

#### THE CHARLESTON CELTIC CRIER





# February 2022 Newsletter

# AOH Next Meeting: 9 March 2022 Location: Pauline Books

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#### **Division Officers:**

President
Vice President
Treasurer/Financial Secretary
Recording Secretary
Standing Committee
Marshall
Sentinel
Chaplain

Louis Herns
Bill Hart
Gregory Buehner
Andrew Wilson
Jim Nettles
Shannon Hurley
John Seignious
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Brothers, Happy 2022, and looking forward to a great year for all of us. As expected, the Christmas Toast was a rousing success, and thanks to President Herns for securing a new location for us. The food and company were terrific.

January saw our first meeting at Pauline Books; the Sisters were gracious enough to let us use the space, and Brother Martin McNulty secured it for us. Seems to be a great new location for the future (and we hope to improve attendance as COVID numbers drop).

As we have been making the push for new members, we inducted two new brothers into our organization: Dr. Bill Karitis and Gregory Buehner. Welcome to them both, and let's continue to find ways to add to our ranks.

We have made some changes to our officers' ranks, as you may have noted above. Congrats to all involved, and we'll plan on making the official changeovers at our March meeting.

A great upcoming oyster roast to make note of; would love to see y'all there!

# Bishop England Oyster Roast

Saturday; February 12, 2022.
6 PM to 9 PM
Jack Canty Field
\$40 in advance
\$50 at the door
Food, beer/wine, silent auction & live music.
For advance tickets click the link below.
Triple B Booster Club (square.site)

# AOH John L. Manning Division One Meeting Minutes – 12 January 2022

Number of Members Present: 12

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

- Opening Prayer / Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call of Officers:
  - Louis Herns, President PRESENT
  - Vice President
  - Andrew Wilson, Recording Secretary PRESENT
  - Bill Hart, Treasurer/Financial Secretary
  - Standing Committee
  - Marshal
  - John Seignious, Sentinel

#### **INITIATIONS:**

- o Gregory Buehner initiated
- o Dr. Bill Karitis initiated

#### 2. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- Copies of the minutes from the 18 November 2021 meeting were circulated by Andrew Wilson
- Move that the minutes be approved: APPROVED

# 3. TREASURER'S/FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Bill gave a full report at the November meeting.
- He and Barbara picked up COVID and are quarantining.

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS:

- Brother Shannon Hurley Report on the <u>Charleston Serra Club</u>. The club meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at Blessed Sacrament. One seminarian is transitioning to Cathedral. Chris Lester will be ordained this year.
- I have started dividing up the membership list and will have ready at the March meeting. I will also attempt to send it out by e-mail to many of you so we can hopefully have a great turnout for the parade.
- Christmas Toast
  - o Held Thursday, December 9, 2021
  - o Marina Variety Store Restaurant
  - o Well attended and everyone had a great time.
  - The KOC was represented and an officer from the Hibernian Society was also in attendance!
  - Unconfirmed report that 9 members had burgers instead of shrimp & grits.
- Does anyone have anything to add, or is there any "Old Business" I am overlooking?

# 5. Committee Reports

# \*Parade Committee Report

- Brother Jimmy Finnegan is not present to advise as to the upcoming 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
   St. Patrick's Day parade.
- Say some prayers that the Parade is held this year.

Still need more ads for the parade book!

Irish Memorial Park
Gathering of the Clans
Saturday March 5, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

Honoring Charleston's Irish ♣
Guest Speaker Brian Duffy
Ireland's First Honorary Consul to South Carolina

We will have more information coming soon!

# \*Project St. Patrick

- Kevin O'Connell with the Summerville division will be sending L. Herns 400 of his envelopes for us to use. All we need do is put our address label on it.
- o Summerville received over \$1,000 when distributing them at his church.
- I have requested a quote from Staples for them to print 2,500 envelopes. Should get the price shortly.
- o There are 16 S.C. seminarians.

# \*State Raffle

- o It is on for this year.
- o We have not received the tickets yet. \$50/each
- o Believe that the drawing to be held on March 9th
- Not much time, especially since we do not have the tickets.
- Uncertain as to how many we will be allotted.
- We do get 30% of each ticket sold.

# \*State Board Meeting

Held in Columbia last Saturday.

The Board is looking to get the Divisions more active, as only two divisions attended. Looking to improve communication between the divisions and the Board.

Bob Dillon is the new State President

# \*Half-Way Raffle

- Target date for Dunleavey's is September 17, 2022.
- Does anyone want to take over running the Raffle?

## \*Charities

I am going to try and get the officers and past presidents together to address our charitable giving in February.

# \*Turkey Day Run

Brother Bill Ferrara was not present.

The race drew 6500 participants this year.

# \*Meeting Location

Thoughts about this meeting location? Good location.

L. Herns knows the Wednesday meeting conflicts with some other Wednesday meetings and apologizes for that.

# Committee for the Sick

- Bill & Barbara Hart have COVID but are recovering.
- Jim Riggins is improving.
- Al Stiles wife is recovering from surgery. Al's granddaughter lost her baby before the holidays.
- Prayers for all.

# \* Membership Report

#### Dues

Bill sent out an e-mail today.

Dues are to be \$50.00

L. Herns collected the dues from several attending the meeting.

#### 7. New Business:

# \*2022 Meeting Dates

- January 12
- March 9
- May 11
- July 13
- September 14
- November 9
- December 14 Christmas Toast.

# **Oyster Roasts**

The KOC Annual Oyster Roast is to be held on January 22, 2022, at Gold Bug Island at 6:30 p.m. Oysters, fish stew, hots dogs beer and wine will be served. For tickets, contact Tom Franzone at (843) 729-7734. Advance tickets for those twelve and older are \$30.00, children \$8.00. Tickets for adults will be \$35.00 at the door.

Save the Date: The BEHS Oyster Roast will be held on Saturday, February 12, 2022, at Jack Canty Football Stadium on Daniel Island from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. When/if I receive additional information, I will pass it along.

- Other New Business/Good of the Order
- 9. History Perspective

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We should not forget the men who have served as Presidents of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and should remember and pray for our deceased members.

# **Past Presidents**

Jimmy Finnegan	1997-1999	James P Nettles, Jr	2009-2011
Martin Fosberry	1999-2001	Al Stiles, Jr.	2011-2014
Wm. "Billy" Clarey	2001-2003	Bill Ferrara	2014-2015
Stephen J White Sr	2003-2007	Bud Wham	2015-2017
Brian Davis	2007-2009	Bill Hart	2017-2019

## **Deceased Members**

Msgr. Robert Kelly	2004	Tom McLoughlin	2016
Martin Kennedy	2008	Fr. James Parker	2016
Edward W. Duffy	2009	Walter Duane	2017
Eugene Fosberry	2010	John M. Fahey	2018
Joseph Doherty, Jr.	2010	Ruford Bolchoz	2018
David Heisser	2010	Billy Murphy, Jr.	2018
Wm. "Billy" Clarey	2010	Nolan Paul Welborn	2019
James "Jimmy" Wells	2010	Joseph Clair	2019
Raphael M. O'Jones	2011	Francis "Bevo" Clair	2019
Msgr. Joseph Roth	2011	William "Billy" Adams	2020
Timmy McLaughlin	2011	Richard Heiterer	2020
Michael Power	2014	Gerry Baldwin	2020
John McDonaugh	2014	Brian Davis	2021
Malcolm Coffey	2015	Fr. John Dux	2021
James Seignious	2015		

Keep the Faith,

 ${\bf Andrew\ J.\ Wilson}$ 

Editor,

Msgr. John L Manning Division, Ancient Order of Hibernians