

# SPCA Issues Winter Pet Safety



Charlie and Chelsea trotting in the snow. Winter pet safety tips may seem obvious, but they are often overlooked. Photo courtesy of SPCA of Erie County.

After higher-than-average temps throughout November, winter arrived with a vengeance in Buffalo and surrounding areas. This season is different from pre-COVID winters, however, in that it's a little more complicated to receive emergency veterinary care, as many veterinary clinics (including the low-cost Lipsey Veterinary Clinic at the SPCA) are dealing with smaller work forces. Plan ahead for the upcoming snowy days and nights now to ensure your pets stay safe and healthy today and throughout the winter months. Read on for some of the SPCA Serving Erie County's winter pet safety tips.

Outdoor animal shelter must be suitable for inclement weather and if it's not, animal welfare officers can rescue the pet even before he or she shows signs of suffering, thanks to New York State's Shelter Law that went into effect in 2003. Thanks to a legislative push in late 2018 that led to stronger laws concerning the tethering of dogs within Buffalo city limits, the SPCA and other law enforcement organizations can now take even more steps to ensure dogs are protected from the elements.

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# New Citywide Position Of Fleet Director

Mayor Brown announced he is seeking to bring a new role, a Fleet Director, to his administration. Mayor Brown and Commissioner of Administration, Finance, Policy and Urban Affairs Delano Dowell have already filed the necessary Budget and Personnel Amendment to create the position. While the Department of Public Works, the Buffalo Police Department, and the Buffalo Fire Department all have fleet managers, those individual roles serve to oversee and maintain the various, specialized vehicles and equipment in each department. The Mayor's Fleet Director will be a central, omnibus figure to cross-coordinate the fleets within Buffalo to respond to emergencies.

"As we all saw in the Buffalo Blizzard, powerful storms are pushing equipment to the maximum. Our vehicles, our partners' vehicles, utility crews' equipment were all working in full force to repair Buffalo, with as many as 600 pieces of machinery on the roads. An incoming Fleet Director will provide crucial oversight on available vehicles and equipment, as well as work to bolster our city-owned assets," said Mayor Brown.

The Fleet Director will be an exempt appointment to spearhead Buffalo's preparation for regular city maintenance as well as emergency situations. This will include performing a full inventory of all equipment, across departments, including existing purchases of equipment in production. Also, the Fleet Director will review and assess new advances in technology, in order to build a robust line-up of supplies within the City of Buffalo.

# Buffalo Waterfront Ice Skating And Activities

Join us at The Ice for three fun-filled days of activities!

We will kick off our weekend long celebration on Friday January 13th with silent disco presented by SE2 from 6-10PM.

Saturday January 14th starting at 4 P M will include an ice bar, live ice carving demonstration, ice sculptures and live DJ!

Sunday January 15th will be our family day which will include a princess skate with Anna and Elsa from 11AM-1PM and a hot chocolate ice bar!

The following schedule for Ice Skating at the Waterfront for January and February: Regular Hours of Operation

Monday: CLOSED, leagues and private parties welcome

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Wednesday: 3PM – 7PM

Thursdays: 3PM – 7PM

Fridays: 1PM – 10PM

Saturdays: 10AM – 10PM

Sundays: 10AM – 8PM

Special Holiday Hours:

January 2nd: 10AM – 7PM

January 16th: 10AM – 7PM

February 20th – 23rd: 10AM – 7PM

February 24th: 10AM - 10PM Visit the Upstate Honda Dealers.








For more information on registration and a full schedule of events please visit <https://buffalowaterfront.com/events/public-ice-skating>

# Memories

From the Buffalo Rocket archives



January, 1993. MEET YOUR MERCHANT... Admiring David Sanin's Jaguar is Executive Collision owner Alan Sanin, in front, and behind, from left, Bernie Sanin, Paul Buckley and David.

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**Stefan Mychajliw**  
Guest Columnist

## Damar Hamlin, Buffalo Bills

When watching the Buffalo Bills game live, whether it be in person as a fan or on Monday night football, the collision at the 36-yard line did not at first glance appear to be a life-threatening hit. Replays told a much different story,

As the Bills cornerback lay motionless on the turf before a national audience, ESPN color commentator Dan Orlovsky communicated the seriousness of the situation following the traumatic injury. "That's scary," said the former quarterback who played 12 seasons in the NFL. A cart and ambulance immediately took the field for the inevitable drive to a Level One trauma center.

This was Week 2 of the early NFL season. Highmark Stadium. Buffalo Bills hosting the Tennessee Titans. The injured player, Dane Jackson, eventually recovered from the vicious hit that snapped his head back. Jackson not only survived, he returned to the Buffalo Bills lineup and practiced nine days after his scary injury witnessed by the entire country.

