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**The Ancient Order of Hibernian's
Firefighter John J. Redmond - Philadelphia Division 22.
In Association with
The Isle of Erin Major Degree Team
Invite you to the Presentation of the Major Degree Ceremony.
With approval of Philadelphia County Board.**

When: Sunday October 23rd, 2011

Where: Phila. Fire Fighters Union Hall, 5th and Willow Sts.

Time: 10:30 AM (Sign In)

12:00 PM Shamrock Degree, Major Degree Ceremony to immediately follow

Cost: Observers \$20.00 only if you wish to stay after degree for refreshment and food.

To sit in on the degree ceremony totally FREE. .

Candidates \$25.00 + \$5 For Degree Pin

Travel cards are required by all for admittance.

The exemplification of the Major Degree Ceremony is open to all formally sworn in members of the order who are in good standing with their Division

At the time when you were initially sworn into your division and took the oath, you promised "To Take The Test Of The Order"...
now is the time to fulfill that promise.

A.O.H. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers,

Since you are receiving this newsletter after our October meeting I am going to use this space to get you caught up on what's going to be happening in the Division.

Sunday January 15th, 2012 will be the date of our annual Communion Breakfast; former Political Prisoner Pearse Kerr will be our guest speaker. This was a great suggestion from Jay McCarrie with this being the 30th anniversary of the Hunger Strikers. If anyone has any suggestions for our Man of The Year please let me or another officer know about it.

I was informed this week that the St. Patrick's Day Parade this coming year will be on March 11th, which is the day we move our clocks ahead an hour, the parade is basically being moved back an hour so the different groups can still get Mass in, no matter when the parade starts we still expect to be the best marching group in it.

We are trying to clear some hurdles to organize our own Irish Festival down Penn Treaty Park, and with the help of Joe Rafter Jr. we will clear them, this would occur in the Spring and will be totally be under our control. We will have Irish vendors, Irish Music and Food, I guarantee you that the stupid, stereotyping, Irish degrading shirts you see at "other" Irish Festivals will not be on sale at ours.

Since St. Patrick's Day falls on a Saturday this year, we are also trying to put together an Irish Night down the Church Hall for that night, D. J. Dave Rotan (MVP of the Parade) is already on board, we just have to iron out a few wrinkles.

Mark November 4th weekend on your calendars, this will be our next Fill The Cart for the Veterans Center Fundraiser at the Thriftway, Frank McHale will again be leading us in this endeavor. This Saturday, October 22nd some of the Division Brothers will be helping out with a Fundraiser for Robbie Gerold, Robbie is battling Cancer. The event is down the Fireman's Hall, admission is \$30, please try to attend. For tickets call Founding Father Mike Dolan 215 778-1751.

This Sunday, October 23rd, Division 22 is sponsoring the Degrees at the Fireman's Hall. There are already some of us signed up to go, if you are interested please call George Shaw (215) 779-5306. Vice President George Shaw met with representatives of Councilman Daryl Clark's office about helping us locate a property (sheriff sale or foreclosure) for our future Home, they will meeting again after the November Elections.

As you can see we have a few things coming up, so try getting involved or just come to our next meeting on November 10th.

R.I.P Mrs.Smutnick, Jake Booth, Davey Dougherty, Johnny Martin

Thank You

Bill Francisco - President
AOH Division 51 - Fishtown

8TH ANNUAL FALL HIBERNIAN HUNGER PROJECT'S "FILL THE CART - HELP A VET IN NEED" COLLECTION

Our Semi-annual "Fill The Cart - Help A Vet In Need" collection will be held the weekend of Friday, November 4th thru Sunday, November 6th, 2011 outside the Thriftway Shopping Market at Aramingo Ave. & York St. The hours for the collection are as follows:

- 🇺🇸 Friday, November 4th - 3 PM 'til 8 PM
- 🇺🇸 Saturday, November 5th - 10 AM 'til 6 PM
- 🇺🇸 Sunday, November 6th - 12 Noon 'til 6 PM

As in the past we are asking every member of Division 51 to give at least an hour during the weekend to help with the collection. As of now the Ladies Division will cover the collection on Friday night, and the Men will cover on Saturday and Sunday.

