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James Powers Division

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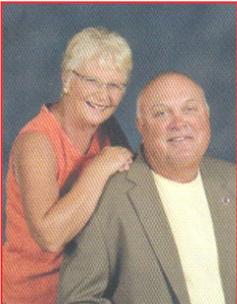
## Editor's Note...

On (Saturday) October 18 and (Sunday) October 19, Our Lady of the Rosary will host another Time & Talent Ministry Fair. Carolyn Adams, wife of Division brother Randy Adams, is spearheading the event. This past week, I attended a "Poster Party" which Carolyn organized for representatives of the parish ministries (and organizations) participating in the Time & Talent Ministry Fair. I was reminded how blessed our parish is to have so many men and women share their time and talent. Under Carolyn's guidance, I am certain this year's Time & Talent Ministry Fair will be a great success. If time permits, please stop by our table after one of the masses and help us showcase the A.O.H.

## Did you know...

that an Irish-born architect designed the White House? James Hoban was born in County Kilkenny. As a youngster, James Hoban attended the Dublin Society's Drawing School. He subsequently became an apprentice to the school's headmaster, architect Thomas Ivory. In 1785, James Hoban emigrated to America. He entered a national competition to design the "President's House". George Washington selected Hoban's design in July, 1792. The building was first made white with lime-based whitewash in 1798 as a means of protecting its porous sandstone walls from the elements. When the "White House" was burned during the War of 1812, James Hoban was hired to restore it. James Hoban's contributions to the early development of Washington, D.C., as architect, builder, mason and pillar of the Roman Catholic community, maintain his memory and reputation to this day. *Compiled from www.irishfreedom.net and www.whitehousehistory.org.*

## Member Spotlight...



Terry Miller is a Charter member of our Division and was its first Financial Secretary. Terry grew up in Zionsville, a suburban town northwest of Indianapolis. In high school, Terry lettered in 3 varsity sports: basketball, football and track. He attended the University of Louisville where he was recruited to play football. Terry met his beautiful wife, Karen, in Louisville. On October 17, the two will celebrate their 44<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Terry and Karen have 2 children, Heather and Trevor, and 7 grandchildren, including Grace which Terry affectionately calls "pork chop". Terry served in the U.S. Army at Fort Knox. He later pursued a career with the U.S. Postal Service. Terry's favorite activity is riding his Harley-Davidson Softail. It's been said, when you roll down the road on a Harley Softail, time stands still. Terry's favorite travel destination is *anywhere* in the U.S.A. Terry's favorite movie is Cool Hand Luke. Terry loves meeting new people. If he had just 1 wish, it would be for all those he meets to be happy and smile.

## The Craic (news, gossip, fun, entertainment, and enjoyable conversation)...

This month marks the **90<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of diplomatic relations between the United States and Ireland. On October 7, 1924, Professor Timothy Smiddy presented his diplomatic credentials to President Calvin Coolidge. In doing so, Professor Smiddy officially became the Irish Free State's first Ambassador to the United States and the United States officially became the first nation to establish diplomatic relations with the Irish Free State. In 1937, the Irish Free State was succeeded by the sovereign and current state of Ireland when its citizens voted to replace the 1922 constitution. The relationship between the United States and Ireland has historical, cultural, social and political roots. This relationship is underscored by the 35 million Americans who claim Irish ancestry. The Embassy of Ireland plays an important role in preserving this relationship. The Embassy of Ireland is located on Massachusetts Avenue in Washington, D.C. The Embassy will be hosting a free concert to celebrate this landmark anniversary. *Compiled from www.dfa.ie/irish-embassy/USA.*

## Pub Review...



Shamrock's Ale House is located at 7805 Temple Terrace Highway in Tampa, a 20 mile circuitous drive from OLOR. Except for its name, Shamrock's bears no resemblance to an Irish Pub. On our Saturday evening visit, we were greeted immediately by a friendly host. Our server was equally friendly and attentive. To help us with beverage selections, we were offered samples of a craft beer by 3 Daughters Brewing. I eventually chose a pint of Dunkelweizen @ \$4.99 and was not disappointed. However, I was disappointed with the rest of our dining experience. Shamrock's has 18 imported and craft beers on tap. Yet, only one (Guinness) is Irish. The menu includes 4 Irish entrées costing \$ 10 - \$14. The Shepherd's Pie and Fish & Chips were plain in appearance and taste. We suspect the latter was the result of using frozen instead of fresh ingredients. I was told there is live music every Friday, but it's never Irish. Saturday is Trivia Night. Need I say more? *Rating: 1 Shamrock*

