

# October is National Fire Prevention Month



Engine 36 on Hertel and Elmwood is one of two Buffalo firehouses hosting fire prevention events on Saturday, October 11th. The events will include distribution of free smoke detectors, coloring books, and fire safety tips.

October is National Fire Prevention Month and firehouses in Buffalo will be hosting open houses this month to encourage fire safety and prevention. Free smoke detectors, coloring books and fire pre-

vention safety tips will be distributed on Saturday, October 11th at Engine 37 at Rhode Island and Chenango, from 9:30 am to 11 am and at Engine 36 at Hertel and Elmwood from 12:30 pm to 2 pm.

As the seasons change, the need for heating our homes and businesses is once again upon us. The Buffalo Fire Department asks for your help in ensuring that we all enjoy a safe

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## Are You Ready for Some Dodgeball?



Dodgeball players participate in explosive action on the court at the North Buffalo Community Center.

What better way to cap off the work week than with a heavy dose of dodgeball action? On October 17th the inaugural season

of Co-Ed Dodgeball league will get underway at the North Buffalo Community Center, 203 Sanders Road in North Buffalo.

On Friday October 17th, the first game will begin at 6:20 pm, with games running in 55 minute intervals thereafter. Please contact us for the official rules before participating at [contact@healthy-buffalo.org](mailto:contact@healthy-buffalo.org).

The Healthy Buffalo co-ed dodgeball league includes nine weeks of play, iconic Healthy Buffalo dodgeball jersey, season ending banquet and awards and much more.

## WSRC Hosts Head of the Niagara and Wright Regatta

The West Side Rowing Club of Buffalo (WSRC) is once again hosting its annual Head of the Niagara and Wright Regatta. The regatta will feature Youth, Collegiate, and Masters rowers from the Western New York and Canada area rowing the 2.5 mile course on the Black Rock Canal in 35 different events.

Originally two events, the Wright Regatta is in its sixth year, showcasing the only boathouse built to feature Frank Lloyd Wright's prized one and only boathouse design. The Head of the Niagara is also an annual event that brings teams in from all over the eastern part of the country, as well as Canadian teams.

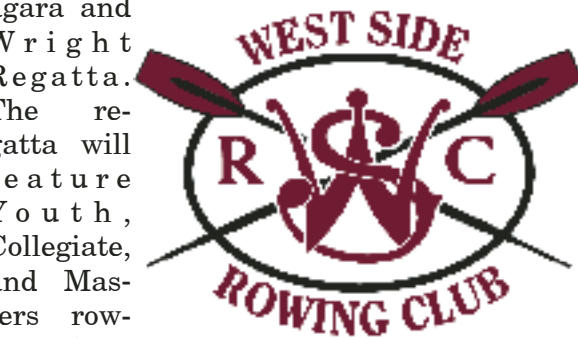
A head race is a time-trial competition. Boats race against the clock and crews completing the course in the shortest time (for their specific age/ability/boat class) win a tradi-

tional West Side Rowing Club mug.

The Head of the Niagara and Wright Regatta is on Sunday, October 12th, beginning at 8:00 am and continuing into the afternoon. All WSRC regattas are free and open to the public. Events Food and beverages, as well as merchandise, will be on sale at the regatta.

Youth teams competing that row at West Side include: City Honors School, Mount St. Mary's Academy, Nardin Academy, St. Josephs Collegiate Institute, and, of course, the West Side Rowing Club Juniors team, made up of students from schools across WNY who attend high schools that do not sponsor their own rowing program through West Side. Other WSRC Campus teams racing in the regatta are Canisius College, D'Youville College, and the West Side Rowing

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## HNBBBA Monthly Meeting

The Hertel North Buffalo Business Association will hold their monthly meeting in their office, located at 1510 Hertel

Avenue, on Tuesday, October 14th. The meeting begins promptly at 6:00 p.m. All are invited and welcome to attend.



Local Weather						
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10	SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12	MONDAY, OCTOBER 13	TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14	WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15
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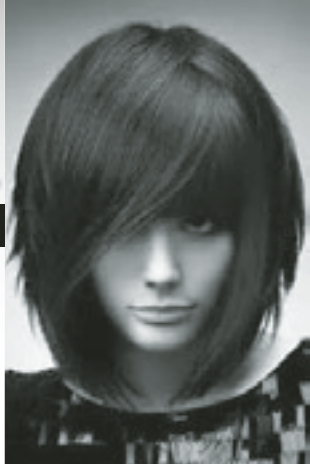
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The Adventures of...

## Rocket Man

by Doug Smith



## “Six Dance Lessons”

“You have to get used to my sense of humor,” hoofer-helper Michael Minetti tells comely client Lily Harrison after a singularly savage slice of sacasm.

“Do I?” she replies.

But before “Six Dance Lessons in Six Week” takes its bows, she does, and so did Sunday’s elite audience at the Park School on Harlem Road, cheering as loudly as any who’d watched the Bills’ simultaneous winning field goal.

Although on the order of “Golden Girl Meets Arthur Murray,” the top-notch production by O’Connell and Company offers sage, bittersweet and usually hilarious council on aging and relationships, with very little on where to put your feet during the fox trot.

Contracting through a rent-an-Astaire agency per-

haps peculiar to the neck of the woods later described as “Heaven’s boot camp,” Lily is confronted by rookie Michael, waltzing in with a chip on his shoulder big enough to support the Bolshoi Ballet. So humble an inquiry as to whether to pay him fore or aft touches him off. Clearly, these two dance to different drummers, one of whom may be in another hemisphere. Then there’s the perpetual call from a downstairs neighbor, complaining of the noise.

Javier Bustillos directs seven scenes with precision, not haste, and if you think you missed something, fear not, it’ll be along in the next. That’s one of its many charms, that each scene seems to repeat the form of its predecessor – entrance, angry exchange of dueling profilers, phone from below, accommodation, dance, fade to black. It’s repetitive comedy in its finest design.

Until the very end, not one turn of events or disclosure is unpredictable. Even clumsy Rocket Man could see that this is not Lily’s first time at the rodeo. Why does one so agile need instruction? Or is it

just directorial oversight? Trust Bustillos, and most in the audience will feel very wise.

Anne Gayley and Gregory Gjurich are splendid, each in their own way. Playwright Richard Alferi has bestowed on him the better lines, on her the more subtly layered character. Gjurich speaks of his mother’s death. She, fresh from a recent and justifiable fury, ratchets down: “Oh, I’m sorry, that was so...recent.” It’s a throwaway line. Gayley frames it and could sell it on the Internet. Beautiful.

In mini-irony, Lily’s husband’s appears in a framed photo atop a table. It’s MANNY FRIED, for crying out loud, one final appearance for the late theater superstar. Funny, he doesn’t look like a Baptist minister. Pamela Snyder’s costume choices enhance every scene.

Fortunately, “Dance Lessons” runs for five weeks, two of which remain, Thursdays through Sundays at 4625 Harlem Rd., Snyder. Alert: A couple of f-bombs hit their targets with a great fallout of laughter and the relationships paddle outside the mainstream. Rocket Man detected no objections from the most prim of Sunday’s throng. NINE Rockets (out of 10).

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# John Hazelet



**John Hazelet**  
Oct. 31, 1940-Oct. 4, 2014

Returned home to Buffalo after a wonderful weekend in Washington, DC. We were there to celebrate my eldest daughter's retirement ceremony from her stint with the National government. Awesome ceremony in the Nation's capital and a great reception followed. This continued into a retirement party at her country place in West Virginia. Family, relatives and friends gathered to make this a memorable event. The Buffalo Bills

win in Detroit on the return trip made the whole experience special. It was not until Monday I was able to listen to my voice mail to find that my friend for over 40 years, John Hazelet, had passed away. Most people know him as the John in Bob and John's pizzeria. I got to know John Hazelet and his brother Bob back in the seventies. I used to take pictures of little league football for the Rocket and both of their boys were involved. I do believe at that time they had a wig business where Mulligan's used to be. It was soon after that they acquired what was then the LA Hacienda Pizzeria. It became Bob and John's LA Hacienda and not too long later dropped the LA Hacienda. We became good friends when they decided to put a quarter page ad in the Rocket every week, which they did. In the early days, the

