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

# PRESIDENT'S

### ...by Steve Leyden, **AOH Syracuse Division President**

We had a great Christmas Party/2015 Officer Installation Dinner! Thanks go to everyone who helped to organize the event. Congratulations deservedly go to 2014 AOH Syracuse Division "Volunteer of the Year" John Lyons and "Hibernian of the Year" Tom Parker! These fine gentlemen received their awards at the event.

Special thanks go to Rich Walsh and his outstanding team of volunteers for their time, hard work, and enthusiasm during the recent Syracuse Media Group "Old Newsboys" newspaper sales fundraiser. Well done, everyone!

The AOH Syracuse Division will march in the annual "Syracuse March for Life", which will take place at Noon on Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>. The march is arranged by the Syracuse Right to Life Association and is a silent protest against the devaluing of innocent human life. Marchers will meet at the Museum of Science & Technology (former Jefferson St. Armory) and walk to Columbus Circle for a ceremony. Please contact Dick Lowery [(315) 487-7009] for more information.

Here are some free parking options for our monthly Division

- 1. Parking spaces to the south of Small Plates on the right-side of South Clinton Street (with meters, but no charge on weekends) and all parking around the M.O.S.T. building, all the way to North Franklin and West Jefferson Streets.
- 2. A City of Syracuse lot, which is located behind the Chase Bank building at the northwest corner of East Washington and South Clinton Streets (the former location of the Downtown Farmer's Market, before it moved to Clinton Square). The lot's entrance is on South Clinton Street, just south of East Washington Street, and is open with free parking on the weekends.

Let's continue to make progress toward achieving our membership goal of 300. Remember that many men would join if only you ask! AOH membership requirements and our Division's application are available on our website [www.syraoh.com].

The Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade Committee invites the public to the following upcoming 2015 parade-related events:

- ☑ Parade Grand Marshal announcement: 10:00 am on Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant (301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse)
- ☑ The Hunger Project breakfast: date/time/venue TBD
- ☑ Irish Night at the Syracuse Crunch hockey game: Onondaga County War Memorial (date/time TBD)
- ☑ Parade committee fundraiser: Noon on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant
- **☑** Syracuse Silver Knights soccer game (parade fundraiser): Onondaga County War Memorial (date/time TBD)
- ☑ Tipp Hill fundraiser for the parade: date/time/venue TBD
- City of Syracuse Parade stripe painting ceremony: 9:30 am on Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> on Salina Street in Downtown Syracuse, followed by a 10:00 am reception at City Hall Commons (201 East Washington Street)
- ☑ Parade Grand Marshal's Dinner: 6:00 pm on Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> (venue TBD)
- ☑ Parade Mass: 10:00 am on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception (259 East Onondaga Street in Downtown Syracuse)
- $oxed{\square}$  Parade: Noon on Saturday, March  $14^{th}$  on Salina Street in Downtown Syracuse (theme: "Marching into Spring!") For additional event information, please visit the committee website [www.syracusestpatricksparade.org].

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact me via e-mail [aohsteve@gmail.com].

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Steve



## AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION MEETING

**☞** ② SUNDAY, JANUARY 4TH @ 7:00 pm

Small Plates Restaurant (116 Walton Street in Syracuse) For info, contact Steve Leyden via e-mail (aohsteve@gmail.com

AOH members who pay their 2015 dues by Saturday, February 28th will have their names entered into the "Early Bird" drawing. The drawing winner will have his 2016 dues paid by the Division.

The Syracuse St. Baldrick's Day fundraiser will be held at 10:30 am on **Sunday, March 1**st at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub and Restaurant. Please visit the St. Baldrick's Foundation website for more information [www.stbaldricks.org].

The annual Tipp Hill Shamrock Run will be held on Saturday, **March 7**<sup>th</sup>. Please visit the event website for more information [www.tipphillrun.com].



2014 AOH dues must be paid by Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 to avoid suspension of membership. Please see duesrelated details in this newsletter for more information.

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

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are asked to provide their current street address, telephone number, and e-mail address to Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern [kahern@twcny.rr.com / (315) 468-6338].

Please continue to support Tom Parker's music fundraising project, by selling as many of the \$10 CDs as possible. Twelve local musical acts each donated one or two songs. For more information, please contact Tom [col.tomparker28@gmail.com / (315) 876-5938].

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact Brendan Sammon [(315) 673-40111.

**AOH apparel is available**. To purchase jackets, shirts, hats, etc., please contact Dan Case [dannys.pc@hotmail.com / (315) 303-70411.

