

Contact our Membership Chair today!

Membership Requirements

1. Practicing Roman Catholic woman, 18 years of age or older (those between 6-18 are eligible to be members of a Junior Division) AND
2. Irish by birth, descent, or adoption; OR The mother of a Junior Hibernian OR The wife or mother of an AOH member



Anne Arundel Co.	Division 1, Annapolis
Baltimore City	Division 1
Baltimore Co.	Division 1, Catonsville Division 4 Division 14
Carroll Co.	Division 1
Cecil Co.	Division 1
Harford Co.	Division 1 Division 2
Howard Co.	Division 1, Columbia
Worcester Co.	Division 1, Ocean City

If there isn't an adult division or junior division in your area, a new division can be formed with as few as fifteen (15) women. Reach out to friends, relatives, and colleagues. Invite them to join the LAOH too!

Maryland Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc.



*A Sisterhood of Irish-American
Catholic Women*

COME JOIN US!



Email or call about membership today!

Maryland LAOH State Board

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Or

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The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians was organized in Omaha, Nebraska in 1894 as the Daughters of Erin. The Order pledged itself to God and

country. The primary purpose of the Ladies was to protect young immigrant Irish girls coming to the United States, to assist them in securing employment, to give them the opportunity to be with girls of similar circumstances, and to keep them from becoming homesick and discouraged.

LAOH is organized at the national level and active throughout many states. In Maryland, there are eleven adult divisions and one junior division. Under the guidance of our Patroness, Saint Brigid, our work focuses on the promotion of the ideals of our motto, “Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity”. We are Roman Catholic women of all ages dedicated to “making a difference” in the world through Catholic Action projects and charitable donations. At the same time, we work to foster our Irish heritage and traditions throughout our state and local communities. We enjoy great friendships and many social activities. Members work to strengthen our communities, our country, and our faith in the Roman Catholic Church. We invite you to join our organization and work with us to accomplish our goal of helping others in need and extend our Irish history and culture.

Why Join LAOH?

- ◇ Over 9,000 members in 30 states nationwide and over 270 members in Maryland.
- ◇ We are involved in over one hundred different service projects within our communities.
- ◇ Catholic Action events support charities like Pennies for the Poor and Project St. Patrick
- ◇ Liturgies are held annually in honor of our Blessed Mother and our Patroness, St. Brigid, and Our Lady of Knock.



- ◇ Considerable monetary donations to our national charities, the Columban Fathers and the Columban Sisters.
- ◇ Events foster aid for our designated Maryland LAOH State Board non-profits.
- ◇ Division-level events and fundraisers provide support for many global, national, and local charities.
- ◇ The Sarah E. Murphy Educational Assistance Program awards \$1500 annually. Assistance is available to family members of any active Maryland LAOH member.
- ◇ Assisted with funding a Social Justice trip to the Columban Center in Mexico.



What's the Craic?

(craic – Irish term for entertainment, enjoyable conversation, and good times)

Realizing the importance of having fun and nurturing our friendships, Maryland LAOH offers a variety of social activities and events including:

- ◇ St Patrick's Day parades and fundraisers



- ◇ Luncheons, teas, and basket raffles
- ◇ Missions and Charities Bingo
- ◇ Maryland Irish Festival
- ◇ Christmas Brunch and Nollaig nam Bam



LAOH Juniors

- ◇ Irish Catholic women ages 6 to 18.
- ◇ Foster Irish heritage through social and Catholic Action projects.
- ◇ Juniors march and bear flags at St. Patrick's Day parades and other special occasions.