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Fall Gathering

Division 2 will host the annual family gathering for all of our Orange County AOH Brothers and families on Saturday, September 22nd at 1 pm at the Hall. This event is the maturation of past years' picnics/BBQ's with the County Board voting to re-brand the event as a gathering instead of a picnic to better represent its purpose. It will be a simple get-together where we can meet old and new friends and share in fellowship. We hope to see you and your family there.

Building Fund Raffle

Tickets for the \$50 building fund raffle are now available. This annual event will occur on Saturday, October 13th from 2 pm to 5 pm at the Hall. Your \$50 donation makes you eligible to win one of 36 great prizes. Three early bird prizes will be drawn after the September 9th Irish Breakfast, and the remaining 33 prizes on October 13th. Please see Kevin Allen or Bill Kirnan for tickets or more information, or call the Hall. This is an important event that helps to keep the Hall open and in great shape for Division activities and events for you and your family.

2019 NYC Saint Patrick's Day Parade

September marks the half-way point to next year's NYC parade. Since St. Patrick's Day falls on a Sunday in 2019, the parade will be held on Saturday, March 16th to allow members to fulfill their Sunday obligation. Orange County AOH marches as one unit with members from Divisions 1, 2 and 4 leading the Orange County AOH Pipes and Drums up 5th Avenue. Mark your calendar now and begin preparations so you can march and show your Irish pride. You likely have most of the parade uniform in your closet: black pants, shoes and tie, and a white dress shirt. The remaining items, which you may not have, are the balmoral (cap), green AOH jacket and white gloves. We have a few jackets at the Hall to borrow, but you may want to visit Screen Gems, 42 Windsor Highway, New Windsor (<http://screengemsny.com>) to order your own and get a pair of gloves. Balmorals are available for purchase at the Hall-please contact Jim Kiernan or one of the officers. Division 2 has the honor of nominating the Orange County aide to the Grand Marshal. If you have a suggestion for a worthy aide, please contact Bill Kirnan soon.

Return of the Irish Breakfast!

**JOIN US AS WE OPEN THE KITCHEN AGAIN FOR OUR FIRST
FALL '18 IRISH BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH
9:30 AM TO NOON
ADULTS - \$7, CHILDREN - \$3**

A Message From the Division President

Brothers,

I hope you and your family had time to relax during the warm, wet summer months. We have a number of events on the calendar this fall and I am encouraging each member to attend at least one event, and to connect, or reconnect with our fellow members. The \$50 raffle is an important fundraiser and I hope you will assist in the sale of tickets or on the day of the drawing. The County fall gathering in September at Division 2 will be a relaxing event spent with people around Orange County who share many of our values. The October Mass and Communion Breakfast at the Carmelite Shrine in Middletown will be a memorable service. If you have not been to the shrine please take this opportunity to join us. This is a family event!

In our Motto,
Friendship, Unity & Christian Charity

Thank you

...to Mike Shannon for coordinating the Friday night BBQ's, to Chris and Marge Sherwood for being the on-call fill-in cooks and to everyone else who took a turn as chef, baker, and host. Thank you!

Orange County AOH Meeting

Division 2 is hosting the Orange County Board quarterly meeting on Sunday, September 9th at 2 pm. Brothers are encouraged to attend to show support for the County and to represent our Division.

AOH National John F. Kennedy Award

Denis Mulcahy, who has been mentioned many times in our newsletter for the amazing work of Project Children, was awarded the John F. Kennedy Award at the AOH National Convention in Louisville in August. This prestigious award is the highest recognition bestowed by the Order. Congratulations to Denis for all that he has done and the shining example has is the the AOH.

On The Mend

We are glad to report that John Greehy is on the mend and has been seen at the Hall recently, and is in good spirits. Thank you for your prayers and well wishes.

Sentinel

Sean Cummings was appointed Division Sentinel to replace Don McClellan when he stepped down. Sean will serve the remaining portion of the term until elections later this year. We thank Sean for his desire to serve the membership.

Upcoming Events

(subject to change)

Sun Sep 9	Irish Breakfast - Hall: 9:30 am - Noon.
Sun Sep 9	\$50 Raffle Early Bird Drawing - Hall: Following the breakfast.
Sun Sep 9	Orange County AOH Board Meeting - Hall: 2 pm.
Wed Sep 19	Division Meeting - Hall: 7 pm. All members encouraged to attend.
Sat Sep 22	Orange County AOH Fall Gathering - Hall: 1pm. For members and families.
Sat Oct 13	\$50 Raffle Drawing - Hall: 1 to 5 pm.
Sun Oct 28	AOH Orange County Mass and Communion Breakfast - National Carmelite Shrine: 9 am to 1 pm

News From Ireland and Elsewhere

- President Trump caught the ire of some Irish Americans while stumping for the republican candidate in an Ohio congressional district. The democratic opponent, Danny O'Connor, was dubbed Danny Boy by Trump. Trump said a vote for Danny Boy and the democrat is a vote to let criminals and drugs into our country. The elections can't come soon enough.
- A Belfast man sustained a serious injury to his arm when he was bitten by a shark while swimming off the coast of Cork. Shark bites are very rare in the area, but blue sharks are fairly common.
- Dublin defeated Tyrone in the All Ireland football match and became just the fourth team in history to win four successive matches. Next up, the road to number five.
- Drinks Industry Group of Ireland reports that more than 1,400 pubs have closed across Ireland since 2005 with every county seeing a decline. Cork has seen more than 300 closures in the last 12 years. Causes might include tough economic times for business owners or the slight increase in competing restaurants and wine-only bars, but it is almost certainly related to the 11% increase in off-license (takeaway) stores.
- High pressure from the Azores is expected to make much of the first part of September dry, warm and sunny for most of Ireland. Some outlets are reporting warm weather across the UK possibly until Christmas, but that's too much faith for a super long range forecast.
- Drew Harris was appointed the new Chief of An Garda Síochána on September 3rd. He was deputy police constable of the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) and the first candidate from outside the state to lead the force in its 96 year history.