1LT Anthony Nash Attends Army Pathfinder School



1LT Anthony Nash on a joint patrol with a member of the Afghan local police in southern Afghanistan.

Some Buffalo Rocket readers may recall North Buffalo resident Anthony Nash receiving Eagle Scout from (Tony) Nash serves in the

Boy Scout Troop #42 at St. Mark's Church back in June 2005. Today, 1LT Anthony

United States Army and has recently completed Pathfinder School and serves as Executive Officer for an Artillery Battery at Fort Drum,

Army Pathfinders are specialists in navigating their way through foreign terrain and establishing safe landing zones for airborne and air assault Soldiers or Army aircraft.

Many times, these Soldiers are asked to parachute into remote areas, navigate their way to unobstructed locations, and then relay those coordinates back to a command center.

The U.S. Army Pathfinder School is a three-week course in which the student navigates while dismounted; establishes and operates a day / night helicopter landing zone; establishes and operates a day / night Computed Air Release System, Ground Marked Release System, and Army Verbally Initiated Release System parachute drop zones; conducts sling load operations; and provides air traffic control and navigational assistance to rotary-wing and fixed-wing airborne operations.

Students also participate in a three-day field training exercise as a member of a Pathfinder team. Currently Pathfinder School is the toughest academic school in the army. Only 25% of the students attending gradu-

1LT Nash said he first became interested in the Army after talking to his football coach from Bennett High School who was a Class of 1980 West Point graduate. "I didn't come from a military family, however, but I might as well be" he said. "My mom is very patriotic and acted as my first drill sergeant as I grew up." He started school at West Point two days after graduating from Bennett.

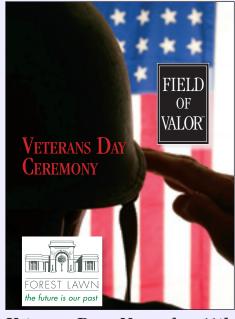
He was stationed at Fort Sill, OK., for field artillery training, before heading to Ranger School, Airborne School and then to Afghanistan for eight months, from August 2011 to March 2012, where he was the Fire Support Officer in the Arghandab River Valley region in Southern Afghanistan.

There 1LT Nash advised his commander on aircraft strikes and non-lethal strikes as well. He led an initiative (con't on page 5)

American Legion To Host Annual Veterans Day Ceremony At Forest Lawn

Veterans Day Commemorative Ceremony & Service will be held on Sunday, November 11th, 2012, 8:30 am - 9:45 am. Flags will be placed on veterans' graves beforehand.

The event will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the placement of American flags on the graves of veterans interred in Forest Lawn's Field of Valor® and in the Erie County American Legion Veterans Section. The service begins at 9:00 a.m. and will include an invocation, recitation of the Pledge



Veterans Day - November 11th

of Allegiance, placing of wreaths, gun salute, blowing of Taps and more. The ceremony agenda can be found at www.forest-lawn. com.

The ceremony will be held at the American Legion monument, located just inside the Main Street gate in Forest Lawn, 1411 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14200.

This event is free and open to the public. No reservations are required.

Town Hall Style Meeting Next Tuesday



The Hertel North Buffalo Business Association will host a "Town Hall" style meeting open to the public next Tuesday, November 13th, 2012 at 6:00 pm at the North Buffalo Community Center, 203 Sanders Road. Business owners, Block Clubs and residents are all invited to attend this meeting.

Representatives from the Buffalo Police Department, City of Buffalo Building Inspection

Department as well as Councilmember Michael LoCurto will be on hand to discuss issues regarding safety and security in the area. This is a chance for the community to express their concerns, get information, and get answers from the City of Buffalo officials Refreshments will be available.

For more information contact the Hertel North Buffalo Business Association at 877-1776.

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'Rocket Man's Candy'

OK, so where were you? Rocket Man did everything but put up a neon sign flashing "Candy Here," and still you didn't come to his door to say "trick or treat." Were the life-size statues of him and First Mate on the porch just too scary?

He left the light on for you, you never came, and now he's got 16 leftover candy bars in a bowl by the front door. What to do? He never eats candy.

first This was his Hallowe'en at home base in years. Usually he joins grandchildren out of town, one year limping out as Little Booster's Civil War prisoner, but now they'd rather go with people their own age. He stayed home to play host, stocked up in the afternoon, and now he's stuck with 14 candy bars. As he orbited toward home base about 3 p.m., he saw a couple of costumed girls trudging through leaves, probably walking home from school, and thought about driving by and offering them a couple from the bag he had in the car. It's the only day you can get away with that. Now he wishes he had. He wouldn't have 12 candy bars left.

