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**Bridey, Mary of Gaels**

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Although Saint Patrick is known worldwide, Ireland does have a female patron Saint - Saint Brigid. Known as Bridey, Mary of Gaels and even as Biddy, Saint Brigid was born near Dundalk to a pagan Gaelic chieftain named Dubtach (Duffy) and to a Christian slave mother named Brocessa, who was sold soon after Brigid's birth. She was baptized by Saint Patrick with whom she was to become friends. As a child the young Brigid enjoyed a position of some comfort and privilege, the family being in receipt of financial support because of their position of authority.

Upon reaching adulthood however, she assumed a role of servitude and was charged with caring for her father and family. She never forgot her mother however and, despite being forbidden to do so, she left the family home, located her mother, negotiated her release from slavery and returned home to her father's house. To her dismay, her father had arranged her marriage to a poet, apparently a most prestigious profession at the time.

But Brigid had already vowed to remain celibate and to do God's work so once more, she left her home, this time forever.

Together with seven other dedicated women she formed the first ever female monastic community in Ireland in the 468 AD. They helped the poor of the time and many miracles were attributed to them.

Despite having limited resources they never seemed to be without food or supplies for their good works. She founded a school of Art and a Monastery at Cill Dara, the site of the modern town of Kildare. The most famous miracle associated with Brigid tells of her confrontation with an Irish chieftain. She asked him for a quantity of land so that she could build a monastic community. The chieftain replied that she could have whatever amount of land her cloak could cover. Brigid took the cloak from her shoulders and cast it on the ground where it covered over 12 acres of the chieftain's lands. He gave it willingly.

The date of her death is now that of her feast day, February 1st which is still celebrated with the traditional creation of the Saint Brigid Cross, made from reeds. Legend has it that she is buried next to Saint Patrick in Downpatrick.

## *"Let Us Do the Cooking"* **Authentic Irish Breakfast**

**March 8, 2009**

An authentic, delicious Irish breakfast is now being served every second Sunday of the month at an unbelievable price of only \$7.00 p/p!

**9:30 AM-12:30 pm**

**Something for the whole family!!!**

The traditional breakfast consists of Eggs, Irish Bacon, Irish Sausages, Home-fried Potatoes, Black & White Puddings and the Grilled Tomato...a must! Children's Breakfasts of Pancakes & Sausage are only \$3.00 each. Juice, coffee and tea included.



## A Message from the AOH Division 2 President

Dear Brothers and friends,

February 2009

January has passed and I am sure most of us are glad. The delayed Christmas party was held and a good time was had by those attending. Irish night went well. To those members who attended the division functions, THANKS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT. I want to thank Kevin Cummings and Kevin Moore for officiating at your officers' installation. They were well-organized and very professional THANKS again

PLEASE do not forget the upcoming St Patrick's season, Our annual dinner dance is on Saturday, March 7th. Also the Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Committee's Irish day is on March 8th in Greenwood Lake. The Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Parade is on March 15th in Goshen. A good turn out at these events will help keep the tradition alive. Congratulations to Don McClellan, this year's Division 2 Aide to GM in the Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Parade in Goshen.

Congratulations to Sr. Peggy Murphy on being installed as the aide to the NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade representing Orange County. We can think of none more deserving.

**Please Note:** Our next meeting will be on **Sunday, Feb.15th** at 2 P.M.

Fraternally Yours,  
John Greehy, Division 2 President



## Upcoming Events

(subject to change)

- Feb 15** Monthly Meeting - Hall: 2 PM
- Feb 21** AOH Orange County Board Meeting—3:00 pm Division 1 Monroe—For all AOH members
- Feb 22** Aide to GM Dinner—NYC Parade. Antun's Queens. 3—7 PM
- Mar 7** Div 2 Annual Dinner Dance. Anthony's Pier 9. 8 PM — Midnight. \$60 p/p (see notice)
- Mar 8** Irish Day—American Legion. Grnwd Lake 12—6 PM
- Mar 15** Mid-Hudson Parade—Goshen 2:00 PM. Gov't Center.
- Mar 17** NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade—Bus trip to NYC

## Keep in your Prayers

Please remember Jack Mullarkey (on the mend) and John Greehy (hip surgery) in your prayers. Get well soon!!!!

