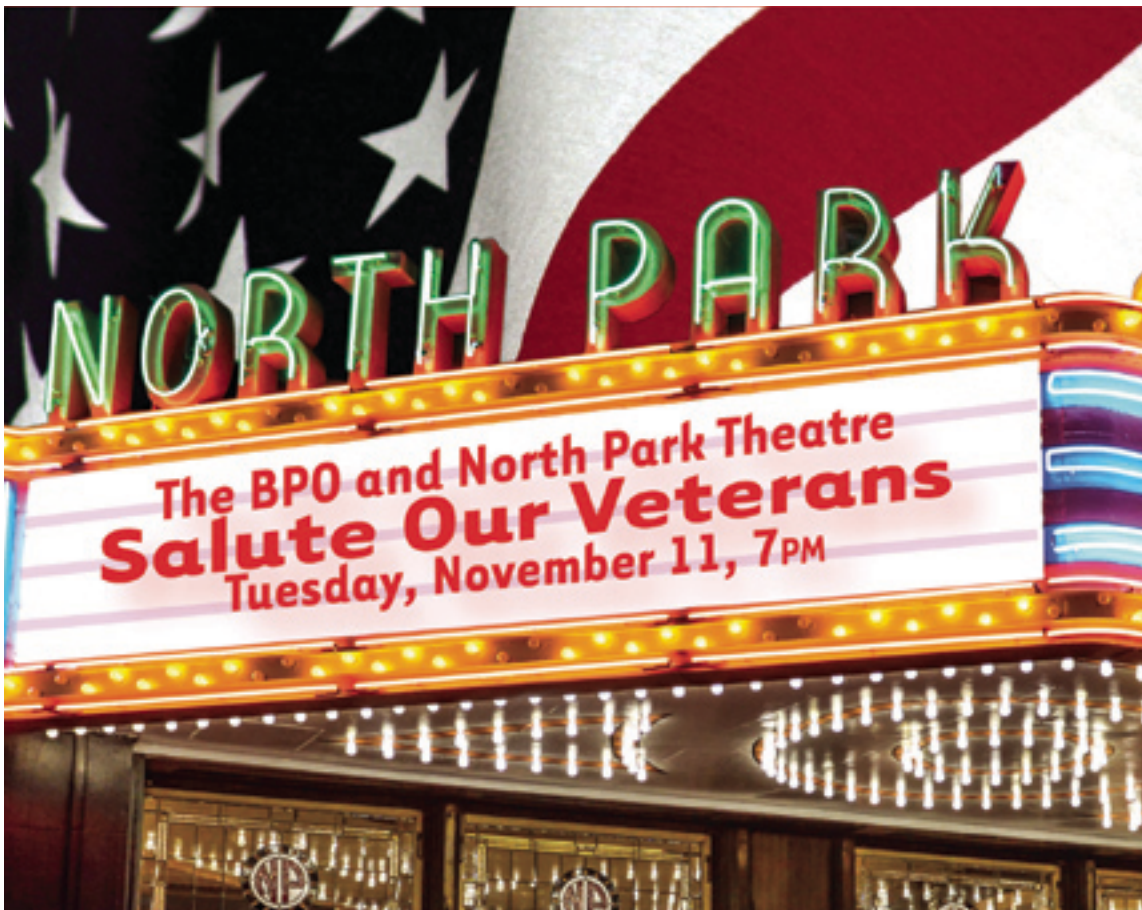


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# HNBBBA Monthly Meeting

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

Avenue, on Tuesday, November 11th. The meeting begins promptly at 6:00 p.m. All are invited and welcome to attend.



## Local Weather

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6



Rain  
High 51°  
Low 38°

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7



AM Rain/Snow  
High 39°  
Low 29°

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8



Cloudy  
High 46°  
Low 34°

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9



Partly Cloudy  
High 41°  
Low 34°

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10



Partly Sunny  
High 50°  
Low 38°

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11



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The Adventures of...

