

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

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...By Dan Case, Division President

Dear Brothers,

- The weather is finally beginning to change for the better !! Since our meetings during July and August are usually sparsely attended, I would like to hear from you if you think we should suspend those two meetings during the vacation period. This is only a suggestion and I would need your input for consideration before any final decision is made.
- We all hope that the recent events in the North of Ireland will signal the start of a lasting peace for our Brothers and Sisters that have lived with this problem for so many years. AOH Syracuse Division Past President Pat Ahern was fortunate enough to be close by to watch this historic event. I'm sure AOH Syracuse Division Vice-President and member Geordy Austin were both glued to the TV while on their vacation in Ireland that day. Frank and Geordy presented our Division's \$2,000 check to the Holy Cross School. It was greatly appreciated. Thank you gentlemen !!
- I was invited to represent our Division at the recent luncheon with Ireland's President Mary M<sup>c</sup>Aleese. A check was presented to her by our Division for her charitable causes.
- ☑ Planning is in full gear for OUR Downtown Irish Festival in September, and I will keep you up-to-date on events.
- Our members are busy selling tickets for the Corvette car raffle, to be given away at the Festival. For the raffle to be a success, we'll need the help of all the Brothers to sell tickets, which are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. For more information, please contact one of the following AOH Syracuse Division members:
  - » Ron Clare: (315) 468-1892 or draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com
  - » Bob Bunce: (315) 488-0020 or rbunce@jbkane.com
- Many thanks go to Brendan Sammon and his team of volunteers for organizing and running the wonderful party for Father John Ahern at the NYS Fairgrounds. The very large turnout by our membership and others made Father John very happy !! Many thanks also go to the LAOH for the wonderful scones and bread that were served. Great songs were sung by Brother Harry Burns, and the Tom Dooley Choraliers and the Tipp Hill Gaels groups performed beautifully. Father John received appreciation and thanks plaques from our Division, the NYS Board, and others, and a letter from the AOH National President. A burse containing the proceeds from the event will be presented to Father John.
- ☑ Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division member, Peter Smith, who was sworn in at the May Division meeting, and recently reinstated members Michael Ryan and Kevin Bryant. Welcome !!
- Remember, I'm always there for you, and I'm a good listener. You can contact me via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail [fenian@twcny.rr.com] with any questions and/or concerns.

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Da

## A O H D I V I S I O N M E E T I N G @ 0 SUNDAY, JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup> @ 7:00 pm

PJ Dorsey's (116 Walton Street in Syracuse) For details, contact Dan Case: (315) 638-2285 or fenian@twcny.rr.com

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

**Special thanks go to Ron Clare** for once again organizing our Division's participation in the annual Camillus Memorial Day Parade !!

The 13 <sup>th</sup> annual Syracuse AOH/Tony Rogers Memorial Golf
Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, June 10 <sup>th</sup> at the Westvale
Golf Club in Camillus. The format is the same as in years past -
Captain & Crew, a 1:00 pm shotgun start, hamburgers & hotdogs at
the turn, beer and soda on the course rounded out by a steak
dinner, awards and prizes immediately following in the clubhouse.
All for \$65 per player or \$260 per foursome !! Since its inception,
the Syracuse AOH/Tony Rogers Memorial Golf Tournament has
raised over \$12,000 in scholarships for area students. This year's
scholarship will be awarded to a family in order to assist them with
Catholic School tuition. 100% of the money raised through flag
sponsorships goes to the scholarship and the Division general
fund. The golf, dinner, and prize portion of the tournament is
funded solely by the golfers' entry fees and donations. We are now
actively seeking flag sponsors for this event. The cost is \$50 per
flag for this great tournament. The flags will be displayed at the
tournament and then collected and distributed to the sponsoring
individual, family, or business following the tournament. To golf,
sponsor a flag, or both, please contact:
$\sim$ Rob Dogore: (316) (38 0307 or regare 506 a) ool com

