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**Next Meeting — Friday, July 9 • 7:30 p.m.**  
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## DIVISION 1 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Independence Day (observed).....July 5  
Traditional Irish Music Seisiún..... Sundays 1:30 p.m.  
Kids Movie Night ..... Third Friday of the Month  
Irish Rebel Song/Karaoke Night..... Third Friday of the Month  
DIVISION NO. 1 WEBSITE • <http://aohdiv1.org/>

Though he was not able to attend the 40th Anniversary Dinner in October, Tom Graves was hand delivered his award on June 13th in Wilwood, NJ. Tom, who lives in both Aruba and Wildwood, NJ, was delivered his award by Division Vice President Keith Reynolds. Tom, who joined the division in 1972, was a past Division President and Vice President as well as being an active member of the Division for many years.



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# Hibernians for Life Protect the Unborn

## Rush Hour For Life

On Monday, June 21st, Rush Hour For Life took place again from 7:00 am – 8:00 am on Route 17 in Tuxedo, NY. Approximately 10 Pro-Lifers were present and they were led by a 97 year old, Mrs. Anna Kovaly. Mrs. Anna Kovaly decided to join the Rush Hour For Life Group for many reasons including in response to Bishop Dominick Lagonegro's decision to actively work against this Pro-Life group by banning these Pro-Lifers from using Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church's property for parking and by ordering the removal of the "cemetery" of white crosses representing the murdered unborn babies from the Churchyard. Bishop Dom. believes the Rush Hour For Life group carries graphic pictures which he thinks might offend some people.

This 97 year old sprung into action because she does find the pictures of murdered unborn babies to be graphic; - - too graphic to be hidden in the closet and kept out of the public's attention. Mrs. Anna Kovaly wants people to know exactly what is done to the innocent unborn baby. This 97 year old has long ties to her community. She is a beloved resident of Tuxedo, a beloved parishioner at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, and she was a school teacher in Tuxedo for many decades. Mrs. Anna Kovaly decided to use her influence in the community to sit holding a Pro-Life sign and praying on the sidewalk in Tuxedo. Some on the sidewalk that day said that her brave action could have landed her in the back of a Tuxedo police car because the Tuxedo Police had told some of the Pro-Lifers that they will be arrested for holding certain Pro-Life signs and for remaining in one place on the sidewalks. Apparently

there is a town ordinance that requires people to keep moving on the sidewalks. Mrs. Kovaly sat quietly for the full hour and the police did not arrest her. Thanks be to God.

Mrs. Kovaly was interviewed and photographed by the staff of the Times Herald-Record; hopefully they will run a story about her bravery. In the interview, Mrs. Kovaly offered words of encouragement to friends and other Catholics to make a point to spend 20 minutes praying on the sidewalks of Tuxedo on some Monday morning this summer between the hours of 7:00 – 8:00 am. She said together we will

peacefully and prayerfully bring awareness to commuters driving by that an average of almost 4,000 unborn babies will die each day by abortion.

This 97 year old has set before us a good example. If we are unable to physically leave our homes, perhaps we can pick up the telephone and call Bishop Dom in Sacred Heart Church Newburgh: 845-561-2264. Ask the Bishop to restore the "cemetery" of white crosses to the Churchyard in Tuxedo.

### Announcements:

On Monday July 5th, there will be a memorial service for deceased member Bill Nielan.

AOH National Convention — Our division is permitted to send representatives to the AOH national convention in Cincinnati. Please contact John O'Grady if you are interested.

Dues and Contact Info — 85 members still owe dues. Please make sure your contact information is current by emailing: 8158269422@optonline.net.

2010 Year of the Priest Dinner — Division 1 is planning to host a dinner at the hall on Friday, September 17th for priests in our county. AOH members are asked to contact Brother Tommy Flynn to see how they can help. One can help by donating wine or spirits; help cleaning; act as waiters.

The copy deadline for the division newsletter is the 3rd Tuesday of every month. The next copy deadline is Tuesday, June 15th. Please send an email to: wolfetone45211@yahoo.com with any special requirements or deadline extensions.




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## IRISH HISTORY


## January 30, 1972 – Bloody Sunday “Inquiry” Concluded



The British soldiers who killed 13 Irish demonstrators in Occupied Ireland during "Bloody Sunday" nearly four decades ago committed "unjustified and unjustifiable" killings of unarmed and innocent victims and then lied about it, a fact-finding investigation concluded Tuesday, June 15th, after a 12-year English "inquiry" for the truth.



More than 1,000 Derry residents applauded, hugged and cried outside city hall as the long-awaited verdict was announced live on a huge television screen. They had campaigned for 38 years for the victims of Bloody Sunday to have their good names restored and the guilt of the soldiers proved beyond doubt.



"Unjustified and unjustifiable. Those are the words we've been waiting to hear since January the 30th of 1972," Tony Doherty, the son of one Bloody Sunday victims, told the crowd to cheers.


He was one of dozens of relatives who took turns declaring the innocence of lost loved ones to the crowd as the TV screen displayed black-and-white portraits of each of the 13 dead and 15 wounded.

"The victims of Bloody Sunday have been vindicated, and the soldiers of the Parachute Regiment have been disgraced. Their medals of honor have to be removed!" Doherty declared to more cheers.

In London, British Prime Minister David Cameron said the investigation — based on evidence from 921 witnesses, 2,500 written statements and 60 volumes of writ-

ten evidence — demonstrated that the soldiers' shooting into the crowd protesting the internment without trial of IRA suspects was "both unjustified and unjustifiable."

Cameron apologized on behalf of the British government, and summarized the findings of English judge Lord Saville: The soldiers never should have been ordered to confront the protesters, they fired the first shots and targeted unarmed people who were clearly fleeing or aiding the helpless wounded. None of those killed or wounded that day in Londonderry had posed a threat to the soldiers, Saville concluded.



The Bloody Sunday Inquiry, authorized by former British Prime Minister Tony Blair in 1998 in the run-up to the negotiation of the Good Friday peace accord that year, was originally budgeted to cost 11 million pounds and report findings by 2002. Instead, the final bill was estimated at nearly 200 million pounds (\$290 million) — making it the longest and most expensive inquiry in British legal history. Cameron said Britain would never attempt anything like it again.

But the British, Irish and U.S. governments welcomed the findings as priceless to heal one of the gaping wounds left from Northern Ireland's four-decade conflict that left 3,700 dead. Bloody Sunday fueled a rise in support for the IRA, which didn't cease-fire until 1997.



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