



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

Office of the National Vice President
Sandi Swift

February 1, 2026

Dear National Officers, Past National Presidents and State Presidents,

Happy St. Brigid's Day! I hope you are able to participate in celebrating our Patron Saint. In honor of St. Brigid, as your elected Vice President, I am responsible for sending out the information, per our National Constitution, with the guidelines for bestowing the LAOH St. Brigid of Ireland Humanitarian Award. This award will be presented to one of our worthy LAOH members at the upcoming 2026 National Convention being held this July in Omaha, Nebraska.

In accordance with our National Constitution, an LAOH member may be nominated if she meets the eligibility criteria as stated in ARTICLE XXV, ELIGIBILITY Section 2. The nominee must be a member of good standing of the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc. The nominee's contribution to the community must be of a humanitarian or civic nature. The nominee must demonstrate qualities of compassion, kindness, understanding, and respect for all human beings promoting Catholic Action and the Hibernian Spirit. The Nomination Process is also specified in our National Constitution in ARTICLE XXV, NOMINATION PROCESS Section 3. The nomination process requires the following completed documents: A. Completed nomination form that bears the State Boards President's signature. B. A letter of support from the State Board that summarizes how the nominee meets the standards of eligibility. Every effort should be made to submit only at (1) application per State. C. The deadline for the submission of the nomination form is April 15, 2026.

Included with this letter are the following documents: 1) Copy of Article XXV ST. BRIGID OF IRELAND HUMANITARIAN AWARD from the LAOH National Constitution and 2) The 2026 St. Brigid of Ireland Humanitarian Award Nomination Form.

Your completed nomination form and State Board letter of support are to be returned to me, via email to laohnationalvicepresident@gmail.com or postmarked to Sandi Swift, LAOH National Vice President, 2901 Orton St., St. Charles, MO 63301. Emails must be no later than April 15,

2026. I will be travelling beginning April 16th, therefore, if you plan to postmark your nomination please do so in plenty of time for me to receive it and let me know that you have sent your nomination via the postal service. All nominations and ballots will be forwarded to the voting members of the LAOH no later than May 1, 2026.

If you have any questions regarding the process of recommending a nominee for this prestigious LAOH award, please feel free to contact me. I pray that St. Brigid will guide you as you consider an LAOH member worthy of your nomination from your State.

In Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity,

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