- » Bob Rogers: (315) 488-0307 <u>or</u> rrogers506@aol.com » Bill Kelly: (315) 488-1974
- » John Rogers: (315) 455-0117 or jajrogers@verizon.net

## Below is the text of an e-mail message that AOH Syracuse Division Vice-President Frank Corcoran received regarding his recent trip to Belfast to present our Division's donation to the Holy Cross school: Dear Frank:

I really enjoyed the visit yesterday from you, Connie, and Geordie and not just because you gave us such a generous cheque from AOH Syracuse. It was a pleasure to see you and to get the chance to show off our beautiful children again. Thank you for your continued efforts on our behalf and for the very generous gift of \$2,000. We will continue to pray for you and all our friends in the USA. I would ask for your prayers too as we begin the process of reconciliation in our school and our country. God Bless - Betty Quinn

AOH Syracuse Division member Joe Schiltz is seeking volunteers for our food booths at the CNY Scottish Games and Celtic Festival (Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> - assistance also needed during the evening of Friday, August 10<sup>th</sup>) and the Syracuse Irish Festival (Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>). If you can lend a much-needed hand, please contact Joe via phone [(315) 468-1832] or e-mail [cuse44@twcny.rr.com] for more information.

**The Tom Dooley Choraliers group is seeking new members**, especially those with baritone or bass voices. The Choraliers are a group of men who have been singing to promote Irish culture for over forty years. They practice every Wednesday at 7:00 pm at the Camillus Town Hall. Please call Jim Hartigan @ (315) 487-6298 for directions and room information and Jim Henson @ (315) 468-6131 for membership information.

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## Dates to remember ..

- ☑ Fri., 7-27 & Sat., 7-28: 2007 St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival (216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse)
- ☑ Fri., 7-27 → Sun., 7-29: 2007 Great American Irish Festival
- (Herkimer County Fairgrounds www.greatamericanirishfestival.com) ☑ Sat., 8-11: 2007 CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival (Long Branch Park in Liverpool)
- Fri., 8-24 → Sun., 8-26: 2007 Cortland Celtic Festival  $\square$ (Downtown Cortland - www.cortlandcelticfestival.com)
- Fri., 9-7 & Sat., 9-8: 2006 Syracuse Irish Festival (Clinton Square in ☑ Downtown Syracuse - www.syracuseirishfestival.com)

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact AOH Syracuse Division Catholic Action Committee Chairman David Kennedy via home phone [(315) 637-3307], cell phone [(315) 569-3302], or e-mail [dkenn@twcny.rr.com].

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

AOH apparel is available. Please contact David Kennedy via home phone [(315) 637-3307], cell phone [(315) 569-3302], or e-mail [dkenn@twcny.rr.com].

Please pay your AOH membership dues as soon as possible (\$35 for members age 60 and younger; \$25 for members age 60+; \$40 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 PO Box (listed on this newsletter).

2007 AOH Syracuse Division Officers ...

- President: Dan Case ☑
- Vice-President: Frank Corcoran Ø
- $\checkmark$ Recording Secretary: Jerry Cregan
- Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern M
- Treasurer: David Kennedy
- Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egloff ☑
- Marshal: Mike Cregan  $\checkmark$
- Sentinel: Scott Bowles ☑
- Web sites of interest...
- AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com  $\checkmark$
- NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com M
- National AOH: www.aoh.com M
- Ø CNY IACI: www.iaci-usa.org/cnychapter.html
- Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com  $\checkmark$
- Irish news: www.nuzhound.com ☑
- Irish-American Information Service: iais.org Ø
- Irish-American Heritage Museum: ☑ www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- Irish literature: www.ucc.ie/celt  $\square$
- Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com ☑
- Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com

