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Pearl River, NY



Brother Hibernians, _____



Our next meeting will be held on Friday, Nov. 30 at 8pm, at which there will be elections for division officers. Congratulations to Frank McDonagh and Phil Sheridan on their elections to president and treasurer respectively of the Hibernian House and to Bill Young and Sean Walsh for being selected as our Aide to Grand Marshal and Battalion Commander for the 2013 Rockland parade. A special thanks goes out to Phil and Linda Sheridan as well as Jim Gallagher for the feast they served at our first Pot O'Gold drawing party. Welcome aboard to new member Patrick Kennedy. Please join us at the Sean Walsh and John Crilley members-only Football Sunday upstairs at the Hibernian House on November 18. There will be a joint county board on Tuesday, November 20 at 8pm at which there will be elections for Grand Marshal of the Rockland Parade and Aide to Grand Marshal for the city parade. Our Christmas parties will be held on Sunday, December 16.

Dan Callanan reports the following Good and Welfare news...Please say a prayer for the repose of the souls of Kevin Donohue's mom Mary and Gene Floods's mom Josephine who passed away at the age of 93. A couple of prayers are needed for Joe McKiernan who is in Buckingham Rehabilitation Center in Norwood, NJ for treatment of spinal cancer, for Bob Farrelly who has a severely damaged liver and is now recovering at home, for Frank Motta who also has a severely damaged liver, and

for Pete Maher's mom Pat who has been having complications after her Aorta replacement at Columbia Pres Hospital. Noel Heffernan's bride Deirdre has done wonders with the physical therapy she has been giving Larry McKeever, restoring mobility to one of his arms. Larry Kaine is doing as well as can be expected at his home. Special thanks to all who donated foodstuffs and supplies to Sandy victims all over the tri-state area. Joan Moore deserves an "atta girl" for her organizing skills, Dan and Monica Dechon for getting it all started, and to past county president Cy Hughes for providing a very large bus to transport donations. **Out of Ripley's Believe It or Not...** Draper Sr. on the par 3 16th hole at West Point, in total violation of golf etiquette, hit up on the foursome on the green, his ball hit Pete Dunne's ball and rolled into the cup for a slightly contested birdie. Pete's "Freeze your arse off" golf outing is scheduled for Thanksgiving Friday at the Psych Center, appropriately, with the only restriction being you can only use three clubs of your choice. Don't forget the Senior Citizen's Thanksgiving roast beef dinner is scheduled for Saturday November 17th at noon. Two Hayes men, Tom O'Halloran and Dan Holland, may be among the attendees.

Please remember our wounded warriors.

Yours in Friendship, Unity & Christian Charity,
Dermot O'Connor Moore, *President*

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CALENDAR _____

Nov. 17	Senior Citizen's Luncheon
Nov. 18	Football Sunday
Nov. 20	Joint County Board Meeting
Nov. 30	Division Meeting
Dec. 16	Christmas Parties

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LAOH

Congratulations to Bernadette Hartnett and Patricia Dwyer on their Life Membership in the LAOH.

Thank you to the Committee that put the Tea together, especially Linda Sheridan, Teresa Morris, Mary O'Sullivan and Alice Fogarty. The rave reviews confirm the wonderful job they did.

Our County Pancake Breakfast on Sunday was enjoyed by all who attended. The donations from the community were overwhelming and we were able to fill an entire school bus and a truck to help the victims of Hurricane Sandy. Thanks to Cy Hughes for getting the bus for us. The Joint effort of the Men's and Ladies AOH will continue as the need is still there for many neighborhoods. Thank You to all of you that have helped with this cause.

Our next Division 3 meeting will be Tuesday Nov. 13.

On November 20th we will have a joint county meeting. Hope to see you all there.

Our annual Christmas Dinner will be on Dec 11th from 6:30 till 9:30 PM at O'Malley's, \$40 per person. Contact Mary O'Sullivan (735-3682) or Teresa Morris (623-9475) for more information.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

Joan Moore, *President*

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HIBERNIAN HOUSE

Please congratulate Frank McDonagh and support him in his new position as house president.

Final changes and contracts are being prepared for our new sign for the front of the house, "coming soon as they say."

Tickets will still be on sale at the bar for the next and final Pot O'Gold drawing for this year.

We still need some volunteers to do light repairs around the hall, if anyone has some spare time it will be appreciated, and the organization benefits as a whole. It's your place guys!

Hibernian House Board



Our Pot O' Gold raffle is one of our main fundraisers and it is our hope that you will once again be generous in supporting us by purchasing one of our \$100.00 tickets.

The bearer of each ticket, along with a guest are entitled to attend both of our drawing parties.

We had our first drawing party on Nov.12 and awarded \$2,000.00. We'll give out \$12,000 at our final drawing party on Dec.23 including our grand prize of 10,000.00.

