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News from the Kelly Division AOH

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***Msgr. Charles A. Kelly Division
October 2013 Newsletter***



President's Message

Since our last meeting, we have been up to our ears in planning for the Celtic Festival and a "little" presentation to Paul McFadden at the Dooley Division last month.

We're also coming up on our busy season and the first order of business will be organizing for the Celtic Festival this month. Instead of rambling on, you will find lots of information below under ***Upcoming Activities***.

For a little bit of history, I refer you to an article about the **Great Hunger** under the ***Recent Activities*** section below. A link is provided to visit the **AOH National Website**, where an extensive article, including videos, will be found.

GOD SAVE OUR COUNTRY

Pray the Rosary. We have a LOT to pray for and pray about. Religious freedom still applies. Pray also for all those threatened by the hurricanes and floods this spring.

Upcoming Events

Welcome back to to our new season of activities

Oct.10, 2013 *Division Meeting*

Oct. 19-20, 2013 *[Celtic Festival](#) - Richmond Raceway*

Dec. 2013 *St. Edward's Holiday Sale. Start collecting your holiday items to sell.*

Dec. 2013 *Division Christmas Dinner*

Recent Activities

Msgr. Charles A. Kelly Division Honors Paul McFadden



Members of the Msgr. Charles Kelly, Jr. Division, Powhatan County, Virginia, met with the Major Dooley Division of Richmond, Virginia on September 10th to honor Paul McFadden. Paul was **the** primary force in recruiting and establishing the Msgr. Kelly Division as a new component of the Virginia Hibernians. Paul was presented with an award certificate and a decorative Celtic Cross as a memento of his truly inspirational leadership and dedicated service. Pictured above are Father George Zahn and Kelly Division members Dan Harrington-Treasurer, Frank King, Jr.-President, Paul himself, Larry Kelly-Recording Secretary and Mike McGee-Past



President and current Vice-President. Mike McGee read a “citation” in the form of a roast monologue honoring Paul. The “citation” will be on hand at our October 10th meeting for you to read. To say the least, it was hilarious and Paul was completely surprised and speechless! THANKS MIKE!!! There were several scenes on the Celtic Cross depicting St. Patrick preaching and reaching out to the Irish. We thought--with a little imagination-- it could also represent Paul reaching out to prospective new members for the Msgr. Kelly Division.

Paul has been a longtime member of the Major Dooley Division, as well as the entire state of Virginia. Paul has continued to make numerous contributions and invaluable services to both Divisions, the Knights of Columbus and his parish. Paul is an inspiration to all those around him and a great asset to the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

One thing that really stood out when we were at the Dooley Division was that they

sang an Irish song during the opening ceremonies. This is something we should consider for the Msgr. Kelly Division. So what do you all think about it?

[National Newsletter](#)

In the last copy of the AOH National Digest there was an article about the St. Patrick Society, which helps young people financially while they are preparing for the religious life. I believe this would be a noble group to assist financially.

[A Little History- An Gorta Mor-The Great Hunger](#)

The AOH National website has a definitive description of the Great Hunger, a tragic time in Ireland's history when the great potato famine struck and inflicted terrible pain on the Irish population. Ireland was approaching a population of eight million in the early 1840's and never did begin to recover from a low of four million until the 1940's, when it began its upturn. You're invited to visit the [site](#) to gain a better understanding of the reasons up to the legacy of today.

Upcoming Activities



The [Central Virginia Celtic Festival and Highland Games](#) will be here on Oct. 19th and 20th at the Richmond International Raceway Complex (RIR, for you NASCAR folks). Remember to sign up for a few hours of fun. The

most unusual events I saw last year were the pole-toss and the beer-barrel-throw!

So if you are not into pole or barrel tossing you can still get into spirit with the raffle ticket sales program!