## LADIES AOH (LAOH) NEWS

- **<u>NEXT MEETING</u>**: The next meeting of the LAOH will be held at 6:45 pm on Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant (301 West Fayette This stay, other 21- at Nity hopines firsh but & Restautant (soft west rayette Street in Syracuse). We can have drinks at 6:30 pm and order dinner from the menu at 7:00 p.m. The NYS Convention in Albany is scheduled for July 11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>. Please decide if you will be attending so we can give cost and book reservations early for guaranteed rooms. We will be going over convention-related information. Also, please be prepared to sign-up for a time slot at the Celtic Festival (Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>). We need members to sell our coffee, food, and crafts. We will be adding a meeting in June to discuss the Irish Festival Cestival committee adding a meeting in June to discuss the Irish Festival. Festival committee members are Eileen Tickner, Rosemary Kopple, and Kathleen Richardson. *MAY MEETING FOLLOW-UP:* Our newly installed member, Rosemary Davenport, did a fantastic job speaking about "The Famine". She was well-prepared with a display and pictures and answered all questions. We were distributed with a display and pictures and answered all questions. We were prepared with a display and pictures and answered all questions. We were delighted that she shared her knowledge with us !! Rosemary has been married to her husband Paul for 35 years and they live in Hannibal, NY. They have two children & 7 grand-children, including a set of twins. She is a teaching assistant for Oswego County BOCES, also employed by ARISE, and knows sign language. Her hobbies are crafts, reading, history, and genealogy. We will be wearing green aprons with the LAOH motto on the front for the festivals. Everyone who attended Father Ahern's 40th Anniversary had a wonderful time. A job well done by Brendan Sammon and his team !! Brendan Sammon and nis team !! <u>SYMPATHY & GET-WELL CARDS:</u> Please contact Peggy Reynolds @ (315) 476-5246 if you know of any illness, accident or death. <u>LAOH, FRIENDS & FAMILY COOKBOOK</u>: We will be ordering more cookbooks for the Festivals. The cookbooks make wonderful presents -- for only \$10 !! Please contact Maureen O'Hara @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 468-6203 for more information. **NEW MERERS:** Please contact Cinput Luction @ (315) 21705 or Peggy
- Liverpool, NY 13090) with questions/suggestions/info/comments. DUES: LAOH membership dues should be paid as soon as possible. Please send a \$20 check (payable to LAOH Division #1) to: Financial Secretary Joyce Krichbaum 5841 Reis Drive Cicero, NY 13039 If you're having trouble with payment, PLEASE contact Joyce as soon as possible @ (315) 699-5711 "BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 9:00 pm Midnight (Syr. WCNY 91.3-FM/Utica WUNY 89.5-FM/Watertown WJNY 90.9) SEAN HENNESSEY'S (OF THE WATERTOWN DIVISION) RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 11:00 am Noon (Watertown WATN 1240-AM) Irish music/interviews BOB WELSH'S IRISH RADIO SHOW (FROM AUBURN, NY): Sundays, 1:00 pm 3:00 pm; listen on the Web (www.wdwn.fm); for requests, call (315) 253-0449 IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT... Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant: 301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse (315) 424-1974 www.kityhoynes.com (music is from 9:00 pm 1:00 am) Friday, 6-2: TBD -3 Saturday, 6-9: Pat Kane/Donal O'Shaughnessy Friday, 6-15: Old Friends Saturday, 6-3: Greenwich Meantime Friday, 6-23: Cleudan Saturday, 6-32: Glef Philips Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub: 100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse (315) 476-1933 www.colemansirishpub.com (Sunday music is from 4:00 pm 7:00 pm; Other days, music is from 10:00 pm 1:30 am) Please visit Coleman's website for the musical schedule Syracuse Irish Music Session: 1<sup>dl</sup> Sunday 6 each month: Half Penny Pub (4:00 pm 7:00 pm)
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  1<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month: Half Penny Pub (4:00 pm 7:00 pm) (315) 478-3091 321 West Payette St. in Syracuse
  3<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month: Johnston's Bally Bay Bar (4:00 pm 7:00 pm) (315) 423-8021 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse