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The North Country Spouses' Club Monthly E-Newsletter

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From the President -

You can feel that shift in the air here in the North Country, that change as summer ends and fall begins. School is back in session, Burrville Cider Mill is open, and it's time to pull out the sweaters for those cool morning temps.

As fall begins, so does our NCSC year. Our board has worked tirelessly this summer planning for this upcoming year and it is sure to be the best year yet!

Our goal this year is to provide multiple opportunities for our members to find community while also giving back to Fort Drum and the surrounding area. Whether that is through our fun themed monthly socials, raising money for our scholarships and grants program, serving the community, or enjoying a sub-club event, we hope that you find a place within NCSC that brings you connection and in turn allows you to give back to others.

Looking forward to getting to know each of you throughout the year ahead!

- Penny Ezell

A NEW LOOK!

Out with the Old and in with the New

We are excited to roll out with a fresh new look for the 2024-2025 year. We wanted to pay tribute to the original color scheme and Adirondack chair, but give the logo some flair with a fresh new face.

Check out our [website](#) and social pages (linked at the bottom) to see all the different variations.

Another **NEW** offering this year is **[NCSC Spirit Wear!](#)** We have a variety of hats, sweatshirts and accessories available for order so you can sport them to our next event or just out and about town!



ABOUT US

New Look, Same Mission

The North Country Spouses' Club fosters positive connections amongst all spouses and the Fort Drum community through various social events and volunteer opportunities.

The organization takes pride in our members, encompassing all ranks and genders, who have dedicated countless hours of service to the Fort Drum community. We are dedicated to the tradition of the Army while moving forward with it's vision for tomorrow.

Our Mission is to inspire a spirit of community at Fort Drum by providing scholarships, community grants, and opportunities for social, cultural, and creative pursuits while fostering service through community projects.

Whether you are new to Fort Drum or have been here awhile, we cannot wait to meet you!

Inspiring a Spirit of Community

GET INVOLVED

WANT TO VOLUNTEER?

Volunteer Opportunities

Are you looking for a way to get more involved and give back to your community? We have many different ways for you to do so!

Join the Board We have an opening on our Appointed Board for Property Manager. Click [HERE](#) to read more about this position and how to apply.

You can also help out as a Sub-Club leader. **Our Cooking Club lead is looking for a co-leader to help with this exciting new club!** If you would like more information or have an idea for a new Sub-Club talk to our Social Chair!

E-mail: NCSCsocialchair@gmail.com

If you are interested in volunteering but don't want quite as much of a time commitment, let us know! We are always in need of volunteers for specific tasks and events.



SUB-CLUBS

Something for Everyone!

Have you been searching for a way to connect and make new friends while doing something you really enjoy? That's what our sub-clubs are all about!

We are excited to offer the following sub-clubs for the 24-25 year:

- Beer, Wine & Spirits Club
- Book Club
- Cooking Club - **NEW!**
- Crafting Club
- Game Club
- Outdoor Pursuits Club
- Purple Pals Club - **NEW!**
- Lunch Bunch
- Toddler Club

To learn more about our sub-clubs, click [HERE](#).



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

FUNDRAISER – FLOCK THE YARD

Giving back is the heartbeat of our organization.

The club conducts various fundraisers throughout the year. These fundraising events go directly to the club’s scholarship and grants program.

Our first 2024-2025 fundraiser is **FLOCK THE YARD!** This has been a fan favorite for several years.

A NCSC member can pay to “flock the yard” of another NCSC member. A flock of plastic flamingos will appear in the yard and remain there for 48 hours before moving to another yard.

For more information, click [HERE](#).



SAVE THE DATE!



Our biggest fundraiser of the year is just around the corner!

Mark your calendars now for our Tree & Wreath Gala on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. We absolutely LOVE this one!! You get to dress up and have a fun evening out while raising money for our scholarships and grants program. It is the best way to kick off the Holiday Season!

Be sure to follow us on social and/or check back on our website to stay informed!

CHARITABLE GIVING

NCSC is proud to give back to our community!

