



The Cunningham Chronicles

The Colonel Thomas J. Cunningham, Jr. Division
The Ancient Order of Hibernians In America

December 2018

News/ Views/ History/ Irrational Thought & Other Good Stuff

**Merry Christmas & Happy New Year
from the COL Cunningham Division of the AOH
and the Daughters of Erin of the LAOH**



Members of the COL Cunningham Division and Daughters of Erin at the Leesburg, Virginia Christmas Parade, wishing a Blessed and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone.

**The 2018 Christmas Party, the Leesburg Christmas Parade, Charities and Missions and a
Wrap Up of 2018 News and Events**

This issue of the Chronicles summarizes the Division news from November 1st to December 31st, 2018.

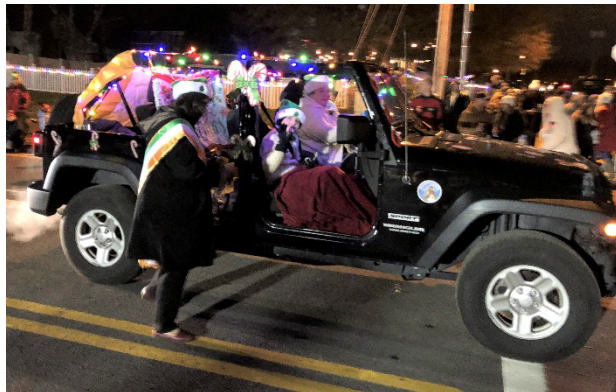
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2018 Leesburg Christmas Parade

The annual Leesburg Christmas Parade was held in Old Town Leesburg on December 8th featuring dozens of floats, marching bands, and hundreds of marchers from church and community groups and the COL Cunningham Division and the Daughters of Erin. The Knights of Columbus, major parade sponsors provided the Honor Guard.

It was a beautiful night for a parade; cool temperatures but clear skies and thousands of happy well wishers lining the streets of downtown Leesburg. The annual event is one of the highlights of the Christmas season for the AOH and LAOH as thousands of adults and children cheer on the parade and everyone cries out "MERRY CHRISTMAS". Those who witnessed the parade and those who participated truly felt the spirit of the Christmas season.

The following photos capture just a few of the many participants and activities.





See more photos of the parade in the LOAH news section starting on page 9.

The Parade After Party

Immediately after the Leesburg Christmas Parade COL Cunningham Division President Cole Slattery and his wife Annette, a member of the Daughters of Erin hosted an open house at their home. Cole, Annette, daughter Lauren, son-in-law Chris, and grand-daughter Annabelle hosted dozens of AOH and LOAH members with food, beverages, and deserts. The party was a great time and a wonderful way to top off a fantastic night of parading and celebrating the Christmas season. Some of the many highlights of the evening included the tasting of a very special 18-year-old Jameson's Irish Whiskey that Cole had procured for the occasion (see the photos below) and the creation of true Irish coffees by Francis Thornton, AOH brother and the manager of O'Faolain's.



COL Cunningham President Cole Slattery and grand-daughter Annabelle lead everyone in a Christmas toast (yes, that is an empty glass Annabelle is toasting with).



Daughters of Erin President Margie McCarthy leads the group in a toast of thanks for a wonderful year for both divisions.

2018 Christmas Party

The COL Cunningham Division of the AOH and the Daughters of Erin of the LAOH jointly hosted the annual AOH/LAOH Christmas Party at O'Faolain's Irish Pub on Thursday, December 13th. There were hot appetizers, dinners for those who wanted, plenty of beverages and great comradery. The attendance was one of the largest in division history. COL Cunningham President Cole Slattery and Daughters of Erin President Margie McCarthy led everyone in a Christmas carol sing-along. The Daughters of Erin were proud to welcome special guests Virginia State LAOH President Lori Forbes. Members of the Cunningham Division contributed new sweat suits for the Sweats for Vets program for the Veterans at the VA Hospital in Martinsburg, WV. Watch for a story on the Sweats of Vets program in the next edition of the Chronicles.

