



### General Info:

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

### General Membership Meeting Schedule

**2nd Friday of each month September through June. Mark your calendar!** Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>; **\*April 17<sup>th</sup>**; May 8<sup>th</sup>; June 12<sup>th</sup> at the Trinity Lutheran Church hall located at 2103 Route 6 in Brewster. Doors open at 7:15pm – meeting starts at 8pm. **\*Please Note: April's meeting date has changed due to Good Friday falling on Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>**!

#### **Executive Board:**

President: Nuala Donnelly 845.494.9460 Vice President: John Shanley 845.590.3052 Treasurer: Margaret O'Reilly 845.225.7375 Correspondence Secretary: Dympna Zazzero 845.278.8271 Recording Secretary: John Molloy 845.628.3056 Membership Secretary: Sally Ann Comparetto 914.924.4331

### **Board Members:**

Bernie Cummins Jim Dolan Pauline Killean Jim Scully John Simpson Mary Thorne

### Member News:

We had a nice turnout for the St. Patrick's Day Grand Marshal Installation dinner held Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at Centennial Golf Club. Thank you to those who attended in support of the parade committee and Liz Flannery - this year's Grand Marshal!

Condolences to Eamon Cummins and family on the passing of his Uncle Tom O'Brien in Ireland. RIP

Well wishes going out to Pat Lavan recuperating from a recent stay in the hospital. Hello to Russ as well who was expected to come home soon from Paramount Rehab.

St. John's in Mahopac will be hosting an Irish Concert after the 11:30am Mass on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. See info attached for more information.

Please see attached flyer from John Glynn. A One Night Only play performed by The Wild Swan Theatre Co. from Galway, Ireland. John's brother Kevin is the author and producer of the show that will be performed at the Lovinger Theatre at Lehman College in the Bronx on April 4<sup>th</sup> 2020.

Reviews:

A play that brings back memories of the showband era in Ireland and a performance that will make you laugh out loud, shed a tear, sing and even dance.

"...Not to be missed trip down memory lane",

"...honestly thought my sides would split laughing at characters that I felt I once knew".

West Put Gaelic Football Club will hold their Annual Dinner Dance at Villa Barone in Mahopac on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. See flyer and journal ad contract attached.

Attention Snowbirds! Be sure to drop Pat Farrell a line at mrpatf@aol.com so he can keep us Northerners updated on goings on in South!

### Emerald of the Year 2020

Congratulations to Tom Brady, our Emerald of the Year! Tom has been a long time member of our association. You'll see him at all of our meetings or dancing with Beatrice at our dances. He works behind the scenes with his tool belt on setting up and taking down stages at our annual Feis and helping out wherever he can in between! Thanks for all you do Tom! We are looking forward to celebrating you at our dance on March 28<sup>th</sup>

<u>St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance</u> Join us Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> for our 46<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance. Please see the flyer attached for further information. Contact Dympna Zazzero if you have further questions: 845.278.8271

### Feis – 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

We will have a Feis meeting after each general membership meeting through May. Please plan to attend and volunteer in any way you can. May 17<sup>th</sup> will be here before we know it! If you have any photos from the early days of the Feis please pass them along. We would love to share them on social media posts leading up to the Feis.

### **Emerald Association Scholarship 2020**

### Deadline is 8pm Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>!

Applications are posted on our website and available at each General Membership meeting. There are Six \$600 Scholarships available to qualified candidates. Qualifications:

• Candidates need to be a graduating High School Senior planning to attend an accredited College, University, Business or Trade School.

- Be the son/daughter/grandchild of an Emerald Member in good standing. ٠
- Emerald Member needs to be a member of the organization for two consecutive years and have attended four general membership meetings each year.
- Members must also be current on dues.

\*2019 Scholarship winners – please submit your first semester transcripts as soon as possible so we can pay out your scholarship! Please contact Jim Scully, Scholarship Chair, with any questions. skullman@reagan.com

### Social Media:

If you are a Facebook user please "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 Donnelly or Lisa Scully. Any comments or suggestions are always welcome.

### Dues:

If you are unsure of your membership status, please contact Sally Ann Comparetto: scomparetto@houlihanlawrence.com. \$30 for Family; \$20 Single

### Save-the- date

- Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> Northern Westchester Putnam St. Patrick's Day Parade *line up info will be sent* via email no later than Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>!
- Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance
- Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> WestPut Setanta Dinner Dance Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup> 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Feis at Putnam Park Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Picnic 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 jtsconstruction@aol.com. Thank you!

