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WHO SERVE



THE MISSION OF THE 100 CLUB OF BUFFALO IS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES OF POLICE OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL WHO ARE SERIOUSLY INJURED OR KILLED IN THE LINE-OF-DUTY, AND TO PROVIDE RESOURCES TO ENHANCE THEIR SAFETY AND WELFARE.

First Responder

Fall 2010

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Three great holiday gift ideas

Hockey Night

For the Sabres fan in your life The 100 Club has the perfect gift – tickets to the Sabres vs. Carolina Hurricanes along with a party package. A limited number of tickets are still available for the Thursday, January 13 game at HSBC Arena. You'll need to act quickly as reservation deadline is December 15.

100 Level Preferred seats are \$88; 300 Level are \$40. The 100 Club and Sabres are also offering 200 Level seats with a Harbour Club Party Package for \$175. The package includes a 200 level ticket, buffet dinner with four entrees, pasta alfredo, veggies and salad from 5:30 to 7pm. Dessert and coffee are available after the first period. Bottled beer, wine and soft drinks are available from 5:30 pm until the game ends.

If you already have 200 level tickets you are welcome to join the dinner/party portion of the 200 level package at a cost of \$60.

For tickets call or contact Frank Broderick at (716) 932-6489, 100clubofbuffalo@gmail.com. Checks should be made payable to 100 Club of Buffalo and sent to 330 Harris Hill Road, Suite 102, Williamsville, NY 14221. Credit cards also are accepted.

Gift Membership or Honoring Someone

As a 100 Club supporter consider a **100 Club membership** for someone as a holiday gift.

Another option is to make an end of the year **tax-deductible donation** to the organization to help us in our continuing mission of "serving those who serve." An acknowledgement card will be sent to the person in whose name the gift is being made. The amount of your generous donation will not be included in the acknowledgement card unless requested. The name of the honoree also will be posted on the 100 Club website if you so choose.



Networking via business club

Everyone seems to be connected on the internet these days. The 100 Club of Buffalo is no exception. It also values privacy.

The organization has established its own proprietary membership networking system – The Business Club. Members who would like to share business information are invited to join. It is a good way to learn more about your colleagues and the services they may be able to offer fellow members and organizations.

Anyone interested should contact Frank Broderick at 932-6489 or 100clubofbuffalo@gmail.com.

Searching for heroes



Planning is underway for the 2010 Annual Hero Awards.

The 100 Club is looking for first responders and individuals who have gone above and beyond the call of duty in extending themselves to those in perilous situations. Nomination forms are available on the 100 Club of Buffalo website, visit www.100clubbuffalo.org/hero-awards.php. Nominations must be submitted and received by December 31 at which time the selection committee will review nominees and select honorees.

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Fond farewell

For the past two years Robert A. Wutz, Jr. has led The 100 Club of Buffalo as its president. During his tenure the organization has moved forward in several areas. Goals set in 2009 have been reached and in most cases exceeded.

At the final 2010 board meeting in November, Bob gave an overview of the state of the organization. He gratefully acknowledged the efforts of Executive Director Frank Broderick who joined The 100 Club shortly after Bob took office and has been instrumental in the organizations forward movement.



100 Club President
Robert A. Wutz, Jr.

Highlights of accomplishments during Bob's presidency include:

- The organization has regained fiscal stability with a fund balance of just over \$75,000. Included is the replenishing of the trust fund of \$50,000.
- A ten percent increase in membership was set and achieved. The 100 Club now has more than 200 members, 27 of whom joined this past year.
- Sponsorships for events including the golf tournament and scholarship dinner have increased.
- A new Grief Support Program for survivors was initiated and added to the Fallen Emergency Provider Program.
- Social networking and fundraising events have been added to The 100 Club expanding activities. These include a Wine Tasting Mixer at Fox Valley Country Club and Hockey Nite with the Sabres. Plans are in the works for a third event that will be held in 2011.
- Regular newsletters are now part of on-going membership communication.

Although Bob's term is up, he won't get away that easy. As with other retiring presidents, he'll still be involved with the organization.

Annual Hero Award Dinner

It's time to get out your 2011 calendar and mark down Friday, February 25 for the Annual Hero Award Dinner. Again this year the gala is being held at The Country Club of Buffalo in Williamsville. The evening recognizes and honors the exceptional sacrifices and heroism our Emergency Service Providers performed during 2010.

Sponsorship opportunities at several levels are available for many segments of the awards dinner, including purchasing a table or tickets for honorees, cocktail reception, dinner wine, plaques, program and more. Please contact Frank Broderick for details.

