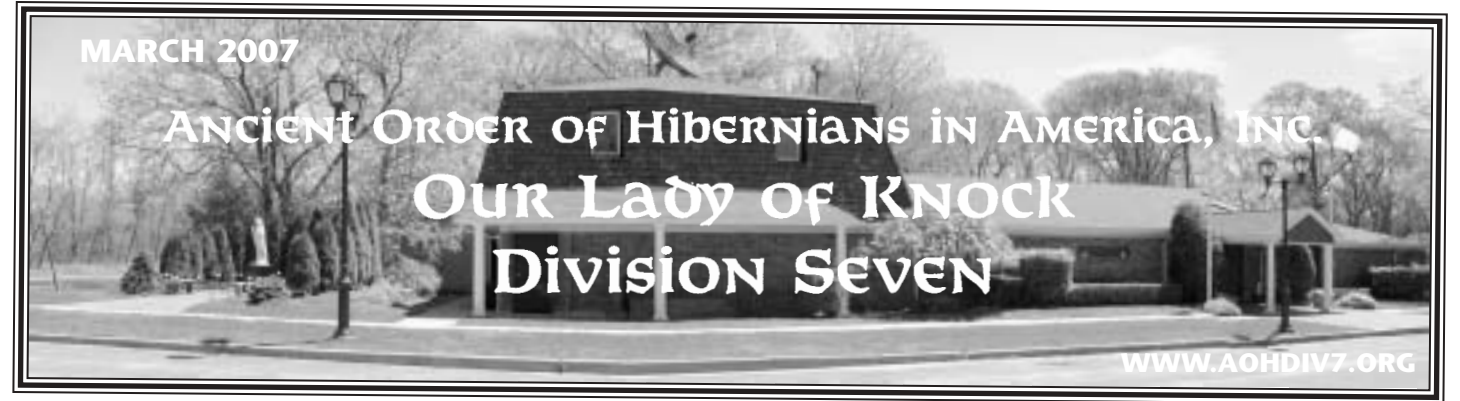


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## Suffolk County Junior Girls



On Sunday, February 11, 2007, the Junior Girls, representing Divisions within Suffolk County, attended the L.A.O.H Mass in honor of St. Brigid.

The Mass, a yearly event, was celebrated at St. Joseph's Convent in Brentwood New York.

### President's Message

Our next meeting will be held on Wed., March 7th at 8:00 in our hall. All members are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

On behalf of the membership of Div. 7, I would like to congratulate Joe LePage, our new Grand Marshal, and our Hibernian of the Year, Jack Bonner and our Ladies Aide, Sue O'Neill. All were installed at the Grand Marshal's Ball, held at the Irish Coffee Pub on Fri., Feb. 10th. Many thanks to everyone who helped to make the evening such a success, it was a great night. Extra special thanks to Tom Davis, who did a fantastic job of running his first Ball and to Tom McHugh for putting together a wonderful Journal. A lot of time and effort goes into hosting this event and it is truly appreciated.

Thanks to Vinny Clancy, Al Norton and Dan Sullivan for putting on a super "Super Bowl" Party and to Uncle Matt McQuillan for "M.C.ing" the Day at the Races.

I had to put this newsletter together kind of early this month, so I'll write about our St. Patrick's Day Parade in April's newsletter.

The month of March is a big one for our very own Roisin Dubh Pipe Band, so try and get to one, some or all of the different parades that they are playing at in and around our area. I would also like to thank the band for playing at the Ball, you guys and girls were great.

There will be 3 buses into New York City on March 17th for the parade at a cost of \$30.00 per per-

son; all buses will include food and drinks. See Jerry Delaney for tickets and info, or just sign up at the bar.

If you are going to be participating in the parade, please make sure you dress and act properly, remember you are representing this Division.

March is a great month to take pride in our heritage, let people know that you are Irish and proud of it. See Mack McFadden for sashes and clothing apparel.

Father Jim Kissane and I would like to thank all who contributed to and attended the fundraiser for St. John of God Church at Div. 2. Special thanks to Aggie O'Leary and Winnie Morrissey for helping us raise a lot of money for a good cause. Also, I'd like to thank Div.2 for hosting the event and to everyone there who helped with it.

I sort of had to rush doing this month's article to get it in before I went on vacation, so if I forgot anything I'll try to get into April's. Thanks.

Yours in Friendship, Unity  
And Christian Charity  
Danny Kissane

### Parade Committee

The St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee would like to invite ALL past Grand Marshals and ALL past aides to wear their sashes at our Parade on March 4.

All members are to assemble at 1:30PM at the East Islip Library.

Thank you all,  
Dave Ring  
Parade Chairman

### Membership Dues

The annual dues are \$40 if paid prior to March 17 and \$48 if paid after that date.

If paying by check, please put your member number on your check.

Payments can be left in the green locked mailbox found just outside the pub room. If paying by cash, please put your name and membership number on the outside of the envelope.

