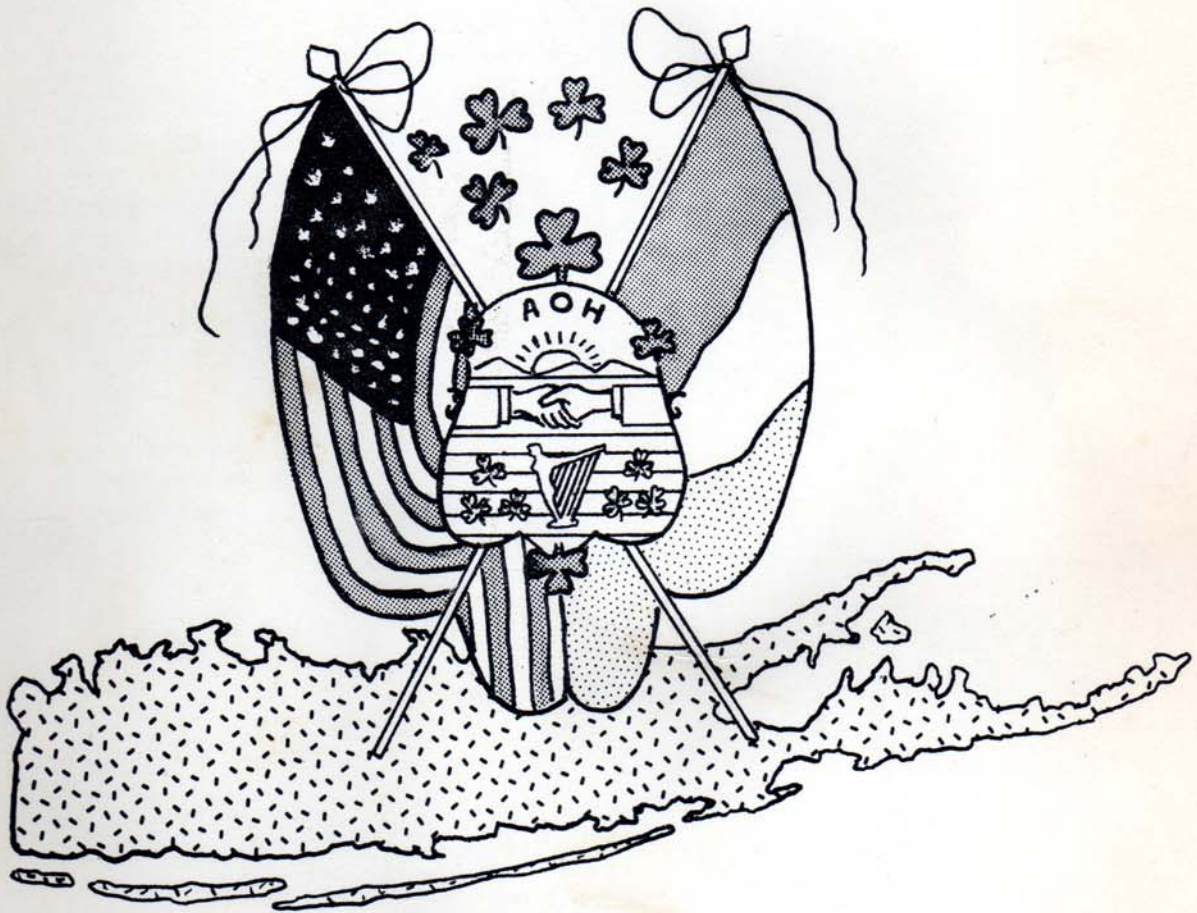


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A HISTORY OF HIBERNIANISM
IN SUFFOLK COUNTY

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH, CENTER MORICHES, NEW YORK
IN MEMORIAM

**THE GREAT HIBERNIANS WHO LAID THE FOUNDATION AND
PROMOTED THE ORDER IN SUFFOLK COUNTY
AND WHO HAVE NOW GONE TO TIR NA NOG**

AR DHEIS DE GO RAIBH A N-ANAMA
(May their souls rest at God's right hand.)

REV. VIRGIL PATRICK POWER
Chaplain, Suffolk County, A.O.H.

Hibernianism in Suffolk County

Preface

This writing represents the result of two years of investigative research and could not have been completed without the assistance of my fellow Hibernians: those who made the history as well as those who made its writing possible. I am grateful to those who purchased the pages at the rear of the book and made its printing a reality. I wish to thank all those men and women who provided me with information and who graciously put up with my late night phone calls and cub reporter's curiosity, especially Mike Rice, Mike Murphy, Ed Kiernan, Joe Murphy, Peter Bulfin, Fintan Stapleton, and John Reilly. I thank Ronnie Allen and Jerry Slattery for having faith in my ability and, most of all, my wife, Tena, for urging me on when I got discouraged.

This History was compiled thirty years after Hibernianism had extended its borders to Suffolk County. In that interim, there were some hard times, there were some bad members, and there were some who tried to use the organization for their own personal or political benefit. I suppose there always will be. But, there were many more good men who persevered to make the Suffolk County branch of the Ancient Order of Hibernians live up to the ideals and principles of that noble organization. It is to them that this history is dedicated. They did indeed persevere and they won. As a result, only thirty years after their founding, they are second in quantity only to New York County and second in quality to none.

It is sad that the names of many of those key men who kept the Hibernian standard so high during the early years have been lost to us due to damaged or misplaced records, for it is to them, as well as those named herein, that we dedicate this history as testimony of our undying gratitude. Let them be for us as the unknown soldier -- unknown, but no less revered.

The names and facts that were uncovered after much research and personal contact, have been included with as much accuracy regarding dates and spelling as was possible. If any additions and/or corrections can be made by you -- the reader -- please forward the information to me and it will be added in a revised edition.



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Hibernianism in Suffolk County

The year was 1945. Franklin D. Roosevelt died, World War II ended, the United Nations was chartered, and a military B-25 ran into the side of the Empire State Building. "Captain from Castile" and "The Egg and I" were bestsellers; movies included "The Bells of St. Mary's", "Lost Weekend", "National Velvet", and "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn"; and the latest tunes were "Aren't You Glad You're You", "Cruising Down the River", "Doctor, Lawyer, Indian Chief", "For Sentimental Reasons", "If I loved You", and "June is Busting Out All Over". The country was getting ready for a peacetime period of rebuilding and expansion. The nation's oldest Catholic Lay organization would be part of that organization.

In 1945, there was only one Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians on all of Long Island—and that was in Nassau County. Mike Rice, a native of Glenisland, County Mayo, Ireland, who had recently moved to Deer Park from Astoria, decided that there should be a branch of that organization in Suffolk County as well. Mr. Rice was no stranger to Hibernian circles for he had been a member of Division 6 in Astoria for nine years, during which time he had been both Secretary and President of that Division. In 1945, Mr. Rice set about contacting local Irishmen in Suffolk County for assistance in establishing what was destined to become the largest and fastest-growing Hibernian county in the nation. One of the men he contacted was Mike Murphy. Mr. Murphy remembers the tremendous effort that Mr. Rice put into this undertaking and recalled that after several conversations, he received a notice announcing a meeting at St. Joseph's Church, Brentwood, to establish a Suffolk County Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America.

The meeting was held in September, 1946 and established not only Division 1, but a County Board as well. Barney Callen was elected President of Division I with Mike Murphy as Vice President and Bill Johnson as Treasurer, while Ed Davis was elected President of the first Suffolk County Board with Charles Milton as Vice President, John O'Rourke as Secretary, Pat Clarkin as Treasurer, and Andy Melton as Financial Secretary. Father Hugh Graham was their first Chaplin. Mr. Rice began immediately to organize another Division to add to the new County Board. For his effort, Division 2 was born one short month later on October 6, 1946, at St. Joseph's Hall Babylon, with Mr. Rice elected as their first President—a position he would hold until 1949. The herculean efforts of this dedicated man did not rest there, for he was actively involved in bringing to life Division 3 in Kings Park on November 17, 1946. Indeed, they were all dedicated men—these founding fathers of Suffolk Hibernianism. Mike Murphy, previously mentioned as one of the founding officers of Division 1, recalled the early days of Hibernianism in Suffolk, noting the great inconveniences due to travel and road conditions which made it difficult to gather enough interested parties to populate the growing Divisions. As Mr. Rice stated, "It was a wilderness out here then". Many nights, men gathered at an appointed meeting place only to find the doors locked and the caretaker unavailable causing them to wait in the icy cold until the last member arrived so that they could reschedule the meeting. Those were frustrating times indeed! Yet, they persevered. They persevered and they grew.

There were now three Divisions of the Order in Suffolk County, why not a fourth. There was a certain amount of Irish interest in Huntington where an annual St. Patrick's Day parade was held, so it became a likely candidate for the next Division. When members of the Hibernians began contacting possible applicants in the Huntington area however, there was a certain amount of understandable resentment on the part of the sponsors of the annual parade who saw the Order as a threat to their continued sponsorship of that parade. The Hibernians immediately assured them that this was not the case and embarked on a campaign to win the friendship of the local Irish-Americans rather than their resentment. The campaign was successful and on December 8, 1948, Division 4 was born in Huntington with Joseph A. Duffy as the founding President, Martin Feeney Sr. as Vice President, Victor Noonan as Recording Secretary, Frank Ronaghan as Financial Secretary, and John P. Mullen as Treasurer.

1949 was another memorable year. Ireland began her first full year as the Independent Republic of Ireland, having abolished her Commonwealth status as the Irish Free State the previous year. In the United States, Harry S. Truman began his first elected term as President defeating Thomas E. Dewey, Americans were reading "Father Flanagan of Boys Town", "Death of a Salesman" made its debut on Broadway, and the nations movie theaters introduced: "All The Kings Men", "Francis", "The Sands of Iwo Jima", and "Sampson and Delilah". Songs of the year included "Bali Hai", "Bonapartes Retreat", "Daddy's Little Girl", "Mule Train", "Mona Lisa", and "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer". It was also the year that Ralph Kiner hit .54 homeruns for the Pirates, Joe Louis retired from the ring, and Suffolk County had four Divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

The years passed and the members of the individual divisions recruited additional members as a few of the earlier members drifted away or were dropped. Growth was slow and the process of becoming an active link in the chain of national Hibernianism was equally slow. Some of our brother counties looked on the 'newcomers' from Suffolk as 'farmers and fishermen' with little to offer the Hibernian community. That attitude, though understandable at first, would soon change as Suffolk County Board members took the floor at State and National conventions. Mike Rice had now assumed the Presidency of the Suffolk County Board, with Bill Johnson as his Recording Secretary, and though growth was slow, it was steady. Problems with the availability of meeting facilities continued to plague the young Divisions. Division 3 was forced to move from Kings Park to Smithtown, and Division 2, which had moved from St. Joseph's Hall in Babylon to the Miraculous Medal Church in Wyandanch in February, 1947, moved to St. Cyril and Methodius Church in Deer Park in April 1949. By year's end, Division 2 would be back at the Miraculous Medal Church in Wyandanch although that would not be their last move. Determination has always been the hallmark of the Irish and it was never more personified than in the early Hibernians of Suffolk County.

The early 1950's saw more growth as Division 2 organized a Ladies Auxiliary on February 26, 1952 with Mrs. Kathleen Brennan as President. Experiencing similar difficulties as the men in securing proper meeting facilities and hampered by lack of transportation, the Auxiliary disbanded in 1955—but only temporarily! On October 14, 1958, the Ladies were back. With Alice Kavanaugh as President, Division 2 reorganized under a new charter—the charter they hold to this day. In 1956, Joe Murphy, in his capacity as County Organizer, requested permission to form another Suffolk County division. Permission was granted and on March 13, 1956, Division 5 was born in Patchogue with 15 members. On this date, County President John Heslin convened a special meeting of the Suffolk County Board at the VFW Hall in Patchogue to install Francis J. Costello as the first President of Division 5. His officers included John Scully as Vice President, Jay C. Rowland Jr. as Recording Secretary, Ed Kiernan as Financial Secretary, and William Ackerman as Treasurer. The five Divisions of Suffolk County continued a slow but steady growth spreading into various projects designed to force community awareness. One project was the Hibernian Home Society.

In 1962, the County Board under President Al Lawrence, authorized the sale of bonds to raise money for a Hibernian home in Suffolk County. The Suffolk Hibernian Home Society was established with Al Lawrence as President, Raymond J. Nugent as Vice President, Paul Ayres as Secretary, and Jimmy McCabe as Treasurer. The bonds were sold for \$50.00 each at 4% interest and were redeemable in 15 years. The initial response was encouraging as Division 4 bought the first 60 bonds for a total cost of \$3,000.00. Other Divisions, as well as individuals, purchased bonds allowing the Society to purchase a building on June 6, 1963 at 36 Railroad Avenue in East Islip—just a few doors from where the present hall of Division 7 now stands. There was finally a place the Suffolk Hibernians could point to with pride. It belonged to all Divisions and all Hibernians were welcome there. One New Years Eve party was so well attended that there was barely room to move. It was an extraordinary step—but then this was no ordinary county.

