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## New Year's Eve Celebration

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## President's Message

Our next meeting will be held on Wed. Dec. 6th, at 8:00 in our hall. This will be our annual Christmas meeting, so please come down and get into the Christmas spirit by enjoying some food and spirits with your fellow members.

I would like to extend congratulations on behalf of the officers and the members of the division to Joe LePage, our 2007 Grand Marshal. It will be an honor and a privilege to follow you and your aide down Main St.. I would also like to thank Bill Kramer and Patricia Rielly, our other nominees for everything that they have done to make our organization what it is today.

Our very own annual Division Children's Christmas Party will be held on Sun., Dec. 17th, from 1:00 till 4:00. This is a great day for the kids to start getting into the Christmas spirit, not that they don't all have the spirit from the huge Christmas lists that they have already given us. Please bring a gift with you for each of your kids and put their names and age on it and try to keep it around \$10.00. This party will be followed by the Adult Party which will begin at 6:00. So please come down and enjoy all the festivities that are going on. Thanks. Another event that our Division does for the community is that we hold an annual Christmas Party for the less fortunate kids of the surrounding areas. Anyone who would like to see the little bit of joy that we bring to these kids should come to the hall to help out around 12:00 on Sat. Dec.16th. It will only be

a couple of hours of your time. If anyone knows of a child that might need a little help, should see John Davis at our Dec. meeting.

I wasn't able to make the Halloween Party held at the hall, but rumors have it (and so do pictures) that there was some wild and crazy outfits and people who had a great time at this function. I'll make sure I can attend next year.

Since we are a Christian and Charitable organization, this is especially the time of year when we should think of the less fortunate among us and try to lend a helping hand to those in need. Also, to the families of the members who have past away and to the members who have had family pass away, me and my officers wish you a peaceful Christmas season.

Last chance to get some Christmas presents for the family, so please see Mac Mc Fadden at the meeting. Also, if you are in need of any services of the advertisers in this newsletter try to use them, because they are with us all year long and we really do appreciate them. Again, on behalf of myself and all the officers of the Division, we wish you and all your families a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

Danny Kissane

#### **Grand Marshal 2007**

Congratulations to Joe Le Page for being selected by the Division Seven members as the Grand Marshal for the year 2007. Joe will be leading the Division down Main Street in East Islip in the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade during March 2007.

## Hibernian of the Year

As is customary, Division 7 will select a "Hibernian Of The Year", and will receive an award for this honor at our Grand Marshal's Ball in February, 2007.

Anyone wishing to nominate a candidate please submit your selection, with an appropriate write-up, to last year's recipient, Dan Sullivan.

Nominations must be in before January 1, 2007.

There will be a meeting for the Hibernian of The Year prior to the regular Division meeting on January 3 meeting at 7:00PM sharp.

Committee members are asked to be upstairs and on time for the vote.

#### **Major Degree**

On Sunday October 29, the Suffolk County Tara Court Degree Team, presented a major degree at division 2 in Babylon. I am very proud to announce that of the 41 members receiving their major degree, 18 came from Division 7. Congratulations to our members who have made the commitment and have become true Hibernians.

Seamus Flannery, Ryan Koenig, Tom Murphy, Dan Freisen, John Phalen, Jim Lydon, Jim Foley, Harold Cain, John Keane, John Walsh, John Farrell, Brian Platt, John Halton, Tom Halton, Patrick McKee, Joe Murdoch, Joe Columbo and Mr. James O'Hagan.

Yours in brotherhood Jerry Delaney

#### **Ladies Division**

By the time you read this, Thanksgiving will have passed. I hope everyone had a wonderful day with their families and friends. Christmas will be here before we know it.

The new Slate of Officers was voted on and the Winners are:
President ......Sue O'Neill
Vice President ...Alice Faughnan
Recording Secy ..Charlene Gibbs
Financial Secy ..Eileen Fitzpatrick
Treasurer .....Carol McHugh
Irish Historian ...Maryann Baron
Missions & Charities ..Liz Colgan
Catholic Action ....Traci Begley
Mistress at Arms ..Dolores Gordon
Sentinel .....Patty McNeill
Grievance .....Joanne Clancy
Peggy Fitzpatrick

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW OFFICERS!!! They will be installed at our January Meeting.

