John J. Manning

John J. Manning is a proud Hibernian with more than twenty five years of membership that started at the "Home of the Baile Na Ngael" with AOH Division 19, Kings County. John later transferred to AOH Division 21 in Rockaway Beach/Breezy Point where he was elected and served in numerous Division Offices and leadership positions. John currently serves as the New York State AOH Treasurer and AOH Queens County President. As a dedicated Hibernian, John has volunteered in many charitable and community efforts that include eight years with the "Great Irish Fair".

More recently, John founded a committee and worked tirelessly to revive the Annual Rockaway Beach/Breezy Point Irish Festival after a 17 year absence. John's leadership, along with the help of AOH Division 21 Brothers, has produced four very successful festivals that have become the pride of the community. In addition to preserving and promoting Irish culture at the festivals, John's committee has raised \$125,000 to benefit the Catholic Parishes of Rockaway Beach and Breezy Point, and many other community charitable organizations that are still recovering from the devastation from Hurricane Sandy.

Professionally, John currently serves as Special Events Coordinator for the New York City Fire Department (FDNY). In this role, John is responsible for planning and managing all FDNY ceremonial events from start to finish. These events include coordinating VIPs, invited guests and speakers as well as developing programs, communicating with external departments and maintaining event budgets. John began his FDNY service in 1996 as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT).

A family man, John and his lovely wife, Donna Manning, live in Breezy Point, NY and are proud parishioners of St. Thomas Moore Church.

John is the oldest of four children of John A. Manning and Kathleen Manning (nee Morrow). John and his siblings (Coleen Lyons, Kevin Manning, and Kelly Lynch) grew up in Old Mill Basin, Brooklyn. John's grandparents hail from Counties Longford, Clare, and Mayo.