

HIBERNIAN NEWSLETTER

AOH SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ – ST. PATRICK DIVISION

February 2007



GENERAL INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR FEBRUARY, 2007

That the goods of the earth, given by God for all men, may be used wisely and according to criteria of justice and solidarity.

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

REGULAR AOH MEETING

Tuesday, February 20, 8:00pm
Knights of Columbus
495 East Main Street
Somerville

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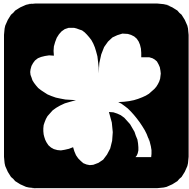
We plan to conduct a brief business meeting followed by some friendship and cheer with your fellow Hibernians! As usual, free beer, soda and wine. *Pint agus caint* (pint and chat).

Our Charities & Missions Chairman, Jim Bulter, will conduct a raffle for the benefit of CGE after the meeting. The January Raffle donated \$234 to CGE. The winners in the January raffle were: Derek Kirby, a George Foreman Grill; Tom Russell, 2 tickets to the K of C Art Action & a Kilcè Celtic Cross from Trinity Church Goods in Raritan; Jack McCullagh, a bottle of Bols Crème de Menthe & a joke book; and Fr. Dan, a decorative craved eagle knife & DVD of the Chieftains. Don't miss this opportunity to help CGE and have a good chance at winning fabulous prizes.

A BIT OF IRISH

Irish (Gaelic): Olc síon an sioc, is fearr sioc ná sneachta agus is fearr sneachta ná síorbháisteach.
Pronunciation: Olk s'i:n ē s'ik is f'a:r s'ik na: s'n'ax-tē ag-ēs is f'a:r s'n'ax-tē na: s'i:r-va:s'-tēx.
English: Frost is bad weather, (but) frost is better than snow, and snow is better than eternal rain.

AOH SPONSORED ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER DANCE - SATURDAY, MARCH 10 HONORING HIBERNIAN OF THE YEAR, *Robert J. McCann*.



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 Bob McCann 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.

IRISH TRIVIA

What famous Irish author was born in February?

St. Ann's of Hampton is offering all Hibernian members a seat (~\$20) on a bus to the **New York St. Patrick's Day parade, Saturday, March 17**. If interested please call Brother Cliff Roberts at: (908) 704-0048.

HIBERNIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Executive Committee is proud to announce that Division President Finbarr Kirby will present our Division's 2007 HIBERNIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD to ROBERT J. MCCANN at our upcoming annual dinner/dance. Bob is a very active member, past President and longtime Division officer. He is still active donating his time to many Hibernian activities.

We are very proud to have Bob as our AOH Brother and to bestow on him this most deserving award. On behalf of all your Division Brother Hibernians, Thank You Bob!
CONGRATULATIONS ROBERT J. MCCANN AND GOD BLESS.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Our Financial Secretary, Brother John O'Donnell, would like to thank all who paid in time for the drawing and we have less than half of the membership left to pay!! A second notice will be going out to those members who have been a little lax in making their dues payments. We would truly appreciate it if all members would pay their dues NOW, *ONLY* \$35. 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.

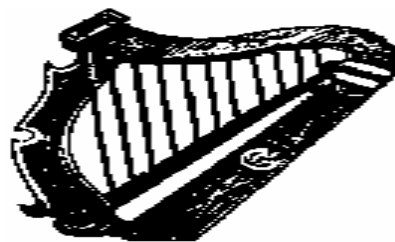
Please remember the change on the signing up of new members. Membership dues for new members joining the division during the year are required to pay \$35 in membership fees if received with an application by the member proposer in the 1st Quarter of the calendar year. The fees are adjusted to \$30 during the 2nd Quarter and \$25 during the 3rd Quarter. Any applications during the 4th Quarter must provide the \$35 fee, which will cover the remainder of year and ALL of the following year.

2007 SEISIUN SCHEDULE

- February 25 – March 25 – April 22 –
- September 23 – October 28 – November 25 –

Next Seisiun will be Sunday, February 25.

For Information call (908) 295-7231



A VERY HEARTY THANK YOU

- To the Hibernian Brothers who wished to remain anonymous for donating prizes to the January CGE raffle.
- To all Hibernian Brothers who had sent in their dues early, over half where sent in!

Dia dhuit! (God be with you)

SOMERVILLE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE FUND RAISING PROGRAM

Recently, you 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. Please make checks payable to the "St. Patrick's Parade"; send by February 26th to Somerville St. Patrick's Parade Patron Contributions, c/o Joe Simmons, Sr., 145 Benart Place, Middlesex, NJ 08846. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

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.



2007 ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE IN SOMERVILLE

The Somerville St. Patrick's Day Parade for **Sunday, March 11, 2007** is in full swing. This Year's Grand Marshal is Brother Jim Butler. Brother Bill Cooper is chairing this project, once again, and is in need of as many corporate sponsors/business contacts as possible. If you know the person responsible for approving funds for advertisements in the parade program book, PLEASE call Bill (908) 725-4190, immediately, since time is very short. This year's parade is planned to be BIGGER & BETTER than ever; so plan to be there. Leading off this year's parade will be none other than GRAND MARSHAL Brother Jim Butler.



