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Wheatfield Senior Citizens group celebrates 50th anniversary

Much fun and fellowship were had at the Wheatfield Senior Citizens organization's 50th anniversary event at the Adams Volunteer Fire Co. firehall and banquet facility on Nash Road.

Guests included former Niagara County Legislature Chairman Bill Ross, master of ceremonies and Wheatfield Town Supervisor Don MacSwan (with a town proclamation), councilmen Randy Retzlaff and Gil Doucet, Niagara County Sheriff Michael J. Filicetti, Town Historian Justin Higner and Niagara County Legislator Jesse Gooch (with a county proclamation).

Other honored friends included awardees Lois Retzlaff, longtime Wheatfield Senior Citizens President Arlene Mante, oldest member Zella Wright, and the last surviving Recreation Committee member Bob Leaderstorf.

50th anniversary committee members included Helen Jagow, John Kinner, Mary Beth Kupiec, Eileen Monroe, Jean Marschall, Judy Bugenhagagen, Shirley J. Joy, Vicky Scrivanti, Norma Wildey and Mary Jane Zymak.

A press release shared, "With a plethora of activities, outings, programs, guest speakers and wisdom shared, our senior citizens and their often-pioneering group have enriched our town beyond measure. Thanks to all who attended and to those of all ages who have supported this group over the years!"

This event was meant to be held last year, but was moved to this year. It was in loving memory of 2021 President Eileen Wyland. (Submitted by Justin Higner)



'Soldiers through the Ages' returns to Old Fort Niagara



As one of the longest occupied military bases in the United States, Old Fort Niagara has a lot of history to share. On Memorial Day weekend, the fort will present its annual "Soldiers through the Ages" event, a timeline of military history spanning four centuries.

Visitors will have the opportunity to compare uniforms, weaponry, equipment and living conditions for military personnel from the 17th century through modern times. The Empire State West Chapter of the Military Vehicle Preservation Association will mount a special display of military vehicles from World War II, Korea and Vietnam. Reenactment units will set up period camps and demonstrate what life was like for soldiers from earlier conflicts like the French and Indian War, American Revolution, War of 1812 and Civil War. New this year will be a program on women in the army through the centuries.

The event will also feature a special program titled "Muskets to M1's," a comparative demonstration of military weaponry from the 17th century through World War II. The fort's regimental field music will present fife and drum concerts twice each day.

Fort Niagara was one of the longest occupied military bases in North America. The French erected the first fort at the site in 1679. After the construction

IF YOU'RE GOING:

Hours for the event are
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday,
May 28-29

of the French Castle in 1726, the fort remained a military post until the U.S. Army decommissioned it in 1963. Over the course of many years, the fort was the scene of a grueling siege, devastating artillery bombardments, a surprise attack, a famous 1,000-yard rifle range, officer training facility, induction center and prisoner of war camp. Its final role was part of the missile defense system that protected Western New York during the Cold War.

This long and colorful history will be brought to life through living history programs and demonstrations on Memorial Day weekend. Hours for the event are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 28-29.

On Memorial Day Monday, the fort will join Lake Ontario Post No. 313, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at the post cemetery for a memorial service for fallen veterans. This program takes place at 11 a.m.

More information is available at 716-745-7611 or online at www.oldfortniagara.org.

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