



# AOH Division 61 Joseph Patrick Schickling

## Monthly Newsletter

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### Upcoming Events

County Board Meeting at Div. 87 Thursday,  
March 4th 8:00 PM

AOH 61 Monthly Meeting March 5th 8:00 PM

Pub Crawl Saturday March 6th Noon

St. Patrick's Parade Sunday March 14th

St. Patrick's Day Club Open at 7:00 AM

Quiz-o Friday March 19th 8:00 PM

North Catholic Communion Breakfast Sunday,  
March 21st 8:30 AM

AOH 61 Monthly Meeting April 2nd 8:00 PM

Night at the Races April 10th 7:00 PM

### 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

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only friends you haven't met."**  
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### President's Letter

On Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup> we celebrate our patron Saint Patrick, since 1771 Philadelphians have done so with the St. Patrick's Day Parade. As we did last year the parade will start at 16<sup>th</sup> and JFK and then move up 16<sup>th</sup> street and proceed down the Benjamin Franklin Parkway to the Art Museum and judging stands. More information on the parade can be found at [www.philadelphiastpatsparade.com](http://www.philadelphiastpatsparade.com). As a refresher and for the benefit of newer members, here is how the day unfolds; we are near the middle of the parade so everyone marching needs to be at the club by 9:30 AM. Buses will transport us to the parade staging area on JFK Blvd. between 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> streets and pick us up at the end of the parade, which is at the art museum this year. The parade essentially starts at 16<sup>th</sup> & JFK Blvd., proceeds up 16<sup>th</sup> street to the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, and continues past the Cathedral to the art museum. Dress for the parade is Navy Blue pants, green turtle neck, Cream colored sweater, jeff cap, no sneaks. Please call Jay Costello at 215-341-1420 to order parade gear.

Again this year we've decided to have our banquet at the club, since most people seem have been staying at the club following the parade anyway. The cost for food is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children with a cash bar. If you will be marching or coming back to the club after the parade and have not already signed up please contact me with how many people will be participating. The club will open at 7 am on the day of the parade and St. Patrick's Day.

Hopefully, we will see each other at the next meeting on March 5th, and at the Parade, as always, I may be reached at 215-920-0910 or [jgill@septa.org](mailto:jgill@septa.org).

Yours in our motto,  
Jack

### AOH Annual Pub Crawl

The 2010 Pub Crawl has sold out once again this year. Though there is still plenty of great seating available at AOH 61 to take in all the excitement as each division makes an appearance.

**AOH 61 March Madness Pool is right around the corner.** Entry fee will be the same as last year of \$10. With half of each entry fee going to the Harry B. Rutter Scholarship Fund. Brackets will be accepted by paper at the bar or online through CBS Sports. The deadline for brackets is **Thursday March 18th at 12 Noon.** If you participated last year please pay attention for an email coming in a few weeks on how to submit this year's bracket. For more information or to submit your entry fee please contact Sean Campbell at [soupy07@comcast.net](mailto:soupy07@comcast.net)

### 240th Philadelphia St. Patrick's Day Parade

The 240th Philadelphia St. Patrick's Day Parade is Sunday March 14th. This year AOH National President Seamus Boyle will be the Grand Marshal. At this point we don't know if the AOH will march as individual Divisions or as a single unit. Either way each division will decide its own parade dress. Dress for the parade is Navy Blue pants, green turtle neck, Cream colored sweater, jeff cap, no sneaks. Again this year, the post parade party is being held at AOH 61 following the parade. As you know, each year every group marching in the parade must pay a fee and purchase parade ribbons for each person marching in the parade. Our division doesn't charge anyone to march in the parade, but we still need to raise money to cover parade expenses. Each year we ask members to donate liquor and wine for our St. Patrick's Day basket of cheer and sell basket of cheer chances. These chances help defray the cost of the parade. If anyone needs tickets or wants to donate a bottle please see Mike McCrane or any bartender.

