

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

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PRESIDENTS

...By Dan Case, Division President

Dear Brothers,

- First of all, I wish to thank you for the wonderful award presented to me at the Christmas Party/Installation Dinner. I am deeply humbled to accept this, and I will continue to work hard. As your President, I ask you to please remember that I am only as good as the Officers who serve with me. They all work very hard for the interests of our organization. Thanks !!
- The Christmas Party/Installation Dinner was a huge success !! There were over 150 people in attendance, with plenty of food and drink for all. It was a delight to see some of the new faces, as well as some of the more familiar ones. Here's hoping that you attended. If not, you missed a great time. Many thanks to AOH NYS Vice-President Matt Nelligan for installing myself and my fellow Officers. It was unfortunate that a few of the 2006 AOH Syracuse Division Officers could not attend. Tim Collins has a serious back problem and we wish him a speedy recovery. Terry Maddison was called to work and Scott Boles was attending his new baby's Baptism.
- With AOH Syracuse Division member Rich Walsh in charge of the "Old Newsboys" fund-raiser, we raised over \$9,000 for toys for the less fortunate in our community !! The need is never greater than at this time of the year. Special thanks go out to all the Brothers who stood in the cold selling those newspapers. This certainly helps to demonstrate that we continue to be a vibrant organization in our community !!
- A note concerning two books that have been recently released: Father Troy's "Holy Cross: A Personal Experience" and David Quinn's "It May Be Forever", which is about an Irish rebel on the American frontier. Both are very interesting reads.
- A benefit concert featuring "Hair of the Dog" will be held on Friday, January 27th at the Albany Irish American Center in Albany, sponsored by the AOH NY State Board. Tickets are \$20. Please visit the NYS AOH "Events" web page for more information (www.nyaoh.com)
- ☑ The Syracuse St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee is initiating the "St. Patrick Hunger Project" in conjunction with this year's Parade (Saturday, March 18th). Individuals viewing the Parade, as well as Parade participants are encouraged to bring non-perishable food donations with them. AOH Syracuse Division members Bob Bunce, Dave Lynch, Tom Burke, and Kevin Ryan will be helping to coordinate volunteers for this. More information on the St. Patrick Hunger Project and the Parade will be available at the Division meetings and in future HH newsletters.
- Here's hoping that you have a very happy and prosperous New Year. The AOH Syracuse Division has great plans and initiatives in store for 2006. Please feel free to contact me with any problems, questions, or comments you might have. I am here to serve you !!

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Dan

A O HD I V I S I O NM E E T I N G***** ②MONDAY, JANUARY 9th@ 7:00 pm

PJ Dorsey's (116 Walton Street in Syracuse) For details, contact Dan Case: (315) 638-2285 or fenian@twcny.rr.com

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are encouraged to provide their current street address, telephone number, and e-mail address (if available) to Financial Secretary Tim Collins via phone [(315) 469-5810] or e-mail [seamus33@msn.com].

Special thanks deservedly goes to long-time AOH member Rich Walsh for once again successfully organizing/managing our Division's participation in the recent Syracuse Newspapers Old Newsboys charitable fundraiser. Under Rich's leadership, our Division raised over \$9,000 !! Thanks also to the many volunteers who helped out with this very important event. Well done !!

Bob Bunce and his team of volunteers once again did a great job of organizing our annual **Division Children's Christmas Party**. Everyone in attendance had a great time. Thanks everyone !!

Thanks also to Brendan Sammon and his team of volunteers for organizing our annual Division Christmas Party/AOH and LAOH Officer Installation Dinner. Great job everyone !!

The Syracuse St. Patrick's Day Parade committee invites all AOH/LAOH members to the **2006 Parade Grand Marshal announcement**, which will be held on **Thursday, January 5th** at 10:00 am at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub and Restaurant (301 West Fayette Street in Syracuse).

The **Central New York Irish American Cultural Institute (CNY IACI)** will be holding its annual "**Great Night**" at PJ Dorsey's (116 Walton Street in Syracuse) on **Sunday, January 15th** from 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm. The \$10 cost will include dinner, hors d'oeuvre, and entertainment. A cash bar will also be available. Please contact Mary K. Gillis via phone [(315) 488-8749] or e-mail [eahd92@juno.com] to make reservations and/or for more information.

AOH Syracuse Division member Joe McConnell is once again organizing the **34th Annual AOH Pitch Tournament**. The tournament will be held on **Sunday, January 15th at 12:30 pm at** Nibsy's Pub (201 Ulster St. in Syracuse). The cost will be \$15 per man (\$30 per team). Food, pitch, and cash prizes for the finalists will be available. Please send payment to:

109 Dolshire Drive North Syracuse, NY 13212 Payment must be received in advance to secure a table. Thirtytwo (32) teams will be the maximum for this tournament. Please contact Joe @ (315) 458-6488 for more information.

The **Tom Dooley Choraliers group is seeking new members**. The Choraliers are a group of men who have been singing to promote Irish culture for over forty years. They have performed at many locations, including various Syracuse-area churches and public events, as well as in St. Louis, Dublin, Toronto, Washington DC, and many other cities. Rehearsals (starting in September) will be held on Wednesday nights at 7:30 pm at the Camillus Town Court Room (across from the Fairmount Fire Department). If you like to sing and want to become a part of this group, please call fellow AOH Syracuse Division members Jim Henson @ (315) 468-6131 or Robert Doyle @ (315) 487-0024. Ancient Order of Hibernians Commodore John Barry Division P.O. Box 11605 Syracuse, N.Y. 13218-1605

Dates to remember...

M Saturday, 3-18: 2006 Syracuse St. Patrick's Day Parade (more detailed information to follow)

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@aol.com].

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact AOH Syracuse Division Catholic Action Committee Chairman David Kennedy via phone [(315) 637-3307] or e-mail [dkenn@twcny.rr.com].

AOH winter jackets, light-weight pull-overs, shirts, etc. are available. Please contact David Kennedy via phone [(315) 637-3307] or e-mail [dkenn@twcny.rr.com] for more info.

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 Tim Collins at the next meeting or send a check to our PO Box (listed on this newsletter).

For Syracuse Gaelic Football team information, please contact Mike O'Connor @ (315) 422-7393.

2006 AOH Syracuse Division Officers ...

- Division Chaplain: Aaron Tripp \square
- President: Dan Case Ø
- Vice-President: Frank Corcoran ☑
- Recording Secretary: Jerry Cregan Financial Secretary: Tim Collins Treasurer: Kevin Shanahan ☑ ☑

- Ø Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Hartigan ☑
- Marshal: Terry Maddison Sentinel: Scott Bowles
- Web sites of interest ..

AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com M

- NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com
- National AOH: www.aoh.com Ø
- IACI of CNY: www.iaci-usa.org/cnychapter.html
- Ø Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- Irish news: www.nuzhound.com ☑
- Irish-American Information Service: iais.org M Irish-American Heritage Museum:
- www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- Irish literature: www.ucc.ie/celt ☑
- Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com Ø
- Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com M

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- NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the LAOH will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, January 12th at the Taunton Presbyterian Church (4326 Fay Road in Taunton
- CONDOLENCES/PRAYERS: Please pray for our Sister, Maryann Manley, and her family. Maryann passed away suddenly at home.
- DECEMBER MEETING FOLLOW-UP: We donated \$25 to the Camillus Camber of Commerce for the supplies sent to our soldiers in Iraq. Our Christmas party at Dakota's Restaurant was great !! The staff of Dakota's did a wonderful job with Their fine food and excellent service. The Basket o' Cheer was won by Mary Lou Trait. Eileen Tickner received a bag full of knitted hats and mittens that will be provided to needy children. Thanks to Maureen O'Hara for a job well done !! Thanks also to the AOH Syracuse Division for the wonderful Children's Christmas Party and for the Christmas Party/Installation Dinner. Their hard work
- showed !! <u>IRISH ESSAY CONTEST</u>: Kathleen Richardson informed us she has received 5 entries thus far. The winner will be decided from all entries soon.
- 2006 IIIIIII: It's a New Year and new plans are underway, including doing more locally. Please come to our meetings and bring a new member so we can grow and give more back to our Irish and Community. We'll be having a suggestion box & a 50/50 drawing at every meeting. We have a special guest planned for the January meeting. Please contact Ginny Justian @ (315) 622-1705 or Peggy Reynolds @ (315) 476-5246 concerning new members. We are making our
- member installation a little more formal and need to know in advance to prepare. CONTACT: Please contact LAOH Syracuse Division President Peggy Reynolds via phone [(315) 476-5246], e-mail [rayorginny@aol.com], or USPS [238 Blackberry Road Liverpool, NY 13090] with questions/suggestions/ information/comments.
- DUES: LAOH membership dues should be paid as soon as possible. Please Krichbaum 5841 Reis Drive Cicero, NY 13039
- If you're having trouble with payment, PLEASE contact Joyce as soon as possible @ (315) 699-5711 <u>"BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW</u>: Sundays, 9:00 pm Midnight (Syracuse WCNY 91.3/Utica WUNY 89.5/Watertown WJNY 90.9) <u>SEAN HENNESSEY'S (OF THE WATERTOWN DIVISION) RADIO SHOW</u>: Curdens AL00 Em Nege (Watertown WATE) (2010).
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- Sundays, 11:00 am Noon (Watertown WATN 1240) Irish music/interviews

- IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT... Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant: 301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse (315) 424-1974 www.kittyhoynes.com (music is from 9:00 pm 1:00 arr 424-1974 www.kittyhoynes.com Friday, 1-6: Causeway Giants Saturday, 1-7: Pat Kane Friday, 1-13: Cliudain (music is from 9:00 pm - 1:00 am) •

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Friday, 1-20: Neil Emberg
Saturday, 1-21: Neil Emberg
Friday, 1-27: Old Friends
Saturday, 1-28: Gerry Dixon
Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub: 100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse
(315) 476-1933 www.colemansirishpub.com (Sunday music is from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm; Other days, music is from 10:00 pm - 1:30 am)
Sunday, 1-8: TBD
Sunday, 1-15: TBD
Sunday, 1-22: TBD
Sunday, 1-29: TBD
Syracuse Irish Music Session:

- Sunday, 1-29: 160
 Syracuse Irish Music Session:
 1^a Sunday of each month: Half Penny Pub (4:00 pm 7:00 pm) (315) 478-3091 321 West Fayette St. in Syracuse
 3^a Sunday of each month: Johnston's Bally Bay Bar (4:00 pm 7:00 pm)
 - (315) 423-8021 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse