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William Butler Yeats was born in Dublin, Ireland, on June 13, 1865, the son of a wellknown Irish painter, John Butler Yeats. He spent his childhood in County Sligo, where his parents were raised, and in London. He returned to Dublin at the age of fifteen to continue his education and study painting, but quickly discovered he preferred poetry. Born into the Anglo-Irish landowning class, Yeats became involved with the Celtic Revival, a movement against the cultural influences of English rule in Ireland during the Victorian period, which sought to promote the spirit of Ireland's native heritage. Though Yeats never learned Gaelic himself, his writing at the turn of the century drew extensively from sources in Irish mythology and folklore. Also a potent influence on his poetry was the Irish revolutionary Maud Gonne, whom he met in 1889, a woman equally famous for her passionate nationalist politics and her beauty. Though she married another man in 1903 and grew apart from Yeats (and Yeats himself was eventually married to another woman, Georgie Hyde Lees), she remained a powerful figure in his poetry.

Yeats was deeply involved in politics in Ireland, and in the twenties, despite Irish independence from England, his verse reflected a pessimism about the political situation in his country and the rest of Europe, paralleling the increasing conservativism of his American counterparts in London, T. S. Eliot and Ezra Pound. His work after 1910 was



strongly influenced by Pound, becoming more modern in its concision and imagery, but Yeats never abandoned his strict adherence to traditional verse forms. He had a lifelong interest in mysticism and the

occult, which was off-putting to some readers, but he remained uninhibited in advancing his idiosyncratic philosophy, and his poetry continued to grow stronger as he grew older. Appointed a senator of the Irish Free State in 1922, he is remembered as an important cultural leader, as a major playwright (he was one of the founders of the famous Abbey Theatre in Dublin), and as one of the very greatest poets—in any language—of the century. W. B. Yeats was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1923 and died in 1939 at the age of 73.

His Drumcliffe, County Sligo tombstone epitaph is taken from the last lines of "Under Ben Bulben" (the looming flat-top mountain over Sligo Town), one of his final poems:

Cast a cold Eye On Life, on Death. Horseman, pass by.

# "Let Us Do the Cooking" Authentic Irish Breakfast June 13, 2010



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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.

(The next Irish Breakfast will be held on September 12th)

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### A Message from the AOH Division 2 President

Dear Brothers and Friends,

June 2010

First, I want to thank all the folks who prepared/helped/set up/cleaned up and served as runners for the American Cancer Society Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner -- it was a great success. Special thanks to Rose Cummings, Denise Morgan, Margaret & Jim Kiernan, Alice Ryan, Anne McClellan, Marge Morgan, Anne Greehy, Ann Simoni, Frances O'Sullivan and Kathy Walsh were at their best. Thanks to all of you who supported this worthy causewith their attendance, their donations and their assistance. Additional thanks to all of you who participated in the Relay for Life held on Friday night, June 4th.

Preparations are going well for our annual 26+6=1 Building Fundraiser to be held on Saturday, June 19th. Help is still needed at all stations, so please give a hand if you are able.

We are in need of a few mixologists (members only) for Friday nights, and if you pass the test, some weekend parties. Learning the ropes (and cash register) is not difficult. We promise you will meet a lot of diverse characters. If interested please get in touch with me or Kevin Cummings.

Have a great and safe summer and please stay in touch

God bless, John Greehy Division President

# Upcoming Events (subject to change)

Jun 13 Irish Breakfast - 9:30 AM-12:30 PM ~ Div 2 Hall. Last one of the season!!! Resumes in September.

Jun 16 Monthly Meeting - Div 2 Hall: 7:00 PM. All members welcome.

Jun 16 AOH-DJW Quarterly Meeting
- Div 2 Hall: 8:00 PM. All
members welcome.

Jun 19 Building Fund Raffle Drawing Party 2-5pm Ticket holders free— \$25 for guests.

Jul 18 Rockland County Feis—All Day. Anthony Wayne Park

Aug 21- Hunter Mtn. International Celtic Festival.

