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

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...By Pat Ahern,
Division President

Worthy Brothers,

- ☑ a Chara. After-thoughts on the visit and reception for Sinn Fein: Our Division donated \$500 for the cause. Worthy Brothers Dan Case and Frank Corcoran, with hats in hand, collected another \$300 from the guests assembled to hear Gerry Adams. A check was made to the Friends of Sinn Fein for a total of \$800 and was given to Mr. Downs, the Chairman of Friends. Many commented on the fact that Eamon DeValera was here in Syracuse in 1919 while a wanted man (or "terrorist") by the British Government as a result of his escape from prison in England. The escape was orchestrated by Michael Collins, the head of the IRA at the time. DeValera was President of the outlawed Republic of Ireland and was here raising money for the war effort. Thank God Ireland at this time is not at war. Unfortunately, the Dublin and British governments have failed miserably at enacting the Good Friday Agreement that was voted for overwhelmingly by both Protestants and Catholics. It was also fitting that Mr. Adams spoke at the old Post Office which was the scene of the 1916 Uprising where Pádraig Pearse read the "Proclamation". Mr. Adams eloquently spoke about the need for all of us to do our part in whatever small way we can to bring about human rights, equality, and justice for all people in Ireland. I received a letter of thanks from Mr. Adams stating that it was the best St. Patrick's Day he has ever had. Many people have started to show an interest in reading about the troubles, and some have called or written their Senators and Representatives urging action on the situation, so good for us.
- ☑ Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division members who were sworn in at the April Division meeting: Kevin Conway, Brian Fitzpatrick, and Kevin Kennedy (who transferred from the Cazenovia Division). Welcome !!
- ☑ Don't forget the St. Patrick's Church canned/non-perishable food drive that Joe Schiltz is organizing. If possible, please bring an item for donation to the next Division meeting.
- ☑ I hope you and yours had a wonderful Easter. It gave me a desire to try to serve our beautiful Lord Christ in feeding and helping the poor, the forgotten, and the discouraged among us. Let's continue our fight, Brothers, as we are Soldiers of Christ. Thank you Jesus, my darling baun.

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Pat

An AOH Shamrock Degree ceremony will be held at the Sunday, May 2nd Division meeting. This ceremony is for those recently sworn-in members who did not take the "long" version of the Hibernian initiation. All such members are strongly encouraged to participate in this rewarding ceremony. This ancient ceremony represents the first degree of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and helps to provide a better understanding of Hibernianism. It is only offered twice a year in our Division. Please contact AOH Syracuse Division Treasurer Dan Case via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail (fenian@twcny.rr.com) for more information.

AOH DIVISION MEETING

SUNDAY, MAY 2nd @ 7:00 pm

PJ Dorsey's (116 Walton Street in Syracuse)

For details, contact Pat Ahern: (315) 468-1588 or pahern@twcny.rr.com

NOTE: At the Sunday, May 2nd meeting, we will hold the first of three discussions regarding amending the "donations" section of the Division by-laws. The final vote on this issue will take place at the July meeting.

The Syracuse AOH/LAOH will be marching in the **Camillus Memorial Day Parade** scheduled for Monday, May 31st. The parade will start promptly at 9:30 am. The pre-Parade line-up will be at 8:45 am on the corner of Maple Drive and West Genesee Street. Dress attire should include khaki (tan) slacks, white shirt with an Irish tie, AOH scarf (if you have one), and, depending on the weather, an AOH jacket (again, if you have one). Please contact Ron Clare @ (315) 468-1892 for more information.

