### Our Lady of Knock - Division 7, East Islip, NY March/April 2016





# President's Message

Greetings Brothers! This is our time of year as we celebrate our wonderful Irish Heritage Month in so many different ways. Of course nothing warms our hearts more than our own parade, Suffolk County's Official Hibernian Parade.

Sunday March 6, 2016 at 2 pm at the East Islip Library we will step off for the John P. Reilly Memorial East Islip St. Patrick's Parade. This longevity of our parade 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 Dr. Dave Ring, his Aides, children David, Timothy, and Christina Ring, and Mary Fitzpatrick and his wife, Ladies President and Aide, Victoria Ring. Congratulations to Dave and his entire family! After the parade, come down to the Hall to enjoy Hibernian Brotherhood, entertainment and to purchase a delicious sandwich.

Please be reminded that because of limited space, anyone wishing to gain entrance to the building after the parade must have a current 2016 dues card (dues are \$60 before March 17th, \$100 after). For safety reasons, children will not be permitted in the hall after the parade. And on St. Patrick's Day, come down to the Hall to celebrate our Irish heritage with a Mass at 5 PM followed by entertainment provided by the Corporation.

Sunday March 27th, 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 Friday April 15th, the Suffolk County AOH and LAOH will be holding the 25th Annual Hibernian Ball at the Bellport Country Club. The event starts at 7 pm and the honorees will be Ron Murphy and Trish Hurley. Tickets are \$80 per person. Raffles are also available at \$10. Please see me or Vic Vogel if you are interested.

Irish movie nights are 3/23 and 4/27 at 8 PM. Come down and enjoy a free film with your friends.

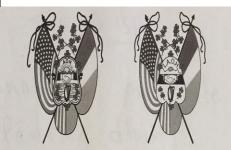
I look forward to seeing all of you at our next meeting Wednesday, March 2nd at 8pm.

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. This Division always shows it's pride in our Irish heritage and in conducting ourselves as Irish Catholic Gentlemen.

#### Yours in Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity.

Larry Wolff

# Mass of Thanksgiving and Commemoration



The Ancient Order of Hibernians and The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians

> Cordially invite you to a Mass of Thanksgiving

> > and Commemoration

St. Patrick's Cathedral Fifth Avenue, New York, New York Saturday, April 23, 2016 at 1:00p.m. To commemorate the Centenary Anniversary of the 1916 Rising and immediately after In Procession, down 51<sup>st</sup> Street to the Plaza, 345 Park Avenue at the Consulate General of Ireland in New York *for a reading of* the Proclamation of

> the Irish Republic

St. Patrick's Cathedral Fifth Avenue NY, NY Saturday April 23, 2016 to commemorate the centenary anniversary of the 1916 Rising.

### L.A.O.H.

Dear Sisters,

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate Betty Kreamer, our own Division 7 recipient of the "Following in the Footsteps of St. Brigid" award. It was an honor for me to acknowledge and recognize her commitment and service to others at the St. Brigid Breakfast.

Thank-you to all those that made our installation in January go so smoothly. Thank-you to the corporation and staff for your work and efforts as well as the men's division for sponsoring this enjoyable evening. Congratulations to my new board. You ladies are amazing! In such a short time you have done so many things and have exemplified the works of our organization. I am truly honored to work with you and thank-you for your support.

Thank-you to Father Hugh for providing us with a Lenten Service on Ash Wednesday. As our journey with Christ begins together, may our works and prayers through our order continue to bless all those lives we touch.

A warm welcome to all our new members. We are delighted you joined us and look forward to you being part of this great order.

Thank-you to Madonna and our Junior Girls for hosting our first Lenten Supper. Such an enjoyable evening and successful fundraiser for Make-a-Wish. The soups, breads, salads, and desserts were delicious!

Congratulations to Dr. David Ring, the Grand Marshal of this year's 51<sup>st</sup> Annual John P. Reilly Memorial East Islip's St. Patrick's Parade. We will proudly march behind you and wish you all the grandest of days. Thankyou Ladies for giving me the honor of being Ladies Aide to the Grand Marshal. I am deeply honored! Thank-you also to the Friends of the Hibernians for sponsoring this parade, the parade committee and ball committees, Roisin Dubh Pipe Band as well as the corporation, staff and volunteers for all your hard work and effort. The parade and Grand Marshal's Ball are enjoyed by so many thanks to all of you.

