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President's Message

Our next meeting will be held on Wed., April 4th at 8:00 in our hall. All members are welcomed and encouraged to attend. Please try and come, thank you.

Well another marching season has come and gone and what a great one it was. It all started with our very own parade down Main Street honoring our Grand Marshal, Joe LePage and our Ladies Aide, Sue O'Neill. It was a little chilly, but the streets were packed as usual with both young and old alike enjoying the day. We had a very large contingent from our Division following me down the route and I walked proudly. It was a great turnout and I would like to thank everyone who marched and all the volunteers who made it a tremendous success. Special thanks go to Dave Ring and his lineup committee for making the day go by so smoothly. Keep up the good work, Dave. I would also like to thank the Reilly family for coming and showing their support in memory of the John Reilly Memorial St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Many different events went on at the hall in the month of March and a lot of people had fun at all of them. So I would like to send out a group thank you to everyone who had any hand in helping out in any way in all the special parties, we all really do appreciate it. Extra special thanks to the kitchen crew for the delicious meals they put out for us to enjoy.

The N.Y.C. parade turned out to be a grand day for all who went to it and it too was a little chilly. Thanks to everyone who helped out and attended. Our very own Roisin Dubh Pipe Band was spectacular as usual. All the members put in many hours practicing and participating in all these parades, so they deserve a very large cheer which we will give them at our April meeting. The membership and myself are proud to call the Band our own! It's great to be Irish, especially in the month of March.

There's still time to purchase tickets to the County Ball honoring Mr. Vic Vogel, please come and show your support for Vic, he really deserves it. There are also raffle tickets available, see me for both of the tickets.

Don't forget the Spaghetti Dinner on Fri. May 4th, 7:00 hosted by the Junior Girls.

The hallway/ lobby is just about completed and it looks great. Thanks to the Corporation committee for all that they do to try and give us the best possible hall we can have and also to enjoy.

Again, thank you to all for a successful month of March, it was grand. Have a Happy Easter. Check the inside calendar for upcoming events and also try to honor our sponsors who are in this newsletter.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity Danny Kissane

Pub Cleanup

The pub was cleaned from top to bottom on Saturday February 24th in preparation of the St. Patrick's Day Festivities.

A special thanks to the cleaning crew which was led by Jim Walsh and included Herman Boyle, Kevin Boyle, Ralph Daigneault, John Conley, Kevin Conley, Mike Tromp, Jack Bonner, Don Dobbin, Tom Nickel, Charlie Fagan and John Fitzpatrick.

Thanks to all for a great job!!!!
God Bless our Troops
Dan Sullivan

Memorial Wall Request

A memorial wall is in the planning stages and will be erected adjacent to the statue of Our Lady of Knock.

It is important that we capture all the Division brothers and sisters who have gone before us.

The deceased members' names that are currently listed on the plaques in the hall will be transferred to the new wall.

If you know any DIVISION MEMBERS who are not listed and should be, please give the name to Al Norton.



Ladies Division

Our next meeting will be April 11, 2007 at 7:30PM. Dues will now be \$30. We will be welcoming 20 new members at this meeting. On April 2 the ladies will be putting together the Easter baskets at 6:30PM, everyone can come and help.

I would like to congratulate Nora Lynch and our own Vic Vogel as honorees of the Suffolk County Ball for 2007. The ball will be April 20, 2007 at 7PM at The Larkfield Manor. Tickets are \$70pp. Come out and show your support for all their hard work. See Aggie O'Leary for tickets and raffles and Kathy Conway for journal ads.

Dig out your prom photos and attire and come on down April 27 at 7PM and re-live that special night. The LAOH softball FUNdraiser is a "Senior Prom". Come and have that photo updated. Tickets are \$25pp. For tickets see any team member or myself.

Danielle Barry will be our publicity liaison with the county. Please forward her any photos or information of our functions. She has also offered her time to any members who need help accessing our website. She will be available every Thursday at the hall from 6-7PM.

We are planning a Chinese Auction for the May meeting. Please start bringing in any new items you may have to donate at the April meeting. Please help with your support.

Spring is a busy time with many fun LAOH/AOH activities, so mark your calendars and come enjoy yourself:

- 4/20 Suffolk County Ball Honoring Vic Vogel
- 4/27 Senior Prom Sponosored by the LAOH softball team
- 5/4 Spaghetti Dinner Annual Make A Wish Dinner by the Junior Girls and Boys
- 5/20 Suffolk County LAOH Convention at Div.7 (see Aggie

become County President) 6/2 - LAOH Murder Mystery/ Square

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6/9 - Mike Ryan Fundraiser \$20pp at the hall, a fun time for all!

7/11-14 - NYS Convention (see Kathy Conway become NYS President)...Division 7 is taking over!!!

