

# HIBERNIAN NEWSLETTER

AOH SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ – ST. PATRICK DIVISION

July/August 2015

## GENERAL INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR July/August 2015

That political responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity. And, that, amid social inequalities, Latin American Christians may bear witness to love for the poor and contribute to a more fraternal society.

Please continue to remember to say a *Hail Mary* or to pray the *Memorare* daily for continued peace in Ireland.

**MEETING SITE:**  
Knights of Columbus  
495 E. Main Street  
Somerville, NJ

## REGULAR AOH MEETING

Our next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 15th. As always we will have free beer and wine.

*Pint agus caint* (pint and chat).

**(No meetings are held in July/August)**

## *Missions & Charities*

Our *Missions & Charities Committee* conducts a monthly raffle for the benefit of the Center for Great Expectations. Don't miss the opportunity to help CGE and have a chance at winning some fantastic prizes.. Total Cash raised was \$215.

## IRISH TRIVIA

This month's trivia question is: Who was the father of Labor Day in America? (Answer may be found elsewhere in this newsletter)



## ***SOMERSET LAOH***

The local *LAOH* Division has meetings usually on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at Mannion's Pub and Restaurant, 150 West Main Street, Somerville. Their next meeting will be on Wednesday, **August 19th**. For more *LAOH* info call:

**President Kathleen O'Sullivan @ 732-469-8147**



## ***DIVISION'S ANNUAL FUND RAISING PROGRAM***

A very hearty thank you to all those members who bought and sold tickets for our Division's Annual Fund Raising Program. It was a great success again this year! Our thanks go not only to our Brother Hibernians, but also to our many friends and supporters who have been so generous to our organization. Our hats go off to all of you. God Bless you for your donations.

### **This year's winners are:**

1st Prize – Patricia Okrogly \$1000

2nd Prize – George Heffernan \$500

3rd Prize – Joe Mulrooney \$250

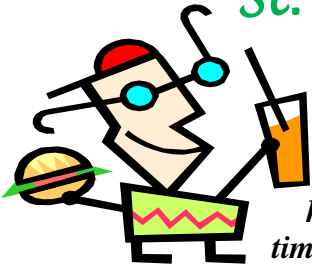
## ***A Very Hearty Thank You***

- Thanks to our Hibernian Brothers who served as canopy bearers at the June 7th **Corpus Christi** procession in Raritan. Those AOH Knights of St. Patrick included **Neil Mahoney, Ryan McInerney, John Kelly IV and Patrick J. Mulrooney III**. God bless them for their participation.
- To the Division Executive Board for all their efforts on our Divisions behalf throughout the year.
- To our Charities and Mission Committee, for all their efforts in fund raisings and helping the Center for Great Expectations.
- To all the Brothers who contribute to the Center for Great Expectations. Our contributions are most appreciated and they send their prayers & best wishes.
- To Brother William T. Cooper, III, for letting us use his office and facilities for our Executive Board meetings
- To The Knights of Columbus for the use of their Hall for our regular monthly meetings, as well as special occasions in the past, such as the post St. Patrick's Day Parade get together.

*Dia dhuit!* (God be with you)

**The answer to this month's trivia question is:** The "father" of Labor Day, as well as the founder of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, **Peter J. McGuire** was also one of the most remarkable figures in the history of the American labor movement.

## St. Patrick Division I Annual Picnic



*Our Annual Picnic is fast approaching. Our chairman, Rob O'Donnell, is looking for help organizing, cooking, shucking corn, serving, tickets, children's games, you name it. Can you help? Any amount of time you can spare is helpful. As they say "many hands make for light work". Remember to keep Sunday, August 9th open. It is a great time for family, friends and Irish cheer. Please help us continue to make this a great event.*

*Thank you and God Bless. (See the flyer on page 6).*

## St. Patrick's Division 1 Challenge

Our division officers and other active members work very hard to make our Division one of the biggest and best in the state and in the nation as well, but we need your help. We URGE everyone to invite your relatives/friends, (if practicing\* Catholic gentlemen of Irish heritage), to join our active division. Your relatives/friends won't know about our Division unless you tell them. Please remember that we give relief (exemption from paying dues) to Catholic priests and deacons, to all full-time students, (sixteen years or older), and to those in full-time service of our Country, or those who otherwise meet the qualifications. We need every member to sign up **one New Member** in 2015, Are you willing to accept that challenge? That's not a lot to ask - Is it? As soon as you get a "Yes" answer from that relative/ friend, call our Financial Secretary Tom Burns @ (908) 359-8820 and he'll send you as many applications as you need. Have that relative/friend complete the AOH application, or visit us online at [www.aohsomerset.com](http://www.aohsomerset.com) and complete the application online; you sign the proposer's section, and have the applicant make out a check for \$35 (payable to the AOH) and mail the completed application and check to Tom Burns, 8 Camden Rd., Hillsborough, NJ 08844. It's that simple - all you have to do is talk to that friend/relative!!!! We're now nearly 275 members strong; if every member signs up ONE new member, we'll be over 500. PLEASE TRY!! It won't happen if we don't ask!

