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

# PRESIDENTS CORNER

...By Dave Lynch,
Division President

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- ☑ Summer is in full swing and our Division has been very busy with different events.
  - Congratulations to Ron Clare, Kevin Mahoney, and their families for providing a wonderful afternoon on the golf course in June. It was great to see everyone enjoying family and friends in a relaxed atmosphere. I hope Ron and Kevin can arrange it again next year!
  - ⇒ How about John Gooley pulling together the best beer-tasting dinner Coleman's has ever had! Make sure to give Brother Gooley a nod when you see him. You'll never know the time and effort that went into planning a 5-course dinner for 80 people.
  - Our Division took the lead in honoring our veterans on the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Clinton Square Soldiers and Sailors Monument. Special thanks to Father Ahern for leading us in prayer to remember the many sacrifices of our soldiers and their families. Thanks also to Geordy Austin for all the research and publicity, Mary Beth Roach from the Syracuse Parks & Recreation Department, Kevin Kennedy for organizing the celebration, and the many brothers who helped with the honor guard. I encourage all our members to patronize Rao Florist in Camillus, who donated the wreath. Many Irish names can be found on the list of those who fought, served, and died in the war of the rebellion, which ended the horrible idea of slavery and preserved our country.
- ☑ Thanks to everyone who participated in the recently completed member survey. Your input was greatly appreciated by your Officers and has given us a new vision for the organization. Also, this truly proves your passion for this Division and we can't wait to get started. Here's some of what's planned:
  - One of the first changes you'll see is an open invitation to all members (and non-members) to attend our monthly meetings and take 15 minutes to tell stories about family and growing up in Ireland. The line-up is taking shape, so don't hesitate to call me if you would like to be included. Other discussions will relate to cultural events and the different sports of Ireland.
  - More membership social events, such as the beer-tasting dinner.
  - ⇒ Brother Sean Johnston is scheduling different bands for entertainment throughout the year the first of which featured the Causeway Giants and Hair of Dog at The Bally Bay Pub.
  - ⇒ We're teaming with the LAOH to bring in a well-known entertainer
  - The new member committee is putting together an information packet for new candidates, and new ideas for mentors and sponsors.

My hope is that everyone will take advantage of these changes and get involved with your Division.

- ☑ I am very proud to acknowledge Brothers Ray M<sup>c</sup>Carthy, J.D. Tessier and George Dopson for taking the time to complete their AOH Major Degrees. These gentlemen should be admired for their commitment to learning more about the history of our organization, and are true representatives of our motto of "Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity".
- ☑ There will be a sign-up sheet at the Sunday, August 1st Division meeting for volunteers to help cook hot dogs and hamburgers at the CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival. This is always a fun day and good fund-raiser for the Division, and I hope everyone pitches in and enjoys the day.
- ☑ Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division member William Ryan III. As always, we're looking to grow our membership!
- ☑ 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,



## A*OH DIVISION MEETING*

**☞** SUNDAY, AUGUST 1<sup>ST</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 AOH Syracuse Division is seeking volunteers for our food booth at the CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival on Saturday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Set-up assistance is also needed during the evening of Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. If you can lend a much-needed hand at this event, please contact AOH Syracuse Division member Joe Schiltz via phone [(315) 468-1832] or e-mail [cuse44@twcny.rr.com] for more information.

Volunteers are also needed for various duties at the Syracuse Irish Festival (Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>)! If you can lend a much-needed hand at this event, please contact AOH Syracuse Division President Dave Lynch via phone [(315) 477-1962] or e-mail [dclynch@twcny.rr.com] for more information.

Jeff Costello and Dennis Heaphy are making a documentary about Syracuse's St. Patrick's Parish and Tipperary Hill neighborhood. If all goes as planned, this documentary will be broadcast on PBS this Fall. Jeff and Dennis are seeking interviews of AOH members who can share pictures, stories, or any information on the AOH's involvement in the Parish and and/or Tipp Hill neighborhood. They would like to have all the interviews completed by the end of July. Anyone who would like to contribute to this great project can contact Jeff @ (315) 664-2010 and set-up a meeting time.

The 4<sup>th</sup> annual Tipperary Hill Music Festival will be held on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> in Syracuse's Tipperary Hill neighborhood. For event details and volunteer or sponsorship information, please visit the festival web site (www.tipphillmusicfest.org).

