



## **LADIES ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS**

**“Our Lady of Knock”**

**Division #87 – Organized February 4, 1992**

### **September 2024 Newsletter**

#### **President's Message**

Seems not so long ago we were getting ready for the Summer Solstice!!!! Now I am going to say Welcome Back Sisters!

Our meetings will start back up the day after Labor Day on Tuesday, September 2, 2024 at 7:00 pm at AOH Clubhouse, 3524 E Thompson Street.

As we have done in the past we will be collecting for various charities each month. We will start off this month with cereal, peanut butter and jelly and canned goods for St Joan of Arc pantry in Kensington. If you know of a charity you would like us to help, please let me know.

We will be starting up events, fundraisers, and meetings. Mark your calendar for everything upcoming that will be listed in this newsletter starting off with the LAOH County Board meeting being hosted by Ladies of Division #87 at AOH clubhouse, 3524 E Thompson Street. It would be great if you could try and attend since it will be at our home clubhouse.

I hope your summer was eventful and you were able to take some time during the very hot days to get in some vacation time.

I was able to fly down to Orlando, Florida twice this summer with once being the AOH/LAOH National Convention. Bernadette Coyne and I represented our State and Division at the meeting and were thrilled to be there to support our newly elected officers and appointees. Our new LAOH National President, Mary Ann Lubinsky has been my friend and mentor for quite some time. My start on the PA State Board was from Mary Ann who appointed me as Publicity Chair. I know she will do a fabulous job in the next two years. All other elected Officers are listed in the pages of this newsletter.

I am looking forward to starting back up so please try to attend our September meeting or jump on zoom so you can participate as part of the meeting.

Remember I am always here if you need anything. Be sure to let us know if any of our members are sick so we can send a card and prayers.

In Our Motto  
Maria



### GENERAL MEETING:

**Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**

Meeting - 7:00 PM

3524 E. Thompson Street, Philadelphia, PA.  
Parking at Thompson and Tioga Streets.  
Please do not park in numbered spaces

If you have a phone, tablet, or computer you can now join us for our division meeting via Zoom.

Watch your email!!!! The link will be emailed to you either the day before or day of the meeting.

We still would like as many as can attend in person but since there are issues for some getting up the stairs or traveling distance, we hope this will be a solution.



### PARKING UPDATE!!

As you are aware, Casbah Caterers has graciously allowed us to park in their lot at Thompson and Tioga Streets. Their only request is that we do not park in numbered spots as they are reserved for other neighbors. There is a new gate that will allow you to walk out directly onto Thompson Street and put you closer to the Club.

**THANK YOU CASBAH CATERERS!!!**

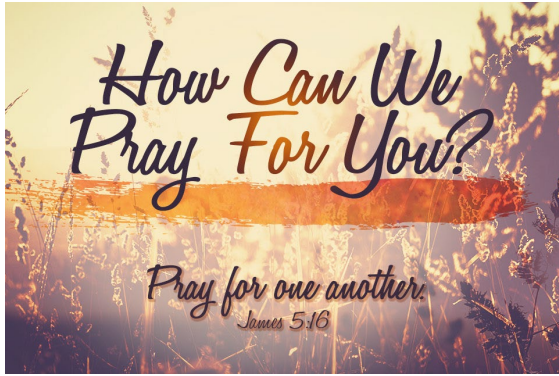


### St. Joan of Arc Food Pantry

The food pantry is looking for donations of non-perishable foods.

There is currently a special need for **Cereal, Peanut Butter and Jelly!!**

Please bring your donations to the general meeting!!



- Kathy Annan
- Bunny Clark
- MJ Hayes
- Nancy Jones
- Colleen Bowers
- Kathy Fanning
- Ed Halligan
- Dennis James
- Drew Kearney
- All the unspoken concerns we hold dear in our hearts



**Rest in Peace**

**To our sister,**

**Kate Centofante**

**She went to her eternal rest on  
Wednesday, July 31, 2024**

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## BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO OUR SISTERS!