Another project culminated in a County Board sponsored St. Patrick's Day Parade in 1962. The parade, hosted by the newest Division, was the largest ever held in Patchogue. The publicity associated with the parade and other public functions as well as the diligent recruiting efforts of the members made the period between June, 1962 and June, 1963 a period of significant growth as the County grew from 162 members to 250 members and added two new Divisions. Encouraged by the success of the parade, it was decided to make it an annual affair. The two new Divisions added were Divisions 6 in Hampton Bays and Division 7 in East Islip. Both were formed in February 1963. Although Division 6 in Hampton Bays was started with all good intentions, it was just too far out at the time to be an active part of the County Board and soon thereafter, folded. Division 7 is with us to this day however, a forceful and dynamic part of the county organization. The second County sponsored St. Patrick's Day Parade took place in Patchogue, March 16, 1963 and was bigger than the first. Unfortunately expenses ran higher than anticipated and the County Board had to assess the Divisions to pay for it. A third parade was planned for 1964 but the Mayor of Patchogue refused a permit and the parade was cancelled. This was a severe blow to their immediate goals. And it was not the end of the bad news either! The Hibernian Home was beset with troubles. Rising costs and dwindling interest caused understandable disharmony. Some Divisions were spending more effort than others could afford to offer and the unbalance was causing friction. In 1963, County President Al Lawrence had left the County Board and the Presidency of the Home Society as well. He was succeeded as County President by Jack Reynolds who, having transferred from Nassau County to Division 3 in December of 1962, was destined to spend many years in service to his County, State and National Boards. Home Society Vice President, Ray Nugent, assumed the Presidency of that organization and Ed Kiernan of Division 5 was elected to serve as Vice President. Shortly thereafter Ray Nugent left the office and Ed Kiernan assumed the Presidency. As the leaders tried to resolve the problems of The Home Society, another tragedy befell Suffolk County—Division 5 disbanded. Unable to maintain an active membership, this once strong link in the Hibernian chain folded. Ed Kiernan, last President of Division 5, asked that he be allowed to continue as President of The Home Society in order to protect, as he stated, "the interests of those good people who had invested their hard-earned money and sweat". It is to his credit and the County Board's good fortune that he was allowed to do so. The Hibernian Home was in danger of foreclosure as the income dwindled, and those who had invested were in danger of losing all. On October 10, 1965, Ed Kiernan managed to negotiate the sale of the property to a couple wanting to build a nursery school and, along with Home Society Past President, Ray Nugent, kept the wolves from the door of the County Board. The Home Society still held the mortgage however and was far from in the clear, for not long after, the nursery school began to default. Ed Kiernan, after much searching, managed to find another buyer—another nursery school! The second nursery school began to default causing this diligent Hibernian no end of woe. Fortunately,

they held on and managed over a period of time to reduce the mortgage to a point where, in the late 1960's, it was refinanced and taken over from the Hibernian Home Society. Ed Kiernan's efforts finally allowed the Home Society to repay all those who invested in it with a return of \$48.00 per bond—and that is \$48.00 more than they would have received had it not been for this man. His dedication to "the interests of those good people" without any mention of his own tireless efforts is the hallmark of a true Hibernian.

Yes, the middle 1960's brought some hard times to Suffolk County Hibernians, but they continued to strive even harder for the goals set by those who first envisioned Suffolk County as a Hibernian stronghold. Surrender is not in the Irish vocabulary. In 1966, twenty years after the first Division was formed in Suffolk County, the progressive membership of Division 7—again the newest Division— under the leadership of a young President Peter Bulfin, decided that they could and would sponsor a County Hibernian St. Patrick's Day Parade. And they did! On March 12, 1966, the Suffolk County Board marched in the all-new Hibernian St. Patrick's Day Parade in East Islip led by none other than the one-year old Saffron Kilts Pipe Band of Division 2. And what a proud day it was for Suffolk County. The distinction of being the first Grand Marshal went to Division 7's Chaplin, the Reverend Father Guinan. Division 7's sponsorship of the parade has lasted to this day without ever missing a single year—a tribute to their dedication to Hibernian ideals.

Things had finally turned around. Hibernianism was on the move again. In the following year, 1967, permission was granted for a new Division on the North Shore—Division 8 in Centereach. This Division was so successful that Jack Reynolds, now State Organizer, decided to repeat that success the following year and on March 31, 1968, Division 9 was born in Port Jefferson.

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ROSTER OF OFFICERS

SUFFOLK COUNTY BOARD

1946
President Ed Davis
Vice President Chas. Milton
Recording Secretary John O'Rourke
Financial Secretary Andy Melton
Treasurer Pat Clarkin

1947
President Ed Davis

1948
President Barney Gallen

1949
President Mike Rice

1950
President Mike Rice
Recording Secretary Bill Johnson

1951
President Mike Rice

1952
President Jeremiah Crowley
Vice-President John Heslin
Recording Secretary Joe Murphy
Financial Secretary Tom Fahey
Treasurer Joe Duffy

1953
President Jeremiah Crowley
Vice-President John Heslin
Recording Secretary Joe Murphy
Financial Secretary Tom Fahey
Treasurer Joe Duffy

1954
President John Heslin
Vice-President Tom Fahey
Recording Secretary James Manning
Financial Secretary James McCabe
Treasurer Joe Duffy

1955
President John Heslin
Vice-President Tom Fahey
Recording Secretary James Manning
Financial Secretary James McCabe
Treasurer Joe Duffy

1956
President John Heslin
Vice-President Tom Fahey
Recording Secretary Ernest Francis
Financial Secretary William Johnson
Treasurer James McCabe

1957
President John Heslin
Vice-President Tom Fahey
Recording Secretary Ernest Francis
Financial Secretary William Johnson
Treasurer James McCabe

1958
President Tom Fahey
Vice-President Jim McCabe
Treasurer Paul Ayres

1959
President Tom Fahey
Vice-President Jim McCabe
Treasurer Paul Ayres

1960
President Tom Fahey
Vice-President John Farrelly
Recording Secretary Ed Berryman
Financial Secretary Bernie Callen
Treasurer Paul Ayres

1961
President Tom Fahey
Vice-President John Farrelly
Recording Secretary C. McGrath
Financial Secretary Bernie Callen
Treasurer Paul Ayres

1962
President Al Lawrence
Vice-President Jim McCabe
Recording Secretary Chris Smith
Financial Secretary John McMahon
Treasurer John Burke

1963
President Al Lawrence
Vice-President Jim McCabe
Recording Secretary Chris Smith
Financial Secretary John McMahon
Treasurer John Burke

1964*

President Jack Reynolds
 Vice-President Ed Daly
 Recording Secretary Paul Ayres
 Financial Secretary Pete Bulfin
 Treasurer Jim McCabe

1965

President Jack Reynolds
 Vice-President Ed Daly
 Recording Secretary Paul Ayres
 Financial Secretary Pete Bulfin
 Treasurer Jim McCabe

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President Paul Ayres
 Vice-President Pete Bulfin
 Recording Secretary Ronnie Allen
 Financial Secretary Chas Fagan
 Treasurer Jim McCabe

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1968

President Pete Bulfin
 Vice-President Harry Brown
 Recording Secretary John Reilly
 Financial Secretary Denis Haughney
 Treasurer Jim McCabe

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President Pete Bulfin
 Vice-President Harry Brown
 Recording Secretary John Reilly
 Financial Secretary Denis Haughney
 Treasurer Jim McCabe

1970

President Bob McGrory
 Vice-President Harry Brown
 Recording Secretary Frank Smith
 Financial Secretary Denis Haughney
 Treasurer Ronnie Allen

1971**

President Harry Brown
 Vice-President Mike McCormack
 Recording Secretary Frank Smith
 Financial Secretary Denis Haughney
 Treasurer Ronnie Allen

1972

President Jim Sullivan
 Vice-President Mike McCormack
 Recording Secretary Jerry Slattery
 Financial Secretary Andy O'Donnell
 Treasurer Ronnie Allen

1973

President Jim Sullivan
 Vice-President Ronnie Allen
 Recording Secretary Jerry Slattery
 Financial Secretary Andy O'Donnell
 Treasurer John Hennessy

1974***

President Ronnie Allen
 Vice-President Jerry Slattery
 Recording Secretary Joe Roddin
 Financial Secretary Andy O'Donnell
 Treasurer John Hennessy

1975

President Ronnie Allen
 Vice-President Jerry Slattery
 Recording Secretary Joe Roddin
 Financial Secretary Bill Walker
 Treasurer John Hennessy

1976

President Ronnie Allen
 Vice-President Jerry Slattery
 Recording Secretary Joe Roddin
 Financial Secretary Bill Walker
 Treasurer John Hennessy

1977

President Jerry Slattery
 Vice-President John Hennessy
 Recording Secretary John Linehan
 Financial Secretary Jim Sayre
 Treasurer Jack Gibbons

*J. Reynolds elected Jan. '64 to fill unexpired term of A. Lawrence who retired for medical reasons.

**H. Brown assumed unfinished term of B. McGrory who retired from office.

***R. Allen assumed unfinished term of J. Sullivan who retired from office to return to Ireland.

Queen of All Hearts Division No. 1

Bay Shore, Long Island
Organized September 30, 1946
Ladies Auxiliary—January 12, 1950

Division I was organized at St. Anne's in Brentwood. Two years later they moved to Bayshore where they reside today. In 1949 a Ladies Auxiliary was formed with Nellie Mahoney as President. Both men and ladies held their monthly meetings in the Memorial Building, Bayshore until 1974 when, with financial assistance from the good brothers of Division II in Babylon, they acquired their own hall on Smith Street in Bayshore. Progress with the new hall was halted and remained in limbo as the town of Islip, making way for a new road, moved the hall to a new and better location.

This Division has made significant contributions to the Order with three brothers serving as County President and one sister as President of the Ladies County Board. They have also provided the State Board with talented officers in the persons of Jerry Tobin as State Chairman for Freedom For All Ireland and Ronnie Allen as State Director. Brother Allen, in addition to his current position of State Director is serving the National Board as Deputy National Organizer.

Their contributions to Irish culture are impressive as well. They instituted Gaelic Day as an annual tradition—the first ever in Suffolk County. Gaelic Day is best described as a festival of Gaelic games, dancing, Pipe Bands, displays of Irish products, and commemorative pageants. "Thank God I've lived to see Gaelic football come to this Country", was the triumphant cry of one staunch Irishman—Tom Purtell—which seemed to make it all the more worthwhile. They have also sponsored top concert groups from Ireland ranging from local Irish county folk groups to the spectacular Artane Boys Band. And, if that were not enough, their hall has been and is the scene of Irish language, music, and dancing lessons.

In their contributions to the community, Division I has also made their mark. Involvement is the key for this earnest Division. They have sponsored orphan's parties, senior citizen's affairs and entertained and visited hospitals. Their Ladies, in particular, have contributed generously to many charities, especially their favorite—The Columban Fathers.

This year shows a new and vigorous Division I who can look forward to a successful future. The brothers and sisters who have served this Division and its Auxiliary as Presidents have been:

ROSTER OF PRESIDENTS

Men

Barney Callen
Bill Tolan
Charles Melton
Connie Ryan
Bill Boyd
Jack Meade
Chris Smith
Mike Murphy
Jack Burke
Ronnie Allen
Dennis O'Keefe
Joe Willis
Bob Coulman
Alan Lawrence
Ed Fitzpatrick
Jack Gibbons

Ladies

Nellie Mahoney
Bridie Jordan
Mary Ryan
Shiela Sheenan
Vera Ruxton
Mary Rabbit
Elizabeth Allen
Pat Lewis
Bridie Moore
Linda Geheran
Sera O'Leary

St. Patrick's Division No. 2

Babylon, Long Island
Organized October 6, 1946

Ladies Auxiliary—February 26, 1952 and October 14, 1958

Division 2 was organized on October 6, 1946 in St. Joseph's Hall, Babylon, New York. The organizer and first President, was Brother Michael Rice who lived in Deer Park. There were 24 new members initiated at that first meeting. These new members continued to hold their meetings at St. Joseph's Hall until January of 1947, at which time they moved to the Hall in the Miraculus Medal Church in Wyandanch. They continued to meet at this place until March of 1949. The April, 1949 meeting was held at the Hall of St. Cyril & Methodius Church in Deer Park. The members moved back to Wyandanch in January of 1950 and they continued to hold their meetings in this location until 1955, when they moved back to Babylon. They held their meetings in the American Legion Hall and Babylon Hotel and finally in 1957, at the new Knights of Columbus Hall on Park Avenue. There they continued until 1970, when they purchased their own building on Locust Avenue, Babylon. In all these years in between, Division 2 continued to grow strong.

The years between 1946 and the present saw much activity and growth. From the 27 members initiated in 1946, the Division has grown to a membership of over 300. New members coming into Division 2 have always been made to feel at home. This policy was established by the former and original President of Division 2, Brother Michael Rice, and has been cultivated by each President down through the years. It is one of the reasons for the continued growth of Division 2.

One way to judge the strength of Division 2 is to keep in touch with the amount of activities they hold and the interest the members have in them. When you look at Division 2's Roster today and see names like Rice, Maloney, Logan and Manning—the same names that were on that first Roster almost thirty years ago—then you know the Division has something to offer. One of the activities they offer is membership in one of the finest Irish Pipe Bands in the country—the Saffron Kilts. The Saffron Kilts Pipe Band was just a dream back in the early 1960s. There were approximately three to six members who were really pushing for the promotion and formation of a pipe band in Division 2 back in early 1960. Kevin Murphy, Bill Murphy, and Matt Close were the real organizers behind the Pipe Band. There weren't many members in Division 2 at that time who thought the Pipe Band could make a go of it. They were leery of spending money on something that they didn't think had much of a chance. They felt the membership was too small at the time. But that didn't deter Bill Murphy from continually bringing the subject up at every meeting, until, finally, in August of 1962, a motion was made on the floor that the Division advance \$500 to the Pipe Band. This motion was seconded and passed and was the official organization of the Pipe Band. But, the Pipe Band didn't just become a band over night. It took many years of hard work and dedication to get the Band on the road. Many hours of practice were spent until finally, at Division 2's St. Patrick's Night Ball at the American Legion Hall in Grove Place, Babylon, in 1965, they made their first public appearance. They were a huge success. They had their first official parade that same year: the Memorial Day Parade on May 31st, 1965 in which they led Division 2 down Main Street, Babylon. It was a proud day for Division 2 and a glorious day for the Saffron Kilts Pipe Band. They are respected for their dedication to the traditions of the Irish people and are in continuous demand for their musical skills. They are a proud part of Division 2 history and Division 2 is proud to be a part of the Saffron Kilt Pipe Band. The Saffron Kilt Pipe Band is open to all members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Ladies' Auxiliary, or the Junior Divisions of Nassau and Suffolk Counties. In the ten years since it has been organized it has had approximately five members other than Division 2. The Pipe Band has had many active members since its formation more than ten years ago who worked very hard to make the Pipe Band a success but, there was one member who stood out and seemed to work harder and spend longer hours working for the Pipe Band. That man is its first and continuous Pipe Major, Matt Close. Matt and the Band seemed to be one and the same over the past ten years. He has been a very dedicated Pipe Major.

It seemed that the same efforts at forcing public awareness which had been attempted in the early 1960's were happening again—only this time with more success. Not only could Suffolk County boast of a Hibernian Pipe Band and a St. Patrick's Day Parade, but, in 1969, Division 8 added a Feis to the growing list of Hibernian affairs with the able assistance of the members of Division 9. It too, continues to this day, co-sponsored now by Divisions 8 and 9, as an event on the Hibernian calendar that Suffolk can point to with pride. Nor was this the end, for in 1970, Division 2 announced the opening of the Hibernian Hall and Irish Culture Center in Babylon. The first Hibernian Hall in Suffolk since the ill-fated

Home Society folded. It seemed now that there was no stopping Suffolk County. They began to play an active part in State and National conventions as Jack Reynolds was elected to the office of State Treasurer. Suffolk also became active in the Freedom for All Ireland movement generously contributing to the \$12,000.00 raised by the National Board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians which was hand-carried to the office of His Eminence William Cardinal Conway, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All-Ireland, by Peter Bulfin of Suffolk County. The County was also very involved with collecting and airlifting tons of clothing and medical supplies to the besieged Catholics of Ulster.

