

Ancient Order of Hibernians  
151 Watertown Street  
PO Box 11  
Watertown, MA 02471

**MARCH 2010 NEWSLETTER!**

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P.O. Box 11

Watertown, MA 02471-0011

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## MARCH 2010 NEWSLETTER

### Newsletter Updates:

To all our brothers and sisters we really tried to get the February newsletter out on time. Unfortunately with the ongoing updates that seem to just keep coming in we always seem to just miss something, or get an update from someone right after we publish the newsletter. This is when we know that the information age is upon us because we cannot always rely on a printed publication any more to get all our news. If you can receive the newsletter through e-mail this will help save money and time. We are inviting all brothers and sisters to do this. Send your e-mail address to hfalter@hotmail.com

Going forward, maybe we could send a post card of important dates in between a bi monthly newsletters. Also in order to track all events, functions, on-going activities, we will need your help with the content for each newsletter. Committees will be organized to plan and run functions or events. In order to inform members of these events, we would ask the committee to write up the content for the newsletters to advertise the event, recruit volunteers, provide updates on the event, etc. Committees will be provided with a print deadline in order to get content into our newsletter.

### Good Feelings and Christian Charity:

As we begin our Lenten journey we have a great deal to think about this year. One of the best ways for us to join forces locally is to take advantage of all of the ways to celebrate our Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity. On February 17th we started our journey with Ash Wednesday to start Lent. On April 1st we will have Adoration at St. Patrick's church for Holy Thursday. We always have a pretty good showing on this night so let's continue our tradition. If you have not come to Adoration in the past, please join us. We could use some new voices to help with our prayers. Our unity on this night always gives us a really good feeling to wrap up our Lenten efforts.

Speaking of good feelings, I want to tell you about a brother that came to the coffee hour at St. Patrick's. This brother read in the newsletter that we needed help. This made me feel good because I felt at least someone was reading these messages and responding to them. Our brother helped clean up the coffee pots which seemed like a small task; but the contribution was huge. The biggest impact of his efforts was that he worked his regular job all night and lives in southern MA; but took time out of his weekend to join his fellow brothers and sisters to help out.

Thank-you brother! Lets all take his lead. Pitch in and help. I'm sure he felt good driving home that morning. You can too! Some brothers say they don't have the time or they live too far away to participate. We still need your help regardless of distance. We have many projects and/or functions planned for the new year that can use long distance support or very little

## Congratulations and Good News

### Watertown Savings Bank Customer Choice Awards

The Watertown Saving Bank Customer Choice Awards has notified us that on Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010 we will receive \$1620.00 at their awards presentation. The awards presentation will be held at the Nonantum Post 440, 295 California St. in Newton MA. from 5-7 p.m.

The Hibernians can have 10 people attend the awards presentation. Anyone wishing to attend the presentation should contact Leo Falter 617-926-3315 or [lcfalter@hotmail.com](mailto:lcfalter@hotmail.com). Deadline for reservations is Thursday March 4<sup>th</sup> 2010.

### Congratulations! to Brother Bryan Platt

Bryan has been officiating football for roughly 20 years. The last several years were spent in NCAA Division 1 assigned to the Big East Conference. This year his post season assignment was the National Championship Game, Texas vs. Alabama played at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena California. College football's top game requires their best officials and Bryan answered the call. Keep up the good work we are all very proud of your achievement.

### Hibernian Awards Night & Scholarships

We have rescheduled our Awards night for Friday May 21,2010 to combine this with our scholarship awards night. Please plan on attending this event to show your support for your fellow Hibernians and our scholarship award recipients. We want these young folks to see that the Hibernians is a strong and thriving organization so that they will want to continue the tradition and hopefully join to keep our future bright.

Don't forget to attend the monthly family suppers and the annual golf tournament (AOH scholarship) and the Indoor Yard Sale and bake sales (LAOH scholarship) this year. All of these great fundraisers help generate the funds to help support our scholarship awards. So come on down and join us for family supper as well as the other future events. The next supper will be Thursday March 4<sup>th</sup>,2010, and it will be everyone's favorite Roast Beef. You can't beat the value you get for this dinner and best of all the \$ raised goes to such a great cause.

AOH and LAOH Scholarship applications are available in this newsletter and on our website [www.aohdiv14.com](http://www.aohdiv14.com)

## AOH Middlesex County Al Murphy Scholarship

1. Limited to sons, daughters, grandsons or granddaughters active or deceased members of Middlesex county Hibernians
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 with scores, transcripts, letter of recommendation and extra-curricular activities must be received by **May 7, 2010**

Scholarships will be formally awarded on May 21, 2010

Name of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Hibernian member's name & division \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

I am a senior attending \_\_\_\_\_

I plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_

*Return application to:* Ed Prince, Scholarship Chairman  
AOH Division #14, Post Office Box 11  
Watertown, MA 02471

**AOH Division 14  
Scholarship Application**

1. Limited to sons, daughters, grandsons or granddaughters active or deceased members of Tomás Cardinal O'Fiaich Division 14.
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 with scores, transcripts, letter of recommendation and extra-curricular activities must be received by **May 7, 2010**

Scholarships will be formally awarded on May 21, 2010

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Hibernian member's name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to member \_\_\_\_\_

I am a senior attending \_\_\_\_\_

A plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_

*Return application to:* Ed Prince, Scholarship Chairman  
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**LAOH Division 14  
Scholarship Application**

1. Scholarship is limited to children or grandchildren of LAOH Division 14 members (living or deceased) who have been members in good standing for three or more years.
2. Scholarship is not restricted to four-year colleges. It is available to anyone that his furthering his/her education.
3. Applicants must be in high school or prep school seniors of current year's graduating class.
4. Applicants must submit the following:
  5. A completed L.A.O.H. scholarship application
  6. Record of grades for four years
  7. A letter from the applicant stating why he/she feels deserving of this scholarship
  8. A letter from either a teacher or a guidance counselor
  9. SAT scores (where applicable)

**Applications must be post-marked by April 2, 2010.  
Please mail to Heidi Monroy,  
26 Grew Hill Rd., Roslindale, MA 02131.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

School in which you are currently enrolled (including city & state):  
\_\_\_\_\_

Expected high school graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

Schools you have applied to: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name of mother or grandmother (Div. 14 member):  
\_\_\_\_\_

## St. Brigid's Day

On January 30th we had a wonderful day of Celebrating the Feast of Saint Brigid of Ireland. This annual celebration has received quite a following and we were happy to coordinate with the Irish Pastoral Center on this important event. The celebration was kicked off with a moving mass and then dinner and dancing throughout the night. The proceeds from this event were provided to the Irish Pastoral Center to support their great work in promoting our Irish heritage in our local communities. Thanks to all our Hibernian brothers and sisters that volunteered and joined in on the celebration. Special thanks goes out to Maureen McNally and Frank Bane for their coordination of this event.

## Irish Heritage Month

On March 24th we will be hosting a lecture by John Horrigan at the Watertown Library. John will be speaking about the Boston Irish Riots and the burning of the Ursuline convent. The discussion will start at 7:30p.m. in the Watertown Savings Bank room. Light refreshments will be served. Come and support this great community night.

There has been a movement the past few years to get congress to officially make March Irish Heritage Month. This is something that we should help do in some way.

A small contribution that we do now is the library lectures; but a more hands on approach should be taken. The national board has asked that we call our congress members and tell them of our wishes. Locally maybe we should do something. Perhaps talking to our local politicians we could come up with something to do in town. We would love to hear some ideas on this subject. Also it would be great if someone could lead us in this endeavor.

I am still interested if anyone one else can host or have an idea for another night of Irish culture during the month of March. It would be great to have a second night at the Library or invite the public to our lounge /hall for some entertainment, songs, music, dance or even stories could be fun.

We as an organization can and do great works but we need to spread the responsibilities around. Please help YOUR DIVISION. Please contact Leo Falter (lcfalter@hotmail.com or 617-926-3315) or Maureen Henry (maureenrhenry@hotmail.com) with any ideas.

### AOH Surveys

We presented the AOH survey data in a report at our February meeting. We were hoping to get more e-mail addresses to expand our communication options via e-mail channels and not have to rely on just the newsletter to reach everyone in our organization. It is not too late to provide your e-mail address, please send to [lcfalter@hotmail.com](mailto:lcfalter@hotmail.com).

We received some response to sign up for committees and will be contacting brothers about helping out. We also received feedback on different ideas to get more people involved in the club. One interesting idea was to have meat raffles. We will hopefully have a great turnout at the AOH/LAOH Ham-o-Rama on March 26th, which will be a good test of how successful these types of raffles would be.

There are other ideas that we should look at and try them out. So more to come during future meetings and/or newsletters. Thank-you to all that sent in their ideas. Hopefully folks will step up to help implement these ideas.

### Dues:

Thank you to members that have sent in their dues. If you have not sent in your dues yet, please do so immediately. Dues can be paid at the club or mailed to P.O. Box 11, Watertown, MA 02471-0011. Please also address to AOH or LAOH on the mailing address.

### St. Patrick's Church Coffee Hour

Once a month the Hibernians host a coffee hour after the 10:00 mass at St. Patrick's Church in Watertown. The church provides refreshments and we need help setting up, providing a few baked goods, cleaning up afterwards, etc. We only need 3-4 A.O.H. and L.A.O.H. members to sign up to help at one coffee hour between now and June. This is such an easy way to help in our community and you do not have a long-term commitment.

If you can help for just one Sunday that would be great. Get your family and friends to pitch in with you for a few hours to help as well and you will be done before lunchtime. The next coffee hour is scheduled for March 7, 2010. If you can help in March or any of the other upcoming months please contact Leo Falter (617)926-3315 or Christine Breen at [breens2001us@yahoo.com](mailto:breens2001us@yahoo.com).



# Ham-O-Rama

**Free admission!**

**You will have the opportunity to win your entire Easter dinner**

**What can you win?**

- **160 chances to win!**
- **40 prizes each round!**
- **Ham, vegetables, dessert and other prizes will be included in each round!**
- **Raffles, Raffles, and more Raffles!**

**Pizza, snacks, and beverages will be available for sale.**

**Bring your family & friends for a light dinner and a lively night of raffles!**

**Don't miss out on this fun-filled event**

**March 26, 2010**

**7:00 pm**

**(Doors open at 6:30 pm)**



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## **Resurrection**

On March 28th, the St. Patrick's Players and some of our Hibernian members will be performing in the Resurrection at St. Patrick's church in Watertown. This is an Easter tradition of the inspirational story of Simon Peter and the forgiveness of Jesus. If you have not seen the show before, you are missing a truly moving experience. The show begins at 7:00 pm but will probably be standing room only. So if you are interested in attending this show you will probably want to arrive as early as possible.

## **LAOH Meeting Updates:**

Welcome back ladies. It has been quite a busy few months even though we have not had our Division meetings. The board has been hard at work over the last few months planning for all the Spring events. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the March 8th meeting.

Please keep in mind the Ham-O-Rama on March 26th. This will be our first fundraiser of the year with proceeds going towards our scholarship account. So it is a great chance for everyone to come by and try your luck at winning items for your Easter dinner.

Please note the March 8th meeting will start at 7:00 pm for those that are going to help with the April Indoor Yard Sale. If you have not signed up yet and would like to help, we could use all the volunteers that we can get. We will be collecting donations on Friday, April 9th from 4:00pm-8:00 pm and can use help sorting, pricing and organizing for the next day.

Also on April 10th we will need folks to help set up starting at 9:00 am to get ready for the doors to open at 10:00am. We will wrap up the sale by 2:00 pm. So we will need help throughout the day to sell items, help with the snack table, and to organize any remaining items for donation at the end of the day. If you are available for even 1-2 hours during any of the times listed above please contact Maureen Henry (maureenhenry@hotmail.com or 508-647-3728.)

## **LAOH 750 National Board Raffle**

The LAOH National board is hosting a raffle with 27 drawings between February and July 11, 2010. Prizes are as follows: One drawing in Feb for \$100.00. 20 weekly drawings of \$25.00 from March until July. Three bonus drawings (April, May and June for \$100.00 each.)

The Grand Prize drawings on July 11, 2010 will include: 1st Prize=\$2000, 2nd and 3rd Prizes each=\$1000. Tickets are \$20.00 each and can be purchased from L.A.O.H. Div. 14 Vice President, Mary B Ryan at 617-923-8891.

## **Calendar of Events**

3/4-Family Supper  
3/5-Music in the lounge  
3/7-LAOH State Board Meeting in Worcester  
3/8-LAOH Meeting 7:30 pm (7:00 pm Yard Sale meeting. Come one and all to find out how you can help for the April Indoor Yard Sale.)  
3/11-AOH Division meeting  
3/12-Music in the lounge  
3/14-Boston ST. Patrick's Day parade  
3/17-St. Patrick's dinner in the big hall and music in the lounge  
3/18-Club Inc. meeting  
3/19-Music in the lounge  
3/24-John Horrigan Irish History Lecture at Watertown Library 7:30 pm  
3/25-AOH Building meeting  
3/26-Ham-o-Rama 7:00 pm (Doors open at 6:30pm)  
3/26-Music in the lounge  
3/28-Palm Sunday  
3/31-Family Supper (Changed from 4/1 due to Holy Thursday)  
4/2-LAOH Scholarship Application deadline  
4/10-Hibernian Indoor Yard Sale



**Hall Rental: Call 617-710-8680**

The Members' Lounge may be used for up to fifty people. For more than fifty, the Big Hall is available.

Call now with questions or for more details, or check out our web pages for photos of the Hall: [www.aohdiv14.com](http://www.aohdiv14.com)



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

Maria's Catering  
104 School St.  
Watertown, MA  
617-926-5144

O'Leary's  
1010 Beacon St.  
Brookline, MA  
617-734-0049

Verona Restaurant  
18 Mt. Auburn St.  
Watertown, MA  
617-926-0010

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

Jean's Catering  
214 Waverley Ave.  
Watertown, MA  
617-924-2322

Ginger Root Cuisine  
136 Adams St..  
Newton, MA  
617-928-3337

West St. Grill  
7 West St.  
Newton, MA  
617-795-0883

Greg's Restaurant  
821 Mt. Auburn St.  
Watertown, MA  
617-491-0122

Baanthai Thai Food  
659 Main St.  
Waltham, MA  
781-893-7700

Fiorellas  
187 North St.  
Newtonville, MA  
617-969-9990

Gordon's Liquor  
51 Watertown St.  
Watertown, MA  
617-926-1119

Fit Z's Bar and Grille  
451 Main St.  
Watertown, MA  
617-923-3969

Pizza Regina  
Arsenal Mall  
Watertown, MA  
617-926-5300

Boston Beer

The Villa Restaurant  
48 Plain Rd.  
Wayland, MA  
508-653-8570