# THE TOLEDO HIBERNIAN NEWSLETTER C/O MAURY COLLINS 2847 NASH ROAD TOLEDO, OHIO 43613



#### IN GOO WE TRUST



May 1 ∼ Beltaine (May Day)

May 4 ∼ Toraigh An Sonas session at The Blarney

May 11 ∼ State Board Meeting in Toledo

May 12 ∼ Happy Mother's Day

**May 15** ∼ **Peace Officers Memorial Day** 

May 15 ∼ Toraigh An Sonas session at Logan's

**May 16** ∼ **LAOH Baby Shower for Heartbeat** 

May 19 ∼ Blue Mass @ St. Patrick's Historic

May 27 ∼ Memorial Day



## HIBERNIANS OF TOLEDO NEWSLETTER

John P. Kelly Division

May, 2019

## HOME OF THE 2019 STATE OF OHIO AOH ~ LAOH CONVENTION AUGUST 15 ~ 18



The Lucas County Hibernians will host the State Board meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup> at St. Patrick¢s of Heatherdowns Holy Family Center. We need volunteers to be there at 10:30 AM set up tables and chairs and later to clean and take down. We also ask for donations of deserts. Contact Ann Dollman 419-250-0288 or <a href="maintenanto-ann-dollman@yahoo.com">ann-dollman@yahoo.com</a> Lunch will be at Noon. The meetings start at 1:00 PM We will have a tour of the Radisson at 3:30 We need volunteers to stay at the Holy Family Center during this



The official web site for the 2019 Ohio State AOH ~ LAOH Convention is

http://hibernianstoledo.com/

Check it out!!!! Register and pay on line or by mail. This is a work in progress. Your ideas and or suggestions are appreciated. We will add links as the time gets closer.



The May 16th LAOH Division meeting will be a "Baby Shower" to benefit Heartbeat and to honor Mary, our Mother during the month of May. Bring your gift to the Ursuline Center. 6:30 PM for hospitality. Meeting starts at 7:00 PM President Ann Dollman wishes to invite any lady, with an interest in joining, to come to this meeting.

# MAY,2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Light Che Beltane fires	2	3	4 Session at Blarney
5 Echo's of Ireland WCWA 1230AM 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	6	7 Ardan Dancers @ Common Space	8	9	10	11 STATE BOARD MEETING
12 MOM	13	14 Ardan Dancers @ Common Space	15 Session at Logan's	16 <i>LAOH</i> <i>Baby</i> <i>Shower</i>	17	18
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#### **TOLEDO IRISH ARTICLES**

My two articles in the Ohio Irish American News magazine every month. ‰ledo Irish+and ‰hen Irish Eyes are Smiling+available for free at various locations including The Blarney, Shawn's Irish Tavern 2- loca-

tions Heatherdowns Blvd & Bancroft street, O'Shea's Irish Bar, St. Patrick's Historic Church, McCarthy's Port Clinton

## Mark your calendar!!!! You don't want to miss this again, do you?



## Irish Heritage Night

AT THE MUD HENS

With Ancient Order of Hibernians and performance by Ardan Irish Dancers



Monday, July 15 at 7pm

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#### MAY DATES IN IRISH HISTORY

May 1, 1854 - Songwriter, entertainer and painter, Percy French, is born in Cloonyquin, Co. Roscommon. One of his many famous songs is "The Mountains of Mourne

May 2, 1923 - Birth in Milltown Malbay, Co. Clare of Patrick Hillery, surgeon, politician and former president from 1976 to 1990. He negotiates Ireland's entry into the European Community in 1973 and is later E.C. vice president for three years

May 4, 1836 - The Ancient Order of Hibernians in America is founded in New York City

May 7, 1915 - The Lusitania is sunk by a German U-boat off the Old Head of Kinsale, Co. Cork with the loss of more than 1,100 lives

May 8, 1899 - The first production of the Irish Literary Theatre, The Countess Cathleen is performed. Like many of Yeats' plays, it is inspired by Irish folklore. In a time of famine, demons sent by Satan come to Ireland to buy the souls of the starving people. The saintly Cathleen disposes of her vast estates and wealth in order to feed the peasants, yet the demons thwart her at every turn; at last, she sacrifices her own soul to save those of the poor

May 16, 587 - St. Brendan the Navigator, early transatlantic voyager, dies. In the liturgical calendar, today is St. Brendan's Feast Day

May 17, 1911 - Birth in Roscommon of actress Maureen O'Sullivan Boyle who is remembered for her role as Jane in a series of five movies opposite Johnny Weissmuller's Tarzan

May 18, 1939 - The first aircraft lands at the newly opened Rineanna Airfield which is later to become Shannon International Airport

May 21, 1944 - Mary Robinson, lawyer, youngest ever Professor of Law at Trinity College Dublin; President of Ireland from 1990 to 1997; and United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, is born in Ballina, Co. Mayo

