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Gentlemen,

First of all, I am extremely grateful and happy to be back writing on our front, which means we have had a Healthy month. So I sincerely pray that this trend continues and we all stay in the best of Health and high Spirits. Once again God Bless our Passed Brothers and friends, please also remember and say a prayer for the very brave men and women who risked their lives that terrible September day eleven years ago, may they all rest in peace.

Once again we survived another brilliant fun filled month. We started off with the 20th Annual Kelly Brothers Scholarship Benefit in memory of Bob and Dennis. This was a day full of joy as we listened to some fine music and watched all the kids being entertained with lawn games. The conversations around the pavilion were fierce craic. Thank you to Bart, Mr and Mrs Kelly and all the elves that made this years charity event another huge success.

Speaking of charity, kudos to our brother Wayne who once again joined a group of 75 shillelaghs from our Brotherly Essex club who all shaved their heads for the St. Baldricks Cancer Charity Fund. This was set up by our fellow Essex President, Kevin Kinney. Kevin's endless work and his teams efforts have raise over \$70,000 this year and are presently closing in on \$500,000 raised over a five year period. Well done lads, you are all a credit to the Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh.

Next up, we had our 12th Annual Tour DeShillelagh Bike Run. This was an enjoyable but tiring 20 mile ride through the streets of Old Bridge. Actually, rumor has it that some of the riders only rode out 10 miles turned around and cycled back...wait...what...oh yeah I get !!

This was again a great success to aid Serf and the Food pantry, thanks to Donny, Sue and Debbie for all their hard work in running this charity event.

And then came the event of the month, our Annual Family Picnic. This is a day were we are in full display of our true Irish friendship and

complete "Teamwork". There are far too many names to thank you all in person here but to all the volunteers and Jimmy who lead the charge, I thank you all for your dedication to "your" club.

It was such a pleasant sight to see all our little Shillelaghs enjoying themselves to no end with the many festivities available for them, whether it was on the ponies, in and out of all the blown up castles, playing soccer, volleyball and football, their smiling faces and giddy laughter makes it all worth while.

We once again distributed the 24 carat Gold medals to the young and not so young who joined us in our lawn relay fun games. Jackie Patterson was, by far, our Decathlon winner, she was a sight to see in the sack... (potato sack, that is).

We giddy-upped the day to the beat of The Backbeat who were outstanding. I must also thank our secret security crew who held all the children back from painting Kevin's (sede) Pirate boat !!

Thank you to all the raffle tickets sellers and congratulations to all our lucky winners, oh btw, Mims says thank you to John W. and John R., hey who loves ya baby :-)

So, to sum up, cheers to you all for a perfect fun filled family day.

Last but by no means least, thank you to Jeffrey Schuld and Kenny Shanley for their assistance in refinishing and repairing our shuffle board, now let the games begin.

Well that's it for now, lads. I sincerely hope to see you all in the very near future, whether it be during one of our upcoming parties or to cheer on your favorite team during football Saturdays and Sundays.

Also, please prepare yourselves for our upcoming Walter Siecinski Blood Drive, Country night and Thanksgiving Baskets.

God Bless,
Cheers for now,
John.



Good and Welfare

Please keep charity in your heart and hands, especially at this time of year.



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.

Nothing But Love...

October Meeting - Thursday, October 11th 8:30PM

Walter Siecinski Blood Drive Thursday, October 18th, More inside.

Country Music Night Saturday, October 20th
See inside and online.

Kids Halloween Party Saturday, October 27th
11AM/ 2PM, See inside.

Thanksgiving Baskets Saturday, November 17th
Our way of helping to take care of the community in need.
See inside.

Coming At you like a drunken freight train engineer... The Christmas Parties, Adults and Kids, more information to follow.

President's Joke of the Month:

You Don't Need to Be a Weatherman...

It was two o'clock in the morning and a husband and wife were asleep, when suddenly the phone rang.

The husband picked up the phone and said, "Hello?... How the heck do I know? What am I, the weather man?" – and promptly slammed the phone down.

His wife rolls over and asks, "Who was that?"

The husband replies, I don't know. Some guy who wanted to know if the coast was clear.



