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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...by Steve Leyden,
AOH Syracuse Division President

Brothers,

Our next meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Sunday, June 7th at Asil's Pub (220 Chapel Drive in Fairmount). We're revisiting Asil's to determine how well it meets our meeting location requirements. Please come and voice your opinion on where we should meet. At our last meeting, several brothers abstained from voting on a meeting place, so we're going to vote again. We really need to finalize this in June.

Our new fundraising committee has finalized the raffle for the baseball weekend. Tickets have been priced at \$5 each and we'd like to sell all 2,000 of them. The grand prize is two tickets to the Mets-vs.-Yankees Subway Series game on Saturday, September 19th at Citi Field. Two-nights lodging and \$500 spending money is also included. Tickets will be sold at the Syracuse Irish Festival, but we'd also like to have a big pre-sale over the summer. This raffle has the potential to be one of our largest fundraisers in years, so please take some tickets at the June meeting or contact Tim Lillis [(315) 751-4181 / timothy.lillis@yahoo.com] as soon as possible.

Our Division will be marching in the annual Camillus Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, May 25th. Marchers are invited to meet before and/or after the parade. Also, the AOH Syracuse Division Family Golf Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, June 28th. Family and friends are invited and you don't have to have any golfing skills to have fun! Additional information on these two events is contained in this newsletter.

The Schenectady Major Degree Team will exemplify the Major Degrees of our Order on Sunday, June 14th at their AOH Hall (1748 State Street in Schenectady). This is an opportunity to obtain your major degrees without going to Long Island for the State Convention. Our Division will provide transportation. Please contact me at [(315) 727-7048 / AOHSteve@gmail.com] for additional information.

We still have Division property scattered among our members. Our Ritual and Degree Committee is attempting to store all 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 Immediate Past President Dave Lynch in your prayers as he fights 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, JUNE 7TH @ 7:00 pm

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

The AOH Syracuse Division will be marching in the annual Camillus Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, May 25th. Members and their spouses, significant others, and children are encouraged to march in this great event. Pre-parade line-up will be at 8:45 am on the corner of Maple Dr. and West Genesee St., and the parade will start promptly at 9:30 am. Dress attire should include khaki (tan) pants and an AOH golf shirt if you have one. Marchers are invited to meet before and/or after the parade. Please contact Ron Clare [(315) 436-6431 / draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] for more information.

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 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 primary workforce for the festival, and volunteers will be needed at the food stand, the VIP tent, and the backstage and other areas. For more information, please contact AOH Syracuse Division President Steve Leyden [AOHSteve@gmail.com]. You can also visit the festival website [www.syracuseirishfestival.com] for additional 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
- ☑ **UPCOMING EVENTS:** The LAOH will hold its annual baby shower and spring dinner on Tuesday, June 9th at Twin Trees Restaurant (1029 Milton Avenue in Syracuse). Members/friends/spouses of AOH members are welcome. We all bring layette items for mothers in need and donate them to our local Birthright chapter. For more info, contact Anne Flanagan [(315) 706-7608 / anne726@mac.com]. Menu details soon. Also, the LAOH is planning a second Memorial Mass in conjunction with an Our Lady of Knock celebration at 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 let Anne know. Deceased members of the LAOH/AOH will also be listed in the program if info is available. Further details soon.

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.syracusestpatricksparade.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