

## Ryan Division Ramblings - February 2017

Brothers,

The Saint Patrick's Season is now upon us. The weekend of February 11th & 12th kicks off the season with the AOH Flint Parade Fundraiser on Saturday and the UIS Grand Marshal's Brunch on Sunday at the AOH Walsh Division Hall.

Since our last meeting, the Ryan Division sent two teams to the AOH/LAOH State Boards "Trivia Night" competition on January 28th. Our teams finished first and third out of 23 teams competing. An outstanding job all. Well done.

Since we are not participating as a division in the St. Patrick's Party at St. Thomas a'Becket Church, brothers are encouraged to attend any other events on this eve of the Detroit Parade on March 12th. Brothers are encouraged to attend the AOH Casey Division's "St. Patrick & St. Joseph" Party in Sterling Heights, the AOH St. Patrick Division's Party in Adrian, or the Party at St. Thomas a'Becket Church in Canton. All of these events are the day before the Parade on Saturday, March 11th.

Just a few of the coming attractions for this year will include marching in the Detroit St. Patrick's Parade on March 12th, attending the AOH Wayne County Convention on April 7th and the AOH/LAOH Michigan State Convention on May 19th & 20th (see pages 5 & 6 for convention details). Also, we'll be baking in support of the Detroit Feis on June 3rd. We'll run a charity poker June 14th – 17th at Doc's, and run the bar at the MCIF on Saturday, June 17th as a recruiting event.

Besides these events, look for more fun things to do as the year progresses.

Sláinte.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

Tim Higgins  
President  
Patrick Ryan Division  
AOH Michigan

### Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity

These are the principles of our order. The first principle, of course, is **Friendship**. As the new year is still upon us, let's try to remember throughout the year to be more friendly to each other.

At meetings, on the street, anywhere we meet. Call it a resolution, or just practicing the principles of the AOH. How about it?

## Welcome Tim Dougan!

Congratulations and welcome to the Ryan Division's newest member, **Tim Dougan**. Tim was initiated into the order at our January 17th general meeting. Pictured here are Ryan Division President, Tim Higgins (left), and Tim Dougan (right). We are happy to have Tim join the oldest Irish Catholic men's fraternal organization!



## A message from Cardinal Tobin!

Dear Ed,

Thanks for going to all the trouble to send me my 2017 membership card. I am delighted to maintain this connection with the Patrick Ryan Division. Although I have had many offers to switch allegiance over the last 25 years, I have stuck with my first brothers in the Order.

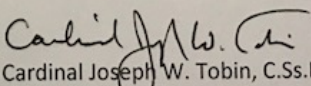
That said, I owe a heck of a lot of back dues. Thank you for cutting me some slack!

My mailing address and office phone:

89 Ridge Street  
 Newark NJ 07104-0500  
 (973-497-4245

Please give my regards to all the brothers. Count on the support of my prayer.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

  
 Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R.  
 Archbishop of Newark

## **New Patrick Ryan Division Chaplain Announced**

January 16, 2017

Ryan Division Brothers,

The AOH Ryan Division is pleased to announce that Fr. Terence Treppa has agreed to become the new division chaplain. Fr. Terry has been an active member of the Ryan Division for sometime now, and is also helping to grow our division by recruiting new members.



I want to publicly thank Fr. Patrick Casey for his many years of spiritual leadership to the division. Fr. Pat became our chaplain during the time when Charlie French was President of the Ryan Division about 2001. Father Pat is always welcome to stop by any second Tuesday or to attend any of our events. Thank you for your service to the Patrick Ryan Division and to our Order.

Sláinte.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

Timothy P. Higgins  
President  
Patrick Ryan Division #2  
AOH Michigan

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### **AOH Patrick Ryan Division social media sites:**

Webpage: <http://www.aoh-patrickryandivision.org>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/AOH-Patrick-Ryan-Division-1097444203611253/>

The **AOH Michigan State Board** has a new webpage too. You can find it at:  
<http://www.michiganaoh.org>

**(Past) Time to pay your 2017 dues!**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** 2017 membership dues should have been paid by **December 31, 2016**. There are a very few number of you you have not sent your dues in yet. However, you may bring your dues with you to our February 14th meeting, or mail them to Financial Secretary, Ed Harkins. Once you pay your dues, you will receive your 2017 membership card.

Dues are \$40 (\$35 if you are retired). Unless you are a priest, active duty military, an AOH Life member or an associate member, you must pay dues to remain active in our order.

Make checks payable to **AOH Ryan Division**.

Send payments to: Ed Harkins, 45072 Lothrop Ct. Canton, MI 48188.

**St. Patrick party choices! - 3/11/2017**  
**Pick one and have some fun!**

**SAVE THE DATE!**



**Come to the  
 St. Patrick's Day  
 Celebration**

**Saturday,  
 March 11th**

**6:30—10:30 PM**

A'Becket parish party  
 open to all adults, ages 21-101 years  
*Includes dinner, dancing,  
 live entertainment, lots of green fun!*

**\*ticket info coming soon \***



AOH St. Patrick Division's Party  
 Saturday, March 12th - 6:30pm to 12:15am  
 Lenawee Country Club  
 4110 Country Club Rd - Adrian, MI 49221

