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IndieSound At Black Rock Set For September 29th



Second annual IndieSound music festival to take place on Saturday, Sept. 29th.

Buffalo First, The Good Neighborhood and the Grant-Amherst Business Association held a mixer at Sportsmen's Tavern today

to announce that Amherst Street and Historic Black Rock will host the second annual IndieSound music festival, to take place

on Saturday, September 29th.

The mission of Indie-Sound is to help residents of Buffalo and Western with locally owned busilocal artists. By connecting indie-conscious people with local businesses, the festival works to strengthen the health of Main Street ecosystems across the region.

The festival's inaugural year featured live musical performances from over forty local musicians in independent businesses throughout the historic Allentown business district.

Presented by Buffalo First and The Good Neighborhood in association with the Grant-Amherst Business Association, this year's festival will showcase Amherst Street's renaissance through Indie-Sound @ Black Rock on (716) 725-6100.

New York find and connect Saturday, September 29th, highlighting nesses and independent ing businesses, emerging leaders in the arts, and the proud heritage that has made Amherst Street in Historic Black Rock a destination for over a century.

> Musical performances will occur from 12-5pm at local businesses up and down Amherst Street, including Sportsmen's Tavern, Joe's Service Center. 464 Gallery, Rohall's Corner, and Artsphere Gallery. Coordinated evening events will begin at 5pm.

For a complete list of venues and musicians, or to become a participating business or sponsor, please visit www.buffalofirst.org/indiesound or call

Elmwood Festival Of The Arts Takes Place This Weekend

This year marks the 13th annual Elmwood Festival of the Arts, and

it's better than ever! With more than 170 artists and craftspeople selling work done in 16 different mediums, you're sure to find something you love. See over fifty performances on three stages

and dandce at the family friendly dance tent.

Bring the family to Kidsfest, where children can do hands-on arts projects, see kids-oriented performances, and march in Sunday's Kidsfest parade. Environmentalism

> is a huge part of this year's mission and Environmental Row is a big part of that, featuring booths demonstrating things that we can do to help sustain the planet. In addition, two

of the stages will be solar powered this year.

Cultural Row features over 30 local and regional organizations working (con't on page 5)

Academic Enrichment Program At Our **Lady Of Black Rock School** For five weeks during July

and August, several students from grades 3-7 were invited to participate in the school's Summer Academic Enrichment Program. This program was designed and implemented by our Title 1 Teacher, Ms. Erin Cappello.

The learning objectives for each age group focused on strengthening reading comprehension and writing skills. All instruction was aligned with the New Common Core Standards for reading and writing. Students chose a non-fiction topic and were required to engage in reading books and using on-line research to support their topic.

After using their cited



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resources to put together a written report on paper, the students were given the choice of using their information to create a bound book, or use integrate technology to create an animated video.

What was most unique about this program was the fact that students were given a choice as to how they would present their learning. As Ms. Cappello stated, "This was a five week program where CHOICE MOTIVATION. equaled It was designed to let students have choice in what they were reading and writing. The goal of the program was to not only promote, reading and writing, but to build confidence and a new perspective."

Students used state-ofthe-art technology to create lively animated videos that

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Local Weather

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

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'Jim Baker's New Book'

You can take the boy out of Buffalo but you can never take Buffalo out of the boy, not even after three de-

And so it is that Jim Baker, sports and TV columnist for the Courier-Express (and a Rocket alumni, too), has written and released "Buffalo Bills IQ," sub-titled "The Ultimate Test of True Fandom," a 200-question trivia book for local football fanatics.

A little remindful of the movie "Diner" in which a Baltimore Colts fan subjects his fiancée to a Colts trivia quiz (she fails; the wedding's off), Baker's book covers nearly the full range of local pro football, much of it off the field, to wit:

Why did coach Lou Saban, after a particularly galling defeat, accuse a Buffalo newspaper of employing a "Police Gazette" photo spread?

Who was the Bills' original

radio voice?

Why did an out-of-town hotel clerk tell owner Ralph Wilson that the team had not yet arrived?

But there's more than trivia in "Bills IQ." The book offers eight 25-question segments, each preceded by a thumbnail biography of a team notable. The description of Marv Levy is remarkable, that of "OJ" matter-of-fact and no-nonsense. They're great reads and, sometimes, include clues.

Available in most bookstores, we imagine, or perhaps through www.blackmesabooks.com, "Bills IQ" reflects the diligence and energy with which Baker covered both the Bills and local broadcasting for so many years before the Courier's closing (September, 1982). The Boston Herald snapped him up and he became every bit as influential in Beantown as here, and even after retirement, was still play-

by-playing Bay State high school athletics.

