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Volkswagen "Bug" Invasions on Mondays...

JUNE CAN'T COME TOO SOON AT EMPIRE CITY CASINO HIGHLIGHTED BY FATHER'S DAY (JUNE 17) BASEBALL GIVEWAY AND APPEARANCES BY STARS DARRYL STRAWBERRY, RON DARLING, RALPH BRANCA AND MORE

Yonkers, NY, June 1—Empire City Casino patrons will feel like flying to the moon in June with the elation of the month-long calendar of promotions and giveaways highlighted by a Volkswagen "**Bug Invasion**" on Mondays, and the **Father's Day Baseball Giveaway** on Sunday, **June 17**, featuring all-day Autograph and Question & Answer Sessions by such notable New York diamond stars as World Champions **Darryl Strawberry** and **Ron Darling**, and the legendary Brooklyn Dodger hurler **Ralph Branca**.

The bugs will be descending on Empire City in June, but not of the annoying variety. On four consecutive Mondays – **June 4, 11, 18 and 25** – Empire Club members will have the chance to drive home in a **2012 Volkswagen Beetle**, with drawings taking place at 9:00 PM at the Entertainment Lounge. Guests can earn entries leading up to each Monday night, when 10 Empire Club Members will be selected from eligible entries. Contestants must be present to win.

The first 5,000 male Empire Club members to visit the Promotions kiosk in the Gotham Palace on Father's Day will receive a free Empire City baseball. And here is the full lineup of baseball greats who will be on hand to make Father's Day a special one for dad:

11:30 AM-1:00 PM: Ralph Branca, Brooklyn Dodgers All-Star pitcher

1:00-2:30 PM: Ron Swoboda and Ed Kranepool, 1969 NY Mets World Series champions

2:30-4:30 PM: Darryl Strawberry, three-time NY Yankees World Series champion, and NY Mets 1986 World Series champion

4:30-5:30 PM: Roy White, NY Yankees World Series champion

5:30-7:30 PM: Ron Darling, 1986 NY Mets World Series champion, SNY Mets analyst

Host: Jack Curry, YES Network Yankees reporter and analyst

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In addition, a Father's Day Buffet will be held in Good Time Room from 11:00 AM-10:00 PM. The prices are: Empire Club Members \$24.95 per person, Non-Members \$29.95 per person.

June Facebook Trip to Vegas Prize Drawing June 27: A visit to Empire City's ever-growing Facebook Page brings a chance to win a Trip to Las Vegas. At the end of the promotion period, two entries will be selected at random to win a \$2,500 Liberty Travel Gift Card. The promotion will take place from June 1-26, with the prize drawing at 4:00 PM on June 27.

Comedy nights are slated for **June 6** and **June 20**, when the Wednesday night laughfests return to the Good Time Room on the casino's third floor. June 6 is headlined by **RC Smith** and also features **Christina Lopez**. The June 20 funnymen are headliner **Lachlan Patterson** with **Chris Roach** also at the microphone. **Dave Siegel** will serve as MC for both affairs. The doors open at 7:00 PM, and the shows starts at 8:00 PM. Admission is \$5 for Empire Club members, \$15 for non-members, and Elite members are free. All attendees receive one complimentary drink.

June **Tuesdays** continue "**Lucky Ladies**" days when every female Empire Club member is eligible for **\$7 in free play, and one 10% discount coupon for food and beverage** purchases. The Ladies' luck continues into the evening with two-for-one drink specials in the Entertainment Lounge from 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM, and Karaoke begins at 7:30 PM. The Tuesday dates are **June 5, 12, 19 and 26**.

\$2 NY Lottery Scratch Off: The first 1,500 Empire Club members visiting the Gotham Palace on Fridays **June 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29** will receive a free \$2 NY lottery scratch off while supplies last at the Promotions Booth, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

The summer will start sizzling on Thursdays **June 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 3:00-7:00 PM** with an Empire Club member called every 15 minutes to win \$100 in free play and a \$20 Sunoco Gas Card. Empire Club Members must be playing any slot machine with their Empire Club Card inserted for a chance to win.

Live Music Wednesdays through Sundays at Entertainment Lounge

Wednesdays through Sundays continue to bring five straight days of live entertainment to Empire City Casino-goers starting with the June Young at Heart concerts on Wednesdays. Here are the June Young at Heart lineups with two performances each week at **12:00 Noon** and **2:00 PM: June 6 Guss Hayes Band; June 13 the New Yorker; June 20 Guss Hayes Band** and **June 27 Peter Lawrence**. The June Jazz Band schedule, with bands slated from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM, include: **June 6 Chris O'Leary Band; June 13 the Arthur Rotfeld Band; June 20 Muarli Coryell;** and **June 27 Mark Morganelli**.

The long-running **Young at Heart** promotion also allows Empire Club members age 55 and over who visit a Promotions Booth or kiosk to receive the Young at Heart "Gift Pack," featuring

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\$5 in free play, 10% food discount coupons, half price Valet Parking and a gift each week: June will feature a Martini Glass as the gift of the month.

The June Thursday Tribute Bands, with bands scheduled at both 8:00 PM and 10:00 PM, includes: **June 7 Erotic City; June 14 Beat It; June 21 Neil & the Diamonds;** and **June 28 Rat Pack.**

The Friday Music Series has these bands taking the stage for performances at 10:00 PM to 2:00 AM: **June 1 Big City; June 8 Hi Def; June 15 The Stringer; June 22 Storyteller;** and **June 29 Big House.**

On Saturdays, performance times are again at 10:00 PM to 2:00 AM, and here are the musical lineups: **June 2 FDR Drive; June 9 The Pulse; June 16 All Star Dyn-o-Myte Disco; June 23 Soul Sound Revue;** and **June 30 FDR Drive.**

Sundays continue to have a Latin flavor, featuring 8:00-11:00 PM performances by Latino bands including: **June 3 Charansalsa; June 10 The Bronx Charanga; June 17 Conjunto Imagen;** and **June 24 Sol y su Orquesta.**

Beetle Giveaway Rules: A minimum of 5 Empire Club Members must be present to continue with the giveaway. One winner will receive a **2012 Volkswagen Beetle 2.5L** (\$15,000 cash option), and all other contestants will receive \$250 free play voucher. All winners will receive \$20 Sunoco Gas card. Empire Club members can activate their entries by inserting their Empire Club card into any slot machine on the drawing date between 5-8:30 PM. Contestants must be present to win.

About Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway: Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway features: 5,300 slot machines, video roulette, electronic craps and baccarat tables. Italian cuisine is featured in Nonno's Trattoria, and trackside dining in the Empire Terrace Restaurant, which overlooks the track for live harness racing; a quick bite is available at the International Food Court and its wide-ranging menu. The multi-faceted Good Time Room is available for parties, benefits, weddings, and major events for up to 400. Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway is located at 810 Yonkers Avenue (at Central Avenue) in Yonkers, New York, Westchester County, (I-87 to Exit 2). Empire City Casino is open seven days a week, every day from 9:00 AM to 4:00 AM For more information call 914.968.4200 or log onto www.empirecitycasino.com.