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## 2017 Membership Dues

A reminder to those who have not paid their 2017 dues. If you have not done so already, please send dues (\$50) to Attn: Financial Secretary, AOH Division 2, PO Box 206 Cornwall, NY 12518. For the few members who still owe 2016 dues please forward \$100 to stay current and be in good standing. You may also leave dues at the bar in a sealed envelope.

## Bus Trip to NYC Parade

If you reserved a seat on the bus to the NYC Saint Patrick's Day Parade please know that the bus will leave PROMPTLY at 8 am from Loughran's Pub, 10 Schoolhouse Road Salisbury Mills. The bus will not wait for you so please plan on arriving early. All members planning to march must be in proper parade uniform (black shoes, socks, pants and tie; white shirt and gloves; green jacket and balmoral (beret).

## Great Big Thank You To

...Dennis Malone, John Encke, Mike Shannon, John Greehy, Marge Sherwood, Tim Hogan, John Marlow, Kevin Allen, the other DJW officers and everyone who helped to make the March 4th Dinner Dance at Anthony's Pier 9 a huge success. We all had a wonderful time with great music, great food, great entertainment, and great family and friends. Please mark your calendar for next year's Dinner Dance on March 3rd 2018!

## Get Your Marching Shoes On

There are many opportunities for you to march with your fellow Brothers this month and show your Irish Catholic pride. Parade uniform should be worn (see above). Invite family and friends to line the parade route and cheer you on.


- Sunday March 12th - Goshen NY at 2 pm. Please assemble at the government center at 1 pm.
- Friday, March 17th – NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade (see above).
- Sunday, March 19th –Hamlet of Walkill (Ulster County) St. Patrick's Parade, 2 pm

## It's Okay to Be a Spectator

Saturday, March 18th at 1 pm will mark the annual St. Pat's Ramble in the Village of Montgomery. Mass will be celebrated at Holy Name of Mary on Union Street at 11 am. We won't be marching, but this parade is not to be missed. More exactly, the jam session after the parade is not to be missed. Bands from the region, including BC Celtic from Binghamton, will be marching and adding to the festivities. There are plenty of locations to celebrate after the parade and to enjoy the bands. This is an awesome event!!

## Kevin Allen - Division 2's Aide to the 2017 Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Parade - Bio

Kevin traces his Irish heritage to County Cork and is one of three children born to Martin and Rose (Brennan) Allen in Brooklyn. Educated at St. Ephrem's Elementary School and McKee Vocational and Technical High School, Kevin continued onto NY Institute of Technology earning a Bachelor Degree in Criminal Justice. He worked with IBEW Local# 3 until he joined the US Army in 1965. Upon completion of military service Kevin joined the NYPD where he worked until retirement. He moved to a new career as a facility manager for IBM. A Division member since 1990, Kevin is also an officer of the DJW Corporation. Kevin is happily married to Margaret Mary for forty-six years. They have five sons, three who are Division 2 members, and eighteen wonderful grandchildren.

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<b>A Message From the Division President</b>		<b>Upcoming Events</b> (subject to change)	
<p>Brothers,</p> <p>The President has proclaimed March as Irish-American Heritage Month, and what better way to celebrate than to join your Brothers in marching in one of our local parades or the NYC parade. I will be marching and hope to see many of you there. A wonderful time was had by all at the Dinner Dance and I want to personally thank the committee their hard work. Please join us for Mass on Sunday, March 12th at 9 am at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Middletown. All are welcome for this wonderful Mass with beautiful musical.</p> <p>In our Motto, Friendship, Unity &amp; Christian Charity Bill Kirnan</p>		Sun Mar 12	<b>Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Parade</b> - Goshen: 2 pm. Mass at 9 am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Middletown.
		Wed Mar 15	<b>Division Meeting</b> - Hall: 7 pm. All members encouraged to attend.
		Fri Mar 17	<b>Happy St. Patrick's Day</b> - 
		Sun Apr 9	<b>Irish Breakfast</b> - Hall: 9:30 am - Noon
		Sun Apr 9	<b>Children's Easter Party</b> - Hall: 1 pm
<b>Save the date...</b>		<b>News From Ireland and Elsewhere</b>	
The children's Easter party will be held on Sunday, April 9th from 1 pm to 4 pm at the Hall.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Residents of the little town of Westport, County Mayo, near the base of Croagh Patrick, have been inundated with late-night phone calls looking for sex talk. Seems the British "Babestation" sex line and Westport both have the same 098 prefix, but callers within Ireland are omitting the 00 44 international code when they dial.</li><li>The resignation of Martin McGuinness, Sinn Fein's deputy minister in Northern Ireland (NI), lead to a snap election on March 2nd resulting in Sinn Fein's greatest share of seats ever. Sinn Fein won 27 seats compared the the Democratic Unionist Party's (DUP) 28 seats. The two parties have three weeks to form a new government or else return to a period of direct rule from Britain. A majority of voters in NI opposed Brexit (56% to 44%), so what was an already complicated political scene will be even more complex. Michelle O'Neill, Sinn Fein's Assembly Member for the constituency of Mid-Ulster, will lead the party in NI.</li><li>Martin O'Malley, former Maryland Governor and democratic presidential hopeful, has launched a petition urging Ireland's Taoiseach, Enda Kenny, and Irish American members of Congress to boycott the annual Saint Patrick's Day event sponsored by the U.S. President. More than 12,000 people have signed a similar online petition asking Kenny to boycott the event with President Trump. We'll have to wait to see what actually happens. Stay tuned.</li></ul>	
<b>Pub Trivia Night</b>			
Many thanks to Kevin Cummings (aka Alex Trebek) for coordinating and leading our Irish pub trivia night in February. Five talented teams locked horns to claim bragging rights. It was a close match, but in the end team Woodside (with a few natives of the Irish enclave of Woodside, Queens) prevailed. It was a wonderful night with many remarking that coming to the Hall on a Friday night for a planned event was so much fun. Please share with the Division officers your thoughts on what events you'd like the Division to host, or come to a monthly meeting and let us know. Remember, the organization exists for the membership.			
<b>Prayers</b>			
Please keep brother John McGuirk in your prayers as he deals recovers from some health issues.			
<b>DJW Business</b>			
The DJW Corporation will have a meeting immediately after the Division meeting on Wednesday 3/15/17 at the Hall. All members of the Division are encouraged to attend.			
<b>Veteran's Reminder</b>		<b>No Irish Breakfast This Month</b>	
A quick reminder that you can always bring gently used and new clothing to the Hall for donation to the veteran's at Castle Point. Please leave them inside the door and we'll take care of the rest.		Just a reminder that we <b>will not</b> host the Irish Breakfast in March. We'll be back in action on April 9th so please mark the date and plan on joining us as spring begins to take hold. As usual, \$7 for adults and \$3 for children.	