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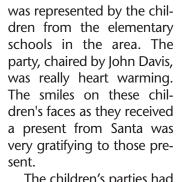
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Division Seven Hosted Three Christmas Parties in December.

The member's party held Sunday night on Dec 17. The Children's Fund party, held Saturday afternoon on December 16,



The children's parties had visits from Santa Claus and multiple cartoon characters.

Equally fun filled was the Division Members' Children Christmas party held on Sunday December 17. Barry Heathwood and his "ELF" provided the children with a memorable event.

(Photo by Maria Barone)





President's Message

Our next meeting will be held on Wed. Jan. 3rd, at 8:00 P.M. in our hall. All members are welcomed and encouraged to attend. The Christmas season has come and gone and everything seemed to go extremely well. I would like to thank the many volunteers who helped to make all the different parties we had such huge successes. An awful lot of work goes on behind the scenes as well as at the events themselves to make them such big hits. So thank you from myself, the Division and anyone else who enjoys the fruits of your labors. Special thanks go to John Davis and Barry Heathwood for the wonderful Children's Christmas parties that they both put on and to Jack Murphy, Tom Snyder and Doug Kelly for putting smiles on all the kids faces. Extra special thanks go out to John Davis for the comedy show he put on at the Adult's party. A year has gone by in my Presidency and I would like to thank all my Officers for all the hard work that they have put in this past year. Also, thanks to all the members of all the different committees for making this last year a big success. Also, thanks to the Corp. Officers, Vinny Clancy, Dan Sullivan, Don Dobbins and Al Norton for helping me along this past year. I really do appreciate it, all of you. There will be a screening for new members on Fri. Jan. 12th, at 7:30 P.M. in our hall. All eligible applicants can then take their Shamrock Degree at our Feb. meeting. Please see Kevin Lyons for an application or leave a message at the hall.

There will be a vote for the opening on the Finance Committee at our Jan. meeting, so please try and attend and cast your vote. Division 2 in Babylon, is holding a fundraiser for St. John Of God Church, Central Islip, on Fri. Feb. 16th, that we are co-hosting with them. We will be having a raffle as well as some other things, details will follow in the Feb. newsletter.

See Mac Mc Fadden to purchase a sash for the upcoming parade season.

Next time you're down at the hall peek in and see our newly decorated kitchen, it looks great. Hopefully it will make the hot dogs taste better. Have a Great New Year.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity Danny Kissane

Hibernian of the Year

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.

As is customary, Division 7 will select the "Hibernian Of The Year", who 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.

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

Grand Marshal's Ball

The Grand Marshal's Ball will be held on Saturday, February 10, 2007, at The Irish Coffee Pub.

We will be honoring Joseph LePage as the Grand Marshal.

Reservations are now being taken. Tickets are \$95 per person.

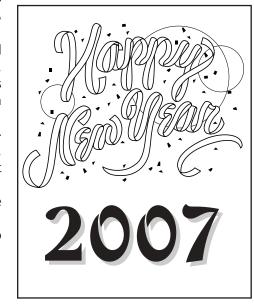
Cocktails are from 7:00PM to 8:00PM. Dinner will be from 8:00 until midniaht.

Seating is on a first come - first served basis.

A waiting list will be established once the 200 seats are sold.

If you have not reserved a seat and payment is not made by February 1, 2007 your reservation will be void and your seat will be given to the waiting

Contact Tom Davis at 224-1849



Ladies Division

This will be my last column. After four years of driving Al crazy with always being late, now it's someone else's turn. All kidding aside, thank you Mr. Norton for having patience with me.

At the LAOH meeting on January 10th, the Junior Girls and the Ladies will be installed, followed by a party. All men and women are invited. There will be good music and great food. Come and welcome the new LAOH Board. The installation will take place at 7PM sharp, to allow the young girls to enjoy themselves, before they leave to retire as they have school on Thursday.

Don't forget the St. Brigid's Day Mass at 10:30AM on February 11 at St. Joseph's in Brentwood. The juniors will place flowers on the altar in honor of St. Brigid. Following the Mass, Brunch will be served at Division 2 Hall. Price of Brunch will be in February's newsletter. All proceeds from the brunch and the chances will be presented to St. John of God's Church to help with well needed repairs. Please make an effort to attend.

Both Division 2 and 7 are organizing a St. John of God Fundraiser to be held at Division 2 on Friday, February 16, 2007. The cost will be \$30 per person. Keep the date open, as we want Division 7 to show our strength when helping one of our own AOH members, Fr. Kissane, Pastor of St. John of God Roman Catholic Church.

This is my last time to publicly thank all my Board members for helping make my presidency a most pleasant experience. Each and every one stepped in when needed and ran everything successfully and, of course, that made me look good. They are the greatest and will go on as the new board.

May you all have a Very Happy & Healthy New Year!

Dates to Remember:

Jan. 10 - 7PM SHARP LAOH Installation

Feb. 11 - 10:30AM - St. Brigid's Mass

Feb. 16 - to be determined - St. John of God Fundraiser Winnie Morrisey

Junior Girls

Our next meeting will be Jan. 8, 2007 at 6:30PM. I would like to congratulate the new officers for 2007:

President - Emily Baron
Vice President - Meagan Faughnan
Recording Sec. - Bridget Hanley
Financial Sec. - Megan Davis
Treasurer - Niamh Ashe
Irish Historian - Shannon Cummings
Miss. & Charities - Kayla Hanley
Catholic Action - Mackenzie Haughton
Mistress at Arms - Colleen O'Neill
Sentinel - Kayla Cosgrove

The installation for the juniors will take place Jan.10, 2007 at 7PM. Please try to be there by 6:45PM. All juniors and parents are welcome to attend. The new juniors' coordinator will be Alice Faughnan. I would like to thank Alice and MaryAnn Baron for their help over the past 2 years.

Dues are due! Dues are \$10 for the year. We will be collecting the dues at the Jan. meeting. Also, good luck to all the officers and juniors in all that you do.

Happy New Year! Sue O'Neill

the "10 Club" will provide services and necessary materials for the families of released prisoners in Northern Ireland. Your contribution is deeply appreciated. It 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

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Christmas Appeal

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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.

Membership Dues

The men's division announced that the annual dues are \$40 if paid prior to March 17 and \$48 if paid after that date

If paying by check, please put your member number on your check.

Payments can be left in the green locked mailbox found just outside the pub room. If paying by cash, please put your name and membership number on the outside of the envelope.

The L.A.O.H announced that the dues are \$25 and after March 31 they are \$30. Tables will be set up at the next Ladies meeting to ease the paying of dues.

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Announces Vegas 2007

Mon., April 30 to Fri., May 4, 2007. 5 Days, 4 Nights; \$645 pp, dbl. occ. \$470 pp (Senior Rate per person - Must be 65 and over, with proper ID.) Price includes round trip air fare, four nights at the Excalibur Hotel, baggage handling, tax and ground transportation to and from Las Vegas Airport.

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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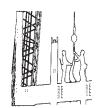
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Wed	Jan 3	Men's Division 7 Meeting 8:00PM
Mon	Jan 8	Boys and Girls Division Meeting 6:30PM
Wed	Jan 10	Ladies Division 7 Meeting 7:30PM
		Installation of Officers
Fri	Jan 12	Men's Screening - Hall 7:30PM
Sat	Jan 20	Right To Life Convention - Washington, D.C.
Sun	Feb 11	St. Brigid's Mass - St. Joseph's - Brentwood
		10:30AM
Fri	Feb 16	Fund Raiser for St. John of God Church
Sun	Feb 25	Tara Court Chinese Auction - Division 2

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

Children's Fund **Christmas Party**

On Saturday, December 15th, the Division held it's annual Children's Fund Christmas party. Over 90 children attended, along with their families. Each child received a toy and a gift card from Santa. In addition to the gifts, everyone enjoyed hot dogs, hamburgers, ice cream and other great treats. Thanks go out to Vince Clancy, his wife JoAnn, Dan Sullivan, his wife Maura, Al Norton, Herman Boyle, Barry Heathwood, Santa, and his elves in the kitchen lack, John and Dominic. Thanks also to Vic Vogel, Kathleen, Jim Ryan, Rob Doyle, all the wonderful ladies who wrapped all those gifts and everyone else who helped out. All these people made the Christmas holiday a little more special for a lot of people.

Please mark your calendars for October 18, 2007, which is the date of our 10th Annual Children's Fund Golf Outing, to be held at Timber Point Country Club. This event helps to fund the annual Children's Fund Christmas party each year, so get all your foursomes together and join the fun!

Right to Life Announcements

Saturday, January 20 to Monday, January 22. Right to Life Convention, Washington, D.C. Register for the Convention Hotel with 'March for Life': 202-543-3377.

In an effort to raise awareness about the benefits of umbilical cord blood, a source of hematopoietic stem cells which also include bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cells (both legal and ethical sources), the Suffolk County Legislature recently approved legislation that authorizes the county health department to become more active in educating patients on cord blood donations through materials and doctor/patient counseling. Cord blood can potentially be utilized to both cure diseases and help toward research and development of healthcare services and procedures in the future. (From Suffolk Life,

Announcements



Jaqueline Eileen Mei Corcoran, born November 12, 2005. (Jiang Mei You) Mother, Carolyn Corcoran and grandmother. Eileen Corcoran.

laqueline has a number of aunts, uncles and

cousins who are AOH members. She arrived from China to her new home in America on Thanksgiving Eve, 2006.

Super Bowl Sunday February 4, 2007

Come down to the Pub on Sunday, February 4, 2007 and celebrate Super Bowl Sunday with a Day at the Races and a Raffle.

The races will start at 3:00PM. Followed by the Super Bowl. We will be raffling off a HDTV.

Raffle winners will be announced at Super Bowl half time.

Tickets are \$10 each Only 300 tickets available.

Tara Court Major Degree Team

Annual Chinese Auction will be on Sunday, February 25, 2007 at Division 2 Hall in Babylon.

All donations will be gratefully

For information call Bill Kilkenny at 631-277-3745.

Scholarships

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

There will be two. \$3000 awards

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

Applications are self-explanatory.