In 1972 a County campaign was organized to boycott British products with John Reilly and Peter Bulfin of Division 7 as Chairman and Co-Chairman respectively, and Mike McCormack, County Vice President, as County Coordinator. A very successful distribution of literature was effected and the Suffolk County Board received a good deal of complimentary recognition as a leader in the movement to provide relief to the distressed area in north-east Ireland.

Suffolk continued to build as the untiring Joe Murphy, acting in his capacity of county Organizer (the same job Mr. Murphy had when he organized Division 5 back in 1956) reorganized Division 5 in Patchogue. On December 18, 1973, County President Jim Sullivan installed John Riley as President, Arthur Walsh as Vice President, William Toner as Recording Secretary, and Francis Fitzgerald as Treasurer. The office of Financial Secretary was filled by the undefeatable Ed Kiernan.

In 1973, just one year after Jack Reynolds made an unsuccessful bid for State President after ten years of active service on the State Board, Suffolk County decided to bring the convention to Long Island for the first time. A caucus with select officers of the Nassau County Board was called by a select group from the Suffolk County Board and the wheels were placed in motion. Mike McCormack made dozens of calls to sites on the Island and, with 2 hours to go before the convention reconvened, sat with Al Lawrence to compose a pitch that would sell Long Island to the assembled delegates. The draft was completed and delivered by Al Lawrence. When the final votes were counted, the long shot paid off. Long Island would host the 1975 State Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

The site was won but a tremendous amount of work was required to pull it off. The first and most important task was the selection of a Convention Chairman who would not play favorites, would be above politics, and would be acceptable to both Nassau and Suffolk Counties. The choice was made and proved to be the singular most important factor in the success of the Convention—Joe Murphy of Division 3 in Smithtown. Under Mr. Murphy's guidance and leadership, the 1975 State Convention was the most enjoyable and successful convention in memory—and Suffolk County captured the office of State Treasurer with the election of Peter Bulfin, whose performance in that position was no less than exemplary. He set the standards of performance by which all future State Treasurers will be judged. Such is the quality of Suffolk County's leadership.

Active participation in National Hibernian affairs continued to be one of Suffolk County's premiere interests as evidenced in the number of delegates at the National Convention in Rhode Island in 1976 and again at the State Convention in Niagara Falls in 1977. This exuberance and intense concern prompted Suffolk County to nominate Peter Bulfin for the top slot at the State Convention in 1977. They, of course, were aware that there were many good men on the State Board at the time and yet, they felt that their time was at hand. They knew that the State Board would benefit from the experience of having a candidate from Suffolk County preside over that august body. It was not to be however, for again they reached the threshold and were unable to cross over. With all due respect to the opposition, it was not that Suffolk County considered them less capable, but rather that Suffolk knew that they could serve as well. Someday soon they will have the opportunity to prove it.

The Hibernians of Suffolk County are a proud group. They have struggled hard and long. They have come back from the brink of disaster so often that they are not afraid to take a chance. They stand today as an almost self-sufficient County with their own Shamrock Degree Team, Major Degree Team, Pipe Band, annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, annual Feis, and three Hibernian Halls yet, they remain very much involved in, and concerned for the total Hibernian movement. It is a credit to the foresight of a handful of men who braved the cold of night in front of a locked door wondering where they could meet next to rekindle the Hibernian flame. May we be as strong.

Another of Division 2's activities is the Shamrock Degree Team. Back in the early days of the Division, the leaders saw a need for a Shamrock Degree Team on this part of the Island. So it was, in the late 1950's that Brother Rice, with less than a dozen other members of Division 2, formed the St. Patrick's Division #2 Shamrock Degree Team with Brother Rice as their leader. Though Brother Rice is no longer the leader of the Degree Team, it has continued to grow and function and, when requested, it has made visits all over the County to initiate new members and give them the Degree of the Shamrock. There is never any charge for this Degree Team in any Division in the County. These members give of their time freely and their only demand would be that the new members they initiate into the Order would be dedicated to that Order in the years to come. From the continued success of the Shamrock Degree Team, a new team has been born in Division 2—a Suffolk County Major Degree Team. This was formulated over the past couple of years and in 1974 they gave their first degree. Brother Fred Stein, who is the Marshall of this Degree Team, promoted the idea for several years and finally it became a reality in 1974. The Ard-Righ of this Degree Team is Thomas Maher.

There is one dream that Division 2 had since Brother Michael Rice organized it in 1946 and that was the acquisition and ownership of their own building. Back at those early meetings, it was always a topic that was discussed. It was continually brought to their minds and their attention due to the fact that on many occasions they found, after they had come to a meeting hall to have their meeting, that the hall would be locked. They couldn't locate whoever was in charge of the building and consequently, there was no meeting held. This was a very disturbing aspect and it concerned the early members a great deal. The subject came up all through the fifties until finally, sometime in the late fifties, a building fund was organized in Division 2 and each year an effort was made to raise some money to put into that building fund. Incidentally, the Pipe Band's first loan was made out of Building Fund money.

The Building Fund grew at a very slow rate in those first few years. Fund raising in those days was not too prosperous but it continued and each year a little was added to it. There were many fund raising events, to acquire funds to be put in this Building Fund. It continued to grow until, in the mid 1960's, the members began to discuss seriously the possibility of owning their own building. In 1970 their dream came true. They became the proud owners of a building at 27 Locust Avenue, Babylon. It wasn't the dream building that some members had hoped for, but it was a start and Division 2 owned it. They didn't owe anything to anybody. They had acquired it all by themselves, through their own sacrifice, through their own hard work, through their own dedication. As in everything else, there were a few people who made an idea a reality. To name just a few who were the spearheads: Edward Daly, who was one of our greatest fundraisers, Jack Farrelly, and John McCarthy, all past Presidents of Division 2.

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

Year	Chaplin	President	Vice-President	Recording Secretary	Treasurer	Financial Secretary	Marshall	Sentinal
1946	Fr. Cuddlebach	Michael Rice	Bernard Trayner	Bob Cosgrove	John Boyle	William F. Walsh	Bob Snowden	John Markey
1947	Fr. Cuddlebach	Michael Rice	Gerry Crowley	W. F. Walsh	John Boyle	L. J. Nicholson	Thomas Logan	G. D. Maloney
1948	Fr. Cuddlebach	Michael Rice	Gerry Crowley	W. F. Walsh	John Boyle	L. J. Nicholson	Thomas Logan	G. D. Maloney
1949	Fr. Cuddlebach	Harold Manning	Thomas Fahey	Paul Moore	Bob Cosgrove	John Boyle	Bob Anderson	Bob Snowdine
1950	Fr. Cuddlebach	Thomas Fahey	John Blake	John Carberry	Paul Moore	John Moran	Thomas Logan	John Lenihan
1951	Fr. Cuddlebach	Thomas Fahey	Dennis Maloney	Joseph Goonan	Paul Moore	Edward Morgan	Thomas Logan	John Lenihan
1952	Fr. Cuddlebach	Dennis Maloney	Michael McCarthy	Joseph Goonan	Edward Morgan	Paul Moore	Thomas Logan	Thomas O'Neil
1953	Fr. Cuddlebach	Dennis Maloney	Michael McCarthy	Bernard Traynor	John J. Delaney	Thomas Fahey	Thomas Logan	Thomas O'Neil
1954	Fr. Cuddlebach	M. J. McCarthy	Bernard Traynor	Joseph Goonan	John J. Delaney	Thomas Fahey	Thomas Logan	Owen McGowen
1955	Fr. M. Guinnen	Bernard Trayner	Richard O'Flaherty	Thomas O'Neil	Dennis Maloney	Thomas Fahey	Thomas Logan	Owen McGowen
1956	Fr. M. Guinnen	Bernard Trayner	Richard O'Flaherty	Thomas Fahey	Dennis Maloney	Thomas O'Neil	Frank Redmond	Owen McGowen
1957	Fr. M. Guinnen	John J. Farrelly	Thomas O'Neil	Bernard Trayner	Dennis Maloney	Bob Cosgrove	Frank Redmond	Thomas Fahey
1958	Fr. Power	John J. Farrelly	Hugh McGrath	Bill Burke	Thomas Fraker	James McGrath	Charl. McGrath	Joe Heffernan
1959	Fr. Power	Hugh McGrath	Edward Daley	Charl. McGrath	Paul Ayres	Thomas O'Neil	Joe Heffernan	James Gillespie
1960	Fr. Power	Hugh McGrath	Edward Daley	Charl. McGrath	Paul Ayres	Thomas O'Neil	Joe Heffernan	Al Carney
1961	Fr. Power	Edward Daley	Paul Ayres	Ronald Hogan	Charl. McGrath	Thomas O'Neil	John Flaherty	Ed. Kavanaugh
1962	Fr. Power	Edward Daley	Paul Ayres	John Flaherty	John J. Farrelly	Thomas O'Neil	Ed. Kavanaugh	Pat Rodomeyer
1963	Fr. Power	Paul Ayres	John Flaherty	Ed. Kavanaugh	John J. Farrelly	Thomas O'Neil	Leo Kenney	Bill Murphy
1964	Fr. Power	Paul Ayres	John Flaherty	Ed. Kavanaugh	John Farrelly	Thomas O'Neil	Leo Kenny	Matt Close
1965	Fr. Power	John Flaherty	Ed. Kavanaugh	Matt Close	John Farrelly	Thomas O'Neil	M. Maloney	John Keating
1966	Fr. Power	John Flaherty	Ed. Kavanaugh	J. J. McCarthy	John Farrelly	Thomas O'Neil	M. Maloney	John Keating
1967	Fr. Power	Ed. Kavanaugh	John McCarthy	Bob Quinlan	John Farrelly	Brian McPartland	John Keating	John Mullins
1968	Fr. Power	John McCarthy	Bob Quinlan	John Keating	John Farrelly	Brian McPartland	Fred Stein	Frank Smith
1969	Fr. Power	John McCarthy	James Sullivan	J. McCormick	John Farrelly	Brian McPartland	Fred Stein	Frank Smith
1970	Fr. Power	James Sullivan	Michael Maher	Frank Smith	John Farrelly	Jack Friel	Frank Mulligan	John Bradley
1971	Fr. Power	James Sullivan	Michael Maher	Frank Smith	John Farrelly	Jack Friel	Frank Mulligan	John Bradley
1972	Fr. Power	Bob Quinlan	Jack Friel	Frank Smith	John Farrelly	Arthur Fritz	John Bradley	Frank O'Loughlin
1973	Fr. Power	Bob Quinlan	Jack Friel	Joe Griffin	John Farrelly	Arthur Fritz	John Bradley	Robert O'Shea
1974	Fr. Power	Jack Friel	Broughan Gorey	Joe Griffin	John Farrelly	James Sayre	Robert O'Shea	Joe Roddin
1975	Fr. Power	Broughan Gorey	Robert O'Shea	Fred Stein	John Farrelly	Jim Sayre	Joe Roddin	Thomas Walsh

Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary of The Ancient Order of Hibernians Division #2 Babylon was organized by Mrs. Mary Feeney on the Twenty-sixth of February 1952.

The Charter Officers of the Division were:

President—Mrs. Kathleen Brennan, Vice-President—Mrs. Beatrice Rice, Recording Secretary—Mrs. Lorraine Yooman, and Financial Secretary—Mrs. Mary Moloney, Treasurer—Mrs. Agnes Treanor.

Due to lack of transportation and meeting facilities the Division disbanded in 1955.

On October 14, 1958 The Ladies Auxiliary reorganized under a new Charter.

The following members of Ladies Auxiliary Division #2 served as County Officers:

Susan Daly—President 1968-69 and Recording Secretary 1966-67, Mary Rodemeyer—Recording Secretary 1973-74; Mary Shannon—Sentinel 1973-73, Eleanor Wallace—Catholic Action 1975-76 and Vice-President 1977; Agnes Gorey—Historian 1977.

Due to their effort and dedication to the Division the following members were elected Honorary Life Members of the Division—Mary Cody 1973, Agnes Heffernan, Gertrude Kavanaugh, Susan Daly and Mary Rodemeyer 1976.

In 1972 through the efforts of members of the Ladies Auxiliary in conjunction with the Men's Division a Pioneer Total Abstinence Assoc. of The Sacred Heart was formed, known as Centre 32 10A. Our Sisters Margaret Stein, Mary Love, and Eleanor Wallace are Charter Members of this Centre.

The following member of The Ladies Auxiliary are members of Division #2 Saffron Kilts Pipe Band—Maureen Stein, Cathy O'Hara, and Brigid Close.

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Since 1974, under the direction of member Maureen Stein, the Division #2 Irish Step Dancers have become very popular in Long Island. Upon the invitation of Babylon Village, The Ladies Auxiliary participated in the Annual Babylon Village Parades, The Babylon Village Bi-Centennial Cultural Programs, and have also participated in The International Festival held in Nassau County June 18, 1977.

The Ladies Auxiliary's charitable works in the community are numerous but we are especially proud of our support and monthly visits to Melville State School for children, since 1973.

Our major Fund Raising through the years since 1963 has been Our Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner.

In 1974, a Library was opened in Division #2 Hall to which members of the Ladies Auxiliary generously contributed books and many working hours.

Weekly, on Friday evenings at 8:30 p.m. the ladies and men of St. Patrick's Division #2 meet at our Hall to recite the Rosary for our sick and deceased members.

On August 15, 1977, we were saddened by the passing of our Treasurer, Barbara McNicholas.

The membership of the Ladies Auxiliary increased Four Hundred percent from 1970 to 1977. Monthly meetings are held 3rd Tues. of the month at 8:30 p.m.—Rosary—8:15 p.m.

The Rev. Virgil P. Power is Chaplain of the Ladies Auxiliary, St. Patrick's Division 2, Babylon.

