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**News for AOH  
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## NEXT MEETING

**TUESDAY**

**JULY 13, 2017**

**7:30 PM**

**WHITE EAGLE HALL**

**DELAWARE AVENUE**

**KINGSTON, NY**

## HOOLEY ON THE HUDSON™

Organizational meetings are in full swing. If you can help please let us know-we need all the help we can get.

Remember we need the full participation of all our members in whatever capacity you can to Keep the Hooley Free. From selling Boosters Organizing the Beer Gardens to driving the Carts for the parking to bringing the bands equipment. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS—hooley on the Hudson™ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON**

**SEPTEMBER 3, 2017**



## ULSTER AOH MONTHLY MEETING UPDATE

Michael Hertle

June 13, 2017 President Jim Carey called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. We had the following reports:

Treasurer Paul Geary reported on our accounts.

Bill Murphy reported on our Calendar fund raiser.

Planning for the Hooley 2017 has begun.

We voted on one new member John A. Schatzel of Kansas formerly of Rosendale sponsored by Bud Halligan.

Our next general meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at the White Eagle.



## 2017 AOH SOFTBALL TEAM

FRED MCCOY

## THE AMAZINGS MICS



The Amazin Mics are doing great this year. Come out and catch a game

AOH softball back at it again. Playing in the Town of Ulster League. The amazing Micks are off to a great start with a 6-3 record. Looking forward to making a great run into playoffs. Come on down to Orlando Street on Tuesday night and help support AOH softball, we definitely have

some interesting and entertaining games. Thanks for all your support. GO MICS!!



## THE HISTORIAN'S CORNER

Contributing Reporter Neil Murray

## Bráithreachas na bhFíiníní – The Fenian Brotherhood

The Great Hunger had taken its toll on the Irish. Exhausted from hunger and disease the men who took part in the Young Ireland rebellion of 1848 began to recruit and plan armed insurrection once again. Many fled Ireland to France and North America. They took with them a seething hatred of England, blaming the government for the calamity that had fallen upon them in the old country. Born out of this hatred was the Fenian Brotherhood. The hunger, it was felt, was a blatant act of genocide inflicted upon the Irish by the British Government's mismanagement of the famine. James Stephens and John O'Mahony would flee Ireland to escape arrest. Both were members of the Young Ireland revolt, both wanted men, both fugitives, both

Irish Nationalists, both with an unwavering desire for Irish Independence. In 1856 O'Mahony arrived in America. It would be in 1858 that he would found the Fenian Brotherhood. Able to return to Ireland, James Stephens would found the Irish counterpart of the American Fenians, the Irish Republican Brotherhood. In naming the Fenian Brotherhood, O'Mahony would derive its name from Fianna, an Irish warrior band of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> centuries. The name "Fenian" would become an umbrella term to cover all the groups associated with Irish Independence. The Fenian movement would soon attract thousands of supporters in both Ireland and the United States. Born in Kilbeheny, County Limerick in 1816, John O'Mahony would enter Trinity College and graduate as an accomplished Gaelic scholar. In 1857 he published the History of Ireland. Translated from the original Irish Gaelic, this would become a celebrated work. With the outbreak of the Civil War, O'Mahony would hold the rank of Colonel in the 69<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the famed Irish Brigade. His experience in war combined with his intelligence as a scholar and unwavering desire to rid his homeland of English rule would thrust the Fenian Brotherhood into military action in North America. With the fighting of the American Civil War finally over in 1865, the Fenians saw that the time to act was at hand. Made up of Irish born battle hardened Civil War veterans from both the north and south, a brigade of Fenians was formed with one goal in mind. Break the British stranglehold over their native Ireland by invading Canada!

The Fenians envisioned using the captured North American territory as a bargaining chip. The plan seemed entirely plausible. In many regards, it was. The Fenians had military experience, financial backing, and support, at least "off the record", from US President Andrew Johnson. President Johnson indicated the US Government would in essence turn a blind eye to the military action and build up. In the spring and summer of 1866 the invasion force was in action. Crossing the border from Maine, a detachment of Fenians captured Campobello Island in New Brunswick. Another force crossed at the mouth of the Niagara in Buffalo, New York. Surprised and unprepared, the Canadians were quickly overwhelmed. With a bayonet charge the Fenians would win the day at the Battle of Ridgeway, Ontario on the morning of June 2, 1866. For the first time, the Irish would be referred to as the "Irish Republican Army". With the British and Canadians driven from the field, the Fenian plan seemed to be working. But the invasion would soon fizzle out. The US government which had previously shown indifference quickly realized that this indifference could spark a war with the British. As a result, detachments of the US Army led by non-other than General Ulysses Grant and George Meade headed to western New York to disarm the Fenians. Retreating into the arms of US authorities, who had subsequently cut off Fenian military supplies and funding, the Invasion ends in failure. Demonstrating the fact that the US government sympathized with the Fenians, but, could not politically support the

