



# ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS



Division #1 - The Father Tim Dempsey Division – St. Louis, MO. [www.stlhibernians.org](http://www.stlhibernians.org)  
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## Meetings / Events

(see website [calendar](#) for a more complete listing)

Division 1 Monthly Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday and [St. James the Greater Church](#) – 8:15 pm

## Special Events Committee Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Wed Sep thru May  
Goff Mall American Legion 101 – 7:00 pm

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual AOH Picnic at the Hurling Games, May 15,  
Noon – 4:30 at St Vincent Park (St Charles Rock Rd)

## President's Podium



Brothers,  
Well, we've completed our busiest month of the year and put on some of our best events ever. While we all enjoy the Irish functions of March, it is always a bit of a relief to those who staff these events when they are over. Time to take a deep breath...and start working on next year.

The Police and Firefighter Appreciation event was well-attended (as usual) and the table setup was a little more spectator-friendly than in past years. Our division presented the checks to the Irish dancers that are headed to the World Championships. We approved these last month to assist with costs associated with the trip. As a side note to Jim Wahl who has been the driving force behind this event for years....does it have an actual name? I think I have referenced it differently in about 4 of these podiums.

After a bit of last-minute scrambling, we got the division float assembled in time for the parade. Apologies to past-president Pat McCarthy, who designed and built it last year...We used last year's parts, but didn't have time to do the touchups he would have. I do want to thank the crew who worked on the assembly with me on the Saturday before the parade. The float was put together in just over two hours with the help of Marty Turner, Matt Davis, Mike O'Hare and Paul Winslow. We need to get an official float committee together soon, so we won't be pressed for time next year. I will be looking for volunteers...and remember, I know where all of you live.

St. Patrick was looking out for St. Louis this year as the weather was nearly perfect for the parade. (Or maybe it was a little extra Irish that helped...Connor and Sean Adams' mother Eileen and sister Orla were visiting from Belfast. Orla is a regular contributor to our Freedom For All Ireland page on the website.) Some sources claim that this was the most well-attended parade yet. The list of names to thank is way too long for this podium...but most of you know who the "usual suspects" are when it comes to Hibernians working these events. Let them know you appreciate their efforts. I would like to thank the St. Louis Gaelic Athletic Club for, once again, providing volunteers to work the Guinness sales booth all day.

That conveniently leads me into the next subject. Hurling season has begun! Though the first week was a little cold, the games were entertaining and not TOO violent. As a division, you have a choice of teams to root for as members play for McGurk's (Connor Adams), Amsterdam (Joe Byrne), Blackthorn (Paul Rohde) and J. McGraugh's (your honorable president). I made it almost two thirds of the way through the first game before I hurt my back...gonna be a great year! Check out the schedule at [www.stlgac.com](http://www.stlgac.com).

This month, we "only" added one new member, Mark Petty, but he has done more work for the Hibernians when he wasn't a member than many members have ever done. If you have ever attended the Special Events meetings at Goff-Moll, you can probably attest to that. So let's hope he doesn't get complacent now...like a major-leaguer who just signed a big contract. This brings the membership rolls to 139, with online photos for 66 of us. Remember, if you can't make the meetings, but want your picture on the site with the rest of the division, please e-mail a digital photo to Publicity Chairman/Webmaster Bill Burns ([web\\_lad@byrneclan.org](mailto:web_lad@byrneclan.org)).

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