



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...by Michael Lehmann,
AOH Syracuse Division President

Brothers,

I wish you and yours happy holidays and a wonderful winter! Please keep safe and healthy, and keep loved ones of yours and of our brothers in your thoughts and prayers. I'm looking forward to another year of progress, success, and good times with my fellow Hibernians!

The next division meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, January 3rd, in the Hemlock Room of the Marriott Syracuse Downtown.

Special thanks go to AOH Syracuse Division members Dan Walsh and Tom Burke and their team of volunteers for their great work on this year's 'Old Newsboys' newspaper sales fundraiser! According to Dan, this year's campaign went very well, and had a decent turnout. Dan would thank all those who came out on Friday and Saturday, because the success of the event depends directly on the number of volunteers. At the January Division meeting, Dan will announce this year's total Team AOH contribution.

The AOH Syracuse Division's Holiday Party will be held in the Persian Terrace room of the Marriott Syracuse Downtown. Here are the details:

- Date: Friday, January 13th
- Time:
 - Cocktail reception: 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
 - Dinner: 6:00 pm
- Entertainment will include a band (The Stoutmen) and Irish dancers.
- Total cost for dinner & entertainment: \$50/adult or \$15/child (please make checks payable to 'AOH Syracuse Division')
- **RSVP by Wednesday, December 28th. Tickets will NOT be sold after the RSVP date and will NOT be sold at the door.**
- Hotel room cost: \$129/night (make room reservations directly with the hotel). Cut-off date is Tuesday, December 20th.
- Adult dinner menu:
 - Rolls
 - Baby green salad - with grape tomato, radish, and red wine vinaigrette
 - Duet plate of beef sirloin and roasted chicken breast
 - Roasted vegetables
 - Mashed potatoes
 - Apple pie ala mode
 - Coffee service: regular, decaf and assorted teas
- The following options will be available:
 - Kid's meal (chicken fingers and French fries)
 - Vegetarian (eggplant parmesan, served with pasta)
 - Gluten-free

When making reservations, please specify adult or child and if vegetarian or gluten-free options are needed.

- **To make reservations or for additional event information, please contact Tim Lillis [(315) 751-4181 / Timothy.lillis@yahoo.com].**
- Also, don't forget that we're seeking donations for the 'Basket of Cheer' raffle! Anyone who can donate a bottle of wine, liquor, lottery tickets, etc. — from their family, friends, favorite bar or liquor store. Donations can also be brought to the next division meeting.

If you have any questions, comments, ideas, suggestions, or concerns, please contact me (lehmann.michael.a@gmail.com).

Yours in Friendship, Unity, & Christian Charity, Michael

AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD @ 7:00 PM

Marriott Syracuse Downtown

For info, contact Michael Lehmann: lehmann.michael.a@gmail.com

AOH merchandise is once again available through Friday, January 20th, via the following website:

<https://papasteamstores.com/product-category/aoh>

Delivery is anticipated for mid-February, in plenty of time for the St. Patrick's Parade on Saturday, March 11th. Please contact Kevin Tooley if you have any questions:

- ☑ email: ktooley@twcny.rr.com
- ☑ phone: (315) 398-9217

AOH members who pay their 2023 dues by Tuesday, February 28th, 2023 will have their names entered into the 'Early Bird' drawing. The drawing winner will have his 2024 dues paid by the Division.

AOH/LAOH Syracuse Division members are asked to provide any changes to their email address, phone number, or home address to Financial Secretary Kevin Ahern:

- ☑ email: kevina78@hotmail.com
- ☑ phone: (315) 468-6338

If you have information about sick or recently deceased AOH members, please contact Bob Bunce:

- ☑ email: rbunce@icscomplete.com
- ☑ phone: (315) 546-6045

Just a reminder that our division accepts payments via the secure PayPal online service. You can register for a free PayPal account and use it on your laptop/desktop or phone (with the free app), and once you've established a PayPal account, you can send your payment to aoh.syracuse@gmail.com, which is our Division's account. In your transaction details, please list the purpose of your payment (including the year you're paying for, if dues-related).

Please contact AOH Syracuse Division Historian Geordy Austin if you have any AOH/LAOH information, photos, or memorabilia:

- ☑ email: geordya7@gmail.com
- ☑ phone: (315) 446-1153

Mike Roche and Dick Gosson are again organizing the annual AOH Syracuse Division Family & Friends Golf Tournament. More event details will be provided as they become available.



LAOH

- ☑ **MEETINGS:** held on the second Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 pm at Nibsy's Pub (201 Ulster St. in Syracuse)
- ☑ **DIVISION OFFICERS:** President: —, Vice-President: Maureen Fogarty, Recording Secretary: Maureen M. Ferguson, Treasurer/Financial Secretary: Kathy Kelly, Irish Historian: Hope Cuddahee; Missions & Charities Chair: Margie Miller, Catholic Action Chair: Liz Thomas, Mistress-at-Arms: Ede Sakran, Sentinel: Yvette Guilfoil
- ☑ **MEMBERSHIP DUES:** Don't forget to pay your yearly dues; Make checks payable to 'LAOH' and send to Kathy Kelly, 5185 Boca Raton Way, Syracuse NY 13215
- ☑ **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:** If you have comments or questions, contact Maureen Fogarty - (315) 478-1096 / fogarty.maureen@yahoo.com

MUSIC & OTHER INFO

- ☑ **BILL KNOWLTON'S 'BLUEGRASS RAMBLE' RADIO SHOW:** Sundays, 9 pm to 12 am (Syracuse 91.3 FM / Utica 89.5 FM / Watertown 90.9 FM)
- ☑ **THE TOM DOOLEY CHORALERS GROUP IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS.** The Choralers are seeking men who love to sing the popular songs of Ireland, and have been singing to promote Irish culture since 1962. Read Music? Awesome! Don't read Music? No problem! All their music is both printed and available with sing-along parts (learn by rote). Please visit www.choraliers.com for more information.
- ☑ **PADDY'S HOME AND PUB PODCAST:** www.paddyspodcast.com
- ☑ **LIVE IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT...**
 - **Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant:** usually 9 pm to 1 am (301 W. Fayette St. in Syracuse / www.kittyhoynes.com / (315) 424-1974)
 - **Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub:** Sundays — 4 pm to 7 pm (100 S. Lowell Ave. in Syracuse / www.colemansirishpub.com / (315) 476-1933)
- ☑ **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 area. They're on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/cnyics). For more information, contact Geordy Austin (geordya7@gmail.com / (315) 446-1153).
- ☑ **THE SYRACUSE KILTIE PIPE BAND IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS.** For more information, contact Steve Roesch (mhrad07@twcnny.rr.com / (315) 558-9774).
- ☑ **THE SYRACUSE GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB IS SEEKING PLAYERS.** For more information, contact Sean Rooney (seanyrooney@gmail.com).
- ☑ **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, visit their website (www.cnyirish317.org).

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ☑ **Projected 2023 AOH Syracuse Division meeting dates (please note that all dates are Tuesdays, unless otherwise noted, and that the meetings will start at 7:00 pm):** **January 3rd**
- ☑ **Friday, January 13th, starting at 5:00 pm: AOH Syracuse Division Holiday Party** (Marriott Syracuse Downtown)
- ☑ **Saturday, March 11th at Noon: 2023 Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade** (Salina St. in Downtown Syracuse / www.syracusestpatricksparade.org)
- ☑ **Wednesday, July 12th → Sun., July 16th: 2023 AOH NYS Convention** (Binghamton, NY / www.2023nysaohconvention.com)

Please pay your AOH Syracuse Division membership dues as soon as possible. Dues are as follows:

- ☑ \$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 in person, pay via PayPal online payment service (aoh.syracuse@gmail.com), or send a check to:
- Ancient Order of Hibernians
Commodore John Barry Division
P.O. Box 11605
Syracuse, N.Y. 13218-1605

2022 AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION OFFICERS

- ☑ Chaplain: Father Tom Ward
- ☑ President: Michael Lehmann / lehmann.michael.a@gmail.com
- ☑ Vice-President: Phil O'Neil / poneil5@twcnny.rr.com
- ☑ Recording Secretary: Bill Ryan / bill13039@yahoo.com
- ☑ Financial Secretary: Kevin Ahern / kevin78@hotmail.com
- ☑ Treasurer: Tim Lillis / timothy.lillis@yahoo.com
- ☑ Chairman of the Standing Committee: Troy Murray / trizzle315@gmail.com
- ☑ Marshal: John Lyons / jlyons@lan-co.com
- ☑ Sentinel: Mike Roche / sienamike@aol.com

SITES OF INTEREST

- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division website: www.syraoh.com
- ☑ AOH Syracuse Facebook page: www.facebook.com/aoh.syracuse
- ☑ AOH NYS: www.nyaoh.com
- ☑ AOH National: www.aoh.com
- ☑ National Hibernian Digest: www.hiberniandigest.com
- ☑ CNY Irish Cultural Society (CNYICS): www.syraoh.com/ics_of_cny/ics_of_cny
- ☑ CNY Chapter of the Irish American Cultural Institute: www.cnyirish317.org
- ☑ Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade: www.syracusestpatricksparade.org
- ☑ IrishCentral news site: www.irishcentral.com
- ☑ Irish Family History Foundation: www.rootsireland.ie
- ☑ Irish Republican Book Shop: www.republicanbookshop.com
- ☑ Irish Echo online: www.irishecho.com
- ☑ Irish-American Heritage Museum: www.irish-us.org
- ☑ Irish foods/recipes: www.foodireland.com

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