### July

3 - Kathy Annan  
13 - Dee Kolb  
17 - Elizabeth Gaydosh  
25 - Alisha Marie Bielecki  
25 - Annamary McGovern-Smith  
28 - Kathryn Searles  
30 - Eileen Smith

### August

7 - Marilyn O'Boyle  
13 - Anne Foody  
13 - DiAne McCausland  
14 - Dolores Stevenson  
22 - Patricia Dugan  
25 - Kathleen Judge-Clarke  
27 - Barbara Driscoll

### September

2 - Megan Glanz  
5 - Karen Nealon  
6 - Donna Cannon  
12 - Kelly Carr  
13 - Maria Gallagher  
13 - Ann Marie Kuvik  
16 - Kathleen Walker  
17 - Marlene Roche Fiorino  
20 - Bernadette Coyne  
23 - Patricia Kolb-Quinn  
28 - Jeanette Kania

It brings us so much joy to celebrate your birthday with you. We pray that God blesses you and wraps His mighty arms of protection around you on this extra special day and forever.

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR FINANCIAL SECRETARY

### 2024 DUES ARE NOW **PAST DUE!**

Please be sure to see Donna Kearney at the meeting to pay your 2024 dues. Annual dues remain \$25 for the year. Make checks payable to LAOH Division 87.

If you are unable to attend the meeting mail your dues to:

Donna Kearney  
4540 Almond Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19137

You may also Venmo your dues to @LAOH-DivisionEightySeven. Be sure to include your name and "2024 Dues".

Please remember you must be a member in good standing in order to remain on the membership list.

### **UPDATE:**

If you have paid your dues and need a new or updated dues card – reach out to Donna as soon as possible.

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## **L.A.O.H. DIVISION #87 NEWS AND INFORMATION**

### **MEETING REMINDER**

Our general meetings are held monthly on the first Tuesday of the month (except July and August). The meetings are held at AOH Division 87 located at 3524 E. Thompson Street, Philadelphia, PA. Casbah Caterers has graciously allowed us to use their parking lot at Thompson and Tioga Streets. As a courtesy, do not park in numbered spaces as they are reserved for neighbors.

The monthly general division meetings are to be held the same as a National Convention meeting, in that, for the sake of the general membership, there is to be no smoking or alcohol permitted during the meeting itself.

### **GOT ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER**

Please submit any newsletter items to Terry Welsh at [TerryLAOH87@gmail.com](mailto:TerryLAOH87@gmail.com) or call 215.280.5992 no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month for the next issue.

Please provide information on your family's joys and concerns so we can share them with all of our sisters!

### **IMPORTANT WEBSITES**

LAOH DIVISION 87 – [www.laoh87.com](http://www.laoh87.com)

LAOH PA STATE – [www.statepalaoh.com](http://www.statepalaoh.com)

LAOH Division 87 Facebook Group –

<https://www.facebook.com/LAOH87>

LAOH NATIONAL – [www.ladiesaoh.com](http://www.ladiesaoh.com)

### **ARE YOU ON OUR EMAIL LIST?**

If you aren't receiving division email news, please send your email address to [TerryLAOH87@gmail.com](mailto:TerryLAOH87@gmail.com) in order to be added.



### **MISSIONS & CHARITIES COIN DROP!**

There's no better time to clean out that purse, empty those pockets and lift those couch cushions!! Gather up all that spare change that is weighing you down and bring it to the meeting and drop off to Kris Bucko. Kris will accept the folding stuff too!

All proceeds benefit Columban Missions.

The LAOH has maintained a strong relationship with the Columban Fathers and Columban Sisters. The Columban Fathers have been the primary charity of the LAOH since 1935, and the LAOH added the Columban Sisters in 2006. The donations collected help those that answered the call to mission and help facilitate their work across the world.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY ELECTED  
2024 – 2024 NATIONAL BOARD!!!**

National Chaplain:	Fr. Ryan Duns, SJ
President	Mary Ann Lubinsky
Vice President	Sandi Swift
Secretary:	Cathy Turck
Treasurer:	Margaret “Peggy” Cornish
Historian:	Kathleen Diulus
Missions & Charities:	Mary McNamee
Catholic Actions:	Brianna Curran
Imm. Past President:	Marilyn Madigan

**National Appointees:**

Auditor:	Christina Parisi
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FFAI:	Kathleen Varady
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Press & Publicity:	Kim DePeaux
Supplies:	Kelly Hajeck
Tax Expert:	Kathryn Keane
Webmaster:	Maggie Brogan

