

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

Established: 1871 Happy Halloween to All! October 2019

The next meeting of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly O.S.A. Division 8, Ancient Order of Hibernians will be held on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 7:30 pm on the second floor at the Claddagh Pub and Restaurant, 399 Canal Street, Lawrence, MA.

Joint Meeting: Division 8 AOH & LAOH will meet in joint session before their Monthly Meetings at 7 pm on **Wednesday, October 9, 2019** on the first floor of the Claddagh.

<u>Irish Heritage Month Fundraiser</u>: Our Irish Heritage Month Committee is planning a fundraiser on *Wednesday, October 16* at the *Irish Cottage 17 Branch St., Methuen*. We hope you can join us for dinner at a great restaurant. (Please see the enclosed for more information.)

FFAI Annual Christmas Appeal: All members will soon be receiving in the mail information on our annual Freedom for All Ireland Christmas Appeal. Please be generous to this cause. **Thanks!**

<u>Christmas Party:</u> Mark your calendar now for our annual AOH/LAOH Christmas Party which will be held on *Wednesday evening, December 11* at the Claddagh. More information will be available at our October Meeting. This event is open to all Hibernians, their families and friends. Your guests do not have to be members of the LAOH or AOH to attend!

<u>23rd Annual Lawrence Vietnam Memorial Run or Walk 4 Mile Road Race:</u> Sunday, October 27th @ 11:00 a.m. (Rain or Shine) Walk begins at 10:30 a.m. **Start/Finish**: Claddagh Pub - For more information & race applications, please contact Hoppy Curran @ TheCooze14@yahoo.co

<u>Membership Drive Underway:</u> Division 8 is conducting an ongoing **Membership Drive** for new members. Please do your part and consider asking a friend, co-worker, neighbor, parishioner, or relative to join. For Membership Applications and/or more information, please contact our Division Organizer Team at *aohdivision8organizer@gmail.com*

<u>A Note of Thanks:</u> Our **SINCERE THANKS** is extended to those members who planned our Irish Cookout on September 14. Despite the cloudiness and brief rain shower, a good time was had by all. A report on this event will follow at our October Meeting.

<u>Interested in Purchasing AOH Clothing?</u> If so, please visit Division 8's Website for clothing photos and an ordering form. http://www.div8aoh.com/ or contact Tim Doherty @ Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com

<u>Library News:</u> Donations of Irish books, media & memorabilia are always welcome. For more information please contact Bill Sullivan.

Boston Honors Luncheon: On **October 18** the Boston Irish Reporter will host its Irish Honors Luncheon in Boston. Interested in attending? Please see Bill Sullivan for more information.

Would You Like to Receive Timely Updates of Division 8 Happenings? If so, please e-mail Jack Lahey your e-mail address. Jack's e-mail address is: limeric@comast.net

<u>Project Saint Patrick!</u> Please consider using Project St Patrick Prayer Cards, which help financially those seeking a vocation. For information contact Bob Moran @ docbob4@me.com

Essex County Board News: The Essex County Board is conducting a fundraiser. Tickets cost \$5 and can be obtained from Kevin Walsh at our October or November Monthly Meeting. Also an update on the Essex County Board Memorial Mass for Deceased Members will be given at our October 9th meeting.

<u>Division 8 Website</u>: For the latest updates on our events, please see Division 8's website that has been designed by our Webmaster John Michael Pelletier. Google: http://www.div8aoh.com

Sick Committee: Please send a note of cheer to our members on this month's sick list:

Linda Allard, 63 Atlantic Ave, Seabrook, NH 03874

Ruth Canney, 105 Telfer Circle, Salem, NH 03079

Irene Crowley, 9 Stearns Ave. Lawrence, MA 01841

Joseph Danahy, 5 Stonewall Circle, Newton, NH 03858

Irene Dixon, Prescott House, 140 Prescott Street, North Andover, MA 0184

Mike Ferrick, 6 Bromfield Ct, Newburyport, MA 01950

Patricia Lyons, 193 Cotuit St, North Andover, MA 0184

Edward Fink, 6 Rockwood Lane, Lawrence, MA 01843

Margaret Quirke, Ivy Hill Court, 337 Main Street, Haverhill, Ma 01830

George Thomas, 3 Kacie Lane, East Hampstead, NH 0384

<u>Change of Address:</u> If you move, please notify us of your new address ASAP and mail it to: **AOH** & LAOH Change of Address, Post Office Box 1407, Lawrence, MA 01842. Thanks!

<u>UPCOMING AOH/LAOH EVENTS - SAVE THE DATE</u>

October 18 - 20: AOH Interim National Board Meeting, Washington DC

Friday October 18 - Boston Irish Honors Luncheon @ 11:45 am, Seaport Hotel, Boston

Saturday, October 26: Division 14 AOH, Watertown, MA 125th Anniversary Celebration

Friday, November 1: Kickoff of 2019 AOH/LAOH FFAI Christmas Appeal

Friday, November 15: Awarding of the David R. Burke Golden Bridges Award, Seaport Hotel, Boston

Wednesday, December 11: Division 8 Christmas Party