



# The Quarterdeck

*The Seanachí of the Ancient Order of Hibernians – Commodore John Barry Division*



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**Next Division Meeting**  
**October 13, 7:30**  
**O'Callaghan's Hotel**



President's Letter, October 2008

Once again we were blessed with a beautiful day for our annual crab feast, held at the Kent Island Yacht Club on September 21, to benefit our seminarians. Special thanks to brothers Mike Smollon for his generous donation of meats heartily consumed and Dave Aland for the Irish walking stick for the raffle; the Freedom Sons for the wonderful Irish music; the merchants who donated all the raffle prizes (see list in newsletter); and our newest member Gary McKeon for showing up early to help set up.

Depending on when you read this letter, there still may be time to sign up to help us work the beer stands at the Renaissance Festival Sunday, October 5. Please call Brian McVeigh right at (410) 573-5912.

Our guest speaker at this month's meeting Monday October 13 is brother Jack O'Brien from the JFK Div., Mitchellville, to give us an update on the project to erect a monument to Commodore Barry at the Naval Academy. Jack is the DC State Board Historian and Chair for this project, with a rich knowledge of Comm. Barry and direct experience in developing monuments at Antietam battlefield and in Ireland. Jack and the DC Board have been leading the charge on the Barry projects at the Academy but he wants to get us here in Annapolis fired up to join the effort. Come out and find more at the meeting.

Although we will not have our Navy tailgate this year, we have been invited to join the KofC at their event on Saturday November 1, for the Navy-Temple game. Cost is \$30 (game tickets, \$15 and tailgate, \$15) we need to have our order and payment to the K of C by October 15. Therefore, we need a list with payments no later than Friday October 10. If you are interested, sign up and pay at the division meeting or call Dave Aland as soon as possible at (410) 267-0511.

The weekend of November 7 – 9 is the Irish Fest at the Timonium Fairgrounds. We need workers Friday evening through Sunday closing. Please call me at (443) 262-9706 if you can help at our food stand and want to enjoy the event. We will have

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entrance tickets for our workers. Also note that the annual AOH Memorial Mass will be 2:00 Sunday November 16 at St. Andrew by the Bay, off College Ave., in Cape St. Claire. A reception, hosted by our division and the LAOH will be held after the mass.

This month we will start a formal prayer list in the newsletter for our members and families who are in ill health and need our prayers and support. If and when you have an addition to the list, please let me know. As we approach a very important national election with two wars going on and a serious economic crisis, I ask you to pray for our country as well.

God Bless, Brian Fitzmaurice

### IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Good Lord please grant the speedy recovery of Joe Crogan, Marty Peters, and Carol Probst and the safe return of our military Alan Mangan, Charles Cooper, and Robert Philburn Jr.**

**Brian & Patrick**



**Freedom Sons Irish Music**



**Crab fest devotees**





## OLD BLESSING

May you learn to appreciate the old –  
wrinkles and stories you've heard  
a dozen times,  
an old friend, an old book –  
a saved table where you sat  
with your mom and dad,  
brothers and sisters, a long time ago –  
hurts that in the long run helped,  
because you learned from them –  
or the fish or friend that got away.  
Tears are a good sign,  
but get moving. Enjoy what has been.  
Make new friends.  
Buy new stuff that is good  
and enjoy growing older together.

Father Andy Costello  
St. Mary's Annapolis

## TRIP-TO-IRELAND 2009



Tickets are available **NOW** from Pat Bannon 410-268-6176

This year we'll only sell **600** tickets @ **\$10** each.

This is a real bargain and the tickets won't last.

Call Pat right away.....don't delay!

## CARNAGE IN OMAGH

During The summer of 1998 we had a delightful visit with the Northern Ireland kids we'd funded for summer visits. They told us of the 'troubles' and thanked us for working with the CFPNI to bring the Protestants and Catholics together in friendship. While they were here many of their pals back home went to the marketplace in Omagh to buy clothing and supplies in preparation for the new school year.



