Our Lady of Knock - Division 7, East Islip, NY November/December 2012





President's Message

Greetings brothers, our next Division meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 7th at 8:00pm. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. At our last meeting, 3 members were nominated for Grand Marshal for the 2013 John P. Reilly East Islip St. Patrick's Day Parade. The nominees were Tom Snyder, Corp. President Gene Hearl, and Division Chaplain Fr. Hugh Cannon. Tom Snyder graciously declined in favor of the other nominees. So there will be a vote prior to the start of the meeting to decide our next Grand Marshal. There will also be a Shamrock Degree performed at the November meeting. Sponsors, please make sure vour candidates have met with Div. Organizer Kevin Smith so that all paperwork is in order.

The 2013 NYS Hibernian History Calendars have arrived, the cost is \$25 each. If the number on your calendar matches the NY evening daily number (straight), you win \$25, except on Wednesdays the prize is \$50. This is the State Boards major fundraiser, so all participation is greatly appreciated. The 2013 dues cards should be arriving soon. Please check with Financial Secretary Tom Davis as to their arrival. Annual dues are \$60 if paid before St. Patrick's Day, then \$100 thereafter.

Our annual Division Christmas Party for member's children will be held on Saturday, December 15th from 1 - 4pm in our hall. The annual party for Division members will follow at 6pm. Musical entertainment will be provided by Twenty Six and Six, please come down and enjoy some holiday cheer! The annual Christmas party for community children will be held on December 16th at 1pm. Volunteers are needed, please see Chairman John Davis.

The officers of Division Seven would

like to wish all of our members and their families a Happy Thanksgiving, and a Merry Christmas!

God Bless our Troops. Dia Duit. Mac McFadden.



L.A.O.H. 12th Annual 300 RAFFLE

Only 300 Tickets to be sold Drawing Fri. Dec. 14th at 8 PM

Prizes: 1 - \$1,000 winner 2 - \$ 500 winners 10- \$ 100 winners

Winner need not be present. Donation \$20



PRIVILEGE, OBLIGATION TO VOTE ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 6th.

Juniors

The Junior Girls met on Monday October 8, 2012 at Division Seven Hall. In observance of Rosary Month, Father Januscz from the Parish of St. Mary came and spoke to the girls about Mary and the Rosary. He played his guitar and taught them to sing Immaculate Mary. We also reviewed how to pray the Rosary and prayed one decade of the Rosary as a group.

On Saturday October 13, the Junior Girls travelled to St. Anne's Soup Kitchen in Brentwood where they made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and served a hot meal to the homeless and needy visitors to the shelter.

Our next meeting will take place on Monday November 12, 2012. We will celebrate the members of our Division who are veterans and make wash up kits for the homeless veterans. I hope to see you all there!

> Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity, Kathleen Ring Division Seven Junior Girls' Coordinator

Hibernian of the Year

As is customary, Division 7 will select a "Hibernian Of The Year", who will receive this prestigious award at our Grand Marshal's Ball in February 2013. Anyone wishing to nominate a candidate please submit your selection, with an appropriate write-up, to last year's recipient, **Bill Kreamer**. Nominations must be submitted before January 1, 2013.

L.A.O.H.

Dear Sisters,

On behalf of the Ladies, I would like to extend a heartfelt Cead Mile Failte to our new members! We are delighted you joined Division 7 and we look forward to getting to know you and working with you. You will find we are a very active Division so please feel free to join in the many charitable and social events throughout the year – we welcome your company and talents.

Division 7 offered their Hall for the Degree and over 50 sisters from Nassau and Suffolk took their Degree on October 21. Thank you to the Degree Team for a wonderful evening and thank you to Patty Fitzpatrick and MaryAnn McGrath for assisting with hospitality – we appreciate your help. A special thanks to Kathleen Ring for coordinating our members – we had twenty members take their Degree!

Nominations are now being accepted for both the position of Ladies Aide to the Grand Marshal and for the Footsteps of Saint Brigid Award. All letters should be directed to my attention no later than December 8. Voting will take place at our December meeting. We are in the process of composing a LAOH Division directory. Please contact me at 277-2248 or ecolgan@optonline.net to update your information: address, phone number and email address. You have the option to opt out should you chose to do so - just drop me a line before December 1 to let me know.

We will be having a **Chinese Auction** at our next meeting, Nov. 14 and appreciate donations of new or gently used items that you no longer want or need. Items may be placed in the basement or contact Leslie Lanigan, the event's chairperson, for other alternatives. She would appreciate help setting up. Please contact her at 277-1778 to volunteer – many hands make light work!

