

Happy Father's Day!



This Father's Day is coming up this Sunday, June 18th so be sure to make this Sunday a great day for Dad!

Father's Day is always celebrated on the third Sunday in June. This year, it lands on Sunday, June 18th. Many people assume Father's Day (and Mother's Day for that matter) is a holiday designed by greeting card makers to turn a profit. But that couldn't be farther from the truth. The story behind how this day became a holiday is actually a tale of determination by one woman and a decades-long fight to get fathers the recognition they deserve.

The first Father's Day observance is often attributed to the 1907 Monongah, West Virginia mining disaster that took 361 men—250

of them fathers— and left more than a thousand children without a dad. In May of 1909, a woman named Sonora Louise Smart Dodd of Spokane, Washington, heard a Mother's Day sermon by Reverend Dr. Henry Rasmussen in her hometown church and thought a similar day should be set aside to honor fathers.

In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge urged states to observe the day nationwide but refused to issue an official proclamation for the holiday, and by the 1930s there was an effort to combine Mother's Day and Father's Day into a single "Parent's Day" holiday.

Even the newly formed "Father's Day Council," made up (and funded by) of members of men's clothing retailers, couldn't get the holiday recognized by 1938, only succeeding in getting calendar makers to mark the third Sunday in June with tie and pipe illustrations. And the general public had no interest in buying cards or gifts for dad that he probably didn't need.

Whatever you do, a personal gift is a way to tell dad that in so many ways he remains the center of your world, that nothing he did in the past went unnoticed, and that he continues to inspire you every day.

47th Annual Roycroft Artisan Summer Festival Starts June 24th & 25th

The Roycrofters-At-Large Association is excited to announce that it will be back again for the 47th annual Roycroft Artisan Summer Arts & Crafts Festival at the Classic Rink on Saturday, June 24th and Sunday June 25th!

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the Classic Rink, located at 41 Riley Street in the Village of East Aurora. This is the fifth year the Roycroft Summer Festival returns to the Classic Rink, an outdoor venue with a roof to provide protection from the sun as well as inclement weather. With the festival centrally located in the village, patrons can

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Visitors to the Festival will experience fine art in wood, metal, fabric, jewel-

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Party On The Portico Returns To The Buffalo History Museum

The Buffalo History Museum is pleased to announce the return of our Party on the Portico summer concert series. Party on the Portico takes place from 6:00pm- 9:00pm on Third Fridays - June 16, July 21, and August 18.

Party on the Portico has been a staple summer celebration on the Museum's iconic portico overlooking Delaware Park and Mirror Lake for more than a decade. Guests can also explore the museum's exhibits, and enjoy a cash bar and complimentary snacks. This year's line-up is supported by Music is Art.

2023 LINE-UP

June 16 – Sunday Reign and Tuesday nite
 July 21 – Rabbit Jaw and Falconeers
 August 18 – Damon Jackson Outcome and Smac!

Party on the Portico is a 21 and over event and runs rain or shine. Tickets are \$15 for the public, (\$5 for members) and can be purchased online at buffalohistory.org/event/party-on-the-portico-2/2023-06-16/or-at-the-door








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SPORTS

By Bill Snyder

Smile For The Camera!



The Cougars team photo in the Major Girls Division of the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League. Pictured Bottom row left to right: Taylor Ferraro, Zoe Serrano, Ella Gholston. Middle row: Lily Butch, Jade Miller, Molly Kuwik. Top row: Elena Rawlins, Charlie Mayfield, Pipi Dougherty-Daly, Sarah Clark, Lucy Barbara. Coaches: Michele Mayfield, Jude Butch.

P.J. Doyle hit a homerun over the fence in the top of the sixth inning to help lead the Giants to a 7-4 win over the Cardinals in the Major Boys Division of the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League this past Saturday morning in Shoshone Park.

The victory gave the Giants a 5-4 record on the season so far but set a tone for the competitive teams under the first place Cubs with a 9-0 record. The Braves walloped the Phillies 15-4, the Dodgers defeated the Reds and Cubs took care of the Nationals. All four teams have strung together some impressive wins as they prepare for the Playoffs.

