

HIBERNIAN NEWSLETTER

AOH SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ – ST. PATRICK DIVISION

January 2006

GENERAL INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR JANUARY, 2006

That the effort to bring about the full communion of Christians may foster reconciliation and peace among all the peoples of the earth.

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

REGULAR AOH MEETING

Tuesday, January 17, 8:00pm
Knights of Columbus
495 East Main Street
Somerville

A BIT OF IRISH

Irish (Gaelic):	Sláinte chuig na fir agus go maire na mná go deo!
Pronunciation:	Sla:n' t'ë xig' në f'ir' ag-ës gë mar'-ë në mna: gë d'o:
English:	Health to the men and may the women live forever!

IRISH TRIVIA

What happened on January 1, 1801 as an act of reprisal for the failed rising of 1798?

HIBERNIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Executive Committee is proud to announce that Division President Robert McCann will present our Division's 2006 HIBERNIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD to RICHARD J. RYAN at our upcoming annual dinner/dance. Dick has been a very active and longtime Division officer and member. He is still active past-treasurer, donating his time to many Hibernian activities.

We are very proud to have Dick as our AOH Brother and to bestow on him this most deserving award. On behalf of all your Division Brother Hibernians, Thank You Dick!

CONGRATULATIONS RICHARD J. RYAN AND GOD BLESS.

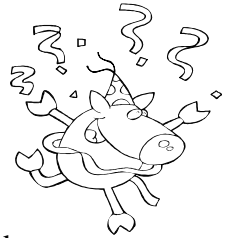
AND GOD SEND YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR
Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring out the false, ring in the true.
HAPPY NEW YEAR! Bhliain Nu Fe Mhaise Duit!

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. We will also conduct the year ahead drawing for all members who have paid their 2006 dues prior to the drawing and FFAI raffle for the Celtic Harp.

Pint agus caint (pint and chat).

Our Charities & Missions Chairman, Jim Bulter, will conduct a raffle for the benefit of the Center for Great Expectations after the meeting. The December Raffle donated \$265 to CGE. The winners in the December raffle were Frank Bubb, Jr., a bottle of Carolan's Irish Cream; Ed Murphy, a poinsettia; P. Joe Mulrooney, a bottle of wine; P. Kevin O'Sullivan, an Irish Coffee Set and Irish Gift chime; and Charles Poppe, a set of golf balls. Don't miss this opportunity to help CGE and to have a very good chance at winning these fabulous prizes.



**AOH SPONSORED ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER DANCE - SATURDAY, MARCH 11
HONORING HIBERNIAN OF THE YEAR, *Richard Ryan*.**



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 January. Please note that this affair is being held on the Second Saturday of March at the St. Mary's Church Hall, 1900 Brooks Blvd., Hillsborough. Tickets are \$40 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 some Irish Step-Dancing and Pipes. Get a table of ten or less together NOW!!! (Please reserve tables, 12, 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 Joe Cobb 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.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

By paying your annual dues of ONLY \$35, at or before our January 17th meeting, you will be eligible for a free year's dues in the YEAR AHEAD CLUB drawing scheduled to be held that evening. Last year's winner of the YEAR AHEAD CLUB drawing was Brother Edward W. Murphy, he has his 2006 dues paid-up. You could be the lucky winner this year. For those members who have been a little lax in making their dues payments in the past, why not make a new year's resolution to pay them on time in the future. We would truly appreciate it if all members would pay their dues NOW. Dues should be sent to our Financial Secretary, John O'Donnell, 200 Brookside Lane, Hillsborough, NJ 08844, in the pre-stamped, pre-addressed envelope you received recently.....PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES NOW. THANK YOU.



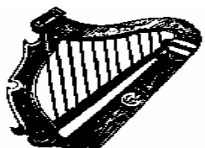
WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

We wish to extend a warm welcome to our two new members who has been accepted at the December meeting. Frank J. Bubb, Jr. proposed by Gary Adams and Michael D. Sheelen proposed by Jim McLoughlin.

GEAD MILE FAILE (100,000 WELCOMES).

