

LEHIGH COUNTY

DIVISION #1 LEHIGH COUNTY



Hello fellow Hibernian Brothers! Welcome to our newsletter. We will try to keep you well informed on all issues and future events. It will be informative as well as entertaining (we hope). If anyone has anything that is of importance they want in the newsletter, please send an email to Bigirish44@aol.com. We will do our best to accommodate you. We want to make this the best newsletter we can.

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MARK YOUR CALENDERS! UPCOMING EVENTS!!!!!!!

General Meeting 3/10/10 7:30pm

OFFICERS MEETING 3/10/10 6pm

Celtic Night @ Iron Pigs Game- 8/24/10

Ireland Raffle Drawing- 7/25/10



Notre Dame vs Army 2010 @Yankee Stadium

Notre Dame vs Navy 2010 @ Meadowlands

IMPORTANT DATES / INFO FOR THE HIGH HOLY MONTH

MARCH EVENTS:

10th GEN/Officer's Meeting

12th Coronation Ball

13th Scranton Parade

14th Jim Thorpe Parade

14th Philadelphia Parade

17th St. Patrick's Day Parade NYC

20th Girardville Parade

20th Allentown Pub Crawl

21st Allentown Mass/Bkfast/Parade

Other Important Dates

Celtic Night Iron Pigs 8/24 Tix \$25

INTERESTING VIEWING

<http://www.history.com/topics/st-patricks-day-symbols-and-traditions/videos#green>

When is St. Patrick's Day?

St. Patrick's Day takes place each year on March 17, the traditional religious feast day of Saint Patrick.

St. Patrick's Day 2010 falls on Wednesday, March 17.

St. Patrick's Day 2011 falls on Thursday, March 17.

St. Patrick's Day 2012 falls on Thursday, March 17.

St. Patrick's Day 2013 falls on Sunday, March 17.

The Celebration

Corned beef and cabbage is a traditional St. Patrick's Day dish. In 2007, roughly 41.5 billion pounds of U.S. beef and 2.6 billion pounds of U.S. cabbage were sold. Many St. Patrick's Day celebrants enjoyed corned beef from Texas, which produced 6.8 billion pounds of beef, and cabbage from California and New York, which produced 581 and 580 million pounds, respectively.

Irish soda bread gets its name and distinctive character from the use of baking soda rather than yeast as a leavening agent.

Lime green chrysanthemums are often requested for St. Patrick's Day parades and celebrations.

The Parade

The first St. Patrick's Day parade took place in the United States on March 17, 1762, when Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through New York City.

More than 100 St. Patrick's Day parades are held across the United States. New York City and Boston are home to the largest celebrations.

At the annual New York City St. Patrick's Day parade, participants march up 5th Avenue from 44th Street to 86th Street. More than 150,000 people take part in the event, which does not allow automobiles or floats.

Places to Spend the Day

There are four places in the United States named after the shamrock, the floral emblem of Ireland: Mount Gay-Shamrock, WV; Shamrock, TX; Shamrock Lakes, IN; and Shamrock, OK.

Nine U.S. towns share the name of Ireland's capital, Dublin. With 39,328 residents in 2005, Dublin, CA, is the most populous, followed by Dublin, OH.

Irish is the most common ancestry in 54 U.S. counties, of which 44 are in the Northeast. Middlesex County in Massachusetts tops the list with 348,978 Irish Americans, followed by Norfolk County, MA, which has 203,285.

Irish ranks among the top five ancestries in every state except Hawaii and New Mexico. It is the leading ancestry group in Delaware, Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

A total of 4.8 million immigrants from Ireland have been admitted to the United States for lawful permanent residence since 1820, the earliest year for which official records exist. Only Germany, Italy, the United Kingdom and Mexico have accounted for more U.S. immigrants.

AOH Raffle!

Brothers! I hope the new year has started off well for you! As you know, raffle tickets were sent out in early December and returns have been slow with only 18 members returning their proceeds out of over 100 letters and packs of 10 tickets sent out. Please do your best to sell all 10 of your **Ireland Trip - Raffle Tickets!** As you know, ticket sales at Celtic Classic were very successful and has made our challenge to sell the full 2000 tickets so much more important this year. This is our major fundraiser for our **Children's Charities**. Each year we donate to help support a **seminarian, a needy child of Irish heritage at Central Catholic HS, Mercy Special Learning Center, Camelot House, and others**. The economy still has not rebounded and the needs of children and young people are growing. With your help selling raffle tickets this year, we will be able to continue our support of those in need of our assistance. One of your **obligations** as a member of this Division is to sell or buy 10 Raffle Tickets each year to support our Children's Charity Program. We need your help to make this our best year ever and to reach our goal of a complete sell out of 2000 tickets. By our February meeting I should have at least 3 weekends scheduled with three local parishes to sell raffle tickets after the Masses that weekend. This will be a great opportunity for to sell your tickets or help sell additional tickets. Keep in mind that for every 10 tickets you sell you receive a free ticket that I will place into the drawing for you. In addition to the **1st prize of the trip for two to Ireland, there are 9 additional prizes of US Savings Bonds**. If you need more tickets, call me at my home: 610-866-9099 or my cell phone at 610-442-0583 and I will get more to you. The drawing will be held on Sunday, July 25, 2010, at the Columbian Home of Allentown, 1519 W. Greenleaf St., Allentown, PA. Please send your sold tickets to my address below. **Make checks payable to: AOH, Lehigh County, Div. 1**. You may also contact me by email at LJFD1997@aol.com. Thank you all for your hard work!

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Support the Knights Of Columbus and Christopher's Restaurant!!!!!!!

Please remember our Brother and Family members of the AOH in your prayers.

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