

Rev. James T. O'Reilly OSA Division Eight Ancient Order of Hibernians Lawrence, Massachusetts

"154 Years of Dedication to Religion, Heritage, Charity and Community"

## Irish Heritage Month March 2025 Lawrence, Massachusetts Preserving and Fostering our Heritage and Culture

Saturday, March 1, 2025 – 154th SAINT PATRICK'S DAY BANQUET AND DANCE at the Lawrence Lodge of Elks, 652 Andover Street, Lawrence, MA. Traditional Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner by Simply Elegant Catering with dancing to *the Silver Spears Irish Show Band* from 6 pm – 11 pm – Awarding of the Richard Cardinal Cushing, Irishman & Irishwoman of the Year Awards. For more information contact Jeff Sullivan by email at <u>idsullivan1@comcast.net</u> or you may text or call him @ 603 479 5395. Sponsored by Division 8 AOH – Handicap Accessible

*Sunday, March 2, 2025* - ANNUAL Wild Rover 4 MILE Classic ROAD RACE - 11 am, at the Lawrence Lodge of Elks 652 Andover Street, Lawrence, MA (rain or shine) – This event is being set up by the Wild Rover Series.

Sunday, March 2, 2025 - OPENING RECEPTION and EXHIBIT "The Rev. James T. O'Reilly and his Contributions to Lawrence and Beyond" – WHITE FUND LECTURE - with the Rev Patrick Armano, who will speak on the life of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly OSA and his contributions to Greater Lawrence - at Lawrence Heritage State Park Visitors Center, 1 Jackson St, Lawrence, MA @ 2 pm Sponsored by Division 8 AOH (FREE) – Handicap Accessible

Monday, March 3, 2025 - IRISH FLAG RAISING Across from City Hall – Common St. @11 a.m.

Sunday, March 9,2025 – WHITE FUND LECTURE – by Professor Richard Padova, M. ED, M.A on "A Geographical Look at Ireland" at Lawrence Heritage State Park Visitors Center, 1 Jackson St., Lawrence, MA @ 2 pm. (FREE) - Handicap Accessible

*Wednesday, March 12, 2025* - AOH NATIONAL HUNGER MONTH FOOD DRIVE: Please consider donating canned goods and non-perishable food items. All food items received will be donated to a local food pantry. TIME: **6 pm – 7:00 pm** at the Lawrence Lodge of Elks, 652 Andover Street, Lawrence MA. Sponsored by Division 8 AOH – Handicap Accessible

*Friday, March 14, 2025* – 54th ANNUAL SAINT PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON at the Lawrence Lodge of Elks, 652 Andover Street, Lawrence, MA Traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner

by Simply Elegant Catering with entertainment by the Silver Spears Irish Show Band at NOON. Awarding the Honorable John E. Fenton Citizenship Award - For more information contact Jack Lahey at 603 560 8192. Sponsored by Division 8 AOH – Handicap Accessible

Sunday, March 16,2025 – WHITE FUND LECTURE – with Maine Author, – Michael Connolly, who will discuss his book, "Ever the Twain Shall Meet"- at Lawrence Heritage State Park Visitors Center, 1 Jackson Street, Lawrence, MA @ 2 pm Sponsored by Division 8 AOH (FREE) -Handicap Accessible

*Monday March 17, 2025 – HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY!* – Enjoy this grand day with family and friends listening to Irish Music, stories, and laughter at home with family and friends or at your favorite restaurant!

*Saturday, March 22, 2025* - IRISH FILM FESTIVAL at Lawrence Heritage State Park Visitors Center, 1 Jackson St, Lawrence MA @ 10 am. Sponsored by Division 8 AOH (FREE) – Handicap Accessible

Sunday, March 23, 2025 - JOIN PIANIST TERRI KELLEY AND VOCALIST BILL DONELAN FOR AN ALL-NEW PROGRAM OF CELTIC MELODIES - FROM ANCIENT GAELIC AIRES TO CURRENT SONGS - at the Lawrence Public Library, Sargent Auditorium, 51 Lawrence St., Lawrence, MA @ 2 pm Presented by Division 8 (FREE) – Handicap Accessible

Sunday, March 30, 2025 - EXHIBIT CLOSES " The Rev. James T. O'Reilly and his Contributions to Lawrence and Beyond" at Lawrence Heritage State Park Visitors Center, 1 Jackson St, Lawrence (FREE) – Handicap Accessible

**The Rev. James T. O'Reilly OSA Division Eight AOH** was founded on November 5, 1871. The Division yearly hosts numerous social events and activities, and has scholarship opportunities for members, the children and grandchildren of members on the high school and college level, including a scholarship for study in Ireland. Division 8 meets at the Lawrence Lodge of Elks, 652 Andover Street, Lawrence, MA, on the second Wednesday of the month. **For information on AOH Membership please write to: Division 8 AOH Organizer, PO Box 1407, Lawrence, MA** 

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