Shortly after that sobering moment, friend and teammate Damar Hamlin spoke to "One Bills Live" television hosts Chris Brown and Steve Tasker about the power of prayer and the fragility of life. How in one split second, everything can change.

"I cherish it (life) every second that I can. Every second, of every day. We just had our prayer, our DB (defensive backs) prayer that we do every Wednesday. He (Jackson) was next to me, and I grabbed his hand just a little bit harder. You never know if your last day could be that," said Jackson's close friend Hamlin, who was also a teammate at the University of Pittsburgh. Little did Hamlin know that months later, he would be the one in dire need of prayer to save his life after suffering a horrific medical emergency on Monday Night Football.

Fast forward from the second game of the season to the second to last game of the year,

Approximately 105 days later, it was Week 17 when the world was stunned by the moments after Hamlin himself made what ap-

peared to be an average tackle in a football game.

After taking down Cincinnati wide receiver Tee Higgins, Hamlin, the second-year safety, rose to his feet, barely made contact with the right shoulder of Bengals halfback Joe Mixon, then collapsed backwards at approximately 8:55 PM.

Stunned players sobbed. They prayed. It was all they could do as doctors and paramedics frantically performed CPR to save Hamlin's life. We now know he suffered cardiac arrest.

Every city with an NFL team has a designated Level One Trauma Center where teams of surgeons are available 24/7 to save the life of a player who may have suffered a life threatening injury. Nineteen minutes after he collapsed with doctors frantically trying to resuscitate Hamlin, he was rushed to University of Cincinnati Medical Center.

Regardless of who made the decision, it was the absolute right call to cancel the game. I'm surprised it took the NFL almost one hour to come to that sensible conclusion. Can you imagine being at your job, when a close co-worker suffers a heart attack right next to you, paramedics work to save your friend's life before your very eyes in the office, then your boss comes in and demands you finish out your shift for the rest of the work day?

NFL officials claim that was never under consideration, despite ESPN announcers stating players were given a five minute warm-up to resume play.

The "game" is insignificant. So is home field advantage, AFC standings, playoff position, or whether or not the Bills-Bengals game will even be replayed.

Every single ounce of energy must remain focused on the health and well-being of Damar Hamlin.

What followed the devastating collapse of Hamlin should restore all of our collective faith in humanity.

Players of both teams passionately and fervently prayed together, in the same way Hamlin did for his teammate Jackson when he went down with an injury on the gridiron.

Folks in the stands quickly made makeshift signs that stated "Pray For Hamlin."

Some Bengals and Bills fans left the stadium and met at the hospital for a candle-light vigil for Hamlin, where they too gathered as one to pray for his recovery.

Prior to his collapse and cardiac arrest, Hamlin posted a "GoFundMe" fundraiser to buy Christmas presents for kids in his native Pittsburgh with a goal of raising a mere \$2,500. #BillsMafia and football fans flooded the site with donations, which now totals in the millions of dollars.

Jill Kelly, wife of Buffalo Bills Hall of Fame Quarterback Jim Kelly, and hundreds of fans held a prayer vigil at One Bills Drive in the pouring rain to pray for Hamlin's recovery.

"Bring healing and restoration to Damar Hamlin," said one.

"You are a good God of love, mercy, hope, deliverance, and healing," prayed another.

Keep in mind, this young man is just 24-years-old. To many of us, he's old enough to be our son. One minute, he's playing in prime time before a national audience in what many thought was the "most important game" of the season.

Seconds later, his almost lifeless body lay motionless on the turf of Paycor Stadium, doctors and paramedics shocking his heart to keep him alive.

At this point in time prayer and good deeds are what binds us together in our collective hope that Damar Hamilton survives.

Next to Saint Francis, Padre Pio is my favorite Catholic Saint. His simple yet powerful prayer rings true now more than ever, especially in light of the events that unfolded in the Bills-Bengals game:

"Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer."

No doubt the Good Lord is hearing a lot of prayers for Damar Hamlin, for his family, and for his health care providers that are desperately trying to save his life.

Let us not worry, especially after we all experienced this lesson from afar at how fragile life can be, that no matter our lot in life, it can change and end in an instant.

What we can do is learn from Damar Hamlin himself, what he did, when no one knew whether or not his fellow teammate would recover following an injury on the field. He prayed. So should we.





# The Blotter

## Felonies

From "D" District

**North Buffalo January 1, 2022**  
Main Street – Defendant was arguing with unknown person who drove away, officers asked defendant several times to get out of the street. Defendant refused and began running at officers in an aggressive manner. Defendant was tased and taken into custody.

