

HIBERNIAN NEWSLETTER

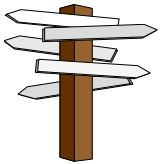
AOH SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ – ST. PATRICK DIVISION

July 2007

GENERAL INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR JULY, 2007

That all citizens, individually and in groups, may be enabled to participate actively in the life and management of the common good.

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



**DIVISION ANNUAL PICNIC
August 26, 2007**

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED -WORKERS FOR OUR ANNUAL PICNIC – SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

To help with our annual picnic on Sunday, August 26 at the Eagles Aerie picnic grounds. ALL kinds of help are needed for setting-up, the kitchen, the grills, the corn bar, beer and soda areas, gate and parking, corn huskers, ice porters, table cleaners, clean-up crew, etc. YOU NAME IT, WE NEED IT. Please call Pat Mannion (908) 722-3825 or Jim Walsh (908) 904-8074.

Our Charities & Missions Chairman, Jim Butler, conducted a raffle for the benefit of CGE at the June meeting. The June Raffle raised a very generous amount of \$200 that we donated to the Center for Great Expectation. Very Hearty Thanks to all whom contributed. Congratulations to our winners at the June raffle, Paul Carolan, an ewave Can Opener; Derek Kirby, a 16 piece stainless steel BBQ set & Oven Mitt; and Tom Deignan, a Black & Decker Travel Pro Iron & a picture frame. Thank you and God Bless.

NO MONTHLY MEETINGS OR IRISH TRADITIONAL MUSIC SEISIUNS IN JULY & AUGUST

A BIT OF IRISH

Irish (Gaeilge):

Pronunciation:

English:

Bíonn siúlach scéalach.

b'í:n s'u:l-ëx s'c'e:l-ëx.

Travellers have tales to tell.

Note: “ë” stands for an unstressed vowel, generally silent or soft.

2007-08 Executive Board Nomination

The time is coming upon us to elect a new executive board. Election will be held in September and swearing in ceremony in October. Any member in good standing, wishing to run for any of the positions, should make their interest known to P. Joe Mulrooney (908) 725-1956, or Bob McCann (908) 428-6783. Nominations will be held up to our meeting in September, prior to elections that same night. Nominees must be a member of the Order for at least six months, and have received their Major Degree or commit to taking the Major Degree of the Order at the earliest opportunity, plus be willing to serve, if elected.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

We wish to extend a warm welcome to our two new members who has been accepted at the May meeting: Kevin J. Sweeney by Rich Evans, and Fr. Sean Broderick by Rich Evans.
UaD MILE FÉILTE (100,000 WELCOMES).

St. Patrick Division I Annual Picnic

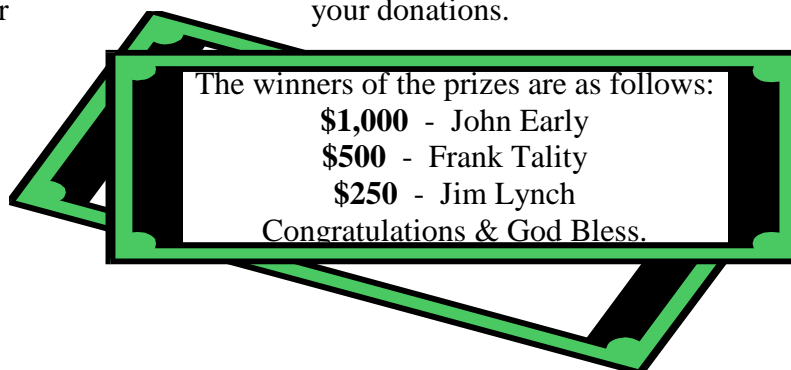
Our Annual Picnic is fast approaching. Our current Chairman is looking for help, organizing, cooking, shucking corn, serving, tickets, children's games, you name it. Can you help? Any amount of time you can spare is helpful, as they say many hands make for light work. If you can help, please contact **Pat Mannion (908) 722-3825** or **Jim Walsh (908) 904-8074**. REMEMBER to keep **Sunday, August 26** free. 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.
Link to the Order form: <http://www.aohsomerset.com/Flyers/PicnicFlyer2007.pdf>

IRISH TRIVIA

This month's trivia question is: Do you know what regiment the great charge of the Confederates at Gettysburg in July 3, 1863? (Answer may be found elsewhere in the newsletter)

DIVISION'S ANNUAL FUND RAISING UPDATE

Our Hearty THANK YOU to all whom brought and/or sold tickets to our Division's Annual Fund Raising Program. It was a very successful program this year! This thank you not only goes to the Hibernians, but also to our many friends who have been so supportive and giving now and in the past. Our hats are off to all of you. God Bless you all for your donations.



