

28th Annual First Night Buffalo



First Night Buffalo is the mainstay event in our community for fun, safe and healthy activities for the entire family to ring in the new year.

Join the Independent Health Foundation as they present First Night Buffalo®, the ultimate drug- and alcohol-free New Year’s Eve celebration. The event will be held from 5 pm to 10 pm, Saturday, December 31st,

at the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center.

The annual holiday family tradition, now in its 28th year in downtown Buffalo, offers safe, family-friendly activities for all ages to ring in the New Year with rides and

amusements. New attractions this year include Dueling Pianos, competitive trampolinists group Flippen Out, drum line DownBeat Percussion (you may also recognize them as the Buffalo Bills

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Christmas Service Schedules



Holy Spirit once again will host a Living Nativity on Christmas Eve.

Holy Spirit, 91 Dakota St., will have Christmas Eve mass at 4 pm and 11 pm with Nativity procession preceded by sacred music choral at 10:30 pm. Christmas Day there will be an 11 am Children’s mass.

St. Margaret, 1395 Hertel Ave., will have Christmas Eve mass at 5:30 pm and on Christmas Day there will be mass at 8 am and 9:30 am.

St. Mark, 401 Wood-

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Bitter Temperatures and Wind Chill Forecasted

Dig out the long underwear. You are going to need it. The coldest air since last winter is scheduled to arrive Wednesday evening through to this weekend, accompanied by significant snowfall in some areas. “After a mild autumn, this icy blast courtesy of the polar vortex may surprise a few people,” said Erie County Health Commissioner Dr. Gale Burstein. “When low temperatures are combined with a significant wind chill making cold air feel even more frigid, staying warm and safe is critical.”

Prolonged exposure to cold temperatures, whether indoors or outside, can cause serious and in some cases, life-threatening health problems. Infants

and the elderly are particularly at risk, however, individuals of any age can be affected. Burstein added: “Everyone needs to be aware of the anticipated weather conditions and prepare and dress appropriately.”

The Erie County Department of Health’s website, www.erie.gov/health contains important tips and links for residents on how to prepare for cold weather and winter storms.

Heat leaves your body more rapidly in severe cold, particularly as wind speed increases. If at all possible, try to stay indoors. Trips outside should be as brief as possible. Wear an outer layer of tightly woven clothing, preferably made out of wind resistant

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New Year’s Resolutions

The New Year has become an opportunity to commit to new goals and rekindle hope. In fact, 40 to 50 percent of New Year’s revelers raise a toast to living better, healthier lives. Yet despite their optimism on January 1st, the majority end up

missing their marks. “Many of us come out of the gate raring to go, but our enthusiasm quickly dies because our goals are too lofty or because we haven’t established any sort of plan,” said Mike Sullivan, a per-

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Local Weather

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18	MONDAY, DECEMBER 19	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21
 <p>Snow Showers High 16° Low 7°</p>	 <p>Mostly Cloudy High 24° Low 20°</p>	 <p>Snow/Rain High 42° Low 29°</p>	 <p>AM Snow High 29° Low 12°</p>	 <p>Mostly Cloudy High 20° Low 15°</p>	 <p>Partly Cloudy High 31° Low 20°</p>	 <p>PM Showers High 36° Low 33°</p>

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Sabres Can't Score

Lack of Scoring, Poor PK Drop Sabres Into Eastern Conference Basement

Despite a 4-2-1 streak supported by the return of Jack Eichel from injury, the Sabres have dropped into last place in the Eastern Conference. A lack of scoring and poor penalty killing have helped to fuel their descent.

With only 61 goals in 28 games (2.18 GPG) the Sabres have scored the fewest number of goals of all NHL teams. The disappointments include Sam Reinhart (6 goals in 28 games), Evander Kane although he has been scoring lately (4 goals in 17 games) but has other deficiencies which are discussed below, Tyler Ennis (1 goal in 12 games before being injured) and a defense corps with only 2 goals for the season.

Kyle Okposo has been a good addition and his 9-12-21 totals in 28 games project to 28-37-65 for the season. Those are solid

numbers but he needs some of his teammates to help out on the attack. Jack Eichel is the only Sabre averaging even close to a point per game with 5-3-8 in seven games.

