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**Please Support Our Patrons**

**To be Irish is a Blessing,  
To be a Hibernian is an Honor.**



What did our parents do when they were bored with no internet?

I asked my 18 brothers and sisters, they didn't know either.

**ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS NEWSLETTER**  
**WILLIAM J. RYAN DIVISION 4**  
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**April 2017**

**FRIENDSHIP, UNITY & CHRISTIAN CHARITY**



**Next Meeting is Thursday, April 6, 2017, 7 pm at Elks Lodge**

## Coming Events

**April 6, 2017** — Division Meeting, 7 pm, at the Lockport Elks Lodge

**May 4, 2017** — Division Meeting. Location to be determined.

**May 20, 2017** — Division Golf Tournament. Gothic Hill, shotgun start at 10 am (get their before then), \$25.00 per player (does not include cart), to register text (or call) Rick Long at (716) 725-5249.

**May 28, 2017** — Lockport Memorial Day Parade. More details to follow. If you don't have one, now is a great time to contact Tony for a Division shirt!

**July 12 to 15, 2017** — NY State AOH Convention in Buffalo (see article on back)

## LOCKPORT AOH SCHOLARSHIPS

Once again, our Division will be presenting 3 scholarships for the youth of our families and our community.

**DeSales Scholarship**—Presented to a student for DeSales Catholic School in Lockport.

**Catholic High School Scholarship** — Presented for students attending a Catholic High School.

**College Scholarship** — Presented to a 2017 High School senior who will be attending college in the fall.

Applications for all three scholarships along with information and instructions will be available at Sullivan's Hair Design, 458 Walnut St., Lockport. All applications must be returned to Sullivan's by 20 April 2017. For questions, contact Brother John Sullivan, (716) 434-0175



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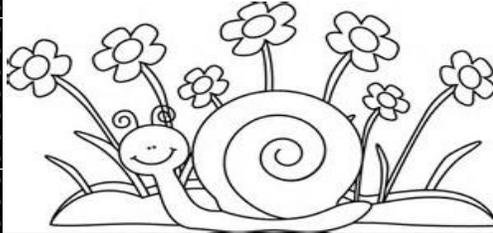
**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Send your requests to me and I will add them. This month pray for all departed Hibernians, family members and friends. Pray for the youth of the Church. Pray That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

I don't like to think before I speak. I like to be just as surprised as everybody else about what I say!

**Springtime!**

Your message of hope to a world tiring of winter's starkness, longing for that first crocus to push through snow's icy blanket and spread its leaves, like arms outstretched, to its creator. Springtime!



hooray for  
**SPRING!**

Our yearly reminder, if we needed one, that to a world that was dark and cold, a world devoid of love's sweet warmth, you sent your Son to break through sin's icy blanket, and, arms outstretched on a cross, he brought us hope. Thank you



**SALVATION ARMY**

Please remember that our Division has made a commitment to serving lunch at the Salvation Army Lunchroom on the **3rd Thursday of every month**. Lately, the participation has been slipping. Please mark your calendars and help out with this very worthwhile activity. Just show up at the Salvation Army on Cottage Street at 10:30 am on each 3rd Thursday. It only takes 3 hours, and you'll be done by 1:30 pm.

**2017 New York State AOH Convention**

The next NY State AOH convention will be held the Adam's Mark in Buffalo from 12 through 15 July 2017. We will need help to ensure this is a well-run, enjoyable convention for all attendees. Good news is that they will be offering the AOH Major Degree at the convention. **The degree will be around noon on the 15th of July 2017 — MARK YOUR CALANDARS!.** If you haven't received the Major Degree plan on attending. If you have received the degree, this will be a great chance to observe and participate in the ceremony (I'm sure you don't remember everything which occurred). The Western New York Committee has been meeting to make this convention happen. All are welcome. If you are interested in helping with the convention, or attending these meetings, please let me know.

**A Recap Of March**

Appreciation and gratitude to all who participated in the commemoration, remembrance, and celebration of the "Month of the Irish"! I treasure you as my Brothers and was happy to join in OUR celebrations. Our party, although not well attended, was fun for all who came. Chuck Tracy did another great job!

Our Mass was the highlight of my week, and I was truly appreciative for a GREAT turnout of members. Father Walt hit it out of the park again, and everything went like clockwork thank to Tom Haley's keen chairmanship. Another great get together at the Legion although that bottle of Jameson continues to elude me.

The bus to Buffalo and the parade were also very well done. Dave Miller throws a nice affair which illustrates annually why he has been appointed Chairman for Life.

I know many more worked to insure our success but I know if I list names, I will inadvertently omit some. Thanks to all!

No matter how big your house is, how recent your car is, or how big your bank account is, our graves will always be the same size. Stay humble.