### **December 2020 Newsletter**

Brothers,

With the end of 2020 approaching, I hope you and your families remain safe and healthy. This has been a difficult time for everyone. It is hard to believe back in March when we cancelled the St. Patrick's celebrations that we would be at this point in December.

Although we had many postponements, cancellations and even closures we continue to move forward.

# Thanks:

I want to thank the board, the finance, capital improvement and house committees for their efforts and their positive impact to our division and hall.

I also want to thank **Bill Barrett and his staff** for their work in keeping hall operations as normal as possible.

But most importantly thanks go out to all our members for their continued support. Let's hope and pray for a better 2021.

# **Election of Officers:**

The second round of nominations for board positions ended earlier this week.

The nominees are as follows:

- President Kevin Dovle
- Vice President Bill Cardinal and Patrick McGrath
- Treasurer Mike Saunders
- Recording Secretary Austin Behan
- Financial Secretary Dave Kane
- Standing Committee John Hansen
- Sentinel Tim Wein
- Marshal Conor O'Neill

Recording secretary **Austin Behan** will cast one vote for all positions except Vice President. The election planned for the 12th and 13th of this month has been postponed.

The election is now scheduled for Friday, December 18th from 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM and Saturday, December 19th 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM at the hall for the Vice President position between Bill Cardinal and Pat McGrath.

Any changes to dates or times will be communicated in a separate email prior to the election.

Good luck to each of them.

You **must be a member in good standing** (Dues up to date) to vote.

If you chose to update your dues prior to casting your ballot payments of cash or check will be accepted.

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All social distancing guidelines will be followed during the voting process. We keep the safety and health of our members a priority.

# **Additional Thanks:**

Additional thanks go to the following brothers:

- **Jim Fowler** for donating a new American Flag for the flag pole in the front of the building.
- Steve Martin, Tim Whitford and Brian Finn for assembling the propane heaters used on the patio.
- Pat and Dylan McGrath for the Christmas Tree and decorating the patio
- Colin Behan, Brenden Behan, Chris Kosegarten, Andrew Behan and Billy Behan for setting up the Creche in the front garden.

# **Capital Improvement:**

The Capital Improvement Committee is beginning their annual fund raising campaign. A donation request will be sent with our yearly dues mailing. Division life members will be receiving an appeal letter within the next two weeks. Your generosity helps to defray the cost of these projects as we continue to improve and upgrade the hall.

# **Annual Mass:**

Due to the pandemic this year we are unable to celebrate a mass in memory of our deceased brethren. I ask you to keep our recently deceased brother Gary Loftus and all our deceased brothers in your prayers.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your families.

Stay healthy and safe.	
In Unity,	
Kevin,	