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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...By Dan Case,
Division President

Dear Brothers,

- ☑ It was, to say, a bit disappointing to see so few recently sworn-in members participating in the "Shamrock Degree" ceremony held at the April Division meeting. I know that we have had many more new members sworn in using the short form recently, so we expected a much larger turnout. This Degree is only offered twice a year in our Division, and it is up to those new members that have not yet taken the long form to step forward and participate in this important first Degree of Hibernianism. Hopefully, at the next Shamrock Degree ceremony we'll have a greater showing from new members.
- ☑ At a meeting that I called with Mr. Mark Wright, program director for the Cultural Resources Council, and attended by Division Vice-President Frank Corcoran and Brother Joe Schiltz, our Division's concerns were discussed relating to the Downtown Syracuse Irish Festival. Mr. Wright was very easy to work with and we made some very good progress in addressing these concerns. Brother Schiltz will provide a progress report at the May Division meeting.
- ☑ At our last meeting, there was a rather lively discussion regarding our Division's sponsorship of the AOH NYS Golf Tournament. Unfortunately, not all of the members were aware of what was decided upon long ago concerning this tournament. Brothers Bob Bunce, Tom Rogers, Bob Rogers, and Dave Lynch have always done a wonderful job with the planning and oversight of our golf tournaments. I think we should leave it in their very capable hands.
- ☑ We can all be so very proud of Sinn Fein's Gerry Adams for his call to the IRA to lay down it's weapons so as not to upset the Peace Process that we would all like to see move forward. This is the time to proceed with a more political approach.
- ☑ I wish to personally thank our acting Division Chaplain, Aaron Tripp, for the wonderful eulogy he delivered in honor of our beloved Pope John Paul II at the last Division meeting. Aaron had a very short window of time to prepare the eulogy, as I had only asked him two days prior to the meeting. What an excellent job he did. Thanks Aaron !!
- ☑ The Syracuse AOH Syracuse Division will be marching in the Camillus Memorial Day Parade scheduled for Monday, May 30th. 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.
- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division member Joe Schiltz is seeking fellow Division members to assist him with the planning and oversight of our Division's participation at the 2005 Scottish Games and Celtic Festival (Saturday, August 13th). Joe is also organizing a Membership Committee charged with the responsibility of attracting new members and retaining current members. If you're interested in lending a hand to either of these initiatives, please call Joe @ (315) 468-1832 for more information.
- ☑ The recent Testimonial Dinner for LAOH NYS President Anne Marie Ferguson was wonderful. All in attendance had a great time. Thank you, Anne Marie, for your many years of dedication, hard work, and service to the LAOH !!!

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Dan

AOH DIVISION MEETING

SUNDAY, MAY 1st @ 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 e-mail address (if available) to Financial Secretary Tim Collins via phone [(315) 469-5810] or e-mail [seamus33@msn.com].

AOH Syracuse Division Vice-President Frank Corcoran would like to inform the membership of the **"Dignity Vietnam Wall Experience"** event scheduled for **Friday, May 6th through Sunday, May 8th** at the NYS Fairgrounds' main entrance.

The Wall is a three-quarter replica of the Memorial in Washington, DC and will be available for viewing 24-hours-per-day for the event.

Volunteers are needed as follows:

1. Readers of names on the Wall - each person will read for 20 minutes
 2. Guides and greeters
 3. On Thursday, to guide school children at the Wall - Vietnam Vets only
 4. Guard duty -- sit in your vehicle to watch for unwanted behavior in the late evenings - cell phone required
 5. Motorcycle riders can join other cycle enthusiasts in escorting the Wall from Binghamton to Syracuse on I-81 on Tuesday, May 3rd - contact Gordy Lane via phone [(315) 638-2827] or e-mail [spd179ret@aol.com] for sign up and directions
- The opening ceremony will be at 10:00 am Friday, May 6th. If enough AOH members attend, we could be introduced by the VVA.
- The AOH will lay a wreath and say memorial prayers at 10:00 am - 10:30 am on Saturday, May 7th. Also, the AOH will place 20 special remembrances for the Irish born men and women who are listed on the Wall. Volunteers are needed to place these on Saturday. All members are encouraged to attend. Please wear jackets or an AOH shirt.

From AOH Syracuse Division member Tom Rogers:

The 11th Annual Syracuse AOH/Tony Rogers Memorial Golf Tournament is scheduled for **Sunday, June 12th** 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.

On Saturday, August 20th the Division plays host for the second year in a row to the AOH NYS Jack Burns Memorial Golf Tournament at the Links at Erie Village in East Syracuse. Also a Captain & Crew format, with a 1:00 pm shotgun start, preceded by lunch, with beer and soda on the course, followed by a buffet dinner in the beautiful Traditions at the Links Restaurant. The cost is \$90 per player or \$340 per foursome. Since its inception, the Syracuse AOH/Tony Rogers Memorial Golf Tournament has raised over \$10,000 in scholarships for Bishop Ludden & Bishop Grimes Schools. A \$500 scholarship is awarded annually at each school for a student going from 8th grade into the 9th grade. 100% of the money raised through flag sponsorships goes to the scholarships and the Division general fund. The golf, dinner, and prize portion of the tournament is funded solely by the golfers' entry fees.

The Jack Burns Memorial Tournament is in honor of a deceased AOH Member and State Officer from Auburn. Money is also raised through sponsorship flags. Any profits from this tournament are the hosting Division's to keep. The Syracuse Division uses these profits to help fund the many charitable contributions and activities supported by the Division throughout the year.

