

AOH & LAOH Monthly Newsletter

April, 2025



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April 2025 NEWSLETTER



AOH President's Message

Friends,

It was a hectic March but I was pleased to see the activities the Division accomplished during Irish Heritage month. We kicked things off with a full house for the Irish Whispa's concert, and John Murphy led a band of interested genealogists in a working session on tracing your ancestry on the 8th. Several of us marched in the South Boston St. Patrick's Day parade on March 16th, and another group of members celebrated Mass at the Cathedral with the Bishop on the big day itself. In these latter two events, it is nice to see the Division Sashes get a good workout. See pictures of these and other Division events, go to [pages 8-9](#) of this issue.

My attention now turns to the next big Division event: the annual Communion Mass & Breakfast on April 27th, when we will commemorate and pray for the Division brothers and sisters who have passed away. We will celebrate 10 AM Mass with sashes and flags with the LAOH at St. Patrick's Church, then proceed to the Hall for Communion Breakfast that should start at 11:30 AM. Our speaker is Coach Jerry York, and we'll have our usual full Irish breakfast and traditional dancing by the O'Shea school of Dance. See [page 15](#) for details on the coach and the breakfast.

- New this year at the breakfast, and w/ the leadership of Janice Aucoin, will be an Irish soda bread contest where we invite any members to bring a sample of their home recipes to the competition. [A prize](#) will be given out for the winning entry.
- We will also have a breakfast program drafted and the opportunity for sponsors to remember loved ones, living or deceased, in the program. See [page 16 for details](#).

Finally, at the risk of preaching to the choir, I would ask all members to remember to pay their annual dues ASAP if they have not done so.

- Paying your dues on time saves the Financial Secretary a lot of time and money to chase down well meaning members who forget to pay.
- It also eliminates the hassle of having to pay late fees, card deactivation, and re-activation fees.

Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

Rick Connell

LAOH President's Message

Dear Sisters,

It's so nice to have the longer daylight and warm weather approaching. Wishing everyone a very happy Easter with your family.

Ham-O-Rama is happening on Saturday, April 12th! The doors open at 5:30 PM and the first round starts at 6:00 PM.

Please note, our next monthly meeting will be held 1 week early on Monday, April 7, at 7 PM. Please note that your 2025 dues must be paid by April 15. A late fee of \$5 will be charged.

REMINDER DEADLINE APPROACHING - The State Convention will be held at the Cape Cod Irish Village in Hyannis, MA, on May 31 -June 1. All members are welcome to attend. The details were emailed under separate cover, including deadlines and fees. If you are interested in attending, please email me or let me know at our upcoming April 7 meeting.

The LAOH Scholarship application is available and included in this newsletter. Scholarships are limited to children or grandchildren of LAOH Division 14 members (living or deceased) who have been members in good standing for the Past Three Years. Applicants must be high school or prep school seniors of the current year's graduating class. Applications must be received by Friday, April 26, 2024 (no exceptions)

This year's annual Communion Breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 27 at 11:30 AM. We start with a procession of AOH and LAOH members at Saint Patrick's 10:00 AM mass. A full Irish breakfast will follow at the Hall. Tickets are \$20 and must be purchased in advance to provide a head count for the caterer. You can purchase your tickets at the bar or at our upcoming April meeting. Further details are provided in the newsletter on pages 15 & 16.

Would you like to be more involved? Are you interested in volunteering for a committee or helping at an event? Let me know.

As always, please keep our brother and sister Hibernians in your prayers who are dealing with illness or hardship. If you know of a member who is not well, please reach out to me, Rita Stacy, and Lori Moran so a card can be sent and to check in with that person.

Do not forget to keep your dues up to date. Your dues must be paid no later than April 15, or there will be a late fee of \$5. You can pay your 2025 dues by check. Please make checks payable to LAOH Division 14 and mail to LAOH Division 14, Attention: Ellen Ridge, P.O. Box 11, Watertown, MA 02471. Better yet, come to a meeting and enjoy the company of your fellow members. The dues are \$30 up to and including age 64 and \$25 for ages 65 and over.

In Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity,
DeeDee

LAOH & AOH Membership Dues are Due

LAOH Membership Dues are as follows:

- Members age 64 and below - \$30,
- Members 65 and over - \$25.

You can make your checks payable to LAOH Division 14 and mail to Ellen Ridge, P.O. Box 11, Watertown, 02471.



AOH Membership Dues are as follows:

- Regular Members pay \$55.00,
- Senior Members (age 65 or older & 10 years of consecutive dues) pay \$30.00.
- All Associate Members regardless of age pay \$55.00.

You can mail your checks to A.O.H. Div. 14 c/o Kevin Paquette, P.O. Box 11, Watertown, MA 02471.

2025 dues are past due....!



*Left to Right: James Goodfellow, Danny Langan,
Tom Briand, Shane Mc Devitt, Barry McGrath*

The Men's Division swore in five new members at the Monthly meeting on Thursday, March 13th. Please welcome these brothers to the Division.

