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Downtown Tree Lighting



The Buffalo Downtown Christmas Tree Lighting, December 3rd, 2021.

Saturday, December 3, 2022, BankOnBuffalo Presents the Downtown Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration at Rotary Rink at Fountain Plaza. This annual event marks the official opening of the free ice-skating sea-

son in the heart of Down-Buffalo. The 2022-23 free ice-skating season at Rotary Rink is Presented by Ciminelli Real Estate Corporation. The event begins at 5pm with free ice-skating. At 6pm, Buffalo Place and BankOn-Buffalo representatives, countdown the lighting of the official tree and fireworks display over Fountain Plaza.

Distinguished speakers at the event will include Michael Noah, President of BankOn-Buffalo, Paul Ciminelli,

President & CEO of Ciminelli Real Estate Corporation, Sheila Rayam, Kaya... Executive

The Buffalo News, Byron W. Brown, Mayor of the City of Buffalo, and Vice Chairman of Buffalo Place Inc., Anthony J. Colucci III. The speakers will lead a countdown to the official lighting of the tree followed by fireworks display over Rotary Rink.

"We are thrilled to be the Presenting Sponsor for the Downtown Buffalo tree lighting celebration. BankOnBuffalo has planted roots in Downtown Buffalo with the opening of our first location at the Electric Tower five years ago, and we are here to stay." Says Michael Noah, President of BankOnBuffalo. "We're thankful to the residents of Western New York for welcoming BankOnBuffalo with open arms, and we hope that the lighting of this tree helps to bring a little bit of joy to the community this holiday season."

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Chandler Street Winter Market

Buffalo, N.Y. Snow- Street from fall through flakes are falling in spring, the winter mar-WNY and that means ket is ready to open once Chandler Street Winter Market CHANDLER end. Chandler is back for it's CHANDLER Street Winthird season! After an incredible with vear, with first year, with thousands of patrons coming through the indoor and outdoor spaces at 27 and 37 Chandler

again this week-

local food producers in the Blackrock neighborhood of Buffalo, will be set-up on Saturday mornings from 9am-2pm, from now until the end of April. You will find some of the best local food-based small businesses in the region, offering everything from hot prepared meals, to decadent baked goods and fresh seasonal produce.

Robbie states, wanted to create a safe Continued on page seven.

League Of Women Voters Hosts Annual Holiday Party

en Voters Buffalo-Niagara sign for Life, Inc., will is open to all members as well as guests.

day, Dec. 10, 2022 from noon to 2 p.m. (registration begins at 11:30 a.m. at Rizotto's Italian Eatery &

Sweetery, 930 Maple

Road, Amherst, NY. choices of Chicken Fran- vations due by Dec. 2. Visit caise or Eggplant Par- lwvbn.org for details. migiana. Guest Speaker

The annual holiday particle Kelly Cultrara, a board ty of the League of Wommember for Upward Dediscuss the organization's work with the Family Jus-The event starts Satur- tice Center helping refu-

gees, individuals transferring from shelters, young adults aging out of foster care, veterans and individuals with behavioral and develop-Cost is \$28 with lunch mental disabilities. Reser-

Everyone entry receives a gift for entering contest. See page 6 for details.



Memories

From the Buffalo Rocket archives



December, 1973. SNOOPY, RUDOLPH, AND MOLLY...invite children from the Delaware YMCA to Saturday's Christmas Party at the North Park

Local Weather

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3RD THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1ST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2ND



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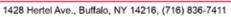
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By Bill Snyder

Turkey Bowl A Birthday Party In The Rain!

For the past 12 years now, Cheryl and her husband Vince Panzarella of North Buffalo have planned

their Thanksgiving with friends and families. But this year's Thanksgiving was extra special for everyone invited.

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Softball Lea This past Sunday, November 27th, friends and family gathered in their usual spot in Delaware Park to celebrate the birthday of Joseph B. Panzarella, their only child, who was taken from this earth suddenly in 2011 when he was just 21 years old.

But this was a celebration for the life of "Joey" who began this party in 2006 as a way to bring friends together and say thanks for everything.

Not even cloudy skies and a persistent rain this morning, would keep anyone away from continuing this annual football game, called the Turkey Bowl.

"This is just Joey," said one woman, taking

in the action on a makeshift football field. "He's just showering his love for us today."

