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## Saint Patrick's Day as a Catholic School Holiday

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*Editor's Note: The following note and attached essay were sent in by Ron Bashista—Member of Division 2. We thought it timely and appropriate.*

My son Liam is in the 5th grade at Sacred Heart School in Highland Falls. Last week his class had the assignment to write a persuasive essay on any topic of their choosing. Some kids chose topics like "Why Disney World is better than Six Flags" or "Why the Yankees are Better than the Mets." Liam chose St. Patrick's Day and wrote the following - I thought it was pretty insightful for a 10-year old.

Ron Bashista, Division 2 AOH



I think Saint Patrick's Day should be a Catholic school holiday. It is a way to recognize the Irish and what they've done for Catholic schools.

The biggest celebration of the Irish is Saint Patrick's Day. Patrick was a missionary who brought Christianity to Ireland. Patrick was also an archbishop and one of the patron saints of Ireland. His feast day is celebrated by Catholics all around the world.

Saint Patrick's Day is a national holiday in Ireland. Schools in Ireland have the day off because of this. There are a lot of Irish people living in America. In 2006, 12% of the American population reported themselves to be of Irish ancestry. This is over 35 million people who trace their roots back to Ireland. But in the US, everyone is Irish on Saint Patrick's Day.

Most Irish who came to the USA were Catholic. Back then, no one liked the Irish because of their religion. Catholic schools were started because of discrimination against Catholics in public schools. Today, people like the Irish and there is little discrimination. Catholic schools still exist because they provide a good education.

When people think of Saint Patrick today, they think of all things Irish. The Irish are a big reason why we have Catholic schools today. Giving Catholic schools a day off on Saint Patrick's Day is a way of recognizing the Irish for what they did for Catholic education.

*Written by:*

Liam Bashista - Grade 5,  
Sacred Heart School, Highland Falls.

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### *"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**

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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, March 2009  
Let me wish you all a Happy and Blessed St. Patrick's Day (Please keep your Irish up in a dignified way).

All our events and those of the county for the season are listed in the newsletter or on our website.

Our main \$100 fund raiser is on the go for June 20th (for tickets call John at 534-9315). Early bird drawing to be held on Mother's Day.

AOH conventions (County and State) will be on hand before we know it. If any member (in good standing) has intentions of seeking office, now would be the time to make your intentions known. The next Orange County AOH meeting is in late April (TBA) at Division 2 Hall (more information to follow).

A reminder...Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence. Please keep this in mind when bringing food to the club.

Thank you all for your prayers and best wishes—thank God, all is well. God. bless and stay well.

Fraternally Yours,  
John Greehy  
Division 2 President



## Upcoming Events

(subject to change)

- 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
- Mar 18** Monthly Meeting - Hall: 7 pm.  
Members are encouraged to  
attend.
- Mar 27** Lenten Fish & Chips Dinner-  
6:00-8:30 pm. \$10 p/p
- Apr 4** Children's Easter Egg Hunt —  
12 noon—3 pm.

## Congratulations!!!

Congratulations to Don McClellan, this years Division 2 Aide to the Grand Marshall in the Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Parade.

## Lenten Friday Night Fish & Chips

AOH ~ Division 2—Hibernian Hall, Cornwall, NY



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**Lenten Fish & Chips Dinner**

**Friday, March 27, 2009**

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

**REMINDER**—The March 17, 2009 NYC Parade bus will be leaving from the **Harp & Whistle Pub on Rt. 17 K at 8:00 AM sharp**. Please have your money in to Mike Shannon by **Sunday, March 8th**.

## 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

invites you to attend our

### 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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For tickets call the Hibernian Hall at 534-2528  
or any of the members below:

**John Greehy**  
**534-9315**

**Greg Kopf**  
**534-0344**

**Dennis Malone**  
**534-2097**

**Kevin Moore**  
**562-5226**

**Mike Shannon**  
**901-4342**

## 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 Building Fund Raffle

Tickets for the 2009 Building Fund Raffle are available. Don't hesitate—contact John Greehy to get your tickets. This year the drawing and celebration will be held at the Division 2 Hall and surrounding the grounds on Saturday, June 20, 2009. Donation is \$100 for a chance to win one of 33 great cash prizes. Call John for tickets and details at 534-9315 or leave a message at 534-2528. Don't forget about the Building Fund Raffle's Early Bird Drawing to take place after the Mother's Day Irish Breakfast on May 10, 2009. Those who have turned in their paid tickets in will be in the running to win one of 3 additional \$500 prizes. The seller of each winning early bird ticket will win \$100. Hurry, don't miss out—get your tickets now!

## 2009 Annual Dues are Due!

In an 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



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