





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



...by Michael Lehmann, **AOH Syracuse Division President**

Brothers.

I hope everyone is healthy and keeping warm! Two things that I'd like to address in the coming months:

- ☑ I'd like to re-establish the Catholic Action Committee to see how we can help our community in new ways. Please let me know if you are interested in participating in any capacity and if you know of any local charity/volunteering projects where we could help. I'd like to see our division focus more on Christian Charity, and I'd like know everyone's thoughts on how we can do so.
- Our website could be modernized. I'd like to hear any thoughts about how you think it could be improved - to better explain to visitors who we are, what we do, and to provide a more welcoming experience. Do you know someone who could help us with this project?

In an effort to grow our membership, we're contacting local Catholic churches about running messages about the AOH in their upcoming Sunday bulletins.

Twelve of our brothers were recently presented with a Fáinne Óir (gold circle) or Fáinne Airgid (silver circle). These lapel pins are awarded for demonstrating fluency in, or a willingness to speak, the Irish Language. If you are interested in earning An Fáinne, please contact the Chairman of our Irish Language Committee Geordy Austin:

phone: (315) 446-1153

The AOH National Board is seeking the identity of all AOH members who have valiantly served our Country. If you are a veteran and your membership card does not reflect your status as a veteran, please contact Division Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern as soon as possible, so that he can have your card properly updated. Kevin's contact information is:

I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting on Tuesday, February 1^{st} and hearing ideas for how we can make this a great year!

If you have any questions, comments, ideas, suggestions, or concerns, please contact me (lehmann.michael.a@gmail.com).

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Wichael



AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION MEETING

♥② TUESDAY. FEBRUARY 15I @ 7:00 PM

Marriott Syracuse Downtown

AOH members who pay their 2022 dues by Monday, February 28th, 2022 will have their names entered into the 'Early Bird' drawing. The drawing winner will have his 2023 dues paid by the Division.

AOH apparel is available for purchase in various sizes. Items include three-season/winter jackets, drifit and cotton polo shirts, pull-overs, and quarter-zip summer jackets in sizes up to 3XL. To make a purchase, please contact Kevin Tooley:

phone: (315) 398-9217

Mike Roche and Dick Gosson are again organizing the annual AOH Syracuse Division Family & Friends **Golf Tournament**, which is one of our division's largest fundraisers. The event is scheduled for Saturday, June 11th at the Westvale Golf Club in Camillus. Mike and Dick will be seeking golfers, volunteers, hole sponsors (\$50), and door prizes. Additional information will be provided as details are finalized.

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are asked to provide any changes to their email address, phone number, or home address to Financial Secretary **Kevin Ahern:**

phone: (315) 468-6338

If you have information about sick or recently **deceased AOH members**, please contact Bob Bunce:

phone: (315) 546-6045

Please contact AOH Syracuse Division Historian Geordy Austin if you have any AOH/LAOH information, photos, or memorabilia:

phone: (315) 446-1153



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: Mary Lawless (mclawlwss@outlook.com), Vice-President: Maureen Fogarty, Recording Secretary: Maureen M. Ferguson, Treasurer/Financial Secretary: Kathy Kelly, Irish Historian: Hope Cuddahee; Missions & Charities Chair: Margie Miller, Catholic Action Chair: Liz Thomas, Mistress-at-Arms: Ede Sakran, Sentinel: Yvette Guilfoil
- MEMBERSHIP DUES: Don't forget to pay your yearly dues; Make checks payable to 'LAOH' and send to Kathy Kelly, 5185 Boca Raton Way, Syracuse NY 13215
- SYMPATHY & GET WELL: If you know of anyone who is sick or bereaved, contact Mary Lawless (315) 378-3703 / irish13212@verizon.net
- COMMENTS/QUESTIONS: If you have comments or questions, contact Maureen Fogarty (315) 478-1096 / fogarty.maureen@yahoo.com

