



# NEWSLETTER

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## Lehigh County DIVISION I

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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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### ARCHBISHOP SEEKS BASILICA STATUS FOR LITTLE ITALY'S ST. PATRICK'S OLD CATHEDRAL

BYLORE CROGHAN DAILY NEWS STAFF WRITER  
Monday, June 8th 2009, 4:00 AM

The city's new archbishop gave the city's oldest Catholic cathedral a surprise gift for its 200th birthday. Archbishop Timothy Dolan will ask the Pope to bestow the title of basilica on Little Italy's St. Patrick's Old Cathedral, which began its bicentennial celebration on Sunday.

The venerable Mott St. church would be the first in the Archdiocese of New York to get the prestigious designation, given only to churches of the highest historic and spiritual significance.

"I just think it deserves it," said Dolan, who made the surprise announcement from the altar while celebrating a bicentennial Mass yesterday. "I'm so proud of this old cathedral." Churchgoers burst into thunderous applause. "I love it," head usher William Bray, 49, said after Mass. "It's a great feeling." The basilica designation is a big deal in the hierarchy of Catholic churches. St. Patrick's Old Cathedral is being honored in large part for its place in the spiritual lives of the waves of immigrants to the lower East Side.

In the Diocese of Brooklyn, Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Sunset Park and St. James Cathedral in downtown Brooklyn are basilicas. The Archdiocese of New York, which includes Manhattan, the Bronx, Staten Island and seven counties north of the city, has none.

Dolan will soon make a formal presentation to Pope Benedict on behalf of St. Patrick's Old Cathedral, said archdiocese spokesman Joseph Zwilling. "If the Pope does name the Old Cathedral a basilica, it is a very special and very rare honor," Zwilling said.

"It is granted to churches with special prominence or significance in the life of a diocese - and in the case of St. Patrick's Old Cathedral, in the life of the Catholic Church in this country."

The Old Cathedral has a proud history as an immigrants' church. Its first archbishop, John Hughes, saved the church from being burned down by anti-Catholic mobs in 1844.

"Dagger John," as he was known because he drew Christ's cross as part of his signature, rallied the Ancient Order of Hibernians to stand guard outside the church building.

"Courage is cold water for hot bigotry - that was the saying in Hughes' day," said Mike McCormack, 71, the Hibernians' national historian.

Dolan told parishioners the cross he was wearing around his neck was one Hughes often wore. During a parade after Mass, members of the Hibernians stood outside the cathedral with their backs to its walls to commemorate parishioners' defiance of religious intolerance.

After the festivities, parishioners were buzzing about Dolan's promise to get their beloved church made into a basilica. "See these goose bumps?" asked church volunteer Barbra Urban, 47. "That says it all."

## IRON PIGS CELTIC NIGHT JULY 30, 2009

### "CELTIC" NIGHT WITH SOUVENIR COLLECTOR'S CUP

Join your AOH brothers and their families at the Iron Pigs Celtic Night on July 30th.

Brother Ken Walsh has 25 tickets available for \$28 each which includes the PPL BBQ for 2 hours. \$3 from each ticket sold will be donated to charity

For more information or to purchase your tickets, contact Brother Ken Walsh by May 28th at 610-261-9031

### IRELAND TRIP RAFFLE TICKETS

We need your help to make this our best year ever and to reach our goal of a complete sell out of 2000 tickets.

If you need additional tickets or have questions or concerns please call Lou James at: 610-866-9099 or his cell phone at: 610-442-0583 or email him at LJFD1997@aol.com. The drawing will be held on Sunday, July 26, 2009 at the Columbian Home of Allentown. Please send your sold tickets to Lou at 1420 Stoke Park Rd, Bethlehem, PA 18017 or bring them to the monthly general meeting. **Make checks payable to: AOH, Lehigh County Div 1**

### THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS

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www.donegal.com

**Corporate Environments** - 605 East Broad Street  
Bethlehem, PA www.ceg-pa.com

### SUPPORT YOUR AOH BROTHERS

Do you have a project or service that you need help with? Contact an AOH brother for help!

**Santa A. Claus** - America's #1 Santa, 570-465-2206

**Bro. Michael J. Toth** - Rare books & book searches,  
610-346-7737

**Bro. Dan Bonner** - Dapper Dan the Clown, 610-253-6761

**Bro. Scott Rosati** - S. Rosati Electric, 610-703-1677

**Bro. John Chaya** - Jack Callaghan's Ale House,  
2027 Tilghman St.

**Bro. Roger Brock** - Financial Consultant KNBT Securities,  
610-882-5304

**Bro. Bob Carlin** - Certified Public Accountant, 610-798-7220

**Bro. Chris Cowen** - Somakhn Athletic Training Center,  
15th & Chew St. 610-351-1747

**Bro. Joseph Kloss** - Accounting & tax services for small  
businesses, 610-435-6681, JoeCFO@gmail.com

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

100 Members on Roll | 99 Members Paid

### New Applicants for Membership:

Mr. Kevin Ryan

Mr. Brian McKenna - St. Theresa of the Child Jesus

Mr. Robert Lembach - St. Paul's & Notre Dame Parishes

### Invitees for Initiations:

Mr. James McPhillips—St Anne's, Emmaus

Mr. John O'Connell Jr.—St Mary's, Catasauqua

Mr. Kenneth Glenville Jr.—St. Joseph's, Berwick

If any member knows why any applicant should not be admitted into our division, contact President Ed Barry and explain reason

### BOXTY FROM TARA DOYLE

Boxty is a traditional potato dish, celebrated in the rhyme.

