

HIBERNIAN NEWSLETTER

AOH SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ

ST. PATRICK DIVISION 1

December 2025

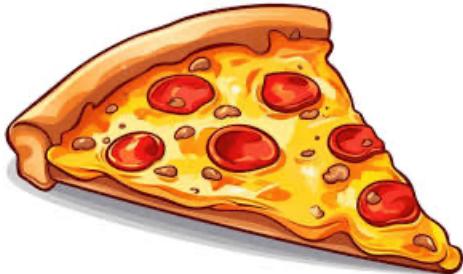


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Regular AOH Meeting

Our next regular meeting will be held on **Tuesday, December 16th** at 8pm at the KOC Hall on E Main Street in Somerville. As usual we will have complimentary beer, wine, and soda available after the meeting. This meeting will include free **pizza** to celebrate our new slate of officers.

Knights of Columbus Hall
495 E. Main Street
Somerville, NJ



Attendance Raffle

The AOH attendance fee was at **\$934** at the end of the November meeting and will grow at the December meeting. You have to be present to win it, so make an effort and you may go home with a load of dough.



As mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter, the Seisiun on Sunday November 23rd at the Hall was a great time. Special thanks to Tommy Burns for coordinating, Pat Mannion for supplying the great raffle prizes and all the others that helped out. Lots of food was collected for our Thanksgiving food drive in addition to the great music. That was followed up by our food for the needy distribution activities at the Hall on Monday November 24th. Hats off to Tom Lenahan, Dan Esposito, Pat Mannion, Brian Gibney, and countless others to make this event another resounding success!

We are lucky to have a full slate of officers for our 2026 cycle. The current slate of officers is listed below. We will look to swear in the current officers at the December meeting.

Our next general meeting is this Tuesday night 8 PM December 16th at the Columbus Club (KOC) Hall on Main Street in Somerville. I hope to see you there! The Division will be providing pizza to celebrate the new officers. Please come and join us. The attendance raffle is continuing to go up! It is over \$900! You have to be at the meeting to win!

Again, I would like to thank Tommy Burns for his hard work publishing these newsletters.

Pat Mulrooney, Division President



President's Message

Brothers,

Hope everyone is well.

What an exciting November! On Saturday November 15 is the Msgr. Joseph P. Casey Division 1 of Monmouth County hosted the New Jersey State Board of the AOH Meeting. Immediately following the Board Meeting, the Isle of Erin Major Degree Team, ran an exemplification for a Major Degrees of our Order. Jim Murphy, one of our newest members completed his Major Degree at this event.



Irish Night

Our division's Irish Night will be held on Saturday March 7, 2025. Please save the date. Ticket info and flyer to be published in the January newsletter

Thanksgiving Dinner Project

Thank You to all our volunteers who assembled and delivered *115* Turkey dinners ! We greatly appreciate the generosity of those who donated food, gift cards and finances to make this all possible.

Our recipients included Center For Great Expectations, Agape House, Visions & Pathways, Elijah's Promise, Turning Point / Anderson House, Center Bridge Apartments / Asst Living, HOME, F.I.S.H. , S.H.I.P

We also served those in need identified by the following churches:

- Immaculate Conception Church
- Our Lady Mount Virgin Church
- St. Bernard's Catholic Church
- Holy Trinity Church
- Transfiguration / St. Paul's Church
- St. John's Episcopal Church

All made possible by the tireless efforts of our event chairmen - Tom Lenahan, Dan Esposito and Pat Mannion.

Welfare of the Division

Please keep in your prayers Marty Collins, Jack McCullagh, Tom O'Leary, Cathy Nee, Scott Morrisey, Dennis Smyth's daughter Doreen, Brian Regan's daughter Caitlin, the family of Ken Blair, Tim Hartman's family (cousin of Brian Gibney), Leigh McLaughlin, Vince and Sue Reh and their daughter Colleen. On a brighter note, Kevin Dorsey is a proud grandfather once again. Congratulations to Kevin and the family! If you have anyone else, we should be praying for, or congratulating, please contact Mike Donnellan.

Current Division Officers

President	Patrick Mulrooney
Vice-President	Tom Lenahan
Financial Secretary	Tom Lardner
Treasurer	Neil Mahoney
Recording Secretary	Billy Malone
Marshal	Tim Hayes
Chair of Standing Committee	Mike Donnellan
Sentinel	Brian Gibney

Irish on the Radio

The Voice of Ireland radio program is on the air every Sunday from 5 to 6 pm at WRSU 88.7 FM. Michael Callaghan and Joe O'Sullivan look forward to you joining them for an hour of Irish music, chat, announcements and occasional ticket giveaways. You can also tune in on the Internet at www.wrsu.org from anywhere in the world. Join their group on Facebook as well.



SAOH Pipes and Drums

St. Ann's of Hampton Pipes and Drums completed their 2025 season with performances at the Clinton NJ and New Hope PA Christmas parades. Brother Cliff Roberts has stepped down as Pipe Major and will assume the roles of Pipe Sergeant (musically) and band manager (administratively). Miss Jessica Marzocca will be the new Pipe Major for the 2026 season. This will be a seamless transition of band leadership. Thank you Cliff for 25 years of leadership as Pipe Major of St. Ann's of Hampton Pipes and Drums.

St. Ann's of Hampton will begin their 2026 Bagpipe performance schedule at the Clinton NJ Yuletide bonfire on January 31 @ 7pm

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, December 16 – Officer’s Meeting 6:30; General Meeting, 8 PM, KOC – (Swear in of Officers) Pizza Party

Wednesday, December 17 – SHIP Food Truck-Team Mahoney, w. Kevin and Mack 4:30 PM, SHIP

Thursday, December 25 – Merry Christmas!

Tuesday, January 20 – Officer’s Meeting 6:30 PM; General Meeting, 8 PM, KOC

Wednesday, January 21 – SHIP Food Truck-Team Lardner, 4:30 PM, SHIP

Tuesday, February 16 – Officer’s Meeting 6:30 PM; General Meeting, 8 PM, KOC

Wednesday, February 17 – SHIP Food Truck-Team Lenahan, 4:30 PM, SHIP

The New Jersey Ancient Order of Hibernians Presents:

NJAOH FFAI Fundraiser

The NJAOH is presenting a T-shirt sale fundraiser to raise money for the AOH Freedom for All Ireland (FFAI) program. With each t-shirt sale, it supports AOH efforts to achieve a united and independent 32-county Ireland.

The t-shirts cost \$25 each.

Shipping is available today for a flat fee of \$7.95

Free pickup will be offered at our Feb 2026 State Meeting

Visit
https://qrco.de/NJAOH_FFAI
 or scan the QR code below to order your shirt today!




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