

Emerald Society of Columbus

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Tuesday October 21, 2025

Officers Present: Vice-President John Collins; Secretary/Treasurer Mike Redmond; Executive Board Members; Gary Rundio, Tim Moore & Dana Russell. Quorum Met.

Meeting Called to Order: Vice-President John Collins called the General Membership meeting to order at 7:06pm and led us in the Pledge to the Flag.

Approval of the August Meeting Minutes: Secretary Mike Redmond: A motion to wave the reading and approve the September Meeting Minutes was made by Paul Morrison and seconded by Dana Russell. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Mike Redmond reported that we have a total of \$17,432.08 in the bank account. We have \$8,386.20 in the Checking Account and \$9,045.79 in the Scholarship Account. Our expenses were \$700 that we paid early to register for the Clann na nGael Banquet in February and an additional \$100 to the Clann na nGael for the Charitable Donation on Proclamation Day. A motion to accept the Treasurer Report was made by Tanner Kline and seconded by Jim Dempsey. Motion Carried.

Membership Report: Secretary Mike Redmond reported that we have a total of 126 Members with fifty-two total new. We still have 19 Members from 2024 who have not renewed their Membership yet. No new members to vote on

Challenge Coin: Colin McCarthy reported that he and Mason Paramore are meeting next Monday to finalize and get cost for the coins. He passed several samples around for the members to look at.

Christmas Party: Dana Russell reported that we have thirty-nine people signed up for Christmas Party at Tios on Tuesday December 9th. We budgeted for fifty, but we can accommodate 60 Members and Guest. The Emerald Society will pay for a member and one guest. We also are covering \$400 towards the bar bill. Dana also mentioned that some members may have concern about the safety of parking at Tios. We will reach out to our brothers on CPD for some extra attention to the area that night if possible. Please contact Dana Russell by email if you would like to attend Email: drussell128@yahoo.com

Proclamation Day City Council Saftety Award: No report. Carolina Castro couldn't attend the meeting tonight. Still five months away so plenty of time to get this back in place.

Clann na nGael Report: The CNG Committee would like all member organizations to get some advertising for the 2026 Banquet Program to help offset expenses. The Clann na nGael Committee has selected Jim and Betty Moore as this year's Clann na nGael Honorees. It should be a good turnout so get your tables early!

The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians is having a Socktoberfest Drive that runs through the end of the month. They are collecting new socks that will be distributed to the needy and homeless through the St. Aloysius Center. Donation Boxes are at the Shamrock Club and Tara Hall.

The Shamrock Club is having a coat drive as well for the Center. Coats, Hats and Gloves can be dropped off at the Club.

Charity Newsies: Kathy Redmond, Past President of the Charity Newsies reported that they are always in need of some help at Headquarters sorting and packaging the New Clothes that come in for later disbursement to Central Ohio needy school children. The Newsies clothed over 18,000 kids this year. She will check on available dates and times for the remainder of the year, and we may try to get a few volunteers. Times are usually only couple of hours in the morning or evening.

New Business: Gary Rundio reported that retired CPD Officer Bob Stout had passed away.

Upcoming Events:

Irish Road Bowling will be on Saturday October 25th at Deer Creek State Park. Proceeds from this event go to The Greater Columbus Irish Cultural Foundation. Tim Moore has offered to try and get a team together for this. \$20 per player entry fee with four player teams. This is a bring your own bottle event so be discreet as it is a State Park.

The Shamrock Club will be having their annual OSU Football Potluck on November 29th for TTUN. Football Squares are available from Kathy Redmond. There are two pools a progressive \$10 a square pool and a Quarterly \$5 a square pool. The Club will provide hotdogs just bring a side dish to share. Noon Kickoff. Doors open at 11am.

Shamrock Club Christmas Concert is December 12th featuring the Drowsy Lads.

Shamrock Club Queen of Hearts every Friday Night.

Tanner Kline reported that the Columbus Police & Fire Pipe band will be holding a pre–St. Patrick's Day event in March at the Firefighter Union Hall.

Mike Molloy made a motion that the Emerald Society provide Pizza at our November Meeting. The motion was seconded by Paul Morrison. Motion Approve. Secretary Mike Redmond will take care of ordering.

Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Paul Morrison and seconded by Mike Molloy. Motion Carried and the meeting adjourned around 7:55pm

Respectfully submitted,

J. Michael Redmond

Secretary/Treasurer

Membership Links

Emerald Society Apparel can be ordered from Lands' End. Here is the link. You can also find the link on our website. https://business.landsend.com/store/emeraldsocietyofcolumbus/

Emerald Society Web Site: http://www.emeraldsocietyofcolumbus.org/

Emerald Society Facebook Group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/109322834001