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

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...by Steve Leyden,
AOH Syracuse Division President

Brothers,

Since Easter Sunday is April 5th our next meeting will be on April 12th. Due to the Downtown parking problems, we are looking into a new meeting location. All input and opinions are welcome. Please come to the meeting to discuss this vital issue.

Division Vice-President Tom Parker recently resigned from the AOH for personal reasons. I'd like to thank Tom for his many contributions, including the historical markers and the music CD project. Dick Sheeran has graciously volunteered to serve the remainder of Tom's term.

Thanks to everyone for another great St. Patrick's season. Our Brothers participated in every event, including the St. Baldrick's fundraiser, the Tipp Hill Shamrock Run, Irish Road Bowling, the St. Patrick's Mass, and the 33rd annual Syracuse St. Patrick's parade. We can be very proud that we helped to raise money for many local charities through these events.

Congratulations to AOH Syracuse Division member Donald Moriarty, who was the winner of this year's "Early Bird" dues payment drawing! His 2016 dues will be waived by the Division. Thanks to all of the members who participated and paid their 2015 dues in an early fashion!

At our last meeting, Brother Dan Holleran announced the Division's new committee structure that we will implement. Dividing responsibility areas among committees will allow our Division to function more efficiently and spread the workload. Dan has set-up committees for Catholic Action, Charities & Missions, Finance, Freedom for All Ireland, Fundraising, Irish History and Culture, Marketing and Public Relations, Membership, Ritual & Degrees, and Social. Thanks to everyone who volunteered to be on a committee. If you'd like to join one, please contact Dan [(315) 214-8392 / drholleran@yahoo.com].

We have a very busy second quarter of 2015. The AOH Syracuse Division will be marching in the Camillus Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, May 25th. Also, the AOH Syracuse Division Family Golf Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, June 28th. Family and friends are invited and you don't need any golfing skills to have fun! Additional information on both events is contained in this newsletter.

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact Brendan Sammon @ (315) 673-4011. Also, please remember Immediate Past President Dave Lynch in your prayers as he continues to fight a serious health issue.

AOH car rental discounts are available to Hibernian members with Avis and Budget. When inquiring about these discounts, please reference code numbers "AWD=X265800" (Avis) or "BCD=A766200" (Budget).

The AOH Major Degrees will be offered at the AOH NYS Convention, which will be held in July in Uniondale, Long Island. Several Brothers have expressed an interest in obtaining their degrees. Let me know if you're interested and we'll arrange transportation. Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about AOH history and tradition.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact me via e-mail [aohsteve@gmail.com].

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Steve

AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION MEETING

SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH @ 7:00 pm

Small Plates Restaurant (116 Walton Street in Syracuse)
For info, contact Steve Leyden via e-mail (aohsteve@gmail.com)

Le Moyne College is hosting two upcoming events in celebration of the 150th anniversary of Irish poet W.B. Yeats' birth. Both events are free and open to the public.

- ☑ **Thursday, April 9th** at 3:00 pm in the Bernat Special Events Room of the Noreen Reale Falcone Library: Patrick J. Keane, Ph.D., professor emeritus of English, will discuss some rare editions of Yeats books on display in the Falcone Library and offer a few observations on Yeats and recite several of Yeats poems.
- ☑ **Saturday, April 11th** at 4:00 pm in the Grewen Auditorium of Grewen Hall: The Curlew Theatre Company's staging of 'The Muse and Mr. Yeats'.

The events are co-sponsored by Le Moyne College's Department of English, Irish Studies Program, and O'Connell Professorship, as well as the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Central New York Irish American Cultural Society. For more information, please call (315) 445-4310. Additional details are listed on the AOH Syracuse Division's website "Calendar of Events" page [www.syraoh.com].

The AOH Syracuse Division will be marching in the Camillus Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for **Monday, May 25th**. Members and their spouses, significant others, and children are encouraged to march in this great event. 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/or after the parade. Please contact Ron Clare [(315) 436-6431 / draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] for more information.

Ron Clare and Kevin Mahoney are once again organizing the annual **AOH Syracuse Division Family Golf Tournament**, scheduled for **Sunday, June 28th** 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. **The foursome sign-up form is available on the "Calendar of Events" page of our Division's website [www.syraoh.com].** For more information, please contact Ron [(315) 436-6431 / draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] or Kevin [(315) 396-3885 / kpmahoney24@gmail.com].

If you have any **AOH/LAOH information, photos, or memorabilia**, please contact AOH Syracuse Division Historian Geordy Austin [geordya7@gmail.com / (315) 446-1153].

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are asked to provide their current street address, telephone number, and e-mail address to Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern [kevina78@hotmail.com / (315) 468-6338].

AOH apparel is available. To purchase jackets, shirts, hats, etc., please contact Dan Case [dannys.pc@hotmail.com / (315) 303-7041].

If you have any **suggestions for fundraising ideas, comments, or suggestions for our Division**, please contact fundraising committee members George Lowe [gjlowe@live.com / (315) 415-4400] or Ron Clare [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com / (315) 436-6431].

As information becomes available, events and activities are listed on the **"Calendar of Events"** page on our Division's website.

LAOH, MUSIC, & OTHER INFO



LAOH...

