



THE BRIMMER

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

JUNE, 2010

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Brothers,

It appears that summer is upon us. Memorial Day is this weekend and the weather has been in the 90's, too hot, too soon for me. Please check out the message regarding the Division picnic on our website and Facebook page. It is vitally important that we find out who is interested in attending ASAP so we can make a deposit and reserve our date. I hope you all have a great holiday weekend and come home safe.

The fundraiser for Sgt. Tom Wallace was a big success and was well attended by our members. Thanks to "Union Matty" for doing a great job.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours in our motto,

Tom

NOTICE: Proposal to modify Division 87 Home Association Bylaws

Following the procedures set forth in the Home Association bylaws, the following bylaw change was proposed by a Home Association Board member at the Home Association Board meeting prior to the May, 2010 general meeting. This change was subsequently passed by a majority of the Home Association Board. Furthermore, this proposal was read to the general membership at the May, 2010 general meeting on May 11, 2010. This printing of the proposed change is the official notification, as prescribed by the Home Association bylaws, to the general membership. This proposal will be put to a vote by the general membership at the June, 2010 general meeting, on June 8, 2010.

(Please note: In order to vote on this bylaw change, you must be a current dues paying member of the AOH—Division 87. If you have not paid your 2010 dues, you may do so by seeing George Lees prior to the June general meeting.)

Current wording of Section 9 - Article 5 of the Home Association Bylaws

"Any elected Home Association Officer shall not be utilized as a bartender as long as such individual holds elected office, it is looked upon as a conflict of interest."

Proposed Change to Section 9 - Article 5 of the Home Association Bylaws

"The Home Association Financial Officer shall not be utilized as a bartender as long as such individual holds elected office, it is looked upon as a conflict of interest."

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TUG'S TALKIN' HERE

It was another rousing month in and around the Binlids. Congratulations to Kieran McGovern, whose new movie, "Shrek IV," came out. The story line goes like this: Our hero, Shrek, gets slightly inebriated and passes out various tee shirts. As you all know, the title of the movie is "Shrek Forever After 11PM".

Also, congratulations are in order for Jack "Obarka" Cassidy, who was elected President of his neighborhood dog park. It was a real dogfight, but Jack prevailed. He now has some patronage jobs available, so, if you have a pooper scooper, give Jack a call.

The 87 bowling team, at Point No Point, won the championship on a recent Sat. evening. Congratulations to the boys. Kieran was MVP of the playoffs, and Matty E. reached back into his childhood when he was a goalie and made a few very nice kick saves to preserve the victory. The bowling team, at the Pilsudski, not so good. They did finish 6th, which is an improvement, of course. A few teams dropped out and now there are only 6 teams.

The softball team led by Charlie "Obie" Manuel, is tied for 1st place. We will be playing the team that we are tied with, Div. 61B on Sunday, June 6th, at Penn Academy field, Academy and Holme. As you know, this is the Division where our illustrious President came from, so it is definitely a

grudge match for us! Their gain is definitely our loss. The starting pitching staff was depleted with Jimbo finally attaining his life long dream of becoming a full time bar back at Bobby T's, and Mo, who joined the professional miniature golf league. In fact, on a recent tournament in Orlando, he got disqualified because his ball kept getting stuck in the windmill. Anyway, with our two starting pitchers "retired", Obie reached out to his cousin, Charlie. Now, on Sundays when he is not pitching for the Phils, "Jamie Moyer" shows up and pitches for us. So far, Jamie is 3-0. If you get a chance, stop by on the 6th at 1:30PM. Rumor is that there will be a barbecue back at 61 after the games. The following week, June 13th, we are back home, at Torresdale and Wakeling for a doubleheader vs. 6B, with a possibility of clinching a 1st round bye. Stop by and watch Obie do his walk to the mound that he learned from his cousin, Charlie Manuel.

See You at the ballgames!

