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Presidents Message



We enjoyed the Fall Fling in Ocean City. Thanks, Nancy. Sorry that you could not come yourself this year. There were many events taking place that weekend. Too many to participate in all of them. The weather was warm enough for beach combing or strolling the boardwalk. For those of you who did not come, there have been a few changes. The roof top restaurant has changed hands and we hope to see some improvements next year. Also, the Russians are gone, a symptom of the economic times, perhaps. The jobs are now filled with Americans. The National Conference of Law Enforcement Emerald Societies had their fall meeting in New York last month. Those of us who attended braved the record breaking October snow storm. The host organization, the New York Corrections Department Emerald Society did a great job. Their hospitality was fantastic. This

was the first meeting chaired by our new national president Joe Keenan. I am sure that Joe will build upon the work of the previous presidents and continue to move the organization along. Let me remind everyone at this point that next year's meeting will be in



London and we will be hosted by the London Emerald Society. A member of that society was in attendance

and promised some interesting tours: Tower of London, Windsor Castle and perhaps Scotland Yard and the Irish Embassy. Make sure that you have a valid passport as this is a trip not to be missed. The annual Christmas party will be held as in the past at the American Legion Post in Greenbelt. We will have the same great buffet, premium open

bar and band as last year. What's more, the price is unchanged. This year's date is December 3. Mark your calendar now as this can be a busy time of year and you do not want to miss this great event. Speaking of Christmas, the holidays do not bring out the beat in everyone. Safety is a paramount concern at this time of year. The seasonal spike in street crime and domestic violence threatens us all, especially those responding to calls for service. Be careful and rely on your training, experience and good sense. Safety first, always. Early next year we will talk about the St. Patrick's Day parade. Planning is well under way and the details will be available soon. I wish everyone the best for the holidays. Enjoy a most happy Thanksgiving, the merriest Christmas and prosperous New Year. As always, I look forward to seeing everyone early and often. Stay Safe ~Charlie~



PES Christmas Party



The annual Christmas party will be held on Saturday, December 3rd, at the Greenbelt American Legion in Greenbelt, MD which is conveniently located off of the BW Parkway and the Capital Beltway. This will be our 7th year at this location. The party begins at 7pm and wraps up at midnight. As in years past,

there will be an open bar including a keg of Guinness. For dinner we'll be serving top sirloin, chicken breast with all the trimmings, coffee and cake. The tickets are still just \$40. Live music will be provided by the Rovers from Annapolis, MD. They've been our musical guest for the last several years and are great

entertainers. We're honored that the Montgomery Shields Pipe Band will be joining us, as well. I've had numerous inquiries to date so I'm expecting the tickets to sell out quickly. Don't wait until the last minute to return your payment with the enclosed tickets! See you there.

Hotel & Annual Awards Nominations



Meetings are held at the DC FOP located at 711 4th Street NW 7:00pm

Thanks to Tom Kemp (TK) for arranging the hotel accommodations for the evening of the Christmas party. Twenty five rooms are being held for the PES for Saturday, December 3rd, at the Greenbelt Marriott on Ivy Lane.

This is one of the nicest hotels in the area and the rooms generally go for \$119, however, TK has secured an employee rate of just \$59. The NY Jets will be playing the Redskins that weekend and will be staying there so rooms are limited. Reservations must be made no later than Friday,

November 18th. Call 301-441-3700 and identify yourself as a DC PES member. We ask that you only book a room if you are attending the party. And please don't abuse this privilege by passing the information around; it is exclusively for our members.

Our Annual Awards presentation will take place at the party. The awards presented will be: The Chris Truitt Law Officer Of the Year, Man Of the Year, Woman Of the Year and the President's Award. Please take the time to nominate a deserving co-

worker, friend or perhaps yourself. I need the nominations ASAP. Mail them to me directly at the address that is listed on the tickets or email them to me at: Gardavp@aol.com.

We also present one \$500 Donna Bramlett Scholarship Award to the child of an active member who is in good standing (dues paid). This award is randomly drawn and is presented at the end of the evening



IAC AC BUS Trip & Events



The Irish American Club of Washington DC is sponsoring a bus trip to Atlantic City. It's on Saturday, November 19th. They'll be leaving from two locations: Leisure World & St Camillus. Due to increased fuel cost, the tickets are now \$40/pp which includes a \$20 gambling voucher. Please contact Cara or Chris ASAP at 301.854.318 for more info.

If you're interested in joining and would like to help support the future of the club, please



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contact Peggy Dee, 301.927.0690 Their meetings are held at St. Camillus in the

KofC Hall located in Silver Spring, MD at 7:30pm. Meeting schedule is; Nov 6, Dec 11, Jan 8, Feb 12, March 4, April 18 & May 13th (Picnic).

Pat Troy is having a book release, Sunday, Nov 13th at Irelands Own in Old Town Alexandria. The book is titled "I have a story to tell". Entertainment provided. For info, call Kathleen: 703-549-4535.