Sept 5 The Hooley on the Hudson— Kingston, NY—All day—free admission

# 2010 Building Fund Raffle

The tickets are going fast for the 2010 Building Fund Raffle! Don't hesitate—contact Kevin Moore or Dennis Malone, Ticket Co-Chairman to get your tickets. The drawing and celebration will be held at the Division 2 Hall and surrounding the grounds on **Saturday**, **June 19**, **2010**. Donation is \$100 for a chance to win one of 33 great cash prizes. Call Kevin or Dennis for tickets and details at 845-534-2528. Hurry, don't miss out—get your tickets now!

#### **IMPORTANT**

If you have tickets that are not sold, please return them ASAP so others may get in on the early bird drawing.

Don't forget the Raffle Drawing Party to be held on June 19 from 2-5 pm. New menu this year!!! Admission free to ticket holders. \$25 for all guests.

### **Hibernian Hall Rental**

The calendar is filling quickly so call the hall at 534-2528—leave a message for Kevin Moore, Hall Rental Chairman and reserve the date for your special event soon. Dates for 2010 are filling up fast.

# **AOH-DJW Corp. Meeting**

There will be a meeting of the AOH-DJW Building Corporation following the regular AOH monthly meeting on June 16, 2010. All members in good standing are encouraged to attend since this is our annual meeting.

## **Hibernian Membership Drive**

Brothers we are actively seeking new members to our Brotherhood. We urge all members to please recruit a family member or friend. We need the efforts of all members to increase the size of our order and our Division. For an application please visit the web site http://www.div2aoh.org/membership or call the Hibernian Hall at 534-2528.

## **Monthly Irish Breakfast**

Following the June breakfast, the monthly Irish Breakfast is postponed for the remainder of the summer. We will start serving again on **September 12**, **2010**. As a reminder, our full Irish breakfasts are served the second Sunday of the month at an unbelievable price of only \$7.00 p/p! Children (<10 y.o.) are \$3.00 p/p Serving from: 9:00 AM-12:30 pm with something for the whole family!!!

## **Summer Fun—Irish Festivals**

#### **37th Annual Feis and Field Games**

Sunday July 18, 2010
Anthony Wayne Recreation Area
(Stony Point, NY Exit 17 Palisades Interstate Pkwy)
Dancing competitions start at 9:00 am. Mass is at 11:00
am. Piping starts at 8:30 am, Pipe Bands start at 12:30
pm. Admission - \$12.00 p/p. Children under 14
admitted free with family. \$6.00 NYS parking fee
http://www.rocklandcountyfeis.com/

#### The International Celtic Festival At Hunter Mountain August 21 & 22, 2010

Featuring fantastic entertainment world-class Irish-American bands. Dozens of authentic Irish vendors, traditional foods, and plenty of beverages. Admission: Adults: \$14; 12 years and under are FREE. Group rates are available to groups of 15 or more. Massed Bands at 6:30—7:30 is not to be missed!!

http://www.huntermtn.com/huntermtn/festivals/summerfestivals-celtic.aspx

#### The Hooley on the Hudson<sup>TM</sup> 2010.

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#### **2010 Annual Dues are Due!**

In a effort to help members remember that the \$50.00 dues for 2010 are due in January, we are including this notice. Please remit dues to:

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## **New Windsor Summer Concert Series**

Town of New Windsor Summer Concert Series will be held on Wednesdays evenings June 30th-August 18th from 7:00-8:30pm. Free admission. Location: 555 Union Avenue New Windsor (Gazebo). Bring a lawn chair or a blanket and enjoy an evening out with the family. Hot Dogs, Soda, and other refreshments will be served at no charge. Note: On August 18, the Hudson Valley Regional Police Pipes and Drums will be performing with Elvis's Lost Brother—a Time Magazine top ten best Elvis impersonator. That should be an interesting concert!!!

## **Keep in Touch**

We are in the process of collecting emails from all members and friends who wish to be notified of upcoming events and to stay in touch in case of an emergency. Please send an email to: Kevin Cummings at: kcummings@hvc.rr.com or John Greehy at johnbfg@aol.com or visit "Member's Update" at: http://www.div2aoh.org/index3.htm - Thanks!



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