

# Memorial Day



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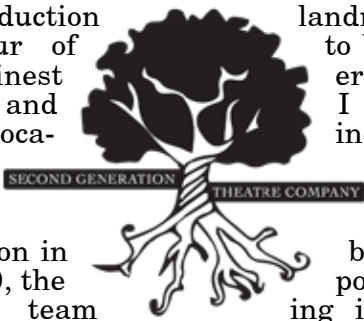
A Memorial Day Ceremony will be held in Forest Lawn on Monday morning beginning at 8:00 am to salute the brave men and women of the United States armed forces, particularly those who gave their lives

in service to preserve our freedom and all that we hold dear, hosted by The Erie County American Legion for its annual Memorial Day ceremony. At 8:00 a.m., flags will be placed on the graves of veterans buried in the

Field of Valor® and in the American Legion section of Forest Lawn, and at 9:00 a.m., the ceremony will begin in front of the American Legion Memorial Monument in the Veterans section, near the Main Street Gates.

# Buffalo's SGT Presents Songs For A New World

Second Generation Theatre (SGT) presents the company's first full digital production, the Jason Robert Brown musical SONGS FOR A NEW WORLD on demand this June. This unique production highlights four of Buffalo's finest performers and over twelve locations.



Originally slated for stage production in the fall of 2020, the SGT creative team considered several different incarnations of this production as the Covid-19 Pandemic progressed.

"The draw of this piece is not only how incredibly impactful the music has always been but how painfully relevant the stories

are to our world right now," says Director Amy Jakiel. "The songs speak for themselves, but hearing them from these brilliant vocalists and pairing them with beautiful Buffalo landmarks is going to be a very powerful experience. I have reimagined the show a number of times, but always come back to the importance of sharing it and I hope people will enjoy it."

The show will be filmed by one of Buffalo's most awarded lighting, set, and sound designers, Chris Cavanagh. The Covid-19 pandemic forced Cavanagh into expanding his knowledge of film through

the Musicalfare Premier Cabaret space. This production marks his first full on-location production. SONGS... will be filmed all over Buffalo at locations including: The Shea's Smith Theatre, Stitch Buffalo, 500 Pearl, Explore and More, The Botanical Gardens, Matinee, Central Terminal, ECMC, and more.

"Chris Cavanagh has designed so many of SGT's most memorable and visually stunning shows, including The Toxic Avenger (for which he received two Artie nominations)," says Artistic Director Kelly Copps. "He has an amazing eye for supporting great storytellers. Setting him free to create what he wants to is always incred-

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## BCBS Of WNY Announce Season Six Summer City Fitness

Mayor Byron W. Brown today joined Dr. Michael Edbauer, President, Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield of Western New York to announce Season Six of Summer City Fitness. The series of free dance fitness classes aims to engage city residents in healthy, fun activity will start on Saturday, June 5.



ate a healthier and more vibrant city,” said Mayor Brown. “Thank You to Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield of Western New York and Lancia Woods, of La’ Movement, for once again teaming up with us as we work together to help residents maintain healthy lifestyles.”

The free fitness series features a mix of low- and high-impact dance fitness classes presented by Lancia "Lala" Woods. The sessions will take place on Saturdays at MLK, from June 5 – August 7. The one-hour classes, which start at 10 a.m. each Saturday, will take place near the Martin Lu-

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# Memories

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## The Buffalo Italian Heritage Festival, 1994.

## Local Weather

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SPORTS

By Bill Snyder

## Little League Sports



**Jeremiah Cash, a 10 year old who recently hit a HR over this fence, playing against 12 year old boys last week.**

Jeremiah Cash, a ten year old player for the Triple A Mariners in the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League was called up to play in the Major Boys Division last Wednesday night and he made the most of it by blasting a homerun over the fence in deep left field of the Highmark Diamond #1 in Shoshone Park to help the Cubs defeat the Mets, 17-8.

"I was happy I could help the Cubs win," he softly said this past Monday night while playing for a North Buffalo Travel team against the Niagara Thunderbolts. "I've played on this diamond before so I'm not scared. The coach just put me in cause he needed another player. The ball just carried out of here."

The soft-spoken Cash let his bat do the talking that night and kept the Major Division Cubs undefeated so far on this young season

at 3-0. His Triple A Mariner team is doing well too, with a 3-1 record, tied with the Tigers for second place. This homerun was the earliest a player had ever hit over the fence in a Hertel North Park Youth season. A ten year old, playing on a bigger diamond was just as impressive. The ball traveled over 200 feet in the air.