invasion, can be seen by the fact that the government actually bought the Fenians train tickets to get them home to New York City! In 1867 and 1870 additional invasions of Canada were planned. Both ending in failure. These failed invasions beg the question, was the Fenian Brotherhood a successful movement? I dare to say yes! Fenianism would no doubt influence later Irish nationalist movement including the Easter Rising which would directly lead to Irish Independence. The Fenians helped to create a military strategy of guerilla warfare. This would prove successful during the Irish War for independence led by the great Michael Collins. We can conclude many New York Irish, no doubt AOH members as well, who survived the Great Hunger at home, fought in the Civil War, would influence Irish Nationalism with their Fenian brotherhood. This Fenian idea of armed insurrection would pass into Irish historical lore and contribute to the thinking of the 1916 Rising. Simply put, Fenianism was a nationalist republican movement. The American Civil War would mobilize, arm, and militarize thousands of Irish – American patriots. We should be proud to think these Irish – Americans would demonstrate two ideals many of us hold dear. Love of country and heritage. Their willingness to fight for their adopted home land in the Civil War would indicate they were indeed loyal Americans. Joining the Fenian Brotherhood would demonstrate a love of heritage and their homeland. America first, Ireland forever!

Sláinte, Neil



**ULSTER COUNTY AOH**  
**DIVISION 1**  
**FACEBOOK & TWITTER**  
 Mike Hertle

If you are in the AOH, LAOH, JRAOH, or Pipe Band and would like to learn more about these initiatives or help manage them, please feel free to contact me via Facebook.

In the meantime, please check us out at the links below:

- Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/UlsterAOH>

Twitter: @UlsterAOH

We also have pages' setup for the Irish Cultural Center Hudson Valley. They can be found at:

- Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/ICCHudsonValley>
- Web: <http://www.icchv.org>
- Twitter: @ICCHudsonValley

Finally, if you have any pictures, events, or announcements you would like to have posted on the AOH or ICC Facebook pages, please send a message to either Facebook Account.



**DUES-----DUES**

We have a few stragglers who owe their dues for 2017. Please mail in your 2017 dues payment as soon as possible.

As you know the \$25.00 annual dues is split between Local AOH-State AOH and the National AOH

Remember we need to pay for all those on our membership list for

National and State Dues. Send your 2017 dues and any other prior years to:

UCAOH Div 1  
 PO Box 2026  
 Kingston, NY 12402



**IN MEMORIUM**

Our condolences to the family of Brother Jack Becker. Jack as many of us know was always involved and willing to give us his thoughts. He helped out at each of our events and especially liked our Hooley and bus trips to see the Yankees or Mets. Jack recently had moved to Florida to be with his family and we missed him at our meetings, but he was insistent on sending in his dues. May God bless him and his family. Please keep Jack and his family in your prayers. May Perpetual Life shine upon him and may he rest in Peace.



John Gerard "Jack" Becker, 61, formerly of Port Ewen and Kingston, passed away while in the comforting presence of his family on Saturday, June 24, 2017, in Port Orange, FL following a brief battle with liver cancer.

Jack was born in Brooklyn, NY on January 26th, 1956, a son of the late John W. "Wally" and Eleanor Becker. A graduate of Kingston High School class of '74, he earned a Bachelor in Business Administration from SUNY Plattsburgh.

Jack was employed as sales consultant for most of his adult life, for various businesses including The Daily Freeman, Poughkeepsie Journal, Liberty Security Services, Luminary Publishing (Chronogram), and before moving to Florida in 2016, for Scanlon's On-Site

Cleaners. In his younger years, he was employed by Maddens TV & Radio, IBM Poughkeepsie, and sold Motorola pagers, Rainbow vacuum cleaners, and ads for The Yellow Pages.