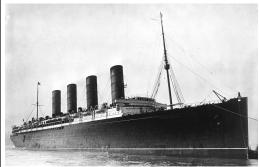
May 22, 1998 - The Good Friday Agreement is overwhelmingly endorsed in referendums North (71%) and South (94%)

May 29, 1917 - Birth of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, the 35th US president, in Brookline, Mass

May 29, 2002 - Arts Minister Síle de Valera hails the State® acquisition of a previously unseen collection of original manuscripts by James Joyce as õa monumental event in Ireland® literary and cultural historyö. The collection, stored in Paris for many years, consists of 500 sheets of handwritten notes by the author. It includes notes and drafts by Joyce on several works including his classics, Ulysses and Finnegans Wake, as well as notebooks dating from the early 1900s

#### Sinking of the Lusitania leads to the USA entering World War I

When World War I erupted in 1914, President Woodrow Wilson (1856-1924) pledged neutrality for the United States, a position that the vast majority of Americans favored. Britain, however, was one of Americans closest trading partners, and tension soon arose between the United States and Germany over the latterns attempted quarantine of the British Isles. Several U.S. ships traveling to Britain were damaged or sunk by German mines, and in February 1915 Germany announced unrestricted submarine warfare in the waters around Britain.



On May 7, 1915, less than a year after World War I (1914-18) erupted across Europe, a German U-boat torpedoed and sank the RMS Lusitania, a British ocean liner en route from New York to Liverpool, England. The RMS Lusitania was a four-stack passenger ship owned by the Cunard Steamship Lines. Built by the ship-making firm of John Brown and Company, Scotland, it was launched on June 6, 1906, and was one of the fastest ships of her time. She had a top speed of 26.7 knots, with a service speed of 25 knots, and was designed to transport up to 2,198 passengers. In 1907, she won the Blue Ribbon for fastest transit between New York and Britain. Of the more than

1,900 passengers and crew members on board, more than 1,100 perished, including more than 120 Americans. Nearly two years would pass before the United States formally entered World War I, but the sinking of the Lusitania played a significant role in turning public opinion against Germany.

In early May 1915, several New York newspapers published a warning by the German Embassy in Washington, D.C., that Americans traveling on British or Allied ships in war zones did so at their own risk. The announcement was placed on the same page as an advertisement of the imminent sailing of the Lusitania liner from New York back to Liverpool. The sinkings of merchant ships off the south coast of Ireland prompted the British Admiralty to warn the Lusitania to avoid the area or take simple evasive action, such as zigzagging to confuse U-boats plotting the vessels course.

The captain of the Lusitania ignored the British Admiralty recommendations, and at 2:12 p.m. on May 7 the 32,000-ton ship was hit by an exploding torpedo on its starboard side. The torpedo blast was followed by a larger explosion, probably of the ship boilers, and the ship sank off the south coast of Ireland in less than 20 minutes

It was revealed that the Lusitania was carrying about 173 tons of war munitions for Britain, which the Germans cited as further justification for the attack. The United States eventually protested the action, and Germany apologized and pledged to end unrestricted submarine warfare. However, in November of that same year a U-boat sunk an Italian liner without warning, killing more than 270 people, including more than 25 Americans. Public opinion in the United States began to turn irrevocably against Germany.

On January 31, 1917, Germany announced it would resume unrestricted warfare in war-zone waters. Three days later, the United States broke diplomatic relations with Germany, and just hours after that the American ship Housatonic was sunk by a German U-boat.

On February 22, Congress passed a \$250 million arms appropriations bill intended to make the United States ready for war. In late March, Germany sunk four more U.S. merchant ships, and on April 2 President Wilson appeared before Congress and called for a declaration of war against Germany. On April 4, the Senate voted to declare war against Germany, and two days later the House of Representatives endorsed the declaration. With that, America entered World War I.



# HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



#### WHEN IRISH EYES ARE SMILING

Every Irishman needs a wife, because many things go wrong that he cand blame on the government!

Definition of a hangover: Something occupying a head that wasnot used the night before.

The Priest was writing the baptismal certificate and trying to remember the date: % me see, this is the thirtieth? Indeed not said the indignant mother, it is only the eleventh.

The sergeant doubting that he had distributed rifles to all the men, called out %II of ye that are without arms, hold up your hands.

Cassidy: Brace up man! Truth, ye look as if you didnot have a friend in the whole world.

Hogan: I havend

Cassidy: Gowan If it isn't money ye want to borrow, Iom as good a friend as ever you had!

Paddy went to the Docos today. and said % you treat alcoholics+, The Dr replied, % for course we do+ o o Paddy said % great get your coat on, I of the broke.

The Irish SAS were dropped into Russia last week with orders to take Vladimir Putin outõ õ So farõ . news reports say õ õ he¢s been to the cinema twiceõ õ õ and last night they went Bowling.

Long engagements give people the opportunity of finding out each other character before marriage, which is never advisable.

There is a mythical Irish saint named % t. Fidgeta+who disturbed her pagan Druid teachers so much with her fidgeting that she was slapped to death, eventually becoming the % atroness of nervous and unmanageable children.+

Molly:+lom getting so upset over arguing with my husband all the time. With all the stress, love lost 15 pounds.+

Megan: Maybe you should consider splitting up.+ Molly: Mot yet, lot like to lose another 10 pounds.+

.What do you get if your sheep studies karate? A lamb chop.

Why do cows wear bells? Their horns dong work.

A dog walks into a bar and says to the bartender; %Hi, My name is Roger and I am a talking dog. How about a drink for a talking dog?+ The bartender says: %Sure, the toilet is right down the hall.+

#### MAY 1 - BELTAINE - FIRST DAY OF THE CELTIC SUMMER

Beltaine was a time of fertility and unbridled merrymaking, when young and old would spend the night making love in the Greenwood. In the morning, they would return to the village bearing huge budding boughs of hawthorn (the may-tree) and other spring flowers with which to bedeck themselves, their families, and their houses. They would process back home, stopping at each house to leave flowers, and enjoy the best of food and drink that the home had to offer. In every village, the maypole—usually a birch or ash pole—was raised, and dancing and feasting began. Festivities were led by the May Queen and her consort, the King who was sometimes Jack-in-the-Green, or the Green Man, the old god of the wildwood. They were borne in state through the village in a cart covered with flowers and enthroned in a leafy arbor as the divine couple whose unity symbolized the sacred marriage of earth and sun.



#### **Mass & Sandpiper Cruise**

On Thursday evening, August 15th, join us as we kick off our State Convention with Mass and a cruise on the Maumee River. We will begin our evening with Mass at the beautiful St. Patrick& Historic Church in downtown Toledo. Shuttle service will be provided. Thursday is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and a holy day of

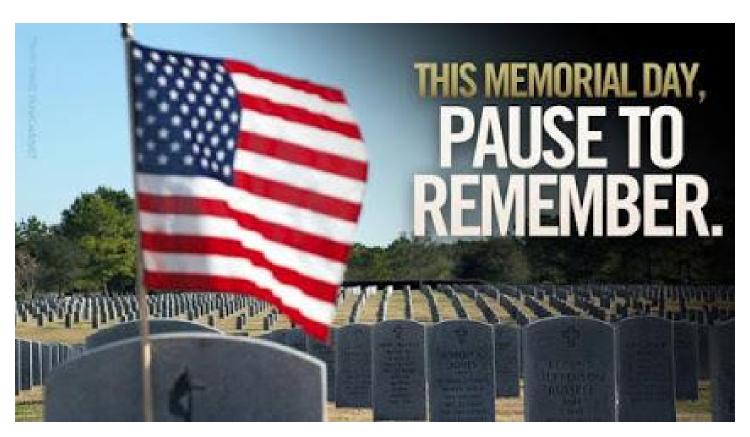
tion of the Blessed Virgin Mary and a holy day of obligation. After mass, for two hours, enjoy snacks, beverages Irish music, and beautiful views of the Toledo skyline while connecting with other convention attendees. Tickets are only \$30 and seats are limited!



### Father Ray Kelly returns to

St. Patricks Historic Church
7:00 PM Wed, Sept.18th Tickets are \$15.00
Send your order to
Maury Collins 2847 Nash Rd Toledo, OH 43613
Make Checks to St. Patricks Historic Church
Benefit to Deacon Tom's Outreach program







## - IRISH ROOTS



By Maury Collins

In Loving Memory of

Katie Collins

1904 ~ 1990

She made a pact with Margaret Kelly that they would take the bus down town shopping every Saturday and let their husbands take care of the kids.

They did not miss many Saturdays.

One of her favorite expressions was "You I may forget..but your kindness? Never!



#### PART OF THE EULOGY FROM HER FUNERAL MASS

Mom lived a full life in her 86 years. She came to America in 1928. She loved New York City, but loved a big Irish lad from Toledo even more.

She loved simple things like doing dishes, cleaning the house making Irish Soda bread, going for a bus ride, reading a good book and of course eating gum drops.

She always marveled at the changes during her lifetime. She was born in the horse and buggy era and lived to the space age. She talked about the simpler times, but wanted to see how the computer worked.

Mom kept in contact with friends and relatives both here and in the old country. A visitor would have a hard time leaving without having a cup of tea and some soda bread.

She always said that she had lived a good long life. "When I die, don't cry..have a party, play some Irish music, do a jig.

I miss that lady, who did a fine jig, lived a good life and was a joy to us all. Rest in Peace.







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