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Dear Sisters,

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all for your support and my appreciation in your confidence to be your new Irish Historian. I look forward to working with all of you the next 2 years!

The theme for the Irish History writing contest is "Expressing Irish History through Music". All of the information is on the website at www.ladiesaoh.com. If you click on officers then click on Irish Historian and you will find the Writing Contest Information, rules, judging criteria and history brochure. I have also attached them to this letter.

The Timelines for the 2017-2018 National History Writing Contest are as follows:

September 1, 2017 - National Historian to State Historians

September 15, 2017 State Historian to County Board and Division Historians

October 2nd - November 15th -Schools receive packages and students begin writing papers.

November 15, 2017 -Essays (4 copies of each) are to be submitted to Division Historians.

December 15, 2017- 7 winning essays (4 copies of each) submitted to County Board Historian.

January 15, 2018- 7 winning essays (4 copies of each) submitted to State Board Historian.

February 15, 2018 - 7 winning Essays (4 copies of each) per State are submitted to National Board Historian for judging. March 31, 2018-National Board Awards Announced.

These are firm dates so please be sure your historians are aware of them. I will be reaching out to you via email to the Irish Historians but if you would kindly forward this onto your members to start promoting it now would be great as school and the contest open in September.

I have been asked by President Clute to create a "new member handbook" that will explain the workings of our order, meaning of the sign of courtesy, wearing of the sashes, etc. I do ask if any of you have already created some type of documents for new members that you would forward it to me so I can review it. This is certainly something we need as we continue to grow in our organization as we want our members to understand the rules, regulations, and protocols and the meaning behind our motto of Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity. My many years as a HR officer will certainly come in handy but as often is the case the best ideas come from all of you. I will be working with Teresa Kearns on the creation of this and will keep you updated on its progress. Please feel free to contact me with any suggestions you may have regarding this project.

I also will be continuing as the Hudson Valley Organizer so please remember I am available for you to attend county/division meetings or if someone is looking to start a new division, I am here to help. I have enjoyed meeting all of you and your members and look forward to meeting more of you and working together to increase our membership. I can be reached at tmmeyer4@gmail.com and my cell is 914-443-0362 you can call or text me.

Yours in our Motto,

Terry

Terry Meyer

Wishing you always...

Walls for the wind,

A roof for the rain

And tea beside the fire.

Laughter to cheer you,

Those you love near you,

And all that your heart may desire