Then there was that woman pulling that wagon with the two little girls, for whom he raised the hatch, hollering "Hey, we're ready," and she rushed on as if she were late for work, saying "We'll be right back," but they never were, and now he's stuck with 10 candy bars.

While he has kids in the general area, his block was largely dark as outer space. The pretty Princesses next

door into a different orbit for their swag. He tried, that's for sure, but nonetheless, he's got 8 candy bars looking for a home.

He had to knock on the porthole to get one group's attention, they were rocketing right on by. It's as if he were begging to be robbed. Even so, he's got 6 candy bars left.

Then there was the ape. Thank goodness for gorillas. He slipped him a couple, otherwise he'd have a whole lot more than 4 candy bars left.

A little after dark the neighbor girls came home. Rocket Man radioed out the door and over they came, a-twitter with giggles, one in a delicious red wig. Gee they're cute, and polite, too. Wish there'd been more of them, or he wouldn't have 2 candy

Ah, well. The lights are off, the witchy banner refurled, the statues back in the basement, all is quiet, too quiet. It was a disappointing Hallowe'en. Send him some candy, he seems

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"E-mails"

It is great to know that some of you took the time to read my comments on Father Joe.

Some even took the time to write me a note. It is much appreciated. I just want to add that even if he may have had some short-comings, Father Joe will leave a huge hole. He just seemed to always be there when you needed him.

Dear Mr. Bortz:

Your article about Father Joe Moreno in the Nov. 1st issue of the Buffalo Rocket was fantastic! Thank you.

I was so disgusted with the disgraceful article the Buffalo News printed on their front page last Sunday about him that I thought about submitting a letter to their "Everybody's Column" or to the Bishop and the Diocese of Buffalo, who it appears must have been the "anonymous" sources of all that negative information about their fellow priest. Shame on them!

What did they think doing something like that says to the public, especially us Catholics? No wonder there's a shortage of priests when they don't even respect each other, even after death; yet they cover up and protect the bad priests and ship them off somewhere. No one goes out of their way to write articles for the front page of the Buffalo News disclosing a priest's personal financial or depression problems when they are accused of being a sexual predator; so why discredit a much loved good priest a couple weeks after his death. I'm surprised the Buffalo News as well as the Diocese of Buffalo stooped

so low to allow such an article to run.

I remember Father Joe Moreno from when he was at St. Margaret's Church and, although I did not know him well, I recall that he had a very charismatic personality and we all loved him for being so caring, outgoing, and just for being who he was ... down-to-earth and natural!

Thank you so much for running such a wonderful article about Father Joe. That's the kind of article he truly deserved. No one could have said it better than you and I was so happy you took the time to express how many of us felt. May he rest in peace. Great job! Sincerely,

Linda Lee Sciortino

Dear Mr. Bortz:

I just wanted to e-mail you to thank you for writing and printing the beautiful article on Fr. Joe Moreno. You were absolutely correct in your comments on "why a reporter would spend so much time writing such a negative article". My husband said it wouldn't take long for the diocese to leak some negative reports on

Fr. Joe. Sure enough out they came. Let Fr. Joe rest in peace. He was all about doing what priests are suppose to do - help people.

Also, I enjoyed the article on Mr. Smukler. I read some very interesting facts about him in the article. Thanks and keep up the good work. Margaret Latona

Joe,

I truly want to compliment you on the great article regarding Father Joe. I could not have said it better myself. You are correct: which one of us has not done something that we are sorry for, wish we had not done, regret doing, embarrassed ourselves or have said or done things we hope to God no one finds out about. None of us are perfect that is for sure.

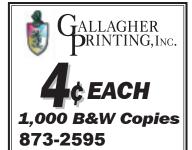
I met Father Joe shortly after my grandson, Billy died in 1989. During a conversation about Little Bill, I told him that not one priest from St. Margaret's ever ministered to my family or me. At the time I was cutting hair at the City Mission. A minister was sent to pray with us at Children's Hospital the day Little Bill

had his surgery. One of my clients was a Methodist Minister and she came with me a couple of times to the hospital. This minister was from my daughter-in-laws church and was wonderful.

Father Joe then offered to go to the cemetery to bless my grandson's grave and prayed with me for peace and strength. So the only words I have for Father Joe are good words.

I cut Father's Joe's hair for a few years and when he went to the Super Bowl game, he came home with an autographed football for me. He was a people's priest. I know he is at peace and will be missed by more people than we can count.

Keep writing your wonderful column, I thoroughly enjoy every one. Joyce Gugino



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Buffalo Startup Launches New Personal Breathalyzer SipSmart at Downtown Event

On November 16th at 8:00 pm, Buffalo tech startup Ladybug Technologies will launch their newest product, the SipSmart Straw at City Tavern on Chippewa in downtown Buffalo.

The SipSmart straw is an easy to use, safe and reliable tool that helps people understand how what they drink affects their individual blood alcohol concentration (BAC). Using a simple pass/fail indication, the straw lets people know when they, or someone they might ride with, are over the drunk driving limit.

The straws are small, discrete, inexpensive and can be carried anywhere.

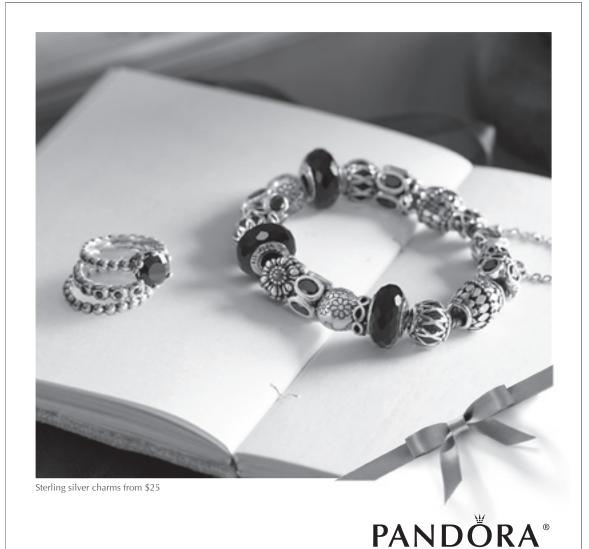
For less than the cost of a drink, users can simply blow into the SipSmart Straw and immediately know how their alcohol consumption has affected them, thus allowing them to avoid driving when impaired, or riding with someone who is.

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pleased to be working with our partners to show how the SipSmart Straw can help them stay safe while they are enjoying the evening."

Joining forces with Ladybug Tek on the product launch are the Erie County STOP-DWI Office, Liberty Cab, Fox 29 / myTVBuffalo and several downtown Buffalo bars and taverns. The official launch party is open to the public and coincides with a campaign running on Indiegogo to raise awareness on this important issue and highlight how the SipSmart Straw can be a game-changing solution to help eliminate drunk driving.

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November 1, 2012

Amherst St. - Complainant reports that unknown person(s) did put glue in three locks on front door.

Elmwood Ave. - Complainant states that person(s) unknown took his wallet from a convenient store that contained \$800 cash and several credit cards. Suspect did use defendants debit card at Redbox.

Crescent Ave. - Unknown person (s) entered un-

locked garage and did take, without permission, complainant's lawnmower.

West Side

October 30, 2012

Dart St. - Complainant reports that an unknown person took her vehicle without her permission. Vehicle was parked on street in front of residence. Complainant also states this is the fourth night in a row the vehicle has been stolen. Vehicle has been brought back previ-

ous three times. She did not reports the previous three times. Complainant called back to report that vehicle was returned to her house.

October 31, 2012

Harvard Pl. - Complainant reports that an unknown person did take an unknown amount of roofing materials from his driveway worth at least \$2,000.

Grant St. - Complainant reports that a black female, while in his apartment, did take \$1,100 from his pants pocket.

November 1, 2012

Clarendon Pl. - Complainant reports that person(s) unknown did enter his unlocked front door and once inside did steal his first Niagara checkbook and wrote checks in the amount of \$800.

Riverside

October 30, 2012

Ontario St. - The defendants were heard and observed in the boarded up house. The distinct sound of clanging metal was heard coming from the inside of the house for several minutes before officers entered. Officers were on scene in response to a 911 call stating a male with a hood was seen breaking into the location. Inside a wrench, wire cutters and a pair of pliers were recovered.

November 2, 2012

Jasper Parrish Dr. - Complainant reports that unknown suspect(s) did break into her home by breaking back window for entry. Suspect(s) ransacked her apartment and did take a laptop computer, flat screen televisions, various comput-

er paraphernalia valued at \$1,480. Damage to window does not exceed \$250.

Amherst St. - Officers found the defendant to have a crack pipe in his possession.

November 3, 2012

Elgas St. - Complainant reports that when she arrived home she found her back door open and the following items were taken without permission: five necklaces, valued at \$3,000, flat screen television, valued at \$2,000 and \$1,500 in cash.

Military Rd. - Complainant reports that after breaking up a fight at a nightclub in which he works, a vehicle stopped at an adjacent street and fired 3-5 shots at fence.