The Sabres rank 29th out of 30 teams surrendering 23 power play goals on 89 short handed situations, a 74.2% PK rate. An 80% penalty killing rate is considered competent. In comparison, Carolina has the league's best penalty killing record with a

94.1% rate on 80 penalty kills surrendering only six power play goals. The Sabres prime offender is Evander Kane who has taken several ill advised penalties made worse when opponents score on the ensuing power plays.

The cure for the inept penalty killing is obvious: stop taking penalties. So that's exactly what the Sabres did against the Los Angeles Kings on Tuesday December 13th when they surrendered zero power play goals after taking exactly zero penalties in a 6-3- victory. That solved the problems for one game. The playoffs are becoming a fading dream. With six winnable games up next, Islanders twice, Carolina twice, Detroit and Florida, a hot streak in needed now to keep with striking range of a postseason berth.



Left-wing Evander Kane has contributed to the Sabres' decline by taking several penalties.

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 - 1 cup butter or margarine, softened
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
 - 1 egg
 - 2 1/2 cups Gold Medal™ all-purpose flour
 - 1 teaspoon baking soda
 - 1 teaspoon cream of tartar
 - Granulated sugar or colored sugar

Directions

Mix powdered sugar, butter, vanilla, almond extract and egg in large bowl. Stir in remaining ingredients except granulated sugar. Cover and refrigerate at least 2 hours.

Heat oven to 375°F. Lightly grease cookie sheet.

Divide dough in half. Roll each half 1/4 inch thick on lightly floured surface.

Cut into desired shapes with 2- to 2 1/2-inch cookie cutters. Sprinkle with granulated sugar. Place on cookie sheet.



No holiday season is complete without a plate of decorated classic cutout cookies. And don't forget to leave some for Santa!

Bake 7 to 8 minutes or until edges are light brown. Remove from cookie sheet. Cool on wire rack.

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Bitter Temperatures and Wind Chill

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fabric, to reduce body-heat loss.

Inner layers of clothing consisting of wool, silk, or polypropylene will hold in more body heat than cotton. Try to stay dry; wet clothing chills the body rapidly. Excess perspiration will increase heat loss, so remove extra layers of clothing whenever you feel too warm.

Ensure that children are dressed appropriately for the conditions. Since children lose body heat more rapidly than adults, they need to be dressed warmly. Children may not effectively communicate their coldness to adults and should be monitored while outdoors in extreme

cold.

Take similar precautions with your pets and do not leave them outdoors or in an unheated vehicle for any length of time.

Do not ignore shivering; it is an important first sign that the body is losing heat. Persistent shivering is a signal to return indoors as soon as possible. Uncontrollable shivering can be an indicator of hypothermia, when the body's core temperature drops below normal. Other hypothermia symptoms include slow speech, memory lapses, frequent stumbling and drowsiness.

Another danger is frostbite, a severe reaction to cold exposure that can cause permanent damage.

Symptoms of frostbite include numbness and a white or pale appearance in fingers, toes, ears and nose. If frostbite and/or hypothermia are suspected, slowly warm the victim and seek immediate medical attention.

Cold weather also puts an extra strain on the heart. If you have heart disease or high blood pressure, follow your healthcare provider's advice about shoveling snow or performing any strenuous work in the cold. If you have heavy outdoor chores to do, dress warmly and work slowly. Your body is already working hard just to stay warm, so take frequent breaks and be careful not to overdo it.

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Felonies

From "D" District

Riverside

December 8, 2016

Kail St. – Complainant reports that unknown person(s) gained entry into the residence by unknown means. Taken without permission was a flat screen television set, laptop computer, tablet computer, a safe that contained \$12,000 in cash. Complainant believes the suspect is someone they know as they knew where everything was located and what time the complainant would be out of the house.

December 9, 2016

Niagara St. – Complainant reports seeing a vehicle weave in and out of traffic, she flashed her lights at him. A man in his 60s with slicked back hair, driving a small red SUV pulled up alongside of her and flashed her a badge and told her to pull over. He followed her until he pulled over into a gas station.

December 9, 2016

Germain St. – Officers were at a call about a fight when they witnessed a vehicle pulling away erratically. When officers conducted a routine traffic stop they detected an odor of alcohol and noticed the defendant to have glassy eyes and impaired speech.

December 10, 2016

Hamilton St. – Complainant said the suspect sent him a check for \$1,700 and instructed him to deposit the check into his bank account. He was to keep \$170 for himself and get a moneygram with the remainder and send it to the suspect. The check was counterfeit and drawn on a fake account.

