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Monthly Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

AOH 61 Monthly Meeting April 2nd 8:00 PM

Easter April 4th (Club Closed)

Sandwich Making for St. Francis Inn April 10th

8:30 AM

Night at the Races April 10th 7:00 PM

Club Cleaning April 17th 9:00 AM

Tir Na Nog April 18th 3:00 PM

Quiz-o April 23rd 7:00 PM

Communion Breakfast May 2nd 9:00 AM

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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President's Letter

Although it looked like this years St. Patrick's Day Parade was going to be washout, the Lord was with us and we looked great and hade a great time. The Shanty's came through again with a great concert along the Parade Route. I would like to thank everyone who worked so hard on the Parade and Parade Dinner. If you couldn't make the parade this year, it's a great time, and our best opportunity to publicly celebrate St. Patrick's Day and our heritage together. Hopefully you'll be able to join us next year.

April 10th is our annual Night at the Races; this event is the major source of funds for our general charities. Horses are only \$5, so please consider buying a few, especially if you can't make it on the 18th. There are race forms and more details about the Night at the Races in the newsletter.

As of the March meeting the vast majority of our members have not paid their dues. As you know we must pay a per capita fee for every member whether we receive dues or not. We will be mailing out dues notices soon, but it's an expensive and time consuming task. Please forward your dues ASAP, again <u>no one</u> will be dropped due to the inability to pay, please contact me if there is a problem.

Hopefully, we will see each other at the next meeting on April 2^{nd} , as always; I may be reached at 215-920-0910 or <u>jgill@septa.org</u> with any questions or concerns.

Yours in our motto, Jack

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

Tir Na Nog

Next Tir Na Nog meeting is Sunday, April 18th beginning at 3:00 PM. We will be making a Mother's Day craft and having a Wii Tournament

10 Week Club

Anyone interested in purchasing a 10 Week ticket please feel free to contact Chuck Payne at chuck.payne@mail.tju.edu or 215-380-6809. The Club will began on Mother's Day 9th. For any questions or more information please contact Chuck

Reminder to our advertisers your 2010 advertising renewals are due.

Anyone

interested in advertising in the newsletter contact Jack Gill or Sean Campbell. We greatly appreciate our current advertisers and welcome any new advertisements.

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

Quiz-O will be held once again this on Friday, April 23rd beginning at 8:00 PM.

This Months theme is Saturday Morning Cartoons

The 2010 A.O.H. Softball Season is Scheduled to Begin on Sunday April 11th @1:30 All Home Games Will be Played at

Penn Academy Field, Academy Road & Holme Avenue

APRIL 11TH 1:30H**Div-61B** @ **Div-4** 1:30SDiv-88A @ Div-61A APRIL 18TH 1:30HDiv-17A @ Div-61B 1:30SDiv-61A @ Div-6A APRIL 25TH 1:30CDiv-61B @ Div-61A MAY 2ND 1:30HDiv-40 @ Div-61B 1:30SDiv-61A @ Div-39 NO GAMES ON MAY 9TH – MOTHER'S DAY $\overline{\text{MAY } 16^{\text{TH}}}$ 1:30HDiv-61B @ Div-6B 1:30SDiv-25 @ Div-61A MAY 23RD 1:30HDiv-87 @ Div-61B 1:30SDiv-61A @ Div-B1 NO GAMES ON MAY 30TH – MEMORIAL DAY JUNE 6TH 1:30H**Div-61B** @ **Div-88B** 1:30SDiv-17B @ Div-61A

Welcome

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

Kevin Hamburg. Mike Caringi, Tim McCrane Jr.

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

AOH / LAOH Div. 61 We will be doing our yearly sandwich making for St.

Francis Inn. We will begin at 8:30 AM at Division 61 on Saturday, April 10.

We are still in need of 300 pieces of fruit. If you can help with this please contact Becky Puchalski at Rebecca_Puchalski@PepBoys.com

AOH Camping Trip

Each year Division 61 runs a Father / Child camping trip. This year's site is Robin Hill Camping Resort. Located at149 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 or 215-380-6809

DUES

2010 dues are now being collected.

Dues that are not paid by the April meeting will be increased from \$45 to \$50. Dues 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.

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The Easter Rising and the AOH

Although not mentioned in the Proclamation of the Republic, the Hibernian Rifles were among the units which fought in Dublin in Easter Week 1916 and are listed as such by Padraig Pearse in a bulletin issued by him in Irish War News.

The Hibernian Rifles were the Military Arm of the A.O.H. (Irish - American Alliance) who had broken away from the A.O.H. (Board of Erin) about 1907. As the name indicates, most of their success was in the USA where the movement was under the influence of Clan-na-Gael, and it is quite clear that their attitude was far removed from that of the A.O.H. (BOE).

This was made clear by the Commandant of the Rifles, J. Scollan, in a lecture on 'Treason in Ireland', given to the Michael Dwyer Sinn Féin Cumann on December 16th 1914, in which he said: "Many more of us through God's grace shall live to see the Union Jack of England down in the dust and our own immortal green interwoven with the yellow and white of the Irish Republic waving proudly and victoriously over the land."



During the 1913 strike and lockout a special levy was placed on the members in Ireland and a fund opened in the USA for the relief of those affected by the strike and it is quite clear that the Hibernian Rifles were on friendly terms with the Irish Citizens Army when founded. In fact they lost some members to the new body, advertised regularly in the Irish Worker to the effect that they were willing to co-operate with the other national groups, and obtained some of their rifles from James Connolly - others being bought from British soldiers.

The I.R.B. does not seem to have trusted them completely to judge from a barbed comment by 'Sarsfield' (P.S. O'Hegarty) in Irish Freedom, March 1914, and though the Irish Volunteers refused them affiliation as a unit - as they did the Irish Citizens Army also - friendly co-operation became possible, mainly, it would appear, through Thomas McDonagh.

Through him, perhaps, they participated as a body at the O'Donovan Rossa funeral and later in allowing their headquarters at 28 North Frederick Street, to be used as an overnight stop for many of the Volunteers returning from England late in 1915 and early the next year.

In 1915 they also launched a weekly paper The Hibernian to add to the mosquito press, as the Redmondites scornfully called the nationalist papers, and in it was serialized 'Ireland's Roll of Honor' - a list of those killed or wounded at Harrel's 'Battle of Clontarf' and Bachelor's Walk, imprisoned, deported or served with exclusion orders under the Defense of the Realm Act. It was one of the most aggressive pieces of journalism of the period and one that deserves more attention than it has received.

Coming up to the rising, their co-operation with the Volunteers increased, but no definite date for the insurrection was given them by the revolutionary leaders.

On Easter Sunday, 1916, they paraded as usual at their headquarters. Startled by McNeill's countermanding order in the Sunday Independent that day, the commandant, realizing that something serious was afoot, ordered them to parade the next day.

The fight having started on Monday, the men were given the choice of participating and about 20 - 30 went to the G.P.O. at midnight. On Tuesday some of them with some of the men from Maynooth were sent to the Exchange Hotel in Parliament Street where in a brisk exchange they lost one man, fatally wounded, before retiring to the G.P.O. where most of them remained for the rest of the week.

If small in number the Hibernian Rifles should not be forgotten in any celebration of the Rising that was not of their planning, but in which they willingly joined when once it had begun.

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AOH Division 61 Soccer

Division 61 now has a Soccer Team in The Casa Soccer League. All games are played at Pennypack Park along the Delaware River (Behind the Prison)

Come on Out and Support the Team

www.casasoccer.teamopolis.com
Look under the division named : Abierto

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Spruce Goose FC	AOH 61	Sat Mar 27	10:55 AM	Pennypack 2
The Incredibles	AOH 61	Sat Apr 3	3:05 PM	Pennypack 5
Sidewinders FC	AOH 61	Sat Apr 10	11:15 AM	Pennypack 2
AOH 61	Sons of Ben Zolo	Sat Apr 17	9:20 AM	Pennypack 1
Sons of Ben Union	AOH 61	Sat Apr 24	3:05 PM	Pennypack 7
FC Kilbanes	AOH 61	Sat May 1	9:20 AM	Pennypack 1
AOH 61	Park Rangers	Sat May 8	5:00 PM	Pennypack 5
Revolving United	AOH 61	Sat May 15	11:15 AM	Pennypack 2
AOH 61	Sweet Lucy's FC	Sat May 22	9:20 AM	Pennypack 1

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.

A 2006 Senate Congressional Hearing was set up to determine who actually let the dogs out.

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Saint Dominic Parish

NIGHT at THE RACES







Saturday, April 10, 2010 St. Dominic's Marian Hall 8532 Frankford Avenue

\$10 Admission at the Door
Includes all you can eat
Hot Dogs, Meatballs, Beer, Wine and Soda
Beer/Wine/Soda
PLUS 10 HORSE RACES AND OTHER GAMES OF CHANCE
Doors open at 7 PM - First Race 8PM
For tickets or information call Dom Roberto at (610) 721-4107

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Saturday, April 10, 2010 St. Dominic's Hall 8532 Frankford Avenue

Doors Open 7:00 pm / First Race 8:00 pm

\$10 Admission at the door includes:
All you can eat
Hot Dogs, Meatballs, Beer, Wine and Soda
TICKETS ARE LIMITED!

For additional information call Dom Roberto at (610) 721-4107 PLEASE RETURN ALL FORMS TO THE CLUB BY APRIL 3, 2010