

Fire Prevention Month



The Buffalo Firefighters of Ladder 13 and Engine 36. These are the firefighters that serve your community that is housed on Hertel near Elmwood Avenues. Pictured left to right firefighters Jovan Byrd, Daryl Montgomery, Matt Tyson, Dudley Gilbert, Brian Inglut, Monteiro Hingle, 33 year veteran and former Buffalo Rocket newspaper carrier Captain Anthony Liberatore and Rayshad Russell.

American homes suffer an unwanted fire every 10 seconds, and every 60 seconds they suffer a fire serious enough to call the Fire Department. Most importantly, every two and half hours, someone is

killed in a house fire. Protecting your family from fires requires advance planning for what to if there is a fire. This includes the use of protective devices, such as smoke detectors to provide early warning of

fire, especially at night. **How Fires Kill** Most victims of fire succumb to the smoke and toxic gases and not to burns. Fire produces poisonous gases that can spread rapidly from the

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U.S. Postal Service Hiring 100 for Holidays

The Postal Service is looking to hire 100 holiday helpers to handle the extra letters and packages during December. Applicants will work at the Buffalo Processing & Distribution Center, 1200 William Street, Buffalo.

While job postings will be posted continuously over the next few months at www.usps.com/careers, currently the position for Casual Mail Handler is open through Sept. 30. Applicants can expect to start in mid-Novem-

ber and work through mid-January. The salary is \$16 per hour.

In addition, the Postal Service is hiring long-term, non-career positions including Postal Support Employees (PSEs), City Carrier Assistants (CCAs) and Rural Carrier Assistants (RCAs) in the greater Buffalo area.

Those interested may apply at www.usps.com/

careers. A general overview of USPS employment requirements is available at <http://about.usps.com/careers/employment-requirements.htm>. An explanation of specific job requirements can be found on the individual job postings.

Job openings will be regularly posted until all positions are filled. Those interested in employment with the Postal Service should log on to <http://usps.com/careers> weekly to check for new postings.



Memories

From the Buffalo Rocket archives



This sign appeared in front of the Sample Department store formerly located at 1631 Hertel. It was a happy day in America as the 52 Iranian hostages were released in January 1981 after 444 days in captivity.

Add Some Pizzaz To Life Membership Drive

The North Buffalo Community Development Corporation, which operates the North Buffalo Community Center, announces the commencement of its Add Some Pizazz to Life Seniors' membership drive.

Throughout the month of October at the Center, there will be special events and parties: Wednesday, October 2 will be a Potluck luncheon at noon; Wednesday, October 9 will be a Mexican feast; October 10 will be a trip to the deLago Casino in Syracuse; Wednesday, October 16 will be an Italian gala of lasagna; and October 23 will be live music by Tom Bender. RSVPs kindly requested for all parties and trips.

Winter can be boring, so join in the month of

October for only \$3.00 and you'll have your social calendar brimming with exciting activities and trips. Meals and trips are at an additional cost. The Center also provides van service to and from the Center and for shopping!

The North Buffalo Community Development Corporation operates the Robert M. Ryan North Buffalo Community Center, which provides seniors with a beloved meeting venue, families with day and after school care, young adults with a positive (and supervised) athletics program as a diversion to less productive endeavors and fun, educational and neighborhood-building programs and services for children and adults of all ages.



Local Weather							
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4	SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6	MONDAY, OCTOBER 7	TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8	WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9	
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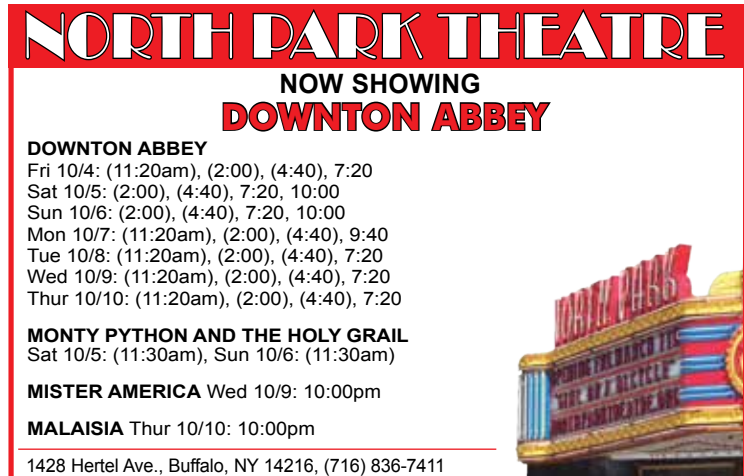
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Sabres Promote Sobotka to Second Line

In a curious move the Buffalo Sabres have promoted Vladimir Sobotka to the second line to begin the season. This ranks as a surprise because by any measure Sobotka was likely the worst player in the NHL last season. He scored five goals and eight assists with a -20 rating. On last seasons team Sobotka's plus minus was the third worst behind only the minus machine Rasmus Ristolainen's league worst -41 and Tage Thompson at -22.

