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WINTER 2017 NEWSLETTER

Revisiting our 2016 Pledge

Last year, we asked our members to pledge to visit the club more often in 2016 than they did in 2015, and it seems to have worked as we had a tremendously successful year. Rather than resting on our laurels, we want 2017 to be even better, so we're going to ask the same of you again in 2017. We'd ask that each of our members make the following New Year's Resolution: **"I resolve to visit the club more often in 2017 than I did in 2016"**.

We understand that everyone is busy, with work or children, doing things around the house or other volunteer activities, but if you can make it, we'd like to see all of our members at least once in 2017.

Guest Bartenders

We would like to appeal to our A.O.H. / L.A.O.H. Division 23 Members to sign-up to be a "guest bartender" on Saturday nights. Even if this is only a once a year thing for you, it provides you an opportunity to show-off your bartending skills in front of your friends, family members, coworkers, neighbors, etc, who you invite; and may also give the club a chance to recruit some new members at the same time. If you're a member who doesn't make it in as often as you'd like because of all the reasons cited above in the "Pledge" section, signing up to be a guest bartender might be the perfect opportunity for you to visit the club.

You can sign-up to be a guest bartender in person at the club, via email at aohdiv_23@yahoo.com or by calling Jason Donaldson at 412-657-0473.

Secret Santa & 2016 Kid's Christmas Party

A.O.H. Division 23 would like to thank all of those members who generously donated to our Secret Santa Fund.

We would also like to thank all those (including members and their family members) who gave their time to help with the Kid's Christmas Party. From buying and passing out gifts, to working the door, helping keep the kids occupied while they waited for their name to be called, to bartending the event, the Christmas Party would not be possible without our many volunteers.

2017 Membership Dues

Dues for 2017 will remain at \$25 per member. Checks can be mailed to the club or dropped off when the bar is open. Checks should be made payable to "A.O.H. Division 23". Members whose dues are not paid by March 31, 2017 are considered delinquent.

New Members

We'll repeat our appeal from the previous newsletter, because this is an important topic. We encourage all members of A.O.H. Division 23 to welcome new members to the club, whether they are family members, coworkers, friends, etc. A potential first step in bringing in a new member might be to bring that person as your guest on a given night, whether it's a "normal" open night, a Bar Bingo night, or one of our special event nights that we host each year.

In order to join, a potential member must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a man age 21 or older (the national A.O.H. welcomes members at the age of 16, but Division 23 restricts this further due to the fact that we have a bar in our club)
- Must be a practicing Roman Catholic of Irish birth or descent
- Must be a citizen of the United States of America or who have declared their intentions to become citizens of the United States of America

Membership applications are available at the club or can be printed from our website. Thank you.

Upcoming Events



1/9/2017

College Football Championship Game

The club will be open for the College Football National Championship game. Kickoff is at 8:30 PM, doors will open at 8 PM.



1/13/2017

Monthly Drawing & Bar Bingo



1/29/2017

Member's Meeting

A.O.H. Division 23 will hold its month member's meeting at 2:30 PM on the last Sunday of each month, unless otherwise noted



2/5/2017

Super Bowl LI

Why stay home when you can come out and watch the Super Bowl at the club? Kickoff is at 6:30 PM EST.



2/10/2017

Monthly Drawing & Bar Bingo



2/26/2017 Member's Meeting

A.O.H. Division 23 will hold its month member's meeting at 2:30 PM on the last Sunday of each month, unless otherwise noted



3/3/2017 2017 St. Patrick's Day Parade Button Party

A date hasn't been officially announced yet, but the annual Button Party to support the parade will likely be held on Friday, March 3, 2017 at Mitchell's Pub, 3rd & Ross Street, Downtown, from 5:00-7:00 PM. A limited number of buttons will be available for purchase at the club.

More information about this event will be distributed at the club and via email as it becomes available.



3/4/2017 4th Annual Shamrock Shake

St. Raphael's Elementary School is hosting an Irish-themed fundraiser ("Shamrock Shake") at 5:00 PM. The event, which is organized by our own Ben Kane, features traditional Irish food, games & entertainment. Beverages will also be available. All proceeds benefit the school. Please come out and have a good time, while supporting a good cause and a school that many of our future members attend.

