

Ancient Order of Hibernians

The Patrick Ryan Division #2

November 2022 Newsletter

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Brothers,

VOTE, VOTE, VOTE!! As is our duty as citizens of the United States of America, make sure that you vote this Tuesday in the Mid-Term Elections, then come to the Ryan Division November meeting and vote for our 2023 officers.

Our division just completed our Charity Poker event at Vision Lanes on Ford Road in Westland. While I'll defer to Brother Mike Riley to report on the funds raised these past few days, I want to recognize those who stepped-up to give of their time and talents to help raise funds for the many charities we support. I want to thank the following brothers who gave of their time:

Rick St.Peter, THREE Shifts.

Ed Harkins, TWO shifts (and he comes back to Michigan from Illinois to help us).

Mark Conroy, TWO Shifts

Paul Curran, TWO Shirts

Tom Kish, TWO Shifts

Dan Darnell, TWO Shifts

Mike Riley, TWO Shifts

Fr. Terry Treppa, One Shirt

Kevin Dunn, One Shift

Connor Moore, One Shift

Sam Kennedy, One Shift

Denny McCann, One Shift

Pat Ryan, One Shift.

Frank Bernacki, One Shift

Cinda Riley, One Shift

Thank you for your selfless service to the Ryan Division.

This Friday is Veterans Day. The Ryan Division is proud to have veterans from all braches of the American military. Please take a monument to thank a veteran this Veterans Day. I ask you to raise a glass in the memory of the fallen who never had a chance to come home, live their lives, and grow old.

They gave the last full measure of devotion so that we may all enjoy the blessings of liberty.

Please know that Rick St.Peter will be at the Red Robin on Six Mile Rd across from Laurel Park Mall at noon on Friday, Veterans Day, November 11th. All veterans are invited to join him and be recognized for your military service and enjoy a complimentary lunch.

As I said in the first paragraph, we will elect our officers for 2023. The following brothers have been nominated to lead the Ryan Division in 2023:

President: Timothy Higgins
Vice-President: Kevin Dunn
RS: Tom Kish
FS: Mike Riley
Treasurer: Mark Conroy
CSC: Rob Bovitz
Marshal: Connor Moore
Sentinel: Rick St.Peter

I will reopen nominations this Tuesday, November 8th and conduct the election. Do consider stepping up to help guide the division.

Our Annual AOH Ryan Division Christmas Party will be held "upstairs" at the Knights of Columbus Hall which is the same building we currently meet in. Cost continues to be only \$10 per person for a catered dinner from Halena's Catering from Dearborn. Please RSVP & pay VP Joe Kelly before Thanksgiving. Doors open at 5pm with a social hour followed by dinner at 6pm, on Saturday, December 3rd, 2022. The division will also provide pop, water and ice. Please bring your own beer, wine and sprits. This event is open to your friends and family. Also, it's a good way to bring prospective members to meet us outside of a meeting environment. But wait, there is more this year. Read the next paragraph.

In preparation for the Christmas party, we will award our first ever AOH Ryan Division Hibernian of the Year. I'm happy to say that our first every AOH Ryan Hibernian of the year is Mark Gunn. Mark Gunn passed away suddenly late last year and is recognized for all his years as Ryan Division Marshal, the many St. Patrick's & Memorial Day Parades he marched in, the many hours of service working charity pokers and selling Irish baked goods at the Detroit Feis each year. Since this is an extra special Christmas par, and now annual award, please make an effort to attend.

Then go back to [Zoom.us](https://zoom.us), click on "Join a Meeting", it will ask you for a meeting number. **OUR MEETING NUMBER IS 795-921-9194**. Then click on "Join". If you have an issue, you'll see "download should start", if not, click on "download here", If it still does not start, click on "join from browser".

Once to the next step, enter your name. It will appear under your name during the meeting. The last thing is to enter the password from our meeting. **THE PASSWORD IS: 8VipbY** I will start the meeting at 7:30pm sharp.

Hope to "see" every member at our monthly Zoom Meetings.

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Mark Gunn: AOH Ryan Hibernian of the Year Award

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