Please remember there is a Christmas Party & grab bag at our December Meeting. A \$10 gift certificate or lottery ticket(s) valued at \$10 would be the perfect gift for the GRAB BAG. Bring something for us to nibble on. Finger foods, chips & dip, crackers & cheese, or dessert are just some ideas. If you make something special, please share the receipt with your fellow Hibernians.

By now everyone should have purchased at least one 300 CLUB TICK-ET. If not, PLEASE, we need your help to support the many Charities that our Division donates to over the year especially at Christmas time. Thank you again Maryann Baron.

The LAOH County Board fundraiser this year is the play "Peter Pan" at the Creative Ministries in Oakdale. The price is \$22 for adults, \$18 for children. The date is December 27th at 1 PM. It is very important that we support our County Board by purchasing tickets, which are available through Sue O'Neill (518-1489) or myself (859-0477).

Our AOH men are planning a New Year's Eve Party. The price is \$45 and it's first come first served. Lets make it a big success by celebrating the NEW YEAR OF 2007 with good friends.

In closing, I wish all my Sisters and

their families a VERY MERRY CHRIST-MAS AND A HAPPY & HEALTHY NEW YEAR.

Dates to Remember:

Dec 13th - 7:30PM - LAOH Meeting Christmas Party

Dec 27th - 1:00PM - "Peter Pan" - LAOH County Board

Dec 31st - New Year's Eve Party - AOH

Pray for Peace on Earth this Holiday Season

Winnie Morrisey

#### **Junior Girls**

Our next meeting will be Dec.11 at 6:30-7:30PM. We will be having our Christmas party. Any girl who would like to participate in the "Secret Santa" must bring in a wrapped gift with a value of \$5. Please keep in mind when you are shopping we have a range of ages 6-16. We will finalize our slate of officers for the January 8, 2007 installation so mark you calendars!

The shoeboxes that were wrapped at the Nov. meeting were delivered to Little Flower for Thanksgiving....good job everyone!

Merry Christmas, Sue O'Neill

## **Corporation Corner**

Work will commence shortly on the lobby entrance. There has been a delay due to the delivery of the new doors, and the contractor wants to do everything at once as to minimize the inconvenience of construction.

We have purchased new cabinets for the kitchen along with a new granite counter top. These we hope to have in by Christmas.

On behalf of Don Dobbin, Dan Sullivan, Al Norton and myself, we wish all the members and their families a Merry Christmas and hope to see as many as possible at the New Year's Party.

Vincent P Clancy

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#### **Please Pray For...**

In the event of sickness or a death in the family, please call the Hall at 581-9317 and leave a message for Jim Portella, Chairman of the

Committee on the Sick. Or, call him at 582-9142.For L.A.O.H, contact Missions and Charities Chairlady, Liz Colgan at 277-2248.

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## Announces Vegas 2007

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#### **Trip Information**

**Depart:** Islip McArthur airport Monday, April 30, 2007, SouthWest Airlines Flight 463 at 10:35AM

**Arrive:** Nonstop to Las Vegas Airport 1:15PM (Las Vegas Time)

**Return:** - **Depart:** Las Vegas Airport Friday, May 4, 2007 SouthWest Flight 2559 at 3:05PM.

**Arrive:** Nonstop to Islip McArthur airport 10:55PM

**NOTE:** For airport check in, a valid driver's license or passport, or other valid photo ID is required.

**Deposit** of \$200 per person must be received and is on a first come, first serve

basis, with preference to previous travelers. **Balance** of trip must be received by March 1, 2007. Full payment is accepted at any time. Checks payable to AOH DIVISION 7.

Please complete lower portion for each person and return to Vince Clancy: For additional information: 631-581-6950

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#### Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band

The Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band's 25th Anniversary Ceili appears to have been a great success and a memorable affair. Thanks to those members who contributed their time and skills to organize the event. It was a tremendous undertaking. The ceili pipers and drummers provided excellent entertainment and the step dancers were as beautiful as ever.

