





MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE SYRACUSE, N.Y. ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS: COMMODORE JOHN BARRY DIVISION



...By Dan Case, Division President

Dear Brothers

- ☑ Well, what a St. Patrick's Day "week" we just had !! We started out with the painting of the green stripe on South Salina Street and the fine gathering at City Hall Commons...then the Parade Grand Marshal's dinner at the OnCenter. What a great event!! Special thanks goes to Kevin Ryan for his usual fantastic job with the dinner. We then had our annual Mass at the Cathedral. Never was I so proud of all the members who showed up for this most important event. We all looked so impressive in our green jackets. Many were as impressed as I was. Then, on to the Parade with our large number of members. We looked just great walking down South Salina Street with our huge Irish flag. All of our Division's 340+ members should be very proud of such a fine organization as ours. Not to forget that our Lord was watching over us, granting us the nice weather!! Then it was on to PJ Dorsey's for a fine gathering of our members, friends, and family. Two kegs later, we went on to our annual post-parade AOH party at the Bally Bay Pub, where all present had a wonderful time with the kids and families. The Tipp Hill Gaels did their usual fine job in entertaining us all. Truly, it was a day to remember. You all have made me very proud - hats off to all of you !!
- Speaking of hats off with me especially with my bald head as a result of the Sunday celebration of "St. Baldrick's Day" at Kitty Hoynes. At this event, our Division was proudly represented by our donation of over \$1,400 one of the highest donation totals. I and Past President Pat Ahern were also in attendance at the ceremonies at LeMoyne College for the visit of Ireland's Taoiseach, Bertie Ahern (no relation to Pat). It was great to meet him. A gift was given to the Taoiseach from the AOH. Pat had an opportunity to voice our opinions on a number of issues to the Taoiseach. Many of our Brothers were at Coleman's and had a chance to meet him as well.
- Thanks to the various members who helped to plan and oversee the many wonderful St. Patrick's Day-related events. Our participation in and attendance at these great events shows how important the AOH is to many in our community.
- ☑ Please do not forget that at the next meeting, there will be an important Shamrock Degree Ceremony.
- ☑ Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division member, Michael Donovan, who was sworn in at the March Division meeting and recently reinstated member Russell Kiggins. Welcome gentlemen!! As always, we're seeking new members.

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity,



AOH DIVISION MEETING ☞ ③ SUNDAY, APRIL 3rd @ 7:00 pm

PJ Dorsey's (116 Walton Street in Syracuse)

For details, contact Dan Case: (315) 638-2285 or fenian@twcny.rr.com

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are encouraged to provide their current street address, telephone number, and e-mail address (if available) to Financial Secretary Tim Collins via phone [(315) 469-5810] or e-mail [seamus33@msn.com].

The Syracuse AOH Syracuse Division will be marching in the **Camillus Memorial Day Parade** scheduled for **Monday, May 30**th. The parade will start promptly at 9:30 am. The pre-Parade line-up will be at 8:45 am on the corner of Maple Drive and West Genesee Street. Dress attire should include khaki (tan) slacks, white shirt with an Irish tie, AOH scarf (if you have one), and, depending on the weather, an AOH jacket (again, if you have one). Please contact Ron Clare @ (315) 468-1892 for more information.

AOH Syracuse Division member Joe Schiltz is seeking an AOH Syracuse Division member to assist him with the planning and oversight of our Division's participation at the 2005 Scottish Games and Celtic Festival (Saturday, August 13th). If you're interested in lending a hand, please call Joe @ (315) 468-1832 for more information.

AOH Syracuse Division member **Joe Schiltz** is organizing a **Membership Committee** charged with the responsibility of attracting new members and retaining current members. If you're interested in joining this committee, please call Joe @ (315) 468-1832 for more information.

The Central New York Irish American Cultural Institute (CNY IACI) invites the public to their next monthly program of "Irish Food & Thought", which will be held at PJ Dorsey's Restaurant (116 Walton Street in Syracuse) on Friday, April 22nd starting at 6:30 pm (social). Dinner will follow at 7:00 pm and the presentation will begin at 7:45 pm. Music and song will conclude the evening. The 1916 Padraig Pearce reading of the Proclamation of the Irish Republic will be discussed. The cost is \$20 for dinner and the presentation or \$10 for the presentation only. Reservations are required. Please contact Mary K. Gillis via phone [(315) 488-8749] or e-mail [mgillis@cnykidney.org] to make reservations and/or for more information.

NOTE: AN AOH SHAMROCK DEGREE CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE SUNDAY, APRIL 3RD DIVISION MEETING!!

This ceremony is for those recently sworn-in members who have not yet taken the "long" version of the Hibernian initiation. All such members are strongly encouraged to participate in this ancient and rewarding ceremony, which represents the first degree of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and provides a better understanding of Hibernianism. It is only offered twice a year in our Division. Please contact AOH Syracuse Division President Dan Case via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail [fenian@twcny.rr.com] for more information.



Dates to remember ...

- Friday, 7-29 and Saturday, 7-30: Great American Irish Festival (Herkimer County Fairgrounds) www.greatamericanirishfestival.com
- Saturday, 8-27: Cortland Celtic Festival (Cortland County Junior Fairgrounds) - www.cortland.org/news/celticfest.htm

If you have any AOH/LAOH information, photos, or memorabilia, please contact AOH Syracuse Division Historian Geordy Austin via phone [(315) 446-1153] or e-mail [geordyo@aol.com].

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact AOH Syracuse Division Catholic Action Committee Chairman David Kennedy via phone [(315) 637-3307] or e-mail [dkenn@twcny.rr.com].