## Rocket Man

by Doug Smith



## “A Christmas Carol”

So is this “Christmas Carol” or “Family Feud?” So many relatives are involved in the Dickens classic in Kenmore’s Advent Church that Rocket Man can’t sort ‘em out.

Mr. and Mrs. Fezziwig are married in real life. Scrooge’s daughter plays Mrs. Cratchit and she, in turn, has a daughter in the cast, a third generation. Fully a third of the 30 “Carolers” share some sort of DNA.

So can that many relatives produce a decent show? What, you never heard of the Von Trapp family? In fact, the producers are so family-friendly that they’ve got a family ticket, \$25 for any number, no ID required.

Full disclosure: Rocket Man has a meteorite-sized

role, as Old Joe (the scavenger who buys the dead Scrooge’s bedclothes), and, briefly, as the playwright himself, with a tip of the top to Mike Randall.

“Carol” comes courtesy of Raiders of Niagara, literary troupe headed by Niagara Community College instructor Randy Rumley. Christine Coniglio, hard-working Tonawanda housewife with a keen eye for design, shares the mantle of directorship. Last year they worked together on a “Kill a Mockingbird,” so popular with a diverse audience that on closing day it was practically kneeling-room-only.

Kenmore resident Bob Lonski, who so grippingly portrayed attorney Atticus Finch in “Mockingbird,” essays the challenge of Ebenezer Scrooge. Lonski’s quest: that the boyish Scrooge show through in the quintessential skinflint. “Can you see the child, can you see the child?” he will ask colleagues during long and difficult rehearsals.

Actually, they’re everywhere. Not even “Annie” or “Oliver” would feature so many youngsters as this, including Ethan Coniglio and Tyler Lucia as younger and happier Ebenezers,

and one Nora Kiel as Tiny Tim. Do not adjust your screen, the Tim role is often filled by a female, and Kiel is especially effective, so frail-looking at rehearsals that other actors give her a wide berth, lest they knock her down.

In a complete change of character, the wide-ranging Mike Leszczynski, “Mockingbird’s” perjuring redneck, plays the beleaguered Bob Cratchit, opposite Lonski’s daughter Jessica Miller as Mrs. Cratchit. And her own Gracie Miller, Lonski’s grand-daughter, plays the mystical waif called “Want.”

The jolly old counting-house Fezziwigs from Scrooge’s past are played by Angie and Mark Fulk, she one of the town gossips from “bird,” he making his Raiders debut. Marley is played by Tom Turici, whose ear-curdling wails threaten to alarm the firemen at the nearby Kenmore hall. Ghosts include Ron Mangum, last year’s “bird” victim, and Tom Fratterigo as a jolly old Christmas Present with just a sprig of sarcasm.

“Carol” opens Friday at 7:30 and runs through Nov. 23, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30, Sundays at 2 in the church at 54 Delaware Rd., Kenmore, with prices \$9-12 plus the celebrated family rate. Long before rehearsals began, this familial flock knew how hush the humbugs.

*Return fire to Rocket Man at pollyndoug@hotmail.com*

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# A Family Get-Together

A family get-together is always fun and a good way of reminiscing about past happenings. Not always “The Good Old Days”, but incidents that occurred when my children were growing up. Some things one might recall vividly while the memory is a little hazy to the others. Keep in mind that the incidents I refer to happened in the sixties on the West Side of Buffalo. Not necessarily the best atmosphere to raise eight children, but a lot of it was good. The neighborhood ethnic scene was changing slowly. Ethnic gangs began to form much like the ones in the movie “West Side Story”. It was fortunate that unlike the movie, there was only one and there were no gang wars. Still, their presence was felt and very visible. I will recount three different incidents I personally had with these “gangs”. It would take up too much valuable space in the Rocket to go into all three in one week so I will break it into three separate stories. This is the first and the mildest.

