



## September 2020 Newsletter

### General Info:

Mail correspondence to:  
The Emerald Association of Putnam County  
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### General Membership Meeting Schedule

2nd Friday of each month September through June.

at the Trinity Lutheran Church hall located at 2103 Route 6 in Brewster.

**September 10<sup>th</sup>**, October 9<sup>th</sup>, November 13<sup>th</sup>, December 11<sup>th</sup>, January 8, 2021, February 12<sup>th</sup>, March 12<sup>th</sup>, April 9<sup>th</sup>, May 14<sup>th</sup>, June 11<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 7:15pm – meeting starts at 8pm.

*\*Please Note: September's meeting will be held Thursday, September 10<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:

Welcome Back! 2020 is certainly testing us! Please note...our first meeting has been rescheduled to **Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 8pm**. The church requires that we wear masks at all times and sit six feet apart unless seated next to a member of your own household. Unfortunately, we cannot offer refreshments. You can bring your own drink if you wish to do so and please don't forget to sign in upon arrival.

-Happy Birthday to all our September babies. I hear it was a special one for Mary Dolan - another milestone at 70!

-The pandemic has certainly held us back from many things one being the delayed election. As you know we did not hold elections back in 2019. As a result, the terms of all of the Officers and Board Members are set to expire at the same time as opposed to the staggered term expiration that would be preferable. Since all Officers and members of the Board have two-year terms, it would be ideal for half of their terms to expire each year. The Board has had a long discussion about the best way to schedule this year's election to correct this oversight. It was determined that to accomplish that, President, Nuala Donnelly, Vice President, John Shanley, Membership Secretary, Sally Comparetto, Board Members Jim Scully, John Simpson and Mary Thorne will all resign in September of 2020 and each will then run for the positions that they currently hold if they so desire - except for Sally as she and her family will be moving in the Fall. A nominating committee will be formed. John Molloy and Dympna Zazzerro will represent from the Board. We will need three members to volunteer at which time a Nominating Committee Chairperson will be selected. If you would like to volunteer please contact John or Dympna as soon as possible. In addition, just as with any other Emerald election, the nominating committee may nominate other Emerald members to run for any seat opened by the aforementioned resignations. The Candidate slate will be proposed at the September General Membership meeting with the official election will be held in October. This will put us back on track for elections in the Spring 2021.

- Please keep in your thoughts and prayers: Pat Joyce who was diagnosed with Mesothelioma in June and underwent major surgery at Memorial Sloan Kettering. He has had a few setbacks keeping him in ICU. Eileen hopes to have Pat home soon. Also sending prayers to Russ Lavan and Anne O'Reilly.

-Condolences to the Olson family on the passing of Dorothy Olson. Over the years, Dorothy made many trophies and awards for our annual Feis. RIP.

## Emerald of the Year 2020

Tom Brady, we haven't forgotten about you! You're still our Emerald of the Year! We are looking forward to celebrating you as soon as we can!

## Emerald Association Scholarship 2021

Applications for our 2021 Scholarship be available and posted on the website soon.

## Social Media

"Like" our page on Facebook 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. Comments or suggestions are always welcome.

## Dues:

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

## 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](mailto:jtsconstruction@aol.com).



Please keep in your thoughts and prayers All those working on the front lines and their families during this pandemic: our First Responders, Doctors, Nurses, Women and Men in the Armed Forces, Grocery store and Pharmacy workers.



## **PUTNAM HEROES MEMORIAL**

**PO BOX 7, CARMEL NY 10512 - (845) 704-1367**

Putnam County's Annual September 11th Candle Light Vigil will be held on Friday, September 11, 2020, at the Putnam Heroes Memorial located at Cornerstone Park, Carmel. With an abundance of caution, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and its potential health hazards, the Putnam Heroes Memorial Committee has decided to live-stream this year's ceremony on the internet.

The Ceremony will start at 8:00 p.m. Cornerstone Park will be closed and will only be open to those involved in the actual Ceremony and its production. It is estimated that Cornerstone Park will be closed from 6:00 p.m. until the conclusion of the Ceremony.

This year Commissioner Robert McMahon, Putnam County Bureau of Emergency Services will be added to the Memorial

**EIGHTH  
ANNUAL  
TYATHLON** 2020  
September 12  
Mahopac, NY

VIRTUAL 5K RUN/WALK in memory of Ty and in honor of all children fighting cancer! Run, jog or walk at any location you choose - in your neighborhood, at a park, or even on your treadmill. Complete the 5K distance of 3.1 miles at one time/in one go by September 12, send us a screenshot of your race details, and receive your custom medal!

\$35 to register: <https://endurancecui.active.com/new/events/70512953/select-race?e4p=5ad93a39-929d-44b5-89a7-9992ab942c33&e4ts=1599678497&e4q=04fe0b58-ee7e-48e1-9168-6359885deld8&e4c=active&e4e=snawe00000000&e4h=23ceedbfe03c410f8c2a11169ff14a7b&regnow=awe-regnow&e4rt=Safe-tynet&p=7543341047581524>

All proceeds benefit the Ty Louis Campbell (TLC) Foundation, a nonprofit organization (EIN: 45-1858390) that funds innovative research and clinical trials specifically geared toward the treatment of the most aggressive childhood cancers. The TLC Foundation help funds the intelligence and technology that will improve long-term survival rates and minimize side-effects for children diagnosed with the deadliest cancers, while helping to care for families when their child is in treatment by providing financial assistance and uplifting experiences.

## **Please Protect Yourself and Others**

### **Practice Social Distancing:**

Even if you feel well, stay at home as much as possible. In public, wear a mask and keep at least 6 feet distance from others. Avoid unnecessary appointments.

### **Wash Your Hands. Cover Your Cough**

Cover your cough and sneezes. Use your elbow or a tissue. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

### **Take Caution**

Take special caution to avoid exposing the elderly and people with underlying health conditions. Avoid visiting those most at risk, call instead. Offer help with groceries and other goods.

## Have a Laugh

An elderly Florida lady did her shopping and, upon returning to her car, found four males in the act of leaving with her vehicle.

She dropped her shopping bags and drew her handgun, proceeding to scream at the top of her lungs, "I have a gun, and I know how to use it! Get out of the car!". The four men didn't wait for a second threat. They got out and ran like mad.

The lady, somewhat shaken, then proceeded to load her shopping bags into the back of the car and got into the driver's seat. She was so shaken that she could not get her key into the ignition.

She tried and tried, and then she realized why. It was for the same reason she had wondered why there was a football, a Frisbee and two 12-packs of beer in the front seat. A few minutes later, she found her own car parked four or five spaces farther down.

She loaded her bags into the car and drove to the police station to report her mistake.

The sergeant to whom she told the story couldn't stop laughing. He pointed to the other end of the counter, where four pale men were reporting a car-jacking by a mad, elderly woman described as white, less than five feet tall, glasses, curly white hair, and carrying a large handgun.

No charges were filed. The moral of the story? If you're going to have a senior moment... make it memorable  
*(submitted by Sally Comparetto – getting ready for Florida life)*

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