



**THE REV. JAMES T. O'REILLY OSA DIVISION 8
ANCIENT ORDER of HIBERNIANS
LAWRENCE, MASSACHUSETTS
<http://www.div8aoh.com/>**

Established: 1871

Happy Mother's Day

May 2021

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, and Joint Meeting of Division 8 AOH and LAOH will be held Virtually on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 7 PM by Zoom. Please see the enclosed Virtual Meeting Notice from John Michael Pelletier, giving you all the information that you will need to connect to this meeting using your phone, computer, laptop, or iPad.

Division 8 Scholarship Update: Our Scholarship Panel will soon announce this year's scholarship recipients. We thank all applicants for their interest and wish all much success!

Division 8 Website: For the latest updates on Hibernian News, please visit Division 8's website that is regularly updated. The website address is: <http://www.div8aoh.com/>

AOH Essex County Convention: The AOH Essex County Board Convention was held by ZOOM on April 10. Mike Miller was reelected AOH Essex County Board President; Keith Murphy was reelected AOH Essex County Board Vice President and Kevin Walsh was elected AOH Essex County Board Sentinel. Our best wishes to all elected officers for a successful term of office!

AOH Mass State Board Convention: The Massachusetts AOH State Board Convention will be held on June 5. At our April 14 Meeting, Tim Doherty and John Michael Pelletier were elected as delegates to this Convention. Also attending our State Convention through various National, State and County positions will be: Jack Lahey, Keith Murphy, Mike Miller, Kevin Walsh, Bob Collins, John Cuddy, Mike Ferrick and Bill Sullivan. Division 8 still has two unfilled delegate positions open. If interested, please contact Bill Sullivan. These positions will be filled on a first come basis.

The AOH Motto in Practice – Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity: We realize some of our members might be unable to leave their homes for their groceries, medications, etc. due to COVID-19. If you find yourself in this category, please contact **Tim Doherty** at 603 203 3282, and Tim will do his best to help you out.

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

Interested in AOH Clothing? Please visit our Division 8 AOH website to view Division 8's newest clothing featuring our 150th Anniversary Logo. For more information, please contact Tim Doherty at: Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com or call 603 203 3282.

Sick Committee: Please say a prayer and send a note of cheer to our members on this month's sick list: **Joseph Danahy**, 5 Stonewall Circle, Newton, NH 03858; **Irene Dixon**, Prescott House, 140 Prescott St, North Andover, MA 01845; **Anne Gauthier**, 330 Sutton St, North Andover, MA 01845; **Patricia Lyons**, Prescott House, 140 Prescott Street, North Andover, MA 01845 and **Betty Pierce**, MI Restorative Health Center, 172 Lawrence St, Lawrence, MA 01841.

Change of Address: If you have a new mailing address, please send it to us at: PO Box 1407, Lawrence, MA 01842, **so that you will continue to receive your Monthly newsletter.**

Cornhole Tournament Being Planned! Division 8 will hold a Corn Hole Tournament in late spring or in the summer at the Claddagh, as well as, a social get together at the Claddagh or Irish Cottage this summer. Tim Doherty is Chairing this committee. Serving with Tim are Mike Lavin, John Michael Pelletier, and Donald Pelletier

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, and a \$1,000 Scholarship for the Irish Way Program for high school students. For more info go to: **AOH.com.**

Mat they Rest in Peace: Sincere sympathy is extended to Bob Bateman on the passing of his brother, **Joseph F. Bateman, Jr**, who died on April 2 and to Jim Finn and Jackie Lamprey on the passing of their sister, **Muriel Cournoyer**, who died on April 10. May their souls and the souls of our departed members rest in peace, Amen.

AOH State Golf Tournament: The 2021 Mass AOH State Golf Classic will be held on **Monday, June 14** at Olde Salem Greens, 75 Wilson Street, Salem, MA. Shotgun start @ 7:30am sharp – Fee: \$125 per person which includes Greens Fee/Cart and Dinner immediately following the Tournament at the Home of Division 18, 104 Boston St., Salem, MA. For more information, please call Charlie Sinclair @ 978-360-4425.

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. Thanks!

A Veterans Den Band Concert: The Veterans Den Band will be presenting a live stream concert on Sunday May 23 at 7pm. To watch the Concert, go to Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish Website. Anyone interested in making a donation to the LVM Veterans Fund, please send it to Ed Curran, 19 Reservoir Street, Methuen MA 01844

Christian Charity in Action: John Cuddy, invites all men, women, and children to join him on Saturday, May 22 from 9:00 am to noon to place Flags on Veteran's Graves at the Belleview & St Mary-Immaculate Conception Cemeteries (Flags provided) Volunteers are asked to gather by the Mausoleum in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery. **Thanks!**

150th Anniversary News: Division 8 is considering creating a 150th Anniversary Lapel Pin, as well as, a UTUBE of Division events. More information will be available soon. Stay tuned for future updates!