In the neighborhood we lived in on 15th street, the main attraction for the kids in the summer was the Massachusetts Avenue swimming pool, located right around the corner, and within walking distance. After chores, our children would spend the day at the pool and the playground behind it. There were always lifeguards present and our older children would watch the younger siblings. Childhood relations formed with other neighborhood children who were also there on a daily basis. Most of it was good. The one problem was that it was also the stomping grounds of one of the neighborhood’s toughest gangs, Beta.

These were mostly young men of one ethnic

group and mostly did not bother anyone who did not cross them. If one did, they simply beat him up. No guns or knives, just fists. Just want to add that the beating were mostly to instill fear and were not brutal if I recall correctly. I would assume they felt they needed to do this to have control of the area. The Massachusetts Avenue Pool and playground was their territory to rule. Everyone was aware of their presence and avoided any contact that was not necessary. I am not sure if they ever actually went into the pool, just hung out, smoking and trying to look tough. It was best to just try to ignore them and let them be. That is, unless they cross the line.

In the first of the three incidents, and like I stated the mildest, my eldest son was recalling the day I confronted these tough guys. Since I had a couple of good looking teenage daughters who frequented this pool, something like this was bound to happen. One night at the supper table one of my sons related to me something said at the pool. It was an inappropriate remark made

by one of these gang members to one of my daughters. Now, what would any red blooded American father do in this case? So that night I calmly walked over to the pool and went directly to the gang leader. My son, who was recalling the incident, thought I was dead. Here I was in the middle of a gang of thugs demanding an apology for the inappropriate remark made toward my daughter. Now normally at this point we would say tune in next week to see what happened. No, I will tell you what happened as I have other stories to tell.

The ring leader went face to face with me and said “you want what”? I did not wet myself and remained composed and asked again for an apology. Then he asked which one did it. The perpetrator was pointed out and told to apologize, which he did. From that moment on we became friends and my family was now under the protection of the Beta gang at the Massachusetts Avenue swimming pool.

The second incident, which is much more intense, also has this gang involved. Only this time we were somewhat on the same side. As a hint it was to do with one of the riots that occurred during the sixties, right in our neighborhood...stay tuned.

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BY JOE BORTZ		
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49ers at Saints	Saints+4	Saints
Steelers at Jets	Jets+5	Steelers
Titans at Ravens	Titans +10	Titans
Dolphins at Detroit	Detroit +3	Dolphins
KC at Bills	Bills +2	Bills
Broncos at Raiders	Raiders +12	Broncos
Rams at Cardinals	Rams +7	Rams
Giants at Seahawks	Giants +9	Seahawks
Bears at Packers	Bears +7	Packers
Panthers at Eagles	Panthers+6	Eagles

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1 1960s hallucinogen

4 Traffic noise

8 — out (supplemented)

12 Have bills

13 Winglike

14 Not yet final, in law

15 Energy

16 Get up

17 Criterion

18 Charlie Sheen's brother

21 No longer chic

22 Round Table address

23 Church song

26 Corral

27 Taxi

30 Bay

31 Marry

32 Mentor

33 Coloring agent

34 Tina's "30 Rock" role

35 Got along

36 Shriner's chapeau

37 Cleo's slayer

38 Miami Sound Machine lead

45 Amusement park attraction

46 Puerto —

47 Swelled head

48 Works with

49 Let fall

50 Before

51 Wild party

52 Collections

53 Bando of baseball

6 Relaxation

7 Ironed

8 Sign up

9 Chicken —

10 Being, to

11 Airhead

19 Enjoy the hammock

20 Can material

23 Third degree?

24 Sauce source

25 Idolater's emotion

26 Dispensable candy

27 Mongrel

28 Exist

29 Bloom-to-be

31 Hogwarts

alumni

32 Stare stupidly

34 Mainlander's memento

35 Camera settings

36 Newly baked

37 Foppish neckwear

38 Food

39 Bart's sister

40 Works of tribute

41 Green acres

42 Lawyers' income

43 Taj Mahal city

44 Yule refrain

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by Joe Bortz

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- 7) 2 Niagara Square
- 8) 50 Franklin Street
- 9) 3435 Main Street
- 10) 184 Connecticut Street

