

Keep Your Pets Safe

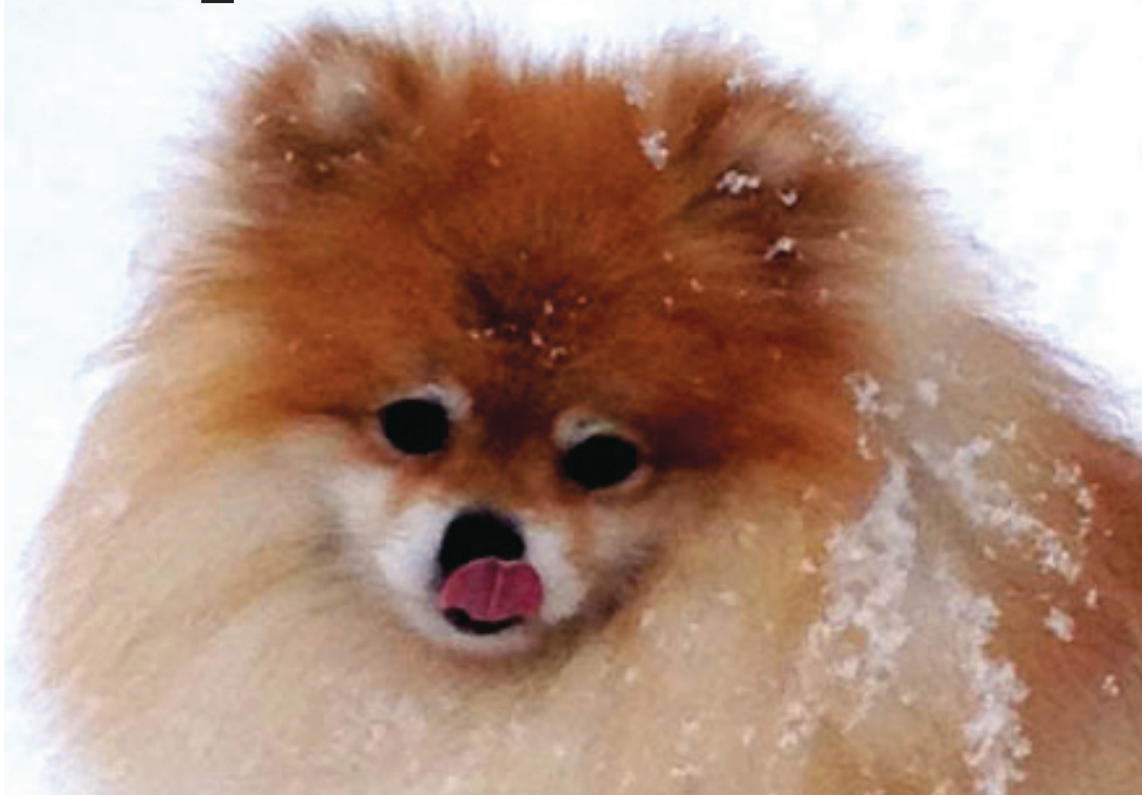


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Pets are vulnerable in cold weather; ensure your furry friends stay safe, healthy and warm this winter by following some basic safety precautions.

Now that the winter of 2016 has arrived, it's time to think about your pets and ways to keep them safe from the elements of the outdoors.

Here are some ways of making sure your pets stay safe. Please take every precaution in ensuring dogs and cats are only

outdoors for very short periods of time with owners' supervision.

Other basic cold weather tips include: Outdoor Animal Shelter Must Be Suitable For Inclement Weather: ...and if it's not, animal welfare officers can rescue the pet, even before he or she is showing signs

of suffering, thanks to the New York State Shelter Law that went into effect in 2003.

Keep a Tight Leash: Never let your dog off the leash on snow or ice, especially during a snowstorm. Pets frequently lose their scent on snow and ice, es-

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Explore Buffalo Winter Celebration

Join Explore Buffalo inside the spectacular Shea's Performing Arts Center for the 2016 Explore Buffalo Winter Celebration and celebrate the success of their 2015 programs and a look ahead to 2016. Support of Explore Buffalo at this fundraising event on Saturday, January 23rd, will ensure the continuation and expansion of their programs in 2016.