**December 28, 2022**  
Kenmore Avenue – Defendant and co-defendant did take complainant's bag from her driveway. Complainant did see both defendants at the corner of Military and Laird Street with her bag. Complainant did drive up to both and asked for her bag back. Complainant did reach for her bag when defendant did punch complainant in the face with a closed fist causing pain, swelling, and redness to her right eye. Complainant did fall to the ground causing pain to her left arm and hand. Defendant did continue to punch and kick complainant while she was down to the ground. Complainant's eyeglasses were broken by the punch. Co-defendants did forcibly take the coat off the complainant and defendant did pick up the coat and started walking off with it with co-defendant. Defendant dropped the coat and

both defendants took off northbound on Military Road. Complainant fears for her life and wants an order of protection.

**West Side January 1, 2022**  
Grant Street – Victim states defendant and herself got into a verbal argument that escalated into defendant striking victim multiple times on her arms. Victim also stated defendant did threaten to kill her and showed her a gun. Guns were found in bedroom in a blue nylon bag with ammunition recovered by arresting patrol officer and submitted by same. Guns do not have serial number on them.

**December 23, 2022**  
John James Audubon Parkway – On 3/9/22 defendant did use stolen credit card belonging to victim without permission at Speedway at 2059 Delaware. Value of purchase was \$105.00.

**December 23, 2022**  
John James Audubon Parkway – On 3/9/22 defendant did use stolen credit card belonging to victim without permission at Speedway at 2059 Delaware. Value of purchase was \$65.24.

**December 29, 2022**  
Congress Street – Victim

reports that defendant did break the front and back windows. Victim also stated the defendant did enter his home without permission and did take without permission a gray Motorola G power phone. Phone was returned to victim. Phone was recovered from defendant's right front pants pocket.

**December 27, 2022**  
Ferguson Avenue – Complainant reports that defendant did hit complainant with a closed fist in the face causing a small laceration to the left cheek bone under his left eye.

**Riverside January 2, 2022**  
Jasper Parrish – On above date and location defendant did brandish a pocket knife at complainant causing her to fear for her safety. Events occurred in front of juvenile son.

**January 2, 2022**  
Elmwood Avenue – Defendant was outside 807 Elmwood Avenue despite having an order of protection against employee inside. Order of protection expiring 7/21/23.

**January 2, 2022**  
Ontario Street – Complainant states defendant did enter 7-11 store and began arguing with clerk because the store did not have the defendant's desired choice of blunt wrap and defendant did break credit card reader off of the front counter of store causing approximately \$110.00 in damages.

**December 30, 2022**  
Elmwood Avenue – De-

fendant did during argument with snow emergency plow-driver punch complainant in back of the neck after being told he needed to move his vehicle for snow removal. Defendant then did become more escalated and went into his vehicle and grabbed a metal window squeegee and attempted to break plow window, then did elbow and

punched window until it broke. Value of window \$1,000.00.  
**December 29, 2022**  
Grote Street – Defendant did have physical altercation with victim defendant did punch victim in the face causing a bump over victim's right eye causing swelling and pain. Defendant did threaten to harm/kill defendant.



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Home Taste (Chinese Cuisine).....3106 Delaware Avenue  
Imagine Salon.....1527 Hertel Avenue  
Macy's Place.....3100 Delaware Avenue  
Joey's Place.....83 Niagara Street  
Joe's Panini Grill.....3024 Delaware Avenue  
Johnny's Meats.....1191 Hertel Avenue  
Knights of Columbus.....1530 Kenmore Avenue

Korona Jewelers.....1588 Hertel Avenue

Marco's Deli.....1518 Hertel Avenue

North Buffalo Community Ctr.....203 Sanders Road

North Buffalo Dental.....1600 Hertel Avenue

North Park Library.....975 Hertel Avenue

Parkside Community Center.....2318 Main Street

Paul Wolf Agency.....2890 Delaware Avenue

Plaka Restaurant.....2904 Delaware Avenue

Price Rite Market.....1716 Kenmore Avenue

Salon Avanti.....3086 Delaware Avenue

Salon Coronado.....2870 Delaware Avenue

Salon D Capelli.....3104 Delaware Avenue

Scissors.....1497 Hertel Avenue

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Sunoco Gas Station.....4505 Main Street

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Vince's Pizza.....1803 Kenmore Avenue

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**WEST SIDE**  
Baptist Manor.....276 Linwood Avenue  
Buffalo Public Library.....Niagara at Porter  
BMHA Housing.....245 Elmwood Avenue  
CWJ Lock & Key.....183 Forest Avenue  
Corner Store.....Forest & Grant  
Delaware Apartments.....1217 Delaware Avenue  
Dibble Hardware.....262 West Ferry Street  
Elmwood Square Apts.....505 Elmwood Avenue  
Fast Stop Food Mart.....326 Military Road  
Frontier Liquor & Beverage Ctr.....121 Grant Street  
First Niagara Bank.....Elmwood at West Ulica

M&T Bank.....130 Grant Street

Military Coin Laundry.....1134 Military Road

Santasiero's Restaurant.....1329 Niagara Street

Timon Towers.....1015 Delaware Avenue

Trinity Tower Apartments.....33 Linwood Avenue

West Market.....1032 West Avenue

West Side Community Center.....Vermont at Fargo

**RIVERSIDE**  
AmVets.....25 Review Place  
Black Rock Pharmacy.....431 Tonawanda Street  
Boys & Girls Club.....54 Riverdale Avenue  
Buffalo Wine & Liquors.....2067 Niagara Street  
D District Police Station.....669 Hertel Avenue  
Doyle's Deli.....1981 Niagara Street  
Faso Restaurant.....2126 Niagara Street  
Fast Stop Food Mart.....236 Military Road  
First Niagara Bank.....2141 Elmwood Avenue  
First Niagara.....201 Amherst Street  
Hearts Thrift Shop.....890 Tonawanda Street  
House of Sandwich.....800 Tonawanda Street  
M&T Bank.....788 Tonawanda Street  
Niagara Deli Pizzeria.....2043 Niagara Street  
Nickel City Bottle Return.....2209 Niagara Street  
Northwest Buffalo Community Ctr.....155 Lawn Avenue  
Pat's Pizzeria.....544 Ontario Street  
Pizza Bella.....1133 Tonawanda Street  
Riverside Market.....740 Tonawanda Street  
Riverside News Stand.....Tonawanda Street  
Roland Insurance Agency.....432 Amherst Street  
Sun Restaurant.....1989 Niagara Street  
Up To You Deli.....2189 Niagara Street

**King Crossword**

**ACROSS**  
1 Justice Dept. agency  
4 Physician's nickname  
7 Grating  
12 Vintage  
13 Away from WSW  
14 Mountain crest  
15 Set afire  
16 Yosemite peak featured in "Free Solo"  
18 "CSI" evidence  
19 Dewy  
20 Billboard  
22 Swiss peak  
23 Bloke  
27 Author Fleming  
29 Abrasion  
31 Planet circlers  
34 Heart line  
35 Coffeehouse bill collector  
37 L-P link  
38 Utah ski resort  
39 "Yoo- —!"  
41 Pottery oven  
45 Quotable Yogi  
47 Eastern path  
48 Bygone Cadillacs  
52 Copper head?

55 Texter's chuckle  
56 Velocity  
57 Irish actor Stephen  
58 Decade parts (Abbr.)

**DOWN**  
1 Creates origami  
2 Russian pancakes  
3 Luggage attachment  
4 Consider  
7 Engrossed  
8 "Exodus" hero  
9 Fixed  
10 Sch. org  
11 Hankering  
17 Nile vipers  
21 Martial arts warrior  
23 Swindler  
24 Guffaw syllable  
25 Suitable  
26 Green shade  
28 Simile part  
30 Paint container  
33 Choose  
36 Mother of Zeus  
37 Gloomy  
40 Sequence  
42 Tuscany setting  
43 Hard work  
44 Seasonal songs  
45 Thin nail  
46 Nick and Nora's dog initials  
49 Napkin's place

Answers on page seven.





Ask Rusty – Will the Family Maximum Limit My Benefits?

Dear Rusty: I have a question about the family maximum SS retirement benefit. As I understand it, if the breadwinner is drawing retirement

benefits or is deceased, the family maximum is calculated from a formula that yields a figure between 150 percent and 188 percent of the breadwinner's primary insurance amount — his or her monthly benefit if claimed at full retirement age. That age is 66 and 4 months for people born in 1956 and will gradually increase to 67 over the next few years. Is this calculation only applicable at full retirement age (in my case 66 and 4 months) or is it still applicable if I delay taking SS until 68 or 70? My assumption is the "breadwinner" is the spouse with the higher income. Signed: Planning my Retirement

Dear Planning: The Family Maximum applies only when more than one dependent is collecting benefits from the record of a worker who is either deceased or collecting Social Security retirement benefits (the "breadwinner"). That might typically be a spouse and a minor child, multiple minor children, or, perhaps, multiple children and a spouse as well.

The Family Maximum doesn't apply, for example, when both a current spouse and an ex-spouse are collecting benefits from that "breadwinner" — only when a current spouse and minor children are collecting too. The Family Maximum also does not apply when only one dependent (e.g., a spouse) is collecting benefits from the "breadwinner," or when no dependents are collecting benefits on the "breadwinner's" record. Neither would the Family Maximum restrict your benefit if you wait until you are age 70 to claim your maximum personal benefit. So, if your concern is that the Family Maximum might limit your, or your wife's benefit if you wait until age 68 or 70 to claim, you can discard that concern.

You are correct that the Family Maximum formula, when it applies, yields a maximum total limit of 150% to 188% of the worker's "primary insurance amount" or "PIA," which is the amount the worker is due at full retirement age (FRA) and, as you know, your FRA is determined by your year of birth. If the Family Maximum applies because multiple dependents are collecting SS benefits on your record, Social Security will determine your maximum family dollar amount, deduct your PIA

(your FRA benefit) from that amount, and the remainder would be available to be shared equally among your multiple dependents. But if no one else, or only your wife, is collecting benefits on your record, the Family Maximum does not apply.

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- 2) What was playwright Anton Chekhov's other profession?
- 3) Who are the next-door neighbors in TV's sitcom "Laverne & Shirley"?
- 4) Which continent has the most countries?
- 5) What does the shortened term K-pop stand for?
- 6) What is another name for a kiwi?
- 7) From which Roman god did the month of January get its name?
- 8) If you suffer from medial tibial stress syndrome, what is the condition commonly called?
- 9) What irrational fear is represented in the condition called ablutophobia?
- 10) What is a baby turkey called?

Last Week's Answers: 1. Wilson, 2. WWII, 3. Bob Dylan, 4. April 22, 5. Athens and Sparta, 6. Brain Freeze, 7. The most distant region in our solar system, beyond the Kuiper Belt, 8. Nine, 9. Albumen, 10. 12 ft



### 3 Artists To Open At The Carnegie Art Center For 2023



**Christina Paul, "The Pond". On view at The Carnegie Art Center in North Tonawanda, NY.**

The Carnegie Art Center will host two new exhibitions during the month of January 2023 featuring three artists: Joanne Goellner, Tami Fuller and Christina Paul. The public is welcome to attend the opening reception of both exhibitions on Thursday, January 5, 6-8PM in addition to a closing reception with remarks from the artists on Friday, January 27, 6-8PM. The exhibitions will be on view January 5-28, 2023. The Carnegie Art Center is open Wednesday & Thursday, 6-8PM and Friday & Saturday from 12-4PM.

The first exhibition titled Hands, Head and Heart will feature fiber sculpture by Tami Fuller and oil paintings by Joanne Goellner in the Rotunda Gallery at the Center. Fuller and Goellner are both artists based in East Aurora, NY. With this showing of works, Fuller and Goellner ask, "Do you lead with your head or your heart?"

They continue, "We use the work of our hands and our mediums to balance "head and heart," the intersection between cognitive approach and intuitive process. At times, we may identify more strongly with one over or other. Different circumstances call for different approaches, and it can be difficult to know which is more appropriate. While

these approaches speak different languages, both will guide us, once we decide which method serves us best.



The Head and Heart is a body of work consisting of pairs of themed paintings, one created with a cognitive approach and the other following an intuitive process (head vs. heart), in oil and cold wax medium on paper.

The Working Heart is a collection of abstract woven work that expresses what we hold and what happens when we allow our intuitive process to push against the bounds of a material framework - the overflow. While the work appears to be wholly heart-based, it relies on the framework that supports it to give it strength, much like our heart-based processes rely on our heads to balance them."

The other exhibition on view is titled IT'S ABOUT LIGHT and will feature paintings by Christina Hammill Paul. Paul says, "My paintings have been described as elegant, complex and thoughtful. Mostly soft in palette with fluid shapes, lines and textures, they capture light and the feeling of a space, be it intimate or expansive. I work in acrylics with a new-found freedom from the subject, using nature and the figure as a point of reference and release. I find solace in painting and work intuitively toward conveying

serenity and a place calming to the mind."

More information about the exhibitions and the artists can be found on the Carnegie Art Center's website: <https://carnegieartcenter.org/events/> or stay up to date by following Carnegie Art Center on Facebook and @carnegieartcenter on Instagram.

The Carnegie Art Center is located in a structure built in 1904 as the City of North Tonawanda's public library and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Since 1974, the Carnegie, has been operating as a 501(c)3 not-for-profit corporation offering art exhibitions, art classes, musical events for the community, as well as support to artists and art organizations.