The League has gotten off to a great start this season. Thoughts of the Pandemic are quickly leaving the Park just as fast as a baseball. A string of good weather has helped games being played as scheduled. Teams try to put two wins together or maybe even try to win their first. Travel players are well scattered in all house divisions. Let's get you out to Shoshone Park.

In other Major games, Michael Hogan hit two doubles and teammate Cole McCleary had three hits

and two RBI's to lead the Nationals over the Braves, 13-3 in the night-cap of a double-header last Thursday. The Dodgers picked up their first win of the season with a 13-12 victory over the Cardinals. Four players, Tom Bonaro, Ben Kuwik, Jack Porterfield and Frank Rivera all helped lead the Reds over the Giants, 12-10.

Isabella "Izzy" Kilonsky has been the main reason why the Rockies have turned their season around after two losses. The starting pitcher, playing in the shadow of three older sisters, has helped the Major Girls team to a 3-2 record so far this season. The Astros lead the division over the Cardinals and Dodgers but look out for the Rockies after three straight wins. Julia French, Janiyah Harris-Officer and Mackenzie Gunnarson have helped out.

In Double A, Broderick Large, Joe LoTempio, Sandy Taber-Thomas and Bennett Armstrong led the Dodgers to a 2-1 victory over the Pirates last Saturday and Jack Kromer had two hits and struck out three Brewers to lead the Cardinals to their third win of the season.

In Minor Girls, Nola Shatzel blasted a triple for the Yankees but teammate Analiese Laberto was the star on defense at third base, coming up with three unassisted plays on the hot corner to lead the New York team to an 8-5 victory over the Athletics. The Orioles defeated the Indians, 4-3 and the Giants won again, big over the Reds.

Nora Jordan had the winning hit to lead the Shamrocks to a 2-0 win over the Angels in Rookie Pony. The Rebels defeated the Devils, 3-1 Saturday.

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## The Blotter Felonies

From "D" District

### North Buffalo

May 24, 2021

Woodward Avenue – Victim states unknown suspect(s) did cause damage to his vehicle by possible means of throwing a large rock on vehicle causing a dent on the hood and cracked windshield (damage over \$250.00.) Video footage will hold for detectives.

May 24, 2021

Taunton Avenue – Victim states that he arrived at his residence while driving his vehicle and parked in front of his home without locking his doors. While the victim was inside his residence an unknown suspect(s) did enter his vehicle and did steal his Dell XP laptop worth approximately \$4,700.00, his book bag with invaluable contents inside (book bag worth approximately \$300.00) and his wallet. The suspect(s) fled in an unknown direction of travel. No surveillance cameras located.

May 23, 2021

Delaware Avenue – Victim was delivering food on Delaware Avenue and did leave his keys in the ignition vehicle running. When victim exited location, he did see unknown person driving his vehicle northbound on Delaware. Vehicle did have Just Pizza topper on the roof. Victim will press charges and was issued a summons for unattended motor vehicle.

### Riverside

May 24, 2021

Elmwood Avenue – Complainant/owner of C&K Auto Sales reports that unknown person(s) entered sales lot without permission and damaged twenty-five vehicles by spraying black paint on them. Complainant damage estimated at \$20,000.00. No surveillance cameras in immediate area.

May 24, 2021

Tonawanda @ Hoteling Streets – Victim states while at Tonawanda and Hoteling he had an older man (mid age) wearing a gray hat and gray jacket in his vehicle. He stated he does not know his name right now but can find out. The suspect tried to rob victim and they started to fight. Fight continued outside of vehicle in the parking lot on Hoteling Drive. Suspect did punch victim in the face multiple times causing pain, swelling and bleeding. Suspect did take victim's \$400.00 cash and jump

into vehicle and drive away. Suspect did pull south onto Tonawanda and did strike the curb causing tie rod to break. Suspect did then run into backyard on Tonawanda Street. Officers investigated area and did locate in the back stairway 1 bloody hoodie, 1 bloody towel and a bottle of brandy. All items P-10'd into evidence. Vehicle impounded to Dart Street. Victim was intoxicated and not giving a lot of information to police about suspect. But stated he will find out who he is and wants to press charges. M104-A completed.

### West Side

May 24, 2021

Pooley Street – Victim reports that she did leave apartment on May 22 and did return on May 23. During the time victim was gone unknown suspect did break front window to duplex front door, then kick in victim's apartment door (value \$200.00.) Victim reports suspect did steal items, I-Phone 12 (value \$1,000.00,) IMac laptop (value \$2,000.00,) two flat screen TV (value \$1,000.00 total,) Louis Vuitton Purse (value \$1,500.00,) Jewelry (value \$300.00,) PS5 (value \$1,000.00,) sneakers (value \$500.00.) Victim waited over 30 hours to call 911. No cameras in area.

May 24, 2021

Herkimer Avenue – Victim reports person(s) unknown had entered her friends vehicle and took without permission two credit cards and her Social Security card. Vehicle was left unlocked overnight.

May 24, 2021

Potomac Avenue – Victim states defendant did enter her home yelling screaming and threatening other members of the home. Defendant did tell his sister that he would have her killed. That did cause alarm to the complainant. Order of protection domestic incident report completed. Defendant placed under arrest on charges.

May 24, 2021

Dart Street – Complainant for City of Buffalo states two suspects did enter fenced in impound yard and did remain on premises without permission.

May 23, 2021

Potomac Avenue – Victim states suspect came home from jail this morning and started threatening victim that he was going to have

her killed if she didn't give him money for alcohol in violation of non-offensive order of protection. Suspect is diagnosed with schizophrenia and refused medication. Behavioral Health team notified via email. Domestic incident report completed.

May 23, 2021

Richmond Avenue – Officers did receive a call for a vehicle accident roll over. Once on scene officers observed arrestee vehicle airbags deployed and vehicle upside down. Arrestee did have a staggered gait and bloodshot eyes with slurred speech when talking to officers. Arrestee admitted to having seven Heineken. Officers administered standard field sobriety test and arrestee did fail walk and turn test, on leg stand test and Romberg alphabet test. Breathalyzer test was administered, and arrestee blew a .06%. P-163 arrest form, MV104-A, P-63 tow sheet and uniform traffic ticket completed.

May 22, 2021

Potomac Avenue – Victim stated that the defendant did kick the exterior door (\$300.00) and interior door (\$200.00) breaking both. He did the use a chair and break six windows (\$200 each) in the house. Defendant has also been continuously threatening to kill everyone in the house.



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- 13 Gumbo need
- 14 Mode lead-in
- 15 Instrument panel
- 17 Homer's neighbor
- 18 Thread holders
- 19 "Tiny Alice" playwright
- 21 "Heavens!"
- 22 Spud
- 24 Green gem
- 27 Church seat
- 28 Ken or Barbie
- 31 Glamorous Gardner
- 32 Shoe width
- 33 Teeny
- 34 Baseball glove
- 36 British "Inc."
- 37 — B'rith
- 38 Soil
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- 43 Vile
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- 48 Music group at a New Year's Eve party

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- 10 Out of the storm
- 11 Ordered
- 16 Journalist Nellie
- 20 Started
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- 23 Dumbstruck
- 24 Bread spread
- 25 Bird (Pref.)
- 26 Appointment tracker
- 27 Hide
- 29 Meadow
- 30 Tiki bar necklace
- 35 Eastern path
- 37 Sweeney Todd, for one
- 39 Actress Winona
- 40 Female hare
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- 43 Gulf War missile
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- 50 Indian bread

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**Dear Wondering:** Your wife waiting until she is 70 to claim her own SS retirement benefit may be a smart move, but only if her age 70 benefit will be more than the benefit she is already entitled to as your spouse. Her benefit as your spouse is 50% of the benefit you were entitled to at your full retirement age (66). She would get that 50% because she has already reached her own full retirement age (FRA), but your wife's spousal benefit doesn't grow beyond what she's entitled to at her FRA. Her own SS retirement benefit, however, grows by .667% per month until she is 70, at which point it reaches maximum (32% more than her FRA benefit amount). So, the question is, which will be higher – her spouse benefit, or her age 70 benefit? If the answer is her spousal benefit, then she should claim that now. But if the answer is her age 70 benefit, waiting until she is 70 makes more sense. There is, however, another option which would work even better if your wife's own benefit at age 70 will be her highest. Since you are already collecting, and because your wife was born in 1953, she is eligible to file a "restricted application for spousal benefits only." Doing so would allow her to collect her 50% spouse benefit from you now, while still allowing her own SS retirement benefit to grow to maximum at age 70. That would give your wife half of your FRA benefit amount each month, while she simultaneously maximizes her own SS retirement benefit. Then at age 70 when her personal benefit reaches maximum, she can switch to her own higher benefit. I suggest that your wife get a Statement of Estimated

Benefits from Social Security to determine if her age 70 benefit will be higher than her spouse benefit. If so, she can file the "restricted application for spouse benefits only" and then simply wait until she is 70 to switch from her spouse benefit to her own higher benefit (32% more than her FRA amount).

Note that this "restricted application for spouse benefits only" option is no longer available to anyone born after January 1, 1954 but is still available to your wife because she was born before that. Unless her spousal benefit will be her highest, I suggest that your wife file the "restricted application for spouse benefits only" which will give her 50% of your FRA

benefit amount (including COLA awarded since then). She should also ask for 6 months retroactive spouse benefits since she was eligible to do this at her FRA.

The easiest way for your wife to get her Statement of Estimated Benefits is by using her personal "My Social Security" online account. If she doesn't yet have an online account with Social Security, it is easy to create one at [www.ssa.gov/myaccount](http://www.ssa.gov/myaccount). She will need that account anyway to apply for her benefits online, which is by far the most efficient way to apply.

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2. It was between what two intersections?
3. In what month was it held?
4. How many days?
5. What day did it start and what day did it end?
6. Most popular meat sold?
7. Most popular food?
8. Where did the first festival originate?
9. Where was it held on the West Side?
10. Italian name for macaroni and bean soup.
11. How do you say goodbye or hi in Italian?
12. Good morning in Italian?
13. Good night?
14. Eat?
15. See you again?

Last Week's Answers: 1. Dollar Store, Sunoco Station, State Farm, Joe's Deli, 2. Burger King, M&T, Cricket, Italian Heritage Center, 3. Walgreen's, M&T, Salina Paris Salon, Trautman Condominiums





## Northwest Buffalo Beat

by Joe Bortz

### Italian Festival



#### Italian Festival Committee, 1993.

I hear the Italian festival is canceled again this year. Not sure if they acted too quickly in doing that as it seems the vaccine has changed the way things are happening. Surprised to see the large crowd at the PGA golf tournament that Phil Nickerson won. The eighteenth hole looked just like the old days. Not that old, just over a year but it seems a lot longer. Looks like things are slowly returning to normal. Still think, even though it is not what it used to be, it was too soon to pull the plug on the annual event.

I would venture to say that I attended almost every neighborhood Italian Festival that was held. Starting with the lawn fete at St Anthony's downtown. That was way back when I was a kid. It became bigger and moved to Connecticut street on the West Side. At that

time, I was fifteen, so the festival was within walking distance of our house. As a young lad I attended Holy Angels church and that was a big part of the religious end of the Connecticut festival. I kind of remember a group of men carrying a statue of St Anthony with dollar bills stuck all over it. The donations went to that church. They still did that on Hertel.

Due to some problems that arose toward the close of the four-day event, some of the larger vendors wanted to look for a new venue in a more stable neighborhood. North Buffalo and Hertel Avenue seemed to fit the bill. A group formed to work out the logistics and see what was involved in the move. Well, the rest is history. The food and rides vendors convinced all involved that it should move the location from the West

Side to North Buffalo. Concessions had to be made to appease the merchants who were not pleased with the decision. Mostly the west side people who enjoyed the exposure in their neighborhood.

The Festival was not really welcomed with open arms by all the merchants on Hertel and the residents. Since the street was closed from Delaware to Colvin, the businesses in that area had to withstand a four-day drought in availability. That is except the restaurants and those who could benefit from the large crowds it would bring. To say large crowds would be an understatement. The Festival on Hertel was a huge success as far as turnout. Many of the merchants did well for those four days. Not so much the residents. The numbers attending were far more than had originally been anticipated, right from the beginning. Lots of problems arose as far as parking, toilet facilities and clean up. It being so new to the area, no one really knew what to expect. The only way to continue was to add people to the organization committee to address the many problems that needed to be solved.

Each year this group met after the festival to see what needed to be addressed and try to fix it. Those who have lived through it, have seen the many changes implemented over the years. Still no matter what was done, the complaints continued not only from the businesses but the residents who were inconvenienced. Seems some people loved it and were willing to put

up with the chaos but others were not. It was understandable that it was not accepted by all. The festival had become too big for a residential neighborhood and had to go. And go it did.

Despite all the actions taken to make it acceptable to the neighborhood, it was decided to move the festival from its annual location on Hertel to the waterfront and Niagara Square. Some were delighted with this transformation from a local residential area to a more commercial atmosphere. It was even stated that it returned to its roots, downtown. That it did but still it had to sadden an awful lot of people. It was just not the same.

Who knows if it will return next year? As things stand now it could have been held this year with precautions. There is nothing like the Italian Festival to celebrate your Italian heritage. The one held here on Hertel was the second largest in

the United States. The one that was larger was in New York City and we would expect that.

Like I said I saw all that took place in the neighborhoods West Side and North Buffalo. I did not attend any after the move. Sorry to say to those in opposition, I used to enjoy walking down Hertel during those four days. It was like old home week. Seen people I had not seen in years and just people you know. It was fun, I did not have to suffer as some did but I loved it. It was nice and we walked away from those days with some fond memories. At least I did.

Do you have a birthday greeting you would like to see here? Birthdays, anniversaries, interesting pictures, short stories or even a 500 word column of interest to your neighbors. Send them to me and I will see what I can do. Nothing political or controversial. Send to Jbortze@aol.com

### BCBS Of WNY Announce Season 6 Summer City Fitness



#### Summer City Fitness at MLK Jr. Park.

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Allison DeHoney, of Urban Fruits & Veggies, will also be at the park each Saturday offering free fruit to participants.

"Our community is fortunate to have beautiful spaces, like Martin Luther King Jr., Park, where families can be active all four seasons," said Julie R. Snyder, Vice President, Corporate Affairs, Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield of Western New York. "As the official health plan of the City of Buffalo, Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield is excited to kick off our sixth season of Summer

City Fitness in partnership with Mayor Brown, and we look forward to welcoming our community back to this amazing Olmsted Park to get healthy with La'Movement Fitness this summer." The classes are open to individuals of all ages, regardless of fitness level and experience. Pre-registration is required for all classes.

All classes are weather dependent. More information and a full calendar of classes can be found at Bcbwny.com/scf. Participants are encouraged to share their experiences on social media through #SummerCityFitness.

### Buffalo's SGT Presents Songs For A New World

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SONGS FOR A NEW WORLD is directed by Amy Jakiel with music direction by Stephen Pitrowski and videography by Chris Cavanagh. The production stars Michele Marie Roberts, Brian

Brown, Cecilia Snow and Steve Copps.

SONGS FOR A NEW WORLD will be streaming on demand from June 10-June 27th, 2021. General Admission is \$25/household. For Box Office information call (716)508-7480 or visit us online at [www.secondgenerationtheatre.com/tickets](http://www.secondgenerationtheatre.com/tickets).




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**Charter School of Inquiry Board of Trustees Regular Monthly Business Meeting** will be held via Zoom videoconferencing on Tuesday, June 1, 2021 starting at 4:45 pm. Meeting will be available to the public via Zoom. To join the CSI Board Meeting, go to: <https://zoom.us/j/85907756585> enter passcode 168383 if prompted.



**Dog Ears** is hosting a book launch event with Lissa Marie Redmond celebrating the release of her latest book, *The Parting Glass*, which will take place from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 6, at Dog Ears Bookstore & Café, 688 Abbott Road, Buffalo. This is book five in

Redmond's Cold Case Investigation Series. Copies will be available for purchase and the author will be happy to sign any of her books on June 6. Free refreshments will be provided. For more information on Dog Ears Bookstore, please visit [dogearsbookstore.org](http://dogearsbookstore.org), call 823-2665 or follow on Facebook for frequent updates.



**Housing Opportunities Made Equal (HOME)** hosts their first-ever hybrid event, partnering with Painting with Regent Dr. Catherine Collins a Twist in Cheektowaga, NY to hold a "Painting with a Purpose" fundraising event on Monday, June 21st from 6:30 – 8:30 PM. The registration fee is \$40 per person.

**Submit Your Community Event to**



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## Fitness In The Parks Returns For Its Tenth Season



**YMCA Buffalo Niagara certified instructor leading a class with participants at Larkin Square in Buffalo.**

Free yoga, Pilates, Zumba®, kickboxing and other fitness classes presented by Independent Health and the YMCA return to 18 outdoor locations throughout Western New York and online as Fitness in the Parks starts its 10th summer season on June 1.

In all, more than 500 classes will be offered during this season's Fitness in the Parks program, the largest and longest running outdoor fitness program in the region.

Numerous classes will be offered every week at multiple locations

throughout Western New York, including longtime favorites Wilkeson Pointe at Outer Harbor Buffalo, Delaware Park in the City of Buffalo and Chestnut Ridge Park in Orchard Park! No registration is required; just show up at the outdoor class or join online.

"All ages and skill levels are encouraged to safely join us in person or at home to get fit, have fun and enjoy the warmer weather," said Michelle Carbery, senior corporate wellness specialist at Independent Health. "This community-based program is designed to en-

courage physical activity and healthy lifestyles by offering free fitness classes in unique spaces – providing easy access and opportunities for you to start or continue your health and wellness journey."

All classes are free and led by YMCA certified instructors. Online classes are accessible through Facebook Live on YMCA Buffalo Niagara's Facebook page to enjoy from the comfort of your own home.

Independent Health and YMCA Buffalo Niagara first partnered 10 years ago to bring Fitness in the Parks to WNY, expanding into Jamestown in 2014. It originally started at six parks with only 10 classes. Since then, the free outdoor program has helped participants throughout WNY burn 8.2 million calories, the equivalent of 63,692 chicken wings or 33,120 slices of cheese pizza!

For the safety of participants, all outdoor Fitness in the Parks classes will follow New York state protocols to ensure a safe and welcoming environment for all. To learn more about Fitness in the Parks, including the full schedule, class descriptions, special event days, FAQs and what Independent Health and the YMCA are doing to ensure your safety, go online at [www.independenthealth.com/fitpark](http://www.independenthealth.com/fitpark).

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Yours Truly Premium Hair, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/15/21. Office in 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, 398 14th St, Lower Buffalo, NY 14213. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Premium virgin and mink hair. #1B and #613. Collected directly from young and healthy donors. Lasts a long time and it's thick from top to bottom. We have various styles of texture in bundles, wigs and closures. Custom made wigs available. Shop quality hair local.22

NOTICE of FORMATION of a DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY-PANY Signature Solutions Of WNY, LLC. Date of filing of Articles of Organization with the NY Dept of State: March 18, 2021. Office of the LLC: Erie 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: 712 Eggert Rd. Buffalo, NY 14215. Purpose of LLC: (Any lawful purpose) 24

MINTEDFORYOU LLC. Art. Of Org Filed with the SSNY on 02/09/2021. Office of Erie County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Soneitha Ferdinand. 2021 East 41st Street. Apt 6A, Brooklyn NY. 11234. 24

Notice is hereby given that a license, number 3167122 (temp. 3167124), has been applied for by the undersigned to sell beer, cider, wine, and liquor at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at 1010 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, NY 14222, Erie County, for on premises consumption. Mac & Emmett LLC d/b/a Jack Rabbit. 21

Notice is hereby given that a license, number 3167066, (temp. 3167067), has been applied for by the undersigned to sell beer, cider, wine, and liquor at retail in a restaurant under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law for use at 346 Connecticut Street Buffalo, New York 14213, Erie County, for on premises consumption. Mister Sizzle's, LLC 21

Archer Trading Group LLC filed with SSNY on 5/4/21. Office: Erie County. SSNY designated as agent for process and shall mail copy to: Durant, K. 2947 Bailey Ave, Buffalo, NY 14215. Purpose. Any lawful purpose. 24

Notice of Formation of 1763 Baseline LLC. Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/13/2021. Office in Erie County. SSNY is the designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 471 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, NY 14202. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. 26

Notice of Formation of 257 Franklin LLC. Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/18/2021. Office in Erie County. SSNY is the designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 471 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, NY 14202. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.26

Notice of Formation of Globe Niagara, LLC. Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/9/2021. Office in Erie County. SSNY is the designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 471 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, NY 14202. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.26  
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Sealed proposals for the following project will be received at the offices of DiDonato Associates, 689 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14203, on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 11:00am., proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the office of DiDonato Assoc. and via Zoom Conference for:

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A mandatory pre-bid walk through conference will be held on Tuesday June 15, 2021, 11:00 AM at BPS #192 Buffalo Academy for Visual and Performing Arts, 430 Masten Ave., Buffalo, NY 14208.

Please assemble at the main building entry for sign in. The Architect will be present. Eligible bidders are required to attend this walk through or another previously arranged and documented site visit with Architect and/or District personnel.

Please note that required bid bond is 10%. The work will be subject to the equal employment opportunity requirements. Any questions regarding this project, please request in writing via email, addressed to: Elizabeth Meegan, email address: Lmeegan@didonato.cc, No later than Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 12:00 Noon.

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): 570 Delaware XI, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on March 17, 2021. Office location is Erie County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to Shaun Jackson, Esq., 570 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14202. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. 26

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Greydoug, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary

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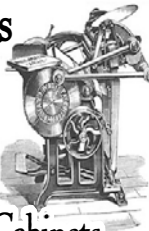
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