More information about this event will be distributed at the club and via email as it becomes available.



3/5/2017 Allegheny County Communion Breakfast

A date hasn't been officially announced yet, but the annual Communion Breakfast will likely be held on Sunday, March 5, 2017.

More information about this event will be distributed at the club and via email as it becomes available.



3/9/2017 A.O.H. / L.A.O.H. Division 23 Memorial Mass

The Annual St. Patrick's Day Memorial Mass is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 2017 at St. Raphael's Church in Morningside. Members and their families are encouraged to attend this mass that honors our deceased members & loved ones. A social will follow at the club. Desserts are welcomed.

More information about this event will be distributed at the club and via email as it becomes available.



3/3/2017 Monthly Drawing & Bar Bingo

Due to the St. Patrick's Day Parade, March's Bingo/Drawing will be held on Friday, March 3, 2017.



3/11/2017 St. Patrick's Day Parade

Pittsburgh's Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will begin at 10:00 AM. All marchers should be in formation by 9:45 AM. We will once again be lining up on Liberty Avenue in the Strip District. **Proper dress (no jeans or tennis shoes) is required for all those marching in the parade with A.O.H. Division 23.** Please do not consume alcohol prior to marching, there's plenty of time for that after the parade.



3/11/2017 2017 St. Patrick's Day Parade Celebration

The club will once again be open on the day of the parade, from Noon-TBD. Members, their families and friends are invited to celebrate with us. There will be a \$3 cover charge for all adults.



3/17/2017 St. Patrick's Day 2017

The club will be open for our annual celebration of St. Patrick's Day. Doors will open at 1:00 PM. Members and their families are invited to celebrate the holiday, with live Irish music by Lawrenceville's own Tim & John, and food from the L.A.O.H. Junior Division (from 4-7 PM). Please join us for what is always a great day.



3/26/2017 Member's Meeting

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4/22/2017 A.O.H. Division 23 Evening at the Pirate Game

Join us on Saturday, April 22, 2017 for our trip to the Pirate game. Cost is \$36 per person.

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Cost includes your game ticket and transportation to and from the game. The bus will leave from A.O.H. Division 23 at approximately 3 PM.

This is one of the most sought after Pirate tickets of the year, and space is limited, so signup at the club as soon as possible. **Payment is due when you register.**

Mark Your Calendars

3rd Annual Kentucky Derby Party	Saturday, May 6, 2017
Molly Alphabet Album Release Party	Saturday, May 13, 2017
52nd Annual Irish Open Golf Tournament	Saturday, June 24, 2017
Happy 114th Birthday A.O.H. Division 23	Friday, July 21, 2017
3rd Annual Christmas in July Party	Saturday, July 29, 2017
A.O.H. / L.A.O.H. Div. 23 Family Picnic	Saturday, September 2, 2017
2nd Annual Ryder Cup Golf Tournament	≈ Some Saturday in September
Possible A.O.H. Division 23 Road Trip	≈ September / October
<i>Details coming soon...</i>	
Turkey Shoot	Friday, November 17, 2017
Thanksgiving Eve	Wednesday, November 22, 2017
Kid's Christmas Party	Saturday, December 16, 2017
Annual (Adult) Christmas Sing Along	Saturday, December 23, 2017

Good & Welfare

Well Wishes









Please keep all of our brothers who are ill, hospitalized or under the care of a physician in your prayers as they recover from illness. Get well soon brothers!

We hope everyone had a great Christmas & we wish you a Happy New Year! We look forward to seeing you at the Club in the near future, and at the Parade in March!




I will visit the club more often in 2017

Beidh mé cuairt ar an gclub níos minice i 2017









A.O.H. Division 23 – Calendar of Events










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-  Club Open
-  Club Closed
-  Bar Bingo Night
-  Member's Meeting
-  NFL Playoff Games
-  College Football Championship Game
-  Steeler Playoff Game

FEBRUARY 2017						
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-  Club Open
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-  Bar Bingo Night
-  Member's Meeting
-  Super Bowl

MARCH 2017						
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-  Club Open
-  Club Closed
-  Bar Bingo Night
-  Parade Day
-  St. Patrick's Day
-  Button Party
-  Div. 23 Memorial Mass
-  Communion Breakfast
-  Shamrock Shake
-  Member's Meeting