5th Annual John W. Greenleaf Memorial Golf Tournament

The plans are underway for Our 5th Annual John W. Greenleaf Memorial Golf Tournament, **Friday Sept. 14, 2007**, at the Royce Brook Golf Club in Hillsborough. Proceeds to Benefit St Jude Children's Hospital and other AOH charities. Cost is \$160 per person and will include a continental Breakfast, Beverage cart on the course, hot and cold luncheon following the play. Many prizes including a FREE car for a hole in one! Entry fees must be received by Saturday, Sept. 1. Please call John Kelly III, (908) 359-3950, for more details. We are looking for workers and sponsors. Sponsors have a few options: Hole Sponsors would get their company or individual name on a hole's flag for \$100; Tee sponsors would get their company or individual name on a sign at the tee for \$50; and for \$10 a Patron would get their name or family on a Big Board to be displayed in the Practice Green. If you would like to help or know a sponsor or would like to become one, please call one of the committee members, John Kelly III, (908) 359-3950, Tom Burns (908) 359-8820 or Bob McCann (908) 428-6783. Thank you and God Bless. **Link to the Golf page which has Golf Flyer and**



Sponsorship Forms: <http://www.aohsomerset.com/GolfOuting.htm>

2007 Outstanding Service Award

Our Division's Executive Board is proud to announce this year's recipient for the 2007 Outstanding Service Award to **Joseph Simmons**. Joe has helped us organize tickets for the picnic, program book for the St. Patrick's Day Parade, you name it Joe's helping hand has been involved. The Award will be presented at our Annual Picnic in August.

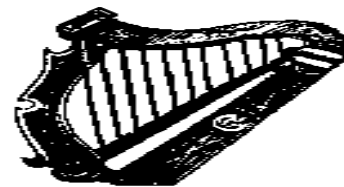
Congratulations to Joe! *Dia dhuit!* (God be with you)

2007 SEISIUN SCHEDULE

- NO SEISIUNS IN JUNE, JULY & AUGUST -
 - September 23 – October 28 – November 25 –
- NEXT Seisiun will be Sunday, September 23.

For Information, call (908) 359-8820

A very *Special Thank You* to Brother Bill Healy for his donation of the hand cut crystal vases, made at his Shop, awarded bi-monthly to the musicians at our seisiuns. Bill Healy's Crystal Shop located at the Village Plaza in the Feed Mill next to Liberty Village, Flemington, NJ. Mention that you are a Hibernian or family member and we're sure you will receive preferential treatment along with a very generous discount.



HIBERNIAN MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

We have only had a few new members these past few months. Thanks to those Brothers who proposed these new members. 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. We need EVERY member to sign up ONE NEW MEMBER in 2007. *Don't leave it for someone else to do!* Have that friend or relative complete the AOH application that we sent you recently and forward it with a check for \$20 (made payable to the AOH) to our Division Financial Sectary, John O'Donnell, 200 Brookside Lane, Hillsborough, NJ 08844. If you should need one or more application blanks, give John O'Donnell a call (908) 359-2508. *Please remember* the change on the signing up of new members. Membership dues for new members joining the division during the April to June are required to pay only \$20. Please note that all ordained Catholic priests, all full-time male students over 16 years of age and any full-time member of the U.S. Armed Forces who otherwise qualifies for membership in the AOH, will be exempt from annual dues in our division, so long as they retain such status. How about signing up some of your parish priests of Irish birth or descent and those younger members of your family or relatives????

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

To date, the following list of candidates have been nominated by the Chairman of the Nominations Committee, P. Joe Mulrooney, and have agreed to serve in the respective positions for the coming year, if elected at our September regular meeting:

President	Finbar Kirby	Treasurer	Open
Vice President	John Kelly III	Marshall	Open
Recording Secretary	Open	Sentinel	P. Kevin O'Sullivan
Financial Secretary	John O'Donnell	Chairman of Standing	
		Committee	Tom Burns

Any member in good standing, wishing to run for any of the above positions, should make their interest known to P. Joe Mulrooney (908) 725-1956, or Bob McCann (908) 428-6783. Further nominations will be held at our *next meeting, September 18*, prior to elections that same night. Nominees must be a member of the Order for at least six months, and have received their Major Degree or commit to taking the Major Degree of the Order at the earliest opportunity, plus be willing to serve, if elected.

A VERY HEARTY THANK YOU

- To the six Hibernian brothers who acted as canopy bearers for the recent Corpus Christi procession from the Shrine Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament in Raritan to the other two Catholic churches in town. These members of the Knights of St. Patrick are Brothers Joe Cobb, Bob Coffey, Kevin Donovan, Bob Eustice, Neil Mahoney and Frank Toolan. Two other brother, Bob Canavan and Matt McDarby couldn't make it because of late minute emergencies. May God Bless all who helped and participated in this wonderful expression of faith. God Bless.
- To Tony Leonetti for printing our Newsletter each month at a very reasonable cost at their Mail Boxes Etc., 1308 Centennial Ave., Piscataway business.

- To Brother Vince Reh and his lovely wife, Sue, for helping in picking up, labeling and putting on the postage.
- To all the Brothers who contributed to CGE, our contributions are most appreciated and they send their prayers & Best Wishes.

Dia dhuit! (God be with you)

The answer to this month's trivia question Colonel Dennis O'Kane's Irish 69th Pennsylvania Vol. Infantry on Cemetery Ridge, they held off "Pickett's Charge".

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES

- To AOH Brothers recently elected to the New Jersey AOH Executive Committee: Jere Cole; President, Joe Cobb; Vice President, Jack Nosti; Treasurer, and Bill Young; Secretary.
- To AOH Brother Msgr. Seamus Brennan, Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish, on the 35th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.
- To Brother Francis X. Hermes and his wife, Katherine, on the recent birth of their son, Devon. Mom, Dad and baby are all reportedly doing well.
- To Brother Jim Butler and his wife, Diane, on the birth of twin granddaughters, Kelsey Lynn and Kate Elizabeth Butler, born on June 21st to their son Matt and his wife, Kim. Babies are doing well as are Mom, Dad and the proud grandparents.
- To Brother Joseph Cobb and his wife, Sister Deana, on the recent birth of their grandson, Matthew Stanley McPherson, Jr. born to their daughter Erin and her husband, Matthew, Sr.. All are reportedly doing very well.
- To Brendan Donovan, son of Brother Kevin Donovan and his wife, Alicia, who was recently named Senior Assistant in the Support Group of the Notre Dame football program. Brendan is a recent graduate of Seton Hall University.

Sainte And God Bless!



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 Meghan Kelly (908) 371-9080.

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:

- Prayers are requested for the health of Ryan Diskin, 4 year old grandson of Brother Peter Diskin and his wife, Mary. Ryan has been undergoing medical tests and is in need of our 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. 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.

PROJECT CHILDREN HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

As the recent problems in Northern Ireland continue and Peace is tenuous and fragile at best, it is the children of Northern Ireland who suffer the most. Would your family have the room and love necessary to host a Project Children guest this Summer, a child who has only known months NOT years of Peace in his or her entire life? Please open your homes and hearts to these youngsters. For information or application, call Brother Pat Cline or his lovely wife, Vivian, (908) 526-5019.

ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

The June Attendance award was for \$233 and would have been won by James Hannan. Unfortunately Jim could not make to the meeting, so the pot grows for September. How do you get in on the prize? Just attend our monthly meetings and drop \$1 into the pot. If your membership number is pulled, you win the award. Please note that 50 cents of the \$1 goes towards a food fund for food/snacks at upcoming meetings.

FREE ADULTS CEILI CLASSES BEGIN THURSDAY SEPT. 6 thru NOV. 8

The Somerset County Ancient Order of Hibernians will sponsor a series of free traditional Irish ceili dance classes for adults. Classes will be held each Thursday evening from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM at the PeopleCare Center, 120 FINDERNE AVENUE, BRIDGEWATER NJ. Classes begin on Sept. 6, 2007 and run through Nov. 8, 2007. It is advisable to arrive 10 minutes early to facilitate a prompt 7:30 PM start. Ceili dancing is a form of Irish dancing similar to square dancing. Classes will start at the beginner level. Individuals and couples are welcome. For additional information, please call Jim Lynch at (908) 526-9475.

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. 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.



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").

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.

NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT

- **Our Division Annual Picnic**, mini Irish Festival, **August 26, Sunday**, at the Eagles Aerie Picnic Grounds in Bridgewater, NJ.
- **Ceili Classes** begin September 6 and run through November 8 at the PeopleCare Center, 120 FINDERNE AVE., BRIDGEWATER.
- The 5th **Annual John Greenleaf Memorial Golf Tournament** will be held Friday, **September 14, 2007** at the Royce Brook Golf Club, Hillsborough NJ. Please see enclosed flyer.

- The Patrick Torphy Division (Monmouth County 2) will host the Ninth Annual Irish Festival at the Jersey Shore at the Sea Girt National Guard Base on Saturday, September 15 from 10am till 6pm - Rain or Shine! For tickets, sponsorship and vendor information, call (732) 291-3239. Mail ticket payments to AOH – Div 2 – PO Box 913, New Monmouth, NJ 07748.
- The Irish Festival North Wildwood, starts on Thursday, September 20, 2007 with a golf tournament at Avalon Country Club. It continues with Ceili, pipers and Mass Friday, Saturday and Sunday -Please check in later for more details.
- The American Irish Ass'n. is sponsoring Gavin's Tip, September 28-30. The cost is \$290 per person. Please contact Charlie Reilly (732) 382-1853 for more information.

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.

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 (908) 722-2907, ask for Vicki O'Connell for your AOH special.

Tim Hyland, CFP(tm), CPA - Financial Planner - 908-537-4443.

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.

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.

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Math and Science Tutoring - Mike Gilmore, Ridge HS Physics Teacher (908) 393-2078.

Cryan's Ale House & Grill 1270 Route 28, North Branch, New Jersey 08876, John Cryan (908) 722-1113.

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

(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-July 8 (Tues-Sun) The Irish Repertory Theatre presents Gaslight (aka Angel Street), 132 West 22nd St., New York City. (No shows Mon) Tickets are \$60 or \$55. The Theatre is located at 132 West 22nd St. 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.

Jul 1 (Sun) The South Jersey Irish Society Annual Picnic at Liberty Lakes, Columbus, NJ. Tickets are available through the Sons and Daughters of Erin (609) 587-8375 or at the door.

Jul 4 (Tues) AOH Holiday-Independence Day.

Jul 9-14 (Mon-Sat) St. Ann's of Hampton Pipes & Drums Friend & Family Cruise to Canada. Cost is \$598-\$798 per person. Brother Cliff Roberts (908) 704-0048, for registration and additional information.

Jul 17-August (Tues-Sun) The Irish Repertory Theatre presents Tom Crean – Antarctic Explorer, 132 West 22nd St., New York City. (No shows Mon) Tickets are \$60 or \$55. The Theatre is located at 132 West 22nd St. 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.

Jul 24-29 (Mon-Sat) Irish Feis Cruise 2007, 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.

Jul 26 (Thur) Feast of St. Joachim and Anne, Grandparents of Christ.

Jul 27 (Fri) Lady of Knock Golf Outing at Fort Dix, \$100 per golfer. Sponsored by Trenton AOH.

Aug 13 (Mon) Irish American Cultural Institute's 12th Annual Irish Way Golf Outing at Essex County Country Club, West Orange, NJ. Come join the IACI for an exciting day of golf and good times. Whether you're a scratch golfer or a high handicapper you'll enjoy a fun filled day with fellow golfers, members, and friends. Many prizes, the outing will feature a putting contest, prize raffles, closest to the pin and an awards dinner. Registration Costs: Individual Golfers \$400; Foursomes \$1200; Non-Golfers \$100 (Dinner & Cocktail Hour). For more information please call the IACI (973) 605-1991.

Aug 26 (Sun) AOH Annual Picnic (mini Irish Festival) at Eagles Aerie Picnic Grounds, Woodside Lane, Bridgewater, NJ. SEE ENCLOSED FLYER FOR DETAILS AND TICKET RESERVATIONS. NO TICKETS SOLD AT PICNIC GROVE. Tkts./Info Jim Walsh (908) 904-8074 or Joe Simmons, 145 Benart Place, Middlesex, NJ 08846-1803 (732) 356-8496.***

NO AOH REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS OR AOH SPONSORED IRISH TRADITIONAL MUSIC SEISIUNS UNTIL SEPTEMBER.

*** SEE NEWS ARTICLES ON ABOVE EVENTS ***

*** MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW ***

Are you interested and would like to patron in follow Hibernian's businesses? Please go to our Division website: <http://www.aohsomerset.com> and check out member form to send a note to your Division Officers.

*Happy Fourth of July!
We hope everyone has a safe, healthy weekend.*



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