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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,

I sincerely hope everyone had as much fun as I did, proudly marching with the Division in the Syracuse St. Patrick's Day parade. We may not have the most marchers, but we definitely set a record for longest line of participants. Once again, the AOH footprint was all over the weekend's festivities - from the Grand Marshals - to the parade announcers - to the Choraliars and flag bearers at the Mass (even the Altar boys were Tom Burke's sons). I salute you all for representing the AOH and LAOH with dignity and class. On a personal note, I had the pleasure of meeting Alex Maskey, the mayor of Belfast, at the dinner on Friday night. The second he opened his mouth to speak, I knew he and Geordy Austin were from the same hometown. With his thick Irish brogue, I couldn't understand a word that he said!

Congratulations to Brother Alfred Bishop for being the first winner of the drawing for free membership dues for 2012. This program was a great success, allowing our Division to collect dues early enough to pay off our national and state tax without hardship, and enabling us to more accurately plan a budget for the rest of the year.

It is with great honor that Brother Kevin Ahern reports that he recently received an e-mail message from Brother Chris McCarthy to renew his membership in Division 2. Brother McCarthy is currently serving his tour of duty in Afghanistan. Kevin quickly responded that the Division will gladly pay the dues of any members serving in the military, and that we are proud to count him as a member!

Please take the time to congratulate Brother Jeff Costello. He and Jerry Roesch were named recipients of the 2012 Syracuse Post-Standard Achievement Awards. Jeff was recognized for starting the Leprechaun League and serving as a community organizer who is involved in all facets of life on Tipperary Hill. Our Division is an annual sponsor of the League and is proud to be associated with Jeff and his organization.

A total of six books on Irish genealogy were recently donated on our Division's behalf by Brother Dan Case. Thanks, Dan!

The Irish American Heritage Museum (IAHM) opened to the public this past January 7<sup>th</sup>, and is located at 370 Broadway Avenue in Albany, N.Y. For further information, please visit the museum's website ([www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org](http://www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org)) or call (518) 427-1916.

Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division members — Nicholas Caputo, G. Hookway, and Chad Ryan, and welcoming back recently reinstated member Christopher McCarthy. Remember that AOH membership requirements and our Division's application are available on our website ([www.syraoh.com](http://www.syraoh.com)), and that we're always looking to grow!

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

As a reminder, we're still seeking guest speakers for future meetings. The James Joyce 2012 Writing Contest awards will be presented during the "Bloomsday" celebration scheduled for Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at Le Moyne College's Grewen Auditorium in Syracuse. At this marathon reading event, a number of Syracuse community leaders will each select and read a brief excerpt from Joyce's writings. The Joyce Club is offering \$1,000 in cash prizes, including two memorial awards. The writing contest is limited to Central New York students, with separate prizes for college students and high school seniors. Entries must be received by Midnight on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. For more information, please contact Basil Dillon-Malone via e-mail [[dillon-malone.basil@arcomlabs.com](mailto:dillon-malone.basil@arcomlabs.com)] or phone [(315) 622-1132].

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact me via e-mail [[dclynch@twcny.rr.com](mailto:dclynch@twcny.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@twcny.rr.com](mailto:kahern@twcny.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](mailto:geordya7@gmail.com)] or phone [(315) 446-1153].**

## AOH DIVISION MEETING

**SUNDAY, APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

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

**John Kissane and Mike Donovan are organizing an AOH Syracuse Division golf league team.** Here are the details:

- ☑ **what:** Weekly nine-hole golf league for AOH members and spouses
- ☑ **where:** Westvale Golf Club in Camillus
- ☑ **when:** Every Wednesday for 17 weeks, from May 2<sup>nd</sup> through August 29<sup>th</sup>, with 4:00 pm - 4:50 pm tee times
- ☑ **cost:** \$200 for the season's greens fees; Carts are available for \$12 (or \$6 if shared)
- ☑ **other info:** There is a list of substitutes; Rain checks will be issued for rain-outs; A free game is included on April 25<sup>th</sup>, prior to the start of league play

For more information, please contact John [(315) 446-4359] or Mike [(315) 491-4703 / [michaelldonovan@yahoo.com](mailto:michaelldonovan@yahoo.com)].