The following photos show just a few of the many members in attendance.





Colonel Cunningham Division News

New Brother



President Cole Slattery welcomes the Division's newest brother, Bob Whalen at the November meeting.

Hibernian of the Quarter



Each quarter of the year a brother of the COL Cunningham is chosen as the Hibernian of the Quarter in honor of their outstanding service to the Division. The honoree for the third quarter of 2018 is brother Frank O'Gara shown above (at right) with President Cole Slattery receiving his award at the Division Christmas Party.

Remembering and Honoring the Victims of the Ballymurphy Massacre

On November 14th representatives of the AOH and LAOH gathered at the Irish Embassy in Washington, DC to listen to a presentation on the Ballymurphy Massacre of 1971 by Carmel Quinn, a sister of one of the 11 victims, John Laverty. The COL Cunningham Division was represented by State Vice President, and Past Division President Jay McCarthy and State Treasurer and Past Division President Bob Fay. The Daughters of Erin were represented by President Margie McCarthy and Treasurer Linda Fay.



Past Presidents Bob Fay (r) and Jay McCarthy (l) with Carmel Quinn, the special speaker for the evening at the Irish Embassy.



Daughters of Erin Treasurer Linda Fay, State AOH Treasurer and PP Bob Fay with Daughters of Erin President Margie McCarthy and State Vice President and PP Jay McCarthy.

The COL Cunningham Division and the Daughters of Erin will be hosting the Bi-Annual Virginia State Convention of the AOH & LAOH in Leesburg August 16-18, 2019. Watch for details in emails, on our website, and in the next edition of the Chronicles.

Sad News to Report on the Passing of Brother David Bobzien



It is with a very heavy heart that we inform every one of the passing of Brother David (Dave) Bobzien on December 30th. David's wife Cathy was with him and his passing was peaceful. The Bobziens have two grown sons: David, Jr and Brendan.

David was a charter member of the Colonel Thomas J. Cunningham, Jr. Division of the AOH and a long-time friend to his fellow AOH brothers. He was very active in the organization and early activities of the COL Cunningham Division.

David's life was dedicated to his family, his faith and service to others through his chosen profession of the law. David attended Holy Cross University, graduating in 1968 with a bachelor of arts in political science, and the University of Virginia Law School, graduating in 1971. From 1971 to 1975, David served in the U.S. Army as a Captain in the Judge Advocate General's Corps. While in the Army, David earned a Master of Laws in taxation from The George Washington University. After leaving the Army, David entered private practice at the law firm of Fitzgerald and Smith. He left private practice in 1979, becoming Assistant Counsel in the Office of Professional Responsibility of the United States Department of Justice. David was hired as Fairfax County Attorney by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on December 15, 1992, and severed in that position from 1993 to 2016. Following retirement as Fairfax County Attorney he joined the McCammon Group a legal firm which serves the mediation, arbitration, judge *pro tempore*, and special master needs of lawyers and litigants throughout the Commonwealth and beyond.

David was a Past President of the Virginia State Bar, the Local Government Attorneys of Virginia, the Virginia Law Foundation, and the Fairfax Law Foundation. He also served as a Virginia State Bar Delegate to the American Bar Association's House of Delegates and as Chairman of the Virginia CLE committee of the Virginia Law Foundation.

David and Cathy joined with the COL Cunningham Division for the 2016 Division Trip to Ireland having a great time on the tour. David even talked our bus driver into making a slight detour, so he could visit an ancestral home town. Despite recent health issues, both David and Cathy were looking forward to the upcoming trip in September of 2019.

David was a good man, a good Catholic, and a good friend. He will be remembered by all of his AOH brothers as a man who lived our moto; Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity. There is no greater an epithet that a man could have.

He will be missed by all. We give our condolences to his family and friends and pray for his soul.

