

# Florida State Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians



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**A Welcome from  
Your State President**

This is exciting, this is Florida State taking a big step forward. I would like to thank our State Secretary Charlene Hollars for putting together our State News. We're looking for each division to actively participate in each edition. If you have an event please email your flyer, or event info like date, location, time, cost, and name of entertainment. Also make sure you take and submit pictures afterward.

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE continued**

We're looking for our members to contribute to the format of our State News so if you have any ideas pass them on to us. (Example: Spotlight a member each edition)

This past July was our 2022 National Convention in Pittsburgh, PA. To be honest I went to Pittsburgh knowing about it's past as a steel town. I expected it to be a rundown city, boy was I surprised. What a vibrant, beautiful city, I loved it! We went sightseeing by taking a steamboat ride where the Allegheny River and Monongahela River meet to form the Ohio River. There was nothing like riding the famous inclines and walking to some of the best restaurants in Pittsburgh. Our convention was well attended with evening events having 700 -900 persons in attendance. The LAOH business meetings were informative and very lively. I loved that Florida members had a role to play. Indian River was asked to please allow the National Board to display their St Brigid statue which was cast in the North of Ireland. Our Sisters Charlene and Marlene from Hillsborough were marshals and Debbie from Pasco was asked to put forth the motion to close our convention.

It's now time to start to focus on the 2024 National Convention in Orlando, Florida. This is going to be a lot of work, but I have no doubt that we are more than up to the task.

I'm excited and hope you are too!!!

## **PRAY FOR OUR SISTERS & BROTHERS**

Patti Castro – Hillsborough

Lynn Mackley – Hillsborough

Rosemary & Rich Riley – Hillsborough

Jeanne Naish – Hillsborough

Carol Rafferty-Miller – Hillsborough

The family of Jim Cahill – AOH Life Member

Helen McClain – Hillsborough

Joan Whitton – Indian River

## *Prayer for Protection During a Storm*

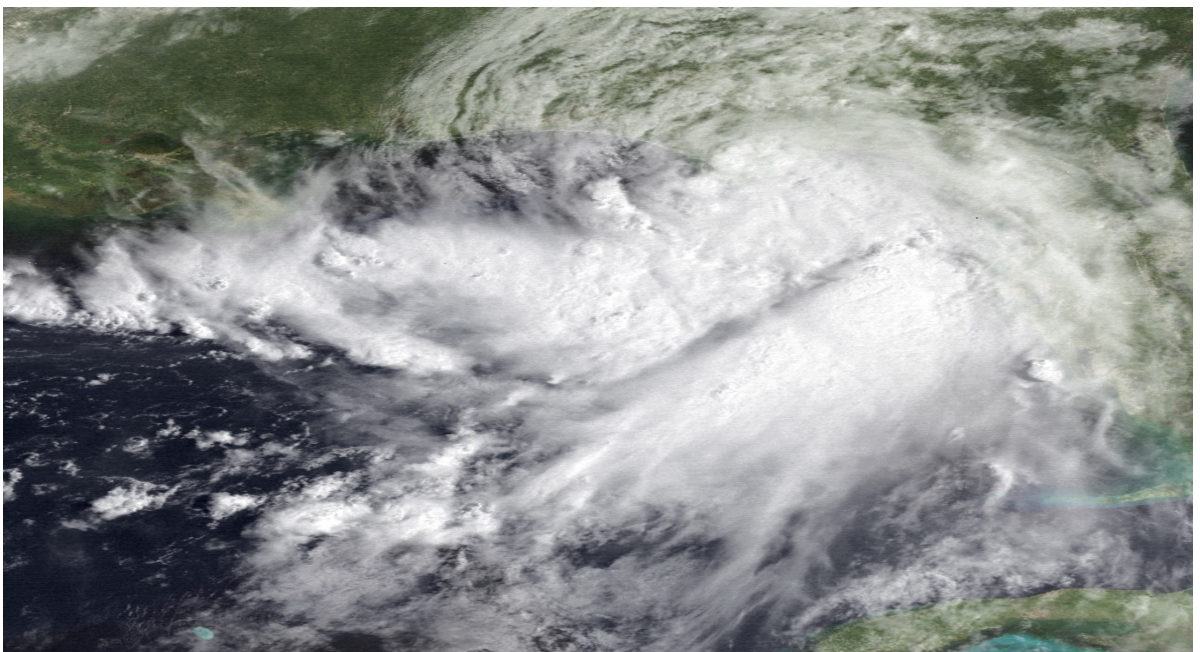
Loving God, maker of heaven and earth, protect us in your love and mercy. Send the Spirit of Jesus to be with us, to still our fears and give us confidence.

