



**THE REV. JAMES T. O'REILLY OSA DIVISION 8  
ANCIENT ORDER of HIBERNIANS  
LAWRENCE, MASSACHUSETTS**

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<http://www.div8aoh.com/>

September 2023

*Celebrating 152 Years of Dedication to Religion, Heritage, Charity, and Community.”*

**MEETING NOTICE:** The next meeting of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly O.S.A. Division 8, Ancient Order of Hibernians will be held on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, on the second floor following the Joint Meeting with the LAOH at 7 PM on the first floor of the CLADDAGH, 399 Canal Street, Lawrence, MA. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us!

**2023 Cornhole Tournament:** Our 2023 AOH Cornhole Tournament will be held on **Saturday September 9th @ 1 pm** in the Claddagh Pub Parking Lot. Come on down and join in on the fun! For more information, please contact Tim Doherty @ 603 203 3282.

**Golf Anyone?** Saint Monica K of C and Division 8 AOH and LAOH Joint Golf Outings are taking place at Murphy's Garrison Par 3 Golf Center, 654 Hilldale Ave. Haverhill weekly on Tuesday nights, and the cost is \$14. Feel free to bring your wives, friends, neighbors, and members of other organizations. If you have any questions please call, text, or email Jeff Sullivan at [jdsullivan1@comcast.net](mailto:jdsullivan1@comcast.net) Cell 603-479-5395 (Please leave voicemail if no answer)

**Fisher Cats Game:** Division 8 AOH and LAOH members, their families and friends attended the Fisher Cats Baseball Game at Delta Dental Stadium in Manchester on Sunday, August 13. Despite the rain showers, everyone had a great time and, on the way out of the park everyone received a \$5 Dunkin Gift Card. A report will follow at our September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**New Division 8 Home Search:** As many of you have heard, the Claddagh Pub and Restaurant will be closing its Lawrence location and hopes to open in a new location soon. We want to thank Brian and his staff for the many courtesies that they extended to us in the 20 plus years we have been there. A search committee of AOH and LAOH members has been appointed to look for a new location for us to meet. The AOH committee members are Mark Alaimo, Jack Lahey and Keith Murphy. A progress report will be given at our September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Saint Patrick's Day Caterer Search:** Jack Lahey reports that he is still looking for a caterer to cater our March events. If you know of anyone, please contact him @ 603 560 8192. Thanks!

**May She Rest in Peace:** Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of **Linda Allard who** died on August 10. May her soul and the souls of all our departed members rest in peace.

**Sick Committee:** Please say a prayer and send a note of cheer to those who are on this month' sick list; **Joe Danahy**, 5 Stonewall Circle, Newton, NH 03858, **Rick Danahy**, 108 Newton Rd, Plaistow, NH 03865, **Irene Dixon**, Prescott House, 140 Prescott Street, North Andover, MA 01845, **Patricia Lyons**, the Residence at Salem Woods, 5 Sally Sweets Way Room 10A, Salem, NH 03079, and **Bob Mason**, 15 Moraine St, Andover, MA 01810.

**Congratulations!** In the August 2023 edition of the Valley Patriot, John Cuddy interviewed our brother member, Guy Curtis. Please pick up a copy of the August edition and see the great article about Guy!

**AOH National Board Scholarships:** The AOH National Board offers two (2) College Study Abroad Scholarships for study in Ireland. For more information go to: [AOH.com/Scholarships](http://AOH.com/Scholarships)

**Save the Date:** The **25th Annual Lawrence Vietnam Memorial Run or Walk 4 Mile Road Race** will be held on **Sunday, October 29, 2023**, 11:00 a.m. (Rain or Shine) Walk begins at 10:30 a.m. PRE-Registration: \$25.00; Day of the Race \$30 **Start/Finish:** Claddagh Pub 399 Canal St. Lawrence, MA – For more information & race applications, please e-mail [Hoppy Curran](mailto:Hopyy.Curran), Race Director at: [TheCooze14@yahoo.com](mailto:TheCooze14@yahoo.com)

**Parking:** The parking lot, besides the Claddagh, is now privately owned. If the Claddagh parking lot is filled, we suggest street parking or other parking in the area that is free.

**Division 8 Website:** For the latest updates on Hibernian News, please look at Division 8's website that is regularly updated by our Webmaster John Michael Pelletier. <http://www.div8aoh.com/>

**New Mailing Address?** If so, please send it to us at: PO Box 1407, Lawrence, MA 01842, **so that you will continue to receive your Monthly Newsletter.**

**Interested in AOH Clothing?** Please visit our Division 8 AOH website to view Division 8's clothing and apparel. For more information, please contact Tim Doherty at: [Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com](mailto:Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com) or call 603 203 3282.

**Please Patronize Our Local Irish Restaurants:** The **Irish Cottage** and the **Claddagh Pub** serve terrific food and beverages. Please patronize them when you are looking for a great place to eat at or to get takeout.

**Would You Like to Receive Timely Updates of Division 8 Happenings?** If so, please e-mail Jack Lahey. Jack's e-mail address is: [limeric@comcast.net](mailto:limeric@comcast.net).

**Do You Know Someone interested in Joining Division 8?** If so, please contact our Division Organizer @ [aohdivision8organizer@gmail.com](mailto:aohdivision8organizer@gmail.com) for an application & more information. Please ask a friend, relative, co-worker or neighbor to consider joining. Thanks!

#### **UPCOMING AOH/LAOH EVENTS - SAVE THE DATE**

**Wednesday, September 13:** Division 8 AOH & LAOH September Meeting @ Claddagh @ 7pm

**Sunday, September 10:** AOH/LAOH Mass State Board Meeting – Home of Division 14, Watertown at 10:30

**Wednesday, Wednesday, October 11:** Division 8 AOH & LAOH October Meeting @ Claddagh @ 7pm

**Thursday, October 12 – Sunday, October 15:** AOH National Board Meeting & National President's Dinner

**Saturday, October 28:** Essex County Board Meeting @ 11 am at the Claddagh

**Wednesday, November 1:** Kick off of 2023 Annual Christmas Appeal

**Wednesday, November 8:** Division 8 AOH & LAOH November Meeting @ Claddagh @ 7pm

**Wednesday, December 13:** Division 8 AOH & LAOH Christmas Party at the Claddagh.

***It is a blessing to be Irish, an Honor to be a Hibernian!!!***

