



Annual Festival of the Arts August 24th and 25th



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The Fourteenth Annual Festival of the Arts will take place on August 24th and 25th, transforming Elmwood Avenue into a vibrant artist's crossroads, celebrating our community's creativity. This family-oriented event highlights our region's artistic and cultural treasures, featuring four stages with live performances, an Artists Market, with 170 world-class artists, Kidsfest, with five hands-on activity tents,



Cultural and Environmental Rows plus many more festivities.

Western New York is rich in arts and cultural organizations that enhance our community experience. Over 35 non profit arts and cultural organizations will be on hand to share information about what they do to improve our quality of life in this region. Local Theaters, Art Galleries, small community choruses, children's arts and sports organizations will be represented on Cultural Row.

Looking at this year's

performance lineup, it's inspiring to see the breadth of generations, cultures, and backgrounds that flourish in Buffalo's artistic communities. Performers from Russian, Israeli, British, Cajun, Irish, Indian, Afro-Cuban, and West African traditions will be taking to the stages.

The Festival keeps getting greener and more hands-on each year. Did you know that every year the Elmwood Avenue Festival of the Arts plants a tree on Elmwood Avenue to offset our carbon footprint?

All of this, will take place, along with food and refreshments, rain or shine on Saturday from 10 am to 6 pm and on Sunday from 10am to 5pm. Admission is free and open to all.

Mayoral Candidate Forum August 22nd

The Parkside Community Association will present the three declared candidates for the 2013 Buffalo Mayoral Election on Thursday, August 22nd. The PCA is proud to host the 2013 candidates forum at St. Mary's School for the Deaf, 2253 Main Street in Buffalo, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

This is your opportunity to meet the candidates in person, and hear from them directly on any number of matters that concern you.

The forum will be moderated by local reporter and friend of the PCA, Brian Meyer, formerly of the Buffalo Rocket newspaper. If you have suggestions for topics or questions to be presented to any or all of the candidates, please submit them online before Friday, August 16th.

The association will do all they can to ensure those issues that are of most concern to our community will be raised.

Auction Set for Holy Angels Academy

Holy Angels Academy property will be auctioned on August 24 by Cash Realty & Auctions. The 60,000 sq.ft. school building contains

twenty classrooms, an auditorium, library, and new gymnasium. It sits on 5.37 acres with 390' of frontage along Hertel Avenue.

Community Walk Set for Sept. 14th

The Western New York chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention will be holding its 7th Annual Buffalo area Out of the Darkness Community Walk on Saturday, September 14th in Delaware Park North (near Buffalo Zoo). Proceeds will benefit local and national suicide prevention and awareness programs. Registration is free

and can be done online until 12pm on September 13th, or at the walk 8:30am-10:30am, with the walk starting at 10:30am. To register in advance, donate, or to learn more, please visit <http://afsp.donor-drive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventID=2172>, email afspbuffalowalk@yahoo.com, or call 716-597-9285.

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The Adventures of...

Rocket Man

by Doug Smith



'Faith Healer'

Faith fell on hard times last week on the Niagara Frontier. The heralded "Field of Miracles" revival drew well short of a kneeling-room-only throng to Niagara Falls, while at Niagara-on-the-Lake, an entire row sat vacant for a "Faith Healer" matinee. That's unheard of at the Shaw Festival, where even ampersands have to stand for "Guys & Dolls."

"Faith Healer" has a fair history around here, a favorite of Buffalo's Irish Classical. Ireland's Brian Friel, Arthur Miller with a brogue, wrote the three-character, three-voice reminiscence of a hard time when a man could lay claim to curative powers and make a modest living so long as the knew the way out of town.

"It is," says the wondrously powerful Jim Mezon in the title role of Francis Hardy, "a craft without an apprenticeship."

One is not born to this vocation, but named to it, cautions the manager/agent with the delicious humor of Irish exaggeration, claiming to have once represented "a dog who could play the bagpipes. He died

at the age of four... of pulmonary exhaustion." Francis Hardy became a Faith Healer, he supposes, because it suited his initials. "If he'd been Patrick Muldoon, he have been Prime Minister."

Mezon is fantastic compelling as this convoluted character who may, or may not, have actually had the touch. His delivery blends resignation and regret into cocktail of intoxicating realism, no matter how far-fetched the star-crossed tale. His theory: That most who seek his services want actually to confirm their own incurability.

As the manager, Peter Krantz is a lively leprechaun and spinner of colorful yarns, a mimmer of Fred Astaire and a dweller on the effect of intelligence on success.

It's all delicious whimsical until the issue of a still birth. Then, it is vivid, as Friel's words spring to life, and death, not a syllable lost.

The same can not be said for Corrine Koslo as the Faith Healer's lady. Much of her monologue, comprising the second half of Act One, dissipates into a fog of heavy drinking and heavier accent, even in the coziness of the 323-seat Royal George Theater. By intermission, a few in the house had had enough and departed, one shedding a hearing-aid battery. She's a fine actress but in this, reality bites. Rocket Man confirmed this inaudibility with several neighbors; his own hearing could stand a bit of healing, faith or otherwise.