## Lenten Friday Night Fish & Chips

AOH ~ Division 2—Hibernian Hall, Cornwall, NY



*Back by popular demand...*

**Lenten Fish & Chips Dinner**

**Friday, March 27, 2009**

**Serving from 6:00 pm till 8:30 pm**

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**Children age 10 and under \$5.00**

Reservations not necessary—but are greatly appreciated.

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## NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade Bus Trip

The bus trip to the NYC parade will take place on Tuesday, March 17th. The cost per person is **\$35**. Price includes food and drinks on the way down and back. The bus will leave from Harp & Whistle Pub, Rt. 17K at 8:00 am (sharp) and return (approx) 7:30pm. Contact Mike Shannon at 845-901-4342.

## Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Parade



**Annual Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Parade**

**Sunday, March 15, 2009**  
Goshen, NY



We march as a division in this parade so turn-out is important. Please be sure to have your parade uniform in order. If you need anything contact John Greehy. Line-up in uniform at 1:00 pm—Step-off at 2:00 pm

## Irish Day—Sunday, March 8, 2009

American Legion Arthur Finnegan Post, 40 Mountain Lake Lane, Greenwood Lake—12:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Please support the Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Parade Committee efforts by attending their major fundraiser. Music, entertainment, food and drink...great fun for families! Admission \$8.00 per person, Children under 12, accompanied by an adult free. More info call 294-8698.

## Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's GM Brunch

Sunday, March 15, 2009—Kuhl's Highland House, 512 Highland Avenue, Middletown, N.Y. Doors open at 10:30am – Tickets \$20.00 p/p. Advanced reservations required. Contact Cathleen McCormick 845-342-6674.

## Annual Dinner Dance—Save-the-Date!!

### Ancient Order of Hibernians Division 2

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### Annual St. Patrick's Dinner Dance

Anthony's Pier 9  
Route 9W, New Windsor, NY

**Saturday, March 7, 2009**  
**8:00 PM – Midnight**

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**534-2097**

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## That's One Giant Basket of Cheer!!!

Tickets are now on sale for a chance to win a giant basket of cheer filled with top shelf Irish favorites and domestic liquors such as Michael Collins Irish Whiskey, Tullamore Dew, Celtic Crossing, Jameson Whiskey, Brian Boru Vodka and much, much more. The basket is on display at the hall. Come on down and have a look at what you can win. The drawing will be held at our annual dinner dance on March 7th. Tickets are \$1.00 each—6 for \$5.00. Help support your division!



## 2009 Annual Dues are Due!

In a effort to help members remember that the **\$50.00** dues for 2009 are due in January, we are including this notice.

If you should change your address, phone number, or e-mail; please let me know by writing to:

**AOH Division 2**  
**Attn: Dennis Malone**  
**PO Box 206**  
**Cornwall N.Y. 12518**

by phoning 845-534-2097 Visit: [www.div2aoh.org/update.htm](http://www.div2aoh.org/update.htm)  
to update your information

Every member is important to us, so please do not fall through the cracks. Dennis Malone, Financial Secretary, Division 2

## Thanks and More Thanks!!

**Thanks** to Kevin Moore and Kevin Cummings for doing the cooking for Super Bowl Sunday—a good time was had by all! **Thanks** to Mike Shannon for running the bar and taking care of everything "else" on Super Bowl Sunday. **Thanks** to the members, families and friends who showed up for the event and helped clean up. It was a great game and a great day! **Special Thanks** to John and Neil Halpin, Mike Shannon, Pat Finn and Kevin Cummings who jumped in and helped out with the monthly Irish Breakfast—everything was delicious! **Extra Special Thanks** to our Friday night bartenders, Pat Healey, Kevin Moore, John Greehy, Mike Shannon and Kevin Cummings. All your hard work does not go unnoticed!



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