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A periodic insight into the Montgomery County, Division 1, Notre Dame

# AOH Div. 1

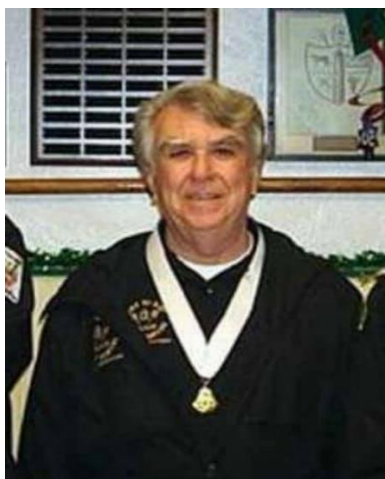
October 2021

## 2021-22 Division Officers

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Sentinel, Joe Daywalt  
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Trustee, mark Ryan  
Irish History, Mark Ryan  
Veteran Affairs, Bobby Whitmore  
Current Parade Grand Marshal, Bobby Whitmore

## 2021 Membership Dues

Please note that our new Financial Secretary is Brother Ed Costello, dues can now be paid via Venmo at [@Ed-Costello-7](#). Dues are **\$35.00**. You can still drop off your dues at a membership meeting or at the Pub. Payments can be mailed to: **135 Scarlet Drive, Conshohocken, PA. 19428**



Bother Jim Murphy (Murph) passed away on September 29<sup>th</sup>. Jim was a model Hibernian and a wonderful human being. Please see more about Murph on page 3...

*Below:* Irish Thunder Pipes & Drums took North Wildwood by storm at the 2021 Irish Weekend Festival. More about the Band on page 4...

**Next Membership Meeting-  
Thursday, October 28th at 7:30**

## September Pub Draw Winners

\$200 - #78 Unsold  
\$300 - #77 Steve Clark  
\$500 - #18 Color Guard



## ***From the President...***

Brothers,

September had proven to be a wonderful month. **The AOH Div. 1 Golf Outing** was successful, as usual, the **Halfway to St. Patrick's Day** event was well attended and **Irish Weekend** in North Wildwood was fantastic. *(Not unlike Frank Tierney's most recent haircut)* Cooler weather and leaves changing colors. It might just be me, but I think bagpipes sound better in this weather...

The **Division 1 Memorial Mass** is on October 31 at **St. Philip's Neri** church beginning at 10:00 am. I would like to thank brother **Hugh Quinn** for organizing the Mass this year.

**The Isle of Erin Major Degree Team** will administer their 96<sup>th</sup> Major Degree at the **Commodore John Barry Arts & Culture Center** on October 24<sup>th</sup> beginning at 12:00 noon. All members not yet fully degreed are encouraged to attend and degreed brothers are encouraged to observe.

**The AOH Division 1, 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing** was at Landis Creek Golf Course on September 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the sponsors, golfers, helpers, sponsor recruiters and to the Golf Outing Committee who have been doing an incredible job running this event for 25 years!

**The AOH Home Association** hosted the **Halfway to St. Patrick's Day** event after the Golf Outing. **Ray McGroary** provided dozens of our favorite tunes. Thanks to all who attended and to those who helped organize and run the event.

**Division 1** is notorious for our Notre Dame games. **Bo Bradley** and his band of Hooligans will be every bit as entertaining as any football game! Drink specials and covered dishes or if we're lucky, we can get Bo to spark up the grill for some tailgate favorites.

Don't forget the **AOH Pub** for football season! Our highly trained bartenders are slinging the coldest beer in town! Look out for drink and food specials during Eagles games.

The **Home Association Bar Room Olympics!** Saturday, October 23 **HAS BEEN POSTPONED** due to conflicting events. New dates will be discussed at the next Home Association meeting.

