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## IN GOD WE TRUST



July 4 ~ Happy Birthday America July 6 ~ Toraigh An Sonas session at The Blarney 5-8 July 10 ~ Toraigh An Sonas session at Logan's July 15 ~ Irish Heritage Night @ Mud Hens July 28 ~ Hibernian Picnic @ The Cassidy's July 28 ~ Reek Sunday at Croagh Patrick Mountain Aug. 15 ~ Sandpiper River Cruise Aug 15 ~ 18 AOH-LAOH Ohio State Convention Sept. 15 ~ An Gorta Mor Mass @ St. Joseph Shrine



**Mother McAuley Division** 

## HIBERNIANS OF TOLEDO NEWSLETTER

July, 2019



John P. Kelly Division

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

We scheduled a joint meeting for Thursday, June 27th in the OøToole Room at Blessed Sacrament starting around 7:00 PM. In case you could not attend, here is the agenda.

- 1. A discussion about plans for the State Convention. We will need volunteers. We will need local people attending. Please step up. A registration sheet is included in the newsletter. You also may register in-line at: <u>http://hibernianstoledo.com/</u>
- 2. The Sandpiper cruise is scheduled for Thursday, August 15th. This will be a kick-off for the state convention. Those who decide to come in early are encouraged to attend Mass at St. Patrickøs Historic Church at 5:30 followed by the river cruise starting at 7:00 PM Sunset for that evening is 8:30. We hope to be able to see the sunset and then the lights of downtown Toledo. We will also have an Irish Music session!!!!! A shuttle will be provided to people staying ay the Radisson for the convention. Local members are encouraged to attend both events, welcoming the out of town visitors.

3. July 15th is the date for Irish Heritage Night at the Mud Hens, sponsored by the Ancient Order of Hibernians. You may order tickets on-line at: <u>https://www.fevo.com/edp/Irish-Heritage-Night-Presented-by-Ancient-Order-of-Hibernians GoG-COF8k?referrer\_hash=d298QXEx</u>

The game tickets are \$12. There is also a Green Mud Hen hat discounted to \$10 (Itøs a nice one!!) You may of course order your tickets from me. mail it to Maury Collins 2847 Nash Road Toledo, Ohio 43613 Make your check out to me. On line tickets will be at õwill callö. I will mail or deliver tickets and hats bought through me. The Ardan Dancers will perform. Extra Stout will do the National Anthem. Breena Kummer will be doing a õFirst Pitchö!!! Please attend the game.

4. We need to make decisions about St. Patrickøs Day, 2020. It will fall on a Tuesday. Do we want to go back to celebrating on the exact day or continue celebrating on the Saturday before? Do we want to go back to St. Clement or stay at Blessed Sacrament?



What could be better than a Summer Picnic on a Sunday? HIBERNIAN PICNIC When; July 28th starting at 1:00 PM

Where: Matt & Tricia Cassidyø Home (on the river) 495 S River Road Waterville, OH Who: Lucas County Hibernians & their family Bring potential Members and former members Bring a dish to pass and BYOB (Bring your own beverage)

PLEASE RSVP to Matt Cassidy 419-699-8392 or kkeltickid@yahoo.com



#### From the desk of President Robert McMahon

As we enter the Summer months I hope that everyone gets a good chance to spend some time with their friends and also maybe a little time with their fellow Hibernians as well.

We have some great opportunities to do both and have a great time in the process. I am looking forward to the Mud Hens Irish night to show our Heritage with fellow Hibernians AND friends AND watch our national pastime in a wonderful stadium. A Win Win situation.

We are also excited that one of our brothers Matt Cassidy and his wife Tricia have extended their home for a AOH LAOH family picnic. It has been a few years since we have had a picnic and I hope that we all take advantage of a wonderful laid-back opportunity to share fellowship. On a more fraternal note I would ask each brother to think about how we have been blessed by those who have gone before and those who help us carryout out mission of Fraternity, Charity and Unity. To that end I would like us to consider what we can do as a Kelly Division and as individuals to remember Fr. P. Martin Donnelly and how we can help support all those men who are considering answering the call the priesthood. We are Catholic and Irish and defend and promote our brothers and the faith. I am thankful for all that each of you and your families do to promote these ends. Keep up all your prayers and help each other to make the best division we can.

