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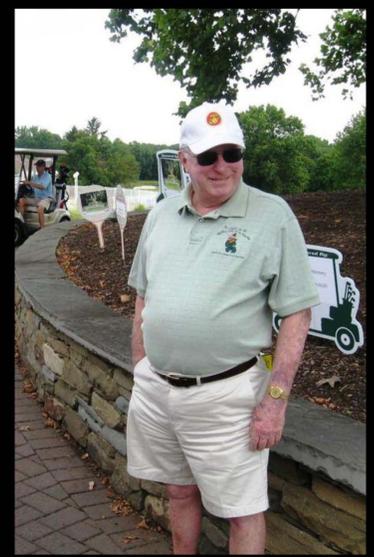
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Gentlemen,

First of all I sincerely hope this Shenanigans finds you all in good Health and Spirits. Once again our fine club had its up and unfortunately downs. We had to say goodbye to two more fellow Brothers, Mr. Thomas Owen and past President Mr. Jimmy Byrne.

In Memory of all our fellow Brothers, Family members and Loved ones that have passed away... Please aid in helping their partners and families reflect on the following...

You can shed tears because they have gone,

or

You can smile because they have lived.

You can close your eyes and pray that they will come back,

or

You can open your eyes and see all they have left.

Your heart can be empty because you can't see them,

or

Your heart can be full with the love you have shared.

You can turn your back on tomorrow and live in yesterday.

or

You can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.

You can remember them and only that they are gone,

or

You can cherish their memory and let it live on.

You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back,

or

You can do what they would want you to do...

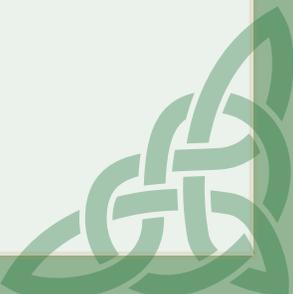
Smile, open your eyes, love and live on.



The memories of all our fellow brothers and loved ones will Live on in our Hearts and Souls forever.

God Bless you all,

John.





Good and Welfare

Brother member Tom Owen passed away, as did brother Richard Byrnes, We also lost former president Jimmy Byrne, great men and fine brothers. Please keep their loved ones in your thoughts. As always please remember our troops and support staff all over the globe.



Please always, take a moment to think of all our troops and support staff overseas, and those less fortunate than us.

Good and Welfare information should be given to Barney Shannon @ (732) 254-6153, or to any officer.



Blue, Red And Grey...

September Meeting - Thursday, September 13th 8:30PM

Kelly Brothers Benefit Saturday, September 15th 2-6PM flyer inside, or see Bart

FSOS Family Picnic Saturday, September 22nd 1-6PM let's see everyone out there!

Tour De Shillelagh Bicycle run

Saturday, September 22nd 10AM, Details inside.

Country Music Night Saturday, October 20th

See inside and online.

President's Joke of the Month...

God created the donkey & said to him: "You will work unceasingly from sunrise to sunset carrying burdens on your back. You will eat grass, you will have no intelligence & you will live 50 years.

You will be a donkey. "The donkey answered: "I will be a donkey, but to live 50 years is too much. Give me only 20 years. God granted his wish.

God created the dog and said to him: "You will be a dog." You will guard the house of man. You will be his best friend. You will eat the scraps that he gives you and you will live 25 years. You will be a dog. "The dog answered: "Master, to live 25 years is too much, you give me only 10 years. God granted his wish. God created the Monkey and said to him:

"You will be a monkey." You will swing from branch to branch doing tricks. You will be amusing and you will live 20 years. You will be a monkey. "The monkey answered: "Master to live 20 years is too much, you give me only 10 years. God granted his wish.

Finally God created the man and said to him: "You will be a man, the only rational creature on the face of the earth." You will use your intelligence to become master over all animals. You will dominate the world and you will live 20 years. Man responded: "I will be a man but to live only 20 years is very little, give the 30 years that the donkey refused, the 15 years that the dog did not want and the 10 years the monkey refused. God granted his wish. And since then, man lives 20 years as a man, he marries and spends 30 years like a donkey, working and carrying all the burdens on his back. Then when his children are gone, he lives 15 years like a dog, taking care of the house and eating whatever is given to him, so that when he is old, he can retire and live 10 years like a monkey, going from house to house, from one son or daughter to another, doing tricks to amuse his grandchildren.

FSOS Pipes and Drums - Events

Rock Hill NY Fireman's Parade - Sept 15th

FSOS Family Picnic - Sept 22nd

Basilone Parade, Raritan NJ - Sept 23rd

Anyone interested in playing Pipes or Drums, come down on Monday nights. - John Hatton

FSOS FAMILY PICNIC



Saturday, September 22nd

1/6PM

This year, Jim Hartwyk and his crew of BBQ boys (and girls) will attempt to flatter your taste buds and cob your corn, please come down and sizzle.

\$15.00 per person pre sale, \$20.00 at the door.

