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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...by Dave Lynch, Division President

Dear Brothers,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and we look forward to the Christmas season. I hope that you can attend the Christmas party at the Elks Club in Camillus on Saturday, December 8th, at which we will be installing the new 2013 AOH and LAOH Officers. The installation ceremony has been moved to 5:00 pm in order to accommodate all the family and friends who will be attending. I would ask that members of both Divisions please try to arrive early to witness one of the most important Hibernian ceremonies, and also to show support for your Officers. We can all learn something and take away a new appreciation of the great traditions that we pass down from generation-to-generation.

Christmas season also kicks off the 81st Syracuse Newspapers Old Newsboys campaign, which raises money for the Christmas Bureau (a joint venture of the Salvation Army and the United Way of Central New York). This is the only campaign that I know of in which every penny goes to the distribution of food, toys, and books to more than 9,000 children and over 2,850 families. The Dewitt Rotary has brought in a secret weapon, Major George Polarek, who is the coordinator for the Salvation Army in our area. The Rotarians have thrown down the gauntlet, and are again challenging the AOH Syracuse Division's record of 7 straight years as the #1 fundraising group. With this in mind, we will need everyone's help this year, so please spend an hour or two on December 14th and/or 15th to sell a few newspapers and enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow Brothers! Needy children and families and we, as volunteers, will come away as winners!

Soon enough, it will be January 2013, and we all look forward to the new AOH Syracuse Division Officers leading us with new ideas and a fresh vision for the future for the Division. But for this year, remember that it's not only "Happy Holidays" but MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Remember that AOH membership requirements and our Division's application are available on our website [www.syraoh.com], and that we're always looking to grow!

As always, we're seeking guest speakers for future meetings and don't forget to check out the "Calendar of Events" page on our Division's website.

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

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

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

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Dave

AOH DIVISION MEETING

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2ND @ 7:00 pm

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

For info, contact Dave Lynch: dclynch@twcny.rr.com / (315) 477-1962

The AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2013 AOH and LAOH Officer Installation Dinner will be held on Saturday, December 8th at the Camillus Elks Club (6117 Newport Rd. in Camillus). Please arrive by 5:00 pm for the installation ceremony. The per-person cost of tickets for both members and guests will be between \$20 and \$25, and a cash bar will be available. Please RSVP as soon as possible by contacting AOH Syracuse Division member Ron Clare via cell phone [(315) 436-6431] or e-mail [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com].

AOH Syracuse Division member Rich Walsh is once again organizing our Division's participation in the annual Syracuse Newspapers "Old Newsboys" fundraiser, which is scheduled for Friday, December 14th (8:00 am through the early evening) and Saturday, December 15th (9:00 am until Noon). If you're interested in lending a hand at this fun and very important community fundraising event, please contact Rich as soon as possible via e-mail [rpwalsh@syr.edu] or phone [(315) 488-9114]. The need for volunteers is particularly great during the day on Friday. Any amount of hours you can give would be greatly appreciated! Sign-up forms will also be available at the next Division meeting.

The annual AOH Syracuse Division Children's Christmas Party is scheduled for 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm on Sunday, December 16th at the St. Brigid & St. Joseph Church gym (318 Herkimer St. in Syracuse). Santa's PR team has confirmed that he will be in attendance. There will be snacks, pizza, cookies, drinks, face-painting, etc. AOH members and family are invited. This event is free. Anyone who knows of any under-privileged children is urged to bring those children to the party.

The Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade Committee invites the public to the following upcoming Parade-related events:

- ☑ **2013 Parade Grand Marshal announcement:** 10:00 am on Thursday, January 10th at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub and Restaurant (301 West Fayette Street in Syracuse)
- ☑ **The Project Hunger breakfast:** 8:00 am on Friday, February 8th at the Salvation Army (South Salina Street in Syracuse)
- ☑ **Parade fundraiser:** Noon on Sunday, March 3rd at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub and Restaurant
- ☑ **City of Syracuse Parade stripe painting ceremony:** 9:30 am on Friday, March 8th on Salina Street in Downtown Syracuse, followed by a reception at City Hall Commons (201 East Washington Street)
- ☑ **Parade Grand Marshal's Dinner:** 6:00 pm on Friday, March 8th at the OnCenter (800 South State Street in Syracuse)
- ☑ **Parade Mass:** 10:00 am on Saturday, March 9th at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception (259 East Onondaga Street in Downtown Syracuse)
- ☑ **Parade:** Noon on Saturday, March 9th on Salina Street in Downtown Syracuse

Please visit the committee website for additional event information [http://www.syracusestpatrickspatrade.org].

The annual Tipp Hill Shamrock Run will be held on Saturday, March 2nd.

Please visit the event website for more information

[www.tippillrun.com].

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] or phone [(315) 468-6338].

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.



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LAOH, MUSIC, & OTHER INFO

LAOH...

- ☑ **MEETINGS:** Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month @ 7:00 pm at the former St. Ann's school building (4471 Onondaga Blvd. in Syracuse).
- ☑ **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 LAOH members in your prayers. Contact Joyce Kirchbaum @ (315) 699-5711 if you know of anyone who is sick or bereaved.
- ☑ **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:** Contact LAOH Division Pres. Rosemary Koppel [rkoppel@aol.com / 545 Tompkins St., Syracuse, NY 13204 / (315) 487-5408]

MUSIC...

- ☑ **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)
- ☑ **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)
- ☑ **IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...**
 - **Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant:** 301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse / music is usually 9 pm - 1 am / www.kittyhoynes.com / (315) 424-1974 / for the schedule, visit the website or call
 - **Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub:** 100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse / Sunday music is 4 pm - 7 pm / www.colemansirishpub.com / (315) 476-1933 / for the schedule, visit the website or call
 - **Syracuse Irish (music) Session:**
 - ☉ 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
 - ☉ 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

OTHER NEWS...

- ☑ **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] or phone [(315) 446-1153].
- ☑ **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 over 50 years. For more information, please contact Dave Kennedy [dkenn15@verizon.net / (315) 637-3307] or Bill Delaney [(315) 430-0818].
- ☑ **THE SYRACUSE KILTIE PIPE BAND IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS.** For more information, please contact Steve Roesch via e-mail [mhrad07@twcny.rr.com], cell phone [(315) 558-9774], or home phone [(315) 487-1109].
- ☑ **THE CENTRAL NEW YORK CHAPTER OF THE IRISH AMERICAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE (CNY-IACI) INVITES NEW MEMBERS.** This group is 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].
- ☑ **THE SYRACUSE GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB IS SEEKING PLAYERS.** For more information, please contact Sean Rooney [seanyrooney@gmail.com] or visit the club website [http://syracuse.gaa.ie/].

DATES TO REMEMBER...

- ☑ Saturday, December 8th @ 5:00 pm: **AOH Syr. Div. Christmas Party/2013 Officer Installation Dinner** (Elks Club in Camillus)
- ☑ Friday & Saturday, Dec. 14th/15th: **Syr. Newspapers "Old Newsboys" fundraiser** (various locations throughout CNY)
- ☑ Sunday, December 16th: **Annual AOH Syr. Div. Children's Christmas Party** (2 -4 pm at the St. Brigid & St. Joseph Church gym)
- ☑ Wed., July 10th → Sat., July 13th: **2013 AOH NYS Convention** (Saratoga Springs - www.nyaoh.com)

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).

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
- ☑ NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com
- ☑ National AOH: www.aoh.com
- ☑ National Hibernian Digest: www.hiberniandigest.com
- ☑ Central New York Irish Cultural Society (CNYICS): www.syraoh.com/ics_of_cny/ics_of_cny.htm
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade: 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
- ☑ 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