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...by Steve Leyden, AOH Syracuse Division President

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Brothers,

Please join me in thanking Rick Potter for his service as Division Vice-President over the last two years, as well as for using his accounting and financial expertise for the benefit of our Division! Rick has decided to take a well-deserved break from Division office.

I'd also like to thank Syracuse Mayor Stephanie Miner for taking time out of her busy schedule to speak at our October meeting, and AOH Syracuse Division member Dick Sheeran for arranging the Mayor's visit. As always, we're seeking guest speakers and presentations for future meetings.

Please note that the annual AOH Christmas Appeal will commence at the November meeting. Geordy Austin is once again organizing our Division's participation in this great fundraiser.

There will be a fundraiser for AOH Syracuse Division member Dave Lynch on Saturday, November 15th from 1:00 pm until 6:00 pm at the Valley American Legion (110 Academy St. in Syracuse). Tickets are \$20 at the door (no advance sale) and will include draft beer, wine, soda, water, food, entertainment, and parking. Inexpensive canned beer will also be available, and there will also be raffles, silent auctions, gift baskets, live music, etc. The purpose of the event is to raise funds to help defray the cost of Dave's medical care and other expenses as he recovers his health. For additional information and/ or tickets, please contact Bob Bunce [rbunce@jbkane.com / (315) 488-0020].

On December 12th and 13th, our Division will attempt to be the top fundraising team for the Syracuse Media Group's "Old Newsboys" fundraiser for the 12th consecutive year! The 83rd annual event seeks to raise at least \$50,000 for the Christmas Bureau. As you may know, the Christmas 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. Approximately 400 volunteers will sell newspapers on street corners and at shopping malls, service stations, office buildings, and other high-traffic locations throughout the area. The Syracuse Media Group/Post-Standard donates the newspapers, so all of the money that's collected goes directly to the Christmas Bureau. This is a fun event and for a very worthy cause, so please do what you can to help sell and/or purchase newspapers! Rich Walsh will have more details for volunteers at the next meeting. Thanks, Rich & team!

Tom Parker's music CD sales fundraising project for our Division is going well. We ask that members try to sell as many CDs as possible. Twelve local musical acts each donated one or two songs for the \$10 CD. The acts include Halligan/Ceili Rain, the Burns Sisters, Joe Davoli, Bill Delaney, Dan Duggin, Deirdre McCarthy, Nick Piccininni, Dale Randall, The Syracuse Irish Session, and Tom Parker. For more information, please contact Tom [col.tomparker28@gmail.com / (315) 876-5938].

Let's continue to make progress toward achieving our membership goal of 300. Remember that many men would join if only you ask! AOH membership requirements and our Division's application are available on our website [www.syraoh.com].

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☞ ② SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2№ @ 7:00 pm

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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 2015! Because there was only one candidate per office, the slate of candidates was automatically elected at the October Division meeting. Your 2015 AOH Syracuse Division Officers are:

- Chaplain: -vacant-
- Service Steve Leyden
- **Vice-President:** Tom Parker
- **Recording Secretary:** Dan Holleran
- Sinancial Secretary: Kevin Ahern
- ✤ Treasurer: Tim Lillis
- Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egloff
- Marshal: John Lyons
- Sentinel: Ryan Casler

The AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2015 AOH and LAOH Officer Installation Dinner will be held on Saturday, December 6th at the Camillus Elks Club (6117 Newport Rd. in Camillus). The time, event details, and per-person ticket cost will be finalized soon. This event is open to AOH/LAOH members and their spouses/significant others, as well as other family members and friends. Please **RSVP no later than Friday, November 21st** by contacting AOH Syracuse Division President Steve Leyden [aohsteve@gmail.com].

AOH Syracuse Division member Rich Walsh is once again organizing our Division's participation in the **Syracuse Media Group's annual "Old Newsboys" newspaper sales fundraiser**, scheduled for **Friday**, **December 12th (8:00 am - 7:00 pm) & Saturday**, **December 13th (8:00 am - Noon)**. If you're interested in lending a hand at this fun and very important community fundraising event, please contact Rich as soon as possible [rpwalsh@syr.edu / (315) 488-9114]. The need for volunteers is particularly great during the day on Friday. Any amount of hours you can give would be greatly appreciated! Sign-up forms will also be available at the next Division meeting.

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 [kahern@twcny.rr.com / (315) 468-6338].

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

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 fundraising committee members George Lowe [gjlowe@live.com / (315) 415-4400] or Ron Clare [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com / (315) 436-6431].

As information becomes available, events and activities are listed on the **"Calendar of Events"** page on our Division's website.

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





DATES TO REMEMBER...

- Saturday, December 6th: AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2015 Officer Installation Dinner (Elks Club in Camillus)
- Friday & Saturday, December 12th and 13th: Syracuse Media Group's "Old Newsboys" newspaper sales fundraiser (various CNY locations) Saturday, March 14th at Noon: 33rd annual Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade (Salina St. in Downtown Syracuse / www.syracusestpatricksparade.org) \square
- \square Sunday, June 14th: AOH Syracuse Division Family Golf Tournament (Westvale Golf Club in Camillus / details coming soon) \square
- Wednesday, July 8th → Sunday, July 12th: AOH/LAOH 2015 NYS Convention (Uniondale [Long Island], NY / www.nyaoh2015.com) M
- Please pay your AOH membership dues as soon as possible (\$40 WEB SITES OF INTEREST... 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).

2014 AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION OFFICERS...

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- President: Steve Leyden ☑
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- Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com Ø
- Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com ☑
- Irish-American Information Service: www.iais.org Ø
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