

HIBERNIAN NEWSLETTER

AOH SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ – ST. PATRICK DIVISION

September 2007

GENERAL INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR SEPTEMBER, 2007

That the ecumenical assembly of Sibiu in Rumania may contribute to the growth of unity among all Christians, for whom the Lord prayed at the Last Supper.

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

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, September 18, 8:00pm
Knights of Columbus
495 East Main Street
Somerville

We plan to conduct a brief business meeting, including any additional nominations of officers prior to election of the officers for the coming year, and the election of officers. Plan to attend this very important meeting. As usual, free beer, soda and wine.

Pint agus caint
(pint and chat).



William E. Sargent, Sr., Division Member, passed away recently.

We mourn the recent loss of our beloved Hibernian Brother, William E. Sargent, Sr. who passed away recently. At the same time, we rejoice in God's gift of his life to us. He loved God, his family, his country and his Irish heritage. William was a longtime resident of North Plainfield. He will be missed.

May his soul have passed through Olde Ireland on his way to Heaven.

May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.

Go Ndeana Dia trocaire air agus ar dheis de go raibh a hanam

(God have mercy on him and may his soul be at God's right hand)

A BIT OF IRISH

Irish (Gaeilge):

Pronunciation:

English:

Ní neart go cur le chéile.

ni: n'art gē kur lē x'e:l'ē.

There is no strength without unity

Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity

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
Vice President	John Kelly III
Recording Secretary	Tom Burns
Financial Secretary	John O'Donnell
Treasurer	David Carew
Marshall	Jack McCullagh
Sentinel	P. Kevin O'Sullivan
Chairman of Standing Committee	Robert Eustace

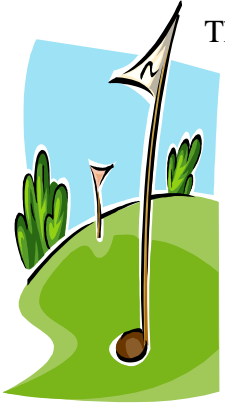
Any member in good standing, wishing to run for any of the above positions, should make their interest known to P. Joe Mulrooney (908) 725-1956 or Bob McCann (908) 428-6783, as soon as possible. Further nominations will be held at our *next meeting* prior to elections that same night. Nominees must be 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.

Charities Chairman Jim Bulter will be conducting another SUPER PRIZE RAFFLE for the Center for Great Exceptions (CGE). The prizes will be something to wet your whiskers or raise your interest. Brothers who wished to remain anonymous generously donated the gifts. Don't miss this opportunity to help CGE and to have a very good chance at winning these lovely and valuable prizes. A Very Hearty Thanks to all whom have contributed in the past. God Bless.

IRISH TRIVIA

The Question to this month's trivia is: Can you name the Irish-American born in September of 1842 and died in September 1928 in Atlantic City? (Answer may be found elsewhere in the newsletter)

5th Annual John W. Greenleaf Memorial Golf Tournament



The plans are underway for Our 5th Annual John W. Greenleaf Memorial Golf Tournament, Monday Sept. 14, 2007, at the Royce Brook Golf Club in Hillsborough. Conveniently located near Route 206. Proceeds to Benefit AOH charities and St Jude Children's Hospital. 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! Please call John Kelly III, (908) 359-3950, for more details. **PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE!**

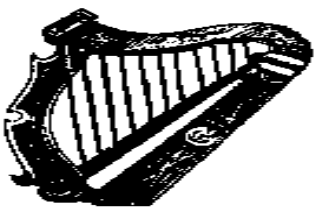
One of the deadlines for one of our Tee Sign Sponsorship, Patron Sponsor, is due next week. The deadline is Friday, September 7th. The Tee Sign sponsorship is \$50. Please send in your form ASAP to meet the deadline. We also have a \$10 patron Sponsorship (both due Sept 7th). To play at our Tournament, the deadline is September 1st. For those who already sent in your sponsorship, Thank You for your support!!! 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.

