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## President's Message



Worthy Brothers, Family, and Friends, céad míle fáilte, a hundred thousand welcomes, to a new Hibernian year. This year we will continue our fellowship thankful for that which we have received from our Irish heritage as we continue to live in the greatest country so much influenced by Irish

culture, history, and people. We all should look forward to another successful year in the neighborhoods, state, and country that is our own.

As the year progresses, we should remember the unique and central values that Ireland has given us. Whether it is from a time many thousands of years ago, before those who lived at Céide Fields, or from the time of the sorrows of Kilkelly and the Fields of Athenry, or from more recent times, we have Irish tales to tell. This year we will work with the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians in order to help bring the Irish light to our wives, sisters, and daughters so that they, too, can make new friends who share in our love of Ireland, and in order to strengthen our families and memories of all things Irish. There is a place and a part in our Order for any Irish-minded person who is true to our faith.

#### **Dues Reminder!**

2015 Member dues are payable starting January 1, 2015. Dues are **\$30.00** for members and **\$10.00** for those seventy-five and older.

You may pay at Division meetings or mail your dues to:

Matt Dullaghan 1911 Carbon Hill Dr. Midlothian, VA 23113

### **2015 Division Officers**

#### President

-Conor Shiel catholicconor@aol.com

Vice-President

-Jack Simila jacksimila@gmail.com

#### **Financial Secretary**

-Matt Dullaghan mdullaghan@comcast.net **Treasurer** -Bill Murphy wpmurphy5671@aol.com

Recording Secretary -Jim Calpin jcalpin@verizon.net To accomplish these great tasks, we focus at the start of the year on growing our numbers and increasing our membership. Two of the best ways of doing this are our participation in Saint Patrick Church's Saint Patrick Festival and selling tickets to the annual trip to Ireland at the Festival and in our own parishes, about both of which you will read more in this newsletter. The time you give to these activities is important to our Order. There are Irish and Irish appreciating people among us we have not met yet. Your help at the Festival and in selling tickets will give you the opportunity to meet these new friends and to invite them to our next few meetings so they can share in our company and in our appreciation for so much of what Ireland has given us.

The English poet Alexander Pope translated for us that to err is human, adding that to forgive is divine. Others have said that to forgive is human and to forget is divine. I say that to forget is human and to remember is Irish. Together this year we will remember many Irish things. Let us work together to teach others that Ireland has made, and continues to make, a difference, and that these many Irish contributions to our culture, history, and lives continue to make the world a better place.

Until we meet again, do do shláinte, to your health!

## **Upcoming Events**

## 2015 Parish Recruiting and Raffle Ticket Sales Schedule

The "Trip to Ireland" raffle ticket sales are our single biggest money raiser and we need your help by contributing a few minutes of your time after Mass to make this program a success again this year! Please volunteer to man our Division table at your parish.Our Division budget is based on our success in planning our program efforts and charitable contributions! Call your parish Team Captain below to volunteer no later

### Compassion & Standing Committee Chairman

-Mike Dougherty dianadougherty46@yahoo.com

Sentinel -Bob Donovan

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### Prayer List

Kevin Hogan's mother, Louise, is in need of our prayers as Kevin's father has recently passed away. Also, Kevin's sister who is recovering from surgery. Mike Dougherty and also his wife, Diana, who is recovering from the shingles; Mike's daughter-in-law Gale, who is recovering from heart bypass surgery and has kidney failure; also Mike's brother-in-law James Cramsie. Yolanda Savelli, sister of Diana Dougherty, who is in critical condition. Brian McLaughlin's father Martin and mother Maryann. Kevin Walsh's mother Bonnie and son.

Rick Brennan's wife. Greg Riley's wife Sandra, recovering from surgery. Sonny Dorish's wife, Cheryl, recovering from illness.

Please notify Mike Dougherty of those in need of our prayers

### In Memorium

Patrick Hogan-Kevin Hogan's father Michael Kelly-James Dunn's brother-in-law

**Elwanda Cart**-Gienda King's mother

Ray Olson's sister

God grant them eternal rest

## <u>Irish History for</u> <u>January</u>

Visit Irish History by the month. See notable events that occurred from January 1710 to now. Brought to you by "Irish Culture and Customs"

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Msgr. Kelly Division Recruiting/Raffle Ti	cket
Campaign and Mass Schedules	

Dates	Parish	Masses	Team Captains
Jan 31 & Feb 1	St. Edward's	Sat 5 PM; Sun 7:15 AM;  8:45 AM;  11:15 AM; 5 PM	Frank King 804-320-0040
Jan 31 & Feb 1	St. John Neumann	Sat 5 PM; Sun 8:30 AM; 11 AM	Mike McGee 804-594-0785 Larry Kelly 804-837-3536
Feb 8	St. Joseph's	Sun 8:30 AM; 11 AM	Mike McGee 804-594-0785
Feb 15	St. Augustine's	8 AM (volunteers be there before 9:15 AM)	Rick Brennan 804-748-3706
	St. John Neumann	Sat 5 PM; Sun 8:30 AM; 11 AM	Mike McGee 804-594-0785 Larry Kelly 804-837-3536
Feb 22	St. Joseph's	Sun 8:30 AM; 11 AM	Mike McGee 804-594-0785
Feb 28 & Mar 1	St. Edward's	Sat 5 PM; Sun 7:15 AM; 8:45 AM; 11:15 AM; 5 PM	Frank King 804-320-0040

If you volunteer and later can't make it, please call your Team Captain ASAP.

**Exemplification of the Higher Degrees:** The Virginia State Board will meet at 10:00 AM on January 24, 2015 and will be hosted by the Colonel Fitzgerald Division in Arlington, VA. The Exemplification will take place after the meeting. The meeting will be held at the EDW

Arlington, VA. Directions are shown below. Breakfast (donuts and coffee) will be served starting at 9:00 AM. Lunch will be served following the meetings.Those members planning to take the Higher Degree will need to pay their 2015 dues and obtain your new membership card from Matt Dullaghan to bring to the Exemplification. If you cannot get your new card in time but wish to go, Conor Shiel can take your dues payment and vouch for you at the meeting. Conor and Brother Simia will be driving together to the meeting so If you need a ride, please call Conor at 513-8998 to make arrangements with him.

Directions to EDW K of C Hall

Our **Annual Audit** is scheduled for January 22nd. at 7:00 PM at St. John Neumann and will be conducted by members of the Financial Committee. As usual, all income and debits will be reconciled and a letter of certified compliance will be prepared.

# Recent Events



Installation of Officers

Shown above is Mike McGee (right) instructing the new officers of their duties. From the left: Chuck Mulherin standing in for Bob Donovan-Sentinel; Jim Dunn-Marshal; Mike DoughertyCompassion & Standing CommitteeChairman; Bill Murphy-Treasurer; Matt Dullaghan-Financial Secretary; Jim Calpin-Recording Secretary; Jack Simila-Vice-President; Conor Shiel-President.

Our first Division Meeting of 2015 was kicked off with a pot-luck dinner, followed by our regular meeting. There were lots of good food and desserts to satisfy everyone's tastes. Following the dinner the installation of new officers was conducted by Past-President Mike McGee. After the installation, our regular business was conducted.

## **Ongoing Events**

Four Ancestral Maps of Ireland are still available for purchase by Division members. The cost is \$13.00 per map. Please contact Dan Harrington at **804-938-8238** to reserve you copy.

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