

To the LAOH State Board and County Presidents:

The deadlines for the AOH/LAOH State Convention registrations, rooms and journal ads are fast approaching. Please share this information with your members as soon as possible.

**Deadlines:**

Journal ads-must be received by this Sunday June 20

Hotel reservations must be made by Tuesday June 21 in order to get the convention group rate

**Registrations and dinners must be received by Tuesday June 29**. Please send in your registrations/packages/a la carte by this weekend if at all possible for those of you who have not done so yet.

The convention website is: [nys2021syr.com](http://nys2021syr.com). You can download registration and journal ad forms from the website.

**For registrations** – if paying by check please download a registration form and send it in with your check to the address on the form as soon as possible. This helps significantly in the processing of registrations. Paying with PayPal should be used for other payment options. Please register one person per registration sheet.

Remember that all participants only pay a one-time \$20 registration fee. If someone is not purchasing a package but is going to 2 events, for example the Icebreaker and Friday dinner, you still only pay \$20 – not \$40 for registration.

In regards to Covid, the Marriott has assured me that everything is open back up. Vaccinated people are not required to wear masks. As it stands now, you will not be asked to show your vaccination card but you may want to bring it with you in case something changes within the next several weeks. It is also recommended by the hotel that unvaccinated people wear masks.

You will see on the attached schedule that the Opening mass on Wednesday, July 7, has been changed to 4 pm (per the Cathedral).

On Wednesday morning, July 7, our St. Brigid's Charity Project will take place in the Canadice Room at the Marriott from 9-11 am. We will be making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for the local Syracuse Rescue Mission. State Missions & Charities Chair, Cathie Doherty and our Syracuse Missions & Charities Chair, Margie Miller, are arranging this event. Please consider donating some of your time to this worthwhile cause.

The local Syracuse division will hold a Casino Night in the Persian Terrace on Thursday evening July 8. Admission is \$25 for registered guests and will include food, cash bar, raffles and entertainment and games of chance and a cash bar. Payment will be taken at the door that evening.

Please park in the Marriott garage located at 100 Harrison Place. Marriott signs are displayed on its windows. The garage with the walkway connected to the hotel is not affiliated with the Marriott. Valet parking is also available on E. Onondaga St. at the main entrance of the Marriott.

Don't forget your county baskets and dues cards.

I have attached information on the LAOH schedules and meeting rooms as a guide for you.

I look forward to seeing you in Syracuse. Have a safe trip.

Yours in our Motto,

Anne Marie Ferguson

LAOH NYS 2021 Convention Liaison