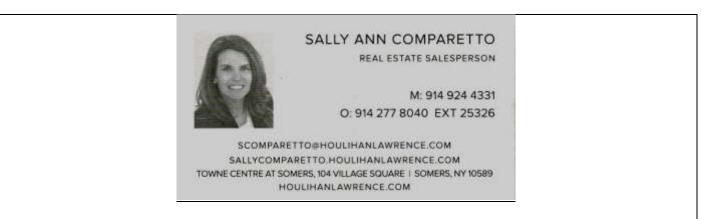


Please keep in your thoughts and prayers All our First Responders and the Women and Men in the Armed Forces. Also, a thank you to all our veterans.

### Please Patronize our Advertisers:

Ad rates: Member \$30; Non-member \$50 for 10 months





#### The Life and Times of Emerald Snow Birds in Florida.

The warm weather has returned, so beach here I come! I was almost late with my February contribution but fortunately Nuala reminded me. Thanks Nuala. I did not realize how far into February we were. It is true that time flies when one is having fun or has too many other things in the fire.

We had our monthly movie on February 5<sup>th</sup> and Anne Hynes and Kathleen Healy were in attendance. Definitely two classy ladies. I had a chance to briefly chat with them before the movie started and at intermission time. I am sure you will be hearing more as time progresses.

We had our HOA elections here in February. A contentious undertaking to say the least. We seem to have two groups that for some reason do not like each other. I believe that they don't know themselves why this animosity exists and I for one don't care. We also will be holding our annual tag sale in February. Donated items are collected during the year and are offered for sale during the tag sale weekend. The proceeds help to keep our maintenance fees down. The leftover items are donated to some charity.

The Burkes, Claire and I attended the New York Tenors concert on February 7<sup>th</sup> up in Tequesta. It was a very enjoyable evening. Large attendance in a beautiful church. Almost every song got a standing ovation. The performers consisted of Andy Cooney, Daniel Rodriguez and Christopher Macchio. They opened the program with songs from Man of La Mancha and closed with *God Bless America*. Well worth seeing if the opportunity presents itself.

In the first paragraph I mentioned that the warm weather was back. That was true when I started this months write up. Unfortunately, the warm weather left us. We are currently experiencing some rather cool weather. But there is nothing to worry about, in the not too distance future, the air conditioner will be back on the job.

At church on February 8<sup>th</sup>, I got a glimpse of Ann and Ed Fitzgerald. Since they sit in a different location in the church, I did not get a chance to chat with them. They are a very nice couple and live in Sterling Village.

I was wondering if any Emeralds have visited Branson, Missouri. I plan on visiting the place in April and would appreciate any suggestions, of where to visit, what to see, what to avoid, etc. Thanks.

That is all for now.

God Bless. Pat Farrell. Westchester County Executive George Latimer nvites You to Join Us as We Raise the Irish Flag in Celebration of

# lbish Henitage Month

# Wednesday, March 4 5:15 p.m.

The steps of the Michealian Office Building 148 Martine Avenue White Plains, NY 10601

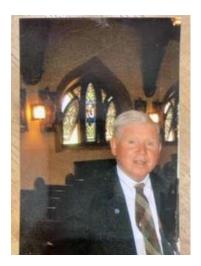
REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW

Rsvp to Communications@Westchestergov.com by Friday, February 28

# Sunday, March 15, 2020



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### Tom Brady Emerald of the Year 2020

Tom was born in Enaghan, Co. Longford Ireland to Susan and Tom Brady and is the second oldest of seven children. Tom attended Cortober National School and went on to Technical School in Ballinamuc.

After Technical School Tom apprenticed in Carpentry Workshop at McManus Workshop in Carrigallen, Co. Leitrim and was a member of the ASW (Amalgamated Society of Woodworkers) in Ireland. McManus manufactured and supplied all the necessary interior woodwork for new schools and churches mainly in the west of Ireland including the first self-service store "Quinnsworth" in Longford town. Toms commute to work every day took him through a part of three provinces.

Tom immigrated to the United States in 1961 and lived in New Rochelle, NY. He became a member of the Carpenters Union in Westchester. In 2012 Tom received a gold watch for 50 years of service in the Union. Tom met the love of his life Beatrice O'Donnell (who hails from Co. Roscommon) in the Red Mill in the Bronx and was married in Holy Spirit Church in the Bronx in 1967. Tom and Beatrice moved to Yorktown Heights in 1971 and are happy to still call it home!

