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The Dooley Dispatch

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Celebrating 31 years of Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity

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President's Message

Happy New Year to everyone! I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas. We had an outstanding Christmas Party at St. Mary's on December 19th with 129 members, family, guests in attendance (thanks to Jack Griffin and Joe McGreal

we've posted some of the photos in newsletter and all of the photos on website www.aohrichmond.org).

- **Great food, beverage and service.** Thanks to Mike Muldowney and Paul McFadden for all their work in organizing and working the party. Also, thanks to our other volunteers who helped set-up the party, work the party (bartenders and registration) and especially to those who stayed to clean-up after the party.
- **Santa** made an appearance for the kids. We also had Christmas arts and crafts for the kids thanks to Lynn Lynch (Michael's wife) and Amy Hegarty (Brian's wife) for providing this.
- Congrats to our **2010 Gael of the Year – Paul McFadden.** Paul has gone above and beyond the call of duty in the growing of our membership and in building up our capital resources.
- We had **2 new members** join us (Jeff Morley and Terry McGiffin).
- Our **2011 officers** were installed by our State President, Rich Aleksy. Also in attendance our very own Past State Presidents (Jerry Gorman and Pat Naughton).
- **Talent Show** – some great Irish talent performed songs, etc. at the party. Thanks to Mike and Bob Strutton, Betty Anne Flynn, Peter D'Alema, Vince Eikmeier, Hugh Naughton. Thanks to Jack Cassells for organizing and emceeing this. Also,

thanks to the Seuss girls for performing their Irish Step Dancing.

I am hoping for a good attendance at our January 22 Dooley Commemoration (see below).

I am looking forward to an outstanding year in 2011 for the AOH Dooley Division. Thanks to all of our Elected Officers and Appointed Committee Chairs for their willingness to serve. Please let me know if you would like to assist the division in any capacity. Also, you can offer to help any of our committee chairs (posted in newsletter). We especially need a chair for the **Right to Life Comm.**, so please let me know if you'd like to serve. We also need help with recruiting new members at different parishes (see organizer Mitch Irvine), chairing or helping with different social events during the course of the year (see **calendar of events** posted elsewhere in this newsletter) and making calls to members for meetings and events as part of the Phone Comm.

Good of the Order needs help bringing food/beverages to our meetings, so let me know if you'd like to bring it for a meeting one month and I'll forward it to Michael Lynch, our chair. Also, this year I'd like to use the Good of the Order portion of our meeting to give our members an opportunity to share with the membership for the "Good of the Order". This would be a 5 to 10 minute presentation and can include discussing a book, movie, trip, etc. Please let me know if you are interested in a Good of the Order presentation and I'll pass your name along to Michael.

Only 2 ½ months until **St. Patrick's Day**. It's a good time of year to recruit new members (see membership drive info elsewhere in this newsletter) and sell our raffle tickets for a "Trip for 2 to Ireland" (see raffle info in newsletter) as we approach March (Irish month). Take a minute to ask people you meet at church if they are Irish and give them our 2011

Membership flyer. We'll have flyers available at the Jan 11 Meeting.

Big Dan

Upcoming AOH Dooley Events

- **Dooley Events for 2011** – our 2011 event calendar will be similar to this past year (see it in this newsletter or on website). If you haven't attained our **AOH Major Degree** yet, there could be 2 opportunities locally in 2011 – possibly April in Williamsburg at the AOH State Quarterly Meeting and July 24 at the AOH State Convention (July 22-24) in Richmond.
- **January 11, 2011, Tuesday at 7 pm – Monthly AOH Business Meeting**; Please plan on attending, especially if you haven't received your 1st AOH degree – Shamrock. If you've joined us as a new member in the past 6 months or so, you were inducted as a member but you still need to attain the **Shamrock Degree**. The Shamrock Degree will be presented by our very own Shamrock Degree Team at our January meeting. Also, we'll be voting on our 2011 AOH Dooley Division annual budget. The **budget** will be very similar to last year with a few tweaks. We'll have a few copies of the budget at the meeting for our members to review.
- **January 22, 2011, Saturday at 3 pm – Major James Dooley Birthday (01/17/1841) Commemoration at Maymont House/Park**, 1700 Hampton Street entrance, Richmond, VA; Wreath Laying Procession with 4th Degree KofC Honor Guard and bagpiper; Dr. Bayliss' talk about Dooley; Rare Olde Times Pub get together afterwards. This is an important event in our calendar year. Please plan on attending.
- **July 22-24, 2011, Friday-Sunday- AOH State Convention, Holiday Inn Koger Conference Center**, 1021 Koger Center Boulevard, Richmond Virginia 23235, 804-379-3800; Friday- golf, registration, Celtic Dinner (family); Saturday-Business Meeting, Mass, Banquet (family); Sunday-Major Degree Ceremony. Bob Strutton is the chair, so please contact him (rstrutton@aol.com) if you'd like to help out with the convention. We are putting together a Convention Booklet to include ads from local businesses and individuals, so please let us know of anyone who would like to support the AOH with an ad or business card.

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Recruiting New Members – Membership Drive

I've mailed a letter to the Parish Priests at St. Michael's, St. Mary's, St. Bridget's, St. Benedict's and St. Patrick's churches asking them to allow us to recruit new members at their Parish before and after Masses on a weekend in January or February. We already have a few members signed up to recruit at these Parishes, but let me know if you'd like to help man the tables before or after Masses on the appointed weekend for your Parish. Also, if your Parish is not represented above and you think your Priest would allow us to recruit at their parish please let me know and I'll mail them a letter. Please contact our organizer Mitch Irvine at mirvine@dadepaper.com or 804-360-3391.

9th Annual Raffle for a "Trip for 2 to Ireland"

Chad Costello (costellocw@yahoo.com) and Tim McDonnell (tmc1918@verizon.net) are co-chairs of our 2011 "Trip for 2 to Ireland" Raffle. Please let them know if you'd like to help them sell tickets (churches, pubs, etc.). Also, we'll again waive your \$30 AOH dues for 2011 if you buy and/or sell a book of 10 tickets for \$100. .

AOH Dooley Member Dues for 2011

Dues notices will be given to members at our Jan 11 meeting and will be mailed out by Hugh Naughton to those not in attendance. Dues are \$30 per member and only \$10 for those members over age 75. If you buy or sell a book of raffle tickets (\$100 for 10 tickets) your dues are waived for 2011 and if you plan on doing this please note it on your dues notice and return to Hugh. Please let us know if you have

difficulty paying dues, so we can possibly waive them for you so we can keep you as a member.

AOH Dooley Division Greenpages

Ever wonder what some of your fellow members do for a living? Do you ever need some services and not know who to call? We are looking to add Greenpages to our newsletter and website as a way for our members to advertise their services to our membership.

Other AOH Items of note:

- **Got an AOH Name Badge, sash or hat?** If you need an AOH name badge, sash or hat please email Mike Muldowney at michael.muldowney@morganstanley.com or phone at 364-3935 with the name you'd like on your name badge and/or if you need a hat or sash.
- **AOH Rugby Shirt -Looking for an AOH Rugby shirt?** A few of us wore these at the Celtic Festival and they look really good. Check it out http://irelandontheroad.com/product_info.php?products_id=719{2}9
- **Need a Green Sportcoat?** If you need a green sportcoat go to the Men's Wearhouse. Cost is very reasonable (around \$70). Tell them it's for AOH. It takes about 6 weeks for the special coat orders to arrive at the store. If you don't have one, please order ASAP so you'll have by our January 22nd Dooley ceremony or by the St. Patrick's Day Events and Irish Festival Parade in March.
www.menswearhouse.com -

10911 West Broad St # A, Glen Allen VA - (804) 346-0604, across from Innsbrook

Prayer List

Betty Strutton, cousin of Bob Strutton, is battling lung cancer. **Maureen** Quinn, daughter of John Quinn is receiving treatments for throat cancer. **Michael Maynes**, son of member Ed Maynes, is battling a brain tumor, **Bill McKay** who continues to struggle with back pain, and Walt Fergusson's sister is battling a long illness,

Those who are suffering from chronic illness or receiving medical attention:

Charlie Kelly, Dick Moore, and Thomas Zahn, brother of Father Zahn.

Please pray for the members of our Division who are serving in the Military. **Father David McGuire**, is serving as Chaplain at the Hill Air Force Base in Utah. **CW2 David Bulger**, US Army has been deployed to Iraq with "B" Co. of the 5/159th Aviation Regiment.

