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



...By Dan Case, Division President

Dear Brothers.

- Well, as expected, many Brothers showed up to volunteer at the recent Scottish Games & Celtic Festival. A GREAT time was had by all and this event showed how strong a Division we are. These things do not go unnoticed by our community or the State or National AOH -- we will continue to make sure of that !! For those that attended the Games and gave of their time, I thank you very much. A special thanks goes to Joe Schiltz for once-again organizing and orchestrating our participation !! Keep in mind, that at the Syracuse Irish Festival, we will need as many, if not more, helpers to make this event a success. Please call Joe @ (315) 468-1832 if you can help out at this great event.
- ☑ Thanks goes to the following AOH Syracuse Division members for organizing the recent NYS AOH Golf Tournament: Bob Bunce, Tom Rogers, Bob Rogers, Dave Lynch, Kieran Delay, and Tom Burke (who made the flags) and to the many other volunteers!! The event was extremely fun and successful!!
- A question was asked of me concerning the photo of myself and the Prime Minister of Ireland that was FINALLY printed in the National Hibernian Digest. The question was what was the gift the Syracuse Division presented to the Prime Minister? I must have forgotten to tell the membership that we gave him a Rosewood pen and pencil set inscribed with the text "FROM AOH DIV. #2, SYRACUSE NY, IRELAND FOREVER". This gift was of no cost to the Division.
- As mentioned at the last meeting concerning sending an e-mail message or letter to Congressman (and Brother) Jim Walsh if you have not already done so, please inform him of your appreciation of his work in bringing about a peaceful solution to the crisis in Northern Ireland. A letter was sent by the Division to the Congressman, but it would be nice for him to get personal words of encouragement and thanks.
- ☑ Congratulations and thanks go to AOH Syracuse Division Standing Committee Chairman Jim Hartigan and his helpers for their tireless efforts in updating our membership contact list. Please note that this information is ONLY used to contact members regarding events and news between monthly Division meetings. If you have not yet been asked by Jim and his team, please contact him via phone [(315) 487-6298] or email [jhatig@twcny.rr.com] and provide him with your updated information.
- ☑ AOH t-shirts should be available before the Syracuse Irish Festival. It would be nice to see us all in our t-shirts for this event. If you're interested in purchasing a t-shirt, please contact AOH Syracuse Division Catholic Action Committee Chairman David Kennedy via phone [(315) 637-3307] or e-mail [dkenn@twcny.rr.com]. Those working at the event are required to wear a hat per Health Department regulations.
- ☑ Join me in welcoming our newest AOH Syracuse Division members, J. Craig Collins and Joseph Balderic, who were sworn in at the August Division meeting. Welcome gentlemen !!. As always, we're seeking new members.
- ☑ As always, as your Division President, I am as close as an email message or a phone call if you have ANYTHING you wish to discuss.

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity,



AOH DIVISION MEETING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th @ 7:00 pm

PJ Dorsey's (116 Walton Street in Syracuse)

For details, contact Dan Case: (315) 638-2285 or fenian@twcny.rr.com

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are encouraged to provide their current street address, telephone number, and email address (if available) to Financial Secretary Tim Collins via phone [(315) 469-5810] or e-mail [seamus33@msn.com].

Formal nominations for 2006 AOH Syracuse Division Officers will be held at the Sunday, October 2nd Division meeting. The election of Officers will be held at the Sunday, November 6th Division meeting. If you're interested in running for an office. please contact Committee Chairman Ron Clare @ (315) 468-1892 for more info.

The AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2006 AOH/LAOH Officer Installation Dinner will be held on Sunday, December 11th starting at 2:00 pm at PJ Dorsey's Restaurant. A cocktail hour and buffet dinner are planned. Admission to this event is free for members in good standing and guest tickets are \$20.

AOH Syracuse Division member Jack Kincella is seeking a buyer for two round-trip tickets (\$1,206) to Ireland on Aer Lingus (from Boston to Dublin). The tickets are valid through September 2006. Jack is not able to travel due to a medical condition. If you're interested, please contact Jack via phone [(315) 488-2859] or e-mail [mkincella@aol.com] for more information.

The Central New York Irish American Cultural Institute (CNY IACI) invites the public to their next monthly presentation of "Irish Food & Thought", which will be held at PJ Dorsey's Restaurant on Friday, September 23rd starting at 6:30 pm (social). Dinner will follow at 7:00 pm, the presentation at 7:45 pm, and music at 9:00 pm. Drew Ellis, a US Civil War reenactment enthusiast, will present a program on the Irish in the Civil War and the Fenian Invasion of Canada. Music will follow. The cost will be \$20 for the presentation and dinner or \$10 for the presentation only. Please contact Mary K. Gillis via phone [(315) 488-8749] or e-mail [eahd92@juno.com] to make reservations and/or for more info.

