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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...By Pat Ahern,  
Division President

Worthy Brothers,

- ☑ It was really nice to see all the Brothers and other volunteers who showed up for the Celtic Games. We had a great time joking with one another, and the customers were great -- especially at my Kissing Booth. My lips were bleeding by the end of the day. One down...one to go...the 2004 Syracuse Irish Festival Friday will run on Friday (night), September 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> (from Noon on). We really need a lot of help for that Saturday because many of our Lads will be playing in the NYS AOH Golf Tournament that same day. So bring along your Mrs., Ms., friends, and any children old enough to help. We'd really appreciate it !!
- ☑ We are doing great Brothers !! We're up to approximately 330 members, and requests for applications are arriving all the time. The only thing holding us back is our imagination. We should break 500 members in the next two years -- God willing -- and be an even greater help to our Church, Community, and Schools, and continue to fight for the freedom for our beloved Ireland. Oh St. Patrick, St. Brigid, and Columcille hear our prayers. Let's lock-&-load and "UP THE 32" !!
- ☑ **Formal nominations for 2005 AOH Syracuse Division Officers will be held at the Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. The election of Officers will be held at the Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup> Division meeting. If you're interested in running for an office. please contact Committee Chairman Ron Clare @ (315) 468-1892 for more information.**
- ☑ Please keep in your prayers Father John Phelan, a fellow Hibernian who passed away recently. Father Phelan was a graduate of Most Holy Rosary School and Christ the King Seminary, and served at Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady of Lourdes in Syracuse, St. Joseph's in Camillus, and St. Patrick's in Jordan. He'll be missed.
- ☑ Don't forget the St. Patrick's Church canned/non-perishable food drive that Joe Schiltz is organizing. If possible, please bring an item for donation to the next Division meeting.

*Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Pat*

**An AOH Shamrock Degree ceremony will be held at the Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 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 Treasurer Dan Case via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail (fenian@twcny.rr.com) for more information.**

## AOH DIVISION MEETING

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

**PJ Dorsey's (116 Walton Street in Syracuse)**

For details, contact Pat Ahern: (315) 468-1588 or pahern@twcny.rr.com

**We are actively seeking volunteers to work the AOH food concession stand at this year's Syracuse Irish Festival (Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>). AOH members and family/friends are strongly encouraged to lend a hand in support of this fun and important and fund-raising event. Please call Joe Schiltz @ (315) 468-1832 for more information.**

AOH member Joe McConnell is once again organizing the (33<sup>rd</sup>) annual **Pitch Tournament**. The tournament will be held on Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at Nibsy's Pub (201 Ulster Street in Syracuse). The start time will be 12:30 pm and the cost will be \$15 per man/\$30 per team. Please contact Joe @ (315) 458-6488 to reserve your spot and/or for more information.

Dan Case is seeking an AOH Syracuse Division member to take over the **coordination of ordering/selling our Division's AOH clothing**. He would like to be able to concentrate more on his many Division Treasurer duties. If you're interested, please contact Dan via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail (fenian@twcny.rr.com).

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

**AOH Syracuse Division photo booklets** are available for \$12. The booklet contains professional photographs taken during the 2004 Syracuse St. Patrick's Day Parade. Profits from sales of the booklets will be donated to a needy organization. Please contact AOH Syracuse Division Treasurer Dan Case via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail [fenian@twcny.rr.com] for more information.

The **Central New York Irish American Cultural Institute (CNY IACI)** invites the public to sign-up for its **Fall Genealogy series, "A Hands-On Approach to Researching Your Family Genealogy"** (4 classes). The first class will be held on Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm in the Onondaga County Public Library's Curtin Auditorium (in the Downtown Galleries). The cost will be \$20 for IACI and AOH/LAOH members and \$60 for the public (\$40 of which can be applied towards membership in the IACI). Please send payment to Sheila Comerford [5050 Bridle Path Rd., Fayetteville, NY 13066] before Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. For more information on this series, please send an e-mail message to Anne Ruggeri [muskratbay@aol.com] or visit the "Calendar of Events" page on the AOH Syracuse Division's web site (www.syraoh.com).

