

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

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....By Dan Case, **Division President**

- Well, Spring has arrived, and now it's time for us to think about marching in the annual Camillus Memorial Day Parade (May 26^{th}). Also remember the St. Patrick's Church Festival on July 25^{th} and 26^{th} .
- Now, on to our revenue-generating events that will require your support and assistance... we'll be actively seeking volunteers for the CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival (August $9^{\underline{h}}$ at Long Branch Park in Liverpool) and the Syracuse Irish Festival (September $5^{\underline{h}}$ and $6^{\underline{h}}$). Remember that we are now in full charge of the Syracuse Irish Festival, so our volunteer needs will be greater than ever! We'll provide
- more information on these two events as it becomes available. The Sunday, April 6^{th} AOH Major Degree ceremony that our Division hosted was one of the most successful such events that we have ever been involved with! 19 of our own AOH Syracuse Division members received their Major Degrees! Photos of those members are available for the asking. Needless to say, I am so very proud of the men who participated, and would like to thank each and every one of them. I'm sure that they have learned much more about our Brotherhood as a result of the ceremony. Approximately 70 AOH members from surrounding Divisions participated in this grand event. The post-ceremony party at Rosie's restaurant, organized by Brother Bob Bunce, was also a big success. All in attendance were treated to the great hospitality of Rosie's staff and wonderful AOH camaraderie. Since we had such a large number of participants at the ceremony, we would like to host this event every couple of years - when the NYS AOH convention is not being held (the ceremony is held at conventions). Our Central New York location affords easy travel from other New York State Divisions. The Major Degree Team wishes to congratulate all of the members who received their Degrees. The Team was very impressed with our Division's well-organized and efficient ceremony.
- We decided to postpone the planned Sunday, April 6th Shamrock Degree ceremony until our next division meeting (Sunday, May 4th) so that we could better focus on the Major Degree ceremony. We apologize for any inconvenience.
- Our Division sends condolences to the families of recently deceased AOH member Bill Normoyle and LAOH members Gertrude Gabor and Peggy Reynolds. These wonderful people contributed immensely to Hibernianism and will be deeply missed.
- Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division member — Brian Sheehan — who was sworn in at the April Division meeting. As always, we're seeking new members!
- As your President, if you have ANY problems or questions, please feel free to contact me via phone [(315) 638-2285] or email [fenian@twcny.rr.com].

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity.

NOTE: AN AOH SHAMROCK DEGREE **CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE** CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE SUNDAY, MAY 4TH DIVISION MEETING!! This ceremony is for those recently sworn-in members who have not yet taken the "long" version of the Hibernian initiation. All such members must participate in this ancient and rewarding ceremony, which represents the first degree of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and provides a better understanding of Hibernianism. It is only offered twice a year in our Division. Please contact AOH Syracuse Division President Dan Case via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail [fenian@twcny.rr.com] for more information.

DIVISION MEETING ОН ☞ ② SUNDAY, MAY 4[™] @ 7:00 pm

Syracuse Div. e-mail: kdelay@syraoh.com

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

Special thanks go to AOH Syracuse Division members Bill Gooley and Rich Walsh and their team of volunteers for once again organizing our Division's participation in the very successful Syracuse St. Patrick Hunger Project! 11 AOH Syracuse Division members volunteered to collect food and monetary donations on Parade Day. The AOH team collected 375 pounds of food and \$494, placing 2nd in the "Corner Competition" to the 1st-place District Attorney's Office team that collected 975 pounds of food and \$915. Overall, \$11,400 was donated by individuals, organizations, and local businesses that will be used to purchase food for distribution to local food pantries by the Food Bank of CNY. In addition, 27,200 pounds of food were collected by 15 local businesses, 22 schools, and two local events, as well as at the Parade. The food will be distributed to local food pantries by the Inter-Religious Food Consortium. Great job!

Special thanks also go to AOH Syracuse Division member Brendan Sammon for organizing the recent group trip to Gavin's Golden Hill Resort in the Catskills. Everyone had a great time!

The AOH Syracuse Division will be marching in the Camillus Memorial Day Parade scheduled for Monday, May 26th, 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^eNamara's Pub, located on Newport Road, just outside the village. Ample parking will be available in M^eNamara's lot. Please contact Ron Clare via phone [(315) 468-1892] or e-mail [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] for more information.

The 14th annual Syracuse AOH/Tony Rogers Memorial Golf Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, June 8th 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 \$13,000 in scholarships for area students. This year's scholarship will be awarded to a family in order to assist them with Bishop Grimes 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 also 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:

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

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 e-mail [kahern@twcny.rr.com] or phone [(315) 468-6338].

The Tom Dooley Choraliers group is seeking new members from ALL voice ranges. The Choraliers are a group of men who have been singing to promote Irish culture for 40+ years. They practice every Wednesday at 7:00 pm at the Camillus Town Hall. Please contact Jim Hartigan [(315) 487-6298] for directions and Jim Henson [(315) 468-6131] for membership information.

If you have AOH-related news you would like included in the next HH newsletter, please let Kieran Delay know via e-mail (kdelay@syraoh.com) by the 15th of each month.

- Dates to remember... ☑ Fri., 7-25 & Sat., 7-26: 2008 St. Patrick's Church Festival (216 \checkmark N. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse) Fri., 7-25 \rightarrow Sun., 7-27: 2008 Great American Irish Festival
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- www.greatamericanirishfestival.com)
- Sat., 8-9: 2008 CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival (Long M Branch Park in Liverpool - www.cnyscots.com/frame.html)
- Sat., 8-23: 2008 Cortland Celtic Festival (Court House Park in ☑ Cortland - www.cortlandcelticfestival.com)
- Fri., 9-5 & Sat., 9-6: 2008 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 Treasurer David Kennedy via home phone [(315) 637-3307], cell phone [(315) 569-3302], or e-mail [dkenn15@verizon.net].

