## Our Lady of Knock - Division 7, East Islip, NY January/February 2013







# President's Message

Greetings Brothers and Happy New Year! I hope you and your families had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. Our next Division meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 2nd at 8pm, hope to see you all there. The 2013 dues cards have arrived, please see Financial Secretary Tom Davis for your card, dues are \$60 a year if paid before March 17th, after which they go up to \$100, so save yourself \$40 and pay your dues early.

With January comes the NFL playoffs, please come down and watch the games and support our Pub. On Sunday February 3rd, the Suffolk County LAOH will be holding the St. Brigid's Day Mass at the St. Joseph's Academy Chapel in Brentwood at 10:30am. Breakfast will follow at our hall after Mass, the cost is \$15 per person, please contact Madonna Nolty for tickets at 914-318-4177. At the breakfast, Division 7's own Vicky Ring will be honored with the "Walking in the Footsteps of St. Brigid" award. February 3rd is also "Super Sunday", come down to the Pub to watch the Super bowl. The Corporation does a great job during the football season. A big thanks to Gene Hearl, his corporation officers and the bartenders for their fine efforts

On Saturday evening February 9th, we will be having our Grand Marshals Ball at the Irish Coffee Pub, honoring the 2013 Grand Marshal to the John P. Reilly Memorial St. Patrick's Day Parade, Mr. Gene Hearl, along with Ladies Aide, Mrs. Carol McHugh. Tickets to the Ball are \$100pp., see

Chairman Larry Wolff for availability.

Congratulations Gene and Carol, we look forward to you both leading Division 7 down Main Street on March 3rd, 2013. Enjoy your day! Anyone wishing to place an ad in the GM journal please see Tom McHugh ASAP for a journal ad contract as it has to go to printing early this year. On February 15<sup>th</sup> a group from Division Seven will be making a pilgrimage to Ireland, in particular the Knock Shrine in Co. Mayo to mark the 50th anniversary of our Division. We will be returning on February 23rd with many pictures and stories to share with you all. In closing, please remember our deceased brothers in your prayers, as well as our men and women in uniform as they protect our freedom and our way of life.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

Mac McFadden



# Congratulations to our Grand Marshal, Gene Hearl



#### **Grand Marshal's Ball**

The 2013 Grand Marshal's Ball, honoring Gene Hearl, being held on February 9, is sold out. A waiting list is being compiled. Please contact Larry Wolff at 631-581-1953 to have your name added to the list or if you have any questions.

To all those that are definitely attending, your payment must be received in full by January 15, 2013 in order to hold your seat. Also, please provide the names of those that you are seated with, as well as a telephone contact number with your payment.

Congratulations to Gene, I know we'll all have a great evening!

Larry Wolf

## L.A.O.H.

Dear Sisters, Happy, Healthy New Year to you and yours!

I trust this newsletter finds you well and enjoying family, friends and the Peace that this Christmas season brings. New Year's Day promises fresh beginnings and the LAOH Board looks forward to another year that celebrates our motto.

I would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Gene Hearl, 2013 Grand Marshal and Carol McHugh, the Ladies Aide to the Grand Marshal! Gene and Carol, this honor is well deserved – you both exemplify the essence of Hibernian spirit and we will proudly march down Main Street behind you on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Congratulations to our 2013 "Walking in the Footsteps of St. Brigid" Honoree, Vicky Ring! Through your cheerful, tireless and humble example, you model our motto and the qualities of St. Brigid in your daily life. We look forward to celebrating this honor with you on Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Thank you to Leslie Lanigan, chair of the successful Chinese Auction and her committee. This annual event is always a nice fundraiser. Thank you to Madonna Nolty and her committee - the elegant Afternoon Tea, a sold out affair, was beautifully done and left us wanting more! Thank you to Mary Ann Baron for chairing the 300 Club again this year - our biggest fundraiser every year. All these events take time and effort and we appreciate your hard work. Finally, thank you to all our members without support, your encouragement and service, there is no success.