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

1958-1959

President Alice Kavanaugh
 Vice-President Muriel Himmelsbach
 Secretary Jean Ann Kavanaugh
 Financial Secretary Susan Daly
 Treasurer Dorothy Rollo
 History Virginia Dolan
 Missions Loretta Quinn
 Catholic Action Rose Farrelly
 Mist. at Arms Helen Hendrickson
 Sentinel Marge Farrelly
 Standing Committee Gertrude Kavanaugh

1960-1961

President Muriel Himmelsbach
 Vice-President Susan Daly
 Secretary Elizabeth Cahill
 Financial Secretary Loretta Quinn
 Treasurer Dorothy Rollo
 History Rose M. Kavanaugh
 Missions Henrietta Hogan
 Catholic Action Gertrude Kavanaugh
 Mist. at Arms Margaret Farrelly
 Sentinel Helen Hendrickson
 Standing Committee Alice O'Neill

1962

President Susan Daly
 Vice-President Elizabeth Cahill
 Secretary Loretta Quinn
 Financial Secretary Alice O'Neill
 Treasurer Rose M. Kavanaugh
 History Gertrude Kavanaugh
 Missions Alice Kavanaugh
 Catholic Action Mary Rodemeyer
 Mist. at Arms Eileen Roberts
 Sentinel Margaret Farrelly
 Standing Committee Muriel Himmelsbach

1963

President Susan Daly
 Vice-President Elizabeth Cahill
 Secretary Alice O'Neill
 Financial Secretary Loretta Quinn
 Treasurer Rose M. Kavanaugh
 History Gertrude Kavanaugh
 Missions Alice Kavanaugh
 Catholic Action Mary Rodemeyer
 Mist. at Arms Eileen Roberts
 Sentinel Margaret Farrelly
 Standing Committee Muriel Himmelsbach

1964-1965

President Elizabeth Cahill
 Vice-President Alice O'Neill
 Secretary Rose M. Kavanaugh
 Financial Secretary Jean A. Kavanaugh
 Treasurer Gertrude Kavanaugh
 History Vera Kavanaugh
 Missions Mary Rodemeyer
 Catholic Action Irene Henry
 Mist. at Arms Ronny Anderson
 Sentinel Margaret Farrelly
 Standing Committee Susan Daly

1966-1967

President Rose M. Kavanaugh
 Vice-President Veronica Anderson
 Secretary Gertrude Kavanaugh
 Financial Secretary Margaret Farrelly
 Treasurer Susan Daly
 History Mary Rodemeyer
 Missions Madeline O'Connell
 Catholic Action Catherine Brady
 Mist. at Arms Margaret Farrelly
 Sentinel Margaret Byawnshorff
 Standing Committee Elizabeth Cahill

1968

President Veronica Anderson
 Vice-President Gertrude Kavanaugh
 Secretary Margaret Farrell
 Financial Secretary Mary Redemeyer
 Treasurer Susan Daly
 History Jean Ann Kavanaugh
 Missions Irene Gartland
 Catholic Action Catherine Brady
 Mist. at Arms Margaret Farrelly
 Sentinel Margaret Braunshorff
 Standing Committee Rose M. Kavanaugh

1969

President Veronica Anderson
 Vice-President Gertrude Kavanaugh
 Secretary Mary Redemeyer
 Financial Secretary Loretta Quinn
 Treasurer Susan Daly
 History Alice Ryan
 Missions Margaret Braunshorff
 Catholic Action Catherine Brady
 Mist. at Arms Margaret Farrelly
 Sentinel Irene Gartland
 Standing Committee Elizabeth Cahill

1970

President Gertrude Kavanaugh
 Vice-President Mary Rodemeyer
 Secretary Loretta Quinn
 Financial Secretary Alice R. Ryan
 Treasurer Susan Daly
 History Vera Kavanaugh
 Missions Catherine Brady
 Catholic Action Mary Conroy
 Mist. at Arms Margaret Farrell
 Sentinel Agnes Hoffernan
 Standing Committee Veronica Anderson

1971

President Gertrude Kavanaugh
 Vice-President Mary Rodemeyer
 Secretary Loretta Quinn
 Financial Secretary Alice Ryan
 Treasurer Susan Daly
 History Vera Kavanaugh
 Missions Catherine Wisher
 Catholic Action Helen Smyth
 Mist. at Arms Florence Gilbride
 Sentinel Agnes Heffernan
 Standing Committee Alice Kavanaugh

1972-1973

President Mary Rodemeyer
 Vice-President Alice Ryan
 Secretary Vera Kavanaugh
 Financial Secretary Catherine Wisher
 Treasurer Susan Daly
 History Florence Gilbride
 Missions Ann Smyth
 Catholic Action Nancy O'Connell
 Mist. at Arms Margaret Stein
 Sentinel Mary Love
 Standing Committee Mary Shannon

1974

President Nancy Keating
 Vice-President Agnes Gorey
 Secretary Catherine Wisher
 Financial Secretary Margaret Stein
 Treasurer Susan Daly
 History Maura Love
 Missions Mary Gorey
 Catholic Action Eleanor Wallace
 Mist. at Arms Mary Shannon
 Sentinel Mary Love
 Standing Committee Adele O'Shea

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

1975

President Agnes Gorey
Vice-President Catherine Wisler
Secretary Mary Shannon
Financial Secretary Margaret Stein
Treasurer Susan Daly
History Molly Love
Missions Mary Gorey
Catholic Action Eleanor Wallace
Mist. at Arms Ellen Frank
Sentinel Margaret Sayre
Standing Committee Catherine Milligan

1976

President Agnes Gorey
Vice-President Catherine Wisler
Secretary Florence Gilbride
Financial Secretary Margaret Stein
Treasurer Susan Daly

History Mary Gorey
Missions Eleanor Wallace
Catholic Action Brigid Close
Mist. at Arms Ellen Frank
Sentinel Margaret Sayre
Standing Committee Catherine Mulligan

1977

President Catherine Wisler
Vice-President Florence Gilbride
Secretary Margaret Stein
Financial Secretary Mary Gorey
Treasurer Barbara McNicholas
History Brigid Close
Missions Ellen Frank
Catholic Action Nancy Keating
Mist. at Arms Maureen Murphy
Sentinel Ann McKeon, Eleanor Wallace
Standing Committee Sr. Anne Frances Pulling

1970

President Mary Rodemeyer
Vice-President Loreta Quinn
Secretary Alice Ryan
Financial Secretary Susan Daly
Treasurer Vera Kavavough
History Mary Conroy
Missions Margaret Farnely
Catholic Action Agnes Hoffman
Mist. at Arms Margaret Farnely
Sentinel Margaret Farnely
Standing Committee Margaret Farnely

1982

President Susan Daly
Vice-President Elizabeth Cull
Secretary Alice O'Neill
Financial Secretary Loreta Quinn
Treasurer Rose M. Kavavough
History Rose M. Kavavough
Missions Rose M. Kavavough
Catholic Action Rose M. Kavavough
Mist. at Arms Rose M. Kavavough
Sentinel Rose M. Kavavough
Standing Committee Rose M. Kavavough

1983

President Susan Daly
Vice-President Elizabeth Cull
Secretary Alice O'Neill
Financial Secretary Loreta Quinn
Treasurer Rose M. Kavavough
History Rose M. Kavavough
Missions Rose M. Kavavough
Catholic Action Rose M. Kavavough
Mist. at Arms Rose M. Kavavough
Sentinel Rose M. Kavavough
Standing Committee Rose M. Kavavough

1984-1988

President Elizabeth Cull
Vice-President Alice O'Neill
Secretary Rose M. Kavavough
Financial Secretary Jean A. Kavavough
Treasurer Gerhude Kavavough
History Mary Rodemeyer
Missions Mary Rodemeyer
Catholic Action Mary Rodemeyer
Mist. at Arms Mary Rodemeyer
Sentinel Margaret Farnely
Standing Committee Susan Daly

1989-1997

President Rose M. Kavavough
Vice-President Veronica Anderson
Secretary Gerhude Kavavough
Financial Secretary Margaret Farnely
Treasurer Susan Daly
History Mary Rodemeyer
Missions Maccaline O'Connell
Catholic Action Catherine Brady
Mist. at Arms Margaret Farnely
Sentinel Margaret Bysanovich
Standing Committee Elizabeth Cull

President Mary Rodemeyer
Vice-President Alice Ryan
Secretary Vera Kavavough
Financial Secretary Catherine Wisler
Treasurer Susan Daly
History Florence Gilbride
Missions Ann Smyth
Catholic Action Margaret Farnely
Mist. at Arms Margaret Stein
Sentinel Margaret Stein
Standing Committee Margaret Stein

President Nancy Keating
Vice-President Agnes Gorey
Secretary Catherine Wisler
Financial Secretary Margaret Stein
Treasurer Susan Daly
History Mary Gorey
Missions Eleanor Wallace
Catholic Action Mary Shannon
Mist. at Arms Mary Love
Sentinel Mary Love
Standing Committee Adele O'Shea

Kevin Barry Division No. 3
 Smithtown, Long Island
 Organized November 17, 1946
 Ladies Auxiliary—1951

ROSTER OF PRESIDENTS

1947—Michael J. Long
 1948—John Whelan
 1949—John J. O'Rourke
 1950—John Heslin
 1951—John Heslin
 1952—John Heslin
 1953—Joseph Murphy
 1954—Joseph Murphy
 1955—John Hynes
 1956—Charles Daly
 1957—Ernest F. Francis
 1958—Ernest F. Francis
 1959—James F. Scott
 1960—Ernest F. Francis
 1961—Ernest F. Francis
 1962—Ernest F. Francis
 1963—John Reynolds
 1964—John Reynolds
 1965—John Miskell Sr.—John Reynolds for balance of
 term after retirement of J. Miskell Sr.

1966—F. Scott Meigel
 1967—Charles McLaughlin
 1968—Charles McLaughlin
 1969—Charles McLaughlin
 1970—Charles McLaughlin
 1971—Charles McLaughlin
 1972—Joseph Murphy
 1973—Joseph Murphy
 1974—Ronald Murphy
 1975—Ronald Murphy
 1976—Bob Hennessy
 1977—Bob Hennessy

Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary of Division 3 was organized on October 30, 1950, with Julia Murphy as first President. This Auxiliary has had a high degree of charitable involvement. Among the recipients of their generosity has been St. Charles Building Fund, Sacred Heart Orphanage, St. Joseph's School, and a memorial to be placed in The National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception for Fr. D. O'Callaghan, late National Chaplain of the A.O.H. The Ladies of Division 3 have also sent a monthly donation to the African missions since 1969, and for about ten years offered a religious award to the girl receiving the highest mark at graduation from Sts. Philip and James School, and from St. Joseph's in Kings Park. They have also placed books on Ireland in the Kings Park Public Library and in St. Patrick's School Library. Active supporters of the Suffolk County Board's annual Communion Breakfast, St. Brigid's Day Dinner, and Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Basco, these Ladies have placed five of their members in the Office of President of the Ladies County Board:

John F. Kennedy Division No. 4

Huntington, Long Island
Organized December 8, 1948

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

1949

President Joseph A. Duffy
Vice-President Martin Feeney, Sr.
Recording Secretary Victor Noonan
Financial Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Treasurer John P. Mullen

1950

President Henry Hynes
Vice-President Frank Ronaghan
Recording Secretary Patrick Byrne
Financial Secretary Harold Noonan
Treasurer Victor Noonan

1951

President Martin Feeney, Sr.
Vice-President Joseph Hehir
Recording Secretary Harold Noonan
Financial Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Treasurer Joseph Duffy

1952

President Joseph Duffy
Vice-President Joseph Hehir
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Harold Noonan
Treasurer James McCabe

1962

President Joseph Duffy
Vice-President Wm. Halligan
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer James McCabe

1963

President Joseph Duffy
Vice-President Wm. Halligan
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer James McCabe

1964

President Harold Noonan
Vice-President Harry R. Brown
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan

Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer Joseph Duffy

1965

President Harry R. Brown
Vice-President James McCabe
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Wm. Dolan
Treasurer Wm. Halligan

1966

President Harry R. Brown
Vice-President James McCabe
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Wm. Dolan
Treasurer Wm. Halligan

1967

President John Walsh
Vice-President Thomas Lacey
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Wm. Dolan
Treasurer James O'Connor

1968

President John Walsh
Vice-President Thomas Lacey
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Harold Noonan
Treasurer James O'Connor

1969

President John Walsh
Vice-President James McCabe
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Harry R. Brown
Treasurer James O'Connor

1970

President James McCabe
Vice-President Harold Noonan
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer Wm. Halligan

1971

President James McCabe
Vice-President Harold Noonan
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer Wm. Halligan

1972

President James McCabe
Vice-President Harold Noonan
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer Wm. Halligan

1973

President M. J. Gallagher
Vice-President Dominic Golden
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer Harold Noonan

1974

President M. J. Gallagher
Vice-President Dominic Golden
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer Harold Noonan

1975

President M. J. Gallagher
Vice-President Dominic Golden
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer Charles Northshield

1976

President Harry R. Brown
Vice-President Dominic Golden
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer Charles Northshield

1977

President Charles Northshield
Vice-President M. J. Gallagher
Recording Secretary Frank Ronaghan
Financial Secretary Morgan Edwards
Treasurer James O'Connor

The society's records are incomplete for a period of time... The next set of officers elected, according to the records... President—Edward B. Kieran, Recording Secretary—

The Suffolk County Board sponsored two Saint Patrick Day Parades... The first was held on March 17, 1902 and the second on March 16, 1903. These parades were held in Patchogue, New York, and Suffolk Park was the first Division.

St. Patrick's Division No. 5

Patchogue, Long Island
Organized March 13, 1956

Division 5 was organized by the Suffolk County Board on March 13, 1956. The name of the division is Saint Patrick and the location of the division is Patchogue, New York. The first set of officers were: President—Francis J. Costello, Vice-President—John Scully, Recording Secretary—Jay C. Rowland, Jr., Financial Secretary—Edward B. Kiernan, Treasurer—William Ackerman.

There were fifteen charter members initiated into Division number five on this date. A special meeting was conducted by the Suffolk County Board of the Ancient Order Of Hibernians in the Veterans Of Foreign Wars Hall on Edwards Stret in Patchogue, New York, for the purpose of organizing this new Division and installing the first set of officers. The degree team for this occasion consisted of County President John Heslin, Thosmas Fahey, Ernest Francis and William Johnson. Brothers McCarthy and Rupton acted as Marshals. Brother Joseph Murphy was the County Organizer at that time.

