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Remembering Our Veterans



Veterans day is the day of celebration on which we pay tribute to our military armed forces, troops or veterans.

On November 11, many Americans will have a day off of work and school to honor the individuals who have served in our military. With approximately 18 million military veterans living in the United States, it's important not to think of it as "just another holiday." Here's why we celebrate Veterans Day, how it's different than Me-

morial Day, and some more Veterans Day facts that Americans might not know about this celebratory day.

Veterans Day wasn't always called that—and it has to do with how the holiday got started. Veterans Day can trace its origins back to November 11, 1919, the one-year anniversary of the armistice that ended World War I.

President Woodrow Wilson declared that day "Armistice Day." In 1926, Congress passed a resolution to make it an annual occurrence. It wasn't until 1938 that it actually became a federal holiday, and until 1954 that it got the name we know it by today. President Dwight D. Eisenhower changed it to Veterans *Continued on page three.*

North Buffalo Knights



Photo credit: Bill Snyder

Back Row from Left to Right: Ty Graczyk, Brendon Parker, Tamias Ramsey, Nathaniel Gilbert, Jaylin Johnson, Jordan Passero, Coach Michael Gilbert, Coach Steve Schenk. Front Row from Left to Right: Coach Michael Vishion, Johnathan Black, Colin France, Xavier Mann, Michael Vishion, Zane Schenk, Coach Michael Mann. Missing from photo: Henry Chambers.

Some boys and girls playing in the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League were still able to play games this summer despite the covid-19 pandemic. The North Buffalo Knights, a 14 and under boys team battled it out on area diamonds against some formidable teams in Shoshone Park and elsewhere, to finish 17-3 on the season.

The feat was quite an accomplishment for these North Buffalo boys who had to end team practices in March due to an opponent no one thought they would have to face ever. This season, 2020 will be remembered for a cancelled *Continued on page two.*

Memories

From the Buffalo Rocket archives



Taken in the 90's, the Alfieri brothers of the Stuffed Mushroom on Main.



SCHOOL'S OPEN

DRIVE CAREFULLY

Re-Tree Resumes

Re-Tree volunteers will be planting in several areas throughout the City of Buffalo this Friday, November 6 and Saturday, November 7.

This planting of sixty trees by the Re-Tree The District People of University Heights will take place Saturday starting at 9am. William Gaiter Parkway (right near the Kensington Expressway overpass) all the way to East Delavan.

Stephanie Berghash, a stalwart re-tree volunteer, will once again be leading a team of volunteers in the neighborhood of Kleinhans Music Hall. Her plantings will be: 375 Pennsylvania —Honey Locust, 44 Orton Place —Honey Locust, Kleinhans Music Hall - October Glory Maple, Delaware at Barker (Barker Side) —Honey Locust

In addition, Fox Tire

owner Eric Fox will be re-foresting the area around the William/Bailey railroad right of-way near the United Parcel Service warehouse.

The Re-Tree plantings continue, since the first plantings in April, 2007 as a response to the Western New York surprise October 12, 2006 snowstorm which felled 57,000 trees in the public areas of Greater Buffalo.

The Re-Tree project is a program of the not-for-profit Buffalo Green Fund.

Although the storm re-plantings were completed in April, 2019, the group continues to plant and steward trees. The need is still great, in-particular in the City of Buffalo, which continues to need trees to replace from other storms, drought, and natural die-off over the years.

Local Weather

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5



Cloudy
High 61°
Low 53°

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6



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High 58°
Low 51°

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7



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High 61°
Low 47°

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8



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High 65°
Low 53°

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9



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Sabres Sign Olafsson

The Buffalo Sabres signed restricted free agent (RFA) forward Victor Olofsson to a two-year, \$6.1 million contract last Thursday. This avoided a November 4th arbitration hearing. The Sabres avoided arbitration for all three of their RFA's having previously signed forward Sam Reinhart and goaltender Linus Ullmark. This was important for the Sabres because they are close to the salary cap and did not want to take the risk of an outsize arbitration award pushing them to close to the cap.

Olofsson at age 25 is a late bloomer. He was selected by Buffalo in the 2014 NHL Entry Draft, 181 st overall in seventh round. He played in the Swedish Elite League

for four seasons and came to training camp in Buffalo in 2018 where he was assigned to play for their AHL development team in Rochester. Oloffson had a success-



Victor Olafsson Buffalo Sabres.

ful rookie NHL season in 2019-20 with 20 goals and 22 assists for 42 points in 54 games. He was an early

season candidate for the Calder Trophy as rookie of the year befor's an injury sidelined him for 15 games. He finished seventh in the Calder Cup vote for rookie of the year honors and was selected to the leagues all rookie team

Olofsson set an NHL record in becoming the first player to score his first seven goals on the power play. His 20 goals and 42 points both ranked third on the team despite the fact that he only played 54 games.