Softball Schedule/Results

Date	Opponent	Location	Results	
6/6	at Division 61B	Holme & Academy		
6/13	vs Division 6B	Home		
Opponent	Scores	Record		
vs Div B1	8-2, 6-3	2-0		
vs Div 4	3-7, 13-0	3-1		
vs Div 88	7-9, 12-10	4-2		
vs Div 17A	7-14, 7-4	5-3		
vs Div 40	18-5, 9-8	7-3		

NONSENSE....

REDS FALCON June 2010

Oscar Wilde's definition of a gentleman: Someone who knows how to play the accordion, but doesn't.

Tom Wenger was spotted wearing his newest Phillies T shirt in Binlids.

"I GOT TASED AT CITIZEN BANK PARK"

Famous Last Words:

I should never have switched from Scotch to Martini.

~~ Humphrey Bogart, actor, d. January 14, 1957

Work smarder and not harder and be careful of yor speling.

The shortest distance between two points is under construction.

Britan's Prince Charles and Camilla his newest wife are thinking of having a baby. If it's a boy they're going to call him Secretariat.

Lets face it men, Mothers Day was just a warm up for Fathers Day.

When Tug McGraw was in the hospital he was diagnosed as having the Furniture disease. That's where your chest falls into to your drawers.

Once upon time there was a Golden Rule. Now, if you have gold, you rule.

Remember, if you throw dirt, you're losing ground.

Bill Gibbons made a cover for his hearing aid and now he thinks he has what they call blue teeth.

They are making a fitness movie for senior citizens; it will be called "Pumping Rust".

Those who jump off a bridge in Paris are in Seine.

Definition of a will. It's a dead give away.

Happy Fathers Day REDS

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NATIVIST RIOTS OF PHILADELPHIA

The Philadelphia Nativist Riots (also known as the Philadelphia Prayer Riots, the Bible Riots and the Native American Riots) were a series of riots that took place between May 6 and 8 and July 6 and 7, 1844, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, United States and the adjacent districts of Kensington and Southwark. The riots were a result of rising anti-Catholic sentiment at the growing population of Irish Catholic immigrants.

In the months prior to the riots, nativist groups had been spreading a rumor that Catholics were trying to remove the Bible from public schools. A nativist rally in Kensington erupted in violence on May 6 and started a deadly riot that would result in destruction of two Catholic churches and numerous other buildings. Riots erupted again in July after it was discovered that St. Philip Neri's Catholic Church in Southwark had armed itself for protection. Fierce fighting broke out between the nativists and the soldiers sent to protect the church, resulting in numerous deaths and injuries.

Grand juries investigating the riots found that fault lay mainly with the Irish Catholic population. However, nationally the riots helped fuel criticism of the nativist movement despite denials from nativist groups of responsibility. The riots made the deficiencies in law enforcement in Philadelphia and the surrounding districts readily apparent, influencing various reforms in local police departments and the eventual consolidation of the city in 1854.

Background

As Philadelphia became industrialized, immigrants from England, Ireland, and Germany settled in the city and the surrounding districts. Once it began, the potato famine increased immigration from Ireland, although this largely occurred after the Philadelphia riots. In the areas the immigrants settled, tensions that resulted from religious, economic and cultural differences grew between residents. The majority of immigrants coming to Philadelphia were Catholic. Alarmed by the rising Catholic population, Protestant Irish and native-born Americans started organizing anti-Catholic and nativist groups. The groups, many of which were established in the early 1840s, distributed anti-Catholic literature or published anti-Catholic newspapers.

During the 1840s, students in Philadelphia schools began the day with reading the Protestant version of the Bible. On November 10, 1842, Philadelphia's Roman Catholic Bishop Francis Kenrick wrote a letter to the board of controllers of public schools, asking that Catholic children be allowed to read the Douai version of the Bible, used by Roman Catholics. He also asked that they be excused from other religious teaching while at school. As a result, the Board of Controllers ordered that no child should be forced to participate in religious activities and stated that children were allowed whichever version of the Bible their parents wished.