Pipe Major Bill LePage is pleased to report that the band's students are progressing with great promise. He hopes to add as many as six new pipers and three new drummers to the marching band by next St. Patrick's Day. Congratulations to the new members.

Competition Pipe Major Sean Buchta looks to increase the size of the Grade IV Competition Band by next season. In addition, he has announced the formation of a Grade V Competition Band which will begin practice immediately. Good luck to Sean and the bands!

Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band beer glasses and T-shirts are on sale now and can be purchased during band practice any Thursday night. New classes for student pipers and drummers will be forming soon. Isn't it time you or someone in your family joined the band?

Vic Vogel, Band Manager

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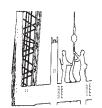
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Fri	Dec 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Mon	Dec 11	Boys and Girls Division Meeting 6:30PM
Wed	Dec 13	Ladies Division 7 Meeting 7:30PM
Fri	Dec 15	LAOH "300 Raffle" - Hall 8:00PM
Sat	Dec 16	Children's Fund Christmas Party 12:00PM
Sun	Dec 17	Division Children's Christmas Party 1:00PM
		Division Christmas Party 6:00PM
Mon	Dec 25	Christmas
Wed	Dec 27	"Peter Pan" - Creative Ministries - Oakdale
		1:00PM
Sat	Dec 30	Super Bowl Raffle Drawing - Pub 4:00PM
Sun	Dec 31	New Years Eve Party Division Hall 8:00PM

Roisin Dubh Pipe Band meets every Thursday at 8:00PM

#### **Scholarships**

If you have a high school student that may be eligible for an award see Tom McEnroe for applications. (581-7543)

There will be two, \$3000 awards awarded.

All applications must be in by May 1, 2007. High School graduation and SAT June scores are essential.

Applications are self-explanatory.

#### **Pub Entertainment**

Sat., Dec. 2 **Howie Seal** (3)

Sat., Dec. 9 **Martin Flynn** 

Sat., Dec. 16 The COGS

**Sat., Dec. 23 Karaoke with Carol** 

#### **Freedom For All Ireland Christmas Appeal**

Please consider making a donation to the needy Catholic families in Northern Ireland at this holy time of the year. Through your generosity the "10 Club" will provide services and necessary materials for the families of released prisoners. Your ten dollar donation will help with job training, family crisis services, legal counseling, religious education and so much more.

Go raibh maith agat - Thank you Vic Vogel, FFAI

#### Celtic New Year Party

The Ladies AOH knows how to throw a party!

At the Halloween (Celtic New Year) held at the hall on Saturday, Oct 28, 2006, there were a variety of costumes and characters!

The group of photos are currently on the web site.

Go to the EVENTS page and follow the links. You will be pleasantly surprised!

#### Announcements

It is all right to say "Merry Christmas" and/or "Happy New Year" to an individual!

(What will be the next politically correct phrase? "Have a nice event".)

Bill Kreamer, an associate member of Division 7, was awarded "The Legion of Honor Award" at the "Chapel of Four Chaplains" memorial service 0n Nov 6, 2006.

The award was presented to Bill, in the presence of family and friends at the Amvets Post Hall No 18 in East

Bill has been a member of the Exchange Ambulance of the Islip's for more than fifty years. He is a life member of the Amvets Post #18.

In addition Bill was also a nominee for the 2007 AOH Division 7 Grand Marshal.

Our congratulations to Bill Kreamer for his awards and good citizenship in the community.

## Christmas Blessings

#### **Right to Life**

Stem cells from adult human bone helped mice with diabetes make insulin, suggesting new treatments for the disease that afflicts millions of Americans. This is according to scientists on 11/08/06.

The ability of stem cells to mature into many cell types suggests they may be able to treat diabetes, Alzheimer's disease and other conditions resulting from damage to important tissues. Research on adult stem cells has gained importance since President George W. Bush restricted funding for work on human embryonic stem cells in 2001. (From Bloomberg news).

John Walsh, Chairman