

## President's Message - August 2014

Hello Brothers,

On July 13<sup>th</sup> about 40 Ryan Division and LAOH Fagan Division members and their families enjoyed our annual picnic at Renaud Council. Dennis Inman did a fantastic job grilling tasty burgers, hot dogs and brats with the support of Ed Harkins. In addition, there was plenty of good food provided by the families. Thanks to all who attended making it a most enjoyable time.

The AOH/LAOH National Convention was held in St. Louis July 30 thru August 2. **I am proud to inform you brother Patrick Sturdy was elected National Director for a 2-year term.** There were 6 National Directors elected to support the membership in different areas of the country. Patrick has also been National Legal Counsel Chairman in recent years and Chairman of the Constitutional Committee the past 2 years to update our National Constitution. He coordinated the approval of the amendments to the National Constitution at the National Meeting. Patrick surely has an extensive commitment to the AOH considering his State President responsibilities also. Eight of our brother delegates were there supporting the election of brother Patrick as National Director. There were 15 Michigan delegates present at the National Meeting so the Patrick Ryan Division represented more than half of the delegates present. **(See pictures on Pages 2 & 3.)**

The Feast of Our Lady of Knock mass is August 17 at 3:00 at the AOH Hall. The LAOH Rose Kennedy Division has graciously invited everyone to an Ice Cream Social after mass.

The annual An Gorta Mor mass commemorating the Great Hunger is Sunday, September 21 at St. Joseph's Church in the Irish Hills. AOH and LAOH members are welcome to attend. After mass a ceremony will be conducted at Michigan's only "An Gorta Mor Hibernian Monument" which is located near the Church. This is also a celebration of the installation of the monument 10 years ago.

Northville Downs has discontinued charity poker due to the questions about the rule changes proposed by the MGCB. I was fortunate to schedule a charity poker event at Vision Lanes in Westland from Dec 11-14 (Thursday – Sunday). More details will follow.

The United Irish Society organized Irish Night with the Detroit Tigers Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. I look forward to seeing many of you there supporting the Tigers to another victory.

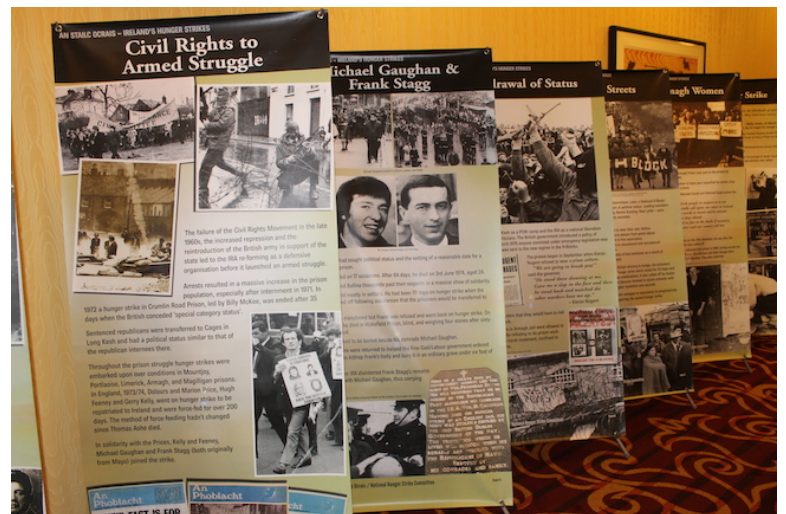
Please support Declan and Tab as they continue recruiting good Irish Catholic men to join our Division to experience our motto. Remember there are flyers and recruiting cards available to provide to prospective members.

I look forward to seeing you at our August 12th meeting.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

Mike







**An Irish meal you won't find easily in America!  
Coddle...layers of roughly sliced pork sausages, bacon,  
usually thinly sliced, somewhat fatty back bacon, with  
sliced potatoes, and onions. Lots of calories, but delicious  
and and it will make you feel good!**



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



**Don't forget our next meeting -  
Tuesday, August 12th.**

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 30 - Aug 2, 2014

AOH/LAOH National Convention, St. Louis

Aug 12, 2014

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

Aug 17, 2014

Our Lady of Knock Mass, 3:00 pm, AOH Hall Redford

Sept 9, 2014

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

Sept 21, 2014

An Gorta Mor Mass (10th anniv), St. Ptarick's Irish Hills

Sept 25, 2014

Irish Night at Comerica Park, Detroit



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

Next Meeting - 7:30 pm Tues.  
August 12th, 2014  
Renaud Council K of C Hall  
Fair & Mill Streets  
Plymouth, MI

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