, San Francisco State University "The Words Become Mysterious: Austin Clarke's Late Poetry and Anglo-Irish Literature"  
Joseph Chadwick, University of Hawaii, Manoa "Family Romance as National Allegory in Yeat's *Cathleen ni Hoolihan* and *The Dreaming of the Bones*"  
Donna Gerstenberger, University of Washington "To . . . Dominate Memory: W. B. Yeats and History"