

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



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

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Dear Brothers,

- Where to begin? The Scottish & Celtic Festival Games proved to be a lot of work for us, but for some reason there was lower attendance than in years past - which was reflected in our profits.
- Well, the countless meetings are finally over and the Syracuse Irish Festival came off without any major problems. What a time we all had there - it will always be remembered! Now, we must look ahead to taking on this huge project by ourselves, as we are running the entire Festival next year without the assistance of the CRC. Much was learned this year, and a few things will be changed for next year.
- We astounded Festival-goers with the event's more heavily-emphasized cultural aspects - thanks in large part to the IACI and the LAOH, to which we owe our thanks.
- I wrote an open letter for the newspaper to the citizens of Onondaga County, thanking them for the respect and good times we all enjoyed. There was not one complaint from the vendors, all of whom were very successful. Thanks largely to the efforts of Brother Bob "Cupcakes" Young (who brought the finest to our Festival), there were a number of new vendors. Even with our much higher expenses this year, I have no doubt that we are in for a profit! The final numbers are not yet available.
- I wish to thank everyone who worked so very hard at the Scottish Games & Celtic Festival and the Syracuse Irish Festival, especially Joe Schiltz. Joe's hard work, expertise, and guidance once again proved invaluable!
- Frank Corcoran and David Hoyne were also very instrumental in making the Syracuse Irish Festival such a great success. Thanks gentlemen!
- Next year, we will have to call upon the many Brothers that were not able to help this year's events. We will need quite a few more volunteers than just the "old stand-by's".
- ☑ It appears that our Division did our usual great job with this year's Corvette raffle. The outstanding efforts of Brothers Ron Clare and Bob Bunce are the main reason this undertaking continues to be a success! The winner of the Corvette is John Linehan, Sr. of Syracuse.
- Mark your calendars for the 1st of December for the Christmas/Installation Party at Meghan M^cMurphy's Restaurant. It's an event that is always a great time for all. Also, the date of the Children's Christmas Party will be announced soon.
- Remember that October is the month that we have nominations for the Officer positions within the AOH Syracuse Division. If you intend to nominate someone, please contact Brother Ron Clare (315-468-1892 or e-mail: draperiesetcinc@vahoo.com).
- Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division members, Christopher M^cCarthy and Kevin Murphy, who were sworn in at the September 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 e-mail [fenian@twcny.rr.com].

<u>Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, 2</u>

DIVISION ОН MEETING ☞ ⑦ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7^{III} @ 7:00 pm

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

Nominations for 2008 AOH Syracuse Division Officers will be held at the Sunday, October 7th Division meeting. The election of Officers will be held at the November Division meeting. Division offices include President (Major Degree required), Vice-President (Major Degree required), Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Chairman of the Standing Committee, Sentinel, and Marshal. If you're interested in running for an office. please contact Committee Chairman Ron Clare via phone [(315) 468-1892] or e-mail [draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] for more information.

The AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2008 AOH and LAOH **Officer Installation Dinner** will be held on **Saturday, December 1**st at Meghan M^eMurphy's Restaurant & Pub, located at 7990 Oswego Rd. (Rt. 57) in Liverpool. A cocktail hour will start at 4:00 pm, the Officer installation ceremony will start at 5:30 pm, and the buffet dinner will start at 6:00 pm. Music will follow until 9:00 pm. Admission to this event is free for members in good standing, and guest tickets are \$20. Please send your **RSVP** to one of the following AOH Syracuse Division members **by Friday**, **November 23rd** if you're interested in attending:

- Brendan Sammon: (315) 673-4011 or marytsammon@hotmail.com
- Frank Corcoran: (315) 472-8165 <u>or</u> corchart@cnymail.com Mike Cregan: (315) 487-0931 <u>or</u> mcregan@twcny.rr.com Dan Case: (315) 638-2285 <u>or</u> fenian@twcny.rr.com
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AOH Syracuse Division member Rich Walsh is once again organizing our Division's participation in the annual Syracuse Newspapers "Old Newsboys" fund-raiser scheduled for Friday, December 14th (day and evening) and Saturday, December 15th (morning). If you're interested in lending a hand at this fun and very important community fund-raising event, please contact Rich @ (315) 488-9114 as soon as possible. Sign-up sheets will also be available at the Division meetings.

