Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc



Uncovering Our History





The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians will be celebrating our 125th Anniversary in 2019. Now is the time we should look back and remember our proud history. I had the privilege of visiting the America Irish Historical Society, the New York Public Library, and the American Catholic History Research Center and University Archives at Catholic University. Historical Records of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians can be found at many different sites: American Irish Historical Society, Burns a Library Boston

College, Catholic History Research Center Catholic University, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Irish American Archives Society of Cleveland, New York Public Library, New York State Irish American Heritage Museum, Seton Hall, University of Notre Dame, and in many national, local and Diocesan newspapers. We are lucky that some early information on Irish America is available digitally on the Villanova website which includes the Gaelic American and the Clan na Gael papers. With the rest of the information scattered between sites, it is very unfortunate when trying to do research. The LAOH is fortunate that Past President Dorothy Weldon arranged that the Burns Library of Boston College would be the site for the LAOH Archives. I encourage all of our Divisions, Counties, States and any member to please donate items of LAOH historical interest to this archive. In preparation for our 125th Anniversary, I will be sharing some of the interesting history that was found during my visits. Our Order is also privileged that some of our History was written by John O'Dea, Sally Murphy and Mary B Dolan. Past President Sally Murphy's History from our beginning till the 100th Anniversary is located on both the National and State of Maryland's websites. I hope to include some of Past President Mary B Dolan's History in future newsletters. I also would like to thank Sara Benz Rhode Island for her research locally on Ellen Ryan Jolly. Our LAOH history is a long and proud one. We need all of our members to share this history. Please send me the History of your Divisions, Counties, and States so that this history can be shared.

As we remember the Women of 1916, we also need to honor and remember the History of Our Order and our early leaders. At the 1894 Ancient Order of Hibernians Convention held in Omaha, Nebraska, the Daughters of Erin were organized. The AOH National Vice President chaired the Committee on the Auxiliary which directed the affairs of this new organization. The first Division in the country was in the State of Minnesota. During the early years, the Daughters of Erin functioned as State Organizations. "In 1900 in Boston, Massachusetts a committee was appointed to confer with the brothers to suggest changes in the rituals and by-laws and to request permission to elect a National Board of Officers for the Ladies' Auxiliary. The request to elect National Officers was denied, but a sign of recognition between the two organizations was allowed and it was agreed that biennial National Conventions be held in conjunction with the AOH with

sessions presided over by the AOH National Vice President. In 1902 in Denver, Colorado a National Advisory Board consisting of three members of the Daughters of Erin were elected. Mrs. Mary Quinn of Illinois was elected chairman and served until 1906 when the brothers granted the power of self-government.

Saratoga Convention from National Hibernian 1906





First Elected National Board Saratoga Convention 1906

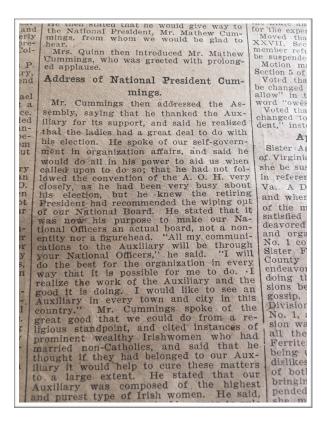


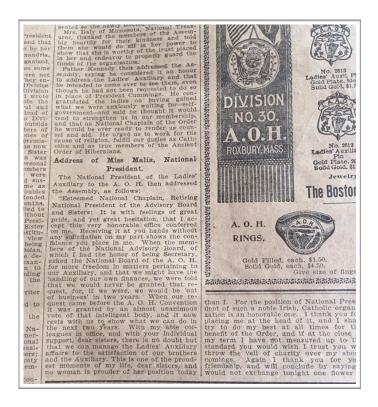






National AOH and LAAOH President's Addresses from National Hibernian 1906.





Our Leaders in 1916.







Now is the time we need to start preparing for our 125th Anniversary. Please send any historical information and photos of your Division, County, State and National Events. I would like to thank all the Historians for promoting our History. In 1994, we honored our leadership during the Celebration of the 100th Anniversary by recognizing our Past National Presidents.



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LAOH Centennial Celebration To Be An Unforgettable Experience

On the weekend of April 8, 9 and 10, 1994, the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians will officially mark Both of Hibernians will officially that the 100th Anniversary of its organization. The Omni Shoreham Hotel emony at the Nuns of the Battlefield the Nuns of in Washington, D.C. is headquar-ters for this historic weekend.

Kelleher, Past Presidents Sally E. Murphy and Rita A. McDonough are co-chairing this milestone in visit to the Viet Nam Memorial and our history. An all-out effort has a tour of Embassy Row is included been expended in making this the truly significant event it should be.

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ing Saturday morning.

Omni Hotel will be available. Tour A — "A Unique Remembrance" closing luncheon will beserves will visit the Rotunda of the U. S. Capitol Building, Statuary Hall and some special areas not seen in public tours; Smithsonian Museum of some special areas not seen in public tours; Smithsonian Museum of some special areas not seen in public tours; Smithsonian Museum of some base been planned to make this an unforgettable weekend. Make sure you plan early because of the some seen forgive yourself.

First Ladies' memorabilia.

Tour B — "Capitol Highlights" cause you'll never forgive yourself will feature a trip to Arlington National Cemetery, including the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers and the grave of John F. Kennedy, as well

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Both tours will meet at St. Matthews for Mass at 12:10 P.M. Appointed by President Terry ter for the Performing Arts. Tour A will visit the Lincoln Memorial and Tour B, the Jefferson Memorial. A

•There will be a Cocktail Recep-

 On Sunday morning, everyone will depart for the Catholic Univer-*Areception Friday night at Trinity College will follow the 7:00
P.M. Mass at Notre Dame Chapet.
A choice of two tours, departing Saturday morning from the will take place at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate