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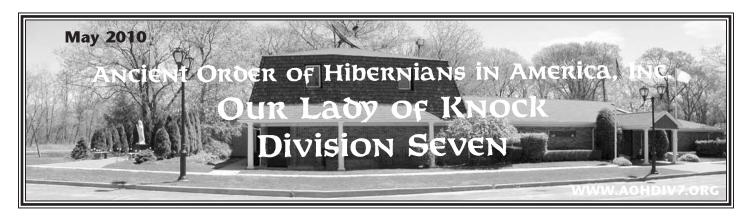
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# Tom Clarke Memorial Breakfast April 18, 2010

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Attending the breakfast was (I to r); A.O.H NY State President, Chip McLean; Congressman Peter King; A.O.H. District 6 Director and President of Division 7 East Islip, Vic Vogel, and A.O.H. National and NY State Historian, Mike McCormack. Members of the Siol na hEireann Pipe Band opened and closed the event and the highlight of the wreath laying ceremony was a thundering 24-man motorcycle drive-by with the Hibernian Riders Motorcycle Club of Division 8 flying Irish and American Flags. Congressman Peter King was the guest speaker.



# Presidents Message

Dia duit! May is the month that Catholics dedicate to the Blessed Mother Mary. In her honor we will pray the rosary at the statue of Our Lady of Knock on Wednesday, May 12th, at 7:30 pm. Father Janusz of St. Mary's Parish will lead us in prayer. We will be joined by the LAOH. All members are welcome to attend this celebration to Mary. Please invite your family and friends as we begin a new May tradition.

The Juniors will be crowning the statue of Our Lady of Knock on Friday, May 7th, at 6:00 pm after which they will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner Dance for the benefit of Make-A-Wish. Music and traditional Irish dance lessons will be provided by the Irish DJ. Please support this worthy event and the charitable efforts of our Juniors. It will be a fun night. Adult dinners are \$10 while children dine for \$5.

Dr. Dave Ring will be auctioning horses at the Kentucky Derby Calcutta Fundraiser on May 1st at race time in the Division 7 Tap Room. Come and bid for horse ownership. If your horse wins, places, shows or comes in last, you WIN! Authentic Kentucky Derby food and Mint Juleps will be available. Ladies will most assuredly be wearing hats. Calcuttas will also be run for the Preakness on May 15th and the Belmont on June 5th.

St. Mary's Church is hosting a family festival on Ascension Thursday weekend, May 13th through May 16th. Father Hugh is requesting volunteers from the AOH to help. If you

have the time to volunteer for any of these dates, your service would be greatly appreciated. Registration forms may be found on the bench in the Tap Room.

The Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band will host their annual Skip McCormick Horseshoe Tournament on Saturday, June 19th. Please contact Tom McHugh to register your team and/or to sponsor a pit.

The Project Children Golf Outing will be held on June 28th at the Wind Watch. Proceeds from this event enable us to continue our support of families in Northern Ireland. Please contact Dan Kissane to register and/or sponsor a hole.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of Division Seven will be on Wednesday, May 5th, at 8:00 pm during which a Shamrock Degree will be performed. Come meet and greet our new brothers.

Please keep our motto of Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity alive. May God bless our troops and remember them on Armed Forces Day. Happy Mother's Day to all of our Hibernian mothers! May you have a wonderful day.

Slan go foill, Vic Vogel



# **Spaghetti Dinner**May 7th at 6:30 pm

At The Hall
Proceeds to Benefit Make-A-Wish
Tickets: \$10 Adults
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(Not members of the Juniors).
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will be offered Food Donations Accepted Email: charlene65@msn.com

## **Pub Clean-up**

On Saturday, February 20th, a pub cleanup was conducted. Thanks to all who came down to help. In no particular order, Fred Ott, John McCullough, John "Ace" Flynn, Charlie Fagan, Jack "Grand Marshal" Murphy, Bill O'Halleran, Pat Maune, John Clarkin, Steve MacQuade, and a special thanks to Jim Walsh, who had all the heavy work done before anyone else arrived. Thanks again. - Dan Sullivan

P.S. Al Norton took the best donut!!!!



Remember Mom Mother's Day Sunday May 9

### L.A.O.H.

Our next meeting will be held May 12, 2010 at the hall. May is the month that we honor the Blessed Mary. Vic Vogel has invited the LAOH to join the AOH in the recitation of the rosary in front of the statue of Our Lady of Knock at 7:30 pm. Leslie Lanigan has asked Father Hugh and/or Father Janosz to lead us in prayer. Hopefully this will become a May tradition for the AOH/LAOH. I would like to thank Vic for the inspiration to coordinated this.

Dues are now \$30 for the year. If you have not paid your dues please remit to LAOH, Margaret Davis, PO Box 774, East Islip, NY 11730. If it is more convenient you may leave an envelope for Margaret with your dues in it at the bar. We rely on our dues to meet some of our ongoing obligations like the soup kitchen and state and national taxes. Therefore we are always happy to receive the dues!

The Late Night Bowling fund raiser held at East Islip Lanes was quite successful. A big thank you goes to Debbie and Mac McFadden for coordinating this fun event. Cindy Hargrove and Leslie Lanigan were responsible for the beautiful raffle baskets. Thank you Cindy and Leslie. The proceeds from this event will be shared between our own Rosin Dubh Irish Pipe band and the LAOH. The ladies appreciate the support of the AOH/LAOH members at this event.

Our next major fund raiser will be the publication of a cookbook. It has been many years since we have collected our favorite recipes for a cookbook. So if you have a favorite or many favorites please email them to Liz Colgan at ecolgan@optonline.net or bring a copy of them to the next meeting. Liz Colgan and Leslie Lanigan will be coordinating this fund raiser.

Kerry Gimble organized our donation of Easter food baskets. Kerry did a great job. Thank you Kerry. We donated 6 baskets to St. Mary's in East Islip to be distributed through their outreach program.

The Juniors will be holding their annual Spaghetti Dinner on May 7, 2010 at the hall immediately following the 6:30 pm May Crowning of Mary. We are in need of donations of Italian bread, butter, and desserts. For further information please contact Liz Colgan, coordinator of the Spaghetti Dinner, at ecolgan@optonline.net or 277-2248. Dinner ticket proceeds will be donated to Make-a-Wish.

There will be a fund raiser to support Margaret Hennessy at Division 2 in Babylon on May 21 at 7:30 pm. There will be music, dancing, and fun. Suggested donation is \$25.00. Margaret is running for National LAOH President. Elections will be held this summer at the AOH/LAOH National Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio.

At our last meeting we inducted 15 new members to LAOH, Division 7. Congratulations to the new members. We look forward to meeting you and enjoying your presence and participation in Division 7.

### Dates to remember:

May 7: Spaghetti Dinner

**May 12:** May recitation of the rosary at the statue, 7:30 pm

**May 12:** LAOH meeting following the rosary

**May 21:** Fundraiser for Margaret Hennessy at Div. 2, Babylon, 7:30 pm

**June 1:** LAOH scholarship applications due



# **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 the Chairman of the Committee on the Sick, John Fitzpatrick ar 581-5705.

For L.A.O.H, contact Missions and Charities Chairlady, Margaret Davis, 224-1849.

## **Junior Girls**

At our last meeting, Mr. Tom Conway offered an interesting presentation on the Great Hunger. We all appreciated his time and expertise on this subject! Thank you, Mr. Conway.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 3rd – we will be rehearsing for the May Crowning and putting the finishing plans for the Spaghetti Dinner in place. The girls will again be wearing white shirts and black pants for the evening.

The May Crowning will take place on Friday, May 7th at 6PM with the Spaghetti Dinner immediately following. All proceeds from the Dinner sales benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Adult tickets are \$10 and tickets for children over 5 are \$5. Once again, we are very fortunate to have our great chefs and the DJ/Irish Dance instructor return! Bring your appetites and dancing shoes.

We are still in need of donations of Italian bread, dessert, coffee, tea and milk as well as a few volunteers to assist the Jrs. serve dinner. Please call Liz Colgan at 277-2248 if you are able to help.

Please continue to save your sample and hotel size toiletries for the Jrs. They will be making wash up kits for the homeless in the Fall.

Parents, please e-mail your e-mail address to division7jrs@ opton-line.net so we may keep you "in the loop"!

Also, if you want to receive the Monthly Division Newsletter by email please send a note to alnorton@optonline.net

Your support of our Juniors is greatly appreciated.

### **Dates to remember:**

Next Jrs. meeting: Monday, 5/3 May Crowning and Spaghetti Dinner: Friday, 5/7 In our motto, Liz Colgan

## **Bowling Night**

On Sat March 17, 2010, the Roisin Dubh Pipe Band and the Div 7 L.A.O.H hosted a joint fund raiser at the East Islip Bowling Lanes.

While all who attended enjoyed the evening, it was further enhanced by "Gus" who actually stacked four bowling balls on top of one another. (Not his record!)

While this activity is not endorsed by the AOH it was amusing.

Additionally, Kevin Heathwood may want to sell this suit. Interested buyers should contact him!

# Vice President Message

I would like to thank everyone who came out Saturday , April 17th to support the Bowling Night Fundraiser which benefitted Div. 7's LAOH and the Roisin Dubh Irish Pipe Band.

Because of all the attendees' great generosity it was a successful night for both groups. Special thanks to Leslie Lanigan and Cindy Hargrove for gathering gifts for the raffle baskets and money donations as well. Also thanks to the "Basket Crew" which put together everything into the baskets, they included Patty McNeill, Mary Therese Donohue, Cindy Hargrove and Barbara Shultz. Thanks to Mary Gilmore for Donating a beautiful painting for raffle and special thanks to Div. Pres. Vic Vogel, LAOH Pres. Charlene Gibbs, and the Roisin Dubh Pipe Band for their donations. If I happened to miss someoneplease forgive me, but again thanks too all for a fun and fruitful night.

Mac McFadden, VP Div. 7

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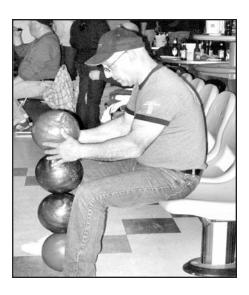
## **KATTY**

By Mike McCormick, AOH Historian

He called her Katty. That was the name Thomas J Clarke had for Kathleen Daly, niece of a fellow prisoner with whom he had been incarcerated for Fenian activities against England. She was a member of an Irish nationalist family, niece of patriot John Daly and sister of executed 1916 leader Edward Daly. She later became the wife of Tom Clarke and guardian of the dreams and plans held sacred by a whole generation of Irish patriots. This is her story.

She was born on April 11, 1878. By the time her uncle John was released from British prison in 1895, 17-year old Kathleen already knew the man she would marry, though they had never met. She knew him through her uncle's letters praising the courage, determination, and tenacity of his fellow prisoner, Tom Clarke. When Clarke was released three years later, he came to the Daly home in Limerick to recuperate. Little did her uncle realize the awe in which young Kathleen held his old friend, until years' end when they announced their engagement. Tom left for New York in 1900 to secure a job, and in 1901, his Katty joined him there. They married, and settled in the Bronx. A year later, they moved to Brooklyn, and eventually bought a farm in Manorville, Long Island.

When war between England and Germany seemed inevitable, Tom and other high-ranking members of Clan na Gael felt that Ireland's day of liberation was at hand. He was asked to return to



Ireland and reorganize the outdated and inactive Irish Republican Brotherhood (IRB), but Katty would not hear of it. She remembered the frail and battered figure that had limped to her home in 1898. nearly dead from starvation and torture. She pleaded that he had done as much as any man could be expected to do for his country, and reminded him that he was still a parolee, subject to arrest if the authorities even suspected what he was up to. Tom, reminded her of the premature death of her father, the torture endured by her uncle, and the grief imposed on her mother and grandmother by a cruel and reckless alien force in their homeland. In his own persuasive way, Tom had fanned the smoldering coals of Katty's nationalist soul, and rekindled her passion for Ireland. Together, they sailed to Ireland, and into the pages of Irish history.

(continued next month)

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# Mat's Happening... Happy Mother's Day

May 1 Kentucky Derby Calcutta Fundraiser at the PUB - Race Time Mon May 3 Juniors Meeting 6:30PM May 5 Men's Division 7 Meeting 8:00PM Wed Shamrock Degree May 7 May Crowning 6:00PM Fri Annual Make A Wish Spaghetti Dinner 6:30PM Sun May 9 Mothers Day May 12 Recitation of the Rosary at the statue. 7:30PM Wed L.A.O.H. Meeting – following Rosary Thu May 13 Thru May 16 – Ascension Thursday Family Festival At St. Mary's. May 15 Armed Forces Day Sat Preakness Calcutta Fundraiser at the PUB Tue Jun 1 L.A.O.H. Scholarship Applications due. Sat Jun 5 Belmont Calcutta Fundraiser at the PUB Jun 19 Annual Skip McCormick Horseshoe Tournament Sat Jun 28 Project Children Golf Outing at The Wind Watch

> **CHECK WEBSITE FOR UPDATES** Roisin Dubh Pipe Band meets every Thursday at 8:00PM

## **Baby Safe Haven**

Nassau County ambulances will be the first in the nation to carry logos identifying them as official safe haven drop-off sites for unwanted babies. The program allows a mother or responsible adult to call any available ambulance or hospital ambulance and anonymously give them a child five

days old or younger. The Nassau Police Department has installed the logos on all its ambulances as has the North Bellmore FD, the Wantagh-Levittown Ambulance Corp., Winthrop University Medical Center and Life Star Ambulance Corporation.

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