Print out this page and keep a copy of the contact details and QR code with you to share with people you meet who may be interested in becoming a Hibernian. We will also have business cards at the hall you can hand out and use.



Are You Irish & Catholic?

Learn About the AOH: Ancient Order of Hibernians. Call (617) 575-9585 or email: President.AOHDiv14@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/aohdiv14





Ord Ársa na nÉireannach Political Education

The 2025 Program For Government – Securing Ireland’s Future has been compiled with the endorsement of the current majority coalition of FG / FF and a collection of ‘Independents’. Very clearly, the objective of 32 Counties does not exist. A read-through shows it contains general and generic political language of improving the quality of life of Ireland. SF Leaders have indicated their intent to hold the majority coalition accountable for minimizing such a significant generational objective. Hopefully this will translate in the next election cycle to another eruption of surprise SF victories.

John Finucane SF MP has successfully toured the American northeast (including the NYC Bar Association) promoting the idea of Referendum and of public acknowledgement through Inquiries of British endorsed sectarian killings, specifically his fathers. These audiences were largely Diaspora, attorneys, judges and sympathizers.

In early Feb, a Belfast Coroner’s Court ruled that the SMU killing of several Tyrone youths at St Patrick’s Church (Clonoe) in 1992 was Unjustified. They each died legally around 11.50PM on Feb16th at the Church. The wounds were head, trunk and chest shots. Statements made at the time of ‘a fire fight’ and ‘an exchange of fire’ were demonstrated untrue. Each lad received shots while lying on the ground the report revealed. The operation was neither planned nor controlled. The families involved have been at it for decades seeking public acknowledgment.

(Ainme) - KEVIN BARRY O’DONNELL, PATRICK VINCENT, PETER CLANCY
& SEAN O’FARRELL

It has been announced that *Fleadh Cheoil* will take place in Belfast in 2026. A whole week of Gaelic festival activities. To think in the past this would have been met with mass violence. Though this is unrelated to making Gaelic language legal and acknowledged in any sense. This obviously represents a **reemergence** of Gaelic culture. I used the word reemergence specifically and deliberately. For anyone going to Belfast next year, this might be a good time to go.

For those that have not yet heard - Republican legend *Óglach* Brendan 'Bik' McFarlane has passed. He was properly laid to rest on Feb27th under a Tricolor flag at Milltown cemetery. The weather was fair. He gave his adult life to the objective of 32 Counties and was well known. He was not raised a republican but later became one. *Requiem Aeternam*



Ord Ársa na nÉireannach

Political Education

The current phase of 32 Counties is of course different then the pre-Good Friday Era. I will be incorporating the economic and business-related factors of our objective. To be clear, an All-Ireland Economy means transitioning from a Northern Ireland-British Market to a Northern Ireland-Republic of Ireland Market. This has never been a factor before but definitely is now. It may prove to be the ultimate determiner of success.

At Good Friday Agreement cross border trade was €2B. It has reached €10B to €15B depending on metrics. (DBEC) Dublin Belfast Economic Corridor is a collection of business, county councils and two academic interests. It is a visionary project drawing many elements toward this common objective. (DBEC) covers 160 km (100mi) and 2M residents. An All Island Economy is not evenly distributed amongst all counties. It consists almost entirely of the Dublin-Belfast zone. There is much room for growth, but also many obstacles. The Brexit era has caused complications for consumers of British goods in the North. These complications have favored North-South trade. The annual convention in Belfast recently occurred with much consensus going forward.

I recently ‘*craiced*’ open some *Keogh’s Crisps* at the Division. These are occasionally, but not regularly available in the US. They are noticeably superior to domestic crisps. *Keogh’s* (started 2013) is an example of a Border company that has thrived from cross-border sales. More later on these developments...

DUP MP Sammy Wilson recently complained that sausages sold in UK stores could not be found in The North

LAOH was critical in managing logistics for MP Finucane’s NYC & DC events i.e. Dolores Desch / Kathi Hamelin

- *Criostóir McCann*

Known Members currently in Constant Care / Recovery

Deacon John Beagan {New} had his bladder surgery in March and is recovering at home.

Paul Connolly is currently residing at New Horizons Suite located at 400 Hemenway St. Marlborough, MA 01752. He has a new room (#2200) and a landline (508) 573-1437.

Paul Doucette {New} had surgery on his back in January. 14 screws and three rods later, he is continuing to heal and in good spirits.

Dick Thompson Sr. {Updated} had his gallbladder surgery on March 14th. The operation went well and, after a return to the hospital for a couple days, Dick Sr. continues the process of transitioning to Evan's park in Newton Corner, Newton.

Marilyn Devaney {New} is recovering from a broken arm at her son's home after an accident. Late January she had a house fire. Thankfully with no injuries. Please keep her in your prayers.

Kathy Malone {New} is recuperating from a fractured leg.

Eileen Waldron is experiencing some medical difficulties and resides at Benchmark Senior Living at Waltham Crossings which is located at 126 Smith St. Waltham, MA 02451.

Peggy Walsh is unfortunately experiencing some medical difficulties at is being cared for at home which is located at 22 Eliot St. Watertown, MA 02472.

Sick Members and/or shut-in

Contact Joe McCusker at 508.386.6438.

For the LAOH please contact. Rita Stacy at 617.230.7408 or Lori Moran at 339-222-9271.

March Recap in Pictures



The Irish Whispa's played to a full house on March 2nd. Many thanks to Tom Lydon, Bob & Noelle Daly, John Murphy and Nancy Connell for their support.



History Committee Chair John F. Murphy led an enthusiastic crowd on the topic of tracing their Irish genealogy at the hall on March 8th.



The Red Cross Collected 32 pints of blood at the Blood Drive on March 15th at Hibernian Hall.

March Recap in Pictures



There are good turnouts for the LAOH card games on Thursday evenings. All members are welcome

This photo is from March 13th and the dates of the games for April are found on page 12 of this newsletter.

We had great weather to march in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in South Boston. The early start and the police presence along the route did not dampen the excitement and enthusiasm of the people along the route. A great time was had by all. Many thanks



to Karen Bloomer for anchoring the AOH / LAOH with her Jeep and multi-tasking (driving the Jeep, throwing candy, offering dog petting services) during the parade and Ed Falter for providing shuttle service to and from Watertown. In addition to the Division 14 locals, Rick Stacy, Rick Connell, Jim Cunningham, Eric & Brian Manning and Tom Briand), it was nice to have Hibernians from the John P. Holland Division of New London, CT and the Hibernians from Bridgeport, CT march with us on the 16th.



Brothers Andy Carrigan, Bob Daly, Joe McCusker, and Pat Nolan joined Hibernians from across the state to celebrate the St. Patrick's Day Mass at the Cathedral in Boston on the morning of St. Patrick's Day (March 17th).

Veteran Committee Chair News

Friends, I am pleased to announce that brother Bob Morrison has agreed to serve as Committee chair for Veterans Affairs.



Please join me in wishing Bob all the best in this important assignment.

Any veteran in the Division who would like to be more involved with Veteran Affairs or needs help can contact Bob at 774-279-2387 or at Morrison3315@gmail.com.

Bob takes over for Ed Aucoin who has served us well in this role and will continue to support Veteran issues for the Division. Past President Joe McCusker and I thank Ed for his leadership and service over these past few years.

There is a Call to Action for each Division and State to conduct a review of their membership databases to update their records and ensure that no veteran is left behind or goes unrecognized for their military service.

Are Our Records up to date?

Here is a listing of the members we have listed as Veterans. If we are missing you or another brother, please let Bob Morrison or Rick Connell know.

First Name	Last Name		First Name	Last Name
Air Force			Marines	
William	Gildea Jr.		Edward	Aucoin
James	Kelsey		John	Bowles
John	Madden		William	Byrne
Dick	Thompson Sr.		Peter	Daley
Army			John	Daly
Paul	Connolly		Bob	DeLuca
Fred	Colman		Collin	Geagan
Tom	Lydon		Scott	Hamel
Kevin	McManus		Steve	Lydon
Robert	Morrison		Brendan	O'Leary
Joseph	O'Grady		Thomas	Walsh
Dominic	Russo		Navy	
Thomas	Russo		Matthew	Blinn
Stephen	Thompson		Bob	Connolly
Edward	Wallace		Harold	Danis
Coast Guard			Thomas	Doherty
John	McDermott		Edward	Flynn
John	Meehan		John	Haggerty
			Dick	Johnson
			Roy	Hill

2025 Division / State Calendar at a Glance**

April Events

Monday, April 3 ->	LAOH Card Game Night @ 6:30 PM	Hibernian Hall
Monday, April 7 * ->	LAOH Monthly Meeting @ 7:00 PM	Hibernian Hall
Thursday, April 10 ->	LAOH Card Game Night @ 6:30 PM	Hibernian Hall
Saturday, April 12 ->	Ham-O-Rama @ 5:30 PM	Hibernian Hall
Sunday, April 13 ->	Resurrection, a musical cantata @ TBD	St. Pat's Church Hall
Saturday, April 26 ->	State AOH meeting @ 10:00 AM	Peabody, MA
Thursday, April 24 ->	LAOH Card Game Night @ 6:30 PM	Hibernian Hall
Sunday, April 27 ->	Division Comm. Mass @ 10:00 AM	St. Pat's Cathedral
Sunday, April 27 ->	Division Comm Breakfast @ 11:30 AM	Hibernian Hall

May Events

Thursday, May 8—>	AOH Monthly Meeting @ 7:30 PM	Hibernian Hall
Friday, May 9 —>	AOH/LAOH Scholarship Soc. @ 7:00 PM	Hibernian Hall
Monday, May 12—>	LAOH Monthly Meeting @ 7:00 PM	Hibernian Hall
Friday, May 16 —>	AOH / LAOH Scholarship Social @ 7 PM	Hibernian Hall
Monday, May 26 ->	AOH Memorial Day Mass @ 9:00 AM	Sandbanks Cemetery
Monday, May 26 ->	Memorial Day Parade @ 1:00 PM	City Hall, Watertown
Friday, May 30 ->	AOH / LAOH State Convention	Irish Village, Hyannis

