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

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...by Steve Leyden,  
AOH Syracuse Division President

Brothers,

**Remember that we don't have a July meeting.** Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at Asil's Pub.

Thanks to Ron Clare, Kevin Mahoney, and others for organizing our participation in the May 30<sup>th</sup> Camillus Memorial Day parade. A good time was had by all. Photos have been posted on our Division's website [www.syraoh.com].

At the June meeting, we voted on and passed a \$10 increase in membership dues. Any member who has a financial hardship is encouraged to contact the Division President to arrange assistance.

Effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, dues costs will be:

- \$40 for existing members age 60+
- \$50 for existing members age 59 and younger
- \$45 initial fee for new members age 60+
- \$55 initial fee for new members age 59 and younger

We also approved the purchase of equipment to be used for our food concessions at the Irish Festival and Scottish Games. This was done to save on rental costs, which have increased every year.

Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division member — Scott Phillips — who joined at the last meeting!

The AOH National Convention will take place from July 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> at Harrah's in Atlantic City, NJ. AOH Major Degrees will be offered at the convention. If you're interested in attending, please let me know as soon as possible.

The 75<sup>th</sup> Central New York Scottish Games and Celtic Festival will be held on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. We need volunteers for the food booth, as well as our booth in the 'Clan Row'. We'll be leading the Parade of Clans, as we did last year. This is a great opportunity for us to raise money selling Irish-themed food and baseball game raffle tickets. The festival opens at 9:00 am, so please arrive by 8:00 am for setup. We also need help at 6:00 pm for cleanup and takedown of our booths. This is a big fundraiser for us! Admission is free for all volunteers. Contact me to volunteer and for tickets [AOHSteve@gmail.com / (315) 727-7048].

The annual AOH Syracuse Division Family & Friends Golf Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at Westvale Golf Club in Camillus. Additional event information is included in this newsletter.

On Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, we'll have a memorial mass for the Easter Proclamation signatories who were executed, a public reading of the proclamation, and a summer picnic for members, families, and guests at Ryder Park, which is adjacent to the DeWitt Town Hall. The picnic will include food, drinks, and music. To help with the event or for more information, please contact Geordy Austin [Geordya7@gmail.com / (315) 446-1153].

The Syracuse Irish Festival is scheduled for September 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. The Elders are the headlining band this year. They've drawn huge crowds in the past, so we should raise lots of money, as long as the weather cooperates. Our division serves as the festival's main workforce, so we'll need many volunteers! Additional event information is included in this newsletter.

Our Division Treasurer, Tim Lillis, has raffle tickets for the Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> Yankees vs. Red Sox baseball game at Fenway Park. Please sell and buy as many tickets as possible for this big fundraiser. We've done well in past years and I'd like to see us break our record from last year. For more information, contact Tim [(315) 751-4181 / timothy.lillis@yahoo.com].

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact Brendan Sammon [(315) 673-4011]. Remember in your prayers Father Naos M<sup>c</sup>Cool, who suffered a severe stroke and has returned to Dublin for rehabilitation, as well as our two Immediate Division Past Presidents — Dave Lynch and Dan Case — as they fight health issues. Pray also for members and their families who are privately fighting health issues, but wish to remain anonymous.

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 7<sup>TH</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

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

The annual St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival will be held on Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> [5:00 pm - 11:00 pm] and Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup> [Noon - 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 AOH Syracuse Division is seeking volunteers for various duties at the CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival (Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> in Long Branch Park in Liverpool).** The festival will be held from 9:00 am until 8:00 pm. Volunteers will be needed before, during, and after the event for various duties, including the food tent and the Clan Row booth. If you can lend a much-needed hand, please contact Steve Leyden [AOHSteve@gmail.com / (315) 727-7048]. You can visit the festival website [www.cnyscottishgames.org] for other event information.

Ron Clare and Kevin Mahoney are once again organizing the annual **AOH Syracuse Division Family Golf Tournament**, scheduled for **Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>** at the **Westvale Golf Club** in Camillus. A 1:00 pm shotgun start is planned. The cost is \$75/person or \$300/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 AOH Syracuse Division is seeking volunteers for various duties at the Syracuse Irish Festival (Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> in downtown Syracuse's Clinton Square).** 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 can lend a much-needed hand, please contact...