Tom and Beatrice have four children – Kevin (Laura), Sean, Brain (Lori) and Tom (Christina). The Brady's are blessed with 8 treasured grandchildren – Patrick, Brendan, Sheamus, Sophie, Emma, Reese, Thomas (the 5<sup>th</sup>) and Martin.

Tom is one of the founders of the Retired Carpenters Club and where he currently sits as Vice President. He is also one of the founders of the Irish-American Social Club in Yorktown Heights and Board Director of the Tara Circle. Tom is also a member of the KBIC Club in Wappingers Falls.

As an Emerald, Tom continues to use his carpentry skills and expertise to help with the set up of our Annual Feis each May. You will see Tom on the day of the Feis helping out in any capacity needed. Tom and Beatrice also enjoy participating in the Emeralds activities and can be seen enjoying a waltz at our annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance. As an avid historian of the Irish culture, Tom shares with the membership information he thinks would be of interest.

As a long time member of the Emerald Association of Putnam County, Tom is honored and humbled to be selected as Emerald of the Year 2020 and looks forward to a great evening celebrating with friends and relatives.

# <u>MANNANNANNANNANNANN</u>

The Emerald Association of Putnam County 46th Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

> Saturday, March 28, 2020 Mahopac Fire House 741 Route 6 Mahopae, NY

Music provided by Mike and Norgen Sherry Irish Step Dancers from the O'Sullivan School will perform

Doors open at 6pm; Appetizers served from 6pm-7pm; Buffet Dinner from 7pm-8pm; Dancing from 7pm-11pm

> The Emerald Association will honor Tom Brady as "Emerald of the Year"

Donation: \$60 per person; BYOB (includes: appetizers, dinner, beer, wine, soda, coffee, tea, Irish soda bread and assorted desserts)

Reservations & info contact: Dympna Zazzero - Chairperson 845-278-8271 or email dympnaz@aol.com

Checks payable to: Emerald Association of Putnam County mail to: Dympna Zazzero 280 Farm to Market Rd Brewster, NY 10509

RSVP deadling March 15, 2020





# WestPut Setanta Gaelic Football Club



WestPut Setanta Gaelic Football Club will host their Annual Dinner Dance on Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Music by

### The McLean Avenue Band

Additional Entertainment by

### The O'Sullivan School of Irish Dance

Cocktail hour starts at 7:30 PM and dancing from 8 PM until midnight

Villa Barone Hilltop Manor, 466 Route 6, Mahopac, NY 10541 Tickets are \$100 per person

Guests of Honor Our 2019 All Ireland winning Ladies Féile Champions Jackie, Ciara, Brett, Katie, Ciara, Kiera & Orlaith

### Gael of the Year Mike McDermott

For more information, or to buy your tickets in advance, please visit our website at www.westputsetanta.com

### Dance Chairperson: Eileen Victory Journal Chairperson: Leigh Mulherne

### Committee:

Leigh Mulherne	914 490 5518	Eileen Victory	914-224-2476	Conor Healy	917 902 5056
Kevin Vaughan	917 578 0353	Peter Hughes	917 528 6017	Vincent McMahon	914 646 2134
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Mike McDermott	914 334 2602	Maurice Gallagher	914 612 3937	Jim Murtagh	914 552 6645
Mat Kelleher	914 424 9675	Grey Degl	914 420 8073	Kassie Rodden	845 287 4098
Gary Birdy	917 560 2731	Mellissa Biolchini	845 206 3077	Danny O'Sullivan	914 906 7539
Liam Rooney	347 325 3032	Marty Rodden	917 832 2050	John McLaughlin	914 494 2447
Aidan Cassidy	845 300 6899	Tommy Feighery	845 380 0708	Jerry Padian	917 610 5270

Thank you for your continued support!

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# ADVERTISMENT CONTRACT

### WestPut Setanta Gaelic Football Club



Platinum Page: \$500

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### **Guests** of Honor

Our 2019 All Ireland winning Ladies Féile Champions Jackie, Ciara, Brett, Katie, Ciara, Kiera & Orlaith

### Gael of the Year: Mike McDermott

White Page: \$100

Gold Page: \$200

**Payment Options:** 

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### Dance Chairperson: Eileen Victory Journal Chairperson: Leigh Mulherne

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Please contact any committee member with any questions: