

2025 Interim Board Meeting- 9/13/25- National Convention Chair Report

Sisters,

Now that the State Conventions are winding down, it is time to look forward to the 2026 AOH/LAOH Biennial Convention. The Convention is scheduled to take place at the beautiful Hilton located in downtown Omaha, Nebraska from July 15-19, 2026. All events and meetings will take place at the Omaha Hilton and the Convention Center that is located directly across the street from the Hilton via a sky bridge. The hotel recently underwent a \$13 million room renovation and a \$2 million renovation to the lobby. The hotel room rate is \$132.00 per night plus taxes effective July 11-19.

The Eppley airport is 3.4 miles away from the hotel. The Omaha Hilton has a complimentary shuttle service that runs to Eppley Airport every 30 minutes. This is a 24-hour service. There will be a 50% discount for overnight self-parking in the hotel's attached garage. Valet parking is also available. The hotel is in an excellent location with plenty of restaurant options, shopping, and entertainment within walking distance. There is a complimentary shuttle provided by the hotel for those that do not want to walk.

Please keep in mind that the LAOH will be holding a Constitution Convention prior to the opening of the National Convention. It is tentatively set for Wednesday, July 11, 2026. The Convention Committee is planning a visit to the Omaha Hilton soon. Further details will be forthcoming including the package price, Degrees, Constitution Convention, etc.

Omaha, Nebraska is the birthplace of The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians. The women were recognized as the "Daughters of Erin" at the AOH National Convention held in Omaha, Nebraska in 1894. The women sought their own identity, and it was at this Convention that the AOH relented and allowed the formation of the "Daughters of Erin." In 1906, their name was changed to the Ladies Auxiliary to the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America. In 1984, the ladies voted to change their name to the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians. The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians was incorporated in 2004. The LAOH has come a long way. More reasons to attend this Convention and celebrate the LAOH at their birthplace!

In our motto,

Kathie Linton
National Convention Chair