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

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

**Nominations for 2017 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) 436-6431 / draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] for more information.

**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].

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

# 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: Maureen Fogarty, Vice-President: Rosemary Koppel, Recording Secretary: Liz Thomas, Treasurer: Kathy Kelly, Irish Historian: Roxanne Compoli, Missions & Charities: Margie Miller, Catholic Action: Margaret LoPiccolo, Mistress-at-Arms: Ede Sakran, Sentinel: Yvette Guilfoil
- ☑ **MEMBERSHIP DUES:** 2016 dues are now payable; Make checks payable to 'LAOH' and send to Kathy Kelly, 5185 Boca Raton Way, Syracuse NY 13215
- ☑ **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 Maureen Fogarty [(315) 478-1096 / fogarty.maureen@yahoo.com]

## 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:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of month (4-7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub [253 East Water St. in Syracuse / (315) 399-5533] / 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of month (2-5 pm): Kitty Hoynes
- ☑ **THE TOM DOOLEY CHORALIERS 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 info, 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 info, please contact Geordy Austin [geordya7@gmail.com / (315) 446-1153].
- ☑ **THE SYRACUSE KILTIE PIPE BAND IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS.** For more info, 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 info, please contact them [cnychapteriaci@gmail.com].
- ☑ **THE SYRACUSE GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB IS SEEKING PLAYERS.** For more info, please contact Sean Rooney [seanyrooney@gmail.com].

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## DATES TO REMEMBER...

- ☑ Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup> → Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup>: **2016 AOH/LAOH National Convention** [Atlantic City, NJ / www.aoh.com/ac2016]
- ☑ Friday/Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup>: **St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival** [216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse / www.stpatricksirishfest.com]
- ☑ Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup> → Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>: **Great American Irish Festival** [Herkimer County Fairgrounds in Frankfort, NY / www.gaif.us]
- ☑ late August (exact dates TBD): **Cortland Celtic Festival** [Dwyer Mem. Park in Little York, NY / www.cortlandcelticfestival.com]
- ☑ Friday/Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>: **Syracuse Irish Festival** [Clintown Square in Downtown Syracuse / www.syracuseirishfestival.com]

Please pay your 2016 AOH membership dues as soon as possible (\$30 for members age 60+; \$40 for members age 59 and younger; \$45 for new members -- due at swearing-in ceremony, along with completed application). As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, dues will be:

- ☑ \$40 for existing members age 60+
- ☑ \$50 for existing members age 59 and younger
- ☑ \$45 initial fee for new members age 60+
- ☑ \$55 initial fee for new members age 59 and younger

See Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern or send a check to our P.O. Box (listed on this newsletter).

## 2016 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](http://www.syraoh.com)
- ☑ AOH NYS: [www.nyaoh.com](http://www.nyaoh.com)
- ☑ AOH National: [www.aoh.com](http://www.aoh.com)
- ☑ National Hibernian Digest: [www.hiberniandigest.com](http://www.hiberniandigest.com)
- ☑ CNY Irish Cultural Soc. (CNYICS): [www.syraoh.com/ics\\_of\\_cny/ics\\_of\\_cny](http://www.syraoh.com/ics_of_cny/ics_of_cny)
- ☑ CNY Chapter of the Irish American Cultural Institute: [www.cnyirish.org](http://www.cnyirish.org)
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade: [www.syracusestpatricksparade.org](http://www.syracusestpatricksparade.org)
- ☑ Irish Power Hour: [www.irishpowerhour.com](http://www.irishpowerhour.com)
- ☑ IrishCentral site: [www.irishcentral.com](http://www.irishcentral.com)
- ☑ Irish Family History Foundation (I.F.H.F.): [www.rootsireland.ie](http://www.rootsireland.ie)
- ☑ Irish Republican Media site: [www.irishrepublicanmedia.com](http://www.irishrepublicanmedia.com)
- ☑ Irish Echo online: [www.irishecho.com](http://www.irishecho.com)
- ☑ Irish-American Information Service: [www.iais.org](http://www.iais.org)
- ☑ Irish-American Heritage Museum: [www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org](http://www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org)
- ☑ Irish architecture: [www.irish-architecture.com](http://www.irish-architecture.com)
- ☑ Irish foods/recipes: [www.foodireland.com](http://www.foodireland.com)