



**Ancient Order of Hibernians
151 Watertown Street
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**MAY 2011
NEWSLETTER**

Night at the Races:
Friday May 6 7:00 PM

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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AOH President's Message

I want to start by thanking everyone that supported our two April functions. On Friday, April 15th, we had a successful Comedy Night. The three comedians kept everyone laughing. The East Coast Anthem band played after the comedians. So it was a very entertaining night. On Saturday April 16th the LAOH Ham-o-Rama was also well supported. This is always an interesting event, just to see who wins what, how trades are negotiated (i.e. anyone want 5 cakes for just 1 Ham...please!), and in general just the good feeling of being with family and friends, enjoying a night out and helping a good cause. I hope we can continue this trend now that we have three very important events planned for this month.

The first event is vital to the Division. On Friday May 6th we are having a Night at the Races. Those of you that have not seen this in action really should come check it out. Every time we run the Races, everyone quickly asks when we will be holding the next one. The timing is really critical for us because the division needs to not only raise money for our charitable work but to support the business of the organization. For example this year we have a state convention in June and we don't have the extra funds to send all the delegates that we want to send. This Night at the Races should help bring in additional funds that are needed right away. Please bring your family and friends as that is what makes the night even more fun. We need your help and support.

Our annual Communion Breakfast is a very (if not the most) important function that we host as Hibernians. On this day, we pray for and honor our deceased brothers and sisters. This year's breakfast is being postponed until June due to a conflict with Father Bob's anniversary mass. Details will be provided in the next newsletter.

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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.

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On Friday May 27th, we will have our Scholarship Awards dinner. We are trying to really use this opportunity to honor the young men and women that we recognize as outstanding people worthy of our scholarship. Scholarship Dinner details are included in this newsletter.

This month we often spend time together remembering our past during our Memorial Day events. Details on this year's Memorial activities are provided in this newsletter. Since our past history is just as important as what we are doing in the present, I have been talking a few members about trying to pull together a written history of our Division. It all started with the idea of putting a brief history program book for the AOH 175th Anniversary. What we are looking for is any information that anyone might have about our Division history. We are also looking for some help in going through some of the old papers in the office to compile extra historical information. We need to pull together all details by mid June so any help and information would be appreciated. Contact me if you can help with this important historical project.

~Leo
(617) 926-3315

LAOH President's Message

Thank you to everyone who supported the Ham-o-Rama and Comedy Nights last month. It was great to see new people at our events. This month we will be planning for the State convention in June and our Scholarship awards. Scholarship applications are due by May 6th and details are included in this newsletter. Memorial Day will be fast approaching and anyone wishing to join us for the parade will be able to ride on the float or march along with our fellow Hibernians. Details regarding Memorial Day activities are included in this newsletter. After the parade the LAOH will be sponsoring a bake sale during the free cookout at the Hibernian Hall. If you are able to bake any items, help staff the bake sale table, or contribute in any way, please come help. We will also be raffling off an Irish themed basket at the bake sale table. (Tickets will also be available at our May meeting). It is a great way to get your family and friends together to remember the day and enjoy our motto (Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.) The bake sale/raffle will be an important fundraiser for us. If you are unable to join us on Memorial Day please support us by buying a raffle ticket or consider a donation of what you would have paid for baked goods etc. All donations are welcome. Our next Division meeting is May 9th and we will discuss all the upcoming events. We hope to see you there.

~Maureen
(508) 479-7604

Possible Committees

The following is a list of possible events or functions. Some are suggestions and others are events we host every year. If you are interested in finding out more about or helping with any of these events please contact either Leo (617)926-3315 or Maureen (508) 479-7604 for details. We actually want help from anyone that cannot make the monthly meetings. This is the best way for you to get involved and really utilize your Hibernian membership.

Suggested Timeframe	Potential Events
January	New Years Eve, Installation of Officers, Feast of St. Brigid, Super Bowl Party
February	Valentine Day Social
March	Celebrate Irish Cultural Month ex. Lecture series at Library, Feast of St. Patrick
April	Easter season, Adoration on Holy Thursday, Fundraisers, Ham-O-Rama, Comedy Night
May	Communion Breakfast, Memorial Day Parade & B-B-Q, Nite at the Races, Scholarship and/or Hibernian Appreciation/Awards Night
June	Food Tasting
October	Halloween Costume Party, Tailgate Parties
November	Turkey shoot
December	Children's Party, Member's Parties



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



Friday May 6, 2011

“A Nite at the Races...”



7:00 Post Time

**151 Watertown Street
Hibernian Hall**

**7:00 “Post Time”
No Cover Charge!**

Call 617-926-3315 with questions.



Calendar of Events

May 5 - Family Supper

May 6 - Scholarship Applications Due

May 9 - LAOH Division Meeting 7:30 pm

May 12 - AOH Division Meeting

May 19 - Club Inc. meeting

May 26 - Building Committee meeting

May 27 - Scholarship Awards Night and Dinner – 7 pm

Night at the Races

On Friday May 6th we will have a Night at the Races starting at 7 pm. We have held this event a couple of times before and it is a lot of fun. So come on down join the fun and try your luck.

Annual Scholarships

The A.O.H. and L.A.O.H. Div. 14 and the A.O.H. Middlesex County scholarship applications are due by May 6, 2011. Applications are included in this newsletter. Please circulate them with the young people in your families. The scholarships will be presented on Friday May 27, 2011.

This year we are trying to do a little more with the scholarship awards night. We think it is a special night for the recipients so we want the focus to be on them. Past winners, their families and the membership are invited. The evening will include dinner, live entertainment and a cash bar. We will be asking a \$10.00 donation per person. Doors will open at 7:00pm. If you can't make your donation of buying a ticket is appreciated. You should have received your invitation in the mail. If you did not receive it please contact Desi McElroy (617)710-8680.

Memorial Day

On Monday May 30th we will again be a part of the town parade to remember the members of our Armed Forces that gave their lives for our freedom. This has become a big day for us at the club and we are honored to do it again this year.

As in years past we will lay a wreath at the Cottage St. cemetery at 10:30 a.m. Then we will meet at the Grove St. gathering site to line up for the 12:00 parade. (Try to be there no later than 11:00 am -11:30 a.m.) If you have not marched with us before, please join us you will have a great time.

If you are unable to walk in the parade, don't worry! Paul Hogan from Division 1 in Holyoke is bringing his float and we have plenty of room for you to sit back enjoy the ride. Oh yes your payment for this lovely scenic ride is to wave to the crowds and help us promote our Hibernian spirit.

We would like to use a pickup truck to throw candy out (as of course we have quite a fan following now for this day.) However we need kids to ride in the back and do this tough job. If anybody knows someone that can help with this please contact Leo at 617-926-3315. We do encourage families to join in. It is always funny watch the panic stricken float riders challenging the kids in the truck for the last bit of gum in the box as we get to Watertown Square and see the screaming crowds awaiting us. So come on down and join us for this great experience.

Our own Pipe Band members along with their colleagues from N.H. will be with us again this year. They put on a show and a half, so don't miss them. Also the R.I. Pipe Band will be here. (They only started a few years ago and every year they get better and better!) You don't want to miss either of them.

If you can't join us for the parade, don't forget your all invited back to the club for a free BBQ and some entertainment from the two (that's right I said two) Pipe bands. Memorial Day has turned in to one of the biggest events of the year for us and definitely shows the true spirit of Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

The LAOH will also be hosting a bake sale and Irish basket raffle. After lunch stop by the table and take a chance on the basket or pick up some goodies to share with family and friends. We look forward to seeing everyone then!



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2011 SUMMER FOOD TASTING

Thursday June 23, 2011 ~ Doors Open at 6:00 PM

Tickets ~ \$10 per Adult ~ \$5 per Child

Tickets available at the door...

MARK YOUR CALENDAR !!



Old Favorites and New Friends
Sample the specialties of local restaurants.



Hibernian Hall
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for information or to Reserve tickets