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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...by Steve Leyden,
AOH Syracuse Division President

Brothers,

Please note that our monthly Division meetings will be held at Small Plates Restaurant. This location was chosen in a very close a vote that was held at the September meeting.

Please join me in giving special thanks to Father John Ahern, who has given so many wonderful years of his time, wisdom, and energy to our Division as Chaplain. Father John — who has also served at various times as Chaplain on the New York State and National AOH boards — is stepping down for a well-deserved rest! Thank you!

As a result of all of the volunteers' hard work, the 2014 Syracuse Irish Festival was a success! We'd like to thank Joe Schiltz and Vince Christian and their great team of volunteers for providing their time, energy, and expertise at the food and hospitality tents, as well as the stage and other areas. As always, our Division provides the majority of the manpower at the Festival, and our contribution is key to the event's continued success.

Thanks also go to George Lowe for again organizing and running our Yankees-vs.-Red Sox baseball game raffle, as well as to the Division members and others who bought and/or sold tickets. The raffle winner was Nick Merrill.

Congratulations to AOH Syracuse Division member Geordy Austin for the well-deserved award plaque that he received for his tireless "Freedom for All Ireland" efforts! The AOH national board formally recognized Geordy's outstanding contributions at this summer's national convention in St. Louis, MO. Well done, Geordy!

Syracuse Mayor Stephanie Miner is scheduled to speak at our Sunday, October 5th Division meeting regarding her Celtic heritage. The mayor should arrive around 6:45 pm and meet members in the restaurant area prior to our meeting. After our opening procedures, we'll suspend the meeting so that the mayor can enter our room to begin her talk. Special thanks go to AOH Syracuse Division member Dick Sheeran for arranging this. As always, we're seeking guest speakers and presentations for future meetings.

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].

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 2014 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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5TH @ 7:00 pm

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

Nominations for 2015 AOH Syracuse Division Officers will be held at the October Division meeting, with the election of Officers to occur 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 [(315) 468-1892 / draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] for more information.

Planning is underway for the **AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2015 AOH and LAOH Officer Installation Dinner**. Details will be included in upcoming HH newsletters.

Planning is also underway for our Division's participation in the annual Syracuse Media Group's **"Old Newsboys" newspaper sales fundraiser**. Details will be included in upcoming HH newsletters.

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.

LAOH, MUSIC, & OTHER INFO



- LAOH...**
- ☑ **MEETINGS: ARE HELD ON THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH @ 7:00 PM AT NIBSY'S PUB (201 ULSTER ST. IN SYRACUSE)**
 - ☑ **DIVISION OFFICERS:** Anne Flanagan (President), Maureen Fogarty (Vice-President), Rosemary Koppel (Recording Secretary), Eileen Tickner (Treasurer), Roxanne Compoli (Historian), Yvette Guilfoil (Missions & Charities), Margaret LoPiccolo (Catholic Action), Ede Sakran (Mistress-at-Arms), Mary Lou Trait (Sentinel).
 - ☑ **MEMBERSHIP DUES:** Are payable to "LAOH", and can be sent to: Anne Flanagan, 8403 Pewter Lane, Manlius, New York 13104
 - ☑ **SYMPATHY & GET WELL:** If you know of anyone who is sick or bereaved, please contact Rosemary Koppel [(315) 487-5408 / 545 Tompkins St., Syracuse, NY 13204].
 - ☑ **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:** Contact LAOH Division President Anne Flanagan via phone [(315) 510-6508] or e-mail [anne726@mac.com].
- 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 St. 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...

- ☑ December ??: **Syracuse Media Group's "Old Newsboys" fundraiser** (various locations throughout CNY / details and dates coming soon)
- ☑ December ??: **AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2015 AOH and LAOH Officer Installation Dinner** (details and date coming soon)
- ☑ Saturday, March 14th at Noon: **33rd annual Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade** (Salina St. in Downtown Syracuse / www.syracusestpatricksparade.org)
- ☑ Wednesday, July 8th * Sunday, July 12th: **AOH/LAOH 2015 NYS Convention** (Uniondale [Long Island], NY / www.nyaoh2015.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).

2014 AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION OFFICERS...

- ☑ Chaplain: -vacant-
- ☑ 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*

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