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SPRING 2015 NEWSLETTER

2015 Membership Dues

Dues for 2015 will remain at \$25 per member. Checks can be mailed to the club or brought to the club on a Friday or Sunday. Checks should be made payable to "A.O.H. Division 23". *Members whose dues were not paid by March 31, 2015 are considered delinquent.*

Please complete the information stub at the bottom of this newsletter and return it along with your 2015 Dues Payment. We're asking for this information to ensure that we have accurate contact information on file for every member, and in order to increase the number of members that we have email addresses for, as that's the most efficient means of communicating with our members.

St. Kieran Statue/Building Exterior Beautification

A.O.H. Division 23 would appreciate your donation to help us preserve and display a piece of Lawrenceville's history, while at the same time beautifying the exterior of our building.

St. Kieran parish was established in Lawrenceville in 1887, and served Lawrenceville's Catholic community, including most members of A.O.H. Division 23, for over 100 years (as St. Matthew parish from 1993 on), until its closing in 2012. The statue seen below stood near the top of St. Kieran church for decades.



The St. Kieran statue has been generously given to A.O.H. Division 23 by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh so that we may put it on display in our yard. The statue is being refurbished, and will be displayed outside the entrance to A.O.H. Division 23 (seen at right).





As part of this, we will be painting the brick exterior of our building, erecting new VERSA-LOK® block retaining walls along the steps and replacing all existing railroad tie retaining walls with matching block walls. The stone used on the new walls will look similar to the image at left (without the steps in the middle, of course).

The statue will be displayed on a 3-4 foot tall base, facing toward Butler Street. Lighting will be installed so that the statue/area can be clearly seen at night, and a plaque will be placed near the statue that talks about St. Kieran/St. Matthew and the important role the parish played in the history of Lawrenceville.

In order to help fund this important project, and to enable the current community to take part in it and to commemorate their place in Lawrenceville's history, we will be constructing the base of the statue and the area immediately around it out of bricks (such as those seen at right) that will be engraved with donor names, children's names, family names, names of deceased loved ones who may have been members of St. Kieran/St. Matthew or past members of A.O.H. Division 23, names of organizations, family crests, etc. The bricks will likely be in place for decades, so this donation/purchase presents a unique opportunity to make a lasting contribution that will mark you and/or your loved one's place in history for years to come.



Information about donation options is outlined in the table below:

| Size | Cost | Lines per Brick | Characters per Line (including spaces) |
|---------|----------|-----------------|--|
| 4" x 8" | \$50.00 | 3 | 18 |
| 8" x 8" | \$100.00 | 6 | 18 |

Bricks can be emblazoned with stock images from the manufacturer, such as crosses, VFW logos, military services logos, shamrocks, and so on for an additional cost of \$5. If you would

like to add a custom image or icon to your brick (such as a family crest), the additional cost for the manufacturer to create that image in their system is \$50, and then the \$5 per image fee would apply. As a note: The A.O.H. logo will be available as an option.

The first opportunity to purchase bricks will be at the Sunday, April 19, 2015 Member's Meeting. Following that meeting, bricks can be purchased through a website that will be launching in the next few weeks, or at the club. Order forms will be distributed via email and will also be available at the club. All checks for the project should be made payable to A.O.H. Division 23 and mailed to the club "c/o Statue Project".

A limited number of $4" \times 8"$ bricks will be available (and an even more limited number of the larger $8" \times 8"$ bricks) for this project, so we highly encourage you to make your donation and reserve your place in history as soon as possible.

A.O.H. Golf Jackets

To commemorate the 50th Annual A.O.H. Division 23 Irish Open Golf Tournament, we've designed a special edition, 50th Anniversary Golf Jacket (seen at right).

Jackets are available in men's sizes S-5XL, at a cost of \$45. You can order them at the club, or by completing the attached form and mailing your check for \$45 to the club, "C/O Golf Jacket". All orders are due by Sunday, May 3, 2015



Upcoming Events



2015 Final Four

On Saturday, April 4, 2015, the club will open at 5:00 PM, & the first game is scheduled to tipoff at 6:09 PM. Food & drinks will be available. Everyone is welcome to join us for an exciting day of basketball.



April Monthly Drawing & Bar Bingo

April's Monthly Drawing & Bar Bingo will be held on Friday, April 10, 2015.



April Member's Meeting

April's Meeting will be held on Sunday, April 19, 2015, at 2:30 PM.



1st Annual Kentucky Derby Party

We encourage everyone to don their best (or preferably, most outrageous) hats and join us at the club on Saturday, May 1, 2015, as A.O.H. Division 23 hosts our first ever Kentucky Derby Party. Doors will open at 4:00 PM, the Kentucky Derby starts at approximately 6:24 PM. Following the race, we'll have our own "Irish Derby" night. There will also be a "Hat Contest", so we encourage everyone that wants to participate, to wear their fanciest/craziest/whatever hat. We'll have food and an assortment of special bourbon drinks for the occasion. We hope you and your friends will join us at the club for what will surely be a fun-filled event.



May Monthly Drawing & Bar Bingo

May's Monthly Drawing & Bar Bingo will be held on Friday, May 8, 2015.



State President's Dinner

The Allegheny County A.O.H. is hosting a State President's Dinner for (Division 23's own) Dan Devinney on Saturday, May 16, 2015 at the Doubletree Hotel in Greentree. The event will feature dinner, dancing, refreshments and music from Mansfield 5. Cost is \$50 per person.

Members of A.O.H. & L.A.O.H. Division 23 are strongly encouraged to attend this event in support of one of our own.



May Member's Meeting

May's Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 31, 2015 at 2:30 PM.



June Monthly Drawing & Bar Bingo

June's Monthly Drawing & Bar Bingo will be held on Friday, June 12, 2015.



June Cornhole Tournament

Weather-permitting, we will host monthly Cornhole Tournaments on the 3rd Saturday of each month, starting at 2 PM. June's Cornhole Tournament will be played Saturday, June 20, 2015 at 2 PM.



50th Annual Irish Open Golf Tournament

Division 23's annual golf tournament will be held on Saturday, June 27, 2014, at Stonecrest Gold Course, New Beaver, PA. Cost is \$80 per golfer. Register your foursome at the club or by mailing the names of the golfers in your foursome and a check to the club, "c/o Golf Outing".

Mark Your Calendars

2nd Annual Christmas in July Party

A.O.H. Division 23 Night at the Pirate Game

Annual Family Pionic

Saturday, July 25, 2015

Friday, August 7, 2015

Annual Family PicnicSaturday, September 5, 2015Annual Turkey ShootFriday, November 20, 2015Kid's Christmas PartySaturday, December 12, 2015Adult Christmas PartySaturday, December 19, 2015

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!

Condolences

Unfortunately, we lost two of our brothers, Jackie Casey & Jerry Kelly, this St. Patrick's Day season. Please keep their friends and families in your prayers.

Until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

We enjoyed seeing everyone who made it to the club during our St. Patrick's Day events this year. We hope to see you again at one of the events we have scheduled over the next few months.

Happy Easter!
Cáisc Shona duit!

| | GOLF JACKET ORDER FORM |
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| NAME: | |
| TELEPHONE NUM | BER: |
| JACKET SIZE(S): | |
| | COST IS \$45 PER JACKET |
| PLEASE RE | TURN THIS STUB WITH YOUR 2015 DUES PAYMENT |
| MEMBER NAME | |
| ADDRESS | |
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| E-MAIL | |