Attend the dedication of the Commodore John Barry Memorial and be a part of Irish and American history. The event will take place at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. on Saturday, May 10, 2014.

The official program begins with a 9:30 AM Catholic Mass in Historic Dahlgren Hall on the Naval Academy grounds (just a short walk to the dedication site.) During Mass the Irishman's Chorale will provide an inspirational musical interlude. No reservation is needed for the Mass, however, seating is limited. There will be a coffee service following the religious ceremony.

Dedication of the John Barry Memorial will begin at 11:30 AM and will last approximately two hours. The musical tribute will include a pipe band and the United States Naval Academy Color Guard. Recognition by naval and government leaders, as well as, the Irish Government will also be included. The AOH President and the LAOH President will speak and witness the unveiling of this most prestigious monument.

A superb gourmet lunch with musical accompaniment will follow the dedication (approximately 1:45 PM) in Dahlgren Hall. Reservations for lunch (the cost \$15 per person or \$25 per couple) may be obtained by responding to Chairman Seamus Boyle. We hope for a relaxed atmosphere with limited announcements. A cash bar will be provided.

Those wishing private photographs or wreath laying by the monument may do so following lunch.

It is the Dedication Committee's hope that we can properly show our appreciation to the many contributors, who through their generosity made this day a reality. All names will be listed in an ad book that will be compiled and distributed.

Major highways make transportation to Annapolis and the United States Naval Academy fairly easy. However, due to being a popular tourist site along with being Mother's Day weekend parking in Annapolis could be "chancy." The best parking option is in the Annapolis Business District. There are four parking garages available (Gott's Garage being closest to the Dedication.) Consult the AOH website for directions.

Those wishing to stay overnight have several hotels to choose from. The AOH has agreements with three of them:

O'Callaghan's - (410) 263-7700 - AOH Dedication Headquarters. Go on-line to ask for best rate (ocallaghanhotels.com) mention AOC – John Barry. An ice-breaker is planned at this hotel starting at 5:00 PM Friday, May 9th. Irish music in the "John Barry" Bar.

<u>Loews</u> - (410) 263-7777 - website (loewshotel.com) mention AOH Dedication for Commodore John Barry. Must stay two nights for discounted rate. Just a few blocks from O'Callaghan's.

<u>Doubletree by Hilton- 1 (800) 222-8733) – code DCB - website (annapolis.doubletree.com) a bit out of town but does have van service.</u> Excellent rates with loads of free parking.

For other hotels and guest house information go to: visitannapolis.org

We hope you will join us in Historic Annapolis to witness this momentous event and to pay tribute to a "Proud Son of Ireland" who fought for America (his adopted country) to gain its independence.

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