The next set of officers elected, according to the records, was on March 2, 1961 as follows: President—John F. Burke, Vice-President—Edward B. Kiernan, Recording Secretary—John C. McMahon, Financial Secretary—James K. Tierney, and Treasurer—Raymond J. Fox.

The Secretary's records are incomplete for a period of time and show a meeting held on February 7, 1963 with the president being listed as Edward B. Kiernan, and Jay C. Rowland Jr. as Acting Secretary. Later records show Joseph A. Conley as Acting Secretary. Records later show a special meeting held on Septembe 23, 1966 for the reorganizing of Division number five, at the Medford Democratic Club. This meeting was attended by brother Paul Ayers—President of the County Board, Peter Bulfin—Vice-President, and Brother John Rielly—County Organizer. The next election of officers was held on February 16, 1967, elected were, Edward B. Kiernan—retained as President, James Fox—Vice-President, James McManus—Recording Secretary, John Morris—Financial Secretary, and Pat Smythe—Treasurer. Division five became inactive Shortly thereafter until it was reactivated by Brother Joseph Murphy, who was the county organizer again, on December 18, 1973. The new officers elected were, John Riley—President, Arthur Walsh—Vice-President, William Toner—Recording Secretary, Francis Fitzgerald—Treasurer, and the office of Financial Secretary was left open for futher discussion. This office was later filled by Edward B. Kiernan. The same slate of officers were reelected for the year 1974. John Mitchel replaced Francis Fitzgerald as Treasurer, on July 16, 1974. The next election took place on December 17, 1974. Elected were Arthur Walsh—President, Thomas Madden—Vice-President, William Toner—Recording Secretary, Edward B. Kiernan—Financial Secretary, and John Mitchel—Treasurer. The next election took place on November 11, 1975. Elected were Arthur Walsh—President, Thomas Madden—Vice-President, William Toner—Recording Secretary, Edward B. Kiernan—Financial Secretary, and John Linehan—Treasurer. The last election was held on December 14, 1976. Elected were Presiden—Arthur Walsh, Vice-President—William Toner, Recording Secretary—Matthew Mannix, Financial Secreatry—Edward B. Kiernan, and Treasurer—John Linehan.

The Suffolk County Board sponsored two Saint Patrick Day Parades. The first was held on March 17, 1962 and the second on March 16, 1963. These parades were held in Patchogue, New York, and Division Five was the host Division, and Brother Joseph A. Conley of division five was the chairman for both parades. Bot parades were very well attended and were listed as the largest parades ever held in Patchogue. They were a great step forward for the A.O.H. in Suffolk County and broght great honors and recognition to our society. Division Five was grateful for the opportunity to be host and have the parades held in our area. It was unfortunate that the second and last parade to be sponsored by the Suffolk County Board, went overboard in expenses and resulted in a loss which had to be made up by assessing each Division. A third parade was planned for the following year, also in Patchogue, but the Mayor of Patchogue, Robert Waldbauer, changed his mind. After meetings held with him, in which he offered to personally sign the letters to be sent out to the merchants for contributions to support this parade, he refused the permit needed to hold the parade in Patchogue. The parade committee then had to cancel the parade and notify all participants of said cancelation.

Our Lady of Knock 'Division No. 7

East Islip, Long Island
Organized February 23, 1963
Ladies Auxiliary—1965

ROSTER OF PRESIDENTS

1963-64	Pat Fitzpatrick
1965-66	Peter Bulfin
1967-68	Fintan Stapleton
1969-70	Charlie Fagan
1971-72	John Reilly
1973	Jerry Slattery
1974-75	Bob Phillips
1976-77	Charles Mackey

In 1966, Division 7 sponsored the first annual Suffolk County St. Patrick's Day Parade for the County Board. The following is a list of the Grand Marshalls for that parade through the years:

1966	Rev. Father Cuinan
1967	Judge John Cahalan
1968	Rev. Father O'Callaghan
1969	Judge Francis X. McInerny
1970	Dr. Francis O'Neill
1971	John P. Finnerty
1972	Charles McLaughlin
1973	Pat Fitzpatrick
1974	Peter Cohalan
1975	Jerry Slattery
1976	John Reilly
1977	Rev. Father Virgil Powers

The following members of Division 7 have served in higher than Division offices:

Peter Bulfin—County President and Vice-President, State Treasurer

Denis Haughney—County Financial Secretary

John Reilly—County Secretary and Organizer

Jerry Slattery—County President, Vice-President, and Secretary

Ladies Auxiliary Division #7

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

1965-1966

President Eileen Lee
Vice-President Ellen Tuohy
Recording Secretary Gail Haberl
Financial Secretary Elizabeth Fitzpatrick
Treasurer Conslance Corcoran
Historian Mary B. Meany

1966-1967

President Eileen Lee
Vice-President Gladys Tuohy
Recording Secretary Margaret Harris
Financial Secretary Elizabeth Fitzpatrick
Treasurer Julie Fetherstone
Historian Mary B. Meany

1967-1968

President Julie Fetherstone
Vice-President Mary B. Meany
Recording Secretary Eileen Lee
Financial Secretary Elizabeth Kreamer
Treasurer Elizabeth Fitzpatrick
Historian Margaret Lee

1968-1969

President Julie Fetherstone
Vice-President Mary B. Meany
Recording Secretary Margaret Harris
Financial Secretary Elizabeth Kreamer
Treasurer Elizabeth Fitzpatrick
Historian Molly Fetherstone

1969-1970

President Elizabeth Fitzpatrick
Vice-President Mary B. Meany
Recording Secretary Julie Sane (Fetherstone)
Financial Secretary Elizabeth Kreamer
Treasurer Margaret Silhan
Historian Molly Fetherstone

1970-1971

President Elizabeth Fitzpatrick
Vice-President Mary B. Meany
Recording Secretary Kathleen Jewell
Financial Secretary Elizabeth Kreamer
Treasurer Margaret Silhan
Historian Margaret Lee

1972-1973

President Elizabeth Kreamer
Vice-President Kathleen Jewell
Recording Secretary Virginia Slattery
Financial Secretary Mary B. Meany
Treasurer Elizabeth Fitzpatrick
Historian Margaret Lee

1973-1974

President Elizabeth Kreamer
Vice-President Elizabeth Fitzpatrick
Recording Secretary Virginia Slattery
Financial Secretary Elaine Walsh
Treasurer Kathleen Jewell
Historian Mary B. Meany

1974-1975

President Virginia Slattery
Vice-President Elizabeth Glennan
Recording Secretary Anna Marie Priest
Financial Secretary Elaine Walsh
Treasurer Elizabeth Kreamer
Historian Margaret Lee

1975-1976

President Virginia Slattery
Vice-President Peggy Flynn
Recording Secretary Anna Marie Priest
Financial Secretary Elaine Walsh
Treasurer Elizabeth Kreamer
Historian Margaret Lee

1976-1977

President Catherine O'Shea
Vice-President Peggy Flynn
Recording Secretary Claire Phillips
Financial Secretary Joyce Graber
Treasurer Anne Marie Priest
Historian Marie Fitzpatrick

1977-1978

President Peggy Flynn
Vice-President Helen McHugh
Recording Secretary Catherine O'Shea
Financial Secretary Pat Reilly
Treasurer Josephine Kennedy
Historian Mary B. Meany

Fr. Francis F. Fitzgerald Division No. 8

Centereach, Long Island
Organized February 1967
Ladies Auxiliary—November 9, 1967

Ladies Auxiliary

On November 9, 1967 the initiation, nomination and election of officers and members for Division 8 Ladies Auxiliary of Suffolk County A.O.H. was held at the Centereach Suffolk Federal Savings Bank. Sr. Jenny Leary, County President, presided over the installation of officers; we were also honored by the presence of Sr. Mary Collins, Vice-President of the State. Sr. May Collins extended her congratulations to the new members and was especially pleased to be present especially since one of the new members happened to be her daughter, Sr. Shelia Salerno. Thirty four members were initiated.

The following elected officers were sworn in:

President:	Nora Reynolds
Vice-President:	Mary Keane
Recording Secretary:	Mary Newcomb
Financial Secretary:	Stella Creegan
Treasurer:	Margaret Stanek
Irish History:	Margaret McManus
Chair. Stand. Comm.:	Ellen Hulahan
Mistress at Arms:	Ruth McCoy
Sentinel:	Maureen McNeece
Chair. of Missions:	Margaret Mary O'Donnell
Chair. of Catholic Action:	Rita Gelling

Our Banner which we are very proud of was generously donated to the division at Christmas, 1968, by the O'Keefe family.

Each year of our existence we have been fortunate enough to have the cooperation of our members in running Fashion Shows, Penny Sales, Chinese Auctions, and one card party . . . all of the proceeds having gone to the Columban Missions. We take great pride in marching in the St. Patrick's Day Parade each year. Also have been instrumental in organizing and helping with the first Long Island Suffolk County Feis together with the men of Division 8 . . . which goes back some seven years.

ROSTER OF PRESIDENTS

Nora Reynolds
Dorothy McGrory
Kathleen Worrell
Barbara Gemmelli
Mary Keane
Stella M. Creegan

Fr. Murphy of Boulavogue Division No. 9

Port Jefferson, Long Island
Organized March 31, 1968

Ladies Auxiliary—November 20, 1970

Division No. 9 was organized under Jack Reynolds who was the organizer for the State at that time. After a few informal meetings in the back room of Jack McCarthy's Banshee Pub, the first formal meeting was held at the Elks Lodge on Rt. 112, Port Jefferson. Paul Ayres, past County President, had agreed to transfer to the new Division and guide them in their formative sessions. The first President was Ed Galvin, Vice-President was Mike O'Hanlon, Recording Secretary was Pat McGee (replaced by Mike McCormack in July), Treasurer was Jim Biggers, and Financial Secretary was Jim Butler. Father Albert Hoffmann was the first Chaplain.

The members of the new Division set about organizing a Charter Dance for June which was very successful thanks to support from the rest of the County Divisions. By November, after having supported five other Division functions and assisting Division 8 with their first Feis, the new Division was an active part of Hibernianism in Suffolk County and they selected their namesake—Father Murphy of Boolavogue. The following year Division 9 sent their first Aide to the Marshal of the Suffolk County St. Patrick's Day Parade in East Islip in the person of Mike McCormack. By mid 1969, Divisions throughout the state were being asked to donate a sum through the New York State Board for relief in the north of Ireland. The County Board notified Division 9 that since they were a new Division, no large donation was expected. Yet, at the September meeting of Division 9, the membership unanimously voted to contribute five hundred dollars—a daring move considering that their treasury stood at only seven hundred dollars and year end expenses were coming close. True Hibernian spirit has never been lacking in Division 9.

By 1970, after having met in back rooms, bowling alleys, and even a grade school cafeteria, Division 9 settled into a regular meeting place at the Anchor Club in Port Jefferson and there hosted the 1970 County Convention. That year also saw the formation of an active Ladies Auxiliary to compliment the newest division. A few months after the County Convention, Bob McGrory, newly-elected County President resigned and was succeeded by the Vice-President, Harry Brown. In the election called to select a replacement for Vice-President of the Suffolk County Board, Division 9 placed the first of their members on the County slate of officers with the election of Mike McCormack to that post. The following year, Mike McCormack continued as County Vice-President and Ken Johnston was appointed as County Sentinel. In 1972, Division 9 was represented on the State Board with the appointment of Bob Frazier as the State Chairman for Freedom for all Ireland, and representation on the County Board continued with the election of John Hennessy as County Treasurer—a post he would hold for four consecutive years before moving to the office of County Vice-President. In 1972 Division 9 was also represented at the New York St. Patrick's Day Parade when the Suffolk County Board elected Mike McCormack as the County's Aide to the Grand Marshal.

Division 9 continued to grow throughout the seventies, adding new members and ladies to the fold. In 1973 they instituted a building fund and are looking for the day when they can boast of the first Hibernian Hall on the north shore.

They are presently co-sponsors of the tremendously successful Long Island Feis and are active in County affairs with two of their members serving on the County Board: John Hennessy as Vice-President and Mike McCormack as Historian. After the sad passing of their Charter Chaplain, Fr. Albert Hoffmann, Division 9 was fortunate indeed that Fr. Hoffmann's replacement as Pastor of St. Francis Cabrini parish was none other than a past Hibernian Chaplain—Fr. L. O'Leary. Needless to say the good father is now the Chaplain of this progressive and active Division.

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

1968

President Ed Galvin
 Vice-President Mike O'Hanlon
 Recording Secretary Pat McGee*
 Financial Secretary Jim Butler
 Treasurer Jim Biggers

1969

President Ed Galvin
 Vice-President Mike O'Hanlon
 Recording Secretary Mike McCormack
 Financial Secretary Ron O'Keefe
 Treasurer Jerry Hughes

1970

President Mike McCormack
 Vice-President Jerry Curtin
 Recording Secretary Joe Powers
 Financial Secretary Ron O'Keefe
 Treasurer Jerry Hughes

1971

President Pat O'Hanlon
 Vice-President Don O'Hanlon
 Recording Secretary Joe Powers
 Financial Secretary Bob Frazier
 Treasurer John Hennessy

1972

President Bob Frazier
 Vice-President Joe Powers
 Recording Secretary John Cahill
 Financial Secretary Paul Ferrari
 Treasurer John Hennessy

1973

President Mike McCormack
 Vice-President Pat O'Hanlon
 Recording Secretary John Cahill
 Financial Secretary Paul Ferrari
 Treasurer Mike Diggin

1974

President John Hennessy
 Vice-President Ken Johnston
 Recording Secretary Mike McCormack
 Financial Secretary Bob Frazier
 Treasurer Mike Diggin

1975

President John Hennessy
 Vice-President Mike McCormack
 Recording Secretary Bob Gaffney
 Financial Secretary Don Hanson
 Treasurer Val Geraghty

1976

President Mike McCormack
 Vice-President Russ King
 Recording Secretary John Reilly
 Financial Secretary Don Hanson
 Treasurer Bob Frazier

1977

President Mike McCormack
 Vice-President John Reilly
 Recording Secretary Bernard Robinson
 Financial Secretary Bob Gaffney
 Treasurer Bob Frazier

ROSTER OF PRESIDENTS

Barbara Council
 Mary Keane
 Sella M. Creegan

Aides to the East Islip St. Patrick's Day Parade since 1969 have been:

Mike McCormack (69), Jim Cullen (70), Mike McCormack (71), John Hennessy (72), Bob Frazier (73), Russ King (74), Bob Gaffney (75), Don Hanson (76), and John Reilly (77).

*Recording Secretary position filled by Mike McCormack in July, 1968, after Pat McGee married and transferred from the division.

Ladies Auxiliary

On November 22, 1970 the Ladies Auxiliary of Division 9, Port Jefferson, N.Y., Suffolk County was organized. After County President Kay Kolb swore in the members, the following officers were elected:

President:	Mary Bryceland
Vice-President:	Tena McCormack
Recording Secretary:	Christine Galvin
Financial Secretary:	Doris Johnston
Treasurer:	Theresa Butterfield
Historian:	Patricia O'Hanlon
Chairlady of Mission:	Bernadette O'Hanlon
Chairlady of Catholic Action:	Molly Brill
Mistress at Arms:	Theresa Frazier
Chairlady Standing Com.:	Madeline Robinson

Their first fund raising venture was a card party at the K. of C. Hall, Centereach on March 31, 1971. It was a social and financial success due to the efforts of chairlady, Theresa Frazier and her committee. In October, 1971, Joyce Hennessy ran their first dance and charter night at the Anchor Club, Port Jefferson. It was also very successful. Another first was helping the men of Division 9 with a Christmas Party for our children. The youngsters ate tons of ice cream, cakes, candy, soda and had lots of fun. Santa Claus, alias John Hennessy, brought presents for everyone. The committee, headed by Tena McCormack, did a great job of providing enjoyment for both children and parents.

Since 1972 the annual dance has been sponsored by the ladies and men jointly in the month of June. This arrangement has benefitted the whole division due to the productive efforts of the people involved each year. There was a special reason to be proud at the June dance of 1973 because the Ladies Auxiliary banner was displayed for the first time. Talented Joyce Hennessy had been sewing by hand for many months to make this possible.

In the past seven years the ladies of auxiliary 9 have taken an active part in the affairs of the Suffolk County Board and are always well represented at meetings, balls, communion breakfasts, and of course, the annual St. Brigid's Day Dinner. In fact since 1972, they have placed the following members on the County Board:

1972	Theresa Frazier	Sentinel
1973-1975	Tena McCormack	Catholic Action
1973-1975	Joyce Hennessy	Mistress-A-Arms
1975-1977	Joyce Hennessy	Missions
1977-1979	Joyce Hennessy	Missions

One very important function of the Auxiliary is charitable works. At Christmastime, they donate gifts of money, food, or both to a needy family who otherwise might have very little. On many occasions they have sponsored parties at Maryhaven School for Exceptional Children and at St. Charles Hospital Cerebral Palsy Clinic; their own children have danced or played musical instruments for the patients. They bring gifts of all kinds, play games, provide music, even do off-key sing-a-longs.

Since 1975 they have taken an active part in the annual Long Island Feis with Division 8. Members of Auxiliary 9 can be found working in the kitchen, on stages, selling Irish products, and providing games and prizes for the children. They also help their division brothers raise money for their building fund. Hopefully, this dream will be realized in the not too distant future.

Although only seven years old, they have reached many of their goals: some of which could not have been accomplished without the sincere, unending efforts of their workers.

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

1972

President Tena McCormack
 Vice-President Mary Bryceland
 Recording Secretary Joyce Hennessy
 Financial Secretary Margaret Gillen
 Treasurer Barbara Casey
 Historian Theresa Hunt
 Missions Thereas Frazier
 Catholic Action Philomena Powers
 Mistress at Arms Patricia O'Hanlon
 Standing Committee Christine Galvin
 Sentinel Julia Corey

1973

President Barbara Casey
 Vice-President Tena McCormack
 Recording Secretary Mary Bryceland
 Financial Secretary Joyce Hennessy
 Treasurer Theresa Frazier
 Historian Eleanore Kelly
 Missions Madeline Robinson
 Catholic Action Patricia O'Hanlon
 Mistress at Arms Bernadette O'Hanlon
 Standing Committee Mildred O'Dowd
 Sentinel Theresa Hunt

1974

President Joyce Hennessy
 Vice-President Barbara Casey
 Recording Secretary Mary Bryceland
 Financial Secretary Tena McCormack
 Treasurer Molly Brill
 Historian Eleanore Kelly
 Missions Theresa Wunsch
 Catholic Action Theresa Frazier
 Mistress at Arms Cecelia Diggin
 Standing Committee Nan McCarthy
 Sentinel Theresa Hunt

1975

President Joyce Hennessy
 Vice-President Barbara Casey
 Recording Secretary Mary Bryceland
 Financial Secretary Tena McCormack
 Treasurer Molly Brill
 Historian Eileen McDermott
 Missions Theresa Frazier
 Catholic Action Madeline Robinson
 Mistress at Arms Sally Reiss
 Standing Committee Agnes Donnelly
 Sentinel Loretta Moulton

1976

President Dorothy Dunn
 Vice-President Mary Bryceland
 Recording Secretary Joanne Gaffney
 Financial Secretary Tena McCormack
 Treasurer Joyce Hennessy
 Historian Lillian Devereux
 Missions Barbara Casey
 Catholic Action Madeline Robinson
 Mistress at Arms Noreen Murphy
 Standing Committee Molly Brill
 Sentinel Theresa Frazier

1977

President Molly Brill
 Vice-President Mary Bryceland
 Recording Secretary Joanne Gaffney
 Financial Secretary Tena McCormack
 Treasurer Joyce Hennessy
 Historian Lillian Devereux
 Missions Barbara Casey
 Catholic Action Madeline Robinson
 Mistress at Arms Noreen Murphy
 Standing Committee Theresa Frazier
 Sentinel Phyllis McArdle

Aides to the East Side St. Patrick's Day Parade since 1969 have been:

Mike McCormack (69), Jim Callen (70), Mike McCormack (71), John Hennessy (72), Bob Frazier (73), Russ Kim (74), Bob Gaffney (75), Don Hanson (76), and John Reilly (77).

*Recording Secretary position filled by Mike McCormack in July, 1968, after Pat McClellan married and was removed from the division.

P. J. Claire Division No. 10

Greenport, Long Island
Organized November 9, 1974

The newest Division of the Suffolk County Hibernian organization is Division 10. Their existence proves the never say die spirit of the Irish for they exist in the same geographic area as the unfortunate Division 6.

Formed under County President, Ronnie Allen, the following officers have served this sincere new Division:

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

1974

President Jos. P. Sullivan
Vice-President Eugene Drumm
Secretary Ray McCoy, Jr.
Financial Secretary George Moran
Treasurer John Talbot

1975

President Jos. P. Sullivan
Vice-President Eugene Drumm
Secretary Ray McCoy, Jr.
Financial Secretary George Moran
Treasurer John Talbot

1976

President K. Paul Hughey
Vice-President Dave Dougherty
Secretary Ray McCoy, Jr.
Financial Secretary P. J. Claire*
Treasurer John Walsh

1977

President K. Paul Hughey
Vice-President Dave Dougherty
Secretary Robert Mahon
Financial Secretary William Klein
Treasurer Wm. Brasby

*After the tragic death of their beloved Historian and Financial Secretary, P. J. Claire, the Division decided to assume his name.

President
Vice-President
Recording Secretary
Financial Secretary
Treasurer
Historian
Mission
Catholic Action
Mistress of Arms
Standing Committee
Sentinel

1972
Margaret Gillen
Barbara Casey
Theresa Hunt
Julia Corey

1972
Financial Secretary
Treasurer
Historian

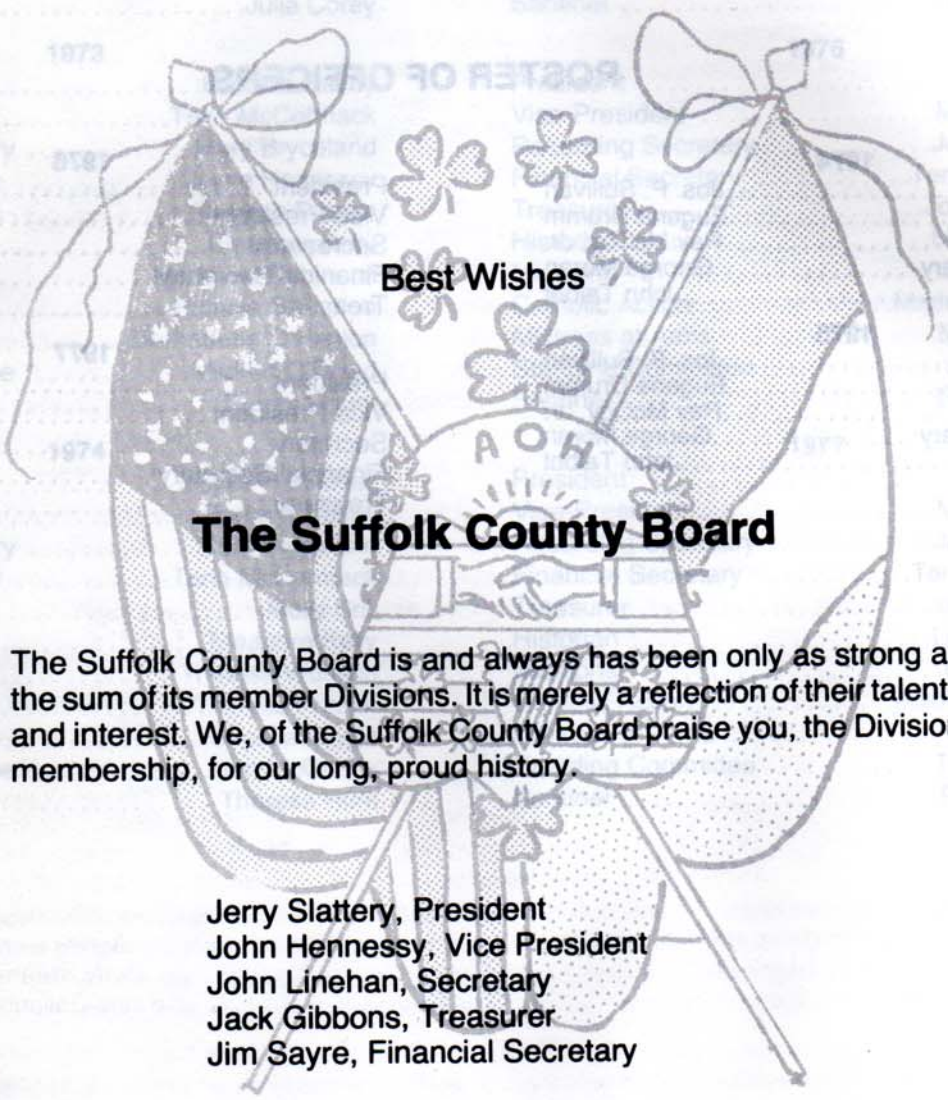
1972
Barbara Casey
Financial Secretary
Treasurer
Historian

1972
President
Vice-President
Recording Secretary
Financial Secretary
Treasurer
Historian
Mission
Catholic Action
Mistress of Arms
Standing Committee
Sentinel

1972
Margaret Gillen
Barbara Casey
Theresa Hunt
Julia Corey

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Financial Secretary
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Historian

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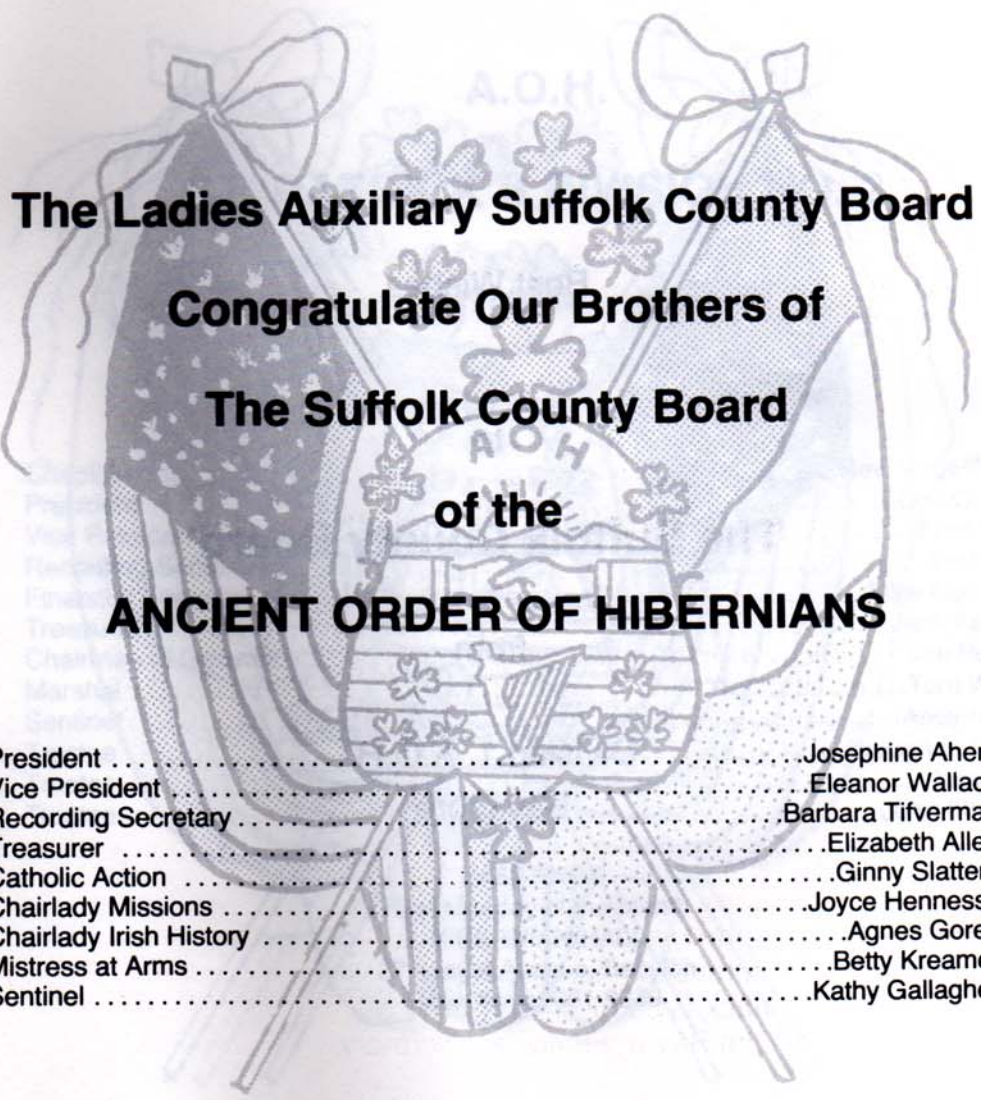