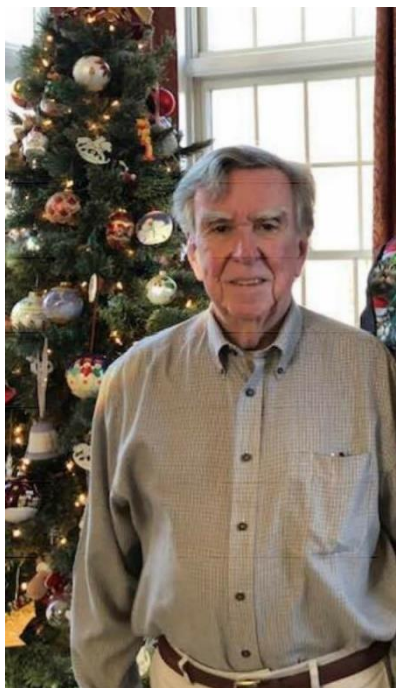
As always, I would like to thank our **Division 1. Officers** for their commitment to maintaining our reputable Club and the efforts put forth to improve upon our already impressive organization.

There is currently an open position to Chair the **FFAI** (Freedom For All Ireland) Comminttee. Any member in good standing who is interested, please contact me.

In our motto,

*Eddie Mongan*

Division 1 President



***Brother Jim “Murph” “Murphy***  
***1938 - 2021***

The recent passing of Brother Murph is a loss felt well beyond our Division 1 walls. Besides Jim’s family and friends, his Hibernian relationships and contributions are legendary. **State Officer, 2001 Saint Patrick’s Day Parade Grand Marshal** and Founding Member of the **Isle of Erin Major Degree Team** are just two of the hats our Brother had worn. Murph was a proud catholic, a model Hibernian and above all, he was a genuinely good man.

Below are some out-takes from Jim’s obituary. *Rest in Peace*

James A. Murphy, “Murph”, age 83 of Limerick and formerly King of Prussia, died on Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2021. He was born in Clifton Heights on Monday, June 20, 1938 son of the late Denis and Ellen (Bray) Murphy. He was the beloved husband of the late Elizabeth Frances (Walsh) Murphy, “Betsy” for 52 years.

Jim was raised in NE Philadelphia where he graduated from North Catholic High School Class of 1956. He was employed as a systems analyst for TV Guide for over 46 years. He was a devout Catholic and parishioner of St. Augustine RC Church in Bridgeport and more recently St. Teresa of Calcutta in Limerick. He served as both Lector and Extraordinary Minister. He was an active member of the AOH Notre Dame Division 1 in Swedesburg where he was: a founding member of the Isle of Erin Degree Team, honored as the 2001 Grand Marshal of the St. Patrick’s Day Parade, AOH State Officer and active participant in nearly all club activities and charities. His hobbies and special interests were focused upon the Catholic Church and the AOH. Above all, Murph was a family man who loved being a husband, father and grandfather.

He is survived by: 2 daughters, Lisa Voytko (Rich) and Bridget Hanson (Mark); his brother, Augustine; 3 grandchildren, Elizabeth, Nicholas and Emma; many nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends. Beside his wife Betsy; he was predeceased by his brother, Father Dennis Murphy (OSFS).

Donations may also be made to AOH Notre Dame Div. 1 (for scholarship fund) 342 Jefferson Street, Bridgeport, Pennsylvania 19405.

# Irish Thunder Pipes and Drums

October 2021

## Pipe Band Report:

**Irish Thunder** performed at two **September 11th Memorial** events on 9/11. One at **St. Patrick's Chapel** in Conniwingo, MD. and one later that evening at the **King of Prussia 9/11 Memorial**. The Band also performed throughout **Irish Weekend** on Saturday/Sunday, September 25/26. They performed on Saturday at the **Pipe Band Exhibition** and during the **parade** on Sunday. It was great to see the band enjoying themselves throughout the weekend, playing at the two events, in/out of the pubs in North Wildwood and everywhere in between...

**Irish Thunder's** next performances will be:

**Saturday, October 23** at the **100 Anniversary Wilmington Fireman's Parade** time TBD

**Saturday, October 23** at the **Hilltown Tavern in Roxborough** at 5:30.

**Sunday, October 31** at the **AOH Div. 1 Annual Memorial Mass** at St Phillip Neri in Lafayette Hill at 10:00 am.

**Irish Thunder** merchandise is still available. Irish Thunder's first CD includes local Irish singers, including **Paul Moore, Sarah Agnew, and Tom McHugh**, and other area instrumentalists playing the violin and guitar. The CD is sure to be a great addition to your collection! The band is still selling their new 25 th anniversary t-shirts. The shirts are black in color, with silver color in many of the titles, and are in both mens' & womens' sizes. Please see a band member for a CD, shirt, magnet or pint glass. Band CD's are priced for \$10, pint glasses and magnets for \$5 and shirts for \$15. To purchase a Band CD contact Eddie Mongan

**The band is currently accepting interested gentlemen & ladies to join the band as a piper or drummer to improve the band's sound. Please see a band member if you're interested.**

Sincerely,

Sean Murray  
President/Band Manager,  
Irish Thunder Pipe & Drum Band  
[www.irishthunder.org](http://www.irishthunder.org)

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# **Notre Dame, Division 1**

## **2021 Veterans Day Service**

**Thursday, November 11**

at: 342 Jefferson Street  
Bridgeport, PA. 19405

**Service begins at dusk**

**Guest Speaker: Andrew Duncan**

All are welcome to join us as we honor our **Veterans** at our **AOH Notre Dame, Division 1, Annual Veterans Day Ceremony.**

- Guest Speaker :
- Guest M/C
- Wreath Placing Ceremony

Food and Refreshments will be available at the upstairs Hall at the **Division 1 Club House** directly after the event is completed.

**Jefferson Street** will be closed from  
**Holstein Street to Roosevelt Avenue**  
during the ceremony.

Organized by **Notre Dame, Div.1 Veteran Affairs Committee,**  
Chaired by **Veterans Affairs Officer, Bob Whitmore**



AOH, NOTRE DAME, DIVISION 1

# 2021 Memorial Mass

Sunday, October 31, at 10:00 am

at **St. Philip Neri Church**

437 Ridge Pike, Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

[www.saintphilipnerichurch.com](http://www.saintphilipnerichurch.com)

Please join us at our annual Memorial Mass honoring our Brothers and Sisters we have lost throughout the last year, and then some. Thanks to Brother **Hugh Quinn** for organizing this year's Mass at his parish, so let's also show our support for **St. Philip Neri** and their Congregation for their hospitality.

All **AOH** and **LAOH** members are encouraged to attend and proudly display your designated Hibernian attire.

Following the Mass, all are welcomed back to **Division 1's Hibernian Hall** for Lunch prepared by **Couzins Catering Service**.

- Lunch is \$10.00/person and cash-bar, starts at noon.
- Division 1 Hibernian Hall is located at:
- **342 Jefferson Street, Bridgeport, PA. 19405**

RSVP by October 27 at [fptierney@hotmail.com](mailto:fptierney@hotmail.com)

# **AOH Notre Dame Div. 1**

## **2022 Pub Draw**

**\$200.00 per Ticket**

- 100 Tickets
- 36 Chances to win throughout the year 2022
- Cash Prizes
- Tickets can be purchased by one person or teams

3 numbers drawn at each monthly Membership meeting.

