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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

happy st. patrick's day



February was another blur. We had recruitment at St John Neumann (SJN) on February 2nd and 3rd and at St Joseph on the 10th. Paul McFadden was in super recruitment form! We had Forty-one folks sign up for more AOH information at SJN and ten from St Joseph.

We had raffle tickle sales for a "Trip to Ireland" at SJN on Feb 9th and 10th. Larry Kelly, Mike McGee, John McNamee, Ron Sills and Jay Simms were able to sell 31 tickets. GOOD JOB GUYS!!

At our early February meeting we installed the following new members: Patrick Solari, Ron Sills, Matthew Dullaghan and John McNamee. WELCOME ABOARD!!

Also at the meeting Mike Dougherty, Larry Kelly and George Rodenburg received our Hibernian Meritorious Service Award. CONGRATULATIONS MEN!!

To top off the month I needed to make a trip to central Kentucky to check up on my mom who had a visit to the local hospital

ER. Luckily she was OK but as I have said before when one is 100 years old there are no minor ER visits.

The trip to Kentucky gave me a chance to think about family and the importance of having relatives close to elderly relatives. Mom is the last of her siblings, but she has many nieces, nephews, and close friends. Many of the folks that visit her now on a regular basis are actually my friends that have basically adopted her as their second mom.

Upcoming Events

Regular Monthly Meeting -2nd Thursday of the month at St. Joseph's Church at 7PM.

NEXT Business Meeting at [St. Joseph's Church](#) on March 14th at 7 PM.

Planning continues for the St. Patrick's Day Party on March 16. Let us know if you're going!

Raffle tickets and recruiting at St. Edward's at all Sunday Masses on March 10. Same at St. John Neumann weekend Masses March 9th & 10th.

Don't forget to help out.

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NOTICE: Annual dues (\$25.00, but if over 75, it's \$10.00) are now payable for 2013. Please mail your check to our Financial Secretary Bill Murphy, 5206 Monument Ave., Richmond, VA 23226. Please make checks payable to "AOH Msgr Kelly Div".

Dues can also be paid at our monthly meetings.

A SPECIAL THANKS AGAIN TO ALL THOSE INVOLVED ON THE KELLY TEAM. GREAT EFFORT!

ANY GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS THAT POSSESSES A STRONG LEADERSHIP CADRE AND A CLOSE BONDED MEMBERSHIP IS A WINNING TEAM.

DIVISION ACTIVITIES REPORT

Planning was started for the **March 16th St. Patrick's Day Party**. We will have the event at St. Joseph's Church in the St. Joseph Room. A memo was sent out and most have responded as to whether they can attend or not. An additional memo will be sent out regarding who is to bring what items. The division will

provide the entrees.

If you're planning to attend and haven't responded, please let us know ASAP. The Party Committee will need to know for planning purposes!

Raffle Tickets- Mike McGee reports we sold 205 tickets to date and are planning on another 100+ before the drawing

at the St. Patrick's Festival on Church Hill on March 24.

This is a major accomplishment for our Division and will enable us to again contribute to worthy causes on behalf of the Ancient Order of Hibernians!



ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR PRAYER

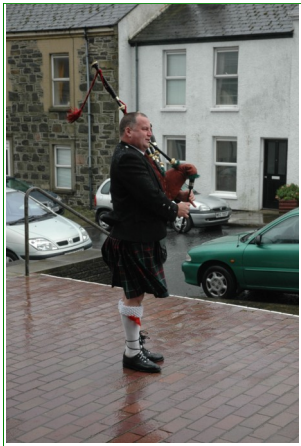
Take into consideration all those on our prayer list as well as those among the faithful departed. We are supporting the Knights of Columbus at St. John Neumann parish with their rosary tabulation (one mil-

lion rosaries is the K of C goal). As our past state president used to encourage us, "Pray the Rosary." We have a LOT to pray for and pray about. I hope the US Constitution and the part about religious free-

dom still applies.

Also continue to remember in your prayers the victims and survivors of Hurricane Sandy!

Don't forget our armed forces, too.



PRAYER LIST AND IN MEMORIAM

Please notify Brother Mike McHugh to add or change the prayer list.

Larry Kelly's wife Gayle.

Mike Dougherty's wife, Diana, undergoing chemo

Paul Kiniry

Brian McLaughlin's father, Martin and mother Maryann

Michael Dougherty and his brother-in-law, James Cramsie.

Kevin Walsh's mother, Bonnie

Dan Harrington & his brother-in-law, Robert Broderick.

Rick Brennan's wife, beginning stage of Alzheimer's

Two children, Adam, age 4 and Sylvia, age 9, both battling cancer

In Memoriam

Elwanda Cart-Glenda King's mother

Charles Kelly, father of our Msgr. Charles A. Kelly, Jr.

Andy Jennings—He helped get the AOH started in Richmond.

Hal Roach-gifted Irish comedian

Ray Olson's sister

The sister-in-law of Marie, Lady Hibernian-St. John's

God grant them eternal rest

Recent New Members for 2013



From the left: Frank King-President with new members Patrick Solari, John McNamee, Ron Sills and Matthew Dullaghan. That's Mike McGee-Vice President, on the right.

Our new members were initiated at our February Division Meeting held at St. Joseph's.

Céad míle fáilte

Did you know...



The Celtic harp, not the shamrock, is the national symbol of Ireland. The harp depicted on government seals, coins, passports and the Leinster flag belonged to Brian Boru, who, as High King of Ireland from 1002 to 1014, had the harp played to rally his troops. The original can be found in the museum at Trinity College, Dublin.



The first license to distill whiskey was granted to Bushmills in 1608, making it the oldest distillery in the world.

Although the distilled spirit is produced in both Ireland and Scotland, its name is spelled differently depending on its origin. If **whiskey** is spelled with an "e", it's Irish. If it's spelled without the "e" (**whisky**), then it's Scotch.

OTHER

St. Patrick's Day will be here soon!

The Irish Festival is set for March 23rd & 24th at Church Hill with hours of 9AM to 5PM on Saturday and 10AM to 5PM on Sunday. The parade is scheduled for 10AM on Saturday. A memo will follow shortly requesting people to man our booth---well actually a 12'x12' shelter! Come on out; it's fun!

Memories of the St. Patrick's Festival, March 2012



It was cozy for some of us in our little tent while escaping the downpours but not for all, and we had to take turns standing in the rain. Yes, Mike McHugh lost the coin toss but had his umbrella! It's Frank King's and Larry Kelly's turn to stay dry.

But we shouldn't gripe about it; after all, we're Irish!



Luckily, the rain stopped for the parade and we had a chance to show our colors.

From the left, that's Dan Harrington, Frank King, Larry Kelly and Mike McHugh with his trusty umbrella.



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 chil-
dren 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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Compassion Committee-Open

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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