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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...by Steve Leyden,
AOH Syracuse Division President

Brothers,

A reminder that the AOH Syracuse Division Adult Christmas Party and 2014 AOH and LAOH Officer Installation Dinner will be held on Saturday, December 7th. Event details can be found in the right-hand column of this newsletter.

On December 13th and 14th, our Division will attempt to be the top fundraising team for the Old Newsboys fundraiser for the 11th consecutive year. The 82nd annual campaign seeks to raise at least \$50,000 for the Christmas Bureau. The Bureau distributes food, toys and books to more than 9,000 children and 2,850 families, and is a joint effort of the Salvation Army and the United Way of Central New York. About 400 volunteers will sell newspapers on street corners and at shopping malls, service stations, office buildings, and other high-traffic locations throughout Onondaga County. The Syracuse Media Group/Post-Standard donates the newspapers, so everything people give for the newspapers goes to the Christmas Bureau. The DeWitt Rotary is again attempting to knock us out of the top spot. The only way to beat them this year is for every brother to participate. It's a fun event and a worthy cause; I hope you can spare a few hours to help. Rich Walsh will have more details for volunteers at the November meeting.

St. Patrick's gymnasium is not available for the Children's Christmas party this year. We are looking for an alternative site and we will provide an update at the November meeting.

We have received permission from the Diocese of Syracuse to place a plaque commemorating an Gorta Mór (the Great Hunger) in the memorial garden at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Syracuse. We are also negotiating with the property owner of the office building on the corner Franklin and Washington Streets (the site of the old Syracuse train station) to place a marker commemorating the 1919 visit of Eamon DeValera to the city. Brother Tom Parker is coordinating these efforts and will update us at the November meeting.

Planning for next summer's bus trip to Grosse Île, Quebec is under way. We are looking at a July or August trip. To keep the cost per person low we have to fill the bus. The trip will be open to outside groups after all interested AOH members and families have booked their spots. We will have a private tour of the island and its quarantine station, where more than 10,000 Irish men, women and children died in the 1840s during the mass immigration to Canada caused by the artificial famine at home. More specific information will be presented at future meetings.

Join me in welcoming recently reinstated AOH Syracuse Division members Judge Joseph Fahey and Terence Maddison. Let's push to increase our membership to our 2013 target of 300. It's not out of reach. We have two months to go. Ask your friends and neighbors of Irish birth or descent. AOH membership requirements and our Division's application are available on our website (www.syraoh.com).

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).

As always, we're seeking guest speakers and presentations for future meetings.

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, NOVEMBER 3RD @ 7:00 pm

Small Plates Restaurant (116 Walton Street in Syracuse)
For info, contact Steve Leyden via e-mail (aohsteve@gmail.com)

Congratulations to our newly elected AOH Syracuse Division Officers for 2014! Because there was only one candidate per Office, the slate of candidates was automatically elected at the October Division meeting. Your 2014 AOH Syracuse Division Officers are:

- 👉 **Chaplain: Father John Ahern**
- 👉 **President: Steve Leyden**
- 👉 **Vice-President: Rick Potter**
- 👉 **Recording Secretary: Dan Holleran**
- 👉 **Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern**
- 👉 **Treasurer: Tim Lillis**
- 👉 **Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egloff**
- 👉 **Marshal: John Lyons**
- 👉 **Sentinel: Ryan Casler**

The annual AOH Syracuse Division Children's Christmas Party is scheduled for 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm on Sunday, December 1st at All Saints Elementary of Tipperary Hill (112 S. Wilbur Ave. in Syracuse). Santa's PR team has confirmed that he will be in attendance. There will be snacks, pizza, cookies, drinks, face-painting, etc. AOH members and family are invited. This event is free. **Anyone who knows of any underprivileged children is urged to bring those children to the party.**

The AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2014 AOH and LAOH Officer Installation Dinner will be held on Saturday, December 7th at the Camillus Elks Club (6117 Newport Rd. in Camillus). Please arrive by 4:00 pm for the installation ceremony. The per-person cost of tickets for both members and guests will be \$25, and a cash bar will be available. Please **RSVP no later than Friday, November 22nd** by contacting AOH Syracuse Division member Ron Clare via cell phone [(315) 436-6431] or e-mail [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com].