FSOS Pipes and Drums

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

BLOOD FOR BROTHERS



Thursday, OCTOBER 18th 3/8PM

Our 5th annual Blood Drive named for our deceased brother Walter Siecinski. Please come down and roll up your sleeve, or if you cannot give, tell a family member or a neighbor to come down. Let's make Walter's Family PROUD! We want to surpass our record of 55 pints! Give a pint, get a pint, also a hot buffet will be available for those who donate. Questions: Marty Cameron (732) 245-1559



Country Music Night SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

Great music, beer, wine, soda, 50/50, games, SOUTHERN Style cooking. Currently in "waiting List" status. Mike Sullivan, et al, another tremendous job! Play on.



Kids Halloween Party Saturday, October 27th 11AM/ 2PM

Ghouls and Ghosts, Fairies, and Princesses, the Kid's day to dress up and Party! Your host is the venerable Marty Cameron, DANCE CONTEST, Entertainment, Hot Dogs, Soda, and Candy! Can you say "SUGAR RUSH"
Adults are welcome to dress up as well, if you dare.



Memories- Thinking of Halloween, I remember the years when we had the Adult Party, there were some hilarious, humbling , scary, and scandalous moments. It's strange the fun we grow out of

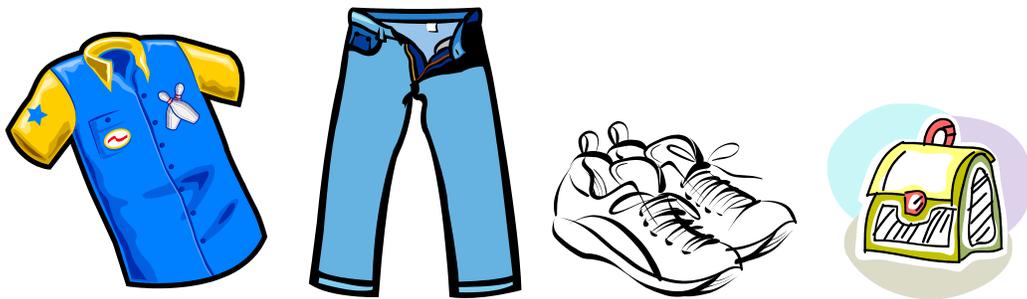
5th Annual FSOS Clothing Drive

October 20th- 27th



Where: The Order of Friendly Sons of Shillelagh

15 Oak Street- Old Bridge, NJ (just off Route 18 South)



All types clean clothing accepted

*Please place shoes, pocketbooks, etc in

separate bags and mark accordingly

All proceeds go to charity

If items need to be picked up: Please contact
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THANKSGIVING BASKETS



It's that time of year again we will be preparing for our annual thanksgiving basket project. The list is up at the club please sign up for a food item with some of your friends. Please let me know what the item is that you are donating by either phone or e mail. We are looking to put out 48 baskets again this year, I can't tell you how grateful we are for all your help in this endeavor. We will be collecting the food on Friday November 16 2012. I have been asked to ask everyone to please not start dropping off your food items until Monday November 12 2012. We will start to inventory the food on Friday November 16 2012. We will start to assemble the baskets at 830am on Saturday November 17 2012. We will start the day with a warm breakfast sandwich from our kitchen crew. We will be supplying community service letters for our future Confirmation recipients and anyone else that needs a letter for community service. The most important mission I have for all of you is to look around and let me know if you know anyone that can use a thanksgiving basket, you are our eyes and ears.

I would like to say with sadness honorary member Paul Zulin who has been handling our turkey order through shop-rite of old bridge for many years will not be able to assist us in this endeavor this year. Paul was transferred to shop-rite of Elizabeth. Thanks Paul for all your help over the years. (especially the year you put the turkey order in when someone never called the order in). Kathryn (Katie) Costello will be placing the turkey order through shop-rite of Morganville, where she is employed in the meat department. Due to the huge increase in the price of the turkeys we are having a 50/50 every Sunday up until Sunday, November 11 2012, thanks to all the football fans for their support. Thanks again for all you do to make thanksgiving nice for our neighbors and friends.

The thanksgiving basket committee

Ray Costello 732-500-6929 elevatorray@gmail.com

AD Book - # 179, Kevin Campbell

F.I.L.F.F.C- The almighty Keegan



Membership News

Effective as of the June meeting.

1st Reading: None

2nd Reading: None

New Members: John Henry WELCOME!



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