Happy Easter! Sue O'Neill

Junior Girls

I hope everyone had a nice St. Patrick's Dav. I know we did! I would like to thank the Junior Girls for coming to the Convent at St. Joseph's for our March Meeting. The Sisters were very grateful for the visit and the "Celebration". A special thank you to our dancers and the members of the Rosin Dubh Pipe Band who were on hand to put the Sisters in the St. Patrick's Day spirit! I would also like to say a special thank you to Alanna Mahon who sang a beautiful song for the occasion and to all of my bakers...the Irish Soda Bread was fabulous! We also were fortunate to have some of our Junior Girls march with the Suffolk County LAOH, led of course by the Rosin Dubh Pipe Band in the New York City St. Patrick's Day Parade. You did great girls!

Our next regular meeting of the Junior Girls is Monday, April 9th at 6:30pm. We are in the midst of planning our Annual Spaghetti Dinner which is Friday, May 4th. A donation list was put out at the past Ladies Meeting on March 14th. We are still in need for additional donations so if anyone would like to donate spaghetti, tomato sauce, tomatoes, etc...please e-mail me at:

ali4nan@aol.com .

We will begin taking reservations for the Spaghetti Dinner on April 11th. Please come out and support the Junior Girls/Boys. The proceeds from the Spaghetti Dinner go to "Make A Wish" who are always very grateful for our donation.

I hope everyone has a Happy Easter. See you all on April 9th! Alice Faughnan

Scholarships

If you have a high school student who 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.

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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Division 7 Photographer

Over the years, Maureen T. Meier, show here with her daughter Aileen, has taken the photos of the Grand Marshal Ball as well as other Division 7 functions.

Maureen's work has been a benefit to the Division and has given individuals that "Photographic Memory" that will be preserved for years to come.





One of Maureen's photos is this year's, A.O.H. Division 7, 2007 Grand Marshal, Joe LePage, and the L.A.O.H. Aide, Division 7 L.A.O.H. president, Sue O'Neill.

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What's Happening... Happy Easter

Men's Division 7 Meeting 8:00PM Apr 4 Wed Apr 8 Sun Apr 9 Boys and Girls Division Meeting 6:30PM Mon Wed Ladies Division 7 Meeting 7:30PM Apr 11 Sat Suffolk County Ball - Larkfield Manor 8:00PM Fri Apr 27 L.A.O.H. Softball "FUNdraiser" - PROM Theme 7:00PM Fri May 4 Make A Wish Spaghetti Dinner Jr Boys and Girls May 20 Suffolk County LAOH Convention at Division 7 Sun LAOH Murder Mystery/Square Dance Sat Jun 2 Mike Ryan Fund Raiser - Hall 1:00PM Sat Jun 9 Skip McCormick Horseshoe Tournament 1:00PM Sat Jun 16

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

"SKIP MACCORANICK" MEMORIAL HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY JUNE 16, 2007 (At the Hall) 1:00PM - 5:00PM Team Entry Fee \$50.00 (64 Teams) Registration by June 1, 2007

Project Children

This year, Project Children will bring children over to the United States around the first week of July. They will be staying for four weeks. The children's ages range from 9 through 14.

The Division takes care of the cost of the air flight and insurance. Your responsibility is to pick them up at the airport and then bring them back to the airport after the four weeks.

You treat them like your own children and they become part of your family. It is a great opportunity for you and your family to understand the conditions in Ireland today.

If you would like more information please call Herman Boyle at 632-277-2377 or 631-357-1545 or Charlie Tansey at 631-581-6368.



Pub Entertainment

Sat., March 31 Howie Seal

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Sat., April 14Martin Flynn

Sat., April 20 The COGS

Sat., April 28Karaoke with Carol

Announcements



Jen and Phil LoScalzo, along with Ava, 3, and Philip, 1, welcomed baby **Matthew**, and the next heir to

the Vogel fortune. Matthew was born on March 1st and checked in at 7lbs. 4ozs., 19 1/2 inches long. Jen is a former Junior Girls' president and member of the Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band. **Vic Vogel** is the proud grandfather

PROJECT CHILDREN GOLF OUTING

The 26th Annual Project Children Golf Outing will be held on Monday June 4th, at Brentwood Country Club. If interested, get on the waiting list by contacting Dan Kissane (631)669-2138 or Pat Philbin (631) 581-0447

IRISH NIGHT

Irish Night at Shea Stadium Mets vs Dodgers Saturday, August 25, 2007 More Info next month

Right To Life

For those parents who have not chosen life for their unborn child, there is post abortion counseling available (known as Project Rachel). This Diocesan service helps heal the emotional and spiritual scars caused by choosing abortion. The daytime telephone number is 631-243-2373; the evening telephone number is 631-242-0907. Please be assured of confidentiality at all times. Project Rachel is here to share with those who seek its assistance, the love, forgiveness and compassion of our God.

John Walsh Chairmen

Inish Blessing

May you have many blessings and wherever your path may wind May every day that's coming Be the bright and happy kind.