2011 Officers

Congratulations to the following who will serve as 2011 officers:

President
Daniel Penberthy

Vice Presidents
Kenneth A. Richmond, Robert Zak,
Barbara Howe

Secretary
Nancy A. Fredrickson

Assistant Secretary
Jane Kwiatkowski

Treasurer
Ross Kenzie

Assistant Treasurer
Jack O'Neill

Executive Director
Frank Broderick

New Members

Please welcome the following new 2010 100 Club members:

- Bart Adams
- John Aquilina
- Jack Betz
- Al Brodbent
- Brannon Broderick
- Arthur Crumlish
- Frank Darnley
- Michael D'Orzaio
- Thomas Frank
- John Gaglione
- George W. Gast
- William A. Gersten
- Bob Ghirsig
- Samuel Goodloe, Jr.
- Vincent R. Gugliuzza
- Mr. & Mrs. David M. Hatcher
- Angie Heusinger
- Nick Hopkins
- Gail Johnstone
- Mr. & Mrs. Michael Kozlowski
- Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Kraska
- Mr. & Mrs. Richard Martin
- David Martin
- Charles B. Mercurio
- Russ Miller
- Ronald Mornelli
- Mr. & Mrs. Robert Mortellaro
- John E. Murphy
- Salvatore W. Page
- Bonnie Philipps
- Michael Reitano
- James H. Robertson
- David Schiappa
- Gerard Sentz
- Patrick P. Sheridan
- Richard Stein
- William Steiner
- Todd Straeck
- Keith A. Szen
- Michael Ulin
- Kathleen Voigt
- James Wadsworth
- Frank Wopperer
- Michael E. Ziegler

Police officers and their families receiving help

The fall 100 Club board meeting included a presentation on the **Western New York Police Helpline** the by organization's co-chair Debra Hard. This service is for police officers manned by trained police officers. It is the brain-child of Michael V. Walters, the late executive director of **Western New York Stress Reduction Program, Inc.** The Stress Reduction Program is a group of first responders and mental health professional specially trained to assist and support other first responders in the event of a critical incident such as multiple vehicle accident with injuries, mass disaster, or other traumatic event.

WNY Stress Reduction Program personnel found that most firefighters and emergency service workers were much more inclined to talk with each other about the "tough call" than were police officers. As a result, the **WNY Police Helpline** was launched in February 2008, with a roster of about 40 peer police officers from among all local police agencies.

Each officer is trained to interview, assess and refer fellow officers, dispatchers, family members and retirees with any issue that affects them on or off the job. Typical issues include family relationships, couples issues, elder concerns, step family issues, grief and loss, substance abuse, mental health concerns and financial issues. All contacts with the peer police contact are strictly confidential.

The Helpline peers utilize a list of over 20 clinical mental health providers as referral resources who are experienced in dealing with law enforcement issues should the officer/client/family member need on going assistance.

For more information on the program or to join fellow officers in this project contact the Western New York Police Helpline at wypolicehelpline@gmail.com

The WNY Police Helpline provides confidential assistance for things that affect officer's lives on the job or at home.

2011 Meeting dates

Following are 100 Club meeting dates. Meets are held on Thursdays at Chef's Restaurant on Seneca Street in Buffalo and begin promptly at noon. Reminders and registration notices will be sent prior to meetings. All board members are invited to the Heroes Dinner, Golf Tournament and Scholarship Luncheon. Dates for other events will be posted as details are finalized.

Full Board Meetings

Thursday, February 17, 2011
Thursday, May 12, 2011
Thursday, July 7, 2011
Thursday, November 10, 2011

Executive Board Meetings

Thursday, January 13, 2011
Thursday, April 7, 2011
Thursday, October 6, 2011

SAVE THE DATE

Σ **Heroes Dinner**
Friday, February 25, 2011
Country Club of Buffalo

Golf Tournament
Monday, July 11, 2011
Fox Valley Country Club

Σ **Scholarship Luncheon**
Wednesday, July 27, 2011
Buffalo Club



Polar Plungers (left to right) Zach Cattoi (Hilbert College student), Stacy Stawicki (NYSP), Holly Smyczynski (Erie Co Fair), Penguin Rich Qualey (NYPS), Vern McMillen (NYSP), Nina Pierino (Miss Buffalo)



Braving the cold lake waters were (left to right) Penguin Rich Qualey (NYSP), Vern McMillen (NYSP), Stacy Stawicki (NYSP), Holly Smyczynski (Erie Co Fair)

A cold dip in Lake Erie

Once again several athletic and outdoorsy 100 Club members braved the chilly and nearly freezing, waters of Lake Erie as part of the WNY Polar Plunge to help raise money for the Children of the Special Olympics. Though this endeavor does not directly support emergency service personnel, it is another way for the 100 Club of Buffalo to rise up to the occasion, showing its support to the community and this worthwhile organization which in turn benefits the children of the Special Olympics.

100 Team members including Rich Qualey, Ken Richmond and Scott Ritchie along with Heather Nemeck, Holly Smyczynski and Stacy Stawicki raised \$3,140 for their swim on December 4, 2010 at the Town of Hamburg "Town Beach."

Thanks to the following 100 Club members who donated to the Polar Plunge Frank Broderick, Nancy Fredrickson, Eric Lipke, Richard Qualey, Kenneth Richmond and Martin Services

Facing The 100 Club

www.facebook.com/100clubofbuffalo

The 100 Club of Buffalo's new Facebook page is available to view at the above address. It's updated whenever there is a 100 Club event.

Click on the wall tab at the top left of the page, view the Hero Awards Dinner video, event photos and past newsletters. If you like it, please click on the "like" button at the top of that page. The more people who visit and "like" our site the more we can accomplish with it. We're already moving up in viewership.