***Eternal rest grant unto him Oh Lord and may Your perpetual light be made to shine upon him.
May he rest in peace.***

The President's Corner



The following is an end of the year message from Cunningham Division President Cole Slattery

Brothers,

I hope this correspondence finds you and your families well and in good spirits as we begin a new fraternal year. Looking back, what a fine year 2018 was. Our fraternal activities in support of our Irish heritage and culture were almost too many to mention with new members, several parades, masses, fundraisers, festivals, a golf outing and good times at our monthly meetings or at the pub.

2018 saw the establishment of the Daughters of Erin Division of the LAOH, our Sister Division, who side by side with us advanced the principals of our Order in Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

This was the best fundraising year in our Division's history surpassing the \$20,000 mark....! due exclusively to your active and vibrant participation.

Sadly, 2018 saw the passing of Brother Pat Korten who is dearly missed but we are significantly grateful for the years we had him in our midst.

Looking forward into 2019, mark your calendars for the following upcoming events. More to follow in future division meetings and separate correspondence as details become available:

Wednesday, 9 January, General Membership gathering

Saturday, January 12th, Sweats for Vets Distribution, Martinsburg, WV

Friday, January 18th: March for Life.

Friday, February 1st: The second annual "Exception Single Malt Whisky Dinner"

Wednesday, 13 February, General Membership gathering and ***Shamrock Degree***

Saturday, 16 February. Virginia State Board meeting, if enough candidates muster, **MAJOR DEGREES** of the Order.

Saturday, 2 March is the Alexandria, VA St. Patrick's Day parade.

Saturday, 9 March is the 20th annual Manassas, VA St. Patrick's Day parade.

16 & 17 March ***St. Patrick's Day*** weekend will kick off our 2019 raffle ticket sales at O'Faolains

Day TBD, March, Gaelic Mass at St Thomas More 3901 Cathedral Lane Arlington, VA.

Here's wishing you and yours a Blessed Christmas Season and New Year!

In Our Motto,

Cole

J. Cole Slattery

COL Thomas J. Cunningham Division President

The 2019 AOH Trip to Ireland & Scotland

The trip is on! A final itinerary has been agreed to and reservations are being made for the 2019 COL Cunningham Division trip to Ireland. In 2017, a group of COL Cunningham members and guest made a fantastic journey to Ireland visiting sites across the southern portion of the country. The 2019 trip will take place from September 24th to October 4th and is planned to be just as much fun and as educational. The 2019 trip will cover the northern portion of Ireland from Belfast to Donegal and south to Shannon, and it will also include staying out in Scotland for a scenic visit to that country.

Many members and couples have already signed up and committed to the trip. Any others who are interested should contact President Cole Slattery as soon as possible and our travel agent Niall at Caddie Tours (www.caddietoursonline.com).

The itinerary below is an abbreviated version. See the email communications from president Cole Slattery for more details.

Tuesday, September 24th - UNITED STATES TO EDINBURGH

Wednesday, September 25th - EDINBURGH ARRIVAL

DINNER & OVERNIGHT: HILTON GROSVENOR HOTEL, EDINBURGH (B,D)

Thursday, September 26th – EDINBURGH – HOP ON HOP OFF TOUR

EDINBURGH CASTLE, PLACE OF HOLYROOD HOUSE, THE HISTORIC ROYAL MILE AND MORE
OVERNIGHT: HILTON GROSVENOR HOTEL, EDINBURGH (B)

Friday, September 27th – LOCH LOMOND & STIRLING CASTLE

OVERNIGHT: HILTON GROSVENOR HOTEL, EDINBURGH (B)

Saturday, September 28th - BELFAST ARRIVAL.