In fairness to Sobotka, he is a skilled player perhaps miscast last season as a fourth liner playing with players like Zemgus Girgensons and Johan Larsson. While Girgensons and Larsson are honest hard working players their offensive output is minimal with five goals and six goals respectively. Sobotka or any other player cannot be expected to produce much offense with such line mates.

The Sabres new bench boss Ralph Krueger has coached extensively in Europe. Perhaps he sees the skill in Sobotka, a Czech player, and believes that he can coach him into a scorers role on the all European second line with Finnish newcomer Marcus Johansson at center and Swede Vic-

tor Olafsson on the wing.

Remember that Sobotka is the only remaining player that the Sabres have to show from the three players St. Louis sent to Buffalo in the disastrous Ryan O'Reilly trade. The eventual Conn Smythe trophy winner and Stanley Cup champion was shipped to St. Louis after he lost his love for hockey in Buffalo. In return the Sabres received Sobotka, Tage Thompson, Patrik Berglund, a 2019 1st round pick and a 2021 2nd round pick. Additionally the Sabres used that 2019 pick along with Brendan Guhle to acquire defenseman Brandon Montour.

If Sobotka can provide 10-15 goals from the second line and Brandon Montour makes a solid contribution on the blue-line, then the return from

the O'Reilly trade looks better. Is this the thinking that drove the decision to put Sobotka on a scoring line?

The key is whether Johansson can drive the line from his center ice spot. He was outstanding on the wing for the Stanley Cup finalist Boston Bruins in the playoffs last season and has primarily played left wing in his career. Olafson is a talented goal scorer but needs a setup guy. If Johansson can fulfill that role then that will go a long way to making this second line work. Sobotka will be counted on to be a strong defensive presence and chip in with a few goals.

This is a surprising turn of events for Sobotka who looked like he was sleepwalking through last season would not have been missed if the Sabres had deservedly bought him out. A successful second line would allow the Sabres to keep their top line intact consisting of Jack Eichel (82 points), Jeff Skinner (40 goals) and Sam Reinhart (65) points which would be one of the top scoring lines in the league. Otherwise the top line would be broken up to provide some balance.



Vladimir Sobotka Buffalo Sabres.

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The Blotter

Felonies

From "D" District

North Buffalo
September 30, 2019
Main Street – Complainant reports that on numerous occasions over the past 19 years person(s) unknown did enter her storage unit at U-Haul by unknown means and took various items without permission. Amount to exceed \$1,000.

September 30, 2019
Parkside Avenue – Defendant did trespass at the Buffalo Zoo and was detained by security and detained suspect until officers arrived. Defendant charged.

September 29, 2019
Museum Court – While seated in parked motor vehicle in city park after hours the defendant did possess a marijuana blunt recovered from driver’s seat. Upon further investigation the defendant does have an outstanding warrant with Buffalo.

September 29, 2019
Main Street – Complainant reports for U-Haul that suspect rented a trailer and failed to return same to U-Haul in Orchard Park.

Riverside
September 30, 2019
Tonawanda Street – Complainant reports that the suspect did go to his home while he was not home and did damage his vehicle by scratching the doors, windows and side view mirrors. Complainant’s brother called him via video chat which did show the suspect committing the act. Neighbors did also witness the incident and there are surveillance cameras in the area. Complainant believes damage will exceed \$1,500.

September 30, 2019
Amherst Street – Officers did observe vehicle westbound on Amherst Street without tail/brake light. After conducting a traffic stop driver was confirmed to have various outstanding Buffalo warrants within the housing court system. This arrest was made under a new CD due to the fill being

unable to opened within Charms system.

West Side
September 30, 2019
Prospect Avenue – Complainant reports that unknown suspect(s) did take without permission vehicle from vicinity of Breakenridge and Ashland. Complainant states he has the keys in his possession and is not aware of anyone having his key.