October 11th—15th, 2012 We're looking at a few days before or after in Ireland.



NCLEES 2012 LONDON CONFERENCE

That's right, in 2012 we'll be heading over the pond to London, England. Our brethren, the Metropolitan Police Services Emerald Society will be hosting the Fall Conference.

You've heard me rave about the trips here in the US; An

overseas trip is the icing on the cake. MPS is an International member of the NCLEES and comprised of Irish bobbies. I hear this trip will have some real exclusive sights that tourist don't get to see. So start saving your money. I encourage you to book a room now, there are only 2 left. The

Crown Moran Hotel is a 4 star hotel about 4 miles outside of downtown London with easy tube access 24 hours. Rooms are \$157us per night, including full Irish breakfast. They have 5 bars on site also. You can find more info by going to nclees.org or on fb, MPS Emerald Society.

36th Annual MD Irish Festival

The 36th Annual MD Irish Festival will be held Friday, November 11 through Sunday, November 13 at the Timonium Fairgrounds. Festivities begin at 6pm Friday and conclude at 6pm on Sunday. The festival will run until 11pm each night. Admission prices are as follows: \$15 adults; \$10 seniors; \$5 young adults; admission is free for those under 11 yrs of age and for active military with ID. Cash and credit cards will be accepted. Entertainment includes: Finbar Furey, Brian Gaff-

ney, Brendan's Voyage, Cross-



ing Celtic, Off the Boat, the Rovers, O'Malley's March, Belfast Connection, 2U, Screaming Orphans, Derek Warfield &

The Young Dubliners, Shannon Tide & NVA, to name a few. As always, the Sean Culkin & Ryan Schools will be on hand with their talented Irish step dancers. There will be traditional cuisine, cultural exhibits, workshops and a wide variety of quality vendors with Irish products. Plenty of refreshments will be available. If you're interested in participating in competitions such as darts, baking, kilts and fleadh, registration forms may be found online.

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Applications

available online

at pesdc.org

Upcoming Events & Benefits

The boyz of the AOH will be hosting a FREE concert featuring Finbar Furey and Brian Gaffney on Thursday, November 10th, at 9pm at Catholic University in Washington, DC. Light snacks and refreshments will be served. Parking is available in the lot next to the Edward Pryzbla University Center. Don't miss it!!

The Baltimore PES is hosting their annual Bull & Oyster Roast on

Saturday, November 19th at 7pm at the Tall Cedars Hall in Parkville, MD. Tickets are \$40/pp which includes pit beef, oysters, buffet, drinks and dessert. Drinks will include Guinness, Harp, domestic drafts, wine, soda and coffee. A DJ and pipers will also be on hand. There will be door prizes, 50/50, a silent auction and money wheels. For tickets, call Chuck Connolly at 443-992-6658.



PES 25th Anniversary 1986-2011

It's hard to believe but we are celebrating our 25th anniversary this year. The PES was founded in 1986 by John J. Day, a Sergeant with the U.S. Secret Service Uniformed Division. In 1953, the NYPD formed the first Emerald Society and, since then, nearly every major city in the U.S. has one. They represent various trades and occupations, however, they are most recognized for their public safety and

pipe bands. The Washington PES is a founding member of the National Conference of Law Enforcement Emerald Societies. In fact, our past President, Patrick O'Brien, is the founder. This year during Police Week, we had the honor of working with John Walsh of America's Most Wanted, who presented their Public Safety Officers Award at our services. We're an instrumental part of Police Week and I'd like to

see greater attendance at next year's event. Be proud of your occupation and most of all your heritage.



PES Honor Guard at the NCLEES Emerald Society & Pipe Band Memorial March

Check only boxes that apply!

2012 PES DC Membership Application

Mail to: PES
c/o DC FOP Lodge #1
711 4th St NW
Washington DC 20001

ACTIVE (Gaelic Law Enforcement or retired) _____ \$25.00
3 YEAR ACTIVE/ASSOCIATE _____ \$60.00 (save \$15)
ASSOCIATE (Gaelic Civilian) _____ \$25.00
AUXILLIARY (Non Gaelic) _____ \$50.00

NAME _____ NEW _____

ADDRESS _____ RENEWAL _____
ADDRESS CHANGE _____

DOB _____ E-mail (new only) _____

W# _____ H# _____

AGENCY/DEPT _____ RANK _____

BENEFICIARY (Active Only) _____ RELATION _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

I, the above signed do hereby attest to be of Gaelic decent and make application for membership in the PES. Further, it is understood that acceptance in the PES does not in any way protect the member against violations of the law, nor has the member been promised any favors of immunity by any law enforcement officer. I proclaim to be of good moral character and a law abiding citizen of the US. Board of Directors may request verification of type _____ of membership a person is applying for.



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PES Meetings (DC FOP)
Thursday, November 17 @ 7pm
Thursday, December 15 @ 7pm



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