Little Shop of Shamrocks is hosting a **Belleek Signing Party** on Friday, November 16 from 4 - 8 PM. The 2013 Belleek limited edition bowl will be featured and can be personalized, along with any other Belleek purchases, by the company's representative. Linda has always been a strong supporter of the LAOH and has graciously offered to donate 10% of every 2013 Belleek Bowl sold if the Ladies will volunteer to forgo their usual 10% on that item only. Members will still receive a 10% discount as per the shop's Honor the Card policy. Pre-sales are available if you are unable to attend. What a nice opportunity to begin your Christmas shopping!

On November 17, we are hosting an **Afternoon Tea**. Madonna Nolty and her committee have spent many months planning the menu and decorations. If you were down at the Hall during one of their meetings, you may have been fortunate enough to sample a preview of the delicious treats they will be presenting. This promises to be a most elegant affair but tickets are going fast! Call Madonna at home 631-589-2584 or cell 914-318-4177. Tickets are only \$20 per person and reservations are a must!

Thanksgiving is almost upon us and that means we will be assembling **food baskets** for those in need on Tuesday, November 20 at 6 PM. All are welcome to assist in packing up the food. Non-perishable items may be dropped off in the Pub area - there is a box especially labeled for this collection. Should you know of a family in need, please contact Vicky Ring at the next meeting so she may plan accordingly.

Don't forget to check the Hall calendar for entertainment and great craic! Because this newsletter covers November and December, please check the Hall calendar for our Christmas parties times and dates.

Soup Kitchen cooking evenings are scheduled for the following Thursdays: November 8 and November 29. Come down and join the soup kitchen crew make 30 meatloaves to benefit the St. Anne's Soup Kitchen in Brentwood.

The **300 Club** is off and running thanks to Mary Ann Baron. Please contact her to purchase tickets which are \$20 (the prizes are terrific and if you win, your name goes back in the hat!). If members take one or two to sell, we'll wrap this fundraiser up in no time. The drawing will take place in the Pub on Friday, December 14th. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and proceeds are donated to charity.

Thank you to John Owen and Leslie Lanigan for organizing our Annual Deceased Members Mass and continental breakfast that followed. They have worked on this committee for several years, providing us with a nice opportunity to pray for and honor those who have passed away this year. Thank you also to Alice Faughnan, LAOH County Catholic Action Chair, for planning the beautiful annual Mass at Our Lady of the Isle. We are fortunate to have members who volunteer so tirelessly for the benefit of our Order!

We are very excited to report that the ladies will be starting up a **Book Club**! Kathleen Ring has volunteered to moderate this new venture which will begin January after the holidays. Details are still being worked out so stay tuned for more information. We are anticipating a wonderful turn out – so many members are avid readers and of course, our brother Hibernians are more than welcome to join us. So, get your Kindles, Nooks, Kobos, iPads or library cards fired up and join in the fun!

Finally, a thank you to all our Veterans who have sacrificed for us and the many freedoms we enjoy. On behalf of the Board, I wish to extend best wishes for a Blessed Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year to all our members and their families.

In Friendship, Unity and Christian

Charity, Liz

Thanksgiving Baskets

Thanksgiving baskets will be put together here at the hall on Tuesday, November 20th at 6:00 pm. All help will be appreciated. Non-perishable items may be dropped off in the box specifically labeled for this collection in out Pub area. If you know of a family in need, please contact Vicky Ring at the next meeting so she may plan accordingly.





What's Happening...

November & December

NOVEMBER:

| Nov 7 Wed | AOH Division Seven Meeting, | 8:00 PM |
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| Nov 11 Sun | Veterans Day | |
| Nov 12 Mon | Junior Girls and Boys Meeting, | 6:30 PM |
| Nov 14 Wed | LAOH Division Seven Meeting, | 7:30 PM |
| Nov 16 Fri | Belleek Signing Party | 4 – 8 PM |
| Nov 17 Sat | LAOH Afternoon Tea | |
| Nov 20 Tue | Assemble food baskets for those in need | 6:00 PM |
| Nov 22 Thur | Thanksgiving Day | |

DECEMBER:

| Dec 5 Wed | AOH Division Seven Meeting, | 8:00 PM |
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| Dec 10 Mon | Junior Girls and Boys Meeting, | 6:30 PM |
| Dec 12 Wed | LAOH Division Seven Meeting, | 7:30 PM |
| Dec 14 Fri | LAOH 300 Drawing in our Pub, | 8:00 PM |
| Dec 15 Sat | Christmas Party for member's children | 1 – 4 PM |
| Dec 15 Sat | Division Member's Christmas Party | 6:00 PM |
| Dec 16 Sun | Project Children's Christmas Party | 1:00 PM |
| Dec 25 Tue | Christmas Day | |
| Dec 31 Mon | New Years Eve | |



Children's Christmas Party

The Christmas party for the children and grandchildren of Division 7 members will be held on Saturday December 15th From 1:00 – 4:00 PM.

Please bring a wrapped gift with the child's name on it for Santa to present to the child. Gift should not exceed \$20 in cost.

Member's Christmas Party

The Christmas party for

members of Division 7 will

be held on

Sat. Dec. 15th at 6:00PM

All member's in good standing

attend.



Community Children's Christmas Party

Sunday December 16th at 1:00 PM in our Hall

Please contact John Davis (516) 315-8349 if you would like to volunteer.

Corporation Corner

Fall is here and so is FOOTBALL. N.F.L. Special, \$2.00 Miller pint draft during ALL N.F.L games. Sunday our 50/50 raffle helps defray the cost of the food and just think wow if you won you could buy me a \$2.00 Miller draft.

Saturday night entertainment has started. Everyone is welcome so look at the dates below for who is playing and come down and enjoy the night.

November 3rd the classic horse racing event will be held in our pub area starting at 2:30 PM until the final race. The Calcutta bidding for that race will start at 7:00PM. 50/50 will also be sold with all proceeds going to our St. Patrick's Day Parade

Thanksgiving night our Pub will be open at 6:00PM, after a long day of cooking and men washing dishes I'm sure our significant others will let us out to watch the Jets game on Thanksgiving night.

New Years Eve Party in our Pub starting at 9:00PM until ????. "Just Us" (Ed & Gail) will be playing with champagne toast at midnight. Food will be provided by the Corporation Officers. We wish you and your family a safe holiday season. Remember, don't just be a member be an active member.

Corporation President Gene Hearl

PUB ENTERTAINMENT

NOVEMBER:

- 3rd Andrew
- **10th** Tim Huss
- **16th** Friday Happy Hour 6-9 with Patrick & Mike
- 17th Just Us
- **24**th Dan Donnelly

DECEMBER:

- 1st Kevin Wilson
- 8th Gerry McKevney 15th Christmas Party in Hall
- 22^{nd} Bob Carney
- **29th** Dan Donelly





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Donald Hunt School of Irish Dance



The Donald Hunt School of Irish Dance is now holding Beginner classes Monday evenings at the hall starting at 6pm. Discounts for A.O.H Division 7 members for more info call cell # 516 818-8379

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Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band

The name Roisin Dubh is Irish for the "Little Dark Rose" or the "Dark Rosaleen." It is pronounced 'Ro sheen Doo.' When the expression of Irish patriotic poetry and song was outlawed during Ireland's troubled and turbulent past, the Irish bards would disguise their patriotic poetry as love songs. The object of affection would be a symbol of Ireland for example, "Shan Van Vocht", "Grania Vaile", Cathleen ni Houlihan" and "Roisin Dubh". "Roisin Dubh" allowed the Irish to sing of their pride and love of Ireland, thereby helping to keep Irish culture alive.

Since such metaphors as "Roisin Dubh" were originated for the sole purpose of protecting and preserving the love of Ireland, its culture and heritage, it is fitting that our band, dedicated to preserving the musical culture of the Gael, adopted the symbolic name of Roisin Dubh. Equally fitting is the color selected for our kilts, the deep maroon of a dark rose.

We are always looking for passionate dedicated individuals who want to learn the Bagpipes or Drums. The band is currently competing at the Grade 3 and 5 Levels.

Please Pray For...



In the event of sickness or a death in the family, please call the Hall at 581-9317 and leave a message for the Chairman

of the committee on the Sick, John Fitzpatrick at 581-5705 or Bob Knockenhauer at 277-2872. For L.A.O.H., contact Missions and Charities Chairlady, Vicky Ring at 516-375-8136.

Tri-Color Sashes

John Davis has the tri-color sashes on sale which can be worn for the upcoming Hibernian functions.



The Irish Book



Donations of books on Irish Culture may be left at Division Seven Hall. All donations will be catalogued at the East Islip Library as part of the Irish Cultural Book Collection.

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