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Dan Esch
AOH Fr. Flanagan Division
PO Box 24522
Omaha, NE 68124
Email: desch402@gmail.com

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NEW AOH PHONE NUMBER 402-594-0882

Voice mails will be recorded and go directly to the Division's Email.





AOH Board Meeting

Wednesday Jan 8th

American Legion Post 1 7811 Davenport St, Omaha, Ne 68114

AOH General Meeting (Initiation)

Wednesday January 15th

American Legion Post 1 7811 Davenport Street

Breakfast on
1st Sunday of the Month

from 9 - 11 AM

American Legion Post 1 7811 Davenport Street \$8 for all you can eat Breakfast.

AOH Parade Committee

Wednesday January 22nd

American Legion Post 1 7811 Davenport St, Omaha, Ne 68114

AOH Banquet

Saturday, February 15th, 2025 5 PM - 9 PM

German American Society 3717 S 120th St. Omaha, Ne 68144

Keller Night

Every Friday at 5 PM

German American Society 3717 S 120th St. Omaha, Ne 68144

Sunday's Happy Hour Location

January 5th 1-3pm

Dubliner Pub 1205 Harney St. January 12th 1-3pm

Nest Lounge 2638 S 158th Plaza, Omaha, NE 68130

January 19th 1-3pm

Donohue's Irish Pub 3232 L St. Omaha, NE 68107 January 26th 1-3pm

Leavenworth Bar 3105 Leavenworth St. Omaha, Ne 68105

January Bar Crawl: The Blackstone Crawl!

3pm - 9pm @ Scriptown, Sullivan's Bar and dinner at Cheeseburgers

Monday Lunch Location

Jan 6th, 11:30am-12:30pm

Sean O'Casey's Irish Pub 2523 S 140th Ave, Omaha, NE 68144 Jan 13th, 11:30am-12:30pm

Big Fred's 1101 S 119th St, Omaha, NE 68144

Jan 20th, 11:30am-12:30pm

Paddy McGown's 4503 Center St, Omaha, NE 68106 Jan 27th, 11:30am-12:30PM

Brazen Head 319 N 78th St, Omaha, NE 68114

AOH Banquet

Saturday, February 15, 2025, 5 PM - 9 PM

German American Society 3717 S 120th St, Omaha, NE 68144

Invite friends and family to experience Irish music, dance and merriment. The Banquet ticket price is \$75 each. Tables of 8 and 10 are available.

AOH Banquet Program

5 PM Color Guard / Piper / Cocktails
5:30 Irish Music
6 PM Dinner & Dessert
7 PM Craoí na Tíre Irish Dancers
7:30 Hibernian Awards
9 PM Soldier Song / Group Photo

Dinner Menu

Sponsored Bar Menu

Roast Pork Shoulder and Chicken Roasted Potatoes / Mixed Veg. Chocolate & Carrot Cake / Fruit

Guinness Keg Select Irish Whiskey Wine / Pop

Sponsored Bar Levels

Bottle Sponsor	\$100.00
Patron Bar Sponsor	\$200.00
Guinness Keg Sponsor	\$600.00
Benefactor Bar Sponsor	\$800.00

NOTE: <u>The Sponsored Bar is limited to pre-purchased items.</u>
<u>Please be generous. All else will be on a cash bar basis.</u>

Please send payment by check to:

AOH Fr Flanagan Division PO Box 24522 Omaha, NE 68124

or fill out the form on our website at https://aohomaha.com/hibernian-banquet/

AOH General Meeting Minutes



Location: American Legion Post 1 at 7811 Davenport St. Omaha, Ne 68114

The meeting was gaveled to order at 7:01pm and started with prayers and the pledge of allegiance. A call for new members went out and no responses were forthcoming.

The Treasury report was up next where Tom Simpson said a check to reimburse the organization checking account was forth coming to help reimburse some parade and other expenses such as our regular insurance premium and other donations that cleared the checking account out... Parade team will begin billing out for parade after the 1st of the year so some further income will be coming. Both of our CDs are flush and in good condition. The division is sitting well financially.