Approximately one year later, a rumor was circulated that Hugh Clark, a Kensington school director who was Catholic, was visiting a girls school where he demanded that the principal stop Bible reading in school. The story also claimed that the principal refused and that she would rather lose her job. Hugh Clark denied this version of events and claimed that after finding out several students had left a Bible reading to read a different version of the Bible, he commented that if reading the Bible caused this kind of confusion that it would be better if it was not read. Anti-Catholics used the story to spur anti-Catholic sentiments by claiming that Catholics, with direct influence from the Pope, were trying to remove the Bible from schools. Anti-Catholic and nativist groups further inflamed hostile feelings towards Catholics by twisting Bishop Kenrick's requests to the Board of Controllers into an attack against the Bible.

The Kensington Riots

On May 3, 1844, the American Republican Party, a Protestant nativist group, held a meeting in a predominantly Irish part of the Kensington District, then a suburb of Philadelphia. A group of Irish residents attacked the platform where the speakers were standing, and the nativists retreated. On May 6, the nativists returned in much greater numbers. During the rally, it began to rain and the meeting was moved into a nearby market. The inflammatory remarks continued inside the market, where fighting broke out between the local Irish Catholics and the nativists. The fighting spilled outside the market, where the nativists were shot at by people in the windows of nearby buildings; one or two of the nativists were killed. The mob of nativists attacked the Seminary of the Sisters of Charity and several Catholic homes before the riot was over. Numerous people were injured and two more nativists were killed.

The district constable was powerless to stop the violence. In the 1840s, most suburban districts of Philadelphia were policed by elected constables and part-time watchmen. When violence erupted in a district, the time-consuming process involved the constable summoning the county sheriff, who would organize a posse. During the May 6 violence, the posse arrived armed only with clubs and was powerless to do anything.

On May 7, the nativist groups denounced the Catholics and called on Americans to defend themselves from "the bloody hand of the Pope." A mob marched to Kensington, where gunfire broke out between the nativists and Catholic residents. During the riot, the nativist mob set fire to and destroyed the Hibernia fire station, thirty homes and the market where the violence started the day before. The violence did not end until the local militia, commanded by General George Cadwalader, arrived and dispersed the crowd. Bishop Francis Kenrick quickly issued a statement that instructed all Catholics to avoid violence and confrontations.

After a brief lull, the violence continued on May 8. The nativists came back to Kensington and burned down St. Michael's Catholic Church and rectory at Second and Jefferson Streets, the Seminary of the Sisters of Charity, which had been attacked a few days before, and several homes before soldiers arrived and the fire was contained. While the riot was being contained in Kensington, another nativist mob had gathered within the borders of Philadelphia itself. They gathered at St. Augustine's Catholic Church, located on Fourth Street between Vine and New Streets. The city troop was stationed by the church, and Mayor John Morin Scott pleaded for calm. The rioters threw stones at the mayor, ignored the troops and burned down the church, cheering when the steeple fell. A nearby school with a collection of rare books was also set aflame. The rioters did not attack an unfinished German Catholics church under construction. During the riots, at least fourteen were killed, an estimated fifty people were injured, two hundred fled their homes, and damage totaled \$150,000. This is equivalent to \$3.49 million in present day terms.

In the days afterward, Mayor Scott set up a force to protect Catholic churches, and Bishop Kenrick ordered all churches to be closed the following Sunday to avoid any provocation and possible violence. Valuables were removed from the churches and hidden in homes for safe-keeping. Bishop Kenrick asked Catholics to offer no resistance and urged them to wait for the law to deal with the rioters. However, in its June 18 report, a grand jury blamed an imperfect response by law enforcement and the Irish Catholics for the riots, stating the outbreak of violence was due to "the efforts of a portion of the community to exclude the Bible from the public schools" and the disruption of legitimate meetings by immigrants. Nativists said they were only responding to being attacked and were justified in their actions but were not responsible for the riots after May 6. The American Republican Party issued a statement blaming Mayor Scott, the sheriff, and the civil authorities for the riots.

