

LADIES ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
2009 – 2011

DEAR SISTERS,

AT THE NJ LAOH STATE CONVENTION OF JUNE 2009, I HAD THE DISTINCT HONOR OF BEING ELECTED TO A THIRD TERM AS THE STATE PRESIDENT.

FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO MAY NOT KNOW, MY NAME IS JO ANNE GOODMAN, AND I AM A MEMBER OF THE ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON DIVISION # 4 IN ELIZABETH.

I AM FORTUNATE TO HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ATTEND MANY LAOH FUNCTIONS DURING MY TERMS . SUCH AS NATIONAL CONVENTIONS, NATIONAL INTERIM BOARD MEETINGS, AND SPECIAL MASSES THROUGHOUT OUR STATE. I FEEL THAT I HAVE LEARNED MUCH FROM ALL THESE SOURCES..

WE WERE PRIVILEGED TO HAVE OUR NATIONAL PRESIDENT, MARY RYAN, ATTEND OUR CONVENTION THIS YEAR, ALONG WITH SHEILA LYNCH, NATIONAL 500 CLUB CHAIR AND JOAN O'BRIEN, NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE CHAIR. THE OFFICERS WERE INSTALLED BY OUR PRESIDENT WITH THE HELP OF OUR OTHER NATIONAL SISTERS AT THE CLOSING MASS.

A SPECIAL THANKYOU TO OUR STATE CHAPLAIN, FR. CAHILL FOR CELEBRATING OUR OPENING AND CLOSING MASSES AT OUR CONVENTION AND FOR CHOOSING THE PERFECT PERSON TO RECEIVE THE HUMANITARIAN AWARD.

THIS WAS OUR SECOND CONVENTION ON OUR OWN AND I PERSONALLY WANT TO THANK ALL THOSE ATTENDING FOR THEIR HELP AND SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE PROCEEDINGS. I BELIEVE WE COMPLETED ALL THAT WE HOPED FOR AND HAD A VERY SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION.

I WILL WORK TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY FOR OUR ORDER WITH THE HELP OF MY BOARD.

THE OFFICERS WILL BE SENDING LETTERS OF INTRODUCTION TO THEIR DIVISION COUNTERPARTS SO YOU WILL KNOW WHO TO NOTIFY WITH ANY QUESTIONS. PLEASE KNOW THAT YOUR STATE BOARD IS AVAILABLE, SO DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US WITH ANY PROBLEMS.

I WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY AND SAFE SUMMER.

YOURS IN FRIENDSHIP, UNITY, AND CHRISTIAN CHARITY.

JO ANNE GOODMAN
NJ LAOH STATE PRESIDENT