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Division Officer Elections

The 2018 slate of Division officers was re-elected at the December 2018 monthly meeting to serve for 2019, and the installation ceremony occurred at the January 2019 meeting. Thank you to Kevin Cummings for chairing the nomination committee, and the officers who have agreed to serve our Division and the Order. They want to hear from you on how they can better serve the members. It is the joining of our ideas and effort that keeps Division 2 the best Division in Orange County.

Break Out Your Marching Shoes...

March is quickly approaching and time is short to plan for how you will display your Irish Catholic pride. March with us in one of the parades: The Mid-Hudson Saint Patrick's Parade on Sunday, March 10 at 2 pm in Goshen (<http://www.mhspp.org/id4.html>), or the New York City Parade on Saturday, March 16th (<https://www.nycstpatricksparade.org>). Yes, that is correct, March 16th. When March 17th falls on a Sunday the parade is celebrated on March 16th. Parade uniform is necessary for both events (black pants, shoes, socks and tie, white shirt and gloves, balmoral and green AOH jacket). Both events offer an opportunity for you to publicly show what you pledged when you became an AOH member. And, what's a parade if no one marches??? It's a thrilling experience, particularly in NYC, that every member should enjoy. If you have questions please contact any of the Division officers. Sign up for the NYC bus at the bar (\$40 p/p).

Annual Saint Patrick's Dinner Dance

Our annual Dinner Dance will be on Saturday, March 2nd from 7 pm to midnight at Anthony's Pier 9 in New Windsor. Cost is \$70 p/p for open premium bar, fancy Hors d'oeuvres, full dinner with choice of deluxe corned beef and cabbage, Delmonico steak, chicken marsala, fresh seasonal vegetables and dessert. Music and dancing included. Please contact John Encke, Kevin Allen, Mike Shannon, John Greehy, Chris Sherwood, or call the Hall. Raffle tickets for a huge basket of cheer are also available for \$5 each at the bar. Drawing at the Dinner Dance.

2019 Dues

Annual dues are now due. In order to maintain the proper business of the Order, please forward a check to the Financial Secretary for \$50, payable to AOH Division 2. Dues can be mailed to the address on the top of the newsletter or left at the bar. If you are submitting cash (checks preferred) please ensure it is in a sealed envelope and clearly lists who the dues are for. Membership cards will be mailed once dues are received. Thank you to the members who have already met their financial obligation.

Monthly Irish Breakfast!

COME JOIN US FOR A DELICIOUS IRISH BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH

9:00 AM TO NOON

ADULTS - \$7, CHILDREN - \$3

A Message From the Division President

Brothers,
 Congratulations to Brother Michael O'Keefe, Orange County Aide to Grand Marshal Dr. Brian O'Dwyer in the NYC St. Patrick's Parade. The Division and County will show our support at the Feb 24th installation reception in Queens. Congratulations to Tim Allen, Division 2 Aide to James O'Donnell, Grand Marshal of the Mid Hudson St. Patrick's Parade. Come out and support your brothers by marching in both parades. Take advantage of the convenient AOH jacket order form in the link below, and proudly wear the uniform that stands out in every parade in which we march, and in every part of Orange County. Thank you to all who supported our charities and missions work in 2019; we provided in excess of \$25,000 in direct and indirect aid.

In our Motto,
 Friendship, Unity & Christian Charity Bill Kirnan

Thank You

...Brother John Encke, Stop & Shop and all of the volunteers who assisted with packing and delivering fifty Christmas dinners to local families.
 ...Kim Malone, Chris Sherwood and Mike Shannon for organizing and hosting a great children's Christmas party. With an appearance by Santa and smiles all around the Hall, everyone had a grand time.
 Photos of these and other events made the NYS AOH website. Take a peak at <http://www.nyaoh.com/category/news/>

Donald J. Whelan (DJW) Corp. News

The next DJW meeting will be on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 immediately following the Division meeting. All members are encouraged to attend. Tickets for the basket of cheer are available at the Hall (\$5 each). For more information contact Kevin Allen at 845-476-5929.

Prayers

We ask for your continued prayers for Brother Jack Green in the VA hospital in Montrose, and Brother Don McClellan who is recovering at the New Windsor Inn.

Order Your Own Green AOH Jacket

You've always wanted your own green AOH jacket, right? Well, the Division has partnered with Screen Gems in New Windsor to make it a convenient and economical reality. Just tell us the jacket size and name, and we'll take care of the rest. A complete jacket with Division and AOH patches, American and Irish flags and your name for the discounted price of \$50! These are the lightweight style windbreakers worn in parades. Jackets **must be prepaid and ordered no later than Wednesday February 20th**. Order form: <http://www.div2aoh.org/documents/AOH-Jacket-Order-Form.pdf>

Upcoming Events

(subject to change)

Sun Feb 10	Irish Breakfast - Hall: 9:00 am - Noon
Sun Feb 17	Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Parade Fundraiser - Middletown Elks Lodge: 3 - 6 PM. http://www.mhspp.org/id4.html
Wed Feb 20	Division Meeting - Hall: 7 pm. DJW Quarterly Meeting Immediately after. All members encouraged to attend.
Sat Mar 2	Annual Dinner Dance - Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor: 7 pm-Midnight
Sun Mar 10	Mid Hudson St. Patrick's Parade - Goshen: 2 pm stepoff.

News From Ireland and Elsewhere

- Judy Olian, the new president of Quinnipiac University, has done an about-face and directed that the university not march in the 2019 NYC Saint Patrick's Day Parade. Olian's predecessor, John Lahey, the embattled past chair of the parade committee, heard of the news second-hand. Lahey was Grand Marshal in 1997 and oversaw Quinnipiac's \$100,000 annual parade sponsorship, which is also ending. Olian is also reported to have no love for Ireland's Great Hunger Museum on the University grounds, and plans to withdraw the University's financial support.
- In a sad turn of events, a group calling themselves the "IRA" claimed responsibility for detonating a bomb outside the Derry courthouse on January 19th. The statement of responsibility said, in part, "All this talk of Brexit, hard borders, soft borders has no bearing on our actions and the IRA won't be going anywhere. Our fight goes on." Pray for Northern Ireland.
- Saint Brigid, believed to be born in Co. Louth in 450 AD, helped convert Irish tribes to Christianity and is honored on February 1st. The ancient Celts honored the Goddess Brid on the same day looking forward to renewal, new growth and escape from darkness.



St. Patrick's Dinner Dance



Saturday, March 2, 2019

Anthony's Pier 9

7:00 p.m. to 12 Midnight

Biáchlar an Lá

Cocktail Hour with Hors d'oeuvres 7p.m. to 8 p.m.

Soup

Choice of Full Deluxe Corned Beef and Cabbage,
Delmonico Steak or Chicken Marsala

Fresh Seasonal Vegetables

Sliced Layer Cake

Open Premium Bar

Music by The Chris Turpin Band

HVRP Bagpipers, Irish Step and Set Dancers

\$70.00 per person

Raffle for a Huge Basket of Cheer

50/50 Raffle

For tickets call the Irish Cultural Center

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