"Faith Healer" continues to lay on hands through Oct. 6. SEVEN ROCKETS (out of 10).

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West Side

August 8, 2013

Niagara St. - Complainant reports that unknown person(s) gained entry by forcing open a window. Taken, without permission, was a sink, hot water tank and furnace.

August 8, 2013

Grant St. - Complainant reports that unknown person(s) did take his benefits card. The complainant believes he knows who took it. Card was used at a store in the south towns for \$148.

August 8, 2013

Greenwood Pl. - Complainant reports that unknown person(s) did take, without permission, four credit cards from complainant's wallet by unknown means and used one to make purchases over \$1,000.

North Buffalo

August 4, 2013

Shoshone Rd. - Complainant reports that while his vehicle was parked, un-

known person(s) gained entry by forcibly breaking the front passenger window. Once inside, taken, without permission, was a purse containing benefits cards for two people, credit cards, and personal affects. Complainant reports that two unknown black males operating an unknown cream vehicle stopped near her vehicle during the time of the incident

Riverside

August 7, 2013

Ontario St. - Defendant was observed hanging out at a gas station and was discovered with a BB gun and while retrieving BB gun, a small baggie with white powder fell on arresting officer's boot.

August 9, 2013

Hertel Ave. - Complainant states that a person that is known to her, took without permission, her bank card. Suspect did withdraw monies from an ATM and also wrote a check and signed complainant's name, without permission.



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Northwest Buffalo Beat

by Joe Bortz

Verizon, yuk

I am writing this column due to the fact that I have the capabilities to do so. I am able to vent my anger at a large company, Verizon, and I am about to let it all out. After spending a week on the phone with "technicians" and listening to these trained professionals blow smoke up you know where, I decided to put it in writing for all those are interested to see.

At home we have had Verizon for many years and always believed it was a pretty good company to deal with. Not lately as with all the

added technology and the increasing number of customers, service is on the decline and seems to be getting worst. I renewed my contract with them in December and am I sorry I did. Some of the things they said when I signed the contract did not happen but that is another story.

My latest problem started last Wednesday night when I opened my bill. It was over a hundred dollars more than my usual monthly statement. Now to anyone that is a lot of money so I immediately got on the phone with Verizon. Af-

ter spending too much time with someone telling me the reason for the increase was my internet usage was triple that month. She finally gave me a Tech rep, Joslyn. Knowing that we have done nothing different and maybe even less in the summer I heatedly questioned it. This girl, Joslyn, asked me about streaming movies, downloading music, you tube, new apps, etc. The honest answer to all these questions was no as we did none of that, ever. She said she reported it and they will "investigate". We were already way over our usage limit for this month and we are only a week into it. Here is the good part, she told us to shut off our computers, the two of them, till Sunday afternoon and she would call and give me

the results of the investigation. So we did so, went from Wednesday night to Sunday with the computers shut off. I used my smart phone and computer at work for those days. Turns out she did not tell me the truth!

Sunday I sat with the phone, really expecting Joslyn to call. As I said trained professionals capable of blowing smoke up you know where. No call all day Sunday, so that night I called again and talked to a Clay in El Rancho, California. By this time I began asking for names and locations. He spent a lot of time telling me a bunch of absolute untruths. He said they were still checking the towers or some such malarkey. He said we must have left our computers on or they had a virus or a bunch of other reasons that it could not be their fault. After spending more than an hour with him, I finally hung up when he said this, "you could use a gigabyte in ten minutes on the computer" A gigabyte cost fifteen dollars with Verizon. When he said, that I figured it was time to end the conversation. I did check that statement and it turns out even though it is possible, you would have to have a very high speed internet capable of downloading many things at once. Not at all possible with the equipment I have with Verizon. Now this was another Verizon technician who gave me that explanation. He was Joe in Pittsburgh.

So far we have Joslyn and Clay as the smoke blowers. Now it is Monday night and I have

this Joe from Pittsburgh. I checked my computer at work and it showed that even though we had the computers off and out of the house, there was still usage added to our account. His remark was that the turned off computers somehow turned themselves on and used the internet. Can you imagine how that sounded to me? He added that we are not co-operating as they have asked is to do things with the computers that we would not do. Realize here that I have not had a home computer for almost a week as I did exactly what Joslyn told me to do. I admit I did fill Joe's ear with what I thought. But his response was ho hum, and he said I get calls like this all day and it is his job to listen and blow smoke. When I suggested it looks like this is all phony and fraudulent, he said, "why would Verizon do that?" Money Joe, money! This is over a hundred dollars for one month from one customer who is definitely being overcharged. Imagine overcharging millions just a few dollars? Those who do not complain? If I see fifty cents that is not supposed to be there I call. And almost always, they waive it.

