



# Erie County Deputy Sheriffs Badge & Shield Club, Inc.

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## **FEBRUARY, 2024:**

Our February meeting will be held on **Monday, February 19th, 2024** at **The American Legion** located at **962 Wehrle Drive, Williamsville, NY, NY**. This meeting is for **Members & Guests**. Please contact Debbie at least one week prior to the meeting at 716-816-5368 (text or call) or email at [Nortond8991@gmail.com](mailto:Nortond8991@gmail.com) if you plan to attend. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Reminder: Members are \$20 and Guests are \$25. All meetings begin at 6:30pm.

Our January meeting was held at B&W's BBQ with 31 members in attendance. Liz Dillon won the 50/50 split club with a jackpot of \$75! Food was excellent as always.

For those who have submitted their membership cards and dues, *Thank You!!* For those who have not, please mail your dues with your card as soon as possible. If you do not have your card, please contact Debbie and she will mail a new one to you. This will prevent interruptions to your newsletters and announcements.

Enclosed please find the **REVISED** Monthly Meeting Schedule for 2024. Please make a note of the changes. We are still looking for a location to hold our second Chicken BBQ fundraiser. If you have any suggestions, please let Debbie know. Thank you!

Our **45<sup>th</sup> Badge & Shield Awards and Retirement Dinner** will be held on **Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024** at **The Columns Banquets** located at 2221 Transit in Elma, NY. Tickets are \$75 per person and will be available for purchase at our February meeting. Please come out for a fabulous evening and help us celebrate our retirees and award winners.

Club member Rich Taczowski has been doing some ongoing research on the history of the *Sheriff's Office*. He's still looking for the iconic photo of Sheriff Ken Braun and County Executive 'Ned' Regan assessing the impact of the 'Blizzard of '77' from the vantage point of the Sheriff's helicopter.

### **2024 Officers:**

#### **President**

Christopher Clark

#### **1st Vice President**

Robert Koch

#### **2nd Vice President**

Michael Sullivan

#### **Recording Secretary**

Karen Morgan

#### **Treasurer**

Ken Napora

#### **Corresponding Secretary**

Debra Norton

(716) 816-5368

#### **Sergeant-at-Arms**

Mark Radder

Also, Rich is seeking handwritten or typed submissions of your personal recollections of Deputy Bill Dils, his tragic death in North Collins, and the massive manhunt that ensued (also in 1977). Please send your information on either item to Rich at: 229 W. Genesee St., P.O. Box 341, Buffalo, NY 14202-0341. (No phone calls, please). Anyone who contributes information to this history project can receive *via email* a digital poster of the front page *Courier-Express* story on the manhunt, apprehension and arrest of "Frankie" Rodriquez.

Enclosed please find a copy of our Club's 2023 Financial Report/Year End Summary. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to discuss them with our Treasurer at our next meeting.

Our sincere condolences go out to the families of Retired Deputy Richard Krazmien (Police Services Division); Mr. Brian Coffey, (Father of Director Sara Coffey, Correctional Health Division); and Mr. Richard Hoock (Father of Deputy Michael Hoock, Civil Enforcement and Family Court Warrant Enforcement Divisions).

As always, please keep those who have lost a loved one or who are experiencing health issues in your thoughts and prayers.

See you at the Legion!

Chris Clark  
President

Debbie Norton  
Corresponding Secretary

Please check out our Badge & Shield Club website [www.Badgeandshieldclub.com](http://www.Badgeandshieldclub.com) and share any newsworthy items or bits of history for the newsletter with us.



## **"Revised" MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE – 2024**

Please mark your calendars and remember to contact Debbie (call or text) at (716) 816-5368 or by email [Nortond8991@gmail.com](mailto:Nortond8991@gmail.com) at least one week in advance if you plan to attend the meetings.  
Reminder: \$20 Members - \$25 Guests

**Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024** – Monthly Meeting (Members Only) – **B&W's BBQ**

5007 Lake Avenue, Buffalo, NY

**Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024** – Monthly Meeting (Members & Guests) – **American Legion**

962 Wehrle Drive, Williamsville, NY

**Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024** – Monthly Meeting (Members Only) – **Buffalo's Best**

3700 Southwestern Blvd, Buffalo, NY

**Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024** – Monthly Meeting (Members & Guests) – **Knights of Columbus**

2735 Union Road, Cheektowaga, NY

**Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024** – Monthly Meeting (Members Only) – **\*\* Magruder's Bar & Grill \*\***

4995 Broadway, Depew, NY 14043

**Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024** – Monthly Meeting (Members & Guests) – **\*\* Danny's South \*\***

4300 Abbott Rd, Orchard Park, NY 14127

**Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024** – Monthly Meeting (Members & Guests) – **Olympic Restaurant**

1601 Military Road, Buffalo, NY 14217

**Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024** – Monthly Meeting (Members Only) – **Knights of Columbus**

2735 Union Road, Cheektowaga, NY

**Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024** – Monthly Meeting (Members & Guests) – **Danny's Airport**

3715 Genesee Street, Cheektowaga, NY

**Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024** – Monthly Meeting/Christmas Dinner

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## **OTHER EVENTS 2024**

**Thursday, May 2nd, 2024** –Chicken BBQ Fundraiser–Lake Shore Volunteer Fire Company

4591 Lake Shore Road (at Rogers Road), Hamburg, NY

**Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024** – Meat Raffle Fundraiser – Wings Flight of Hope

3964 California Road, Orchard Park, NY (Doors open at 5:00pm – 1<sup>st</sup> Spin at 6:00pm)