(\*Associate Members are also welcome and need not be Irish Catholic.)



## SICK & VIGIL

We ask that you continue to remember all our sick, deceased members and their families, and our dear friends in your prayers. Please remember the following:

- Brother Jack Redmond.
- Brother John O'Donnell

## *BE PROUD OF YOUR DIVISION AND YOUR IRISH HERITAGE, WEAR YOUR COLORS! AOH APPAREL FOR SALE*



Brother Pat Kelly is currently taking orders for AOH t-shirts, polos, wind-shirts, jackets, sweatshirts, denim shirts and baseball hats. \$15 Hats; \$30 3-color Polo Shirts (White + Blue + Green); \$20 Sweatshirts – White, Grey, Green, Blue; \$40 Lined Hooded Jackets – Green, Blue; \$50 Windcheater Long Sleeved Shirt – Blue; \$35 Long Sleeved Button Down Denim Shirt – Blue, Green, Black; \$10 T-Shirts – Printed Left Chest & Back & \$5 Large AOH Pins. Any item can be “Name Imprinted” for an additional \$5. All you have to do is call Pat with the size and he will be placing the order shortly. Call Pat at (908) 371-9080 or speak to him at our monthly meetings.

## *Do you want to learn how to play the Bagpipes?*



Brother Cliff Roberts of *St. Ann's of Hampton Pipes and Drums* is running a “Beginners Lesson Class” at The People Care Center in Bridgewater. It costs just \$5 per lesson to any AOH member and \$10 for non-members. No prior music experience is necessary. The lessons are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays @ 6pm for all new students. Drum lessons are offered at 7:00pm along with the regular band rehearsal. A practice chanter is all you need to get started (and lots of practice); you can purchase a chanter from Cliff.

*Students are asked to notify their tutors by Monday, if they will be attending Thursday night practice.*

If you are interested, call Cliff at: (908)704-0048 for further details or any questions.

Also, check the website: [www.saoh.com](http://www.saoh.com).

## *ATTENDANCE AWARD*

The attendance raffle continues to grow each month. How do you get in on the prize money? Just attend our monthly meetings and drop \$1 into the pot, half for the winner, and half towards food for our meetings. We have had a winner nearly every other month! If your membership number is pulled, you win the award.

## *Irish on Television and Radio*

**Glór na hÉireann** / The Voice of Ireland radio program is on the air every Sunday from 6 to 7 pm at WRSU 88.7 FM. Brothers Tommy Burns and Jack McCullagh and their friends 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](http://www.wrsu.org) from anywhere in the world.

- **Out of Ireland** Television program, every Sunday at 1:00pm and repeated at 11:30pm on WLIW, Public Television Station on Long Island. Please check your local listings.

### NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT

- **Our Division Annual Picnic**, mini Irish Festival, *August 9th, Sunday*, at the Eagles Aerie Picnic Grounds in Bridgewater, NJ.

# ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC



Family Picnic



Willie Lynch Band



Kid Activities



Face Painting



Irish Dancers



Pipes & Drums

## SUNDAY AUGUST 9<sup>th</sup> Noon-6pm (RAIN OR SHINE)

Eagles Aerie, 350 Woodside Lane (off Rt. 28) Bridgewater, NJ

**Hamburgers/Hotdogs/Corn/Beer & Birch Soda included in Ticket Price**



Visit our website [AOHSomerset.com](http://AOHSomerset.com),

"AOHSomerset" for more information.

