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February 2017 *Your President's Message*

Brother Shillelaghs,

Greetings to all our members.

I hope to see many of you at the Belmar/Lake Como Parade on Sunday March 5. We will gather as a group as always at 12:30 by the lake in Lake Como. Green carnations will be available at our clubhouse beginning at 10 am for members who are marching. A reminder, parade hats are available at the Irish Centre in Spring Lake and hats and ties are available at the club.

Our Next meeting will be Wed March 1 at 7:30 PM. This will be a very busy and important meeting. I urge members to attend if possible. Topics of interest will be: Club executive board nominations, the welcoming of approx 60 + new members and parade information.

Our on line clothing sales was a huge success. With each sale, our club will receive a donation back, to be contributed to our building fund. We will open up the online store again in the spring with several new items as well.

The new building is moving along. And we are now in the final stages of hopefully obtaining our certificate of occupancy. We are not sure of the date when it will come, due to the fact that several things need to have inspections. We still have some work to do, but the end of the building phase is closer than ever.

We will advise our membership in the next week as to what the club will do parade day in regard to our new and old buildings. We will do what is in the best interest of our club, as there are many things to consider. As a reminder, our club will be limited to family and members on parade day this year. Membership will be opening up in the spring for anyone who wishes to sponsor someone

Our dinner dance will once again be held May 6 this year. Details will be coming soon. Please visit our website for any additional club information at www.fsosbelmar.org I look forward to seeing a lot of you Sunday March 5 at the parade.

Thank you,

Steve Roberts
President, FSOS Belmar

DATES TO REMEMBER

JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

Sunday Afternoons - Fundraisers for the Belmar - Lake Como St. Patrick's Day Parade -

FEBRUARY

Wednesday February 1st - February Monthly Meeting at 7:30pm

Saturday February 25th - Polar Bear Plunge - Contact Danny Reilly

Sunday February 26th - Parade Fundraiser at the New Clubhouse - more info to follow

MARCH

Wednesday March 1st - March Monthly Meeting at 7:30pm - get your parade gear

Also Nominations for officers

Sunday, March 5th - The Belmar - Lake Como - St. Patrick's Day Parade - FULL UNIFORM.

EVERYONE IS REQUIRED TO MARCH or you must send a letter to the President indicating why you can't march.

APRIL

Wednesday April 5th April Monthly Meeting at 7:30pm

MAY

Wednesday May 3rd - May Monthly Meeting at 7:30pm

Saturday May 6th - Shillelagh Dinner Dance - 6pm - Doolan's - Contact: Mark Quirk and Billy Clohossey

Monday, May 29th - Manasquan Memorial Day Parade - Club members march in Summer Uniform, White Shillelagh Golf Shirt and Tan/Khaki shorts - Contact: Greg Lyden

ANNOUNCEMENT

Ehrlich Law offices, 608 Main Street, Belmar - Discount on Estate Planning documents for Shillelaghs \$300 for a will, living will and POA documentation for you and your spouse. (6 docs total) Please present your shillelagh membership ID. Call Tom Ehrlich 732-223- 8480 for appointments.



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William	D	Brown
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Logan	J	Burke
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Joseph		Desmond
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Charles	J	Doherty
Michael	G	Drury
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Michael	R	Flynn
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ABOUT US

We invite you to show your support, honor friends and family, to remember loved ones, or commemorate special occasions by purchasing tribute bricks to be placed in the walkway and landscaped area in front of The New Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh Clubhouse in Belmar. Best of all, your brick purchase will help the new FSOS clubhouse, which in turn helps the FSOS continue its mission of celebrating Irish- American culture and helping countless members of our community who are less fortunate or in need.

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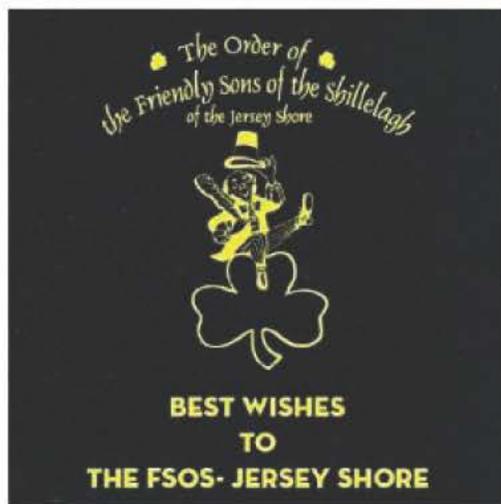
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18 x 18	\$500.00	\$750.00