Since I am under contract with "these people" I will have to pay the monthly minimum and get my internet off of cable as it stands now it would be cheaper. I know the cable people seem willing to co-operate. Joe, in Pittsburgh even suggested that I do so as it is a better package. Ha, he probably ran out of smoke to blow in my case.



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Dodger Blue !

The bases are full. That's what they say when there's a runner at first, second and third. But for me at this visit, lots of baseball and softball action to catch you up on since you last visited Shoshone Park through this newspaper. Let's head right out there.

The first team to win a Championship for 2013 this year are the girls Rookie Pony Rebels as they defeated the Angels, 6-2 last Thursday night. It was "Rebel Mania" for these 13 five to seven year olds as they dominated the regular season against three other teams to finish in first place against teams like Lil' Devils, Shamrocks and the afore mentioned Angels. "It was a team effort," said man-

ager Trey Gardner afterward. Here are the girls: Jada Perry, Izzy Gardner, Gianna Williams, Molly Galvin, Jordyn Williams, Dani Hatch, Katrina Williams, Jasmine Barlow, Bridget Carr, Emerie Ficorilli, Mariah Robbins, Tory Hatch and Jane Reilly. It was the team's second Championship in a row.

In Rookie Boys, the New Haven Yankees finished the regular season undefeated to grab first place. They awaited the winner of the Monroe vs. Orlando game played August 5th while the rest of the division squared off in single game elimination play. Las Vegas defeated Chattanooga 4-3, Dayton beat a tough Carthage team, 9-8 and Mateo Chimera helped lead Springfield over the

Braves. Second round action began Wednesday August 14th.

In Minor Pony, the Yankees finished the regular season in first place and met the Blue Jays in the first round. The Reds finished in second and played the Giants. Both games are a best two out of three game series with the winners advancing to the final series. The Yankees won game one, 2-1 last Tuesday night and took an early 4-1 lead in game two. The Jays battled back to tie the game at 4-4 in the bottom of the sixth, forcing extra innings. It stayed that way until the top of the eighth as the Yanks exploded for four runs led by Talia Mogavero, Ali Wasielewski, Erin Cavanaugh and Carolyn Dokey. With the score 8-4, the Jays were threatening with runners on first and second. but Yankee outfielder Mikayla Holt caught the third and final out to end the game and send the pinstripe girls to the finals against the Giants.

For the Fifth time in Six years, Hertel North Park won the City Buffalo Cup Championship with decisive victories over three other leagues played August 3-4 in Shoshone Park. The three other leagues were RiverRock, South Buffalo and West Side. The beautiful trophy will remain in the North Buffalo field house for another year, where it has been since 2010 when Shoshone won it back from RiverRock with a 6-0 record, their only loss coming to the new South Buffalo entry that season. It's been a fantastic tournament thus far.

The 13 & under North

Buffalo travel team recently won two tournaments. First, in the Lewiston Lancers Classic, North Buffalo won the Silver Division with wins over Clarence 10-2, Niagara 11-0 and the Minzuno Braves, 11-8. The team was led by Andrew Rose, Eli Moslow, Issiah McDuffie, Gabe Glahe and Kellan Daley. Daley scored the winning run in the Championship game against Minzuno, beating a rundown at home plate in the sixth inning. Then in a Clarence Tournament played two weekends ago, North Buffalo shut out Grand Island to win the Championship led by McDuffie, Daley and Alex Harvey. They finished their season with 17 wins and 14 losses.

William Rosen hit a three run homerun and two triples and made two big put outs in the field to help lead the Lincoln Dodgers to an upset win over Oklahoma in the first round of the Second Minor Playoffs last Wednesday. In other games, Solomon Jackson homered twice while teammates Christopher Johnson, Jadin Mecklenburg and Owen Rooney added solo HR's to lead Dallas over Madison. Nashville defeated Charleston 4-3 and Sacramento defeated Carson City. The four winning teams advance to the second round in a best two of three game series. Results here next week.

In Major Boys, semifinal games are underway at this writing. In single game elimination play, the Dodgers drew the fourth cede and played the Twins. Losing most of the game, the Twins battled back to take a 10-8 lead in the

top of the sixth. Jeremiah Hunter, Tim Beecher and Gabe Pomales put the team on top. But in the bottom of the sixth, the Dodgers scored three runs led by an Ed Walsh double that scored Connor Spinda from second base for a 11-10 come from behind victory for the Dodgers. Spinda knocked in teammates Max Cannavo and Justin Stevens to tie the game at 10 before Walsh stepped to the plate and with two outs, swung at the first pitch he saw into the outfield and a BIG win for DODGER BLUE. "It's a great feeling," said Walsh, after the game in front of his parents. "I was smiling going around the basepath. Coaches have helped me build confidence after I got into a slump during the season."

The Yankees defeated the Tigers, the Reds squeaked by the Cardinals and the Athletics beat the Cubs.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Engleken Associates, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on July 11, 2013. Office location is Erie County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon who process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to David H. Baldauf, Esq., 7978 Cooper Creek Boulevard, Suite #100, University Park, FL 34201. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. 36

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