



Erie County Deputy Sheriffs Badge & Shield Club, Inc.

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OCTOBER, 2026

Our October meeting will be held on **Monday, October 19th, 2026** at **Elma Towne Grille** located at **6650 Clinton Street, Elma, NY**. This meeting is for **Members Only**. Please remember to contact Debbie at least **one week** prior to the meeting at **716-816-5368** (text or call) or email at nortond8991@gmail.com if you plan to attend. Thank you for your continued cooperation! **Reminder: Members are \$20.** Meetings begin at 6:30pm.

Our September meeting was held at Magruder's Bar & Grill. A total of 51 members and guests were present (our highest attendance in recent years!). The split club was won by Liz Dillon with a whopping total of \$105! Welcome new members Julie Wick and Kevin Monheim!

We are now focusing our attention on two fundraising raffles:

The **first raffle** will take place on **November 16th, 2026**. The 1st prize is an autographed Josh Allen helmet. The 2nd prize is a New York Yankee's jacket.

The **second raffle** will take place on **December 21st, 2026**. The 1st prize is an autographed Von Miller jersey. The 2nd prize is Buffalo Bills Gear (sweatpants, shirt, and hat).

We have 500 tickets to sell for each raffle. Please do your part and sell at least two tickets. This is for your Club!

A big **THANK YOU** goes out to Chris Clark for procuring these prizes; to Ken White for donating the printed raffle tickets; and to Joel Cancilla for organizing ticket sales. A flier is enclosed with more details and contact information to purchase tickets.

Our sincere condolences go out to the families of Mr. Thomas H. Judasz (Father of Lieutenant. William Judasz, JMD); Reserve Deputy Jamie Roche (Scientific Reserve Division); Mrs. Ellen Colpoys (Mother of Deputy Brendan Colpoys, JMD; Retired Senior Acct. Clerk Jeanine Balys, Civil Division; Mother-in-Law of Retired Chief Jim Balys, JMD and Retired Deputy Walter Haladay, JMD); and Mrs. Patricia "Patti Rae" Groves (Mother of Lieutenant Michael Groves and Aunt of Deputy Joseph Ganci (both JMD)).

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We asked Club Members to give us suggestions for making our Club better. We heard from a few of you and the following were suggested:

- More social events (sunset cruise; wine or beer tours; murder mystery adventure; happy hour somewhere; bus to Jamestown Comedy Center, Lucille Ball Desi Arnaz Museum, and Wicked Warren's Brewery; bus to Cleveland Rock & Roll Hall of Fame; Bisons Friday game with fireworks; Hidden Valley Animal Adventure Safari Bus Tour in Varysburg – fun for adults and kids)
- Christmas party for kids
- One or two breakfast meetings per year in lieu of evening meetings
- Club merchandise for sale – Polo Shirts, T-Shirts, Sweatshirts (one suggestion is to have them made of Tek Gear Drytek material) with the new Badge & Shield Logo
- Cash Bar at meetings to help with costs
- Meetings held on nights other than Mondays
- New Places for meetings

We appreciate your feedback and will present your suggestions at the next meeting. We will also need volunteers to help organize these events. Please consider donating your time.

Club Member Mark Rowland from the Mounted Division has commemorative coins for sale. They are \$20 each. Mark will have them at the meetings if you're interested.

It is important to contact Debbie if you plan to attend meetings. We ran into an issue with food at our last meeting because our count was 11 people over the count we gave to the restaurant. Fortunately, they were able to accommodate us by cooking additional food. However, not all places are able to do that. That is why we stress letting us know you will be attending. Thank you.

If you have any news or information you would like to see included in the monthly newsletters, please contact Chris or Debbie.

See you at Elma Towne Grille!


Chris 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.



Deputy Sheriffs Badge & Shield Club

Fundraising Drive



This fundraiser will include two separate raffles with a goal of raising \$5000 from each event. There will be only 500 tickets @ \$10 each for per raffle.

All proceeds go to support the 48th Badge & Shield Club Awards and Retirement Dinner to be held in 2027

Special Thanks to **Chris Clark** for procuring all the prizes and **Ken White** for printing all the tickets at no cost to the club.



Raffle #1 Drawing: November 16, 2026

1st Prize: Josh Allen Autographed Helmet

2nd Prize: New York Yankee Jacket (Size XL)

Winners need not be present



Raffle #2 Drawing: December 21, 2026

1st Prize: Von Miller Autographed Jersey

2nd Prize: Buffalo Bills Gear: Sweatpants,

Shirt and Hat (Size L)

Winners need not be present



To reach our goal, I would ask that each member purchase one ticket for each raffle for a total cost of \$20. I would ask that everyone contact me on my cellphone (716) 710-2565 or email me at Joel.Cancilla@gmail.com ASAP to make arrangements for your tickets to be mailed to you in next month's newsletter or dropped off to you.

I'm also looking for members that are willing to sell additional tickets and ask that you contact me ASAP by cellphone or email if you can help.

I will be accepting Venmo, Zelle and PayPal for anyone that want to buy their tickets online and I can fill out your ticket stub and will email them the picture of their ticket stub.

Time is short and it is imperative that I get you the tickets ASAP and collect the money one week prior to the drawing dates. Thanks for your anticipated support.

Joel Cancilla