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



President's Message

I hope summer was enjoyable and you had a chance to catch a few rays at the beach and enjoy time with your family. I know that the Kings crammed as many activities as possible into the two months we did not meet. Our highlights included a week at Isle of Palms,

SC with our kids, grand-kids and our old dog Roscoe. Roscoe might be half-blind and almost deaf, but even he enjoyed the trip!

The other major family highlight was celebrating Mom's 101st birthday in Mt. Sterling, KY. She is truly like the "Eveready Bunny"--she just keeps on going. We rounded out the summer with several trips to Norfolk, Marietta, GA and Greencastle, PA. I am now ready to slow down and enjoy fall!

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

Sep.12, 2013	<i>Division Meeting</i>
Oct. 19-20, 2013	<i>Celtic Festival - Richmond Raceway</i>
Dec. 2013	<i>St. Edward's Holiday Sale. Start collecting your holiday items to sell.</i>
Dec. 2013	<i>Division Christmas Dinner</i>

Recent Activities

June Division Meeting

Another special **Thank You** goes out to Rick Brennan. He gave a presentation on the Anglo-Irish Treaty of 1929 during our June monthly meeting. We also had two Boy Scouts from Troop 832, St. John Neumann Church describe two projects they were working on in the Powhatan area. Check out below for a brief description of their projects.

St. Joseph Yard Sale

We participated in the St. Joseph Yard Sale on June 15 and made \$200 for the Division. I just wish I could remember everyone that helped but Thank You all!

Bi-Annual State Convention

Mike McGee and I attended the Bi-annual State Convention in Fredericksburg, Va. on July 19th and 20th.

The highlight of the convention was a talk by Mr. Ken Malley on Religious Rights. Basically, if we don't stand up for our religious rights now, we may not have any in the next few years! Mike McGee will be providing more information on this subject within the next month.

New Members

We also had four new members initialed into the division. Check out the photos below. Two were initiated during the June 13 monthly meeting, and they were Robert Aleski and Jim Dierkes. We also had two initiated during the summer break on July 13, at St. Joseph's, and they were Brian Buckley and Mike Wannamaker. I was not able to attend the ceremony .on July 13th, so a big Thank You goes out to Mike McGee, Dan Harrington, Mike McHugh, Larry Kelly, Rick Brennan, Ray Olson, George Rodenburg, and Mike Dougherty for conducting the initiation.

Summer Social

We also had our summer social at O'Toole's on August 24. We had one of the private side rooms and had an excellent dinner. The following were in attendance: Bob O'Connor, Bill Murphy, Dan and Joyce Harrington, Mike McGee, Larry and Gail Kelly, Mike and Diana Dougherty, Chuck and Vera Mulherin and yours truly and my wife Glenda. Another big THANK YOU goes out to Larry Kelly for organizing the event, since I was over-booked with K of C, Mom's birthday, and grand kids.

Mike McGee was the MC for the after-dinner activities revolving around Irish history and customs. Thanks again, Mike!

National Newsletter

In the last copy of the AOH national newsletter 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.

Other Activities

It is not too early to start thinking about the [Central Virginia Celtic Festival and Highland Games](#) on Oct. 19th and 20th at the Richmond International Raceway Complex (RIR). The most unusual events I saw last year were the pole-toss and the beer-barrel-throw! So it is not too early to start practicing!

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

Kevin Walsh's mother, Bonnie

Rick Brennan's wife

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.



President Frank King, center, inducts Jim Dierkes, left, and Bob Aleski, right, during our June 2013 Meeting at St. Joseph's.



Boy Scouts from Troop 832, St. John Neumann, visit the June Division Meeting

Above, standing with Frank King are Nathan Powell (left) and Joseph Solzbach (right).

Scout Joseph Solzbach described his efforts in the Bellmeade area off Cartersville Road to repair and maintain a pedestrian walk, clearing trees and improving the trail surface. Scout Nathan Powell described his project of creating a sitting area with tables and benches on Batterson Avenue, Powhatan.

After the presentations to our members, a proposal was made and seconded to provide each Scout with a contribution to help with materials for their worthy projects.



Vice-President Mike McGee, center, inducts Michael Wanamaker, left, and Brian Buckley at our July Initiation at St. Joseph's.



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God grant them eternal rest

Dan Harrington and his son Daniel and grandsons Declan and Conor enjoy the Squirrels game on June 16 with the Dooley Division at the Diamond.

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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 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 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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