

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

Established: 1871 Happy Thanksgiving!

November 2022

Celebrating 151 Years of Dedication to Religion, Heritage, Charity, and Community

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, November 9, 2022, following the Joint Meeting with the LAOH at 7 PM on the first floor of the CLADDAGH, 399 Canal Street, Lawrence, MA. The Men's Monthly Meeting will follow on the second floor.

November Meeting to Feature Nomination and Election of Officers: Due to unforeseen circumstances, Nominations of Officers were not held at our October 12th Monthly Meeting. Nominations and elections for office for the years 2023 & 2024 will be held at our November Monthly Meeting on **November 9, 2022.**

Your division needs capable, sincere, hardworking officers, who can dedicate their time and talents to the objectives of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Please consider having your name placed in nomination if you are interested. Nominations will be accepted for the following offices:

President - Vice President - Recording Secretary - Financial Secretary - Treasurer - Chairman of the Standing Committee - Sentinel - Marshall

Elections for the years 2023 – 2024 will follow nominations on November 9.

<u>DUES INCREASE</u>: At Division 8's October 12 Monthly Meeting a Motion to increase our dues from \$25 to \$30 beginning January 1, 2023, was unanimously passed. Dues for 2023 paid prior to January 1, 2023, will be at the old rate of \$25, which will be a savings of \$5. Why not send your dues early to *Jack Lahey*, *P. O. Box 133, North Salem, NH 03079*. Dues may also be paid at our November 9th Monthly Meeting.

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

<u>The Jolly Tinkers:</u> An Irish Afternoon with the Jolly Tinkers will be held on Sunday, November **27, 2022,** from 1 – 4 pm at the Claddagh. A buffet will be served. This event is jointly sponsored by Division 8 AOH and LAOH. Tickets cost \$15 each and are available from Anne Marie Nyhan-Doherty @ 978 390 3400 or from Bill Sullivan @ 978 376 4356. Tickets will also be available at our November 9th meetings. This event is open to all Hibernians, their families, and friends. Your guests do not have to be members of the LAOH or AOH to attend! *Please consider joining us!*

It is a Blessing to be Irish, an Honor to be a Hibernian!!!

<u>FFAI Annual Christmas Appeal</u>: All members will soon be receiving in the mail information on our annual Freedom for All Ireland Christmas Appeal. Please be generous to this cause. **Thanks!**

<u>May They Rest in Peace</u>: Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of *Sister Timothy Marie Hogan SC* who died om August 28, to the family of *Richard "Red" McDonald who* passed on October 5, and to Aaron Canney on the death of his mother, *Ruth Canney*, who died on October 21. May their souls, and the souls of our departed members, rest in peace.

<u>Sick Committee</u>: Please send a note of cheer to those who are on this month' sick list; *Anne Gauthier*, 330 Sutton Street, North Andover, MA 01845, & *Joe Sipsey*, 945 Riverside Dr, #7A, Methuen, MA 01844

<u>Bereavement Committee:</u> Division 8 is the process of establishing a Bereavement Committee, whose members would attend the wakes of deceased members and if possible, their funeral. If you are interested in being a member of this committee, please contact Bill Sullivan. Thank you!

<u>AOH & LAOH Division 8 to Host Christmas Party</u>: Our Annual AOH/LAOH Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday evening, December 14, @ 6:30 pm at the Claddagh. The cost for this year's party is \$20 per person, and will feature a buffet, prizes and entertainment. Tickets and more information on this event will be available at our November 9th meeting. This event is open to all Hibernians, their families, and friends. Your guests do not have to be members of the LAOH or AOH to attend! For tickets, please contact Anne Marie Nyhan-Doherty @ 978 390 3400 or Bill Sullivan @ 978 376 4356. *Come & enjoy the spirit of the season!*

<u>Saint Patrick Day Chairman Announced</u>: President Bill Sullivan has appointed the following 2023 Saint Patrick Day Festivities Chairmen: Saint Patrick's Day Banquet & Dance: *Charles Breen* and Saint Patrick's Day Luncheon, *Jack Lahey*.

<u>2022 David R. Burke Golden Bridges Award Recipient:</u> The Irish Echo has announced that **Mike Quinlin** has been selected as the 2022 Recipient of the David R. Burke Golden Bridges Award. This award will be presented at the Irish Consulate Office in Boston on November 17.

<u>Looking for a Terrific Christmas Gift?</u> Tim Doherty has a great selection of Division 8 AOH Clothing that would make terrific gifts. Please contact Tim for more information @ Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com or 603 203 3282

<u>Do you Know Someone Interested in Joining Division 8?</u> Please consider asking a friend, coworker, neighbor, parishioner, or relative to join. For Membership Applications and/or more information, please contact our Division Organizer Team at <u>aohdivision8organizer@gmail.com</u>

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

<u>New Mailing Address?</u> If so, please send it to us at: PO Box 1407, Lawrence, MA 01842, so that you will continue to receive your Monthly Newsletter and Hibernian Mailings.