

Ryan Division Ramblings - July 2018

Brothers,

I know that many people, and you maybe one of them, actually like temps in the 90's with high humidity, however I am not one of them. I don't mind living in Michigan where it's cooler, okay colder than most of the country. Not to worry, cooler temperatures are not that far away. Until then.....

As you all know, the dog days of Summer are upon us. I would like to thank the brothers who turned out to help serve beer during the Motor City Irish Festival on June 16th and to those that worked our poker event at Doc's June 27th - 30th. We could not do these things without the help of our volunteers. Again I say "thank you".

The AOH National Convention is next week, July 11-14th in Louisville, Kentucky. Unfortunately I will be in Ireland for the wedding of one of our Project Children Interns from a few years back, so I'll miss this convention, my first in 14 years.

Our annual Hat Party & Ryan Picnic, is noon to 5pm, on Saturday, August 4th. Don't forget to bring your favorite hats to show everyone. You can bring more than one hat, I do. We have a great time so don't miss it. Please feel free to invite guests and to bring your family.

In September the Irish boxers are returning to Detroit for the third year in a row and will take on boxers from multiple Detroit area gyms at Eastern Market. If you have not been to an armature boxing match, I encourage you to plan on attending the match this year on Sunday, September 16th. I'll send more details as they become available.

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

Goodbye & Good Luck Ed Harkins!

Ed Harkins, who has been our division's Financial Secretary since February 2006 (over 12 years!), has resigned his position due to his family's move to Chicagoland at the end of June. Ed and his wife Mary Ann are moving to be closer to their kids and grand kids and to "downsize" their home and life style now that they are enjoying retirement.

Ed has also been our newsletter editor, Facebook editor and webmaster as well. He will stay a member of the division and continue as our webmaster and Facebook editor, but we will need a new newsletter editor. If you enjoy writing and are familiar with Microsoft Word or Publisher or Apple Pages, let President Tim Higgins know.

Thanks to Past President Mike Riley for stepping up to assume Ed's Financial Secretary duties effective immediately. Mike will do a great job in that position.

We wish Ed and Mary Ann all the best in their new home in the Chicago area and look forward to seeing them occasionally as they come back to Michigan to visit!

Hat Party / Picnic 2018!

Come join us on **Saturday August 4th from Noon - 5 pm** at Renaud K of C Hall in Plymouth for our annual picnic and "Hat Party". It's a traditional summer family picnic with one twist...you need to bring a hat to wear. Any hat works, the more "unusual" the more fun we'll have! Mark your calendars now and plan to be there. Below are just a few of the "hats" we saw at last year's picnic and Hat Party!



Charity Poker Fundraising - June 27-30, 2018

Thanks to all who supported our charity poker fundraiser on June 27-30 at Doc's Sports Retreat in Livonia. Come to our July meeting to find out how much money we raised with this event!

9th Annual Motor City Irish Fest

The 9th annual Motor City Irish Fest occurred June 15-17th. Not surprisingly, Patrick Ryan Division was well represented at this year's event! The Kish Celtic Family Band was there performing and our brothers also provided bartending man power. This event is a major fundraiser for the annual Detroit St. Patrick's Parade and therefore is an extremely important event for all of us in the Irish American community. Thanks to all those who were there this year!



2018 AOH/LAOH National Convention

July 11th thru the 14th in Louisville, Kentucky. See the National Convention website for more info.

<https://www.louisvilleirish2018.com>



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>



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

Please contact Duke Hynek know at duke_stl@yahoo.com for your clothing items!

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



**Don't forget our next
 meeting - Tuesday, July 10th**

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:

Jul 10, 2018

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

Aug 4, 2018

Ryan Div Picnic, Noon-5:00 pm, Renaud Council K of C

Aug 14, 2018

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



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

Next Meeting - 7:30 pm Tues.
July 10th, 2018
Renaud Council K of C Hall
Fair & Mill Streets
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