ADD SOME PIAZZA TO LIFE

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King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Donkey

4 Portion of an act

9 Mischievous tyke

12 Hawaiian garland

13 Overuse the mirror

14 Ultra-modern prefix

15 Clarified

17 Auto fuel

18 Upper limb

19 Lack

21 Uses tweezers

24 Long story

25 A billion years

26 Male offspring

28 Jockey's handful

31 "No — luck!"

33 Phone bk. data

35 Winter forecast

36 Different

38 Charlotte's creation

40 Greek H

41 War god

43 Muffle

45 Land of 1930s movies

47 Plant bristle

48 Lair

49 Didn't vote,

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DOWN

1 Heady brew

2 Gender

3 Taste a drink

4 Activates

5 Shade of red

6 Still, in verse

7 Requirements

8 Ingratiate

9 Deep-seated

10 Vegan's no-no

11 Luxurious

16 Fond du —, Wis.

20 A long time

21 Mexican money

22 LummoX

23 "Django —" (film title)

27 Promptly

29 Brief letter

30 Pavlova portrayal

32 Towel embroidery word

34 Tranquilizes

37 Auction, so to speak

39 Caveat word

42 Cavalry sword

44 Blackbird

45 Cheese choice

46 Jeans-maker Strauss


50 Hot tub

51 Zero

52 First lady

53 Coloring agent

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Northwest Buffalo Beat

by Joe Bortz

Gangs Two, Riot

As promised in last week's column I will proceed to go into chapter two of my encounters with the gangs that existed on the West Side of Buffalo back in the late sixties. Just in case you missed last week's endeavor I will rehash the highlights. It had to do with an inappropriate remark made by one of the gang members to one of my daughters. After talking to the siblings it turns out it was not my daughter but my wife. In any case, I quickly confronted the gang leader and he was kind enough to insist on an apology from the perpetrator. The incident was settled peacefully and at that point the Beta gang and my family continued on to co-exist at the Massachusetts swimming pool and playground. Which happened to be the Beta gang's stomping grounds.

One fine day in the middle of that summer, this same Beta gang decided to hold an outdoor concert right there at the Massachusetts playground. Actually in front of it. They somehow solicited a band and set up quite an elaborate stage and sound system. It was in the parking lot adjoining the Butler-Mitchell youth club. So if someone chose to dance they could do so. Seemed like a great idea and something for the kids to do outdoors and mingle with other neighbors. Now remember, this was in the afternoon and with plenty of daylight, so no lighting system needed to be procured. Everything went fine and I was there enjoying the afternoon event with my children. I thought much more of the "gang" for doing something like this. Like I said, everything

was going really well until someone complained and called the police. The complaint was that they were making too much noise. Granted, the music was not quite the golden oldies and was meant to be played "loud". Still it could have been tolerated as it was still during the day. So a patrol car appeared and politely told the leader of the gang to turn the music down. Remember that this was a neighborhood gang and even though this event was permitted, they have had previous confrontations with the police. They did turn it down at first, but the effect of the music was not as stimulating, I guess. So they turned the sound back up. This did not sit well with the officers who had answered the call and chose to hang around. To simplify this I will just say the officer went on to pull the plug on the sound system. The gang leader put it back in. Thus a serious confrontation as the crowd in attendance were not in favor of the officer's actions. It became ugly and uglier until the officers called for back-up. Back in the sixties, some may recall, riots were happening all



Local law enforcement in riot gear.



over the country. So "back up" showed up in force. Riot gear, paddy wagons, night sticks, black jacks, (which are now illegal) and a small army. No questions asked, if you were the least bit defiant, you were arrested on the spot. Fortunately I was able to get my family out of there before the bottles and rocks started flying. When we got home I realized my eldest son was missing. My daughter said they grabbed him just for being there and she thought he was in one of the paddy wagons. So I returned to the battlefield, which now existed of the police at one end of Shields Street and the angry crowd at the other. A one block long street. The space between them was littered with rocks and bottles. The police were trying to disperse the crowd which had become extremely unruly. I just wanted to find my son. So at the risk of being arrested myself, I began to look into each and every one of the paddy wagons at the scene. Each contained some pretty beat up kids and plenty of blood. My friend Dick Ganci, who's grocery store was on that corner, told me my son did noth-

ing but was in the wrong place at the wrong time. They feared for me and thought I would end up the same way if I did not get inside. This was one really ugly scene for such a normally quiet residential neighborhood. I finally went to the local police station and my son was there. The officers were kind enough to let him go with me without any charges. The only damage was a welt from a black jack and a gloop of his Afro hairdo was missing. It came out in a big chunk when he was grabbed by the hair. We were happy with that as it could have been much worse. Strange how this all transpired as what started to be a good thing turned into a complete disaster. Looking back in retrospect, both sides over reacted. The responding officers could have been a little more tolerant and understanding. It was a bad time for law enforcement agencies. Back then in the days of the riots they were called "pigs." Seems that moniker has passed and that is good. Now they have to be aware that they are being videotaped. They were then and still are now some of Buffalo's finest.

