

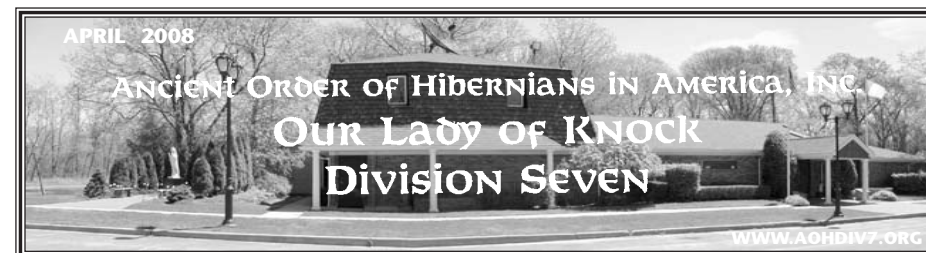
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President's Message

Our next meeting will be held on April 2, 2008 at 8 p.m. in our hall. All members are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

I hope everyone has enjoyed the St. Patrick's Day season. The Róisín Dubh Pipe Band looked spectacular in all of the parades throughout the month. This is a special group of award winning musicians dedicated and proud to be representing our division. The division members are equally as proud of you. Our thanks go out to John Clarkin and his cooking crew for buying and preparing all of the corned beef, cabbage and potatoes we enjoyed after the parades.

As usual our parade was a great success. Dr. David Ring, Frank Lyons and line up Chairman Dan Sullivan made the day perfect. It was inspiring to have a great turnout by our members to march behind our Grand Marshal Danny Kissane. And once we got back to the hall, Tom O'Brien and crew manned the door assuring everyone having a nice and safe time.

There will be a new member screening at the hall on Friday, April 4th at 7:30 p.m. Applications are available on line at our website www.aohdiv7.org. If you wish to drop off the application before the screening, please leave it in an envelope at the bar with the word "APPLICATION" written on the outside. Sponsors, please have your candidates at the hall by 7:15 on April 4. Should anyone still need to pay his dues, they are now \$48. Dues can be left in the green mailbox at the hall.

The cut off for the applications for our scholarship awards is April 15. Please contact Tom McEnroe for information. The division awards two \$3,000 scholarships each year. To qualify for the award the member applying must have made their major degree.

John Fitzpatrick (581-5705) is the chairman of the sick committee. Please contact John should the need arise.

Our own past president, Tom Conway is being honored by the Suffolk County Board on April 18 at the Larkfield Manor in East Northport. If anyone is interested in attending and honoring Tom, please contact me.

The 94th Biennial National Convention for AOH/LAOH is being held from July 23 to July 27, in New Orleans. If anyone is interested in attending contact me as soon as possible.

God Bless the Troops
Yours in Friendship, Unity
and Christian Charity,
Jerry Delaney

Scholarships

If you have a high school student who may be eligible for an award see Tom McEnroe for applications. (581-7543)

There will be two, \$3000 scholarships awarded.

All applications must be in by April 15, 2008

High School graduation and SAT June scores are essential.

Applications are self-explanatory.

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Junior Girls & Junior Boys

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Military Packout

Check the web site and the hall for the date of the next Military Packout.

Volunteers are requested at the hall to pack the donated goods. These items will be shipped to various service men and women serving in Iraq.

The items requested are: Wipes and Wet Ones, playing cards, crossword puzzles, hand-held games, jam or jelly in plastic jars, peanut butter in plastic jars, foot powder, crackers, writing paper and pens, sealed Chapstick, Trail Mix, disposable cameras, Oreo Cookies in plastic containers, Chocolate Chips in plastic containers, Beefy Jerky and Rosaries. An additional item requested by our service men and women are "Energy" bars.

Ladies Division

Our monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, March 13th. Thank you to everyone who attended. There were 18 new member applications submitted and voted on. These new members will be installed at the April meeting with a Degree to follow. If anyone would like to make their Degree, please call Winnie Morrissey at 859-0477. The cost is \$5 for those of you who are making their degree and that is for the Degree Pin.

The Patrick's Day parade in New York City was held on March 17th. It was a beautiful day and the Suffolk County L.A.O.H. looked fabulous as well as the Róisín Dubh Pipe Band who led us up Fifth Avenue. It truly was a great day for the Irish! Thank you to all of the women who helped out in the kitchen serving the dinner after the buses returned from the city – as always you did a terrific job!

Thank you to Margaret Davis and the ladies who volunteered putting together the Easter Basket donations. There were five families who were in need and received these baskets. I would also like to thank those of you who donated the food items. The baskets were overflowing with food and I am sure the families, who received the baskets, were very thankful as we are to have such a great group of ladies.

The Suffolk County Ball will be held on Friday, April 18th at the Larkfield Manor, East Northport from 7:00pm to midnight. Our own Tom Conway is being honored. Tickets are \$75 per person and if you would like to purchase a ticket you can contact Karolyn O'Brien at 544-0961.

The annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Knock Shrine and the NYS LAOH Board Meeting will take place Friday, May 2nd thru Sunday May 4th in East Durham, NY. If anyone is interested in attending, please contact me at 224-4157 for details.