**AOH Fr. Solanus Casey Division party**

**Saturday, March 11th - more info to follow**

## AOH/LAOH Michigan State Convention May 19-20, 2017

*Registration Form for the  
AOH/LAOH 2017 State Convention  
May 19 & 20, 2017*

*Please indicate your selection*

*All Inclusive Convention Package*

*Full Registration \$110.00*  
*Does not include Major Degree Fee*

*Ala-Carte*

*Ice Breaker \$30.00*  
 *Lunch \$30.00*  
 *Banquet Dinner \$60.00*

*AOH only Major Degrees*

*AOH Major Degree \$30.00*

**Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*Please Print*

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*Name*

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*Address*

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*City, State Zip*

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*Phone number*

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*Email*

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*AOH/LAOH Division*

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*AOH/LAOH Office*

*Please make checks payable to:  
AOH/LAOH Michigan Convention Fund  
Send checks and registration forms to: Maureen Kelly  
16560 Levan, Livonia, MI 48154*

### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

For your reservations, please contact Embassy Suites at 888-347-2319 or 734-462-6000

Be sure to mention AOH/LAOH to get the room rate of \$119.00 per night for a King room or \$129.00 for a Double (limited availability). Every registered guest receives a complimentary cook to order breakfast. You must reserve on or before April 1, 2017 for the special rate.



Please join us Friday Night at the Ganders Lounge in Embassy Suites  
May 19, 2017  
*for the*

**Ice Breaker**

*Entertainment provided by the*

**McSpillin**

*Snacks and a cash bar  
will be available.*

A good time for all!

## MICHIGAN AOH/LAOH 2017 STATE CONVENTION



May 19 & 20, 2017

Embassy Suites  
19525 Victor Parkway  
Livonia, Michigan 48152  
toll free 888-347-2319  
or 734-462-6000

## AOH/LAOH Michigan State Convention May 19-20, 2017



### *AOH AGENDA*

#### Friday, May 19, 2017

4:00pm to 7:00pm            *Registration*  
8:00pm to 11:00pm        *Ice Breaker*

#### Saturday, May 20, 2017

7:00am - 9:00am            *Registration*  
9:00am - Noon            *Convention Meeting*  
Noon - 1:00pm              *Lunch*  
1:00pm - 4:00pm            *Convention Meeting*  
1:30pm - 3:30pm            *AOH Degrees*  
5:00pm - 6:30              *Mass & Installation*  
6:30pm - 7:30pm            *Social Hour*  
7:30 - ?                      *Banquet*



### *LAOH AGENDA*

#### Friday, May 19, 2017

1:00pm - 4:00pm            *By-Laws Meeting*  
4:00pm to 7:00pm            *Registration*  
8:00pm to 11:00pm        *Ice Breaker*

#### Saturday, May 20, 2017

7:00am - 9:00am            *Registration*  
9:00am - Noon              *Convention Meeting*  
Noon - 1:00pm              *Lunch*  
1:00pm - 4:00pm            *Convention Meeting*  
5:00pm - 6:30              *Mass & Installation*  
6:30pm - 7:30pm            *Social Hour*  
7:30 - ?                      *Banquet*

### MICHIGAN LAOH/AOH 2017 STATE CONVENTION *Information*

The Michigan State Convention Committee has endeavored to provide you with the best convention experience.

#### *All Inclusive Package*

The *FULL PACKAGE* cost is only \$110 which includes three meals & the ICE BREAKER.

#### *Ala-Carte Options*

*per person*

Ice Breaker Only \$30  
Lunch Only \$30  
Banquet Only \$60

*Please make checks payable to;*  
AOH/LAOH Michigan Convention Fund  
*Send checks and registration forms to;*  
Maureen Kelly  
16560 Levan, Livonia, MI 48154

You must register by April 1, 2017  
No Walk-In's will be accommodated

Date: May 19 & 20, 2017

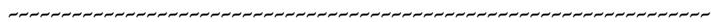
At: Embassy Suites

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toll free 888-347-2319 or 734-462-6000



In honor of St. Valentine's Day, here are a few romantic expressions in Gaelic you may find useful with your Irish loved one!

- Is tú mo ghrá : You are my love.
- Táim i ngrá leat: I'm in love with you
- Grá mo chroí: Love of my heart
- Mo shíorghrá: My eternal love



Patrick Ryan Division green coats (\$330), blue jackets (\$75), sashes (\$60), and blue shirts (\$25/\$30) are available to all members.

Please contact Ed Harkins for your clothing items!



If you are receiving this newsletter by snail mail, it means I don't have an active email address for you. If you have one, please email and let me know at [edward.harkins@gmail.com](mailto:edward.harkins@gmail.com). Thanks!

Ed Harkins, Newsletter Editor

# AOH

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Please pray for all division members  
 or family sick or in distress.



**Don't forget our next  
 meeting - Tuesday, Feb 14th**

Be there and help to welcome any  
 new members initiated that night!

Pizza and 50/50 drawing after the  
 meeting!

Must be present to eat and win!!!



Calendar of upcoming events:

**Feb 14, 2017**

**Ryan Division meeting, 7:30 pm, Renaud Council K of C**

**Mar 11, 2017**

**Various St. Patrick's parties - make your choice!**

**Mar 12, 2017**

**Detroit St. Patrick's parade, Corktown in Detroit**

**Mar 17, 2017**

**St. Patrick's Day**

**April 7, 2017**

**AOH Wayne County Convention**

**May 19-20, 2017**

**AOH/LAOH Michigan State Convention**



Remember our motto:  
Friendship, Unity, and True Christian Charity!

Next Meeting - 7:30 pm Tues.  
February 14th, 2016  
Renaud Council K of C Hall  
Fair & Mill Streets  
Plymouth, MI

AOH Patrick Ryan Division  
c/o Newsletter Editor  
45072 Lothrop Ct.  
Canton, MI 48188

