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All,

Today is June 6, 2022, the Anniversary of D-Day in Normandy in 1944. A day of terrible sacrifice and yet one of the most important exertions that the United States has ever undertaken. Many other events occurred on this day in History, including the Battle of Belleau Wood in 1918 in WWI and the attempted assassination of James Meredith, a Civil Rights Activist, at the start of his "March Against Fear" in 1966. In 1833, Andrew Jackson became the first US President to ride on an Iron Horse, a pleasure trip to Baltimore.

As you can see, many of these events have changed history. While today we focus on the Landings in Normandy, we also need to be mindful of the other events that have occurred in our history and remember the impact that they have had on us not only as Americans, but also as those of Irish decent. So many events have shaped our lives and the direction of the world that it is almost impossible to isolate any one factor when we are talking about who and what we are as Irish Americans. We need to look at the wholistic version of history and try to glean some of the lessons that we can, for those that fail to remember their history are doomed to repeat it.

For example, we know that the history of the Irish in America is littered with tragic incidents similar to that of James Meredith, but we were able to overcome those issues and there were many Irish Americans who helped the Civil Rights Movement in the US, John F. Kennedy, to mention just one.

We also know that the Irish are important to the history of Montana. We are the Thomas Francis Meagher Division, after all. So as a reminder to all, Meagher Days in Virginia City is this coming weekend and I hope to see you all there. The schedule of events appears elsewhere in this edition.

In our Motto,
Patrick♣

Virginia City Irish Weekend

Friday/Saturday

June 10th and 11th

Virginia City, Montana

Montana AOH State Board Meeting

Saturday

Virginia City, Montana

AOH DINNER MEETING

KC HALL

TUESDAY, JUNE 14 , 2022

6:00PM

This Month in Irish History

June 1, 1866 – American Fenians invade Canada.

June 1, 1919 - Eamon DeValera begins his tour of the USA to raise money and support for the IRA's war against England. He stops in Butte, Montana.

June 3rd –Feast of St Kevin – he is the patron of blackbirds, the archdiocese of Dublin and Glendalough, County Wicklow.

June 5, 1868 - James Connolly born of Irish parents in Edinburgh.

June 6, 1800 - Ordination of the first priests at St Patrick's College, Maynooth. The college was founded in 1795 as the National Seminary for Ireland.

June 8, 1853 - John Mitchel escaped from Australia, eventually settling in the United States.

June 14, 1690 - William of Orange lands at Carrickfergus

June 21, 1877 - On a day that will long be remembered as Black Thursday, four members of the Molly Maguires - Alexander Campbell, John Donohue, Michael Doyle and Edward Kelly, shackled with chains, walk to the gallows specially constructed to accommodate four people: their lives are ended at the same split second

June 23, 1704 - The Registration Act comes into force requiring all Catholic priests in Ireland to register in court, to furnish two £50 bonds for good behavior, and not to leave the county in which they are registered.

STAR BAKERY

Are you going to Virginia City this weekend?

It is "Irish Weekend" this weekend. If you go check out the program in this newsletter. After the flag raising Saturday, June 11th check out the Star Bakery.

They will be having Irish style treats and expresso in honor of "Irish Weekend" this Saturday.

AOH Past Presidents Appreciation Dinner

Do not forget about our June meeting to recognize all the past Presidents of the Thomas Francis Meagher Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.
Dinner will start at 6:00 pm at the KC Hall and will be cooked by our wonderful chef.

Thomas Francis Meagher Tricolor Celebration
July 1st, 2nd, and 3rd

There are many events planned this year in Waterford, Ireland. The program can be seen at meagherstriclour.com

There is a book launch, lecture series, a gala dinner and march & flag raising ceremony & much more.

VIRGINIA CITY's 2022 "IRISH WEEKEND"
Friday, June 10th and Saturday, June 11th
All are Welcome

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FRIDAY—June 10th

♣**6:15pm—7:00pm Painting of the "Irish green stripe" down the center of Wallace Street – Everyone can participate.**

♣**7:00pm—9:00pm Panel Discussion and Live Podcast – 100th Anniversary of the Irish Free State and Montana's connection – Elling House.**

SATURDAY—June 11th

♣**10:00am Welcome Speeches & Irish Flag Raising at the Historical Madison County Courthouse.**

♣**11:00am Historical presentation about Mass Rocks at the Meagher Cabin on West Idaho St.**

♣**12:00pm-1:00pm Lunch (Baked Potato Bar) & Camaraderie at the Bale of Hay Saloon-A small free will donation.**

♣**1:00pm—1:30pm Annual AOH Parade following the path of Irish green stripe on Wallace St—everyone is welcome to Participate in this.**

♣**1:45pm—2:45pm Tiernan Irish Dancers at the Bale of Hay outdoor stage.**

♣**1:45pm—2:45pm Hurling Demonstration at Depot Park**

♣**3:00pm—6:00pm Music at the Bale of Hay outdoor stage – Pickle Band.**

Presented by the Thomas Francis Meagher Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Virginia City Chamber of Commerce and Businesses and People of Virginia City