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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE SYRACUSE, N.Y. ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS: COMMODORE JOHN BARRY DIVISION #2

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...by Steve Leyden,
AOH Syracuse Division President

Brothers,

Remember that we do NOT have a July meeting. Our next meeting will be held on the second Sunday of August (the 9th) at 7:00 pm at Asil's Pub.

We will be joining the Ladies AOH to celebrate a Memorial Mass for deceased members at Noon on Sunday, August 16th at Most Holy Rosary Church. We want to have a good turnout, so please plan to attend and wear AOH apparel. Additional event information is contained in this newsletter.

On Saturday, August 8th, we will be returning to the CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival at Long Branch Park. Volunteers will be needed at our booth to sell apparel and raffle tickets, as well as to distribute information about the AOH. Admission is free for volunteers. Contact me [AOHSteve@gmail.com / (315) 727-7048] to volunteer for a couple of hours.

We are also seeking volunteers for various duties at the Syracuse Irish Festival on Friday, September 11th and Saturday, September 12th. Additional event information is contained in this newsletter.

At our June meeting, we kicked-off our Yankees-vs.-Mets Subway Series raffle. Tickets are priced at \$5 each and only 2,000 will be sold. The grand prize is two tickets to the Yankees-vs.-Mets game on Saturday, September 19th at Citi Field. Two-nights lodging and \$400 spending money is also included. Tickets will be sold at the CNY Scottish Games & Irish Festival, but we also want a big pre-sale over the summer. We can cover our costs before the Syracuse Irish Festival if every brother would sell just 5 tickets. This raffle has the potential to be one of the largest fundraisers in years, so please contact me or Tim Lillis [(315) 751-4181 / timothy.lillis@yahoo.com] to obtain some tickets.

AOH Syracuse Division Recording Secretary Dan Holleran has obtained name tag holders for use at Hibernian events. AOH identification cards fit perfectly into the holders, which can be worn around the neck or inserted into a breast pocket. It's about time that we learned each other's names! The holders are free to all members, so please get one from Dan at the next meeting.

Our Ritual and Degree Committee is attempting to store all AOH property in a central repository. If you have any AOH gear (banners, flags, plaques, etc.), please give it to Dan Case so that he can safely store it. We don't want to lose any valuable, historic memorabilia.

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact Brendan Sammon @ (315) 673-4011. Also, please remember Past President Dave Lynch in your prayers as he continues to fight a serious health issue.

AOH car rental discounts are available to Hibernian members with Avis and Budget. When inquiring about these discounts, please reference code numbers "AWD=X265800" (Avis) or "BCD=A766200" (Budget).

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH @ 7:00 pm

Asil's Pub (220 Chapel Drive in Fairmount)
For info, contact Steve Leyden via e-mail (AOHSteve@gmail.com)

Ron Clare and Kevin Mahoney are once again organizing the annual **AOH Syracuse Division Family Golf Tournament**, scheduled for **Sunday, June 28th** at the **Westvale Golf Club** in Camillus. A 1:00 pm shotgun start is planned. The cost is \$70/person or \$280/foursome, and includes greens fees, cart, hamburgers, hot dogs, beer and soda on the course, and dinner following the tournament at the club restaurant. **The foursome sign-up form is available on the "Calendar of Events" page of our Division's website [www.syraoh.com]**. For more information, please contact Ron [(315) 436-6431 / draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] or Kevin [(315) 396-3885 / kpmahoney24@gmail.com].

The annual **St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival** will be held on **Friday, July 17th [5:00 pm - 11:00 pm]** and **Saturday, July 18th [2:00 pm - 11:00 pm]** in the church parking lot [216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse]. Parking and admission are free, and all profits from the festival go toward St. Patrick's Church. Please visit the festival website [www.stpatricksirishfest.com] for additional information.

The **LAOH is planning a second Hibernian Memorial Mass** in conjunction with an Our Lady of Knock celebration, scheduled for **Noon on Sunday, August 16th at Most Holy Rosary Church** [111 Roberts Ave. in Syracuse]. This will be a regular parish Mass, and a luncheon will follow. If you know of any Hibernian who has passed away this year, please contact Anne Flanagan [(315) 510-6508 / anne726@mac.com]. Deceased members of the LAOH/AOH will also be listed in the program if information is available.