Christmas Party 2010

For more picture visit aohrichmond.org [Gallery](#)



(l-r) Clare, Maureen, and Emily Sues



(l-r) Bob and Mike Strutton

Mike's band is The Havers check them out at <http://www.thehavers.com/>



(l-r) Jocelyn and Bethany Costello and their handmade Irish top hats



Father Michael Renninger and President Dan Caffrey



Betty Anne Flynn and Hugh Naughton sing "How Ireland got its Name"



Lynn and Michael Lynch our craft family



Tis Himself, "Saint Mic"



Pete D'Alema sings "An Irish Ballad"

Pete's band is One Friend check them at <http://www.myspace.com/onefriendmusic>

2011 AOH Dooley Division - Social Calendar of Events

- AOH Dooley Division Business Meetings at 7 pm every 2nd Tuesday of Month, except for July, August and December, at St. Paul's Church, Chamberlayne and 909 Rennie Avenues. 2011 Meeting Dates - 1/11, 2/8, 3/8, 4/12, 5/10, 6/14, 9/13, 10/11, 11/8)
- January 22, 2011, Saturday at 3 pm – Major James Dooley Ceremony (Birthday - 01/17/1841) Commemoration at Maymont House/Park, 1700 Hampton Street entrance, Richmond, VA; Wreath Laying Procession with bagpiper; Dr. Bayliss talk; afterwards Rare Olde Times Happy Hour
- March 12, 2011, Saturday Evening – Irish Night at KOC 395 Columbian Center (?), Pump Rd (Adult Only)
- March 17, 2011, Thursday-St. Patrick's Day- Rosie Connolly's 10 am, 1548 E Main St # A, Richmond, VA 23219-3678, (804) 343-1063; 1:30 pm Presentation to First Lady Maureen McDonnell at Governor's Mansion (?); St. Patrick's Day Evening Mass/JP Carroll Dinner/Party – St. Patrick's Church (150 year anniversary celebration), 213 North 25th Street, Richmond, VA 23223
- 26th Church Hill Irish Festival - street festival in front of St. Patrick's Church on North 25th Street between Broad and Franklin Streets and will run from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm on Saturday and 10:00 am to 6:00 pm on Sunday.
 - March 26, 2011, Saturday - St. Pat's Day Parade at 10 am– volunteers needed for selling of Dooley Raffle tickets and recruiting new members at Booth
 - March 27, 2011, Sunday - recruit & sell Dooley Raffle tickets @booth– drawing at end of day (5:30 pm)
- May 13, 2011, Friday at 1:30 pm –Golf Outing; Course TBD
- June 18, 2011, Saturday at 6:35 pm – Richmond Flying Squirrels Baseball Game Outing (Family), The Diamond, 3001 N.Boulevard, Richmond, VA 23230 - Pat Naughton, Chair (ph 360-2969)
- July 2, 2011, Saturday at 2 pm - 4th of July picnic (Family Event) with the KOC 4th Degree Assembly and KofC 395, (?) Columbian Center, 2324 Pump Rd
- July 22-24, 2011, Friday-Sunday- AOH State Convention, Holiday Inn Koger Conference Center, 1021 Koger Center Boulevard, Richmond Virginia 23235, 804-379-3800; Friday- golf, registration, Celtic Dinner (family); Saturday- Business Meeting, Mass, Banquet (family); Sunday- Major Degree Ceremony
- August 21, 2011, Sunday – Our Lady of Knock (8/21/1879) Mass at 11 am at St. Paul's Church with Pool Party (Family) to follow – location for party TBD
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- September 18, 2011, Sunday – Commemorate Commodore Barry Day (Family) (9/13/1803- date of death) at 1 pm at St. Michael Catholic Church, 4491 Springfield Rd, Glen Allen, VA 23060 – Family Picnic
- September 16, 2011, Friday Happy Hour – Halfway to St. Pat's Day at Sine Irish Pub
- October 29-30, 2011 – Celtic Festival, Meadow Event Park, Doswell, VA; Kickoff the selling of 2012 Dooley Raffle Tickets and the Recruiting of New Members at Double Booth (FAMILY Event)
- December 18, 2011, Sunday at 1 pm (Location TBD) – Family Christmas Party (Family)/Officer Installation for 2012

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