



# Hibernian News



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## Response to Hurricane Sandy

Hurricane Sandy affected numerous people in New York, New Jersey and the surrounding area including some of our own Division 2 members. Some have friends and relatives who have lost much, with at least one member's relatives losing their home to the fire in Breezy Point. I'm sure there are also other sad stories that have not been shared yet. Breezy Point, a strong Irish enclave, was severely damaged by the fire and flooding. Who remembers Ocean Avenue, Fulton Walk, and the Sugar Bowl? Many wonderful childhood summer days were spent on the beach at Breezy. In response to Sandy, the A.O.H. National Board unanimously voted to donate \$25,000 for A.O.H. storm relief. A.O.H. National President Brendan Moore has encouraged all divisions, county boards and state boards to donate \$200 with a goal of reaching more than \$100,000. Division 2 has donated \$200 to the cause, and has started a Christmas present drive to collect presents for the children of fellow Hibernian's who have been affected. **PLEASE** consider buying one or more new gifts for this worthy cause. The wrapped box with a tag noting age and gender should be left in the large box just inside the doors of the hall. Thank you for supporting fellow Hibernians in need. True Christian Charity. Please drop them off as soon as possible.

## Hall Rental For 2013

Bill Moore eagerly awaits your call to rent the Division Hall for your personal parties. Please call Bill at 845-283-5582, or leave a message on the answering machine at the hall (845-534-2528). One of the benefits of being a member is being able to rent the hall for your personal needs (baptism, christening, birthday party, surprise party...). The rental fee for members is \$200. Non-members may rent the hall for \$250, but only with a Division member acting as a sponsor. The member must be in good standing and must be current with his dues.

## Division Elections

Division elections will be held during the December meeting (Wednesday the 19th). Please see Dennis Malone, election chairman, for more information or to submit your name or another member for nomination. This is a great time for some new members on the board and for those who have ideas for the future of the Division to come forward. There's a lot of truth to the idea that people truly grow when they "step out of the box" and take on new, challenging activities. Consider this a call to "step out of the box".

## Christmas Party

The children's Christmas party will be held on Saturday December 15th from 3 pm to 6 pm at the hall. Santa is expected to arrive around 4 pm so bring your children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews to the hall for a wonderful holiday celebration. Please remember to bring a wrapped reasonable gift for your little ones so they won't be disappointed.

## A message From the AOH Division 2 President

Dear Brothers and Friends,

The holiday season has come upon us quickly so let us not forget the words "**Merry Christmas**"; it's part of our faith and who better than the Irish Catholics to keep our faith alive. We will be holding elections at the December meeting and nominations can still be given from the floor. I ask that the new board have the same support as I was privileged to have over the past two years. I would like to thank Michael O'Keefe for the great job he has done over the past year with the newsletter. Please don't forget to bring wrapped presents and place them in the box at the hall. They will be given to the children of our AOH brothers who have suffered through the devastation of Hurricane Sandy.

In our Motto,  
Friendship, Unity & Christian Charity

Kevin P. Moore

## Upcoming Events

(subject to change)

Dec 8	<b>Bus Trip to NYC/Rockefeller Tree</b> See sign up sheet in hall.
Dec 9	<b>Irish Breakfast</b> - Hall: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm.
Dec 15	<b>Children's Christmas Party</b> - Hall: 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm. Santa arrives at 4:00 pm.
Dec 16	<b>AOH County Board Meeting</b> - Division 2 Hall: 2:00 pm.
Dec 19	<b>Division Meeting</b> - Hall: 7 pm. All members are <b>strongly</b> encouraged to attend. <b>Election night.</b>
Dec 25	<b>Merry Christmas!</b>
Jan 1	<b>Happy New Year!</b>

## Irish Breakfast-Bring a Friend

### Come Enjoy an Irish Breakfast on Sunday December 9, 2012

The hall is decorated for Christmas so come down for a delicious Irish Breakfast: eggs, Irish bacon & sausage, black and white pudding, home-fried potatoes, pancakes, grilled tomato, soda bread, juice, coffee & tea.

**Serving from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. \$7 per person, \$3 for children**

You probably have a relative or friend that would enjoy this breakfast. Consider inviting them to share a nice meal.

## Thank You Dave

Thanks to Dave Sutton, Division Historian, for contributing some great articles for the newsletter this year. We can all learn something from them.

## Shamrock and Major Degrees

Any member interested in making his Shamrock degree should contact Kevin Moore for more information and details. Members interested in making their Major degree should also make their intentions known so that the process can be planned. Ceremonies for Major degrees happen less frequently and sometimes require considerable travel.

## County Board Meeting and 50/50

The AOH County Board will hold its quarterly meeting at Division 2 Hall on Sunday December 16th at 2 pm. All Division and /County members are encouraged to attend. We would like a good showing of Division 2 members to help show that we are the premiere Division in Orange County. The 50/50 raffle drawing will take place during the meeting. Tickets for the raffle, which are \$5 each, are available at the bar. Proceeds support all of the efforts of the County Board. Winner need not be present, but you must have a ticket to win.

## Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

**Nollaig Shona Duit  
&  
Athbhliain faoi mhaise dhuit.**



A very blessed Christmas to you, your family, loved ones and friends. May we use this season to re-kindle our Christian values and prove that we are disciples of Christ. Best wishes for a healthy and prosperous new year.

## NYS AOH Calendars

NYS AOH fundraiser calendars (\$25) are available (so far in 2012, Orange County had 15+ winners of prize money!!): 365 CHANCES TO WIN--more than \$10,000 in prizes. The New York State Board's largest charitable fundraiser is the Irish History Calendar Contest, where 999 numbered calendars are sold and winners are based on the EVENING 3-Number of the New York State Lottery.