Congratulations & Best Wishes

- Alissa Furfaro, daughter of Bob and Jackie McCann, gave birth to twins on Monday, July 23rd
- Mom, and Connor and Ashley are all doing fine.
- To Mrs. Barbara Reavey, widow of deceased Brother Kevin Reavey, upon her recent retirement from the Diocese of Metuchen after 24 years of faithful service. We wish her many happy years in retirement.
- To Brother James Dowden and his wife, Donna, on the recent birth of their grandson, Patrick Joseph Carrete, born to their daughter Megan and her husband, Michael Carrete. Baby, parents and proud grandparents are all reportedly doing well.

Sainte And God Bless!



2007 SEISIUN SCHEDULE

- September 23 – October 28 – November 25 -

For Information, call (908) 359-8820

FREE TRADITIONAL IRISH MUSIC SEISIUN, SUNDAY, SEPT. 23

Our next Free Irish traditional music seisiun will be held Sept. 23, 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. An area Irish musician will be the recipient of the magnificent cut glass award designed and produced by Brother Bill Healy at his business - Bill Healy's Crystal Shop located at the Village Plaza in the Feed Mill next to Liberty Village, Flemington, NJ. For more information call Tom Burns (908) 359-8820.

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 former 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.



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.

A VERY HEARTY THANK YOU

- To Our Lord, Our Lady of Knock and St. Patrick for providing a beautiful and soft day for our annual picnic.
- To our picnic co-chairmen – Pat Mannion & Jim Walsh, announcer – Joe Cobb, ticket chairman – Joe Simmons, and to all the workers and to ALL the Hibernian Brothers, relatives and friends who helped in any way to make this year's picnic such a resounding success, once again. There is not enough room to list all who helped and we'd surely miss someone, so please give yourselves a BIG pat on the back and act as our Division's representative and let all who helped know that we really do appreciate their efforts. We couldn't have done it without them.
- To the Eagles Aerie management and staff, Willie Lynch Show Band, the St. Ann's of Hampton Pipe Band and friends, and the representatives and our young step-dancers, for making the picnic such a SPECIAL DAY.

Dia dhuit! (God be with you)

The answer to this month's trivia question is John Devoy, one of the most devoted revolutionaries the world has ever seen, was born in Kill, County Kildare. Moving to America he worked as a journalist and joined Clan na Gael which had become the leading Irish-American ally of the Irish republican movement. Few men have sustained their revolutionary zeal into their 80s as did Devoy. He died in Atlantic City, N.J., on September 29, 1928, having sacrificed for nearly his entire life for Ireland.

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 William E. Sargent, Sr., passed away recently. Prayers are requested for the repose of his soul.
- Donna Dowden, wife of Brother James Dowden, is recuperating nicely at home following a knee operation.
- James Collander, past band manager of the Friendly Sons of Shillelagh and a strong supporter of our St. Patrick Division functions, passed away recently. Prayers are requested for the repose of his soul.

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.



L A O H Fall Dinner/Dance

Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Somerset County Division, presents Fall Dinner Dance with Entertainment by Mike Byrne on Friday, November 2, at St. Mary's Hillsborough, 8PM-12PM. Tickets are \$30.00 Per Person and includes Beer, Wine, and Soda. There will also be a Bake Sale. For tickets and more information, please contact Meghan Kelly (908)-371-9080.

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 (908) 526-9475.

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 had a very active friend of the Division. He helps take the picnic ticket orders and organize the St. Patrick's Day parade. If we have a Division function, Joe's organizational help has been there. The Award will be presented at our Annual Picnic in August.

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

Shamrock Award

Our Division is proud to bestow the Shamrock Award Dan Hayes at our recent picnic. Dan Hayes help run our St. Patrick's Day Parade Party as well as helped at many of our Division's functions. Thank you Dan! God be with you.

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

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.



Trenton Irish Music Festival

Day 1 Saturday, October 6, 2007 at 5pm –10:15pm Performances By: Grade 6 Pipe Band contest; McHugh and Company; NaBodach. Admission: \$5 for adults and students [Note: Free Admission with a Hibernian Card]. Day 2 Sunday, October 7 1pm to 8pm Performances By: Oliver McElhone; AOH Pipe Band; Celtic Cross; Irish Dancers; Jamie and The Quietmen. Admission: \$8 in advance / \$10 day of show. For more information, please contact Phil Murray (609) 346-2771, phil.murray@trentonaoh.com, sean.pender@trentonaoh.com or check out <http://www.TRENTONIRISHFESTIVAL.COM>.

