



LADIES ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS
“Our Lady of Knock”
Division #87 – Organized February 4, 1992
January, 2012 Newsletter

President's Message

Dear Sisters and Friends,

Happy New Year!!!!

I hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas and will have a Joyous New Year!!! Our next meeting will be on Thursday, January 5th at 7:30. Please remember that it is time to pay your dues for the New Year!!! Dues are \$25. If you have any concerns or are unable to pay your dues to these tough economic times, please speak with any officer and we will see how we can help.

As always, the Holiday season was a fun and giving time at Division 87. Our children's Christmas party was a big hit, and Division 87 was able to assist several families with our Secret Santa to have a Merry Christmas.

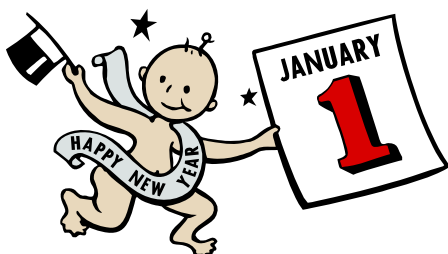
Also, AOH Division 87 will have their annual fundraiser on January 15th at Finnegan's Wake from 3-7 pm. Paul Moore's band will be there for entertainment – always a great time!!!

And next on our agenda is our Famous Annual “Rolling of the Potatoes”!!! The dates for rolling will be Wednesday, February 29th (leap year) through Saturday, March 3rd. We will have more information on exact dates and times at the February meeting.

I look forward to another great year working with all of the great women that we have at LAOH87!

In our motto of Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity

Eileen



In the New Year,
may your right hand always be
stretched out in friendship,
but never in want.

~Irish Toast

LUCKY LOTTERY TICKETS ARE DUE!!

Any tickets you sold should be returned to Terry Welsh at the January meeting. No tickets will be accepted after that. We will have a limited selection of tickets available for sale at the meeting.

OFFICERS LIST

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**KEVIN DONNELLY HALL
RENTAL PRICE LIST**

Hall Rental – 4 hours

*\$200 for members
\$175 for Brick members
\$225 for non-members*

\$35 for Bartender; \$20 Clean Up

Overtime on rental is available for an additional \$50, with one hour limit

Weekday funeral luncheons are available for \$175 for non-members; \$50 for members.

For hall rental information, contact Gene Long by leaving a message at Division 87 (215) 533-7070

Please use this form when sending your dues or submitting any changes to Linda.

Name:
Street address:
City, State, & Zip Code:
Telephone:
E-Mail :
Purpose (please check box below):
<input type="checkbox"/> New mailing address <input type="checkbox"/> Dues Enclosed <input type="checkbox"/> New e-mail address <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> New telephone number
Please complete the information above and return to: Linda Nevedomsky, Financial Secretary, LAOH Division 87 3114 Mercer St. Philadelphia, PA 19134

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO OUR SISTERS!

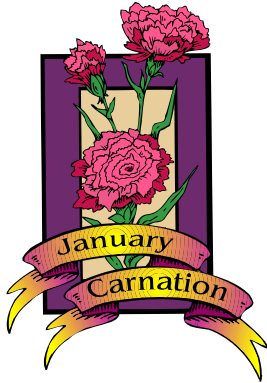
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Instead of counting candles,
Or tallying the years,
Contemplate your blessings now,
As your birthday nears.

Consider special people
Who love you, and who care,
And others who've enriched your life
Just by being there.

Think about the memories
Passing years can never mar,
Experiences great and small
That have made you who you are.

Another year is a happy gift,
So cut your cake, and say,
"Instead of counting birthdays,
I count blessings every day!"
By Joanna Fuchs



FAMILY NEWS

- ♣ Congratulations Liz McNally!! Liz is retiring from the IRS on December 30th. It's time to start enjoying that life of leisure now!

2012 DUES ARE NOW DUE!

Be sure to see Linda Nevedomsky at the January meeting to pay your 2011 dues. Annual dues remain \$25 for the year. Make checks payable to LAOH Division 87. If you are unable to attend the meeting use the form found in the newsletter to send your dues to Linda. Please remember you must be a member in good standing in order to march in the parade.





L.A.O.H. DIVISION #87 NEWS AND INFORMATION

MEETING REMINDER

This is a reminder that the monthly general division meetings are to be held the same as a National Convention meeting, in that, for the sake of the general membership, there is to be no smoking or alcohol permitted during the meeting itself.

ARE YOU ON OUR EMAIL LIST?

If you aren't receiving division email news please send your email address to TerryLAOH87@aol.com in order to be added. Let us know if you read your newsletter online at www.laoh87.org so we can remove you from our paper mail list

GOT ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Please submit any newsletter items to Terry Welsh at TerryLAOH87@aol.com or call 215.280.5992 no later than the 20th of the month for the next issue.

We are especially looking for Family News!! Please provide information on your family's joys and successes so we can share them with all of our sisters!

