



*Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc.
National Board
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*Office of National Missions and Charities
Cathy Turck*

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Dear Sisters,

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as your LAOH National Missions and Charities Officer for the next 2 years. I look forward to working with the membership to continue our support of the Columban Fathers (since 1935) and the Columban Sisters (since 2006). Our donations to each of these worthy causes will continue to support their Catholic Missions worldwide. You will be hearing more about these missions in the coming weeks and how you can get involved on a local level to conduct a fundraiser.

The Appeals for Aid program also falls under the Office of Missions and Charities. This program is intended to provide limited aid to charities at the National Convention. Per the 2018 National Convention, each division is assessed 50 cents per member, per year, for the Appeals for Aid account. Appeals for Aid requests must be from 501(c)(3) charities and submitted to the Missions and Charities Officer 45 days prior to the National Convention. The Appeals for Aid committee reviews the requests and makes recommendations to the delegates at the National Convention for approval. At the virtual National Convention in July 2020, each of the 10 worthy charities were approved to receive \$1,600. Those checks will be mailed out soon to the individuals who submitted the requests.

I will be setting up period online meetings, via Zoom, for State Mission and Charities Officers. I am also available to participate in State, County, or Division meetings, via Zoom or other virtual meeting applications, to share Missions and Charities information with your members. Please feel free to contact me at my new email if you would like me to do this:

LAOHNationalMissions@gmail.com

Again, I look forward to working with all of you and hope you are doing well and staying safe. God Bless you all.

Cathy Turck