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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...By Dan Case,
Division President

Dear Brothers,

- ☑ Once again the Holiday season is upon us! With this thought in mind, please keep Christmas not only under your tree and in our Churches, but also in your hearts. We should remember those who do not have the Christmas that we all enjoy. PLEASE help out if you can with the annual Old Newsboys newspaper sales fund-raiser scheduled for Friday, December 12th (day/evening) and Saturday, December 13th (morning). We have outshined the other participating organizations with our overwhelming support for this cause and by our fantastic donation last year! Let's once again show the needy children of our community what the AOH can really do when called upon. If you can lend a hand, please contact Rich Walsh via e-mail [rpwalsh@syr.edu] or phone [(315) 488-9114] as soon as possible!
- ☑ We're all looking forward to the annual Christmas Party/Officer Installation Dinner on Saturday, December 6th at Meghan M^cMurphy's Pub in Liverpool. There's no doubt that Brother Steve Dorsey will show all who attend a great time and serve delicious food - as he has done in the past! If you're planning to attend, I urge you to contact one of the event committee members listed in this newsletter by Friday, November 28th. Steve needs an early head-count for event planning purposes.
- ☑ Another date to remember is our annual Children's Christmas Party at St. Patrick's Church Gym on Saturday, December 13th, starting at 2:30 pm. This event is free. I ask that if any member knows of ANY under-privileged child who would not have the Christmas we enjoy, to bring them along!!! We serve the ENTIRE community. Events such as this party are not soon forgotten. For something new at this year's event, there will be a raffle that only the children can participate in. Rest assured, the raffle prize will be very special, and the money raised will be given to charity. The raffle is a great way to demonstrate to the children why charity is so very important! Oh, by the way, I know for a fact that a big, fat Santa Claus (thankfully, now padded) will be in attendance for the children (and those who are still children at heart)!
- ☑ Now it's time for me to add my feelings about stepping-down as your AOH Syracuse Division President for the past four years. It's been a delight to serve you, and has been a great learning experience for me. Both 2009 Division President candidates - Dave Lynch and Geordy Austin - were most worthy. I am delighted with your choice for the new President in Dave Lynch. There is no doubt that Dave will do an excellent job, and continue to make this AOH Division grow. I would also like to add that I was very humbled by the standing ovation that I received at the November meeting. It reminded me of why I chose to be a member of such a great organization as the AOH. These years have been wonderful as we've grown!
- ☑ Historical FYI — the AOH Syracuse Division's charter was instituted on November 3rd, 1938 and its 70th anniversary was this year. Here's to the next 70 successful years!
- ☑ Joe M^cConnell informs us that AOH Syracuse Division members Fred Ferguson and Dennis Leo were the winning team at the 36th annual AOH Pitch Tournament, which was held on Sunday, October 12th at Nibs's Pub in Syracuse. The UPS team finished second. Congratulations gentlemen!
- ☑ Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division member — Tim Chapman — who was sworn in at the November Division meeting, and recently re-instated members Lawrence Hennigan, Donald M^cNamara, and Hugh White. As always, we're seeking new members!

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Dan

A O H D I V I S I O N M E E T I N G

☎ SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH @ 7:00 pm

PJ's Pub & Grill (116 Walton Street in Syracuse)

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

Congratulations to our newly elected slate of AOH Syracuse Division Officers for 2009! Your 2009 AOH Syracuse Division Officers are:

- » **President: Dave Lynch**
- » **Vice-President: Ron Clare**
- » **Recording Secretary: Jerry Cregan**
- » **Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern**
- » **Treasurer: David Kennedy**
- » **Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egloff**
- » **Marshal: Mike Cregan**
- » **Sentinel: Tim Lillis**

The AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2009 AOH and LAOH Officer Installation Dinner will be held on **Saturday, December 6th** at Meghan M^cMurphy's Restaurant & Pub, located at 7990 Oswego Rd. (Rt. 57) in Liverpool. A cocktail hour will start at 4:00 pm, the Officer installation ceremony will start at 5:30 pm, and the buffet dinner will start at 6:00 pm. Music will follow until 9:00 pm. Admission to this event is free for members in good standing, and guest tickets are \$20. Please send your **RSVP** to one of the following AOH Syracuse Division members **by Friday, November 28th** if you're interested in attending:

- » Brendan Sammon: (315) 673-4011 or marytsammon@hotmail.com
- » Frank Corcoran: (315) 472-8165 or corchart@cnyemail.com
- » Mike Cregan: (315) 487-0931 or mcregan@twcny.rr.com
- » Dan Case: (315) 638-2285 or fenian@twcny.rr.com

AOH Syracuse Division member Rich Walsh is once again organizing our Division's participation in the annual **Syracuse Newspapers "Old Newsboys" fund-raiser** scheduled for **Friday, December 12th** (day and evening) and **Saturday, December 13th** (morning). If you're interested in lending a hand at this fun and very important community fund-raising event, please contact Rich via e-mail [rpwalsh@syr.edu] or phone [(315) 488-9114] as soon as possible. Sign-up forms will also be available at the Division meeting.