NOW ON FACEBOOK!

If you are on Facebook search for **LAOH Division 87** and become a fan. You will find information on upcoming events and photos from past events there.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

- ♣ January 15, 2012 – AOH Beef & Beer at Finnegan's
- ♣ February 4, 2012 – 20th Anniversary Celebration
- ♣ CHANGE OF DATE!
February 29- March 3, 2012 – Irish Potatoes
- ♣ March 11th, 2012 – St. Patrick's Day Parade

REUSE – RECYCLE – RE-PURPOSE

ALUMINUM CAN TABS

Our Junior division continues to collect aluminum tabs to support the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House. Please collect your aluminum pop tops and bring them to our general meeting each month for Terry Welsh.

PLASTIC BOTTLE CAPS

Help the Special Olympics by saving your plastic bottle caps. Bring caps to the meeting for Terry Welsh.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY AIDS

Keep saving your travel size health and beauty aids. These items will be donated to the Philadelphia Veterans Multi-Service and Education Center. Bring items to the meeting for Maria Gallagher.

EYEGLASSES

Repurposed by the Lions Club to help those in need. Bring to the meeting for Kathy Hanlon.

CELL PHONES

Repurposed by Domestic Violence shelters to provide families contact with emergency services. Bring phones, chargers and accessories to meetings for Peggy Nicholson.

TOWELS AND BLANKETS

Used by the SPCA for grooming and to put some comfort in the pet's cages. Visit www.pspca.org to view their wish list of items. Please take items directly to SPCA.

If you have anything to add to this list please contact Terry Welsh (215) 280-5992 or TerryLAOH87@aol.com



UPCOMING EVENTS

AOH DIVISION 87 ANNUAL BEEF AND BEER

Join our brothers at Finnigan's Wake on Sunday, Jan. 15th, 2011 from 3:00 pm until 7:00 for their annual beef and beer. Entertainment will be provided by Paul Moore and Friends. Tickets cost \$30. The price includes draft beer, wine and food. Also, discounts on bottled beer and mixed drinks. For tickets or more information contact: Tug 215.570.7385 or Obie 215.300.6332 or see your bartender.

A CELEBRATION OF SHANE'S LIFE

As most of you know, on the morning of November 13th, 2011 27-year old Shane Kelly, AOH Division 61 officer, was murdered in Fishtown during an attempted robbery. If you didn't see the Spirit article about Shane and the impact of his life, it can be found here: <http://spiritnewspapers.com/shane-as-he-lived-p1725-113.htm>. AOH Division 61 and Friends of Shane Kelly are hosting a Beef and Beer celebrating the life of Shane Kelly.

The celebration will take place on Sunday, January 29, 2012 from 2:00 – 6:00pm at Canstatter's, 9130 Academy Road. There will be; food, beer, live bands, DJ, silent auction and a live auction. Tickets are \$40 and are available at AOH Division 61, 4131 Rhawn Street, 215-624-3007. Proceeds will help cover Shane's final expenses as he had no life insurance.

PROVIDENCE HOUSE THANKSGIVING BASKETS

This information missed last month's newsletter – From Maria Gallagher – thanks to all of your generous donations we were able to deliver 15 bags of food for Thanksgiving dinner in addition to an assortment of health and beauty care items.

PENNY LADY APPEAL

Our "Penny Lady" Carolyn Costello sends out a special appeal to all sisters. Our donations in 2011 were a little light so let's start off 2012 with a bang. Remember, "Penny Lady" will take anything you have – not just pennies!

LET THE BIRDS FLY

From Nancy Jones - Let the Bird's Fly Bensalem Relay Team will be hosting Happy Hour on Jan 13th from 6 to 10 at BinLids. Raffle Drawings, 50/50 and Food with special guest bartending by Jonesy! Come out and have some fun and help us raise money for the American Cancer Society Relay!! Helping cancer survivors celebrate more birthdays!

KARAOKE NITE @ BINLIDS!!

Karaoke night was such a success – we are doing it again. Stretch those vocal cords and head out to Binlids on Saturday, January 28th. The start time is 9:00 pm. While this newsletter editor missed the last event I have it on good authority you may be surprised at the talent we have at Division 87.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE –

The Parade will be held on Sunday, March 13, 2011. We will be wearing the royal blue jackets we purchased last year. If you did not get a jacket and need one for the parade this year, please contact Maria Gallagher at the meeting. At this printing I do not know if we can get more but ...stay tuned!

The theme of the 2012 parade is: St. Patrick, Bless the American Worker and the Grand Marshal of the 2012 parade is John J. Dougherty

www.philadelphiastpatsparade.com

2011-2012 National LAOH Irish History Writing Contest Information & Eligibility

Each year the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc. sponsors a National Irish History Writing Contest for students in Grades 6 through 12 in those states where the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc. have established Divisions.

