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Upcoming Events

AOH 61 Monthly Meeting November 1st 8:00 PM
Mary Kay fundraiser November 17
Mayfair-Holmesburg Thanksgiving Parade/Soup & Chili November 24th 1:00 PM
Thanksgiving Food Baskets Nov 25th 6:00 PM
Kathi McKenna Memorial Pegasus Riding Academy Fundraiser December 1st
Phila AOH County Board Meeting December 5th @ Div. 39 7:00 PM
AOH 61 Monthly Meeting December 6th 8:00 PM
Christmas is for Giving Party December 14th

DIVISION 61 CLUB HOURS

Sunday Noon-10PM
Monday Noon-Midnight
Tuesday Noon-Midnight
Wednesday Noon-Midnight
Thursday Noon-Midnight
Friday Noon- 2AM
Saturday Noon-2AM

**“There are no strangers here;
only friends you haven’t met.”**
W.B Yeats

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AOH DIVISION 61

President's Letter

Brothers

Each year on the Monday before Thanksgiving (November 25th) we provide and distribute Thanksgiving food baskets in conjunction with Visitation Parish. Many of our members generously donate baskets each year, we also accept donations and “pass the hat” during the November meeting to help fund this effort. Any surplus funds are donated to Visitation Parish.

As part of Division 61's Christmas Party (Scheduled for December 14th) we ask all children to “give” Santa an unwrapped toy. These toys, along with food baskets are distributed to those in need in our community. Volunteers will be needed to pack and distribute toys and food on December 15th, this is a great opportunity for anyone required to perform community service to pick up a few hours.

This year we will also hold a Mary Kay Christmas Is For Giving Fundraiser – Sunday, November 17th from 1 to 4 p.m. All of the profits from sales at this event will go towards this year's Christmas is For Giving program. There is more detailed information in the newsletter.

Hopefully, we will see each other at the next meeting on November 1st , as always; I may be reached at 215-920-0910 or jackfgill@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.

Yours in our motto,

Christmas Is For Giving Fundraiser – Sunday, November 17th

My better half, Diane Leonard, will be holding a skin care makeover party and holiday open house at Division 61's home on Sunday, November 17th from 1 to 4 p.m. All of the profits from sales at this event will go towards this year's Christmas is For Giving program. Between 1:00 and 2:30 Diane will be upstairs demonstrating the skin care products and offering tips on their use. Diane will need RSVP's by the 16th for the makeover portion. After the makeovers are completed, orders will be taken. From 2:30 to 4 will be the holiday open house where orders can be placed for the holiday display items. An assortment of gift packages ranging from \$10 to \$75 are available, or you can customize your own product combination. Cash, credit cards or personal check are accepted or payment.

Diane will be on hand to take orders and answer any questions about the products. Please spread the word to your wives, girlfriends and daughters to come to this event and support a worthy cause.

To RSVP for the makeover, or answer any questions, please contact Diane at 609-458-2930 or dvleonard@comcast.net.

Thank you,
Jim Leonard

Mayfair-Holmesburg Thanksgiving Day Parade and Soup and Chili Cook-Off

Come bring the family and join us for the Mayfair-Holmesburg Thanksgiving Day Parade on Sunday, November 18th beginning at 1:00 at Rhawn and Frankford Avenue.

CALLING ALL CHEFS!

We are looking for entries of your favorite soup, stew or chili. Please bring your entry (or entries) to the club (preferably

Kathi McKenna Memorial Fundraiser for the Pegasus Therapeutic Riding Academy.

Sunday, December 1st from 2:00-6:00 p.m. AOH/LAOH Division 61 will host the 6th annual Kathi McKenna Memorial Fundraiser for the Pegasus Therapeutic Riding Academy. As many of you know, our late LAOH sister and friend, Kathi McKenna, started this scholarship benefit in 2006. When Kathi approached several members of our division about hosting a benefit for a scholarship, we gladly accepted the challenge. This is our 7th year hosting this benefit. As a brief background, Pegasus was incorporated in 1982 with the purpose of providing disabled individuals with therapeutic activity and exercise in various forms, while concentrating on ability rather than disability. It is the only fully certified medically approved riding therapy program in the City of Philadelphia. Cost \$20 Contact Patti Vogler at 215 -338-1607 or Pat McKenna at 267-593-8164 for more information. Come and have fun with us as we support a great program for children and adults with disabilities.

AOH 61 now has Wi-Fi at the bar. So feel free to bring your smart phone or tablet and connect to the Wi-Fi while you enjoy time out with some friends and get some work or internet browsing done. See you at the division.

The Steward's message:

Gentlemen,

The fall is here and with it the holidays are soon to follow. We still have the Flyers special so stop in to root as the Fly boys make a run for Sir Stanley's Cup. Plus come to the club on November 24th for the Holmesburg/Mayfair Thanksgiving Parade and our Soup/Chili cook-off. See you at the Division.

Michael Kinney

November Irish Music

November brings for our Monthly Irish music. **Every month on the fourth Wednesday @ 7 pm,** the

Division will be presenting the best in local Irish Music in our bar area.



Welcome

On behalf of AOH Division 61, we extend a warm welcome to the newest member of our family:

No New Members

We hope you enjoy everything this organization has to offer and that you continue to live in *Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity.*

DUES

2013 dues are now past due! Dues are now \$55 and may be paid at meetings, dropped off to the club in an envelope with your name and the amount or mailed to AOH Division 61 4131 Rhawn Street, Philadelphia, PA 19136.

As the leaves begin to change colors means we have reached the quarter pole of the NFL season and the start of the hockey season. For any Eagles and Flyers game here are the following drink specials:

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Division 61 Newsletter, Website & Facebook

Division 61 now has three ways to communicate with our members:

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the Division Website www.aoh61.com and
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Members may submit information to
Sean Campbell at soupy07@comcast.net for the
newsletter,
Mike Ferris at ferrism@comcast.net for the
website and
Mike Kinney @ mrnemosmith@gmail.com
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The 4th Annual Notre Catholic vs Frankford Turkey Bowl

The 4th Annual Notre Catholic vs Frankford Turkey Bowl is Thanksgiving morning, November 28th 9:00 AM at Deni Playground. First come first serve for t-shirts. \$20 for t-shirt, hot dogs, soda & beer. Please contact Jay Hull for more information or to sign up.

Thanksgiving Food Baskets

On Monday November 25th we will once again be distributing Thanksgiving Food Baskets in the Visitation neighborhood. We will be taking a collection up at the November meeting or you can donate a basket if you wish. We will meet at 5:30 at Division 61 and car pool down or you can meet at 6:00 PM at St. Anne's Convent (Cedar & Tucker). Any questions please contact Jay Costello at (215)-435-1346

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