For all questions, please contact

John Carr at fsospavers@gmail.com

The Pipes and Drums of the Jersey Shore - February 2017

March is almost upon us! We are working hard at our two a week rehearsals to prepare for what some call the high holy season. We're all hoping for dry, mild weather for the parades. We are scheduled (so far) for the following performances:

Belmar St Patrick's Day Parade proudly leading the club along Main Street on 3/5

Union St Patrick's Day Parade on 3/11

Asbury St Patrick's Day Parade on 3/12

Annual School Tour on 3/16

St Patrick's Day at a few locations including the Club as usual on 3/17

Keyport St Patrick's Day Parade on 3/25

More might be in the works. Check us out on facebook for updates to the schedule of performances. The club also has a facebook page as well and I try to post our schedule there as well.

We have welcomed 6 pipers to the ranks over the last 6 weeks or so. One of the largest groups to join at once and the most pipers at once since the bands inception 19 years ago. Joe Hagen, Wally Stafford, Chris King, Mike Callahan, Amanda Cregan and Shawn Allan are playing pipes in the band. Shawn has been learning to play pipes as a student in our band and she is also a snare drummer in the band for a few years now. Wally was a snare drummer and piper years ago in the band and has returned. Amanda played pipes in the band for a long time a few years back and has returned. Mike comes from another band up north, The Guard P&D. Joe and Chris have been learning pipes as student for over a year now. All successfully auditioned and were all smiles after being accepted to the band family! Congrats to all and welcome to the band!!!

The band always has something to do for local fundraisers and parades, to quite a few club events throughout the year! If you wish to have the band, small group or bagpiper perform for just about any event or perhaps in your living room, please let our Band Manager Jim Dougherty (or anyone in the band) know and we will do our best to accommodate all requests. Please realize that Band Members, like everyone else, have family/job commitments/obligations and other circumstances that come up (some of which are beyond our control) that makes it impossible for us to accommodate all requests.

As with any organization, growth is key to being successful in the long term. Do you or anyone you know want to learn to play? Learning how to play bagpipes or drums is a great way to be involved with the band, club, your Irish Heritage and of course to do something fun! Today, right NOW is the time to start learning! Stop by at a rehearsal to talk to us on any Tuesday evening at the Ascension Church in Bradley Beach (in the gym), at 6:30pm for beginners and 7pm for band members. If you already know how to play bagpipes or drums & want to join the band, just head over to rehearsal on a Tuesday evening and check us out. Our email is band@jspipesanddrums.com which can be accessed by visiting our website at www.jspipesanddrums.com or you can talk to me or any other band member for information.

Slainte,

Ray Spengler

THIS YEAR MARKS THE 150th ANNIVERSARY OF THE MANCHESTER MARTYRS

On September 18, 1867, more than 30 members of the Irish Republican Brotherhood (IRB) stopped and surrounded a horse-drawn police wagon traveling under a railway arch in Manchester, England. The police wagon was taking prisoners from the courthouse to the jail. The group sought to free IRB leaders Thomas Kelly and Timothy Deasy, who had been arrested for loitering and vagrancy. Kelly had served as a Colonel in the American Civil War, and Deasy as a Captain. They, like many other members of the Irish diaspora who were Civil War veterans, expressed their passion for Irish nationalism by joining the growing Fenian cause. After the war, Kelly and Deasy returned to Ireland. Colonel Kelly was named a chief executive in the IRB, and Captain Deasy became commander of a Fenian brigade in Co. Cork. While twelve mounted policemen with the police wagon in Manchester fled, the officer inside - Sergeant Charles Brett - refused to open the door and free the prisoners. One of the raiders fired a gun into the cage-lock to open it. The shot killed Brett and allowed Kelly and Deasy to escape. They were never re-captured. Kelly ended up in Atlantic City where he ran a hotel with his wife. Deasy went to Massachusetts where he was elected to the State House of Representatives. Sergeant Brett became the first Manchester policeman to be killed in the line of duty.

Fenianism was marked by a strong commitment to Ireland, the view that England was satanic, fervor for an independent Irish republic, and belief that using physical force was an acceptable means of achieving its goals. An example of the Fenian effort in this country occurred in 1866, when a Fenian Army comprised of Irishmen who had fought in the Civil War crossed the border from Buffalo into Ontario and waged an unsuccessful attack aimed at liberating Canada from England. They were led by General John O'Neill, who had emigrated from Co. Monaghan to Elizabeth in 1848, during Ireland's Great Hunger - "an gorta mor." O'Neill had served in the Civil War as a Colonel in the Union Army.

