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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE JERSEY SHORE ORDER OF THE FRIENDLY SONS OF THE SHILLELAGH

August 2024 Your President's Message

My Brother Shillelagh's

July has come to an end, and we're halfway through August; where did the summer go? I hope everyone has been enjoying your summer. The last 4 weeks once again have been busy at the Club, and fall will be just as busy.

First, a big shout to the many committees that make this club who we are, including membership, cornhole, fluke, golf outing, golf league, tent, security, kitchen, thanksgiving, toy drive, plunge, 5K, parade, 50/50, sunshine, and I'm sure I'm missing some.

Mid-July was the cornhole finals with GFY finishing in 1st, Corn Stars 2nd, and Motherchuckers 3rd in Bracket A and GloryHoles 1st, Scarlet Knots 2nd, and Fenian Simians 3rd in Bracket B. Thanks to Mike Miles and his committee for a great season.

Not to be outdone, the Golf League also finished their season. The awards dinner was held August 1st at the club. Team finals, 1st place Team Stroebel, 2nd place Team Quirk and 3rd Team Mahoney. Low gross - John Mahoney, Low Net - Terry Ackerman and most Honest Sean Dolan, no score was disclosed for honest golfer. Thanks to Mike Kahrer and his committee for their outstanding job.

We had another Trivia Night hosted by DJ Don. We had 10 teams competing, with "The couch pulls out, but we don't" taking the grand prize. A good time was had by all. Stay tuned for the next Trivia Night.

I can't forget our softball team; Sunday the 11th, they won 2 playoff games to move on to the finals to be held on Sunday, August 18th. Watch your emails for times and location. Thanks to Brian O'Halloran and Dan Reilly for coaching and running the team. Good luck Sunday; bring home the trophy!

On August 11th, Dan Reilly hosted a whale watching trip with close to 100 guests. Eamonn Ryan provided entertainment. As for whales, they believe they saw the back of one whale. Bill McKim gave everyone a certificate to take another trip for free.

And of course, last but not least, the Fluke Tournament was put off one day due to weather. We still had 48 boats with the winning fish weighing in at 10.1 lbs. This event, like many others, has a strong team of volunteers to put everything together. First, Ryan and Mary Lavender are great hosts. Bill Clohosey is the co-host and is in charge of handling t-shirt sales. Thanks to Moira Horan for her great effort in putting together sponsors and prizes. Let's not forget the kitchen crew - Steward Wayne Burning, Jeff Wells on the grill, and all the men that took time to prep and work the day of the tournament. WOW, what a great spread for all to enjoy. Can't forget the tent committee, big thanks to them as well.

The membership committee, headed by Rick McKenna and assisted by Ray Spengler

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NEWSLETTER STAFF Matt Doherty Kevin Giblin brought in another class of new members. This was the second class of the summer; the third class comes in at the September meeting. When finished, we will have roughly 90 new members to replace those that dropped out.

Now for the upcoming events. Strictly 60's will be performing on Friday August 30th. Joe Kelly Baseball Bingo has been rescheduled for Thursday September 12th under the big-top. That's followed by our Halfway to St Patrick's Day Bash on September 14th. with music by DJ Don. The Dart League restarts Thursday September 19th; watch for emails with updates and team formation. The Shillelagh Foundation annual 5K is scheduled for Saturday Oct 5th, more information to follow. Let's not forget it's football season, the kitchen will have food for sale on Sundays. Speaking of football, our annual Tailgate/Pig Roast will be held Sunday October 6th, the Jets game will be on at 9:30am and the Giants will be on at 4:25pm. The kitchen will be serving breakfast sandwiches, and the bar will open at 10am with Bloody Mary's.

Prayers go out to the family of Joseph "Torino Joe" Sosnowski on his passing.

As the summer is coming to an end, we have a lot of events to look forward to. Please have a safe, healthy and enjoyable rest of your summer.

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John J Padgett President

FSOS, Jersey Shore



Sunday August 25th • Enda Keegan Friday August 30th • Strictly 60's Band Wednesday September 4th • FSOS Monthly Meeting Saturday September 14th • ½ Way to St Patrick's Day Thursday, September 19th • Dart League Starts Friday, September 20th • Enda Keegan Saturday, September 28th • Carbon Project Band Wednesday, October 2nd • FSOS Monthly Meeting Saturday, October 5th • FSOS Annual Pat Magovern Run

Brotherhood:

an association, society, or community of people linked by a common interest, religion, or trade

In memory of our brothers who have passed.

Joe "Torino Joe" Sosnowski

Welcome New Members Class of 2024!

Below is a list of new members from part of the Class of 2024 that were welcomed to the club at the August meeting held on July 31 We one more screening for more of the class of 2024 in August before they become members in September.

