

HIBERNIAN NEWSLETTER

AOH SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ

ST. PATRICK DIVISION 1

May 2023



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HIBERNIANS
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Regular AOH Meeting

Our next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 16th at 8pm. Our meeting will be followed by some friendship and cheer with your fellow Hibernians. As usual we will have beer, wine, and soda available after the meeting.

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



President's Message

It has been a very busy spring for us and we have had some great events that have been very successful. Many brothers have contributed to these events success. We had a great Dinner Dance (special thanks to Barry Kirby and his team). Followed by a marvelous Saint Patrick's Day Parade honoring our own Ed Murphy, including the Grand Marshall reception and the post parade party (special thanks to Larry Doyle, Kenny Greig, Tom Lenahan, and countless others). One of our biggest charitable events of the year Hamsgiving was a huge success. This success was due, in large part, to the extraordinary efforts of Tom Lenahan, Dan Esposito, Neil Mahoney, Pat Mannion and others. That was followed up by our AOH Memorial Mass at the KOC hall celebrated by our own Monsignor Seamus Brennan. Extraordinary efforts by Bruce Van Arsdale, Tom Lenahan, Neil Mahoney, Scott Morrissey. All of this in conjunction with our charity raffle lead by Mike Donnellan and our many other activities make me proud to be part of this Division!

Some have been asking about our President Ryan McInerney. Please keep him in your prayers. He is currently working through some issues and is on leave a president. We wish him well and hope to see him back with us soon! In the interim I (Pat Mulrooney) will be your acting president. I want to express my gratitude to Ryan Green and Neil Mahoney for helping me through this process. Sadly, one of our brothers Peter Diskin passed since our last meeting. May he rest in peace. He has been an important contributor to our Division through the years.

The next events we have next month are being Corpus Christi Canopy bearers for St. Bernard's on Sunday June 11 after the noon Mass. This is a great opportunity for the AOH to demonstrate our worth to one of our allied parishes and possibly recruit new members through our actions. We will also be needing volunteers for our Picnic on Saturday June 24th. More info will follow.

Again, thanks for all your help and look forward to seeing you at our next meeting and/or events soon!

Sincerely
Pat Mulrooney
Acting President

Annual Picnic



Our AOH picnic will be held at the Eagles on **June 24th** this year and tickets will go on sale in early May. Music by Michael Craig's band, food, drinks, bean bag competition, children entertainment and prizes.

Call for Corpus Christi Canopy Bearers

St. Bernard's parish has requested that the Division provide 4 canopy bearers for their Corpus Christi procession after the noon Mass on Sunday June 11. Any brothers that can help, please contact Pat Mulrooney in the next couple of weeks at pjmulroon3@aol.com or cell is 609-865-9321.

NJAOH State Convention

The New Jersey State Boards of Ancient Order of Hibernians and Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians will be holding their joint 2023 Biennial State Convention this May.

The convention opens Friday, May 19th at 6:00 pm at the Col. David B. Kelly Division 1, Middlesex County AOH (271 Second Street, South Amboy, NJ 08879) with an icebreaker event

The convention re-opens for business on Saturday, May 20th at 9 am at the APA Hotel in Woodbridge. Lodging and the Saturday banquet will be at the APA Hotel.

We are encouraging as many brothers who can attend the meeting just on Saturday 5/20 to attend, vote and represent our division. As the location is in Central Jersey and nearby, it would serve us well to be represented.

Meeting will also be held virtually and members who attend virtually are eligible to vote on behalf of our division. Please contact Pat Mulrooney pjmulroon3@aol.com if you can attend virtually between 9-noon.

Details [here](#)

New Mailing Address

We will be moving our division's PO Box from Hillsborough to Martinsville. Please note the new address.



Somerset County AOH
St. Patrick Division 1
PO Box 123
Martinsville, NJ 08836

Division Officers

President	Ryan McInerney
Vice-President	Patrick Mulrooney
Financial Secretary	Tom Lardner
Treasurer	Neil Mahoney
Recording Secretary	Billy Malone
Marshal	Mike Criscitiello
Chairman of Standing Committee	Tom Lenahan
Sentinel	<i>~vacant~</i>

2023 Dues

Dues can be mailed to our Financial Secretary – Tom Lardner at 18 W Main Street, Mendham NJ 07945-1214. If you have questions regarding your dues or have not received an invoice, please contact Tom Lardner at (908) 295-4394 or email him: t_lardner@yahoo.com.

Welfare of the Division

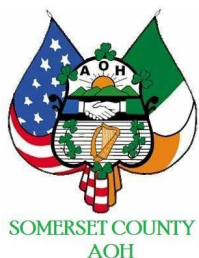
We ask that you continue to remember all our sick, deceased members, their families, and our friends in your prayers. We are also eager to share joyous news such as weddings, births, college graduations and other accomplishments of our members families.

Please contact our Welfare Chairman, **Tom Lenahan** @ 908-217-3001 or email him at tbl63@optonline.net so that a card or other suitable acknowledgement can be sent.

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May Birthdays

Brian Brennan
Kevin Leary
Terence Ryan
James Doherty



Somerset County AOH Division 1 hosts its Annual Family Picnic in conjunction with Immaculate Conception Parish/Schools



**Saturday
June 24th
Noon-6 PM
(Rain or Shine)
Eagles Aerie
350 Woodside Lane
Bridgewater, NJ 08807**

Michael Craig Band



Kids Activities & Games with Prizes



Cornhole Contest with Prizes



Ticket price includes hamburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, sausage with peppers and onions, baked beans, potato salad, corn-on-the cob, water melon, Irish and domestic beer, soda and water.

-----Ticket Order Form-----

**Make checks payable to: AOH
Mail to:
Somerset AOH Division 1
PO Box 123
Martinsville, NJ 08836**

**Make Zelle payments to:
908-672-3686
(If paying by Zelle, please still mail the ticket order form to confirm address, phone, email)**

Tickets	Price	# of Tickets	Amount Due
1 Adult	\$35/\$40 after June 10th		
1 Child 4-17	\$ 7/\$10 after June 10th		
Children under 3	Free		
Total Amount (If enclosed, mark box) <input type="checkbox"/>			

No cash sales at the gate, checks or Zelle payments only

Name & Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

If any questions, email Neil Mahoney at neilmahoneynyc@yahoo.com, or call or text him at 908-672-3686.



ST. PATRICK DIVISION 1, SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ

Date: May 15th, 2023

Dear Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) brothers/sisters and Immaculate Conception (IC) parishioners and student families, the AOH and IC parish are collaborating on a family oriented picnic for Catholic families in our community. This event is focused on celebrating our community here in the Somerville/Somerset area. The AOH will serve as hosts for this event in conjunction with Immaculate Conception parish. As Irish culture is known for its hospitality, defined as: “the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers”, you can be assured of having a fun and enjoyable time at the picnic.

Accompanying this letter is a flyer related to the picnic to be held on June 24th at the Eagles picnic grounds located on Woodside Lane which is between Union Avenue and Route 22 East. Please try to attend this event with family and friends.

Please note: if paying by Zelle, please email (neilmahoneynyc@yahoo.com) or text (908-672-3686) your name, phone and email to the picnic Chairman (Neil Mahoney) so that we can mail you wrist bands to be used to enter the picnic grounds. You can alternatively mail the accompanying form to supply this information.

Sincerely yours,

Neil Mahoney, Picnic Chairman, and Monsignor Celano, Pastor of ICC

In the AOH Motto of “Friendship, Unity & Christian Charity”

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