



Michael P. Keeley DIVISION 1 ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS <http://www.aohill.org>
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Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity.

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Wednesday 14 January 2015, 7:30 P.M. O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Council 4239,
Dinner and beverages will be served.

Dues: We will accept dues money beginning at our January meeting. (Dues annually \$30.00, \$25.00 if retired). Dues notices will be mailed out shortly, and were requesting your phone number for both our records and those of the National Office.

Charity: Our Charitable contribution were finalized at our December meeting; effective payout January 2015.

Elections: We will have the inauguration of the Division's newly elected officers at the January meeting. State Vice-President Bob Simpson will preside at the ceremony.

Wagon of Booze: It's time to kick off our annual Wagon of Booze raffle. Tickets will be available at the meeting and donations to fill the wagon are needed and appreciated. This year, the wagon is being donated by Caroline Courtney's Mother - Millie. Last year was a banner year as we raised well over \$1,000 on this project. We need your continued support to keep this effort successful.

Super Bowl: Just a reminder Charlie Herr will do the super bowl card again this year and he will have it at our January meeting Thanks Mr. Simpson for the information.

FUTURE EVENTS

• **St. Louis Emerald Ball;** this, is a very enjoyable Irish evening that a number of our members have attended over the years. A review of their web site indicated a date of 28 March 2015 for the Ball. No information was available on where it would be held. I would recommend that if you're interested you review, their web site - it will be posted under "Events" on the St Louis Division 1 website: www.stlhibernians.com

• **Packet Stuffing** evening Mar. 6 2015; **16th Annual Top of the Morning 5KRun/Walk & ½ Mile Kids Fun Run** Mar. 8, 2015, Shiloh ; and our very own **St. Patrick's Day Parade** March 14, 2015; more information forthcoming but you need mark your calendars now to start your planning for how you will participate in these events. (Dates subject to change)

• **Irish History.**

Bloody Sunday in Derry, 30 January 1972, culminated in the fatal shooting of 13 unarmed demonstrators by the British Army in Derry. The Saville Inquiry, chaired by Lord Saville of Newdigate, was established in 1998 to reinvestigate the events. Following a 12-year inquiry, Saville's report was made public on 15 June 2010, and contained findings of fault that could re-open the controversy, and potentially lead to criminal investigations for some soldiers involved in the killings. The report found that all of those shot were unarmed, and that the killings were both "unjustified and unjustifiable." On the publication of the Saville report the British prime minister, David Cameron, made a formal apology on behalf of the United Kingdom.

"The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop, at late or early hour. Now is the only time you own. Live, love, toil with a will. Place no faith in time. For the clock may soon be still!!"

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