

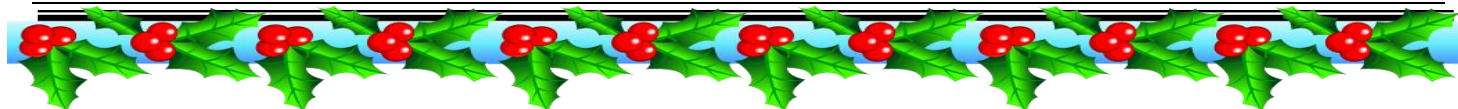


The Bard



January 2010

Doug Byers, Editor



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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At our next meeting on Monday, January 4, 2010, the nominating committee (Ken Donovan, Pete Fleming, Tom Fischer, Dennis Moroney and Pat Dunn) will announce the slate of candidates for the March election. We will be electing a vice-president and two directors for the board. In accordance with our bylaws, the vice-president becomes the president-elect after one year and then the president the following year. Directors serve three year terms. If you are interested in running for office or have someone in mind that would make a good candidate, please contact one of the committee members as soon as possible.

The annual “**Blue Mass**” will be held on Monday, **January 18, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.** at the **Basilica of St. Josaphat**, 601 W. Lincoln Ave. (6th & Lincoln) in Milwaukee. Now here is an event just made for the Emerald Society! Our own chaplain, **Bishop William Patrick Callahan**, will be the celebrant. Our own Greater Milwaukee Fire & Police Pipes and Drums will perform as will the Milwaukee Police Department Band, the oldest police band in the nation (1898-present). I guess the official name is the “**Law Enforcement Mass of Blessing**” or something like that, but Bishop Callahan called it the “Blue Mass” when I spoke to him and I like the term. It’s for all law enforcement and all religious denominations are welcome. Come a little early and put on an Emerald Society sash and sit with the group. Let’s make a really great showing this year!

John P. Isely, Jr.

President

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A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

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PARTY UPDATE



The Emerald Society Christmas Party was held on Sunday 12-13-09, at Derry's Pub. I want to extend a sincere thank you to Pete & Dawn Fleming and Kathy Donovan for all of their hard work on this year's party. (A special thanks to Santa and his helper Frosty). I hope that everyone that attended had a good time and plenty to eat. Thanks to all the members who brought snacks, deserts and other goodies. Everything tasted great! It was so nice to see our chaplain Bishop William Callahan at the party. I will have more info at the January meeting regarding the cost of the party etc.

As 2009 draws to a close, I hope that you are enjoying the Christmas season. I wish each of you good health and prosperity in 2010. 2010 promises to be a busy exciting year as the Emerald Society of Wisconsin celebrates its 20th anniversary. (in 2010 our friends at the Shamrock Club of Wisconsin will also be celebrating their 50th anniversary). Milwaukee's St. Patrick's Day downtown parade will be a huge event as the Emerald Society and the Shamrock Club celebrate their respective anniversaries. It's not too early to mark your calendars now reserving Saturday March 13, 2010 for participating in the 2010 St. Patrick's Day Parade. We really need to have a good showing for this special event.

The Emerald Society will celebrate its 20th anniversary with a Dinner - Dance on Saturday 4-17-10, at the Italian Community Center in downtown Milwaukee. I sincerely invite all of our members along with your friends and families to commit to making this event a huge success by attending and celebrating at the Dinner - Dance. The Dinner - Dance Committee co-chaired by Richard Thomas, Carol Ann Glassmaker and Michael Gaynor have been doing a great job of preparing and organizing, to make sure that the 20th Anniversary Dinner - Dance will be a memorable event.



Lastly, I would like to invite all of our members to attend the Blue Mass for law enforcement officers which will be held at the St. Josaphat Basilica at 6th Street and Lincoln Ave. on Milwaukee's south side on Monday, January 18, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Stay safe!! And I hope to see you at the January 4th meeting.

Ken Donovan

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, January 4, 2010

Emerald Society Meeting

Derry's Pub
5326 W. Bluemound Road
General Membership Meeting 7:00 P.M.
Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 P.M

Monday, January 18, 2010

Annual "Blue Mass"

6 P.M.
St. Josephat Basilica
6th & Lincoln

Monday, March 1, 2010

Emerald Society Meeting

Derry's Pub
5326 W. Bluemound Road
General Membership Meeting 7:00 P.M.
Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 P.M

Saturday April 17th, 2010

Emerald Society 20th Anniversary Dinner Dance

Italian Community Center
631 E. Chicago Avenue
5:30 P.M. to Midnight

Monday, May 3, 2010

Emerald Society Meeting

Derry's Pub
5326 W. Bluemound Road
General Membership Meeting 7:00 P.M.
Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 P.M

Note: *All dates and times are subject to change*

**BEST WISHES FOR
A HAPPY, HEALTHY
AND SUCCESSFUL
2010 FROM YOUR
OFFICERS AND
BOARD OF
DIRECTORS**



NEXT MEETING

Monday, January 4th, 2010

Derry's Pub

5326 W. Bluemound Road

7:00 P.M

Board of Directors Meeting: 6:00 P.M.

Emerald Society of Wisconsin

Officers

President : John Isely Jr.
President-Elect: Ken Donovan
Vice-President: Tom Fischer
Secretary: Josh Morgan
Treasurer: Kelly Lynch
Quartermaster: John Mallon
Historian: Bill Sullivan
Chaplain: Bishop William P. Callahan

Past Presidents

Pete Fleming
Bill Sullivan
Tom McKale
Kevin Lynch
Jim Sanfilippo
Ken Donovan
Pat Dunn
John Finnegan

Board of Directors:

Steve Roufus	<i>Term ends:</i>
(VACANT)	<i>March 2010</i>
Kevin Lynch	<i>March 2011</i>
Elizabeth Hanson	<i>March 2011</i>
Carol Ann Glassmaker	<i>March 2012</i>
John Harrington	<i>March 2012</i>

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