But a few moments talking with Baker makes it clear that he's a Buffalonian through and through. After 30 years in a new locale, most acquire, at least in selfdefense, its accent. Not Jim Baker. He's still the guy who was born here, grew up here (although some might question that he ever grew up at all) and bled the colors of every local team, although, to tell the truth, some of that blood might have been let by his skillful literary knives.

Rocket Man saw his first Bills game in 1947, coming up by train from Jamestown to watch the old All-American Conference team take on the Chicago Rockets (no kidding). Only a fan of modest intensity (he tends not to trust games for which they can't afford a round ball), he subjected himself to the Baker quiz and scored 144, so we're not getting married, either.

So it's fair, fun and, a dozens of pre-games halftimes to come, evoking once again the names of Wray Carlton, Buster Ramsey and Elbert Dubenion, a tribute to the city, to its team and, after all, its loyal and dedicated author.

Fire back to Rocket Man via pollyndoug@hotmail.com

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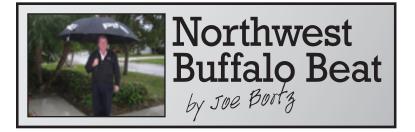


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"Remember, It Could Be Worse!"

Sometimes, during the Italian Festival on Hertel, it rains. It sure puts a damper on the activities and delays the good times people have there. But some of us may remember this scene on Hertel a few years back. We are looking at, believe it or not, Hertel Avenue and Homer. Smack in the middle of where the festival is held. Imagine if something like that happened during the festival.

Just so you know, if you are not a long time resident, the sewer has been fixed and the problem that was, is no longer there. The whole street has been torn up and redone to accommodate the water that runs down Hertel from Main St. to this low spot on the av-

This is the spot where the water was the deepest. That did not mean that other areas were not affected. All the basements were flooded right to the ceilings. The damage was enormous and the after effects were felt for months. All those hundreds of busi-



Past flooding on Hertel Ave. caused major damage to homes and businesses.

ness and residential flooded areas had to be cleaned out and disposed of to prevent diseases. It was not a total disaster, but it sure was a catastrophy. At the time, we were located over a block away at Delaware and Tacoma, and we had water in our basements. Like I said, the problem has been addressed and the chance it could happen again does not exist. Kind of reminds me of New Orleans. They

knew it could happen, but until it does, nothing is done. Let's not get into the Peace Bridge thing again!

Who can give me the date of this particular flood? JBORTZE@AOL.com



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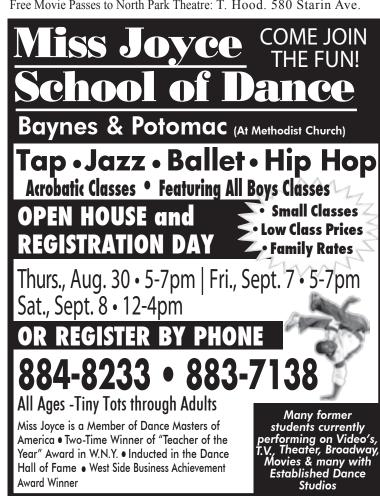
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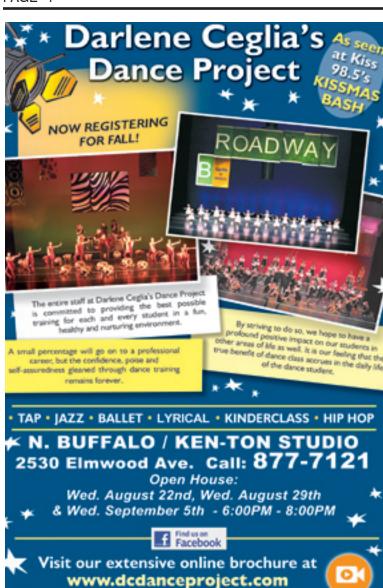
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To vote in the November 6 election a person must be: an American citizen, at least 18 years old, registered before October 12, 2012.

Voter registration forms and information are also available from the Board of Elections www.elections. ny.gov. Phone: Erie County: 716-858-8891; Niagara County: 716-438-4040.

League volunteers are

setting up tables at these locations: Farmer's Market (Bidwell/Elmwood) August 18, 8:00 am -1:00 pm: League of Women Voter Registration Drive. Hispanics United (254 Virginia Street, Buffalo) Sept. 19, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm: League of Women Voter Registration Drive, PUSH (People United for Sustainable Housing (271 Grant Street), Sept. 25,12:00 pm - 6 pm: League of Women Voter Registration Drive, MAP, Massachusetts Agricultural Project (389 Massachusetts Avenue), Sept 25. 3:30 pm -6:30 pm: League of Women Voter Registration Drive.