They're not the only ones. Boys and Girls in most other Divisions in the League have been winning close games with an opponent, with timely

hits and strikeouts from the mound. Last Thursday, the Spartans took and early lead on the Purple Eagles in a Girls Triple A game after four innings. But the Purple Eagles rallied to score five runs in the top of the fifth to go up 13-11. The Spartans fought back to tie the game at 13-13 on a Morgan DeLaPlante homerun and win it on a Sienna Smith base hit that scored Zita Allen. The 14-13 victory was just an indication of a great game between two good teams.

Dean Riordan, playing for the Triple AAA Mariners last week hit a three run homerun and had two additional RBI's to help Jermin Collazo and Naveen Ladori shut out the A's. Collazo hit two homeruns while Ladori hit for the cycle with five RBI's and a bases clearing

triple. Riordan was called up to play from the Double AA Phillies. In other games, the Razorbacks defeated the Bears, 11-3 in Double AA and the Tigers got by the Orioles 9-8 on a walk off single by Zamir Kyser that scored teammate Michael Miller in a Triple AAA game.

Evan Scott of the Double AA Phillies, hit a grand slam homerun and Sebastian Fyda hit a two run homer for the Triple AAA Angels in a 15-10 victory over the Twins. Leah Szymanski of the Double AA Tigers hit a double that scored two runs and pitched well in a win over the Wolverines, 4-3. Seamus Mahoney, Greyson Gordon and Pavel Schneidermann led the Cubs over the Cardinals, 2-1 and the Reds defeated the Phillies, 3-1.

In Major Girls, the Griffs got off to a great start on their season, winning their first four games but then ran into a tough Huskies team last Friday night and were on the losing end of a 12-9 loss. Another team, the Cougars have yet to win their first game but new coach Michele Mayfield, remains positive about her girls and predicts good things ahead.

Next week, two of the League's best nights of the season will happen as Coaches sit down and pick their best players to represent the League in each age bracket of Boys and Girls and compete with each other for what promises to be a great night of Baseball and Softball. Some games will be held under the lights after 8:00 pm and there's bound to be some excellent games on all seven diamonds on the 21st and 22nd of June. Be there because it's sure to be a hit!

In Senior Boys, the A's defeated the Dodgers, the Mets mauled the Tigers and the Pirates made the Phillies "walk the plank." In Senior Girls, the Bulls defeated the Longhorns, 17-11 and the Jayhawks defeated the Sooners. More action coming your way next week.

Kids' Maze

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The Blotter

Felonies

From "D" District

North Buffalo
June 10, 2023
Delaware Avenue – Defendant did break off of the victims vehicle a 202 Buick Encore GX the rear wiper and the driver and passenger side mirrors. Damage done to the defendant's vehicle did result in \$1,114.00 in repairs. Defendant did also take the victim's pink camera, valued at \$68.00. Incident was caught on video.

June 8, 2023
Hertel Avenue – Erie county sheriff did observe the defendant standing on the southeast corner on Niagara Street, when the defendant noticed the marked sheriff vehicle the defendant then started pacing back and forth then dropped a tied black baggie which is consistent to narcotics. When lieutenant picked up the black baggie there were two individual white powder like substances in each bag weighing a combined weight of 4.5 grams.

June 7, 2023
Amherst Street – After argument with victim over camera footage at store. Defendant then pulled out a kitchen knife and threaten to kill victim. Officer on site responded to the scene and did witness defendant with knife in right hand. Officer did recover and submit knife for evidence.

West Side
June 9, 2023
Delaware Avenue – Defendant did take without permission miscellaneous items from Target and did pass all points of purchase. Store has video.

June 8, 2023
Grant Street – Defendant was violating a stay away order of protection when he was found with the complainant at the corner of Grant and Lafayette.