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Ravens vs Steelers	Ravens
Jets vs Eagles	Eagles
Broncos vs Chargers	Chargers
Falcons vs Texans	Texans
Cardinals vs Bengals	Cardinals
Bears vs Raiders	Raiders
Browns vs 49's	Browns



Ask Rusty - What Will My Widow's Benefit Be?

Dear Rusty: My husband just started receiving Social Security Disability in June. He is diagnosed with a terminal disease that likely he will rapidly succumb to. He will be 65 in Oct 2019. I turned 62 July 2019. I was his caregiver when he was at death's door and was pulled back to 75% full life on immunotherapy. We see him starting to go downhill again; it creeps, then starts moving rapidly with the symptoms. I will be the caregiver again for round 2 that has no brakes to stop it this time - no do over. After he passes, when does the disability SS amount stop and what amount starts coming to me in my name as his widow, at my age? Signed: Survivor under age 65

Dear Survivor: Please know that you have my sympathy for what you and your husband are going through. Let me at least try to ease your anxiety by answering your Social Security questions. Your husband's disability benefit will cease in the month he passes. Although, depending upon the date, he may receive a disability payment for the month he passes (it would be received the following month), that payment,

if received, will need to be returned to Social Security (SS). Social Security will only pay up to the last full month your husband is alive. The funeral home is supposed to notify Social Security of your husband's passing, but you should verify that they will be doing that. Your benefit as your husband's survivor will be based upon the SS disability amount your husband was receiving at his death. Although your survivor benefit will be based upon the amount your husband was receiving, if you take it before you reach your full retirement age (FRA) the survivor benefit will be reduced. Your full retirement age for the widow's benefit is 66 plus 2 months (versus your normal FRA of 66 1/2). You have a choice to take the reduced survivor benefit early (before your FRA), or wait until your FRA to claim the full amount your husband was collecting at his death. If you claim your widow's benefit early, the reduction will be about 4.75% for each year earlier than your FRA that you claim it. Your survivor benefit reaches maximum at your widow's FRA. You must apply for your widow's benefit in person with Social Security and

you should contact your local office by phone first to make an appointment. You can easily find your local SS office contact information at this link: www.ssa.gov/locator. Taken at age 62, the survivor benefit will be reduced by about 20%. When to claim your survivor benefit might be influenced by whether you are eligible for Social Security benefits from your own lifetime work record. If you are eligible for your own benefit, you should look at what your own benefit will be at age 70. If it will be more than your survivor benefit, you should make sure to file a "restricted application" for survivor benefits to allow your own benefit to continue to grow. It will grow until you are 70, at which time you would switch from the lower survivor benefit to your own (you get whichever benefit is higher). Your decision on when to claim the survivor benefit might also be influenced by your plans for working. Since you have not yet reached your normal full retirement

age (66 + 6 months), any Social Security benefit you claim before that (including your survivor benefit) will be subject to Social Security's earnings test. The "earnings limit" for 2019 is \$17,640 (changes annually) and if you exceed that, Social Security will take back benefits equal to \$1 for every \$2 you are over the

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8) catahi

9) citau

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11) tecasahdyne

12) ramile

13) nadime

14) aaaanigudcn

15) keyonrs

The answers will be in next week's Rocket OR you can find them on our Facebook page.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19
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Rhode Island and Chenango

ENGINE 3 • 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
Broadway and Monroe

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24
ENGINE 38 • 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
Linden and Colvin

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26
ENGINE 4 • 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Abbott and Hollywood

ENGINE 23 • 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
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ADMISSIONS TESTING for the 2020-2021 School Year

Admission Testing for #64 Fredrick Law Olmsted (K-4) and #61 Arthur O. Eve School of Distinction (K-2) will take place by appointment only.