**Last Week's Answers:**

- 1) 300 Parkside Avenue - The Buffalo Zoo
- 2) 65 Niagara Square - City Hall
- 3) 1300 Elmwood - Buffalo State College
- 4) 1 Museum Ct. - History Museum
- 5) 1 Seymour H Knox III Plaza - First Niagara Center
- 6) 1285 Elmwood - Albright-Knox Art Gallery
- 7) 495 Paderewski Dr. - Central Terminal
- 8) 1020 Humboldt Pky. - Museum of Science
- 9) 462 Grider Street - ECMC
- 10) 2001 Main Street - Canisius College
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## The Blotter

### Felonies

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#### North Buffalo

**October 27, 2014**

Amherst St. - Complainant reports that unknown person(s) gained entry to residence, by unknown means, and ripped the plaster off of walls to remove copper piping. Removal of pipes caused flooding in basement causing damage. Total amount of damage is still undetermined.

**October 27, 2014**

Colvin Blvd. - Victim reports walking down the street when he was approached from behind and hit in the head. Suspects took wallet and phone from victim.

**October 28, 2014**

Taunton Pl. - Complainant reports that unknown person(s) gained entry to his vehicle by breaking the passenger window. Taken, without permission, a wallet, containing credit cards and cash.

**October 29, 2014**

Norwalk Ave. - Complainant reports unknown person(s) gained entry into his home by unknown means. Taken, without permission, cash and jewelry.

**October 30, 2014**

Great Arrow - Complainant reports that unknown person(s) gained entry into his vehicle by breaking window. Once inside, taken without permission, were two suitcases and a laptop computer, valued over \$5,000.

#### West Side

**October 28, 2014**

Hoyt St. - Complainant reports that his vehicle was broken into by unknown person(s). Taken, without permission was a GPS and laptop computer valued at over \$1,500.

**October 29, 2014**

Arnold St. - While investigating a call of drug transactions officers observed hand to hand transaction and found defendant to be in possession of five bags of heroin and hypodermic needles.

**October 31, 2014**

Auburn Ave. - Complainant reports that after having a party in his home that his wallet was missing. There were invited guests and some people the complainant did not know.

**October 31, 2014**

Herkimer Alley - Officers responded to investigate ongoing neighbor complaints of drug deals and witnesses hand to hand transactions.

**October 31, 2014**

Ferguson Ave. - Complainant reports that unknown person(s) gained entry to the residence and took without permission, the copper piping. Damages to the residence are at an undetermined amount at this time.

#### Riverside

**October 27, 2014**

Austin St. - Victim reports that four males approached him asking to buy marijuana. When the victim said no, they struck him in the head.

**October 31, 2014**

Hertel Ave. - Complainant reports for convenience store he manages that black male entered store and took 15 cans of energy drink and passed all points of purchase without paying.

**October 31, 2014**

Barton St. - Complainant reports while he was out of town, unknown person(s) gained access to the residence via the side door. Taken, without permission was a laptop computer, and jewelry.



### West Side & Black Rock-Riverside Neighborhood Housing Services

#### Home Repair Grants Available to West Side and Black Rock-Riverside Homeowners

Through the generosity of the NYS Affordable Housing Corporation (AHC) and NYS Housing Trust Fund Corporation (HTFC), West Side Neighborhood Housing Services (NHS), Inc. has rolled out two new home repair programs to assist low-income owner-occupants in Buffalo's upper West Side and Black Rock-Riverside neighborhoods.