Last June we collected a total of nineteen (19) shopping carts full of non-perishable foods, and personal grooming items, and raised a whopping \$2,431; all of which was donated to the Philadelphia Veterans Multi-Service And Education Center for their Homeless Veterans program. The food collected will be dropped off at the Center on Monday, November 7th; and all monetary donations will be presented at the Perimeter on Thursday, November 10th (The Day Before Veterans Day).

Donations needed are: Canned Vegetables, Meats, Fish, Fruit, Soups, Gravies, Rice, Oatmeal, Noodles, Pasta, Breakfast Cereal, Disposable Razors, Shaving Cream, Bath Soap, Shampoo, Deodorant, Playing Cards, etc., as well as Cash donations.



Fill The Cart Co-Chair Frank McHale & Past President Jay McCarrie



Charter Member Bill Dolan & Fill The Cart Co-Chair Bob Kee



This is what it's all about... feeding our Homeless Veterans!



Perimeter Staff Members sorting the canned goods collected by you.

Please come out and show your support for the Fill The Cart - Help A Vet In Need Collection. Show everyone that Division 51 cares about our Veterans... In Our Motto!

MEMBER BENEFITS

SOUTH STREET HATS - 8th & South Sts.
Ask for Oscar Pierce and mention you belong to Division 51 to receive 10% discount.

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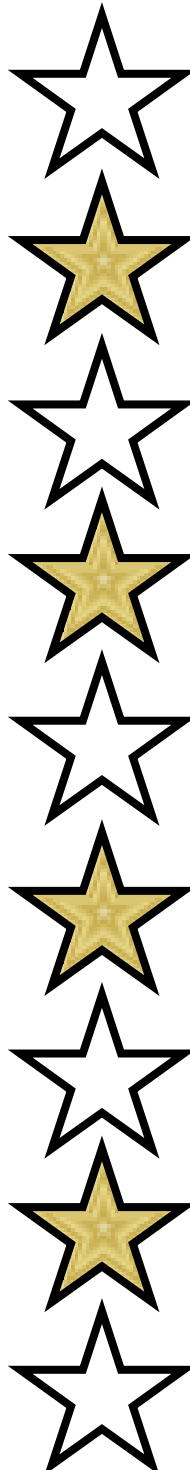
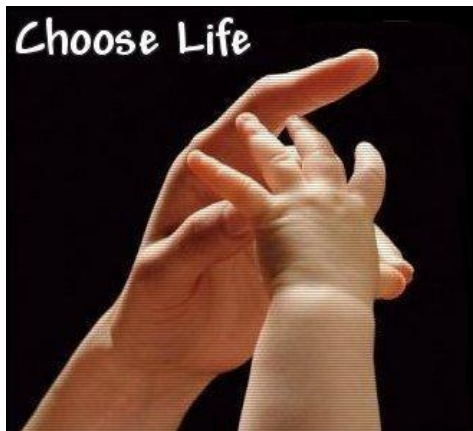
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The Ladies Division is selling black umbrellas with your choice of either a green shamrock or a green shamrock with the word "Fishtown" inside. The cost is \$8.00 each or 2 for \$15.00. They make a great Christmas stocking stuffer and are a great size to keep in your car for those rainy days... Contact Renee Shaw @ naisey814@msn.com if you're interested!

LAOH EXEMPLIFICATION OF MAJOR DEGREES

The exemplification of the Major Degrees of the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians will be given at Roman Catholic High School, on Saturday, December 3rd, 2011. The Degree will be held at 12:00 noon. Registration will open at 11:00 AM for pre-registered candidates and observers. Anyone with special needs please list them on this registration form. (See Pat Leach for forms)

The fee for the degree is \$15.00 per person. Observer (must have received Degrees) fee is \$5.00 per person. Deadline is Saturday, November 26, 2011. If you have any questions concerning registration please contact Mary Ann Morley at 215-288-8691. All questions pertaining to the actual degree please contact Marie Nealis at 215-427-2147.