June 6, 2023
West Delavan Street – Defendant while under the influence of alcohol while heading south on Grant did strike seven parked vehicles. Defendant finally came to a stop after crashing into a tree at 240 West Delavan and was pulled out of the vehicle by an off-duty officer. Upon investigation, it was discovered defendant

was driving on a permit only. Vehicle defendant was driving was a 2006 Green Dodge Charger and defendant also had no insurance. Officers during inventory of vehicle prior to tow also recovered an open container of Heinek-en and was submitted to evidence. While at AIU office, defendant refused to perform a chemical breath test and sobriety test.

June 3, 2023
West Ferry Street – Victim states defendant did forcibly steal her mobile phone by grabbing her stringed bag that contained her phone from her wrist causing bruising, swelling, and bleeding to her left wrist. Defendant did shove the victim multiple times causing redness and bruising to her chest. Victim recovered the mobile phone at the scene. Victim was checked and released by AMR 520 on scene. Value of the phone is estimated at \$40.00.

Riverside
June 12, 2023
Grove Street – Defendant did enter dwelling via back door but was unable to make it inside of complainants apartment was banging on complainants wall then went to front porch. When complainant came out, defendant did take her phone and would not return it to complainant so she was unable to call for help. Complainant states she was looking for her landlord and was making threats to harm people, causing her to become alarmed and annoyed.

June 12, 2023
Elmwood Avenue – Defendant did enter Wendy's after previously being arrested there and told not to return. Once inside he did approach complainant in his office and di punch computer monitor, causing damage to same. Defendant did then begin tossing items off shelves and onto floor. This has been an ongoing issue and today defendant stated he was going to burn the office to the ground causing complainant to become alarmed and annoyed. Appearance ticket issued.

June 11, 2023

Grote Street – Victim reports defendant did grab her by the throat and squeezed causing victim to became dizzy, short of breath and to urinate on herself. After attempting to get away both parties ended up on the ground where defendant did strike victim with a closed fist five times in the lower right ribs. Victim is receiving medical attention at Kenmore Mercy for severe bruised ribs.

June 10, 2023
Riverside Avenue – Victim states that suspect did pull her hair and scratch her in the face, causing pain and redness. Order of protection expiring 8/31/23 in effect.

June 9, 2023
Elmwood Avenue – Complainant reports defendant did pour syrup all over his car New York registered vehicle causing him to be annoyed and alarmed.

June 5, 2023
Germain Street – Victim stated that suspect kicked in her door when she was at her neighbor's house in the rear apartment. Victim was unaware that the suspect was in her home. When victim came out front to her truck to grab something, the suspect popped his head out of the victims apartment. The victim ran back to her neighbor's house and called the police. Suspect was later arrested.

June 5, 2023
Bird Avenue – Defendant did punch out the complainants rear view mirror of her New York registered vehicle. Officers did pick up the suspect at 214 Bird Avenue and did conduct a show up which was confirmed. Estimated total damage \$150.00.

June 4, 2023
Tonawanda Street – Officers responded to a violent domestic call from a juvenile caller stating her mother was being held against her will from her boyfriend. Officers responded and the victim stated the offender attempted to retrieve her cell phone after being caught cheating. The victim was unable to call 911 because the offender held her down. Her 7 year old child contacted officers. Officers responded and found the offender hiding in the upstairs attic. Upon further review, the offender has a stay-away order for the victim and daughter, issued on 3/29/23 and expiring 9/29/23.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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King Crossword

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ACROSS

1 Potential syrup

4 Ship's front

8 Dutch cheese

12 Family card game

13 One with will power?

14 Cover with blacktop

15 Kind of stove

17 Mid-month date

18 Solo of "Star Wars"

19 Pie chart divisions

21 Exact

24 Fan's cry

25 "East of Eden" brother

26 Blend

28 Interior design

32 Curved molding

34 Signing need

36 Chicago paper, briefly

37 Irritable

39 "Mayday!"

