

# Ancient Order of Hibernians Stephen J. Walsh Division

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#### Please come to the December Division Meeting

In November, we didn't have enough of the nominees present to conduct our elections, so they were moved to December. All members, especially the nominees, are strongly urged to attend our meeting on December 11 so we can elect our new board. We will take additional nominees and conduct our elections as the first item under new business.

#### Andy Cooney Christmas show comes to the Hibernian Hall



Andy Cooney, once again, brings his spectacular **Christmas show** to our hall on Monday, December 2. Andy Cooney and his Band will be joined on stage by the Motor City Dancers. Doors open at 6:00 pm and food is available for purchase from the Kitchen. The evening's entertainment will start at 7:00. Enjoy exciting Irish Dance as well as Christmas, Irish and Pop favorites! This is always a sold-out show. There are still a few tickets left. But they must be purchased IN ADVANCE. Contact <u>Sue McNichols</u> (248-345-7761) or <u>Kevin Murphy</u> to get yours.

#### Santa Claus will be at the Hall on December 20

The Building Corp, along with Joann and Tim Murphy, have a very special **Fish fry** planned for December 20. In addition to the usual "best fish in town," or the alternate meal of turkey and mashed potatoes, there will also be Christmas Carols with Keven Murphy and friends, and a photo booth. Good Ol' Saint Nick will be dropping by with gifts for the kids.



#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Knights of Columbus – Cardinal Mooney, Monday December 2 @ 8pm, upstairs LAOH Rose Kennedy Division – Monday, December 9 @ 7:30 pm AOH Walsh Division Meeting – Wednesday, December 11, 2019 @ 7:30 pm. Knights of Equity Court 6 – Thursday, December 12, 2019 @ 7:30 pm

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of our members, their families and friends who may be ill or not feeling well at this time:

Jim Butler	John Murrin	Dan Brennan	Cortland Book
Tom Lee	Marsha Detter	Joan Brennan	Denise Book
Lynn Lamb	Shirley O'Kelly	Rich McNichols	Jim Inch
Chris Scanlan	Mary O'Connell	Frank McCarver	John O'Hara
Ann Marie Michalski	Tom O'Halloran	Patrick Derrig	Carole McKeown

Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers. If there is someone whom you would like to have mentioned in this column, please contact Joe Carson at: (313) 645-9448, and we will be more than glad to mention them in the next newsletter.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE HALL:

Fish Fry dinner every Friday – hall opens at 5:00, dinner served from 6:00 pm till 8:00 pm. Entertainment usually starts around 7:30. Please see the calendar at <a href="DetroitAOH.org">DetroitAOH.org</a> for details on the alternate entrée and entertainment. All-you-can-eat fish & chips for \$12!

Andy Cooney Christmas Show – Monday, December 2 @ 7:00 pm. \$25 in advance only!

Santa Clause Fish Fry – Friday, December 20. Special Entrée is Turkey with Mashed Potatoes.



# From your friends and family at the A.O.H.

#### LOTTERY TICKETS & KING OF DIAMONDS:

Please support the Hibernian Hall through our on-going fundraisers. The Lottery tickets are good for a whole month. You can pick tickets up at the hall or receive them through the mail by contacting <u>Richard McNichols</u> @ 248-669-4530.

The King of Diamonds raffle is every Sunday at 7:30. Tickets are available at the hall up until the drawing. Proceeds of both these activities help to support the hall.

<sup>\*\*</sup> All articles and event notices must be received before the <u>3rd</u> Friday of the month in order to be included in the following month's newsletter \*\*

# Just for laughs...

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Father O' Malley answers the phone.
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'Hello, is this Father O'Malley?'

'It is'

'This is the Inland Revenue Service, income tax department. Can you help us?'

'I can.'

'Do you know a Ted Houlihan?'

'I do'

'Is he a member of your congregation?'

'He is'

'Did he donate €10,000 to the church?'
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#### THIS MONTH IN IRISH HISTORY:

'He will.'

- Dec.1,1848---The paddle steamer The Londonderry, with immigrants fleeing the famine, takes shelter in Derry harbour. When the covers are removed from the hold it is discovered that 72 men, women and children have suffocated.
- Dec.8,1939---Birth of Belfast flutist\* Sir James Galway. \*Sir James has publicly stated on several occasions that he plays the flute not the flaut.
- Dec.16,1653---Oliver Cromwell becomes Lord Protector of Ireland.
- Dec.23,1920---The Government of Ireland Act enforces the secession of the six Northern Irish counties from the rest of Ireland.

# Irish Trivia & History,.. "Did You Know"...?! Christmas Edition

- Around Christmastime, you'll still find the odd farm building out in the Irish countryside that looks like it's just been whitewashed. Long ago, farm families cleaned and then whitewashed every building on the farm in December. They were covered in white paint or limewash, to symbolically purify them for the coming of the savior. The tradition traces back thousands of years, not just through Celtic culture, but through other Central European cultures as well...?!
- Leaving a mince pie and a bottle of Guinness out on Christmas Eve was once popular in Ireland. It was meant to be a snack for Santa Claus...?!
- Ancient Celts believed that mistletoe had tremendous healing powers. Christians saw it as such a strong symbol of paganism, in fact, that they banned it until the so-called "revival of Christmas" in the Victorian era...?!
- On December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, virtually all schools in Ireland are closed for the day. It is traditionally the nation's number one day for Christmas shopping...?!







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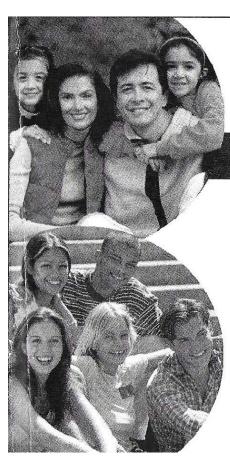
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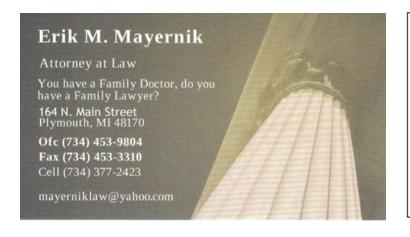
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