



Michael F. Crowley Lectures *Our 1st Program of the 2010-2011 Series*

William J. Matthews, Ph.D.

Thursday, October 7, 2010, 6:00 p.m.

**La Forge Casino Restaurant
186 Bellevue Avenue, Newport**

Eamon De Valera: The Man Who Was 20th Century Ireland

One can not talk about 20th century Ireland without considering Eamon DeValera. No one was more controversial and no one had a greater effect in shaping Ireland in his own image than "Dev". Without question, during his time in power, DeValera was one of the greatest politicians on the world stage. With power, however, also comes controversy. In this lecture, Professor Matthews will discuss DeValera from his early life, to his rise to power in Sinn Féin, his refusal to accept the Treaty, his role in the Civil War, and Ireland post WWII.

WILLIAM J. MATTHEWS received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the University of Connecticut, and has been a professor with the University of Massachusetts at Amherst for over 30 years. Dr. Matthews holds dual American/Irish citizenship and has studied many areas of Irish history, including the Irish Uprising and Civil War. We warmly welcome Dr. Matthews back for this, his sixth speaking engagement with the Museum of Newport Irish History.

Following the lecture, a reception with light hors d'oeuvres will be held.

**Reservations are required. Please call or e-mail Ann Arnold at 401-841-5493
or tpm1@earthlink.net**

Museum Members – Free.

Non-members - \$15 donation requested, which can be applied to membership.

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A few Reminders as we kick-off the Michael F. Crowley 2010-11 Lecture Series

- ❖ While lectures are free for Museum members, ***reservations are a must*** as space is limited and sufficient seating and light appetizers must be planned for.
- ❖ Should you be unable to attend a lecture after having placed a reservation, ***please call or e-mail*** the contact person for that lecture and cancel -- even the day of the event. We often have a waiting list, and your courtesy cancellation may enable a fellow Museum member or new member to attend in your place.
- ❖ While the Museum provides a microphone and encourages its use by our guest speakers, some choose not to use it. Should you have concerns about adequately hearing the speaker, especially in a full room, please plan to arrive a few minutes early and select a seat in the front to ensure your full enjoyment of the lecture.
- ❖ Many of our guest speakers use slides, PowerPoint presentations, or other visual aids. Again, please plan to come early for a "front row seat" if you have concerns about being able to easily see all visuals, as the room will be set with multiple rows of chairs.

We look forward to seeing you at our 8th Annual Crowley Lecture Series!

Many thanks to The La Forge Restaurant & Staff