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**NEXT MEETING  
SECOND TUESDAY OF  
EACH MONTH  
MARCH 11, 2025  
WHITE EAGLE HALL  
6:30 PM**



**THE ST. PATRICK'S  
PARADE  
MARCH 16, 2025**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO  
OUR 2025 ST. PATRICK'S  
DIGNITARIES**

**GRAND MARSHAL  
BILL SUTTON**



THERE ARE A LOT OF  
THINGS HAPPENING THIS  
MONTH

**MARCH IS IRISH  
HERITAGE MONTH**

THE U.S. CONGRESS DESIGNATED  
MARCH AS IRISH AMERICAN  
HERITAGE MONTH IN 1991 AND  
THE PRESIDENT ISSUES A  
PROCLAMATION  
COMMEMORATING THE  
OCCASION EACH YEAR.  
YOU CAN FIND THE FULL  
TEXT OF THE PRESIDENTS  
PROCLAMATION HERE:

[HTTPS://WWW.WHITEHOUSE.GOV/  
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THE PARADE IS SCHEDULED  
TO STEP OFF AT 1:00 PM ON  
SUNDAY MARCH 16, 2025  
COME OUT AND CELEBRATE  
THE GRANDEST PARADE IN  
THE VALLEY

THANK YOU TO OUR  
PARADE CHAIRMAN JOHN  
KELLY AND THE PARADE  
COMMITTEE FOR A GREAT  
JOB ONCE AGAIN IN  
ORGANIZING ANOTHER  
GREAT PARADE.  
PUT THOSE ROSARY BEADS  
ON THE CLOTHE LINE AND  
PRAY FOR GREAT  
WEATHER.



**ST. PATRICK'S PARADE  
JOURNAL**

**THE PARADE JOURNAL IS A BIG  
ONE THIS YEAR- BETTER THAN**

**EVER.**

**THE JOURNALS WILL BE  
DISTRIBUTED THIS WEEK.  
GET YOUR COPY AND MAKE SURE  
YOU PATRONIZE THE BUSINESSES  
WHO SUPPORT OUR EVENTS.**

William C Sutton, the son of  
Charles F and Jessie Woolsey  
Sutton, was born in Ruby, New  
York on July 25, 1947.  
Bill attended Kingston City  
Schools and graduated from  
Kingston High School in 1965.  
In 1967 Bill enlisted in the  
United States Marine Corps. He  
served in Danang Viet Nam from  
1968-1969 and attained the rank  
of Corporal.  
Following discharge from the  
Marine Corps, Bill was employed  
by Central Hudson Gas and  
Electric for 39 years, retiring in  
2008.  
Bill is a member of the Ulster  
AOH, Lifetime Member of the  
Ruby Rod and Gun Club,  
American Legion Post 72, VFW  
Post 1386, Lifetime Member of

the First Marine Division Association, and is Vice President of the Mount Marion Cemetery Association. Bill has been the Entertainment Chairman of the Hooley on the Hudson for the past few years. Bills Irish roots trace back to his maternal 2nd great grandmother, Mary Ann Taylor who emigrated to Brooklyn from Downpatrick, County Down in 1844. I consider it a huge honor to be chosen the 2025 Saint Patrick's Day Grand Marshal and would like to thank all involved in organizing the largest Saint Patrick's Day Parade in the Hudson Valley.

**IRISH PRINCESS**  
**CADENCE TUEY**



My name is Cadence Tuhey. I am 14 years old, I attended Kingston Catholic School where I graduated. I now attend Our Lady of Lourdes High School as a ninth-grade student. In my spare time, I enjoy playing softball and talking to my friends. I am a parishioner of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Kingston, NY. My Irish ancestry comes from mainly my dad's side of the family. In the late 1800s, my great-great grandfather, Edward Toohey, came to America from Sligo County, Ireland. He changed the spelling of his last

name to Tuhey. His descendants include my great grandfather Edward Tuhey (1901-1970), my grandfather John Tuhey (1934-2000) and his wife, my grandmother, Franzi Tuhey (1947-2024). They had my dad Terrence Tuhey (born 1979). For my Confirmation, I took the name of Irish Saint Brigid, which was the name of my great-great grandfather's sister. I am honored to be the Irish Princess of 2025.

**BEARER OF ST. PATRICK**  
**BRANTLEY WRIXON**



Brantley Granger Wrixon, 9, son of Connor Wrixon and Linzey Pugliese. Grandson of Chrissie and Tod Wrixon. Great Grandson of Rose and Ed Boyle. Brantley is honoring his great grandfather Ed Boyle and is excited to be Bearer of St. Patrick. Brantley attends ER Crosby School and is in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. He enjoys watching and playing football, and other hobbies are playing video games, golf, baseball, swimming and riding his 4-wheeler. Brantley is excited to march in the parade because he was born on the parade day 9 years ago. He would like to thank the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians for this honor.

Happy St. Patrick's Day 🍀

**MAYOR OF THE DAY**  
**RITA GEARY SCHABOT**



Rita Geary Schabot is a native Kingstonian and is both grateful and deeply honored to be the 2025 mayor of the day. Ironically, she is already fondly referred to as the "mayor of Hoffman Street" for her care and commitment to all of her neighbors.

She is a second generation Kingstonian, the fourth child (all girls) born to Ken and Agnes Geary. Rita received her sacraments at St. Peter's Church, Kingston including marrying the love of her life, Ray Schabot there in 1965.

She attended St. Peter's school, Academy of St. Ursula and is a graduate of Kingston High School. She went on to graduate from St. Catherine's Infant Home in Albany and began work at Benedictine Hospital. Soon though, Rita chose to stay home and raise her four children: Christine, Raymond, Michael and Lisa. As they grew she opted to return to the workplace serving "special needs" children within Kingston City Schools, retiring in 2012.

While she has endured deep family tragedies, she is also living proof of the saying "that which does not kill us makes us stronger!"

Her strength and energy have been an inspiration to all who know her.

In addition to her professional life, she has also had a long history of volunteerism including as a CCD teacher for over a decade at St. Peter's Church, as a member of the Bloomington Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary since 1991 and as a member of the LAOH since 2009. In addition, Rita is a dedicated daily volunteer at "People's Place" since 2012.

Rita's Irish heritage comes from her father, Ken Geary, who, by the way, would be "over the moon" to see his baby girl receive this honor! The Geary family arrived in America from Cloyne, County Cork Ireland on Christmas day 1888. They settled in Kingston and for generations have made this area their home. Rita is now passing on her Irish pride to her five grandchildren and she recently became a proud great grandmother.

Slainte To All This St. Patrick's Season!



### **ST. PATRICK'S PARADE JOURNAL**

**GO TO YOUR FAVORITE SPOT AND PICK UP YOUR FREE COPY OF OUR PARADE JOURNAL. THEN AS YOU READ ALL OF THE GREAT PAGES, PLEASE PATRONIZE THE LOCAL BUSINESSES THAT ARE ESSENTIAL IN SUPPORTING EACH AND EVERY EVENT WE PUT ON EACH YEAR.**

### **IMPORTANT DATES** **PUT THESE DATES ON** **YOUR CALENDAR!**

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**MARCH 17, 2025**

MAYOR OF THE DAY  
MASS ST. MARY'S CHURCH 9:00  
AM

MAYOR OF THE DAY  
CEREMONY

KINGSTON CITY HALL  
10:00 AM

MAYOR OF THE DAY  
LUNCHEON  
NOON  
LITTLE ITALY



### **THE** **HISTORIAN'S CORNER**

THE BLACKTHORN SHILLELAGH HAS A LONG HISTORY IN IRELAND, DATING BACK TO ANCIENT TIMES. IT WAS USED AS A WEAPON, A WALKING AID, AND A SYMBOL OF STATUS. TODAY, IT'S A SYMBOL OF IRISH CULTURE AND PRIDE.

#### **Origins**

The shillelagh originated from the traditional Irish martial art of bataireacht, which involved using sticks as weapons.

The blackthorn tree was believed to have magical properties and was used by druids for medicinal purposes.

Uses

The shillelagh was used as a weapon in self-defense and in fights between rival factions. It was also used as a walking aid by shepherds and travelers. It was a symbol of authority by nobles and royalty. Cultural significance The shillelagh is celebrated as a symbol of Irish pride and strength, and is often associated with St. Patrick's Day celebrations. It has also made its mark in traditional Irish dance and music.