MUSIC & OTHER INFO

- ☑ BILL KNOWLTON'S 'BLUEGRASS RAMBLE' RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 9 pm to 12 am (Syracuse 91.3 FM / Utica 89.5 FM / Watertown 90.9
- ☑ PADDY'S HOME AND PUB PODCAST: www.paddyspodcast.com
- ☑ LIVE IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...
 - Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant: usually 9 pm to 1 am (301 W. Fayette St. in Syracuse / www.kittyhoynes.com / (315) 424-1974)
 - Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub: Sundays 4 pm to 7 pm (100 S. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse / www.colemansirishpub.com / (315) 476-
- ☑ 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 area. They're on Facebook. For more information, contact Geordy Austin (geordya7@gmail.com / (315) 446-1153).
- ☑ THE TOM DOOLEY CHORALIERS GROUP IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS FROM ALL VOICE RANGES. The Choraliers are a group of men who've been singing to promote Irish culture since 1962. For more information, contact Dan Doherty (dldoherty71@gmail.com).
- ☑ THE SYRACUSE KILTIE PIPE BAND IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS. For more information, contact Steve Roesch (mhrad07@twcny.rr.com / (315) 558-9774).
- ☑ THE SYRACUSE GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB IS SEEKING PLAYERS. For more information, contact Sean Rooney (seanyrooney@gmail.com).
- ☑ 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, visit their website (www.cnyirish317.org).

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ☑ Projected 2022 AOH Syracuse Division meeting dates (please note that all dates are Tuesdays, unless otherwise noted, and that the meetings will start at 7:00 pm): February 1st, March 1st, April 5th, May 3rd, June 7th, August 2nd, September 6th, October 4th, November 1st, December 6th
- ☑ Sat., March 12th at Noon: 2022 Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade (Salina St. in Downtown Syracuse / www.syracusestpatricksparade.org)
- ☑ Saturday, June 11th: AOH Syracuse Div. Family & Friends Golf Tournament (Westvale Golf Club in Camillus) additional details TBD
- Tuesday, July 12th → Sun., July 17th: 2022 AOH/LAOH National Convention (Pittsburgh, PA / www.2022pittsburghconvention.com)

Please pay your AOH Syracuse Division membership dues as soon as

possible. Dues are as follows:

- ☑ \$55 initial fee for new members age 59 and younger

See Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern in person, pay via PayPal online payment service (aoh.syracuse@gmail.com), or send a check to:

> **Ancient Order of Hibernians** Commodore John Barry Division P.O. Box 11605

Syracuse, N.Y. 13218-1605

2022 AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION OFFICERS

- ☑ Chaplain: Father John Ahern
- ☑ President: Michael Lehmann / lehmann.michael.a@gmail.com
- ☑ Vice-President: Phil O'Neil / poneil5@twcny.rr.com
- ☑ Recording Secretary: Bill Ryan / bill13039@yahoo.com
- ☑ Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern / kevina78@hotmail.com
- ☑ Treasurer: Tim Lillis / timothy.lillis@yahoo.com
- ☑ Chairman of the Standing Committee: Troy Murray / trizzle315@gmail.com
- ☑ Marshal: John Lyons / jlyons@lan-co.com
- ☑ Sentinel: Mike Roche / sienamike@aol.com

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 Society (CNYICS):

www.syraoh.com/ics of cny/ics of cny

- ☑ CNY Chapter of the Irish American Cultural Institute:
 - www.cnyirish317.org
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade:

www.syracusestpatricksparade.org

- ☑ IrishCentral news site: www.irishcentral.com
- ☑ Irish Family History Foundation: www.rootsireland.ie
- ☑ Irish Republican Book Shop:

www.republicanbookshop.com

- ☑ Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com
- ☑ Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irish-us.org
- Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com

As information becomes available, events and activities are listed on the 'Calendar of Events' page on our Division's website (www.syraoh.com).