



Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc.
National Board
Established 1894

Office of the National President
Marilyn Madigan

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Dear Sisters,

Thank you to all our Delegates for their participation in the Convention and giving me the privilege to continue to serve on the National Board. I am humbled and honored to serve as the National President and look forward to serving our membership. Our members demonstrated at the Convention that they are engaged. I will be continuing the State Presidents Meetings on the last Sunday of the even months. The National Board Officers and Appointees will continue to host ZOOM Meetings. The National Board is here to work for you. Please reach out to your counterparts and any officer or appointee who is responsible for an area that is of interest to you.

I am grateful for all those willing to serve our Order. We have fantastic women in leadership positions on all levels. United we can accomplish great things for our communities. Women are the heart of any society and the LAOH is the heart of Irish America. I want to thank each National Officer and Appointee who served Our Order from 2020-2022 and welcome the new Officers and Appointees. I have attached an excel spreadsheet with the names and email address of all the National Board members and their new titles.

At the Convention, all the committee reports were accepted and I was given a list of tasks. I will keep the State Presidents informed about the status of my tasks.

I will highlight some items that will require your attention.

- The Degree Team Committee pressed a motion requiring that each member pay a one-time assessment of \$1.00 to help fund a Traveling Degree Team. This assessment will be payable with the per-capita taxes in early 2023.
- The Appeals for Aid assessment of \$0.50 per member each year has been continued.
- The National Fundraiser is vital for the Order and needs to be supported by every State. A motion was made that every State needs to participate with the purchase of at least 2 National Fundraiser Raffle Tickets by January 30 or will be assessed the fee for 2 tickets. The tickets will then be entered into the drawings.
- The interim National Board meeting will be in Cleveland, Ohio in October 2023. Further details will be sent out in 2023.

- The National Board will continue to publish a newsletter quarterly. The newspaper will be in a “PDF” format so it will be easy to print or share electronically. This newsletter has been successful thanks to your submissions. Please send your information and articles. Also Constant Contact has been a great resource for us. Please subscribe and encourage others in order to stay current with issues important to the LAOH. To subscribe or to send articles to the Hibernian Herald and Constant Contact, please email laohnationalnews@gmail.com.

Unfortunately the Hibernian Lecture is being held on a Football weekend which made the cost and the availability of hotel rooms in South Bend impossible to book for a group. The Hibernian Lecture will be on Friday September 9 at 4:30pm University of Notre Dame 1030 Jenkins-Nanovic Halls. The topic is Faith and Fatherland: Belief and the Irish Catholic Experience. If you are able to attend, please email Mary Ann Lubinsky at laohnationalvicepresident@gmail.com.

I am here to serve you, our members, if you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me at natlpresidentlaoh@gmail.com. If you rather talk by phone, call me at 216-470-3773.

Please share this letter with the County and Division Presidents and the members of your state.