

HIRBERNIAN NEWSLETTER

AOH SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ – ST. PATRICK DIVISION

March 2004



GENERAL INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR MARCH, 2004

That the land, culture and all the rights of the indigenous populations of the world may be respected, so that true harmony between them and those among whom they live may be attained.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY THE MEMORARE OR A HAIL MARY DAILY FOR CONTINUED PEACE IN IRELAND.

REGULAR AOH MEETING

Tuesday, March 2, 8:00pm
Knights of Columbus
495 East Main Street
Somerville

A BIT OF IRISH

English:

Irish (Gaelic):

Pronunciation:

There is a lot of weather in a March day.

Is iomaí athrú a chuireann lá Márta dhe.

is imi ah-ru ē c'ir-ē n la mar-tē y'e.

Division members and their families will be remembered by the Missionary Oblates in two Solemn Mass Novenas beginning on March 9 and ending on the feast of St. Patrick, March 17. One will be celebrated at Our Lady of Knock Shrine in County Mayo, Ireland and the Second at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville Illinois.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

We wish to extend a warm welcome to our four new members who has been accepted at the December meeting. Martin T. Foy, Jr. proposed by Martin T. Foy, Sr., Felix J. Reid III proposed by Fr. Dan Herlihy, Steven Russell proposed by Thomas J. Russell and Matthew X. Walsh proposed by Brian J. Walsh. We also have extended Associate Membership, as voted on by the membership at the February meeting, to Alvin B. Shuback, a longtime friend and supporter of our Division.

TeaD MíLE Fáilte (100,000 WELCOMES).



Our Annual Dinner/Dance
Saturday, March 13

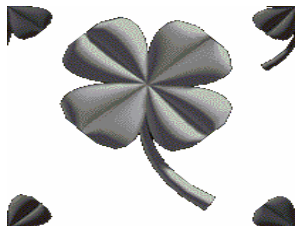
SOMERVILLE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE
Sunday, March 14, 1:00pm
Main Street, Somerville

REGULAR AOH MEETING

We plan to conduct a brief business meeting followed by some friendship and cheer with your fellow Hibernians! As usual, free beer, soda and wine. *Pint agus caint* (pint and chat).

Our Charities & Missions Chairman, Jim Bulter, will conduct a raffle for the benefit of CGE after the meeting. The March raffle will have a marvelous potpourri of items. The February Raffle donated \$267 to CGE. The winners were Dick Ryan, a bottle of Kendall Jackson Merlot and Ireland Watch; Jack McCullagh, 25' Outdoor Extension Cord and Stamp Dispenser; Jim Brennan, a 2000 Yankees Poster; and Tom Burns, a set of Baseball Cards. Don't miss this opportunity to help CGE and to have a very good chance at winning these fabulous prizes.

2004 ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE IN SOMERVILLE, SUNDAY, MARCH 14



Our division will be marching in the SOMERVILLE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE on Sunday, March 14. We want to have a good representation of members marching that day, so plan now to join in the line of March with your fellow Hibernian Brothers. Plan to bring along your family members, relatives and friends to swell the ranks. We will be accompanied by a pipe and drum band (Unknown at this writing) and the SOMERSET COUNTY AOH CEILI GROUP DANCERS. Musicians who regularly play at our sponsored music seisiuns will provide the traditional Irish music. The Irish American Public Action Committee sponsors the music float. Since the parade starts promptly at 1:30pm, we will have to line up at Grove Street and Main Street (beside The Somerset Hotel- Somerville Bus Depot) no later than 12:30pm. We will be stepping off right after the American Legion Color Guard and the MR. AND MRS. GRAND MARSHAL, Pat and Meghan Kelly with their family. So it's very important to be in place and ready to go by 1:00pm.

The parade route is less than a mile and will not take long to complete. Please wear GREEN for the parade. Any Hibernian who would like to be in the parade but cannot march should let Bill Cooper know immediately (908) 725-4190 so we can try to arrange a ride for them. So let's reserve this afternoon for showing our Irish and our appreciation to the parade chairmen, Hibernian Brother Bill Cooper to the Grand Marshals Pat & Meghan Kelly and to their family; they certainly earned it, they deserve it.