Best Wishes

The Suffolk County Board

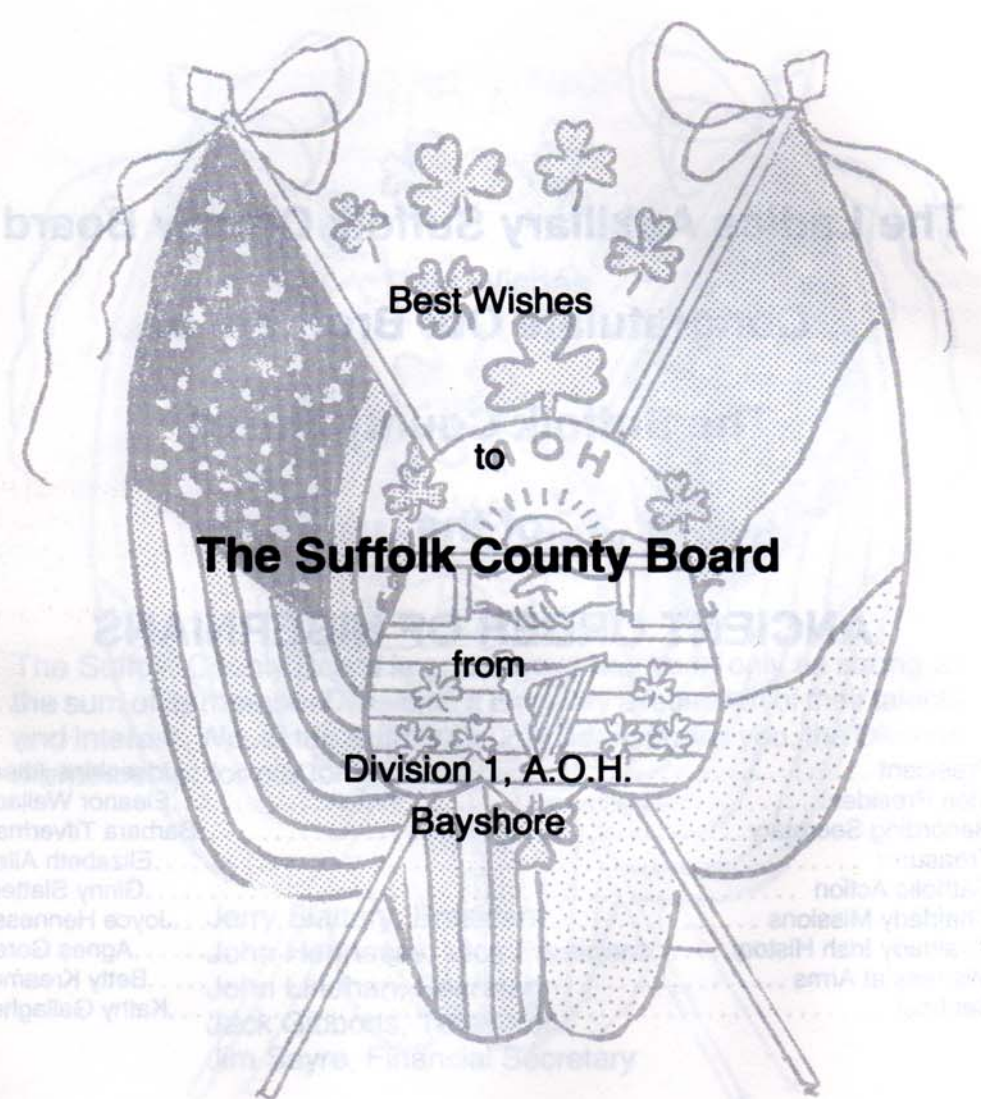
The Suffolk County Board is and always has been only as strong as the sum of its member Divisions. It is merely a reflection of their talents and interest. We, of the Suffolk County Board praise you, the Division membership, for our long, proud history.

- Jerry Slattery, President
- John Hennessy, Vice President
- John Linehan, Secretary
- Jack Gibbons, Treasurer
- Jim Sayre, Financial Secretary



**The Ladies Auxiliary Suffolk County Board
 Congratulate Our Brothers of
 The Suffolk County Board
 of the
 ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS**

President	Josephine Ahern
Vice President	Eleanor Wallace
Recording Secretary	Barbara Tifverman
Treasurer	Elizabeth Allen
Catholic Action	Ginny Slattery
Chairlady Missions	Joyce Hennessy
Chairlady Irish History	Agnes Gorey
Mistress at Arms	Betty Kreamer
Sentinel	Kathy Gallagher



Best Wishes

to

The Suffolk County Board

from

Division 1, A.O.H.

Bayshore

President, Jack Gibbons

A.O.H.
ST. PATRICK'S DIVISION NO. 2

Babylon

OFFICERS 1977

Chaplain	Rev. Virgil Power
President	Bob O'Shea
Vice President	Fred Stein
Recording Secretary	Jim Sayre
Financial Secretary	Mike Flanagan
Treasurer	Jack Farrelly
Chairman of Grievance	Joe Roddin
Marshal	Tom Walsh
Sentinel	Andy Gorey
Trustee	Broughan Gorey
Trustee	Jack Friel
Trustee	John Flaherty

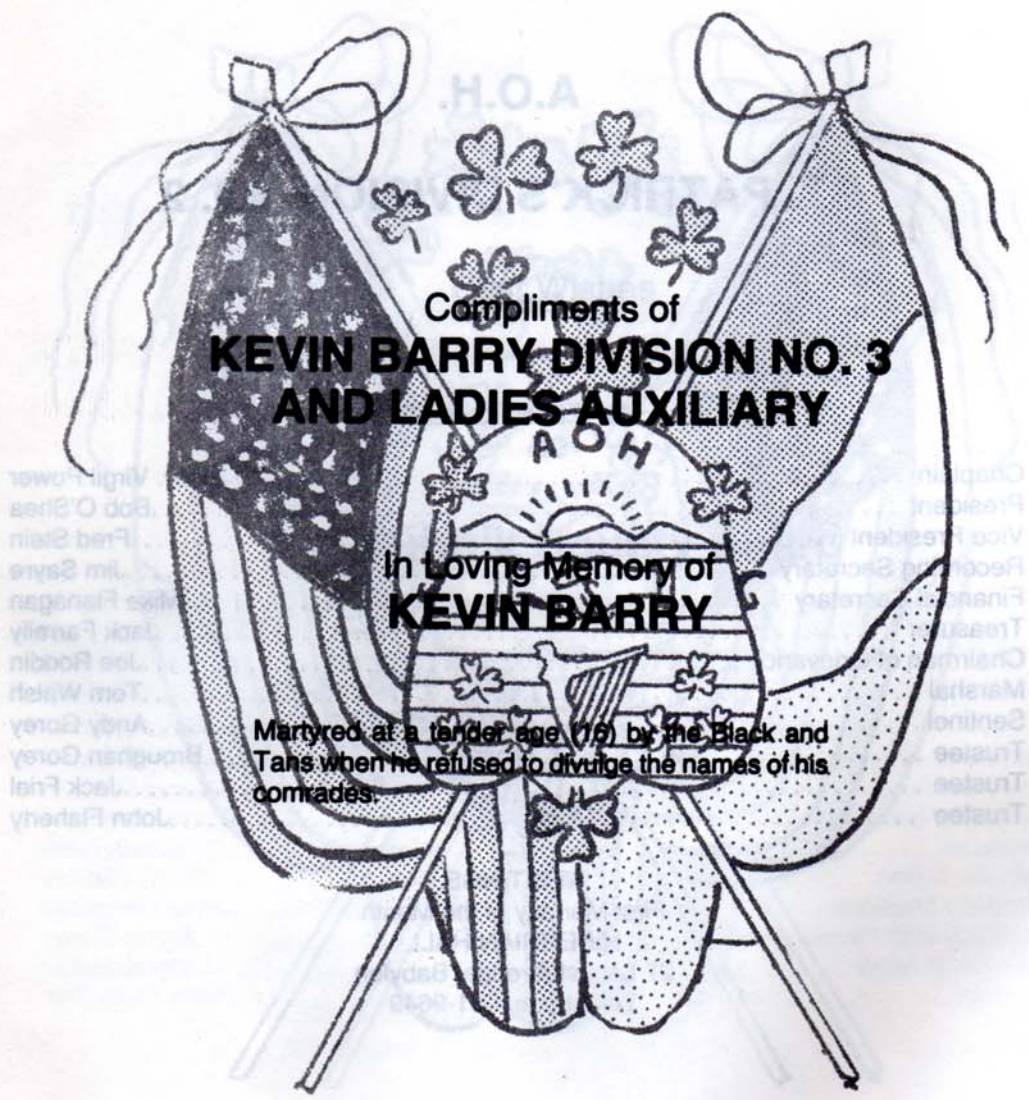
MEETINGS

First Monday of the Month
HIBERNIAN HALL
 27 Locust Avenue, Babylon
 Telephone: 661-9649

President
 Mary Harrett

President
 Bob Hennessy

President
 Jack Gibbons



Compliments of
**KEVIN BARRY DIVISION NO. 3
AND LADIES AUXILIARY**

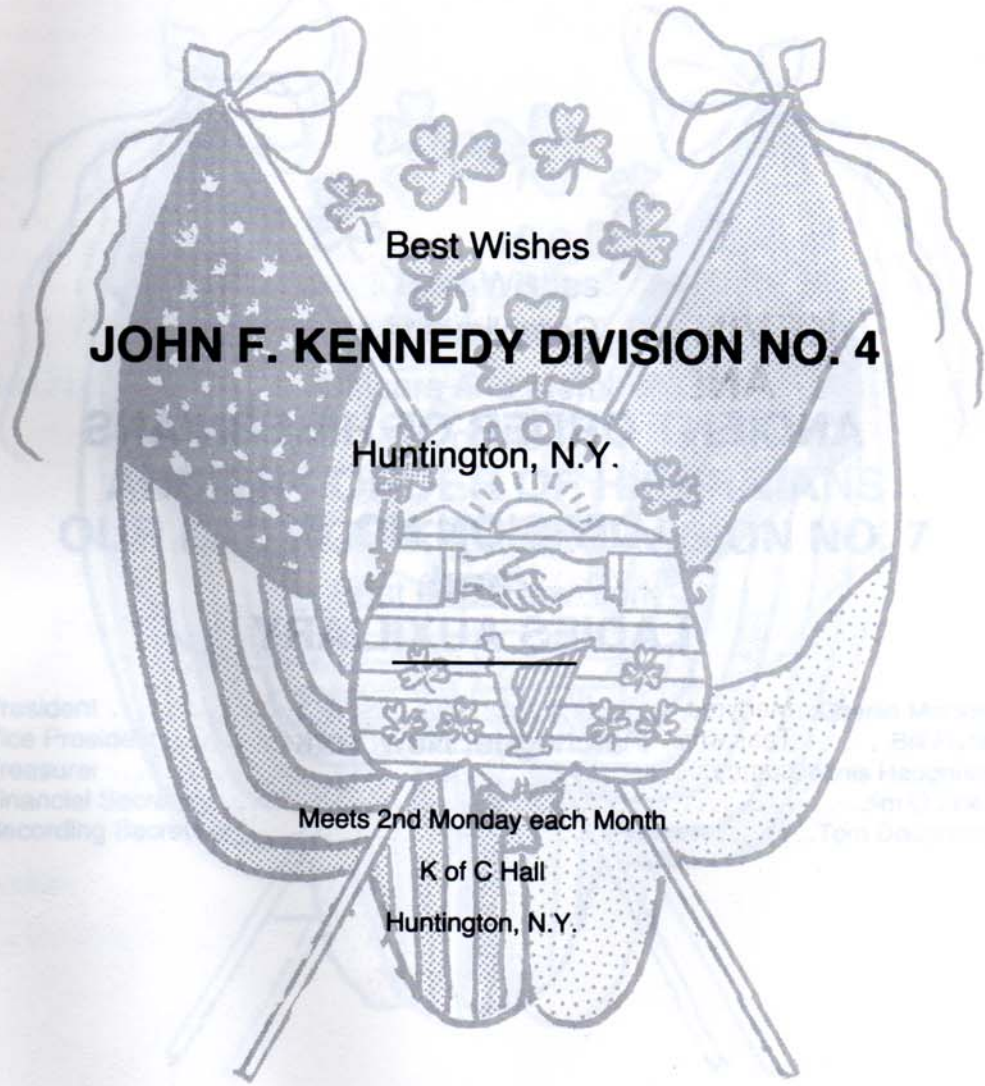
In Loving Memory of
KEVIN BARRY

Martyred at a tender age (16) by the Black and
Tans when he refused to divulge the names of his
comrades.

President
Bob Hennessy

President
Mary Harnett

President, Jack Gibbons



Best Wishes

JOHN F. KENNEDY DIVISION NO. 4

Huntington, N.Y.

