# MISSOURI AOH & LAOH 2011 STATE CONVENTION CALL TO CONVENTION

The 2011 Missouri AOH and LAOH State Convention will be held April 1 and 2, 2011. The city of St Peters will be the location of the AOH/LAOH State Convention. The host committee has been working hard to provide delegates and guests to this year's convention to make this convention a memorable event. St. Peters, Missouri, population 58,000 (approx.), is a growing community situated perfectly in one of the state's fastest-growing counties, St. Charles County, just northwest of St. Louis County. St. Peters is less than 30 miles from downtown St. Louis.

When you visit the beautiful Saint Charles region, you'll find surprises at every street corner, down each country road and off its major highways. Saint Charles is known for its historic architecture, specialty stores and antiques, lovely parks, and various sports and recreation complexes. At night, enjoy its restaurants such as McGuirk's Public House or Llewellyn's Pub on Main Street just to name a few, the cinema, performances at local dinner theatres, a riverfront stroll or gambling at the Ameristar Casino. Or travel a short distance to the rolling hills of wine country, the Missouri Weinstrasse, where you'll discover tranquil towns, an array of award-winning wines, special banquet menus, vineyard and cellar tours, and lodging and meeting places. On Saturday afternoon time permitting you can catch an exciting game of hurling from our St Louis Gaelic Association.

All 2011 convention activities will occur at the Garden Plaza Hotel at 4341 Veterans Memorial Parkway. The convention room rate of \$62.00 (plus tax) per night is **ONLY GUARANTEED UNTIL March 1, 2011**. Please call 636-928-1500 or toll free 800-767-3837 as quickly as possible and ask for the Missouri AOH/LAOH rate.

The convention package which includes the icebreaker night and banquet is \$70.00 each and can be purchased prior to the convention by submitting the completed registration form included in this packet by March 1 to MOAOH/LAOH State Convention, 1017 Commodore Ave., St Louis MO 63117-1512 or by contacting Loretta Sheerin at 314-645-8646 or by email at <a href="mailto:jassheerin@sbcglobal.net">jassheerin@sbcglobal.net</a>. Advance ticket purchase is required.

# **ICEBREAKER NIGHT**

Convention weekend begins Friday evening April 1st at the Garden Plaza Hotel with the hospitality room opening at 6 PM featuring Mike Brassil and Tommy McEvoy with beer, wine, soda and snacks.

# **SATURDAY MEETING & REGISTRATION**

The 2011 convention opens on Saturday April 2nd with registration beginning at 8:00 AM and meetings beginning at 9:00 AM for both the AOH and LAOH delegates. St Louis will be hosting the 2014 AOH/LAOH National Convention. Some of the convention time will be used to make plans for this historic event since all the divisions from around the state will be together.

# **CONVENTION MASS**

The Convention Mass will be celebrated at 4 PM at the Hotel. Members are asked to meet NO LATER than 3:40 PM so we can be piped into mass as a group. The new AOH State Officers will be installed at this Mass. New LAOH State Officers are installed at meeting.

## **CONVENTION BANQUET**

Following mass, the convention banquet will be at the hotel with a cocktail hour (beer, wine and soda) beginning at 6:00 PM followed by dinner at 7:00 PM. The banquet will feature a sit down dinner that will include an appetizer, salad, beef, chicken, roasted potatoes, vegetable, coffee, tea and desert. Following dinner, entertainment will be provided by The Irish Xiles, a family band from Dublin, Ireland, now located in St. Louis, Missouri. The band plays Irish ballads with high energy and driving beats. They fully believe in putting on a great show

IN ORDER TO PROVIDE AOH & LAOH MEMBERS FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND CONVENTION SOCIAL EVENTS, CONVENTION PACKAGE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS EXCLUSSIVELY UNTIL FEBUARY 15, 2011 AT WHICH TIME TICKETS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC ON A FIRST PURCHASE BASIS.

The men and women of the St Charles & St Louis Hibernians are once again honored to be acting as your convention hosts and are sure you will enjoy the weekend planned for our guests. We look forward to seeing you all at this year's state convention.