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

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...By Dave Lynch,
Division President

Dear Brothers.

- ☑ Let's start at the top the top of the Downtown Syracuse Atrium Building that is:
 - Kudos to Brother Dan Walsh for braving the heights and belting-out "Amazing Grace" on his bag pipe in remembrance of the 9/11 victims. This was the highlight of the recent Syracuse Irish Festival and there wasn't a dry eye around. Way to make us proud, Dan!
 - Thanks to Brother Sean Johnston and his executive committee for their tireless efforts in pulling together all of the different ingredients that made this one of the most successful Irish Festivals yet.
 - If you can't attend the Festival for any other reason, you need to attend the Gaelic Mass on Saturday morning. This uplifting ceremony features our very own Father Ahern and is flawlessly organized by Brothers Tim Lillis and Steve Leyden. I can still hear the Tom Dooley Choraliers rendition of "A Soldiers Song" on a beautiful Saturday morning. It doesn't get better than that!
 - Thanks also to George Lowe and Andy O'Hara for keeping the entertainment running smoothly back-stage. These guys were there from dawn-'til-dusk and never dropped one tray of Guinness.
 - I appreciate all of the members who volunteered their time at the food stand. You need to know that both Richie Collins and MaryBeth Roach from the City of Syracuse took time to tell me how much fun they had working with our group.
 - Additionally, I wish to convey my appreciation to both Dan Case and Joe Schlitz for all of their efforts to keep the food stand running like a top!
 - The AOH Syracuse Division would like to congratulate our very own Dave Kennedy as this year's winner of the trip for two to Ireland! The trip was sponsored by our Division, the Syracuse Irish Festival Committee, and was graciously donated by Marty Cahill. Congratulations, Dave!
- ☑ I would personally like to thank Brother Kevin Ahern for leading our group prayers and singing of "A Soldiers Song" at the wake for Brother Phil Dwyer. If you receive e-mail messages about deceased members in the future, please don't hesitate to join us. It is truly gratifying to see how much comfort we can bring to a grieving family.
- ☑ We have a special guest scheduled for the November meeting. Pat Kenny will be on hand to give us a hurling demonstration. Pat is from Galway and is a Professor of Philosophy at OCC. He promises an interesting segment on the game that is so deeply woven into the social fabric of the Irish people.
- Details are being worked-out for the AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2011 Officer Installation Dinner and the Children's Christmas Party. More information will be included in upcoming HH newsletters.
- ☑ The Syracuse Kiltie Pipe Band is seeking recruits. If you're interested in learning more about this organization, please contact Steve Roesch via email [mhrad07@twcny.rr.com], cell phone [(315) 558-9774], or home phone [(315) 487-1109].
- Sean Pender is organizing an AOH Bloody Sunday trip, scheduled for Thursday January 27th through Saturday, February 5th, 2011. The cost of \$850 (double occupancy) includes all ground transportation while in the North, lodging for nine nights, tours, nine breakfasts, five dinners, and four lunches. Air transportation will be the responsibility of the traveler. A \$250 non-refundable deposit is due by Monday, November 15th, with the balance due by Wednesday, January 5th. If you're interested in this trip, please contact Sean via e-mail [paddyspeed@yahoo.com] or phone [(609) 462-7056) as soon as possible.
- Please welcome our newest AOH Syracuse Division member, Joseph Carey, who transferred from the Saratoga Springs Division. As always, we're looking to grow our membership!
- ☑ Come to the meetings and join in the fun!
- If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact me via e-mail [dclynch@twcny.rr.com] or phone [(315) 477-1962].

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity,



A*OH DIVISION MEETING*

☞ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3RD @ 7:00 pm

PJ's Pub & Grill (116 Walton Street in Syracuse) For info, contact Dave Lynch: dclynch@twcny.rr.com / (315) 477-1962

Nominations for 2011 AOH Syracuse Division Officers will be held at the Sunday, October 3rd Division meeting. The election of Officers will be held at the Sunday, November 7th 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 **Tom Dooley Choraliers will be presenting an Irish hooley on Friday, October 8**th from 6:00 pm until 11:00 pm at the NYS Fairgrounds' Empire Room. The \$10 admission cost will include music, Irish step dancing, door prizes, a silent auction, snacks, soda, and more. Tickets are available at Smorol's Restaurant (929 Avery Ave. in Syracuse), or by contacting Bill Dougherty [(315) 317-2323], Dick Gosson [(315) 468-4659], or Joe M^cConnell [(315) 458-6488].

The AOH Oswego Division will be holding a Major Degree ceremony on Saturday, October 23rd at the Trinity School (formerly St Paul's) located at 115 East 5th Street in Oswego. Registration will start at 1:00 pm, with the Degree ceremony starting promptly at 1:30 pm. Dinner/refreshments will be served at 5:00 pm at the Oswego Club (Munn Road in Oswego). The cost will be \$40 for candidates and \$15 for on-lookers (those who have taken the Degree). You will need to present your paid-up dues card in order to participate. For more information, please contact the Oswego Club @ (315) 343-9815.