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**Dana B. from Amherst, NY overcame 30 years of cigarette smoking through the NYS Smokers' Quitline.**

Quitting smoking or vaping is challenging; however, people across New York State achieve lasting success every day with proper support. The New York State Smokers' Quitline (Quitline) celebrates those who pursue and maintain tobacco-free living and encourages those who smoke or vape to make a quit-attempt in 2023 – whether it's a first time or trying again. The Quitline reminds all New York State residents personalized support from trained tobacco treatment specialists and free resources are available seven days a week by calling 1-866-NY-QUITS (1-866-697-8487), texting QUITNOW to 333888 and visiting [nysmokefree.com](http://nysmokefree.com).

For Dana B. (pictured), age 51 of Amherst, N.Y., timing was everything in his journey to become tobacco-free. He smoked a pack-a-day of cigarettes since age 18 and tried to stop a few times throughout his life, but usually never for more than a few days. Suddenly on March 2, 2020, Dana suffered a brain aneurysm and went to a Buffalo hospital.

"The neurosurgeons discovered a black-colored plaque leading into the main vessel to the brain," Dana recalled. "I always felt like a fit individual de-

spite my smoking. The images of the plaque showed the damage cigarettes were doing to my health. I learned I essentially had a 1-in-3 chance of dying, a 1-in-3 chance of paralysis and a 1-in-3 chance of walking out of the hospital."

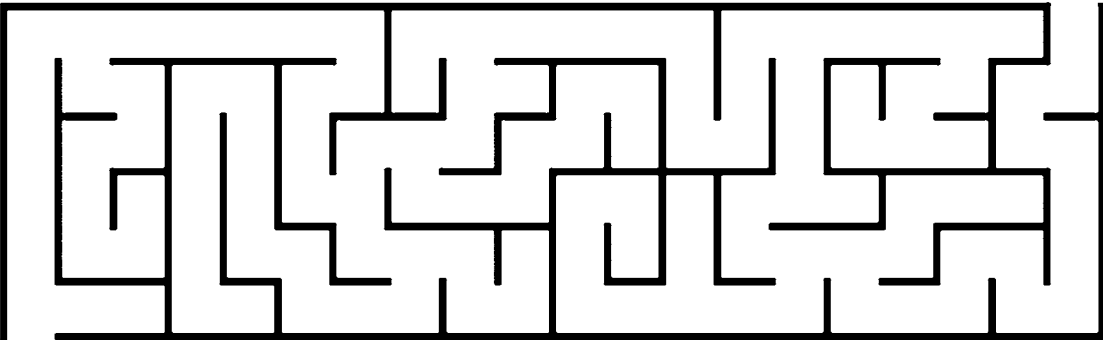
Fortunately for Dana and his family, the latter of the three possibilities happened. He received his hospital discharge in late March, just before hospital beds became increasingly occupied by more patients at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Before he left for home, Dana learned about the New York State Smokers' Quitline and called 1-866-NY-QUITS to speak with a trained tobacco treatment specialist.

By May of 2020, Dana weaned from the nicotine patches and nicotine gum. He developed new routines to keep himself busy in place of smoking. Dana knows without the tools from the Quitline and the added encouragement from his family and healthcare professionals, the past three years of his life would look very different.

Most New York State adults are eligible to receive a free starter supply of nicotine replacement therapy (NRT) medications via mail, typically in the form of nicotine patches and often with supplemental nicotine gum or nicotine lozenges. When used appropriately and in combination, NRT medications can double or triple the odds of becoming and staying tobacco-free.

For those who prefer support via text, the Quitline reminds all New York State residents to try the new Learn2QuitNY six-week comprehensive program by enrolling at [nysmokefree.com](http://nysmokefree.com) or texting QUITNOW to 333888. The Quitline also recommends all tobacco and vape product users to visit the CDC's "Resolve to Be Smokefree in '23" website, complete with tips, resources, links and app recommendations.

### Kids' Maze



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# The Grapevine

**Dog Ears Bookstore.** A new six-week session of the Adult Writers' Workshop is slated at Dog Ears Bookstore & Café, 688 Abbott Road, Buffalo. Classes will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. beginning Thursday, Jan. 26. All participants will present current writing efforts that will be gently critiqued. Light refreshments are included, and the cost is \$75 for all six meetings. To register for the Adult Writers' Workshop, which continues on Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23 and March 2, please call the bookstore at 823-2665 or email John Schreier at [jmarkschrei@aol.com](mailto:jmarkschrei@aol.com). For more information on Dog Ears Bookstore, please visit <http://dogearsbookstore.org>. You can also follow Dog Ears Bookstore on Facebook for frequent updates.

**Shakespeare in Delaware Park.** Auditions for Shakespeare in Delaware Park's 48th season will be held on Jan 21, 22, 23 Saturday January 21st 9am to 1pm open call by appointment Sunday January 22nd 9am to 1pm call backs Monday January 23rd 5pm to 9pm call backs auditions will be held at: Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart 3860 Main Street (Clare Music Hall Building) Buffalo, NY 14226. Open call auditions are by appointment only. To arrange an appointment, please call (716) 856-4533 on or after January 2nd (no audition appointments will be accepted before January 2nd). Actors should prepare one memorized, Shakespearean monologue, not to exceed 2 minutes. All actors are requested to bring a resume/career bio and a head shot to the audition. All ethnicities are encouraged to audition.

**Snowball Effect Pop Up** is happening on Saturday, January 14, 2023 at 12:00PM EST at Black Butterfly Event Venue at 769 Main Street, Buffalo, New York. and It's Free Vendors of all kinds are Welcome! . All Are Welcome To Come And Check Out The Vendors - Food - Live Dj - Bakers - Photographers - Chefs - Infused Goodies - Designers - Artists - Musicians - Poets - Candles - Trinkets - And

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**All Heritages Celebrate - Lunar New Year Celebration Gala** starts on Sunday, January 22, 2023 on 12:30 PM - 5:00 PM at Center for the Arts 103 Center For The Arts Buffalo, NY. All Heritages Celebrate! CCWNY (Chinese Club of WNY) invites you to the Lunar New Year Celebration Gala. Free and open to the public.

**"Just Try It" at The Ice on Canalside** starts on 11am-1pm on January 8th, January 22nd, February 12th, and February 19th. Join us at The Ice for a "Just Try It" event hosted by Greater Buffalo Adaptive Sports. This event will allow community members to try sled hockey out for free. For more information visit <https://buffalowaterfront.com/events/public-ice-skating>.

**Jung Center and Trinity Church to celebrate Celtic Epiphany.** A musical Celtic celebration of Epiphany which historically marks the arrival of the Magi at the birth of the Christ Child will be held from 7 - 9 p.m., Friday, January 6 in Christ Chapel of Trinity Episcopal Church, 371 Delaware Ave., Buffalo. The event is free and open to the public. Sponsored by the Jung Center of Buffalo and Trinity Church, the celebration will feature music by Setana, an Irish trio, poetry readings, recitations along with a reflection by the Rev. Matt Lincoln, pastor of Trinity Church, followed by festive refreshments. "This holiday event will be a lovely way to gather and celebrate as a community after the worst blizzard in known history," Steven Thoren, president of the Jung Center said, adding, "It is a community party to celebrate the spirit of the Magi who journeyed to see the Christ Child." Holiday food and monetary donations are welcome and encourage



**NYS Winter Educational Schools For Garden Centers, Greenhouses & Growers.** The full-day program on January 18th will allow attendees to earn NYS DEC Pesticide Recertification credits. Morning Program - 9:00 - 12:00 PM VIRTUAL (View at your location, or at Roycroft Powerhouse, East Aurora, NY) Biostimulants - Nothing But the Facts - Rick Yates, Griffin Industries Technical Services Manager PGR's for Perennial Production - Joyce Latimar, retired University of Virginia Extension Upgrading Energy Efficiency for Greenhouse Growers - A.J. Both, Rutgers University Protect Your 2023 Crops Against 2022 Diseases! - Margery Daughtrey, Cornell University Afternoon Program - 1:25 - 4:30 PM IN PERSON (Roycroft Powerhouse, 39 S. Grove Street, East Aurora, NY) Box Tree Moth Update: What to Watch Out For - Sharon Bachman, CCE Erie Spotted Lanternfly in WNY: Update on Erie County Detection and What This Means for Horticulture Businesses - Jennifer Russo, Lake Erie Regional Grape Program Review of 2022 Growing Season Pest Issues - Preparing for 2023 - Jamilyn Woodside, NYS Department of Ag and Markets Greenhouses and Extreme Weather Events - Being Ready to Weather the Storm - Tim Terry, Agriculture Extension Specialist, Cornell University Integrating Biologicals and Biorationals into Greenhouse IPM Programs - Nick Flax, Technical Services Specialist, Ball Seed Company For more information on agenda topics and speakers, visit our event webpage at [erie.cce.cornell.edu/events](http://erie.cce.cornell.edu/events) or on the New York State Flower Industries website: <http://www.newyorkstateflowerindustries.com/educational-schools-for-garden-centers-greenhouses-and-growers>.



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## SPCA Issues Winter Pet Safety

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**Keep a Tight Leash:** Never let your dog off the leash on snow or ice, especially during a snowstorm. Pets can lose their scent on snow and ice, especially if snow is falling at a fast rate, and your pet can easily lose his sense of direction. Pets may also panic during a snowstorm and run away; many pets are lost during the winter months. Remember to keep current identification on your pet at all times!

**\*Keep Pets At Home:** Never leave your pet alone in a car during cold weather. A car can act as a refrigerator in the winter, holding in the cold. Your pet could literally freeze to death.

**\*Always Dry Pet's Wet Feet:** Thoroughly wipe off your pet's legs and stomach when she comes in and out of the rain, snow or ice. Check her sensitive foot pads, which may be bleeding from snow or ice encrusted in them. Your pet may also pick up salt and other chemicals on her feet accidentally. These chemicals could hurt her if she swallows them while licking her feet.

**\*Lay Straw for Dogs' Visits Outdoors:** Can't get your dogs to wear booties? Lay straw on top of snow for trips outdoors by dogs reluctant to step out onto a freezing surface to relieve themselves.

**\*Check Cars for Cats:** During the winter, stray or neglected cats outdoors sometimes sleep under the hood of the car where it's warm and comfortable. If you start the motor, cats could get caught in or flung about by the fan belt, causing serious injury or death. To prevent this, bang loudly on the hood and sides of your car before turning on the ignition to give the cat a chance to escape.

**\*Keep Outdoor Sessions Short:** Take your dog outside only for as long as

it takes for him to relieve himself. Dogs, particularly small, short-haired breeds like Chihuahuas and terriers, suffer from the cold despite their seemingly warm fur coats. Live within Buffalo city limits? Don't forget Buffalo's new laws pertaining to tethering dogs in inclement weather.

**\*Bathe Pets Only When Necessary:** Your pet runs the chance of catching a cold when wet, especially in cold weather. If you absolutely must bathe your pet, consult a professional groomer or veterinarian.

**\*Keep Pets Warm:** Limit the clipping of your pet's hair in the cold winter months, keeping your pet as warm as possible. Brush your pet daily in lieu of clipping to keep your pet's coat healthy, shiny, clean and mat-free. Make sure your pet has a warm place to sleep far away from outside drafts.

**\*Hungry Pets:** Speak to your veterinarian about increasing your pet's supply of food, particularly protein, to keep his fur thick and healthy through the winter months. Inquire about vitamin and oil supplements.

**\*Antifreeze is poison to pets:** antifreeze, even in small doses, is a lethal poison for dogs and cats! Because of its sweet taste, animals are attracted to it. Be sure to clean up spills thoroughly, and consider switching to an animal-friendly antifreeze. Ensure that, if you store Antifreeze in a garage, shed, or other places accessible to your pets, it is well out of pets' reach.

If your pet becomes lost, be sure to visit YourSPCA.org's Lost and Found page for recommendations on where to post lost pet listings, and tips for finding your lost pets.

For more tips regarding keeping pets safe and healthy during the winter, please contact your veterinarian.

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Notice of Formation of Tatanka Homes LLC, LLC Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY SSNY on the 6th of December 2022. 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 59 Traymore St, Buffalo, NY 14216. Any lawful purpose. 3

NOTICE OF FORMATION of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): DEL Associates I, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on November 22, 2022. Office location is Erie County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon who 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. 3

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NOTICE of FORMATION of a DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name of LLC: 159 Gorton LLC Date of filing of Articles of Organization with the NY Dept of State: October 7, 2022 Date of Formation: October 7, 2022 Office of the LLC: Erie County Service: 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: 95 17th Street, Buffalo, NY 14213. Registered Agent: Becky Powell, 95 17th Street, Buffalo, NY 14213, is to be the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. Purpose of LLC: Any lawful purpose permitted for LLCs under NY Limited Liability Company Act. 3

AJRuggiero Remodeling, LLC, filed articles of organization with the NY Secretary of State on 12/06/2022. Office: Erie County. Anthony J. Ruggiero is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. NY Secretary of State shall mail copy of process to Anthony J Ruggiero at 109 Deumant Terrace, Buffalo NY 14223. Purpose: General residential remodeling. 6

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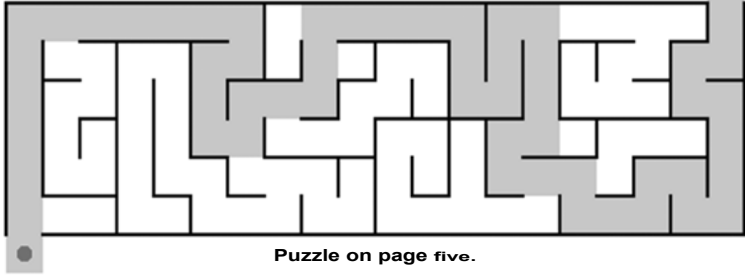
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