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

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...By Dan Case,
Division President

Dear Brothers,

- ☑ I am delighted that so many members were in attendance at our April Division meeting that AOH Watertown Division President George Sheehan attended. Brother Sheehan wanted to observe our "Shamrock Degree" ceremony to see if there were any changes his Division should/could make in their presentation of this ancient ritual. I think he took away many ideas to implement and enjoyed himself !!
- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division Vice-President Frank Corcoran and I had been attempting to put in a bid for our Division to host the 2009 AOH NYS Convention here in Syracuse. Unfortunately, we were unable to locate sufficient accommodations due to high per-room rates. Maybe, we'll make a bid for the 2011 convention, as our own Convention Center will be built by then. We all owe Frank a big "Thank You" for all his efforts in trying to make this happen for us !!
- ☑ Planning for the 8th annual Syracuse Irish Festival, presented by the Ancient order of Hibernians and the Cultural Resources Council, and scheduled for September 7th and 8th, is in full swing. Plans are being made for the various festival events, food, booths, etc., and Brother David Hoyne is hard at work on the entertainment. In the coming months, I will be keeping you informed on our progress. It's about time that the Irish of the community run this festival !! With the help of the IACI, the LAOH, and others, we'll have a great festival !!
- ☑ I encourage ALL Brothers to attend Rev. John Ahern's 40th Anniversary & Appreciation Dance. This important and well-deserved event will be held on Friday, May 11th from 7:00 pm until 11:00 pm at the NYS Fairgrounds Empire Room. Donations are \$25 per couple / \$12.50 single. Unquestionably, we owe Father John a great deal for his enormous contributions over the years - from serving as AOH Chaplin at the Division, County, and State levels, to the guidance, wisdom, and spirituality he has provided to so many of us. As of this writing, you should have received the two event tickets that were mailed to your address, so I hope you can attend. If you need more tickets, please contact Brendan Sammon @ (315) 673-4011, Mike Cregan @ (315) 487-0931, or me (Dan Case) @ (315) 638-2285.
- ☑ The 13th annual Syracuse AOH/Tony Rogers Memorial Golf Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, June 10th at the Westvale Golf Club in Camillus. We're looking for flag sponsors and golfers. More detailed information and sign-up forms can be found in the flier that was included in this newsletter.
- ☑ Our Brothers are busy selling tickets for the Corvette car raffle, to be given away at the Downtown Irish Festival in September. For our raffle to be a success, we'll need the help of all the Brothers to sell tickets. Tickets 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
- ☑ Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division members, Patrick Shrieves and Earl Turner, who were sworn in at the April Division meeting.
- ☑ Hopefully I will get used to the new PA system used at our Division meetings. It seems to be performing as hoped, but I'll need more practice with it !! We owe special thanks to our anonymous Brother for his donation that made the purchase of this system for our hearing-impaired Brothers possible. Thank you !!
- ☑ 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, Dan

AOH DIVISION MEETING

SUNDAY, MAY 6TH @ 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 Kevin Ahern via phone [(315) 468-6338] or e-mail [kahern@twcny.rr.com].

Special thanks go to Bill Gooley and Rich Walsh and their team of volunteers for running the very successful second annual Syracuse St. Patrick Hunger Project. This year, the Project collected over 21,000 pounds of food and \$5,000 for the needy. The donations benefit the Food Bank of Central New York and The Inter-Religious Food Consortium. Twenty-two AOH members and one LAOH member supported the project by volunteering their time to different project components. Great job everyone !!

Special thanks also go to AOH Syracuse Division member Joe McConnell for organizing the 35th annual AOH Pitch Tournament, held on Sunday, April 22nd at Nibsy's Pub in Syracuse. All the players had a great time !!

Additionally, special thanks go to AOH Syracuse Division member Brendan Sammon for organizing the recent group trip to Gavin's Golden Hill Resort in the Catskills. As always, everyone had a wonderful time !!

Joe McConnell would like members to bring their old flags to the May Division meeting so they may be respectfully retired at the Sunday, May 27th Watchfire ceremony. This great ceremony is sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans of America, CNY Chapter #103, and will be held at Veterans Memorial Park at the NYS Fairgrounds starting at 6:30 pm. The park is located near the upper parking lot next to Rt. 690. Please contact Joe @ (315) 458-6488 for more information.

The **Butler/Sheehan Academy of Irish Dance** will hold their annual **Pub Night Fundraiser** on **Saturday, May 5th** at the Polish Home (915 Park Ave. in Syracuse) from 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm. Per-person tickets are \$12 (adults), \$8 (age 65+ & children up to age 16), and \$25 (family). The Blarney Rebel Band and the Academy's dancers will be performing. Please contact Jim Egloff via phone [(315) 454-0029] or e-mail [e_g_loff@yahoo.com] or visit www.butlerdancers.com for more information.

The AOH Syracuse Division will be marching in the **Camillus Memorial Day Parade** scheduled for **Monday, May 28th**, starting promptly at 9:30 am. 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 dress shirt with an Irish tie, an AOH scarf (if you have one), and, depending on the weather, an AOH jacket (again, if you have one). Marchers are invited to meet before and after the Parade at M^{rs}Namara's Pub, located on Newport Road, just outside the village. Ample parking will be available in M^{rs}Namara's lot. Please contact Ron Clare via phone [(315) 468-1892] or e-mail [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.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)
- ☑ Sat., 8-25: 2007 Cortland Celtic Festival (Cortland County Fairgrounds - 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
- ☑ Recording Secretary: Jerry Cregan
- ☑ Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern
- ☑ Treasurer: David Kennedy
- ☑ Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egluff
- ☑ Marshal: Mike Cregan
- ☑ Sentinel: Scott Bowles

Web sites of interest...

- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com
- ☑ NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com
- ☑ National AOH: www.aoh.com
- ☑ CNY IACI: 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 foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com

LADIES AOH (LAOH) NEWS



- ☑ **NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting of the LAOH will be held at 6:45 pm on Thursday, May 10th at the Taunton Presbyterian Church (4326 Fay Road in Taunton). During May and October - the months of Our Blessed Mother - we will be saying the Rosary as a Division before each meeting at 6:45 pm, with the meeting starting at 7:00 pm. We'll have a speaker starting at 8:00 pm who will discuss "The Famine". All LAOH/AOH members, friends, and family are invited. Please contact Peggy Reynolds @ (315) 476-5246 if you would like to attend. We would need to know in advance to arrange for seating and refreshments. The NYS Convention is scheduled in Albany for July 11th - 14th. Please decide if you will be attending, so we can get costs and book reservations for guaranteed rooms. It will be a great time and, hopefully, we will have all our delegates in attendance. If you would like to attend, please contact Peggy Reynolds @ (315) 476-5246 or Ginny Justian @ (315) 622-1705. Our By-Laws Committee will discuss their progress and we'll review items from our suggestion box. We also will be adding a meeting (date/time to be voted on at our May meeting) for planning for the Irish Festival only. We have decided on the theme of "Irish Ladies". If you have any ideas, please contact Eileen Tickner @ (315) 468-6203.
- ☑ **APRIL MEETING FOLLOW-UP:** The April meeting covered a lot of information!! Brendan Sammon and Dan Case came to tell us about Father Ahern's 40th Anniversary Celebration. Kathleen Richardson sold our cook books & raffle tickets for a beautiful stuffed green rabbit and a bottle of Bailey's on St. Patrick's Day. Dan Case drew the winning ticket (Joey Byle of Camillus). We installed three new members: Rosemary Davenport, Rebecca Wells, and Jean Marie Ryan. We voted to order green aprons with the LAOH patch to be sewn on for the Festivals.
- ☑ **SYMPATHY & GET-WELL CARDS:** Please contact Peggy Reynolds @ (315) 476-5246 if you know of any illness, accident or death.
- ☑ **LAOH, FRIENDS & FAMILY COOKBOOK:** 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 MEMBERS:** Please contact Ginny Justian @ (315) 622-1705 or Peggy Reynolds @ (315) 476-5246 in advance regarding potential new members.
- ☑ **CONTACT:** Please contact LAOH Division President Ginny Justian via phone (315) 622-1705, e-mail (rayorginny@aol.com), or USPS (238 Blackberry Road 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.kittyhoynes.com (music is from 9:00 pm - 1:00 am)
 - ☐ Friday, 5-4: - TBD -
 - ☐ Saturday, 5-5: Pat Kane
 - ☐ Friday, 5-11: - TBD -
 - ☐ Saturday, 5-12: Donal O'Shaughnessy
 - ☐ Friday, 5-18 & Saturday, 5-19: Neil Emberg
 - ☐ Friday, 5-25: Old Friends
 - ☐ Saturday, 5-26: Seanaché
 - ☑ **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:**
 - ☐ 1st Sunday of each month: Half Penny Pub (4:00 pm - 7:00 pm) (315) 478-3091 321 West Fayette St. in Syracuse
 - ☐ 3rd Sunday of each month: Johnston's Bally Bay Bar (4:00 pm - 7:00 pm) (315) 423-8021 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse