

Our Lady of Knock - Division 7, East Islip, NY January/February 2020



President's Message

Greetings Brothers,

I hope you and your loved ones had a very Merry Christmas and I wish everyone nothing but the best for 2020. Our next Division Meeting will be held Thursday, January 2nd at 8:00 pm. On Saturday, January 11th we will be holding our installation of incoming officers. The event begins at 6:30 PM starting with the Junior Girls, followed by the Ladies and then the Men's Division. We have planned an enjoyable evening. We will have dinner from Francesco's and entertainment will be provided by Pete Kletchka and his friends from RMB. Please come down to show your support for our new officers. Our January meeting will be my final one as President of Division 7. It has certainly been an honor and a privilege to serve as president of this great AOH Division. My two years have gone by very quickly due to the hard work of fellow officers and all the members of the division who worked together to make it not only a place where members come to have fun but also accomplish many charitable endeavors. I am especially grateful to have Tom McHugh as my Vice President. Tom has done a tremendous amount of work for the division over the past 20 years and will make a phenomenal president. I would also like to thank my other fellow officers for their outstanding and dedicated support throughout the past two years and I wish the two incoming new officers, Jason Holm and Jim Doherty, nothing but the best. I am sure they will do a great job as officers of the division for many years to come. I must also thank the ladies, particularly LAOH President Madonna Nolty and Vice President Cathie Norton

Doherty for all their support over the past two years. I appreciate all the hard work the officers of the Corporation do for us maintaining the building and managing the pub. They are always looking to make things better for the members to enjoy themselves when they attend the many functions that go on throughout the year. I would also like to thank all of the Presidents I served under for providing me with the leadership and proper direction to be able to move up through the chairs of the division. Furthermore, I would also like to thank the members of the finance committee and all the committee chairs for their support in the smooth running of the division. Finally, gratitude to all the members who helped out over the past two years whether it was cooking at the division picnic or volunteering to help out with the parade. It is because of everyone's efforts Division 7 is what it is today.

Thank you again for allowing me the honor and privilege to serve as president of Division 7 and as your Grand Marshal for this year's John P. Reilly East Islip St. Patrick's Day Parade. I am truly looking forward to it.

**Yours in Friendship, Unity
and Christian Charity,
Tom Davis**

President Elect's Message:

Happy New Year and I hope everyone had a great Christmas. Your newly elected Division 7 officers are looking forward to running the best Division in the country. We are committed to always doing what is in the best interest of our division. I want to thank Tom Davis for his leadership over the past two years as division President. Tom has been dedicated to supporting and running

Division 7 for the past 2 decades. Tom began by running our monthly meeting dark horse and he has been on the board of officers for the past 14 years and will remain on our board in the Jr. Past President position. In addition to volunteering and supporting all of our events, Tom ran and Emceed our Grand Marshal Ball for several years. I know our Division is stronger thanks to Tom's dedication. I appreciate everything he has done and I hope he enjoys his day as the Grand Marshal of the John P. Reilly East Islip St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday March 1st.

Please come down for the "Installation of Officers" on Saturday January 11th 2020 starting at 6:30 PM. After installing all officers, there will be food, music and dancing for your enjoyment.

The Roisin Dubh Pipe Band will hold their annual "Darby Night" on Saturday Jan. 25th at 7:00 PM. Please come out and support the Band. Our Grand Marshal's Ball is on Saturday February 22nd at the Irish Coffee Pub, see John Davis for tickets and Jason Holm for Journal Ads.

President Elect, Tom McHugh



Grand Marshal Tom Davis

L.A.O.H.

Dear Sisters,

I hope that you and your families had a wonderful and blessed Christmas. I wish you all a very Happy and Healthy New Year. Thank you to Patty Fitzpatrick and Chris Brogan for spearheading our very successful 300 Club Fundraiser. This is our biggest fundraiser and with all your efforts it was a huge success. Thank you to all who supported the Ladies of Division Seven.

Thank-you to Vicky Ring, Leslie Lanigan, Linda Snyder and all those who worked hard to provide Irish Foods on St. Stephen's Day and to those who brought appetizers for the contest. The next screening for new members will be held on Tuesday, January 7th at 7:30pm. Please forward your applications to Sue O'Neill or Alice Faughnan. Applications may be downloaded from the following URL: <http://www.ladiesaoh.com>

There are 3 ways to pay your 2020 dues of \$45. You may leave a check and self-addressed stamped envelope in the pub (ladies' box) with your dues card or mail a check to LAOH, Financial Secretary, PO Box 774, East Islip, NY 11730 or bring your dues card and payment to our next meeting on January 8th at 7:30 PM.

Congratulations to the incoming LAOH Board and AOH Board. We wish President's Cathie Norton-Doherty and AOH President Tom McHugh successful terms during the next two years as we look forward to their leadership. All members are welcome to attend the installation of Officers to be held on Saturday, January 11th at 6:30 PM. Please come down and show your support for your new officers.

Division Seven's 2020 honoree for the Walking in the Footsteps of St. Brigid is Carmel Ryan. A longtime member of our Division, Carmel has volunteered her time whenever help is needed. She demonstrates

a strong commitment to her faith, church and her community. Please join us in recognizing Carmel at the St. Brigid's Luncheon which will be held at Division 2 in Babylon following the Mass. The cost is \$18.00 per adult. St. Brigid's Mass will take place on Saturday, February 1st at 11:30 am at Sacred Heart Chapel on the grounds of the Sisters of St. Joseph's in Brentwood.

Please save the date for the Grand Marshal's Ball on Saturday, February 22nd at the Irish Coffee Pub in honor of Division Seven's Grand Marshal, Tom Davis and Ladies' Aide, Cathie Norton-Doherty. You both exemplify the essence of "Hibernian Spirit" and we will proudly march behind you on Sunday, March 1st. Please see chairman John Davis for tickets.

Sisters, I would like to take this opportunity to extend to all of you my gratitude for your support of our Order, our Division, to me and our outstanding board over the last two years. Thank you to our Hospitality Ladies who ensured we enjoyed a little down time after meetings and to Margaret Davis for keeping our members informed each month with emails. I have been extremely fortunate to have the support of our past presidents who continue to work tirelessly for our order. Your generosity of spirit and willingness to help whenever needed is truly a blessing. Thank you also to our brother Hibernians, especially to our Division AOH President, Tom Davis, Division Officers and Corporation Officers, especially, Gene Hearl for helping us with our many events.

The last two years have been filled with laughter and loss sustained by our faith. I am forever grateful for the confidence you have placed in me and the opportunity to serve our Division. To paraphrase St. Paul – "we have **fought the good fight**, we have finished the race, we have kept the faith." It has been a privilege to work with all of you as we strive to invoke our Motto; Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity. In our Motto,

Madonna

Juniors

The Juniors would like to express their wishes to everyone for a Happy and Healthy New Year. They appreciate all who donated and supported their toy collection for Taylors Hope Foundation Toy Drive. It was a successful collection. The girls appreciated being a part of and helping to make a difference in the lives of children who are hospitalized at Christmas.

Our next Juniors meeting will be Monday January 6th at 6:30pm. The Juniors will be learning about St. Brigid in preparation of the LAOH Suffolk County St. Brigid's Day Mass that they are invited to participate in on Saturday February 1st 2020, 11:30am at the Sacred Heart Chapel, St. Josephs in Brentwood.

February 10th at 6:30pm the Juniors will be hosting a representative from Make A Wish Foundation. This is always a rewarding event as the girls get the chance to listen to a recipient from Make-A-Wish, learn how this worthy organization operates and understand how all of their hard work fundraising through the year to make a donation is appreciated.

Cathie Norton Doherty
Junior Girls Coordinator



Tom Davis presented flowers to Ladies Aide to GM, Cathie Norton-Doherty



What's Happening January & February



JANUARY:

Jan 2 Thu	AOH Division Seven Meeting	8:00 PM
Jan 6 Mon	Jr Girls Meeting	6:30 PM
Jan 8 Wed	LAOH Division Seven Meeting	7:30 PM
Jan 11 Sat	Installation of Officers 6:30 Jr. Girls, 7:00 LAOH, 7:30 AOH	
Jan 24 Fri	March for Life in Washington DC	
Jan 25 Sat	Darby Night - Róisín Dubh Pipe Band	7:00 PM

FEBRUARY:

Feb 1 Sat	St. Brigid Mass, St. Joseph's Brentwood	11:30 AM
Feb 2 Sun	Super Bowl Sunday	
Feb 5 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting	8:00 PM
Feb 10 Mon	Jr Girls Meeting	6:30 PM
Feb 12 Wed	LAOH Division Seven Meeting	7:30 PM
Feb 22 Sat	Grand Marshal's Ball - Irish Coffee Pub	7:00 PM

Corporation Corner



LIVE MUSIC



January

Sat 4th	Karaoke with Steve	7:30 – 10:30
Sat 11th	Installation of Officers Pete Kletchker & Friends	7:00 – 11:00
Sat 18th	Todd the Guitar Man	7:30 – 10:30
Fri 24th	Three's Accompany Happy Hour	6:00 – 9:00
Sat 25th	J & D Acoustic	7:30 – 10:30

December

Sat 1st	Four Shades of Gray	7:30 – 10:30
Sat 8th	Uncork & Unwind	7:30 – 10:30
Fri 14th	Joe & Julie Happy Hour	6:00 – 9:00
Sat 15th	Kevin Wilson	7:30 – 10:30
Sat 22nd	Grand Marshal's Ball At The Irish Coffee Pub (The Boggs)	7:00 – 12:00
Sat 29th	Broke Down Blues	7:30 – 10:30

Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band Presents The Annual Darby A Night at The Races At The Division 7 Hall



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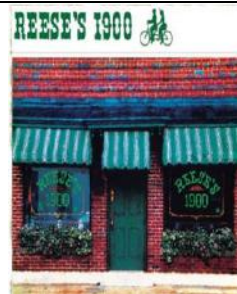
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