> "It was a great turnout of all his friends that my son has known for years," said Cheryl. "Caty Fearnside and Nicole Notaro were here and, of course, the Lepo-vich brothers, Brad

and the twins Scott and

Other friends included Max Peterson-Borins, brothers Eamon and Owen Doyle and good friend Mike Falletta. Also on hand were regulars Connor Gallagher, Kevin O'Sullivan, Taylor Golba and Eddie Jakubowski.

Bryant Toney, Steve Daly, Bob Dobmeier, Abraham Ellis and Andrew Lavalle all did their best to find traction while catching a pass over the wet grass.

Afterward, everyone traveled the short distance to nearby Forest Lawn Cemetery to pay their respects to their fallen friend.

The JBP Foundation that the Panzarella's have set up since their son's death is awarded to a eighth grade St. Mark's

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The Blotter **Felonies**

From "D" District

North Buffalo **November 28, 2022**

Delaware Avenue - On above date, time, and location defendant did enter Target store and did take without permission various merchandise value \$441.50 passing all points of purchase without paying for same. Defendant was apprehended by patrol officer in possession of stolen merchandise in parking lot. Appearance ticket issued.

November 28, 2022

Delaware Avenue - On above date, time and location defendant did enter Target and did take without permission various merchandise valued at \$303.77 passing all points of purchase. Defendant was apprehended by patrol officers in possession of stolen merchandise.

November 24, 2022

Delaware Avenue – Defendant did strike victim multiple times by means of hands causing laceration to left inside cheek and bruising left eye. Defendant did also apply pressure to victim's neck by pressing her head down causing her to struggle to breathe and did lose consciousness. Defendant did also take without permission rental vehicle with keys. Active stay away order of protection in place.

November 23, 2022

Hertel Avenue – Defendant did take \$108.45 in food merchandise and place it in a black bag. Defendant then passed all points of purchase without paying and without permission to do so. Detained by store security.

November 22, 2022

Hertel Avenue - Defendant did enter the Sherwin Williams located at 2636 Delaware Avenue on 10/28/22 at approximately 1300 hours. While inside the store he did obtain goods and did pay for the goods by issuing two bad checks. One check was worth \$285.15 and the second check was worth \$528.31.

November 21, 2022

Hertel Avenue - On both 10/19/22 and 10/20/22, between the times of 10am and 12pm, defendant did write two separate checks in amount of \$651.41 to the business "Wegman's Motor Works Inc.", located at 1500 Kenmore Ave., Buffalo, NY 14216 for two snow blowers. When checks were presented to the bank, both checks were declined due to insufficient funds.

West Side **November 24, 2022**

Forest Avenue – Defendant did become irate after her EBT card was declined and pulled out a kitchen knife and struck partition wall multiple times while telling complainant she was going to kill him. Defendant did then damage two credit card terminals taking \$600.00. Defendant did then take without permission two credit card terminals and exited business.

November 24, 2022

Parksdale Avenue - While asking defendant to leave home, defendant began to refuse lawful commands to leave home. While attempting to put defendant under arrest, defendant refused to put his hands behind his back and was pushing off

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of officers. Defendant also refused to give officers his name.

Riverside **November 23, 2022**

Ontario Street - Defendant was operating New York registered vehicle and did rear end another vehicle. Strong odor of alcohol emitting from defendant's breath. Blood drawn done at ECMC by AIU officers.



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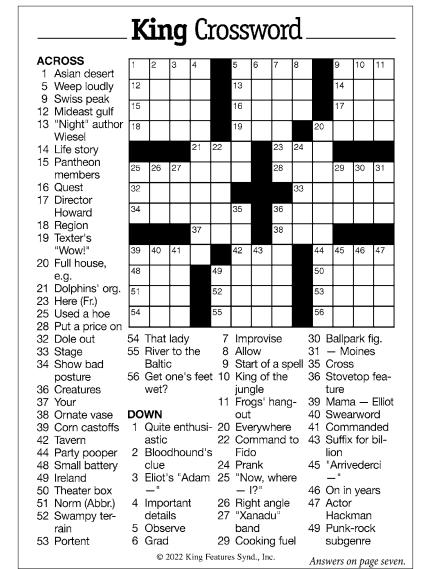
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Ask Rusty – How Do I Avoid Pitfalls and Get Maximum Social Security?

Dear Rusty: I'm 63 and still employed. My husband

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to collect my husband's Social Security while I'm still working? **Signed: Working Widow**

Dear Working Widow: Technically at age 63 you're eligible to collect a survivor benefit from your husband but, since you're working, we need to dig a bit deeper.

Any time benefits are taken before reaching full retirement age, Social Security's earnings test applies. The earnings test limits how much you can earn from working before they take away some (or even all) of your Social Security benefits. If your annual earnings for 2023 will be more than \$21,240, then Social Security will take away benefits equal to \$1 for every \$2 you are over that limit. If you earn substantially more than the limit, that could even temporarily disqualify you from eligibility to collect your survivor benefit (because your benefit amount may be insufficient to offset the penalty for exceeding the limit). So, if you're working part time and will not exceed the limit or only slightly exceed it, then you can claim your survivor benefit from your husband now and simply pay the penalty from your benefits. But if you're working full time and will exceed the annual limit by a lot, then you may wish to defer claiming your survivor benefit until you either reach your full retirement age (FRA) or stop working.

If you turned 63 in 2022, your FRA is 66 years and 10

months, and the earnings test applies until you reach that age. Four months earlier is when your survivor benefit from your husband will reach maximum (claimed any earlier it will be reduced by 4.75% per full year early). So, what should you do? I suggest you look

at your own estimated maximum (age 70) benefit and compare that to your maximum survivor benefit from your husband. You should strive to maximize whichever benefit will be highest and claim that maximum benefit for the rest of your life.

Downtown Tree Lighting

Continued from page one. ing the fireworks and tree lighting, the fun will continue with visits with Santa, holiday gifts, and ice-skating. Banner Farm of Perrysburg, will offer free horse and carriage rides around Fountain Plaza with their esteemed equine, Bonnie and Jake. Bonnie and Jake are registered seven-year old Clydesdales from Saskatchewan, Canada. Mini Ark Farm will be set up at Roosevelt Plaza with a variety of live animals. Downtown restaurant, The Lunch Box, will offer concession items in the event area. Ice-skating is free and ice-skate rental is available; \$2 for children and \$3 for adults. Guests are encouraged to bring their own ice-skates and avoid waiting in the ice-skate rental line. Santa will visit with children from 6:30pm to 8pm.

Buffalo Place thanks BankOnBuffalo for their Presenting Sponsorship of the Downtown Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration and Free 2022-2023 Ice-Skating Season. Buffalo Place also thanks our official Media Sponsor and Partner, Buffalo News. Complete details on the Downtown Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration are available online at www.buffaloplace.com.





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The Annual Christmas Bazaar of St. John the **Baptist Ukrainian Cath**olic Church has been rescheduled to Saturday, December 3. It will feature theme baskets, "trash and treasures", pyrohy (pierogies) and cabbage rolls to go, homemade baked goods, vendors, and a hot luncheon. St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church is located at 3275 Elmwood Ave., Kenmore NY, 14217 (north of Sheridan Drive). Hours are from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm in the church hall. Handicapped accessible. Parking and admission are free. For more information please call 873-5011.



Rein In The Holidays At Clyde's With Ten Lives Club: Clyde's Feed in Hamburg is hosting their "Rein In The Holidays" event Sunday, December 4. The event runs from 10am to 3pm and will be held at Clyde's Feed and Animal Center located at 351 Union St, Hamburg, NY

14075. During this event, Ten Lives Club will have a theme basket raffle, Ten Lives Club merchandise, photos with Santa, a prize wheel, and cats for adoption. From 12pm-2pm, there will be pet photos with Santa. Photos are \$10 for two photos with cards. At the event, Hawk Creek Wildlife Center will be in attendance as well as five different dog rescue groups. For more information on this event, please call their shelter at (716)-646-5577



Carols by Candlelight at St. Louis Church - December 9th: The Women of St. Louis will present an Advent recital entitled "Carols by Candlelight" on Friday, December 9th at 7:30 pm in St. Louis Church, located at Main and Edward Streets in downtown Buffalo. Admission is free and all are welcome. Please join us as we celebrate Advent and Christmas in scripture and song.

Farmers & Artisans Outdoor Holiday Market

Looking to support the Shop Local movement this holiday season? Stop by the intersection of Delaware Rd. & Delaware Ave. this Sunday for the Kenmore Farmers Market's first ever Farmers and Artisans Outdoor Holiday Market which

takes place from 11am to 4pm and features a wide varietv of local growers, producers, and artisans.

They have a line-up of 30+ vendors including hot foods and beverages, local food gifts, craft vendors, live holiday music throughout the day, and more!

While this is their first December event, the Kenmore Farmers Market is a longtime stronghold of the Village of Kenmore, garnering incredible community support each season. They're excited to offer patrons the opportunity to reconnect with favorite vendors, while also introducing a slew of talented local makers from around WNY.

They invite you to stay cozy while shopping this free, outdoor event by in-

dulging in ready to eat foods, steaming seasonal drinks, and baked goods. Here you will find Buffalo-famous makers serving up warm knishes and deli fare, fusion dumplings, artisan brick oven pizza, baked empanadas and tamales, delicious chili, and

> of course smallbatch coffee (and coffee inspired gifts), rich cocoa, spicy ci-

der and fresh juices. Make sure to buy yourself (and guest) a sweet treat from the many specialty baked goods available, including cannolis, gorgeous pies, and decked out waffles.

Looking for the perfect gift? Food is sure to hit the spot. Find local farmers with fresh produce and meat, and the best pantry items including jars of amber honey, NYS maple syrup, herbal remedies and wellness products, teas, olive oils, spreads, dips, jams and jellies, spice blends, pierogi, cheeses, pickles, veggie burgers and even wild caught seafoods!

The unique draw of this

market comes from its fusion of food producers and artisans. Makers will have everything from upcycled Buffalo themed clothing, to succulent ornaments and planters, to handmade wood pieces, boho macrame, and vintage goods! There will even be live hair braiding services! You won't want to miss.

The Market has also teamed up with Little Free Pantries of Kenmore to collect food donations for the community. LFPs will be collecting non-perishable foods (within date and unopened) as well as toiletries. They cannot accept anything fresh/perishable. They ask visitors to please support the health and wellbeing of our neighbors by bringing along a contribution.

Market management will continue reviewing applicants on a rolling basis until Friday 12/2. Small businesses specializing in handmade arts, crafts, gift items, OR delicious scratchmade food, farm grown produce, or seasonal items can email kenmorefarmersmarket@gmail.com to learn more about this curated, handmade market.

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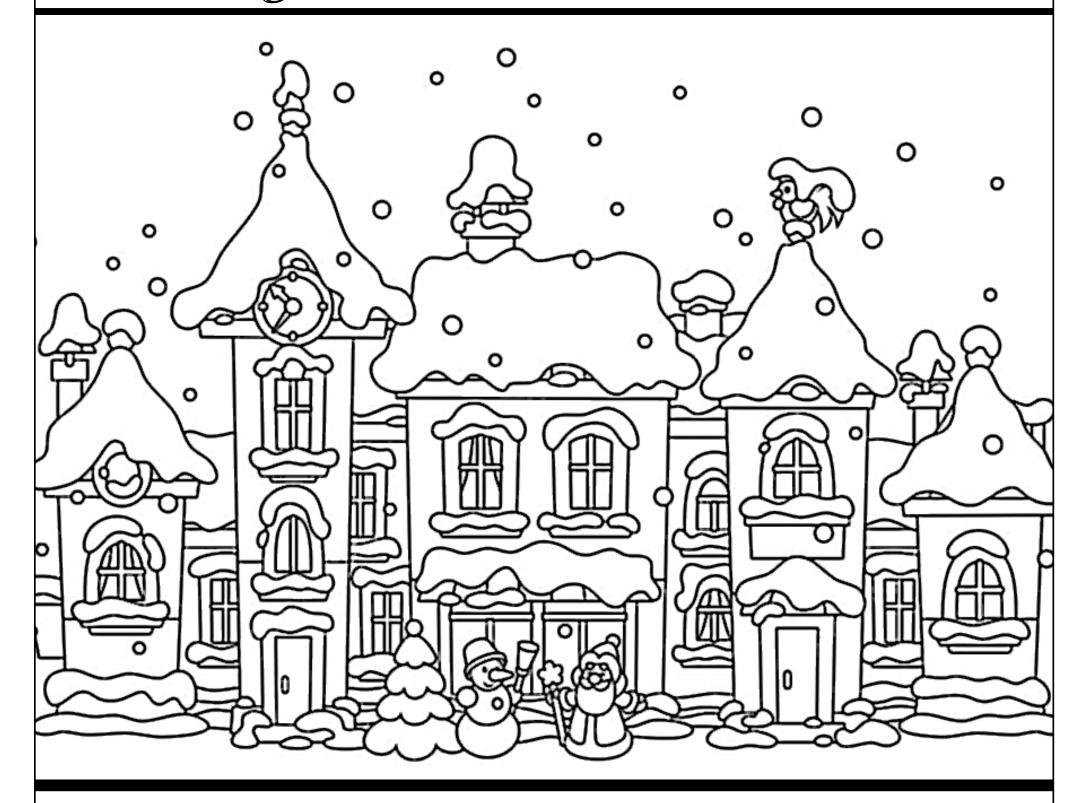
(1) Large Cheese and One Item Pizza and (1) Large Specialty Pizza with a
Bucket of Wings (50) and 3 Bleu Cheese, (add \$2.45 for Barbeeue and/or Specialty Wings)

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Chandler Street Winter Market

Continued from page one. space for customers to shop local, and for local food producers to reach their customers. This is essential for our community at large and we're all coming together to make it happen— we have so much to offer from fall right through We are until spring! thankful for the support of Slow Food Buffalo-Niagara and the tenants of Kitchens on Chandler for helping make this possible.'

Market favorites in-

clude mouth watering sweet treats (baked goods, artisan chocolates, and more), savory knishes, a variety of fresh mushrooms and mushroom delicacies, sustainable frozen seafood, barbecued dishes hot off the smoker, healthy prepared meals, organic local greens and crisp apples, freshly pressed cider and juices, wines, spices, CBD products and so much more! Customers can be sure to warm up with a steaming bowl of soup and a

cup of specialty coffee, tea, or hot cocoa with a friend at the many outdoor picnic tables available for visiting. Vendors will continue to trickle in over the next several weeks. Customers are encouraged to visit often to see which local businesses jump in to participate!

Located between Elmwood Ave. and Military St., Chandler Street Winter Market is part of the Chandler Street developments that have grown over recent years. The market utilizes the large parking lot of Kitchens on Chandler (27 & 37 Chandler St.), which houses a collective of over 12 local food producers who retail out of their newly designed commercial kitchen spaces. Most of these tenant businesses will be open during Saturday market hours (in addition to weekday hours)— several require pre-ordering since items are in such high demand!

Details:

Location: 27 & 37 Chandler St., Buffalo, NY. (Parking lot of Kitchens On Chandler located between Chandler & Grote St.— vehicles may enter through either street)

Saturdays, 9am-2pm from Nov 26th - April 29th

The market posts weekly events on Facebook which list participating vendors. Follow on Facebook and Instagram for updated information and vendor highlights.



Pop Quiz!

Test your knowledge!

- 1) Which country is the most forested in the world?
- 2) When were tanks first introduced in war?
- 3) What is the name of the Netflix sequel to the "Karate Kid" movies?
- 4) Which music prodigy was signed to a record deal at age 11?
- 5) In which year will Halley's Comet reappear?
- 6) Which justice served on the Supreme Court for the longest?
- 7) What kind of dogs did President Obama's family have in the White House?
- 8) Where did the first White Castle restaurant open?
- 9) What is the rarest human blood type?

Last Week's Answers: 1. Io, 2. Rome, 3. Ray Bradbury, 4. Mississippi, 5. Harry Truman, 6. Montana, 7. Metrology 5. Kurt Russell, 6. An ambush

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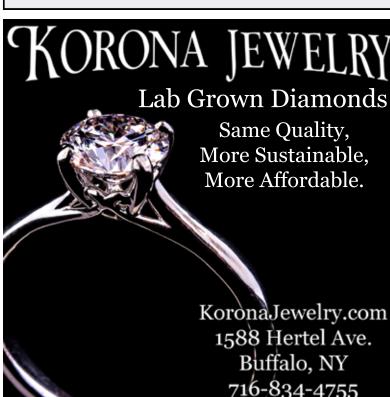
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