Unbeknownst to the happy families, a vicious group labeled "Real IRA" lurked nearby the marketplace and eventually set off a bomb that killed 29 and wounded over 200. Our visitors were visibly shaken and made many calls home to check on friends and family. Soon after the youngsters went home we received a letter from parents that described the carnage and made a particular emphasis on thanking us. "Had their girls been home they surely would have been at the marketplace," the letter noted. Last week a news release from London reported investigations of phone records that show that Brit Intelligence knew in advance of the action and could (should) have prevented the bomb. Further, London also admits the ongoing probe proves Brits Intel & Paramilitary involvement in the operation that was designed to undermine the Anglo-Irish peace talks. Thank God we and CFPNI acted as we did. Likewise applicable is the old Irish saying "**Hanim un diuol d'anam don diabhal** (*may the devil take the soul*)" of the *perpetrators and conspirators alike.*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- October 5- Renaissance Festival. Call Brian McVeigh for assignment 410-573-5912.
- October 13—Division Meeting, 7:30 p.m., O'Callaghans.
- November 7-9—Maryland Irish Festival, Timonium Fairgrounds, Call Tim Fitzmaurice for assignment 410-451-4178.
- November 10—Division Meeting, 7:30, O'Callaghans
- December 7—Christmas Party , O'Callaghans Hotel. Call Dave Aland for reservations 410-267-0511
- December 8—Regular Meeting, 7:30, O'Callaghans.
- February 21-22—Raffle ticket sales, St. John Evangelist, Severna Park
- Feb 28-Mar 1—Raffle ticket sales, St. Marys & St. John Neuman
- March 14—Annual St. Patrick Dinner -Dance, O'Callaghans.
- March 17—Mass, Pub Crawl, drawing for Trip-to-Ireland

# NAVY FOOTBALL 2008

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COLUMBUS



## NAVY VS TEMPLE



NOVEMBER 1, 2008 3:30 P.M.  
NAVY-MARINE CORP. STADIUM  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

PRE GAME TAILGATE PARTY  
HOSTED BY ANNAPOLIS COUNCIL #1384  
TAILGATE PARTY IN THE NAVYFEST AREA OF THE STADIUM

Game Tickets \$15

Tailgate plus ballgame \$30...a real bargain!

TAILGATE TICKETS

Adults \$ 15

Children FREE UNDER 13

Call or email Dave Aland for ticket reservations

410-267-511

[CELTICALAND@VERIZON.NET](mailto:CELTICALAND@VERIZON.NET)

### GOOD OLD MOSES CAME DOWN ONE DAY.....



- 1 There is a story that says there were really fifteen commandments but Moses tripped on the way down the hill.
- 2 Another story quotes Moses as saying "There's good news and bad. The good news is I negotiated him down to ten, the bad news is He kept the sixth in as stated."
- 3 Dang it Moses, you mean I have all these rules but the Arabs get all the oil!

# IRISH FESTIVAL

Timonium Fairgrounds—November 7-9

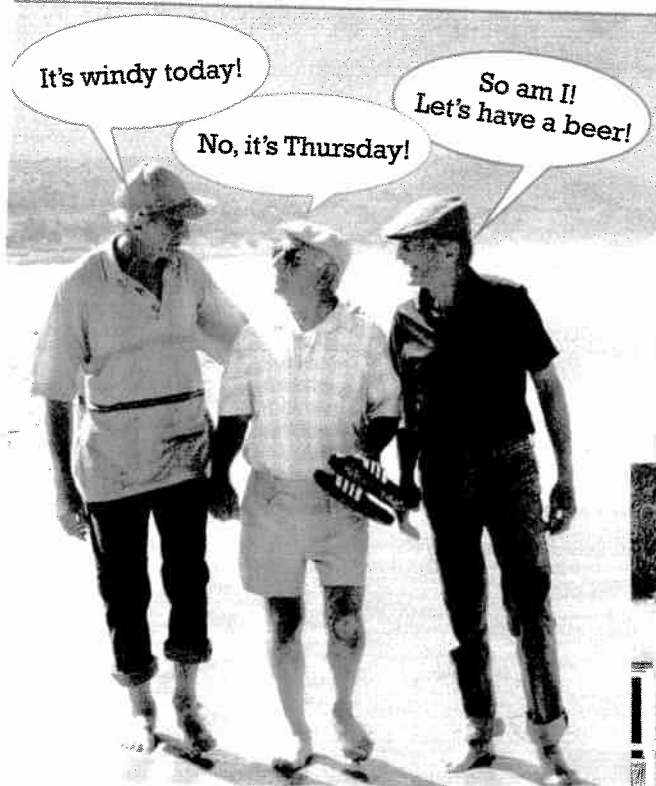
There are some spots left, call Tim on 410-451-4178 to join for