December 11, 2016

Argus St. – Complainant reports parking her vehicle on the street overnight and when she returned in the morning the

windows and windshield were smashed. Nothing is missing from vehicle. Over \$500 in damage.

West Side

December 9, 2016

Farmer St. – Officers conducted a routine traffic stop for not having lights on after dark. Defendant gave officers fake name to avoid being arrested for outstanding warrants in Amherst. Officers also found a bag of marijuana in the center console.

December 9, 2016

Forest Ave. – Defendant falsely reported his vehicle being stolen at a previous time. Officers were called to the scene of an accident where the defendant was driving the vehicle previously reported stolen.

December 10, 2016

Ashland Ave. – Complainant was approached from behind by two males with a silver gun who forced him to take them to complainant's residence. Once inside, suspects took jewelry and electronics from the home.

North Buffalo

December 9, 2016

Elmwood Ave. – Complainant reports for a retail store she manages that someone paid with a counterfeit \$100 bill.

December 9, 2016

Oxford Ave. – Complainant reports hearing someone outside trying to raise the screens on the window. Complainant must have scared off possible intruder.

December 9, 2016

Parkside Ave. – Complainant reports unknown person(s) gained entry through the window. Taken, without permission, were a laptop computer, music system, cell phone and television set valued at over \$3,000.

New Year's Resolutions

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sonal finance consultant for Take Charge America, national nonprofit credit counseling and debt management agency. "You're more likely to stick with your resolutions if you focus on bite-sized goals, build a solid plan to achieve them, and celebrate each milestone."

Sullivan offers tips on making and keeping financial New Year's resolutions:

Review the past year: Start with a review of your current financial state. Talk with a financial advisor or credit counselor and explain your goals.

Make a budget: It's an oldie but a goodie – and it's at the top of every financial to-do list because it works. Take inventory of your income and spending to get a sense of necessary expenses, discretionary funds and potential savings. Putting pen to paper also will open your eyes to any worrisome spending habits and help you make smarter decisions in the future.

Automate and sim-

plify: Take advantage of your bank's bill pay feature to automate recurring payments like your mortgage, insurance, cable, utilities and even savings.

Organize your finances: The New Year is a perfect time to get your financial life in order. Establish a process and system for paying bills, review your credit report for accuracy, research financial software, set up auto deposits and shred old documents and receipts. This is also an ideal time to gather and organize your tax information for 2016.

Save for emergencies: If you don't yet have an emergency fund, now is the time to build one. Aim to save enough money to cover three to six month's expenses, but break this big goal down into smaller milestones – and celebrate each time you reach one.

Pay down debt: This may seem overwhelming, especially if you have multiple credit cards, student loans, car loans, etc. Start by tackling the debt

with the biggest interest rate, and move down the list from there. If needed, enlist the help of a nonprofit credit counseling or student loan counseling agency for one-on-one guidance, an action plan and assistance negotiating with creditors.

Save for retirement: This is critically important to your financial health, but far too few people are focused on saving for their golden years. If you haven't already done so, evaluate employer-sponsored retirement savings plans, or talk to a financial advisor about individual retirement accounts (IRAs). Commit to saving every month – even if it's a small amount – and work to increase your contribution over time.

Make it a family affair: Don't go it alone! Enlist the help of family and friends to help you stay focused on your financial goals and priorities. You can also aim to teach your kids a new financial lesson each month, or create savings goals as family.

Christmas Services

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ward Ave., will have Christmas Eve mass at 4 pm and Midnight mass – carols begin at 11:30 pm. Christmas Day mass will be at 9 am.

St. Rose of Lima, 500 Parker Ave., will have a Christmas Eve Children's mass at 4 pm. Mass will be at 10:30 am on Christ-

mas Day.
St. Joseph Cathedral, 50 Franklin St., Buffalo, will celebrate with Vigil Mass of the Nativity on Christmas Eve at 4:30 pm and Music – Choir & Brass beginning at 11:30 pm with Midnight Mass of the Nativity following. Christmas Day mass will be at 10:30 am.