The following are the Resolutions for the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc., approved at the 2024 Biennial Convention:

1. Therefore, be it resolved that we, the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc., will first and foremost renew our pledge of loyalty to our Holy Father and all the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, without exception.
2. Therefore, be it resolved that we, the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc., will support the just treatment of all immigrants, including Irish Nationals that have supported and defended the United States of America for generations.
3. Therefore, be it resolved that we, the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc., will support diplomatic intervention in the peace process in Northern Ireland in accordance with the Good Friday Agreement. Furthermore, we continue to support the MacBride Principles, the McGuinness Principles, fight for the reinstatements of the civil rights of the political ex-prisoners in Northern Ireland, end the English partition of Ireland, and assist in bringing a lasting peace to a united and free Ireland.
4. Therefore, be it resolved that we, the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc., will continue to work for the growth of our Noble Order throughout the United States, as well as empowering all the membership to combat anti-Irish and anti-Catholic images and statements in our culture.
5. Therefore, be it resolved that we, the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc., will, as in the spirit of the Irish Bards, continue to foster the learning of Irish history, which will assure the proper and correct retelling of our history with emphasis on Irish women for future generations.
6. Therefore, be it resolved that we, the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc., call for the immediate end of all domestic violence and abuse; resolve to pray for all these victims, and advocate for domestic violence awareness, inclusive of their rights; support local shelters for all victims of domestic violence; provide support for our Sisters that find themselves in these relationships; and assist all domestic violence victims to the best of our abilities.

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Can you believe that Fall 2024 is here? Where has the summer gone? It seems to have burned away in the abundant heat waves! It is good to take some time and look back, not at all you did or didn't do, but to look within. What was the grace, the blessing of this summer for you? What blessings did our loving God bestow on you?

Now that you have spent some time in gratitude, look to the present.

Every autumn I am struck by the colors of this season and by the irony of it. The vibrant colors ARE GENERATED BY THE DYING PROCESS. How can dying be so beautiful? The beauty is not in the dying but in the letting go. What is God asking you to let go of? Expectations, preconceived notions, hopes and dreams never realized, old hurts and losses. Anger? Sometimes letting go means accepting what is.

### **Autumn Prayer of Acceptance**

*Autumn God, earth teaches me by her natural turning from one season to another. As she enters into the dying and rising cycle, she welcomes the changes. May I be open to the teaching in this season of autumn and turn, as autumn does, toward opportunity for my spiritual transformation.*

*When I accept only the beautiful and reject the tattered, torn parts of who I am, when I treat things that are falling apart as my enemies, walk me among the dying leaves. Let them tell me about their power to re-energize the earth's soil by their decomposition and decay.*

*When I refuse to wait with the mystery of the unknown and when I struggle to control rather than to let life evolve, wrap me in the darkening days of this season. Encourage me to enter into stillness and silent mystery, to wait patiently for clarity and wisdom.*

*Amen.*

**~ Joyce Rupp**

In unity, let us pray for one another, especially our sisters who are suffering in any way.

In our motto,  
Sister Lisa

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## STATE OF THE HEART



The next State of the Heart will be held Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 at 7:00 pm. It will be held at AOH 87 Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> floor).

State of the Heart is a monthly meeting facilitated by Sister Lisa Breslin. This is a space for meditation, prayer and sharing where you are at the present moment.

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**ATTENTION All Future**

**Novelist, Poets, & Playwrights**



You are invited to participate in the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians,  
National Irish History Contest for students Grades 6 through 12.

TOPIC: 2024-2025 Irish History Contest, Level 1 and 2.

### **The Golden Age of Irish Literature.**

*The 1920's were known as the Golden age of Irish Literature in Ireland. Who were the Irish novelist, poets, or playwrights. What literature did they write? Explore how Irish writers brought Irish literature to the global stage. Why was this a crucial time in Irish History. What effect did they have on Irish History? What was their background and inspiration? Who inspired YOU the most and why?*

**WIN CASH PRIZES!!!**

For rules and entry details contact:

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**DEADLINE FOR ENTRY IS NOVEMBER 15, 2024**

**[WWW.LadiesAOH.com](http://WWW.LadiesAOH.com)**

Go to our website for complete topic, details, and rules.



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