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.

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.

Hanlon Holding Co. – Earn 18% on your money in one year – Jim Hanlon (732) 868-1225.

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

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").

OUR DIVISION'S WEB SITE

Our Division has web site. It has up-to-date information, contacts, dates and the Newsletter online. If you have internet access, at home or at work, you can see the site at <http://www.aohsomerset.com>. The US Postal service is raising rates; again, you can help the Division save money on postage by receiving the Newsletter online. Just go to the web page, click on the "Members Page" bar on the left and click on the "Take me off the Mailing List" link. All you have to do is fill out the form and click



“Submit”. Thank You and God Bless.

Dia dhuit! (God be with you)

NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT

- The Somerset County LAOH will be hosting the Fall Dinner Dance featuring Michael Byrne, Saturday, November 2, from 8pm to Midnight at St. Mary’s in Hillsborough. Tickets are \$30 per person and include Beer, Wine & Soda. For tickets or more information, please contact Meghan Kelly (908)-371-9080.
- The New Jersey State Board of the AOH will hold their meeting Saturday, October 20 at noon to be held at Crown Beer Distributors, 2301 Atlantic Ave., Wall, NJ 07719. Refreshments will be provided by Crown Distributors If you are interested in going, please contact Division President Finbarr Kirby (908) 218-9357.

CALENDAR

(Thurs) AOH sponsored FREE traditional Irish folk dance (ceili) classes are starting Sept. 6 thru Nov. 8 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-Sept 9 (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.

Sept 3 (Mon) Labor Day Holiday, fly your American Flag.

Sept 8-9 (Sat-Sun) The Ocean County Division 4 is proud to present their 2nd Annual Ship Bottom Irish Cultural Festival, on Long Beach Island, from 11am to 7pm. There will be Bagpipe bands, Irish Step Dancers, Irish Contemporary music, and much more! Gate Admission: \$10.00, (Children under 12 years old FREE), (Active members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, "ONLY", admitted FREE, with their traveling cards.)

Sept 10 (Mon) Irish American Public Action Committee Meeting at Mannion’s Pub, 150 West Main St., Somerville, at 6:30pm. All welcome. Information (908) 647-3984.

Sept 14 (Fri) The 5th Annual John Greenleaf Memorial Golf Tournament will be held at the Royce Brook Golf Club, Hillsborough NJ, please see article and insert.***

Sept 15 (Sat) The Patrick Torphy Division (Monmouth County 2) will host the 9th Annual Irish Festival at the Jersey Shore at the Sea Girt National Guard Base from 10:30am till 6pm - Rain or Shine! -Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$10 at the gate, Free to all AOH members with membership card. For tickets, sponsorship and vendor information, call (732) 291-3239. Mail ticket payments to AOH – Div 2 – PO Box 913, New Monmouth, NJ 07748.

Sept 18 (Tues) Regular Meeting at the Knights of Columbus Clubhouse, 495 East Main Street, in Somerville. Nomination of Officers.***

Sept 20-23 (Thur-Sun) The 16th Annual Irish Fall Festival North Wildwood, starts on Thursday with a golf tournament at Avalon Country Club. It continues with Ceili, pipers and Mass Friday, Saturday and Sunday – Free Entertainment, Concert with the Dublin City Ramblers is \$20 per person. For more information, please call (609) 729-0075 or (800) Irish 91.

Sept 23 (Sun) AOH sponsored Irish Traditional Music Seisiun.***

Sept 27-Nov 11 (Tues-Sun) (Preview Sept 20) The Irish Repertory Theatre presents John B. Keane's "SIVE", 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.

Sept 28-30 (Fri-Sun) The American Irish Ass'n. is sponsoring Gavin's Tip. The cost is \$290 per person. Please contact Charlie Reilly (732) 382-1853 for more information.

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

Don't Forget!

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September 14 – Friday - The 5th Annual John Greenleaf Memorial Golf Tournament will be held at the Royce Brook Golf Club, Hillsborough NJ.

September 18 – Tuesday - Division Meeting – Election of Officers at K of C Hall, Somerville.

September 23 – Sunday - Our sponsored Irish Traditional Music Seisiun.



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