AOH Syracuse Division member Rich Walsh is once again organizing our Division's participation in the annual Syracuse Media Group's "Old Newsboys" newspaper sales fundraiser scheduled for Friday & Saturday, December 13th and 14th. Further details will be available soon.

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact Brendan Sammon @ (315) 673-4011.

If you have any suggestions for fundraising ideas, comments, or suggestions for our Division, please contact fundraising committee members George Lowe [gjlowe@live.com / phone (315) 458-7019] or Ron Clare [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com / phone: (315) 436-6431].

If you have any AOH/LAOH information, photos, or memorabilia, please contact AOH Syracuse Division Historian Geordy Austin via e-mail [geordya7@gmail.com] or phone [(315) 446-1153].

AOH apparel is available. Please contact Dan Case via e-mail [dannys.pc@hotmail.com] or phone [(315) 303-7041] to purchase jackets, shirts, hats, etc.

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are asked to provide their current street address, telephone number, and e-mail address to Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern via e-mail [kahern@twcny.rr.com] or phone [(315) 468-6338].

LAOH, MUSIC, & OTHER INFO



- LAOH...**
- ☑ **MEETINGS:** Held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 pm at Nibsy's Pub (201 Ulster St. in Syracuse).
 - ☑ **DIVISION OFFICERS:** Rosemary Koppel (Pres.), Eileen Tickner (VP), Anne Flanagan (Rec. Secr.), Maureen Fogarty (Treas.), Joyce Krichbaum (Fin. Secr.), Roxanne Compoli (Irish Historian), Yvette Guilfoil (Missions & Charities), Margaret LoPiccolo (Catholic Action), Ede Sakran (Mistress-at-Arms), Mary Lou Trait (Sentinel)
 - ☑ **MEMBERSHIP DUES:** Payable to: LAOH, Joyce Kirchbaum, and can be sent to: 5841 Reis Drive, Cicero, NY 13039
 - ☑ **SYMPATHY & GET WELL:** Keep pray for members' special intentions and contact Joyce Kirchbaum @ (315) 699-5711 if you know of anyone sick or bereaved.
 - ☑ **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:** Contact LAOH Division Pres. Rosemary Koppel [rkoppel@aol.com / 545 Tompkins St., Syracuse, NY 13204 / (315) 487-5408]

- MUSIC...**
- ☑ **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]
 - ☑ **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]
 - ☑ **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 3rd Sundays of the month (4 pm - 7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub [253 East Water Street in Syracuse / (315) 399-5533]
 - ☉ 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month (2 pm - 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes [301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse / (315) 424-1974]

- 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 via e-mail [geordya7@gmail.com] or phone [(315) 446-1153].
 - ☑ **THE SYRACUSE KILTIE PIPE BAND IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS.** For more information, please contact Steve Roesch via e-mail [mhrad07@twcny.rr.com], cell phone [(315) 558-9774], or home phone [(315) 487-1109].
 - ☑ **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 via e-mail [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/>.

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DATES TO REMEMBER...

- ☑ Sunday, December 1st: **AOH Syracuse Division Children's Christmas Party** (All Saints Elementary of Tipperary Hill in Syracuse)
- ☑ Saturday, December 7th: **AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2014 Officer Installation Dinner** (Elks Club in Camillus)
- ☑ Friday & Saturday, December 13th and 14th: **Syracuse Media Group's "Old Newsboys" newspaper sales fundraiser** (various CNY locations)
- ☑ Wednesday, July 30th → Saturday, Aug. 2nd: **AOH/LAOH 2014 National Convention** (St. Louis, MO - <http://aoh2014stl.com>)

Please pay your AOH membership dues as soon as possible (\$40 for members age 60 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).

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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>
- ☑ Irish Power Hour: www.irishpowerhour.com
- ☑ IrishCentral site: www.irishcentral.com
- ☑ Irish Family History Foundation (I.F.H.F.): www.rootsireland.ie
- ☑ Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- ☑ Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com
- ☑ Irish-American Information Service: www.iais.org
- ☑ Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- ☑ Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- ☑ Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com