**West Side Owner-Occupied Home Repair Program** applications are available today and funding is limited. West Side & Black Rock-Riverside NHS will assist owners of 1-2 family dwellings in zip codes **14207 & 14213** by providing a **conditional grant** to cover up to 60% of their home repair costs, **up to \$30,000**. The grant is not repaid if the applicant owns and occupies the property for the next 10 years and meets other qualification guidelines. The remaining portion of the repair work must be funded through another source, which can include owner's savings, private loans or through West Side NHS, Inc.'s NeighborWorks® America revolving loan fund.

Applications for the **Residential Emergency Services to Offer Repairs to the Elderly (RESTORE) Program** will be available as of Monday, November 10th. Through the RESTORE Program, West Side & Black Rock-Riverside NHS will provide a 3-year, deferred and forgivable loan of up to \$5,000 to seniors, age 60 and up, in zip codes **14207 & 14213**, to fund emergency repairs such as furnace and hot water tank repair or replacement, roof repair, plumbing and electrical repairs, and other structural repairs that threaten the health and safety of the senior-occupied dwelling. The loan does not require repayment if the applicant owns and occupies the property for 3 years following completion of the project and meets other qualification guidelines.

Applications for both programs will be available at West Side NHS, Inc., 359 Connecticut Street, Buffalo, NY 14213, and Black Rock-Riverside NHS, Inc., 203 Military Road, Buffalo, NY 14207, or by mail, fax or email. Please call 716.877.3910 to inquire about income or other eligibility requirements.

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# Concert Program Will Include Several Patriotic Classics

**From page 1**  
North Buffalo icon, we hope to reach out to new audiences while honoring our veterans,” said BPO Executive Director Daniel Hart.

Support for the concert is provided by Mike Lo-Curto of the Buffalo Common Council. “Western New Yorkers have a long history of answering the call whenever the nation needs them, from World War I to the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan,” Lo-Curto said. “I’m proud to support the efforts of the North Park Theatre and the Buffalo Philharmonic to honor their sacrifices.”

Patriotic classics such as John Phillip Sousa’s “Semper Fidelis” and “Stars and Stripes Forever” will be on the concert program, along with Morton Gould’s “American Salute” and John Williams’ “Liberty Fanfare.” Beethoven’s “Leonore Overture” from “Fidelio” explores the themes of freedom. Music familiar from movies, such as Samuel Barber’s “Adagio for Strings” and John Williams’ “The Patriot,” will round out the program.

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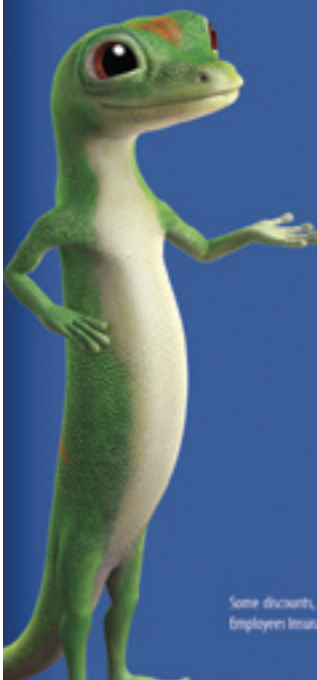
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## Express Appreciation on Veterans Day

Veterans Day is an important day for showing appreciation to members of our military, past and present. If you're looking for an appropriate way to honor a veteran in your life here's a list of sugges-

tions to start you off.

**Show Up.** Attend a Veterans Day event in your area -- not just a picnic with friends but an honest-to-goodness parade or service for veterans. Roy Rogers said, "We can't all

be heroes; someone has to sit on the curb and clap as they go by." Veterans Day is a great opportunity to do just that.

**Donate.** There are a plethora of wonderful organizations who offer all

manner of support, services and appreciation for our service members.

**Fly a flag - correctly.** Veterans Day is a great opportunity to fly the flag! Just make sure you're observing the proper rules for display.

**Ask someone about their service.** It seems like we all know someone who has served and Veterans Day is a great time to ask them about their service.

