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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

# **JACK SIMILA**





Jack Simila 2019 Division President

#### **Greetings Brothers:**

Our next Divisional Meeting is on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 7 p.m. At the meeting we have a number of items to discuss. We have our 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter State meeting on February 16, 2019 which will offer an opportunity for anyone who has vet to achieve their advanced degree. Let me know if anyone is interested and

if they wish they can drive with me. We worked on the Annual Assessment this past month. I met with our Worthy Financial Secretary and Worthy Treasurer and I am happy to report that the assessment is complete and Brother Larry mailed the proper forms and check to National in plenty of time to meet our deadline of February 15<sup>th</sup>. We will also discuss the upcoming Church Hill Irish Festival and ticket sales at the local parishes and at our favorite watering hole, O'Toole's.

Since our last meeting we sold tickets at St. Edwards over the February 2-3<sup>rd</sup> weekend. Many thanks to all the brothers who came out to help and a special thanks to Brother Frank King for taking the lead on setting up that weekend. I believe Frank has us on the calendar for March 2-3<sup>rd</sup> at St. Edwards. So mark your calendars accordingly and please plan on being there.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that 2019 dues cards are in. Please see Financial Secretary Larry Kelly for your card. Dues are \$40 and for those over 75, dues are \$20.

As we discussed previously, we have a busy year coming up and plenty of opportunities for members to help out. I hope all brothers can make it to this meeting to discuss these opportunities. I am

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#### Upcoming Meetings

NEXT Business Meeting at St. Joseph Church on January 10th, 2019 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.

#### **Dues Notice**

2019 Dues are payable now. Dues remain at \$40 and, for those over 75, dues are \$20.

Please Pay at Division Meetings or mail check to:

Larry Kelly 1711 Bellevue Ave. D1216 Richmond, VA 23227

Please make checks payable to :

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very interested in hearing your thoughts and any ides you may have for the benefit of our fellow Irish Catholics. If you have any information about brothers in need please reach out to Mike Dougherty of our Compassion Committee or email me at:

jacksimila@gmail.com.

I look forward to working with you as we serve our church and community.

#### Upcoming events:

February 16, 2019-State Quarterly Meeting

February 14, 2019 – Monthly meeting

February 28, 2019 – 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, Sports Page Bar & Grill, 14245 Midlothian Turnpike

March 2 - 3, 2019 – Ticket Sales at St. Edwards

March 11, 2019 – 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Gaelic Mass, St. Thomas More Cathedral, 3901 North Cathedral Lane, Arlington, VA

March 23-24, 2019 – Church Hill Irish Festival, 25<sup>th</sup> & Main St.

#### The next Quarterly VAAOH State Meeting is:

February 16, 2019 at Father Mychal Judge, OFM, Division St Francis of Assisi Parish Center 18825 Fuller Heights Road Triangle, VA 22172

The Brian Boru Major Degrees Team can be available to exemplify the degrees if a sufficient number of candidates are interested. I ask every division president to encourage their brothers to live up to their pledge to take the major degrees. At last count more than 250 Virginia Hibernians are in need of the Major Degrees. This central location should facilitate a large turnout.

#### AOH License Plate Holders

Plate holders will be available at the next State Board Meeting on February 16th. Cost is \$10 each.



#### Sláinte mhaith agat!

#### <u>A Short History of the Feni-</u> <u>an Movement</u>

The Fenians were a transatlantic association consisting of the Irish Republican Brotherhood, founded in Dublin by James Stephens in 1858, and the Fenian Brotherhood. founded in the United States by John O'Mahony and Michael Doheny, also in 1858. Their aim was the establishment of an independent Irish Republic by force of arms. In 1865, the Fenians began preparing for a rebellion. With the ending of the American Civil War, they hoped to recruit willing Irish veterans of that war for an insurrection in Ireland. They collected about 6,000 firearms and had as many as 50,000 men willing to fight. In September 1865, the British moved to close down the Fenians' newspaper. The Irish People and arrested much of the leadership, including John O'Leary, Jeremiah O'Donovan Rossa, Bryan Dillon, Thomas Clarke Luby and Stephens, Stephens, the leader of the movement, later escaped. In 1866, habeas corpus was suspended in Ireland and there were hundreds more arrests of Fenian activists.

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#### Prayer List

-Mike Dougherty and his wife, Diana. Also Mike's brother-in-law James Cramsie.

-Rick Brennan's wife.

-Sonny Dorish.

<u>All those who have</u> <u>health problems</u>

#### In Memorium

Dan Harrington-Recovering from surgery.

God grant her eternal rest



#### 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.

For Further Information:

Contact Editor

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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-

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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.



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