



Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc.
National Board
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Office of the National President
Marilyn Madigan

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Dear Sisters,

Today is the first National Holiday in Ireland celebrating St. Brigid. Our Order is proud and honored that we have been celebrating St. Brigid as a National Holiday for our Order for the past 128 years. I love seeing all the posts on Facebook of Divisions throughout the country celebrating our great Patron Saint.

We have networked with Herstory and started off the Celebration of St. Brigid on January 21 with a wonderful presentation. The presentation can be seen on the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Herstory and Irish Central Facebook pages. Herstory and their advocacy were instrumental in making the National Holiday for St. Brigid. I look forward with the LAOH and Herstory working together on other projects.

February will be a busy month for many of our members. The Young Hibernian Committee will be hosting a Galentine's Day Social on Monday February 13 at 6:00PM EST. Please encourage your younger members to attend. Here is the link for the event:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81054251384?pwd=M3liaE9CaEJKa0Z1WmhxVWhDclMrZz09>

Lent starts on February 22. I have contacted our Chaplain Fr. Ryan Duns about the possibility of a Lenten Retreat. The Retreat will consist of short segments on our Facebook Page once a week. More details to be announced

We are honored that 3 of our members will be recognized by the Irish Echo 40 Under 40. Congratulations to Maggie Brogan, Brianna Curran and Maura Flynn. Please vote for them in the Peoples' Choice. To vote visit the www.irishecho.com and go to the event pages click on 40

under 40. All bios and voting information can be found on that page. I look forward to celebrating with Maggie, Brianna and Maura on February 24 at the Awards Ceremony.

We have also networked with Sober St. Patrick's Day. On January 22 and February 5, we participated in the Virtual Book Club. The [Rediscovering St. Patrick's Day™ Livestream Book Club](#)'s inaugural book — [The Letters of Saint Patrick – a Historical New Translation by Marcus Losack](#), was recommended by Dr. Tim Campbell, Director, [The Saint Patrick's Centre in Downpatrick, NI](#), one of a number of experts on the life and legacy of St. Patrick. On Sunday March 5 at 200pm EST the discussion will focus on the St. Patrick's Confession.

Registration is required: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_6tUK355pSt-LXjz_Dihs0Q

- Important: Sober St. Patrick's Day Board Member [Elizabeth Stack, PhD, Executive Director, Irish American Heritage Museum](#), is hosting this Zoom Webinar. Your Rediscovering St. Patrick's Day Livestream Book Club Registration Confirmation email will be sent from Irish American Heritage Museum no-reply@zoom.us.
- Venue for in-person meeting is 33 Club, 323 East 33rd, between First and Second Avenues NY, NY, 10016.

March is Irish Heritage Month and also Women's Month. National Irish Historian Peggy Cornish is planning on Webinars on Sundays March 5 and 26. More details to be announced. The Embracing Our Heritage Program will be featuring daily postings similar to the successful Advent Calender.

Save the Date:

Friday September 29- Hibernian Lecture

Friday November 10 and Saturday November 11- LAOH Meeting and Celebration Weekend

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