The Freedom for Ireland reported that the US govt and Irish govt are trying to work to get Trouble Irish participants Visas as the English govt is still doing their usual business and inserting themselves into Irish politics. Efforts have been underway to attempt a repeal of the Legacy and reconciliation act that all Irish parties were opposed to begin with.... Catholics still outnumber Protestants in both North and South of Ireland but there are still acts of bigotry and oppression against the Catholics to this today in the North.

Veterans Committee asked that we continue to keep Hugh Spellman in our prayers as he is kind of slipping. And hasn't been heard of for some time... Requests for contact information were given too.

The banquet report was next, and it was reported that it is set to go... Email went out to pay up for the banquet... It was encouraged that payments be made now or via either check or online. Please try and bring a check to the January 15th so that the organization of the banquet can be much smoother. Its Ok to pay close to the actual date which is Feb 17th. The menu is the same and will consist of pork and potatoes and other delicious items. The cost is \$75 a person, but it was encouraged to add more to cover the cost of the liquor.

AOH General Meeting Minutes



December 11th, 2024

Location: American Legion Post 1 at 7811 Davenport St. Omaha, Ne 68114

The Parade committee was next where it was reported that we have an estimated \$14,000 ready to be collected, which begins in mid-January.

The opening ceremony will expand out quite a bit with the following changes. The grand marshal sash will be handed out to Mary Barrett. Ribbon will be cut, and whistle will be blown. We are looking for someone to sponsor the whistle blowing piece of the ceremony and we are looking for a good chunk of money to do so

We are also selling t-shirts for 2025 The t-shirts are being designed and printed out by brother Dan Flynn and Knock Out Printing. T-shirts will be available for order on our website sometime after the first of the year.

We still need block captains so please sign up if interested. We are contacting the girl scouts to assist the boy scouts in handing out pre parade pamphlets and flags

Convention Talk: Mike Addy wanted to remind everyone of a joint meeting with the LAOH and Sarpy to talk about the Convention.

Convention will be 18 months out at this rate... On the recruiting front: If anyone runs into someone that is interested in joining, try and get a business card or contact information so we can proactively reach out to that individual.

A vote was made on adding by laws to our chart about 30-year-olds and younger only paying the national and state portion of the registration. The difference it was determined is a minimal cost. Also, Joe Morgan was made recruiting director

The vote on the bylaw was not unanimous as 1 opposed to its passage. All members should recruit new members as we are all salesmen for the org.

Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe is Thursday
Dec 12. Shawn Murphy encouraged us to look
up the significance of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Honor Guard notes: Guidelines are on the website now so take a look at them as to what the different classes of uniform wearing etiquette is. If interested in the new Kilt, please reach out to Dion Nary

Please keep Bill Gaughan in your prayers as he had heart surgery, and it didn't go as well as it was supposed to. He needs lots of therapy and is in for a long recovery.

Phil Rooney also had surgery to keep him in your prayers as well.

The meeting ended at 7:43pm with prayers, the Soldier Song and the National anthem.

Selected Irish Culture:





Dowds Irish Dance Academy

is in the Omaha Irish Cultural Center at 2436 South 120 St.

Contact Marty Dowds at

marty@dowdsirishdance.com

for information see

www.dowdsirishdance.com/

KZUM, 89.3 FM

broadcasts an Irish music program Lady Susan is the D.J. for Thunder on the Plains. Details at

https://kzum.org/thunderontheplains/ Listen on your radio or on your

computer at https://kzum.org/

Ireland County by County NET's Create Channel

is on Spectrum cable 1269. It's on Omaha's Cox cable channel 124. Individual 30-minute programs of each county in Ireland. Public television schedules them

randomly.

Craoi na Tire Studio of Irish Dance

Website is www.craoinatire.com
Or contact at craoinatire@gmail.com or 402-612-9442

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