DINNER & OVERNIGHT: EUROPA HOTEL, BELFAST (B,D)

Sunday, September 29th – CARRICKFERGUS CASTLE & GIANTS CAUSEWAY

DINNER & OVERNIGHT: BUSHMILLS INN, BUSHMILLS (B,D)

Monday, September 30th – ULSTER AMERICAN FOLK PARK

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT: HARVEY'S POINT DONEGAL (B,L,D)

Tuesday, October 1st – SLIEVE LEAGUE & DONEGAL TOWN

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT: HARVEY'S POINT DONEGAL (B,D)

Wednesday, October 2nd – DRUMCLIFF & KNOCK SHRINE

DINNER & OVERNIGHT: WYATT HOTEL, WESTPORT (B,D)

Thursday, October 3rd – CLIFFS OF MOHER

DINNER AND OVERNIGHT: OLD GROUND HOTEL ENNIS (B,D)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4th – RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES

The Daughters of Erin

A Division of the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians in America



Members of the Daughters of Erin at their November meeting and social gathering at O'Faolain's Pub in Sterling.

Division November Holiday Dinner, Meeting and Social

The Daughters of Erin broke from their normal monthly meeting agenda and location to have a special November meeting at O'Faolain's Pub in Sterling. The meeting started with dinner for those who wanted and after the business meeting was concluded the sisters present formed two teams to compete in the Trivia Challenge held at O'Faolain's every Wednesday. Although they didn't win the big prize, both teams ended up high in the scoring and everyone agreed it was a great time.

Looking Back at 2018

The first year of existence for one of the nation's newest division of the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians (LAOH) has been extremely busy with meetings, fund raising, and social activities. Some of the many activities undertaken in 2018 by the Daughters of Erin in addition to their regular meetings were;

- St Patrick's day party at Our Lady of Hope in March
- Participation at the National LAOH Convention in July
- Fund raising with Trip for Two to Ireland Raffle ticket sales at numerous locations and activities
- Supporting nine charities through fund raising and gift Collections
- Ballyshanners Alexandria Irish Festival in August
- Trip to Saint Elizabeth Ann Seaton Shrine in Emmitsburg, Maryland
- Team building at Art with a Twist in Ashburn
- Baby shower gifts for the National Convention and for Birthright in Leesburg
- Socks for Mobile Hope in Leesburg
- October Half Way to St. Patrick's Day Party with the AOH
- Marching in the Leesburg Christmas Parade
- Joint AOH/LOAH Christmas Party in December

Daughters of Erin Division Activities

The sisters of the Division have been very busy since the last edition of the Chronicles Collecting donations for support of right to life projects, selling Irish gifts for fund raisers, marching in parades and joining with the AOH in several social activities. The photos below capture only a few of their many recent activities.

2018 Leesburg Christmas Parade

A great time in Leesburg at the annual Christmas Parade. See more photos in the COL Cunningham news pages.



Joint AOH/ LAOH Christmas Party

The Daughters of Erin joined with the COL Cunningham Division of the AOH to celebrate Christmas at their annual party on December 13th at O'Faolain's Restaurant and Pub in Sterling, VA. The Daughters of Erin were proud to host Virginia State LAOH President Lori Forbes at the party, and to thank all of their members for a year of hard work. The occasion celebrated a great year of fundraising and charitable activities for both groups. See the photos in the COL Cunningham news section earlier in this edition of the Chronicles.

Fundraising



Having fun and raising funds with the sales of LAOH produced products at the Our Lady of Hope Christmas Market in December. Left to right; Connie Anderson, President Margie McCarthy, and Vice-President Angelina Crew.

Commemorating the Past



In November the LAOH sent a delegation to the Irish Embassy to participate in a ceremony honoring those who were killed during the Ballymurphy Massacre. Daughters of Erin President Margie McCarthy (left) and Treasurer Linda Fay (right) with other LAOH and Irish government representatives at the Irish Embassy.

Socks for Mobile Hope

Mobile Hope, based in Leesburg, provides services and clothing to teens and young adults who are homeless and in need in Loudoun County. The LAOH has undertaken gathering donations of socks to assist Mobile Hope in their mission of service. Socks are an extremely important item needed by many during the cold winter months.



Some of the socks gathered by the Daughters of Erin for Mobile Hope.



Missions and Charities Chairman Connie Anderson and President Margie McCarthy delivering socks to Mobile Hope.



President Margie McCarthy with one of the Mobile Hope buses that serves the homeless in Loudoun County.

Charities the Daughters of Erin Support

The Archdiocesan Military Ordinariate
Columban Brothers
Columban Sisters
Mobile Hope

Project St. Patrick
Right to Life
Project Manager

Birthright of Leesburg
St. Lucy's
Project Rachel

Upcoming Events for the Daughters of Erin

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

General Meeting

Our Lady of Hope Parish, Potomac Falls

Saturday, February 16, 2019

Virginia State LAOH Meeting

St. Francis of Assisi, Triangle, VA

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**For more information on the Daughters of Erin check out:
their Website: www.laohloudounva.com
and their Facebook page**

Irish Wit & Wisdom

Don't be Late!

A Priest was being honored at his retirement dinner after 35 years in the parish. A leading local figure and member of the congregation was chosen to make the presentation and to give a little speech at the dinner. However, he was delayed, so the Priest decided to say his own few words while they waited:



"Thank Goodness we Catholics have a wonderful sense of humor! I got my first impression of this parish from the first confession I heard here.

And at first, I thought I had been assigned to a terrible place.

The very first person who entered my confessional told me he had stolen a television set, and when questioned by the police, was able to lie his way out of it. He had stolen money from his parents; embezzled from his employer; had an affair with his boss's wife; AND his boss's 17-year-old daughter, taken illegal drugs; and was arrested several times for public nudity.

I was appalled that one person could do so many awful things. But as the days went on, I learned that my people were not all like that and I had, indeed, come to a fine parish full of good and loving people."

Just as the Priest finished his talk, the politician arrived full of apologies at being late.

He immediately began to make the presentation and give his talk:

"I'll never forget the first day our parish Priest arrived," said the politician. "In fact, I had the honor of being the first person to go to him for confession."

The Moral is, never ever be late!

"Mayday"

Shortly after a British Airways flight had reached its cruising altitude, the captain announced:

"Ladies and Gentlemen, this is your captain.

Welcome to Flight 293, non-stop from London Heathrow to New York.

The weather ahead is good, so we should have an uneventful flight.

So, sit back, relax, and... OH...MY GOD!"

Silence followed.....

Some moments later, the captain came back on the intercom.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I'm sorry if I scared you.

While I was talking to you, a flight attendant accidentally spilled coffee in my lap.

You should see the front of my pants.

From the back of the plane, an Irish passenger yelled,

"For the luv a', you should see the back o' mine!"

The Irish Artist

An Irish painter by the name of Murphy, while not a brilliant scholar, was a gifted portrait artist. Over a short number of years, his fame grew and soon people from all over Ireland were coming to the town of Miltown Malbay, in County Clare, to get him to paint their likenesses.

One day, a beautiful young English woman arrived at his house in a stretch limo and asked if he would paint her in the nude.

This being the first time anyone had made such a request he was a bit perturbed, particularly when the woman told him that money was no object; in fact, and she was willing to pay up to 10,000 pounds.

Not wanting to get into any marital strife, he asked her to wait while he went into the house to confer with Mary, his wife.

They talked much about the Rightness and Wrongness of it.

It was hard to make the decision but finally, his wife agreed, on one condition.

In a few minutes he returned. "T'would be me pleasure to paint yer portrait, missus," he said "The wife says it's okay.

"I'll paint you in the nude all right; but I have to at least leave me socks on so I'll have a place to wipe me brushes."

T'is why we love the Irish. ☘

IRISH LOGIC

An old Irishman was asked, "At your ripe old age, which would you prefer to get – Parkinson's or Alzheimer's?" The Irishman replied, "Bejesus, definitely Parkinson's! Better to spill half an ounce of whiskey than to forget where you keep the bottle!"

COL Cunningham Division Calendar of Events

January 2, 2019	7:00 PM	Officer's Meeting	O'Faolain's Pub, Sterling
January 9, 2019	7:30 PM	General Membership Meeting	Belmont Greene Community Center
January 12, 2019		Sweats for Vets Distribution	Martinsburg VA Hospital, Martinsburg, WV
January 18, 2019		March for Life	Washington, DC
February 1, 2019		Second annual "Exception Single Malt Whisky Dinner"	O'Faolain's Pub, Sterling
February 6, 2019	7:00 PM	Officer's Meeting	O'Faolain's Pub, Sterling
February 13, 2019	7:30 PM	General Membership Meeting and <i>Shamrock Degree</i>	Belmont Greene Community Center
February 16, 2019		Virginia State Board meeting and if enough candidates can muster, Major Degrees of the Order.	St. Francis of Assisi, Triangle, VA
March 2, 2019		Ballyshaner's St. Patrick's Day parade	Old town Alexandria, VA
March 6, 2019	7:00 PM	Officer's Meeting	O'Faolain's Pub Sterling
March 9, 2019		20th annual Manassas, VA St. Patrick's Day Parade	Manassas, VA
March 13, 2019	7:30 PM	General Membership Meeting	
March 16 & 17, 2019		<i>St. Patrick's Day</i> weekend will kick off our 2019 raffle ticket sales at O'Faolains	
Day TBD, March 2019		Gaelic Mass at St Thomas More 3901 Cathedral Lane Arlington, VA.	
August 16-18, 2019		Virginia State AOH & LAOH Convention	Leesburg, VA
Sept. 25 to Oct. 4, 2019		Cunningham Division Trip to Ireland and Scotland	

Next Colonel Cunningham Division Meeting

The COL Cunningham Division generally meets the second Wednesday of every month and all members are encouraged to attend. The meetings are held at 7:30 PM at the Belmont Greene Community Center, 43003 Chesterton St, Ashburn, VA 20147. The next meeting is **Wednesday, January 9, 2018**. See our website; www.aohloudoun.org for more details.

The Colonel Cunningham Division Prayer List

We respectfully ask all COL Cunningham Division Brothers and all friends of the Cunningham Division to please remember the ill and needy in your prayers. Please see our website www.aohloudoun.org for a complete list of all prayer request from past meetings.

Questions about upcoming events, COL Cunningham Division history, AOH history, or perhaps you want to see more photos of events or past issues of the Chronicles or get an application for membership.

**It's all on our website: www.aohloudoun.org/
and our Facebook Page: <https://facebook.com/aohloudoun.org/>**

Recommended Irish Owned/Themed Businesses

You've asked for and here it is (well maybe you didn't exactly ask for it, but we knew that you needed this information, so here it is). The COL Thomas J. Cunningham Division recommends the following businesses. Many of these businesses have been strong supporters of the Cunningham Division and our activities and charities. Please give them your consideration.

O'Faolain's Irish Pub & Restaurant

Dining & catering for all occasions! *"A real taste of Ireland"*

20921 Devenport Drive

Sterling, VA 20165

Ph: 703-444-9796

Web: www.ofaolains.com

Hunters Run Wine Bar

Wine, tastings & light fare in a lovely country setting
---within an *Irish Cottage!*

40325 Charles Town Pike

Hamilton, VA 20158

Ph: 703 926-4183

Web: www.huntersrunwinebar.com

ShamrockRs

Irish Step Dancers & Music for Party or Event!

Web: www.shamrockrs.com

Capital Celtic

Irish music band performing the best Irish music for weddings, private events and pubs throughout Virginia, Maryland and DC.

571-274-8718

www.capitalceltic.band

Caddie Tours

Ireland Specialists

1105 Ware St. SW

Vienna, VA 2218

Ph: (866)-387-6759

www.caddietoursonline.com

AOH Jackets, Shirts, Sashes and Name Badges

As in most organizations, there is AOH specific attire. If you are new to the Division or if you have just never gotten around to getting one of our great COL Cunningham Division Shirts, or one of those Kelly-Green Sport Coats, this information is for you.

Wearing of the Green (When and what to wear):

For semi-formal/formal occasions, the AOH “uniform” is green sport coat, tri-Color sash, white shirt, Irish theme tie, black trousers and optional ball cap. These occasions include AOH State and National conventions, Masses, **funerals**, AOH dinners, **parades**, and other **public events**. The jackets are also appropriate at all Division meetings and events.

For **informal events** (i.e. Raffle ticket sales, Parish events, Division outings (ball games, picnics, meetings, etc.) the Division logo polo or sweatshirts (optional ball cap) are appropriate. Many brothers have already ordered the division polo and sweat shirts.

Cunningham Division Attire:

Name Badges:

The Division name badges can be order directly from President Cole Slattery at any meeting or by email. President Slattery’s email is on the last page of the edition of the Chronicles. If you are a new member to the Cunningham Division your name is automatically added to the next order of badges.

Name badges should be worn at all Division and AOH events, and when selling raffle tickets. You don’t need to be wearing a Division polo shirt or green jacket to wear a name badge. The badge has your name and identifies you as a member of the Colonel Cunningham Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Green Jacket: Brothers procure their own green jackets and sashes.

One source: http://blazerdepot.com/pages/mens_blazer/augustagreenblazer.html. Visit the website to see what they have, be sure that you know the size you want; then call the 800 number to order. We have been told that if you tell them you’re with the AOH and the \$5.00 small order fee can be waived. Kelly green is the official Color.

AOH Sash: The AOH tri-Color sash represents the national flag of Ireland and should be worn over the right shoulder (green closest to jacket Collar) crossing to the left hip. Tri-Color AOH sashes are available from:

- LAOH Sister Patricia Ankrom. Email Patricia at traceysbydesign@aol.com
- D. & E. Morrissey (954-426-3514) <http://www.hibernians-shamrock.com/donations.html>
(The National Hibernian usually has an ad for D & E Morrissey.)

Division Polo Shirts: We’re sorry to report that the dear lady who had been making our division polo shirts for years, Mrs. Deirdre Noonan at Sew Fabulous Embroidery, passed away recently. Vice President Tim Kinslow took charge of locating a new source for the shirts and the first orders have already arrived. For information on ordering division polo shirts please contact Vice President Kinslow, tpkinslow@yahoo.com, or come to the next general meeting to learn the details for placing an order.

“Faugh A Ballagh”

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The AOH National Website	www.aoh.com

If you are Irish and Catholic and would like to join the Ancient Order of Hibernians, please contact us at: www.aohloudoun.org . Application form is available on the website.

The Cunningham Chronicles

The Cunningham Chronicles is named after our original Division newsletter that was started in 1998. This version of the newsletter is a little bit different than the original in that it is intended to be distributed by email to all the members, friends, and sponsors of the Colonel Cunningham Division. Our hope is to publish the Chronicles every quarter or so. We want to include news of the Division and our members. Please forward information to us if you are taking any trips to Ireland, have any stories of personal Irish history to share, news of family events (births, deaths, marriages, special anniversaries, awards, etc.). We would like to think of our Division and our brothers as a big Irish Catholic family, and we would like to share our family stories and news.

If you have any member news, photos, suggestions, ideas, stories, better jokes, prayer requests, etc., please send them on to Bob Anderson at the Chronicles email address: cunninghamnews1916@gmail.com

Thank you to all our contributors and photographers for this edition of the Chronicles; especially Cole Slattery, Jay McCarthy, and Bob Fay.

**Brothers, In Our Motto,
Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity**



“To be Irish is a Blessing. To be a Hibernian is an Honor”