If you have any suggestions for fundraising ideas, comments, or suggestions for our Division, please contact fundraising committee members George Lowe [gilowe@live.com / (315) 415-4400] or Ron Clare [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com / (315) 436-6431].

As information becomes available, events and activities are listed on the "Calendar of Events" page on our Division's website.

### LAOH, MUSIC, OTHER

- MEETINGS: held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 pm at Nibsy's Pub (201 Ulster St. in Syracuse); No January meeting; Next meeting: Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>

  DIVISION OFFICERS: President: Anne Flanagan; Vice-President: Maureen Fogarty; Recording Secretary: Rosemary Koppel; Financial Secretary: Liz Thomas;
  Treasurer: Kathryn Kelly; Historian: Roxanne Compoli; Missions & Charities: Yvette Guilfoil; Catholic Action: Margaret LoPiccolo; Mistress-at-Arms: Ede Sakran; Sentinel: Mary Lawless
- MEMBERSHIP DUES: 2015 dues are now payable; Make checks payable to "L.A.O.H." and send to Liz Thomas, 416 Tilden Drive, East Syracuse, NY 13057
- SYMPATHY & GET WELL: If you have news of anyone who is sick or bereaved, please get in touch with Rosemary Koppel: (315) 487-5408
- COMMENTS/QUESTIONS: Other comments or questions? Get in touch with Anne Flanagan: (315) 510-6508
- MUSIC...

  ☐ 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]
- SEAN JOHNSTON'S "IRISH POWER HOUR" RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 9 pm 10 pm ET [Sýr. TK99 FM / Utica WOUR 96.9 FM / www.irishpowerhour.com]
- ☑ LIVE IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...
- Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant: music is usually 9 pm 1 am [301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse / www.kittyhoynes.com / (315) 424-1974]
  Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub: Sunday music is 4 pm 7 pm [100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse / www.colemansirishpub.com / (315) 476-1933]
- Syracuse Irish (music) Session:

  ⊃ 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month (4 pm 7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub [253 East Water St. in Syracuse / (315) 399-5533]

  ⊃ 2<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month (2 pm 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes

- OTHER INFO...

  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 50+ years. For more information, please contact Bill Delaney [(315) 430-0818].

  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 [geordya7@gmail.com / (315) 446-1153].

  THE SYRACUSE KILTIE PIPE BAND IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS. For more information, please contact Steve Roesch [mhrad07@twcny.rr.com / (315) 558-9774].

  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, please contact them [cnychapteriaci@gmail.com].
- THE SYRACUSE GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB IS SEEKING PLAYERS. For information, contact Sean Rooney [seanyrooney@gmail.com] or visit http://syracuse.gaa.ie/.



# DATES TO REMEMBER...

- ☑ Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at Noon: 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade (Salina St. in Downtown Syracuse / www.syracusestpatricksparade.org)
- ☑ Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>: **AOH Syracuse Division Family Golf Tournament** (Westvale Golf Club in Camillus / details coming soon)
- ✓ Wednesday, July  $8^{\text{th}} \rightarrow \text{Sunday}$ , July  $12^{\text{th}}$ : AOH/LAOH 2015 NYS Convention (Uniondale [Long Island], NY / www.nyaoh2015.com)

Please pay your AOH membership dues as soon as possible (\$40 WEB SITES OF INTEREST... for members age 59 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 our P.O. Box (listed on this newsletter).

### 2015 AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION OFFICERS...

- Chaplain: Father John Ahern
- President: Steve Leyden ☑
- Vice-President: Tom Parker  $\square$
- Recording Secretary: Dan Holleran
- Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern ☑
- Treasurer: Tim Lillis ☑
- Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egloff abla
- Marshal: John Lyons
- Sentinel: Ryan Casler

- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com
- ☑ AOH NYS: www.nvaoh.com
- ☑ AOH National: www.aoh.com
- National Hibernian Digest: www.hiberniandigest.com ☑
- CNY Irish Cultural Soc. (CNYICS): www.syraoh.com/ics\_of\_cny/ics\_of\_cny ☑
- Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatricksparade.org M
- Syracuse Gaelic Football Club: http://syracuse.gaa.ie
- M Irish Power Hour: www.irishpowerhour.com
- IrishCentral site: www.irishcentral.com ☑
- Irish Family History Foundation (I.F.H.F.): www.rootsireland.ie  $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$
- Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com ☑
- Irish-American Information Service: www.iais.org
- Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org M
- Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com