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Brothers,

We ended April with the annual **Hibernian of the Year** dinner. The event was well attended as we honored **Rick O'Neill** as the **2022 HOTY**. Special thanks go to **Bill Barrett, T.R. McGrath** and **Steve Waluk** in making this another great night at our hall. Once again, congratulations Rick.

Tickets for the **145th Raffle** are available at the hall. Your \$100 donation gives you a one in seventy five chance of winning the following prizes:

- 1st Prize: \$5,000
- 2nd Prize: \$2,500
- 3rd Prize: \$1,000
- 4th Prize: \$500

A maximum of 300 tickets will be sold. A reception is planned for **June 24th** for those who purchased tickets. The drawing will be held at 7:00 the night of the gathering. You do not have to be present to win.

The deadline for **AOH scholarship** requests is **May 31st**. Applications are for those who are entering their first year of college or trade school. Applications are available on on the division website. Questions should be directed to **David Kerins** - dpksen@aol.com.

We will be hosting a **Kentucky Derby party** on **Saturday, May 7th**. Festivities begin at 4:00 pm with race post time at 6:46. Mint Juleps, Kentucky Hot Browns and other food will be served. There will also be raffles, contests, and games.

The second annual **Gary Loftus Golf Tournament** to benefit **Hibernian Charities** will take place on **Monday, June 13th** at Wanumetonomy Golf and Country Club. Information can be found on our website or by contacting **Bill Cardinal** - wcardinal@cox.net. Cost is \$130 per golfer with 8 am and 1 pm shotguns. Time slots are filling up quickly. If you are unable to play, donations and Tee Sponsors are always welcomed.

Tim Whitford and **Peter Hayes** have been busy cleaning and completing projects inside and out at the hall. Thanks to both of them for their continued efforts in maintaining our facility.

The **AOH National Board** has reached out to all divisions to announce the annual **St. Patrick Vocation Easter Appeal**. All scholarship monies raised will support seminarians and religious vocations in local Hibernian Dioceses. This year our division will donate two \$500 scholarships in memory of **Steve Lepley** and **M. Chad Donnelly**.

The **AOH Pipes and Drums** are looking for individuals who would like to join the band. Those interested should contact any band member or visit our website.

With the weather improving and the hall becomes more active let's all remember that dogs are not allowed inside the building. If you visit the hall please respect and follow these guidelines.

Our next monthly meeting is tonight, **Friday, May 6th**.

Please bring a non-perishable food item when attending to help support local food banks.

Remember to keep all our deceased brothers and their families as well as all suffering from illness in your prayers.

In Unity,

Kevin