Shea's programs will benefit from fundraiser.

The event, from 7 pm to 10 pm, will feature backstage tours of Shea's Performing Arts Center. Entertainment will be provided by Ladies First Jazz Band, from the historic Colored Musicians Club. All attendees receive two tickets for beer or wine, with additional drinks available at a cash bar.

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Cold Weather Safety Tips

Winter weather has finally arrived. It is time for a friendly reminder on key cold weather tips. "Staying warm can be a challenge during low temperatures that are accompanied with a significant wind chill that makes it feel colder," said Erie County Health Commissioner Dr. Gale Burst-

ein. "Prolonged exposure to cold temperatures can cause serious health problems. Keep yourself and your family safe and prevent cold weather-related health problems by staying aware of the weather conditions to plan and dress appropriately."

Prolonged exposure to cold temperatures can cause serious or life-threatening health problems. Infants and the elderly are particularly at risk.

As wind speeds (wind chill) increase, heat can leave your body more rapidly. If possible, try

to stay indoors; trips outside should be as brief as possible.

Outer layer of clothing should be tightly woven to reduce body-heat loss caused by wind. Inner layers of clothing should be wool, silk, or polypropylene; those fabrics hold in more body heat than cotton.

Shivering is an important first sign that the body is losing heat. Persistent shivering means it is time to go indoors!

Children lose body heat more rapidly than adults; they need to be dressed warmly and closely monitored while outdoors in extreme cold.

Cold weather puts an extra strain on the heart. If you have heart disease or high blood pressure, follow your doctor's advice about shoveling snow or performing any strenuous work in the cold.

For more information, visit erie.gov/health.



Hertel Business Association Holding Monthly Meeting

The Hertel Business Association will hold their monthly meeting in their office, located at 1510 Hertel Av-



enue, on Tuesday, January 12th. The meeting begins promptly at 7:00 pm. All are invited and welcome to attend.

Local Weather						
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The Adventures of...

Rocket Man

by Doug Smith



Patients and Patience

Just before Christmas a half-dozen or so folks, four of them neighbors as it would turn out, squirmed and fidgeted in a Williams-ville waiting room. Many were well past the hour of their appointments. Rocket Man considers it time well-spent, as the doctor, a slight, gentle ocular genius, has twice saved his sight.

Actually, many more were awaiting care in the old-fashioned building, chock-a-block with rooms oddly angled, hygienic and cluttered all at once. It's no place to spend half a day, which is what Rocket Man time-budgets for any appointment, packing busy work such as correspondence.

And he'd practically slammed the door in the face of a woman following him in from the seasonable chill. She had declined his fervent apology with such grace that he felt even guiltier, although now she was nowhere in sight, no pun intended.

We all felt prisoners of a blaring TV, volume more for the hard-of-hearing than the visually impaired. A nurseryman pitched décor, to be followed by four women, alternatively giggling and screeching opinions for which they seemed abundantly underinformed. He missed the title: "The Few"?

Rocket Man suggested this was a delayed penalty for having squinted at the sun as a cadet. Gentleman on the end spoke above the din: "Is there anything that says we HAVE to listen to this?" Not a word was spoken. To a hum of approval he strode across the room, stood on his toes and turned it off.

The silence was shattering. We all looked at each other. What to do now?

When the one woman spoke of the quiet, we recognized her accent and asked, was she the English emigrant who had been our first Red Kettle contributor long ago and far

away? Yes, she was indeed from Grand Island, and yes, that was her. We all then traced the Salvation Army's history, good deeds and organization. From here it morphed into comparison of knitting and crocheting techniques, recipes and seasonal pressures.

One gentleman, eldest of the lot, it seemed, referred once or twice to his cell phone, then offered thoughts on the benefits of children. Of his he was justly proud. He had been married 70 years.

