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UPCOMING EVENTS

4/10/13 April Meeting
7:30pm @ the club

4/28/13 Chinese Auction
1pm-4pm @ the club

5/8/13 May Meeting
7:30pm @ the club

President’s Address

Happy Spring Ladies!

Just a note to thank all of you who supported AOH/LAOH Division 61 through the month of March. As you know, March is one of our busiest months. We rolled Irish Potatoes, attended the St. Patrick’s Day Parade and enjoyed parties! I hope that everyone enjoyed the recent festivities! In the next few months we will again be asking for your time, help and/or support at our various upcoming fundraisers. Our Chinese Auction event is on April 28th. We have 70+ members and everyone’s help is appreciated. We hope more of our members will get involved in the various fundraisers that are held throughout the year. It’s a great way to make new friends and enjoy some girl time! If you have any questions or concerns that one of the board members or me can assist you with, please do not hesitate to call. I think we all feel the same that it’s an honor and very humbling to be able to assist those who need our help and are less fortunate than we.

Have a wonderful spring

Becky Puchalski

LAOH Pres. Div.61

Thank You!!

Just a note of thanks to all of our members who came out to roll and sell our Irish potatoes. I would also like to thank Jim Addison, Steve Newton, Michael Puchalski , Rob Griffis, Billy Byrne and a huge.... huge thank you to Tommy Byrne for his strength , energy and time ! We wouldn’t have functioned as smoothly without you all!

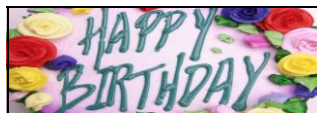
Thanks Again

Becky

Scholarship New

From Marie Pierce:

I will be taking nominations for the Maureen T. Lavin Scholarship. More info to follow at the meeting.



April Birthdays:

Megan Byrne 4/8
 Kathy Miller 4/10
 Maureen Agger 4/22
 Kelly Flite 4/30

Happy Birthday to you all!

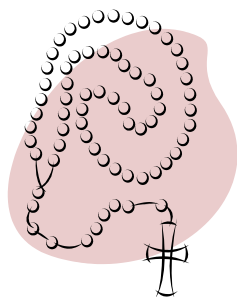
Membership Information Changes

From Chrissy Schoettle:

Please let me know of any changes in your address, phone number or email so that we can keep accurate membership records. You can email me the changes @ christineschoettle@comcast.net



We now have a Facebook page, LAOH Division 61. Make sure to find us and "Like" the page so you can keep current with what is going on and also feel free to share your LAOH information here as well. Thanks to Rosemarie Fowler for setting it up!



Membership News



From Financial Secretary Ellen McCrane:

Ladies: we are doing well with members paying their dues! Remember, dues are due! You may either mail to me @1004 Woodbourne Drive, Southampton, PA 18966 or see me at April's meeting which is being held on 4/10/2013 at the club @7:30 p.m.

We are close to 60% paid up. Remember, if you are a Senior Citizen (over 65 years old) your dues are \$20. If you are not a Senior Citizen, your dues are \$25. I would really like to get all dues paid before the summer.

Please make an effort to pay your dues! I hope everyone had a great St. Patrick's Day celebration and had a nice Easter!

Ellen McCrane
 Division #61 Financial Secretary



Missions and Charities



From Barbara Sperandio:

Please see me at any monthly meeting for Mass Cards. I have a supply of them that you may take for a future use. If you take a card, please take the green paper to fill out and return it to me with \$5.00 cash or check made payable to LAOH Division 61 at our monthly meeting. If you need a card, please call me at (215) 370-5401. If you would like to mail me the payment and green form, please do so to: 314 Mayfield Ave., Elkins Park PA 19027



Special Intentions



Ladies, I did not have the Special Intentions from the March meeting when doing the newsletter, I will be sure to add them next month. I've received a few over the month so I have added those. Please say an extra prayer for those in need!

Thanks,
 Mary Sickel

Jenn Lynch
 Lynch Family
 Lori D'Emilio
 Harkanson Kids
 Timmy Sickel
 Jojo Giorgi
 Mike McCrane

An Irish Blessing

May the road rise to meet you.
 May the wind be always at your back.
 May the sunshine warm upon your face.
 May the rains fall upon your fields and until we meet again,
 May God hold you in the hollow of His hand.





Irish Potatoes


From Margie Byrne:

Thanks to Becky and Cathy for going to Girard College to make the mix. It's about a five hour project done on the Sunday morning before we start rolling. They also had the help of some strong man. The rolling was completed and the hall cleaned by Wednesday night around 9:00. But the panic was on Wednesday and told Becky that nobody was allowed to leave until all the mix was rolled.

In the end, we packaged 950 boxes at 20 Irish potatoes per box for a total of 19,000 balls. It was a little short compared to last year. All the boxes were sold by Monday, March 1st. I am still getting requests for additional boxes. Everybody that I have spoken to says these are the best Irish Potatoes they have tasted. Thanks to Becky & Cathy's secret recipe.

Thanks, again to everyone who participated in the project. We could always use a few extra hands. And I would hope that all our ladies would at least volunteer for two hours on one day.



St. Patrick's Day Chances


From Margie Byrne:

I do not have the final count on the total tickets sold as I am stilling receiving envelopes in the mail. There were over 600 tickets sold. I mailed 47 set of ten tickets to members who did not pick up tickets at either the January or February meeting. I received 28 envelopes returned in the mail. It might cost the division to mail out the tickets to members but the return is more than worth the cost.

Thanks to Jenna for the wine and luxury baskets that she put together. Since we did not have any donations for the Champagne Basket, we did two wine baskets.

The winners were:

Luxury Basket – Chris Earley
(Member)

Wine Basket – Jim Sullivan (Diane
Grill-Sullivan's husband)

Wine Basket – Tom Munley (Sold by
Megan Byrne)

The tickets were picked by Chrissy
Schoettle's son, Shane.




Chinese Auction


From Jane Kelly:

Hello Ladies of Division 61,
Our division will be having a Chinese Auction to raise money. I will be sending out over 75 letters to different businesses and entertainment venues asking for donations. I am asking all of you to please go into your local businesses (your nail and hair salons, pizza places, restaurants you frequent, even bars that serve food). There will be a donation letter attachment to the newsletter, please feel free to print out and make copies or I will have extra's at our meeting. In the past our Fashion Shows and Bingo's have had very successful Chinese Auctions, raising great amounts of money, all from donations which is 100% profit.. For this fundraiser to be a success we need your help in seeking donations, bringing your family and friends to participate the day of. Also if anyone has any new un-used gifts they received and just don't care for them, bring them to the meeting, we can use in one of the baskets. If one of you or a few would like to get together and make a basket, I will have a list going around at the meeting with suggestions or your ideas would also be appreciated. All donations made by businesses can be used as a tax deduction and their donation letter can serve as their receipt. If anyone has any questions or suggestions, you can call, e-mail or see me at the meeting, The Auction will be held at Division 61 on Sunday, April 28th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. We are trying to have some drink specials and snacks until the drawings which will start promptly at 4:00

**** Also if anyone has any donations they got from businesses they frequent they can bring to the April meeting which is April 10th**** **Please remember that this fundraiser depends on all of our donations in order for it to be a success.**

Thank you, Jane Kelly, 267-879-8661