REV. JAMES T. O'REILLY DIVISION 8 LADIES ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

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LAOH NEWS OF INTEREST

The next meeting of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly O.S.A. Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022, at <u>7 PM IN</u> <u>PERSON AT THE CLADDAGH PUB AND RESTAURANT</u>, 399 Canal Street, Lawrence, MA. If this should change, or if there are any other updates regarding this meeting, they will be posted on our Division website and Facebook page. Please note that masks are optional <u>unless you are</u> <u>NOT VACCINATED</u> or the Claddagh, City of Lawrence or the State of Massachusetts make them mandatory. Masks are mandatory if you are unvaccinated.

NOTE: There will be no Joint meeting this month due to the need to provide for a safe and enjoyable meeting.

Our **<u>AOH/LAOH</u>** <u>Christmas Party</u> was a great success. The food was delicious and we hope everyone enjoyed our own "self-entertainment." A big shout out to our Entertainment committee, Kathleen Melvin, Lisa Abdallah and Erin Capano. Thank you to all that joined in the fun.

Our **Irish Afternoon with the Jolly Tinkers** and our first annual **Irish Christmas Festival** were both successful much in part to the hard work of the wonderful committee. Reports on both events will be given at the January meeting. Thank you to the Lawrence Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council which help support these two events.

The Joint Installation of AOH and LAOH and Juniors will take place on **Sunday, January 9**, **2022** at Sacred Hearts Church, 165 South Main St., Bradford, MA at the 11:30AM Mass celebrated by Father John Delaney. Members, their family and friends are all invited to attend. The Installation of Officers will follow the Mass and a Reception will follow in the lower church hall. Light refreshments will be served. **Please try to attend to show your support for your officers**.

<u>Christmas Calendar</u>: The winners of the Christmas calendar will be pulled at the January meeting and winners will be listed in an upcoming newsletter.

<u>Parking</u> – Please know that there has been the occasion when there is a charge to park in the parking lot adjacent to the Claddagh. Although we apologize, we have no control over the use of that lot nor does the Claddagh. If the Claddagh parking lot is full, we would suggest on street parking or other parking lots in the area that are free.

Reminder: Our Division has a website that is updated monthly, may we suggest that you take a look at it sometime. It is <u>www.div8aoh.com</u>

See the Men's' newsletter for cancellation of meetings and events information.

Important: Please notify an officer of the Division if you have a change of address as it costs the Division money if the mail is returned.

DUES ARE NOW DUE – PLEASE send your checks for \$30.00 for your 2022 LAOH dues to Joyce Buckley at 30 Marique Drive, Lawrence, MA and please enclose your Traveling Card. It will be marked and returned. Better yet, come to a meeting and enjoy the company of your fellow members. Those of you that want to take advantage of paying your dues via <u>Venmo</u>, our Venmo account is: @JABuckley. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Anne-Marie at 978-794-0911.

Applications for membership forms are available through your officers or at a Division meeting. Consider having a friend or relative join. Contact an officer of the Division for more information. The Division 8 LAOH Junior Division is also seeking members. Contact Isabelle Gannon for more information at 978-688-4358.

> As we start the New Year, Let's get down on our knees to thank God we're on our feet.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL