

EMERALD GUILD NEWS

Newsletter of the Emerald Guild Society

Friday March 16th

The Emerald Guild Team will be doing the set up and decoration of the hall for the social event which will be happening on the 16th. This will begin at 7:00 pm. We need as many members as possible to come and help. This is always a fun evening. You are welcome to bring any members of your family who would like to come help decorate as well. In the past, a few of members have brought their children and they have been a great help.

Marching Orders

Our assembly point for this year's parade is on East 46th St. between Madison Ave. and Vanderbilt Ave. Our time of assembly is **2:30 PM**.

Post Parade

Saturday, March 17th St.
Patrick's Day After Party 5 pm to 9 pm at Our Lady of Good Counsel 230 E 90th St New York, NY 10128
Children are free.



Members of the moment

Declan Moran & John Hoy are Grand Marshall and Member of the year 2018





Sunrise Walk

Solace Sunrise walk previously Darkness Into Light, a 5 km walk, begins at 4 am and finishes as the sun is rising. This symbolizes the journey of those who come to our doors, approaching us in their darkest of times and leaving with hope for their future. In 2015 the first Darkness Into Light walk in America witnessed thousands of people arriving at 4 am in New York, Chicago and Washington DC, showing their support of those in distress and leading the fight against suicide here in America. We look forward to our third Darkness Into Light Queens walk on May 19th 2018, and hope you will join us!

There was a good turnout of Members at the walk last year and want to keep this attendance up for this most important Organization. Last year the Organization was known as the Pieta House but the founder Joan Freeman wanted to differentiate between Ireland and USA organizations. Pieta House is still in Ireland but now in the USA it's Solace house. It's the same organization just a different name.

The march is on May 19th

Fellow Member Mickey McCreesh is volunteering for the Solace sunrise walk again this year. This was formally Pieta house darkness into light walk which is the biggest fund raiser they do to help fund the suicide prevention center in the Irish center in LIC.

The New York City St. Patrick's Day Parade is once again sponsoring both a College Level and a High School Level Research Paper Contests in memory of two outstanding Parade leaders who have gone on to their eternal rewards, Francis P. Beirne (College) and Margaret O'Rourke (High School) .

The first, second, and third place winners in the College Level will receive individual prizes of \$3,250, \$2,000, and \$1,500, respectively; and \$1,500, \$1,000, and \$750, respectively in the High School Level.

The applicant must be a family member (son, daughter, spouse, brother, sister, niece, nephew, grandchild, grandniece, grandnephew, or great grandchild) of a member of an affiliated organization to the NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade, Inc.

Complete details and application attached.

Essays and applications must be e-mailed no later than Monday, April 16 , 2018 , at 11pm.

Winners will be announced by Thursday, May 24 , 2018 .

Thanks and best of luck to those who enter!

Tom Tuffy

President

United Irish Counties Association of New York

It is with great sorrow that I inform you all of the passing away peacefully of Una Neary (nee Devine) mother to Mrs. Paula Grady and mother in law of our fellow Gerry Grady.

On behalf of the Officers, Board, Trustees and Members of The Emerald Guild Society, we extend our deepest condolences to the Neary and Grady Family.

May she rest in Peace.