

Ancient Order of Hibernians
The Patrick Ryan Division #2
April 2021 Newsletter

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Brothers,

I trust that everyone had a joyous Easter back on April 4th. As more and more people are receiving the COVID-19 vaccination, family gatherings, like what we had at Easter, are becoming more common and safe for everyone. Yesterday, it was reported that 36% of the population has received at least one dose and 22% are now fully vaccinated. While this is good news, we need to keep pushing vaccinations. We also need to keep the mutated strains from spreading. We can do this by continuing to social distance and wearing our masks in confined public areas and around strangers when you can't keep six feet apart.

With all this progress, I can see us returning to in-person monthly meetings within the next few months. There is no need to rush this, so please know that the officers will confer and jointly decide when the time is best to begin meeting in-person again.

Normally our AOH Michigan State Convention would be in the next few weeks. As an update, please know that the LAOH has reached out to AOH State Board President Mike Kelly to inform him that their board voted to not participate in the scheduled joint AOH/LAOH Convention that was scheduled for May 7 & 8, 2021 in Grand Rapids because of COVID concerns. Do know that the plan is still to have a joint State Convention at a yet undetermined date this fall in Grand Rapids. As decisions are made, I will keep everyone informed.

Our next State Board meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 8th, in Grand Rapids. Since many of us had "saved the date" for our now delayed State Convention, it is appropriate that we hold our next State Board meeting in Grand Rapids on date that the Convention was originally scheduled for. As with our last meeting held in Grand Rapids way back in February 2020 (just before the COVID monster arrived), we will meet behind the Red Robin at Six Mile Road and I-275 then Car-Pool to the meeting.

I hope to "see" each of you on our April "Zoom" Division meeting TOMORROW, Tuesday, April 13th at 7:30pm.

Remember, this is your club, so when this COVID-19 pandemic is behind us (and it will pass), let's live up to our motto and have fun doing it.

Stay Safe.

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Yours in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

Timothy Higgins
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Proposed AOH Ryan Hibernian of the Year Award

Brother Rick St.Peter proposed that we initiate a AOH Ryan Division Hibernian of the Year Award to be given out at our annual Christmas Party in December. This is a great idea and will promote attendance at this annual event.

Discussion has been delayed because of COVID-19. We'll plan of doing this during the 2021 Christmas Party.

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Prayers for the Sick

Please keep these people in your thoughts and prayers:

Phil O'Shaughnessy, Debra McCain, Barb McCain, Charlie French, Mike O'Malley, Jim Inch, Patsy Duggan, Sandy Conroy, Dan Corby and all the people affected by the COVID-19 virus.

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