



## The Society of The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick for The Relief of Emigrants from Ireland

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**Kevin M. Maloney, President**

### **RE: Society Progress Report (March 17, 2018)**

Dear Fellow Members,

Happy St. Patrick's Day! On behalf of the newly elected officers and board members, I would like to thank all of you for your support. We're extremely honored by your trust and confidence in our ability to continue to lead this great Society forward.

Please feel free to share your ideas and feedback for the Society with us – we look forward to continuing the positive momentum and bringing about meaningful change and improvement to an organization, which already stands on very solid ground.

I've asked our recently retired president, Joe Heenan, to continue with the recording of our historical records along with chairing the scholarship efforts, which he has graciously accepted. I anticipate we can expect to see some more issues of "A look back in History" from time to time.

A few highlights and bit of business to take note of:

- 247<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala was extremely successful with nearly 400 attendees, enjoyed by everyone. If you haven't been a Table Captain yet and would like to be one for the 2019 Gala, please email me at [info@friendlysons.com](mailto:info@friendlysons.com).
- Fundraising: First quarter 2018 fundraising efforts, between the recent gala profits of \$75,000 and member grant of \$125,000, have surpassed \$200,000 to date.
- Membership: 10 new members, including General John F. Kelly, were inducted on March 10, 2018.
- Benevolence: 2018 Benevolence/Endowment Grants approved to date total \$326,000.
- Scholarship Endowment Funds: We have now surpassed \$1,000,000 and expect to continue to fortify these important endowments going forward.
- Donations of appreciated Stock: Individuals wishing to make a donation to the society of appreciated stock or legacy donation can contact the Society at [info@friendlysons.com](mailto:info@friendlysons.com).
- Matching Grants: The Board welcomes discussion regarding member matching or single grant opportunities awarded to potential Universities for an endowed scholarship.

Best Regards,

Kevin M. Maloney  
President