

Elmwood Village Association Easter Bonnet Parade



The Easter Bunny led the Easter Bonnet Parade down Elmwood Avenue toward an Easter Egg Hunt at Lafayette Presbyterian Church.

The Third Annual Elmwood Village Easter Bonnet Parade was held on Sunday, March 31st, 2013 and sponsored by the

Elmwood Village Association along with Elmwood Village business community, led by Joey Quigliano of Dandy Candy.

The Parade went down Elmwood Avenue led by the Easter Bunny. An Easter Egg Hunt was held at the Lafayette

Presbyterian Church at 875 Elmwood Avenue. The Parade then continued to St. John's Grace Church, located at 51 Colonial Circle, for a gathering and bonnet judging. Parade-goers designed their own creative head-

gear, and took part in a walk through the heart of the Elmwood Village.

The Easter Bonnet Parade has fast become a neighborhood tradition, with creativity and family fun taking center stage.

North Buffalo Resident Graduates From Academy



North Buffalo resident, Dominic Trillizio after his recent graduation from the Erie County Basic Correction Academy. Deputy Trillizio, who is flanked by (l-r) Jail Superintendent Tom Diina and Erie County Sheriff Tim Howard, will be assigned to the Jail Management Division of the Erie County Sheriff's Office.

Lynn Marinelli Honors Citizens of the Month

County Legislator Lynn Marinelli honored David and Ruth Lampe as her Citizens of the Month because of their contributions to the 3rd District at the last session of the Erie County Legislature.

Residents of Legislator Marinelli's district in North Buffalo, the Lampes have played an active role in the community. The Lampes just celebrated their 50th anniversary and have two sons and seven grandchildren.

Ruth Lampe is a former

English teacher for the Buffalo Board of Education. She is the Director and past President of the Parkside

Review and Long Range Planning Committees for the Olmsted Parks Conservancy, and also served as President of the PTA of School 54 and City Honors. She is currently the co-chair of the North Buffalo Neighbors Aging in Place Transportation Committee.

David Lampe is a former professor at Buffalo State College and is currently a member of the Delaware Park Steering Committee and North Buffalo

Library Committee. David (con't on page 5)



Erie Co. Legislator Lynn M. Marinelli, left, presents the Citizens of the Month Award to Ruth and David Lampe for their services to the community, education, culture and arts.

Community Association, a member of both the Design

HNBBBA To Hold Monthly Meeting



The Hertel North Buffalo Business Association will hold their next monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 9th,

in their office at 1510 Hertel Avenue starting promptly at 6:00 pm. All are invited and welcome to attend.

Local Weather

THURSDAY, APRIL 4	FRIDAY, APRIL 5	SATURDAY, APRIL 6	SUNDAY, APRIL 7	MONDAY, APRIL 8	TUESDAY, APRIL 9	WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10
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The Adventures of...
Rocket Man
by Doug Smith


'The Bisons, Kings for a Day'

It's no April Fool that before this day is over, somebody at Coca-Cola Field is going to lead the national standings for minor-league teams.

In a rarity almost without precedent, every full-season minor league opens its season today. And of the dozens of games, only the Buffalo Bisons open in daylight, vs. neighboring Rochester, 2:05 p.m. or thereabouts.

The Buffalo area appears to have taken well to the Herd's switch of affiliations, to the Toronto Blue Jays, after a four-year famine with the Mets. General Manager Mike Buczkowski, introducing the team's new look and new menu to a somewhat famished media a week ago, told Rocket Man that merchandise sales since the "switch" are double what they were when the Herd signed on with the Mets four years ago.

Buczkowski doesn't credit it all to Jaymania. "We're doing a lot more sales

through social media than we did four years ago," he said, "and the fans really like the new colors." It's basically red, white and blue, although the Bisons call the new scheme something more exotic. Buczkowski said offerings of "retro" gear, recalling the earlier days of Pilot Field, always received a warm response in recent years.

Many on the staff secretly despised the Mets' colors, threatening to stage an "orange and blue bonfire" of the old stuff when Toronto came in.

At the team's February open house, Met-colored merchandise was sticking to the shelves, even at substantial markdowns.

It's been an eventful transition. Several former Mets were traded to the Jays during the off-season, including Cy Young Award pitcher R. A. Dickey (who hurled for the Herd in spring training) and catcher Josh Thole, who appears headed back to Buffalo. Also arriving on

the QEW shuffle: center-fielder Anthony Gose, who wowed fans and reporters at the Hot Stove Luncheon in January.