The annual **AOH Syracuse Division Children's Christmas Party** is scheduled for **Saturday, December 13th starting at 2:30 pm** at the St. Patrick's Church Gym (Lowell Ave. in Syracuse). Anonymous sources in Santa's entourage have confirmed that he will be in attendance. There will be snacks, pizza, cookies, drinks, face-painting, etc. AOH members and family/friends are invited. **This event is free.** Children are encouraged to bring \$1 to enter into the "kids-only" raffle. All raffle proceeds will go to a charity on the children's behalf. **Anyone who knows of any under-privileged children, are urged to bring those children to the party.** If you're interested in attending, please contact one of the following Division members as soon as possible and include the number of children and adults who will be in attendance:

- » Bob Bunce: (315) 488-0020
- » Tom Rogers: (315) 488-1844

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

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.



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Dates to remember...

- ☑ Sat., 12-6: **AOH Syr. Div. Christmas Party/2009 Officer Install. Ceremony** (4:00 pm @ Meghan M^{rs}Murphy's Pub in Liverpool)
- ☑ Sat., 12-13: **Annual AOH Syr. Div. Children's Christmas Party** (2:30 pm at the St. Patrick's Church Gym [Lowell Ave. in Syracuse])
- ☑ Fri., 12-12 & Sat., 12-13: **Annual Syr. Newspapers "Old Newsboys" fund-raiser** (various locations throughout CNY)

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact AOH Syracuse Division Treasurer David Kennedy via home phone [(315) 637-3307], cell phone [(315) 569-3302], or e-mail [dkenn15@verizon.net].

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@gmail.com].

AOH apparel is available. Please contact AOH Syracuse Division Treasurer David Kennedy via home phone [(315) 637-3307], cell phone [(315) 569-3302], or e-mail [dkenn15@verizon.net].

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 Kevin Ahern at the next meeting or send a check to our P.O. Box (listed on this newsletter).

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Web sites of interest...

- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com
- ☑ NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com
- ☑ National AOH: www.aoh.com
- ☑ CNY IACI: www.syraoh.com/iaci/iaci.htm
- ☑ Syrac. St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatricksparade.org
- ☑ 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
- ☑ Belfast cab tours: www.belfastcabtours.com
- ☑ Belfast bed & breakfast: www.tirnanogbelfastbandb.co.uk
- ☑ 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 the AOH Syr. Div. Christmas Party/2009 AOH and LAOH Officer Installation Dinner.
- ☑ **FOLLOW-UP:** The Covered Dish Supper was superb! We filled 2 tables with everyone's specialties. Maureen O'Hara did a wonderful job with the "Baskets Of Cheer" this year. The winners were Rosemary Koppel and Tim Ryan. Marion Tighe and Peg Ryan took the hats and mittens to the St Vincent Guild. We voted to give to a family from the Brady Faith Center for Christmas. Maureen O'Hara will handle the details. Kathleen Richardson sold more cookbooks at Holy Family Church in Fairmount. Eileen Tickner spoke about the St Brigid's Feast Day Mass for all AOH/LAOH deceased Hibernians on February 1st, with a special Mass at St Brigid's Church at 12:00 noon. Father Ahern will be the Celebrant. Coffee and donuts will be served after the Mass. Details to follow. Ginny Justian gave a Christmas ornament to everyone and awards for outstanding achievement.
- ☑ **TELEPHONE COMMITTEE:** We have a new Telephone Committee comprised of Yvette Guilfoil, Mary Lou Trait, Roxanne Compoli, and Mary Lawless. The committee will be notifying us of upcoming meetings.
- ☑ **NEW DIVISION MEMBERS:** Congratulations to our newest members - Helen Dodge and Helen Jennings!
- ☑ **SYMPATHY & GET-WELL CARDS:** Please contact Joyce Krichbaum @ (315) 699-5711 concerning any sick or recently deceased LAOH members.
- ☑ **LAOH FRIENDS & FAMILY COOKBOOK:** A great gift for only \$10! Please contact Maureen O'Hara @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 468-6203 for information.
- ☑ **POTENTIAL NEW DIVISION MEMBERS?:** Please contact Joyce Krichbaum @ (315) 699-5711.
- ☑ **CONTACT:** LAOH Division President Ginny Justian via phone [(315) 622-1705], e-mail [rayorginny@aol.com], or USPS [238 Blackberry Road Liverpool, NY 13090] with questions, comments, suggestions, etc..
- ☑ **DUES:** LAOH membership dues should be paid as soon as possible. Please send a \$20 check (payable to LAOH Division #1) to: *Financial Secretary Joyce Krichbaum, 5841 Reis Drive, Cicero, NY 13039* [If you're having trouble with payment, contact Joyce ASAP @ (315) 699-5711.]
- ☑ **"BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9 pm - Midnight (Syracuse: 91.3 FM / Utica: 89.5 FM / Watertown: 90.9 FM)
- ☑ **SEAN HENNESSEY'S (OF THE WATERTOWN DIVISION) RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 11 am - Noon (Watertown: 1240 AM)
- ☑ **BOB WELSH'S IRISH RADIO SHOW (FROM AUBURN, NY):** Sundays, 1 pm - 3 pm; listen on the Web (www.wdwn.fm); requests: (315) 253-0449
- ☑ **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:**
 - ☐ 1st Sunday of each month (4 pm - 7 pm): *Nibsy's Pub* 201 Ulster St. in Syracuse (315) 476-8423
 - ☐ 3rd Sunday of each month (4 pm - 7 pm): *Johnston's Bally Bay Bar* 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse (315) 423-8021