Nominations for 2011 AOH Syracuse Division Officers will be held at the Sunday, October  $3^{rd}$  Division meeting. The election of Officers will be held at the Sunday, November  $7^{th}$  Division meeting. Division offices include President (Major Degree required), Vice-President (Major Degree required), Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Chairman of the Standing Committee, Sentinel, and Marshal. If you're interested in running for an office, please contact Committee Chairman Ron Clare via phone [(315) 468-1892] or e-mail [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] 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.

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are encouraged 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 [geordyo@gmail.com] or phone [(315) 446-1153].



#### Dates to remember...

- ☑ Fri., 7-23 → Sun., 7-25: Great American Irish Festival (Herkimer County) Fairgrounds - www.gaif.us)
- ☑ Fri., 7-30 & Sat., 7-31: St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival (216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse)
- Sat., 8-14: CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival (Long Branch Park in Liverpool - www.cnyscottishgames.org)
- Sat., 8-28: Cortland Celtic Festival (Court House Park in Cortland www.cortlandcelticfestival.com)
- Fri., 9-10 & Sat., 9-11: Syracuse Irish Festival (Clinton Square in Downtown Syracuse - www.syracuseirishfestival.com)

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 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.

#### 2010 AOH Syracuse Division Officers...

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

### Web sites of interest ...

- AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com  $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$
- NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com
- National AOH: www.aoh.com
- National Hibernian Digest: www.hiberniandigest.com
- CNY IACI: www.syraoh.com/iaci/iaci.htm  $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$
- Syr. St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatricksparade.org Syracuse Irish (music) Session: abla
- 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
- Irish news: www.nuzhound.com
- Irish-American Information Service: iais.org
- Irish-American Heritage Museum: M
  - www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com

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<u>NEXT MEETING:</u> Our next regular meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at St. Ann's School (4471 Onondaga Blvd. in Syracuse). Hospitality hour at August 12<sup>th</sup> at 3t. Aims 3 and 1447 I findings Bivt. In 3yractise). Total find a 6:30 pm. Please attend to hear last-minute announcements for the Celtic Festival on August 14<sup>th</sup>. We'll need volunteers to sell scones, coffee, and crafts. Our joint venture with the AOH is in the works: bringing Andy Cooney to Syracuse next February as a warm-up for Saint Patrick's Day. The Bylaws committee will be presenting a progress report.

CALENDAR:

- August 14<sup>th</sup>. Plan on attending the Celtic Festival and helping out with this important fundraiser. Set-up Friday night; Volunteer 9:00 am - 6:00 pm (or
- whatever you can manage) on Saturday.

  August 21<sup>st</sup>. We will be celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Knock by attending Mass together at Saint Ann's (Saturday, 5:30 pm vigil Mass) and having dinner together after Mass. Venue for dinner will be decided at the August 12th
- Saint Brigid Crosses. We will be making Saint Brigid's crosses for the festivals this year. If you missed the chance to sign-up for this activity, please call Anne @ (315) 510-6508. As soon as supplies arrive, she will be getting in touch with members
- FRIENDSHIP: If you are aware of a Hibernian who needs a ride to or from a meeting
- or other event, please let us know. <u>NEWSLETTER</u>: Contributions to the Division newsletter are due by the  $25^{th}$  of each
- month. Contact Anne Flanagan [anne726@mac.com / (315) 510-6508].

  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!

  <u>LAOH, FRIENDS & FAMILY COOKBOOK</u>: Only \$10. Christmas, birthdays, or hostess, practical, or shower gifts are perfect occasions for giving this collection of tried-andtrue 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): M
  - Sundays, 1 pm 3 pm; web: www.wdwn.fm; requests: (315) 253-0449 <u>SEAN JOHNSTON'S RADIO SHOW</u>: 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:

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

    12 Sunday of each month (4 pm 7 pm): Wayside Irish Pub

    101 West Main Street in Elbridge (315) 689-5240 www.waysidepub.com

    2 2 dd Saturday of each 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 each month (4 pm - 7 pm): Johnston's Bally Bay Bar

  - 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse (315) 423-8021 4 And Saturday of each month (2 pm 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Rest.