8 oz/ 250 g/ 1 cup raw potato

8 oz/ 250 g/ 1 cup mashed potato

8 oz/ 250 g/ 2 cups plain flour

1 tsp baking powder

1 tsp salt

large knob of butter, melted

about 1/4 pt/ 125 ml/ 1/2 cup milk

Grate the raw potatoes into a bowl. Turn out onto a cloth and wring, catching the liquid. This will separate into a clear fluid with starch at the bottom. Pour off the fluid and scrape out the starch and mix with the grated and mashed potatoes. Sieve the dry ingredients and mix in along with the melted butter. Add a little milk if necessary to make a pliable dough. Knead lightly on a floured surface. Divide into four and form large, flat cakes. Mark each into quarters but do not cut right through, and bake on a griddle or in a heavy pan.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## June 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17*	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

## July 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

\* General membership meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month at the Allentown Knights of Columbus House in the Hibernian room starting at 7:30pm. All members are encouraged and welcome to attend.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 6/17—General Members Meeting\*
- 6/27—Gilgamesh Play
- 7/1 - Officers Meeting
- 7/15 - General Members Meeting\*
- 7/26 - Trip to Ireland Raffle Drawing
- 7/30 - Iron Pigs Celtic Night

### REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Kelly Chaya  
 Brother Ed Jordan's wife Kelly  
 Brother Brian Foy's sister Kellie and  
 Brother-in-law Adam  
 Brother Bob Higgins  
 Please remember all other brothers who need our prayers as well as our deceased brothers.

### HIBERNIAN ROOM USAGE

If you wish to use the Hibernian room for meetings or get togethers, please make prior arrangements with the Columbian Home President, Gene Flanley. The information can be left at the Columbian Home by phoning 610-432-6333 or by stopping in during hours of operations.

### IRISH WEBSITES TO REMEMBER

- [www.aoh.com](http://www.aoh.com)
- [www.paaoh.org](http://www.paaoh.org)
- [www.allentownaoh.com](http://www.allentownaoh.com)
- [www.irishphiladelphia.com](http://www.irishphiladelphia.com)
- [www.pahurling.com](http://www.pahurling.com)

### 2009 DIVISION I OFFICERS

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## SPOTLIGHT ON A BROTHER

BY CLANCY O'SHAUGHNESSY



### PLEASE INTRODUCE YOURSELF.

Bob Doggett, current marshal of AOH division 1, Lehigh County, PA. I have been a member of the Hibernians for almost five years.

### WHERE DO YOU TRACE YOUR IRISH HERITAGE BACK TO?

My father's people were from County Clare. My mother's were from Dublin. Both parents were from the Freeland, PA area. My mom was an elementary teacher in a small coal patch town named Jeansville. My dad was a carpenter for the Jeddo Highland Coal Company, Jeddo, PA. My six brothers and sisters and I spent a lot of time in St. Gabriel's Church, Hazleton, PA.

### TELL US ABOUT YOUR FAMILY, CAREER, AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS?

My wife Carole and I just celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary. She is originally from a suburb of Pittsburgh, PA. I was born and raised in Hazleton, PA. She graduated from Edinboro College. We met on a blind date in Woodbridge, NJ. We have two children, Rob and Jodi. He is a Yeats scholar who teaches at SUNY Geneseo, NY. She teaches 6th grade math in the Methacton district. Carole taught 2nd grade from most of her career in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. She is now retired, as am I. I taught high school English, served as a department chairman, and a high school assistant principal in the Woodbridge and South Plainfield, NJ districts. I ended my career as a middle school principal and a principal of a central sixth grade school, both in South Plainfield, NJ. I am a graduate of King's College. I received a masters' degree from Scranton U. We have one beautiful, fantastic two-year old granddaughter, Mia. There are three dogs in the Doggett clan. Carole has one sister. I come from a large family, including two nuns and a brother a priest. We live in Orefield and love the Lehigh Valley.

### WHAT ARE YOU INTERESTED IN?

I love sports, especially baseball and football. I am a diehard Philly fan of all four teams. I have held season tickets over the years for the Phillies and Sixers. Man, have we suffered, rooting for those teams. That's why I keep telling my wife and kids not to worry-- there will be no purgatory for us. It's straight to heaven! We have suffered enough. I enjoy reading, especially biography and history. Love to travel. We have been very fortunate to have traveled to seven different major cities for the St. Patrick's Parade. We have been to Italy, France, and Ireland. we enjoy movies. I really enjoy crossword puzzles. We love dogs, music, Irish music, especially the traditional stuff. Eating out is something we love as well. Family and friends are important, but would have to say that the granddaughter is numero uno in interest.

### DO YOU HAVE ANY HOBBIES?

As I mentioned above, reading and travel are at the top. Don't mind a game of blackjack now and then. I like horse racing from time to time. Really enjoy listening to a singer named Al Stewart. I have seen him in person about five times. Like to try various pubs, especially for lunch. I have to say I enjoy life. And I have been blessed.

### AS A AOH BROTHER CAN YOU TELL US HOW YOU FOUND OUT ABOUT THIS ORGANIZATION?

That there are some genuinely good men who are to be commended for all that they do to help kids. If I could pick out one thing about the organization, it would be that striking fact-- that the welfare of the children of the Lehigh Valley is never far from their thoughts.

### IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE WOULD LIKE TO MENTION?

Just that it has been an honor to belong to the AOH. It is particularly pleasing to serve as an officer in such an outstanding organization. Lastly, the event for Joe's kids is one that is closest to Carole and me. We hope to be able to support it each year and we are glad to see how popular it has become.