Meets 2nd Monday each Month

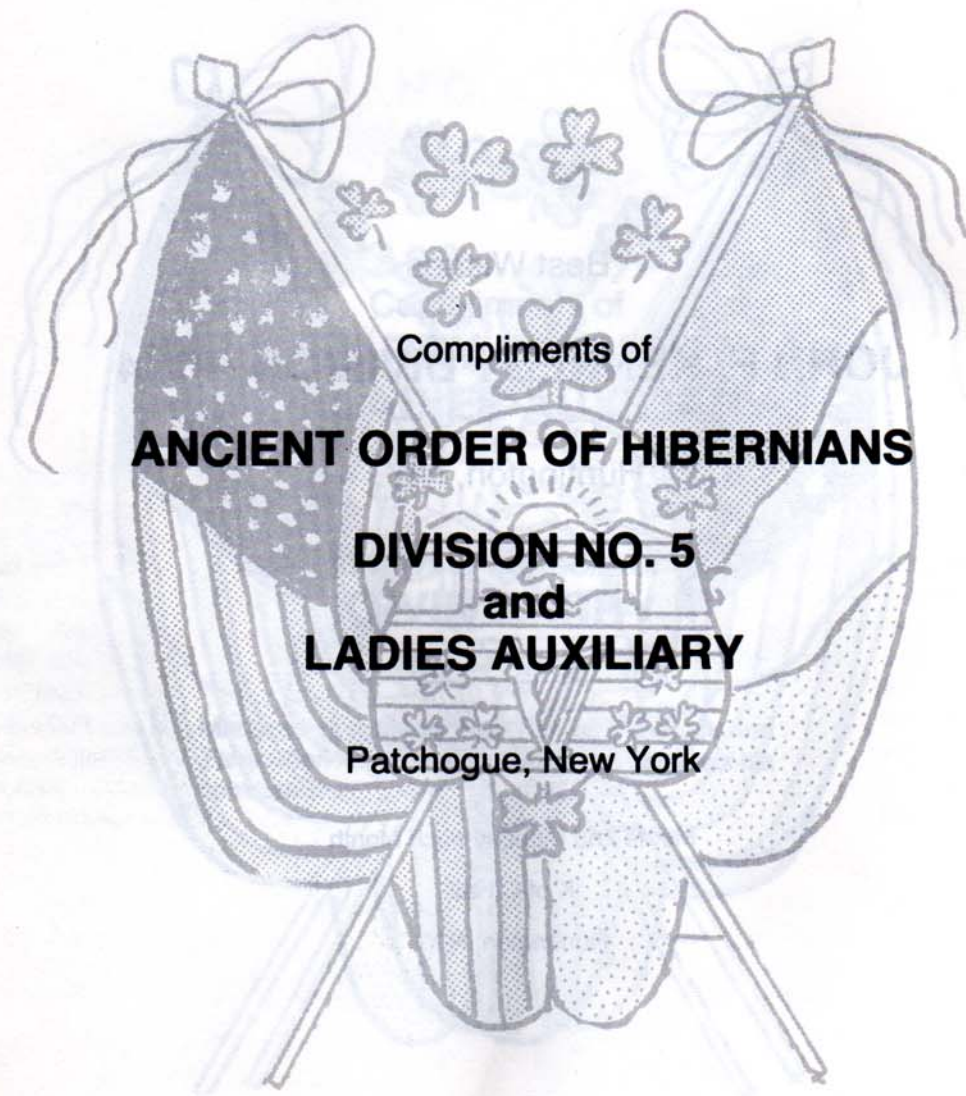
K of C Hall
Huntington, N.Y.

President
Vice President
Treasurer
Financial Secy
Recording Secy

John Murphy
Bill Smith
Mike Houghton
Tom Gannon

President
Vice President
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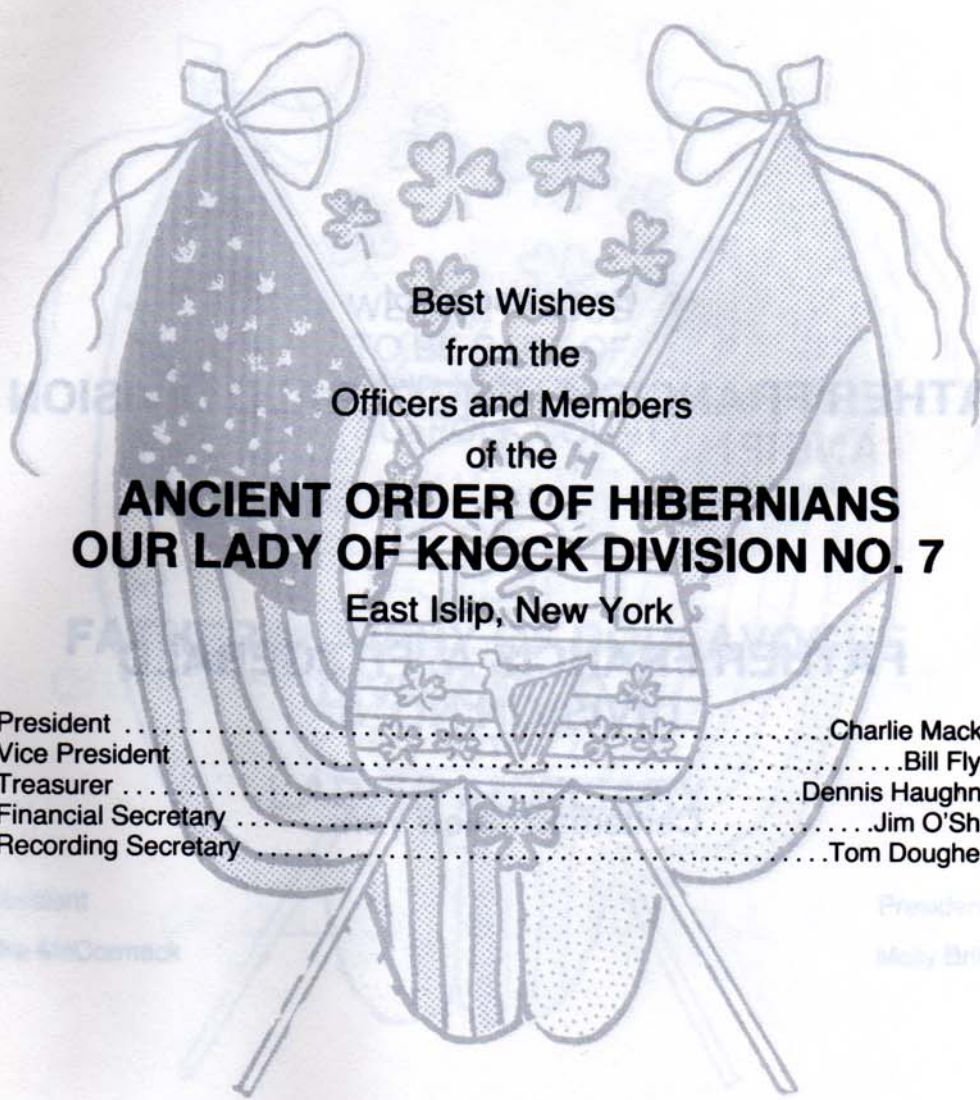
ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

**DIVISION NO. 5
and
LADIES AUXILIARY**

Patchogue, New York

President
Bob Hennessy
President
Arthur Walsh

President
Mary Hamelt
President
Mae Walsh



Best Wishes
from the
Officers and Members
of the
ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS
OUR LADY OF KNOCK DIVISION NO. 7
East Islip, New York

President	Charlie Mackey
Vice President	Bill Flynn
Treasurer	Dennis Haughney
Financial Secretary	Jim O'Shea
Recording Secretary	Tom Dougherty

President, Ed Reynolds

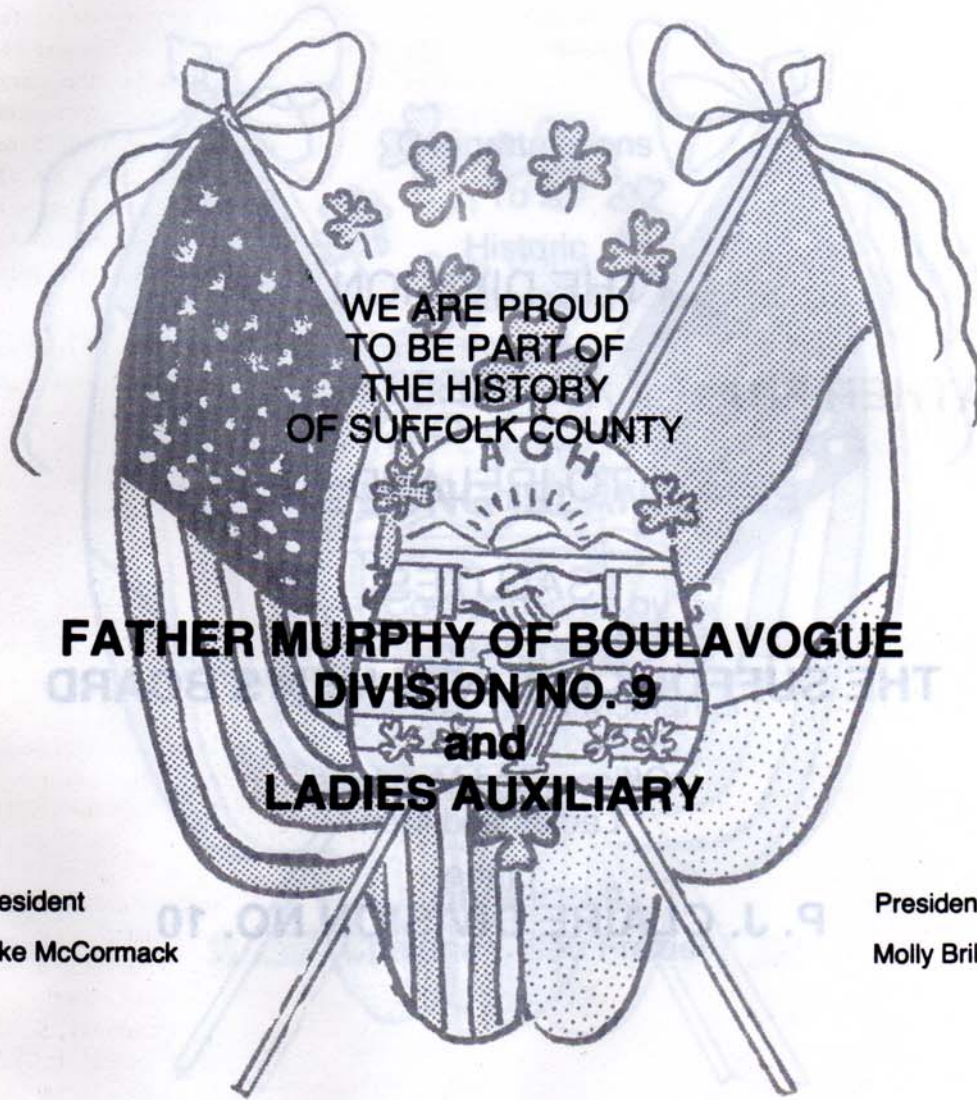


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**FATHER FRANCIS A. FITZGERALD
DIVISION NO. 8**

Centereach, New York

President, Ed Reynolds

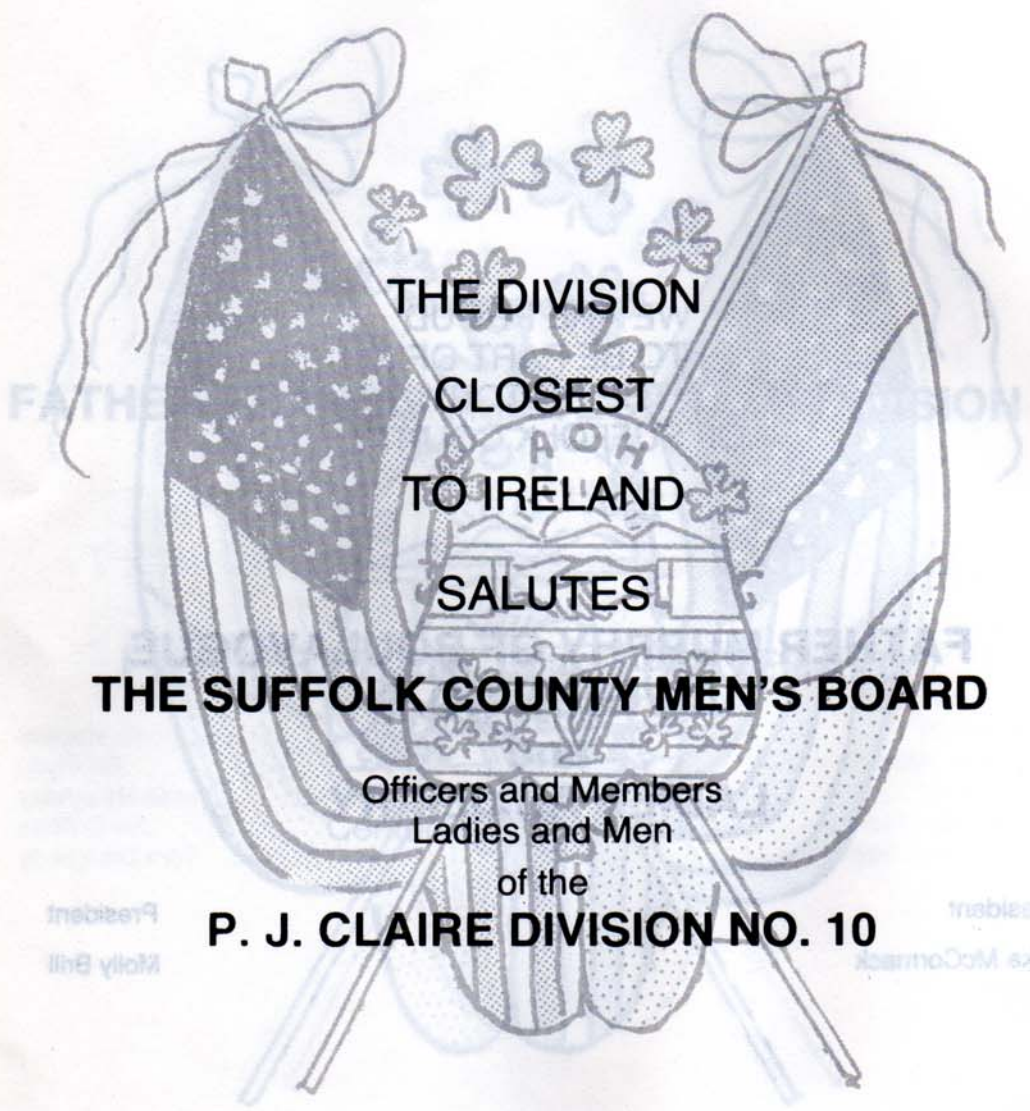


**WE ARE PROUD
TO BE PART OF
THE HISTORY
OF SUFFOLK COUNTY**

**FATHER MURPHY OF BOULAVOGUE
DIVISION NO. 9
and
LADIES AUXILIARY**

**President
Mike McCormack**

**President
Molly Brill**



THE DIVISION

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THE SUFFOLK COUNTY MEN'S BOARD

Officers and Members
Ladies and Men
of the

P. J. CLAIRE DIVISION NO. 10

President, Ed Reynolds



Congratulations
To A
Historic
Hibernian
County

from
THE LONG ISLAND FEIS

Co-Sponsored by
DIVISION 8
Chairman, John McManus

and
DIVISION 9
Chairman, Bob Frazier



ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

**SUFFOLK COUNTY BALL
1977**

In Loving Memory

of our Sister

BARBARA McNICHOLAS

**Ladies Auxiliary
St. Patrick's Division No. 2
Babylon**