



## President's Message

Greetings Brothers,

It is Sunday morning as I am writing this newsletter. Last night we had another successful and enjoyable Grand Marshal's Ball at the hall. Congratulations once again to Grand Marshal Larry Wolff, his Aides Tim and Dan Wolff, LAOH President Madonna Nolty, the Ladies Aide and Hibernian of the Year, Tom McHugh. My thanks go out to Gene Hearl and his corporation officers and staff, *Roisin Dubh Pipe Band*, parade Chairmen Dave Ring and Frank Lyons, Journal Chairman, John Hanley and his staff once again producing an outstanding journal, and finally Dennis Bennett who hosted the event and did a great job keeping things moving and filling in for resident AOH stand-up comic John Davis. I now look forward to the month of March where we get to celebrate our Irish heritage and enjoy St. Patrick's Day and the numerous parade and holiday celebrations.

On Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm we will step off for the 53<sup>rd</sup> annual *John P. Reilly East Islip St. Patrick's Day Parade* behind Larry Wolff, our Grand Marshal, Ladies Aide Madonna Nolty and our outstanding Rosin Dubh Pipe Band. Our parade is the only AOH sanctioned parade in Suffolk County. I have been marching in this parade for over 17 years and have been somewhat disappointed in the dwindling amount of men we have had marching the last few years. I understand for some, the forty-five minute walk can be too much but for those who are able, please join us in representing the division to show the community the pride we have for our Irish heritage. As some of you know, the community does not realize that the

AOH pays for and sponsors this biggest yearly event in East Islip. It will be a proud moment for me personally to be President of this division after living in East Islip for over 50 years. I look forward to seeing everyone on Sunday. In addition, I would like to thank Officers John Hanley, Kevin Smith and all division members who participated in the Super Bowl fundraising efforts.

After the parade, I encourage all members to come down to the hall for some corned beef sandwiches, a pint of Guinness and enjoy the comradery with the division's membership. Entertainment will be provided by *Buoy 34*. It should be a wonderful day to be Irish in East Islip! Furthermore, please support our award-winning pipe band by attending some of the other town parades that they are marching in.

On St. Patrick's Day, join us for a Mass at the hall at 9:15 am. Father Don Babinski, our new Division Chaplain, will be celebrating Mass. This year, a bus is available for members to attend the St. Patrick's Day festivities in NYC. The bus is \$30 and will leave from our hall at 10:00 am and will return by 7:00 pm. Contact me at (516) 850-1342 to reserve a spot on the bus. Members can go into the city to watch the parade, have lunch or march with Suffolk County if they choose to do so. That evening we will once again have corned beef sandwiches and other food items to purchase at the hall. I look forward to another great St. Patrick's Day celebration at our hall.

Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> is Easter Sunday, the holiest day on the Christian calendar. My brother officers and I wish our Hibernian families a very blessed Easter.

On Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, the Suffolk County AOH and LAOH will be hosting the 26<sup>th</sup>

annual Suffolk County Ball at the Bellport Country Club. The event starts at 7 pm and the honorees will be Colette Kavanaugh, Bill Fahey and our own Jim Ryan. Tickets are \$85 per person. Please see Alice Faughnan for tickets for this event.

It is great news that the County has decided to honor Jim Ryan. Jim has devoted a large part of his life to the AOH. He is a former president of the division, a long time member of the Tara Court Degree Team and is a Lifetime Member of Division 7. If you are interested in placing a journal ad to honor Jim please contact me for information.

In closing, brothers I know the dues cards were late but they are now in. Please contact Financial Secretary, John Owen to pay your \$100 dues as soon as possible.

Yours in our motto,  
Tom Davis

## Welcome our new AOH Division 7 Chaplain, Father Don



**Rev. Donald E. Babinski**

## L.A.O.H.

Dear Sisters,

It gives me great pleasure to Congratulate Cindy Haughland, our own Division Seven recipient of the "Following in the Footsteps of St. Brigid" award. Cindy truly embraces our motto, is so well deserving of this honor and does so much for all Hibernians and the local community.

A warm welcome to all our new members! We are delighted you have joined us and look forward to embracing you in our sisterhood. We appreciate your support in our many activities such as the parades, soup kitchen, pub entertainment and fundraisers.