The Tom Dooley Choraliers are seeking new members. The Choraliers are a group of men who have been singing to promote Irish culture for over forty years. They have performed at many locations, including various Syracuse-area churches and public events, as well as in St. Louis, Dublin, Toronto, Washington DC, and many other cities. Rehearsals (starting in September) will be held on Wednesday nights at 7:30 pm at the Camillus Town Court Room (across from the Fairmount Fire Department). If you like to sing and want to become a part of this group, please call fellow AOH Syracuse Division members Jim Henson @ (315) 468-6131 or Robert Doyle @ (315) 487-0024.

NOTE: AN AOH SHAMROCK DEGREE CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND DIVISION MEETING !!

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



Dates to remember...

☑ Friday, 9-9 and Saturday 9-10: Syracuse Irish Festival (Clinton Square in Downtown Syracuse) www.syracuseirishfestival.com

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 via phone [(315) 637-3307] or e-mail [dkenn@twcny.rr.com].

AOH winter jackets, light-weight pull-overs, shirts, etc. are available. Please contact David Kennedy via phone [(315) 637-3307] or e-mail [dkenn@twcny.rr.com] for more info.

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 along with completed application). Please see Financial Secretary Tim Collins at the next meeting or send a check to our PO Box (listed on this newsletter).

For Syracuse Gaelic Football team information, please contact 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).

2005 AOH Syracuse Division Officers ...

- Division Chaplain: Aaron Tripp
- President: Dan Case
- Vice-President: Frank Corcoran
- Recording Secretary: Jerry Cregan
- Financial Secretary: Tim Collins Treasurer: Kevin Shanahan ☑
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- Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Hartigan
- Marshal: Terry Maddison
- Sentinel: Craig Quinn

Web sites of interest...

- AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com
- NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com
- National AOH: www.aoh.com
- IACI of CNY: www.iaci-usa.org/cnychapter.html
- M Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- Irish news: www.nuzhound.com M
- Irish-American Information Service: iais.org
- Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- Irish literature: www.ucc.ie/celt
- Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com

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<u>NEXT MEETING:</u> The next meeting of the LAOH will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 8^{th} at the Taunton Presbyterian Church

(4326 Fay Road in Taunton). SCOTTISH GAMES & CELTIC FESTIVAL: Our booth next to the AOH to increase awareness of Hibernianism was a good choice -- thanks to Dan Case. There were fewer people at the Games this year, but we came out with about the same profit. The only problem we had was a shortage of volunteers. The volunteers worked well together, but were

exhausted. We definitely have to have time slots in the future. <u>IRISH FESTIVAL IN SEPTEMBER</u>: The AOH Syracuse Division is looking for volunteers at their tent. Please call Joe Schiltz @ (315) 468-1832 if you can help out at this great event.

CELTIĆ COOKBOOK: All LAOH members and AOH wives are encouraged to send in their Irish recipes. Please contact Chairperson Maryanne Manley @ (315) 695-1217. We would like to publish our Irish Cookbook for Christmas. Let's all work together on this for the good of the Hibernians!! Committee members include Kathleen Richardson, Eileen Tickner, and Maureen O'Hara.

CONTACT: Please contact LAOH Syracuse Division President Peggy Reynolds via phone [(315) 476-5246], e-mail [rayorginny@aol.com], or USPS [1700 W. Onondaga Street Syracuse, NY 13204] with

questions/suggestions/information/comments.

<u>DUES</u>: 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

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 (Syracuse WCNY 91.3/Utica WUNY 89.5/Watertown WJNY 90.9)

SEAN HENNESSEY'S (OF THE WATERTOWN DIVISION) RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 11:00 am - Noon (Watertown WATN 1240) - Irish music/interviews

IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...

Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant: 301 West Fayette St. in Syracuse (315) 424-1974 www.kittyhoynes.com (music is from 9:00 pm - 1:00 am)

- Friday, 9-9: The Mcabes Saturday, 9-10: Pat Kane Friday, 9-16: Raathkeltair

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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)
Sunday, 9-4: Pat Kane
Sunday, 9-11: TBD
Sunday, 9-18: Donal O'Shaughnessy
Sunday, 9-25: Flyin' Column
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: Johnston's Bally Bay Bar (4:00 pm - 7:00 pm) (315) 423-8021 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse

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