The **10th annual AOH/Tony Rogers Memorial Golf Tournament** will be held on Sunday, June 6th at the Westvale Golf Club (100 Golfview Drive, Camillus). There will be a captain & crew format with a 1:00 pm shotgun start. The \$65 per-person cost includes greens fees, cart, hamburgers, hot dogs, beer/soda on the course, and dinner following the tournament. As always, our Division is strongly encouraging members to sell \$60 golf tournament sponsorship flags. Sponsorship flags for the NYS AOH Jack Burns Memorial Golf Tournament are also available for \$60. Flags for both tournaments can be purchased for \$100. All proceeds from the sale of the sponsorship flags go directly to the AOH Syracuse Division Scholarship Fund and to the Division itself. The proceeds DO NOT supplement the golf portion of the tournaments in any way. Please contact one of the following AOH Syracuse Division members for more information:

- » Bob Bunce: (315) 488-0020
- » Tom Rogers: (315) 488-1844
- » Dave Lynch: (315) 477-1962
- » Tom Burke: (315) 469-1696

AOH Syracuse Division Treasurer Dan Case would like to inform the membership that a **photo booklet** should be available for sale at the next Division meeting. The booklet will contain professional photographs taken during the 2004 Syracuse Saint Patrick's Day Parade. Profits from the sale of the booklets will be donated to a needy organization. The per-booklet cost will be determined soon. Please contact Dan via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail (fenian@twcny.rr.com) for more information.

In a continuing effort to update our AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division membership database, all members are encouraged to provide their current telephone number and e-mail address (if available) to Vice-President Frank Corcoran. Please submit this information to Frank via phone [(315) 472-8165] or e-mail [corchart@verizon.net].

Please visit the **Central New York Irish American Cultural Institute (CNY IACI) web site** regularly for new event information. The CNY IACI web site URL is: www.iaci-usa.org/cnychapter.html

The Central New York Irish American Cultural Institute (CNY IACI) invites members of the AOH to their **second monthly program of "Irish Food & Thought"** which will be held at PJ Dorsey's on Friday, May 21st starting at 6:30 pm. The Hueber Family will present the history of the Irish harp. Amy and her mother Elizabeth will also entertain us with the melodic music of the Irish harp. Please contact Mary Colleen M^cGreal at (315) 673-1330 for reservations. There will be a \$5 cover charge, with dinner an additional separate charge.

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THIS SPACE RESERVED
FOR US POSTAL
SERVICE INFORMATION

Dates to remember...

- ☑ Friday, 7-30 and Saturday, 7-31: **St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival** (216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse)
- ☑ Saturday, 8-14: **CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival** (Long Branch Park in Liverpool)
- ☑ Friday, 9-10 and Sat. 9-11: **Syracuse Irish Festival** (Clinton Square in Downtown Syracuse)
- ☑ Saturday, 9-11: **AOH NYS Jack Burns Memorial Golf Tournament** (Tuscarora GC in Marcellus)

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

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact **AOH Syracuse Division Catholic Action Committee Chairman David Kennedy @ (315) 637-3307.**

AOH winter jackets, light-weight pull-overs, shirts, etc. are available for purchase. Please contact Dan Case via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail (fenian@twcny.rr.com) for more information.

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 w/ completed application). Please see Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern at the next meeting or send a check to our PO Box (listed on this newsletter).

For **Syracuse Gaelic Football team** info, contact Brian Fitzpatrick @ (315) 488-1614 or Mike O'Connor @ (315) 422-7393. Practices are held at noon on Sundays and at 6:00 pm on Wednesdays at Burnet Park (on the field next to the skating rink). Upcoming games:

- » Sunday, 6-6 @ noon vs. NaFianna (home - Burnet Park)
- » Sunday, 6-13 (away - Buffalo)
- » Sunday, 6-20 @ noon vs. CuChulain (home - Burnet Park)
- » Sunday, 7-18 (away - Buffalo)

2004 AOH Syracuse Division Officers...

- ☑ Division (and NYS) Chaplain: *Father John Ahern*
- ☑ President: *Pat Ahern*
- ☑ Vice-President: *Frank Corcoran*
- ☑ Recording Secretary: *Jerry Cregan*
- ☑ Financial Secretary: *Kevin Ahern*
- ☑ Treasurer: *Dan Case*
- ☑ Chairman of the Standing Committee: *Jim Hartigan*
- ☑ Marshal: *Terry Maddison*
- ☑ Sentinel: *Kevin Shanahan*

Web sites of interest...