Signing Reinhart and Olafsson kept the Sabres corps of scoring forwards together as the team added former league MVP Taylor Hall and veterans Erik Stall and Cody Eakin. This represents a good summer's work for rookie GM Kevyn Adams who seeks to improve the Sabres and lift them out of the NHL's longest non playoff streak which stands at at nine years. If the team misses the playoffs in the next season, whenever that season may take place, it will match a league record for non playoff futility.

North Buffalo Knights

From page one. baseball and softball season for area children in North Buffalo Baseball.

"I was very proud of our players," said Michael Mann, the Knights team manager and longtime board member of Hertel North Park (HNP). "We had several team meetings on zoom, if we couldn't get together and kept in touch. Most of them continued to work out on their own to keep their skills sharp and be ready whenever we got the OK to resume activities"

The team played well together under Manns direction from the dugout. Five players had already been playing for coach Mike in North Buffalo house and travel teams since the age of 8 years old. The players are Xavier Mann, Brendon Parker, Nathaniel Gilbert, Collin France and Jaylin Johnson. The bond between these friends and the love of the game kept

this team together to a winning season.

"The highlight of our season would have been playing in a Buckeye Elite Tournament in Ohio," said Mann recently. "When we got the call to resume play in July, we decided to forego the tournament games and play single and doubleheader games instead."

Two wins that highlighted the Knights season was a 10-8 victory over the Academy Stars, a tough opponent always and a 6-4 decision over the Clarence Rebels, North Buffalo's area rival in youth sports.

Jim Daley, another longtime coach and board member of (HNP) commented recently about the success of the Knights this season. He oversees the boys travel teams in Shoshone every year.

"Mike (Mann) is everything we want as a coach in our Park for our boys. He teaches the fundamentals of the game and puts

the guys first ahead of everything else. He is an outstanding representative for Hertel North Park."

Xavier Mann, Mike's 14 year old son, said his dad isn't really mean. Even though he yells at us so much, doesn't mean he's upset. "He just wants us to do well." The Sophomore at City Honors had a .667 batting average as both a pitcher and short-stop for the Knights. He had 23 hits at the plate and struck out 13 as both a starter and reliever. His teammate, Brendon Parker also pitched and played centerfield. He had 26 hits and struck out 20 batters on the mound. Both are named as the teams Most Valuable Players for this season.

Other players on the team include Ty Graczyk, Johnathan Black, Henry Chambers, Michael Vish-ion, Zane Schenk, Tamias Ramsey and Jordan Pas-sero.

Senior TRIVIA

What do these ten words have in common ?

1) Tango	5) Kilo	9) Delta
2) Romeo	6) Whiskey	10) Sierra
3) India	7) Oscar	
4) Charlie	8) Romeo	

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

Remembering Our Veterans

From page one.
Day so that it would honor all veterans, not just signify the end of a single war. Because of its connection to the end of World War I, Veterans Day is November 11, no matter what day of the week that is. (Mostly, but we'll get to that later.) This differs from Memorial Day, Presidents' Day, and Thanksgiving, holidays that fall on a specific day of the week, not a specific date. But this wasn't always the case! In 1968, Congress passed the "Uniform Holidays Act," which put Veterans Day on the fourth Monday in October. It took effect in 1971—but in 1975, President Gerald Ford signed a law returning it to November 11. Because many workers enjoy a day off for Veterans Day, the date of the observance can be tweaked if it falls on a weekend. Specifically, if November 11 is a Sunday, the federal holiday will generally be moved to the next day, Monday. If it's on a Saturday, the holiday might become Friday or just remain on the Saturday. Alternatively, if it's on a weekend, many companies will provide their employees with a "floating holiday" so that they can choose when to take the day off. Many people mix up Memorial Day and Veterans Day, or at least think they're celebrating the same thing—but there's a significant difference. Memorial

Day honors Americans who have died in the line of duty; Veterans Day commemorates all Americans who have served their country honorably. The 624-acre Arlington National Cemetery is home to the final resting place of more than 400,000 military servicemen, women, and their families. As such, they hold an observance on Veterans Day every year at 11 a.m. (the time the World War I armistice was signed). Guards lay a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and veterans' organizations hold a parade of colors. The ceremony is free and open to the public; would-be attendees are encouraged to arrive at least an hour early. How COVID-19 will affect the ceremony in 2020 remains to be seen. November 11, 1918, was the end of World War I, so the United States isn't the only nation that commemorates that date. Canada, Australia, France, and Belgium call it Remembrance Day. The United Kingdom observes Remembrance Sunday on the second Sunday of November. In the United Kingdom and other Commonwealth countries, it's customary to observe two minutes of silence to honor people who died in war. Interestingly, this two-minute silence tradition actually originated in South Africa—before the end of World War I!

Just like pretty much any other holiday, stores and businesses seize the opportunity to offer sales and promos around Veterans Day. Some of them are specifically for veterans (as they should be!). Take the opportunity to take a beloved veteran in your life out for a good meal. Places like Applebee's, Olive Garden, IHOP, and many more have promotions for veterans that you won't want to miss.