Each month, the club collaborates with a local organization to collect items in need. We value our relationships with our community partners. If you are a local non-profit organization interested in receiving assistance from the NCSC, please email: NCSCcommunityoutreach@gmail.com

ODYD

Operation: Deploy Your Dress

Do you have a ball or other formal event coming up? We can help! ODYD is a non-profit that provides FREE formal wear to military ID card holders. If you need a dress or are interested in volunteering or donating, please email: odydNCSCrep@gmail.com or check out their [Facebook Page HERE](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS



SEP. 6TH - LUNCH BUNCH

SEP. 10TH - BOOK CLUB

SEP. 11TH - OUTDOOR PURSUITS

SEP. 12TH - TODDLER CLUB

SEP. 14TH - BEER, WINE & SPIRITS

SEP. 16TH - MONTHLY SOCIAL

SEP. 17TH - CRAFT CLUB

SEP. 20TH - COOKING CLUB

SEP. 22ND - PURPLE PALS CLUB

SEP. 25TH - BOOK CLUB

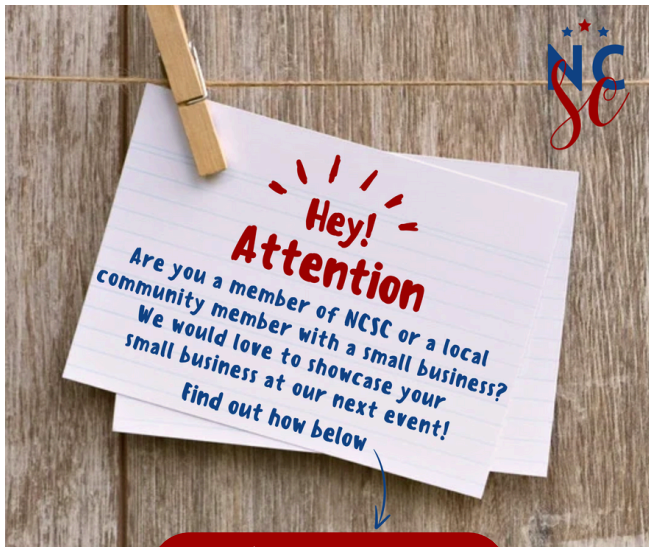
SEP. 26TH - GAME CLUB

SEPTEMBER EVENTS



September's Monthly Social is a Favorite Things Luncheon - TODAY is the last day to Register. RSVP here!!

RSVP



APPLY

ARE YOU A SMALL BUSINESS OWNER?

This section is for YOU!

We are looking for NCSC members or local community members with small businesses to showcase at our Monthly Socials. In order to be highlighted at a NCSC social, we ask that you provide an opportunity prize valued at \$25 or more.

With this contribution, we will have a brief pitch for your business, as well as where to find you locally and online. If interested, please use the button to the left to apply.

SUMMER RECAP



VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH



JUNE

Nicole Lockhart, a consistent face during a transitional time, an incredible member of our team for the past few years!



JULY

Tiff Gallo pours so much time and energy into ODYD and our community making spouses look and feel their best!



AUGUST

Rayna Gossett and Morgan Sims, the dynamic duo! These two Swifties have kick started the 24-25 season with a bang! Rayna is the Social Chair and Morgan is the Membership Chair. Their shared energy has brought so much excitement to both current and new members for a great year ahead.



OPEN HOUSE was a Smashing Success!

Our 2024-2025 OPEN HOUSE was a huge success! We would like to give a special shout out to our Membership Chair, Morgan Sims, for all of her hard work. We would also like to thank all of our board members, volunteers and participants; we could not have done it without you!

It was so wonderful to meet many new faces as well as familiar ones and share our excitement for everything we have planned for the coming year.

We have a goal of at least 200 members for this year and we currently have 134.

If you know someone at Fort Drum that isn't already a member, tell them about us!



We had a busy Summer getting out into the Community and bonding with our new Board Members! We are so excited for the year ahead!!

We kicked off the Summer with the Fort Drum MountainFest, then we got to meet even more of you at the National Night Out! We had a fun team building night of Boards with the Board and we most recently cheered on all the runners at the Sackets Harbor Marathon and Half Marathon. We love getting out into the community and meeting so many new people!

Stay in Touch!