NEW YEAR'S CHALLENGE

Our division officers and some other members work very hard to make OUR DIVISION one of the best in the state and in the nation, but we need you to help us. We URGE you to invite your friends and/or relatives, if practicing Catholic gentlemen of Irish heritage, to join our very active division. Your friends or relatives will not know about OUR division unless you tell them. Please remember that we give relief (exemption from paying dues) to Catholic priests and Deacons, to any 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 during 2006, preferably before St. Patrick's Day. Do you accept the challenge? That's not a lot to ask - Is it? As soon as you get a YES answer from that relative or friend, call our Financial Secretary John O'Donnell (908) 359-2508 and he'll send you as many applications as you may need. Have that relative or friend complete the AOH application blank; 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 John at 200 Brookside Lane, Hillsborough, NJ 08844. It's that simple - all you have to do is talk to that friend or relative!!!! We're now just over 300 members; if every member signs up ONE new member, we'll be over 600. PLEASE TRY!! It won't happen if we don't work at it.



2006 SEISIUN SCHEDULE

- February 26 – March 26 – April 23 – September 24 – October 22 – November 26 –
Please note – There will be No traditional Irish Music Seisiun in January.

Our next seisiun will be on Sunday, February 26, 2006 at **5pm SHARP** at the Somerville Knights of Columbus Hall. For Information call (908) 685-3168



SOMERVILLE 2006 ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE FUND RAISING PROGRAM

The Somerville St. Patrick's Day Parade for Sunday, March 12, 2006 is in full swing. Brother Bill Cooper is chairing this project, once again, and is in need of as many corporate sponsors/business contacts as possible. You may have received a request to participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade fund raising program by taking an ad in the "Souvenir Parade Program Book" if at all possible to help finance expenses related to the parade, such as, band fees, police coverage, advertising, insurance, etc. It takes a pile of money to run this fine a parade. The ads range from \$50 to \$200 and would be greatly appreciated. For those who may not be in a position to take an ad, you may become a Patron for a minimum of \$10 (and up to \$49 depending on your generosity). As a patron you and/or your family will be listed in the program book making this year's "Souvenir Parade Program Book" even more special to you and your family. If you know the person responsible for approving funds for advertisements in the parade program book, PLEASE call Brother Bill (908) 725-4190. PLEASE OFFER TO HELP OUT! Please make checks payable to the "St. Patrick's Parade"; send by March 1st to Somerville St. Patrick's Parade Patron Contributions, c/o Joe Simmons, Sr., 145 Benart Place, Middlesex, NJ 08846. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES

- To Brother Dick Ryan on being selected "Hibernian of the Year" by the Division Executive Board. Dick will be honored at our annual St Patrick's Dinner/Dance to be held on Saturday, March 11, 2006.

Sainte And God Bless!!!

The ANSWER to this month's trivia question is the Act of Union, which disbanded the Irish Parliament.

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 Richard Evans is having some health problems and is need of prayers.

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.

A VERY HEARTY THANK YOU

- To all Hibernian Brothers who contributed to the CGE December raffle. Our heartfelt thanks to all the Brothers who contributed to the CGE raffle throughout the year. These much needed and appreciated funds go towards purchases of food and necessities for the unwed expectant mothers temporarily residing at the CGE, who are most appreciative of our contributions and send Best Wishes. Employees and retirees of companies who participate in Matching Gift Plans to certain charitable organizations, are urged to include the Center for Great Expectations, 88 West End Avenue, Somerville, NJ 08876, in their commitment giving. Information – CGE (908) 218-0570. THANKS TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED IN ANY WAY.

Dia dhuit! (God be with you)

ATTENDANCE AWARD

The December attendance raffle amounted to \$164 and would have been won by Brother Tim Foley. However, Sean could not be at the meeting, so the pot continues to grow for January. 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.



SOMERSET LAOH

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

CALL TO HIBERNIANS TO SHOW OUR APPRECAITION TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

As we indicated in the past, the AOH truly owes a great debt of gratitude to the K. of C. One way we can help is to support their various programs. They are presently conducting a "Lucky Number Calendar 2006" program, cost ONLY \$20 per; the sale of the "2006 ENTERTAINMENT" books which provides up to 50% discounts at numerous restaurants in the area and many other discounts, costs ONLY \$30 per. Cost is easily recouped after the first few times you use the book. Both of these items will provide you with excellent gifts that will last the year round with no need to fight the shopping crowds. For calendars, books – call Brothers Barney Sloan (908) 725-7856 or Pat Kelly (908) 218-9654.

