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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE SYRACUSE, N.Y. ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS: COMMODORE JOHN BARRY DIVISION #2

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...by Dave Lynch, Division President

Dear Brothers,

What a wonderful day for a parade! I hope everyone enjoyed the festivities over the past few weeks. It was great to hear Brothers Kevin Ryan and Rory M^cMahon announce our Division and discuss the history of the Irish flag as we marched past the reviewing stand. Thanks to all who braved a little wind to help carry our flag, especially Brother Geordy Austin, who provided the county flags. It was a very impressive sight to witness a sea of green jackets stretching for a city block. Also, thanks to the LAOH and the Tom Dooley Choraliers for joining us on our march down Salina St.

If you haven't already done so, take some time, go to the WSYR-Chanel 9 website (www.9wsyr.com), and watch the re-play of the retirement ceremony by the Syracuse Police Department for the Parade Grand Marshal. Once again, Brother Richie Walsh gives us all a lesson in professionalism, dignity, and respect by his peers.

The Hunger Project was another success! We will be reporting more on the results in the coming months. Brothers Jim Sheridan, Mike Roche, Gary Lyons, Andy O'Hara, and Bob Bunce are to be commended for taking an hour before the parade to help collect food and donations. My favorite story involves Brother Tom Ryan, who worked a corner barrel with his grandchildren, and then rewarded them by walking in the parade. What a life lesson for those kids! These Brothers truly understand the meaning of our motto of "Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity"!

Thanks to Brothers Rick Potter and Jeremiah Cregan for all of their help with the Andy Cooney show. This is the second event that I have had the pleasure of working with the Ladies Division on, and it is remarkable how they much fun they had while doing the hard work before the show. The Men's Division could learn a thing or two about how to make an event successful.

Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division members — James Finnegan and Michael Grajko. As always, we're looking to grow our membership!

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact me via e-mail [dclynch@twcnny.rr.com] or phone [(315) 477-1962].

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Dave

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are asked to provide their current street address, telephone number, and e-mail address to Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern via e-mail [kahern@twcnny.rr.com] or phone [(315) 468-6338].

If you have any AOH/LAOH information, photos, or memorabilia, please contact Geordy Austin via e-mail [geordya7@gmail.com] or phone [(315) 446-1153].

AOH DIVISION MEETING

SUNDAY, APRIL 3RD @ 7:00 pm

PJ's Pub & Grill (116 Walton Street in Syracuse)
For info, contact Dave Lynch: dclynch@twcnny.rr.com / (315) 477-1962

The Syracuse Gaelic Football Club will be hosting a fund-raiser at 7:00 pm on Saturday, April 16th at the Bally Bay Pub & Restaurant [550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse]. Tickets are \$10 advance sale and \$15 at the door. Raffles (top prize of a TV), music, and craic are guaranteed. When you buy a ticket you will be automatically entered into the raffle. You don't have to be present to win. Please contact the team via e-mail [SyracuseGaelicFootball@gmail.com] for more information.

The AOH Syracuse Division will be marching in the Camillus Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, May 30th. Pre-parade line-up will be at 8:45 am on the corner of Maple Dr. and West Genesee St., and the parade will start promptly at 9:30 am. Dress attire should include khaki (tan) pants and an AOH golf shirt if you have one. If you don't have an AOH golf shirt, any nice golf shirt will be fine. Marchers are invited to meet before and after the parade at M^cNamara's Pub, located on Newport Rd., just outside of the village. Ample parking will be available in M^cNamara's lot. Please contact Ron Clare via phone [(315) 436-6431] or e-mail [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] for more information.

Kevin Mahoney and Ron Clare are organizing the annual **AOH Syracuse Division Family Invitational Golf Tournament**, scheduled for **Sunday, June 12th** at the **Westvale Golf Club** in Camillus. A 1:00 pm shotgun start is planned. The foursome sign-up form is available on the "Calendar of Events" page of the AOH Syracuse Division website [www.syraoh.com]. For more information, please contact Kevin [(315) 396-3885 / kmahoney@mvnhealth.com] or Ron [(315) 436-6431 / draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com].

AOH apparel is available. Please contact Dave Kennedy via e-mail [dkenn15@verizon.net], home phone [(315) 637-3307], or cell phone [(315) 569-3302] for more information.

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact Brendan Sammon @ (315) 673-4011.

Please pay your AOH membership dues as soon as possible (\$40 for members age 60 and younger; \$30 for members age 60+; \$45 for new members -- due at swearing-in ceremony along with completed application). Please see Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern at the next meeting or send a check to our P.O. Box (listed on this newsletter).

The Tom Dooley Choraliers group is seeking new members from all voice ranges. The Choraliers are a group of men who have been singing to promote Irish culture for 40+ years. They practice every Wednesday at 7:00 pm at the Camillus Town Hall. Please contact Jim Hartigan [(315) 487-6298] for directions and Jim Henson [(315) 468-6131] for membership information.

The Syracuse Gaelic Football Club is seeking players. If you're looking for a fun, new sport to try during the summer months, please contact Sean Rooney [seanyrooney@gmail.com] for more information.

