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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...By Dan Case,
Division President

Dear Brothers,

- ☑ I, AOH Syracuse Division Vice President Steve Leyden, am pinch-hitting for President Dan Case this month because of his recent surgery. I'm happy to report that Dan came through the operation with flying colors and is well on his way to recovery! Please keep him in your prayers. You can send Dan a greeting via e-mail (fenian@twcny.rr.com).
- ☑ Thanks to all who volunteered and made the Scottish Games & Celtic Festival such a success, especially Joe Schiltz, who managed the entire event terrifically, as he's done for years!
- ☑ **The Syracuse Irish Festival is just around the corner! We need volunteers before, during, and after the event. The Festival runs from 5:00 pm on Friday, September 5th until 11:30 pm on Saturday, September 6th. Set-up will be from Noon until 4:30 pm on Friday and clean-up will be from 11:30 pm on Saturday until we're done. Please register with one of the following AOH Syracuse Division members if you can lend a much-needed hand:**

Food booth:

- » **Geordy Austin: (315) 446-1153 / geordyo@gmail.com**
- » **Joe Schiltz: (315) 468-1832 / cuse44@twcny.rr.com**

Other duties:

- » **Frank Corcoran: (315) 474-1552 / corchart@cnyemail.com**

All registered volunteers will be fed well! Remember that "many hands make light work".

A very special Gaelic Language Mass will be held at 10:00 am on Saturday, September 6th at the Festival Main Stage (Clinton Square). The Celebrants will be Father Naos M^cCool and Father John Ahern. Don't forget to bring along your outdoor chairs! Please visit the Festival website (www.syracuseirishfestival.com) for additional information.

At the Festival, the AOH and the Festival Committee will be raffling off a trip to Ireland! The trip is for two people in April 2009 and the winning ticket will be pulled on Saturday night at the Festival. We will be selling tickets on Friday and Saturday during the Festival, but if anyone needs or wants tickets to sell before then, please contact AOH Syracuse Division member Bob Bunce @ (315) 488-0020.

- ☑ Please keep AOH Syracuse Division member Mike Lynch's family in your prayers. Mike's son Mick recently passed away.
- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division members Geordy Austin, John Freeman and I had the privilege of representing our Division as delegates to the 94th Biennial National AOH/LAOH Convention, which was held recently in New Orleans. We attended general business sessions and committee meetings. The highlight of our trip was a private brunch with Rita O'Hare, the General Secretary of Sinn Féin, who is also the Sinn Féin Representative to the United States. We were briefed on the current political situation in Northern Ireland and the prospects for unification. Thanks to AOH Syracuse Division member Frank Corcoran for arranging the brunch!
- ☑ If you have ANY questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to contact Dan Case via phone [(315) 638-2285] or e-mail [fenian@twcny.rr.com]. He's here to serve you!

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Dan

AOH DIVISION MEETING

🕒 **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th @ 7:00 pm**

PJ's Pub & Grill (116 Walton Street in Syracuse)

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

The AOH Syracuse Division is seeking volunteers for various duties at the Syracuse Irish Festival (Friday, September 5th and Saturday, September 6th)!

If you can lend a much-needed hand at the food booth, please contact:

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- » **Joe Schiltz: (315) 468-1832 / cuse44@twcny.rr.com**

If you can lend a much-needed hand for other duties, please contact:

- » **Frank Corcoran: (315) 474-1552 / corchart@cnyemail.com**

Nominations for 2009 AOH Syracuse Division Officers will be held at the Sunday, October 5th Division meeting. The election of Officers will be held at the Sunday, November 2nd 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.

AOH Syracuse Division member Joe M^cConnell is organizing the **36th annual AOH Pitch Tournament**, to be held on **Sunday, October 12th from 12:30 pm - 5:30 pm** at **Nibsy's Pub** (201 Ulster St. in Syracuse). The cost will be \$15 per man (\$30 per team). Payment must be received in advance to secure a table. Thirty-two teams will be the maximum for this tournament. Please contact Joe @ (315) 458-6488 for more information.

The **2nd annual Tipperary Hill Music Festival** will be held on **Saturday, September 20th from 11:00 am - 7:00 pm** in **Syracuse's Tipperary Hill neighborhood**. For event details and volunteer or sponsorship information, please visit the festival web site: www.tipperhillmusicfest.org

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 e-mail [kahern@twcny.rr.com] or phone [(315) 468-6338].

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.

NOTE: AN AOH SHAMROCK DEGREE CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5th 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 must 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.



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Dates to remember...

- ☑ Fri., 9-5 & Sat., 9-6: **2008 Syracuse Irish Festival** (Clinton Square in Downtown Syracuse - www.syracuseirishfestival.com)

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact AOH Syracuse Division Treasurer David Kennedy via home phone [(315) 637-3307], cell phone [(315) 569-3302], or e-mail [dkenn15@verizon.net].

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@gmail.com].

AOH apparel is available. Please contact AOH Syracuse Division Treasurer David Kennedy via home phone [(315) 637-3307], cell phone [(315) 569-3302], or e-mail [dkenn15@verizon.net].