Frederick Law Olmsted BPS #64

GT IQ Testing:
Nov. 16, 2019 - by appointment only
Nov. 23, 2019 - by appointment only
Dec. 14, 2019 - by appointment only
Application Deadline:
Friday, December 6, 2019

Buffalo Academy for the Visual and Performing Arts BPS #192

Grades 9-12 Arts Academy Auditions (Admissions Testing) at 8:00AM:
October 19, 2019
October 26, 2019
Grades 5-8 Arts Academy Auditions (Admissions Testing) at 8:00 AM:
November 2, 2019
November 16, 2019

Hutchinson Central Technical High School BPS #304

Admissions Testing at 8:00 AM:
November 7, 2019
November 8, 2019
November 20, 2019
November 21, 2019
Make Up Entrance Exam Date at 8:00AM:
January 9, 2020
Freshman Orientation - Accepted Students/Parents attend with students
April 7, 2020 at 8:15-10:15 AM

Olmsted Middle/High School (#156) and City Honors School (#195):
Admissions Testing takes place at Olmsted Middle/High School: 319 Suffolk Street, Buffalo 14215 • 816-3717
NOTE: When awarding seats, if ties need to be broken for last remaining seats in a grade among equally qualified applicants, current BPS students enrolled in traditional Buffalo Public Schools receive a preference. These current BPS students are entered first into a lottery for those seats. This policy is subject to change by the Buffalo Board of Education.

Information for Current BPS Students
No further application documents are needed for current BPS students. Other entrance criteria, including prior year Report Card and Attendance Record, are already on file.

Students interested in 5th, 7th, or 9th grade for 2020-2021 may test at their home school. Please contact your child's Principal.

Students applying for 6th, 8th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grades for 2020-2021 cannot test at their home school. See below for test dates and times. Please bring IEP, 504, or ELL documents if applicable.

REQUIREMENTS for Non-BPS Students
Non-BPS students **MUST** present documents below on testing day. Without **ALL** required documents, your child **WILL NOT TEST**.

Copies of two distinct proofs of City of Buffalo residency from the list of the following four categories showing your Buffalo address: (1) Parent/guardian New York State driver's license or non-driver's license; (2) gas, electric, or cable bill within the last 30 days (only one utility bill can be used); (3) parent/guardian's pay stub within the last 30 days; or (4) Notice of Decision from the Erie County Department of Social Services from 2018;
• Applicant's final report card from 2018-2019 (quarter/trimester report cards will not be accepted);
• Applicant's final cumulative attendance record from 2018-2019 (may appear on report card);
• Current IEP, 504, or English Language Learner documents, if applicable.

In your home school (see Principal) OR Saturday, October 26th at 8am	Grade 5	Saturday, October 19th at 8am OR Saturday, October 26th at 8am
Saturday, October 19th at 1pm OR Saturday, October 26th at 8am	Grade 6	Saturday, October 5th at 1pm OR Saturday, October 26th at 8am
In your home school (see Principal) OR Saturday, October 26th at 8am	Grade 7	Saturday, October 5th at 1pm OR Saturday, October 26th at 8am
Saturday, October 19th at 1pm OR Saturday, October 26th at 1pm	Grade 8	Saturday, October 5th at 1pm OR Saturday, October 26th at 1pm
In your home school (see Principal) OR Saturday, October 26th at 1pm	Grade 9	Saturday, October 5th at 8am OR Saturday, October 26th at 1pm
Saturday, October 26th at 1pm Olmsted Middle/High School (#156) Only	Grade 10	Saturday, October 26th at 1pm Olmsted Middle/High School (#156) Only
Saturday, October 26th at 1pm Olmsted Middle/High School (#156) Only	Grade 11	Saturday, October 26th at 1pm Olmsted Middle/High School (#156) Only
Saturday, October 26th at 1pm Olmsted Middle/High School (#156) Only	Grade 12	Saturday, October 26th at 1pm Olmsted Middle/High School (#156) Only

OPEN HOUSE & PARENT NIGHT Dates for the 2019-2020 School Year
Please see BuffaloSchools.org/OpenHouse for specific dates and times for each school.

* To visit one of our schools, please contact that school's administration by visiting our website and choosing the school you are interested in, from the "our schools" dropdown menu.

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Fire Prevention Month

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fire itself to claim sleeping victims unaware of the fire.
Common Causes of Fires

Most house fires occur in the kitchen while cooking and are the leading cause of injuries from fire. Common causes of fires at night are carelessly discarded cigarettes, sparks from fireplaces and heating appliances left too close to furniture or other combustibles.