* **RESERVE SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2004 FOR THIS PARADE - WE MUST BE LINED UP AND READY TO STEP OFF AS SOON AS THE PARADE BEGINS AT 1:30 P.M., SHARP - THE AOH IS THE FIRST MARCHING UNIT; THEREFORE, WE MUST BE IN POSITION BY 1:00 P.M., AT THE CORNER OF GROVE AND MAIN STREETS, SOMERVILLE. THE AOH CEILI GROUP WITH LIVE TRADITIONAL MUSIC PLUS THE TRENTON AOH PIPE BAND WILL ACCOMPANY US. THE GRAND MARSHALS, PAT & MEGHAN AND THEIR FAMILY WILL LEAD THE PARADE.**

IT'S OUR DAY TO HONOR PAT & MEGHAN AND TO SHOW OUR IRISH.

PLEASE PRAY FOR A FINE DAY FOR THE PARADE;

MAY THE GOOD LORD AND ST. PATRICK SHINE DOWN ON US.

***** **LET'S MAKE THIS PARADE OUR BIGGEST & BEST EVER.*******

NOTE: Light refreshments will be available after the parade at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 495 East Main Street, Somerville for those who marched with our group and their family members. We will have Irish tube steaks (hot dogs), beer and soda. Otherwise, a cash bar will be available. We ask that all participate in the 50/50 raffle to defray costs and share in the clean-up activities. We are looking for help; please call Division President Joe Cobb (908) 782-7014 if you can help. We thank the K. of C. for allowing us to join them on this special day & in this special way. *God Bless.*

IRISH TRIVIA

Early St. Patrick's Day parades were relatively simple processions that were common in Ireland and other areas of Europe on saints' feast days, how did it gain prominence in the US?

MEMBERSHIP DUES

A second notice was sent out recently, we only have a few members who have not paid their dues yet. We would truly appreciate it if all members would pay their dues NOW. Dues should be sent to our Financial Secretary, Michael P. Madigan, 12 Greenwood Court, Branchburg, NJ 08876, in the pre-stamped, pre-addressed envelope you received recently. PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES NOW. THANK YOU.

A VERY HEARTY THANK YOU

- To all Hibernians and supporters who gave additional monies with their dues for Project Children, we have raised over \$2,000 so far. Thank you and God Bless.

A VERY HEARTY THANK YOU

- To Air Force Staff Sergeant Bill Margle who showed up at the February meeting from his leave on duty in Iraq and talked to the Division.

Dia dhuit! (God be with you)

HIBERNIAN MEMBERSHIP DRIVE



We urge you once again to invite your friends and/or relatives, if practicing Catholic gentlemen of Irish heritage, to join our very active division and help us to celebrate Irish Heritage Month properly. We need *EVERY* member to sign up *ONE NEW MEMBER* in 2004. Why not set a goal to get at least *ONE NEW MEMBER* by St. Patrick's Day. Don't leave it for someone else to do!!! If you should need one or more application blanks, give Bob McCann a call (908) 429-7736. Have that relative or friend complete the AOH application blank down to the double

line, you complete the proposer's section, and forward it with a check for \$25 (made payable to the AOH) to our Financial Secretary Michael P. Madigan, 12 Greenwood Court, Branchburg, NJ 08876. We need the efforts of all members to increase the size of the Order and especially the size of our Division.

LET'S GET OUT THERE & DO IT FOR THE GOOD OF THE BROTHERHOOD.

Please remember the change on the signing up of new members. Membership dues for new members joining the division during the year are required to pay according to the following schedule: \$25 if received with an application by the member proposer in the 1st Quarter of the calendar year, \$20 during the 2nd Quarter (April-June), \$15 during the 3rd Quarter (July-September), and any applications during the 4th Quarter must provide the \$25 fee, which will cover the remainder of year and ALL of the following year.