Free Adults Ceili Classes Begin in January

Once again, our division is also sponsoring FREE traditional Irish folk dancing (ceili) lessons on Thursday evenings for a 10-week session at the PeopleCare Center, 120 Finnerne Avenue, Bridgewater. Classes will be held between 7:30-9:00p.m. Ceili dancing is like American square dancing with some jigs and reel steps thrown in. It's loads of fun. Why not give it a try and learn a number of traditional Irish dances before next St. Patrick's Day!!! Information - call James Lynch (908) 526-9475.

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



Our Past President, Joe Cobb, 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); \$25 1-color Polo Shirts – White or Blue or Kelly Green or Forest Green; \$20 Sweatshirts – White, Grey, Green, Blue; \$40 Lined Hooded Jackets – Green, Blue, White; \$50 Windcheater Long Sleeved Shirt – Blue; \$40 Windcheater Vest – 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 charge. 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 jccobb@att.net or reached at (908) 782-7014.

SCHOLARSHIP & CONTEST INFORMATION

It is that time of the year to apply for scholarship. If you are a student or have a student in your household, please pass this information to them.

- 2006 Irish Way Scholarships, a "Live and Learn" program in Ireland for High School Students, June – July. For information, please write to William J. Sullivan, Irish Way Scholarship Committee, 324 Winter Street, North Andover, MA 01845.
- National Board AOH in America announces the AOH Junior Year Abroad/Semester/Masters Degree in Irish Studies Scholarship. Please send applicant's name, home address, college attending and father of the applicant who is an AOH member and Division information to William J. Sullivan, National Chairman, 324 Winter Street, North Andover, MA 01845 by May 1, 2006.

Please note our National Chairman, Bill Sullivan, would like all Divisions and members to know that an Irish Way Video is available though the Irish American Cultural Institute. The video is for High School's Guidance Counselors as a way to spread word about this program. The cost of the video is \$4, checks made out to the Irish American Cultural Institute. Please send all requests with High School information to Bill Sullivan, 324 Winter Street, North Andover, MA 01845.

Irish on Television

- **Out of Ireland** Television program, every Monday at 11:30pm and repeated on Sunday at 5:00pm on WLIW, Public Television Station on Long Island. Please check your local listings.

Irish on Radio

- **Glór na hÉireann/ The Voice of Ireland** with our own Brothers Joe O'Sullivan, Tommy Burns and Jack McCullagh and their friends, every Sunday, 5:30 - 7 pm, on WRSU 88.7 FM or on the Internet at WWW.NJ.COM/WRSU (click on "Listen Now").

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 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at Month at Christian Fellowship Center, Washington Valley Rd. in Bridgewater. 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 are yet to be announced for September, if interested, please call Cliff at: (908) 704-0048 for questions or more details. Also check out his web site:



<http://www.freewebs.com/somersetchanter/>.

FREEDOM FOR ALL IRELAND CHRISTMAS APPEAL & 10 CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

AOH 2005 Christmas Appeal for political prisoners and their dependents. All Hibernians are urged to forward a contribution of \$10 or more to be sent to FFAI Chairman Joe Cobb, 427 Willow Ct, Flemington, NJ 08822-3132. Joe displayed a Hand Carved Harp, done by an Irish prisoner, to be offered as a prize raffle to any person who makes a donation of \$10. The money obtained will be given to National as part of our pledge of \$1,000 to FFAI. Support of over 700 Irish political prisoners' families in Ireland, England, Europe and the USA. As the peace process continues, we must not neglect those whose personal sacrifices made it possible. Please be generous to this very worthy cause.

NJAOH State Board Meeting & a "Touch of the New Jersey State Convention for 2007"

Saturday, January 7, NJ State Board meeting in Jersey City at PJ Ryan's Pub, 172 1st St., Corner of 1st St. & Marin Blvd., at 1 pm. There will be a "Touch of the New Jersey State Convention for 2007" after the meeting with a pub-crawl. There will be a \$25 fee to cover the cost of the bus, great time for everyone. There will be hotel rooms available for \$99 at a very nice hotel close to PJ Ryan's. Call Jere Cole at (973) 632-7914 to reserve a space on the bus and a room. You can bring non-AOH members on the Pub Crawl. Directions from the NJ Turnpike: Exit 14C, Follow signs for Holland Tunnel. As you pass Jersey Ave., stay to the far RIGHT. Make the LAST RIGHT before the entrance to the Holland Tunnel onto Marin Blvd., continue to 1st St. Also, you can call Division President, Bob McCann (908) 874-5975.

NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT

- NJAOH State Board meeting, Saturday, February 25. More info to follow.
- Irish American Cultural Institute present's Washington's St. Patrick's Day Ball, honoring John P. Walsh, former Chairman & CEO of the IACI, Saturday February 25, 2006, Madison Hotel, Morristown, NJ. The evening begins with a cocktail reception and traditional fife and drum troupe lead the transition from the cocktail hour to the ballroom. The Ball commences with a re-enactment of George Washington's 1780 St. Patrick's Day proclamation. Following the proclamation, there is an Irish dancing set. Dinner is served and after attendees enjoy dancing to the music of Celtic Cross, an Irish-American band providing the perfect blend of Irish traditional jigs and reels and American rock and roll. Ticket & Table Information please call (973) 605-1991, \$150 per person (\$70 tax deductible).
- The Wolf Tones Live in Concert, Friday, March 3, presented by the New Point Comfort Fire. The New Point Comfort Fire Company is located at 192 Carr Ave., Keansburg, NJ. Doors open at 6pm with food and drinks available. Admission is only \$20 per person and are available now through their website www.newpointcomfort.org.
- The Chieftains, Thursday, March 9, 2006 at 8pm at the State Theatre, New Brunswick, NJ. Tickets are \$25, \$35, \$45 & \$55; please call (877) STATE-11 for more information and tickets.

NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT *(continued)*

- Division's Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance, **Saturday, March 11**, to be held at St. Mary's Hall, 1900 Brooks Blvd, Hillsborough. Corned beef or chicken dinner, beer, wine and soda, otherwise a cash bar, music by our own Willie Lynch Band. Tickets - \$40 per person. This year we will be honoring Dick Ryan as the 2006 Hibernian of the Year. Get a table of ten or less together NOW! Call (908) 685-7167, (908) 218-9357 or (609) 466-7904 for information. See the enclosed flyer for more details.
- St. Patrick's Day Parade in Somerville, Sunday, March 12, 2006 – our day to show our Irish!
- National Dance Company Of Ireland Presents "Rhythm Of The Dance", Fri., March 17, 2006, at 8 pm at the Morristown Community Theatre, 100 South St, Morristown, NJ. A St. Patrick's Day treat for the entire family featuring top Irish musicians, singers and step dancers in a lively performance of Irish musical heritage and culture. Tickets are \$35-\$45, please call (973) 539-8008.
- Gaelic Storm, Fri., May 12, 2006 at 8 pm at the Morristown Community Theatre, 100 South St, Morristown, NJ. Featured as the "Steerage Party Band" in Titanic, Gaelic Storm's dynamic stage show features rousing, upbeat vocals, wild energetic dance tunes, haunting Celtic ballads and infectious humor. Tickets are \$32-\$37, please call (973) 539-8008.
- Major Degree and State Board meeting, Saturday, April 22, 2006. More information to follow.
- The Ancient Order of Hibernians 93rd National Convention in Boston - The Convention will be held from July 5 to July 9, 2006 - For more information on the convention check the official Homepage of the National Convention at www.boston06.com.
- Irish Feis Cruise 2006, July 24-29, 2006, 5 day Atlantic Canada Cruise, Roundtrip from New York. Prices start at \$499 per person; Bands include our own Willie Lynch Band. For more information and Registration Forms, please contact BSID International (866) 848-3700 or (732) 774-5676.
- The John P. Holland Division is proud to present their first annual Ship Bottom Irish Cultural Festival, Saturday, September 9, 2006, on Long Beach Island, from 11am to 7pm. There will be Bagpipe bands, Irish Step Dancers, Irish Contemporary music, and much more!
- Emmaus House is hosting a visit to Ireland, June 26-July 8, 2006, for \$2,695. Too much to list here, please call (732) 442-7688 for more information and deposit for the trip.
- Willie Lynch Showband & Trio is Planning a 10 day Tour of Ireland next year, 2006, sometime around May to June. Please send your name and the best time for you and family to travel if you are interested to P.O. Box 388; Whitehouse Station, NJ. 08889.

REQUEST FOR HELP

Our Division is looking for a new chairman for the Annual Mass. Current Chairman Richard Evans is ill and in need of prayers and such is not able to chair this year's Annual Mass. Can you help? If you can, please call Division President Bob McCann (908) 874-5975. Thank you and God Bless.

Appeal for Volunteers to the Veteran Hospital at Lyons.

