



Annual Fishing Derby Held at Hoyt Lake



The Annual Elmwood Kiwanis Fishing Derby was held Wednesday at Hoyt Lake in Delaware Park in conjunction with the United Way "Day of Caring" Program. 150 kids participated from the Delaware YMCA Summer Youth Program.

2013 Buffalo Wing Festival Begins Aug. 31st

The Buffalo Chicken Wing Festival was inspired in 2001 by the movie "Osmosis Jones." In the movie a fictitious character Frank De-Torre played by actor Bill Murray plays a big junk food and chicken wing addict with the goal of attending the National Chicken Wing Festival in Buffalo, NY. Buffalo News columnist, Donn Esmonde then wrote in a column that he was bewildered that Buffalo did not have such an event. That is when I decided to take on the challenge for my Hometown as well as my love for Buffalo Wings.

Within a year, the plan was set for this annual Labor Day Weekend event as 40,000 people filled Coca-Cola Field to consume over 20 tons of wings.

As we enter into our



Eleventh year, the festival is recognized as one of the best in the country. In 2011 the fes-

tival drew over 85,000 people. Over the last ten years the festival has drawn over 655,000 people and served over 4 million wings. The festival which also supports local charities has donated over \$200,000 since its inception.

The Festival has also become a great tourism magnet for the Buffalo Region as wing lovers from all over America and the world make the annual pilgrimage to pay homage to the birthplace of the Buffalo Wing. Last year we found through on-site surveys that attendees

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Riverkeepers Seek "Citizen Scientists" for Creek Project

Visitors to historic Forest Lawn have a chance to become "citizen scientists" and assist the University at Buffalo (UB) and Buffalo Niagara Riverkeeper with efforts aimed at documenting conditions of Scajaquada Creek as Forest Lawn becomes the seventh Western New York location to participate in a "Crowd-Hydrology" project.

The Crowd-Hydrology project uses crowd sourcing to gather and distribute data on stream stages by enlisting the general public to send a text message regarding water levels at individual sites; in this case, in Scajaquada Creek in Forest Lawn. The gathered data can then be used by universities, elementary schools and environmental organizations in a variety of ways, such as to monitor spring snow melt,

teach students about the hydrologic cycles of the watershed and quantify ground water and surface water exchange in streams.

The gauging station has been installed in Forest Lawn in the area of Scajaquada Creek that is directly across from Section B. While the gauge is easily visible from the road that runs along the creek, there is also an identifying sign at roadside to assist would-be citizen scientists in participating.

It's easy for anyone with a smart phone to participate: simply walk up to the designated creek bed location, read the gauge at the water level and text the information to a local phone number. Complete directions are available at the site; participation takes less than five minutes.

Firefighter Exam Set For Nov. 19th

The next Firefighter Civil Service Exam will be administered on November 19, 2013. Potential candidates must fill out an initial application by October 19, 2013.

The theme of the recruitment campaign is "Ordinary People trained to do Extraordinary Things" and features active Buffalo Firefighters in print

ads and public service announcements.

"As we continue to invest in the Fire Department, we are committed to filling its ranks with qualified men and women who represent our city's different communities," Mayor Brown said. "The BFD offers challenging and fulfilling career opportunities,

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The Adventures of...

Rocket Man

by Doug Smith



Farewell, Paula

Paula's Donuts closed its Kenmore Avenue store Sunday, reportedly in a lease dispute, and re-opens at any moment on Sheridan Drive just east of Colvin. Eight years ago, Rocket Man profiled Paula's for the national magazine Roadside. Here's how, slightly edited:

Paula Huber says she's "a dying breed," but don't call the coroner yet.

She's much too busy teasing her customers, dusting off her daughters and managing a staff of 22 to lie down for an autopsy.

That's life in the land of Paula's Donuts, proving that the independent baker can break free of the chains, one dozen at a time. Two miles north, a Krispy Kreme krumbled in 2006.

"People can tell the difference with ours," she says. "Seriously, our doughnuts are made with love." When she says it, the word is stuffed with the extra letters.

Paula says "love" more often than a dating-service ad. (Actually, she's happily married to a food-service whiz who oversees nutrition at a retirement home. Her business has helped finance two daughters' college educations.) "I just love it," she says, pausing while a customer stops by to tell her that his brother has just found work.