**** RESERVE SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2007 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 A PIPE BAND WILL ACCOMPANY US. THE GRAND MARSHAL, JIM & HIS FAMILY, WILL LEAD THE PARADE.**

IT'S OUR DAY TO HONOR JIM AND TO SHOW OUR IRISH.
PLEASE PRAY FOR FINE WEATHER.

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

PLEASE NOTE: there will be a post-parade-party at the Knights of Columbus, 495 East Main Street, Somerville, for those Hibernians, families and friends who marched in the parade. Refreshments FREE.

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 2007" program, cost ONLY \$20 per; the sale of the "2007 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.

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:

- Timothy O'Sullivan, brother of Brother Christopher O'Sullivan, is recuperating at his home in Ireland following a recent triple heart bypass.
- Brother Robert J. Shields passed away January 13th. Please pray for the repose of his soul.
- Brother Thomas Deignan asked that we pass along to his entire fellow Hibernians that he is recuperating well following a second brain operation and is looking forward to seeing everyone in the very near future.
- Nancy Collins, wife of Brother Martin Collins, is in need of our prayers. Nancy is presently undergoing treatment for cancer.

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.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

The January attendance raffle amounted to \$129 and was won by Brother Don Kiernan. There will be a new pot for February. 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.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES

- To Brother Jim Bulter on being named the 2007 Somerville St. Patrick's Day Grand Marshall.
- To Brother Bob Foley and his wife, Patrice, on the birth of their granddaughter, Maren Ainsley McEnroe Foley, born recently to their son, Brian, and his wife, Margaret. Maren, parents and grandparents are all doing well.

Sainte And God Bless!

The ANSWER to this month's trivia question is James Joyce was born in Dublin on February 2, 1882, Ulysses is one of his famous works.

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.saoh.com/bagpipe_lessons/home.htm.



Free Adults Ceili Classes Began in January

Once again, our division is sponsoring FREE traditional Irish folk dancing (ceili) lessons on Thursday evenings for a 10-week session (Jan 11th thru March 9th) at the PeopleCare Center, 120 Finderne 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!!! For addition information, call Jim Lynch at (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 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 5:00pm 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, 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").

REQUEST FOR HELP

Our Division is looking for help for chairman for Our Division's Annual Golf Outing. Bob McCann did a wonderful job after Jerry Duffy, but is retiring as chairman. Can you help? We are looking for coordinating the event and talking to sponsors. If you can, please call Division President Finbarr Kirby (908) 218-9357. Thank you and God Bless.

FREEDOM FOR ALL IRELAND CHRISTMAS APPEAL & 10 CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

AOH 2006 Christmas Appeal for political prisoners and their dependents is still open for donations. 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 Cross, done by an Irish prisoner, to be offered as a prize raffle to any person who makes a donation of \$10. The raffle will be held at our March 20th meeting. 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.

Membership News

Brother Mark Maher has recently opened a new religious supply business, Trinity Church Goods, next to the Shrine Chapel, in Raritan. He carries a fine collection of imported Irish plaques, rosaries, Celtic greeting cards and beautiful crosses and plaques made by the Wild Goose Studio in County Cork. Stop in some time and AOH members who show their card get a 10% discount. Thank you and God Bless.

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.

- 2007 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, 2007.

Please note our National Chairman, Bill Sullivan, would like all Divisions and members to know that an Irish Way Video is available through 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.

NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT

- Check here for information on St. Patrick's Day Parades throughout New Jersey and surrounding areas (NOTE: Information is regularly updated) <http://www.saintpatricksdaysparade.com/index.htm>.
- Natalie MacMaster, international fiddling sensation, Sat., March 3, 8 pm, at the Morristown Community Theatre, 100 South St, Morristown, NJ. Tickets range from \$32 to \$42, please call (973) 539-8008.
- 2007 Friendly Sons & Daughters Of St. Patrick, Mercer County Dinner Dance, at Thursday, March 8th at the Hyatt Regency in Princeton. The honoree's are Retired LTC Joe Flynn of the NJSP, and Nancy Faherty from Roma Bank. Hibernian William "Bill" Hogan will receive the Community Service Award, this year named in honor of Dr. William Ryan who passed away in 2006. For ticket or reservation information please call Yardville National Bank (609) 631-6124 and ask for Maria Johnson.

NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT

- The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick of Central Jersey has named Assemblyman Patrick Diegnan, Jr. their Irishman of the year. A black-tie event will be held March 9 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Somerset. For tickets and more information, please call Kevin Hoagland (732) 745-3818.
- Ceol na Mara (music of the Sea) by the Celtic Theatre Company at Seton Hall University at the Theatre-in-the-Round on the South Orange campus, March 9-11, 16-18. Tickets are \$15, \$10 for Seniors or Students. Please call (973) 761-9790.
- Division's Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance, **Saturday, March 10**, 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 Bob McCann as the 2007 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 11, 2007 – our day to show our Irish!
- The Chieftains, Thursday, March 15, 2007 at 8pm at the State Theatre, New Brunswick, NJ. Tickets are \$30, \$40, \$55 & \$60; please call (877) STATE-11 for more information and tickets.
- Irish American Cultural Institute Presents "Spirit Of Ireland: Galway To Broadway", Fri., March 17, 2007, at 3 pm and 8 pm, at the Morristown Community Theatre, 100 South St, Morristown, NJ. Tickets range from \$35 to \$45, please call (973) 539-8008.
- Newark St. Patrick's Day Parade, Sunday, March 18th
- The 2007 Children's Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 7th. The hunt will begin at 10:00 AM sharp. Children and grandchildren of paid members for 2007 from infant to 8 years old are invited to participate.
- Many Young Men of Twenty by the Celtic Theatre Company at Seton Hall University at the Theatre-in-the-Round on the South Orange campus, May 11-13, 18-20. Tickets are \$15, \$10 for Seniors or Students. Please call (973) 761-9790.
- St. Ann's of Hampton Pipes & Drums Friend & Family Cruise, July 9-14, 2007, to Canada. Cost is \$598-\$798 per person. Brother Cliff Roberts (908) 704-0048, for registration and additional information.
- Yes, it's ON! All are very welcome. The Willie Lynch's Alaska 7 day Cruise August 15th - 22nd 2007 and we'll have our singing and dancing at night. For more information go to:
<http://www.bsidinternational.com/irishcruise.htm>.

CALENDAR

(Thurs) AOH sponsored FREE traditional Irish folk dance (ceili) classes are starting Jan. 11 thru Mar. 15 at the PeopleCare Center, 120 Funderne 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-Feb 18 (Wed-Sun) The Irish Repertory Theatre presents "Meet Me In St. Louis" Directed By Charlotte Moore. (No shows Mon & Tues.) Tickets are \$55 or \$60. The Theatre is located at 132 West 22nd Street between 6th and 7th Ave., New York. Performance Schedule: Wednesday – Saturday at 8pm, Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday at 3pm. For Tickets and more information, please call (212) 727-2737.

Feb 1 (Thur) St. Brigid of Ireland (Mary of the Gael) – Official holy day of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

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.

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

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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.

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

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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.

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

CALENDAR

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

Feb 10 (Sat) Our Lady of the Hills Council 5959, Knights of Columbus, holds its 9th Annual art auction at the Blessed Sacrament parish hall, 1890 Washington Valley Road. Call Rip Schissler at (908) 642-8374 or Dan Hayes at (908) 256-5901.

CALENDAR

Feb 10 (Sat) Monmouth County Division 2 is having their Annual Dinner Dance at Lakeside Manor in Hazlet at 7 PM. The Round the House Band, full dinner and open bar, 7-12pm, tickets are \$65 each. For tickets or more information please contact Gerry Ward at (732) 446-2822 or Rob Hughes (732) 842-6669.

Feb 12 (Sat) Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Feb 14 (Wed) St. Valentine's Day – Don't forget those you love on this very special day.

Feb 17 (Sat) Sussex County St. Patrick's Day Parade Grand Marshal's Dinner Honoring Brother Glen Vetrano, 6 PM Cocktails, 7 PM. Diner at Lake Mohawk Country Club, Sparta, NJ. Music and entertainment by Gallagher's School of Irish Step Dancers, bagpipers, Irish songsters Kindred Spirt, Irish Historian and lots of good craic! Tickets \$65 per person. Contact Dennis Harrington (973) 827-9179 or dharring@ramapo.edu

Feb 19 (Mon) Presidents Day.

Feb 20 (Tues) Regular AOH Meeting. Meeting will start at 8pm.***

Feb 23 (Fri) The Trenton AOH will again begin the Annual Fish Fries. You can be a part of the best Fish Fry in the area from 11:30 AM to 7 PM.

Feb 24 (Sat) Middlesex County celebrates it's 10th year anniversary in South Amboy, NJ (Originally formed in 1896) at The Pines Manor, Edison NJ Coctails at 6, Dinner at 7. Tickets \$65.00 per person. Contact Dick Cronin (732) 841-6805 or (732) 721-6332.

Feb 24 (Sat) The IACI's 12th Annual Washington's St. Patrick's Day Ball will be held at the Madison Hotel, Madison, NJ. Tickets are \$175 per person, for more information please contact the IACI at (973) 605-1991.

Feb 25 (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.***

Mar 4 (Sun) Belmar Saint Patricks Day Parade, <http://www.belmarparade.com>.

Mar 3 (Sat) Irish Gala Ball, sponsored by Trenton AOH, at the Nottingham Ballroom. Cocktails and Hors D'Oeuvres beginning at 7 PM. The dinner will begin at 8 PM. There will be an Irish show Band from Philadelphia, for reservations or ticket information call Vince McKelvey (609) 586-3851. \$90.00 per person.

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



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