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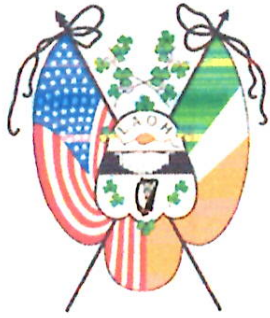


September 2018

2018 Freedom For All Ireland Christmas Appeal Mailing Contents:

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Your help for freedom for all Ireland is critical. Today Britain still denies truth and justice to the families of victims murdered by the crown or loyalist agents in places like Ballymurphy or Loughinisland. Brexit threatens catastrophe across Ireland. They even refuse an Irish Language Act. Instead of opening the door to Irish national freedom, Britain and the DUP want to nail that door shut. American help can make a difference, but America will only make the difference if the AOH and LAOH, as the voice of the Irish in America, lead the way. Our donations to carefully chosen charities through monies raised by the FFAI Annual Christmas Appeal, alongside our political and educational work, are the cornerstone of this crucial FFAI initiative.

Many AOH and LAOH Boards and members have donated annually. We thank you for being the backbone of our success. This year our National Officers have begun new FFAI education and information programs about British injustices in the six counties. They have heard and are implementing many of your suggestions to enhance the Appeal. Last year AOH and LAOH National, State and County Boards played a major role by stepping up their donations. **This year our National Officers are asking for a commitment from everyone to participate and support FFAI with a donation or fundraising event. Please join the cause. Please donate and help the AOH and LAOH make the difference. Let us help make Freedom for all Ireland, not an aspiration or endeavor but the reality for those Irish people still denied it!**

Please donate to this year's CHRISTMAS APPEAL. Together we can make a difference.

All checks must be made out to "Ancient Order of Hibernians". Payments should be sent to **AOH-FFAI at PO Box 271 West Nyack NY 10994**. For further information, please refer to our contact information listed in the heading of our letter.

Donations of \$1,000 or more will be recognized with a special award.

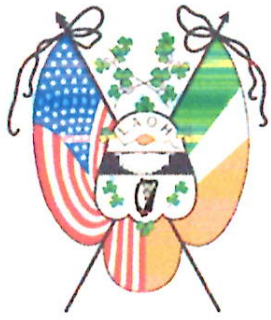
DESIGNATED DONATIONS

A list of organizations, which the FFAI approved last year, is listed at the end of this mailing. If you would like to direct your funds specifically to one organization, just note that organization in the memo portion of your check and your request will be honored. Direct donations should be at least \$50 per donation.

The FFAI \$10+ Club

The **\$10+ Club** is a **voluntary membership donation** effort, separate from and in addition to Division, County, and State contributions. Division Presidents should circulate the \$10+ Dollar Club Donation List (included in this packet) among his members and strongly encourage participation. This part played by Divisions can and does add to the success of the Appeal. **No donation** is too great or too small. That being said, **Donations are not limited** to just \$10. Please give as to what you can personally afford.

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\$1000 Pledge Form

Customized Award for Division, County, or State Contributions

Division _____, County _____, or State _____

President (Division, County, or State) _____

Home Phone: () _____ - _____ Cell Phone: () _____ - _____

E-Mail: _____

Division, County, or State Address (where the award will be sent)

Attn: _____

Name of Board as it should appear when recognized:

Our Division, County, or State (*circle the correct board*) pledges a minimum of \$1,000 for the FFAI Christmas Appeal. We will forward that amount by February 15th, 2019.

President's Signature _____ Date _____

\$100 - \$1000 Pledge Form

Individual Brother Contributions

Name _____

Home Phone: () _____ - _____ Cell Phone: () _____ - _____

E-Mail: _____

Address (where the award will be sent)

Attn: _____

I hereby pledge a donation of _____ for the FFAI Christmas Appeal. I will forward that amount by February 15th, 2019.