November 4, 2012

Military Rd. - Complainant reports that suspect did take his cell phone and post in on Craig's list to sell.

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for IED and weapons to be turned in for humanitarian aid or cash and the program was very well received. His company lost four soldiers while they were there, one of them being his own.

1 LT Nash reached out to a program called Bunkers for Baghdad (which is actually based in Buffalo, NY), where they send golf clubs and new and used golf balls to soldiers serving overseas as a source of recreation in their off hours. The program was founded by Joe Hanna, a local attorney who can be contacted by email at jhanna@goldbergsegalla.com for any donations. Mr. Hanna sent golf balls and golf clubs to 1LT Nash to help boost morale during their deployment.

Sunday, November 11th is Veterans Day. Many Americans mistakenly believe that Veterans Day is the day America sets aside to honor American military personnel who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained from combat. That's not quite true. Memorial Day is the day set aside to honor America's war dead.

Veterans Day, on the other hand, honors all American veterans, both living

and dead. In fact, Veterans Day is largely intended to thank living veterans for dedicated and loyal service to their country.

November 11th of each year is the day that we ensure veterans know how deeply we appreciate the sacrifices they have made in their lives to keep our country free.

Please remember men like 1LT Tony Nash and all of our military members, who served or are serving, for their courage and commitment to keeping our great country strong and safe.



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Showtimes are 7:30 pm, Fridays and Saturdays and 3:00 pm, Sundays.

The play runs approximately 90 minutes; the playhouse may be reached via a right turn off the Twin Cities Memorial Highway about a half-mile north of the I-290.

Niagara University and professional Buffalo-area actor Joseph Fratello plays Mitch under the direction of John Quackenbush. Rocket readers may obtain a price discount by requesting the "Rocket Man Rate."

Another season of Street Hockey is beginning. - Games are played Mondays, Wednesdays and Thrusdays at the Asarese-Matters Center on Rees Street. Our Divisions are 8-10, 11-12, 13-14 and 15-16. The cut off date is December 1st, 2012.

The award winners last year in the Top Scorers bracket were; Evan Mansour (8-10), Angel Rodriguez IV (11-12), Adam Smith (11-12), Kyle Hill (13-14). Our Top Goalies were; Joseph Gonzalez (8-10), Nathan Hernandez (11-12), Joey Carney (13-14) The Pat Sole Award winners were; Heriberto Pagan (8-10), Randy Thomas (11-12), Jonathan Cybulski (13-14).

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From A Local Vietnam Veteran's Journal Combat: Central Highlands Vietnam

It was an unusual fall day, the clouds light and white against the blue sky. Jungle green plush mountains as vertical as an eye had ever seen. Dried mud clung to my camouflage jeep.

Moving along a rugged path, I bounced and rolled with the ruts and crevices, curving around mossy trees and crushing wild grass lush ferns, along my way to nowhere.

I had slipped close to the edge of the mountain when glancing down I was jolted out of touring and into reality.

Uncomfortably close, was a platoon of Viet Cong combat soldiers climbing this erect mountain of trees. I believe it was the high ground that gave me perfect visibility and more trouble than I was prepared for.

The reason for my next decision has baffled me for years, although at the time I did not believe I could run for some reason. Were they too close? I really can't say. Was I out of gas? I don't re-

member. Did I get caught up in the moment? I had been in combat many times before, was this another fight? Although this time I was alone. Maybe it was. Well let's just call it training and a young mans reasoning.

I grabbed my rifle, sprung out of my jeep, raced out of the path and into the jungle. Weaving myself into the bushes rocks plants or whatever became my barrier, checked my weapon with as little mechanical ability possible for a human being. I crouched down with my rifle. I had rounds draped across my chest and back, rounds chocked my helmet.

Had I been hit, I probably would have blown up. (That's what my buddies would joke about.) I don't remember much, my heartbeat had blotted out my thoughts along with common sense.

Weapons blurting in my ears were non-descript. I don't believe they were louder than my wits. Did I have my wits about me? I really don't know. There was

no fear. I was reacting and numb at the same time. Possible? I guess so!

After a time, I believed I was going to die. Then was it an hour or a moment later? I don't recall. Puff the magic dragon dropped from the sky, opened up its fury on the enemy, machine guns, rockets and mini-guns.

The unfortunate death of others saved my life. That my friend is war. (Puff was a helicopter gun ship loaded with destruction.)

I believe I stood up in disbelief. Death on the mountain! As Puff turned to the side and flew away, had they acknowledged me? I can't say. I often wonder. Did I walk, run, drive back or climb out? It's been a mystery to me for years.

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