



GENERAL THOMAS F. MEAGHER DIVISION

SPOTSYLVANIA DIVISION NO. 1

November 2011 Highlights

The Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and seven additional Brothers were officially excused. A quorum was not established; therefore, a formal meeting was not held. Lacking a quorum, the vote for 2012 Division officers was postponed until our next scheduled meeting on 20 December, with installation in January.

The seven brothers present held informal discussions related to:

The Irish Brigade/Kirkland Memorial ceremony scheduled for *11 December*

The Division Christmas Party scheduled for *13 December*¹

The 2012 Rose of Tralee competition

The St Michael the Archangel High School Veterans Day luncheon

The *new and improved* Division website

Highlights from VAAOH State and Tri-State AOH meetings

VAAOH Meeting 22 October

- VAAOH donated \$500.00 to the Archdiocese for Military Services
- Guest speaker from the `Center for Economic and Social Justice`
- Consideration given to adopting the wounded warrior program called `Abel Forces` as a VAAOH state charity

- Adopted `Discover Your Irish Heritage` as 2012 recruitment theme
- Open State Board Positions: assistant organizer, buy Irish, immigration, 2013 state convention chairman
- **March for life 23 Jan 2012**

Highlights from Tri-State Meeting 30 October

- Disabled Veteran Coin Raffle: Prefer proceeds to Irish Wall Project, not Collins Barracks. Awaiting reply from Mr. Carroll
- Irish Heritage Night with the Washington Nationals vs. Baltimore Orioles on 19 or 20 May 2012
- Major Degree Ceremony 14 April 2012, Ocean City, MD
- Major Degree Ceremony in Richmond (tentative) Jan 2012

Meagher Division Attire:

Green Jacket: Men's Wearhouse (1210 Carl D. Silver Parkway in Central Park) offers Hibernians a \$390 green sports jacket for \$89.00. Typically, the AOH `uniform` for parades and other semi-formal occasions is green sport coat, white shirt with Irish theme tie, and black trousers. Our point of contact is the Assistant Manager, Ms. Bushra Elmalki (540.785.2449).

AOH Sash: Tri-color AOH sashes are available from LAOH Sister Patricia Ankrom. She produces 7.5ft long sashes costing \$ 40.00. Patricia guarantees satisfaction: if you're not satisfied send it back for a full refund. Mail your order and payment check (payable to Tracey's By Design or Patricia Ankrom) to: Patricia Ankrom, 7400 Airport Road, Quinton, VA 23141. For more information, email Patricia at traceysbydesign@aol.com

Division logo polo shirts, sweat shirts, and ball caps:

Another order is in the works; if you want to place an order *send me* size and style you want. Prices are:

- Long sleeve polo: \$22.75
- Short sleeve polo: \$19.75

- Sweat shirt: \$21.25
- Ball Cap: \$14.00

Prayer List: Please pray for the return to good health/speedy recovery of our Brothers Bob Errickson, Bill Callahan, Jim Hagerty, and Ron Cullen.

Next Meeting: December 20th!

In Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

Bill Halpin

President

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¹ The Christmas party is the subject of a separate email