"The Chevy called him," he says.

"That's great, Nate," says Paula. "I just love it."

Paula's opened (in 1994). "We used to run a Dunkin' Donuts," she says. "Their leases were horrible." Still bearing a diploma from Dunkin's "Donut U" near Boston ("Six enrolled, I was the only one who passed"), she set up shop where once a Dickie's Donuts died.

Paula's doughnuts are fancy ("Try the maple cream, I love it") but her place is plain, with 4½ formica booths, 11 stools and a modest resin-table outdoor patio, mostly to ac-

commodate smokers. She had just opened when New York State banned smoking in all public places, to the anguish of many bars and coffeeshops.

"Actually, we welcomed it, she says. "We really wanted to have a nice family atmosphere, where everyone could come in. The no-smoking law made up our mind for us and it hasn't hurt our business at all."

The restaurant area's a tight fit, but it's Grand Central Station compared to the kitchen, a 12-by-12 tiled outpost where four bustling employees jockey with three eight-foot doughnut racks. Paula dusts the baker's bench, tosses out an off-white slab the size of a party pizza, bunches it up like a beloved pillow, flattens it again and starts cutting.

"Hardly anybody hand-cuts anymore," says Paula, who first learned the craft from a brother. "We're a dying breed." Nuggets of dough flop to the side as she extracts the tin O-ring, to be retrieved and folded back into the mass. "Holes" for sale will be cut later, separately.

"That was my daughter," Paula would say after singular service was complimented in a review. She has two (then 24 and 25). "This helped put

them through college."

Most days she will sell around 200 dozen, including a dawn patrol delivery to hospital cafeterias and a nearby Comfort Inn. When most chain motels put out a "continental" breakfast, the continent is Antarctica. Imagine a plate of Paula's pride amid the generic bran flakes and melted-Crayola orange juice.

In store, Paula's dishes up some two dozen varieties, not counting the exquisite flat faschnachts produced in five varieties around Easter time. While greater Buffalo cut its teeth (and probably caviated a few) on maple glaze donuts, Paula figures her biggest sellers as maple cream, peanut cream and peanut sticks.

At the outset, she says, "Our first ads were actually in church bulletins," seconding the notion of Paula's as a family place.

Paula's profits lightly from Lottery tickets. While she shares the view that lotteries impose a 51 per cent tax on the people who can least afford it, she decided she couldn't act as everyone's financial planner and succumbed to her customers' pleas.

With an intensely loyal clientele ("One guy, first day back from Arizona, he's got to come in here") and a widening reputation, Paula could probably franchise locally, but "that just wouldn't be me." Even with Paula, there's just so much love to go around.

Fire back to Rocket Man via pollyndoug@hotmail.com

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Buffalo Wing Festival

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came from all 50 states and over 34 different countries. The festival has had a great local economic impact.

The National Buffalo Wing Festival has become the "Super Bowl" of the chicken wing industry for restaurants, wing lovers and even competitive eaters. The festival has been showcased by such national media as the Food Network, "All-American Festivals", "Unwrapped", "Throwdown with Bobby Flay, and

Emeril Lagasse Live, the Travel Channel – "Bar Food Paradise", "Taste of America", and "Food Wars", NBC's Today Show, ABC's The View, Regis and Kelly, the CBS Morning Show, the BBC, Fox and Friends and even a PBS documentary.

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Firefighter Exam will be Administered on Nov. 19th

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and we encourage all eligible Buffalo residents to apply to take the test and become one of the ordinary people trained to do extraordinary things as a Buffalo Firefighter."

"This recruitment campaign is critical to ensuring that the Fire Department's ranks reflect the communities they serve," said Commissioner Whitfield. "We are confident that this outreach campaign will spur great inter-

est and encourage the many diverse groups that make up our City to apply for the upcoming firefighter exam."

As part of the new recruitment strategy, the BFD will conduct an outreach campaign, placing posters on bus shelters and in local publications that target ethnically diverse areas.