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 AOH Syracuse Division Treasurer David Kennedy via home phone [(315) 637-3307], cell phone [(315) 569-3302], or e-mail [dkenn15@verizon.net].

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 P.O. Box (listed on this newsletter).

2008 AOH Syracuse Division Officers... President: Dan Case

- Vice-President: Steve Leyden ☑
- Recording Secretary: Jerry Cregan Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern Treasurer: David Kennedy
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- Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egloff
- Marshal: Mike Cregan \checkmark
- Sentinel: Scott Bowles M

Web sites of interest ...

AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com ☑

- NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com ☑
- National AOH: www.aoh.com Ø
- CNY IACI: www.syraoh.com/iaci/iaci.htm M
- Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com M

» AOH Syracuse Division web site: www.syraoh.com «

- Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com \square
- Irish news: www.nuzhound.com ☑
- Irish-American Information Service: iais.org M Irish-American Heritage Museum: ☑
- www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- Belfast cab tours: www.belfastcabtours.com \checkmark
- Belfast bed & breakfast: www.tirnanogbelfastbandb.co.uk \square
- Irish literature: www.ucc.ie/celt ☑
- Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com \checkmark
 - Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com

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- **NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting of the LAOH will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, May 8th at the Taunton Presbyterian Church (4326 Fay Road in Taunton). May is the Month of Our Lady, so we will be saying the rosary at 6:45 pm before the meeting. Please attend our May meeting, as we will be making "definite" final plans for the Scottish Games & Celtic Festival and The Syracuse Irish Festival. Leslie Walker will chair our June dinner at Kitty Hoynes. **PRAYERS:** Please pray for our recently deceased LAOH members and their
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- Tamiles. <u>APRIL MEETING FOLLOW-UP</u>: Thank you to Frank Corcoran, (NYS Representative for Freedom for All Ireland) for giving an excellent talk and update about our Brothers & Sisters in Ireland. We were quite enlightened on what is still going on in Ireland and what we can do in the future. We discussed some ideas for the Scottish Games & Celtic Festival and the syracuse Irish Scotting We solve a bout here an except for the Broard Corport Wolk in Max Festival. We spoke about being a sponsor for the Breast Cancer Walk in May, with more to decide in May. Eileen Tickner said there are more things we should be doing for Catholic Action - to be discussed in May. We voted to give a \$50
- donation to Holy Family Food Pantry in Gertrude Gabor's name. <u>CHAIRPERSONS</u>: Rosemary Koppel [(315) 487-5408] and Rosemary Davenport [(315) 564-5174] are co-chairpersons for the craft portion of the Davenport [(315) 564-5174] are co-chairpersons for the craft portion of the Scottish Games & Celtic Festival, and Kathleen Richardson [(315) 672-5116] and Joyce Krichbaum [(315) 699-5711] are co-chairs of the food portion. If you're interested in being on either committee, please contact one of those members. <u>SYMPATHY & GET-WELL CARDS</u>: Please contact Peggy Reynolds @ (315) 476-5246 if you know of any illness, accident or death. LAOH, FRIENDS & FAMILY COOKBOOK: A great gift for only \$10! Please contact Maureen O'Hara @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Richardson @ (315) 678-5711, NEW Member & State Richardson @ (315) 678-5711, NEW Member & State Richardson @ (315) 678-5711, NEW Member & State Richardson &
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- MEW MEMBERS?: Please contact Joyce Krichbaum @ (315) 699-5711.
 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.
- Liverpool, NY 13090] with questions/suggestions/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 Joyce Krichbaum, 5841 Reis Drive, Cicero, NY 13039 [If you're having trouble with* payment, contact Joyce ASAP @ (315) 699-5711] "BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 9 pm Midnight (Syr. WCNY 91.3-FM/Utica WUNY 89.5-FM/Watertown WJNY 90.9) <u>SEAN HENNESSEY'S (OF THE WATERTOWN DIVISION) RADIO SHOW</u>: Sundays, 11:00 am Noon (Watertown WATN 1240-AM) BOB WELSH'S IRISH RADIO SHOW (FROM AUBURN, NY): Sundays, 1:00 pm 3:00 pm; listen on the Web (www.wdwn.fm); requests, call (315) 253-0449 <u>IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...</u> Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant: 301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse (315) 424-1974 www.kittyhoynes.com (music is from 9 pm 1 am) Friday, 5-2: Cliudan Saturday, 5-3: Pat Kane
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 Friday, 5-9: Neil Emberg
 Saturday, 5-10: Irish session (2 pm 5 pm) / Neil Emberg (9 pm 1 am)
 Friday, 5-16: TBD Saturday, 5-17: Donal O'Shaughnessy
 Wednesday, 5-21: Scythian (8 pm)
 Friday, 5-23: Blue Sky Mission Club
 Saturday, 5-24: Irish session (2 pm 5 pm) / TBD (9 pm 1 am)
 Friday, 5-30: Old Friends
 Saturday, 5-31: Kevin MFKrell
 Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub: 100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse
 (315) 476-1933 www.colemansirishpub.com (Sunday music is from 4 pm 7 pm; Other days, music is from 10 pm 1:30 am)
 For the musical schedule, please visit the website or call the establishment
 Syracuse Irish Music Session:
 1st Sunday of each month: Nibsy's Pub (4 pm 7 pm)
 (315) 476-8423 201 Ulster St. in Syracuse
 3st Sunday of each month: Johnston's Bally Bay Bar (4 pm 7 pm)
 (315) 423-8021 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse