



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



...by Dave Lynch, Division President

#### Dear Brothers,

I hope everyone has enjoyed the Holidays! We owe special thanks to Ron Clare for hosting a wonderful AOH Syracuse Division Christmas party, to Frank Corcoran for volunteering as master of ceremonies, and to Jim M<sup>c</sup>Namara and his staff for all their hard work. Thanks also to the Tom Dooley Choraliers and Billy Delaney for pulling double-duty with The Flyin' Column. Your rendition of "Christmas in Killarney" really brought-out the Irish Christmas cheer

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate Tom Burke on being named AOH Syracuse Division 2010 "Hibernian of the Year". Tommy has been an indispensible Brother, and has become the "go-to guy" for any project. Actually, we get a 4-for-1 deal with Tom, as he usually has his sons, Patrick, Connor, and Tommy along to help! I know we all look forward to seeing Tommy and his family at our events. Thanks, Tom! Also join me in congratulating Vince Christian on being named AOH Syracuse Division 2010 "Volunteer of the Year". As we've seen so many times, Vince never says "no", but rather asks what he can do to help. He also holds the record for sponsoring new Division members for installation. I hate to think where this Division would be without these two fine gentlemen. Commodore John Barry Division II, Onondaga County salutes you both and thanks you for your dedication and for living your lives by our motto of Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity!

Richie Walsh and his Old Newsboys smashed their own record this year by raising over \$15,000 in two days! It never ceases to amaze me how generous our community can be — even in trying economic times. Every volunteer can tell a story of meeting someone who didn't have much, but who gave anyway. There were eight fatherson pairings noted selling newspapers on Friday and Saturday, and one grandfather-grandson team. What a great Christmas tradition this is for those families, as well as serving as a visible lesson for the next generation in what Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity means to Hibernians!

Special thanks also go to John Lyons and his elves for organizing the Children's Christmas party and for providing gifts for all the kids in attendance, and to Dan "Santa" Case for staying until every child received an opportunity to share his or her wish list!

Joe M<sup>c</sup>Connell successfully organized and hosted the 40<sup>th</sup> annual AOH Pitch Tournament at Nibsy's. As always, fun was had by all! Thank you, Joe, for your fantastic efforts over the years! Joe is looking for someone to pick-up the mantle of organizing the tournament.

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

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

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 MEETING

**☞** MONDAY, JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> @ 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 CNY Irish Cultural Society will be holding their 2011 "Great Night" celebration on Sunday, January 9th from 4:00 pm until 9:00 pm at Drumlins Country Club (800 Nottingham Road in Syracuse). The \$25 per-person cost includes dinner and entertainment. A cash bar will be available and attendees are encouraged to bring their musical instruments for a session with Geordy "The Belfast Balladeer" Austin and his fellow musicians. Checks (payable to "CNY Irish Cultural Society") can be mailed to Richard Potter, 547 Tompkins Street, Syracuse, N.Y. 13204. Your check will be your reservation, and must be received by Wednesday, January 5th. Please contact Rick via e-mail [rpotter3@twcny.rr.com] or phone [(315) 487-0953] for more information.

The Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade Committee invites the public to the 2011 Parade Grand Marshal announcement, which will be held on Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub and Restaurant (301 West Fayette Street in Syracuse). Please visit the Parade Committee website (www.syracusestpatricksparade.org) for more information.

The annual Most Holy Rosary Dodgeball Tournament fund-raiser will be held on **Saturday, March** 5<sup>th</sup> at the MHR gym (1031 Bellevue Avenue in Syracuse). "Team Hibernian" has openings on its 6-person squad. The \$15 per-person cost includes games, food, and beverages. Please contact Dan Ahern via email [danahern@rocketmail.com] or phone [(315) 677-4175] for more information.

The annual Tipp Hill Shamrock Run will be held on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. Please visit the event website (www.tipphillrun.com) for more information.

The St. Patrick's Parade fund-raiser will be held on Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at Kitty Hoynes (time TBD). The admission cost will be \$5 at the door. Please visit the Parade Committee website for more information.

The official City of Syracuse St. Patrick's Day stripe painting ceremony will be held on Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am at the City Hall Commons (201 East Washington Street in Syracuse). Please visit the Parade Committee website for more information.

The Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade Grand Marshal's Dinner will be held on Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at the OnCenter. Please visit the Parade Committee website for more information.

