



President's Message

Hello brothers,

Happy New Year brothers, I hope everyone had a great Christmas with family and friends and that the new year will bring you continued health and happiness.

Our next meeting will be held on Wed. Jan. 5, 2022, it will be the last meeting that I will have the privilege to preside over as the President of the best AOH Division in the country. I'm thankful to all the members that supported our division over these past two years. Unfortunately, the COVID issues forced us to close our building for several months, cancel some meetings and many other events that we all look forward to every year.

I want to thank Tom Davis for all the hard work and dedication he has contributed to this organization. TD finished his final 2 years on our board as the Jr. Past President. This concludes 16 continuous years as a member of the board of officers for Division 7. TD lead by example and always kept the welfare of our division as his top priority and I thank him for a job well done.

The rest of the slate of officers will remain on the board for the next 2 years lead by our new President Shawn O'Neill. I've known Shawn since we were in high school together and our division couldn't be in better hands. Shawn has held every position on our board from Sentinel on up to now President. He is also a long time member of the Roisin Dubh Pipe Band and has been the chairman of the Finance Committee for many years. Shawn's board will include our new Sentinel Anthony Pizzo and we know he will be a great addition to the team as he has already had a major impact on our division.

I have been incredibly lucky to have had

such a great group of officers to help lead this division. The work and time they put in is often not seen by the membership, but I know, and I thank them from the bottom of my heart.

I want to thank our corporation officers; Gene, Danny, Dave and John for leading us through these past 2 years of great uncertainty. This team will stay on to run our building and grounds for another two years. I truly hope we get a break from these COVID issues and mandates so that they can return to running the building as they have in the past and we will again be the vibrant, active facility for everyone to enjoy.

I can't conclude without thanking all the committee chairmen that stepped up and volunteered to lead a committee. These are important and required elements of an AOH division and I thank you for your support. I hope you will consider staying on and helping Shawn O'Neill run the division for another two years.

**Wishing you "All the Best" in
Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity
Tom McHugh**

President Elect's Message:

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and I wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year! On behalf of my elected board members and myself we are looking forward to leading the best Division in the AOH. We look forward to continuing the job of keeping this division the best just like all the previous past Presidents have.

I would like to thank Tom McHugh for his leadership during these trying times the last two years. He has always had the Division's interest at heart. Tom was instrumental in reducing costs by bringing the newsletter inhouse among other cost saving ideas. He has spent

many hours down here volunteering and lending a good ear to everyone.

Tom is a great Hibernian and is committed to our motto of Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity. I know even though his tenure is over he will still be looking out to make sure this division stays the best!!

Please come down for the "Installation of Officers" on Saturday January 22, 2022 starting at 6:30 PM. We will start with Jr. Girls, then the LAOH Ladies and ending with the AOH Men. After installing all officers, there will be food, music and dancing for your enjoyment.

Our Grand Marshal's Ball is on Saturday Feb. 26th at the Irish Coffee Pub, see John Davis for tickets and Jason Holm for Journal and TV Ads. Remember to support our local businesses that support us.

March 6, 2022 we will be walking behind **William (Bill) LePage** our (2021) 2022 Grand Marshal.

**Yours in Friendship, Unity and
Christian Charity.**

President Elect Shawn



L.A.O.H.

Dear Sisters,

I hope that you and your families had a wonderful and blessed Christmas. I wish you all a very Happy and Healthy New Year!!! Praying and hopeful that this new year brings good health and good times for us all.

Thank you to Chris Brogan and Alie Gray-Barba for spearheading our very successful 300 Club Fundraiser. This is one of our bigger fundraisers each year, we use the monies raised to make our charitable Christmas donations, and with all your efforts it was a huge success. Thank you to all who supported this fundraiser and congratulations to all of the lucky winners!!!

Our dues for the 2022 year are now being accepted. By the end of December, you should have received an envelope in the mail from our Financial Secretary Patty Kunzinger. We have changed the dues process this year and ask that the dues be mailed in as opposed to paying at our meetings. If you would like to mail your dues card with your payment and have it signed and returned, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment and the card will be updated and mailed back to you. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your dues, please email our Financial Secretary at LAOHDiv7FinSecy@gmail.com.

Congratulations to the incoming LAOH Board and AOH Board. Wishing our incoming President's Patty Fitzpatrick and AOH President Shawn O'Neill successful terms during the next two years as we look forward to their leadership

All members are welcome to attend the installation of Officers to be held on Saturday, January 22nd at 6:30 PM. Please come down and show your support for our new officers!!!!

Division Seven's 2021-22 honoree for the Walking in the Footsteps of St. Brigid is Corrine McKeown. A longtime member of our Division, Corrine has volunteered her time whenever help is needed. She demonstrates a strong

commitment to her faith, church and her community. Please join us in recognizing Corrine at the St. Brigid's Mass on Saturday, January 29th at 11:00 am at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 495 N. Ocean Ave, Patchogue.

Sisters, as my term as president comes to a close, I would love to thank you all, for the friendship and the support over the course of years I have served on the Division 7 LAOH board. It has been a great honor for me and I have truly loved and appreciated the experience. Although the world turned upside down shortly after I was installed as president, I believe it was a good two years, filled with some challenging times but also some new and fun times. As a board, we learned new ways to do things, new ways to fundraise and conduct our business. It has been a blessing for me to serve with the ladies I have on our board. They are an amazing group of strong and talented women and we had a successful term together. I also have so much gratitude for the AOH Division 7 President Tom McHugh and his board of officers. They were generous with their time and with their constant support over the past two years. Thank you to the Corporation of Division 7 for always being amazing to myself and the Ladies of Division 7!!!

Looking forward to continuing to be a part of this amazing Division 7 for years to come!!!

**Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian
Charity, Cathie Norton Doherty
LAOH Division 7 President**

Juniors

Our Junior Girls sponsored their 2nd Annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony at Division 7. The girls love this event as it's a way for our members to safely come together outdoors staying socially distanced while celebrating the upcoming Christmas season. The Junior Girls led the countdown to the tree lighting, and then we all enjoyed beautiful Christmas tunes played on the bagpipes by our own Bill LePage. Bill was followed by Mac McFadden leading the group singing joyful Christmas carols eventually ending the evening with a fun-filled version of the

Twelve Days of Christmas!

Our Junior Girls partnered with St. Christopher Otilie of Brentwood collecting children's pajamas as a fundraiser, asking those who attended the Tree Lighting to donate pajamas. In all, 70+ pairs of pajamas were collected. Afterwards, we went inside and cozied up to hot chocolate, mulled apple cider, and hot coffee graciously made and donated by Cindy Haugland and John Gravina. The delicious desserts were provided by our always supportive Division 7 ladies. The Junior Girls would like to humbly thank Gene Hearl and the Corporation for permitting Jay Holm to ensure the Christmas lights once again beautifully lit up the building and the trees surrounding the statue of our Blessed Mother. Thanks to Leslie Lanigan for the beautiful wreaths and fresh pine garland.

It was truly a wonderful evening enjoyed by all. The girls know our members have been hit hard by the pandemic the past two years and are thrilled to provide them with a special and uplifting evening. The girls are already looking forward to next year.

Speaking of next year, anyone who is involved in fundraising knows the pandemic has caused tough times. That said, the girls are once again collecting the front covers of Christmas cards which will be used to make Christmas gift tags to sell in 2022 as a fundraiser. So, please donate the front covers of any cards you have. You can leave them in the Pub addressed to Becci Enders or Gina Holm.

The Junior Girls had a fun-filled December meeting as they made Care Kits for Cody Enders' platoon (Becci's son) who are currently deployed in Japan. They went on to enjoy decorating gingerbread houses while munching on pizza and plenty of candy. The laughs and chatter in the room were wonderful to listen to. All the girls were in the Christmas spirit and it was a beautiful ending to a great year.

**In Friendship, Unity and
Christian Charity
Patty Fitzpatrick & Gina Holm
Junior Girls Co-Coordinator**



*What's
Happening
Jan. & Feb.*



JANUARY:

Jan 5 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting	8:00 PM
Jan 10 Mon	Jr. Girls Meeting	6:30 PM
Jan 12 Wed	LAOH Division 7 Meeting at Hall	7:30 PM
Jan 21 Fri	March for Life in Washington DC	
Jan 22 Sat	Installation of Division 7 Officers (6:30 Jr Girls, 7:00 LAOH, 7:30 AOH)	
Jan 29 Sat	St. Brigid Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Patchogue on North Ocean Ave.	11:00 AM

FEBRUARY:

Feb 2 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting	8:00 PM
Feb 7 Mon	Jr Girls Meeting	6:30 PM
Feb 9 Wed	LAOH Division 7 Meeting at Hall	7:30 PM
Feb 13 Sun	Super Bowl Sunday	
Feb 26 Sat	Grand Marshal's Ball -Irish Coffee Pub	7:00 PM

Corporation Corner

Happy New Year everyone. We are holding off on scheduling any live music in our Pub until the new COVID mandates are released and we know what the rules will be. Please keep an eye out for posters in the Pub that will let you know the up to date information and any future entertainment.

Please stay safe and follow the rules that we post, thank you.

Gene Hearl
Corporation President

THE IRISH

English: Happy New Year (to 1 person)

Irish: Ave Athbhlaiain faoi mhaise dhuit!

Pronunciation: Ah-vleen free vosh-ah
ghwitch

English: Happy New Year (to more than
1 person)

Irish: Athbhlaiain faoi mhaise dhaoibh!

Pronunciation: Ah-vleen free gosh-ah
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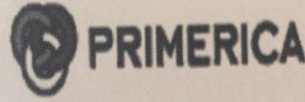
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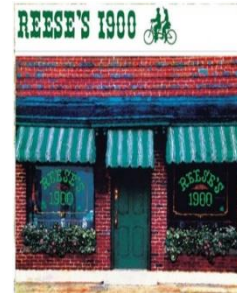
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