**AOH**

### **"LUCKY THREE" IRISH** **CALENDAR WINNERS**

Bill Murphy

### **FEBRUARY**

- 2/01 #187 \$35 Todd McNutt
- 2/02 #281 \$75 Kathleen Mihm (Sunday)
- 2/03 #157 \$35 Frank Flynn
- 2/06 #784 \$35 Charles Manfro
- 2/09 #414 \$75 Brian Pillsworth (Sunday)
- 2/11 #833 \$35.00 James Bruck
- 2/14 #882 \$35.00 Karen Ryan
- 2/16 #712 \$75 Pat Bouwer (Sunday)
- 2/16 #712 \$75 Mary Jo Martin (Sunday)
- 2/20 #955 \$35 Bev Lentz
- 2/22 #225 \$35 Cecelia Hopper
- 2/22 #225 \$35 Jory Molt
- 2/22 #225 \$35 Donald Kiernan
- 2/23 #562 \$35 Rachel Wurster
- 2/25 #483 \$35 Anthony Maggio
- 2/26 #154 \$35 Karl Schugerzinger



**DUES-DUES--DUES**  
**DUES ARE DUE FOR 2025**

The bills for the 2025 are late being prepared; please make sure you pay your dues. You can come to the March Meeting and pay. See you there.

Please pay as soon as you can, we need your help this year more than ever. Our dues are very reasonable at \$25.00 per year. You can still pay your dues at our next meeting and receive your membership card. Keep up your support for our efforts to educate our kids and the general public about our great culture.

Remember we need to pay for all those on our membership list for National and State Dues.

Send your dues and also for any other prior years to:

UCAOH Div 1  
PO Box 2026  
Kingston, NY 12402



**THE IRISH SHOW**

Every Sunday Morning at 8:00 AM WKNY with Ken and Anna Brett. [www.radiokingston.org](http://www.radiokingston.org)  
1490 AM 107.9 FM



Sponsor someone for membership. Applications are on the website and dues are only \$25.00 per year.

Keep searching out those Irish sons that qualify for membership. 2025 Dues mailing are being prepared. Thank you to all.

Please pay your dues.

**Remember-**

There are no strangers here; Only friends you haven't yet met.  
W.B. Yeats.



**AOH JUNIOR DIVISION**

As always, we need your help to spread the word. Nephews, Cousins, Grandsons, Family Friends... we need them all to join! Please help keep the AOH alive by infecting our youngsters with the same beliefs and cultural richness as we have! Any input and assistance are welcomed!!



**TIN WHISTLE LESSONS**

**Saturday Mornings**  
**Arace, Broadway, Kingston, NY**

Did you ever want to learn to play the Tin Whistle? Well, you are in luck. Stay Tuned for our new schedule coming up. Our very own Shea Gallagher who is a Piper in the band will be organizing a 10-week class at Arace just after pipe practice Saturday Mornings. Bring your own tin whistle or we have them for sale. Give a call 845-338-6622 and get the details as to what you need to start.



**PIPE, DRUM AND HONOR**  
**GUARD NEWS**

Scott Benson

Feel free to join us at any event and all are welcome to come and learn Saturday mornings with Jim Carey or with the band at Monday night.



**ULSTER COUNTY AOH**  
**DIVISION 1**  
**FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM**

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/UlsterAOH>

We also have pages setup for the Irish Cultural Center Hudson Valley. They can be found at:

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/ICCHudsonValley>

Web: <http://www.icchv.org>

Instagram @icchudsonvalley

Finally, if you have any pictures, events, or announcements you would like to have posted on the AOH or ICC Facebook pages, please send a message to either Facebook Account.



**IRISH CULTURAL CENTER**  
**(ICC) - HUDSON VALLEY**

[www.icchv.org](http://www.icchv.org)

There are a lot of activities the ICCHV is conducting each month.



**GAELIC CLASSES**

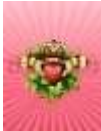
Gaelic Classes conducted by our own Bob McDonald. Classes are each Friday during the school session- Gaelic in the Glen, online language classes 5:30 pm Beginner 6:30 pm Intermediate



## **TRAD SESSIONS**

**Trad Sessions** at the Ole Savannah Restaurant continue the first Sunday of each month.

Check out the ICCHV website ICCHV.ORG support our loyal sponsors. Thank you. Keep Moving Forward!!



## **LAOH DIVISION 5 NEWS**

Jean Steuding

### **NEXT MEETING**

**MARCH 11, 2025**

**St. Mary's St. Peter's**

**5:30 P.M**

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, March 11, 2025 – 5:30 PM, at St. Mary's St. Peter's Divine Mercy Room

2025 Dues are due, they are \$ 25.00 - you can pay at the meeting or mail Dues to LAOH, PO Box 2432, Kingston NY 12402, if you have any questions contact Chrissie Wrixon 845-901-1191

or [laoh5ulster@gmail.com](mailto:laoh5ulster@gmail.com)