The **Central New York Irish American Cultural Institute (CNY IACI)** invites the public to their next monthly program of **"Irish Food & Thought"**, which will be held at Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant (301 West Fayette Street, Syracuse) on Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> starting at 6:30 pm (social). Dinner will follow at 7:00 pm. An evening of piping, ballads, and song will be presented by Dane Conley. The cost will be \$20 for the program and dinner or \$10 for the program only. Please contact Mary K. Gillis via phone [(315) 636-7772] or e-mail [eahd92@juno.com] to make reservations and/or for more information.

**St. Patrick's School** (210 Schuyler Street in Syracuse) is seeking **volunteers** for their upcoming **Mentoring Program**. The program will run from October 2004 through May 2005 and will focus on working with students in grades 2<sup>nd</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> concerning reading and math skills. If you're interested in participating in this important and rewarding program, please contact one of the following individuals for more specific information:

- » **Cheryl Canfield (Principal):** (315) 476-4076
- » **Mary Kane:** (315) 469-1428
- » **Emily Hunter:** (315) 476-7290

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#### Dates to remember...

- ☑ Friday, 9-10 and Sat. 9-11: **Syracuse Irish Festival** (Clinton Square in Downtown Syracuse)
- ☑ Saturday, 9-11: **AOH NYS Jack Burns Memorial Golf Tournament** (Tuscarora GC in Marcellus)
- ☑ Saturday, 10-16: **LAOH Hooley** (more information to come)

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

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact **AOH Syracuse Division Catholic Action Committee Chairman David Kennedy @ (315) 637-3307**.

**AOH winter jackets, light-weight pull-overs, shirts, etc. are available for purchase.** Please contact Dan Case via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail [fenian@twcny.rr.com] for more information.

**Please pay your AOH membership dues as soon as possible** (\$35 for members age 60 and younger; \$25 for members age 60+; \$40 for new members — due at swearing-in ceremony w/ completed application). Please see Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern at the next meeting or send a check to our PO Box (listed on this newsletter).

For **Syracuse Gaelic Football team** info, contact Brian Fitzpatrick @ (315) 488-1614 or Mike O'Connor @ (315) 422-7393. Practices are held at noon on Sundays and at 6:00 pm on Wednesdays at King's Park (Town of Onondaga). Upcoming games:  
» TBD

#### 2004 AOH Syracuse Division Officers...

- ☑ Division (and NYS) Chaplain: *Father John Ahern*
- ☑ President: *Pat Ahern*
- ☑ Vice-President: *Frank Corcoran*
- ☑ Recording Secretary: *Jerry Cregan*
- ☑ Financial Secretary: *Kevin Ahern*
- ☑ Treasurer: *Dan Case*
- ☑ Chairman of the Standing Committee: *Jim Hartigan*
- ☑ Marshal: *Terence Maddison*
- ☑ Sentinel: *Kevin Shanahan*

#### Web sites of interest...

- ☑ **AOH Syracuse Division:** [www.syraoh.com](http://www.syraoh.com)
- ☑ NYS AOH: [www.nyaoh.com](http://www.nyaoh.com)
- ☑ National AOH: [www.aoh.com](http://www.aoh.com)
- ☑ IACI of CNY: [www.iaci-usa.org/cnychapter.html](http://www.iaci-usa.org/cnychapter.html)
- ☑ Irish Republican Media site: [www.irishrepublicanmedia.com](http://www.irishrepublicanmedia.com)
- ☑ Irish news: [www.nuzhound.com](http://www.nuzhound.com)
- ☑ Irish-American Information Service: [iais.org](http://iais.org)
- ☑ Irish-American Heritage Museum: [www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org](http://www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org)
- ☑ Cavan County, Ireland Museum: [www.cavanmuseum.ie](http://www.cavanmuseum.ie)
- ☑ Irish literature: [www.ucc.ie/celt](http://www.ucc.ie/celt)
- ☑ Irish architecture: [www.irish-architecture.com](http://www.irish-architecture.com)
- ☑ Irish scenic tours: [www.belfastcabtours.com](http://www.belfastcabtours.com)
- ☑ Irish foods/recipes: [www.foodireland.com](http://www.foodireland.com)

