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St. Patrick's Day Parade



Buffalo's United Irish-American Association presents the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, set to return on March 20th this year.

The United Irish-American Association (UIAA) is delighted to announce the return of the St. Patrick's Day Parade, Sunday, March 20th on Delaware Avenue in the City of Buffalo. The parade will begin at 2:00 pm and go on down Delaware as in previous years.

The UIAA along with the City of Buffalo are opti-

mistic that the Parade will go on as scheduled. Our concerns for the health and safety of both the participants and the viewing public are paramount. We encourage all participants and attendees to follow the COVID protocols recommended by the CDC, New York State, Erie County and the City of Buffalo.

UIAA

Mission:

To conduct a great family friendly, religious, patriotic, and civic event in Buffalo that honors Saint Patrick and displays the Irish contributions to our community and country.

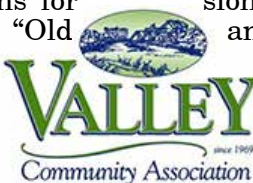
Parade Theme:

"Hail to St. Patrick! God Bless America & Support Our Troops."

Honor Our Frontline Workers".

"Old Neighborhood" Parade Grand Marshal To Be Announced

The Valley Community Association will formally announce their selections for the Grand Marshal and Parade Dedications for the 27th Annual "Old Neighborhood" St. Patrick's Day Parade at their Fundraiser Party on Saturday, March 12th, 2022. The party will be held at the Valley Community Center located at 93 Leddy Street, Buffalo, near the junction of South



Park Avenue and Elk Street from 7 pm- 11 pm. The cost is just \$30 per person and includes admission, draft beer, wine, and pop. Canned beer will also be available for sale.

Entertainment at the Fundraiser Party will be provided by Hit N' Run. "Hit N' Run" is a group of six musicians from Western New York who are known as Buffalo's premier par-

ty band. The group was inducted into the Buffalo Music Hall of Fame in 2009 and is Channel 4's reigning winner over the last few years for "Best of Cover Rock Band." They are led by lead vocalist Mark Valentin and play something for everyone, including dance, sing-along classic rock, some oldies, newer alternative, and a touch of county, disco and blues. Other band members consist of bass

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The BPAL Begin Lifeguard Certification Training

Mayor Byron W. Brown and the Buffalo Police Athletic League announced the next round of Lifeguard Certification Training will start on Saturday, March 19, at Cazenovia Park Pool.

"Summer might seem a long way off, but planning for the City's warm-weather parks and recreation activities is well underway. We need to get ahead of the continuing lifeguard shortage, that's

impacting the City of Buffalo and municipalities across the U.S.," Mayor Byron W. Brown said.

The training will take place on three consecutive weekends, with classes on March 19 and Sunday, March 20, Saturday, March 26 and Sunday, March 27, with a final session on Saturday, April 2, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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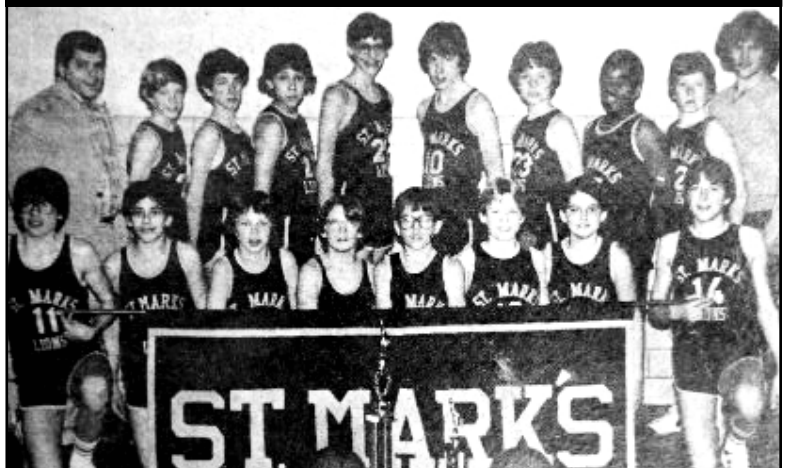
Spring Forward!

Daylight Savings time begins March 13th



Memories

From the Buffalo Rocket archives



March, 1982. St. Mark's Boys Basketball Team. Pictured Left to Right - First Row: Kevin Fanning, Peter Bertola, Tom Gilbert, Charles Siminski, Mark Mendola, Pat O'Rourke, Tim Lyons, Joe Crangle. Second Row: Coach Brion Neary, Paul Beecher, Keith Stafford, Joel Campagna, Hawk Nowak, Peter Littlefield, Steve McGoldnick, Darren Diggs, Peter Galvin, and Assistant Coach, Jim Rath.

Local Weather

THURSDAY, MARCH 10TH

Mostly Cloudy
High 39°
Low 26°

FRIDAY, MARCH 11TH

Snow
High 42°
Low 26°

SATURDAY, MARCH 12TH

Snow
High 30°
Low 17°

SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH

Cloudy
High 35°
Low 33°

MONDAY, MARCH 14TH

Cloudy
High 44°
Low 38°

TUESDAY, MARCH 15TH

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SPORTS

By Bill Snyder

A Banner Of A Season



The North Buffalo Blaze (8u) Travel team last season were on hand this past Sunday night at Cole's Restaurant on Elmwood Avenue to witness a huge banner being lifted to the ceiling of this infamous bar in celebration of their season last year. All the players names are listed as proof of North Buffalo success growing City wide in the Summer months. The players gather underneath the sign with their manager Jim Daley. *Photo credit to Mike Shatzel.*

Coach Jim Daley's status in the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League has grown. Ever since his daughter and son both played in the North Buffalo League, Daley has latched on to this Baseball and Softball empire in Shoshone Park long after both have left the program.

A few years ago, Daley was asked to become the League's Travel Director for Boys for ages eight to eighteen. Battling a Pandemic virus that cancelled a season, he managed to put in place the types of boys who would represent North Buffalo well on the diamonds of Shoshone and other Parks against Leagues like Lou Gehrig in Amherst.

Last season, the youngest Travel team at eight and under in this 65 year old League, made up of North Buffalo boys, won a Babe Ruth State Championship for the first time, ever since the League came into existence back in 1957. An impressive accomplishment for boys always hungry to play the game with love

from their hearts. The team finished the season with an overall 26-15 record and gave the Park a great beginning for future game victories.

Players on the team included all boys who had signed up to play last season, the first year back from the 2020 cancellation. Among the thousand that had registered last year, the most in the League's history, 17 were chosen by Daley and two other coaches, to represent North Buffalo in 8u competition. They were: Bennett Armstrong, Brady Roberts, Brayden Westfield, Brody Huard, Christian Cipolla, Cole Shatzel, Colin Poppenberg,

Connor Gunnarson, Connor Smith, Dominic Sabia, George Rhoney, Hunter Gallagher, Jack Kleeh, Leo Scott, Lucas Adamczek-Turkovich, Maddox Beale and Patrick Lea-Kelly.

An amazing roster made up of players from the Double AA Division of House Baseball teams like the Brewers, Cardinals, Dodgers, Marlins

and Pirates. Three players, Hunter Gallagher, Leo Scott and Connor Smith played in the lower Rookie Boys Division last season but met the challenge for the Travel team.

This past Sunday, after attending the Buffalo Sabres hockey game against the Los Angeles Kings, the team gathered at Coles Restaurant on Elmwood Avenue for dinner and a special presentation. Some hadn't seen each other since last season but the memories were fresh from the Summer where they hoisted a Championship trophy for North Buffalo.

But Sunday, a special green and gold banner was hoisted to the ceiling of the infamous West Side Restaurant for all to see the accomplishments of these young boys last season. All the players names were printed on the huge sign that will now hang along with the many others that adorn this family Sports bar, long in the tradition of recognizing and honoring youth sports.

"It's our pleasure to do this for this team of great boys who gave their all last season," said Michael Shatzel, an assistant coach for the team and owner of Coles Restaurant. "We've done this for others in many sports in Muny, Randy Smith, Police Athletic League or Catholic Schools in the past. There's no reason North Buffalo couldn't be included."

Manager Jim Daley is most proud of this team and a major reason why Hertel North Park has grown in these recent years. With 65 house teams last Summer and Travel programs for both boys and girls softball teams at almost all age levels, the League is looking forward to this new season.

Currently there are over 600 boys and girls registered to play thus far. That's a great start for a season due to begin on Saturday, May 7. The League is working on finding umpires for house and travel games, politely asking area businesses to sponsor a boys or girls team and refining its league rules for all games played at Shoshone. After Friday March 12, there are only 57 days left until Opening Day. There's no lock-outs in Little League Baseball.



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The Blotter

Felonies

From "D" District

North Buffalo
March 6, 2022
Delaware Avenue - Defendant did display a black handgun and demanded money from the victim from the cash register. The defendant did obtain \$150 in the cash register and ran out of the door eastbound on Forest Ave. The video footage was viewed by detectives and is in the case file. Deposition taken.

March 6, 2022
Crestwood Avenue - Defendant took a metal pole and hit it on the side of the door of the victim's house. Defendant then threatened to kill the victim with the metal pole and then left. Defendant then returned intoxicated, yelling and screaming at the victim. Defendant did become combative and resisted officers. Total damages \$1000. Defendant did refuse to listen to verbal commands when officers requested him to turn around and place hands behind his back. defendant then got close to officer's face. Defendant then pulled away and was brought to ground where defendant still refused demands of officers to give officers their hands. Defendant cleared and looked at by officer on scene. Defendant placed into a police vehicle.

March 4, 2022
Delaware Avenue - Defendant did pass all points of purchase without payment and was apprehended by Of-

ficer at Delaware and Knox. Total value of all items taken \$156.87. Warrant issued at scene. All property returned to the store.

Riverside
March 5, 2022
Tonawanda Street - Defendant did punch victim in the face causing pain. The defendant also grabbed the victim by the neck causing scratches to the victim's neck. When told the defendant was under arrest, the defendant did resist cuffing and did struggle with officers.

March 4, 2022
Copeland Place - Victim states that the suspect did come through the window and enter the house unlawfully and refused to leave. Subject then began to threaten and verbally assault the victim.

March 2, 2022
Niagara Street - Victim states the subject did enter the victim's home and did have a verbal altercation with the victim. Victim states the altercation did become physical and the subject did throw pots and pans and a flower vase at the victim causing bruising to the victim. Subject also made multiple threats to come back and "shoot up the house". Subject stated they did not care that officers were on the scene.

West Side
March 5, 2022

Forest Avenue - Vehicle was northbound on Niagara travelling in the parking lane. Then the vehicle quickly merged into the traffic lane cutting off a vehicle. During the traffic stop, the defendant's licence was suspended two times. During vehicle search, officers recovered a clear plastic baggie containing six baggies containing a greyish powder from the vehicle's center console. Officer recovered a blue latex glove containing a plastic baggie containing six plastic baggies of greyish powder from the back seat area of the floor behind the center console.

March 4, 2022
Grant Street - Defendant was the front seat passenger of the vehicle. Officer stopped the vehicle for failing to stop for a stop sign at the intersection. Upon stop, the operator and passenger were suspended. No licensed driver inside the vehicle. Officer did recover two tied-off paper bags containing rock-like substance from the defendant's left jacket pocket. Defendant did then hand officer tied-off paper bags from his right shoe, individually packaged. 7 grams.

March 3, 2022
St. James Place - Victim called regarding a verbal argument that turned physical when the defendant struck the victim in the left side of the face and applied pressure to her neck (no visible marks) to obstruct breathing.

March 2, 2022
Massachusetts Avenue - Defendant did falsely create a report and did admit to officers that their vehicle was not stolen and was not taken without permission. Officers did see a signed bill of sale

from the defendant. Appearance ticket issued. License plates returned to the defendant.

"Old Neighborhood" Parade Grand Marshal To Be Announced

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player Guy Nichols, guitarist Dan Kaplin, keyboardist Pat Annunziata, drummer Chris Olivieri, and vocalist Annette Falaso.

The 2022 "Old Neighborhood" St. Patrick's Day Parade Grand Marshal is Gene Overdorf. He will lead the parade through the historic streets of the Valley and Old First Ward neighborhoods, retracing portions of the original 1913 parade route. Gene, born in the First Ward, is a local historian and longtime volunteer for various groups in the First Ward, Valley and South Buffalo.

This year the parade will be dedicated in memory of two very special people who passed away over this past year that were part of the "Old Neighborhood." Paul Fitzpatrick, a true son of South Buffalo, decorated member of the Buffalo Police Department, proud son, loving brother, loyal friend, and protector and guardian of his nieces and nephews. Paul loved South Buffalo and his Irish heritage. He was an unwavering supporter of the community and supported every endeavor undertaken by the Valley Com-

munity Association and any South Buffalo fundraiser.

John Martin, a local salesman for Try-It Distributing, was known for his philanthropy. John's legacy was initiating a holiday program through his beloved Knights of Columbus Msgr. Nash Council every Christmas season. John recognized a need in the community and delivered thousands of baskets throughout the area, including recipients in the Valley community.

The 27th Annual "Old Neighborhood" St. Patrick's Day Parade is scheduled for Saturday, March 19th and will kick off at 12 noon. Following the parade there will be a grand Irish Hoolley at the Valley Community Center with live music by Geno McManus, as well as food and refreshments. There will also be an Irish Hoolley at the Tewksbury Lodge, located at 249 Ohio Street.

For more information regarding any of the Valley Community Association's St. Patrick's Day activities contact Jake at 716-823-4707 ext. 4, visit www.the-valleycenter.com, or "like" the Valley Community Center on Facebook.

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5 Chatter

8 Pugilist's weapon

12 Regrets

13 Half of bi-

14 Bygone Peruvian

15 Diamond parts

17 Miles away

18 Thai or Korean

19 Oscar contenders

21 Leaves

24 Medit. nation

25 Buckeye State

28 Take five

30 Yoga pad

33 Mafia boss

34 Emulate

Lincoln

35 Bedazzle

36 Dict. info

37 Nick and Nora's pet

38 Arm bone

39 Fireplace residue

41 Luminary

43 Charlton Heston film

46 Seraglio

50 Aware of

51 Endless time or space

54 Burning heap

55 Automobile

56 Sci-fi fleet

57 Declares

58 Lock opener

59 Faxed

DOWN

1 Met solo

2 Weaponry

3 Mortgage

again, for short

4 Italian cheese

5 Actor Brynner

6 Moreover

7 Galileo's birthplace

8 Decrees

9 Casual planet

10 Cicatrix

11 Old salts

16 Rock's Brian

20 Refer to

22 Messes up

23 Plane assignments

25 Peculiar

26 Garden tool

27 Foot soldiers

29 Sports figure?

31 Bristle

32 Chai, e.g.

34 Diamond Head locale

38 Seventh

40 Loafers, e.g.

42 Sashimi fish

43 Conks on the head

44 "May It Be" singer

45 "Casablanca" cafe owner

47 Teeming

48 Harrow rival

49 Island in a computer game

52 Scot's refusal

53 Saute

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FREE PIZZA: Joseph Piccillo, 34 Chatham Ave., 14216



Ask Rusty – Please Help Us With Social Security Planning

Dear Rusty: Would you please advise on my wife and my Social Security planning? I'm 69 & 2 months, my wife is 66 & 2 months, so we both hit full retirement age. We both plan on starting to take SS next month. My benefit would be about \$3,300 per month, and my wife's benefit would be about \$1,900 per month. Spousal benefits confuse me. Should I start Social Security now so my wife can get a spousal benefit from me? Is that even possible? Or is it better for each of us to get our own?

Signed: Uncertain

Dear Uncertain: From what you've shared, it doesn't appear that your wife will be entitled to a

spousal benefit because her own benefit at her full retirement age (FRA) is more than half of your FRA benefit amount. If your age 69 benefit is about \$3300, then your FRA (age 66) benefit amount was about \$2660. Half of your FRA amount (\$1330) is less than your wife's FRA amount (\$1900), so no spousal benefit will be available to your wife.

In your specific circumstance, both you and your wife should consider your individual objectives in deciding when to claim Social Security. If you plan to claim next month at age 69, you will get a benefit that has increased by about 26% due to the Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs) you've earned since you reached your FRA of 66. Claiming at her FRA, your wife will get the full SS retirement benefit she has earned from a lifetime of working.

Although your current strategy is a good one because you were born before 1954 and haven't yet filed, you have another option. If your wife claims her SS first, you will be eligible to file a "Restricted Application for Spousal Benefits Only." You could use the restricted application to collect a spouse benefit from your wife (half of her FRA benefit amount) while al-

lowing your personal benefit to grow for another nine months to the maximum at age 70.

If financially feasible and your longevity suggests, both you and your wife might consider waiting even longer to get a higher benefit, but that is a personal choice that you each

need to make. Claiming now at age 69 will reduce your payment by about 6% from your age 70 maximum. Since your wife isn't eligible for a spouse benefit but has reached her FRA, she might also consider delaying a bit longer if her financial needs and her estimated longevity suggest that is wise.

Senior TRIVIA


Pop Quiz

Test your knowledge!

- 1) In which U.S. state is the Devils Tower monument located?
- 2) Which U.S. Supreme Court justice served for the longest period of time?
- 2) Which biker drama is set in the town of Charming, California?
- 3) What kind of natural disaster is caused by an underwater earthquake or volcanic eruption?
- 4) Which president founded the University of Virginia?
- 5) What progressive rock band hailing from Nyack, NY had their 20th anniversary of their first album last friday?

Last Week's Answers: 1. Three: the city/states of Vatican City, Monaco and Singapore, 2. Snow White, 3. Cumulonimbus, 4. Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy, 5. 5, 6. Synapses, 7. Not of sound mind, 8. Tailbone, 9. Franklin Roosevelt, 10. A Cria

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The BPAL Begin Lifeguard Certification Training

Continued from page one. visit www.buffalopal.com to register and get additional information on the certification course. Those who hold Red Cross lifeguard certification, can apply to be a lifeguard on the City's website: www.buffalopal.com.



The City held its first round of lifeguard training during last month's Buffalo Public Schools winter break. That week-long session turned out 12 new certified lifeguards.

Lifeguard trainees must be:

- Able to swim with proficiency
- At least 16 years old
- Fully vaccinated by January 22, 2022

Attendance for all five sessions is MANDATORY

Preference will be given to youth who reside in the City of Buffalo and attend a Buffalo Public School.

Youth who are interested in participating in the training class, or those interested in being a Red Cross Certified Lifeguard Instructor, should

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Good For The Neighborhood Events Return March 2022

Several Good for the Neighborhood events, offering free health screenings, resources

and information from healthcare professionals along with fresh fruits, vegetables and family fun activities, organized by

the Independent Health Foundation returns this year to in-person gatherings in Buffalo, Niagara Falls and other

neighborhoods throughout Western New York on the following dates and times in March:

Thurs., March 10, 2022
from 4 to 5:30 pm

West Side Community Center, 161 Vermont Street Buffalo, NY 14213

Sat. March 12, 2022
from 10 am to 1 pm

Mt Olive Baptist Church, 701 E Delavan Ave, Buffalo, NY 14215

Thurs., March 17, 2022
from 5 to 6:30 pm

Akron Newstead Senior Center, 5691 Cummings Rd, Akron, NY 14001

Thurs., March 24, 2022
from 5 to 6:30 pm

Doris Jones Family Resource Center, 3001 9th Street, Niagara Falls, NY 14305

Wed., March 30, 2022
from 4:30 to 6:30 pm

Westminster Charter

School, 24 Westminster Ave, Buffalo, NY 14215

Additionally, those who attend these Good for the Neighborhood event can visit with community groups and resources,

such as:

- UB School of Nursing
- Girl Scouts of WNY
- Stern at Home Therapy

• Ask the Pharmacist

• Erie County Department of Health

Those who attend can

also receive health screening prizes, such as a resistance band, fitness twister, slimer balls,

ropes and may enter a raffle for special items, including a kitchen cookware set.

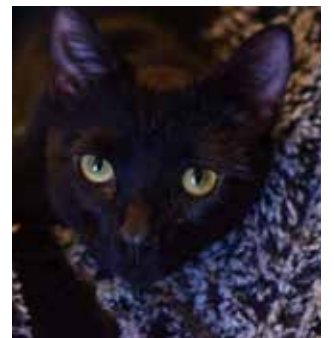
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Because of the COVID19 situation, the shelter is closed to the general public. If you would like to meet any of the adoptable dogs, please fill out an application online (if you are not already pre-approved), call the shelter, and leave a message with your name and phone number and the dog you're interested in. Have patience, and they will call you back when they can. From there, a time will be scheduled for you to come and meet the dog. Please be patient, and remember they are very short staffed at the moment. Applications can be found at <https://friendsofcbas.org/adopt>

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Thirty Pak	45.75
Large Cheese and One Item Pizza with Triple Wings (30) and 2 Bleu Cheese.	
(add \$1.80 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
Family Pak	61.25
Large Cheese and One Item Pizza with Bucket of Wings (50) and 3 Bleu Cheese.	
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(add \$1.80 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
Thirty Specialty Pak	49.25
Large Specialty Pizza with Triple Wings (30) and 2 Bleu Cheese.	
(add \$1.80 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
Family Specialty Pak	64.75
Large Specialty Pizza with a Bucket of Wings (50) and 3 Bleu Cheese.	
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Stefan Mychajliw

Guest Columnist

Polish Priest Supports Ukrainian Refugees



Malgorzata Sztolff, niece of Father Walter Grabowski and Polish baker Waldemar Jaszczur show people back in Buffalo how their donations were used to buy food, medical supplies, and clothing for Ukrainians.

Poland has become the global epicenter of transporting donations, money, and supplies to Ukraine. It is now estimated there are 1.5 million Ukrainian refugees and climbing. Many in Western New York with direct contacts in Eastern Europe send donations and money to those they know in Poland, who in turn drive them across the Ukrainian border.

Father Walter Grabowski, Pastor at Saint Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church in Elma, New York, came to America in 1983. Following the Russian invasion of Ukraine and a mere minutes before a recent Mass, he felt compelled to make a personal plea to parishioners: I have friends and family in Poland, please be generous to the Ukrainian people, we can help them from right here in Elma, New York.

Many of the 5,715 people in the tight-knit church community responded with an outpouring of donations for suffering Ukrainians, with thousands of dollars

already in the hands of refugees.

The response was overwhelming. People even ran to their cars in the parking lot to empty their consoles with whatever money they had. The result: The faith filled of this Catholic community in Elma donated thousands of dollars per day. On Wednesday, March 2nd, 2022, Fr. Grabowski wired the first round of donations to his niece in Przemyśl, Poland. The total amount is now \$23,503 and climbing.

Father Grabowski chronicled the generous efforts in the latest church bulletin, and are encouraging parishioners to view their efforts on the Parish Facebook page. Fr. Grabowski is posting photos from Poland and Ukraine, giving people a direct view of how their donations are helping Ukrainian refugees. The use of Facebook to show photos of how resources are spent also gives donors peace of mind knowing their support is going straight to Ukraini-

ans. "The Angels of Saint Gabriel" logo is placed on the photos of volunteers delivering medical supplies, food, and clothing directly across the border to Ukrainians.

"I always knew that St. Gabriel's parishioners are very generous and caring. "You are awesome, you are terrific, you are the best, and I am proud and honored to be your Pastor. I love you, my people, I love my parish, I love all of you because, when tragedy strikes, you always respond with love," wrote Father Grabowski in the Sunday, March 6th, church bulletin.



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NBCC Senior Lunches M – Fri. Lunches are served between 11:45 and 12 noon. There is a "suggested" \$3.00 charge. Reservations should be made a week in advance, this will guarantee enough lunches for said day. If anyone is interested in either, attending the Lunch program or would like to have a Monthly menu and daily activity schedule mailed out to them, they can call the NBCC at 716-768-1004, ask for Laura or Diane.



Open Public Meeting at 1599 Hertel Ave, Buffalo, NY 14216, on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 At 6:30 PM. Join us at the Hertel Busi-

ness Association for an open public to share ideas, address concerns and hear about the latest happenings.



The FarmHouse Fridge at The BNMC Innovation Center on 640 Ellicott St. at 4 -6 pm Tuesday March 8th, 2022. Buffalo Sampling and launch event. Julie Blackman of Farmers & Artisans is taking vending to the next level using Silicon Valley technology in her latest business endeavor-The Farmhouse Fridge. This "smartfridge" links Western New York farmers and producers with customers at workplaces, healthcare facilities, public spaces, and residential complexes. Created for convenience, the fridges are stocked with healthy, hand-crafted snacks, drinks and house-made prepared meals from your favorite food artisans. This unique tech-based solution ensures healthy local foods are available 24/7, thanks to RFID technology. Local producers and entrepreneurs will offer samples of their fresh and wholesome food options from the fridge. Come and learn more about how local meets tech.



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Notice of Formation of a NY Limited Liability Company. Top Trading Sports Pulls, LLC. Articles of Organization filing

date with Secretary of State (SSNY) was 1/26/2022. Office location: Erie County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and SSNY shall mail copy of process to 345 Fairfield Ave. Town of Tonawanda, NY 14223. Purpose is to engage in any and all business activities permitted under NYS law. 11

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Limited Liability Company, The Village Juicery LLC. Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on October 27, 2021. SSNY is the designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy

of process to 168 Lovering Ave Buffalo Ny 14216. The purpose of the LLC is to bring fresh local grown food to the Elmwood Village area in Buffalo. 12

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Ronnies First LLC Articles of Organization was filed with the Secretary of State (SSNY) on February 7, 2022. The LLC office location is Erie County. The SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served to Ronald Cauley, 1163 Kenmore Ave. #10, Tonawanda, NY 14217. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. 14

NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT: ERIE COUNTY - 19 SWALLOW LANE, LLC, ASSIGNEE FOR NORTHWEST SAVINGS BANK, Plaintiff V. THE ESTATE OF GEORGE PEPE, Defendant. INDEX NO. 807240/2020

Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale granted herein on or about March 3, 2022, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at Foreclosure Alcove, 92 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York, on

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SBL No. 185-08-3-18

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BEING part of Lot No. 61 Township 9 and Range 7 of Holland Land Company's survey and according to map filed in Erie County Clerk's Office under Cover No. 2025, it is known as subdivision Lot No. 336, situate on the east side of Swallow Lane.

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JENNIFER RUNFOLA, ESQ. Referee

THE LAW OFFICES OF JENNIFER A. HURLEY, ESQ., Attorney for Plaintiff,

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