2004 SEISIUN SCHEDULE

– March 28 – April 25 –

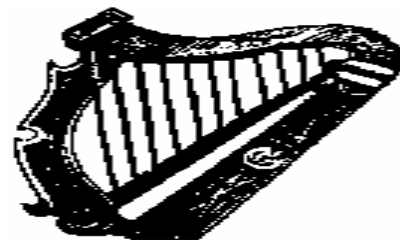
- September 26 – October 24 – November 28 –

Please note – There will be no traditional Irish Music Seisiun in May, June, July, August and December.

For Information call (908) 685-3168

FREE IRISH TRADITIONAL IRISH MUSIC SEISIUN.

SUNDAY, MARCH 28



Our next Free Irish traditional music seisiun will be held March 28, 5-9pm. You won't find better Irish traditional music and entertainment anywhere!!! The Best Music & Entertainment – West of Ireland. If you haven't been to one of our seisiuns yet, do yourself a favor and come out to this one. Admission is FREE. Likewise the tea, Irish soda bread and Irish brown bread are FREE. A cash bar is available. All traditional Irish musicians are cordially invited to attend and join in the seisiuns. Novice musicians interested in improving their skills on accordion, tin whistle, bodran, mouth organ, etc., can receive instructions one hour before regular seisiuns begin. We give an award to an area Tri-State musician every other seisiun. The award is donated, designed and produced by Brother Bill Healy at his business - Bill Healy's Glass Art, Renaissance Plaza, 39 Hwy. 12, Flemington, NJ. Be sure to stop by Brother Bill's shop and tell them you are a Hibernian for a discount on his beautiful and magnificent crystal and cut glass. For more information on the seisiun, please call Mike Berry (908) 685-3168.

These seisiuns are made available with the kind permission of the Knights of Columbus, Somerville Council, at their clubhouse, 495 East Main Street, Somerville. We sincerely want to thank our chairman, Mike Berry, along with all the musicians, singers, dancers and AOH members, their families and friends for making this activity such a great resounding success.

DIVISION'S ANNUAL FUND RAISING PROGRAM TO BEGIN SOON

As many of you know, our Division cannot possibly do all the good things it does without conducting an annual fund raising program. The Annual Fund raising will start in the month of April and continue to June. The drawing will be at the June 15th meeting, more information to come soon.



Do You Want to learn the Bagpipes?

Brother Cliff Roberts of St. Ann's of Hampton Pipes and Drums is running a "Beginners" Bagpipe Lesson class. It is FREE to AOH members and \$10 a lesson for Non-members. It meets two Mondays a Month at Cryan's Ale House in North Branch (across from Raritan Valley Comm. College). The lessons start at 7:30pm. A practice chanter can be bought at the class if you do not already own one. No prior music experience is necessary. If you are new to the class, try to get there for 7pm to review what has been covered. The Classes for March are 8th, and 22nd. Call Cliff at: (908) 704-0048 for questions or more details.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES

- To Brother Philip Keating on the birth of his granddaughter, Ava Elizabeth Keating, born recently to his son Michael and his wife, Kathleen. All are reportedly doing well.
- To Brother Joe Ryan and his wife, Joan, on the birth of their granddaughter, Madeline Abbie Cella born recently to their daughter, Colleen and her husband, Kevin. Parents and baby are doing well.
- Meghan Reilly, granddaughter of John Finnegan and his lovely wife Marge, competed at the recent All Ireland step dancing championship at Ennis, Ireland. She finished in eleventh place against some of the best dancers in the world. This was the best finish for a North American dancer in her category. Congratulations Meghan.
- To Brother Chris Callahan and his lovely wife Colleen on the birth of their twin children, Quinn Kathleen and John Patrick. All are reportedly doing well.
- To Brother Rev. Msgr. Liam Minogue on the designation of chaplains to His Holiness with the title of Rev. Monsignor.
- To Mike Rafferty as the Irish Echo's top traditional artist for 2003, he is a frequent visiting musician at our monthly seisiuns and one of our first Tri-State Irish Traditional Musicians Award.
- To Brother Sean Pender, son of Brother John Pender and son-in-law of Brother Jim McLoughlin and his lovely wife Bridie, on being name Grand Marshal of the Trenton St. Patrick's Day Parade. Sean is a former member of our Division and past-President of the Trenton AOH Division.

Sainte And God Bless!

The ANSWER to this month's trivia question is the inclusion of the New York state militia, including the 69th, the 9th, and the 72nd regiments with an unusually large number of Irish, in the 1850's helped transform the St. Patrick's Day procession into the parade we recognize today.

AOH SPONSORED ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER DANCE - SATURDAY, MARCH 13 HONORING HIBERNIAN OF THE YEAR, VINCENT REH.



Please see the enclosed flyer for details on the dinner-dance and ACT NOW. We urge those who plan to attend to make their reservations EARLY in the month of February. Please note that this affair is being held on the Saturday before our St. Patrick's Day Parade at the St. Mary's Church Hall, 1900 Brooks Blvd., Hillsborough. Tickets are \$35 per person and include corned beef or chicken dinner, beer and soda, (cash bar available) and featuring music by our own Willie Lynch Band, PLUS Bagpipes. Get a table of ten or less together NOW!!! (Please reserve tables, 10, 10, 8 or less at the same time, all at once through one name to speed the process and cut down on confusion.) Hibernian of the Year, Brother Vince Reh would like to see all the Division Brothers who can make it come to this GRAND AFFAIR. Call Brothers Kevin Barry (908) 685-7167, Finbarr Kirby (908) 218-9357 or Mike Philbin (609) 466-7904. (See flyer enclosed). Reservations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

THE DATE WILL SNEAK UP ON YOU, SO DON'T DELAY - RESERVE TODAY.

SOMERSET LAOH



The local LAOH Division has meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Mannion's Pub and Restaurant, 150 West Main Street, Somerville. For more information, please contact Deanna Cobb (908) 782-7014.

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:

- Patrick Sullivan, Camden 3 President, great Camden County Irish leader passed away. New Jersey - The New Jersey State Board was saddened with the passing away of President Patrick Sullivan - Camden 3. Bill Young, NJ State President and Jack Sullivan, State Vice President jointly stated, "Pat was a great friend to our Administration and a tremendous Hibernian. He and his men were always there for us and we will never forget it. His dedication and enthusiasm is a trait all Hibernians should have."
 - Brother Thomas O'Leary is recuperating at home following a hospital stay for heart problems.
 - Brother Msgr. Liam Minogue has undergone a second operation for cancer and is recuperating at home.
 - Brother Dave McCready is at home and undergoing dialysis treatments at the present time.
 - Sister Patricia Smith, an active member of the LAOH and a long time supporter of our AOH functions, is recuperating following a stroke.
 - Tom Scarpone, an active member of the Knights of Columbus who over the years has arranged the purchase of turkeys for our annual Thanksgiving food drive with the K of C, has passed away recently.
 - Patricia Doherty, sister of Brother Jim Doherty, passed away recently.
 - Charles Foy, brother of Brother Martin Foy, passed away recently.
 - Mary Staples, mother of Mary Mahoney and mother-in-law of Brother Neil Mahoney, passed away recently.
- Please keep the above and all our previously reported sick and deceased in your prayers. If you know of serious illness, hospital admission, or death in a member's immediate family (wife, son, daughter, mother, or father), please contact our Sick & Vigil Chairman, Robert J. Canavan, at (732) 469-1098 so that a card or other suitable acknowledgement can be sent. We depend on you to keep us informed. Also, if you would like to send a card or contact someone on the list, please contact the Sick & Vigil Chairman at the above number.

Raising of the Tri-Color

Hibernian Brother, Governor James E. McGreevey, is inviting his Hibernian Brothers, their families and friends to the Annual Irish Flag Raising at Drumthwacket, the official residence of the Governor of New Jersey. This event will honor the St. Patrick's Day Grand Marshalls and their Deputies from around the State. Music will be provided by Hibernian Brothers, The Bantry Boys. This will take place on Friday, March 5th beginning at 2pm and ending at 4pm. Please RSVP to this event - (609) 777-0994 by March 3.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

The January attendance raffle amounted to \$76 and was won by Brother Mike Philban. We will have a new pot for March. How do you get in on the prize? Just attend our monthly meetings and drop \$1 into the pot, half for the winner, half towards food at the meetings. We have had a winner nearly ever other month! If your membership number is pulled, you win the award.

Purchase and Wear your AOH Apparel

Our President, Joe Cobb, is currently taking orders for AOH t-shirts, polos, wind-shirts, jackets, sweatshirts, denim shirts and baseball hats. There are white t-shirts printed front & back for \$10. Kelly green, forest green, blue or white polo shirts with the AOH patch on the front for \$20. White, gray, green and blue Sweatshirts for \$20. Lined, hooded, weatherproof jackets, green, blue and white, for \$40. Windcheater long sleeved shirt in blue for \$50 and vest for \$40. Long sleeved button down denim shirt in blue, green or black for \$35. Hats for \$15 and large AOH pins for \$5. All you have to do is call Joe with the size and he will be placing the order shortly. Joe can be e-mailed at jcobb@att.net or reached at (908) 782-7014.



Irish on Television and Radio

- **Out of Ireland** Television program, every Monday at 11:30pm and repeated on Sunday at 6:30pm on WLIW, Public Television Station on Long Island. Please check your local listings.
- **Glór na hÉireann/ The Voice of Ireland** with our own Brothers Joe O'Sullivan and Jack McCullagh and their friends, every Sunday, 5:30 -7pm, on WRSU 88.7 FM.

NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT

- The AOH Major Degree will be sponsored by our Division this year and held on Saturday, April 17, at the Manville VFW. Cost is \$25 with registration at 11am, Shamrock Degree at Noon and Major Degree at 1pm. Dinner and entertainment to follow. Please call Mike Madigan to register, (908) 429-7736.
- Great Irish Spring Weekend, April 16-18, at Villa Roma, NY. Please call (800) 533-6767 for more details.
- #1 Irish Weekend at the Nevele Grande, Ellenville, NY, April 23-25. Traditional Music Extravaganza featuring ceili's, concerts, music & dance workshops. Rates from \$119-\$159 per person per night. Please call (800) 647-6000 for reservation or more information.
- The Montclair Division of Ancient Order of Hibernians Golf Outing is set for April 26 and will be at the Forest Hill Field House in Bloomfield. There will be dinner at the Clubhouse after. The Ancient Order of Hibernian Golf Outing supports the John P. McHugh Memorial Scholarship Fund. Golf and Dinner costs \$195, dinner only costs \$90. If interested, please call Jim Duggan (201) 476-8836.
- Our Division's Annual Mass will be held on May 2, at the Shrine Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament, Raritan. The celebrant will be Fr. Sean Winters with our new Deacon Peter O'Neill. A communion breakfast will follow.
- The Somerset County Police Pipe and Drums presents "Irish Spring" on May 21, their Annual spring fundraiser, at the Somerville Elks, 375 Union Ave., Bridgewater. Beer, wine, food, raffles and door prizes with entertainment by the Willie Lynch Band and the Somerset County Police Pipes and Drums. Tickets are \$25 per person, for any additional information, please call Chris McGill (908) 782-5260.
- Cherish the Ladies at the State Theatre of New Jersey on Saturday, May 22 at 8pm. Back by popular demand, this all-female musical sensation captivates audiences with a unique blend of beautiful vocals, innovative arrangements, and stunning step dancing. Tickets are \$32, \$28, \$25, \$20, please call the Box Office at (732) 246-7469 or (877) STATE-11.
- Harley Rally for Project Children, May 23, starting at Williams Harley Davidson, Rte. 22, Lebanon, traveling to Belmar. More details to follow.

CALENDAR

(Thurs) AOH sponsored FREE traditional Irish folk dance (ceili) classes are starting Sept. 11 thru Nov. 20 at the PeopleCare Center, 120 Finderne Ave., Bridgewater. Ceili dancing is like American folk dancing with jig and reel steps added; it's loads of fun. It's not too late to join and enjoy the pleasure of continuing to keep the traditional alive. Classes – 7:30pm to 9pm.

(Fri) Irish music at Mannion's Pub on Main Street, Somerville on Friday nights. Catch the Melody Aces, led by Brother Mike Berry, Tommy Burns Band or Willie Lynch on Fridays. Three Brother Hibernians, Colman, Kevin and Patrick Mannion of our Division own Mannion's. Plan to stop in some Friday evening for dinner, a pint and some Irish music.