## LADIES AOH (LAOH) NEWS



- ☑ **NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting of the LAOH will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at the Taunton Presbyterian Church (4326 Fay Road in Taunton).
- ☑ **OTHER NEWS:** Our Nominating Committee for the 2005 term consists of Rosemary Koppel, Shannon Hunter, and Terri Davis. Please remember that ALL offices are open. By now, most of you have probably heard Ginny Justian will not be seeking another term. Our Hooley October 16<sup>th</sup>, is with the Kilbrannans. One-half of the profits will go to Project Children. Shannon Hunter will let us know all the final details. Plans for an LAOH Irish-Celtic Cookbook are underway. It will be available for purchase. Please bring your favorite Irish recipe to the next meeting or contact Ginny Justian @ (315) 622-1705, Maryanne Manley @ (315) 695-1705, or Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116 for more information.
- ☑ **NOTE FROM PRESIDENT GINNY JUSTIAN:** "I thank you so much for being able to serve the last 4 years and have learned so much about my IRISH HERITAGE. I'm glad I was able to: bring back the Bylaws, Robert's Rules of Order, the Nominating Committee, the St. Brigid's Feast Day Mass and breakfast, increase membership, get us a booth at the Celtic Festival, and sponsor some Hooleys."
- ☑ **AUGUST FOLLOW-UP:** The Scottish Games & Celtic Festival was a great success. Thanks to all who contributed and special thanks to those who spent all day Saturday being there so we could have one of our biggest fund raisers be so successful. Super special thanks to Peggy Reynolds' grandkids, Amber and Katie Wieszczynski, for spending all day face painting — our biggest profit-maker. They have even volunteered to come back next year!! Our prayers and sympathy are with the family of Florence Nieciecki on the passing away of her brother-in-law.
- ☑ **JUNIOR DIVISION:** Please contact Mary Lou Trait @ (315) 476-7682 if you know of any girls between the ages of 6-16 who would like to join our newly-formed LAOH Junior Division.
- ☑ **CONTACT:** Please contact LAOH Syracuse Division President Ginny Justian via e-mail [rayorginny@aol.com] or phone [(315) 622-1705] with questions/info.
- ☑ **DUES:** LAOH membership dues should be paid as soon as possible. Please send a \$20 check (payable to LAOH Division #1) to:  
Financial Secretary, Florence Nieciecki  
1173 Bellevue Ave. Syracuse, NY 13204  
If you're having trouble with payment, PLEASE contact Florence as soon as possible @ (315) 478-6799
- ☑ **"BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9:00 pm - Midnight (WCNY-FM, 91.3 in Syracuse)
- ☑ **IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...**
  - ☑ **Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant:** 301 W. Fayette St., Syracuse (315) 424-1974 [www.kittyhoynes.com](http://www.kittyhoynes.com) (music is from 9:00 pm - 1:00 am)
    - ☐ Saturday, 9-4: *Dave Anthony*
    - ☐ Friday, 9-10 and Saturday, 9-11: *Syracuse Irish Festival*
    - ☐ Friday, 9-17: *Donal O'Shaughnessy*
    - ☐ Saturday, 9-18: *Seanaché*
    - ☐ Friday, 9-24 and Saturday, 9-25: *Dave Anthony*
  - ☑ **Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub:** 100 S. Lowell Ave., Syracuse (315) 476-1933 [www.colemansirishpub.com](http://www.colemansirishpub.com) (Sunday music is from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm; Other days, music is from 10:00 pm - 1:30 am)
    - ☐ Sunday, 9-5: *Pat Kane*
    - ☐ Sunday, 9-12: *Donal O'Shaughnessy*
    - ☐ Sunday, 9-19: *Flyin' Column*
    - ☐ Sunday, 9-26: *Dave Anthony*
  - ☑ **Syracuse Irish Music Session:**
    - ☐ 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month: *Half Penny Pub (4:00 pm - 7:00 pm)*  
(315) 478-3091 321 W. Fayette St., Syracuse
    - ☐ 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month: *Johnston's BallyBay Bar (4:00 pm - 7:00 pm)*  
(315) 423-8021 550 Richmond Ave., Syracuse