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

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...by Phil O'Neil,
AOH Syracuse Division President

Brothers,

The June 14th division golf outing at Tanner Valley was a tremendous success. We welcomed 31 foursomes, with the 124 players comprised of AOH members, four LAOH members, as well as family and friends.

Supporting the outing were 28 hole sponsors from a wide variety of businesses and individuals. Also chipping in to make the event a success were a roster of 50 friends, families, and businesses donating prizes that allowed everyone attending to receive a door prize.

There was also a raffle for items ranging in value from \$100 to \$400. Thanks to all who supported this year's outing. A number of Brothers helped with registration, sold raffle tickets, and/or assisted in other ways. Special thanks go to Chris Kane and Jim Egloff for heading-up the event committee. Also, the Division is thankful for Mike Roche's and Dick Gosson's years of running the event. Both gentlemen were a great help as they handed off their responsibilities to Chris and Jim.

Ticket sales for the \$15,000 '300 Raffle' continue! Don't be left out! This fundraiser has allowed our division to expand our Catholic school scholarship program to include elementary schools in Central New York. These schools are Blessed Sacrament in Syracuse, Holy Cross in Dewitt, Holy Family in Fairmount, Immaculate Conception in Fayetteville, Most Holy Rosary in Syracuse, St. Mary's Academy in Baldwinsville, St. Rose of Lima in North Syracuse, and All Saints in Syracuse (Tipp Hill).

A reminder that the Scottish Games & Celtic Festival will be held on August 8th at Long Branch Park in Liverpool, from 9 am – 8 pm. Twenty volunteers are needed to work our division's food concession stand. If you can volunteer all day or even two or three hours, that would be greatly appreciated!

The CNY Irish Cultural Society has monthly social gatherings planned for members and friends for the craic and conversation. The gatherings are held on the second Friday of each month at Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub, starting around 4:00 pm.

If you have any questions, comments, ideas, suggestions, or concerns, please contact me: theoneilgroup@gmail.com

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

AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4TH @ 7:00 PM

Marriott Syracuse Downtown

For info, contact Phil O'Neil: theoneilgroup@gmail.com

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

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

Also, if you've served in the US Military, but your membership card does not display 'VETERAN' on it, please contact Kevin to have your card updated.

Just a reminder that our division accepts payments via **PayPal or Venmo**. You can register for a free account on either platform and use it on your laptop/desktop or phone (with the free app). Once you've established an account, you can send your payment to our Division account:

- ☑ PayPal: AOH-Syracuse@gmail.com
- ☑ Venmo: @AOH-Syracuse-1

In your transaction details, please list the purpose of your payment (including the year that you're paying for, if dues-related). AOH Syracuse Division member Sean Conway has volunteered to help members set-up their PayPal accounts. Sean is available during the week (after 5:00 pm) or on the weekends, and his contact information is:

- ☑ email: sconway8675309@gmail.com
- ☑ phone: 315-243-0962

You can access the **AOH apparel website** (from Papa's Sports) via this URL/link:

https://www.papas-sports.com/ancient_order_of_hibernians

Please note that...

- ☑ Any orders in the queue at the end of each month will be produced and delivered in approximately 2-3 weeks.
- ☑ A shipping fee of \$10 will be charged to any members choosing to have their order shipped to their home address.
- ☑ Those choosing 'pick up my order' will be able to pick up their items at the next monthly meeting or can contact OH Syracuse Division member Kevin Tooley and pick up at his home.

For questions or more information, please contact Kevin via:

- ☑ email: ktooley@twcnny.rr.com
- ☑ phone: 315-398-9217

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

- ☑ email: robertbunce2807@gmail.com
- ☑ phone: 315-546-6045



LAOH

- ☑ **MEETINGS:** held on the second Tuesday of each month @ 7 pm at Nibsy's Pub (201 Ulster St. in Syracuse)
- ☑ **DIVISION OFFICERS:** Maureen Fogarty, President; Maureen Mullally Ferguson, Vice President; Kathryn Kelly, Treasurer; Jennifer Barclay, Financial Secretary; Eileen Tickner, Recording Secretary; Margie Miller, Missions and Charities Officer; Hope Cuddahee, Irish Historian; Liz Thomas, Catholic Action Officer; Kathleen Kenny, Mistress at Arms; Leslie Walker, Sentinel
- ☑ **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 midnight (Syracuse 91.3 FM | Utica 89.5 FM | Watertown 90.9 FM)
- ☑ **THE SYRACUSE KILTIE PIPE BAND IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS.** For more information, contact Dan Walsh (dwalsh0817@hotmail.com).
- ☑ **THE TOM DOOLEY CHORALIERS GROUP IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS.** The Choraliers have been singing to promote Irish culture since 1962, and are seeking men who love to sing the popular songs of Ireland. 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.
- ☑ **LIVE IRISH MUSIC CAN BE HEARD AT Kitty Hoynes Irish Pub & Restaurant:** 301 W. Fayette St. in Syracuse | www.kittyhoynes.com | 315-424-1974

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ☑ **2026 AOH Syracuse Division meeting dates (please note that all meetings will be held on Tuesdays at 7 pm, unless otherwise noted): August 4th**
- ☑ **Friday, July 10th at 4 pm: CNY Irish Cultural Society monthly social gathering** | Coleman's Authentic Irish Pub
- ☑ **Wednesday, July 15th → Sunday, July 19th: 2026 AOH National Convention** | Omaha, NE | <https://omahairish2026.com>
- ☑ **Saturday, August 8th: CNY Scottish Games & Celtic Festival** | Long Branch Park in Liverpool, NY | www.cnyscottishgames.org
- ☑ **Friday & Saturday, September 11th & 12th: Syracuse Irish Festival** | Clinton Square in Syracuse | www.syracuseirishfestival.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 or Venmo online payment services, or send a check to:
- Ancient Order of Hibernians
Commodore John Barry Division
P.O. Box 11605
Syracuse, N.Y. 13218-1605*

2026 AOH SYRACUSE DIVISION OFFICERS

- ☑ Chaplain: Deacon Bernie Feldman
- ☑ President: Phil O'Neil / theoneilgroup@gmail.com
- ☑ Vice-President: Ed Riley / watfrder@msn.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: Kevin Tooley / ktooley@twcny.rr.com

SITES OF INTEREST

- ☑ AOH Syracuse Division website: www.syraoh.com
- ☑ AOH apparel website: www.papas-sports.com/ancient_order_of_hibernians/
- ☑ 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 (CNY ICS): www.cnyicssyracuse.wixsite.com/cnyics
- ☑ 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).