

# <u>December 2017 Newsletter</u>



#### **General Info:**

Mail correspondence to: The Emerald Association of Putnam County P.O. Box 141 Brewster, NY 10509

General Membership Meeting Schedule: 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month - mark your calendar! December 8<sup>th</sup>, January 12<sup>th</sup>, February 9<sup>th</sup>, March 9<sup>th</sup>, April 13<sup>th</sup>, May 11<sup>th</sup>, June 8<sup>th</sup>.

Our next general membership meeting will be held <u>Friday December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017</u> at Reed Farm Clubhouse on Rt. 22 in Brewster, NY. Dinner will begin at 6pm followed by the General meeting. For those members that want to bring their favorite dessert please contact Pauline Killean at 845.628.5745 to coordinate the desserts menu.

#### **Executive Board 2017-2018**:

President: Nuala Donnelly 845.494.9460 Past President: Jim Scully 845.612.1808 Vice President: John Shanley 845.590.3052 Treasurer: Margaret O'Reilly 845.225.7375

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Membership Secretary: Sally Ann Comparetto **scomparetto@houlihanlawrence.com** 

#### Web Site: www.emeraldapc.com.

Our website and e-mail system continue to provide all the information on the association and our activities at your fingertips. We are continually working at updating and improving our site. If you have suggestions for content please contact Nuala at <a href="mailto:nualadonnelly@aol.com">nualadonnelly@aol.com</a> or Lisa Scully at lisaoneill92@yahoo.com

#### **Member News Items:**

A thank you goes out to Margaret O'Reilly and family for the delicious refreshments at the November meeting.

We donated two turkeys to the annual Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner that was held on November 18<sup>th</sup> at the Putnam County Golf Course. A big thank you to Pauline Killean and Catherine Cioffi for volunteering their time to help serve the food at the event.

Congratulations to Deirdre O'Sullivan from the O'Sullivan School of Irish dancing on celebrating 25 years teaching.

At our last general meeting we had guest speaker Mr. Tom O'Reilly an Irish History Historian. The topic was the Good Friday Agreement and England's exit from the European Union. I think it was a great success and hopefully we can have him back in the Spring. That will give every one some time to brush up on their History!

Our Annual St. Patrick's Day Dance will be held on March 24<sup>th</sup> at Vails Grove. Music will be by Tara Gold. The ticket price this year will be \$60 dollars per person. I encourage all our members to contact Dympna Zarrero, Dance Chair, with the list of names that will be attending a.s.ap as you don't want to be left out of the fun.

#### **Welcome to Social Media:**

We now have a Facebook page! https://www.facebook.com/EmeraldAssociationofPutnamCounty/
If you are a Facebook user go ahead and "Like" our page and share it with your friends! If you have content
you would like to see posted, please pass it along to Nuala. Any comments or suggestions are always welcome.

#### **Scholarship 2018**

Applications for our 2018 scholarship are now posted on our website and available at each General Membership meeting. Qualifications;

- . Candidates need to be a graduating senior going to an approved College or University
- . Be the son/daughter/grandchild of an Emerald Member. Emerald Member needs to be a member of the organization for at least 2 consecutive years and have attended at least 4 general membership meetings each year. Members must also be current on dues.

Please contact Jim Scully, Scholarship Chair, with any questions. <a href="mailto:skullman@reagan.com">skullman@reagan.com</a>

#### **Dues:**

If you are unsure of your membership status, please contact Sally Ann Comparetto: <a href="mailto:scomparetto@houlihanlawrence.com">scomparetto@houlihanlawrence.com</a> . \$30 for Family; \$20 Single

#### Save –the- date

Saturday, March 3, 2018 Danbury AOH St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance. Sunday, March 11, 2018 Northern Westchester St. Patrick's Day Parade Saturday, March 24, 2018 44<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance Sunday, May 20, 2018 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Feis at Putnam Park

#### Other:

All Emerald Association members are invited to help by recruiting family members, friends, co-workers, etc... to join our organization, and encouraging entrepreneurs, store owners, etc... to place an ad in our newsletter.

If you have any news/information regarding our members (engagements/marriages, births, death notices, hospitalized/sick/injured members, etc...) that you would like to be included in the newsletter, please contact John Shanley at <a href="mailto:jtsconstruction@aol.com">jtsconstruction@aol.com</a>. Thank you!

Note: This has been a slow Month for member news so if you have any items that you may wish to share with the rest of the members please pass on. I am trying to keep job security.

#### Hold on to your Hat

#### Come here did you hear the one about?

It was the last day of Paddy's Funeral. His wife and children were sitting in the front row listening to the priest sermon. And so, brothers and sisters we are here to say farewell to Patrick, a good and kind man, loving husband, and devoted father, always ready to lend a helping hand. At that point the wife, looking slightly shocked, whispered to her son, oh no John we must be at the wrong funeral.

Darling says Paddy, since I met you I can't eat, I can't sleep, I can't even drink. Mary smiling with pride oh why ever not my honey? Paddy I'm stone broke.

O'Shea turned to his wife and said: Whenever I pass a mirror I have to stop and look at myself to make sure I'm as perfect as ever. Do you think I'm vain? No, his wife replied just very imaginative.

He Er excuse me but would like to go out with me tonight? She, oh I don't go out with perfect strangers. He, but who said I was perfect?

Jokes submitted: by John Glynn

A duck walks into a pub and orders a pint of beer and a ham sandwich.

The barman looks at him and says, "Hang on! You're a duck."

I see your eyes are working," replies the duck.

"And you can talk!" Exclaims the barman.

"I see your ears are working, too, "Says the duck.

"Now if you don't mind, can I have my beer and my sandwich please?"

"Certainly, sorry about that," Says the barman as he pulls the duck's pint.

"It's just we don't get many ducks in this pub...

What are you doing round this way?"

"I'm working on the building site across the road," Explains the duck...

"I'm a plasterer."

The flabbergasted barman cannot believe the duck and wants to learn more, But takes the hint when the duck pulls out a newspaper from his bag and proceeds to read it.

So, the duck reads his paper, drinks his beer, eats his sandwich, bids the barman good day and leaves.

The same thing happens for two weeks.

Then one day the circus comes to town.

The ringmaster comes into the pub for a pint and the barman says to him

"You're with the circus, aren't you? Well, I know this duck that could be just brilliant in your circus. He talks, drinks beer, eat sandwiches, reads the newspaper and everything!"

"Sounds marvelous, "says the ringmaster, handing over his business card

"Get him to give me a call."

So, the next day when the duck comes into the pub the barman says, "Hey Mr. Duck, I recon I can line you up with a top job, paying really good money."

"I'm always looking for the next job, "Says the duck.

"where is it?"

"At the circus, "says the barman.

"The circus?" Repeats the duck.

"That's right, "replies the barman.

"The Circus?" The duck asks again.

"With the big tent?"

"Yeah, 'the barman replies.

"With all the animals who live in cages and performers who live in caravans?" says the duck.

"Of Course. "the barman replies.

"And the tent has canvas sides and a big canvas roof with a hole in the middle?" persists the duck

"That's right!" says the barman.

The duck shakes his head in amazement, and says

"What the F??K would they want with a plasterer??!"

Anyone with a joke or a funny saying please forward on, we all can do with a wee bit of a laugh.



Christmas Season

I would like to wish all our members a very happy Christmas.

Also, please keep in your thought and prayers All our First Responders and the Women and Men in the Armed Forces. That they will have a safe and peaceful Christmas season.

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