Patients are called to various rooms for preliminary testing, advancing to "the puff of white smoke" immediately preceding the beck and call of the doctor himself. And so the population of the TV-free zone changed as people came and went. Soon it was only we and he, who mentioned the services of the Veterans Administration. Good heavens, he had served in World War II, on a transport ship moving forces between Buffalo and the South Pacific. Never fired on, "but I lost a lot of friends who were." He was more than 90 years old.

At last all who came had been served, including the sailor's wife, who turned out to be the one on whom Doug had slammed the door. She persisted on total absolution. On we all went, much the wiser. We had learned a lot more from each other than we had "The Few." Lesson learned: Turn down the volume and love your neighbor.

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BUFFALO TRIVIA

by Joe Bortz

This week we're going to do something a little different - fruits! Try to guess the fruit by the clues provided. Can you guess all ten?

1. Couple _____

2. Big City _____

3. Edsel automobile _____

4. Trim the bushes _____

5. Pristine, perfect _____

6. Accurate in both directions _____

7. Hide under hay _____


8. Sad Manilow _____

9. Italian Grandma sheep _____


10. Unable to marry _____

Last week's answers (Vegetables): 1. Henhouse - Eggplant; 2. Chocolate lover - Coconut; 3. Belgium children - Brussels sprouts; 4. Allow our gathering - Lettuce; 5. Sunken treasure hunter - Chestnut; 6. Titanic oops - Iceberg; 7. Crush - Squash; 8. Redskin - Tomato; 9. To see the stars - Turnip; 10. Hit on the head - Bean.

This is just for fun and there are no prizes for this. See how many answers you can get. If you like this brain teaser press "LIKE" on Facebook at facebook.com/joe.bortz.3



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Marguerite wins a gift certificate to the Wellington Pub!



Last Week's Answers (Yep, you counted correctly...we goofed & there were actually 11!):

1. Great Clips (Page 2)

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions: forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

Mead

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Meander

Meanie

Measles

Meat

Media

Medium

Meek

Meet

Mekong

Meteor

Meter

Mew

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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Eliminate the vowels from the words and the letters in the words. The two words differ from each other only by one letter, usually because of the example of the subject. A hint that the first letter of the word is MISTEE. Some changes are made in the letters.

1. Word with _____

2. More letters _____

3. Weeping tree _____

4. Mobly _____

5. Pysicist _____

6. Wander embassy _____

7. De-mele _____

8. Merganser _____

9. Prying ear _____

10. Federal takeover _____

1. C. L. G. R. G. S. _____

2. T. p. o. g. l. e. d. i. a. _____

3. F. o. u. n. d. e. r. _____

4. C. o. n. t. i. n. e. n. t. a. l. _____

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1. Lower color

3. Actress

3. Half a tickle

12. Not "her"

13. Neither male

14. Spaniard

15. Tin Man's problem

16. Canine

18. Cookbook entry

20. Underscore

21. Lacks the ability

23. Brit reference book

24. One seeking political asylum

29. Unaccompanied

31. — Khan

32. Doctrine

34. Tray

35. To mope, e.g.

37. Shame

38. Third letter

41. Close up tight

42. Nameless

45. Jackson or Johnson

49. Oppressive ruler

51. Skeleton component

52. October

5. Make less intense

10. Verusian vessels?

11. Pickle seed cases

17. Like command in WWII

19. Teaty

22. Morrison and Buxton

24. Ded follower

25. Id counter-part

26. Absurd

27. Use Wikipedia maybe

28. Zoology

30. — the

33. Compared to

35. Without making a mess

36. Address to a luke

42. Greek vowel

43. Smeel

43. Mearsebaum, e.g.

44. Sicilian spouter

46. Post-bout calm

47. Carbon compound

49. Dry

50. Out of use, as a wit

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by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that: each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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Community Music School Gala

He guided the careers of Liza Minnelli, Tony Bennett, and Mandy Patinkin and his new passion is creating more famous singing progeny with a fundraising gala. Andy Anselmo, the so-called "Voice Coach to the Stars" will be on-stage January 14th at Canisius College's Montante Center, 2001 Main Street, showcasing the talent of faculty and students from Buffalo's Community Music School.