On Saturday, April 10th at St. Dominic's Marian Hall is AOH Division 61 annual **Night at the Races**. For a \$10 admission entitles each person to all you can eat: Hot Dogs, Meatballs, Beer, Wine and Soda. PLUS 10 HORSE RACES AND OTHER GAMES OF CHANCE. Doors open at 7 PM. You can purchase a horse for only \$5. The winning horse pays \$25. TICKETS ARE LIMITED!! For tickets or information call Dom Roberto at 610-721-4107.

**St. Patrick's Day**  
Division 61 will be open and fully stocked for St Patrick's Day (3/17/2010). We'll be open from 7 am on Our upstairs hall is finished and now features a new 55" LCD TV. We'll be serving a traditional Irish dinner so stop by and enjoy the day with some friends

### CLUB CLEANING

We will be having a club cleaning on Tuesday March 9th 6:30 pm the more people we have the faster we get done ! I hope to see 61 men's division , ladies division AND Bartender's come out to show some pride in our home !!!!!

## Quiz-What?....Quiz-O!!!

Quiz-O will be held once again on March 19th @ 8:00 PM  
Please note the change in date  
This months theme is "Seinfeld"

### Tir Na Nog

At our February meeting on the 28th we made an Irish craft and played Wii. There will be no meeting for March. Our next meeting will be Sunday, April 18th.

#### Welcome

On behalf of AOH Division 61, we extend a warm welcome to the newest members of our family:  
Mike Gormley (transfer)

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

## AOH Camping Trip

Each year Division 61 runs a Father / Child camping trip. This year's site is Robin Hill Camping Resort. Located at 149 Robin Hill Rd Lenhartsville, PA 19534. Please call 610-756-6117 to make your reservations. The dates are Friday May 21 - Sunday May 23. When making your reservations make sure you mention you are with the AOH. Sites are \$46/night. Any questions please contact Chuck Payne at [chuck.payne@mail.tju.edu](mailto:chuck.payne@mail.tju.edu) or 215-380-6809

### **DUES**

**2010 dues are now being collected. Dues are \$45 per year 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.**

## **New 'quickie' Mass draws large crowds**

A new fifteen-minute mass in a Galway parish is drawing people in droves and reversing the fall off in mass attendance. The guaranteed 15-minute mass without a sermon and with the help of a Eucharistic minister is allowing parishioners to attend mass before going to work.

Father Michael Kenny switched his morning mass from 9 a.m to 7.30 a.m. and attendance has soared. "The general view among parishioners is that the 9 a.m. Mass was totally unsuitable for people going to work," he told the Irish Independent.

"Now, more and more people are coming along to the Mass at 7.30 a.m. as they know they can be on their way to work or school 15 or 20 minutes later and it is far more suitable," said Fr Kenny.

"We have to think of the needs of people who have to travel long distances to work, some to Galway city 40 km away.

"The only way they could be in time for work while also attending morning Mass during Lent is by being out of the church by 7.45 a.m.

"We are not leaving anything out of the Mass. Everything is there, but of course I do not make any sermon. People seem to like the idea as I have the help of a Eucharistic minister each day and that speeds up the service," Fr Kenny said.

He added: "We are here to facilitate the congregation and if there are any further increases in numbers attending, then the more the merrier."

Local parishioner, Marie Woolley, agrees.

"It is very refreshing to go to Mass so early every morning and you feel spiritually uplifted for the rest of the day. Fr Kenny has come up with a great idea and I hope other churches copy what he is doing," she said.

Frank and Noreen Curley, from Ballyroe, said the early Mass lasting 15 minutes suited everybody - especially Frank, who travels to work in Tuam.

"Fair play to Fr Michael for factoring in the work needs of his parishioners when planning the morning Mass during Lent," said Frank.

# St. Francis Inn

Don't forget when cleaning out your closets for the winter season to bring all coats and blankets (in good shape) Div. 61 to be taken to St Francis Inn.

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**The equator is so long it could circle the Earth once.**

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