



Brothers,

As your President, I've had the opportunity of meeting a number of Hibernians from all over the country who are amazed by the size of our membership and the number of functions we have throughout the year. Closer to home, Hibernians from New York who have been to Division 7 tell me it's the nicest Hall in the State. My reply always is that I definitely agree that our Hall is impressive but it is thanks to our members which makes our division stand out.

I'd like to start off by congratulating John Davis for being selected Grand Marshal for the 2025 John P. Reilly, East Islip St. Patrick's Day parade. It's a different role for John who has, for the last couple of years, been the emcee for the Grand Marshal's Ball. It's now John's turn to enjoy the praise (?) from his fellow Hibernians for all his outstanding work.

Speaking of outstanding work, I'd also like to thank our longtime webmaster, Al Norton who has decided to pass the torch keeping our Division 7 website current and up to date for more years than I can count. For those non computer people like me, I couldn't get over the amount of time it takes to maintain the website and I'd like to thank former President Tom McHugh for stepping up and temporarily taking over the site for Al.

When it comes to making things work for our Division, brother Mike McCall ran another great Division picnic on September 14<sup>th</sup> at Heckscher State Park. It was a

perfect day to spend in the park and thanks to the many volunteers who assist Mike, the picnic continues to be one of the events members look forward to attending.

Finally, I'd like to thank everyone who attended our Mass for deceased members. As Father John gave the names of dear members that have passed, it's still hard to believe our Vice President, John Hanley is on the list. The Hanley family continues to represent their father in the most favorable way. Trish Hanley is the model of grace and poise while the Hanley boys, Brian and John, work behind the sticks for Monday Night football. The entire Hanley family continues to support Division 7 with their presence being a happy and sad memory of a great friend and Hibernian.

I can go on about the many events planned for the rest of the year but I encourage members to stay up to date by checking our Division 7 Clubster website. Many thanks to Vinny Smith for making the website fun and informative. Stay involved, pray for the unborn and remember our mission of Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

**John T. Owen**  
President, AOH Div 7

## **Junior Boys**

Púca Festival success on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>: our Juniors and Division 7 members joined Division 2 who hosted the Púca Festival.

This was a fantastic evening! Many of our Junior Boys attended and participated in the festivities, making it a memorable event. Thank you to everyone who joined us! At the upcoming Annual Veteran's event we are looking forward to joining forces with the Junior Girls to host the Annual Veteran's Appreciation Night on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 for our Division. This is a wonderful opportunity for our Juniors to honor our Division 7 veterans and give back to the community. Join Us! If you know any boys aged 8-16 who would like to become part of our Junior Boys Hibernians, please reach out to Jason Holm or Kevin Smith. We welcome new members to our growing family! Thank you for your continued support and involvement!

**In our Motto,**  
**Jason Holm**  
**Junior Boys Coordinator**



Our Junior Divisions celebrating Púca festival at AOH Division 2.

## L.A.O.H.

Dear Sisters,

I hope this finds you well and enjoying our unusually warm fall temperatures.

The 25th Annual 300 Club Raffle is in full swing, and tickets are going fast. Tickets are \$20 each with 13 chances to win! One \$1000, two \$500, and ten \$100 winners will be raffled off. If you win a prize, your ticket goes back into the drawing for another chance to win. Please come down and support the Ladies and enjoy some holiday cheer on Friday, November 29, 2024 at 8pm when we draw our winners. We will have food and live music for the evening. Please contact Chris Brogan (631) 428-3085 or Alie Gray Barba (631) 383-2465 for tickets.

We will be having a couple of Gift Card Bingo nights before Christmas. Tuesday, November 12th and Monday, December 16th. Both nights: doors will open at 6:30, games to begin at 7PM. \$20 per person includes 6 games; additional 6-game card packs are \$5 each pack or 3 packs/\$10. All prizes will be gift cards to various locations to help with your holiday shopping. Pre-registration is preferred. Cash bar available. Contact Becci Enders 631-413-5881, if interested in reserving a spot(s).

If you have not taken your LAOH Degree, Division 5 is hosting a Degree on Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 1PM at Our Lady of Mt Carmel in Patchogue. Please contact Denise Fischer to sign up. The deadline to register is November 12<sup>th</sup>. 516-428-5283. (\$30 per Degree candidate / \$20 per observer). We will decorate the hall for Christmas the morning of November 30<sup>th</sup>. The time is to be determined but anyone is welcome to come down and help.

The morning of our Division Christmas party on Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, we will have another Christmas Centerpiece making event. The final details are in the works and more information will be given at our November meeting.

Please take a look at the section of

this newsletter for information regarding the HundredX Survey Fundraiser that is being held to help fund a new tent for our outdoor activities/fundraisers at the hall. Please make every effort to support this fundraiser.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting, Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. In support of Division 7's Community Children's Christmas Party, we are asking you to bring an unwrapped gift to our November meeting. There will be a box located in the foyer at the hall prior to our meeting. We will have the final sign-up sheets and items needed for our Thanksgiving baskets. As always, we thank you for your generosity in donating these items. If you know of a family in need, please reach out to our Missions and Charity Officer, Gina Holm at (516) 445-9592. The date for basket assembly and delivery is Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 6PM (if you have a family you are delivering to, you must be at the hall to pick up your items by 7PM).

December 2024 is Division 7 LAOH's 60th Anniversary!! We will celebrate with dinner for our Division 7 Sisters after we open our December 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. Please come prepared for a very short meeting and an evening of comradery with your fellow sisters. Please bring a dozen of your favorite cookies for a cookie exchange. It will be a fun evening!

More details on all of the above-mentioned events will be posted via email, Clubster and Facebook.

Wishing all a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving, a Blessed Christmas and may the coming New Year be full of blessings to you all.

**Yours in Friendship, Unity  
and Christian Charity,  
Becci Enders**

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## Junior Girls

Hello All! Our 2024 - 2025 year has been busy and will continue on that path.

In September, our Junior Girls participated in a touching September

11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance of prayers and floral presentations at the plaques in front of our Hall. This was a warm reflection for all in attendance.

In October, we started by celebrating our Irish Culture with a Puca Festival, as we joined our Junior Boys, and the Junior Girls and Boys of Division 2. It was a full evening with mask-making, Halloween candy, a telling of the story of the Puca by Seamus Connolly, the making of S'mores, and a Disney movie. Thank you to all who attended; to Seamus (for his wonderful sharing of the Puca); Division 2 for hosting (and all of their preparations and supplies); and to all involved in arranging for, and participating in (with cultural attire and colorful flames) this fun event.

Our second October event was the Junior Girls' Annual Spaghetti Dinner, which also featured Meatball Heros. Our Junior Girls did a fabulous job in setting the tables, welcoming our guests, taking their orders and serving the meals and desserts. We are extremely thankful to all who were able to support our Junior Girls in the orchestrating of this fundraiser: All of the Attendees; the Corporation for the accommodations; Modern Bakery and Claire for the bread; Francesco's for the salad; Becci for the sauce; Rogue Caterer's and Jeanine for the meatballs; Kathi, Val & Chris for other assorted set-up items; and our amazing kitchen staff of Becci, Chris and Nancy. Thank you! We are truly blessed.

Our next event is being held on **Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM**, in our Hall, as we honor our Division 7 Veterans. We hope that you will all join us during this very special evening.

On **Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6:30 PM**, we will gather with our Juniors for our Annual Tree Lighting, with Christmas Carols, warm beverages and sweets. Please join us for this fun gathering.

**In Our Motto,  
Denise Fischer & Gina Holm  
Junior Girls Coordinators**



*What's  
Happening  
Nov. & Dec.*



**NOVEMBER:**

Nov 6 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting	8:00 PM
Nov 11 Mon	Jr's Honor Vets in our Hall	6:30 PM
Nov 12 Tue	Card Bingo in our Hall	6:30 PM
Nov 13 Wed	LAOH Division 7 Meeting	7:30 PM
Nov 17 Sun	LAOH Degree in Patchogue	1:00 PM
Nov 25 Mon	Thanksgiving Basket Assembly	6:00 PM

**DECEMBER:**

Dec 3 Tue	Christmas Tree Lighting with Jr's	6:30 PM
Dec 4 Wed	AOH Division Seven Meeting	8:00 PM
Dec 11 Wed	LAOH Division 7 Meeting & dinner	7:30 PM
Dec 15 Sun	Community Children's Christmas Party	11:00 AM
Dec 16 Mon	Card Bingo in our Hall	6:30 PM
Dec 21 Sat	Div. 7 Christmas Party in our Hall	

**LIVE MUSIC AT THE AOH**

**NOVEMBER**

Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Pete Kletchka</b>	6:00-9:00
	Happy Hour	
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Four Shades of Gray</b>	7:00-11:00
	300 Club Drawing	

**DECEMBER**

Sat 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Kevin Wilson</b>	7:00-10:00
	Happy Hour	
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Subtle Adjustment</b>	6:00-9:00
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>J &amp; D Acoustics</b>	6:00-9:00
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>DJ Ron</b>	6:00-10:00
	Div. 7 Christmas Party	

**THE IRISH**

In Recognition that the 2024 Mass for deceased members was commemorated in the Irish language, I would like to honor this significant event with the following:

**Irish - Buiochas le Dia**

**Pronunciation - Bwee-cuss luh Jee-uh**

**English - Thanks be to God**

Thanks to Fr. John Crozier for celebrating the Mass and Seamus Connolly for Irish Language responses.

By Vic Vogel



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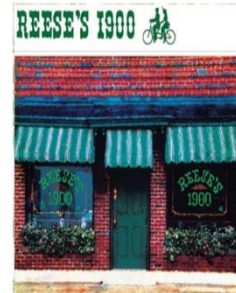
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