41 Blackbird

42 Summer mo.

44 Orders of pancakes

46 Snarls

50 Annoy

51 Pulitzer winner James

52 Soup cooker

56 Katy Perry hit song

57 Hunt for

58 Wilder's "— Town"

59 Leer at

60 Nashville venue

61 Dead heat

DOWN

1 Dine

2 Year in Cancun

3 Driving hazards

4 Wunderkind

5 Seminary

6 Monet's supply

7 More ironic

8 Disparaging term

9 Pedestal part

10 Declare

11 GI dining hall

16 Slugger's need

20 Scoundrel

21 Highlander

22 Senate staffer

23 Chill in the air

27 Ballot marks

29 Eccentric

30 Sty cry

31 Baseball stats

33 Curio cabinet

35 Refusals

38 Actor Brynner

40 Viscid

43 Bas-relief medium

45 Noah's boat

46 Poi base

47 Awestruck

48 Patricia of "Hud"

49 Dance move


53 "— the ram-parts ..."

54 Gigi's "yes"

55 Three, in Rome

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Northwest Buffalo Beat

By Dave Gallagher AKA Joe Bortz

Coal In Your Stocking?



A typical Coalman.

The other day as I sat in my recliner and watched a little TV, I heard the furnace kick on. It was a bit chilly for this time of year, so the house needed heat. No problem when the temperature goes below 70 degrees inside as it automatically goes on. Do not have to do a thing, just sit there. As I relaxed and enjoyed the comfort, I remembered it was not always that way. I wonder what the kids today would do if they had to do what I did in my adolescent years.

Back in the day, the efficient way to heat your home was to have a coal furnace. Lots of people today have never even seen coal. Came in lumps about the size of potatoes. Black as black can

be and dirty. But it burned slowly, not like wood. It was the fuel for heating, before natural gas, as usually once you lit the fire in your coal furnace, unless you goof, it stays burning for the whole winter. Just needs to be tended to all day long. It was a chore.

We start by getting the coal to your house. The coal man would deliver it to your address and dump it at the curb. Usually, a ton or two. Little door on the back of his dump truck to release coal onto the street. Easier to shovel if dumped on the pavement. Coal man was usually filthy dirty from the coal dust. Only thing not black on him was his eyelids. Usually, a grumpy character but who would

blame him. It was a dirty occupation.

Next thing is to get the coal into the house. If you were fortunate, you had a wheelbarrow. If not, you had to use buckets. There was a little room in the basement set aside for the coal, called the coal bin. There was a window on the “coal bin” to use to get the coal into the bin. So, once you received the coal you had to pretty much get it off the street and into the bin rather quickly. Otherwise, it would dwindle with theft and kids would use it for drawing pictures on the sidewalk. This was one of my tasks, filling the coal bin.

Okay, the coal is in the bin and winter is approaching. Time to light the furnace. Not a difficult thing to do but had to be done right. This my dad did. Paper to start, then wood, and when it is started, the coal. Had to be a good fire to ignite the black dusty fuel. Now that we have the fire started, we need to keep it going. Not only during the day, but through the night. It needed constant maintenance; you did not want the fire to go out. Especially in the middle of the night. Daytime you needed to go down and add a couple of shovels of coal in order to keep it going. Last thing you do before turning in is tend to the furnace. My dad did something to make it last through the night. If it went out, you needed more than a blanket in the morning, as it got cold.

We lived on the first floor, so we had easy access to our basement and furnace. Not so easy for the upstairs tenant. Their ac-

cess was an outside cellar trap door. Imagine having to bundle up just to get to your source of heat to keep it going? Actually, we used to take care of it for them. While we were down there as long as we were shoveling, why not throw a few in for the people upstairs? They had their own coal bin. Needless to say, once we got a conversion unit to change our coal furnace to natural gas, we were ecstatic. No more shoveling, no more trips to the dingy cellar. No more cold mornings. Sometimes when you get something new you wonder if it is going to be better. Ha, this was like driving a car instead of a bicycle.

So now I sit there and seldom ever think about the heat. It is just there when you need it. You do not have to do anything except change the filter once a year. Comes on automatically when it is cold and in the summer it turns to air conditioning and cools things down all without any labor on your part. Isn't that the cat's meow?

I just wonder about this generation and how they would react to having to shovel coal every day. You do what you have to do, and we did. Have to say things are so much easier today than they used to be. Those were the good old days?

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Pizza Bella.....1133 Tonawanda Street
Riverside Market.....740 Tonawanda Street
Riverside News Stand.....Tonawanda Street
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Sun Restaurant.....1989 Niagara Street
Up To You Deli.....2189 Niagara Street

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“UNI” WORDS

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: A ONE-HORNED HORSE

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Ask Rusty – How Will Working Affect My First Year’s Benefits?

Dear Rusty: I retired from working in January of this year and have since claimed Social Security. I didn’t work at all in February or March, but I began a part-time job in April. I’m very confused about how Social Security counts earnings for the first year. I don’t know if I need to keep each month’s earnings under \$1,770 or if they average it. Some of the literature I’ve found says each month must remain under \$1,770 or NO benefit will be paid that month. Two people at the Social Security office told me that they’ll just dock me \$1 for every \$2 I am over that, even in my first year. I also cannot find anything about when they count your income. Is it when it’s earned or when it’s paid? If I go over in a month because there are three pay periods, can they withhold the benefit for that month? I’m just so confused! **Signed: Part-Time Worker**

Dear Part-Time Worker: The Social Security earnings test during your first year collecting benefits before full retirement age is, indeed, somewhat confusing. The reason is that there are two methods that Social Security may use during your first calendar year collecting early benefits, and they will use the one which results in the least financial impact to you. To elaborate:

If you claim benefits

mid-year before your full retirement age, for the remainder of that first year (starting in the month benefits begin and ending in December) you’ll be subject to a monthly earnings limit (\$1,770 for 2023). If you exceed the monthly limit in any remaining month of that first calendar year, you won’t be entitled to benefits for that month, so Social Security would (eventually) take back that month’s benefit. That is, unless using the annual limit (\$21,240 for 2023) instead will result in a smaller penalty. If your total earnings for your first year collecting are over the annual limit (e.g., \$21,240 for 2023), the penalty would be \$1 for every \$2 over the annual limit and, if that is less than the penalty from using the monthly limit, they will assess the smaller penalty. In other words, Social Security will use the method which is most beneficial to you when assessing a penalty for exceeding the earnings limit during your first calendar year of collecting benefits. And just for clarity, the earnings limits are much higher and the penalty is less during the year you attain full retirement age (FRA).

Something else to be aware of: if you know in advance you will exceed the annual limit it would be best to inform Social Security in order to avoid an Overpayment Notice next

year. If you don’t, Social Security won’t know about your 2023 earnings until you file your 2023 income taxes, so you’ll get your 2023 monthly payments as usual. But when the IRS informs Social Security of your 2023 earnings later next year, Social Security will ask you to detail your monthly work earnings for 2023. If you have exceeded the limits, they will determine an overpayment amount and will ask you to either pay back what is owed in a lump sum or will withhold your benefits for enough months to recover what you owe for exceeding the 2023 earnings limit. Then, after you reach full retirement age (FRA), you’ll get time credit for all months in which benefits were withheld, thus slightly increasing your monthly payment after your FRA.

Finally, it is when your income is earned that counts, not when it is paid. So, for example, if you worked in January 2023 and were paid for that work in February 2023, that is considered January income which wouldn’t count toward the February earnings limit.

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47th Annual Roycroft Artisan Summer Festival Starts June 24th & 25th

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This year will again feature a section for “New Emerging Artists” allowing them to have the opportunity to experience a fine art show while seeking guidance in their art.

Raffle tickets for the RALA “Goodie Box” will also be available. The

Goodie Box contains items created by Roycroft Artisans and Master Artisans and is valued at over \$5,000. The drawing will be held in February 2024, at the 37th National Arts and Crafts Conference, at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville, NC. The winner need not be present.

There will be a \$5.00 admission charge for adults, free for children. The event will offer local food by the Blue Eyed Baker offering food and refreshments. Festival posters and memberships will be available at the event. Follow the Roycrofters-At Large Association Facebook page and the Roycroft Artisans Instagram page for updates.