- 1<sup>st</sup> number drawn wins \$200, then their number is returned into the drawing,
- 2<sup>nd</sup> number drawn wins \$300, then their number is returned to the drawing
- 3<sup>rd</sup> number drawn wins \$500

**Prizes double in the December drawing!**

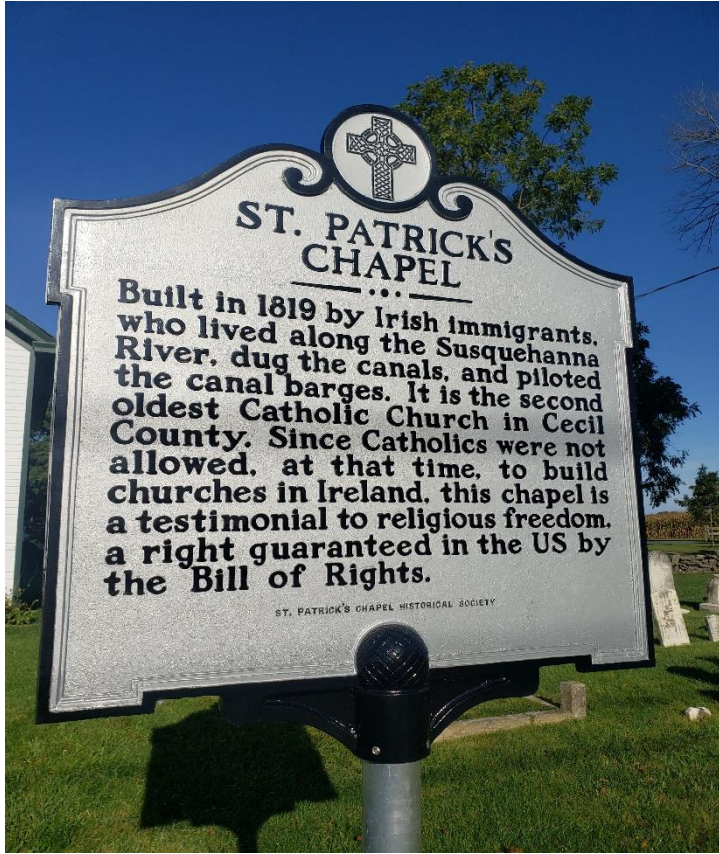
**Tickets must be paid for prior to the first drawing to qualify.**

**Proceeds go to the AOH Charities Fund**

**See a Director to purchase tickets.**

# September 11<sup>th</sup> Memorial Mass

## Conniwingo, Maryland. 9/11/2021



Members of **Irish Thunder** took part in a **9/11 Memorial Mass** on a beautiful morning on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the dreadful attacks against our nation. This modest Chapel, as described in their sign seen above, plays an important role in our Irish/American history. The outdoor Mass was followed by great food and refreshments. **AOH Div. 1 brothers Hugh and Cristopher Quinn** invited us down to be a part of this memorial. Christopher is the **President of the St Patrick's Chapel Historical Society** and volunteers numerous hours with the upkeep of the Chapel and it's serene grounds. Afterwards, Christopher and his family invited us back to their nearby home for continued celebration.





# 2022 AOH PA State Calendar Lottery Sale

The AOH Pennsylvania State Board sells these Lottery Calendars every year as a very successful fund raiser. Division 1 has taken on 20 of them to sell. Each calendar costs \$40.00 but \$5.00 from each sale goes directly to the Division it was sold by. That will amount to \$100.00 to Div. 1, which will be designated to a charitable cause selected by the Division 1 officers.

*See **Eddie Mongan** to purchase one, (215) 385-4252*



## Ancient Order of Hibernians Pennsylvania State Board 2022 Lottery Calendar

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Win \$1000 on  
St. Patrick's Day

## RULES

**\$40**

Over \$20,000 in  
Prizes Awarded  
Each Year

### No Exceptions

Please make checks payable to "PA State Board"

1. All numbers are played straight as drawn by the 3-number Pennsylvania Lottery (Night number - 7 PM).
2. All winners will be paid by check, mailed within four weeks.
3. Winning numbers will be determined by the Pennsylvania Lottery and the amount listed for that day.
4. Your name and lottery number will be registered with the Pennsylvania State Board Ancient Order of Hibernians.
5. Payouts and problems contact Joseph McCusker, 215-530-2513

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