- ☑ **MEETINGS:** held on the second Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 pm at Nibsy's Pub (201 Ulster St. in Syracuse)
- ☑ **DIVISION OFFICERS:** President: Anne Flanagan; Vice-President: Maureen Fogarty; Recording Secretary: Rosemary Koppel; Financial Secretary: Liz Thomas; Treasurer: Kathryn Kelly; Historian: Roxanne Compoli; Missions & Charities: Yvette Guilfoil; Catholic Action: Margaret LoPiccolo; Mistress-at-Arms: Ede Sakran; Sentinel: Mary Lawless
- ☑ **MEMBERSHIP DUES:** 2015 dues are now payable; Make checks payable to "L.A.O.H." and send to Liz Thomas, 416 Tilden Drive, East Syracuse, NY 13057
- ☑ **SYMPATHY & GET WELL:** If you have news of anyone who is sick or bereaved, please get in touch with Rosemary Koppel: (315) 487-5408
- ☑ **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:** Other comments or questions? Get in touch with Anne Flanagan: (315) 510-6508

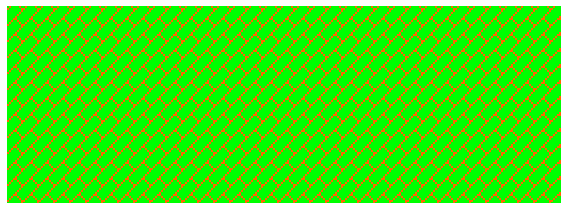
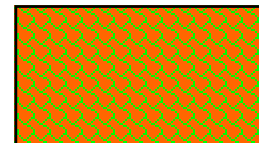
MUSIC...

- ☑ **BILL KNOWLTON'S "BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9 pm - 12 am ET [Syr. 91.3 FM / Utica 89.5 FM/Watertown 90.9 FM]
- ☑ **SEAN JOHNSTON'S "IRISH POWER HOUR" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9 pm - 10 pm ET [Syr. TK99 FM / Utica WOUR 96.9 FM / www.irishpowerhour.com]
- ☑ **LIVE IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...**
 - **Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant:** music is usually 9 pm - 1 am [301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse / www.kittyhoynes.com / (315) 424-1974]
 - **Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub:** Sunday music is 4 pm - 7 pm [100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse / www.colemansirishpub.com / (315) 476-1933]
 - **Syracuse Irish (music) Session:**
 - ☉ 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month (4 pm - 7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub [253 East Water St. in Syracuse / (315) 399-5533]
 - ☉ 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month (2 pm - 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes

OTHER INFO...

- ☑ **THE TOM DOOLEY CHORALIERS 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 50+ years. For more information, please contact Bill Delaney [(315) 430-0818].
- ☑ **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 [geordya7@gmail.com / (315) 446-1153].
- ☑ **THE SYRACUSE KILTIE PIPE BAND IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS.** For more information, please contact Steve Roesch [mhrad07@twcny.rr.com / (315) 558-9774].
- ☑ **THE CENTRAL NEW YORK CHAPTER OF THE IRISH AMERICAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE (CNY-IACI) INVITES NEW MEMBERS.** This group is non-sectarian/non-political and promotes the appreciation and enjoyment of all aspects of Irish culture. For more information, please contact them [cnychapteriaci@gmail.com].
- ☑ **THE SYRACUSE GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB IS SEEKING PLAYERS.** For information, contact Sean Rooney [seanyrooney@gmail.com] or visit <http://syracuse.gaa.ie/>.

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DATES TO REMEMBER...

- ☑ Wednesday, July 8th → Saturday, July 11th: **2015 AOH/LAOH NYS Convention** [Uniondale (Long Island), NY - www.nyaoh2015.com]
- ☑ late July (exact dates TBD): **St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival** [location TBD]
- ☑ Fri., July 24th → Sun., July 26th: **Great American Irish Festival** [Herkimer County Fairgrounds in Frankfort, NY - www.gaif.us]
- ☑ Sat./Sun., August 22nd/23rd: **Cortland Celtic Festival** [Dwyer Mem. Park in Little York, NY (just north of Homer) - www.cortlandcelticfestival.com]
- ☑ early September (exact dates TBD): **Syracuse Irish Festival** [Clinton Square in Downtown Syracuse - www.syracuseirishfestival.com]

Please pay your AOH membership dues as soon as possible (\$40 for members age 59 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 our P.O. Box (listed on this newsletter).

2015 AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION OFFICERS...

- ☑ Chaplain: *Father John Ahern*
- ☑ President: *Steve Leyden*
- ☑ Vice-President: *Dick Sheeran*
- ☑ Recording Secretary: *Dan Holleran*
- ☑ Financial Secretary: *Kevin Ahern*
- ☑ Treasurer: *Tim Lillis*
- ☑ Chairman of the Standing Committee: *Jim Egloff*
- ☑ Marshal: *John Lyons*
- ☑ Sentinel: *Ryan Casler*

WEB SITES OF INTEREST...

- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com
- ☑ AOH NYS: www.nyaoh.com
- ☑ AOH National: www.aoh.com
- ☑ National Hibernian Digest: www.hiberniandigest.com
- ☑ CNY Irish Cultural Soc. (CNYICS): www.syraoh.com/ics_of_cny/ics_of_cny
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatricksparade.org
- ☑ Syracuse Gaelic Football Club: <http://syracuse.gaa.ie>
- ☑ Irish Power Hour: www.irishpowerhour.com
- ☑ 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-American Information Service: www.iais.org
- ☑ Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- ☑ Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- ☑ Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com