







» MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE SYRACUSE, N.Y. ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS: COMMODORE JOHN BARRY DIVISION #2 « kdelay@syraoh.com

PRESIDENT'S

...by Steve Leyden, **AOH Syracuse Division President**

Brothers,

Please note that our next meeting will be held on the second Sunday of September (the 11th) due to the Labor

Another busy time of year has started for our Division. On Saturday, August 13th, we participated in the CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival. The next day, we had the annual memorial Mass for deceased members.

Thanks go to Ron Clare, Kevin Mahoney, and their team of volunteers for once again organizing and managing the annual AOH Syracuse Division Family Golf Tournament, which was held on Saturday, August 20^{th} . As always, the event was fun and successful!

On Saturday, August 27th, we had a public reading of the Easter Proclamation and a summer picnic for members, families, and guests. The picnic was held at Ryder Park in Dewitt. Thanks to Geordy Austin and his team of volunteers for planning and running the event.

The Syracuse Irish Festival is scheduled for September 9th and 10th. The Elders will be the headlining band this year. They've drawn huge crowds in the past, so we should be able raise lots of money at our food tent — if the weather cooperates.

Our Division Treasurer, Tim Lillis, has raffle tickets for the Saturday, September 17th Yankees vs. Red Sox baseball game at Fenway Park. Please sell and buy as many tickets as possible for this big fundraiser. We've done well in past years and I'd like to see us break our record from last year. For more information, contact Tim [(315) 751-4181 / timothy.lillis@yahoo.com].

If you have information concerning sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact Brendan Sammon [(315) 673-4011]. Remember in your prayers Craig Collins, who is recuperating from a very serious automobile accident, Father Naos M^cCool, who suffered a severe stroke and returned to Dublin for rehabilitation, as well as our two Immediate Division Past Presidents -Dave Lynch and Dan Case — as they fight health issues. Pray also for members and their families who are privately fighting health issues, but wish to remain anonymous.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact me via e-mail [AOHSteve@gmail.com].

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Steve



AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION MEETING

☞② SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 <u>TH</u> @ 7:00 pm

Asil's Pub (220 Chapel Drive in Fairmount)

The AOH Syracuse Division is seeking volunteers for various duties at the Syracuse Irish Festival (Friday, September 9th and Saturday, September 10th in downtown Syracuse's Clinton Square). Our division serves as the festival's main workforce, and volunteers will be needed at the food tent, VIP tent, and backstage and other areas. If you can lend a much-needed hand, please contact...

[AOHSteve@gmail.com / (315) 727-7048]



☑ other duties: Vince Christian [bruin033@aol.com / (315) 569-5147]

You can visit the festival website [www.syracuseirishfestival.com] for other event information.

Nominations for 2017 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) 436-6431 / draperiesetcinc@yahoo.com] for more information.

AOH/LAOH SYRACUSE DIVISION MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO PROVIDE THEIR CURRENT STREET ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER, AND E-MAIL ADDRESS TO FINANCIAL **SECRETARY KEVIN AHERN**

[kevina78@hotmail.com / (315) 468-6338].



2016 AOH dues payments must be received by Saturday, December 31st, 2016 to avoid suspension of membership. Please see dues-related details in this newsletter for more information.

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 Steve Leyden [aohsteve@gmail.com].

If you have any AOH/LAOH information, photos, or memorabilia, please contact AOH Syracuse Division Historian Geordy Austin [geordya7@gmail.com / (315) 446-1153].

As information becomes available, events and activities are listed on the "Calendar of Events" page on our Division's website [www.syraoh.com].

MUSIC, OTHER INFO



- ☑ MEETINGS: held on the second Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 pm at Nibsy's Pub (201 Ulster St. in Syracuse)
- 🗹 DIVISION OFFICERS: President: Maureen Fogarty, Vice-President: Rosemary Koppel, Recording Secretary: Liz Thomas, Treasurer: Kathy Kelly, Irish Historian: Roxanne Compoli, Missions & Charities: Margie Miller, Catholic Action: Margaret LoPiccolo, Mistress-at-Arms: Ede Sakran, Sentinel: Yvette Guilfoil
- MEMBERSHIP DUES: 2016 dues are now payable; Make checks payable to 'LAOH' and send to Kathy Kelly, 5185 Boca Raton Way, Syracuse NY 13215
- ☑ SYMPATHY & GET WELL: If you have news of anyone who is sick or bereaved, please get in touch with Rosemary Koppel [(315) 487-5408]
- ☑ COMMENTS/QUESTIONS: Other comments or questions? Get in touch with Maureen Fogarty [(315) 478-1096 / fogarty.maureen@yahoo.com] MUSIC/OTHER INFO..
- ☑ BILL KNOWLTON'S 'BLUEGRASS RAMBLE' RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 9-12 am ET [Syracuse 91.3 FM / Utica 89.5 FM / Watertown 90.9 FM]
- ☑ SEAN JOHNSTON'S 'IRISH POWER HOUR' RADIO SHOW: Sundays, 9-10 pm ET [Syracuse TK99 FM / Utica WOUR 96.9 FM / www.irishpowerhour.com]
- ☑ 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 4-7 pm [100 South Lowell Ave. in Syracuse / www.colemansirishpub.com / (315) 476-1933]
 - Irish music session: 1st & 3rd Sundays of month (4-7 pm): J. Ryan's Pub [253 East Water St. in Syracuse / (315) 399-5533] / 2nd & 4th Saturdays of month (2-5 pm):
- ☑ THE TOM DOOLEY CHORALIERS GROUP IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS FROM ALL VOICE RANGES. The Choraliers are a group of men who've been singing to promote Irish culture since 1962. For more info, please contact them [ellis_drew@hotmail.com].
- 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 info, please contact Geordy Austin [geordya7@gmail.com / (315) 446-1153].
- ☑ THE SYRACUSE KILTIE PIPE BAND IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS. For more info, please contact Steve Roesch [mhrad07@twcny.rr.com / (315) 558-9774].
- ☑ 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 info, please contact them [cnychapteriaci@gmail.com].
- THE SYRACUSE GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB IS SEEKING PLAYERS. For more info, please contact Sean Rooney [seanyrooney@gmail.com].



DATES TO REMEMBER...

- Friday/Saturday, September 9th/10th: Syracuse Irish Festival [Clinton Square in Downtown Syracuse / www.syracuseirishfestival.com]
- December: Syracuse Media Group's 'Old Newsboys' fundraiser [various locations throughout CNY] (details/dates coming soon)

 December: AOH Syracuse Division Christmas Party/2017 Officer Installation Dinner (details/date coming soon)
- Saturday, March 11th at Noon: 35th annual Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade [Salina St. in Downtown Syracuse / www.syracusestpatricksparade.org] Wednesday, July 12th → Saturday, July 15th: 2017 AOH/LAOH NYS Convention [Adam's Mark Hotel in Buffalo, NY www.nyaoh.com]
- Wed., July 11th \rightarrow Sat., July 14th, 2018: 2018 AOH/LAOH National Convention [Louisville, KY / www.louisvilleirish.com/2018-national-convention]

Please pay your 2016 AOH membership dues as soon as possible (\$30 for members age 60+; \$40 for members age 59 and younger; \$45 for new members -- due at swearing-in ceremony, along with completed application). As of January 1st,

- 2017, dues will be:

 ✓ \$40 for existing members age 60+
- \$50 for existing members age 59 and younger \$45 initial fee for new members age 60+

\$55 initial fee for new members age 59 and younger See Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern or send a check to our P.O. Box (listed on this newsletter).

2016 AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION OFFICERS...

- **☑**
- Vice-President: Dick Sheeran Recording Secretary: Dan Holleran Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern Treasurer: Tim Lillis
- Chairman of the Standing Committee: Jim Egloff Marshal: John Lyons
- Sentinel: Ryan Casler
- Chaplain: Father John Ahern President: Steve Leyden

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WEB SITES OF INTEREST...

- \square National Hibernian Digest: www.hiberniandigest.com
- CNY Irish Cultural Soc. (CNYICS): www.syraoh.com/ics_of_cny/ics_of_cny
- CNY Chapter of the Irish American Cultural Institute: www.cnyirish.org Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatricksparade.org
- 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
- $\overline{\mathbf{v}}$ 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
- AOH Syracuse Division e-mail: kdelay@syraoh.com