As luck would have it, there is also the 45th Annual Richmond Oktoberfest on the 18th and 19th at the Old Dominion Building at RIR. There is a discount for the participants in the Celtic Festival to attend this event. Check the web site for more information on the [OktoberFest](#). The Celtic festival is also the kick-off for the **“Trip to Ireland”** raffle ticket sale. It is, by far, our biggest money maker for the division. I have contacted Tim McDonald of the Dooley Division and have put in a request for 250 tickets. We keep five bucks for each ticket sold. This is a wonderful opportunity for us and we owe a debt of ‘Thanks’ to the Dooley Division for allowing us to piggy-back with them on this event.

We will need help setting up our 12 ft. x12 ft. shelter on Friday, October 18th, sometime between Noon and 4 PM. We will have a table and three chairs supplied by the event organizers. If more items are needed, we will need to bring them.

We also need folks to man the shelter in four-hour shifts, if possible. The sign-up list will be sent out separately. We have been supplied with two parking passes and four personal clan passes. The parking passes are nice, but not critical for parking is not that big a problem. The clan passes are important and somewhat costly. If I remember correctly, they are in the range of \$25 per person per day. Since we have four passes, we can transfer them across the gated area

between members. A little cell-phone coordination is all that is needed for this to work smoothly. The web site for the Celtic Festival is www.vacelticfestival.com. I recommend visiting the site, for there is a boat-load of activities at the festival, ranging from blacksmith demonstrations to whisky tasting!

Religious Rights



The Religious Rights Program is getting off the ground with Mike McGee leading the way. I hope you all have had a chance to read the email regarding this. Mike will fill us in on any new activities in this regard. I have contacted the K of C Council 6546 at St. Edwards to check out potential interest. I have also contacted other Catholic groups to get a feel if they want to work with us on this. The only chance we have to stem the nationwide tide of anti-religious activities is to get other groups to join together and get the word out to the community. For further information, click [here](#) to read the entire program.

St. Edward's Christmas Craft and Gift Fair

We will again participate in the St. Edwards Christmas Craft and Gift Fair on Saturday, November 9. It is again in the community center (gym) and will run from about 8 AM to 2 PM. Set up will be on that Friday. We will have a standard folding table about 28 inches wide and 8 ft long. We need to start gathering and cleaning up holiday items. We have made fair amounts of money (one to three hundred dollars) in the past at church sales.

Our Friendship Motto

An important item I want to mention is a program to reach out to our past AOH members. Some have ask if they can come back or have expressed an interest in doing so. Several are members of the St. Edward K of C council. This needs to be discussed at the October meeting.

Newsletter

The last item I want to bring up is a special thanks to Dan Harrington---the Wizard of the Web—for the new format that allows one to quickly get to the Newsletter without opening an attachment. In addition to being easier to access, the Newsletter material is presented with more vivid graphics and truly converts a “pig’s ear” into a “silk purse.” (That is an old Kentucky expression but it really says it all!)

THANKS DAN!!

Prayer List

Kevin Hogan's parents are both in need of our prayers. His mother, Louise, has been the caregiver for Pat, and the role is exhausting. Also, Kevin's sister has just had knee surgery!

Mike Dougherty's wife, Diana

Mike Dougherty and his brother James Cramsie

Brian McLaughlin's father, Martin and mother Maryann



Congratulations to the Crossroads Irish Dance Group for participating in the 2013 North American Irish Dance Federation National Championships in Galloway, NJ. This was their first year of competition. Over half the group placed in the top five of their age group! The girls have performed at a number of Kelly Division

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Kevin Walsh's mother, Bonnie
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functions and we hope to have
them back soon.

**Compassion
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Kevin Walsh

Note: Please notify Brother
Kevin Walsh if you wish to add
or change anyone's status on
our prayer list.

In Memorium

Michael Kelly-James

Dunn's brother-in-law

Elwanda Cart-Glenda

King's mother

Robert Broderick-Brother-

in-law of Dan Harrington

Seamus Heaney-(1939-

2013) Irish Poet and

more..., 1995 Nobel Prize in

Lit.

God grant them eternal rest



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Division History

The Msgr. Charles Kelly, Jr. Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians was formed in December 2009 and conducted its 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 organize the Division. We later moved to our current meeting location at St. Joseph's Church. 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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