The contest is comprised of two (1) levels: LEVEL 1 is for students in Grades 6, 7, or 8 and LEVEL 2 is for students in Grades 9, 10, 11, or 12. The theme for each contest level is specified each year.

Students who are enrolled in parochial, private, or public schools or who are home-schooled are eligible to participate in the National LAOH Irish History Writing Contest.

2011-2012 National LAOH Irish History Writing Contest Themes and Timelines

LEVEL 1 Grades 6-7-8
"The Story of Annie Moore – Irish Immigration to America"

LEVEL 2 Grades 9-10-11-12
"The Irish and the Building of the American Infrastructure"

Division Level Submissions are due by January 20, 2012

2011-2012 National LAOH Irish History Writing Contest Student Information, Contest Rules, and Guidelines and Judging Criteria

All students are expected to follow the 2011-2012 National LAOH Irish History Writing Contest Student Information, Contest Rules, and Guidelines Sheets that are provided for each student. Visit www.laoh87.org to download Rules and Guidelines.

The information, rules, and guidelines specified for this National LAOH Irish History Writing Contest may differ from those rules and guidelines that specific schools and/or states require for student writing contests.

2011-2012 National LAOH Irish History Writing Contest National Awards

<u>Award</u>	<u>LEVEL 1</u>	<u>LEVEL 2</u>
First Place	\$500	\$1,000
Second Place	\$250	\$500
Third Place	\$125	\$250
Honorable Mention	\$50	\$100
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All submissions must be received by Anne Foody not later than January 20, 2012. Submissions may be mailed to:

AOH Division 87
Attn: Anne Foody
2171 Wakeling Street
Philadelphia, PA 19124

Any questions about this writing contest,
please contact Anne at 215-742-6271 or via email afoody813@aol.com

MEMBERS CORNER

This section will be used for information from our members who have things to sell, places to rent, etc. Please contact Terry Welsh – TerryLAOH87@aol.com with details.

Something Special

Something Old, Something New, Something Designed Especially for You.

Located at Almond and Somerset Streets. We specialize in hand painted woods & party favors personally designed for you. We also carry hand made creations by local artists as well as all of your holiday decorating needs. A large selection of tutus, hair bands & bows as well as other children's accessories including room decor & hand painted furniture. If you don't see what you are looking for, just ask!

New Store Hours: Wed - Thu: 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm; Fri: 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm; Sat: 11:00 am - 9:00 pm; Sun: 11:00 am - 5:00 pm Find us on Facebook.

Looking to have your upcoming event catered?

If you need a caterer, please contact Sue Sabbi at 215-498-2056 or 610-933-1371. All food is homemade. Call for menu. No parties too big or too small.

Gift Baskets by Debbie



Debbie Scott, our basket goddess, is now doing Gift Baskets for All Occasions. If you have an event, she can make you a basket..... Graduations, Bridal Shower, Baby Shower, Wedding, Birthdays, Block Parties, Housewarming, and for just about any holiday, she can make a gift basket. Tell Debbie how much you want to spend and let her creativity get to work. No need to fight the crowds in the stores . . . just make a phone call and she'll take care of the rest. No basket too big or too small. Debbie can be reached at 215-423-9610.

Can Do Mechanical, Inc. - Heating & Cooling Specialists



If you are looking for new equipment, our brother, Dan Hazley, tells us there are numerous rebates, tax credits and discounts available. Of course, Can Do can help with your maintenance needs too. Can Do Mechanical, Inc. - Heating & Cooling Specialists 215-338-2411 Office
www.CanDoMechanical.com

Kerrigan's Florist

No matter what the occasion, Kerrigan's Florist, your local Philadelphia florist, is your one-stop shop for all your floral needs. Browse our wide online selection or call us for a custom bouquet to fit your needs and budget. We deliver flowers and gift baskets to Philadelphia and nationwide through our network of dependable florists. In a rush? Same day flower delivery is available at no additional cost. The professional staff at Kerrigan's Florist is dedicated to handling your order with care. <http://www.kerrigansflorist.com/>

Tastefully Simple

Tastefully Simple, the nation's original home taste-testing company, offers a wide variety of easy-to-prepare foods that you and your friends can taste before you buy. Contact me for information on...Hosting a Party, Placing an Order, Ordering Personal and Business Gifts, Arranging a Tastefully Simple Fundraiser, or our Business Opportunity. Contact Nancy Jones, 267-241-4677 or email at NancysSimpleFood@gmail.com

A New Year's Prayer

May God make your year a happy one!
Not by shielding you from all sorrows and pain,
But by strengthening you to bear it, as it comes;

Not by making your path easy,
But by making you sturdy to travel any path;

Not by taking hardships from you,
But by taking fear from your heart;

Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,
But by keeping your face bright, even in the
shadows;

Not by making your life always pleasant,
But by showing you when people and their causes
need you most,
and by making you anxious to be there to help.

God's love, peace, hope and joy to you for the year
ahead.

~ Author unknown ~

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