A special emphasis will be placed on connecting with church pastors, youth groups, community service or-

ganizations and area colleges. Buffalo Fire Department Recruiters will also distribute flyers and attend a variety of community block club meetings and outdoor events in an effort to strike up interest in the upcoming fire exam. The Fire Department will also provide a link to its website and Facebook Page, where potential candidates can download the application and obtain information about the exam.

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Tax Department Launches Statewide STAR Registration

The New York State Tax Department today unveiled an easy, fast and secure online STAR Registration platform for homeowners currently receiving the Basic STAR property tax exemption. The system will facilitate Governor Cuomo's 2013-14 Budget initiative to save New York taxpayers millions by eliminating inappropriate STAR property tax exemptions.

The STAR Program provides 2.6 million homeowners with savings on their school property tax bills each year, but is only available for an individual's or family's primary residence. The Governor's initiative follows a Tax Department investigation that showed some homeowners

were receiving the exemption on more than one property.

"This balanced approach protects the integrity of the STAR program and guards taxpayer dollars from those who seek to game the system," said Governor Andrew M. Cuomo. "The registration program provides an accessible, convenient and secure way for qualified homeowners to retain their exemption."

"Local assessors monitor Basic STAR in their communities, but do not have the ability to know if an individual is receiving STAR in any of the other 1,000 localities statewide," said Commissioner of Taxation

and Finance Thomas H. Mattox. "This is the first registration in the STAR Program's 15-year history, and it will eliminate inappropriate and fraudulent exemptions."

Easy Registration Online or by Phone

The Tax Department is mailing letters to all 2.6 million Basic STAR recipients. The letter includes registration instructions for the Department's online application. It also provides homeowners with a telephone number for registration or questions – 518-457-2036. The deadline for completing the registration is December 31, 2013.

The statewide mailing schedule is available online.

Senior Citizens Receiving Enhanced STAR Not Impacted

The registration applies only to Basic STAR recipients; senior citizens receiving the Enhanced STAR exemption are not impacted. In order to continue receiving Enhanced STAR, seniors must continue to apply annually or participate in the Income Verification Program.

Eligibility for Basic STAR

The Basic STAR exemption is available for owner-occupied, primary residences where the combined income of resident owners and their spouses is \$500,000 or less. Married couples with multiple residences are only eligible to receive one Basic STAR exemption.

The average homeowner benefit as a result of Basic STAR is

\$700 annually. Statewide, total savings are nearly \$1.9 billion each year. The Basic and Enhanced STAR exemptions are the only property tax exemptions reimbursed by New York State.

Registration Affects Exemptions in 2014 and Beyond

The registration program will impact Basic STAR exemptions for 2014 and beyond; it does not impact 2013 exemptions. Homeowners will not have to re-register every year – based on the information provided in the registration process, the Tax Department will monitor homeowners' eligibility in future years.

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the game better, where we don't have to ask others: "What inning is it"

Lately, the scoreboard has had to post some pretty big numbers. The playoffs are being played as we write this and there are some division championships being won by both boys and girls. Let's take you out to the ball games.

The Yankees won the Championship in Minor Pony, defeating the Giants two games to one in their best of three game series played last week. They won game one, 6-5 in a close game against the orange and black Giants.

The Giants were the divisions' third ceded team for the playoffs and upset the higher placed Reds in the semi-final round. They tied the series at a game apiece with a 10-4 victory two days later. Julia Kilonsky had several big hits and Paige Suarez hit a bases clearing triple to break open the scoring. But in game three played last Saturday, the Yankees proved they were in first place for a reason, with a 10-6 victory. Annie Bennett had four RBI's and teammates Lena DeBell, Ali Wasielewski, Emma Foster and Erin Cavanaugh had several hits, driving in more runs. "It was a great team effort though," said manager Trey Gardner. "I have to give a lot of credit to the Giants for their heart and their fight." Other Giants playing well were Jordan Flynn, Lilly Robinson, Anna Scinta and Tatiana Boyd.

In Rookie Boys, New Haven gets by Orlando and faces off against Dayton in the semi-finals. Second cede Springfield moved on to play Las Vegas. The Yankees won game one, 13-9, extending their undefeated streak to 16 games. Luke Appelbaum, Eamon Langdon, Colin Connors, Logan Garippo, Wes Scharping, Andrew Santiago, Sean Tennity and Jeremiah Williams all help break open a close game in the fifth, scoring eight runs in their last at bats, to send the pinstripers to the finals against the surprising Dodgers. They won game one 7-2 last Thursday and squeaked out a 13-12 win over the Cards Saturday. Colin France got the game winning hit, knocking in Ryan Vancott. Other Dodgers like Peter Evangelos, Xavier Mann and Brendan Parker had big hits and played well defensively for Las Vegas.

They're in the Championship Finals in First Minors with the San Jose Cardinals battling the Omaha Athletics. Both teams won single elimination round games played August 5th and 7th against Denver and Newark. That set up a semi-final series against Cooperstown and Montreal. Cooperstown upset fourth ceded Louisville 12-11 on a two run double by Josh Wolhrut and the pitching of Cole Boryszak in the last two innings for the victory. Then in game one of round two, Boryszak and teammates Jackson Alagna, Freddy Pagan and Javy Rosa surprise #1 cede San Jose, 11-4. The Cardinals forced a third game by winning game two, 12-3, played last Thursday. In the other series, Omaha swept Montreal in two straight by identical scores of 13-7. San Jose won game three over Cooperstown, 8-6 led by the pitching of Joe Tennity who helped his own cause by going three for three at the plate.

In Second Minors, Sacramento swept two from Nashville in their semi-final series led by the pitching of David Celano, who blasted a solo homerun and pitched two scoreless innings in game one.

Chase Pcionek doubled in a Cardinal run enroute to a 5-1 win. In game two, the Cards were down 3-0 early before a Nick McMillian triple tied the game in the fifth. Quinn Tubridy hit a homerun and Celano struck out five on the mound for an eventual 5-3 victory. That set up a Championship Final against Dallas, who needed three games to defeat a tough Lincoln team. The Dodgers won game two, 9-8 led by Brendan Parker, Kendall Wood, Chris Cirrillo, Robert McHenry, Dylan Cash, John Campbell and Mike Cannavo. Dallas won game three this past Saturday.

By the time you read this, there will be a Major boys Champ, and a Major Pony Champ besides the Championships that will be decided from the above divisions. Senior Boys and Senior Girls are also in their playoff rounds as well. Things are happening all at once, you need a scoreboard to figure it out.

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PUBLIC AUCTION to satisfy overdue storage charges pursuant to UCC Code Section 7- 209, 210, and/or Articles 8 and 9, Sections 182, 184, 201, 201A-203 of the Lien Law of the State of New York, on Saturday, September 7, 2013 @10am, at premises Metro Self-Storage Center, 1575 Main St., Buffalo, NY. The following units will be auctioned: LL87 Urehenanse Anderson: Mattress, coffee table, dresser, armoire, and totes. 2F262 Darrel Bailey: 60" flat screen TV, fridge, couch and love seat. GL701 Russel Bishop: Couch, love seat (shrink wrapped), chairs, dresser and boxes. BK004 Vanessa Davis: NA. 2F435 Martin Eve: 2 suitcases, bins and bags. 2F442 Tanishia Floyd: boxes, bags, couch and mattress. LL110a Robin Fowler: wood chest, bins and boxes. 2F451 Kathy Frederick: Boxes, magazines and toys. 2F330 Charles Gordon: three shoe boxes and bags. 2F284 Stephen Harris: Boxes and bags. LL161a Robyn Haynes: Cubed shelf. BK210 Michael Hill: Large paintings, lockers, boxes and toys. 2F217 Susan Hunt: Chairs and cabinets. GL820 Adam Jones: gumball machine, steel shelving, mountain bike and boxes. LL77 Thomas Legg: Bags and boxes. LL18 John Lock: Coffee table, fridge, fan, boxes and bags. 2F406 Valeria Mosley: Wicker chair set and boxes. 2F430 Arielle Nichols: Dresser set, microwave, mattress and tube TV. IRR021 Tina Nola: Guitar, bike, boxes, and furniture. GL018 Mike Patton: NA. 2F311 Ashanti Simpson: deep freezer and stove. LL155 Garl Smith: Mattress, box spring and cabinet. LL112 Debra Thompson: Chairs, records, piano, mattress, box

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