Our Lady of Knock - Division 7, East Islip, NY March/April 2015







President's Message

Greetings Brothers, as we work to get through another cold and snowy winter, it brings some comfort that March brings Irish Heritage Month, many St. Patrick's Parades, and Spring. Of course nothing warms our hearts more than our own parade, Suffolk County's Official Hibernian Parade.

Sunday March 1, 2015 at 2pm at the East Islip Library we will step off for the John P. Reilly Memorial East Islip St. Patrick's Parade. This year is extra special in that it is our 50th parade. This is a credit to everyone in Division 7, past and present, who have worked so hard over the years to present Long Island's finest traditional St. Patrick's Parade. We can all be proud of this accomplishment as we march behind our Grand Marshal Fr. Hugh Cannon, his Aide Jerry Delaney, Ladies Aide Patricia McNeill, and our past Grand Marshals.

Please be reminded that because of limited space, anyone wishing to gain entrance to the building after the parade must have a current 2015 dues card (dues are \$60 before March 17th, \$100 after). For safety reasons, children will not be permitted in the hall after the parade. There will be entertainment in the hall.

On Tuesday March 17th, mass will be at 5 p.m. in the Hall. There will be dinner and entertainment at 6:30pm in the hall, the price is \$10 per person.

On March 20th at 7pm there will be a screening for new members followed by the Shamrock Degree at our April meeting. Please get in touch with Bob Knockenhauer for more details. Applications are available on the webpage.

Sunday April 5th, is Easter Sunday, the holiest day on the Christian calendar. My brother officers and I wish all of our Hibernian family a blessed Easter.

On Saturday April 18th the Suffolk County AOH and LAOH will be holding the 24th Annual Hibernian Ball at the Bellport Country Club. The event starts at 6pm and the honorees will be Suffolk County AOH President John Hurley and LAOH President Karilyn O'Brien. Tickets are \$80 per person. Raffles are also available at \$10. Please see me or Vic Vogel if you are interested.

Just as a reminder, we will be holding our annual Kentucky Derby Calcutta in the pub on May 2nd at 5pm. This event is a lot of fun every year and all are encouraged to attend.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our next meeting Wednesday March 4^{th} at 8pm.

In closing, I hope that you all have an enjoyable Irish Heritage Month and Saint Patrick's Day. This is the time of year when we are most visible and we have the best opportunity to destroy negative stereotypes by how we carry ourselves. Show your pride in your Irish heritage and as always, we should conduct ourselves as Irish Catholic Gentlemen.

Yours in Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity.



Kentucky Derby Calcutta
Saturday May 2, 2015

Membership Dues

Membership dues for 2015 are due. Dues are \$60 per member if paid before March 17th and \$100 after that date. Dues can be paid to Tom McHugh at division meetings or you can mail in a check or leave a check in the green locked mailbox outside the Tap Room. When paying by check please remember to write your membership number in the memo section of the check to ensure the money is applied to the correct member.



St. Patrick of Ireland is one of the world's most popular saints. Apostle of Ireland, born at Kilpatrick, near Dumbarton, in Scotland, in the year 387; died at Saul, Downpatrick, Ireland, March-17-461.

L.A.O.H.

Dear Sisters,

Sunday March 1, 2015 marks the 50th Annual John P. Reilly St. Patrick's Parade. The Ladies will line up at the East Islip Public Library at 1:30 p.m. for a 2:00 p.m. step-off. I look forward to marching beside my sisters as Grand Marshal Reverend Hugh Cannon, flanked by his Aide Jerry Delaney and Ladies Aide Patty McNeill, leads us down Main Street.

On Friday March 6th the Junior Girls and Boys will host a "Movie Night Fundraiser" to fund their annual Make-A-Wish donation. The evening will feature a showing of "The Quiet Man," and refreshments will be served. The cost of admission for this event is \$10 and I encourage you all to support the charitable efforts of our young members.

On March 9th at 5:30 p.m., the Junior Girls will make their annual trip to visit the Sisters of St. Joseph in Brentwood for a St. Patrick's Day celebration. The girls will serve Irish soda bread to the sisters and perform traditional Irish step dances while our own Roisin Dubh Pipe Band regales us all with their wonderful Irish tunes. Donations of Irish soda bread are greatly appreciated and can be left in the front closet at the Hall that afternoon. This is always a very enjoyable event and I invite you all to join us. Please contact Vicky Ring or Kathleen Ring for further information.

On Tuesday March 17th, the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will take place in New York City. Although Division Seven will not be sponsoring any busses this year, LAOH members are invited to march with the Suffolk County LAOH. The Ladies will line up at 2:00 p.m. on West 46th Street between 5th and 6th Avenues. Please wear your sash, white gloves, black pants and black shoes. We hope to represent Division Seven and Suffolk County proudly! For those who are unable to march this year, you are cordially invited to join those returning from the parade for a 5:00 p.m. Mass at our Hall. These Masses are always a

great source of spiritual rejuvenation and a celebration of our Hibernian Community. Mass will be followed by food, fun and festivities. I look forward to a very crowded Hall!

The Suffolk County Board will hold its next meeting on March 23rd at 7:30 p.m. at Division Two in Babylon. If you are interested in carpooling, please contact Kathleen Ring.

On Thursday April 2nd at 6:00 p.m. the Ladies will pack Easter food baskets to benefit those in need in our community. Please contact Denise Fischer or Kathleen Ring to sign up for food donations. Additionally, any member wishing to donate non-perishable food items may bring those to our next meeting on Wednesday March 11th.

The Suffolk County AOH will commemorate the dedication of the Tom Clarke and Kathleen Daly Clarke Memorial at the monument on County Road 111, Manorville, N.Y. with a wreath laying service at 9:00 a.m. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Mickey Bancroft at the Rock Hill Country Club on Clancy Road in Manorville immediately following the monument service. Breakfast will follow the Mass. This year's guest speaker is Christopher Thompson, Esq. who is President of the Suffolk County 1916 Easter Rising Memorial, Inc. I invite the Ladies of Division Seven to join with our Brothers and Sisters from across Suffolk County in remembrance of these Irish heroes.

This year's Suffolk County Ball honoring Suffolk County Presidents John Hurley and Karilyn O'Brien will be held at The Bellport Country Club on Saturday April 18th from 6:00 to 11:00 p.m. A full sit down dinner will be served and music will be provided by The Boston Burglars. This event is a fundraiser that benefits both the AOH and LAOH Divisions of Suffolk County, so I urge you to come out and represent Division Seven.

As always, thank you all for your continued hard work and dedication to our Order. The next meeting of the Division Seven Ladies will be held on Wednesday March 11th at 7:30 p.m. at our Hall. Until then, I wish you all a very

Happy and Blessed Easter Season.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

Kathleen



On Sunday, March 1st, the junior girls will march in our Division's 50th Annual John P. Reilly Memorial St. Patrick's Parade. We are honored to march behind Grand Marshal Father Hugh Cannon and Ladies Aide Patty McNeill. After the parade, there will be a 50/50 raffle to support the junior girls at our hall.

On Friday, March 6th, beginning at 7pm the junior girls and boys will have a joint fundraiser to support the *Make-a-Wish* Foundation. Suggested donation is \$10.00 a person. This includes popcorn, candy, snacks, and soda. A cash bar will be available. *The Quiet Man* movie will be shown. We will have a special guest singer, trivia contest, and a door prize. Please join us for an evening of fun! On Monday, March 9th the girls will visit

St. Joseph's Convent in Brentwood at 5:30pm to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with the retired sisters. The juniors will serve Irish soda bread. This will be followed by performances by members of the Rosin Dubh Irish Pipe Band and Irish Dancers.



"The Quiet Man"

Junior Girls & Boys present Movie

Night on Friday March 6th at 7:00 PM at

Division 7. Admission \$10 /pp.