It Is The Veteran... It is the VETERAN, not the PREACHER, who has given us FREEDOM OF RELIGION. It is the VETERAN, not the REPORTER, who has given us FREEDOM OF THE PRESS. It is the VETERAN, not the POET, who has given us FREEDOM OF SPEECH. It is the VETERAN, not the CAMPUS ORGANIZER, who has given us FREEDOM TO ASSEMBLE. It is the VETERAN, not the LAWYER, who has given us the RIGHT TO A FAIR TRIAL. It is the VETERAN, not the POLITICIAN, who has given us the RIGHT TO VOTE.

L.A.O.H. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Ladies,

Our Celtic Tea is going to be held on Sunday, October 23rd from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM. Bring any items you would like to donate for baskets, as well as lottery tickets for wreaths, to our general meeting this Thursday the 20th at 7:30 pm. We will be there a bit earlier to make the baskets.

Renee Shaw has placed an order for umbrellas. They are \$8.00 each and 2 for \$15.00. The umbrellas have either Fishtown on a shamrock (like our magnets) or a plain shamrock. We hope to have them this week, if not we will definitely have them for the November meeting.

Kerri Todd will have an order form for candles. The form will be distributed at our meeting on Thursday. I will also send it via email to those who cannot attend the meeting.

The Degree Team will be in Philadelphia on Saturday, December 3rd at 11:00 at Roman Catholic High School. If anyone needs to be degreed, please see Pat Leach.

We still have XL, 2XL and 3XL tee shirts (\$15 and \$17) also Irish magnets, see Renee.

Happy Halloween everyone!

In Our Motto ...

Cumann na mBan,

Christine F. Tustin-Schultice

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH!



FUTURE NEWSLETTER ITEMS:

To submit an article, etc. to the newsletter, contact Hibernian Gazette Editor Phil Bowdren at aoh51phil@yahoo.com. The deadline for all submissions is 5 business days BEFORE the end of the month.

CATHOLIC ACTION:

Ladies, if you know of someone in need of our prayers, please contact Catholic Action Chairwoman Patti Fleetwood at Guitarpatt@aol.com or call her at (215) 423-7551. Patti should also be contacted if anyone is requesting a donation.

PRAYER LIST:

Please keep the following people in your prayers: Sis Ramsey, Betty Winn, Emma Groves, Marty Golden, Jack & Mary Kennedy, Jack McNamee, Flo Gallagher, John Dowling, Phil Sullivan, Mark Schneider, John Skrabonja, Phil Bowdren, Helen Bryan, Trudy Shultice and Betty Ann Whitesell.

REST IN PEACE:

Carol Moore, Mr. McDevitt, Daniel McCarrie III, James Porter Jr., Bob Leach, Sam Young, Vaughn Brennan, all of the deceased members of Division 51; and all of the men and women who have given their lives protecting our freedom.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

If anyone has someone who should be added to the prayer list, please e-mail me at aoh51phil@yahoo.com and I'll add the name(s) to our list.

MISSIONS AND CHARITIES:

Thanks to everyone for their support of the Columban Fathers... please keep those pennies coming in, ladies!!! Please see Elaine McHale.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

For applications, please contact an officer or stop by Holy Name Rectory. New members are always welcome!

DUES:

Membership dues are now being collected by Peggy Martin. If you haven't already done so, please try to pay your dues as soon as possible.



PRAY FOR OUR MEN & WOMEN IN UNIFORM, AND THEIR FAMILIES

If you have a family member, neighbor or friend currently serving on Active Duty anywhere in the World, please send us their information so that we can remember them in our prayers and send them a card letting to let them know that we care.

- SSg Brian Edinger, US Army - Fort Bragg 3rd SFG
- SrA Alex Castelano, US Air Force - Maguire AFB
- Cpl Matt Ragen, USMC - Afghanistan (1st Tour)
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See Pat Leach

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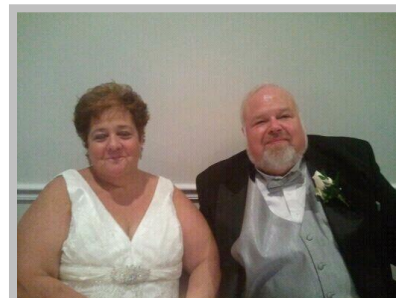
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Patrick Henry Pearse - August 1st, 1915