"Coincidentally, the school and I are celebrating our 92nd birthdays in 2016, so two old Buffalonians will join forces

to produce a memorable blowout of great music," quipped Anselmo, whose actual birthday is four days later.

Executive Director, "we plan to expand the school in the near future and rename the school The Andy Anselmo Center for the Performing Arts and this gala will serve as the kick off to our capital campaign."

Tickets for the Gala are \$40. There are also \$100 V.I.P.

tickets available that include premium seating and a post-event reception/birthday party for Anselmo.

For tickets and information, call the school at 716-884-4887 or log onto www.communitymusicbuffalo.org.



The entertainment lineup includes the performing artists of Community Music School as well as current and former students of Andy's.

"We're so excited to be able to honor Andy with a night of great entertainment," said Jennifer Koch,

Free Program for Veterans

Veterans interested in starting their own business are invited to participate in an eight-week class planned for 2016.

Instruction will include how to prepare a business plan, where to find funding sources, and learn the basics of planning to start and run a business.

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excellent tool for veterans to earn either a primary or supplemental income.

The evening classes are free and begin March 8th.

The program is presented by the New York State Entrepreneurial Assistance Program and classes are held at Medaille College.

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The Western New York Chapter of Retired Public Employees Association will hold a general meeting and luncheon on Wednesday, February 24th beginning at noon at the Polish Falcons Hall, 445 Columbia Rd. in Depew. Reservation deadline for the luncheon is February 16th. For more information call 536-9867 or 877-5515.



Gloria J. Parks Community Center will offer a free all-girls teen program that strives to provide Buffalo adolescents with fun and healthy life skills in a safe environment. Enrollment is now open and the first session is Thursday, January 14th. Teens will learn affordable, nutritious meals and snacks they can cook at home, while developing friendships with their peers, and finding inspiration through activities with local community role

models. There are also opportunities for career and college exploration and mentorship. This free program runs every Thursday from 5 pm to 8 pm at Gloria J. Parks Community Center, 3242 Main St.

For applications, call 832.1010 x 202, visit udc-da.org, or stop by.



Community Missions, Inc. will hold its 19th Annual Sweetheart Dinner on Friday, February 5th at the Conference and Events Center Niagara Falls and is in great need of basket donations.

Each year the event features over 100 auction items, which have included designer bags, restaurant gift certificates, signed sports memorabilia, fine jewelry, and much much more! Donations are asked to be turned into Community Missions by January 22nd and may arrive wrapped or unwrapped.

In addition, tickets and event sponsorships are also available. Event proceeds benefit the agency's Crisis Services Programs, which include the Community Soup Kitchen, Food Pantry, Clothes Closet, and Emergency Housing Shelter.

For more information on tickets, donations, or sponsorships, contact 285-3403 x2225 or agray@communitymissions.org. Tickets also available online at communitymissions.org.

The Niagara Frontier Watercolor Society will feature beloved painter and teacher Sally Treanor as the demonstrator at their January 21st meeting from 7 to 9 pm at the Amherst Community Church, 77 Washington Hwy, Snyder.

Sally is available for workshops and demonstrations and especially enjoys giving still life classes. Her website can be viewed at www.watercolorful.com and she can be reached by e-mail at treanors@verizon.net.

Everyone is invited to attend the meeting and demonstration, and enjoy the camaraderie of enthusiastic fellow artists and art lovers. For more info call 867-9044.



The 38th Annual Tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., presented by the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library, will be held Thursday, January 14th from noon to 1 pm at the Downtown Central Library Auditorium, 1 Lafayette Square, Buffalo.

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December 28, 2015

Taunton Ave. - Complainant reports when she went to get in her car she noticed her front plate was removed without permission.

December 31, 2015

Wellington Rd. - Complainant reports that he was followed by four teens from the Automatic teller machine to his residence and was approached from behind and told to give them all his money.

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December 31, 2015

Beard Ave. – Complainant is a delivery man for a restaurant and was making a delivery. When he got out of the vehicle he was jumped by several teens, not sure how many. They took the \$20 food order, \$150 in cans and driver's cell phone. They fled the scene in a white sedan. Restaurant has the phone number that placed the food order, it does not belong to anyone at the address the food was delivered to.

West Side

December 29, 2015

Herkimer St. - Complainant reported noticing that the front plate was missing from his vehicle. Complainant suspects it was removed sometime during the night while vehicle was parked on the street.

December 29, 2015

Forest / Grant Aves. - Complainant reports that while waiting for a bus she was approached from behind by two black males in their early 20s. One held her while the other took her purse. They fled on foot on Forest towards Niagara St.

December 30, 2015

Oxford Ave. - Complainant reports the defendant entered the residence forcibly without permission, violating an order of protection. Defendant proceeded to the kitchen, grabbed a knife and started threatening the complainant.

December 31, 2015

Auburn Ave. – Complainant reports that while he was unloading his car full of groceries, he left his laptop computer on the porch while bringing in bags to the residence. When he returned, the computer was missing, no one was around. Value of computer is over \$2,400.

Riverside

December 29, 2015

St. Florian St. - Complainant reports that unknown person (s) did forcibly enter residence with a tire iron, smashing the door window and doing damage to door frame. Missing from the residence is \$350 in cash and complainant's car keys.

December 30, 2015

Amherst St. - Complainant reports he was robbed at knifepoint while walking to the bus stop on the corner of Niagara.

December 30, 2015

Tonawanda St. - Complainant reports unknown person forcibly entered his residence by using a crowbar to smash through the front door. Taken from the residence, without permission, was a gaming system and nine games.

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Keep Your Pets Safe in Winter

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pecially if snow is falling at a fast rate, and your pet can easily lose his sense of direction. Pets may also panic during a snowstorm and run away; many pets are lost during the winter months. Remember to keep current identification on your pet at all times.

Keep Pets At Home: Never leave your pet alone in a car during cold weather. A car can act as a refrigerator in the winter, holding in the cold. Your pet could literally freeze to death.

Always Dry Pet's Wet Feet: Thoroughly wipe off your pet's legs and stomach when she comes in and out of the rain, snow or ice. Check her sensitive foot pads, which may be bleeding from snow or ice encrusted in them.

Your pet may also pick up salt and other chemicals on her feet accidentally. These chemicals could hurt her if she swallows them while licking

her feet.

Check Cars for Cats: During the winter, stray or neglected cats outdoors sometimes sleep under the hood of the car where it's warm and comfortable. If you start the motor, cats could get caught in or flung about by the fan belt, causing serious injury or death. To prevent this, bang loudly on the hood and sides of your car before turning on the ignition to give the cat a chance to escape.

Keep Outdoor 'Sessions' Short: Take your dog outside only for as long as it takes for him to relieve himself. Dogs, particularly small, short haired breeds like Chihuahuas and terriers, suffer from the cold despite their seemingly warm fur coats.

Bathe Pets Only When Necessary: Your pet runs the chance of catching a cold when wet, especially in cold weather. If you absolutely must bathe your pet, consult a professional groomer or veterinarian.

Keep Pets Warm: Limit the clipping of your pet's hair in the cold winter months, keeping your pet as warm as possible. Brush your pet daily in lieu of clipping to keep your pet's coat healthy, shiny, clean and mat-free. Make sure your pet has a warm place to sleep far away from outside drafts.

Hungry Pets: Speak to your veterinarian about increasing your pet's supply of food, particularly protein, to keep fur thick and healthy through the winter. Inquire about vitamin and oil supplements.

Antifreeze is Poison to Pets: Antifreeze, even in small doses, is a lethal poison to dogs and cats! Because of its sweet taste, animals are attracted to it. Be sure to clean up spills thoroughly, and consider switching to an animal-friendly antifreeze. Ensure that if you store antifreeze in a garage, shed, or other places accessible to your pets, it is well out of pets' reach.

Explore Buffalo Winter Celebration

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Also included in the evening will be a great selection of hot and cold hors d'oeuvres and a silent auction and raffle of unique Buffalo items and experiences (lunch/dinner

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This is a cryptic substitution cipher. Cryptoquip letters are, by default, the alphabet. If you think that's boring, I will repeat it throughout the puzzle. Substitution is encouraged, but not required.