**The AOH Syracuse Division will be marching in the Camillus Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>.** 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. Marchers are invited to meet before and after the parade at McNamara's Pub, located on Newport Rd., just outside of the village. Ample parking will be available in McNamara's lot. Please contact Ron Clare via phone [(315) 436-6431] or e-mail [[draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com](mailto:draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com)] for more information.

Ron Clare and Kevin Mahoney are organizing the annual **AOH Syracuse Division Family Golf Tournament**, scheduled for **Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>** at the **Westvale Golf Club** in Camillus. A 1:00 pm shotgun start is planned. The cost is \$70/person or \$280/foursome, and includes greens fees, cart, hamburgers, hot dogs, beer and soda on the course, and dinner following the tournament at the club restaurant. For more information, please contact Ron [phone: (315) 436-6431 / e-mail: [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com](mailto:draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com)] or Kevin [phone: (315) 396-3885 / e-mail: [kmahoney@mvnhealth.com](mailto:kmahoney@mvnhealth.com)].

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

**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 Choraliars group is seeking new members from all voice ranges.** The Choraliars 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 Dave Kennedy [(315) 637-3307] or Bill Delaney [(315) 430-0818] for information/directions.

**The Central New York Irish Cultural Society (CNY-ICS) is seeking new members.** This group sponsors, develops, and promotes Irish cultural activities in the greater Syracuse region. For more information, please contact Geordy Austin via e-mail [[geordya7@gmail.com](mailto:geordya7@gmail.com)] or phone [(315) 446-1153].



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## Dates to remember...

- ☑ Mon., 7-9 → Thurs., 7-12: **2012 AOH/LAOH National Convention** (Turning Stone Resort & Casino in Verona, NY - [www.aoh.com](http://www.aoh.com))
- ☑ Fri., 7-20 & Sat., 7-21: **St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival** (216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse - [www.spatricksirishfest.com](http://www.spatricksirishfest.com))
- ☑ Fri., 7-27 → Sun., 7-29: **Great American Irish Festival** (Herkimer County Fairgrounds - [www.gaif.us](http://www.gaif.us))
- ☑ Sat., 8-18 & Sun., 8-19: **Cortland Celtic Festival** (Dwyer Memorial Park in Little York (just north of Homer, NY) - [www.cortlandcelticfestival.com](http://www.cortlandcelticfestival.com))
- ☑ September (exact dates TBD): **Syracuse Irish Festival** (Clinton Square in Downtown Syracuse - [www.syracuseirishfestival.com](http://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](mailto:mhrad07@twcny.rr.com)], cell phone [(315) 558-9774], or home phone [(315) 487-1109].

**The Syracuse Gaelic Football Club is seeking players.** The team's 2012 scheduled games are: Sat., 5-12 (Rochester @ Syracuse); Sat., 5-19 ("7's" tournament @ Cleveland); Sat., 6-2 (Syracuse @ Rochester); Sat., 6-9 (Syracuse @ Albany); Sat., 6-23 (Syracuse @ Buffalo); Sat., 6-30 (Syracuse vs. Pittsburgh @ Rochester); Sat., 7-14 (Albany @ Syracuse); Sat., 7-28 (Herkimer "7's" tournament); Sat., 8-4 (Buffalo @ Syracuse). Please contact Sean Rooney [[seanyrooney@gmail.com](mailto:seanyrooney@gmail.com)] for more information.

**The Central New York Chapter of the Irish American Cultural Institute (CNY-IACI) invites new members.** They are a non-sectarian, non-political organization dedicated to promoting the appreciation and enjoyment of all aspects of Irish culture. For more information please contact the group via e-mail [[cnychapteriaci@gmail.com](mailto:cnychapteriaci@gmail.com)].

