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Slainte 04 November 2021

Meeting 2nd Wednesday each Month, Time 7:30 P.M.

O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Council 4239, 402 E. Hwy 50 - dinner and beverages provided.

PLEASE FOLLOW POSTED GUIDELINES REGARDING MASK WEARING - GET YOUR FLU SHOT

O'Fallon City Fest the subject O'Fallon City Fest an our continual commitment to it was discussed at the September meeting and again in the October meeting at the October meeting the decision was made and voted on and passed by a majority of members present, that we would no longer participate in the selling of non-alcoholic beverages at the City Fest this was a difficult decision but one that had to be made, the logistics of planning and carrying out this work and our aging membership was a motivating factor in us deciding to no longer participate in the O'Fallon City Fest. We have notified the Mayor and the City Fest Committee of our decision; however, we did ask the city to keep the door open to allow us to apply as a vendor in the future if we so decide on food items to sell or other fundraising activities the Committee would approve of.

We want to extend to all the members who supported this adventure of the past 3 City Fest a grateful thanks for all the time they contributed in, supporting this endeavor. Without the support of those members this action would not have been as fruitful as it was. <u>Once again thank you all.</u>

The Parade committee held its first meeting Thursday 21 October, 6:30 P.M. at Crehan's Irish pub one topic was should we add additional distance to the parade route the decision was we would keep the parade route in its present configuration, and we will once again have the Hibernian Hunger food drive which benefits the Catholic Urban Program for additional information come to the stated meeting.

AOH State Board 2022 Raffle Tickets were mailed to each member of record. We had 250 tickets to sell, the division gets a part of the proceeds. Tickets will be available at all meetings. if you have any questions, please call me at (618-334-2148) or email me at pathumehome@gmail.com.



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AOH State Board 2022 Raffle Tickets Cont'd.

Please If You Have Not Turned in Or Mailed in Your Raffle Tickets That Were Mailed to You, or You Took Tickets to Either Buy Or Sell Please Return Your Completed Tickets Subs – If You Don't Want Your Address On The Tickets Or You Wish To Donated Your Tickets To The Division You Can Put The Division Address (AOH P.O. Box 247 O'Fallon II. 62269 On the Tickets.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR TICKETS STAY IN THE POLL until it is drawn; THE ENTIRE YEAR SO YOU HAVE MULTIPLE CHANCES AT WINNING BUT ONLY IF YOU RETURN YOUR TICKET SUBS.

The 10 Club yearly drive for Freedom for All Ireland (FFAI) will continue at this months' meeting. Our division has always been a strong contributor to this AOH national fundraiser. If you are unable to attend the meeting and would like to contribute, please send a check made out to AOH with 'FFAI" in the memo line and mail to: AOH, P.O. Box 247, O'Fallon, IL. 62269. We will discuss the drive at this months' meeting.

HAPPY VETERANS DAY To all our members of our military in all branches past and present living and deceased Thank you for your service and sacrifice.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY To all our members wishing you and yours an incredibly happy and blessed Thanksgiving. Remember; "it's an optimist person who starts a new diet on Thanksgiving Day."

If you have a new <u>email address</u> or <u>street address</u> keep me informed. Remember if I get failed mail that means the National Office is getting failed mail on you - you will not receive proper correspondence. With rapidly changing situation the most efficient way for me to keep you fully informed of changes is thru emails. Please provide me with an email address if you are only receiving correspondence from us thru the mail system. I do not share email address with anyone unless I first check with the owner to pass it along to someone else. All my emails go out as BCC (Blind Carbon Copy).