- ☑ **AOH Syracuse Division:** www.syraoh.com
- ☑ NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com
- ☑ National AOH: www.aoh.com
- ☑ IACI of CNY: www.iaci-usa.org/cnychapter.html
- ☑ Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- ☑ Irish news: www.nuzhound.com
- ☑ Irish-American Information Service: iais.org
- ☑ Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- ☑ Irish literature: www.ucc.ie/celt
- ☑ Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- ☑ Irish scenic tours: www.belfastcabtours.com
- ☑ Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com

LADIES AOH (LAOH) NEWS



- ☑ **NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting of the LAOH will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, May 13th at the Taunton Presbyterian Church (4326 Fay Road in Taunton). We will be making plans for the Scottish Games & Celtic Festival (August 14th) and our Hooley (October 16th). Maybe we'll have some time to make a few crafts. We'll also be discussing the AOH NYS meeting (held in East Durham, NY on April 30th - May 2nd).
 - ☑ **APRIL 15TH MEETING FOLLOW-UP:** We will be donating baskets of needed items to Chadwick House [please contact Peg Reynolds @ (315) 476-5246] and Francis House [please contact Maryanne Manley @ (315) 695-1217]. You can also bring your items to our May Meeting.
 - ☑ **JUNE MEETING:** Our June meeting will be held at PJ Dorsey's on our Thursday meeting night. Dinner is being planned by Maureen O'Hara who can be contacted @ (315) 478-7937 for more information. Final details will be provided at the May meeting.
 - ☑ **JUNIOR DIVISION:** Please contact Mary Lou Trait @ (315) 476-7682 if you know of anyone between the ages of 6-16 who would like to join our newly formed LAOH Junior Division. We already have a few members, but are seeking more.
 - ☑ **CONTACT:** Please contact LAOH President Ginny Justian via e-mail (rayorginny@aol.com) or phone [(315) 622-1705] with questions/info.
 - ☑ **DUES:** LAOH membership dues should be paid as soon as possible. Please send a \$20 check (payable to LAOH Division #1) to:
Financial Secretary, Florence Niciecki
1173 Bellevue Ave. Syracuse, NY 13204
LAOH membership dues were to be paid by March 31st. In an effort to be fair to all, members who have not paid their dues by June 30th will no longer receive this newsletter. If you are having difficulty paying your dues, please contact Florence @ (315) 478-6799 as soon as possible.
 - ☑ **"BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9:00 pm - Midnight (WCNY-FM, 91.3 in Syracuse)
 - ☑ **IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...**
Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant: 301 W. Fayette St., Syracuse (315) 424-1974 www.kittyhoynes.com (music is from 9:00 pm - 1:00 am)
 - ☉ Saturday, 5-1: *Pat Kane*
 - ☉ Friday, 5-7 and Saturday, 5-8: *Neil and Richard of Hadrian's Wall*
 - ☉ Friday, 5-14 and Saturday, 5-15: *Dave Anthony*
 - ☉ Friday, 5-21: *TBD*
 - ☉ Saturday, 5-22: *Seanaché*
 - ☉ Friday, 5-28: *Old Friends*
 - ☉ Saturday, 5-29: *Wild Geese**Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub:* 100 S. Lowell Ave., 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)
 - ☉ Sunday, 5-2: *Chris Woodard*
 - ☉ Sunday, 5-9: *Pat Kane*
 - ☉ Sunday, 5-16: *Donal O'Shaughnessy*
 - ☉ Sunday, 5-23: *Flyin' Column*
 - ☉ Sunday, 5-30: *no Irish music due to the Tipp Hill Memorial Block Party*
- Syracuse Irish Music Session:**
- ☉ 1st Sunday of each month: *Half Penny Pub* (4:00 pm - 7:00 pm) (315) 478-3091 321 W. Fayette St., Syracuse
 - ☉ 3rd Sunday of each month: *Johnston's BallyBay Bar* (4:00 pm - 7:00 pm) (315) 423-8021 550 Richmond Ave., Syracuse