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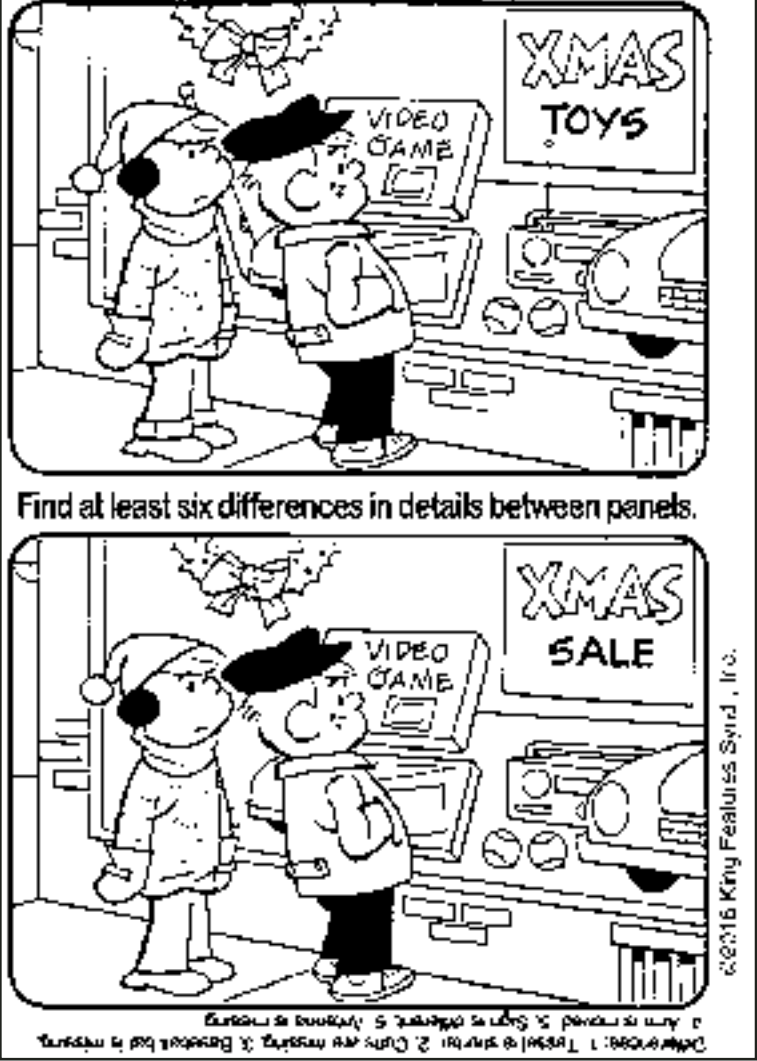
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Stampede) and Reza Live, the nation's top touring illusionist. Popular returning attractions include Hybrid Fitness Buffalo – American Ninja Warrior Training, Jeff Musial – The Animal Guy, the Bubble Black Light Dance Party, family fitness challenge, the Toddler Zone, health screenings, Storybook Characters and the Midway Caravan: The Backyard Circus & Family Puppet Parade.

To cap off the event, First Night Buffalo will feature a Grand Finale Balloon Drop. At 9:45 pm, there will be a special performance by Reza Live, followed by a confetti countdown and balloon drop.

"Independent Health is pleased to once again to support First Night Buffalo, a mainstay event in our region, which engages our community in healthy and fun activities to ring in the New Year," said Michael W. Cropp, M.D., president and chief executive officer, Independent Health. "All of us have the opportunity to create healthier habits for ourselves and our families, and First Night Buffalo is the perfect place to make that commitment and start the year off right. Thank you to all of the sponsors and volunteers who make this outstanding event possible."
"I'm happy to celebrate

Independent Health's 28th Annual First Night Buffalo," said Mayor Byron Brown.

"This is a safe alternative for our residents and their families to bring in a healthy and happy 2017. Every year, this event provides numerous activities and great entertainment for our community. Thank you to the Independent Health Foundation for continuing to provide an alcohol and drug-free New Year's Eve celebration at the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center."

"First Night has become an annual tradition for many families and we enjoy seeing them come back each year," said Carrie Meyer, executive director, Independent Health Foundation. "We are al-

ways pleased to continue presenting this fun, affordable and safe event for the community to enjoy and begin a healthy, happy New Year." Tickets are now on sale at all area Wegman's locations for \$10, which includes all rides, attractions and activities. Children ages 2-years-old and under are free. Tickets are \$12 at the door.

