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AOH is the oldest Irish-Catholic lay organization in America (formed in 1836). It is non-profit with the purpose of promoting Irish culture while fostering and perpetuating the ideals, history and traditions of the Irish people.

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Motto - Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity



Dates to Remember-

Nov. 11 - AOH Meeting - 8PM
Nov. 28 - AOH Memorial Mass
Dec. AOH - Christmas Party at the Ace.

Picture - Pat Miles

Trinity College Dublin

was founded by Queen Elizabeth I in 1592 modelled after the universities of Oxford and Cambridge. It is one of the seven ancient universities of Britain and Ireland, as well as Ireland's oldest surviving university.

Trinity College is widely considered one of Europe's elite universities, in part due to its historical significance. Academically, it is divided into three faculties comprising 23 schools, offering degree and diploma courses at both undergraduate and post-graduate levels. The college is particularly acclaimed in law, literature and humanities.

Trinity College (page 2) was originally established outside the city walls of Dublin in the buildings of the outlawed Catholic Augustinian Priory of All Hallows. Trinity was set up as the university of the Protestant Ascendancy for much of its history. While Catholics were admitted from 1793, certain restrictions on membership of the college remained, as professorships, fellowships and scholarships were reserved for Protestants. An 1873 Act of Parliament lifted these restrictions. While Catholics were not formally banned from attending Trinity at that time, Ireland's Catholic hierarchy discouraged it. Women were first admitted to the -



Above - The Irish Fest Hibernian tent at Garfield Park.

A message from Dan McNelis, Standing Committee and Irish Fest Chair.

"I wanted to give a heartfelt thank you for all of your support during Irish Fest last weekend. The multitude of members and their families that came out to help the Hibernians was nothing short of amazing. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time, money, and love. We could not have done it without all of you. The Irish truly are lucky and blessed."

Memorial Mass

AOH Memorial Mass to honor those members who passed away in the past year will be Nov. 28, 9:30AM, at St. Philip Neri Church.

Wear your sash.

**Next Meeting - Nov. 11th
St. Philip Neri - 8 PM**

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Let Us Pray

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Don Schneider

college as full members in 1904.

The Library of Trinity College (below) contains around 7 million printed volumes and significant quantities of manuscripts, including the Book of Kells, which arrived at the college in 1661 for safekeeping after the Cromwellian raids on religious institutions. The collection housed in the Long Room includes a rare copy of the 1916 Proclamation of the Irish Republic and a 15th-century wooden harp, which is the model for the current emblem of Ireland. The library receives more than 500,000 visitors per year, making it the most important in Ireland.

The university has educated many of Ireland's poets, playwrights and authors, including Oscar Wilde, Jonathan Swift, Bram Stoker, William Trevor, Oliver Goldsmith and William Congreve, Nobel Laureates Samuel Beckett, Ernest Walton, Mairead Maguire and William Cecil Campbell, former Presidents of Ireland Mary McAleese, Douglas Hyde and Mary Robinson, philosophers George Berkeley and Edmund Burke, politician David Norris and mathematician William Rowan Hamilton.

Trinity College was ranked 43rd in the world by the QS World University Rankings in 2009 and currently ranks 101st in the world and 1st in Ireland.



Meeting Notes

- Dan McNelis, AOH Irish Fest Chairman, gave a glowing report on our tent at the Irish Fest at Garfield Park. First, he thanked all who helped make our tent a success. He reported that we were busy from beginning to end.

He felt that Garfield Park worked well as a site for the festival; he also thought that we will be back there again next year.

It was noted that our location wasn't great, but with the lack of vendors, we did very well. We were always busy.

President Tom Branson was equally enthusiastic about the results of our efforts at the Irish Fest. Our members worked hard the entire time, with steady crowds and high demand for our refreshments. Even though the lines were long, the crowds were patient and in good spirits.

It was noted that when we ran out of food and needed to purchase more, it was much easier to resupply in the Garfield Park neighborhood. What extra food was left over at the end of the weekend, was donated to Wheeler Mission.

Tom felt we did our part to keep the Irish Fest going.

Golf Scramble

Mike Tobin gave his final report on the AOH/ Finish Master Golf Scramble on Sept. 18 at Sarah Shank Golf Course. He noted that 52 golfers, with eight from AOH, had a great day. Past-president Bob McCurdy received honors for having the longest drive and the Pat Miles family -

won 50/50, which they donated to Central 9. Mike thanked AOH for purchasing the golf outing monogrammed towels.

- Our AOH Memorial Mass to honor those members who passed away in the past year will be Nov. 28, 9:30AM, at St. Philip Neri Church. Wear your sash.

- The AOH Christmas Pasty will be in December at the Ace. The date has not been determined.

- President Branson is eagerly anticipating our St. Patrick's Celebration on March 13th, 2022, the Sunday before St. Patrick's Day. Since we haven't had this event in two years, he suggests that we all start thinking about how to make it a grand celebration.

One early suggestion by Dave Certo was to invite the Chicago based Counsel General of Ireland, Kevin Byrne, to join us on that day.

- Please contact Joe Cahill (joekhill@gmail.com, 317-257-3716) if you're interested in an AOH sash. Five have already been purchased. Ten have been ordered to be made for AOH..

In the heart of Trinity College Library is the magnificent Book of Kells exhibit. The book is an illuminated manuscript of the four gospels—probably the most lavish and accomplished illuminated manuscript in the world. The exhibit also has illustrated panels that describe all the elements that went into medieval bookmaking, the making of ink, the making of vellum, elaborate symbols used, the monastic life, etc.



LAOH president Debbie Nicholas, accepting on behalf of Joan Gutzwiller, plus John Hegarty (AOH) and Dan McNelis (AOH), were honored for their Irish Fest contributions.



Above is St. Stephen's Green, in central Dublin, a 27-acre city park that offers a green and peaceful respite from the hustle and bustle of city life. In the park is a lake separated in two by a walking bridge (Above). Here you'll find a large population of ducks and other waterfowl – a population so important that when the park was occupied by rebels during the Easter Rising in 1916, the fighting was paused so the caretaker could come out and feed the ducks.



We had many hard workers at this year's Irish Fest. Three among many were Fr. Joe Moriarty, Dan McNelis, (Irish Fest Chairman) and Chris Meehan

First nominations for 2022 Officers were held at the Oct. meeting.

President –
Vice President – Dan McNelis
Financial Secretary – Joe Cahill
Treasurer – Chuck McGinley
Recording Secretary - Victor Doucleff
Sentinel –
Standing Committee Chair –
Marshal – Dave Certo

At the Nov. meeting we will have our second nominations and elections.

Members are invited to consider serving as an officer for 2022. This is a great way to meet more Hibernians and advance the mission of our division. For more information, please contact Tom Branson at tombransonjr@gmail.com.