Brother Bob Eustace has asked for volunteers to help at the Veterans Hospital at Lyons. Please call Mary Beth Hynowski, Volunteer Program Director, at (908) 604-5814 ext. 4191 and let her know Bob Eustice requested you call her. Thank You and God Bless.

Two Interesting New Jersey Irish Websites

The Iselin Ceili and Set-Dancing Club have a very informative website for ceili and set-dancing around the state, <http://iselinceiliandsetdance.home.att.net/>. I also found another interesting website of New Jersey Irish event, <http://www.njirish.net/index.htm>. Check them out to see what else is going on in our state. Don't forget to look at our Division website. Check it out at <http://www.aohsomerset.com>. The web site contains the Newsletter, brief history of the division, how to join and upcoming events. We are also able to electronically send you the Newsletter, if you wish.

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 \$5 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.

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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.

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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.

McCool Sounds - DJ Services and Live Irish Music, contact Tom Burns (908) 295-7231 or www.mccoolsounds.com.

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

Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc. – low-cost, comprehensive legal solutions with Identity Theft Protection. Gerald Houlihan, Independent Associate (732) 882-1068, angerhou@netscape.net.

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Cryan's Ale House & Grill 1270 Route 28, North Branch, New Jersey 08876, John Cryan (908) 722-3343.

Trinity Church Goods 48 West Somerset Street, Raritan, NJ 08869, Mark Maher (908) 722-4788.

WineRx.com 42 Main St., Madison, NJ 07940 Fine Wines Online, Marty Foy Jr. (973) 822-1443.

Home Depot at Home Services – Bob Coffee

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

CALENDAR

(Thurs) AOH sponsored FREE traditional Irish folk dance (ceili) classes are starting Jan. 6 thru Mar. 10 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) Live Irish music at Mannion's Pub on Main Street, Somerville on Friday nights. 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.

Now-Jan 29 (Tues-Sun) The Irish Repertory Theatre presents George Bernard Shaw's "Mrs. Warren's Profession," 132 West 22nd St., New York City. (No shows Mon) Tickets are \$45 or \$50. The Theatre is located at 132 West 22nd Street between 6th and 7th Ave., New York. Performance Schedule: Tuesday – Saturday at 8pm, Saturday & Sunday at 3pm. For Tickets and more information, please call (212) 727-2737.

CALENDAR

Jan 1 (Sat) Feast of Mary Mother of God.

Jan 6 (Fri) Trenton Pipe Band Fundraiser at the Hibernian Hall, Hibernian Hall, 2419 Kuser Rd., Hamilton, NJ 7-10pm. Live music, giveaways etc. Talk to everyone you know and tell them to save to date as Trenton AOH welcome their new band.

Jan 7 (Sat) NJ State Board meeting in Jersey City at PJ Ryan's Pub at 1 pm, and a pub-crawl. Please call Division President, Bob McCann (908) 874-5975***

Jan 9 (Mon) Irish American Public Action Committee Meeting at Mannions on Main St., Somerville, at 5:30pm. All welcome. Information (908) 647-3984

Jan 17 (Tues) Regular AOH Meeting. Meeting will start at 8pm.***

Jan 23 (Mon) Annual March for Life - Washington, D.C. and Rally for Life – Trenton. Please check with your local parishes for planned demonstrations or call (908) 276-6620.

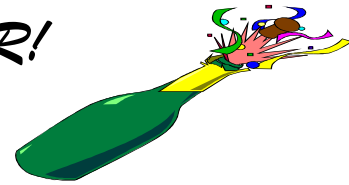
Jan 27-Feb 3 (Fri-Fri) Annual Bloody Sunday Ireland Tour - 7 Days, 6 Nights, for \$1,100. They will include airfare, breakfast, double occupancy in 3 star hotel and bus travel. Call Jere Cole (973) 632-7914 or Bill Young (732) 280-0221 for more details.

Jan 27-29, Feb 3-5 (Fri-Sun) The Celtic Theatre Company presents "The New Gossoon" by George Shiels at the Theatre-in-the-Round at Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ. Tickets \$15 and \$10 Senior/Student, please call (973) 761-9790.

Jan 29-Feb 5 (Sun-Sun) Irish All Star Costa Cruise 2006 Book under W Lynch. Sailing from Fort Lauderdale Florida. Call 800-499-2010 or 499-2010. Starting Only \$699 Get away from the Snow and ice for 7 days in the Sun.

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

We wish ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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