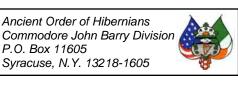
Details for the Syracuse St. Baldrick's Day fund-raiser are being finalized. Please visit the St. Baldrick's Foundation website (www.stbaldricks.org) for more information.

NOTICE:

2010 AOH dues must be paid by Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup> to avoid suspension of membership. Please see the dues-related information below for more information.

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).





### Dates to remember...

- ☑ Sat., 3-12: Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade (Noon in Downtown Syracuse www.syracusestpatricksparade.org)
- ☑ Fri., 7-29 & Sat., 7-30: St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival (216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse)
- ☑ Fri., 7-29 → Sun., 7-31: *Great American Irish Festival* (Herkimer County Fairgrounds - www.gaif.us)
- Sat., 8-13: CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival (Long Branch Park in Liverpool - www.cnyscottishgames.org)
- Fri., 8-26 → Sun., 8-28: 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 email [mhrad07@twcny.rr.com], cell phone [(315) 558-9774], or home phone [(315) 487-1109].

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.

# 2011 AOH Syracuse Division Officers...

- Chaplain: Father John Ahern
- President: Dave Lynch
- Vice-President: Dave Kennedy  $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$
- Recording Secretary: Jerry Cregan
- Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern  $\overline{\mathsf{A}}$
- Treasurer: Tim Lillis
- Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egloff  $\overline{\mathsf{A}}$
- $\checkmark$ Marshal: John Lyons
- $\checkmark$ Sentinel: Steve Leyden

### Web sites of interest...

- AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com
- NYS AOH: www.nvaoh.com  $\square$
- $\checkmark$ National AOH: www.aoh.com
- National Hibernian Digest: www.hiberniandigest.com  $\square$
- CNY IACI: www.syraoh.com/iaci/iaci.htm
- Syr. St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatricksparade.org  $\square$
- Syracuse Irish (music) Session:
- http://web.mac.com/houseofchai/SyracuseIrishSession/Home.html
- IrishCentral site: www.irishcentral.com
- Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com M
- Irish news: www.nuzhound.com  $\overline{\mathsf{A}}$
- 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
- Irish Power Hour: www.irishpowerhour.com

# LADIES AOH (LAOH) NEW



- **NEXT MEETING:** Our next regular meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at St. Ann's School (4471 Onondaga Blvd. in Syracuse). We'll be discussing the Saint Brigid's Mass and upcoming concert, so plan on joining us.
- **EVENTS**: The St. Brigid's Mass is in the works once again. The Andy Cooney event is February 25<sup>th</sup>, and then March is just around the corner. Right now, it seems as if we have a lot of time, but it will go by quickly.
- FRIENDSHIP: If you are aware of a Hibernian who needs a ride to or from a meeting or other event, please let us know.
- SYMPATHY & GET-WELL CARDS/NEW DIVISION MEMBERS/DUES: Please keep the special intentions of all our members in your prayers, and get in touch with Joyce Krichbaum @ (315) 699-5711 if you know of anyone who is ill or bereaved. Joyce will also be happy to receive your dues if you are still procrastinating!
- LAOH, FRIENDS & FAMILY COOKBOOK: Only \$10. Christmas, birthdays, or hostess, practical, or shower gifts are perfect occasions for giving this collection of tried-and-true recipes. Contact Kathleen Richardson [(315) 672-5116].
- **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS:** Contact Division President Rosemary Koppel [(315) 487-5408 / rosemarykoppel@yahoo.com] or write to her [545 Tompkins Street, Syracuse, NY 13204].
- SEAN HENNESSEY'S (OF THE WATERTOWN DIV.) RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 11 am - 12 pm (Watertown: 1240 AM)
- **BOB WELSH'S IRISH RADIO SHOW (FROM AUBURN):** 
  - Sundays, 1 pm 3 pm; web: www.wdwn.fm; requests: (315) 253-0449
- SEAN JOHNSTON'S RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 6 pm 7 pm (Syracuse 105.9 FM / www.irishpowerhour.com)
- "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 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:

http://web.mac.com/houseofchai/SyracuseIrishSession/Home.html

- ⇒ 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month (4 pm 7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub 253 East Water Street in Syracuse (315) 399-5533
- ⇒ 2<sup>nd</sup> 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
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month (4 pm 7 pm): Johnston's Bally Bay Bar 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse (315) 423-8021
- ⇒ 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month (2 pm 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Rest.

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