Please remember to send in your 2016 dues-\$35 up until March 31<sup>st</sup>. After April 1<sup>st</sup> and later-\$50. An updated dues card is necessary to come to the Hall after our parade. Eileen will be checking our mailbox regularly.

If anyone is in need of a sash, please contact Carol Murphy at <u>cmflower@optonline.net</u>. Sashes are \$46.50.

Please be sure to stop by the East Islip Library to see the beautiful display of all things Irish before we line up for the John P. Reilly East Islip St. Patrick's Parade on Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm. Thank-you to Denise Fisher for gathering all the items and her helpers for setting up the various showcases. Thank-you to all of you who contribute to this.

The Junior Girls will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day with the retired sisters at the Convent of St. Josephs on Monday, March 7 at 5:00pm. The girls would be most thankful if the Ladies would donate Irish Soda bread and butter for the occasion. Please contact Madonna at mnolty@yahoo.com or come to Brentwood and bring it with you. It's a fun evening and the Sisters look forward to our visit.

All are welcome to attend mass in celebration of St. Patrick at our Hall at 5pm on the  $17^{th}$ . If you would like to march in the NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade, please meet the Suffolk County LAOH at West  $46^{th}$  St. between  $5^{th}$  and  $6^{th}$  Avenue, Street Door #50.

Wear black pants/skirt, black shoes, no sneakers, white gloves and your sash. You will be led by our own Roisin Dubh Pipe Band. Division 2 does have a bus going and you can contact Jack Henry at 631-374-5765 to see if there are any seats left.

If anyone knows of a family in need of an Easter food basket, please let Peggy Sundin know the number of children and adults in the family. A sign up list of donated items will be available at the next meeting. We will be assembling the baskets on Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm at the Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to help. Your time and donations are greatly appreciated.

On April 15, the Suffolk County AOH/LAOH Boards will be hosting their Annual Ball at the Bellport Country Club. Tickets are \$80.00 a person. Honorees are Trish Hurley and Ron Murphy. Raffle tickets are \$10 each. First prize is \$1,000. See Kathleen Ring for more information.

On April 16 our Ladies and Men's Division will be hosting a bowling fundraiser at the East Islip Bowling Lanes. Information to follow. Thankyou in advance to Vinny Smith and the Ladies' Fundraising Committee for helping to make this evening a fun and successful event.

Contact me as soon as possible (victoriadring@aol.com) if you would like to attend the Easter Rising Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Our County President Pat Rattigan is organizing a bus. The list and payments for the bus have to get to her by March 7<sup>th</sup>.

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

In Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity, Vicky



James Walsh - Aide To Grand Marshal Senator Mitchell - NYC Parade - 2016

# Corporation Corner

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all! Our Pub and beautiful Hall will be very lively this time of year. Please come down and enjoy all that this division has to offer after the East Islip St. Patrick's Day Parade and of course on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

In addition to St. Patrick's Day, come down and watch some of the many games on the Pub TV's: watch your favorite hockey team, enjoy all the March Madness basketball games or catch the beginning of the baseball season with your fellow Hibernians. Corporation President.

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#### JUNIOR GIRLS

The Juniors would like to thank all those who attended the February 26<sup>th</sup> Lenten Soup Dinner fund- raiser. We, especially, thank the Division Seven Ladies who generously donated soups both canned and home-made and the delicious desserts. By your example, we truly learned the meaning of generosity! The girls are looking forward to proudly marching in the John P. Reilly East Islip Parade on **Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**. The girls will be meeting at the East Islip Library at **1:30 pm**. We are honored to follow, Grand Marshal, Dr. David Ring and Ladies-Aide, Vicky Ring down Main Street. After the parade, at the hall the Juniors will be selling chances for a beautiful hand-made Aram blanket and a 50/50. Proceeds of this raffle will support the *Make-A-Wish* foundation. On **Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>** the girls will visit St. Joseph's Convent in Brentwood at **5:30pm** to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. This year the Juniors signed St. Patrick's Day cards and will hand deliver them individually to each of the retired sisters. The celebration will include serving Irish Soda Bread, a performance by members of the Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band and Irish Dancers. Our April meeting will be held on **Monday, April 11 at 6:30** pm at which time the Juniors will be working on their scrapbook. In an effort to give back to the community, the girls are looking forward to assisting at St. Anne's in Brentwood on **Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am** sorting donated food and clothing, in addition to making Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwiches for the needy. All are welcome to join us during this morning of service.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity, Madonna Nolty, Division Seven Junior Girls' Coordinator