We are now actively seeking flag sponsors for these two events.

The cost is \$60 per flag for either tournament or a special price of \$100 for two flags, one in each tournament. The flags are collected and distributed to the sponsoring individual, family or business following the tournaments. To golf, sponsor a flag, or both, please contact:

- » Bob Bunce: (315) 488-0020 or rbunce@jbkane.com
- » Bob Rogers: (315) 488-0307 or rrogers506@aol.com
- » Tom Rogers: (315) 488-1844 or tprjrs@aol.com
- » Dave Lynch: (315) 477-1962 or dclynch@textron.com

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FOR US POSTAL
SERVICE INFORMATION

Dates to remember...

- ☑ Friday, 7-29 and Saturday, 7-30: **St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival** (216 N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse)
- ☑ Friday, 7-29 and Saturday, 7-30: **Great American Irish Festival** (Herkimer County Fairgrounds) - www.greatamericanirishfestival.com
- ☑ Saturday, 8-13: **CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival** (Long Branch Park in Liverpool)
- ☑ Saturday, 8-20: **AOH NYS Jack Burns Memorial Golf Tournament** (The Links at Erie Village in East Syracuse)
- ☑ Saturday, 8-27: **Cortland Celtic Festival** (Cortland County Junior Fairgrounds) - www.cortland.org/news/celticfest.htm
- ☑ Friday, 9-10 and Sat. 9-11: **Syracuse Irish Festival** (Clinton Square in Downtown Syracuse) - www.syracuseirishfestival.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@aol.com].

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

AOH winter jackets, light-weight pull-overs, shirts, etc. are available. Please contact **David Kennedy** via phone [(315) 637-3307] or e-mail [dkenn@twcny.rr.com] for more info.

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 Tim Collins at the next meeting or send a check to our PO Box (listed on this newsletter).

For **Syracuse Gaelic Football team** information, please 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 King's Park (Town of Onondaga).

2005 AOH Syracuse Division Officers...

- ☑ Division Chaplain: **Aaron Tripp**
- ☑ President: **Dan Case**
- ☑ Vice-President: **Frank Corcoran**
- ☑ Recording Secretary: **Jerry Cregan**
- ☑ Financial Secretary: **Tim Collins**
- ☑ Treasurer: **Kevin Shanahan**
- ☑ Chairman of the Standing Committee: **Jim Hartigan**
- ☑ Marshal: **Terry Maddison**
- ☑ Sentinel: **Craig Quinn**

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
- ☑ **Cavan County, Ireland Museum:** www.cavanmuseum.ie
- ☑ **Irish literature:** www.ucc.ie/celt
- ☑ **Irish architecture:** www.irish-architecture.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 12th at the Taunton Presbyterian Church (4326 Fay Road in Taunton).
- ☑ **APRIL MEETING FOLLOW-UP:** Peggy Reynolds handled her first LAOH meeting as President with high honors!! Peggy is recovering well, but still needs one more surgery. Florence Nieciecki's husband, Charlie, is back home and also doing well. Please keep up the prayers for both Peggy and Charlie. AOH Syracuse Division President Dan Case attended our last meeting and spoke of the efforts to make a greater awareness in our community of the Hibernians. With a joint effort from the men and women, we're confident we can spread the word and grow our memberships. Dan won the 50/50 drawing and donated his winnings back to our Division. Thanks Dan!!
- ☑ **CELTIC COOKBOOK:** All AOH wives and LAOH members are encouraged to send in their Irish recipes. Please contact Chairperson Maryanne Manley @ (315) 695-1217. We only have 27 recipes, but need at least 50. We would like to publish our Irish Cookbook for Christmas. Let's all work together on this for the good of the Hibernians. Committee members are Kathleen Richardson, Eileen Tickner, and Maureen O'Hara.
- ☑ **CONTACT:** Please contact LAOH Syracuse Division President Peggy Reynolds via phone [(315) 476-5246], e-mail [rayorginny@aol.com], or USPS [1700 W. Onondaga Street Syracuse, NY 13204] with questions/information
- ☑ **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 Nieciecki 1173 Bellevue Ave. Syracuse, NY 13204
- ☑ If you're having trouble with payment, PLEASE contact Florence as soon as possible @ (315) 478-6799.
- ☑ **"BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9:00 pm - Midnight (Syracuse WCNY 91.3/Utica WUNY 89.5/ Watertown WJNY 90.9)
- ☑ **SEAN HENNESSEY'S (OF THE WATERTOWN DIVISION) RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 11:00 am - Noon (Watertown WATN 1240) - Irish music/interviews
- ☑ **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)
 - ☐ Friday, 5-6: *Causeway Giants*
 - ☐ Saturday, 5-7: *Pat Kane*
 - ☐ Friday, 5-13 and Saturday, 5-14: *Neil Emberg Trio*
 - ☐ Friday, 5-20 and Saturday, 5-21: *Dave Anthony*
 - ☐ Friday, 5-27: TBD
 - ☐ Saturday, 5-28: *Old Friends*
 - ☑ **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, 5-1: TBD
 - ☐ Sunday, 5-8: *Pat Kane*
 - ☐ Sunday, 5-15: *Flyin' Column*
 - ☐ Sunday, 5-22: *Donal O'Shaughnessy*
 - ☐ Sunday, 5-29: ** Tipp Hill Memorial Day 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