The L.A.O.H announced that the dues are \$25 and after March 31 they are \$30. Tables will be set up at the next Ladies meeting to ease the paying of dues.



### Buses for St. Patrick's Day

The sign up list for buses for the St. Patrick's Day Parade in NYC are behind the bar. The cost is \$30 per person which includes transportation, refreshments on the bus, and a delicious corned beef dinner back at the hall upon our return. We are limited to 3 buses and will be on a first come first serve basis. Ask the bartender for the list and a small brown envelope to place your check in. Mark on the outside of the envelope "PARADE" with your name. Payment must be received no later than March 1. Anyone who reserves a seat and does not pay by March 1 will lose their seat to the waiting list. Checks should be made out to: **AOH Div 7. THE BUSES WILL BE LEAVING THE HALL AT 9:00AM.**

Jerry Delaney

## Ladies Division

Our next meeting will be March 14, 2007 at 7:30PM. All members with dues cards are welcome to attend. You may pay your dues at the meeting or mail in your dues with a self addressed stamped envelope to LAOH Div #7, PO Box 774, East Islip NY 11730. Dues are \$25 until March then become \$30. You will need a paid up dues card to gain entrance to the hall after the East Islip parade.

The East Islip John P. Reilly Memorial St. Patrick's Day Parade will take place on March 4, 2007. All LAOH members are invited to march, bring your sashes! Line up is at 1:30PM at the East Islip Library.

The NYC parade is on March 17, 2007. Buses are available on a first come first serve basis. The cost will be \$30. You may sign up with the bartenders. Remember ladies, dress to impress!, no jeans or sneakers. We will need a lot of kitchen help for these parades. If every member could give a 1/2 hour to help, it would be greatly appreciated.

We will be collecting non-perishable food for our Easter baskets at the March meeting. Please help by bringing in items for those who are less fortunate.

If any member needs to contact me with any questions or concerns, you can e-mail me at oneillsue10@optonline.net. Please put LAOH in the subject and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Just a reminder that we need Irish soda bread for the East Islip parade.....so if you could help spread the word to all the other members. We will also need kitchen help...any time you can give would be greatly appreciated.

Happy marching to all and enjoy the parades!

Happy St. Patrick's Day  
Sue O'Neill

## Junior Girls

Our next meeting will be on Monday, March 12th at 6:30pm at the Convent of Saint Joseph's, Brentwood Road, Brentwood. The Juniors will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day Celebration for the retired Sisters of St. Joseph's. I am asking anyone who can volunteer their baking talents and make some Irish Soda Bread, please email me at ali4nan@aol.com.

This past Sunday the girls attended the St. Brigid's Day Mass at St. Joseph's. It was a lovely mass and was well attended by Division 7 Jr. Girls. Thank you to all who attended.

At the February 12th meeting the girls talked about the different activities that they would like to do in the coming year. The girls would like to do a Fashion Show at the Spaghetti Dinner which will be held on Friday, May 4th at 7:00pm, you won't want to miss it—MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The girls also made almost a hundred "Wash-up Kits" for the homeless. They will be brought to the soup kitchen when the LAOH deliver their donation for March.

The East Islip, St. Patrick's Day Parade is Sunday March 4th and as always, the girls will be marching. We are looking into getting sweat shirts made up for the girls, and as soon as I get information I will be emailing the details.

We are still collecting dues for 2007. If you haven't already paid your dues please do so at the March Meeting.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**March 4th** - St. Patrick's Day Parade, East Islip

**March 12th** - Monthly meeting at St. Joseph's Convent, Brentwood.

**March 17th** - St. Patrick's Day Dinner

**May 4th** - Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Wishing you all a Happy and Blessed St. Patrick's Day.

Alice Faughnan

## Project Children

This year, Project Children will bring children over to the United States around the first week of July. They will be staying for four weeks. The children's ages range from 9 through 14.

The Division takes care of the cost of the air flight and insurance. Your responsibility is to pick them up at the airport and then bring them back to the airport after the four weeks.

You treat them like your own children and they become part of your family. It is a great opportunity for you and your family to understand the conditions in Ireland today.

If you would like more information please call Herman Boyle at 632-277-2377 or 631-357-1545 or Charlie Tansey at 631-581-6368.

## 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 Jim Portella, Chairman of the Committee on the Sick. Or, call him at 582-9142. For L.A.O.H., contact Missions and Charities Chairlady, Liz Colgan at 277-2248.

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## Giants – Dolphins Sunday Ocobert 28, 2007 – London, England

For the past fifteen years we have gone to a Giant game each fall. When we started most have been to Philadelphia. In recent years, we have gone to New Orleans, Phoenix, Seattle, and San Diego. Now, for the ultimate Giant trip! It will be **London, England!**

We have a proposal from Virgin Atlantic airlines for round trip airfare, five days, four nights hotel, double occupancy, ground transportation to and from the airport and game. Price of the proposal is \$1,000 per person which does not include the game ticket. We have submitted a request for group tickets and will not know until mid to end of March. If you are interested, please fill out the form and return to Vince Clancy.

