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Gentlemen,

First of all, I would like to wish the very best of the 4th of July to all. Please remember our Troops who risk their lives every day to protect our Freedom and ask for God's blessings for their families. Happy Birthday, America.

It is with regret that I inform you that we have lost another member. Harry Bauer was a long-time member who passed away on July 1, 2013 in Florida. Harry was a member of our club for over 40 years and was an original drummer in the pipe band. Harry will be cremated and his son, Brian, has said that he will be arranging a memorial service in New Jersey at a later day. Please remember Harry and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

The 14th Annual Pig Roast was filled with fun and good times. Good food, good beer and good music rounded out the day. This event is always a huge success because of the teamwork that is put forth by so many of our members. To all those that helped I truly appreciate all your efforts in making this day such a success. THANK YOU!

Local musician, John Ench came to the club and entertained us on June 14, 2013. The music was grand and we had a good crowd show up to enjoy the evening. I hope that everyone enjoyed the night as much as I did.

The Atlantic City bus trip was a good time, as usual. There was a little gambling, a little drinking, a free Jimmy Buffet concert on the beach, and, of course, a little more drinking. It was a beautiful sunny day and a good time was had by all. A big thank you goes out to Dennis and Dot, John and Barbara, and Dave and Charlene for once again organizing a great day trip.

With summer in full swing and the kids out of school, I surely hope that you all will be enjoying your vacations and the lazy days of summer. Please be safe this summer and enjoy spending time with your family and friends.

I hope to see you around the club.

All the best,

Scott

Good and Welfare

The Elephant In The Room...

July Meeting Thursday, July 11th 8:30PM

Kelly Brothers Benefit

Saturday, September 14th 2/6PM
details inside.

FSOS Family Picnic

Saturday, September 28th 1/6PM
Story inside.

Tour De Shillelagh

Saturday, September 28th 1/6PM
Story inside.

"summer, after all, is a time when wonderful things can happen to quiet people. for those few months, you're not required to be who everyone thinks you are, and that cut-grass smell in the air and the chance to dive into the deep end of a pool give you a courage you don't have the rest of the year. you can be grateful and easy, with no eyes on you, and no past. summer just opens the door and lets you out." – Deb Caletti, *Honey, Baby, Sweetheart*

Harry Bauer,
Lifetime member and original drummer in pipe band passed away July 1, 2013 in Florida from heart failure after a 2 month stay in the hospital. He will be cremated and his son Brain will arrange a memorial service at a later date in New Jersey.



Please remember our troops and support staff all over the globe.

Please keep charity in your heart and hands.

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

FSOS Pipes & Drums

Lotto raffle tickets now available. See any band member to get yours today!



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



SUMMER Factoids

1. The Dog Days of Summer are named after Sirius, the Dog Star, in the constellation Canis Major, which shines most brightly during this period. The ancient Greeks and Romans believed the star was responsible for the heat and blamed it for periods of drought, sickness, and discomfort, or as we know them, bad hair days.
2. Kangaroos lick their forearms to keep cool.
3. 15 pounds of Watermelon are eaten per person each year in the U.S.
4. Count the number of Cricket chirps in 15 seconds, add 37 = air temperature (in Fahrenheit).
5. Cool fact: A typical iceberg weighs up to 200,000 tons and is the size of a 15-story building
6. Corny facts: a) Each ear of corn has about 600 kernels, arranged in bands of 14 to 16. b) One bushel of corn contains a total of about 90,000 kernels. c) There is one strand of silk for every kernel.
7. 808,897 is the US Patent number granted to inventor Willis Haviland Carrier in 1906 for his "Apparatus for Treating Air", a.k.a. the first air conditioner. Yay for Willis!



Another great trip, thanks to Dennis and Dot Sullivan et al;

Drinks and prizes on the way down. We redefined "Cougar", and Invented "Cradle Snatcher" (don't ask)



Beautiful day, winners, losers, first time gamblers too.

The Boardwalk is still, a curious cross section of American variety. Free Jimmy Buffett concert, Frontier beer, AND we made it back to the bus on time!!!!



THE ORDER OF THE FRIENDLY SONS OF THE SHILLELAGH
OLD BRIDGE, NJ

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Gentlemen,

Next year, 2014, will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary, our "Golden Anniversary". 50 fabulous years of the Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh. In preparation for the celebration we are forming a committee & sub committees responsible for the planning and implementing of all activities related to our Golden Anniversary: Entertainment, catering, logistics, landscaping, advertising, parking, beverage services, memorials and remembrances, club history, and many more considerations will require your help and input. As the committees are formed over the next few months I know you will cooperate with them and each month we will endeavor to keep you up to date with what's happening.

One thing we can all do right now is to start digging for gold to help us tell the story of 50 years of Friendly Sons. You don't get to 50 years without collecting a treasure trove of history. You have stories, photographs and items of interest though you may or may not know this right now. Please write down the stories, gather the photos and find the items. Each month I would love to include some of these stories and memories in our monthly Shenanigans paper so please get them to me at your earliest convenience. This is a great club, made great by its members, past and present. The Irish are storytellers, so help us tell our stories, celebrate our past and inspire our future.

I look forward to working with you to help create a "Golden" year at the Friendly Sons.

Cheers for now,
John P. Sheridan.



I post this every year, maybe it will actually work someday...

SOME REASONS YOU SHOULD BE HERE...

► **This is YOUR Club:**

Its health; both structurally and financially need your support. Come down to some work parties (SATURDAYS). It is staggering how much maintenance is needed just to keep the building sound and clean.

► **The PUB:**

Is one of the backbones of the Club. Lack of support for it drives up prices, and JEEZ, you are not going to drink cheaper anywhere.

► **Friday Night Dinners:**

The best way to start your weekend. great food, at a great price, and you can bring the family.

► **Club Events:**

There is no reason for empty seats at parties and Pub Nights sponsored by the FSOS.

► **General Nonsense:**

We laugh, complain, call each other vile names, what more could you want?

**Please, support this Club,
Your Club.**



FSOS FAMILY PICNIC

Saturday, September 28th 1/6PM

This year, Jim Hartwyk and his crew of BBQ boys (and girls) will attempt to turn your taste buds inside out, and maybe reinvent your digestive system!

- **\$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.

BEER, Wine, Soda, water, oh, and BEER too, all the food most of us could possibly ingest, Pony Rides , some sort of exciting ride,. games for all, Horse shoe Tourney too Please bring a chair. Please volunteer to help, low cost, but high maintenance event! LIVE MUSIC with SUMMER BOB

There will be a great Raffle too!

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

21ST ANNUAL

KELLY BROTHERS SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT

IN MEMORY OF BOB & DENNIS



Saturday SEPTEMBER 14th 2-6pm

Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh
1 Oak Street, Old Bridge

\$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 732-679-1922.

Tour De Shillelagh Bike Run



Sat., September 28th, 9AM

Great event to benefit SERF and
the Food Pantry. 20 mile circuit
from the club, all sweat it off, and
then drink it back on, what fun!

This is our 13th run!

Membership News

EFFECTIVE AS OF THE **JUNE** MEETING

1st Reading: None

2nd Reading:

Zachery Becker, William Becker

New Members:

Kevin Umbach, Kenneth Nelson,
James Kelly, **WELCOME!**



JULY Anniversaries

35 YEARS

KEVIN MORGAN

15 YEARS

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