## 2012 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](http://www.syraoh.com)
- ☑ NYS AOH: [www.nyaoh.com](http://www.nyaoh.com)
- ☑ National AOH: [www.aoh.com](http://www.aoh.com)
- ☑ National Hibernian Digest: [www.hiberniandigest.com](http://www.hiberniandigest.com)
- ☑ Central New York Irish Cultural Society (CNYICS): [www.syraoh.com/ics\\_of\\_cny/ics\\_of\\_cny.htm](http://www.syraoh.com/ics_of_cny/ics_of_cny.htm)
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade: [www.syracusestpatricksparade.org](http://www.syracusestpatricksparade.org)
- ☑ Syracuse Irish (music) Session: <http://web.me.com/neofiddle/SyracuseIrishSession/Home.html>
- ☑ Syracuse Gaelic Football Club: <http://syracuse.gaa.ie>
- ☑ Irish Power Hour: [www.irishpowerhour.com](http://www.irishpowerhour.com)
- ☑ IrishCentral site: [www.irishcentral.com](http://www.irishcentral.com)
- ☑ Irish Family History Foundation (I.F.H.F.): [www.rootsireland.ie](http://www.rootsireland.ie)
- ☑ Irish Republican Media site: [www.irishrepublicanmedia.com](http://www.irishrepublicanmedia.com)
- ☑ Irish Echo online: [www.irishecho.com](http://www.irishecho.com)
- ☑ Irish news: [www.nuzhound.com](http://www.nuzhound.com)
- ☑ Irish-American Information Service: [iais.org](http://iais.org)
- ☑ Irish-American Heritage Museum: [www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org](http://www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org)
- ☑ Irish architecture: [www.irish-architecture.com](http://www.irish-architecture.com)
- ☑ Irish foods/recipes: [www.foodireland.com](http://www.foodireland.com)

## LADIES AOH (LAOH) NEWS



- ☑ **MEETINGS:** Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month @ 7:00 pm at St. Ann's school (4471 Onondaga Blvd. in Syracuse).
- ☑ **2012 LAOH CHARITY FUND-RAISER:** LAOH will be hosting an afternoon of BUNKO with tea and crumpets, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 2-5 PM at St. Brigid's Church basement. For more details, please contact Anne Flanagan [[anne726@mac.com](mailto:anne726@mac.com)]. Money raised will benefit Project Saint Patrick. Tickets (\$12.50) need to be ordered by April 24<sup>th</sup> to reserve your seat.
- ☑ **CATHOLIC ACTION, LAOH BABY SHOWER!:** Once again, the LAOH will be having a baby shower! Last year, we collected a beautiful assortment of essentials for Mothers in need. This year, we would like to expand it to have friends join us in June, so stay tuned for more details. However, do not hesitate to start shopping or knitting!
- ☑ **MEMBERSHIP DUES:** Payable to: LAOH, Joyce Kirchbaum, and can be sent to: 5841 Reis Drive, Cicero, NY 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](mailto:rkoppel@aol.com)] / 545 Tompkins Street, Syracuse, NY 13204 / (315) 487-5408]
- ☑ **SEAN JOHNSTON'S "IRISH POWER HOUR" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9 pm - 10 pm ET (Syracuse TK99 FM/Utica WOUR 96.9 FM/ [www.irishpowerhour.com](http://www.irishpowerhour.com))
- ☑ **BILL KNOWLTON'S "BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9 pm - 12 am ET (Syracuse 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 is usually 9 pm - 1 am / (315) 424-1974 / [www.kittyhoynes.com](http://www.kittyhoynes.com) / for the music schedule, call or visit the website
  - Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub:** 100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse / Sunday music is 4 pm - 7 pm; other days, music is 10 pm - 1:30 am / (315) 476-1933 / [www.colemansirishpub.com](http://www.colemansirishpub.com) / for the music schedule, call or visit the website
  - Syracuse Irish (music) Session:** <http://web.me.com/neofiddle/SyracuseIrishSession/Home.html>
    - ☉ 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month (4 pm - 7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub 253 East Water Street in Syracuse (315) 399-5533
    - ☉ 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month (2 pm - 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes
    - ☉ 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month (4 pm - 7 pm): Johnston's Bally Bay Pub & Rest. 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse (315) 423-8021
    - ☉ 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month (2 pm - 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes