



Ancient Order of Hibernians in America

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July 2022 Newsletter

July

13 AOH Meeting

20 AOH Suffolk County Board meeting@ Division 8, Selden

A LITTLE BIT 'O THIS, A LITTLE BIT 'O THAT



Instead of a fall raffle, we will be having a **SHAMROCK RAFFLE**. Only 300 tickets will be sold and the prizes are big! First prize: \$1000, 2nd prize: \$500 AND 3rd prize: 25 \$100 winners each ticket is \$25. To get in on the raffle, contact Kateri Lucarelli or Brian Clancy at aoh3smithtown@outlook.com



The men's **Golf Outing** is on July 25th. Golfing reservations are full, but you can still join the players at Shanahans for dinner at 4pm for \$70. Help is needed on the day to make it a success. If you can donate a raffle or be sponsor, all will be appreciated. Contact Brian Clancy to tell him how you can help at aoh3smithtown@outlook.com



Irish history classes are back at the Kings Park library! Tom O'Reilly will be holding the classes at 12:30pm on July 28 and August 4, 11 . Please call the library to make a reservation: (631) 360-2480



The **Ducks baseball team** will be recognizing the Irish on July 12th. There will be a pre-game barbecue at 5:05pm. Cost: \$40 and free parking. Call Pat Cremmins from LAOH Division 8/9 at 631-846-3106. Tickets are limited.



St. Joseph's Church will be holding its first **family festival** August 18th to the 21st. At a recent meeting it was decided that all organizations will provide manpower, not specific to any one site. AOH/LAOH can work beer for a shift, security another night, etc. The church is working on an online master sign-up sheet. All volunteers will be required to have Virtus certification. Randi Hochenberger, Director of Evangelization & Communication, will be planning a 1.5 hour training for anyone who has not been certified.




Our Lady of Knock Mass and Reception Friday, August 26, 2022 at 7:30pm in St. Joseph's Church. Fr. Sean Gann will be the celebrant. Reception immediately after in Travis Hall. We will be serving desserts/coffee/tea and the men will provide beer/wine. Music playlist and sound system provided by Anna Gallagher's husband John. If you are attending, desserts would be greatly appreciated!



Indoor Mini-Golf Fundraiser: Thursday, September 22, 2022 at Monster Golf, 410 Commack Road, Deer Park @ 6pm. \$20 adults; \$15 children (includes golf, pizza, soda and dessert). Make your check payable to LAOH Division 3. For information contact Karen St. John at aoh3smithtown@outlook.com



YOUR DUES ARE DUE! Your 2022 dues are due now. Feel free to pay at your meetings or you can mail your checks. Ladies, please send your \$30.00 check, **made payable to LAOH Div. 3**, to **Ruth Bedell**, Men continue to send your \$30.00 check, **made payable AOH Div. 3**, to Rich Johnston, for their contact information email us at aoh3smithtown@outlook.com

 **“Wear Your Sashes”** So, how many times have we heard this request in a Calling Post? What's that? Don't have a sash? No problem! If anyone is interested in purchasing a **sash** to wear for parades and other group events, please contact **Carol Clancy** at aoh3smithtown@outlook.com



Bring your pennies each month to the meeting so we'll have a generous donation at the end of the year for the **St. Francis Breadline**. As you sign in, you can leave them with Kara Flannery.



Do you travel a lot and take all those soaps and shampoos from the hotel? Anna Gallagher is collecting items to make wash up kits for local homeless shelters Bring what you have to the next meeting; it would be great if you could make up little kits, soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, etc

T-Shirts! One of the Ladies' fundraisers continues to be under way! Division 3 shirts are for sale. If you would like to buy one or two, contact **Anna Gallagher** at aoh3smithtown@outlook.com

To All Members...if for any reason you change your telephone number, your address or email, please let me know so that you will receive the newsletter and get telephone messages when **Calling Post** needs to be activated. Please contact **Karilyn O'Brien** at aoh3smithtown@outlook.com

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If you have anything to add...send your news, events and just about anything else you'd like to contribute to the newsletter to **Karilyn O'Brien** at aoh3smithtown@outlook.com Be sure to send your information before the 20th of the month to get it in the next edition.



NEED SOME HELP? *Celtic Connections*, the networking arm of the Nassau/Suffolk AOH/LAOH offers a multitude of services from your fellow Hibernians. There are accountants, computer geeks, energy conservation specialists, lawyers, home inspectors, real estate agents, electricians and a variety of other specialties. If you need any kind of service, start your search by going to thecelticconnections.com. This is what BUY IRISH is all about. Membership in the organization is a mere \$50 a year and all of that goes back to the member's county and division. Spouses of members are eligible as well and need not be card carrying Hibernians. Any questions about Celtic Connections should be directed to Brian Clancy at aoh3smithtown@outlook.com

Did you know

*Ireland has an independence day? It's
December 6th.*

*Four Irishmen have won the Nobel Prize in
literature....William Butler Yeats, George
Bernard Shaw, Samuel Beckett and Seamus
Heaney.*

***Please pray for the continuing comfort
of the sick:***

***Ken Clancy, Rose Keating, Peggy Moss,
Rita Muller***



***Please pray for the repose of the souls
of the deceased***

Nora P. Lynch
March 24, 1932 - April 30, 2022

When Nora was born, she lived at 150 Greenwich Street in NYC, which is now the site of #4 World Trade Center. A year later, her family moved to Brooklyn where she grew up. She graduated from Fordham University with a Degree in Speech Pathology and Dramatic Arts and attended Queens College where she received a Master's Degree. Nora later attended Laurence University in Sarasota, FL and was awarded a PhD in 1972. For most of her career, Nora worked at Western Suffolk BOCES in Dix Hills as a teacher for the deaf. The program was housed in churches and then the James E. Allen Learning Center in Dix Hills. She was later moved to an itinerant teaching position servicing deaf students in many of the 18 component districts. Nora enjoyed working with the deaf and hard of hearing population for over 30 years and enjoyed meeting colleagues in the various school districts, including Mary O'Donnell who she studied with in Ireland and Kathy Conway from Division 7. What a testament it is to Nora when you think of all the young people who she assisted so they could navigate their lives to the fullest capacity!

Nora was predeceased by her loving husband Joseph Francis who was a retired member of the FDNY and became a Special Ed teacher on Rikers Island. They honeymooned in Havana, Cuba in 1955 and lived in Briarwood, Queens until their house was built when the Mayfair Estates was developed in 1958 in Commack. Nora was one of the two original owners in the old neighborhood resting on former potato farms!

Nora was a member of Division 3 for 32 years. She was a dedicated Hibernian and leader who always focused on the task at hand and who went up the offices on the division and the county boards becoming president of both. She attended many conventions with her friends Della Weissenberger and Sheila Geraci. Sheila said Nora was an impressive Hibernian who dotted every "i" and crossed every "t". Nora was an honoree at Division 3's St. Patrick's Day Dance and was honored at the county ball as the outgoing president. She was also a member of the Celtic Degree team for over 20 years and performed in several roles...this was likely a way for her to fulfill her love of theater. She helped to run many dances at Division 3 and as the County Vice President co-chaired two county balls. Nora continued to attend

division and county events and could count on her neighbors and fellow Hibernians Della and Joe Weissenberger for a ride to a dance or to the County St. Brigid Day.

Nora was also a very active member of the Catholic Daughters, serving as president at the same time she was LAOH president and was very involved in Christ the King Church where she served for many years as a Lector. Her family, her faith, her community and heritage were all very important to her.

Though she was not able to attend Division activities in recent years, Nora continued her membership, her friendships and her bond with her sister Hibernians, living our motto of Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

May God bless Nora and hold her in the palm of His hand. She will be dearly missed.

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