In another stroke of fate, one-time Bison manager Marty Brown returns as Herd wrangler. Infielder Jim Negrych from St. Francis High, whom Rocket Man was privileged to have seen single softly to right in his first professional at bat, looks solid at second base. Negrych had a great spring, mostly with "the big club," and seems to have far more front-office support in Toronto than he ever did in Pittsburgh.

Also back: catcher Mike Nickeas, a catcher who rode the Buffalo-Binghamton shuffle with regularity during the four years with the Mets, and infielder Adam Loewen.

The Herd has made a big deal of the new, international partnership, with a ceremonial lighting of the peace bridge and the triumphal arrival of the equipment truck from Dunedin, arriving all the pomp of a popemobile (see Page 1, last week's Rocket). It is a time for renewal and in Buffalo, they not only do it better, but this year, they do it first.

Fire back to Rocket Man via pollyndoug@hotmail.com.

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Northwest Buffalo Beat

by Joe Bortz

"Longer Life"

If you watch Seinfeld or the re-runs, you may recall a particular episode where he mentions Florida. His comment is that Florida is where people go to die. In a past column that quote was used as whatever the subject of that week was, it seemed appropriate. While it is true some people choose to spend the final days of their lives where it is sunny and warm, they would still pass away no matter where they lived. After coming to Florida in the winter for the last 20 years, my conclusion is that they come south not to die, but to live longer.

Without doing a lot of research, I have to assume that not enduring the harsh cold winter weather tends to lead to less complications, health wise. This theory is based on certain things

observed in my stay here. Like the age of the people in my community. The other day I played golf with a fellow who was 85. Not that it is unusual to play with anyone that age, as that is pretty common. The thing that surprised me is that he had just returned from a Safari in Africa. He was there a month and slept in tree houses and did the whole bit. Heard the lions growl at night but did not see any. Counted 130 elephants in one of the herds they were near. One of the things on my bucket list was to go on a Safari in Africa. I just might still have time. He added that he has reservations this month to go to India to see the Taj Mahal. Going through that whole region of central Asia, Nepal, Tibet, etc. The point is

he is 85 years old and not planning on passing away any time too soon. He has lived in Florida for the last 25 years.

I should not be surprised at that, as my brother-in-law, who lived near Orlando, just passed at 96. We played golf together 'til he was 94 but he could only do nine holes. We see many people here well into their eighties and nineties. Met a woman at the St. Joseph table they have at the church, who was 92. She was helping serve and as a hobby makes ceramic figurines. The ones she had that day were little St. Joseph statues. Just in case any one was selling a house. (That is another story). While it is true people do die in Florida, they choose to come here to live a longer life. My brother in California is turning 89 and has lived there 60 years in the warm climate. In comparison, my father who never left Buffalo, died in his mid sixties. So did my mother.

The nurses in the hospital here once told me that people here in their seventies are in similar condition to someone in their fifties.

They see it day in and day out and that comment was not in any way solicited. It does make sense that even though it is brutally hot in the summer down here, nine months of the year it is like living in Paradise. Sunny and warm everyday is the usual weather forecast.

Plenty of outdoor activity to do that is not possible up north, outside of skiing. Swimming, biking, tennis, golf, fishing, etc. Sometimes there is not enough time in the day to do it all. You just know that most days the sun will shine and it will be warm.

No snow, no ice, no freezing temperatures, no shoveling, no waiting for your car to heat up. Sometimes the biggest decision is what color shorts to wear that day. No gloves, no boots, no heavy overcoats. Is it any wonder people live longer? We have the perfect scenario. Summer up north and winter in Florida, it does not get any better.

By the way, did I mention I just happen to have a house for sale here in Estero? Just in case you want to peek, it is listed on Zillow.

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March 20, 2013

Delham Ct. - Complainant states that suspect did write a check out of her account without her permission for the amount of \$3,000. Complainant states that she called suspect and demanded her money back and the suspect replied "good luck trying to prove it".

March 21, 2013

Delavan/Delaware Aves. - Defendant was yelling and screaming in the middle of the street and tried to fight several people.

March 24, 2013

Camden Ave. - Complainant states that known suspect did take his pants, which contained his wallet with debit card, and withdrew \$80. Pants and wallet were recovered, suspect fled.