Details are being worked-out for the annual AOH Syracuse Division Children's Christmas Party. More specific information will be included in the next HH newsletter.

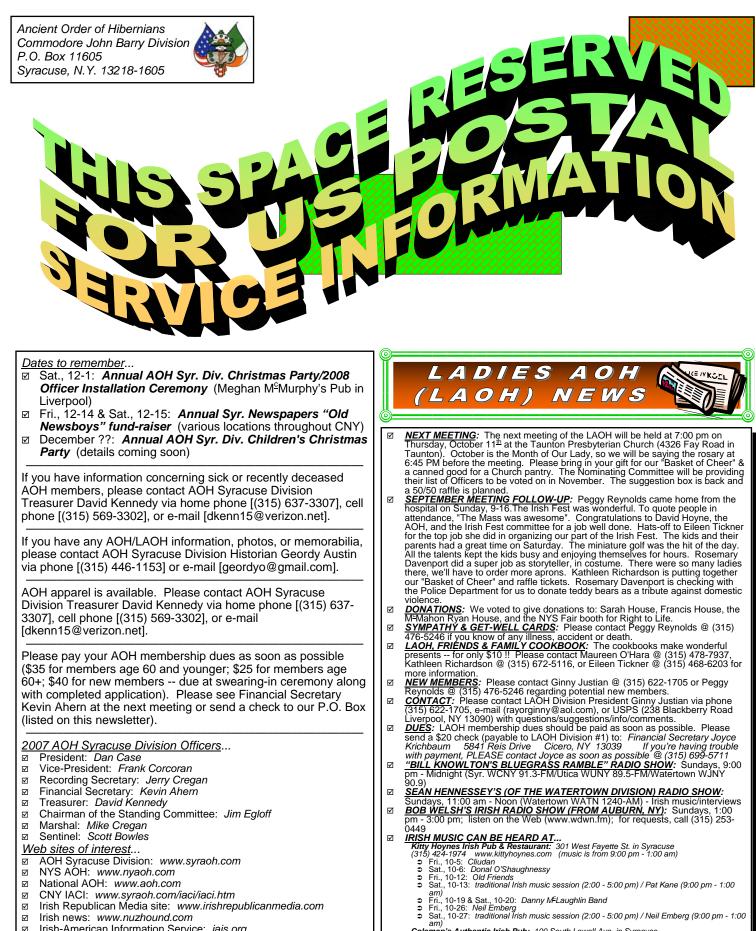
AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are encouraged to provide their current street address, telephone number, and email address (if available) to Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern via e-mail [kahern@twcny.rr.com] or phone [(315) 468-6338].

The Tom Dooley Choraliers group is seeking new members, 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.

NOTE: AN AOH SHAMROCK DEGREE CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7[™] DIVISION MEETING !!

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 are strongly encouraged to 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 e-mail [fenian@twcny.rr.com] or phone [(315) 638-2285] for more 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.



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- Irish news: www.nuzhound.com ☑
- Irish-American Information Service: iais.org \square
- Irish-American Heritage Museum: \checkmark www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- ☑ Belfast Cab Tours: www.belfastcabtours.com
- Irish literature: www.ucc.ie/celt
- Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com M
- Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com

- am) 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 the Coleman's website for the musical schedule Syracuse Irish Music Session: 1 = Sunday of each month: Half Penny Pub (4:00 pm 7:00 pm) (315) 478-3091 321 West Fayette St. in Syracuse 3 = Sunday of each month: Joinston's Bally Bay Bar (4:00 pm 7:00 pm) (315) 423-8021 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse