

REV. JAMES T. O'REILLY DIVISION 8
LADIES ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

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LAOH NEWS OF INTEREST

September Monthly Meeting: The next meeting of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly O.S.A. Division 8, Ancient Order of Hibernians and Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at 7 PM **IN PERSON AT THE CLADDAGH PUB AND RESTAURANT, 399 Canal Street, Lawrence, MA.** If this should change, or if there are any other updates regarding this meeting, they will be posted on our Division website and Facebook page. Please note that masks are optional unless you are NOT VACCINATED or the Claddagh, City of Lawrence or the State of Massachusetts make them mandatory. The Joint meeting between the AOH and LAOH will take place outside in the seating/parking lot area at 7 pm. The women's monthly meeting will follow the joint meeting on the first floor. Masks will be available for those who wish to wear one, as well as Hand Sanitizer. We believe that these safeguards will provide for a safe and enjoyable September Meeting.

Not much has changed over the summer but thanks to all that attended our fundraiser at the Irish Cottage back in June. It was a very successful event and we will be planning our next one at the Irish Cottage in the immediate future. Thank you to the owners and staff of the Irish Cottage who are always so hospitable to us.

Also, Congrats to the AOH on a very successful Cornhole tournament held in July at the Claddagh. It was a bunch of fun and they hope to schedule another in the future.

Division 8 LAOH has a couple of events scheduled and we are all hoping that we have a good turnout at all. Enclosed you will find flyers on a **Music Bingo** event to take place at The Claddagh Pub and Restaurant on **September 17, 2020** and a **3-card Bingo** event on **October 2, 2021**. We are asking that members and friends attend so that we can have a great time. Please spread the word. Other future events are listed at the end of this newsletter. Thank you to the Claddagh Pub and Restaurant for the hospitality in hosting these events.

The Hibernians will have a booth at the **Lowell Irish Festival** to help promote the organization and recruit members. It is taking place on **September 18, 2021**. The link that can be accessed for information about the Festival and tickets is www.lowellirishfestival.com.

Nominations and Elections – As stated last year, our nominations of officers for the 2021-2022 term are typically held in October and subsequently the elections are held in November. Since we could not meet last year we had nominations/elections over zoom and it was determined that that term would only go until we are able to meet again. So, we will be having Nominations in October and Elections in November if Covid restrictions do not interrupt our meeting schedule. This term of office for both the LAOH and AOH and Juniors will only be for one year in order to be consistent with our past practice.

If you haven't returned your contact card or dues yet for the 2021 year, please remember to do so. Better yet, come to a meeting and enjoy the company of your fellow members.

Reminder: Our Division has a website that is updated monthly, may we suggest that you take a look at it sometime. It is www.div8aoh.com. Our newsletter is posted typically on the first of every month.

Let us continue to pray for those most affected by the Covid-19 virus especially those that are mourning losses within their family.

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 17, 2021 – Music Bingo

October 2, 2021 – 3 Card Bingo

***November 21, 2021 – An Irish Afternoon and Buffet with Seamus
(partially funded by the Lawrence Cultural Council)***

***December 12, 2021 – An Irish Christmas Afternoon with entertainment and possible vendors
(downstairs)***

***And an Irish Ceili with the Silver Spears and dancing (upstairs)
sponsored by the O'Shea Chaplin School of Irish Dance
(partially funded by the Lawrence Cultural Council)***

***Note: All events are to take place at The Claddagh Pub and Restaurant, 399 Canal St., Lawrence, MA
And best of all there are no Patriots' games on any of these dates!!***

***"For everything you
have missed, you have
gained something else."***

- Ralph Waldo Emerson