-----TICKETS: Adults: \$25, Under 16: \$7, Under 3: Free-----

Tickets	Price	Number of Tickets	Amount Due
1 Adult & 1 Child Under 16	\$25		
1 Adult	\$25		
1 Child Under 16	\$7		

**NO TICKETS SOLD AFTER AUGUST 5<sup>th</sup>** .Total Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to "AOH" & Mail to:  
 Derek Kirby  
 17 S. Richards Ave., Somerville, NJ 08876  
 Phone (908) 872-5032 E-Mail: JDerekKirby@Yahoo.com

## ***SPONSORSHIP***

*We are always looking for sponsors for our Hibernian newsletter to reach our membership. We would like to extend the opportunity for you to sponsor an ad for a nominal donation of \$30/yr.(or 2yrs for\$50) payable to the AOH. Due to space limitations sponsorship will be limited to one line. If you are interested, please send a letter and your business card to John Kelly ([jkelly246@comcast.net](mailto:jkelly246@comcast.net)), 246 Fairfield Lane, Hillsborough, NJ 08844.*

**Bill Healy Crystal** – Handmade Crystal and Glassware. Call Bill Healy @ (908) 894-5400.

**Mannion's Pub & Restaurant** 150 West Main St., Somerville, NJ Contact Pat Mannion (908) 203-0700.

**Re/MAX, Preferred Professionals** – Real Estate Broker - Patrick Kelly (908) 685-0700 x29.

**Sheenan Funeral Home** — Thomas E. Sheenan, Manager (732) 968-4227.

**St. Ann's of Hampton Pipes & Drums** – Soloist or Band Available for Your Special Occasion.  
Cliff Roberts (908) 704-0048.

**William T. Cooper Sr.** – Attorney and CPA. William T. Cooper Sr. (908) 725-4190

**Bruce C. Van Arsdale Funeral Home** – Bruce Van Arsdale, 101 North Gaston Ave., Somerville (908) 725-3111.

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**McCool Sounds** - DJ Services and Live Irish Music, call Tom Burns @ (908) 295-7231 or [www.mccoolsounds.com](http://www.mccoolsounds.com).

**Kathleen's Celtic Gifts** (908)788-5113 [www.kathleenscelticgifts.com](http://www.kathleenscelticgifts.com).

**Faite!!** Irish language lessons available. Call Kathleen or Bill Murphy @ (908) 788-5113 or (908)722-5455.

William Murphy, Attorney. Specializing in Workers Compensation and Municipal court matters.  
Call (908) 722-5455 or cell #(908)444-3406.

**Kathy Smyth**, Graphic Designer, 732-331-2717 or email at [Kathy@kathysmythdesign.com](mailto:Kathy@kathysmythdesign.com).

**Dr. Eugene O'Neill, Chiropractor** Branchburg (908) 685-8882. *Chiropractic: Natural Health Maintenance since 1895.*

**The Cross & Shamrock** – 1669 Route 33, Hamilton Square, Ann & Len Bauersachs (609) 586-9696.  
Irish Imports and Religious Items.

**O'Neill, Knapp and Associates, PC** – Certified Public Accountants – Peter J. O'Neill (908) 647-7258

**Somerset Hills Eye Care Center** – Timothy P. Sullivan, MD, FACS (908) 766-4834

**Prudential New Jersey Properties** – Sales Associate – Mary Ann Reh (908) 658-4300 x 313

**Dan Dooley Rent A Car** - Going to Ireland? Why not let your car be a Dan Dooley. Call (908) 722-2907, ask Vicki O'Connell for your AOH special.

**Kerry Smyth**, Window screen repairs. Call 973-652-1623.

**Select Title Agency** – Providing residential and commercial title insurance throughout NJ Tom Clarke (973) 761-1112.

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**Daniel P. Boyle** – Attorney at Law – (877) 696-5776

**Alice's Maids** – Cleaning Services – Mary Ellen Finnegan – Operations Manager (908) 240-8622

**Pet Sitting by Ruthe Lynch LLC** – (908) 229-4041 or [jrlynch890@verizon.net](mailto:jrlynch890@verizon.net)

**Cleanaholics LLC** – Ciaran Scullion (908) 240-4628 or [usacleanaholics@aol.com](mailto:usacleanaholics@aol.com)

**SHIP's Safe Harbor** 87 East High Street, Somerville, Tom O'Leary (908) 725-3260

## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug 9th –AOH picnic
- Aug. 15th- Feast of the Assumption.
- Sept. 15th—Regular AOH meeting.
- Oct. 20th— Regular AOH meeting.
- **(Fri nights)** Live Irish music at **Mannion’s Irish Pub** on Main Street, Somerville. Plan to stop in some Friday evening for dinner, a pint and some Irish music.



**ANCIENT ORDER**  
**OF HIBERNIANS** IN AMERICA  
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Hillsborough, NJ 08844-1713