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SERVICE INFORMATION**

Dates to remember...

- ☑ Fri., 7-29 & Sat., 7-30: **St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival** (216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse - www.stpatricksirishfest.com)
- ☑ Fri., 7-29 → Sun., 7-31: **Great American Irish Festival** (Herkimer County Fairgrounds - www.gaif.us)
- ☑ Sat., 8-13: **CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival** (Long Branch Park in Liverpool - www.cnyscottishgames.org)
- ☑ Fri., 8-26 → Sun., 8-28: **Cortland Celtic Festival** (Court House Park in Cortland - www.cortlandcelticfestival.com)
- ☑ Fri., 9-9 & Sat., 9-10: **Syracuse Irish Festival** (Clinton Square in Downtown Syracuse - www.syracuseirishfestival.com)

The Syracuse Kiltie Pipe Band is seeking new members. If you're interested in learning more about this organization, please contact Steve Roesch via e-mail [mhrad07@twcny.rr.com], cell phone [(315) 558-9774], or home phone [(315) 487-1109].

2011 AOH Syracuse Division Officers...

- ☑ Chaplain: *Father John Ahern*
- ☑ President: *Dave Lynch*
- ☑ Vice-President: *Dave Kennedy*
- ☑ Recording Secretary: *Jerry Cregan*
- ☑ Financial Secretary: *Kevin Ahern*
- ☑ Treasurer: *Tim Lillis*
- ☑ Chairman of the Standing Committee: *Jim Egloff*
- ☑ Marshal: *John Lyons*
- ☑ Sentinel: *Steve Leyden*

Web sites of interest...

- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com
- ☑ NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com
- ☑ National AOH: www.aoh.com
- ☑ National Hibernian Digest: www.hiberniandigest.com
- ☑ CNY IACI: www.syraoh.com/iaci/iaci.htm
- ☑ Syr. St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatrickspatrade.org
- ☑ Syracuse Irish (music) Session:
<http://web.mac.com/houseofchai/SyracuseIrishSession/Home.html>
- ☑ IrishCentral site: www.irishcentral.com
- ☑ Irish Family History Foundation (I.F.H.F.): www.rootsireland.ie
- ☑ Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- ☑ Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com
- ☑ Irish news: www.nuzhound.com
- ☑ Irish-American Information Service: iais.org
- ☑ Irish-American Heritage Museum:
www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- ☑ Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- ☑ Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com
- ☑ Irish Power Hour: www.irishpowerhour.com

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(LAOH) NEWS**



- ☑ **MEETINGS:** Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of each month @ 7:00 pm at St. Ann's school (4471 Onondaga Blvd. in Syracuse).
- ☑ **2011 LAOH OFFICERS:** President (Rosemary Koppel), Vice President (Eileen Tickner), Recording Secretary (Maureen Gontarek), Financial Secretary (Joyce Kirchbaum Treasurer (Maureen Fogarty), Mistress at Arms (Ede Sakran), Sentinel (Meghan Grady), Irish Historian (Roxanne Compoli), Office of Missions & Charities (Yvette Guilfoil), Office of Catholic Action (Anne Flanagan)
- ☑ **MEMBERSHIP DUES:** Reminder, to be paid as soon as possible to LAOH, Joyce Kirchbaum, 5841 Reis Drive, Cicero, N.Y. 13039
- ☑ **SYMPATHY & GET WELL:** Please keep the special intentions of all our members in your prayers. Contact Joyce Kirchbaum @ (315) 699-5711 if you know of anyone who is sick or bereaved.
- ☑ **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:** Please contact Division President Rosemary Koppel: rkoppel@aol.com / 545 Tompkins Street, Syracuse, N.Y. 13204 / (315) 487-5408
- ☑ **SEAN JOHNSTON'S RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9 pm - 10 pm (Syracuse 95.7 FM (a.k.a., 95X) / www.irishpowerhour.com)
- ☑ **"BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9 pm - 12 am (Syr. 91.3 FM/Utica 89.5 FM/Watertown: 90.9 FM)
- ☑ **IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...**
 - ☑ **Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant:** 301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse (music: usually 9 pm - 1 am) (315) 424-1974 www.kittyhoynes.com
 - ⇒ For the music schedule, please visit the website or call
 - ☑ **Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub:** 100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse (Sunday music: 4 pm - 7 pm; Other days, music: 10 pm - 1:30 am) (315) 476-1933 www.colemansirishpub.com
 - ⇒ For the music schedule, please visit the website or call
 - ☑ **Syracuse Irish (music) Session:**
<http://web.mac.com/houseofchai/SyracuseIrishSession/Home.html>
 - ⇒ 1st Sunday of the month (4 pm - 7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub 253 East Water Street in Syracuse (315) 399-5533
 - ⇒ 2nd Saturday of the month (2 pm - 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Rest. 301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse (315) 424-1974 www.kittyhoynes.com
 - ⇒ 3rd Sunday of the month (4 pm - 7 pm): Johnston's Bally Bay Pub & Rest. 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse (315) 423-8021
 - ⇒ 4th Saturday of the month (2 pm - 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Rest.

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