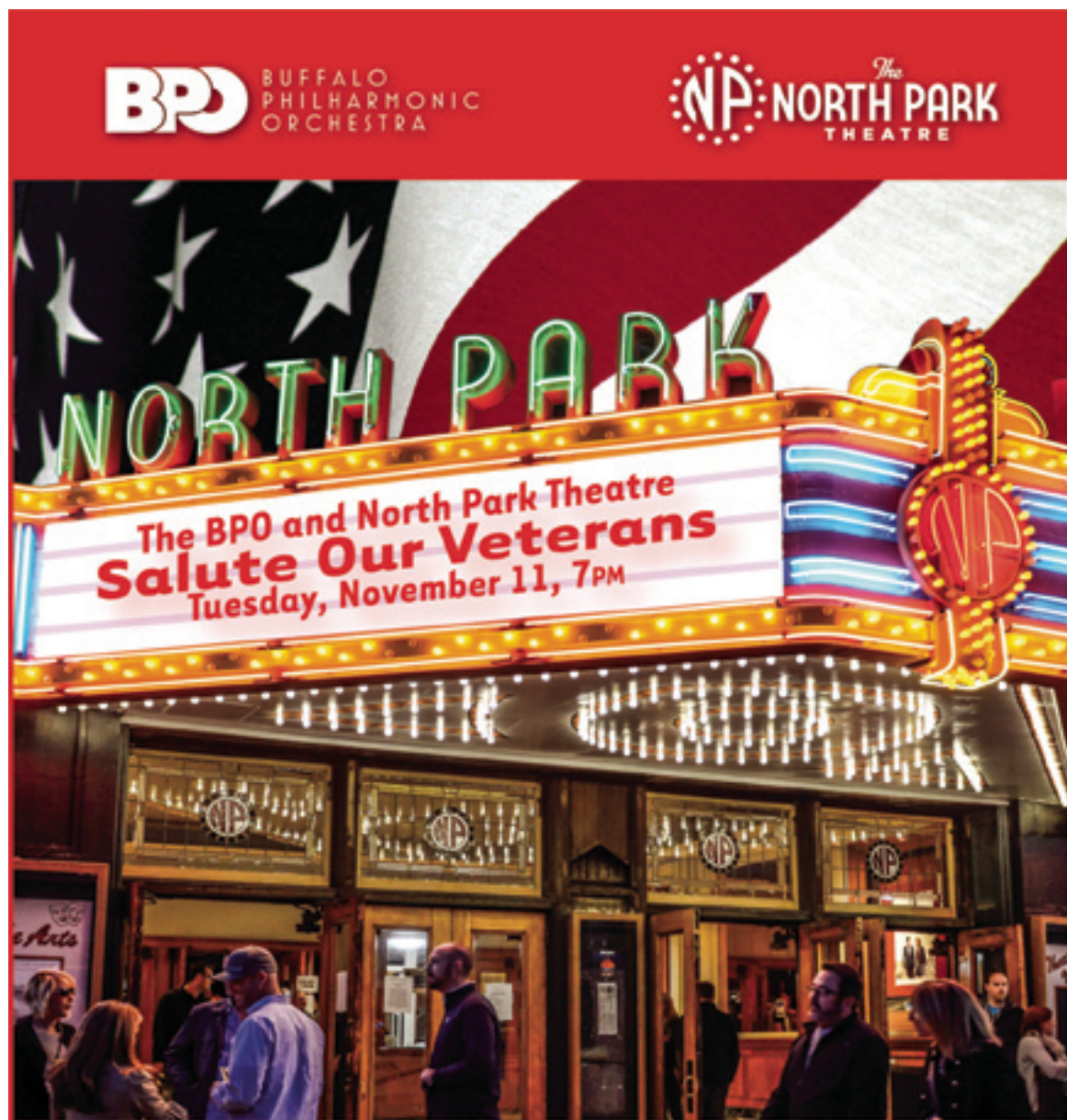
**Write if you know a veteran.** Write a simple postcard or e-card that recognizes them on Veterans

Day. If you don't know a veteran, look up the closest military installation and send one there.