Make your voice heard. Be sure to register before October 12 and Vote on November 6.

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Tours take place on Sunday, September 16, 2012 at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. & 3:30 p.m. Forest Lawn is located at 1411 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14209. Tours begin at the tent just inside the Delaware Avenue gates. The cost is \$25 per person. Space is limited; reservations are required. Call the Forest Lawn office at 716.885.1600 for reservations.





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Academic Enrichment At Our Lady Of Black Rock

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included music and images, along with the students' own photos and text infused into them. Mrs. Eadie, the Principal at Our Lady of Black Rock said, "I am very impressed by what our students have achieved this summer. Their animated videos were so visual and engaging. The students were both excited and proud of what they learned. The Open House for parents on the last day of class was a wonderful opportunity for our students to share this learning with their families. I can see why the students were so motivated in doing these projects. We live in a digital world, so giving our children opportunities to engage them in purposeful learning like this help them to be more confident as 21st Century Learners."

Ms. Cappello added, "I really wanted to show our students that reading is an activity that can be enjoyed rather than loathed."

After observing the students working throughout their classes during this program, it was evident that the students enjoyed what they did with the added benefited of learning objectives that ultimately strengthened their reading comprehension and writing skills.

Our Lady of Black Rock School is a regional Catholic elementary school located at Assumption Church in the Black Rock community of Buffalo, NY. For more information on Our Lady of Black Rock School, visit www.OLBRSchool.com.

Elmwood Festival Of The Arts

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stronger. Come hear how you can get involved. When you are ready for a snack, the festival café will have vendors waiting to serve you. Everything from battered veggies and pierogi to the traditional juicy hot dog. They even offer juices made in solar-powered blenders.

It promises to be a great time!

Hertel North Buffalo Business Association Member Spotlight Shadow Lounge and Restaurant



Shadow Lounge and Restaurant is located at 1504 Hertel Ave.

1504 Hertel Avenue had been empty two to three years prior to John & Patti Macaluso opening what is now the Shadow Lounge & Restaurant.

The Macaluso's had a successful Sports Bar/Music Club in Cheektowaga and opened on Hertel Avenue with the same theme as Mac's City Bar. They changed the name, menu and décor to Shadow Lounge and Restaurant, in 2002, after the smoking ban took effect.

Shadow Lounge & Restaurant has a fantastic chef, Christopher Andres, who changes the menu seasonally with fresh and organic dishes. Shadow's Fondues are exclusive among the restaurants in North Buffalo. They also offer burgers and wings, as well as fresh seafood and mouth watering steaks.

Shadow Lounge has won the Buffalo Music Award for Best Lounge in Western New York for the past 5 years. Shadow Lounge & Restaurant

offers live music every Friday and Saturday night. Customers of every age come in to listen to the best of Pop/RB bands and to get down on the dance floor. There is never a cover charge.

Shadow's martini and wine list are the top of the line. They have innovative bartenders who consistently change their martini's. Happy hour is everyday from 4 pm until 8 pm and all day on Mondays.

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Visit one of their other locations, Macaroon's Nite Club, 576 Dick Rd. Cheektowaga, or coming soon their newest venture Adam's Rib 4517 Main Street, in Snyder.

Book your next party at the Shadow Lounge & Restaurant. by calling 835-3975. See their party menu online www.shadowloungebuffalo.com Experience the Shadow!



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A recent Buffalo News editorial framed this issue perfectly:

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I'm ready to tackle the issues in Albany once again. I have the will to carry on the fight, the independence to make Western New York's voice heard, and the experience to make an impact.

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North Buffalo

August 15, 2012

Delaware Ave. - Branch manager reports that a male suspect, medium build, approximately 50 years old entered and gave the teller a note saying this is a robbery, give me hundreds, only hundreds. Suspect fled in unknown direction.

Woodward Ave. - While having a garage sale, an unknown male approached the complainant and asked if he was selling any firearms. When the complainant went to get two, the individual told him he was interested but had to go get money. The complainant wrapped them in a white towel and placed them down, later noticing the weapons were missing.

August 16, 2012

Crescent Ave. - Complainant states that unknown person (s) did enter her

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Elmwood Ave. - Unknown person did enter apartment after breaking in living room window. Once inside, they did rummage through apartment and take approximately \$5.00 in change.