Free parking is available for attendees at the Fernbach and Main Place Mall parking ramps, thanks to the Buffalo Civic Auto Ramps, Buffalo Board of Parking and Mayor Brown.

For more information and a complete schedule of events, visit the First Night Buffalo website at www.firstnightbuffalo.org, or call 635-4959.



Children can enjoy numerous activities and entertainment during First Night Buffalo in a safe and family-friendly environment on New Year's Eve.

AREA DEATH NOTICES

DELLES - Lisa Ann Of Amherst, entered into rest December 10, 2016. Longtime loving companion; loving daughter; dear sister; cherished niece; adored aunt; also survived by many relatives and friends. Arrangements by LOMBARDO FUNERAL HOME (Northtowns Chapel), 885 Niagara Falls Blvd. near Eggert/Sheridan Dr.

IORIO - Joseph Of Williamsville, entered into rest December 10, 2016. Beloved husband; devoted father; loving son; also survived by relatives and friends. Arrangements by LOMBARDO FUNERAL HOME (Northtowns Chapel), 885 Niagara Falls Blvd. near Eggert/Sheridan Dr.

TALARICO - Korleen "Corky" (nee Wheelock), entered into rest De-

cember 10, 2016. Beloved wife; devoted mother; cherished grandmother; adored 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.

ZIEJA - Raymond R. Of East Amherst, entered into rest December 10, 2016. Beloved husband; devoted father; cherished grandfather; loving son; dear brother; also survived by many relatives and friends. Arrangements by LOMBARDO FUNERAL HOME (Northtowns Chapel), 885 Niagara Falls Blvd. near Eggert/Sheridan Dr.

NEWTON - James P. Of Tonawanda, entered into rest December 9,

2016. Beloved husband; devoted father; cherished 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.

BRUBAKER - Christian E. Of Buffalo, entered into rest December 3, 2016. Beloved husband; devoted father; cherished grandfather; great-grandfather; loving son; dear brother. Arrangements by LOMBARDO FUNERAL HOME (Northtowns Chapel), 885 Niagara Falls Blvd. near Eggert/Sheridan Dr.

LAURIA - Angelo D. Of Williams-ville and Stuart, FL, passed away peacefully on November 29, 2016. Adoring husband; devoted and adoring father; cherished grandfather; loving son; dear brother; also survived by many loving nieces and nephews, many godchildren, cousins, friends, and extended family. Arrangements by LOMBARDO FUNERAL HOME (Northtowns Chapel), 885 Niagara Falls Blvd. near Eggert/Sheridan Dr.

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Beginning Tuesday, December 13, 2016, the RFP document may be requested electronically via e-mail from Paul McDonnell, AIA, at pmcdonnell@buffaloschools.org. The RFP document will include a written narrative, a spatial program, evaluation criteria, and anticipated costs to the District for this facility.

Letters of Interest and Proposals will be received at the Office of Plant Services and School Planning, 403 City Hall, Buffalo, New York 14202 on **Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.**

Paul McDonnell, AIA
Director of Facilities Planning, Design & Construction 50

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The name of the Limited Liability Company is PEARCECO GROUP, LLC; its Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on December 5, 2016; the County within New York in which its office is to be located is Erie; the Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served; the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail the process is 193 Depew Avenue, Buffalo, New York 14214; the purpose of its business is all legal activities. 50-1

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SUMMONS WITH NOTICE
Index No.: 806379/2016
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**PAUL CRAPSI, JR., Plaintiff
-vs-
AARON GAREY, Defendant**

To the Person Named as Defendant Above: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear in this action by serving a notice of appearance on the Plaintiff at 420 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York 14202 within 30 days after service is complete.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT should you fail to answer or appear, a judgment will be entered against you by default for the relief demanded. The nature of this action is in tort: negligence. The relief sought is for damages suffered by plaintiff, punitive damages, cost and disbursements of this action against the defendant, and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper. Should Defendant fail to appear herein, judgment will be entered by default for the sum of \$XXX.XX, with interest from the date of DATE and the costs of this action. Erie County is the place of trial based on the residence of the Plaintiff.

DATED: Buffalo, New York
December 8, 2016

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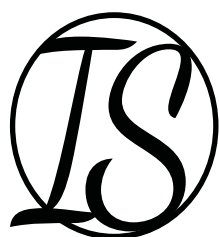
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