Congratulations to Larry Wolff, the Grand Marshal of this year's parade. I look forward to supporting Larry as he walks down Main Street. Thank you also to the ball and parade committees for all your hard work and effort. I can honestly say that last Saturday, February 24 was a "grand night". Please be sure to stop by the East Islip Library to see the beautiful display of all things Irish coordinated by our Irish Historian, Denise Fischer and the Our Lady of Knock tile before we lineup for the John P. Reilly East Islip Memorial St. Patrick's Parade on Sunday, March 4th at 1:30 PM. So looking forward to seeing you all there!

It's time to pay your annual dues: \$45 up until March 31st. April 1st and later, it is \$60. Please see Financial Secretary, Patty Kunzinger.

On Monday, March 12th our Junior Girls will be visiting our dear retired Sisters of St. Josephs at the convent in Brentwood. Soda bread is needed. Please contact Cathie Norton Doherty if you can help. Please consider attending this wonderful event to share our celebration in honor of St. Patrick.

Mass will be celebrated at our hall on St. Patrick's Day, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am presided by the new AOH Division Seven Men's Chaplain, Father Don. This is a wonderful way to begin a day of honoring Ireland's patron saint!

If anyone knows of a family in need of an Easter Food Basket, please let Tricia Clark-Cellan know the number of children and adults in the family. No names, please - the families remain anonymous. A sign-up list of donated fresh produce will be available at the next meeting. Dry goods are needed as well.

On Friday, April 6th, the Suffolk County Ball will be held at the Bellport Country Club.

Tickets will be available at our next meeting. This is a wonderful evening to celebrate with all the Suffolk County Divisions as we honor our own Division Seven Brother, Jim Ryan along with Collette Kavanagh from Division 2 and Division 5 AOH member, Bill Fahey.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, March 14th at 7:30pm. If you need a ride to our meeting please reach out to me at 631-589-2584. Someone from our new committee "The Buggy Brigade" will get back to you. Wishing all of you a very Happy St. Patrick's Day

In our motto,

*Madonna*

## Juniors

2018 is off to a great start for the girls. At their February meeting they were joined by some of our adult members for some lessons in Irish Set Dancing, thank you to all the Ladies who came down and assisted with the lessons. A fun night was had by all. The girls are looking forward to proudly marching in the John P. Reilly East Islip Parade on Sunday, March 4th. The girls will be meeting at the East Islip Library at 1:30 pm. We are honored to follow, Grand Marshal, Larry Wolff and Ladies-Aide, Madonna Noltz down Main Street. On Monday, March 12th the girls will visit St. Joseph's Convent in Brentwood at 5:30pm to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. This year the Juniors will hand deliver St. Patrick's Day cards to each of the retired sisters. The celebration will include serving Irish Soda Bread, a performance by members of the Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band and Irish Dancers and a special performance by our own Mac McFadden. Our Lenten Soup Dinner to fundraiser for Make-A-Wish will be Friday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30pm. Tickets are \$10, \$5 for children under 12. Our April meeting will be held on Monday, April 9th at 6:30 pm at which time the Juniors will be working on their scrapbook.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian  
Charity, Cathie Norton Doherty,  
Division Seven Junior Girls Coordinator



## Hibernian of the Year Tom McHugh



Tom McHugh with past HOY's, Jim Hand, Jim O'Kane and Mac McFadden at the Grand Marshal Ball

## Congratulations to The Ladies Aide to the Grand Marshal, Madonna Noltz





## What's Happening March & April



### MARCH:

Mar 4 Sun	John Reilly Memorial EI St. Patrick's Parade	2 PM
	Live music at Div. 7 by "Buoy 34"	starts at 5:00 PM
Mar 7 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting	8:00 PM
Mar 12 Mon	Jr Girls at St. Joseph's Convent (Brentwood)	5:30 PM
Mar 13 Tue	Islip Public Library, Irish history through music	7 PM
Mar 14 Wed	LAOH Division Seven Meeting	7:30 PM
Mar 17 Sat	Mass at our Hall at 9:15 AM with our new chaplain Fr. Don Babinski	
	St. Patrick's Day – Bus to NYC leaves after mass	
Mar 23 Fri	Jr Girls Lenten Soup Dinner in our Hall	5:30 PM

### APRIL:

Apr 1 Sun	Easter Sunday	
Apr 4 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting	8:00 PM
Apr 6 Fri	Suffolk County Ball - Bellport Country Club	7:00 PM
Apr 9 Mon	Jr Girls Meeting	6:30 PM
Apr 11 Wed	LAOH Division Seven Meeting	7:30 PM
Apr 14 Sat	Hall and Pub clean-up, all are welcome	9:00 AM
Apr 21 Sat	Div. 7 Bowling Night at EI Lanes	9:00 PM

*A.O.H Division 7 Presents*

**BOWLING NIGHT**



**SATURDAY, APRIL 21<sup>st</sup> 9 PM  
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## Corporation Corner

Congratulations to our Grand Marshal Larry Wolff, the Ladies Aide Madonna Noltz and Our Hibernian of the Year Tom McHugh. A special Thank you to our LAOH Ladies for doing such a beautiful job decorating for our Grand Marshal Ball.