Next Month—The Southwark Riots and the Aftermath

SICK AND DECEASED

PLEASE OFFER YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SOULS OF THE DECEASED LISTED BELOW

Sick: Evelyn Hanlon, Bob McClelland, Tommy Meehan, Ted Pusko, Jim Simpson, Mary Daily, Danny Carr, Chuck Reed, Gerry O'Hanlon, Jack Brown, Joe Ward, Fran McGovern, Frank Gallagher, Lisa Murphy, Bill Ferris, Charlie Mullen, George Lees Sr., Terry Orr, Tom Mitchell, Mike Wytczak, Mary Jane Kaiser, Patty Palowski, Donald Lynch, Lori McDonnell, Marty Joyce, Pat McGee, Bill Eder, Glen Miller, Baby Boyle, Erin Martin, Paul Martin, Bill McQue, Dorothy Smith, Jack O'Neill, Bill Glenhill, John Scullin, Loreen White, Millie Hughes, Rich Hrap, Geraldine Garrigan, Marty Cosgrove. Tim Murphy, Josie Fenerty, Tom Wallace, Mrs. Dumcheck, Chickie Moore.

Deceased: Vera Murphy, Bob Gassman

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As you may have noticed, the number of sponsors for this fine publication has dwindled to just a precious few of our dedicated brothers. The cost of printing this newsletter is not cheap, and the sponsorships has offset much of that cost, which is a direct benefit to Division 87. If you have a business and would like that business prominently displayed on our sponsor page, please contact Mike Nolan to see how you can purchase an advertisement. The Brimmer is sent to about 400 fellow Hibernians, and this month, our advertisements will also be displayed on the Brimmer page of our website <http://www.AOH87.com>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

THE AOH DIVISION 87 PICNIC IS BACK!!

The picnic will be held on Saturday, August 28th, from 11:00am to 6:00pm at Neshaminy Shore Picnic Park in Bucks County. The park is located in the Pendell/Hulmeville area and is easily accessible via Bus. Rt. 1 and I-95 (Directions available at Binlids). Prices are \$27 per adult and \$13 for children 2 to 5 years old. Your admission fee entitles you to full use of the park, including 4 swimming pools (2 main pools, 2 tube water slide, baby pool), Water activities (paddleboats, canoes, fishing (bring your own rods), Kiddies play area (rock climbing wall, moon bounce, swings, playground equipment), Air conditioned Game Room (2 ping pong tables, 2 pool tables, foosball, basketball shootout), Land sport activities (3 basketball courts, 1 sand volleyball court, softball/ baseball fields, soccer field, human gyro ride, highstriker, 18 hole miniature golf course, 5 horseshoe pits), Video arcade room (video games, pinball machines, change machine (all games are coin operated). A DJ will entertain us from 12noon to 5:00pm. And will conduct various activities (water balloon toss, limbo, line dancing, karaoke, etc.).



Most importantly, (for me anyway), your admittance fee entitles you to a scrumptious array of classic picnic foods served at three serving stations:

Station #1: BBQ pork spare ribs, BBQ rotisserie chicken.

Station #2: Grilled burgers and hotdogs.

Station :#3: Home style potato salad, coleslaw, garden broccoli & tomato salad with herbs and spices, southern baked beans , corn on the cob, fresh popped corn, dinner rolls, watermelon & sno-cones.

NOTE: If our group numbers 500 people, we get the entire park to ourselves. PJ visited the park and said it looked great. If interested, please get a deposit (\$15 adults, \$7 child) to PJ Driscoll (267-767-1451) or Tom Healey (267-566-7065) so that we don't lose the day. This is NOT a fundraiser; the Division is not making any money. We can discuss having buses at the club (or some other spot) at a later date. Each guest must provide their own alcohol; only kegs, plastic or cans are permitted.

HIBERNIAN HUNGER PROJECT SUMMERTIME FUN!

