

Ryan Division Ramblings - March 2018

Brothers,

Happy St. Patrick's Day! As you all know, March is "Irish Heritage Month" and we as members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians have a special obligation, when we see inappropriate t-shirts or behaviors that degrade or stereotype the Irish people, to bring it to the attention of management or person in charge. For more information on how you can help, check out articles written by Neil Cosgrove our National Anti Defamation Chairman at www.aoh.com or in the Hibernian Digest.

By the time you receive this newsletter, the Ryan Division will have marched with the other local Hibernian divisions as part of the larger AOH contingent in the 60th Detroit St. Patrick's Parade. If you or your family and friends could not turn out for this year's parade, I want to strongly encourage you to plan on being with us next year. Let's make being in the St Patrick's Parade an annual tradition for our members and their families & guests.

The Irish Rebel Band, "The Druids" are returning to Detroit, 7pm, Wednesday, March 14th at the Walsh Division Hall. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. The Ryan Division has sold a full table and most of a second, however, if you still want to go, you'll have get your tickets at the door and sit in what seats are available. If you like rebel music, then this is the event for you.

Coming events include our division trip to Frankenmuth in April and in May we'll participate for the second year in the "Greater Plymouth Service Project" in partnership with "Kids Against Hunger". We'll also March in the Plymouth Memorial Day Parade.

Remember, this is your club, let's live up to our motto and have fun doing it.

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Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

Timothy Higgins
President
Patrick Ryan Division
AOH Michigan



2018 Detroit St. Patrick's Parade - March 11th

Thanks to all of you who came out and marched in the 60th annual Detroit St. Patrick's Parade on Sunday, March 11th. Be sure to read next month's newsletter for more information on this and pictures too! You may see us in action at the parade earlier by checking our website or Facebook page!

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

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

Charity Poker Fundraising - June 27-30, 2018

Brothers,
Our next charity poker fundraiser will be June 27-30 at Doc's Sports Retreat in Livonia. Please mark your calendars and consider volunteering to assist in this important division fundraiser. Thank you, brothers.

Mike Riley, Past President
Charity Poker Chairman

2018 Ryan Division Dues payment

This message is for those few remaining stragglers...and you know who you are!
It's not too late...send you payment in and receive your 2018 membership card by return mail!
Hope to hear from you soon! THANK YOU very much!

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Make checks payable to AOH Ryan Division. **Dues are \$40 (or \$35 if you are retired).** Priests are exempt from paying dues as are Associate members.
Any questions, let me know. Thank you!

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Irish Books of Interest - Reviews

Brother Joe Kelly has read several books of Irish interest. Recently he has written reviews of these books and has shared them on our website. Please take a few moments to read Joe's reviews. They are very informative. If anyone else has book reviews of Irish of AOH interest they'd like to post, please send them to our webmaster (Ed Harkins) for posting.

Joe's reviews cover the following books:

Title: **Born Fighting**
Author: Jim Webb

Title: **The Immortal Irishman: The Irish Revolutionary Who Became an American Hero**
Author: Timothy Egan

Title: **Ireland**
Author: Frank Delaney

Scenes from Past Parades

Here are a few shots of Patrick Ryan Division marching in St. Patrick's Parades of the past. We've experienced all kinds of weather on this day...warm & sunny, cold & sunny, rainy, even snowy! Always the crowds come out to celebrate, though!



Scenes from the 2018 Parade!

Just in...as the newsletter was about to be published! A couple of pictures from this year's St. Patrick's Parade just arrived, courtesy of President Tim Higgins!

Tim reports that the day was sunny and our marchers were very comfortable. Everyone had a great time, both during the parade AND after (as you can clearly see!).



AOH Patrick Ryan Division social media sites:

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

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



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!

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 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

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



**Don't forget our next  
 meeting - Tuesday, Mar 13th**

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 13, 2018**  
**Ryan Division meeting, 7:30 pm, Renaud Council K of C**
- Mar 14, 2018**  
**“The Druids”, 7:00 pm, AOH Walsh Hall in Redford**
- Apr 1, 2018**  
**EASTER SUNDAY!**
- Apr 10, 2018**  
**Ryan Division meeting, 7:30 pm, Renaud Council K of C**
- May 12, 2018**  
**Greater Plymouth Service Project, 8:30 am-3:00 pm**
- Jun 2, 2018**  
**Detroit Int’l Feis, 8:00 am, Ultimate Soccer in Pontiac**



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

Next Meeting - 7:30 pm Tues.  
Mar 13th, 2018  
Renaud Council K of C Hall  
Fair & Mill Streets  
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