West Side

March 19, 2013

West Ferry St. - Complainant states that unknown person(s) did cut the front window screen of Bakery and entered building. Suspect(s) did take a cash register that contained \$100 cash.

March 23, 2013

Elmwood Ave. - Restaurant manager reports that defendant did take four kegs of beer without paying for same. Value \$1,500. Property was recovered at scene.

Riverside

March 21, 2013

Niagara St. - Defendant was found by officers responding to a man down call, lying on the bathroom floor with a spoon with heroin residue. Recovered from scene were 12 needles, one spoon with residue, five glassine bags of heroin. While at central booking defendant was in possession of one bag of heroin.

March 21, 2013

Tonawanda St - Complainant states that during a two week span, various coins went missing from his apartment. There were no signs of forced entry and no known/observed suspects.

March 24, 2013

Howell St. - Complainant reports that suspect did walk on her front porch and open her front window and entered apartment. Suspect did take, without permission, computer, adult toys and a picture of the complainant's ex-boyfriend.

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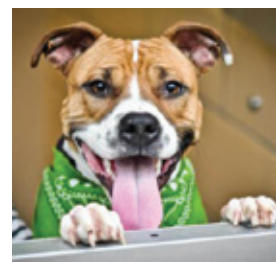


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also shares his time and talent as Chair of the Burchfield-Penney Poetry Series and the Campus House Board of Directors.

Legislator Marinelli issued

a proclamation to the couple at a recent session of the Erie County Legislature at Old County Hall. A video of the presentation can be viewed at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fhDMI5nihFY>.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: D equals S

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binanti has dedicated herself to creating a shop that's Fresh and Unique.

Louise explains that fashion has always been her passion. While growing up, her mom, Concetta, a professional seamstress, and her grandmother, Josephine, a professional tailor, taught her how to cut fabric and design clothes for the West Side of Buffalo, from simple clothes to lavishly decorated gowns. DeJa'Lu Boutique is a tribute to them and they would be proud.

Currently Louise is designing her own line of baby hats

& accessories. Her philosophy is to provide the highest quality of customer service with a personal touch to all of her customers. The stores appeal is quickly realized when you come in and see the numerous brands that are exclusive to DeJa'Lu Boutique.

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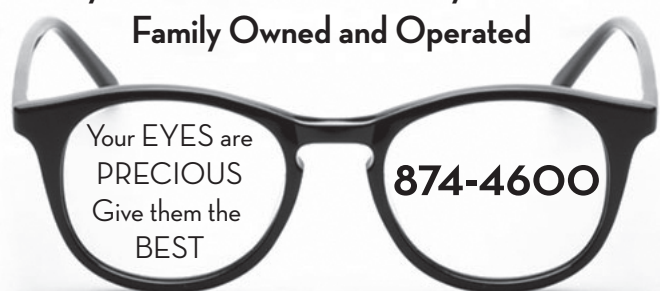
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10-15

Board of Education, Buffalo, New York Division of Purchase 716-816-3585

**Sealed proposals will be received in Room 816 City Hall
On: Monday, April 15, 2013 at 2:00 PM for RFP #12-13-101 REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FORMATIVE ASSESSMENTS

On: Thursday, April 11, 2013 at 11:00 AM for BID #12-13-102 LAMINATING & OFFICE SUPPLIES FOR SERVICE CENTER STOCK

On: Friday, April 12, 2013 at 11:00 AM for BID #12-13-104 CARIQUEST, HEWETT PACKARD, LEXMARK PRINTERS & SUPPLIES FOR VARIOUS SCHOOLS

Specifications and bid forms are available at www.buffaloschools.org/PurchaseDept.cfm.

Craig A. Koeppel
Director of Purchase

14-14

BONTRAGER AUCTION SERVICE, as agent for Lincoln Storage of Buffalo, Inc. will sell at public auction, Sat., April 6, 10:00 AM, for the collection of unpaid storage fees, the following lots: Lorrain Wilson— lot 0A208; Monica Price— lot 0C206; Gregory Hunter— lot 0C214; Antoinette Willoughby — lot 0E128; Brian Coleman — lot 0H107. Auction to be held at LINCOLN STORAGE OF BUFFALO, Inc., 155 Great Arrow, Buffalo, NY. See web site: www.bontragerauction.com. TERMS: Full payment auction day, 13% Buyer's Premium.

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