The Hibernian Hunger Project committee will be sponsoring a fundraiser at the Jersey Shore...here is plenty of notice to book a place and come down to support this cause that helps feed and care for those most in need. Mark your calendar now!!!!

Summertime Happy Hour @ The Jersey Shore

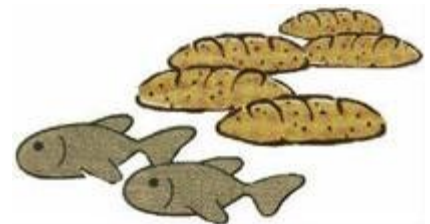
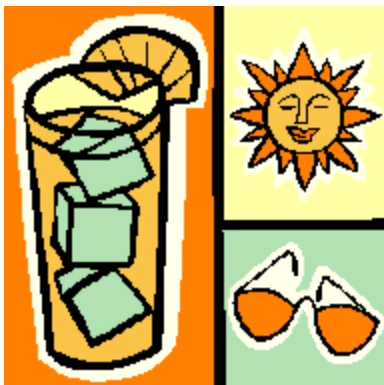
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NORTH CATHOLIC UPDATE BY FALCON MIKE

As everyone seems to know, a Catholic education is not as cheap as it used to be. In fact, at North today, close to 70% of our boys receive some sort of financial assistance. Families usually have to sacrifice much more now than they did back in the day when there were more religious vocations, and back when Catholic high school was supplemented by the parish where the student's families belong. But, as the number of priests and nuns has diminished over the years, the number of families practicing and supporting the church has significantly declined, the changing demographics of the neighborhoods, and with the popularity of charter schools, our parishes could no longer bear the entire cost of tuition for their parishioners; parents had to make some tough decisions. Many families just sucked it up by creating additional income streams (second and third jobs), while others modified their spending and gave up certain material goods, all in the name of a good Catholic education for their children. But, there were, and still are, many families who are stretched thin as far as money goes. Those families needed some sort of tuition assistance. There are many options for students' families when it comes to financial aid, but for this article, I'll discuss just a couple.

First, you have the Northeast Catholic Alumni Association Memorial Scholarship Fund. This fund, as I pointed out in a previous article, has provided millions of dollars to Northeast Catholic students over the past 15-20 years. And, as I pointed out in that previous article, any current NC student who is receiving one of these scholarships, will still receive that financial assistance, provided that the student is still academically eligible, and will be attending a school in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia next year. In addition, because of the generosity of the Northeast Catholic Alumni, this fund will expand to include children and grand children of dues paying NC Alumni members, for tuition at elementary and high schools in the Philadelphia, Camden and Trenton dioceses. Further, this fund will award money to eligible and needy NC grads, as well as their children and grandchildren at one of the many Catholic colleges and universities in the

Philadelphia region. This is just an example of how the alumni of Northeast Catholic has lived up to the values that they were taught throughout their lives and their responsibilities to the boys who sacrificed to attend North, much of which was a direct result of the Catholic education that each of us has been blessed to receive in our lifetimes.

Now, let's take a look at what happened within a month of the announced closing of North Catholic. Back in the fall of 2009, a letter went out to the parents of current North Catholic underclassmen, stating that every student who decided to transfer to Father Judge would receive a \$500 credit towards their tuition, compliments of the Oblates of St Francis DeSales. That's a big chunk of change for an order who supposedly takes a vow of poverty. If every current underclassmen (about 350) at North transferred to Judge, that would amount to about \$175,000.

Now, there's another, but lesser known source of financial aid, which is provided by the Oblates of St. Francis DeSales. This form of financial aid is so unknown, that I, as a parent of a former NC student, never even heard of it. It's called the Roboloto awards. These awards are generally given to NC students in \$1,000 annual installments. Unlike the Alumni scholarships, which are promised over "x" number of years, the Roboloto awards are renewed each year. Earlier in the school year, several concerned parents approached Fr. Smith, the President of North, about the continuation of these awards. Father Smith, in writing, advised that this commitment would be honored for the upcoming school year. To no one's surprise however, just this past week, the Oblates decided that they would only honor their promise if the boy elected to attend Father Judge. I don't know about you, but doesn't this break a commandment or two. I guess these commandments only pertained to the non-ordained, the real folks who live the vow of poverty.