- Special guest singer
- trivia contest
- door prize



What's Happening March & April



MARCH:				
Mar 1 Sun	50 th Annual John P. Reilly East Islip			
	St. Patrick's Parade, Step off 2:00 PM			
Mar 4 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting 8:00 PM			
Mar 6 Fri	"Movie Night"- junior girls and boys joint fundraiser			
	to support the Make-a-Wish Foundation	7:00 PM		
Mar 9 Mon	Junior Girls and Boys visit St. Joseph's			
	Convent in Brentwood to celebrate			
	St. Patrick's Day with the retired sisters.	5:30 PM		
Mar 11 Wed	LAOH Division Seven Meeting	7:30 PM		
Mar 17 Tue	St. Patrick's Day, Mass in our hall 5:00 PM			
	Dinner in our hall 6:30 PM			
Mar 20 Fri	AOH Div. 7 new Member Screening	7:00 PM		
APRIL:				
Apr 1 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting	8:00 PM		
Apr 2 Thur	LAOH pack Easter food baskets	6:00 PM		
Apr 5 Sun	Easter Sunday			
Apr 6 Mon	Junior Girls and Boys Meeting	6:30 PM		
Apr 8 Wed	LAOH Division Seven Meeting	7:30 PM		
Apr 18 Sat	Suffolk County AOH & LAOH Hibernian			
	Ball at Bellport Country Club 6:00	0 - 11:00 PM		

Our 2015 Grand Marshal Father Hugh Cannon with his Aide Jerry Delaney and the Ladies Aide Patty McNeill.



Corporation Corner

Come on down to our Pub and Hall after our St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday March 1st for some food and drink. It's always a great day for our members.

Please remember to review the Pub entertainment schedule below. Visit our Pub and enjoy all of the entertainment we provide for you and your guests.

Corporation President, Gene Hearl

LIVE MUSIC AT THE AOH

March

<u> </u>				
Sat. 7 th Todd the Guitar Man	8:30 – 11:30			
Sat.14 th Howie Seal	8:30 – 11:30			
Tue 17 th Bob Carney	6:00 - 10:00			
Fri. 20 th Pete Kletchka				
Happy Hour	6:00 - 9:00			
Sat. 21 st Gerry McKeveeny	8:30 – 11:30			
Sat. 28 th Andrew	8:30 – 11:30			
<u>April</u>				
Sat. 4 th Todd the Guitar Man	8:30 - 11:30			
Sat.11 th Kevin Wilson	8:30 – 11:30			
Fri. 17 th Kenny & Justin				
Happy Hour	6:00 - 9:00			
Sat.18 th Katlin & Joe				
(from 26 + 6)	8:30 – 11:30			
Sat. 28 th Andrew	8:30 – 11:30			



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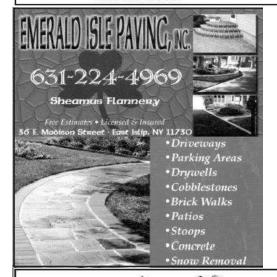
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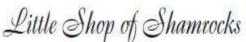


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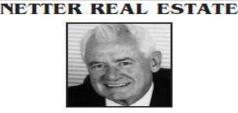
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Those who did not pay their 2014 dues now owe \$160.00 to be current through 2015.

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday 3/1/2015	Step off 2:00 PM	John P. Reilly Memorial E.I. St. Patrick's Parade
Saturday 3/7/2015	Step off 12:00 PM	Kings Park St. Patrick's Parade
Sunday 3/8/2015	Step off 2:00 PM	Huntington St. Patrick's Parade
Saturday 3/14/2015	Step off 2:00 PM	Bayshore St. Patrick's Parade
Sunday 3/15/2015	Step off 11:00 AM	Bayport/Bluepoint St. Patrick's Parade
Sunday 3/15/2015	Step off 2:00 PM	Center Moriches St. Patrick's Parade
Saturday 3/21/2015	Step off 11:00 AM	Hampton Bays St. Patrick's Parade
Sunday 3/22/2015	Step off 11:00 AM	Patchogue St. Patrick's Parade