**Don't Confuse Veterans Day with Memorial Day** Veterans Day is a time to thank those who are serving or have served and are still with us.

**Visit a VA Hospital.** Spend the day with a veteran or help out at the facility.

**Get outdoors with a Veteran.** Invite a veteran or a military family to explore a national park. Admission is free for all visitors on Veterans Day.



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Germany  
(World War II).



*Jerry Prenatt*

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**"Davy From the Navy" Young**  
and my son  
**Donald S. McCurdy,**  
6 years in the Army.  
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*Don McCurdy*



**We Salute JON GILBOY**  
**T4, 1st Cavalry, U.S. Army**

**Basic Training:** Fort Ord, CA  
**Favorite Meal:** Spam  
**Fondest Memory:** Being  
issued discharge papers  
**Miss the most:** Buddies



**We Salute ANDRE MARTINELLI**



**PFC, United States Marine Corps**  
Vietnam Service Medal, National Defense  
Service Medal  
**Basic Training:** Paris Island, SC  
**Fondest Memory:** The schooling received in  
Memphis, TN and Philadelphia, PA.  
**Misses Most:** The comradie with  
fellow Marines in Chu Lai, Vietnam,  
Beauford, SC, and Inwakunia, Japan.



**We Salute JEFFREY L. CONLEY**  
**Sergeant E4, US Army**



**Served:** 1969-1984, Honorable Discharge  
**Location:** Ft. Campbell, KY and Ft. Lee, VA  
**MOS:** 76Y 4B Quartermaster (Supply Spec)  
**Awards:** ATP 21-114, QM Sch 1971, Code of  
Conduct, Uniform Code Military  
Conduct  
**Favorite Memories:** Meeting  
friends for life. I was proud to  
serve for my country that I love.  
**Fondest Food:** SOS





# WHO HAVE SERVED



## My First Day in Viet Nam

By US Army Veteran  
Sgt. Russell G. Leone,  
1st Infantry



When I first arrived in Cam Ranh Bay, Viet Nam, it was hot, sticky and scary. My fatigues were stiff and scratchy. Forget about the fit, I had to take three steps to get to the front of my pants! You looked like a rookie, felt like a rookie, and frightened like a rookie.

The troops coming in and going out were all put together in the same pot, talk about a bad idea. Here we are in our new pressed clothes and shiny boots, the hardened war vets had worn muddy boots, rumpled faded fatigues, beard stubble and worst of all, combat experience. I was in awe.

They loved taking us through their knowledge of war. "You!" As he pointed and said "A machine gunner in a combat situation, you have one point two seconds to live, Radio man 0 seconds." (I want to go home).

Here we were on this large beach, going in and out of huge tan tents. Being directed by combat vets to petrify us. They were enjoying every minute of

it. I left after I saw several of the kids I came in country with turn white, no matter what race they originally were.

They gave us a duffle bag, clothes, mess kit, God knows what else, and it was as big as me and weighed as much. The truck that picked us up was large as any I'd ever seen. At home I had a sports car that I had to crawl down into. This truck bed was over my head and with the tailgate shut, forget it. Trying just to get the duffle bag in was beyond my ability. Three tries and finally a trooper felt sorry for me and grabbed my bag and pulled me up. I was embarrassed, but I got over it. I gave the trooper sitting in front who didn't lift a finger to help me a real dirty look. He told me later it didn't bother him a bit.

Two days passed when I

finally arrived at the First Cavalry. It was a cold rainy night, muddy and gray. Sandbags piled up everywhere. The smell of mold, wet damp and dreary. I kept tripping over my rifle and dragging my duffle bag. Guard towers, troops coming and going. It was like a war movie. I always hated war movies!

"Hey!" yelled one of the troopers, "We have a cook. He's Marty's replacement. Well look at you, you don't look like much." I sure didn't feel like much either. Oh, did I forget to mention, I was a 94 B 20. A cook. Somebody has to cook!