Children 1 through 9 free, 10 through 20, \$5.00

**This event has always been one of our “gifts to the membership”
It would be heartwarming to actually see a LARGE MEMBER
TURNOUT this year, remember it’s your club.**

NO Beer truck (but, yea, beer all over the place), all the food most of us could possibly ingest, Pony Rides games and other mirth. Please volunteer to help, low cost, but high maintenance event! LIVE MUSIC with the Backbeat Band (Vinnie and EJ)

There will be a great Raffle too!

Wonderful MODEL TRAIN Exhibit in our Banquet Hall this year, do not miss this!

Please bring extra chairs too. See you all there???????



Thoughts While Junking Around

A Few weeks ago, I found myself, with Paula, wandering through an antique, or junk store, nothing remarkable about that, granted, but I was struck by the selection of what appeared to be entire house contents. There were obviously pieces of furniture, and all manner of items you would expect to see; but there were also many boxes of photographs. I thought, how sad, the remnants of someone’s life, stories not to be told any longer. Whether through death, or displacement, lost pages of a life. We have had more than our share of loss this year, and the anniversary of one of our country’s great losses is upon us. I think it is important, not simply to remember, but to continue to tell all the stories we know, and to listen. Cheers

20th Annual Kelly Brothers Scholarship Benefit



In Memory of Bob & Dennis

Saturday SEPTEMBER 15th 2-6PM

\$25.00 donation / (Children free) Includes: Food, Beer, Wine, Soda,
DJ & Games for Kids

If unable to attend, donations greatly appreciated.

Checks can be made out to:

Hemophilia Association of NJ or H.A.N.J

Any questions, please call Bart McDade: 732-679-1922.



Tour De Shillelagh Bike Run **SAT., SEPTEMBER 22ND, 9AM**

Great event to benefit SERF and the Food Pantry. 20 mile circuit from the club, all riders get a free T-shirt too. Questions - Contact Don Bruchez @ (732) 723-3560. Same day as our picnic, you can sweat it off, and then drink it back on, what fun! This is our 12th run!



Country Music Night **SATURDAY OCTOBER, 20TH**

\$25.00 per person, \$30.00 at the door, Beer, wine, soda, and food included, GREAT Country music by Due South. See Mike Sullivan for more, Wonderful poster online and at the pub, tables selling fast!



Endings/Beginnings

As another year approaches its final track, I want to thank all the officers, and especially friends I have worked with these years. It's been an honor and a privilege writing for you and to you all.

The Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh - Pavilion Rental Rules



The Friendly Sons Pavilion was built in 2001. It was built by members for members and it's in that spirit that it is maintained today and rented free of charge to members and their immediate family as they celebrate family functions. It is not permissible to rent the pavilion for celebrations or functions related to other organizations or for non-family functions.

Rules for renting the Pavilion as of July 1, 2012

1. Rented by members only for immediate family. Immediate family includes the following:
 - a. Parents
 - b. Brothers and Sisters in Law
 - c. Mother and Father in Law
 - d. Siblings
 - e. Sons, Daughters
2. Hours of Function
 - a. Functions may start no earlier than 10:00am
 - b. Must end at Dusk or 8:30pm whichever comes first.
3. Bartenders
 - a. Parties must have 2 assigned bartenders.
 - i. One outside & one inside
 - b. Cost for bartenders is \$50 per bartender.
 - c. If an extension is granted there will be an additional charge of \$15 per bartender per hour.
 - d. Bartenders can only be assigned by the Bar Chairman.
4. Barbecue grill rental fee of \$50 includes up to 2 tanks of gas.
5. Alcohol
 - a. Must be purchased from the club.
 - b. Absolutely no outside alcohol may be brought onto the grounds.
6. Clean Up/Deposit
 - a. A \$200 refundable deposit must accompany the reservation.
 - b. Premises must be cleaned by 10:00am the following day in order to have deposit returned.
 - c. All decorations must be removed from the premises.
 - d. If premises not cleaned by 10:00am check will be forfeit and funds used to clean the Pavilion.
7. All music must point toward route 18 and must be played reasonable decibel.
8. Absolutely no Bachelor parties or Sweet Sixteen parties will be allowed on the premises.
9. See Banquet pricing worksheet for beer/wine/soda/liquor packages.
10. Pitchers of soda are \$6. We strongly encourage you to bring your own soda.

Failure to honor any of these rules may result in revocation of all renting privileges for the renting member and cancellation of the event if discovered prior to the function date.

AD Book - # 152, Joe Murray
F.I.L.F.F.C- Bill Gerdon, yessir.



Membership News

Effective as of the August meeting.

1st Reading: None

2nd Reading: None

New Members: Gregory Steigler **WELCOME!**

"Stewardesses" is the longest word that can be typed with only the left hand.

Babies are born without kneecaps. They don't appear until the child reaches 2 to 6 years of age.

The Bible does not say there were three wise men; it only says there were three gifts.



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