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Solution on page 9

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SHEMALIE - Joan A. (nee Leone) Of Tonawanda, entered into rest January 2, 2016. Beloved wife; devoted mother; cherished grandmother; fond great-grandmother; loving daughter; dear

sister; also survived by relatives and friends. Arrangements by LOMBARDO FUNERAL HOME (Northtowns Chapel), 885 Niagara Falls Blvd. near Eggert/Sheridan Dr.

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HOUGH - Dawn M. (nee Seifert) Of Cheektowaga, entered into rest December 29, 2015. Devoted mother; cherished grandmother; loving daughter; dear sister; also survived by relatives and friends. Arrangements by LOMBARDO FUNERAL HOME (Northtowns Chapel), 885 Niagara Falls Blvd. near Eggert/Sheridan Dr.

SCHNORR - August F. "Gus" Of Lancaster, entered into rest December 28, 2015. Beloved husband; devoted father; cherished grandfather and great-grandfather; loving son; dear brother; also survived by relatives and friends. Arrangements by LOMBARDO FUNERAL HOME (Northtowns Chapel), 885 Niagara Falls Blvd. near Eggert/Sheridan Dr.



PRAYER IN HONOR OF ST. DYMPHNA

Lord, our God, you graciously chose St. Dymphna as patroness of those afflicted with mental and nervous disorders. She is thus an inspiration and a symbol of charity to the thousands who ask her intercession. Please grant, Lord, through the prayers of this pure youthful martyr, relief and consolation to all suffering such trials, and especially those for whom we pray. (Here mention those for whom you wish to pray). We beg you, Lord, to hear the prayers of St. Dymphna on our behalf. Grant all those for whom we pray patience in their sufferings and resignation to your divine will. Please fill them with hope and grant them the relief and cure they so much desire. We ask this through Christ our Lord who suffered agony in the garden. Amen. G.P.I.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ERIE

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,
vs.

COLLEEN GRAY AS EXECUTOR AND HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF JEAN M. WALSH; MICHAEL MCGUIRE, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JEAN M. WALSH; DENNIS MCGUIRE, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JEAN M. WALSH; SHARON PETTITT, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JEAN M. WALSH; DONNA GRIMALDI, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JEAN M. WALSH; PATRICIA EWELL, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JEAN M. WALSH; any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES; THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint, Defendants.

To the above named Defendants YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff's Attorney within Twenty (20) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within Thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York) in the event the United States of America is made a party defendant, the time to answer for the said United States of America shall not expire until Sixty (60) days after service of the Summons; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of Sixty-seven thousand eight hundred 00/100 (\$67,800.00) Dollars and interest, recorded on March 17, 2008, at Liber 13395 Page 2561, of the Public Records of ERIE County, New York, covering premises known as 474 TAUNTON PLACE, BUFFALO, NY 14216. The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. ERIE County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county.

NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

Dated: November 20, 2015 Westbury, New York
RAS BORISKIN, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff
BY: Daniel Greenbaum, Esq.
900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 106
Westbury, NY 11590
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BE ENTERED AND YOU CAN LOSE YOUR HOME. SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WHERE YOU CASE IS PENDING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER THE SUMMONS AND PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. SENDING A PAYMENT TO YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff’s Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); The United States of America may appear or answer within 60 days of service hereof; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT: THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is the foreclosure of a Mortgage, dated July 22, 1998, executed by Maurice E. Clemons, Sr. a/k/a Maurice Clemons, Sr. a/k/a Maurice Clemons, as mortgagor, to M&T Mortgage Corporation, as mortgagee, to secure the sum of \$46,421.00, which mortgage was duly recorded in The Erie County Clerk’s Office on July 22, 1998, in Book 12797 at Page 7962. An Assignment of Mortgage was recorded in The Erie County Clerk’s Office on April 14, 1999, in Book 12834 at Page 3615, covering premises known as 370 Hewitt Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14215. (Section 79.81, Block 8 and Lot 20). The relief sought within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt described above. To the above named Defendants: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Hon. Russell P. Buscaglia, a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, filed along with the supporting papers in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Erie on October 20, 2015. This is an action to foreclose on a mortgage. ALL that, certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the City of Buffalo, County of Erie and State of New York, Section 79.81, Block 8 and Lot 20, said premises known as 370 Hewitt Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14215.