June Events

Monday, June 9 ->	LAOH Monthly Meeting @ 7:00 PM	Hibernian Hall
Thursday, June 12 ->	AOH Monthly Meeting @ 7:30 PM	Hibernian Hall
Saturday, June 21 ->	John Boyle O'Reilly Mass @ 11:00 AM	Holyhood Cemetery

Fall Events

Saturday, Aug. 2 —>	Red Cross Blood Drive @ 9:00 AM	Hibernian Hall
Friday, Sept. 26 —>	Golf Outing Fundraiser @ 1:15 PM	Wayland CC
Saturday, Oct. 18 —>	Red Cross Blood Drive @ 9:00 AM	Hibernian Hall
Saturday, Oct. 25 —>	Annual Fall Craft Fair	Hibernian Hall
Friday, Nov. 14 —>	Tunnels to Towers Concert @ 6 PM	Hibernian Hall
Friday, Nov. 21 —>	Turkey Shoot @ 6:30 PM	Hibernian Hall
Sunday, Dec. 7 —>	Children's Christmas Party @ 1:00 PM	Hibernian Hall

Items in **Green & Bold** are newly added since last Newsletter.

**Note: This is an abbreviated summary of the upcoming events. More details are found later in the back of this document.



Variety of games to play, from board games to card games. Feel free to bring a friend and sancks.

Don't miss out on all the fun!
Games played in the members lounge



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LAOH

Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians



Division Meeting
April 7th
7:00 pm



151 Watertown Street
Watertown MA 02472

If you would like to hang out after the
meeting we will be playing a game of LRC



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Friendly reminder to renew your
membership in April to avoid a
penalty charge





Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians

HAM-O-RAMA

Doors Open 5:30 PM | 1st Round 6:00 PM

Saturday | April 12, 2025

4 Rounds with 160 chances to win!
Ham, vegetables, desserts & more

50/50, Raffle Baskets & Other Items

Cash Bar
All are welcome
Bring friends and snacks

Ancient Order of Hibernian Hall
151 Watertown Street
Watertown, MA 02472

Learn more about LAOH



For more information contact:
Dee Dee Walsh: dmwalsh39@gmail.com
Bernadette Lahey: blahey@travelers.com or 617-571-8730



2025 Communion Breakfast

Sunday, 27-April at 11:30 AM at Hibernian Hall

The event will feature a full Irish breakfast, by **Donohue's of Watertown**, and have an exhibition of traditional Irish Dancing from the **O'Shea Chaplin School of Dance** and a *Irish Soda Bread Contest*.

Coach Jerry York will be our Communion Breakfast Speaker. Coach York is the former men's ice hockey coach at Boston College. York is the winningest coach in NCAA hockey and leads the all-time list as the only Division I head coach with over 1,000 wins. He has won the NCAA Division I Men's Ice Hockey title five times as a coach at Bowling Green State University (1984) and at Boston College (2001, '08, '10, and '12).

Tickets are \$25 on Eventbrite [[Link here](#)]

Member rate is \$20 for AOH & LAOH members

(\$5 for kids under 13) if purchased in the Member's Lounge

The event is catered, and the headcount must be finalized by April 24th.

For more info, contact Rick Connell: 860-867-7866 or rconnellsr@gmail.com

The Communion Breakfast will be preceded by the 10 AM Mass at St. Patrick's Church. Members of the AOH / LAOH are invited to process into the church with tri-color sashes. The Mass and Breakfast will commemorate the AOH Brothers and LAOH Sisters who have passed away this past year:



Dorothy Jean Brown
Margaret Morash
Jen Smallwood

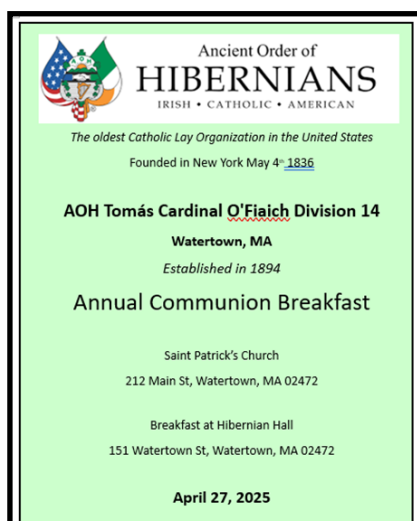
John 'Jack' Gallagher
William T. Gildea
Jack McDermott



Please Help our Division Defray Expenses

AOH Div. 14

Communion Breakfast Booklet Sponsorship



To help defray the costs of the 2025 Community Breakfast honorariums, we will be publishing a Communion Breakfast pamphlet (See illustration on the left) with details about the Mass Program, the Speaker, the Division Officers and the Members who have passed.

Commemoration List

Members who donate \$10 can have their name, the names of a family member or loved one (past or present) or a business listed as a sponsor. An illustration of what the final Patron list will look like is below.

Division #14 Communion Breakfast Patrons

The Black Rose	Sean Flaherty
Edward Brennan	Daniel Gallagher (in Memoriam)
The Burren	Thomas Kelly
David Callahan (in Memoriam)	Ted & Nancy Lovely
Joseph Casey	Robert McCarthy
Rick & Nancy Connell	John Murphy (in Memoriam)
Kevin Donnelly	James Nolan
The Dubliner	Michael O'Connor
Timothy Duffy (in Memoriam)	William Reilly (in Memoriam)
Emmet's Irish Pub	Sullivan Tire
Brian Fitzgerald	

Donation Details:

You can drop off the \$10 (cash or check made out to AOH Division #14) in the Member's Lounge along with the name/s of the person/s or business you would like to have listed (This is the same place you can buy the breakfast tickets.)

Deadline to add names is Monday, April 21st as we need to have the final booklet at Alpha graphics a few days before the breakfast.



Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc.
Division 14 – Watertown, MA
Scholarship Application

Scholarship Details

1. Scholarship is limited to children or grandchildren of LAOH Division 14 members (living or deceased) who have been members in good standing for the Past Three Years.
2. Scholarship is not restricted to four-year colleges. It is available to anyone that is furthering his/her education.
3. Applicants must be high school or prep school seniors of current year's graduating class.
4. Applicants must submit the following:
 - a. A completed L.A.O.H. scholarship application
 - b. Record of grades for four years
 - c. A letter from the applicant stating why he/she feels deserves this scholarship. Include information on extra-curricular activities.
 - d. A letter from either a teacher or a guidance counselor
 - e. SAT scores (where applicable)
 - f. Scholarships will be awarded date **TBD**.

Applications must be received by Friday **April 25, 2025** (no exceptions). Please mail to: LAOH c/o DeeDee Walsh, P.O. Box 11 Watertown, MA 02471

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

Address: _____

School currently enrolled in (including city & state):

Expected high school graduation date: _____

School you plan to attend and your major: _____

Name of mother / grandmother (Div. 14 member):



*TOMAS CARDINAL O'FLAICH DIVISION 14
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION*

1. Limited to sons, daughters, grandsons or granddaughters active or deceased members (in good standing) of Tomas Cardinal O'Flaich AOH Division 14. Current Members in good standing are also eligible.
2. Must be a High School or Prep School senior when applying.
3. Recipient must attend an accredited college, business or vocational school. This includes 2 – 3 year schools such as nursing, health professions, art and counseling.
4. All applications with scores, transcripts, letter of recommendation and extra-curricular activities must be **received** (not postmarked) by Friday April 25, 2025. Please note that if you do not complete all the requirements of the application, said application will not be considered for review by the Committee.
5. Scholarships will be formally awarded at the Scholarship Social on May 16th at 7 PM at Hibernian Hall.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Hibernian member's name _____

Relationship to member _____

I am a senior currently attending _____

The school I plan on attending _____

Return application to:
Joe McCusker, Scholarship Chairman
AOH Division #14
P.O. Box 11
Watertown, MA 02471

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*MIDDLESEX COUNTY
AL MURPHY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION*

1. Limited to sons, daughters, grandsons or granddaughters active or deceased members (in good standing) of the AOH Middlesex County Hibernians. Current Members in good standing are also eligible.
2. Must be High School or Prep School senior when applying.
3. Recipient must attend an accredited college, business or vocational school. This includes 2 – 3 year schools such as nursing, health professions, art and counseling.
4. All applications must include school marks, College Board scores, transcripts, letters of recommendation and extracurricular activities. Please note that if you do not complete all the requirements of the application, said application will not be considered for review by the Committee.
5. All applications must be **received** (not postmarked) by **Friday April 25, 2025**.
6. Scholarships will be formally awarded at the Scholarship Social on May 16th at 7 PM at Hibernian Hall in Watertown, MA.

Please return the application to: Joe McCusker, Scholarship
Chairman, C.O. AOH Division 14, P.O. Box 11, Watertown, MA 02471.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

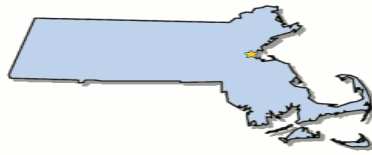
Phone _____ Email _____

Hibernian member's Name and Division _____

Relationship to applicant _____

I am a senior currently attending _____

The school I plan on attending _____



2025 AOH LAOH CONVENTION REGISTRATION

May 30th-June 1st 2025

Cape Cod Irish Village at the Emerald Resort and Conference Center

35 Scudder Ave. Hyannis Ma. 02601

NAME _____

____ AOH ____ LAOH

____ MEMBER ____ GUEST OF _____ (MEMBER'S NAME)

____ DIVISION # ____ City or Town

____ (office title if any)

____ MEAL REQUESTED AT BANQUET

____ ICE BREAKER ____ BANQUET ____ BOTH

Please fill this form out and mail it to A.S.A.P. And email it to me at

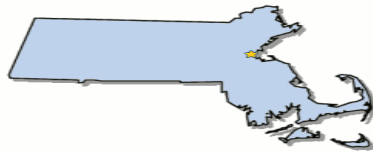
rrjwall57@gmail.com and in the subject line put **"convention 2025"**

Dick Wall Organizer

Mass AOH

205 Highland Ave #2102

Salem, Ma. 01970



March 5, 2025

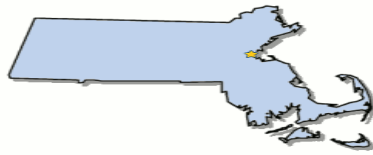
Dear Sister and Brother Hibernians,

On behalf of the Convention Committee, I'm sending this reminder to share with your division members.

I hope everyone is starting to get excited about attending the 2025 Massachusetts State Convention to be held on **May 30th – June 1st** at the Cape Cod Irish Village at the Emerald Resort, 35 Scudder Avenue, Hyannis, MA. “Early Birds (Thursday May 29th can obtain a room for \$129 plus tax). The package rates that were secured are Double occupancy \$269 per person (\$538.00) and Single occupancy \$409 per person. The price includes two nights’ rooms, entrance to the Ice Breaker, Banquet and two breakfasts (Gratuity, not included for breakfasts). Reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly at **1-508-771-0100 or 508-394-4300**. Make sure you ask for the Ancient Order of Hibernians group rate. Reservation can be made starting **immediately, with a deposit of \$75.00** and the cutoff date for reservations is **April, 23, 2025**. Guests not booking rooms but attending the Icebreaker, Banquet or both, must call, Jack Lahey at **603-560-8192 or limeric@comcast.net**. **DO not call the hotel with these arrangements.** The cost is \$55 for the Icebreaker and \$75 for the Banquet. The food choices are: 1. Baked Stuffed Sole. 2. Turkey Dinner or 3. Braised Short Ribs. Inform the hotel of any dietary restrictions when you make your reservation.

If you enjoy playing golf, then you should sign up for the Golf Tournament on Friday May 30th (Fliers enclosed). Another fun activity planned on Friday is a Harbor Cruise that is funded by the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce (Flyer enclosed).

Please remember, you do not need to be a delegate to attend. ALL are welcome!! This weekend is a good opportunity to meet National Board Officers, and make connections with other divisions both with the AOH and LAOH.



To help defray costs the committee purchased \$1,650 in lottery tickets to raffle. Chances were sent to all the AOH-LAOH divisions in the first mailing in January.

- 1st Prize: 150 \$5 tickets
- 2nd Prize: 300 \$2 tickets
- 3rd Prize: 30 \$10 tickets
- Chances are \$10 each

*Return date: Saturday April 19, 2025

Chances and checks should be returned to:

Richard Wall
205 Highland Avenue Unit 2102
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**Checks made out to: AOH/LAOH Convention

This raffle is taking the place of the basket raffle. Therefore, it's important that each division sell all the lottery chances to help defray convention costs. The Convention Committee asks that all the division presidents in the AOH-LAOH to assign someone to take charge of selling the lottery raffle tickets and to make sure the ticket chances and monies collected are returned to Dick Wall no later than Monday April 28, 2025.

The drawing will be held after the 7:30 p.m. Convention Committee meeting on May 3, 2025 at the Salem AOH Hall. The address is 104 Boston Street in Salem, MA.

The Convention Committee asks that each AOH-LAOH Division donate \$100 toward the Hospitality Room for both Friday and Saturday to help defray the costs of liquor and food which will be provided by the Resort.

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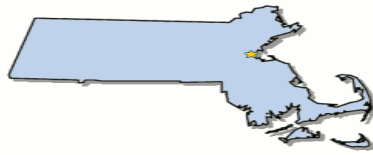
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The Convention Committee is working hard to make sure the convention runs smoothly and that everything is in place to have a productive and fun weekend. We appreciate the help and support that the AOH-LAOH divisions are giving us and look forward to seeing you May 30th at the Cape Cod Irish Village at the Emerald Resort in Hyannis, MA.

Yours in our Motto of Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

2025 Convention Committee Co-Chairs,
Noranne Duquette LAOH State Board Vice President
Charles Sinclair AOH State Board Vice President



2025
ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS
SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT

When? Friday May 30 2025

Where? TWIN BROOKS GOLF COURSE
35 Scudder Avenue
HYANNIS, MA

What time does it start? Shotgun start 11:30 AM Sharp

What's the format? Four Person 18 Hole Scramble

How much is the Entry Fee? \$95.00 Per Person which includes
Greens Fee & Cart

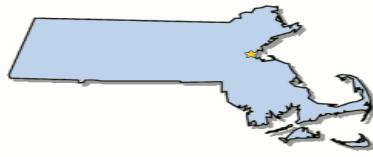
Who is eligible to participate? All AOH Members (Men & Women)
and their guests

Additional Information: Team Prizes

- Closest to the Pin Holes
- 50/50 Closest to the Pin Hole
- DOOR PRIZE
- Hole Sponsorship \$50.00 per hole

Cut-off Date: May 16 2025

Questions? Call Charlie Sinclair 978-360-4425



2025 Mass AOH State Charity Golf Tournament
Registration Form

TEAM

Name: _____

HOLE SPONSOR
\$50.00 per Hole

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Tel. #: _____

Please make checks out to MASS AOH

Mail to: Charles Sinclair 120 North St. Salem, MA 01970



The committee has arranged a Harbor Cruise on Friday, May 30, 2025. The time would be 3:00 PM and funded by a grant obtained from the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce.

Reservations can be made by notifying Anne Marie Doherty at 978-794-0911 or dancingds@comcast.net The cut-off date for reservations is May 24, 2025.

Enjoy the day with Golf at 11:30 AM, Harbor Cruise at 3:PM and the Ice Breaker at 6:30 PM.

The Cruise is fully funded by a Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce grant.

Yours in motto.

Anne Marie Doherty



Irish Music Shows (& Podcasts)

crbradio.com Has 4 live Irish radio/ podcasts of past shows	
Boston's Matt O'Donnell Emerald Isle Express show (Saturday 1-4pm)	O'Donnell
Detroit Irish Radio (Sunday 1-3pm)	Detroit
Boston's The Rebel Rooster's Irish Music Show (Sunday 10am-Noon)	Costello
Michigan's Paddy Johnson's Irish Music Cafe show (Monday 4-6pm)	Paddy J

Irish Radio

Channel	Event name	Address Day Time
950 AM	Irish Hit Parade	Sat. 10 am – 7 pm
950 AM	Feast of Irish Music	Sun. 11 am – 5 pm
91.7/91.9 FM	Celtic Twilight by Gail Gilmore	Sun. 4 pm – 7 pm
For Irish Music on the internet, check out		24/7
globalirishradio.com		

Full Addresses for Key Events

Location	Address
Burns Library	Burns Library, Boston College, 153-189 College Road, Chestnut Hill, MA, 02467
Connolly House	Connolly House, Andover Room, BC, 300 Hammond Street, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467
Devlin Hall	255 Beacon St, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467
Hibernian Hall	151 Watertown St, Watertown, MA 02472
ICC	Irish Cultural Center, 200 New Boston Dr, Canton, MA 02021
Irish Village	35 Scudder Ave, Hyannis, MA 02601
Lowell Auditorium	Lowell Memorial Auditorium, 50 E Merrimack St, Lowell, MA 01852
Peabody AOH	58 Lowell St, Peabody, MA 01960
Sandbanks Cemetery	Catholic Mount Auburn Cemetery, 64 Cottage St, Watertown, MA 02472
St. Patrick's Church	212 Main St, Watertown, MA 02472
Wayland CC	Wayland Country Club, 121 Old Sudbury Rd, Wayland, MA 01778

Upcoming Cultural Events

Date	Details	Location	Link	Notes
Sun., Mar. 30	Manchester St. Patrick's Day Parade @ 12:00 PM		Details	The Manchester St. Patrick's Parade is an annual event celebrating Irish heritage, featuring lively marching bands, colorful floats, Irish dancers, and spirited community groups. The parade is starting at noon on Elm Street in downtown Manchester.
Mon, April 7	LAOH Monthly Meeting*	Hibernian Hall		@ 7:00 PM
Wed., April 9	Time of Revolution: Intimacy, Affection & Kinship in Ireland: '16-'23"	Burns Library	Details	5:00 PM – 7:30 PM, Caoimhe Nic Dháibhéid works primarily on Irish history, in particular the Irish Revolution, and more broadly the history of political violence and terrorism since the nineteenth century. Burns Library will host a complimentary beer, wine, hors d'oeuvres reception beginning at 5:00pm, with Prof. Nic Dháibhéid's lecture to follow at 6:00pm.
Thu., April 10	Music of Irish Accordion Master Jerry O'Brien	Connolly House	Details	@ 6:30 PM: Gaelic Roots - From Cork to Boston: The Life and Music of Jerry O'Brien, 1988-1968. Dan Neely, ethnomusicologist, will give a lecture followed by a performance by Diarmuid Ó Meachair, accordion player.
Thu., April 10	AOH Monthly Meeting	Hibernian Hall		@ 7:30 PM
Sat., April 12	Ham-O-Rama @ 5:30 PM	Hibernian Hall	Details	Doors (historically) open at 5:30 PM and the first round starts at 6:00 PM. Ham, vegetables, dessert and other prizes will be raffled off in each round! See Newsletter for more details.
Sun., April 13	Resurrection, a musical cantata @ TBD	St. Patrick's Church		Palm Sunday, April 13, there will be a performance of Resurrection, a musical cantata, a story of St Peter and the forgiveness of Jesus Christ. Call Janice Aucoin (617)733-4356
Wed., April 16	Club Inc. Meeting	Hibernian Hall		@ 7:30 PM
Thu., April 17	Music by Odyssey	ICC	Details	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm: A trio comprising of musicians at the fore of our tradition: a performance from the gentle to the rhythmical and all the in-betweens.
Wed., April 23	The Taxonomy of Black & White in the Irish Context @ 5:00	Devlin Hall	Details	The 2024/2025 Flatley Lecture will be delivered by broadcaster and writer Emma Dabiri. Becoming Blue: Duine Gorm and Thinking Outside the Taxonomy of Black and White in the Irish Context
Wed., April 23	Veteran Appreciation Day at WooSox	Polar Park	Details	Veterans Appreciation Day presented by Dippin' Dots at 12:05 PM
Thu., April 24	Race in Ireland @ 5:00 PM	Connolly House	Details	Irish Studies will host a panel discussion on race in Ireland with Emma Dabiri, Kim DaCosta, Chanté Mouton Kinyon (ND University), Victor Augusto da Cruz Pacheco, and Lorelle Semley (BC).

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Date	Details	Location	Link	Notes
Fri., April 25	Musician Diarmuid Ó Meachair	ICC	Details	7:30 pm : the 2022 TG4 Young Musician of the Year Diarmuid Ó Meachair returns to the ICC - special guests to be announced!
Sat., April 26	State AOH meeting	Peabody AOH	-	The next AOH state meeting will be held in Peabody @ 10 AM
Sun., April 27	Division 14 Communion Mass	St. Patrick's Church	-	10 AM Mass. All LAOH and AOH members are welcome to process into the church together.
Sun., April 27	Division 14 Communion Breakfast	Hibernian Hall	-	11: 30 AM: \$20 for adults. We will remember the AOH and LAOH members who passed away. Full Irish breakfast, catered by Donohue's of Watertown, and traditional Irish Dancing from the O'Shea Chaplin School of Dance. Our Keynote speaker will Former BC Hockey Coach Jerry York.
Thu., May 1	Shamrock Tenors @ 7:30 PM	Lowell Auditorium	Details	From Belfast, SHAMROCK TENORS features performers from both sides of Northern Ireland community
Thu., May 8	AOH Monthly Meeting	Hibernian Hall	-	@ 7:30 PM
Mon, May 12	LAOH Monthly Meeting	Hibernian Hall	-	@ 7:00 PM
Fri., May 16	AOH / LAOH Scholarship Social @ 7:00 PM	Hibernian Hall	NA	The AOH / LAOH Scholarship Social will be held on Hibernian Hall 7:00 PM. The public is welcome to this event.
Wed., May 21	Club Inc. Meeting	Hibernian Hall	-	@ 7:30 PM
Mon, May 26	AOH Memorial Day Mass @ 9:00 AM	Sandbanks Cemetery	Details	The Division will be hosting a Memorial mass at 9 AM at Sandbanks Cemetery (aka the Catholic Mount Auburn Cemetery) in Watertown.
Mon, May 26	Watertown Memorial Day Parade @ 1:00 PM	City Hall, Watertown	Details	All Members are welcomed to march in the parade. We have access to a float so that members don't have to walk the route. Members are invited to a cookout at Hibernian Hall after the parade.
Fri., May 30th	AOH / LAOH State Convention	Irish Village	-	The AOH and LAOH Massachusetts State Board will hold their State Convention at the Irish Village in Hyannis on the May 30th weekend. A golf tournament, boat cruise, ice breaker and banquet is planned. Friday, May 30th --> Sunday, June 1st.

Support our AOH Partners



Beginner Irish dance classes for children age 4 and up are held at Hibernian Hall (151 Watertown St, Watertown) every Tuesday beginning at 5:15 PM.

For more information contact Lisa Chapin at (781) 443-2841, by email at osheachaplin@hotmail.com or visit [the website](#) for more information.



ANSEO LE CHÉILE - HERE TOGETHER

The Irish Pastoral Centre - Boston was founded in 1987 in direct response to the large increase in Irish Immigrants in the Greater Boston area. We offer a comprehensive range of caring and culturally appropriate spiritual, family, social, legal, wellness and educational services of all ages. Since the pandemic, we have expanded our services to incorporate counselling and sobriety support. Honoring the continued presence of Ireland in Boston we continue the tradition of an Irish welcome in Boston for all.



WHO WE ARE

The Pastoral Centre is located right in the heart of Dorchester in Adams Village. Our community is a combination of Irish & American people with similar interests and goals that are shared with the IPC. We are guided by the Christian principle of providing help to "the stranger among us."

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WHAT WE DO

The Irish Pastoral Centre (IPC) strives to assist our communities in varying capacities and facilitate their positive transition to life in America. Since 1987 we have been committed to serving the most vulnerable in our community in as culturally sensitive a manner as possible.

**Please support these establishments
who have supported the Hibernians!**

Paddy's Pub
95 Elm St.
West Newton, MA
617-965-6444

Devlin's Restaurant
332 Washington St.
Brighton, MA
617-779-8822

Donohue's
87 Bigelow Ave.
Watertown, MA
617-924-4900

O'Hara's Pub
1185 Walnut St.
Newton, MA
617-965-6785

The Warren Tavern
2 Pleasant St.
Charlestown, MA
617-241-8142

The Dooliner Pub
7 West St.
Newton, MA
857-297-2709

DiCeeca Brothers
Catering
Somerville, MA
781-789-9907

Deveney & Sons
Monuments
Waltham, MA
781-891-9876

