

Colorado Emerald Society Pipe Band

The Colorado Emerald Society is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, the CES Pipe Band is a volunteer agency associated with the non-profit. All expenses for equipment and travel come from the members of the band. Tax deductible donations can be made at our website www.coemsoc.org.



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Colorado Emerald Society Pipes and Drums



CAOIMHIN CONNELL
PIPING FR. JOHN
O'SHEA'S FUNERAL

WHO WE ARE:

In a scene that has become all too familiar, police officers and firefighters gather to pay tribute to a comrade who has made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community. The traditional musical accompaniment to this memorial is the solemn sound of the bagpipes playing the memorial tunes "We Honor Our Fallen", "Going Home" and the beautiful and familiar "Amazing Grace".

The association of bagpipes with law enforcement and fire departments in the United States can be attributed to the group of immigrants who filled the ranks of the early departments—the Irish. The Irish immigrants brought their traditions to the United States, one being the bagpipe. The prevalence of the Irish in the early history of American law enforcement and fire service brought together the well known association of the bagpipe with public safety. The important role that pipe bands play in safety ceremonies is clearly illustrated by their presence throughout the country.

The Colorado Emerald Society is a fraternal organization that helps keep the traditions of the Irish in public safety alive. A large part of Emerald Society tradition is the development of pipe bands to provide musical support at fire and police memorials and ceremonies. The commitment to provide this service to the Colorado Public Safety community drove the development of the Colorado Emerald Society Pipe Band. The band was formed with a clear mission statement: The mission and values of the Colorado Emerald Society Pipe Band are to develop and maintain a band that is dedicated to the highest standards of professionalism and musical quality. The band's commitment to excellence will be guided by the understanding that it represents not only the Colorado Emerald Society, but all Colorado Public Safety Professionals.

WHAT WE DO:

Since its inception, the Colorado Emerald Society Pipe Band has played at numerous funerals for police and firefighters whose deaths occurred on and

Memorial as well as the Colorado Law Enforcement Officer Memorial. The CES Pipe Band attends the International Association of Firefighters National Fallen Firefighter Memorial held annually in Colorado Springs. The CES Pipe Band has honored fallen Colorado Police Officers during Police Week at the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington, D. C.

WHAT WE CAN DO FOR YOUR AGENCY:

The Colorado Emerald Society Pipe Band is committed to honoring our fallen. We are comprised of firefighters, police officers and public safety personnel who always remember that the CES Pipe Band is a highly visible reminder of the sacrifice made by public safety officers.

Should your agency find itself in the unfortunate situation of locating a pipe band to honor a fallen member, please contact the



OTHER SERVICES WE OFFER:

Colorado Emerald Society Pipe Band's Pipe Major Scott Hughes at 303-886-0692.

In addition to honoring the fallen in the law enforcement and the fire service, the CES Pipe Band will also support your department by playing academy graduations, promotional ceremonies, Christmas dinners and retirement festivities. While the pipe band provides their

services on a complimentary basis for line of duty death funerals, other occasions require a donation made to the band.

The CES Pipe Band also participates in celebrations of Celtic heritage such as St. Patrick's Day parades and performances, the Longs Peak Irish/Scottish Festival, and the 4th of July parade in Breckenridge. We are available for hire for performances outside the scope of law enforcement and the fire service. For a small donation, the CES Pipe Band can provide your function with a full complement of pipes, drums, and Irish/Highland step dancers. To check availability or to schedule a performance, contact Pipe Major Scott Hughes at 303-886-0692.



JOIN US!!

Colorado Emerald Society Pipes and Drums is looking for more members! If you are interested in piping, drumming or dancing with the CES Pipe Band, contact:

Pipe Major Scott Hughes 303-886-0692

Drum Sgt Shawn Duncan 303-921-1670

Dancer Jen Duncan 303-921-1673

or stop by practice held most Wednesday nights at Camp George West Building. #100, Golden, CO from 6:30p - 9p.