



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

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*"Celebrating 150 Years of Dedication to Religion, Heritage, Charity and Community"*

The next meeting of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly O.S.A. Division 8, Ancient Order of Hibernians will be held Virtually on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 7 PM by Zoom. We will NOT meet at the Claddagh Pub. Please see the enclosed Virtual Meeting Notice from our webmaster, John Michael Pelletier, giving you all the information, that you will need to connect to this meeting using your phone, computer, laptop, or iPad.

**Joint Meeting:** Division 8 AOH and LAOH will hold a joint meeting at 7 PM on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 by ZOOM. Please see the Zoom Virtual Meeting Notice for more information.

**A SPECIAL BLESSING FOR OUR MEMBERS**

*In 2021...*

*May love and laughter light your days,  
and warm your heart and home.  
May peace and plenty bless your world  
with joy that long endures*



***Have a Blessed, Safe, Prosperous, Healthy and a Happy New Year!***

**Irish Heritage Month 2021:** Due to the Covid 19 epidemic, it appears that many of our activities will not be able to take place during this year's Irish Heritage Month. However, we hope that some events will! With 2021 marking Division 8 AOH's 150 Anniversary, some of our events are expected to take place later in the year when the pandemic hopefully is behind us. More information on our 2021 events will be discussed at our January 13, 2021 Monthly Meeting and in February's Monthly newsletter.

**Do You Know Someone interested in Becoming a Member of Division 8?** If so, please contact our Division Organizer @ [aohdivision8organizer@gmail.com](mailto:aohdivision8organizer@gmail.com) for an application and more information. We have been granted permission to initiate all new brothers by Zoom.

**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. The website address is: <http://www.div8aoh.com/>

**Would You Like to Receive Timely Updates of Division 8 Happenings?** If so, please e-mail Jack Lahey and let him know that you want to get the latest news from Division 8. Jack's e-mail address is: [limeric@comcast.net](mailto:limeric@comcast.net)

***Stay Healthy, Safe, Positive and Strong! God Bless!***

**Thank You!** Our sincere thanks to all those who have already returned their raffle tickets for our **FFAI Christmas Appeal**. If you have not returned your tickets, ***please do so by January 12, 2021.***

**Living our Motto to the Fullest – Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity:** We realize some members might not be able to leave their homes for their groceries, medications, etc. due to the Covid - 19 virus. If you find yourself in this category, please contact **Tim Doherty**, our Standing Committee Chairman, at 603 203 3282 and Tim will do his best to help you out.

**Sick Committee:** Please say a prayer and send a note of cheer to our members on this month's sick list: **Irene Dixon**, Prescott House, 140 Prescott St, North Andover, MA 01845; **Larry Giordano**, 76 Bonanno Ct, Methuen, MA 01844; **Peg LoPiano**, 19 Fountain Drive, North Andover, MA 01845; **Patricia Lyons**, Ashland Farms, 700 Chickering Rd, North Andover, MA 01845; **Betty Pierce**, MI Restorative Health Center, 172 Lawrence St, Lawrence, MA 01841 and **Margaret Quirke**, Ivy Hill Court, 337 Main St, Haverhill, Ma 01830.

**Tir Na'n Og:** Sincere sympathy is extended to Bob Bateman on the passing of his brother, **Richard W. Bateman**, who died on November 26; to Catherine McCarthy on the passing of her brother, **Michael Twohig**, who died on November 28; to John Heggarty on the passing of his Mother, **Jane Heggarty**, who passed on November 29; to LAOH National President, Karen Keane, on the passing of her Mother, **Patricia Keene**, who died on December 7, and to Connie Carroll and her daughters, Nora, Mary Kate, Kathleen and Lynn, on the death of her husband and their Father, **Joseph Carroll**, who died on December 11. May their souls and the souls of our departed members rest in peace, Amen.

**AOH National Board Scholarships:** The AOH National Board offers two (2) College Study Abroad Scholarships for study in Ireland for the child or grandchild of an AOH member, as well, as a \$1,000 Scholarship for the Irish Way Summer Program for high school students. For more info go to: **AOH.com**

**AOH Clothing?** Interested in AOH Clothing Apparel? If so, please contact Tim Doherty at: [Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com](mailto:Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com)

**2021 Dues:** Jack Lahey, our Financial Secretary, will soon be sending out Dues Notices in January for your 2021 Dues. Your prompt payment of your 2021 Dues would be greatly appreciated. **Thanks!**

**Change of Address:** If you have a new mailing address, please send it to us at: PO Box 1407, Lawrence, MA 01842. **If you do not inform us of your new address you will not receive your Monthly Newsletter.**

**Congratulations!** Our Best Wishes and Congratulations to our Brother Member, Dave Erwin, on receiving the CASE ASAP Outstanding Advisor Award during the Student Alumni Association Conference recently held at Fairfield University in Connecticut.

**Please Patronize Our Local Irish Restaurants!!!** The **Irish Cottage** and the **Claddagh Pub** serve terrific food and beverages to eat at their restaurants or to take out; are a great venue for watching your favorite sports team's games, and for just relaxing with family or friends. Please support them! **Thanks!**

***A Blessed, Healthy and Happy New Year to All!***