**NOTE: A VALID PASSPORT IS REQUIRED.**

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## Burgundy & Grey

Congratulations again to our Drum Major and Grand Marshal, Joe LePage, and his Aides, Sue O'Neill, Joe LePage and Tom LePage. We wish you a great day for a stroll down the avenue. We want you to know that we are very proud of you and we will be with you all the way.

The schedule of parades for the upcoming marching season is listed on the band's web site, www.rdpb.com. We invite everyone to visit the site and make plans to meet us for the festivities.

Plans for the Annual Horseshoe Tournament in June are underway. Information for competing will be forthcoming in the newsletter and posted at our hall. We thank John Flynn for all his work and effort in establishing this outstanding tournament. We wish Tom McHugh good luck as he becomes the new chairman. The band is at your service, Tom.

The band practices every Thursday from 7pm to 10pm. Members and their family are invited to join. Stop by and talk to an instructor any Thursday night. For twenty-five years we have been a "family" band with a reputation for being "homegrown"...and it works!

The Róisín Dubh Irish Pipe Band supports itself by performing. If you know of any events, such as parades, civic events, weddings, or other functions requesting bands, please let us know. Thank you.

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The Long Island Coalition for Life is sponsoring an Oratory Contest on April 1, 2007. It is open to all 10th, 11th and 12th grade students. Cash prizes total \$925. Interested educators/students please call Maryjane McQuade at 516-599-5296.

The Long Island Coalition for Life welcomes speaking opportunities. Education professionals are prepared to address all areas of pro-life concerns at schools, religious education classes, churches or community organization meetings. Call 631-243-1435.

John Walsh, Chairman

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# What's Happening...

## Happy St. Patrick's Day

- Sun Mar 4 "John Riley" St. Patrick Day Parade East Islip 1:00PM
- Wed Mar 7 Men's Division 7 Meeting 8:00PM
- Mon Mar 12 Boys and Girls Division Meeting 6:30PM  
 St. Joseph Convent - Brentwood
- Wed Mar 14 Ladies Division 7 Meeting 7:30PM
- Sat Mar 17 St. Patrick Parade NYC - Buses leave 9:00AM
- Sat Apr 20 Suffolk County Ball 8:00PM
- Fri Apr 27 L.A.O.H. Softball "FUNdraiser" - PROM Theme 7:00PM

Roisin Dubh Pipe Band meets every Thursday at 8:00PM

## Calling Post

Division 7 has announced a new process for sending out announcements that are of importance and cannot wait until a regularly scheduled meeting.

Since not everyone visits the hall on a daily basis, it was decided by the Division Officers that we would use the services of an organization called "Calling Post".

This is a strictly voluntary call alerting notification system and is fundamentally non intrusive.

You will have to provide the Division with your phone number. Phone numbers are kept confidential and they will not be distributed.

If there is a message, it will be preceded by a five second announcement such as; "This is Danny Kissane...".

If the phone is busy, the system will attempt to reach the caller with further attempts.

If your phone is set up to receive a message, such as an answering machine, it will leave a message on that machine.

Calling Post messages cannot be

delivered to a phone system that requires the entering of an extension number or forwarding by a person.

Messages are delivered only between the hours of 9AM to 9PM.

Messages are approximately sixty seconds in total.

Again, this is voluntary and you can withdraw from the service at any time.

This service is available to paid up members and will be terminated if the dues are not current.

If you want to be added to the list, contact Al Norton at 631-277-0228 or leave your information at the hall.



## Pub Entertainment

**Sat., March 3**  
 Martin Flynn

**Sat., March 10**  
 The COGS

## Announcements



LAOH member, **Erin Zahn**, and her husband are the proud parents of Matthew Thomas.

Matthew was born on January 3, 2007 at 7lbs. Matthew is the grandson of Jim O'Leary and a great nephew to Aggie O'Leary and Maryann Baron.

## PROJECT CHILDREN GOLF OUTING

The 26th Annual Project Children Golf Outing will be held on Monday June 4th, at Brentwood Country Club. If interested, get on the waiting list by contacting Dan Kissane (631)669-2138 or Pat Philbin (631) 581-0447

## Welcome New Members

On Wed, Feb 7, 2007, the Men's Division welcomed eighteen new members who made their Shamrock Degree.

John Hoppe, Martin Ryan Jr, Vincent Smith, Cormac Gee, Gregory Noone, Jason Worst, Dennis Dudley, Matthew S. McQuillan, Billy Campbell, Brian McQuillan, Owen McCarthy, Timothy McCarthy, William McMillan, Daniel Keough, Matthew Brennan, Pierce Brennan, Timothy J. McHugh, Michael McHugh.

Congratulations to all the new members.

## 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 awards awarded.

All applications must be in by May 1, 2007. High School graduation and SAT June scores are essential.

Applications are self-explanatory.