Mar 2 (Mon) Irish American Public Action Committee Meeting at Mannions on Main St., Somerville, at 5:30pm. All welcome. Information (908) 647-3984.

Mar 5 – Mar 14 (Fri, Sat & Sun) The Celtic Theatre Company presents "A Chara," a musical revue at the Theatre-in-the-Round at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ. Tickets \$15 and \$10 Senior/Student, please call (973) 761-9790.

Mar 5 (Fri) The Annual Irish Flag Raising at Drumthwacket by Governor Jim McGreevey at 2pm. Please call to RSVP, (609) 777-0994.***

Mar 6 (Sat) Irish Gala Ball sponsored by the Sons & Daughters of Erin at the Colonial Ballroom on Kuser Rd., Hamilton, NJ. Tickets are \$75 per, please call (609) 587-8375.

CALENDAR (continued)

Mar 6 (Sat) 8th Annual Eagles Corn Beef & Cabbage Day, 350 Woodside Lane, Bridgewater, starts at 1pm. Tickets are \$8 per person, and includes Irish Step Dancers and featuring the entire Somerset County Police Pipes and Drums Band, <http://www.scppd.org/>, all proceeds will be going to charity. For more information or tickets please call (908) 526-9898.

Mar 6 (Sat) The Ancient Order of Hibernians, Michael L. Delahunty Division 9, Montclair, NJ will conduct its 104th Anniversary St. Patrick's Day Celebration Dinner and Dance at Mayfair Farms, West Orange, NJ. Cocktail hour, including open bar and Silent Auction, will begin at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$65, for more information please contact Jeff Curley (973) 364-8036, or Terence M. McHugh (973) 239-0950.

Mar 7 (Sun) Belmar St. Patrick's Day Parade with a pre-parade party at New Jersey AOH President's home at 303 Ninth Avenue, beginning at 10:00 am till 12:30 pm. After the parade, there is a post-parade party at the Belmar Elks with music by the Bantry Boys.

Mar 10 (Wed) The Chieftains at the State Theatre of New Jersey, 15 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick. Tickets are \$55, \$50, \$45, \$25, please call the Box Office at (732) 246-7469 or (877) STATE-11. Brother Bob Pfeffer has some extra tickets available, if anyone is interested, they can contact Bob, either by e-mail at <bob.pfeffer@verizon.net> or by phone at (732) 922-1677.

Mar 12 (Fri) Irish Dinner Show with Bobby Byrne to benefit McCarrick Care Center at Our Lady of Peace Church, Rt. 130, North Brunswick. Dinner starts at 6:30pm and includes beverages and corned beef and cabbage with the show starting at 8pm and costs \$25 per person. Please call (732) 545-4200, ext.-113.

Mar 13 (Sat) Trenton - St. Patrick's Day Parade - 1:00 pm.

Mar 13 (Sat) Division's Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance.***

SPONSORSHIP

We are looking for sponsors for our Hibernian Newsletter to highlight our membership's businesses. We would like to extend the opportunity for you to sponsors for a nominal donation of \$2 a month to the AOH. Due to space limitation, the sponsorship will be one line long highlighted before the calendar. If you are interested, please send a letter and business card to Kevin O'Sullivan (osulli@earthlink.net), 5 South Deer Hill Road, Lebanon, NJ 08833.

Bill Healy Crystal – Handmade Crystal and Glassware. Bill Healy (908) 806-2100.

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

Sheenan Funeral Home – Dunellen Funeral Home – Thomas E. Sheenan, Manager (732) 968-4227.

Shanahan's Stationery and Office Equipment–For your Office needs. Kevin Shanahan (908) 725-2000

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

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

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

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

The Cross & Shamrock - Ames Plaza 3100 Quarkerbridge Rd., Mercerville Ann & Len Bauersachs (609) 586-9696. Irish Imports and Religious Items.

Long's Travel – 96 Ridgedale Ave., Cedar Knolls. Eamonn Long (800) 524-0555.

Mail Boxes Etc.-For All your Shipping and Copying Needs. Tony Leonetti (732) 981-9444.

