

President's Message

Greetings Brothers,

There is no doubt that these are unusual times but it is very important that we look after our physical and mental health. Please reach out to me, a fellow Division Officer or any other AOH member that you feel comfortable with if you need any kind of assistance. You will see that in times like these the Hibernians really shine. We have been working with Frank from Francesco's over the past 2 months to collect and donate money to allow Francesco's to prepare food to help "Feed the Front Lines". Together we have delivered food to Our Lady of Consolation Nursing & Rehabilitation, Momentum Rehabilitation and Nursing Home and Good Samaritan Hospital. I want to thank all the members that generously donated to these very worthy events. It's so important that we show our support to those that are out there every day working to fight this virus and protect us.

On a positive note we were one of the very lucky organizations that were able to run our St. Patrick's Day Parade this

March. Our Grand Marshal Tom Davis did a great job leading us down Main Street on March 1st and parade chairman Dave Ring and his team organized a perfect day. A special thank you to all those that helped out that day, especially those that volunteered to help Tim Ring with the parade line up and Leslie Lanigan for a great job as EMCEE of the event at our viewing stand in front of St. Mary's Church. The parade always seems to run so smoothly but it is only because of the tremendous planning and effort put in for months before and the morning of the parade. Thank you to our Corporation for hosting a memorable Parade Day party at our Hall and Pub.

Unfortunately, I can not yet provide any definitive information about our future events that we normally run this time of year. Here is a list of events that were cancelled or postponed in March, April and May:

- NYC and most LI St. Patrick's Day Parades.
- The Suffolk County Ball
- The Tom Clarke – Kathleen Daly Clarke Memorial
- Division 7 new member screening and Shamrock degree

- Bowling Fundraiser
 - Division 7 April monthly meeting
 - Division 7 May monthly meeting
- Upcoming events that are still on our calendar but may very well be cancelled or postponed:
- Div. 7 June monthly meeting (6/3)
 - Division 7 Golf Outing (6/16)
 - Roisin Dubh Pipe Band's Horseshoe Tournament (6/20)
 - The Irish Music Festival (June 13th & 14th)
 - AOH/LAOH National Convention in Orlando FL (7/22 – 7/26)

Please refer to future emails, voice blasts and our AOH Division 7 web site for updates on these events. Our web site can be found at www.aohdiv7.org.

This is not the way any of us could have imagined this year to unfold but we must carry on and continue to protect ourselves, our families and each other. So please continue to remain home until we are allowed to enjoy each other's company and live our motto of Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

**Wishing you "All The Best",
Tom McHugh**



Grand Marshal Tom Davis with Aides Cathie Norton-Doherty, Jim Davis and John Mazzullo

L.A.O.H.

Dear Sisters,

Although the doors to our meeting hall are still closed, and we can not gather in the way that we are used to, its heartwarming to see and share that the work of our order continues to gets done. First and foremost, we have so many Sisters in our division serving on the frontlines of this pandemic in some way, we pray for them, we are proud of them, and we cannot offer enough thanks for all that they and their families are going through and sacrificing. We also have so many of our sisters stepping up to do their part and serve the community in some way. Some are working hard to sew masks, generously providing the materials and making sure our members who are in need are on the receiving end of the masks along with donations to healthcare workers from here to Texas, some are making grocery deliveries to members who can't leave the house at this time, some are making homemade food and cookie deliveries to not just our members but also nurses and hospital staffs, many are making overall well checks on each other during this time with calls or drive by celebrations for birthdays. The outpouring love and support and generosity during this pandemic from our LAOH members and also our AOH Division 7 brothers, to each other and to strangers, is a beautiful reminder of who we are in this organization, and the work we can accomplish when we come together.

We were proud to partner with Patricia Blair in her fundraising

efforts to feed the essential workers at Southside Hospital and with our \$500 donation, Dang BBQ was able to provide them with a plentiful and delicious meal. A small token of our thanks for all they are doing to take care of our loved ones and those in our community coming through their doors.

Huge thanks to our Missions and Charities Officer Chris Brogan for organizing the collection for the Easter meals we provided to a few local families. Her efforts raised enough to provide seven full Easter dinners and also a generous gift card along with some special goodies, to each family we delivered to. Thank you to all of you who supported that effort!! We are hopeful to still host a baby shower event to benefit the Life Center as so many women and mothers are still in need. We are working on the details to that and will send out an email with the information when it is set.

We will stay in communication as to when activities and meetings can resume for us, as we are following all of the government guidelines and recommendations on group gatherings. For now, our meetings for May and June and any events or gatherings we had scheduled have been cancelled or postponed. For now, we will continue our orders good works as best we can while maintaining our social distance, holding each other in prayer and supporting each other in the ways we always have as sisters of the LAOH.

**In Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,
Cathie Norton Doherty**

Juniors

Our Division 7 Junior Girls are very proud to share their once again very successful St. Patrick's Day Celebration visit to the Sisters of Saint Joseph in Brentwood. The girls served Irish Soda Bread, cupcakes and cookies to the sisters as they were entertained by members of our Roisin Dubh Pipe Band led by Vic Vogel and Irish songs sung by Mac McFadden.

On April 30th, the Juniors made 50 beautiful handmade thank-you cards for our frontline workers at Good Samaritan Hospital. The cards included words of Thanks, Encouragement and Support. They accompanied a lunch donated and delivered by AOH Division 7, provided by Francesco's.

While the girls are being kept busy with home schooling, they are making posters of Encouragement for our frontline workers which will be delivered to local Nursing facilities and EMT workers.

Lastly, the girls are planning a "virtual" May Crowning to be filmed by Al Norton and posted on our website. Due to current gathering restrictions, we will only have a few on hand to place the crown on our Blessed Mother and recite prayers. The Program will be available on the website for downloading. We are working on a live Zoom podcast of the Crowning. Please stay tuned...

**In Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity
Patty Fitzpatrick
Junior Girls Coordinator**



Some of the Thank You cards made by the Jr Girls



What's Happening May & June



Corporation Corner

Due to restrictions from the Coronavirus, our Pub and Hall will remain closed until such restrictions are lifted. We will keep our members informed via Email message, Voice message and on our web site when things change.

Corporation President,
Gene Hearl

MAY:

- May 6 Wed Canceled AOH Division Seven Meeting
- May 11 Mon Canceled Jr Girls Meeting
- May 13 Wed Canceled LAOH Division Seven Meeting

JUNE:

- Jun 3 Wed TBD -AOH Division Seven Meeting 8:00 PM
- Jun 8 Mon TBD - Jr Girls Meeting 6:30 PM
- Jun 10 Wed TBD - LAOH Division Seven Meeting 7:30 PM
- Jun 13 Sat TBD – Irish Music Festival (Sat. & Sun.)
- Jun 16 Tue TBD – Division 7 Golf Outing
- Jun 20 Sat TBD – Roisin Dubh Horseshoe Tournament

JULY:

- Jul 22 - 26 TBD -AOH/LAOH National Convention -Orlando



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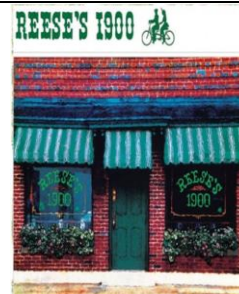
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