Looking ahead, the LAOH is running a Murder Mystery, "Death in Dallas" which will be held on Saturday, June 7th. The evening will be a Western

theme, so there will be food served and we ask that you come in Western Attire. Tickets are \$30 per person that does include dinner, beer/wine/soda and entertainment. I am sure this is going to be a great night that you won't want to miss! Tickets will be sold in advance so if you would like to purchase tickets please contact MaryAnn Baron at 669-7476.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,
Alice Faughnan

Junior Girls

The Junior Girls have been very busy in March. They marched in the East Islip St. Patrick's Parade on March 2. That evening at the hall they sold the St. Brigid's crosses that they had made at their February meeting. Who could refuse purchasing a cross from the wee ones! They also sold chances on a painting donated by Mary Gilmore. Many thanks to Mary as her artwork raised over \$300 for the Junior Girls. Walt Ramsey was the lucky winner of the painting. Congratulations to Walt. We also sold 50/50 chances. We raised almost \$900 that evening. Thank you for supporting the Junior Girls and Boys.

Our March meeting was held at St. Joseph's Convent for the retired sisters. Members of our Róisín Dubh Pipe Band entertained the sisters with their music. Many of the sisters sang along with the band! A huge thank you to the members of the band who played. The sisters were so happy. Then the sisters watched our own Junior Girls perform their Irish Step dances. We have such talented Juniors. The Junior Girls danced and the Junior Boys operated the audio equipment. Thank you Juniors! You also made the sisters happy. The sisters enjoyed our cuisine of Irish Soda Bread, cookies, and liquid refreshment. How could they not love Division 7 Juniors Girls and Boys. Also, a big thank you for your food donations for the sisters.

Our next meeting will be April 7th at 6:30-7:30 pm at the hall. The Junior Girls and Boys will be hosting an Open House. We have many activities planned. If you know of anyone ages 6-16 who might be interested in joining the Juniors please invite them to our Open House on April 7th.

Thank you to all the Junior Girls/Boys for working so hard this past month.

Dates to remember:

April 7: Open House for Junior Girls/Boys

May 9: Spaghetti Dinner
Charlene Gibbs

Please Pray For...



In the event of sickness or a death in the family, please call the Hall at 581-9317 and leave a message for the Chairman of the Committee on the Sick, John Fitzpatrick.

For L.A.O.H, contact Missions and Charities Chairlady, Liz Colgan at 277-2248.

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Out and About...



Football Trip

During the past college football season, the Heathwood's, Barry, daughter Megan and Tricia, met up with Kevin at the Tempe Bowl in Arizona. (Indiana vs Oklahoma)

Kevin plays with the Indiana band.



On February 29, 2008 two members Delores Gordon (left) and Maura Sullivan (right) celebrated their twentieth and sixteenth birthday, respectively.



Grand Marshal of the 43rd John Reilly Memorial St. Patrick's Day Parade Danny Kissane and the LAOH Aide, Alice Faughnan

Pub Clean-up

The Corporation would like to thank those members who helped get the Pub ready for the Saint Patrick's Day festivities. The cleanup took place on Saturday, February 23rd. Great job by: Jim Walsh, Steve MacQuade, Jack Murphy, John Flynn, Bill O'Halleran, John Fitzpatrick, Herman Boyle, Tom O'Keefe, Ralph Daig-neault, Mike McCall Jr., Bob Knock-enhauer, John Clarkin, Dan Kissane, J.C. Corrigan, Pat Maune, and Charlie Fagan. Thank you for your efforts. Apologies for any omissions.
Dan Sullivan

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Wed	Apr 2	Men's Division 7 Meeting 8:00PM
Fri	Apr 4	AOH New Member Screening 7:30PM
Mon	Apr 7	Jr Boys and Jr Girls Division Meeting 6:30PM Open House – Bring A Friend
Wed	Apr 9	Ladies Division 7 Meeting 7:30PM
Fri	Apr 18	Suffolk County Ball – Larkfield Manor 7:00PM
Sat	Apr 26	'Flanagan's Wake' – SoHo Playhouse 5:00PM
Fri	May 9	Spaghetti Dinner - Jr Girls and Jr Boys 6:00PM
TBD	May	Military Pack – Out (Volunteers Needed)
Mon	May 12	Junior Girls and Junior Boys – Movie Night 6:30PM
Fri	Jun 7	Murder Mystery – "Death In Dallas" 7:00PM
Sat	Jun 14	Skip McCormick Memorial Horseshoe Tournament
Sat	Jun 21	Fund Raiser for Pat and Lorraine Kelly 7:00PM

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Right to Life
 In order to become effectively involved in working against the evil of Abortion, you are again invited to join the New York State Catholic Advocacy Network at www.nyscatholic.org.
 Pro-life Judge Andrew Napolitano offers the following advice: "Do not allow the abortion crowd to dominate terminology! I refuse to call them pro choice! Always call them pro abortion! They can't even say what they are so they choose a neutral word 'choice'. I refuse to let abortion advocates control the dialogue." Source: Celebrate Life Jan.-Feb. 2008.

Flanagan's Wake

We've purchased tickets for **Flanagan's Wake at the SoHo Playhouse** in the Village for Saturday, April 26 at 5 PM.
 All Hibernians are welcome, however we only have 30 tickets.
 Flanagan's Wake is an interactive show.
 The Soho Playhouse is not handicap accessible.
Saturday, April 26. Train leaves Islip at 10:46 (be there by 10:30 AM). Show starts at 5 PM
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