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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MATT DULLAGHAN





Happy June! We'll soon be halfway through the year. My thanks to all of you for all we've accomplished so far. We'll wrap up the year with some great fall programs. The Central Virginia Celtic Festival & Highland Games on October 22-23 (see http://

vacelticfestival.com),

Dr. Gordon's talk on the great famine, and I'm still hoping to schedule a time for the Richmond Battery to introduce us to hurling.

Before we get there, though, the deadline is fast approaching for delegates to the 98th Biennial National Convention at Harrah's Hotel & Casino in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on July 12, 2016, with a reception on July 11. All the details are at the convention web page, https:// aoh.com/ac2016/. Early registration closes on June 11. You can still register after that (at a slightly higher

price) and attend the convention, but if you'd like to be a voting delegate (or alternate) for our division, that list needs to be received by the credentials committee before June 20.

As ever, we need to keep on the lookout for opportunities to invite new members. We have no new recruits these past few months, and many good Irishmen need only an invitation to join us. I know you will be welcoming to all the future members we will meet..

Until next we meet, Sláinte!

Meeting Schedule

NEXT Business Meeting at St. Joseph's Church on Sept. 8th, 2016 at 7 PM.

Regular Monthly Business Meetings are held at 7 PM on the 2nd Thursday of the month. No meetings are held during July and August.

The Orange Order

At this time of year, it is fitting that we should be reminded of, and have an understanding of, the feelings that still exist in Northern Ireland as we approach the "Marching Season" this coming July.



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Division Activities

Summer Picnic

Members will be notified about our picnic plans when firmed up.

History Presentation

Possible dates are between mid-October and mid-November. We are currently in contact with Church of the Epiphany and a local library. No library room reservations can be made until three months prior to a confirmed date. Please consider a date to discuss at the June meeting.

Summer Vacation

Have a safe and enjoyable summer vacation. And if you're going to Dublin, here's one of the top-ten pubs to visit:

The Stag's Head



It's a favorite spot with students from nearby Trinity College but it's much, much more than a student hangout. People from all walks of life can be

found here although it does tend to get more locals in than tourists. In fact, the tourists are probably searching Temple Bar for something like this. For an authentic Dublin pub experience, The Stag's Head shouldn't be missed.

Odd fact: The pub claims to be the first in Dublin to have installed electricity.

A History of The Orange Order and the Parade Season

A little history of current events in Northern Ireland is sometimes needed to round out our knowledge.

The Orange Order

The Order was founded in 1795 in by Daniel Winter,
James Sloan and James Wilson after a stand-off in Co
Armagh between Protestant Peep O'Day Boys and
Catholic Defenders. It ended with the Battle of the Diamond and the deaths of 30 Catholics. The order's name



comes from
Protestant King William of Orange who
defeated Catholic
King James at the

Battle of the Boyne in July 1690.

The order holds 17 or 18 principal parades throughout Northern Ireland on July 12th each year commemorating the Battle of the Boyne, the biggest event being in Belfast. Every year on the Saturday before the 12th, a parade is also held in Rossnowlagh, Co Donegal. Most members of the Order, who call each other brother, wear an Orange collarette rather than a sash, notwithstanding that the air, The Sash My Father Wore, is



the tune most associated with the order.
Orangemen, and some women, parade behind marching bands during Twelfth

of July parades. Many parades also feature the Lambeg

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drum, one of the loudest acoustic instruments in the world, 92cm (3ft) in diameter and 61cm (2ft) deep, and weighing between 16–18 kg (35-40lbs). The drum, which is beaten with curved canes made of malacca,

is usually carried by the drummer while marching with the aid of a neck harness.

Many nationalists view the Order as a purely anti-Catholic organization. However, The Order states: "Orangeism does not foster resentment or intolerance". Condemnation of religious ideology is directed against church doctrine and not against individual adherents or members." It has a cross -community outreach program but membership remains overwhelmingly Protestant.

Members join lodges,

equivalent to a branch or a club, that are run by a worshipful master and deputy master, equivalent to a chairman and deputy chairman. The order's governing body is the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland.

Prayer List and In Memorium



Prayer List

Jim and Sherry Glover

Matt McGuire's father, Edward, diagnosed with Alzheimer's

Mike McHugh's son, Patrick, doing well after his recent hospitalization.

Mike Dougherty and also his wife, Diana. Mike's daughter-in-law Gale, who has heart dsease and diabetes; also Mike's brother-inlaw James Cramsie

Brian McLaughlin's parents Martin and MaryAnn.

Rick Brennan's wife. Greg Riley's wife Sandra, recovering from surgery

Frank King's mother Emma, who is 103 years old, having health issues

George Rodenberg-

Now in a nursing home

Paul Kinnery-Recovering from a series of strokes

Tony Meyer-Recovering from shoulder surgery and still in pain

Kay Woods-

In Memorium

Irene McGee-Wife of Past President Michael McGee Yolanda Savelli-Sister of Diana Dougherty Emma King-mother of Past Pres. Frank King, at the age of 103.

Stephen Dougherty, son of Mike and Diana Dougherty, died suddenly on Feb. 23, 2016

God grant them eternal rest



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CLOSING THOUGHT/PRAYER

Hail glorious Saint Patrick, we honor thy name

Tho' Erin may claim thee, the world knows thy fame

The faith of our fathers is our treasure too

How holy that faith that they learned from you

Through crosses and trials its

fires burn bright

It shows us the way, the truth and the light

Great Saint intercede, that we always may be

Devoted and loyal true children of our heavenly father

And the Blessed Mother and thee

Our faith and devotion be ever like thine

Our thoughts be of Jesus, Our hearts, minds and souls be his shrine

And when to the end of life's path we have trod

Be near and intercede for us great bishop of God

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The Msgr. Charles Kelly, Jr. Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians was formed in December, 2009 and conducted it's first meeting on January 21, 2010 at St. John Neumann Church, Powhatan, Virginia. The next few meetings were taken up with election of officers and the many procedural items needed to get our group started.

Since that time we continue to grow, adding new members and supporting and donating to Catholic schools and Churches in the area, in line with our commitment to Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

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Www.aohkelly.org



THE IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER

Take into consideration all those on our prayer list as well as those among the faithful departed. We are supporting the Knights of Columbus at St. John Neumann parish with their rosary tabulation (one million rosaries is the K of C goal). As our past state president used to encour-

age us, "Pray the Rosary." We have a LOT to pray for and pray about. In addition to those mentioned above we have a lot at stake in this upcoming election in November. I hope the US Constitution and the part about religious freedom still applies.



Links

AOH National Irish Museum-DC

AOH Virginia The Wild Geese

AOH Kelly Irish Times

AOH Dooley Irish Echo

<u>Irish Culture and Customs</u> <u>Sew Fabulous Embroidery</u>

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