



**THE REV. JAMES T. O'REILLY OSA DIVISION 8  
ANCIENT ORDER of HIBERNIANS  
LAWRENCE, MASSACHUSETTS**

Established: 1871

Summer 2020

**Division 8 AOH Scholarship Winners Announced:** Robert R. Gauthier, Division 8's Scholarship Chairman, has announced the recipients of this year's awards. They are:

**Rosemary Cuddy**, daughter of **Tom Cuddy**, a graduate of Lawrence Catholic Academy received a \$500 scholarship. Rosemary will attend Central Catholic High School.

**Connor Breen**, son of **Charles Breen**, a graduate of North Andover High School received a \$750 scholarship. Connor will attend Merrimack College. Connor is also a member of Division 8 AOH.

**Ryan Collins**, grandson of **Robert Collins**, a graduate of Haverhill High School received a \$750 Scholarship. Ryan will attend Salem State University.

**Katliyn Dery**, granddaughter of **Joseph Sipse**y, will attend Westfield State University. Katliyn received a \$750 scholarship and is a graduate of Dracut High School.

**Mary Danahy**, granddaughter of **Richard Danahy**, a graduate of Assumption High School in Louisville, Kentucky received a \$750 Scholarship. Mary will attend Western Kentucky University.

Due to the COVID 19 restrictions we had to forgo our formal presentation of these awards. Each recipient was mailed a check in July. ***Congratulations and Best Wishes to all our 2020 Scholarship Recipients!***

**2020 AOH National Convention:** The 2020 AOH National Convention that was due to be held in Orlando from July 22 – July 25 was cancelled due to the COVID 19 Virus. A Virtual Zoom AOH National Convention was held from July 17 - 25. Elected were: AOH National President: **Danny O'Connell** of Ohio; AOH National Vice President: **Sean Pender** of NJ; **Jerry Cole** of NJ was reelected AOH National Secretary and **Liam McNabb** of NY was elected AOH National Treasurer. Locally, **Dick Thompson** of Watertown, MA was elected National Director. President O'Connell has appointed **Bill Sullivan** to two Chairmanships – AOH National Chairman of the Irish Way and Study Abroad Scholarships and AOH National Chairman of the Hibernian Hunger Project. The LAOH National Convention was also held via Zoom. We want to thank **Anne Marie Nyhan-Doherty** for her service as LAOH National Immigration Chairlady over the past 8 years. For more information on our National Convention, please see the August/September edition of the **Hibernian Digest**. ***Our Sincere Congratulations and Best Wishes to all for a successful term of office!***

**Congratulations!** Our Sincere Congratulations and Best Wishes to Aaron Canney and his wife, Amanda on the birth of a baby girl, **Rhyleigh James**, on May 28, 2020

**Sick Committee:** Please send a note of cheer to our members on this month's sick list: **Irene Dixon**, Prescott House, 140 Prescott Street, North Andover, MA 0184; **Thomas Garvey**, Bear Mountain at Andover, 80 Andover Street, Andover, MA 01810; ; **Larry Giordano**, 76 Bonanno Ct, Methuen, MA 01844; **Patricia Lyons**, Ashland Farms, 700 Chickering Road, North Andover, MA 01845; **Betty Pierce**, MI Restorative Health Center, 172 Lawrence St, Lawrence, MA 01841 and **Margaret Quirke**, Ivy Hill Court, 337 Main Street, Haverhill, Ma 01830.

**Tir Na'n Oq:** Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of long time Hibernian **George J. Thomas**, our 1985 Irishman of the Year and our 1991 Hon. John E. Fenton Citizenship Award Recipient, who died on June 11; to the family of **Kathleen Donovan O'Connell**, our 2005 Cardinal Cushing Recipient, who died on June 13; to the family of **Mary B. Ryan** of Division 14 in Watertown who died on July 7 and to Robert and Thomas Burke and their families on the death of their Father, **Robert F. Burke**, our 2006 Irishman of the Year, who died on July 28. May their souls, and the souls of our departed members rest in eternal peace, Amen

**September Meeting:** We remain hopeful that we will be able to resume our Monthly Meetings at the Claddagh. Our next Monthly Meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, September 9. In the event we are unable to meet at the Claddagh on September 9, we will Zoom our September Meeting. **More information on this will be available in our September Newsletter, our Website and by email.**

**Change of Address Form:** *If you are moving, please fill out the requested information and send to: AOH/LAOH Address Change, PO Box 1407, Lawrence, MA 01842. Thanks!*

**Interested in Purchasing Division 8 AOH Clothing?** If so, please contact Tim Doherty at: [Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com](mailto:Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com)

**Division 8 Website:** For the latest updates on Hibernian News, please look at Division 8's website that is regularly updated by our Webmaster John Michael Pelletier. The website address is: <http://www.div8aoh.com/>

**Would You Like to Receive Timely Updates of Division 8 Happenings?** If so, please e-mail Jack Lahey. Jack's e-mail address is: [limeric@comcast.net](mailto:limeric@comcast.net).

**2020 Dues Past Due:** Please send your check for \$25 for your 2020 AOH dues to: **Jack Lahey, P. O. Box 133, North Salem, NH 03073.**

**Looking to the Future:** The White Fund Lecture that was scheduled for March 15 featuring Joe Blanchette, and our Concert that was scheduled for March 22 featuring Terri Kelley and Bill Donelan, have been postponed. Please look for more information on both these events in future newsletters.

*Stay Healthy and Safe. God Bless!*