





PRESIDENT'S

...by Steve Leyden, **AOH Syracuse Division President**

Brothers,

Our next meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on Sunday, May 3rd at Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub. We're trying a new location because of parking problems in Armory Square. Kevin Ahern and his committee scouted several meeting places and have recommended that we try Coleman's. If you have any suggestions or comments regarding our meeting place, please let Kevin know.

Our new committee structure is working well. Remember that many hands make light work! At the next meeting we'll have detailed committee reports of activities planned for the remainder of 2015. We're looking for a chairman of the Fundraising Committee. If you want to get more involved in your Division, please volunteer to join a committee. It's fun and rewarding.

Once again, our Division will be marching in the Camillus Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, May 25th at 9:30 am. We'll meet in the parking lot of the former M^cNamara's Restaurant, and cars will be provided for those who can't walk the parade route. After the parade, we'll gather in the parking lot for light refreshments. Also, the AOH Syracuse Division Family Golf Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, June 28th. Family and friends are invited, and you don't need any golfing skills to have fun! Additional information on both events is contained in this newsletter. Let's have big turnouts for both of these great events!

Our Ritual & Degree Committee is attempting to store all AOH Syracuse Division property in a central repository. If you have any AOH gear (banners, flags, plaques, etc.), please give them to Dan Case, so that he can safely store them. 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 Past Division President Dave Lynch in your prayers as he continues to fight a serious health issue, as well as Brothers George Dapson, who recently had cardiac surgery, and JD Tessier.

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 email [AOHSteve@gmail.com].

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Steve



AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION MEETING

☞ © SUNDAY, MAY 3RD @ 7:30 pm

Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub (100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse

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. Preparade 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].

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



☑ 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

- MUSIC...

 ☑ BILL KNOWLTON'S "BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 9 pm 12 am ET [Syr. 91.3 FM / Utica 89.5 FM/Watertown 90.9 FM]

 ☑ SEAN JOHNSTON'S "IRISH POWER HOUR" RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 9 pm 10 pm ET [Syr. 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 pm 7 pm [100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse / www.colemansirishpub.com / (315) 476-1933]

- Syracuse Irish (music) Session:

 1st and 3st Sundays of the month (4 pm 7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub [253 East Water St. in Syracuse / (315) 399-5533]

 2st and 4st Saturdays of the month (2 pm 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes

- OTHER INFO...

 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 50+ years. For more information, please contact Bill Delaney [(315) 430-0818].

 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, contact Sean Rooney [seanyrooney@gmail.com] or visit http://syracuse.gaa.ie/.



DATES TO REMEMBER...

- ☑ Wednesday, July $8^{th} \rightarrow \text{Saturday}$, July 11^{th} : **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]
- \square Friday, July $24^{\frac{th}{2}} \rightarrow$ Sunday, July $26^{\frac{th}{2}}$: *Great American Irish Festival* [Herkimer County Fairgrounds in Frankfort, NY www.gaif.us]
- \square 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). Please 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 ☑
- V Treasurer: Tim Lillis
- Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egloff abla
- 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 ☑
- ☑ Syracuse Gaelic Football Club: http://syracuse.gaa.ie
- $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$ Irish Power Hour: www.irishpowerhour.com
- IrishCentral site: www.irishcentral.com $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$
- Irish Family History Foundation (I.F.H.F.): www.rootsireland.ie ☑ ☑ Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$
- Irish-American Information Service: www.iais.org ☑
- \checkmark Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com