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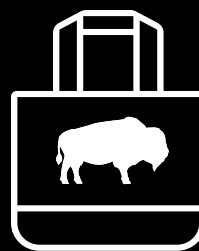
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Northwest Buffalo Beat

by Joe Bartz

The Queen's Gambit

There was a mini-series on Netflix television last week that I found interesting. Seven episodes about a woman chess player. Will not mention the ending but it was a good presentation. Being a former chess player on a somewhat serious level, I probably understood more of it than most watchers. Not that I was a master or even a better than average player but I did play competitive games with some very good players.

I once played a master who was playing thirty competitors at once. He won all but one draw and I was happy to be still in until the last few players. My interest led me to join the Buffalo Chess Club. It was all male players. Never even seen a female player, but this was a while ago. Not only did you play your games with people who were rated the same as you, but it was interesting to watch the better play-

ers play each other. There were tournaments but usually you knew who was going to win. It was just nice to move up the ladder and play someone who was so skilled, even though you knew you would lose.

Chess became of national interest as an American; Bobby Fischer was playing the Russian, Boris Spasky for the world championship. It was like an Olympic game, only of the mind and not physical. The Russians were the best in the world at chess. Just like the hockey team. Needless to say it was like the United States against the Russians. Fischer won, and America had a new hero. Chess was big at the time due to the tremendous interest this world wide tournament brought.

I bring my involvement in chess to acknowledge the fact I was more than just a person who had heard of the game. It is tough and competitive, and

a real test of one's mind. What I was watching was a television program about the life of a young girl who learned to play chess in an orphanage and rose to a much higher level than advanced players, even masters. I wondered why I had never heard of her. Simply put, after looking her up on the internet, it was the figment of one man's imagination. Not a true story as I believed in the beginning. The mini-series was based on a novel written by a fellow who had an intelligent daughter. Okay, but not one who would be that good at chess.

Not to say that women can't play chess and they can I am sure. You will not find them beating male masters. Yes, you may have one somewhere that can and did but that is not the norm. Chess is a man's game. You have to be able to figure out not only the next move but sometimes a half dozen moves in advance. It is like math, but not just regular math but analytical math. There are so many variations as far as openings and defenses. It can be quite boring as usually it is totally silent when playing. Unless you have some understanding of the moves, watching it can also be boring.



When it comes to board games, chess has one of the longest histories. Today, the two-player game is still played by millions, from beginners to advanced competitors, around the world.

"The Queen's Gambit" was entertaining and I did enjoy watching it. By the way, Gambit in chess means to sacrifice. The queen, like most women, is the most important piece on the board; you do not want to lose it. In order to sacrifice the queen, you have to really know what you are doing. This presentation did mention some of the different openings and defenses, but most of the people watching would not

know what they are so they did not delve into them. It was well done and I would recommend it as you can watch the whole thing in a couple of nights now.

Like I said, I do not want to give away the ending but come on man, give me a break. That really took it over the edge. Not to make it sound like women are not able to accomplish such a feat but I would put my money on the male in this case.

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THE OBJECT OF THE ACTION is to foreclose a mortgage recorded in the Erie County Clerk's Office on November 25, 2005 in Book: 13259, Page 9814, covering premises k/a 3 Robin Hill Drive, Amherst, NY 14221 a/k/a Section 55.08, Block 9, Lot 1.

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TO THE DEFENDANTS, except THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL E. BLUM: The Plaintiff makes no personal claim against you in this action.

TO THE DEFENDANTS: THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL E. BLUM: If you have obtained an order of discharge from the Bankruptcy court, which includes this debt, and you have not reaffirmed your liability for this debt, this law firm is not alleging that you have any personal liability for this debt and does not seek a money judgment against you. Even if a discharge has been obtained, this lawsuit to foreclose the mortgage will continue and we will seek a judgment authorizing the sale of the mortgaged premises.

Dated: 10/9/2020

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Complete Wash Holdings LLC, Art. of Org filed with the SSNY on 09/14/2020. Office: Erie County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 144 Hartwell Road, Buffalo, NY 14216. Purpose: any lawful purpose. 49

Notice is hereby given that an order entered by the Supreme Court, Erie County, on the 29th day of October, 2020, bearing Index Number 812734/2020, a copy of which may be examined at the office of the clerk, located at 92 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York, grants me the right to assume the name of Michelle Rolon. The city and state of my address are Buffalo, NY; the month and year of my birth are August, 1968; the place of my birth is Aguadilla, Puerto Rico; my present name is Michele Rolon. 45

Notice is hereby given that an order entered by the Supreme Court, Erie County, on the 23rd day of September, 2020, bearing Index Number 2020/600204, a copy of which may be examined at the office of the clerk, located at 92 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York, grants me the right to assume the name of Vincent Isaac Castro. The city and state of my address are Buffalo, NY; the month and year of my birth are December, 2005; the place of my birth is Buffalo, NY; my present name is Vincent Arnaldo Ferreiras. 45

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Puzzle on page three.

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2) pumpkin

3) ghost

4) skeleton

5) Halloween

6) treats

7) tricks

8) goblins

9) costume

10) mask

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