

## President's Message

Greetings Brothers, our next division meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 6th at 8pm, all members are welcome and encouraged to attend. On Sunday, March 3rd we kick things off with the annual John P. Reilly, East Islip, St. Patrick's Day Parade. Our Division members will line up at 1pm at the East Islip Public Library, and step off at 2pm behind this year's Grand Marshal Gene Hearl and Ladies Aide Carol McHugh. Brothers, let's have a great showing for our parade to honor these two deserving members of our Division. If you need a sash, please contact John Davis. Sashes are \$45 each. Anyone who would like to help out on the line up committee, come down to our hall on parade day at 12 noon and see lineup committee chairman Dan Sullivan. This is an important job that ensures parade participants are where they need to be in the line of march. To gain entrance to our hall after the parade, you will need a current 2013 dues card. If you haven't already paid your dues, dues are \$60 if paid by March 17th, after which it goes up to \$100, so save yourself \$40 and pay before the deadline. Children will not be permitted in our hall on parade day for safety reasons. Entertainment in the hall will be by "Bangers and Mash", and under the tent, which is open to the community, "26+6" will be performing.

On Saturday, March 16th, the day of the NYC St. Patrick's day parade, Mass will be celebrated in our hall at 9am, a light breakfast will be served

following Mass. If you intend to take the bus to the city parade, the cost is \$35 per person. Please see Vice President Dave Ring about seat availability. Upon return from NY, a corned beef and cabbage dinner will be served, along with entertainment by Bob Carney.

We close out March with Easter Sunday, March 31st. On behalf of myself and my brother officers, we wish you and your families a blessed Easter. In April, we will be holding a screening for new members on Friday the 19th at 7pm. Please contact Division organizer Kevin Smith at 631-767-5276 for applications and information. On Sunday, April 21st, the annual Tom Clarke - Kathleen Daly-Clarke memorial celebration will take place at 10am at the monument on County Road 111, with a communion breakfast to follow at a location to be determined.

On Friday, April 26th, the Suffolk County Ball will be held at the Meadow Club on Route 112 in Port Jefferson. This year's honorees are Suffolk County AOH President Tom McKenna, and LAOH County President, Pam Larkin from Division 8/9. The cost is \$75 per person. Entertainment will be provided by the "Boston Burglars". Please see me for tickets. Brothers, enjoy the month of March as we celebrate St. Patrick and our Irish heritage, and have a happy, healthy Easter!

In our motto, Mac.



Division VP Dave Ring, Division President Mac McFadden, Ladies Aide Carol McHugh, Grand Marshal Aide Marty Conway, Grand Marshal Gene Hearl and Grand Marshal Aide Dave Dinota.

# L.A.O.H.

Dear Sisters,

It's March and so we celebrate our Irish Catholic heritage and culture with parades, song, dance and food. We begin on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> as Gene Hearl and Carol McHugh lead us down Main Street for the 48<sup>th</sup> annual "John Reilly Memorial" East Islip St. Patrick's Day Parade. We wish them all the best – including fair weather! We look forward to having our newly installed members march with us and join us at the hall after the parade to honor Gene and Carol. Lineup is at 1:30 at the East Islip Library. Please remember to wear your sash and you will need your up to date dues card to enter the hall that day. Please remember to take a look at the beautiful Irish heritage display cabinets upstairs in the library while we are lining up. Thank you, Betty Kreamer, for setting up the displays in our local schools and library and keeping the tradition alive!

Welcome to our new members! We are delighted you chose to join us and we appreciate your support in our many activities such as the parades, soup kitchen, pub entertainment and fundraisers. Extra hands are always appreciated and we look forward to forming new friendships.

Calling all Irish Soda Bread bakers – please drop your loaves off at the Hall before the parades. Thank you in advance for sharing your talents for all to enjoy.

Thank you to the Grand Marshal Ball and Parade committees – the work involved in organizing these events is enormous and we appreciate your efforts!

Welcome home to all our travelers! The pictures you posted on Facebook or emailed to us are great and we look forward to hearing your tales of Ireland. You were greatly missed while you were gone!

It's time to pay your annual dues: \$35 up until March 31. April 1 and later, it is \$50. Please see Financial Secretary Margaret Davis.

The NYC St. Patrick's Day parade will be held on Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> this year. If you have not already done so, please sign up for the bus trip – the list is in the Pub area. Please help the marshals as they line us up – their goal is to help us win the trophy and early line up for next year! The dress code for this parade is LAOH sash, black slacks or skirt, white gloves and no silly hats, face paintings, jeans or sneakers. A corned beef and cabbage dinner with music will follow at the Hall. No one makes corned beef like the men of Division 7! Shhhh – it's better than my mother's!

If anyone knows of a family in need of an Easter food basket, please let Denise Fischer know the number of children and adults in the family. No names, please – the families remain anonymous. A sign up list of donated fresh produce will be available at the next meeting. Dry goods are needed as well and can be brought in at our next meeting.

Our next Book Club meeting will be held at 7:30 in the Hall on Wednesday, March 27. We are reading Edith Wharton's classic The House of Mirth. New members are welcome and encouraged to join us.

The Suffolk County Ball will be held in April. Tickets will be available at the next meeting or see Kathleen Ring or Vic Vogel for reservations. This is a wonderful evening to celebrate with all the Suffolk County divisions as we honor County Presidents Pam Larkin and Tom McKenna.

We are very fortunate to have two members of Division 7 running for State Office – Aggie O'Leary and Vic Vogel. We appreciate your support as they continue to serve our Order. Details regarding their campaign fundraisers to follow.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, March 13 at 7:30 PM.

Finally, I wish all of you and your families a very Happy St. Patrick's day and a Blessed Easter.

In Friendship, Unity and Christian  
Charity,  
Liz

# Juniors

On Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, the junior girls will march with the Division in the John P. Reilly Memorial St. Patrick's Parade. We are truly honored to march behind Grand Marshal Gene Hearl and Ladies Aide Carol McHugh! After the parade, the girls will hold a 50/50 raffle at our Hall.

On Monday March 11<sup>th</sup> the girls will visit St. Joseph's Convent in Brentwood at 5:30 pm to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with the retired sisters. The girls will serve the sisters Irish Soda Bread, followed by performances by members of the Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band, and Irish Dancers.

On Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, the girls will put together Easter baskets for needy children that will be donated to St. Mary's Parish, and then help the Ladies put together food baskets to accompany the Easter baskets.

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



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**5:00PM in our Tap Room**

**For information contact:**

**Dave Ring**

**Ringd58@gmail.com**





## What's Happening... March & April



### MARCH:

Mar 1 Fri	Happy Hour Fundraiser for our own Jr. Girls step dancer Eric Schaefer. 6 – 9PM in our Tap Room.
Mar 3 Sun	John P. Reilly Memorial St. Patrick's Day Parade in East Islip. Step off at 2:00 PM from Library.
Mar 6 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting, 8:00 PM
Mar 11 Mon	Junior Girls and Boys Meeting at St. Joseph's Convent in Brentwood 5:30 PM
Mar 13 Wed	LAOH Division Seven Meeting 7:30 PM
Mar 16 Sat	St. Patrick's Day Parade in New York City (please note the parade is on Saturday because the 17 <sup>th</sup> is a Sunday)
Mar 24 Sun	Palm Sunday
Mar 27 Wed	Book Club Meeting– All AOH & LAOH welcome. "House of Mirth by Edith Wharton"
Mar 28 Thu	Holy Thursday
Mar 29 Fri	Good Friday
Mar 31 Sun	Easter Sunday

### APRIL:

Apr 3 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting 8:00 PM
Apr 8 Mon	Junior Girls and Boys Meeting 6:30 PM
Apr 10 Wed	LAOH Division Seven Meeting 7:30 PM
Apr 21 Sun	Tom Clarke/Kathleen Daly-Clarke Memorial
Apr 24 Wed	Book Club Meeting– All AOH & LAOH welcome. "The Importance of Being Earnest by Oscar Wilde"
Apr 26 Fri	AOH Suffolk County Ball at the Meadow Club on Route 112 in Port Jefferson

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## Corporation Corner

This has been an amazing couple of months for me and my family. Being voted Grand Marshal for the 48<sup>th</sup> annual John P. Reilly Memorial Parade was the start of events I'll never forget. I would like to thank everyone who came to the Grand Marshal's Ball under those snowy conditions. It was amazing how many of you made it there, as was the evening itself.

We celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Division with a pilgrimage to the Knock Shrine in County Mayo Ireland. I attended with my wife, Donna, and 78 other members and guests.

I would like to thank Mr. David Ring and Larry Wolff personally and the entire membership for all their support over the years. It is your dedication and support that continues to make our Division the best in the country.

These are memories that will last a lifetime and I thank you all.

Corporation President  
Gene Hearl



## PUB ENTERTAINMENT

### MARCH:

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Friday Happy Hour  
6pm – 9pm with "Just Us"
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Joe Roach & Friends
- 9<sup>th</sup> - China Cat Andrew
- 16<sup>th</sup> - Bob Carney
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - Kevin Wilson
- 30<sup>th</sup> - Dan Donnelly

### APRIL:

- 6<sup>th</sup> - Just Us (Ed & Gail)
- 12<sup>th</sup> - Friday Happy Hour  
6pm – 9pm with "Pete K."
- 13<sup>th</sup> - Dan Donnelly
- 20<sup>th</sup> - Jean Marie - Karaoke
- 27<sup>th</sup> - Jerry McKevney



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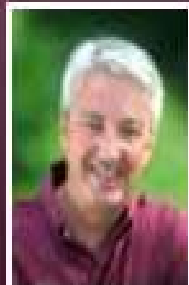
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### KNOCK SHRINE PILGRIMAGE

Division Seven celebrated its Fiftieth Anniversary with a pilgrimage to the Knock Shrine, County Mayo, Ireland on February 19, 2013. After three years of planning, members of the AOH, LAOH and Junior Girls processed into the Knock Shrine led by the Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band and its Color Guard. Mass was celebrated by our Chaplain, Father Hugh Cannon, who also renewed the wedding vows of band member, Mac McFadden and his wife, Debbie.

It was the first official appearance of the Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band on Irish soil. The band was extremely honored for the opportunity to perform at this momentous

event. It was a proud moment for all Hibernians in attendance as well as all members of Division Seven and its founders.

The Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band would like to thank Dr. Dave Ring for all the hard work and preparation on his part to make The Pilgrimage a reality.

'Go raibh maith agat!'

Vic Vogel, Band Manager

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**A.O.H. Division Seven's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary pilgrimage to Knock Shrine in Ireland Feb. 15 – Feb. 23, 2013**