You have the opportunity to win the grand prize of \$10,000.00.

Should you have any questions, please contact:

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History

Wolf Tone



He was a member of the Protestant ascendancy of Ireland, the son of a Dublin coach maker who had inherited property in Bordenstown, County Kildare. There were persistent rumors that he may have been the illegitimate son of the godfather for whom he was named, the cousin of the Viscount Kilwarden and a prominent member of parliament. He was a member of the established Church of Ireland, college educated, a member of the aristocracy. He was the most unlikely candidate to eventually earn the appellation of "The Father of Irish Republicanism." He was Theobald Wolfe Tone.

Tone studied law at Trinity, and while eventually qualifying as a barrister it was clear that a career in law would not be a match for his romantic and adventurous nature. He had narrowly avoided a duel over accusation of an affair with another man's wife and later impetuously eloped with another woman who would become his wife. At Trinity, he was more interested in Irish history and debating politics than his law studies. He was caught up in the fervor of American and French revolutions and a firm believer in the rights of man espoused by writers such as Thomas Paine. Looking at his own country he concluded "*the influence of England was the radical vice of our Government, and consequently that Ireland would never be either free, prosperous or happy until she was independent*".

Tone became a prolific writer in his

country's cause. His first pamphlet (*The Spanish War*) was published in 1790 and argued for Irish neutrality and non-involvement in Britain's wars. However, perhaps his most revolutionary pamphlet was addressed to his fellow Irish Protestants: "*An Argument on Behalf of the Catholics of Ireland*" urged their support for full civil rights for the majority of their fellow Irish people. Tone's purpose was revolutionary "*To unite the whole people of Ireland, to abolish the memory of all past dissensions, and to substitute the common name of Irishman in place of the denominations of Protestant, Catholic and Dissenter.*"

In 1790, Tone put his philosophy in action, becoming one of the founders of the Society of United Irishmen. Originally seeking government reforms and representation of all the Irish people in parliament, the Society soon saw that the cause of freedom for all the Irish people could only come by independence. England had maintained control over Ireland for hundreds of years by using the age old principle of "*divide and conquer*", the thought of "*United Irishmen*" was seen as an immediate threat to that control. England had seen waves of colonists be absorbed into Irish Society, to become "*more Irish than the Irish themselves.*" They thought they had solved that issue by introducing religious sectarianism into Ireland by the planting of Protestant colonists. England's reaction was swift and predictable, to counter Tone and the United Irishman's call by again stoking the flames of sectarian hatred using organizations such as the newly formed Orange Order.

Tone's political activities eventually forced him into exile less he be imprisoned or hung as a traitor to the Crown. Tone first immigrated to America, but found that the American Revolution had not yet completely removed in the new world, the prejudices of the old. Tone later traveled to Revolutionary France where he successfully pleaded for French military intervention in helping to secure an independent Ireland. On December 12, 1796, Tone was a member of a French invasion fleet of thirty-five ships that anchored in Bantry Bay, Co. Cork with thousands of French soldiers cramming

their decks, waiting to invade Ireland and, in conjunction with the United Irishman, gain Ireland's independence as the French had helped secure America's independence from Britain a generation before. However, strong winds caused the French acting commander to hesitate to wait for better landing conditions. That hesitation proved fatal as the winds later became a gale, scattering the French fleet and canceling the invasion and what was likely Ireland's best chance for independence to date. Informers and the threat of arrest would lead to the premature rising of the United Irishmen in 1798 and while the rebellion met with some initial success, problems in coordination of the rebellion led to the undoing of the revolt and the United Irishmen. France did later land over a thousand French troops under General Humbert at Killala, County Mayo, but it was too little too late and despite an overwhelming victory by the French and United Irishmen at Castlebar they were eventually defeated.

Fate was not much kinder to Wolfe Tone than it had been to the Ireland he loved. On 16 September, 1798, he sailed with a small fleet to Lough Swilly, where it was intercepted by the British Navy. Despite being offered a chance by the French Admiral to escape, Wolfe Tone refused and instead took command of a ship's battery and was later commended by the French for his courage. Captured by the English and identified by a former friend, Wolfe Tone was tried and convicted of treason. Tone requested that he be shown the dignity of a soldier and be shot, his request was denied and he was ordered to be hanged. Rather than give his enemies the satisfaction of this humiliation Theobald Wolfe Tone committed suicide by cutting his throat in his prison.

The fight for Ireland's independence has always been a struggle for right fought by those of conscience, irrespective of faith. Sectarianism is not native to Ireland; it is a weed that was transplanted and carefully cultivated as an instrument of colonial control. When misinformed people fall victim to the fostered myth that Ireland's continuing struggle for freedom is a "*religious battle*", let us point them to the example of Wolfe Tone.

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