Ten per cent of Manchester's population was Irish. Brett's killing caused fear, panic and outrage in the community. In response, the British rounded up sixty Irishmen and charged them with involvement in the murder. The court denied a motion brought by defense counsel to change the venue of the trial from Manchester to London. Twenty-six Irishmen went to trial in Manchester. Many were convicted of rioting and assault on police. They received five year prison terms. Five defendants - William Allen, Michael Larkin, Michael O'Brien, Thomas Maguire and Edward O'Meagher Condon - were convicted of murder. The jury had deliberated for an hour and fifteen minutes before returning guilty verdicts. None of the convicted defendants had been charged with firing the fatal shot. All five convicted of murder were sentenced to death by hanging.

In the dock at sentencing, Condon admitted organizing the attack but denied being present when it occurred. He exclaimed, "I have nothing to regret or retract. I can only say God save Ireland." This led all of the defendants to cry out: "God Save Ireland!" when the death sentences were announced. Their cry inspired the song "God Save Ireland," which was written a month later and is considered the unofficial Irish anthem. Maguire, a Royal Marine, was ultimately pardoned. Witnesses against him, who were the same witnesses against the others, were found to have perjured themselves. Condon, an American citizen, had his sentence commuted to life imprisonment.

More than eight thousand people gathered in Manchester to see the three Irishmen - Allen, Larkin and O'Brien - hung on November 23, 1867. Irish clergy instructed their flocks not to attend the public spectacle, but to instead attend mass on the morning of the execution. One description of the event noted that "raucous bacchanalian strains of . . . 'Rule Britannia'" were sung by the crowd prior to the hanging. Allen, Larkin and O'Brien were the first Irish rebels executed since Robert Emmet in 1803. While Allen died instantly from a broken neck, Larkin and O'Brien did not. The hangman finished the job on Larkin by pulling on his legs. It took 45 minutes for O'Brien to stop breathing. Their bodies were buried in quicklime graves at the prison.

O'Brien was born in Cork where he joined the IRB. He had emigrated to Jersey City and became an American citizen. O'Brien had fought with the NJ Light Artillery in the Civil War and received an honorable discharge. He had returned to Ireland after the war and run guns between Ireland and England. The U.S. government interceded on behalf of Condon due to his American citizenship. The intercession saved him, just as being born in America had allowed Eamon de Valera to escape a death sentence after the 1916 Easter Rising. The U.S. Embassy, however, had not appealed on behalf of O'Brien, and he was executed. The Archbishop of Dublin, Cardinal Paul Cullen, pled to no avail with authorities to spare the lives of O'Brien, Allen and Larkin. Ten years later, Charles Stewart Parnell told the House of Commons that "I do not believe, and never shall believe, that any murder was committed in Manchester."

To the Irish, Allen, Larkin and O'Brien were martyrs. In sacrificing their lives, they "electrified nationalist Ireland" and made the IRB and Fenianism – despite its defeats – something people could take pride-in. Archbishop Cullen was concerned about the popularity of Fenian "terrorists." To confront this new challenge faced by the Church, he led a "devolution revolution," which empowered parish priests to exercise significant social and political authority in the lives of congregants. As a result, "parish missions, sermons and confraternities became vital features of religious practice" in Ireland for the next 100 years. The sacrifices and ideals of the Manchester Martyrs continued to resonate in Ireland long afterwards. A year before the Rising, James Connolly wrote about the "Fenians of Manchester." He said, they "struck back at the enemy with blows that are still resounding through the heart of the world. The echo of those blows has for a generation been as a baptismal dedication to the soul and life of thousands of Irish men and women, consecrating them to the service of freedom." You can expect to see events honoring their memory throughout the year.

by markmuldoon



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Upcoming Meeting

March 1, 2017 at 7:30pm

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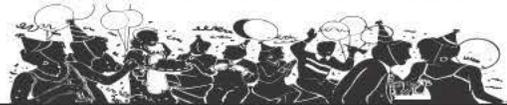
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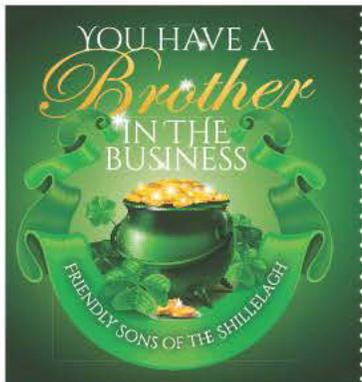
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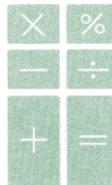
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