If you haven¢t talked to someone in a while, pick up the phone and tell them how important they are to you. The phone works both ways.

God Bless

Robert McMahon

# JULY,2019

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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

# The Fourth of July is Independence Day



Independence Day honors the birthday of the United States of America and the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. It's a day of picnics and patriotic parades, a night of concerts and fireworks, and a reason to fly the American flag. **Be Proud!!!!!** 

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!**

Have a Happy & Safe 4th of July



On July 4, 1928, Katie (Waters) Collins set sail for America!!!!

The Captain of the ship told her that there would be a big celebration on that date every year in America!!!! \$

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

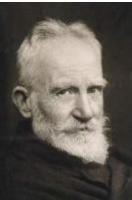


# **July 18, 1938: Douglas "Wrong Way" Corrigan** landed his plane in Dublin having left New York the previous day on a flight to Long

Beach in California. The fact that he had applied for and been refused permission for a transatlantic flight several times in the preceding years and was flying an aircraft specially modified to make it suitable for transatlantic flight was just "coincidental". He died in 1995 and never admitted that he just *might* have flown to Ireland deliberately. He blamed it on bad visibility and a faulty compass.



## **GEORGE BERNARD SHAW**



July 26,1856: Irish writer and dramatist, George Bernard Shaw, was born. His most famous work was Pygmalion, the story on which the movie and stage show "My Fair Lady" is based. He was known for his wit and his ability to come up with the pithy phrase and is still widely quoted. He won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1925, somewhat ungraciously

commenting "I can forgive Alfred Nobel for inventing dynamite, but only a fiend in human form could have invented the Nobel Prize". It was he who first said: "England and America are two countries divided by a common language" and who coined the well known sayings: "Youth is wasted on the young" "A gentleman is one, who puts more into the world than he takes out" And the often misquoted "Lack of money is the root of all evil".

## WHEN IRISH EYES ARE SMILING

There was a blonde who was tired of all the blonde jokes going around and decided to dye her hair brown. She then went for a drive in the country and came upon a shepherd herding his sheep across the road. "Hey, shepherd! If I guess how many sheep there are here, can I keep one?" The shepherd is puzzled but agrees. Out of the blue, she blurts out "352!" He is stunned but keeps his word and allows her to pick out a sheep. She picks out the cutest one. He looks at her and says "If I guess what color your hair really is, can I have my dog back?"

The car sped off the highway, went through the guardrail, rolled down a cliff, bounced off a tree and finally shuddered to a stop. A passing motorist, who had witnessed the entire accident, helped the miraculously unharmed driver out of the wreck. "Good lord, mister," he gasped, "Are you drunk?" "Of course," said the man, brushing the dirt from his suit. "What the hell do you think I am ... a stunt driver?"

õSend someone over quickly!ö the old woman screamed into the phone. õTwo half-naked men are climbing towards my bedroom window!ö õThis is the Fire Department, lady,ö the voice replied. õI¢l have to transfer you to the Police Department.ö õNo, it¢s YOU I want!ö she yelled. õThey need a longer ladder!ö

A little guy gets on a plane and sits next to the window. A few minutes later, a big, heavy, strong mean-looking, hulking guy plops down in the seat next to him and immediately falls asleep. The little guy starts to feel a little airsick, but he's afraid to wake the big guy up to ask if he can go to the bathroom. He knows he can't climb over him, and so the little guy is sitting there, looking at the big guy, trying to decide what to do. Suddenly, the plane hits an air pocket and an uncontrollable wave of nausea passes through the little guy. He can't hold it in any longer and he pukes all over the big guy's chest. About five minutes later the big guy wakes up, looks down, and sees the vomit all over him. "So," says the little guy, "are you feeling better now?"

A man went to apply for a job. After filling out all of his applications, he waited anxiously for the outcome. The employer read all his applications and said, "We have an opening for people like you." "Oh, great," he said, "What is it?" "It's called the door!"