Jack was a parishioner, and in his younger years an altar server, for The Church of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Port Ewen. He also attended mass at St. Mary's Church, Kingston, and was a member of many organizations which included the Ulster County Ancient Order of Hibernians, Kiwanis Club of Kingston, Sons of the American Legion Post 150, Moose Club Lodge 970, and Ulster Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Known for his infectious smile and personality, Jack loved to travel, attend concerts, and socialize with his many dear friends.

He is survived by one brother, Fred Becker, and his wife Anna, of Port Orange, FL, two nieces, Kristin and Nicole Becker of Kingston, one great-niece, Keaylah, one great-nephew, K'vion, and his goddaughter, Tessa Wood, all of Kingston. In addition, he leaves behind so many loving friends to cherish his memory.

Jack's family will receive friends during memorial visitation at the Gilpatric-VanVliet Funeral Home, 339 Broadway, Ulster Park on Sunday, July 9th, 2017 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

A Memorial Mass will be held at 11:00 am on Monday, July 10th at The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, 209 Hoyt St, Port Ewen, Pastor Carl D. Johnson, celebrant. Inurnment will follow in the family plot at Montrepose Cemetery.

In lieu of fresh flowers, the family suggests indoor plants for loved ones to take home and nurture in memory of Jack.



### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep in your prayers all our members who may be experiencing ill health especially:

Brothers Dr. Jim Cone, Joe Fay, Tom Kelly, George McArdle, Tom McInerney, Bill Yosh.



### IRISH CULTURE CENTER (ICC) - HUDSON VALLEY

www.icchv.org  
Bob Carey

### Kingston X-Country Summer Series (Summer Series)

Kingston X-Country Summer Series (Summer Series), five cross country runs over 5 consecutive weeks, starting Wednesday July 5th 7PM Twin Lakes. Children's runs 7years of age and under and 8 to 14-years-old precede each race. Kick off BBQ following the race. Distances graduate weekly from 3 to 5 miles. Go to www.ICCHV.org to download a race app to send in or sign up at the race. Email Bob Carey with any questions bob@sustainablestruct.com call (914) 906-1165. Special thanks go out to our sponsors: CYO, Keegan Ales, Ryan & Ryan Insurance, Independent Financial Services, St. Mary's Church, Bausch & Keegan Attorneys, Hudson Valley Foot Associates, Begnal Jeep Motors, FastSigns and Rondout Savings Bank. Special thanks to the property owners who allow us to use their land: Twin Lakes, Coleman High School, Gill Farms,

Williams Lake Project and Hudson Valley Ice.

### GAELIC LANGUAGE CLASS AT KINGSTON CATHOLIC SCHOOL, 159 BROADWAY, KINGSTON, NY!

Gaelic lessons were a big hit and very successful. We are planning a second session to start in September. Please keep checking this newsletter for more details.

Bigi linn! (Join us!)  
Bob McDonald (Instructor)  
BOBDMHNALLACH10@OUTLOOK.COM

The ICCHV continues to sponsor many programs of Irish Cultural interest. Please check our website www.icchv.org

ICC Meetings- once a month on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 5:30 PM, 20 Broadway, Kingston, NY

If you are not receiving Irish Cultural Center Hudson Valley update emails about meetings and events and would like to receive the emails, please send an email to - communicate@icchv.org and your email address will be added to the list.



### PIPE, DRUM AND HONOR GUARD NEWS

Scott Benson

Ulster County AOH Pipes and Drum band welcomed several new members in May where they completed their first parade on Memorial Day. We have been working hard to get everyone up to speed on the music and our practices are moving along well.

We ushered in tomorrow's leaders at the Rondout Valley Graduation, and we will be playing for the Hudson River Day Celebration at the Maritime museum. For regular updates and important notices please join us at practice!

Practices are Wednesday night at the White Eagle; all are welcome to attend.

We are always looking for new members for the Pipes, Drums, or Honor Guard. If you would like to learn to play the Pipes, Drums or participate as part of the Honor Guard you are welcome. Call for information about the band. Please contact Jim Carey or Robin Carey at 338-6622 or any member of the band and be ready to have some fun and laughs.



### AOH JUNIOR DIVISION

Dave Jackson

Participation in the JAOH is at an all-time high!! We have been working hard having a bottle drive and working on raising some funds to make a donation to a local charity. We currently have over \$100 in funds raised and are working hard getting more bottles and cans to return.

We are preparing a Hooley activity that we are planning on running for kids and participants at the Hooley.