That morning I had to face my first obstacle, the latrine. I hated the latrine. A dirty, smelly shed with four holes to put your butt in while three other guys dropped their pants and let loose.

My mother did not prepare me for this!

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**WHERE:** MST Prep, 666 East Delavan Ave., Buffalo, NY 14215

Round-trip bus service will be provided from all BPS and Charter High Schools to this event. Buses will board between 4:30 and 5:00 pm.

A dessert reception will follow the presentations allowing parents and students to talk one-on-one with the college representatives.

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# The Grapevine

A fundraising chili tasting contest is being held at Bertha's Diner, 1430 Hertel Avenue (next to the North Park Theatre) on Sunday, November 9th from 4 pm to 7 pm.

Taste up to 10 different donated chili types for just \$10 per person. Proceeds benefit the horses at Rivendell Recreation Center's therapeutic horseback riding program for handicapped children and adults in South Wales.

Prizes will be awarded to the top three chili favorites and there will be a raffle for a "money picture" - a picture frame full of lottery tickets.

**Our Lady Of Hope Parish** is holding their annual Fall Festival on Saturday, November 8th at 5 pm in O'Brien Hall on the corner of Grant and Lafayette. Admission is \$5.00 and includes a sheet of basket raffle tickets and a free coffee and dessert. There will be a basket auction, 50/50 split club, Big Money Raffle Tickets, an International Bake Table, Holiday Boutique table and much more!

A **STAR Outreach** sponsored by Councilman Joseph Golombek will be held at the Northwest Buffalo Community Center, 155 Lawn Avenue, on Wednesday, November 12th from 10 am to 12 noon. Representatives from the Department of Assessment and Taxation will be on hand to assist residents. No appointment is necessary; residents will be taken on a first come, first served basis. This will be the last STAR Outreach available at NBCC. The deadline to file is December 1st. For information call 851-5116.

**Canisius College presents Téa Obrecht** who will read from her works on Wednesday, November 12th at 7:00 pm in the Grupp Fireside Lounge of the Richard E. Winter '42 Student Center. Obrecht's visit, which is part of the Canisius College Contemporary Writers Series, is

free and open to the public.

**The Matt Urban Hope Center**, a nonprofit organization that assists the homeless as well as East Side residents who suffer from extreme poverty, will host a fifth anniversary celebration and fundraiser from 6 to 9 pm, Thursday, November 13th at the Pearl Street Grill, 76 Pearl Street, Buffalo.

Tickets are \$20, avail-

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able at the door. The event will feature snacks and beverages, as well as a basket auction. Event sponsors, as well as gift baskets and gift cards for the basket auction, are still being accepted. For more information, please contact Joyelle Tedeschi at 893-7222. For information on the Matt Urban Hope Center, visit [www.urbanctr.org](http://www.urbanctr.org).

**The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)** in Buffalo & Erie County monthly educational meeting for families of people living with mental illness will be held Thursday, November 13th at 7 pm in St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 4007 Main St., Amherst. Our speaker/topic is Elizabeth Ladd, MS, Director of Outpatient Behavioral Health and Courtney Lauder, MS, LMHC; both from BryLin Hospitals. They will present on Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT).

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**St. Francis of Assisi Church**, 70 Adam Street in Tonawanda, is having a gently used jewelry and accessory sale on Saturday, November 15th from 9 am to noon. Admission is \$2.50 (free for kids under 12) and includes coffee and a breakfast goodie. Selection will include vintage pieces, costume jewelry, purses, hats, and scarves. Proceeds benefit SFA Parish and Early Childhood Center. For information call 693-1150.

**The Niagara Frontier Watercolor Society** will feature Jody Ziehm regionally and nationally recognized painter and beloved teacher, Jody Ziehm as the demonstrator at their November 20th meeting from 7 to 9 pm at the Amherst Community Church on Washington Highway in Snyder.

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