Playing
Children playing with matches or lighters is a leading cause of house fires and one in which the children and others present are often hurt. Children have a natural curiosity about fire and are tempted to play with matches or lighters. Even though children are curious about fire, they may become frightened and confused in a fire and hide rather

er than escape to safety. Children are often found hiding in closets or under beds where they feel safe. It is crucial to discuss with your children the dangers of fire.

Clothing
Clothing fires are a significant cause of fire injuries to children (and to adults too). They set their clothes on fire by getting to close to heat sources such as open fires or stoves, or when playing with matches or lighters. Here too, the best defense is a respect for fire and training in what to do if their clothes do catch fire. Their natural reaction is to run - which will make the situation worse. Stop, drop, and roll is taught as the correct action and has saved many lives in clothing fires. The moment clothes start to burn, stop where you are, drop to the ground, cover your face with your hands and roll repeatedly to smother the flames.

Older Adults
The risk of death from fire for Americans age 65 and over is two times greater than the risk for adults under 65, and hospital stays of more than 40 days are common for older burn victims. Thus, older people need to be especially careful with fire. People can become victims of fire by falling asleep smoking, either in bed or in a favorite chair, especially after consuming alcohol or taking medication. Ashtrays emptied before smoldering materials are completely out also start a number of fires in homes of

smokers. Cooking is a major cause of fire injuries among older persons when loose fitting clothing is ignited as the wearer reaches over a hot burner, or slips and falls onto the stove.

Smoke Detectors
One of the most important fire safety devices for the home is the smoke detector. After becoming generally available in the early 1970s, home smoke detector sales grew rapidly and the price fell, so that by 1991, almost 90% of the homes in the United States had at least one smoke detector, and they could be purchased for under \$10.

Several studies have concluded that when working smoke detectors are present, the chance of dying from the fire was reduced by half. The smoke alarms currently in place have saved thousands of lives, but several problems exist. Twelve percent of the homes without detectors have more than half of the fires. It is also estimated that a third of the smoke detectors in homes are not working, often due to the fact that a worn out battery is not replaced. Another problem is that many homes do not have as many smoke detectors as are needed to protect the occupants properly.

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tickets. 716-885-2469.



The City of Buffalo will collect bagged leaves and yard waste from October 1, 2019 until December 1, 2019. City residents can put their bagged leaves at the curb during this time period for composting.

Answers to Senior Trivia Buffalo Rocket Issue 39 September 26, 2019

Famous People

- 1) John Travolta
- 2) Julia Roberts
- 3) Kevin Costner
- 4) Robert Redford
- 5) Stan Laurel
- 6) Meryl Streep
- 7) Marilyn Monroe
- 8) Henry Fonda

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Notice of the Formation of a Domestic Limited Liability Company. Name of LLC: Eucept LLC. Date of filing of Articles of Organization with the NY Dept. of State: May 6, 2019. Office of LLC: 901 Cedar Ave. Apt# 502 Niagara Falls, NY 14301 Niagara County. The NY Secretary of State has been designated as the agent upon whom process may be served. NYSS may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at: 901 Cedar Ave. Apt# 502 Niagara Falls, NY 14301 Niagara County. Purpose of LLC: General Purpose. No specific duration attached to LLC. 41

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, October 9, 2019 through October 16, 2019 online at www.cashauction.com. The following units will be auctioned from Colvin Self Storage; UNIT# 109 PRESTON HILL, UNIT#110 JAMES BARNES - all units are contents of storage unit. This list is an incomplete, representative sample only. All items subject to redemption before sale, and are sold "as is, where is." 15% Buyer's Premium. Cash Auctions 885-2200. 40

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New York, September 29, 2019 through October 6, 2019 online at www.cashauction.com. The following units will be auctioned from Metro Self Storage; UNIT# 2F313 KENISE ROBINSON, UNIT# GL834 SHERIKA WILLIS, UNIT# IRR022 NATALIE HUTCHEN, UNIT# LL119 JACKIE MILLER,, UNIT# 2F451 TASHALENE MOORE, UNIT# LL64 CARLOS ORTIZ, UNIT# 2F201 SYLVAIN MAYOUMA MAYISSALA, UNIT# 2F544 NICK SORRELL, UNIT# BERTRAND BITSINDOU, UNIT# LL94 STEVEN LORENZO, UNIT# LL136 DAVID MCCOMBS, - all units are contents of storage unit. This list is an incomplete, representative sample only. All items subject to redemption before sale, and are sold "as is, where is." 15% Buyer's Premium. Cash Auctions 885-2200. 40

King Crossword

Solution time: 21 mins.

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