Please check us out on Facebook, Instagram, and our website (work in progress).  
<https://m.facebook.com/Ulster-County-Junior-AOH-1507063246269731/>  
<http://instagram.com/ulsterjunioraoh>

<http://www.ulsteraoh.com/Junior/20Di vision.htm>

As always, we need your help to spread the word. Nephews, Cousins, Grandsons, Family Friends... we need them all to join! Please help keep the AOH alive by infecting our youngsters with the same beliefs and cultural richness as we have!

Please call me directly for involvement - Dave Jackson 845-389-5150. Any input and assistance is welcomed!!



### MEMBERSHIP

Welcome John A. Schatzel of Leavenworth, Kansas Sponsored by Bud Halligan. John is a member of the U. S Army, presently stationed in Leavenworth, Kansas with the Army

Sponsor someone for membership. Applications are on the website and dues are only \$25.00 per year.

Keep searching out those Irish sons that qualify for membership. We need all the help we can get.



### THE IRISH SHOW

Bill Yosh and Ken Brett are very appreciative of recent generous donations to the Irish Show. If any members have a special event or interest, they would like to promote please let them know. They love to share with their listener's news about local events.

Ken Brett & Bill Yosh host the Irish Show on WKNY 1490 on the AM dial. 8:06AM every Sunday. The Irish Show is sponsored by the Division 1 AOH. Ken and Bill Irish show featuring traditional Irish music: jigs and reels about love, war, celebrations and newest contemporary Irish music from the latest Irish musicians and Irish American musicians. Also Irish American favorites such as Bing Crosby and Dennis Day along with Irish blessings and Irish proverbs-- Special theme shows such as St.Patrick's Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Easter a visit from Santa Claus, Veterans Day, and July 4<sup>TH</sup>...Every Song is Dedicated to someone locally or around the world...live streamed to listeners around the country and the world-- special opportunity to celebrate the life of loved ones with the parting glass...all sponsors are locally owned and most are family owned and operated. Take out an ad; send in a dedication or someone's birthday you want remembered. Dennis Howard originally hosted the Irish Show it is now in its 38<sup>th</sup> year. Hosted now by Ken Brett and Bill Yosh, who are starting their 32<sup>nd</sup> year, the Irish Show continues to keep everyone up to date on the Irish culture and news of the Hudson Valley.

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## AOH 'LUCKY THREE' IRISH CALENDAR WINNERS

Bill Murphy  
**JUNE**

06/01 #147 \$35 Harry J. Woltman  
06/02 #413 \$35 Roseann Haraminek  
06/03 #584 \$35 Susan Manfro  
06/10 #162 \$35 Mark Porter  
06/10 #162 \$35 Patrick Long  
06/14 #139 \$35 Marie Rundle  
06/14 #139 \$35 Joe Letersky  
06/15 #626 \$35 William Lennon  
06/19 #471 \$35 Mrs. Joanne Hertrutt  
06/23 #248 \$35 Matthew Croswell  
06/23 #248 \$35 John & Joann Lawyer  
06/26 #545 \$35 Patrick Ryan  
06/27 #248 \$35 Matthew Croswell  
06/27 #248 \$35 John & Joann Lawyer

The Lucky Three Ticket is based on the 3-digit number of the NYS Evening Pick Three Numbers. As in past years all you need to do is pick your number and Pay your \$25.00 This year we have raised the payoff to \$35.00 per day You have a chance to win \$35.00 each day of the year.....



Betty Crocker

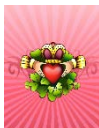
### Beef Taco Pasta Salad

#### Ingredients

- 1-box Betty Crocker™ Suddenly Pasta Salad™ Southwest pasta salad
- Mayonnaise and milk called for on pasta salad box
- 1- lb lean (at least 80%) ground beef
- 1 -package (1 oz) Old El Paso™ taco seasoning mix
- 4 -cups chopped romaine
- 1 -cup pico de gallo
- ¼ -cup sliced olives
- ¼ -cup chopped fresh cilantro leaves
- ¼ -cup sliced scallions
- 2 -cups corn chips ingredients

#### Steps

- 1  
Make pasta salad as directed on box; place in large bowl, and set aside.
- 2  
In 10-inch skillet, cook beef over medium heat until brown, stirring occasionally; drain. Stir in taco seasoning mix and 1/4 cup water; simmer until thickened, stirring occasionally. Set aside to cool slightly.
- 3  
To large bowl of pasta salad, add romaine, pico de gallo, olives, cilantro and scallions; toss. Fold in warm seasoned beef. Top with corn chips; serve with your favorite taco toppings.



