

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

http://www.div8aoh.com/

Established: 1871 Happy Mother's Day! May 2022

The next meeting of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly O.S.A. Division 8, Ancient Order of Hibernians is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at 7 PM at the CLADDAGH, 399 Canal Street, Lawrence, MA on the second floor. Seating will be socially distanced, and masks as well as Hand Sanitizer will be available.

Joint Meeting: Division 8 AOH and LAOH will hold a Joint Meeting at our May 11 Monthly Meeting at 7 pm on the first floor. Items of mutual interest will be discussed.

<u>Great Hunger Commemoration – Saturday June 11, 2022</u>: Division 8 AOH and LAOH will hold a Commemoration of the Great Hunger on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>June 11, 2022</u>, at the <u>An Gorta Mor Memorial</u> in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery, 29 Barker Street, Lawrence, MA at 1:00 pm. During this service we will also remember those who passed during the pandemic.

The commemoration will include: a memorial service led by our Division Chaplain, the Very Rev. John W. Delaney, V.F; a short address by our Division Historian, Frank O'Connor Jr., and the placing of a wreath at the memorial. In the event of inclement weather, the service will be held in the Mausoleum on the grounds of the cemetery. Light refreshments will follow the ceremony. More information will be available at our May 11th Monthly Meeting. *All AOH & LAOH members, their families and friends are welcome.*

<u>Division 8 Scholarship Update:</u> Our Scholarship Panel will soon announce the recipients of this year's Division Scholarships. We thank all applicants for their interest and wish all much success. Our scholarships will be presented on Wednesday, June 15 @ 6:30 pm at the ice cream social with the LAOH scholarship recipients.

<u>Interested in Purchasing AOH Clothing?</u> If so, contact Tim Doherty @ <u>Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com</u> or see Division 8's Website for clothing photos and an ordering form. http://www.div8aoh.com/

<u>Dues Past Due:</u> If your AOH Membership Card reads 2021, your dues are past due. Please send your check for \$25 for your 2022 dues to: Jack Lahey, P. O. Box 133, North Salem, NH 03073. Dues may also be paid at our May 11 Meeting. *Thanks!*

<u>Change of Address</u>: If you have a new mailing address, please send it to us at: PO Box 1407, Lawrence, MA 01842 so that we can keep you up to date on Hibernian events.

May They Rest in Peace: Sincere sympathy is extended to Steve Anderson on the passing of his sister, **Susan J. Anderson Ford**, who passed on March 27th, and to Michael Lavin on the passing of his uncle,

Daniel P. Sullivan, who passed on March 30. May their souls and the souls of our departed members, rest in peace.

<u>Veterans Den Patriotic Concert</u>: Saturday, May 14^{th} from 7-9 pm in Du;perry Hall, at Saint Theresa's Church, 22 Plymouth Street, Methuen, MA. A free will offering will be taken up. Join the Veterans Den Band as we honor our fallen heroes and veterans. All welcome!

<u>AOH & LAOH National Convention</u>: The 2022 AOH & LAOH National Convention will be held in Pittsburgh PA from July 13 - 17. Division delegates who will represent Division 8 are: Robert Collins, John Cuddy, Tim Doherty, Frank O'Connor Jr., and Bill Sullivan

<u>Scholarship Benefit:</u> The 29th Annual Lawrence Vietnam Memorial Scholarship Cabaret will be held on *Saturday, May 7* at the Reliefs' In beginning at 7 pm. Please contact Hoppy Curran for tickets and more information @ 978 685 7407.

<u>Sick Committee</u>: Irene Dixon, 140 Prescott St, North Andover, MA 01845; Anne Gauthier, 330 Sutton St, North Andover, MA 01845, Patricia Lyons, the Residence at Salem Woods, Sally Sweet Way, Salem, NH 03079, Red McDonald, PO Box 5201, Salisbury, MA 01952, and Joe Sipsey, 945 Riverside DR # 7A, Methuen, MA 01844

<u>Do You Know Someone interested in Joining Division 8?</u> If so, please contact our Division Organizer @ **aohdivision8organizer@gmail.com** for an application & more info.

<u>Parking:</u> The parking lot, aside of the Claddagh, is now privately owned. If the Claddagh parking lot is filled, we suggest on street parking or other parking in the area that is free.

Tom Garvey Donation: Our sincere thanks is extended to the family of Tom Garvey for their very generous donation of \$4,000 that was recently given to Division 8. Last year the Garvey Family donated \$1,000 to our division. This \$5,000 donation will be used for a cultural endeavor.

<u>AOH State Golf Tournament</u>: The 2022 Mass AOH State Golf Classic will be held on *Monday, June 13*, at the Olde Salem Greens, 75 Wilson Street, Salem, MA. Please contact Jack Lahey @ 603 560 8192 for more information.

Mass State Board and Essex County Board News: The Mass State Board will hold a State Board Meeting on Saturday, May 14 @ 10:30 am at the home of Division 14, 151 Watertown Street, Watertown, MA. The Essex County Board will hold a meeting of the Essex County Board on Saturday, June 4 @ 11 am at the Home of Division 18, Federal Street, Lynn, MA. All members of Division 8 AOH are welcome to attend.

<u>Cahul Dunne Cocert</u>: Division 19 of Lowell, will hold a Concert featuring Cahul Dunne on Sunday, May 22 At 2 pm at the Billerica Elks. For more information, please contact Tom Casey @ tjc01821@hotmail.com

T'' is a Blessing to be Irish, an Honor to be a Hibernian!!!