

HIBERNIAN NEWSLETTER

AOH SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ
ST. PATRICK DIVISION 1
September 2023



Ancient Order of
HIBERNIANS
Irish • Catholic • American

Regular AOH Meeting

Our next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 19th 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

Brothers,

Hope everyone had a great summer! We are looking forward to doing some great things this coming AOH year!

Ryan McInerney has resigned from the Division Board as the President for medical reasons. Please keep him in your prayers. I will be assuming those duties.

The Board is looking at making a tentative calendar for the year which will be updated monthly to help plan our activities.

It is not too early to consider being a Board member for our Division. We hope you will consider joining the Board. We seek nominations in October and hold our election in November each year. We can use your help as a Board member or a Chairman of our many functions.

I recently attended one of our deceased Division members, Joe Ryan's wake (September 11th) at Van Arsdale's Funeral Home to give the family

condolences on behalf of the Division. The family appreciated the wishes.

Again, thanks for all your help and look forward to seeing you at our next general meeting on September the 19th. Please remember our general meetings are typically the third Tuesday of every month through June.

Sincerely,
Pat Mulrooney
Division President

Major Degree

The next NJ Major Degree ceremony is planned for **Saturday October 7th!** If you have not completed your degree and have an interest in becoming more active in the division, this is a great way to learn about the history of the division and to become eligible for leadership positions within the AOH!

The Ancient Order of Hibernians, Vol. Patrick Torphy, Division 2, Monmouth County, with the approval of the New Jersey State Board and in association with the ISLE OF ERIN Major Degree Team invites you to the following: Major Degree Ceremony Saturday, October 7, 2023 Vol. Patrick Torphy, Division 2 AOH Bayshore Catholic Center 12 Hwy 36, Middletown, NJ 07748 just east of Palmer Ave.

Please register with the Degree Team as a candidate or observer at this link:
<https://tinyurl.com/OCT7-Major-Degree>

AGENDA

10:00AM Check-in: Bagels, Coffee and Light Refreshments

11:30AM Shamrock Degree Ceremony

12:00PM Major Degree

Buffet/reception and cash bar to follow

Cost: Candidates: \$35 / Observers: \$30

Observing with no admittance to the reception is free

Reminder: Please have 2023 AOH membership cards ready for inspection prior to the event.

New Mailing Address



We have moved 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

Welfare of the Division

Please remember in your prayers our recently deceased brothers Joe Ryan and Bill Campbell.

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.

Volunteer opportunities

Through Immaculate Conception Parish: St. Joseph the Worker Ministry. This is a group of men that helps out with household tasks. Sometimes it's changing a light bulb or cutting the grass, sometimes it's plumbing or electrical, whatever comfort and handiness level, there are many in need. More info here: <https://tinyurl.com/2by2uu5b>

Covid has wreaked havoc on SHIP's Mobile Soup Kitchen Program. Tom O'Leary is trying to rebuild and refill the MSK weekly schedule. A CDL License is not needed to operate the truck.

Please respond if you are able to volunteer as a MSK driver. Contact Tom O'Leary by email at: shfeharbor@ship908.com if interested.

You can also contact Tom Lardner on either of these opportunities at: t_lardner@yahoo.com

Irish Seisiuns @ Van Horne House

Learn about the Irish in the Revolutionary War and listen to traditional Irish music at the historic Van Horne House (Bridgewater) on Sat Oct 7 and Sunday Oct 8. Flyer attached.

Irish Seisiun - Nov 19th

Save the date ! Sunday November 19th 3-7pm for our annual Irish Seisiun in support of our Thanksgiving Dinner Project. More info to follow in next month's newsletter

September Birthdays

Sean Carew
Kevin Barry
David Carew
James D'Amato
David Lang
Robert Noonan
Michael Philbin
James O'Donnell

Sean Kenney
William Malone III
Patrick Kuffner
Thomas Deignan
Martin Gleeson
Gary Adams
James McDonough

Division Officers

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

Bourbon, Whiskey & Cookies!



Come experience something completely different!

Join Mannion's for an in-depth exploration of six whiskey and cookie pairings and how these selections harmonize and enhance each other. Our expert guides will take you through each expression's journey and help you unlock the comforting, aromatic and flavorful profiles of some of your favorites in each world.

Event duration is 1.5 hours.

If you'd like to stay for dinner afterwards let us know and we will get you a table!

Friday, September 22nd at 6:30 p.m.
150 West Main Street, Somerville.
\$60 per person including tax and gratuity

*Limited seating for this amazing show – first 25 people who call
(908) 203-0700 and pay for their spot will be guaranteed a seat.
Call or contact us at Info@MannionsIrishPub.com for more information.*



Irish Seisiun @ Flounder Brewing
Thursday September 28
7-9p

Heritage Trail Association presents...



Irish Roots in the American Revolution

Saturday Oct. 7th and Sunday Oct 8th, 2023



Col Stephen Moylan
Van Horne House



Live Irish music 12 -2 each day

Join us for an afternoon of history and music at the historic Van Horne House located across from Patriots Stadium in Bridgewater.

The Van Horne house is directly tied to Col. Stephen Moylan. (Co. Cork) who commanded the 4th Dragoons, married Mary Van Horne in 1778 at the house, And coined the phrase 'United States of America'

He was one of the organizers of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, an Irish-American fraternal organization, and served as its first president..

Van Horne House
941 East Main Street
Bridgewater Township
Tours: 10a - 4p
Live Music: 12 - 2p

Free Admission

For More Information contact
Cynthia Blumenkrantz
President
The Heritage Trail Association
(310.691.9388)

Somerset Co. AOH Presents

An Irish Seisiun



Sunday November 19th, 2023



Keeping the Tradition Alive
in honor of Mike Berry

Music for the Soul, Food for those in Need

Join us for an afternoon of Irish music featuring local musicians.
Singers, musicians and dancers are welcome !!

Attendees are encouraged to bring food or gift cards for our annual
Thanksgiving Dinner Project which provides food to needy families and
organizations in the Central Jersey area.

(Examples: Canned goods, potatoes, pasta, stuffing and frozen turkeys)

At
Somerville Knights of Columbus
495 E. Main Street
Somerville, NJ 08874
3pm-7pm

Free Admission
Cash Bar

For More Information contact
Tom Burns - (908) 295-7231