AOH winter jackets, light-weight pull-overs, shirts, etc. are available. Please contact David Kennedy via phone [(315) 637-3307] or e-mail [dkenn@twcny.rr.com] for more info.

Please pay your AOH membership dues as soon as possible (\$35 for members age 60 and younger; \$25 for members age 60+; \$40 for new members -- due at swearing-in ceremony along with completed application). Please see Financial Secretary Tim Collins at the next meeting or send a check to our PO Box (listed on this newsletter).

For Syracuse Gaelic Football team information, please contact Brian Fitzpatrick @ (315) 488-1614 or Mike O'Connor @ (315) 422-7393. Practices are held at noon on Sundays and at 6:00 pm on Wednesdays at King's Park (Town of Onondaga).

2005 AOH Syracuse Division Officers ...

- Division Chaplain: Aaron Tripp
- President: Dan Case
- Vice-President: Frank Corcoran
- Recording Secretary: Jerry Cregan Financial Secretary: Tim Collins Treasurer: Kevin Shanahan

- Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Hartigan abla
- Marshal: Terry Maddison Sentinel: Craig Quinn

Web sites of interest...

- AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com ☑
- NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com
- National AOH: www.aoh.com
- IACI of CNY: www.iaci-usa.org/cnychapter.html
- Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- Irish news: www.nuzhound.com
- Irish-American Information Service: iais.org
- Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- Cavan County, Ireland Museum: www.cavanmuseum.ie
- Irish literature: www.ucc.ie/celt
- Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com

LADIES AOH (LAOH) NEWS



- **NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting of the LAOH will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, April 14th at the Taunton Presbyterian Church (4326 Fay Road in Taunton). AOH Syracuse Division President Dan Case will be in attendance. We'll discuss:
- » East Durham, NY: LAOH NYS meeting (Friday, 4-29 through Sunday, 5-1)

 » The Celtic Cook Book: Contact committee chairperson Maryanne Manley @ (315) 695-1217; So far, we only have 27 recipes and need at least 50! Please bring Irish recipes to the next meeting; Committee members include Kathleen Richardson, Eileen Tickner, Maureen O'Hara, and Ginny Justian LAOH NYS Convention in July: Plans for attendance and accommodations
- Celtic Festival: Open discussion for improvements, time lots, and sale items Annual "Hooley" to benefit Project Children: New plans for greater success
- Anne Marie Ferguson's Testimonial Dinner: You can purchase ads: full-page \$100), half-page (\$60), quarter-page (\$35), and patron (\$10); Send \$\$/text to LAOH/NYS Ad Journal, Denise Sobus, 27 Morris Street, Auburn, NY 13021
- GOOD NEWS: Our Division President, Peggy Reynolds, is out of the hospital and recovering well. She still needs one more surgery. Florence Nieciecki's husband, Charlie, is also back home and doing well. Please keep-up the

- husband, Charlie, is also back home and doing well. Please keep-up the prayers for both of these fine people!!

 CONDOLENCES: Peggy Reynolds' Mom, Mary Leona O'Neill Purcell, passed away on Sunday, March 12th. Our prayers are with Peggy and her family.

 MARCH MEETING FOLLOW-UP: The 50/50 drawing was won by our Division Historian, Kathleen Richardson. We had a nice day. Our lovely Division banner, made by Florence Nieciecki, displayed well!!

 CONTACT: Please contact LAOH Syracuse Division President Peggy Reynolds via phone [(315) 476-5246], e-mail [rayorginny@aol.com], or USPS [1700 W. Onondaga Street Syracuse, NY 13204] with questions/information DUES: LAOH membership dues should be paid as soon as possible. Please send a \$20 check (navable to LAOH Division #1) for Financial Secretary
- send a \$20 check (payable to LAOH Division #1) to: Financial Secretary Florence Nieciecki 1173 Bellevue Ave. Syracuse, NY 13204
 If you're having trouble with payment, PLEASE contact Florence as soon as
- possible @ (315) 478-6799.

 "BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 9:00 pm Midnight (Syracuse WCNY 91.3/Utica WUNY 89.5/Watertown WJNY

- 90.9)

 SEAN HENNESSEY'S (OF THE WATERTOWN DIVISION) RADIO SHOW:
 Sundays, 11:00 am Noon (Watertown WATN 1240) Irish music/interviews
 IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...

 Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant: 301 W. Fayette St., Syracuse
 (315) 424-1974 www.kittyhoynes.com (music is from 9:00 pm 1:00 am)

 Friday, 4-1: TBD

 Saturday, 4-2: Pat Kane
 Friday, 4-8: TBD

 Saturday, 4-9: Seanaché
 Friday, 4-15 and Saturday, 4-16: Neil Emberg
 Friday, 4-22 and Saturday, 4-23: TBD

 Friday, 4-29: Old Friends
 Saturday, 4-30: The M*Cabes
 Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub: 100 S. Lowell Ave., Syracuse
 (315) 476-1933 www.colemansirishpub.com (Sunday music is from 4:00 pm 7:00 (315) 476-1933 www.colemansirishpub.com (Sunday music is from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm; Other days, music is from 10:00 pm - 1:30 am)
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 Sunday, 4-3: Pat Kane

 Sunday, 4-10: TBD

 Sunday, 4-17: TBD

 Sunday, 4-24: Flyin' Column

 Syracuse Irish Music Session:

 1²⁴ Sunday of each month: H 1st Sunday of each month: Half Penny Pub (4:00 pm - 7:00 pm) (315) 478-3091 321 W. Fayette St., Syracuse
- 3rd Sunday of each month: Johnston's BallyBay Bar (4:00 pm 7:00 pm) (315) 423-8021 550 Richmond Ave., Syracuse