Joe M^cConnell is organizing the 40th annual AOH Pitch Tournament, to be held on Sunday, December 5th at 12:30 pm at Nibsy's Pub (201 Ulster St. in Syracuse). The cost is \$30 per team/\$15 per player. Thirty-two 2-person teams will be the maximum for this tournament. Also, this will be the last tournament with Joe as director, so we're seeking someone to take over this role. For more information, please contact Joe @ (315) 458-6488.

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 10th (day and evening) and Saturday, December 11th (morning). If you're interested in lending a hand at this fun and very important community fund-raising event, please contact Rich via e-mail [rpwalsh@syr.edu] or phone [(315) 488-9114] as soon as possible. Sign-up forms will also be available at the Division meetings. The need for volunteers is particularly great during the day on Friday (starting @ 7:00 am). Any amount of hours you can give would be greatly appreciated!

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

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are encouraged 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].

AOH apparel is available. Please contact Dave Kennedy via e-mail [dkenn15@verizon.net], home phone [(315) 637-3307], or cell phone [(315) 569-3302] for more information.

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

Ancient Order of Hibernians Commodore John Barry Division P.O. Box 11605 Syracuse, N.Y. 13218-1605



Dates to remember...

- ☑ December ??: AOH Syr. Div. Christmas Party/2011 Officer Installation Dinner (details and date coming soon)
- ☑ Fri., 12-10 & Sat., 12-11: Syr. Newspapers "Old Newsboys" fundraiser (various locations throughout CNY)
- ☑ December ??: Annual AOH Syr. Div. Children's Christmas Party (details and date coming soon)

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

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.

2010 AOH Syracuse Division Officers...

- ☑ Chaplain: Father John Ahern
- ☑ President: Dave Lynch
- ☑ Vice-President: Dave Kennedy
- Recording Secretary: Jerry Cregan
- Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern
- $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ Treasurer: Tim Lillis
- Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egloff $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$
- Marshal: John Lyons \square Sentinel: Steve Leyden
- Web sites of interest...
- AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com
- $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$ NYS AOH: www.nvaoh.com
- ☑ National AOH: www.aoh.com
- National Hibernian Digest: www.hiberniandigest.com
- CNY IACI: www.syraoh.com/iaci/iaci.htm
- Syr. St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatricksparade.org
- Syracuse Irish (music) Session:
- http://web.mac.com/houseofchai/SyracuseIrishSession/Home.html
- IrishCentral site: www.irishcentral.com
- ☑ Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com
- Irish news: www.nuzhound.com
- Irish-American Information Service: iais.org \checkmark
- Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com

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- **NEXT MEETING:** TBD
- FRIENDSHIP: If you are aware of a Hibernian who needs a ride to or from a meeting or other event, please let us know.
- **NEWSLETTER:** Contributions to the Division newsletter are due by the 25th of each month. Contact Anne Flanagan [anne726@mac.com / (315) 510-6508].
- **SYMPATHY & GET-WELL CARDS/NEW DIVISION MEMBERS/DUES:** Please keep the special intentions of all our members in your prayers, and get in touch with Joyce Krichbaum @ (315) 699-5711 if you know of anyone who is ill or bereaved. Joyce will also be happy to receive your dues if you are still procrastinating!
- LAOH, FRIENDS & FAMILY COOKBOOK: Only \$10. Christmas, birthdays, or hostess, practical, or shower gifts are perfect occasions for giving this collection of tried-and-true recipes. Contact Kathleen Richardson [(315) 672-5116].
- **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS:** Contact Division President Rosemary Koppel [(315) 487-5408 / rosemarykoppel@yahoo.com] or write to her [545 Tompkins Street, Syracuse, NY 13204].
- SEAN HENNESSEY'S (OF THE WATERTOWN DIV.) RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 11 am - 12 pm (Watertown: 1240 AM)
- **BOB WELSH'S IRISH RADIO SHOW (FROM AUBURN)**:
 - Sundays, 1 pm 3 pm; web: www.wdwn.fm; requests: (315) 253-0449
- SEAN JOHNSTON'S RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 6 pm 7 pm (Syracuse 105.9 FM / www.irishpowerhour.com)
- "BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 9 pm - 12 am (Syr. 91.3 FM/Utica 89.5 FM/Watertown: 90.9 FM)
- **IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...**
 - Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant: 301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse (music: usually 9 pm - 1 am) (315) 424-1974 www.kittyhoynes.com
 - ⇒ For the music schedule, please visit the website or call
 - Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub: 100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse (Sunday music: 4 pm - 7 pm; Other days, music: 10 pm - 1:30 am) (315) 476-1933 www.colemansirishpub.com
 - For the music schedule, please visit the website or call Syracuse Irish (music) Session:

http://web.mac.com/houseofchai/SyracuseIrishSession/Home.html

- ⇒ 1st Sunday of each month (4 pm 7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub 253 East Water Street in Syracuse (315) 399-5533
- ⇒ 2nd Saturday of each month (2 pm 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub &
- 301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse (315) 424-1974 www.kittyhoynes.com
- ⇒ 3rd Sunday of each month (4 pm 7 pm): Johnston's Bally Bay Bar 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse (315) 423-8021
- 4th Saturday of each month (2 pm 5 pm): Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Rest.