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JULY—AUGUST 2010 NEWSLETTER! Omagh Basketball Club Visit Friday, July 23rd.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



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#### **UPDATES**

#### E-mail Addresses Needed From All Members

We are trying to set up an e-mail distribution list to cut down the bulletin expenses. Please send your e-mail to <a href="mailto:AOHDIV14PRES@GMAIL.COM">AOHDIV14PRES@GMAIL.COM</a>. Some brothers and sister are already receiving the bulletin via e-mail and they get this news so much faster than those receiving the postal mail. We have heard from so many of you that e-mail is such a great communication vehicle. So we look forward to hearing from you soon.

#### Dues:

Thank you to members that have sent in their dues. If you have not sent in your dues yet, please do so immediately. Dues can be paid at the club or mailed to P.O. Box 11, Watertown, MA 02471-0011. Please also address to AOH or LAOH on the mailing address.

#### **Food Tasting**

On Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, we had our food tasting event. Desi and his helpers did a great job. At first we thought the weather was going to keep people away; but the skies finally cleared up. With all the delicious dishes there was a good mix of culinary pleasures. We had a few new vendors to compliment our old favorites. This event continues to be a great night out for a good cause at a great price. It is also good to see all the volunteers that take time out to help. Thank you to all that helped make this evening a success.

#### Night at the Races:

The very next night Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, we had another fantastic night out. Unfortunately we had a small turnout. Everyone that has attended has commented on how much fun they have had. Throughout the night you check your program, place your bet then we yell and cheer the horses on to victory. If you're lucky you collect your winnings. It's exciting to see who wins. It's also fun to listen to and see all the audience interaction. Since we had a lot going on this past June, we will do race night again in the future, so watch the bulletin. Come try your luck and see for yourself how much fun it can be.

### **Communion Breakfast:**

The last event we had in June was our Communion Breakfast on Sunday June 27th. After the 10:00 o'clock mass at St. Patrick's church we went back to our hall for breakfast. Dave Smolinsky, Buddy MacDonald, Dennis (Don't burn the bacon) Murphy and Margaret Winston did a fantastic job of serving us a delicious meal. It was fresh and hot with a great selection. We even had toast. How many buffets serve toast? My hat's off to them. We are still hearing kudos about the food for weeks after the breakfast. When everyone finished eating we were treated to a nice presentation from Fr. John McCarthy or the Irish Pastoral Center. Fr. John described all the different services they provide for immigrants of all nationalities. He also talked about the relationship he has with the Hibernians. Jack Meehan gave us a little history and a few examples of how important the center is to the immigrant population. Jack has first-hand knowledge of the great works of the center as he has been involved since its inception. Fr. John thanked the Hibernians and knows that he that he can count on us for any support the Center may need.

## SPECIAL EVENT Omagh Basketball Club Visit in July:

We are hosting the Omagh Basketball Club from Omagh, County Tyrone Northern Ireland this month. There will be four coaches visiting including coach, Eamon Daly and eleven players (ages twelve to fourteen.) The team will be visiting New York, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Connecticut, and Massachusetts. The team will be dropped off at the club on Friday, July 23rd. We will have lunch at the club, then take them to their hotel in Waltham. After they get settled in, we will bring them back to the club for a Div. 14 welcome. We want to have a fundraiser that evening to raise money for their expenses. We will have light refreshments, music, raffles and a 50/50 raffle. Tickets will be a suggested donation of \$10.00. However any amount will be accepted.

If you have a raffle prize, contact Dick Thompson or see any of the bartenders at the AOH lounge. If you have any suggestion they are welcome. Please help us make their visit enjoyable. You can do this by supporting our efforts. It should be a fun night. Volunteers are needed to help run the fundraiser and drivers are needed to chauffeur the team around. Some of the places they are going will be interesting (A tentative schedule is provided below). Please help any way you can.

Please contact Leo at 617-926-3315 if you can help in any way for this visit, fundraiser, etc.

# OMAGH BASKETBALL CLUB VISIT (Tentative Schedule)

Friday-July 23rd	Arrive in Watertown (approximately 5:00 pm), Fundraiser at AOH Hall- 7:00 pm
Saturday- July 24th	Team Breakfast at JD's= 8:30 am
	Basketball Clinic @ Fessenden School (250 Waltham St., Newton, MA) = 10:30 am -11:30 am Team Lunch = Joe's 11:30 am-12:00 pm
	Basketball Game against AAU Team = 12:00 pm -12:30 pm
	Dinner = 5:00 pm Cookout Watertown Boy's and Girl's Club
Sunday-July 25th	Team Breakfast at JD's= 8:30 am
	Mass = 10:00 am St. Patrick's Church in Watertown
	Team Lunch = JJ Somers or Mr. Dooleys
	Team Tour = 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Boston Garden Sports Museum
	Dinner = 5:00 pm Cookout Lynn AOH
Monday-July 26th	Team Breakfast at Joseph's Two= 8:30 am
	Team Tour = Celtic's Practice Facilities
	Team Lunch = Club West St.
	Transport to airport at 2 pm for flight to JFK at 3:30 pm