In the stormy waters, Jesus reassured his disciples by his presence, calmed the storm and strengthened their faith. Guard us from harm during this storm and renew our faith to serve you faithfully.

Give us the courage to face all difficulties and the wisdom to see the ways your Spirit binds us together in mutual assistance. With confidence we make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Please watch over all the families impacted by Hurricane Ian and wrap your loving arms around them.





# ACTIVITIES



Patricia Sherman,  
Marlene McGrath-  
Otis & Charlene  
Hollars receive their  
Degree

Ray Lynch, AOH  
Florida State  
President and  
Louise Sullivan  
LAOH State  
President



The beginning of the  
Foundations of Life  
Baby Shower



MINISTRY FAIR  
IN BROOKSVILLE, FL



DAY OF  
ADVENTURE  
IN YBOR CITY





*Crowning of Mary  
Ceremony*

## WEBSITE UPDATE

We are on FaceBook: Florida State LAOH.  
Please take a moment and visit this site as the information is important.

## LAOH / AOH STATE MEETING

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW TO ATTEND THE UPCOMING  
LAOH/AOH STATE CONVENTION – Saturday, October 22, 2022  
At the Rosen Centre located at 9840 International Drive, Orlando FL  
32819

Friday Evening, entertainment provided : Hospitality Suite 236.  
Saturday morning meetings begin at 10:00 in Salon 13  
LAOH Lunch Get Together: at the conclusion of meetings

## LAOH / AOH NATIONAL CONVENTION

August 7 – 11, 2024 in Orlando Florida. More important  
information will be on its way!

# Honoring our Veterans



Lynn Mackley, US Navy Nurse

*Welcome New Members*

Colleen Sims

Gail Gorman Dapolito



# What's Happening around the State

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

THURS & FRI,  
JANUARY 19-20TH  
2023

Reserve your spot today!!  
Email Laura Vahey for  
payment and trip details  
[vaheylaura@gmail.com](mailto:vaheylaura@gmail.com)



## Overnight fun with your Florida LAOH Sisters in ST. AUGUSTINE, FL

St. Augustine is a city on the northeast coast of Florida, the oldest city in the U.S. It is known for its Spanish colonial architecture, relaxing sandy beaches, rich history, fun shops and delicious restaurants

Find out more at  
[www.citystaug.com](http://www.citystaug.com)

Join The Florida LAOH on an overnight trip to historic, beautiful...

## St. Augustine Florida





LAOH Annual Flower Sale  
 December 3 – 4, 2022  
 Before and after each Mass  
 Prince of Peace Catholic Church  
 Sun City Center, FL 33573

Derek Warfield and the  
 Young Wolfe Tones  
 January 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Indian River Division

# DEREK WARFIELD & THE YOUNG WOLFE TONES

JANUARY 28TH, 2023

St Sebastian Church  
 LeSage Hall  
 13075 US Highway 1  
 Sebastian, FL 32958



Doors open at 5:00pm  
 Cost \$25 per person, includes dinner

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# *Irish History*

Ireland, or what would come to be known as Ireland, lay under a sheet of Ice for a very long time, and not much happened. But then finally, as the ice melted, people started visiting Ireland from Britain. Some of them like it so much that they decided to stay. These first people figured out how to grow crops, set up some of Ireland's first towns, and brought some life to the place.

The first Gaelic people arrived during this time, and started making Ireland truly distinct. They had their own language and started a system of ruling through kings that would dominate for centuries. Also, one of the most famous Irishmen ever came to the island: St. Patrick. He brought Christianity with him and transformed the Irish into religious people. It was a big step because it made Ireland one of the most cultured places in Europe at the time.

This information came from the ALWAYS ACCURATE, Irish History for Dummies.  
Coinnigh ag miongháire (Keep Smiling)



# Recipe from *The Little Irish Baking Book* by Ruth Isabel Ross

This is one of Ireland's best-known puddings and deserves to be. Quickly made, almost any fruit (or a mixture of fruits) will do for the filling, although apple is the most popular.

## Filling:

- 1 lb fruit

- ½ C brown sugar

- Juice of 1 orange

## The Crumble

- 1 C all purpose flour

- ¼ C oatmeal

- ½ stick butter

- ¼ C brown sugar

- Grated rind of 1 orange

- 1 tsp ground coriander

Cut up and prepare the fruit and place it in a shallow baking dish. Sprinkle with brown sugar and squeeze over the orange juice. Rub the flour and oatmeal into the butter. When the mixture is like breadcrumbs, add sugar, orange rind and coriander. Sprinkle flour mixture over the fruit and bake at 400 degrees about 30 minutes or until the crumble is light brown and the fruit is soft.