YOU ARE HEREBY PUT ON NOTICE THAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. By reason of the default in the payment of the monthly installment of principal and interest, among other things, as hereinafter set forth, Plaintiff, the holder and owner of the aforementioned Note and Mortgage, or their agents has elected and does hereby elect to declare the entire principal balance to be due and owing. By reason of the foregoing, there is now due and owing from the Mortgagor to plaintiff the principal sum of \$32,095.47 plus interest and late charges. At the time of the default, the interest rate was 7.500%. Said rate has been calculated from November 1, 2013, the first date of the month before the default date of December 1, 2013. UNLESS YOU DISPUTE THE VALIDITY OF THE DEBT, OR ANY PORTION THEREOF, WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER YOUR RECEIPT HEREOF THAT THE DEBT, OR ANY PORTION THEREOF, IS DISPUTED, THE DEBTOR JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU AND A COPY OF SUCH VERIFICATION OR JUDGMENT WILL BE MAILED TO YOU BY THE HEREIN DEBT COLLECTOR. IF APPLICABLE, UPON YOUR WRITTEN REQUEST, WITHIN SAID THIRTY (30) DAY PERIOD, THE HEREIN DEBT COLLECTOR WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED A DISCHARGE FROM THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT, YOU ARE NOT PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR THE UNDERLYING INDEBTEDNESS OWED TO PLAINTIFF/CREDITOR AND THIS NOTICE/DISCLOSURE IS FOR COMPLIANCE AND INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.

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SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT You are in danger of losing your home. If you fail to respond to the Summons and Complaint in this foreclosure action, you may lose your home. Please read the Summons and Complaint carefully. You should immediately contact an attorney or your local legal aid office to obtain advice on how to protect yourself. **SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE** The State encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid, there are government agencies, and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by New York state Banking Department at 1-877-Bank-NYS or visit the Department’s website at www.banking.state.ny.us

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Legal Notice
City of Buffalo
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The City of Buffalo is soliciting proposals for the sale and redevelopment of the parcels located at 204, 206 and 208 High Street. The three parcels consist of two vacant lots and two structures. The structures are both two (2) story Italianate brick residences that are positioned on the corner of High and Maple Streets in the City's Fruit Belt neighborhood. Built in 1865 these structures have proximity to the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus situated one block away from Roswell Park Cancer Institute and the Buffalo Medical Center. Titles to the properties are currently being held by the City of Buffalo.

Proposals are due no later than Monday February 29, 2016 at 4:00pm. 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 905 City Hall, Buffalo, NY 14202. The proposal package is also available on the City of Buffalo's website at: http://www.city-buffalo.com/Home/City_Departments/RealEstate/RequestsForProposals 1-2

LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Formation of PILLAR SPORTS MANAGEMENT LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/1/2015. Office Location: Erie County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and SSNY shall mail a copy of process of LLC at: 528 Richmond Ave #3, Buffalo, NY 14222. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 51-3

LEGAL NOTICE: WIENERSCHNITZEL, LLC. Articles of Organization filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY): 9/24/2015. Principal business location in Erie County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to principal business location at 1094 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, NY 14222. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 49-1

NOTICE OF FORMATION of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): 570 Associates VI, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on December 2, 2015. 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. 52-4

LEGAL NOTICE: YUSRA, LLC. Articles of Organization filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY): 7/20/2015. Principal business location in Erie County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to principal business location at 222 Glenwood Ave., Buffalo, NY 14208. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 49-1

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Ciotta Properties, LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 9th day of January 2015. County Clerks office, Erie County. SSNY designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of any process served upon him or her to: Ciotta Properties LLC, 5411 Main St., Williamsville, New York 14221. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. 1-6

NOTICE OF FORMATION of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): 570 Associates V, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on December 2, 2015. 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. 52-4

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