Fri. evening, Sat. all day, Sunday all day (including morning Mass)

Ad vise Tim if you want to work early or late, but plan to enjoy the music, dancing, fine food, beverages of all sorts, and have a chance to do Christmas shopping at prices better than in Ireland.



Flags on the beach at our Crab Fest.



## QUIZ

If you can name these AOHERs at the beach you'll win a prize.

In Ireland, car rental isn't possible for anyone over age 80. Can you identify over 80 AOHERs in Ireland?





# ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS IN AMERICA

Commodore John Barry Division  
Annapolis, Maryland

*When you have a choice of locations to Shop, we hope you will remember our SPONSORS of the Raffle for the 2008 Crab Feast:*

**The Freedom Sons** – Irish Music Duo, Kent Island, <http://www.freedomsons.com/>

**My Butcher and More/Mike Smollon** - Staples Corner, Gambrills, MD

**Dave Aland's Celtic Clubs** - Annapolis, MD

**Maryland Renaissance Festival** - Crownsville, MD

**Maryland Hall** - Annapolis, MD

**Galway Bay Restaurant and Pub** - Annapolis, MD

**Avoca Hand Weavers** - Annapolis, MD

**Irish Traditions** - Easton, MD

**Baker's Liquors** - Cox Neck Rd., Chester, MD

**Kent Towne Liquors** - Kent Towne Plaza, Chester, MD

**Centreville Liquors** - Food Lion Shopping Center, Centreville, MD

*Special Thanks to all of our sponsors who made this raffle possible!*

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**Live Music!**

Andy Cooney  
and his band

Dublin City  
Ramblers

Black 47

Barleyjuice

Save this Date! November 7-9, 2008  
Maryland  
**IRISH Festival**  
Timonium, Maryland



A presentation of Irish Charities of Maryland, Inc.

**Traditional Dance**

**Harp & Fiddle Competition!**

**The History of Irish Rock!**

Traditional  
Irish Food  
Irish Beer  
Irish Vendors  
Story Tellers  
Face Painting

Live Music  
Children's  
Crafts  
Living History  
Exhibits

**HUGE NEW VENUE**  
Timonium Fairgrounds  
**Cow Palace**  
Right off the Light Rail  
Stop In Timonium

**FREE PARKING**

A 501 (C) (3) Charity

**IRISHfestival.com**



# AOH/LAOH Memorial Mass



**DATE:** Sunday, November 16, 2008

**TIME:** 2:00 PM

**PLACE:** ***St. Andrew by the Bay\*\****  
601 College Parkway,  
Annapolis, MD 21409

**PRESIDER:** Fr. Martin Burnham,  
State Board Chaplain

**RECEPTION:** ***St. Andrew's Parish Hall***  
Cost is \$12.00 per person  
Children under 10 years free  
*(Price includes: cold buffet, dessert, beer, wine, soda)*

**\*\*St. Andrew is located off Rte. 50 east Exit 29 Cape St. Claire Road left at College Parkway (traffic light) and Quick left to Church driveway.**



# AOH/LAOH Memorial Mass



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Number attending @ \$12.00 per person\*\* = \_\_\_\_\_

Send reservations to: *Dennis T. O'Keefe*  
593 Shore Acres Road  
Arnold, MD 21012

**Make check Payable to: AOH State Board**

\*\*RSVP by November 11, 2008!