



# Hibernian News



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## Dues and Membership Update

All members will receive a copy of the newsletter in the mail this month along with a member update form. If you've paid your dues for 2015 you will also receive your membership card. Please review the member update form for accuracy and provide any information that is missing. The update also shows your dues status for 2014 and 2015. If the box next to the year is checked it means dues have been paid for that year. You will receive a stamped, addressed envelope to return the member update form, and your dues if needed. It is **very** important for the Division to have current and accurate information for each member so we can serve you better. As we move to use more electronic communication it's critical that we can contact you.

## St. Patrick's Day Events

March is Irish American Heritage Month and there are so many events and activities to consider. Here is a sample of local and regional events:

- Saturday March 7th: Division 2 annual Dinner Dance, 7 pm to midnight, Anthony's Pier 9. Tickets should have been purchased already. Contact John Encke 914-213-4285 or Dennis Malone 914-805-5137.
- Sunday March 15th: 9 am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel; 10:30 am Grand Marshal's brunch (reservations required); 1 pm lineup for Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Day parade, Goshen; 2 pm step off. Full uniform required. More info <http://mhssp.org/id4.html>
- Tuesday March 17th: NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade. The Orange County AOH contingent (County, DIV's 1, 2 and 4) will again march in the Honor Brigade. 11 am formation at 44th Street, Madison to 5th Ave. Division 2 bus leaves Loughran's at 8 am sharp; sign up at the Hall (\$35 p/p). Cardinal Dolan is this year's Grand Marshal. All marchers must be in full dress uniform (green jacket, balmoral, white gloves, black pants, white shirt, black tie). Our own Kevin Moore is the Orange County Aide to Cardinal Dolan.
- Saturday March 21st: 3rd annual St. Pat's Ramble, Village of Montgomery. Parade begins at 1 pm with Grand Marshal Marion Wild, Village Historian.

## Major Degree Ceremony

Congratulations to John Encke, Chris Sherwood, Kevin Allen and Pat Finn for completing their Major Degree at a ceremony at the Albany County Division Hall in January. Making your Major Degree is a sign of commitment to the values and ideals of the AOH, and encourages members to practice virtues which have distinguished the Irish people.

THE NEXT IRISH BREAKFAST IS



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<b>A Message From the Division President</b>		<b>Upcoming Events</b> (subject to change)													
<p>Welcome to March!! As we look forward to the warmer weather and the departure of the snow, we also join together to celebrate our faith and heritage. There are many ways to show your Irish pride this month so consider joining us at one and marching in one of the parades (dress uniform required, but we should be able to provide some items you may not have). March is also a great time to invite a friend to the Hall or the next Irish breakfast to see what we are all about. That friend just might become our newest member. Enjoy the friendship, unity and Christian charity that our organization was founded on.</p> <p>In our Motto, Friendship, Unity &amp; Christian Charity</p> <p>Bill Kirnan</p>		<table><tr><td>Mar 7</td><td><b>Division 2 Dinner Dance</b> - Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor, 7:00 pm to midnight.</td></tr><tr><td>Mar 15</td><td><b>Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Day Parade</b> - Goshen: 2:00 pm. See article for more info.</td></tr><tr><td>Mar 17</td><td><b>St. Patrick's Day</b> - NYC parade: Bus leaves Loughran's 8 am sharp! 11 am step off.</td></tr><tr><td>Mar 18</td><td><b>Division Meeting</b> - Hall: 7 pm. All members encouraged to attend.</td></tr><tr><td>Apr 5</td><td><b>Happy Easter to all</b></td></tr><tr><td>Apr 12</td><td><b>Irish Breakfast</b> - Hall: 9:30 am.</td></tr></table>		Mar 7	<b>Division 2 Dinner Dance</b> - Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor, 7:00 pm to midnight.	Mar 15	<b>Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Day Parade</b> - Goshen: 2:00 pm. See article for more info.	Mar 17	<b>St. Patrick's Day</b> - NYC parade: Bus leaves Loughran's 8 am sharp! 11 am step off.	Mar 18	<b>Division Meeting</b> - Hall: 7 pm. All members encouraged to attend.	Apr 5	<b>Happy Easter to all</b>	Apr 12	<b>Irish Breakfast</b> - Hall: 9:30 am.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The DJW building fund raffle (\$100 raffle) will be held on Saturday June 20th. Tickets are available now.</li><li>• Orange County AOH County Convention will be held Saturday May 16th at Division 1. More information will be forthcoming. Leadership in the County Board (and thus representation for Division 2) will be discussed and planned at the meeting. Please consider attending to support the Division in County matters.</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Two ex-gardai' have come forward claiming that they witnessed illegal bugging of witnesses' homes and a Gardai station as far back as 1992.</li><li>•International Consolidated Airline Group (IAG) is pursuing a takeover of Aer Lingus. The two largest share owners of Aer Lingus are Ryan Air (29.8%) and the Irish Government (25.1%). The focus of the takeover appears to be take-off and landing slots at Heathrow airport. Aer Lingus is the 4th largest operator at Heathrow behind British Airways, Lufthansa and Virgin Atlantic.</li><li>•Divorce was legalized in Ireland in 1997, but there has been no mass degradation of the Irish family. In fact, Ireland and Luxembourg have the lowest divorce rates in the EU and the third lowest in the world. Finland and Britain have the highest in the EU.</li><li>•Gardai' in Cork City are warning people not to leave mobile phones unattended while at pubs and restaurants. Organized gangs are trawling locations, particularly on weekends, stealing unattended property. Sounds a bit too much like America.</li><li>•Anthony Galvin from County Clare is one of 1,000 people who have applied for a seasonal job from next November to March on Goudier Island. That's not so bad, except that Goudier is off the Antarctic peninsula and has no running water or power, and limited communications. Anthony would have made a good friend for Tom Creen.</li><li>•A Status Orange weather warning was issued in March for Connacht with over 3cm of snow expected! That's nearly 1.2 inches. I'll take that in a heartbeat.</li></ul>													
<b>Boston College Belfast Project</b>															
<p>The Boston College Belfast Project is in the news again. After years of Cross-Atlantic decisions, the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) has decided to pursue all of the tapes in the project, not just selected ones. This is a fascinating story of those loyalists involved in the Troubles who agreed to reveal secrets to a team of academic researchers, but only after being assured that their statements would not be released until after their death. If you don't know of the Belfast Project visit <a href="https://bostoncollegesubpoena.wordpress.com">https://bostoncollegesubpoena.wordpress.com</a> to learn more about what started as an oral academic history project, but has turned into a legal dilemma.</p>															
<b>Hall Rental</b>															
<p>The Hall is a great location to hold a private event or function for you or your family. Please contact Kevin Allen at 845-476-5929 for available dates, to make your reservation or discuss your options.</p>															
<b>New Member</b>															
<p>Congratulations and welcome to Peter Woods our newest member. Peter resides in New Windsor and was sponsored by Dennis Malone. Please go out of your way to say hello and to make Peter feel welcomed to the Division.</p>		<b>Irish Language Program</b>													
		<p>An Irish language immersion program will be offered in Esopus, Ulster County, during the weekend of May 15th to 17th. For information visit <a href="http://www.daltai.com/events/593/">http://www.daltai.com/events/593/</a></p>													

# St. Patrick's Dinner Dance



Saturday, March 7, 2015

Anthony's Pier 9

7:00 p.m. to 12 Midnight

Biáchlár 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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or members below

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