## **LAOH DIVISION 5 NEWS**

*Jean Steuding*

### **NO JULY OR AUGUST MEETING**

Congratulations to LAOH member, Andrea L. Bruck-Beaver, who was named Kingston Catholic School volunteer of the year! We are very proud of you, Andrea.

Our June picnic was held on Tuesday, June 13, in the Divine Mercy room at St. Mary's -St. Peter's. Thank you Chrissie Wrixon for organizing this event and for those who helped set up and clean up. The food was good, and the evening was relaxing and enjoyable. Patti Gilpatric was the lucky winner of the crocheted American flag donated to the LAOH by the family of our deceased member, Lynn Gorman. Patti Gilpatric initiated a campaign for keeping in touch with our active military. At the May meeting, she provided cards which our members signed. Ginger Mills continued this endeavor at the June "picnic." Thank you to all who wrote messages to our servicemen and women. Hopefully these cards will reach them by July 4. Keep them in your prayers! Congratulations to the winners of the LAOH scholarships. They are: Katelyn LaValle, granddaughter of Mary Brady; Kiersten Hughes, granddaughter of Carol Hughes; Colton Crump, son of Deborah Crump; Gabrielle Herring, granddaughter of Maureen Pagliaro and Michael Hein, son of Christine Hein and grandson of Rita

Schabot. We are very proud of all of these graduates! Good luck in your future endeavors.

The Hooley Chairs are Chrissie Wrixon, Pat Schiskie and Betty Manicone. Pam Boyle and Becky Dunne will also be on board to help. Thank you all for stepping up to the plate. As always, we know the Hooley on the Hudson (our biggest and most popular event besides the parade) scheduled for September 3 will be as successful as always! At the June meeting, members had the opportunity to sign up to help at our booth, sell raffle tickets, etc. Please contact Chrissie (339-7442), Pat (331-7370) or Betty (339-0834) if you want to volunteer in any capacity! There will be a Hooley meeting on August 8. There are no regular meetings in July or August.

We are so excited that again this year, Rose Ferraro-Bruck has volunteered to chair the 20- week club raffle with her assistant, Missy Harjes. Ginger Mills has also offered to help this year. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year, and it has been extremely successful! As a result, we have been able to better carry out our mission of charity. Each member is asked to sell three tickets (more if you can) at \$20 each. Rose distributed the tickets to those who were at the picnic. Tickets will be mailed to you if you did not attend the picnic. THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU Rose for again taking on this huge task again this year! Truly it has been a success story thanks to you! If you want more tickets, call Rose at 706-3884, and mail checks to her at 5 Hillsworth Avenue, Kingston NY 12401.

The National Irish History Writing Contest opens in September. Students in grades 6-12 are eligible. This contest is sponsored by the LAOH. More information will be forthcoming. (This year's winners included two students from NYS). Tell your children and grandchildren to think about entering the contest.

June Miller, financial secretary, will begin accepting dues for the 2018 calendar year at the September meeting.

Nominations will be accepted at the October meeting, and elections will be held at the November meeting. The positions available are: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Irish Historian, Missions and Charities Officer, Catholic Action Officer, Mistress-at-Arms and Sentinel.

There is a commitment for being a board member, but the experience and end results are rewarding! Contact Becky if you want a copy of job descriptions. An election committee will be formed in September. Let Becky know if you want to be a part of it. The duties of the election committee are to contact members and encourage them to run for the board, confirm those from the present board who are running for office and put together and count ballots. If you do not plan to run for an office, please consider volunteering in some capacity during the next year! We ALWAYS need dedicated volunteers!

Please always remember to reach out to our membership if you are in need of prayers or some kind of help. At one time or another, we all need assistance. We are fortunate to be a sisterhood who are there for each other. Enjoy

these beautiful days of summer, and stay safe! Pray for the sick and suffering, and pray for peace! May God continue to bless you and your families!

**REMEMBER THESE DATES**  
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**GAELIC LANGUAGE CLASS**

Kingston Catholic School, 159 Broadway,  
Kingston, NY  
Friday Night  
Second session starts in September



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SUNDAY  
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11:50AM TO 9:00PM



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**Hibernian Motto**

Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity  
Cairdis, Aontacht agus, Chríostaí Carthanais

Keep the Faith

Is Cuimhin Linn  
(We Remember)

