Division #1 - The Father Tim Dempsey Division — St. Louis, MO. <u>www.stlhibernians.org</u>
Feb 2010

Chapter Information

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Mailing Address

Ancient Order of Hibernians - Division 1 6614 Clayton Rd. #158 Richmond Hts., MO 63117

Meetings / Events

(see website <u>calendar</u> for a more complete listing)

Division 1 Monthly Meeting – 2nd Friday and <u>St.</u> <u>James the Greater Church</u> – 8:15 pm

Special Events Committee Meeting 1st Wed May thru Sep Goff Mall American Legion 101 – 7:00 pm

Police and Fireman's Awards Event Thursday March 11 at Goff Moll American Legion Post at 6:00 pm

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE March 17 - Dogtown

<u>Easter Uprising Remembrance</u> – Calvary Cemetery April 25, 2010 – Details to Follow

President's Podium



Brothers

For those of you that missed the February 2010 meeting, we had a record number of new members for one month. Nine fine Irish gentlemen entered the fold in February. Please welcome Sean Adams, Ryan Hogan, Michael Lowery, Patrick Lowery, Jonathan McDaniel, Michael O'Neill, Michael Sexton, Bill Simmons and Michael Weber. We even had to recite the oath twice as the ninth new member arrived about 5 minutes after the first 8 took the oath. I want to thank all of you for helping with recruiting, especially those of you who are recent additions yourselves.

There was a huge turnout at this year's Emerald Ball to honor Sheriff Jim Murphy, Jerry Ryan & Sean Carmody of the AOH, and Paul Rohde, Dan Lapke & Pat O'Connor of the St. Louis GAC. Please take the time to thank Pat Maloney for all his efforts to keep this event going. That being said, we need some volunteers to assist on this event in the future. We tend to focus on the parade at this time of year and Pat has to do all the heavy lifting. If you are interested in volunteering, please attend the Special Events meetings on the first Wednesday of every month at the Goff-Moll American Legion Post.

I don't want to spend too much time writing about individual upcoming events, but this is an extremely busy time of year for the St. Louis Irish community. I encourage everyone to check the Events and Calendar pages on our website www.stlhibernians.org to keep up with current news.

Several members are working in conjunction to get our float ready for the St. Patrick's Day Parade. For new members, you are welcome (and encouraged) to ride on or walk along side the division float in the parade. Since everyone in the parade is supposed to be wearing an official button (to avoid crashers), please contact your organizer Sean Carmody if you know you will be riding the float as we want to make sure we have enough buttons. We should have some extra the day of the parade, but we don't want to be caught short.

Hurling season is near, with practice beginning Feb. 20th and games starting March 27th. Please visit www.stlgac.com for information. If you are not interested in playing, come out to watch this traditional Irish sport. You may even get a chance to see yours truly clubbed with a hurley. Surely that's worth your time!

There was a motion at the February meeting to change the meeting time to earlier in the evening. Since the meeting time has been the same for many years (at least since 2001 when I joined), it was agreed to publicize the motion to the members and solicit feedback before any vote was taken. The motion was to change the meeting time from 8:15 to 7:00 or 7:30. We will not vote on this until at least April (if there is enough interest), as the March meeting will be extremely busy due to the proximity to the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

As mentioned at the beginning of this interminable ramble, we added nine new members this month. We did have one member transfer to Division 2 (I believe it was something about a guaranteed contract and no-trade clause), so membership now stands at 138. Since Bill Burns couldn't make the meeting, Bob Gates filled in by snapping pictures of new members with his cell phone, and they should be posted on the website soon. Once again, if you can't make the meetings, but want your picture on the site with the rest of the division, please e-mail a digital photo to Publicity Chairman/Webmaster Bill Burns (web_lad@byrneclan.org).

Is mise le meas,

Tim Kinealy
President
AOH – Fr. Tim Dempsey – Div. 1

2010 Dues are now payable... mail \$36.00 to:

Ancient Order of Hibernians - Division 1 6614 Clayton Rd. #158 Richmond Hts., MO 63117 Meeting at Pat's Bar & Grill on Sunday March 14, 2010 5:00 PM to put up the NO PARKING sings for the parade.

The Division is one of the sponsors for the **Hurling Team Jersey's** again this year.

Keep in your prayer: Joe McLaughlin, Tom Gibbons, Matt Morrison, Patrick Raftery and Jeff Gonders father

WELCOME NEW HIBERNIANS		
MIKE LOWRY	St Catherine Laboure Parish	
PATRICK LOWRY	St Catherine Laboure Parish	
MICHAEL O'NEILL ¹	Sacred Heart	
BILL SIMMONS	Annunciation Parish	
JOHNATHON McDANIEL	St Gerard Majella	
RYAN HOGAN	St Joan of Arc	
SEAN ADAMS ²	Epiphany	
MICHAEL WEBER ³	Immaculate Conception	
MICHAEL 'MICK' SEXTON		
2014 National Convention – In St Louis - An effort to bring the National AOH	Congressional Ad Hoc Committee for Irish Affairs: This important committee is made up of 80 members, (both Republican and Democrat.) For over 30 years, they have	
Convention to St. Louis in 2014 is being	been instrumental in advocating for peace with justice in Northeast Ireland. Two of our local representatives, Todd	
undertaken by a committee formed by Jim	Akin and Russ Carnahan have received invitations to join	
Wahl. It will be key to have as many from	this important committee. If you are in their districts, please	
the St Louis Region to attend the 2010	give them a call at their local offices and urge them to join. Akin; 314 590-0029 and Carnahan; 314 962-1523.	

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convention in Cincinnati July 7- 11, 2010.

There may be a bus going – more news to

follow

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(Representative Clay is already a member) It is very

Clough: 314 489-2213.

important that we get more Congressmen from across the country to join. For more information, contact George

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¹ Matt O'Neill's nephew

² Conor Adams brother

³ St Louis Metropolitan Police Dept