Mayor of Day, Monday March 17, 2025, will start with a 9 am mass at St. Mary's/St. Peter's, followed by light breakfast and ceremony at City Hall, followed by Luncheon at Frank's Little Italy, Cost \$45.00. The Luncheon will start at 12 noon. Reservation required, there is a limited seating. The luncheon will be buffet, with bread, salad, soda, coffee and dessert included. There will be a cash bar. Contact

Chrissie for reservations or more information, 845-901-1191. Parade will be Sunday, March 16, 2025. We will meet at 12 noon at the top of Westbrook Lane. Kingston NY. LAOH will be walking behind Mayor of the Day Rita Schabot, or we will have a float and van for members to ride in. if you need more information, please contact Patty Jacob 845-594-6594

LAOH has a new email address: [laoh5ulster@gmail.com](mailto:laoh5ulster@gmail.com) for any communication. if you don't see any emails from the above address, please check your spam folder.

We are in the early stages of our Designer Pocketbook Bingo, Save the Date, Sunday, May 5, 2025, Doors open at 12 noon, calling at 1 pm. Cost \$45.00 Reservation suggested. email [laoh5ulster@gmail.com](mailto:laoh5ulster@gmail.com) or Chrissie at 845-901-1191 for more information or questions. Please pray for Kathleen Houghtaling, Terry Glennon, Paula Horvers and Jean Steuding. Notify Andrea Beaver at [dree1968@yahoo.com](mailto:dree1968@yahoo.com) or 845-417-4302 if you know of a member or friend of the LAOH you think should receive a card of some kind.

Congratulation to our 2025 St. Patrick's Dignitaries:  
Grand Marshal - Bill Sutton  
Mayor of the Day - Rita Schabot  
Irish Princess - Cadence Tuey  
Bearer of St. Patrick - Brantley Wrixon

Upcoming Dates:  
March 11, 2025 - Monthly Meeting - 5:30 St. Mary's/St. Peter's  
March 16, 2025 - St. Patrick's Day Parade - Details to follow

March 17, 2025 - Mayor of Day Luncheon - 12 noon, Frank Little Italy, Reservation required.



## **COLCANNON**

[simplyrecipes.com](http://simplyrecipes.com)

This Irish mashed potato recipe is a filling and fun way to eat your greens.



### **Ingredients**

- 4 russet potatoes (2 to 2 1/2 pounds), peeled and cut into 1 1/2-inch pieces
- Salt, to taste
- 5 to 6 tablespoons unsalted butter, plus more for serving
- 3 lightly packed cups chopped kale, cabbage, chard, or other leafy green
- 3 green onions, minced (about 1/2 cup)
- 1 cup milk or cream

### **Method**

1. Boil the potatoes:

Put the potatoes in a medium pot and cover with cold water by at least an inch. Add 2 tablespoons of salt, and bring to a boil.

Boil until the potatoes are fork tender, 15 to 20 minutes. Drain in a colander.

2. Cook the greens and the green onions with butter:

Return the pot to the stove and set over medium-high heat. Melt the butter in the pot and once it's hot, add the greens.

Cook the greens for 3 to 4 minutes, or until they are wilted and have given off some of their water.

Add the green onions and cook 1 minute more.

3. Mash the potatoes with milk or cream and greens:

Pour in the milk or cream, mix well, and add the potatoes. Reduce the heat to medium.

Use a fork or potato masher and mash the potatoes, mixing them up with the greens.

Add salt to taste and serve hot, with a knob of butter in the center.

## **IRISH SODA BREAD**

Food and Wine

This tender quick bread has a lightly crunchy crust and is perfect with a cup of tea.



### **Ingredients**

- 4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon fine sea salt or table salt
- ¾ cup raisins (optional)

- 1 ½ cups buttermilk

### **Directions**

1. Preheat oven to 425°F. Whisk flour, baking soda, and salt in a large bowl. Stir in raisins, if using. Slowly stir in buttermilk, mixing just until the dough forms a rough ball. Turn dough onto a lightly floured surface and knead it just enough to shape it into an 8-inch oval, about 1 1/2 inches high. Transfer dough to a piece of parchment paper and place in a Dutch oven, cast-iron pan, or on a baking sheet. Cut an X into the dough with a sharp knife about half an inch deep. Cover the Dutch oven, if using.
2. Bake until bread is golden brown on top, about 30 to 35 minutes, removing the lid of the Dutch oven 10 minutes before baking is completed, if using a Dutch oven. Remove bread from oven and let cool for 5 minutes before cutting.

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### Hibernian Motto

Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity  
(Cairdis, Aontacht agus, Chríostaí Carthanais)

Keep the Faith  
(Coinnigh an Faith)

Is Cuimhin Linn  
(We Remember)