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

O'Neill, Knapp and Associates, PC – Certified Public Accountants – Peter J. O'Neill (908) 722-1810

Francis X. Hermes P.A. – Attorney at Law – Somerville (908) 218-1500.

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 (800) 331-9301, ask for Vicki O'Connell, Annette or Bruce for your AOH special.

WITH A GEE PROMOTIONS - Gerald Houlihan (908-789-7582). Home and business long-distance, including "800" numbers at 4.9c per minute. Self service @ www.onesetpriced.com/ghoulihan

Professional Economic Growth Group – Tim Hyland, CPA – Financial Services Professional (908) 638-8795.

Byrne Painting, Wallpapering & Powerwashing – Kevin Byrne, Quality Workmanship (908) 704-0038.

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

Thomas J. Deignan – licensed Private Investigator – P.O. Box 65, Lebanon, NJ 08833.

Wells Fargo Home Mortgage – Reverse Mortgage Specialist – Gary Adams (866) 556-6633.

CALENDAR (continued)

Mar 14 (Sun) St. Patrick's Day Parade in Somerville – our day to show our Irish! This year we will be honoring Pat & Meghan Kelly as the 2004 Grand Marshal.***

Mar 15 (Mon) The NJ Governor Jim McGreevey invites all Hibernians to a “Meet & Greet” with Martin McGuinness, MP, Sinn Fein's Chief Negotiator at Drumthwacket. Please RSVP by calling (609) 984-8294.

Mar 15 (Mon) Martin McGuinness, MP, Sinn Fein's Chief Negotiator will talk about the ongoing Irish peace process and the review of the Good Friday Agreement at the Trenton AOH Hall, 2419 Kuser Road, Hamilton, NJ, from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. Admission is \$25 per person with food and drinks also available. Please call (609) 586-5982 for more information and directions.***

Mar 17 (Sat) St. Patrick's Day – AOH Holiday –Attend Mass and/or say a prayer for peace in Ireland.

Mar 17 (Wed) Brother Tommy Burns and his band Burns and Cashman will be playing at Cryan's, Rte 28, North Branch from 5pm - 11pm. Please call with any questions, Tom Burns, tommyb67@earthlink.net, (908) 359-8820.

Mar 17 (Wed) Irish Tenors will perform at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center at 8pm. Tickets are \$85 and \$65. Please call (888) 466-5722.

Mar 17 (Wed) Aoife Clancy at the Crossroads Theatre in New Brunswick at 8pm. Originally from Ireland, Aoife Clancy brings a refreshing new voice with a performance that covers traditional Irish songs, ballads and contemporary folk. A former member of the all-female Irish group Cherish the Ladies. All Seats are \$30, please call the Box Office at (732) 246-7469 or (877) STATE-11.

Mar 20 (Sat) A Mass for St. Patrick, celebrated in Gaelic, to commemorate Irish Hertiage, at 11 am at St. Ann's Church on Carr Ave., Keansburg, NJ. A Communion Breakfast at Yesterdays, Hazelette, NJ, will follow after the Mass around Noon. Tickets are \$24 per person, for more information, please contact Division President Joe Cobb (908) 782-7014.***

Mar 21 (Sun) The Spartan Educational Foundation of Central Jersey is sponsoring a luncheon to initiate the Msgr. J. Nevin Kennedy Scholarship Fund at the Bridgewater Marriott. A silent auction will be held in hopes of raising funds for scholarships to students of Immaculata High School and Immaculate Conception School. The Event starts with a Noon Mass at Immaculate Conception Church followed by the luncheon.

Mar 21 (Sun) Irish traditional band Altan, from Donegal, will perform at the Community Theatre, 100 South Street, Morristown, NJ at 7pm. Ticket prices are \$32, \$30 and \$29 and can be purchased by calling the Irish American Cultural Institute at (973) 605-1991.

Mar 28 (Sun) AOH sponsored Traditional Irish Music Seisiun at the Somerville Knights of Columbus Council, 495 East Main St., Somerville. 5-9pm, FREE. Information (908) 685-3168.***

*** SEE NEWS ARTICLES ON ABOVE EVENTS *** MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW***



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