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Paul Monte Honored at Montauk Chamber's Annual End of Season Gala

Tickets Available for November 13 Event at Gurney's Montauk



The Montauk Chamber of Commerce at its annual End of the Season Gala on Friday, November 13, will honor as its Person of the Year, community leader and Chamber President, Paul Monte, senior advisor to Gurney's Montauk Resort and Seawater Spa.

Monte, who also was honored as the 2014 Grand Marshal of Montauk's St. Patrick's Day parade, is a consummate hospitality-tourism professional, a leader in the community and is the current chamber president for 11 years. Starting at the age of 12 as a dishwasher at Gurney's, where his father was the general manager, he has operated several restaurants on the East End, eventually taking over for his father at Gurney's in 1990. He is the voice of tourism for Montauk and the East End, the communities' main industry. He's been a sports coach, Boy Scout chaperone, served on various local, Town, Regional, County and NYS committees, and taught religious education at his church, and much more.

"It's an easy decision this year to honor Paul Monte, he gives so much to the Montauk community," said Chamber Executive Director Laraine Creegan.

The gala, which will be held at Gurney's, located at 290 Old Montauk Highway, will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a one-hour cocktail party, followed by dinner, music and the award presentation.

Tickets for the gala are \$80 through November 6 and \$90 thereafter. Tickets may be purchased in advance at montaukchamber.com, by calling the Chamber office at 668-2428 or in person at the Chamber office, located at 742 Montauk Highway. Cash, check and major credit cards accepted.

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