August 18, 2012

Delaware Ave. - Complainant states that unknown person (s) did take her wallet from purse which contained Medicaid cards and benefits card.

West Side

August 15, 2012

Baynes Ave. - While sitting in their livingroom, complainants states the power went out. When they went in basement to investigate, they were attacked by four males with baseball bats. All were wearing dark clothes and ski masks. Taken from the living room was a television set. Suspects fled in unknown direction.

Barton St. - Unknown person (s) did fire what appeared to be gun shots at his vehicle causing damage to roof and passenger side door.

August 16, 2012

Grant St. - Defendants were observed by officers attempting to throw illegal drugs away. Officers recovered a bag of marijuana and a bottle of pills.

West St. - Defendant was

operating vehicle and failed to stop for stop sign. Was found to be in possession of 6 bags of marijuana. Officers did seize \$570 in US currency.

August 17, 2012

Forest Ave. - Complainant reports that unknown male did enter her apartment and did steal her cell phone.

Lafayette Ave. - Complainant reports that while she was away unknown person (s) did enter her home and did take her Xbox game.

Riverside

August 14, 2012

Ross Ave. - Complainant reports that unknown person did kick in the back door of his rental car causing damage to door and frame.

August 15, 2012

Hertel Ave. - Complainant reports that unknown person (s) entered apartment and stole her 50 inch television set along with Xbox and controllers. Complainant states that apartment was unlocked, no forced en-

Kail St. - Witness reports seeing a person who was known to her exiting an apartment via the bathroom window. Taken from the complainant was 1 benefits card, and \$25 pre-paid debit card.

August 16, 2012

Grove St. - Complainant reports that unknown person (s) did break door locks on vehicle and did take, without permission, various power tools and sewer equipment.

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The Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning (OSP), Division of Real Estate is soliciting proposals for the sale and redevelopment of former School #57 located at 243 Sears street Buffalo, New York. The former school is a 3 story, brick with block backup, consisting of 30,539 gross floor area(GFA) on a lot size 300' x 180'.

Proposals should include all information specified in the Request for Proposal which is available in the Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning, Division of Real Estate 920 City Hall Buffalo, NY 14202. The proposal package is also available on the City of Buffalo's website at www.city-buffalo.com/bids.

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 2012@10am, at premises Metro Self-Storage Center, 1575 Main St., Buffalo, NY. The following units will be auctioned: GL823 Charles Allen, Jr.: boxes, loveseat, end tables, chairs, home decor. 2F345 Rashawndra Bolden: bed, bags, toys. 2F284 Irene Coleman: fan, 3 bookcases. LL65 Elizabeth Cotton: fridge, kids toys, desk, boxes, totes, bags. 2F432 Samantha Daniels: totes of clothes, artificial plants, bed, small flat screen TV. BK101 Glenda Davis: fridge, stove, washer, dryer, artificial plants, dresser. 2F483 Taisha Diaz: fridge, washer, desk, chair. 2F500 Joseph Dietzel: kitchen appliances, table, totes, side table. BK205 John Dillard, III: washer, dryer, boxes, coffee and end tables. LL71 Kerry Foltz: bed, dresser, file cabinets, dining room chairs, boxes. LL107a Lawanda Fuller: full bedroom set, bags, bike, kitchen wares. MM931 Laverne Gilbert: bags of clothes. 2F202 Paula Grayson: TV, table. 2F469 Cheryl Griffin: tools, coffee and end table, fridge freezer. LL110 Michael Harris: TV, freezer, chest, gym equipment, desk, stereo equipment, bags, table, kitchen wares. GL737 Arthur Hill: car rims, car audio, home stereo, car body parts, gym equipment. LL146 Zuria Komoriko: TV, beds, shelving, dresser, table, totes, bags, boxes. 2F237 Tonya Lucas: 2 couches. GL723 Julie Mc-Gregor: antique dining chairs, table, larger covered furniture, boxes, small appliances. 2F332 Eric Mitchell: bed, dresser, microwave. 2F286 John Redman: tools, table, tall cabinet, guitar, golf clubs, file cabinet, boxes. 2F458 Robert Schreglman: boxes of books. 2F446 Paul Sotack: boxes, books, vhs tapes. 2F417 Joyce Stines: dining room table, chairs, totes. 2F464 Sandra White: couch, boxes, wall partitions, kitchen table. This list is an incomplete, representative sample only. All items subject to redemption before sale, and are sold "as is, where is." 10% Buyer's Premium. Cash Auctions

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