THE AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION IS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR VARIOUS DUTIES AT THE SYRACUSE IRISH FESTIVAL (FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH AND SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH). Our Division serves as the festival's main workforce, and volunteers will be needed at the food tent, VIP tent, and backstage and other areas. If you're able to volunteer, please contact...

- food tent:** Steve Leyden [AOHSteve@gmail.com / (315) 727-7048]
- other duties:** Vince Christian [bruin033@aol.com / (315) 569-5147]

You can also visit the festival website [www.syracuseirishfestival.com] for other event information.

Nominations for 2016 AOH Syracuse Division Officers will be held at the October Division meeting, with the election of Officers to occur at the November 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 [(315) 468-1892 / draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] 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 [kevina78@hotmail.com / (315) 468-6338].

AOH apparel is available. To purchase jackets, shirts, hats, etc., please contact Dan Case [dannys.pc@hotmail.com / (315) 303-7041].

If you have any **suggestions for fundraising ideas, comments, or suggestions for our Division**, please contact Steve Leyden [aohsteve@gmail.com].

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

LAOH, MUSIC, & OTHER INFO



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: 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 / anne726@mac.com
- ☑ **UPCOMING EVENTS:** The LAOH is planning a second Memorial Mass in conjunction with an Our Lady of Knock celebration, scheduled for Noon on Sunday, August 16th at Most Holy Rosary Church [111 Roberts Ave. in Syracuse]. This will be a regular parish Mass, and a luncheon will follow. If you know of any Hibernian who has passed away this year, please contact Anne Flanagan [(315) 510-6508 / anne726@mac.com]. Deceased members of the LAOH/AOH will also be listed in the program if info is available.

MUSIC/OTHER INFO...

- ☑ **BILL KNOWLTON'S "BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9-12 am ET [Syracuse 91.3 FM / Utica 89.5 FM / Watertown 90.9 FM]
- ☑ **SEAN JOHNSTON'S "IRISH POWER HOUR" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9-10 pm ET [Syracuse 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 4-7 pm [100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse / www.colemansirishpub.com / (315) 476-1933]
 - **Irish music Session:** 1st & 3rd Sundays of month (4-7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub [253 East Water St. in Syracuse / (315) 399-5533] / 2nd & 4th Saturdays of month (2-5 pm): Kitty Hoynes
- ☑ **THE TOM DOOLEY CHORALERS 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, please contact them [ellis_drew@hotmail.com].
- ☑ **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, please contact Sean Rooney [seanyrooney@gmail.com].

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DATES TO REMEMBER...

- ☑ Wednesday, July 8th → Saturday, July 11th: **2015 AOH/LAOH NYS Convention** [Uniondale (Long Island), NY - www.nyaoh2015.com]
- ☑ Friday/Saturday, July 17th/18th: **St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival** [216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse - www.stpatricksirishfest.com]
- ☑ Friday, July 24th → Sunday, July 26th: **Great American Irish Festival** [Herkimer County Fairgrounds in Frankfort, NY - www.gaif.us]
- ☑ Sat./Sun., August 22nd/23rd: **Cortland Celtic Festival** [Dwyer Mem. Park in Little York, NY (just north of Homer) - www.cortlandcelticfestival.com]
- ☑ Friday/Saturday, September 11th/12th: **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 59 and younger; \$30 for members age 60+; \$45 for new members -- due at swearing-in ceremony, along with completed application). 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: *Dick Sheeran*
- ☑ Recording Secretary: *Dan Holleran*
- ☑ Financial Secretary: *Kevin Ahern*
- ☑ Treasurer: *Tim Lillis*
- ☑ Chairman of the Standing Committee: *Jim Egloff*
- ☑ Marshal: *John Lyons*
- ☑ Sentinel: *Ryan Casler*

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 Soc. (CNYICS): www.syraoh.com/ics_of_cny/ics_of_cny
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatrickspatrade.org
- ☑ Irish Power Hour: www.irishpowerhour.com
- ☑ IrishCentral site: www.irishcentral.com
- ☑ Irish Family History Foundation (I.F.H.F.): www.rootsireland.ie
- ☑ 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
- ☑ Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- ☑ Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com