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 Kevin Ahern at the next meeting or send a check to our P.O. Box (listed on this newsletter).

2008 AOH Syracuse Division Officers...

- ☑ President: *Dan Case*
- ☑ Vice-President: *Steve Leyden*
- ☑ Recording Secretary: *Jerry Cregan*
- ☑ Financial Secretary: *Kevin Ahern*
- ☑ Treasurer: *David Kennedy*
- ☑ Chairman of the Standing Committee: *Jim Egloff*
- ☑ Marshal: *Mike Cregan*
- ☑ Sentinel: *Scott Bowles*

Web sites of interest...

- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division: www.syraoh.com
- ☑ NYS AOH: www.nyaoh.com
- ☑ National AOH: www.aoh.com
- ☑ CNY IACI: www.syraoh.com/iaci/iaci.htm
- ☑ Syrac. St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatricksparade.org
- ☑ Irish Republican Media site: www.irishrepublicanmedia.com
- ☑ Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com
- ☑ Irish news: www.nuzhound.com
- ☑ Irish-American Information Service: iais.org
- ☑ Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irishamericanheritagemuseum.org
- ☑ Belfast cab tours: www.belfastcabtours.com
- ☑ Belfast bed & breakfast: www.tirnanogbelfastbandb.co.uk
- ☑ Irish literature: www.ucc.ie/celt
- ☑ Irish architecture: www.irish-architecture.com
- ☑ Irish foods/recipes: 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 11th at the Taunton Presbyterian Church (4326 Fay Road in Taunton). Please try to attend this important meeting. We will be providing a list of all members eligible for an office to be nominated in October.
- ☑ **SYRACUSE IRISH FESTIVAL:** If you haven't yet signed-up for a volunteer time slot, please call Eileen Tickner @ (315) 468-6203 or Anne Marie Ferguson @ (315) 468-0036. Last year was a great turnout and the green aprons looked super. The more people we have the less work for all!
- ☑ **NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** Please contact committee members Anne Marie Ferguson [(315) 468-0036], Maureen Fogarty [(315) 478-1096], or Rosemary Davenport [(315) 564-5174] if you're currently an Officer and want to remain in your current office, change to another office, or not run for office again, or you are not currently an Officer, but would like to become one. All offices are open! I want to thank you for letting me serve you for seven years as President, but I won't be seeking an office this year. My husband's health needs attention at this point in time, but I also believe it's necessary to have new people with new ideas, so we can grow as an organization. We certainly have the people to do it!
- ☑ **SCOTTISH GAMES & CELTIC FESTIVAL FOLLOW-UP:** The event was great! We sold-out our 200 scones. Our new 100-cup coffee urns made the coffee portion flow a lot more smoothly. The final financial tally isn't in yet, but I think the figures will be better than last year. The duck pond was a big hit with the kids - even the adults took chances! Everyone did a super job and we got the tents up and down with some help from Leslie's husband and the AOH.
- ☑ **SYMPATHY & GET-WELL CARDS:** Please contact Joyce Krichbaum @ (315) 699-5711 concerning any sick or recently deceased LAOH members.
- ☑ **LAOH FRIENDS & FAMILY COOKBOOK:** A great gift for only \$10! Please contact Maureen O'Hara @ (315) 478-7937, Kathleen Richardson @ (315) 672-5116, or Eileen Tickner @ (315) 468-6203 for information.
- ☑ **NEW MEMBERS?:** Please contact Joyce Krichbaum @ (315) 699-5711.
- ☑ **CONTACT:** Please contact LAOH Division President Ginny Justian via phone [(315) 622-1705], e-mail [rayorginny@aol.com], or USPS [238 Blackberry Road Liverpool, NY 13090] with questions/suggestions/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 Joyce Krichbaum, 5841 Reis Drive, Cicero, NY 13039* [If you're having trouble with payment, contact Joyce ASAP @ (315) 699-5711]
- ☑ **"BILL KNOWLTON'S BLUEGRASS RAMBLE" RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9 pm - Midnight (Syr. WCNY 91.3-FM/Utica WUNY 89.5-FM/Watertown WJNY 90.9)
- ☑ **SEAN HENNESSEY'S (OF THE WATERTOWN DIVISION) RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 11:00 am - Noon (Watertown WATN 1240-AM)
- ☑ **BOB WELSH'S IRISH RADIO SHOW (FROM AUBURN, NY):** Sundays, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm; listen on the Web (www.wdwn.fm); requests, call (315) 253-0449
- ☑ **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 pm - 1 am)
 - ☐ For the musical schedule, please visit the website or call the establishment
 - Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub:* 100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse (315) 476-1933 www.colemansirishpub.com (Sunday music is from 4 pm - 7 pm; Other days, music is from 10 pm - 1:30 am)
 - ☐ For the musical schedule, please visit the website or call the establishment
- Syracuse Irish Music Session:**
 - ☐ 1st Sunday of each month: *Nibsy's Pub* (4 pm - 7 pm) (315) 476-8423 201 Ulster St. in Syracuse
 - ☐ 3rd Sunday of each month: *Johnston's Bally Bay Bar* (4 pm - 7 pm) (315) 423-8021 550 Richmond Ave. in Syracuse