Michael Scala Ryan Heisier Fred Schoehut Kevin Clohosey Russell Dreyer Brendan Dreyer Christopher Rogers Patrick Rock Brian Rock Matthew Zarelli Michael Kane James Scanlon Tom Klein Corey Flynn Stephen Mundroff Daniel Hermann Christopher Hughes James Bourke Chris Miller James O'Hara Charles Ross James Brustman Vincent Minutillo Michael Cunningham Dan O'Hern Liam Gildea Jeff Scull Steven Nash Paul Olenick Kevin Donegal Connor McAuley Daniel Flynn

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DATE & TIME:	September 24th, 2024 at 7:00 PM
PLACE:	FRIENDLY SONS OF THE SHILLELAGH
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The Pipes and Drums of the Jersey Shore August 2024

What a great summer so far for the band! We made our return to the Manasquan 4th Of July Parade for the first time in at least a decade.

More exciting news for the band: we have three new band members!! Mike Maloney (cousin of band member Harry Breiner), Alex and Preston Smythe all successfully passed their auditioning earning their spot in the Pipe Corp! Alex's son, Preston is 11 years old! Well done laddie! Congratulations to all!!

There are a few more students getting close to auditioning! Exciting and fun times within the band family!

We hope to have a fundraiser sometime in the fall. Details to come....

We are performing in a few events throughout August, September and October:

8/17 Annual Reilly Bash - some of the band shows to perform - all money raised goes to charity 9/7 Half Way to St Patrick's Day Parade in Keyport - they had to cancel last March due to weather 9/8 Army of Hope Fundraiser - a small group performs for this event

9/14 Half Way to St Patrick's Day Fundraiser at the club 10/13 Columbus Day Parade in Seaside

PDJS Q&A:

1. Does the band learn any new music?

Yes! In fact we are learning 2 tunes that we hope to debut later this year or early 2025!

2. Is the band going to Ireland in 2025?

We are investigating to perform at the Puck Festival in August of 2025. The cost per person is a reasonable price however air travel costs are high that time of year. The band does not pay for members to go. All trips to Ireland, Myrtle Beach or wherever we go, all costs is up to the member to pay. Time off work and the cost are the limiting factors for most if any or we all decide not to go.

3. What is the band tartan?

The band tartan is the Irish National Tartan.

Do you have a question to ask? Let me know and your question can be featured right here! Email me: pdjspiper@ hotmail.com or text 732-685-9232

Do you want to learn to play?

It would be great to see more club members (and your families) join the band! Remember the band is not just for club members andlessons are FREE!!!

Did you read that? FREE LESSONS!

Reach out and contact me 732-685-9232 or our band manager Mark Mastowski 732-233-6136 so you can get started with the band!

If you already know how to play bagpipes or drums & want to join the band, just head over to practice on a Tuesday evening to check us out.

Our email is band@jspipesanddrums.com which can be accessed by visiting our updated website www. jspipesanddrums.com or talk to any band member for information.

Need a piper or the band to play at an event?

Want to have a bagpiper, small group or the band to celebrate a promotion, a backyard bbq or birthday party? We perform for all kinds of events: weddings, funerals, parties, grand openings, ceremonies, graduations, backyard bbq's and more!

For more info, please contact our Band Manager, Mark Mastowski (732-233-6136)

We always try to accommodate all requests. Remember that we, just like you, have family, job and other commitments/ obligations (some beyond our control).

Anyone with pictures or video of the band, please send them along to me pdjspiper@hotmail.com Thank you!

Thank you all and we appreciate the continued support from all of you!! Slainte,

Ray Spengler

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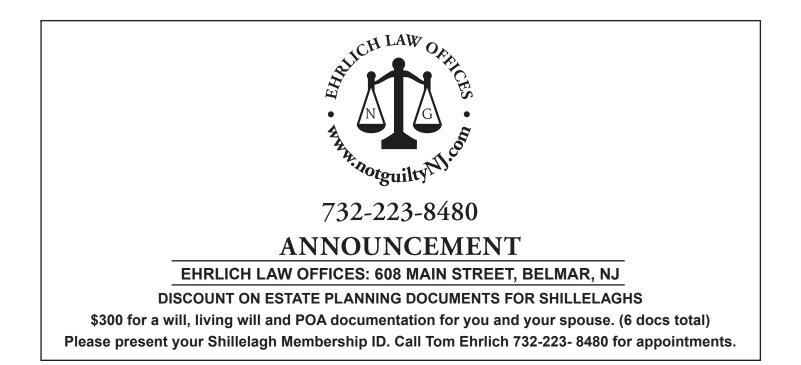
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Have information on bereavement?

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