



# AOH Division 61 March Newsletter



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## Upcoming Events

Philadelphia AOH County Board Meeting March 1st 7:00 PM Division 87

AOH 61 Monthly Meeting March 2nd 8:00 PM

Philadelphia St. Patrick's Day Parade March 11th

March 17th St. Patrick's Day

Quiz-0 March 23rd 8:00 PM

March 24th Shuffleboard Banquet 7:00 PM

AOH 61 Monthly Meeting April 6th 8:00 PM

Easter April 8th

Division 61 Camping Trip May 18—20

## 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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## AOH DIVISION 61 MARCH NEWSLETTER

### President's Letter

Brothers;

On Sunday March 11<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate our patron Saint Patrick, since 1771 Philadelphians have done so with the St. Patrick's Day Parade. **This year the parade has special significance for Division 61, we will be wearing black arm-bands with "SHANE" printed on them as a remembrance of our brother Shane Kelly.**

Each year we ask our membership to sign up for the parade. We need to know how many people will be marching so we can reserve enough buses; we also need to know how many people will be coming back to the club for dinner. **So if you haven't signed up for the parade and intend to march, please let me know. Space on the bus will be reserved for those who sign up, we'll order as many buses and necessary but we need an accurate count.**

As a refresher and for the benefit of newer members, here is how the day unfolds; everyone marching needs to be at the club by 10:00 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.**

Again this year our banquet will be 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. The club will open at 7 am on the day of the parade and on St. Patrick's Day.

As you know we don't charge anything for our members to march in the parade. But we do ask our member to sell a few chances for our basket of cheer, the proceeds of which are used to subsidize the parade costs. So if you haven't already done so please drop off you parade chances and basket of cheer donations.

Hopefully, we will see each other at the next meeting on March 2nd, and at the Parade, as always, I may be reached at 215-920-0910 or [jackfgill@msn.com](mailto:jackfgill@msn.com).

Yours in our motto,

**The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual AOH Div. 61 Camping Trip** is scheduled for May 18—20, 2012 at Robin Hill Camping Resort 149 Robin Hill Rd Lenhartsville, PA 19534. Please make your reservations ASAP by calling 610-756-6117 **Please mention that you are with the AOH!** We will be in the H area sites 1-15 then L 20-11 After you have registered please email Chuck Payne [cppayne1@yahoo.com](mailto:cppayne1@yahoo.com) with site number. Any questions please contact Chuck at 215-380-6809.

With March comes St. Patrick's Day and March Madness.

### AOH 61 March Madness Pool

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. Selection Sunday is March 11th. Brackets will be accepted by paper at the bar or online through CBSsportsline.com.

Brackets will be due

**Thursday March 15th at NOON.**

See Sean Campbell for more details or questions.

The 242nd Philadelphia St. Patrick's Day Parade is Sunday March 11th. Dress for the parade is black pants, green turtle neck,

Cream colored sweater, jeff cap, no sneaks. **REMEMBER THE DAY OF THE PARADE IS DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME (SPRING AHEAD)** 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 the bartender or Mike McCrane

## QUIZ-O

Quiz-o for March will be Friday, March 23rd beginning at 8:00 PM.

Come out with friends, wife, girlfriend whom ever and impress them with your knowledge of near useless information.

This Month's theme is:

Pop Culture of the 90's & 2000's

## Division 61 Newsletter, Website & Facebook

Division 61 now has three ways to communicate with our members: our monthly newsletter, the Division Website [www.aoh61.com](http://www.aoh61.com) and Facebook. (A.O.H. Division 61 Clubhouse)

Members may submit information to Sean Campbell at [soupy07@comcast.net](mailto:soupy07@comcast.net) for the newsletter,  
Mike Ferris at [ferrism@comcast.net](mailto:ferrism@comcast.net) for the website and

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### Welcome

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

**Ken Leso, Steve Scheg, Jim Walsh,  
Steve Mooney, Joe Ems & Jim Gilboyne**

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

## **DUES**

***2012 dues are now due! Dues are \$45 if paid before the April meeting. 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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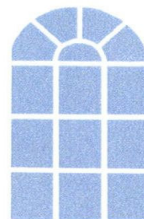
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