Now, will some of the current NC students transfer to Judge next year? You betcha. But, the one thing that the Oblates don't get, at least the Oblates at North, is that many of the current students decided to go to North due

to the long tradition, academics and development of the whole person, which they could only get at a school like Northeast Catholic. They also chose to go to North because it wasn't Judge, and Judge couldn't offer the same intangibles that you can only get at a school like North. Now, many will go to Judge, but not because it's their first choice, but because they are either being forced to go there because of the financial situation, or because it's now too late to get into Roman, which is at their capacity. To hold a carrot (financial aid) over the heads of these families to try to force them to go to a school that they previously rejected is nothing less than a pathetic, self serving act for this order of supposedly "holy" men. I have several questions for the "good men" who are in leadership positions with the Oblates order. 1. Where are the Christian values in this decision? 2. Where's the commitment to the students and families that were committed to you? 3. Where's your spirit of giving? 4. Doesn't this decision conflict with the values that you taught us all of these years? And, finally, I have to ask you if this is what Jesus would do, because it appears it doesn't matter what St. Frances De Sales stood for?

Throughout the sex scandal, the school closings, and now this self serving decision by the Oblates, my faith in the Catholic Church has not been diminished, but I can't say the same about my faith in the men who are supposedly the leaders in my church. Toward them, I am somewhere between saddened and disgusted. I'll continue to attend church, and I'll even continue to support my parish, but as for the Oblates, I have one final question for you. Can we continue to have faith that the Oblate hierarchy will follow through on their commitment to open a Cristo Rey school at North Catholic in September, 2011? Or, is this just more lip service intended to collect even more money from the NC alumni? I guess time will tell. Up to this point, the track record of the Oblates has been a little less than stellar with regard to their commitment to the North Catholic community. Until then, we will all continue to pray that they do the right thing in the coming months and years.

Full Story at : <http://www.TheFalconNest.com>

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- Premium Liquor (per liter)..... *
- Wine (1/2 gallon)..... *
- Soda (case)..... *
- Orange Juice (1/2 gallon)..... *
- Table Covers (each)..... *
- Wine Coolers (case)..... *
- Non-alcoholic Beer (O'Doul's) case... *
- Ice (40lbs)..... *

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NEXT MEETING	DID YOU KNOW.....?	
<p>May Meeting Tuesday, June 8, 2010 7:30PM sharp Donnelly Hall 2171 Wakeling St Philadelphia, PA 19124</p> <p>Note: A vote will be held at this meeting on a proposed change to the Home Association bylaws. It is important that all dues paying members attend to participate in this important vote. You must be a current dues paying member to vote.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ceide Fields is the most extensive Stone Age Monument in the world. It is in, North Mayo, a farming community that is fifty centuries old. • Mike Quill (b.1905, d.1966) born in County Kerry, Ireland was the founding president of the Transport Workers Union of America. During his tenure the U.S. labor movement made great strides. • Hibernia (Latin) and Éire (Gaelic) both mean "Ireland" • The potato is not native to Ireland. It was originally brought to Ireland from the American Continent. • The orange in the Irish flag is in respect for the Orangemen of the North 	<p>(Orange Order-Protestant) and their defeat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Green of the Irish flag is the LAnd itself, although most equate it with the irish CATHolic faction or Southern Ireland (Republic) • The white of the flag is the peace that has been hoped for and that which appears to be happening between all people on the emerald Isle. • The name "Erin", as most of us know, means "Ireland". But, it also has another meaning....."Peace". • Ireland has virtually no coal or iron. • There are no snakes in Ireland. Legend has it that St Patrick drove them all away.

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