Brother's Signature _____ Date _____

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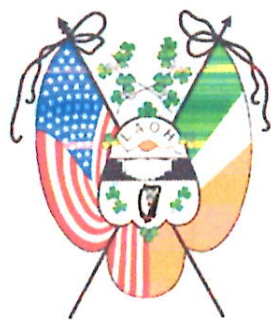


Freedom For All Ireland \$10+ Club

Please Remit to: LAOH, INC at
13201 Rosselo Avenue,
Warren, MI 48088-3154

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Criteria for FFAI Financial Support

The FFAI Christmas Appeal enables the AOH to provide financial help to groups that assist in our goal of achieving complete and absolute independence, peace and unity for all Ireland. The defined categories of Hibernian support include (a) support for former Republican political prisoners, (b) truth and justice groups, (c) cross-community and local community groups, (d) Irish culture, heritage and language, (e) preserving Irish Republican history, and (f) cross border groups, forums and initiatives. Groups requesting financial support from the FFAI Christmas Appeal, must submit an application that will include a question on how their activities will promote this objective.

Groups that received FFAI Christmas Appeal support for 2017 - 2018

Cairde Strabane Republican Ex-Prisoners Group: A self-help initiative by the republican prisoners from the Strabane area, to assist with the needs of prisoners and their families as a result of the political conflict in Ireland.

Conway Mill Trust: Located in Pittsburgh, PA, Conway Mill is an Irish-American cross-community organization working for economic, community, social and cultural development in Northern Ireland.

Duchas Oriall-Armagh/Dundalk-Promoting cross-border projects

Down Patriot Graves: This group maintains Patriot graves and highlight the history behind them. Located in the South Down area.

Holy Cross Ardoyne Trust in North Belfast: This group works for the creation of a cross-community Family Centre Development Project on Crumlin Road. Support enables the group to continue the essential cross-community work and concentrate their efforts on reconciliation and the improvement of community relations within North Belfast through the Family Centre Development Project.

National Graves Association in Belfast: Support for the upkeep of Belfast republican graves and memorials.

Omagh Community Youth Choir: Endeavors to bringing young people from both communities together through music.

Tar Anall -Belfast: Republican Ex-Prisoners group assisting in the needs of ex-prisoners and their families.

Pat Finucane Centre in Derry: The group is dedicated to researching and documenting individual cases of conflict related to loss of life following a specific request from a relative, and finding innovative alternatives for families seeking redress. Their mission is to defend Human Rights and support Social Change.

Relatives For Justice in Belfast: Their aim is to provide appropriate support for the victims of State violence and collusion within a safe environment. They engage the courts, request investigation, create awareness and provide information. They lobby the Congress and Senate with AOH partnership support.

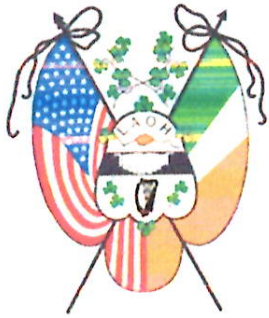
St. Patrick Centre: Located in Co. Down. Center for tourism and reconciliation dedicated to all the people of Ireland. The Centre has become a key player in the Peace Process through reconciliation work helping over 5,000 children a year and facilitating an Irish Language program with the schools.

Green Cross in Belfast: Provide material assistance to bereaved families of the troubles.

Greater New Lodge Republican Commemoration Committee: Located in Belfast this group provides support for republican ex-prisoners.

Bridges Beyond Boxing: Cross-community boxing club in Belfast.

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Division/Board/Individual

AOH-NATIONAL BOARD-JAMES McKAY

LAOH-NATIONAL BOARD-PATRICIA O'CONNELL

Div. #32, Chicago, Cook Co.

DEAN MICHAEL BARRY Div#1 OSWEGO NY

Rev. James T. O'Reilly OSA Div. #8

St. Patrick Div. #5, Baltimore

LAOH ETHEL KENNEDY DIVISION MACOMB COUNTY MICHIGAN

AOH Div #32 ALLEGANY PENNSLYVANIA

William J. Fennelly, Div.

Div. #3, WATERVLIET NY

Myles Scully, Div. #1, Yonkers

AOH JFK DIVISION 1-ALBANY

AOH Div. #5 BUCKS COUNTY PENNSLYVANIA

AOH Div. #4 LOCKPORT NY

Fr. Henry Tansey, Div. #5 Albany

AOH JFK Division SCHENECTEDY

Fr. ABRAHAM RYAN Div#1 LOUISVILLE

AOH Div#1 MIDDLESEX NEW JERSEY

Rev. JAMES T O'REILLY DIV#8 Massachusetts

Msgr. Charles Owen Rice Div. #1 PTTTSBURGH

AOH Philadelphia Co. Board

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