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On Oct. 3, 1691, the Treaty of Limerick was signed, ending the Williamite War in Ireland. It has been said that Irish history is something the Irish should never remember and the English should never forget, but the recollection of this Treaty is another example of the opposite being true. That the English wish to forget this event is not surprising, it is one of the most disgraceful moments in their long and dishonorable history of persecution of the Irish nation. Patrick Sarsfield and his army had frustrated William of Orange's plan for a short, decisive campaign in Ireland; William was desperate to end those hostilities and send his forces in Ireland to reinforce his army on the continent. The terms Baron van Ginckel negotiated in the name of William of Orange reflected the fact that Sarsfield's army was far from militarily defeated. Sarsfield and his men were to be allowed to march out of the city under arms, retaining banners, and all that wished would be transported to the continent at England's expense. In addition, Irish Catholics were promised near-equality with the English occupiers of their home island.

About two weeks after Sarsfield signed the treaty, a French fleet arrived at the mouth of the Shannon. Some urged him to

now renounce the treaty and fight on, but he honored his word. It is also quite likely that Ginckel expected his side would honor the word he had pledged in the treaty negotiations, but Ginckel's signature on the treaty would prove worthless.

With the Jacobite army safely removed to France, the vindictive Anglo-Irish members of the Irish Parliament felt free to tear up the treaty and pass the infamous Penal Laws in its stead. It was said that this dismayed William of Orange, and perhaps it did, but to his everlasting discredit, he allowed the Penal Laws to stand. These laws ingrained a tradition of religious intolerance in the Anglo-Irish Ascendancy that survives to this day. They forced the native Catholic population of Ireland into well over a hundred years of poverty and deprivation, driving most of the best members of every succeeding generation to seek their fortune abroad. They would be known as The Wild Geese and they would prove to be a thorn in England's side. Many thousands of them, including Sarsfield, would find a soldier's grave on hundreds of battlefields across Europe.

"Let Us Do the Cooking" **Authentic Irish Breakfast** **October 12, 2008**



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 October 12th)

A Message from the AOH Division 2 President

Dear Brothers and Friends,

October 2008

September has come and gone. Our Irish breakfast on the 2nd Sunday of each month is back in full swing after a great start (help is always needed). The highlight of September was the great success of the fundraiser for Sioban Wynne. A BIG THANKS to all cooks, contributors, barkeepers, and to the attendees for answering this call for help.

Our communion breakfast for Oct 12th is regrettably canceled. We will get it right the next time.

At the September meeting it was voted to align ourselves with national, state and county bylaws and have our division officers serve two year terms (beginning in 2009). We have at this moment one position to fill, that of treasurer. Joe Thomson heads the nominating committee, assisted by Kevin Cummings. Any member willing and capable of this position please contact Joe at 845-283-6657. If any present officer is interested please notify the board, so we can make the necessary adjustments. Nominations will be at the October monthly meeting.

Some members are inquiring as to reason behind the delay of some membership applications. The delay is caused by the enforcement of the recently enacted "right to privacy" rules by the NY Archdiocese. New applications are available with the information release included. A new application might be the quicker approach.

Friday nights are going along great, but we sure could use a change in culinary talents and taste! Stop by the club to say HELLO. God Bless and don't forget to say a prayer for our members and our troops in need.

John Greehy, Division 2 President

Upcoming Events

(subject to change)

- Oct 12** Irish Breakfast—Div 2 Hall. 9:30-12:30. \$7 per adult.
- Oct 11** Children's Halloween Party. 3 pm-6 pm. All members and friends' children are invited.
- Oct 15** Monthly Meeting - Hall: 7 pm. Members are encouraged to attend. Officer nominations due.
- Nov 9** Irish Breakfast—Div 2 Hall. 9:30-12:30. \$7 per adult. \$3 for children.
- Nov 19** Monthly Meeting - Hall: 7 pm. Members are encouraged to attend.
- Nov 21** Great Irish American Pub Quiz – Hall 7:30-9:00 PM. Teams of 4 compete for fame. \$10 per team.

Save the Date—March 7, 2009

**AOH Division 2 Annual St Patrick's
Dinner Dance—Anthony's Pier 9**

Irish Set Dancing for Couples & Singles

Learn how to "dance at the crossroads"—impress your friends at the next division dinner dance or family wedding! Just a few of the Set and Ceili dances you will learn include the: Clare Lancers; Connemara; Corofin Plain; Fermanagh; West Kerry and Williamstown sets. Learn to dance Jigs, Reels, Hornpipes. Do the Stack of Barley, Siege of Ennis, Walls of Limerick. Lessons are on Tuesdays at 7—9pm. For more information call Kevin at 562-8651 or John at 534-9315. Lessons are \$10.00 per person. Come out—it's fun!!!

AOH-DJW Quarterly Meeting

An AOH-DJW Corporation Meeting will take place on:

Sunday, October 26, 2008

**1:00 pm
Division 2 Hall.**

All Division 2 members in good standing are encouraged to attend. There will be an update on the property and building projects.

Children's Halloween Party

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**Saturday,
October 11, 2008
3:00 PM—6:00 PM**



Piñata ~ Games ~ Prizes ~ Snacks

**Frightful Hosts for the Day are
Sioban Wynne and Tina Malone**

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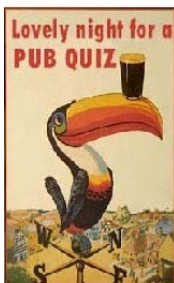


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For additional information or to order a Shamrock Memorial leave a message at the hall or contact John Greehy at 534 - 9315

The Great Irish American Pub Quiz

You and your friends are invited to a traditional pub quiz on **Friday, November 21, 2008** starting at 7:30 pm. Teams of four compete for bragging rights!!! Entry fee is \$10 per team—winning team takes all. General Trivia ~ Irish Trivia ~ Historical Trivia ~ Movie Trivia ~ Music Trivia ~ Sports Trivia ~ Something for Everyone!!! Come on down for some fun, snacks and your favorite bar beverage!



Thanks from Sioban and Her Team

Thanks, thanks and more thanks go out to everyone who was involved in the recent fundraiser for our Avon Walk for Breast Cancer. John Greehy for spreading the word and making sure people came. Kevin Cummings and Kevin Moore for working so hard behind the bar. Ann Simoni for her creative cake, and everyone else who cooked, donated and helped us have a fantastic night! We really are truly grateful for all the support, over \$1,300 was raised. Thanks again Tina, Angela and Sioban.

Thanks and More Thanks!

Thanks to to Kevin Moore, Kevin Cummings, John Halpin, Neil Halpin, Mike Shannon, Matt Clancy and Jim Kiernan for helping with September's Irish Breakfast—a **Big Thanks** to Pat Finn for doing the shopping and leg work!. **More Thanks** to Sioban Wynne and Tina Malone for agreeing to host this year's Children's Halloween Party—again!!! **Special Thanks** to Pat Healey, Kevin Moore, Bob Morgan, Joe McCormick, Dennis Malone, Joe Ryan, John Greehy, Mike Shannon and Greg Kopf for all their hard work around the hall. An **Extra Special Thanks** to Alice Ryan, Karen Dorry, Kathleen Walsh, Rose Cummings, Tina Malone, Sioban Wynne, Margaret Kiernan, Ann McClellan, Ann Greehy, Mary Ellen Malone, Denise Morgan and Ann Simoni—our cooks for special events and ordinary Friday nights—we would all be quite drunk and very hungry without your help and support! The food is always GREAT!!!!

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