

Erie County Deputy Sheriffs Badge & Shield Club, Inc.

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MAY, 2023:

Our May meeting will be held on **Monday, May 15th, 2023** at **Buffalo's Best** located at **3700 Southwestern Blvd. in Orchard Park, NY.** This meeting is for **Members Only**. Please contact Debbie <u>at least one week prior to the meeting</u> at 716-816-5368 (text/call) or email at <u>Nortond8991@gmail.com</u> if you plan to attend. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Reminder: Meetings are \$20/person for members. All meetings begin at 6:30pm.

A Message from our President, Chris Clark:

"Good food and camaraderie were enjoyed by the 41 members and 8 guests at our April meeting at Danny's North on Genesee Street. If you are looking for a nice place to take a date or the family out to eat, Danny's is a good choice, whether in Cheektowaga or their Orchard Park location. Due to a glitch, there was no split club this month.

2023 Officers:

<u>President</u> Christopher Clark

<u>1st Vice President</u> Robert Koch

<u>2nd Vice President</u> Michael Sullivan

<u>Recording Secretary</u> Karen Morgan

<u>Treasurer</u> Ken Napora

<u>Corresponding Secretary</u> Debra Norton

(716) 816-5368 <u>Sergeant-at-Arms</u> Mark Radder

The Badge & Shield Club has a rich history of serving its members and the community. Our club has volunteered for the Channel 17 Auction, the Variety Club Telethon, and various other community events and organizations. Next month the Club will celebrate its 67th year anniversary. Its constitution and by-laws were filed before NY State Supreme Court Justice Geo. H. Rowe on May 21, 1956. Its Board of Directors came from every part of the County – From Buffalo: Joe Gullo, Vermont St., Tom Hassett, McKinley Pkwy., Valentine Dzuik, Burgard Pl., Irm Mitchell, Royal Ave., Anthony Palermo, S. Division St., Gene Donohue, Delaware Ave., William Buyers, Tennyson Ave.; From Lackawanna: Mitchell Kukoleca, Gates Ave.; and From Grand Island: Philip Fahrer, E. River Rd. The annual dues in 1956 were \$10. All things considered, the dues have not increased much since.

The Club's first president was Joe Gullo. He was the Chief of Patrol when I started in 1973. The purpose of the Club was to "cultivate social intercourse among its members", as found on page 4 of its by-laws. Previously serving as the Club's 6th (1977-1978) and now as the 14th President of the Badge & Shield Club, I challenge you, our members, to get involved, attend meetings, contribute to the newsletter, serve on a committee, and support our Club's events and fundraising activities.

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Our 1st Chicken BBQ of 2023 will be held on May 4th. That will be followed by another BBQ on July 8th and this fall, we will have our first ever "Meat Raffle"! Their success depends on you!"

Mark your calendars..... *Thursday, May 4th, 2023* - **Chicken BBQ** from 3:00pm to 6:00pm at the Lake Shore Volunteer Fire Company located at 4591 Lake Shore Road (at Rogers Road) in Hamburg, NY. Cost is \$15.00 per dinner.

We have secured Wings Flight of Hope for our Meat Raffle which will be held on **Saturday, October 21**st, **2023**. We are hoping to get a head start in collecting items to raffle off during this event. To that end, we have enclosed a list of suggested donations. Please approach your local businesses and see if they would be willing to donate a gift certificate/card from their business for the raffle. The list is on letterhead with Chris' signature to make it official. Chris has also mentioned in this newsletter some of the community services that the Badge & Shield Club members have participated in. Make sure to mention that to the prospective donors.

If you have any questions regarding the Chicken BBQ's or the Meat Raffle, please feel free to contact Debbie. Updates regarding these events will be posted in all upcoming newsletters.

A big Welcome Back to Mark Radder who attended our last meeting. Please pray that Louise's surgery is successful and her recovery is speedy. As always, please keep those struggling with health issues or who have lost a loved one in your thoughts and prayers.

See you at Buffalo's Best!!

Ćhris Clark President

Debbie Norton Corresponding Secretary

Please check out our Badge & Shield Club website www.Badgeandshieldclub.com and share any newsworthy items or bits of history for the newsletter with us.

Anyone interested in purchasing Badge & Shield apparel should visit their website at www.c-shoredesign.com to see the products they offer. You can email your order to cshoreorders@gmail.com or call (585) 937-4127.



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SUGGESTED ITEMS NEEDED FOR MEAT RAFFLE

The Erie County Deputy Sheriff's Badge & Shield Club is organizing a Meat Raffle to be held on Saturday, October 21st, 2023 at Wings Flight of Hope in Orchard Park, NY. We are seeking a donation from your business to raffle at this event. Your generosity in this matter is greatly appreciated.

- 1. Gift cards from Tim Hortons; Dunkin Donuts, Starbucks
- 2. Gift certificate from hair salons (Supercuts, etc.)
- 3. \$20 Gift Certificates from local restaurants Chef's, pizza shops, pastry shops, etc.
- 4. 9 or 18 hold golf game
- 5. Gas gift cards
- 6. Massage gift certificates
- 7. Home Depot; Best Buy; Lowes
- 8. Bowling gift certificate (for a part of six or more)
- Walmart, Target, Tops, Wegmans, Aldi, CVS, Walgreens, Rite Aid (\$10 to \$20)
- 10. Movie gift cards
- 11. Landscapers; Blacktop Sealers; Lawn Mowing Services
- 12. Signed Sports Jersey(s)
- 13. Donation from Russell's and Salvatore's

Please check if anyone is willing to donate a pair of Buffalo Sabres Tickets; Buffalo Bills Tickets; Buffalo Bandits Tickets; or Buffalo Bisons Tickets. Perhaps someone with season tickets would be willing to part with tickets to a game they may not be attending.

Thank you to everyone for their efforts and to all donors. We greatly appreciate your assistance in making this fundraiser a success.

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Sincerely,

Christopher Clark President

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