Tickets for the Grand Marshal's Ball are going very fast – please see Chairman Larry Wolff. This wonderful gala held in honor of our Grand Marshal and his Aides, will be held on February 9<sup>th</sup> at the Irish Coffee Pub. Tickets must be paid for by January 15<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$100 per person.

Please join us for our annual St. Brigid's Mass on February 3 at St. Joseph Convent in Brentwood. This county-sponsored event is being chaired by our own Alice Faughnan. Those who have attended Alice's functions in the past know what an outstanding job she does! Tickets for the Footsteps of St. Brigid's Breakfast are \$15 – please see Madonna Nolty to purchase your ticket as soon as possible as this is another event that sells out quickly. Don't forget to take a few chances as well – only \$5 a book.

Please join us as we begin our monthly Hibernian Book Club - every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday down at the Hall. This month we are reading Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln by Doris Kearns Goodwin. Brother Hibernians are welcome and encouraged to join us.

Our next screening will be held on Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM. Please forward your applications to Joanne Clancy. See you at our next meeting: Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>.

In our motto, Liz

## Congratulations to the Ladies Aide to the Grand Marshal, Carol McHugh



# ANNUAL ST. BRIGID'S DAY CELEBRATION

Sunday February 3, 2013
10:30 a.m. MASS
Sacred Heart Chapel
St. Joseph's, Brentwood, N.Y.
Breakfast immediately
following the mass
at our own Division 7 Hall
65 Champlin Ave, East Islip
TICKETS: \$15/pp



## **Juniors**

I would like to thank all of the Juniors and parents who joined us on December 10th to wrap Christmas presents for the less fortunate children in our community. Your generosity of spirit made someone else's holiday special!

Our next meeting will take place on Monday January 7, 2013 at 6:30 pm at Division Seven. The folks from Make-a-Wish will be joining us. One of their Wish Kids will share his or her story and we will make our annual gift presentation.

I wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year. Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

#### Kathleen

Kathleen Ring Division Seven Junior Girls' Coordinator





#### **JANUARY:**

Jan 2 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting,	8:00 PM
Jan 7 Mon	Junior Girls and Boys Meeting,	6:30 PM
Jan 9 Wed	LAOH Division Seven Meeting,	7:30 PM

#### **FEBRUARY:**

<u>FEBRUARY:</u>	
St. Brigid's Day mass at St. Joseph's Con	vent
Brentwood, N.Y, 10:30 AM	
Super Bowl Sunday	4:00 PM
AOH Division Seven Meeting,	8:00 PM
The Grand Marshal Ball, Irish Coffee Pul	7:00 PM
Junior Girls and Boys Meeting,	6:30 PM
LAOH Division Seven Meeting,	7:30 PM
President's Day	
<b>SAVE THE DATE:</b>	
John P. Reilly Memorial St. Patrick's Day in East Islip.	y Parade
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Tom Snyder and Jim Ryan at the Children's Christmas Party



## **Corporation Corner**

January is playoffs month followed by the Super Bowl on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Hall area will be open at 4:00 PM with a large TV for your Super Bowl pleasure. TV raffles will be available in the Pub and the drawing will be held at half time of the Super Bowl along with other prizes.

We still have shirts available for purchase along with the new style jackets you may have seen some of our members wearing.

Saturday nights are entertainment night in our Tap Room for your listening pleasure, all are welcome

New Year's Eve party in our Pub area with music by "Just Us" (Ed & Gail) and a toast at midnight and food will be served.

Hope everyone had a safe and merry Christmas and enjoy your New Year.

Corporation President Gene Hearl



## PUB ENTERTAINMENT JANUARY:

5<sup>th</sup> - No Music

12<sup>th</sup> - Dan Donelly

18<sup>th</sup> - Friday Happy Hour 6-9 with "Pete K."

19<sup>th</sup> - Kevin Wilson

**26<sup>th</sup>** - Andrew

#### **FEBRUARY:**

2<sup>nd</sup> - Dan Donelly

9<sup>th</sup> - Grand Marshal Ball

**16<sup>th</sup>** - Tim Huss

22<sup>nd</sup> – Friday Happy Hour 6-9 with "Kevin Wilson"

23<sup>rd</sup> – Gerry McKevney



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