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Next Meeting - Tuesday January 14th 7:00 p.m. St. Paul's Church



Greetings fellow Hibernians!!! I wish each and every one of my Irish brothers and families the Happiest and Healthiest New Year. I am humbled to be elected as President of the Dooley Division for this year and I hope to live up to my own expectations and the success and dedication of our previous presidents. I thank all of our past presidents for their example and guidance given freely during and after their tenure. I want to take this opportunity to send a Special BIG Thank You to our immediate past president, Brian Kiernan for outstanding leadership and guidance for this past year. I might point out that Brian and I joined the Dooley Division of the AOH on the same day in the year 2008. Many people I meet say, my name

sure doesn't sound like I am Irish. I always assure them that my mother was an Irish lass in a large McDonough family that hails from Drumshanbo, in County Leitrim, Ireland.

While I did very little in the way of work at the the Christmas Party, I have the pleasure of extending the division's Thanks to all who made this event the best Christmas Party yet. Thanks to Mike Muldowney and all the those who worked to put the meal together. Thanks to Jim Donohue, our "Lord of the Bar" and all who assisted with that very busy and appreciated part of the party. A Big Thank You to Barbara Muldowney for the outstanding keyboard playing and for accompanying us in singing the Christmas Carols. I will not omit the Set-up and the Clean-up crews who made light the work with many hands... Thank You ALL.

I have found that our Motto, Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity are very much alive in this assembly of brothers. I remember being told that this is a group of Irish Gentlemen that get together to pray and have a beer. I find that to be true, in part. We gather to pray for our brothers and our families. We pray that All of Ireland be Free. We pray that God will grant us Peace in our land as well as Ireland. Also, we do works of Charity. Raising money to give to the local Catholic Schools is an integral part of our work. I hope to continue this work and to increase our donations to Charity as have our past presidents. When our work is finished, there will always be time for a cold refreshment. I can promise that we will continue our tradition of music and song at our meetings.

As I look over the proposed calendar of events for this coming year, I see that we will be busy. I ask all my brother hibernians to join us at all our meetings, come enjoy the social events with your families, help to increase our numbers, and work to make the Dooley Division, not only the best in Virginia, but the best in the USA. Please, pray for peace and justice in Ireland.

Mise le meas, (mish-e leh mass) Yours Respectfully,

Vince.

Prayer List – Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Art Slack** and his wife Barbara. Art was a long time member of our Division and will be missed.

Jim Cremins is recovering from surgery, **Jack Griffin's son, Neil Griffin** will be begin treatment shortly for cancer, **Jack's daughter, Carleen**, has also been diagnosed with cancer, **Wanda Walsh**, wife of **Tom**, receiving treatments for cancer, **Michael Maynes**, son of member **Ed Maynes**, continues to be challenged with cancer, **Bill McKay** who continues to struggle with back pain, and Walt Fergusson's sister is battling a long illness, **Jessie Naughton, Thomas Zahn**, brother of Father Zahn, **Jeannie Barrett** wife of **Tom Barrett**, and **Don Reilly**. Please pray for the members of our Division who are serving in the Military. **Father David McGuire**, has returned from Afghanistan. He is serving as Chaplain with the 1st Special Operations Wing of the Air Force. **CW2 David Bulger**, US Army has been deployed to Iraq with "B" Co. of the 5/159th Aviation Regiment, **Dennis Flanagan, son of Jack**, is a helicopter mechanic in Afghanistan.

Upcoming AOH Dooley Events

- Business meetings second Tuesday of the month except July, August, and December



MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY IN WASHINGTON DC; Wednesday, January 22, 2014

For the 31st consecutive year, the Knights of Columbus will provide FREE bus transportation for people in the Richmond metropolitan area to attend the 41st annual March For Life Rally in Washington DC, on **Wednesday, January 22, 2014**. **Seating on the buses is limited and will be by RESERVATION only.** A Registration fee may be required; however, the Registration fee will be returned when you take your seat on the bus. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a Parent, Guardian, or Approved Temporary Guardian with written permission.

Charter buses are scheduled for the following locations:

St John Neumann Church, 2480 Batterson Road, Powhatan, bus arrives at 7:30 am for pick-up and departs by 7:45 am, then proceeds to **St Edward Church**, 2700 Dolfield Drive, Richmond, for an 8:15 am pick-up and depart by 8:30 am; contact Tony Hackenberg @ 804-598-5812 or tjhack@hotmail.com. Bus Captain: Tony Hackenberg.

St Joseph Church, 828 Buford Road, Richmond, buses arrive at 8:00 am for pick-up and depart by 8:30 am; contact St. Joseph Church Secretary @ 804-320-4932 or prolife@stjosephrichmond.org. Bus Captains: Fr. Robert Novokowsky, F.S.S.P. and Fr. Karl Marsolle, F.S.S.P.

The Columbian Center, 2324 Pump Road, Henrico, bus arrives at 7:30 am for pick-up and departs by 8:00 am; contact Darius Yazdgerdi at 804-740-9633 or dmyaz@verizon.net. Bus Captain: Darius Yazdgerdi.

Church of the Redeemer, 8275 Meadowbridge Road, Mechanicsville, bus arrives at 7:30 am for pick-up and departs by 8:00 am; contact Ed Gillikin, Sr at 804-737-7628 or EdGilli@msn.com. Bus Captain: Steve Gerloff.

The Columbian Center and Church of the Redeemer buses will also stop at the Diocese of Richmond Pastoral Center, 7800 Carousel Lane, Henrico, (just off of Parham and Shrader Roads) at 8:15 am for additional pick-up and a brief convocation.

Marchers must check-in at the pick-up location at least 30 minutes prior to the specific departure time and must bring a lunch, soft drinks, cell phone, hat, gloves and suitable clothing for weather conditions. Buses will return by 6:30 pm.



Experience an Irish Session

January 12th - From 1 - 4pm

Irish Brunch & Irish Music Session

Rosie Connolly's - 1548 East Main Street (23219)

Directions:

Rosie Connolly's is located on the west side of the 17th St. Farmers' Market in Richmond's historic Shockoe Bottom, right next to Havana 59. Just turn on 17th Street off East Main. There is some parking on the street and also available in Farmers Market (fee) Performers include Andy Cleveland, The Sutors, Paul Willson, and Bernard Farrell



Major James H. Dooley born 1/17/1841

This month we mark the anniversary of the birth of our namesake. James H. Dooley was the second son of John and Sarah Dooley. James entered Georgetown College at the age of fifteen and led his class throughout his college career. He was awarded medals of excellence in mental philosophy, rhetoric, humanities, poetry, mathematics and natural philosophy. These medals are on display in Dooley's later home, Maymont



Christmas Party

See more pictures at Division webpage gallery
<http://aohrichmond.org/home/?p=1828>



Fr. Jim Arsenault blesses the officer jewels



Crafty children



State Secretary Bill Halpin (l) and Dan Cafferry



New President Vince Eikmeier addresses the assembly

Patrick J. Naughton
12400 Perrywinkle Road
Glen Allen VA 23059-5319

Hibernian Friendship Christmas Party



(l-r) Jim and Diane Woods, Maggie and Helene McGann, Chad Costello