

Ryan Division Ramblings - March 2017

Brothers,

Happy St. Patrick's Day! As I write this, we are only hours away from the kick off of the 59th annual Detroit St. Patrick's Parade. The temperature maybe colder than last year, but it promises to be clear without any rain. Thank God. The Ryan Division marches with all the other AOH and LAOH Divisions. The parade is a family friendly event. Besides Ryan Division members, other family members, friends and even pets are welcome to march with the division every year.

I would like to recognize brother Dan Kelly on the occasion of his wedding just this past Saturday March 11th. Dan is the son of our own division VP Joe Kelly and Dottie Kelly who is the VP of the LAOH Trinity Division. The wedding was celebrated by our own chaplain Fr. Terry Treppa. Congratulations Kelly family!

Brother Greg Maguire is in town this weekend, but will be returning home to Las Vegas on Monday, so he'll miss our meeting on Tuesday night. He sends his regards to everyone, and we wish him a safe return home.

At Tuesday's meeting, besides falling in the week between Parade Day and St. Patrick's Day, we will be welcoming two new Hibernians, Sam Kennedy and Kevin Dunn. Come to the meeting and help welcome them to our grand Order. Please keep in mind that this is a great time of the year to ask your friends, neighbors, coworkers and relatives to join our Order. Only you can make it happen.

Besides all the events scheduled through the weekend following St Patrick's Day, be sure to mark your calendar for the AOH Wayne County Convention at 11am on Saturday, April 8th at the AOH Walsh Division Hall in Redford, and our AOH & LAOH State Convention May 19 - 20, at the Embassy Suites in Livonia. I'll email the registration form out again next week in case it might have been misplaced.

The Major Degrees will be conferred at 1:30pm, Saturday afternoon at the State Convention. Even if a member cannot attend the whole convention, he can attend just the Major Degrees. There is \$30 fee to receive the Degrees, however the Ryan Division will reimburse our members who receive the Major Degrees at this convention. Because the Major Degrees are so important, I'll be personally contacting all of our members who have not yet received the degrees to encourage them to attend. For those of us who have already received the Major Degrees, I encourage you to observe the ceremony. It will reinforce the lessons of the Order. There is no fee to observe, but you must have your membership card showing that you have already received the Major Degrees. Sláinte.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

Tim Higgins
President
Patrick Ryan Division
AOH Michigan

Our Chaplain, Fr. Terry Treppa

At our February Ryan Division general meeting, President Tim Higgins (below right) welcomed Fr. Terry Treppa (below left) as our newly appointed division Chaplain. Congratulations, Fr. Terry! We are very happy to have you as our division's spiritual leader!



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>

St. Patrick's Day - 2017!

St. Patrick's Day 2017 is this coming Friday, March 17th. By then, many of us will have already done a lot of celebration, however. There were many parties this past Saturday, March 11th. And the 59th annual Detroit St. Patrick's Parade in Corktown occurred yesterday, March 12. Pictured below is our own Mike Riley, marching with the AOH Michigan Riffles. It was a chilly day, but the sun was shining on all in attendance!



(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. Mail your dues payment 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.

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

Name

Address

City, State Zip

Phone number

Email

AOH/LAOH Division

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



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Embassy Suites
19525 Victor Parkway
Livonia, Michigan 48152
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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

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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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Erin go Bragh is an English corruption of the phrase Éirinn go Brách in the Irish language. ... The term brách is equivalent to "eternity" or "end of time", meaning the phrase may be translated literally as "Ireland until eternity" or "Ireland until the end (of time)".



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. Thanks!

Ed Harkins, Newsletter Editor

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



**Don't forget our next
 meeting - Tuesday, Mar 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:

Mar 11, 2017

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

Mar 12, 2017

Detroit St. Patrick's parade, Corktown in Detroit

Mar 14, 2017

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

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.
March 14th, 2016
Renaud Council K of C Hall
Fair & Mill Streets
Plymouth, MI

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