two brothers made the pizzas and the two wives Marge and Jane waited on tables. No need to go any further as we all know the success of the operation over the years. Both brothers were athletes and were especially good at basketball. I played in a charity game with them and Tony Masiello to raise fund for Cooley's anemia. Bob was the more outgoing of the two but John had a certain charm about him. Even though he referred to people he did not like as "pukes", his caring personality would show through. Even under that gruff exterior and those who know him know of what I speak, he was a very kind person. I am sure there are hundreds of people who can testify to that and I am one of them. There are people you know of, people you do know, acquaintances, friends, good friends, best of friends and your best friend. If you live long enough your best friend may change over

the years. I would say John and I were best of friends. I say that as he did at one point help me out personally and I will forever be in his debt for that. A true friend who came through for me in a time of need. I was not a relative but a friend who needed some help. I did not even ask and he was there for me. That people, is the kind of man this fellow was. Believe me when I tell you I am not the only one who can say that. At the wake today

there were well over two hundred people and I would hate to be one of the drivers waiting for the funeral to pass. Must have been a mile long. A fitting tribute to a man who did do much for so many. I do believe he is in a place where there are no "pukes"! So long good buddy, rest in peace. Now you can smoke all you want and not have to worry about it. Email [JBORTZE@aol.com](mailto:JBORTZE@aol.com) or find him on Facebook. [com/joe.bortz.3](https://www.facebook.com/joe.bortz.3)



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by Joe Bortz

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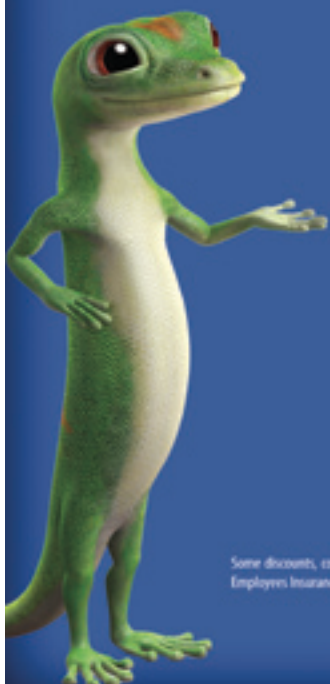
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Available tasks include intersection controller, chute movers, refreshment distribution, and finish line water station. Assignments run from approximately 8:00 am. to Noon at the latest leaving plenty of time for volunteers to get home in time for their Thanksgiving dinner. Complete descriptions for each assignment

as well as volunteer registration can be accessed online at [ymcaturkeytrot.org](http://ymcaturkeytrot.org).

Turkey Trot volunteers play a critical role in the successful and safe execution of the YMCA's annual Thanksgiving Day tradition. It is a great way for friends and family to

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# WSRC Hosts Regatta

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Club Masters.

The West Side Rowing Club was founded in 1912 with a mission to promote the advancement of the physical, mental, and moral well being of the youth of the City of Buffalo, New York and surrounding communities by education, training, instruction, and participation in the sport of rowing. In 1921, West Side became the first rowing club in the United States to sponsor public high school rowing programs. Throughout its 100 years, West Side has won countless national and international championship events, having sent over 30 athletes to represent the United States at

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Saturday, October 11th: Peggy Farrell (Jazz) 6-9 pm  
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In celebration of the fall season, free horse-drawn hay rides will be offered at the Independent Health Foundation's Good for the Neighborhood program from 6 to 7:30 pm on Thursday, Oct. 16th at West Side Community Services, 161 Vermont

Street in Buffalo.

The hay rides are one of many activities planned for the Good for the Neighborhood event. This month, participants will learn about the importance of building a relationship with their primary doctor and how to do so. They are also encouraged to bring a list of their medications to talk with a pharmacist and ask any questions they may have.

This free event will also include a farmers' market with fresh fruits and vegetables, a healthy cooking demonstration and healthy food samples, and health screenings for blood pressure, glucose, cholesterol and body mass index.

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On: Monday, October 20, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. for BID #14-15-040  
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On: Friday, October 17, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. for BID #14-15-041  
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On: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. for BID #14-15-042  
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