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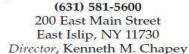
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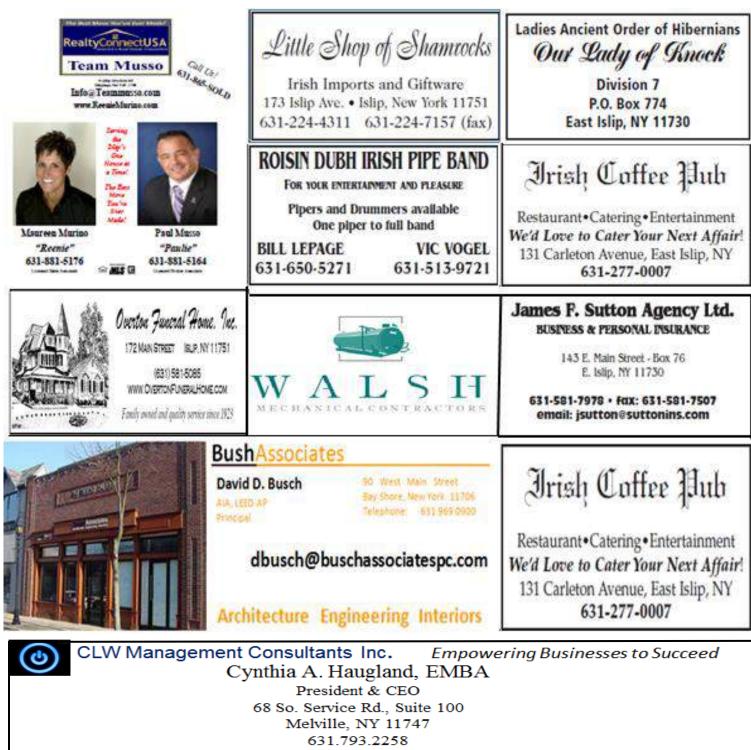
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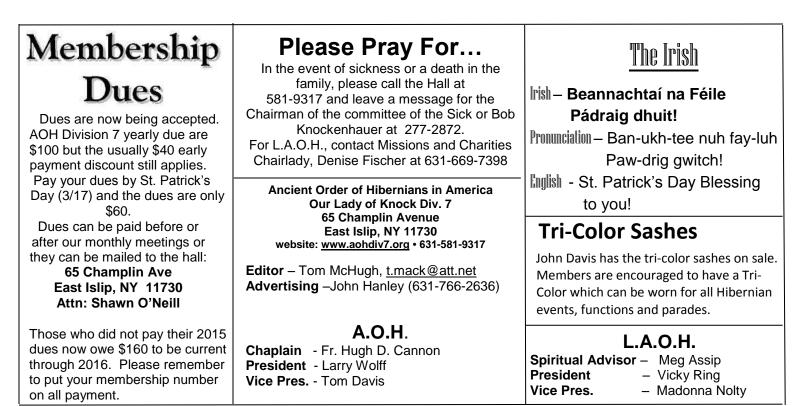


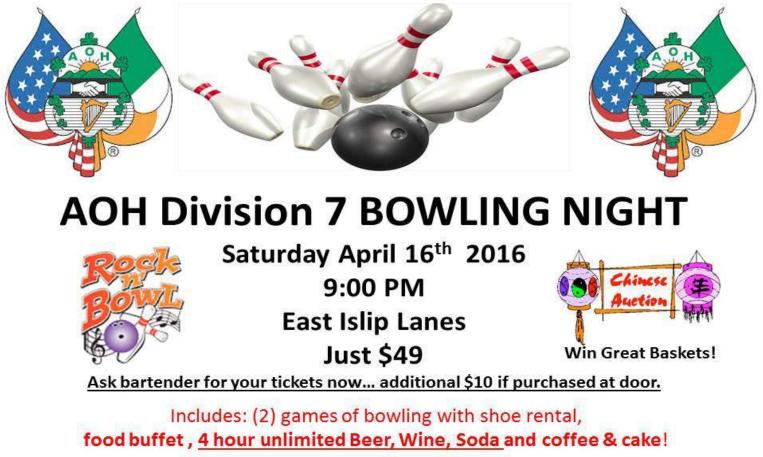
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