A man had to attend a large convention in Chicago. On this particular trip he decided to bring his wife. When they arrived at their hotel and were shown to their room, the man said: "You rest here while I register - Iøll be back within an hour." The wife lies down on the bed... just then, an elevated train passes by very close to the window and shakes the room so hard she's thrown out of the bed. Thinking this must be a freak occurrence, she lies down once more. Again a train shakes the room so violently, she's pitched to the floor. Exasperated, she calls the front desk, asks for the manager. The manager says he'll be right up. The manager (naturally) is skeptical but the wife insists the story is true. "Look,... lie here on the bed - you'll be thrown right to the floor!" So he lies down next to the wife... Just then the husband walks in. "What," he says, "are you doing here?" The manager replies: "Would you believe I'm waiting for a train?"

The photographer for a national magazine was assigned to get photos of a great forest fire. Smoke at the scene was too thick to get any good shots, so he frantically called his home office to hire a plane. õIt will be waiting for you at the airport!ö he was assured by his editor. As soon as he got to the small, rural airport, sure enough, a plane was warming up near the runway. He jumped in with his equipment and yelled, õLetø go! Letø go!ö The pilot swung the plane into the wind and soon they were in the air. õFly over the north side of the fire,ö said the photographer, õand make three or four low level passes.ö õWhy?ö asked the pilot. õBecause Iøm going to take pictures! Iøm a photographer, and photographers take pictures!ö said the photographer with great exasperation and impatience. After a long pause the pilot said, õYou mean youøre not the instructor?ö

When the husband was lying down, his wife removed his glasses. õYou know, honey,ö she said sweetly, õWithout your glasses you look like the same handsome young man I married.ö õHoney,ö he replied with a grin, õWithout my glasses, you still look pretty good too!ö

We are inviting any Hibernian coming to the State Convention on Thursday, to join us for Mass at the Historic Church of St. Patrick and for a two hour cruise on the Sandpiper. Early returns from out of town Hibernians indicate that this will be a fun filled evening. We are providing food and live Irish music. Sunset is at 8:30 on August 15th. We hope for a great sunset and a good view of the lights of Toledo. Call Sherri McNeil 419-382-3429 to reserve your seat!!!! Show the State members the Toledo hospitality!!!! Join us!!!



# **Thursday Special**

Thursday, August 15, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a holy day of obligation.

There will be shuttle service for the 5:30 Mass at the beautiful St. Patrick's Historic Church in downtown Toledo, followed by





a two hours cruise on the Maumee River with dinner on the **Sandpiper** 

Cost for the Thursday evening package \$30

## **Turlough O'Carolan**

When Turlough O'Carolan died at the house of his patron Máire MacDermott Roe in 1738, his former musicpupil Charles O'Conor recorded his passing in sadness: "Saturday, the 25th day of March, 1738. Turlough O'Carolan, the wise master and chief musician of the whole of Ireland, died today and was buried in the O'Duignan's church of Kilronan, in the sixty-eighth year of his age. May his soul find mercy, for he was a moral and religious man."

Toirdhealbhach Ó Cearbhalláin was born 1670 near Nobber, County Meath. John Ó Cearbhalláin moved his family to Ballyfarnon to take employment with the MacDermott Roe family. His son, Turlough, was 14 years old. Mrs. MacDermott liked the boy and saw to it that he was educated. Observing that he appeared to have a talent for music and poetry, she also arranged for him to have lessons on the harp. When he was about 18, he was stricken with smallpox which left him completely blind. However, this handicap did not stop his studies, and after three years, Mrs. MacDermott gave him a harp, a horse, a guide, and the money to launch a career as an itinerant harper, playing for patrons throughout the Irish countryside. Carolan journeyed from one end of Ireland to the other, composing and performing his tunes for almost fifty years.

Carolan was cheerful and gregarious, enjoyed ludicrous stories, practical jokes and, according to one biographer - Donal O'Sullivan - he was an excellent backgammon player. As with many harpers of the time, he also drank a great deal, and he had a temper.

A doctor advised Carolan to stop drinking for a period of time. Carolan began to feel worse instead of better. He then found a doctor who gave him the opposite advice, whereupon Carolan spirits immediately became "lively and cheerful". He composed the following verse, translated from the Gaelic:

He's a fool who give over the liquor, It softens the skinflint at once, It urges the slow coach on quicker, Gives spirit and brains to the dunce. The man who is dumb as a rule Discovers a great deal to say, While he who is bashful since Yule Will talk in an amorous way. It's drink that uplifts the poltroon To give battle in France and in Spain, Now here is an end of my tune-And fill me that bumper again!



Carolan was never highly regarded as a performer. His fame came from his gift for musical composition and poetry and his usual method was to compose the tune first and then write the words. This was the opposite of traditional Irish practice. While music had always been held in high esteem, prior to Carolan, poetry always took precedence.

Definitely a lover of whiskey, women and wit, Carolan did finally settle down and marry Mary Maguire. They lived on a farm near Mohill, Co. Leitrim and had seven children. Mary died in 1733 and just five years later, feeling ill, Carolan returned to the home of Mrs. MacDermott Roe, his first patron. His final composition was to the butler, Flinn, who brought him his last drink. And, in a final fitting salute, his wake lasted four days.

## JULY DATES IN IRISH HISTORY

July 6, 907 - The Irish Crown Jewels vanish from Dublin Castle, never to be found

July 7, 1700 - MP for Co. Sligo, Captain Hugh Morgan of Lord Dungannon's Regiment, is summoned to appear before a board of general officers at the Curragh of Kildare to answer accusations of being 'a rogue and rascal' and several other complaints.

July 8, 1889 - In the last official bare knuckle title fight ever held, heavyweight boxer, John L. Sullivan beats fellow Irishman Jack Kilrain in a world championship bout which lasts 75 rounds

July 11, 1921 - Truce is declared between IRA and English forces, thus ending the War of Independence military campaign

July 15, 1907 - Seumas Murphy, sculptor and stone-carver, is born in Mallow, Co. Cork

July 15, 1987 - U2 plays its first-ever show in Madrid, Spain, attracting 115,000 people for one show, the largest crowd of the year

July 19, 2009 - Irish author Frank McCourt dies of cancer. A New York city schoolteacher for more than 30 years, he achieved literary fame later in life with his best-selling childhood memoir "Angela's Ashes". With a first printing of just 25,000, the book became an instant favorite with critics and readers and is perhaps the ultimate case of the non-celebrity memoir, the extraordinary life of an ordinary man. He received the Pulitzer Prize and National Book Critics Circle Award for the book, which was eventually published in 25 languages and 30 countries then later made into a film. He is also the author of 'Tis, which continues the narrative of his life, picking up from the end of the previous book and focusing on being a new immigrant in America. Teacher Man, published in 2005, details the challenges of being a young, uncertain teacher.

July 21, 1860 - Birth of Chauncey Olcott, famed Irish balladeer and writer of õMy Wild Irish Rose.ö He also co-wrote õMother Machreeö and õWhen Irish Eyes Are Smilingö

July 23. 1999- - Guinness Blues Festival gets underway in 30 venues across Dublin

July 26, 1856 - Birth in Dublin of George Bernard Shaw

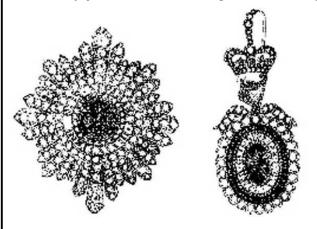
July 30, 1947 - The Soviet Union blocks Irelandøs application for entry into the UN on the grounds that Ireland, being neutral, had not helped to set up the organization. However there are strong suspicions that the Soviet Unionøs real objections are because Ireland is a Catholic country and would therefore always vote against the communist bloc countries

July 31, 2000 - The British Army begins dismantling the controversial Borucki observation post which has dominated the skyline in Crossmaglen for more than 20 years.

2007 - After 38 years, the occupation of Northern Ireland by the British Army ends at midnight. Operation Banner is the Army's longest continuous campaign in its history with more than 300,000 personnel serving and 763 directly killed by paramilitaries.

## The great unsolved mystery of the stolen Irish Crown Jewels

The heavily-jeweled star and badge went missing from Dublin Castle in 1907 - over 110 years later the



Irish crown jewels theft has never been solved On July 6, 1907, the Irish Crown Jewels disappeared from Dublin Castle. The stolen gems were never found and the crime remains one of Irelandøs greatest mysteries. The value today would be close to \$20 million. The Irish Crown Jewels were the star and badge regalia of the Sovereign and Grand Master of the Order of St Patrick, an order of knights established in 1783 by George III. The heavily-jeweled pieces were presented to the order in 1830.

The Grandmaster Star was a large pendant made of 400 Brazilian white diamonds arranged into an eight-pointed star, with a shamrock of emeralds atop

a cross of rubies on blue enamel in the middle. The collars of five knights of the Order were also stolen along with the jewels.

The gems were kept in Dublin Castle where they were guarded by the Ulster King of Arms and his staff as well a 24-hour outdoor patrol of policemen and soldiers. In 1903, a safe room was installed in the castle, but it was only after it was built that it was discovered the safe which held the jewels was too large to fit in the doorway. Because of this, the safe would remain outside the strongroom in the library. Seven latch keys to the door of the Office of Arms were held by its staff, but the two keys to the safe were kept by Sir Arthur Vicars, the Ulster King of Arms who was charged with protecting the jewels. He carried one of the keys on his person, while the other was kept in a locked drawer in a desk at his home.

However, Vicars was rather lax in his security. One story has it that after a night of drinking, he handed his keys over to his friends. The next morning he woke up draped in the countryøs most valuable ornaments. And in May 1907, Vicars mistakenly left the first key to the safe attached to a key ring with his other office keys. The keys were discovered by a maid, who sent them to the Chief Heraldøs office by way of a male servant.

On the morning of July 6, 1907, a cleaning woman assigned to Bedford Tower found the door to the safe-room standing wide open. The inner security door was bolted, but the keys, which also opened the library, had been left dangling in the lock. Vicars was not alarmed at first. It wasnøt until later that after-noon when Vicars sent a messenger to the library to deposit the collar of a deceased knight in the safe that it was discovered the safe had been emptied and the Irish Crown Jewels were gone. he Dublin Metropolitan Police conducted an investigation into the theft, but the crime has never been solved. There were strong indications that it was an inside job.

"Believe it can be done. When you believe something can be done, really believe, your mind will find the ways to do it. Believing paves the way to a solution."

Dr. David Schwartz Author of "The Magic of Thinking Big"

## Plan Ahead!!!!!! Here are some of the chances to enjoy your IRISH HERITAGE!!!!!

Saline Celtic Festival July 12 ~ 13 Saline, Michigan <u>http://www.salineceltic.org</u>

Cleveland Irish Cultural Festival Berea fair grounds July 19, 20 & 21 <u>http://www.clevelandirish.org/</u>

Dayton Celtic Festival July 26.27 & 28 http://www.daytoncelticfestival.com

Dublin Irish Festival August 2,3 & 4 http://dublinirishfestival.org/

Milwaukee Irish Festival August 15, 16, 17 &18 http://irishfest.com/Irishfest.htm

Pittsburg Irish Festival Sept. 6, 7 & 8 http://pghirishfest.org/

Michigan Irish Music Festival Muskegon September 12, 13,14 &15 https://www.michiganirish.org

Annual An Gorta Mor Mass @ St. Joseph Shrine Michigan, September 15



## croach patrick

Mt. Croagh Patrick is the most important Catholic pilgrimage destination in Ireland. 30,000 pilgrims make the trek on the last Sunday in July, known as "**Reek Sunday**." For most Catholics who visit Mt. Croagh Patrick, especially on Reek Sunday, the pilgrimage to the top of the sacred mountain is an act of penance. Accordingly, some take the journey barefoot or even on their knees. The summit has a small chapel where Mass is said each day



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