







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



...by Dave Lynch, Division President

Dear Brothers,

The next AOH Syracuse Division meeting has been rescheduled for February 12th because of Super Bowl Sunday.

I want to thank everyone for helping make 2011 a success and I look forward to all of the events planned for 2012! We will once again have a full schedule of social events and charitable fundraisers throughout the year. Make this the year that you decide to join all of the fun, and stay tuned for information in your Hibernian Herald.

The February meeting will feature budget and financial reports from the different committees. This will provide an excellent opportunity for members to have their say about the future of the Division. Before you know it, we'll be rolling into March, and I hope you get to enjoy all of the tributes to Irish history and culture.

Once again, a fellow Brother – this time Edward Ryan – has the honor of being named the Grand Marshal of the Syracuse St. Patrick's Day Parade. That's two Hibernians in a row, if you're counting! Richie Walsh was the Grand Marshal in 2011. I hope everyone will support Eddie, and I know he'll represent our motto of Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity with honor.

Any AOH Syracuse Division member who has paid his 2012 dues by Tuesday, February 28th, 2012 will have his name placed in a drawing. The drawing winner will get his 2013 dues paid for by the Division!

Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division member — Patrick Stack. 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 our membership!

Congratulations to Brother Dick Berkery for winning the drawing for the liquor basket. The drawing proceeds go to our annual "Christmas Appeal".

As a reminder, we're still seeking guest speakers for future AOH Syracuse Division meetings.

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/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].

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).

DIVISION SUNDAY, FEBRUARY

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

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

- ☑ The Project Hunger breakfast: Friday, February 10th at 7:30 am at the Syracuse Salvation Army
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick Hunger Project Hockey Night at the Syracuse Crunch game: evening of Friday, February 24th at the Onondaga County War Memorial (515 Montgomery St. in Syracuse)
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade fund-raiser: Sunday, March 11th at Noon at Kitty Hovnes
- ☑ City of Syracuse St. Patrick's Day stripe painting ceremony: Friday, March 16th at 9:30 am at the City Hall Commons (201 East Washington Street in Syracuse)
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade Grand Marshal's Dinner: Friday, March 16th at 6:00 pm at the OnCenter (800 South State St. in Syracuse)
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade: Saturday, March 17th at Noon in Downtown Syracuse

Please visit the Committee website (www.syracusestpatricksparade.org) for additional event information.

The annual Tipp Hill Shamrock Run will be held on Saturday, March 10th. Please visit the event website [www.tipphillrun.com] for more information.

The Syracuse St. Baldrick's Day fundraiser will be held on Sunday, March 25th at 10:00 am at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub and Restaurant (West Fayette St. in Syracuse). Please visit the St. Baldrick's Foundation website (www.stbaldricks.org) for more information.

AOH Syracuse Division member John Kissane and others are organizing a Division golf league team. While John is away (he should be back soon), please contact Bob Bunce @ (315) 488-0020 for more information.

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

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.

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 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 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.

AOH Syracuse Division Historian Geordy Austin's son. Martin. owns a Belfast-based taxi service. Glenstar Taxis does pick-ups from Dublin and many other parts of Ireland, and has access to many B&B's. Please visit the company's website (http://glenstartaxis.co.uk) for more information.



<u>2011</u> AOH dues must be paid by Saturday, March 17th to avoid suspension of membership. Please see the dues-related details above for more information.

Ancient Order of Hibernians Commodore John Barry Division P.O. Box 11605 Syracuse, N.Y. 13218-1605



Dates to remember...

- Sat., 3-17: Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade (Noon in Downtown Syracuse - www.syracusestpatricksparade.org)
- ☑ Fri., 7-27 & Sat., 7-28: St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival (216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse - www.stpatricksirishfest.com)
- ☑ Fri., 7-27 → Sun., 7-30: Great American Irish Festival (Herkimer County Fairgrounds - www.gaif.us)
- August (exact dates TBD): Cortland Celtic Festival (Court House Park in Cortland - www.cortlandcelticfestival.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].

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.

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 $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$
- 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
- Svracuse Gaelic Football Club: http://syracuse.gaa.ie
- ☑ Irish Power Hour: www.irishpowerhour.com
- IrishCentral site: www.irishcentral.com
- $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ 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

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- **MEETINGS:** Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month @ 7:00 pm at St. Ann's school (4471 Onondaga Blvd. in Syracuse).
- **MEMBERSHIP DUES:** Reminder that they're payable to: LAOH, Joyce Kirchbaum, and can be sent to: 5841 Reis Drive, Cicero,
- ☑ **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, NY 13204 / (315) 487-5408]
- "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 Svracuse

(Sunday music: 4 pm - 7 pm; Other days, music: 10 pm - 1:30

(315) 476-1933 www.colemansirishpub.com

∍ For the music schedule, please visit the website or call Syracuse Irish (music) Session:

http://web.me.com/neofiddle/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-
- ⇒ 4th Saturday of the month (2 pm 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Rest.
- » AOH Syracuse Division web site: www.syraoh.com «