After our parade we will have live music by Buoy-34 starting at 5 PM with corn beef sandwiches, authentic Irish Coffee and a 50/50 drawing.

Our annual Hall/Pub cleanup will be held on Sat. April 14<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM. All are welcome to come down and help.

Corporation President

Gene Hearl

### MARCH

Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mike Gregory	8:30 – 11:30
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	Buoy - After the Parade	5:00 PM
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	Tom Bauer	8:30 – 11:30
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Gregory	5:00 – 10:00
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Joe and Julie	6:00 – 9:00

Happy Hour

Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>	Todd the Guitar Man	8:30 – 11:30
Sat 31 <sup>st</sup>	Kevin Wilson	8:30 – 11:30

### APRIL

Sat 7 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Gregory	8:30 – 11:30
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup>	Three's Accompany	8:30 – 11:30
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup>	Todd the Guitar Man	8:30 – 11:30
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	Pete Kletchka & Friends	6:00 – 9:00
	Happy Hour	
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup>	Gil Mc Lean	8:30 – 11:30



Madonna Noltz with GM Larry Wolff and sons Tim & Dan




Larry Wolff receives past President's Plaque from Tom Davis

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**PRAYERS (PAIDREACHA)** - Submitted by Vic Vogel  
**Hail Mary** (An tAivé Máiría)

**English** –Hail Mary, full of grace, Our Lord is with thee;  
blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit  
of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us  
sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen

**Irish** – Sé do bheatha, a Mhuire, atá lán de ghrásta,  
tá an Tiarna leat, Is beannaithe thú idir mná, Agus is  
beannaithe toradh do bhroinne, Íosa. A Naomh-Mhuire, a  
Mháthair Dé, guigh orainn na peacaigh, Anois agus ar uair  
ár mbáis. Ah-Men.

**Pronunciation** – Shay du VAH-ha, a WIR-rah, uh-TAW  
lawn de GRAWS-uh, Taw un TEER-nuh lat. Iss ban-ihéh  
HOO har MHRAH, Ah-gus iss baniheh TOR-ruh duh  
vrinneh EE-sa. Ah Nayuv wirra, ah wahir JAY, Gwee  
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Having organised and trained her manhood through her secret revolutionary organisation, the Irish Republican Brotherhood, and through her open military organisations, the Irish Volunteers and the Irish Citizen Army, having patiently perfected her discipline, having resolutely waited for the right moment to reveal itself, she now seizes that moment, and, supported by her exiled children in America and by gallant allies in Europe, but relying in the first on her own strength, she strikes in full confidence of victory.

We declare the right of the people of Ireland to the ownership of Ireland, and to the unfettered control of Irish destinies, to be sovereign and indefeasible. The long usurpation of that right by a foreign people and government has not extinguished the right, nor can it ever be extinguished except by the destruction of the Irish people. In every generation the Irish people have asserted their right to national freedom and sovereignty, six times during the past three hundred years they have asserted it in arms. Standing on that fundamental right and again asserting it in arms in the face of the world, we hereby proclaim the Irish Republic as a Sovereign Independent State, and we pledge our lives and the lives of our comrades-in-arms to the cause of its freedom, of its welfare, and of its exaltation among the nations.

The Irish Republic is entitled to, and hereby claims, the allegiance of every Irishman and Irishwoman. The Republic guarantees religious and civil liberty, equal rights and equal opportunities to all its citizens, and declares its resolve to pursue the happiness and prosperity of the whole nation and of all its parts, cherishing all the children of the nation equally, and oblivious of the differences carefully fostered by an alien government, which have divided a minority from the majority in the past.

Until our arms have brought the opportune moment for the establishment of a permanent National Government, representative of the whole people of Ireland and elected by the suffrages of all her men and women, the Provisional Government, hereby constituted, will administer the civil and military affairs of the Republic in trust for the people.

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Signed on Behalf of the Provisional Government,

**THOMAS J. CLARKE,**

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