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Guest Columnist

Purple Heart Recipients To Be Honored

Erie County Clerk Michael P. Kearns will again honor veterans that have been bestowed the Purple Heart by adding their name to the William J. Donovan Purple Heart Recipients Book of Merit. Kearns is asking veterans who were awarded the Purple Heart or their surviving family members to submit their request to his office no later than July 28th in order to be added to the 2023 edition and be part of this year's Purple Heart Day Ceremony.

Purple Heart veterans or their families must complete a short application that can be obtained online at erie.gov/clerk/PurpleHeartForm or by email at salutes@erie.gov as well as provide proof the award was issued. Those with additional questions can call the Erie County Clerk's office at 716-858-6787.

"I think it is important to honor the brave men and women who have served and sacrificed for our Country. They deserve to be recognized and I am pleased we are able to maintain a record of our local heroes at the Erie County Clerk's Office", stated Kearns.

The complete volume of the William J. Donovan Purple Heart Book of Merit is on display year-round at the Erie County Clerk's Office in Old County Hall located at 92 Franklin Street, Buf-

falo. It presently holds five hundred eighteen (518) names of those honored with the Purple Heart from Erie County.

Kearns established the William J. Donovan Purple Heart Recipients Book of Merit in 2018 and has committed to add to the book each year with new recipients. The book is named after Buffalo native and leading advocate for the Central Intelligence Agency, William J. Donovan. Donovan would receive three Purple Hearts during his service in the military, and would go on to head the predecessor of the CIA, during World War II.



The Purple Heart is the oldest military decoration awarded to members of the United States military who were wounded or killed while serving, on or after April 5, 1917. Originally called the Badge of Military Merit, the Purple Heart was created by George Washington on August 7, 1782. In addition to receiving a purple heart shaped award, the honoree's name and regiment were inscribed in a "Book of Merit" which was lost after the Revolutionary War and the award was largely forgotten until over 100 years later.

Kearns will recognize the William J. Donovan Purple Heart Recipients and honor all Purple Heart veterans during a ceremony on Monday, August 7th which also serves as National Purple Heart Day annually. Full details will be available closer to the event date.

In addition, Old County Hall will be lit up purple, August 7-13th, in honor of Purple Heart Appreciation Day and in solemn recognition of all service members injured or killed in action.

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2. What is the name of the moon where "Avatar" takes place?

3) Which country is home to a tall rock structure called the Finger of God?

4) What was Babe Ruth's real first name?

5) How many of Snow White's seven dwarfs have names ending in "y"?

6) Which country did the band AC/DC come from?

7) How many books are in the primary Harry Potter novel series?

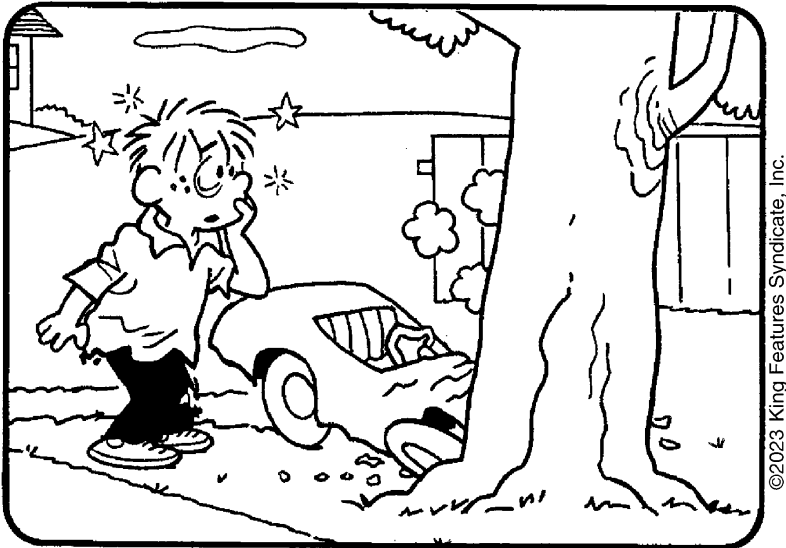
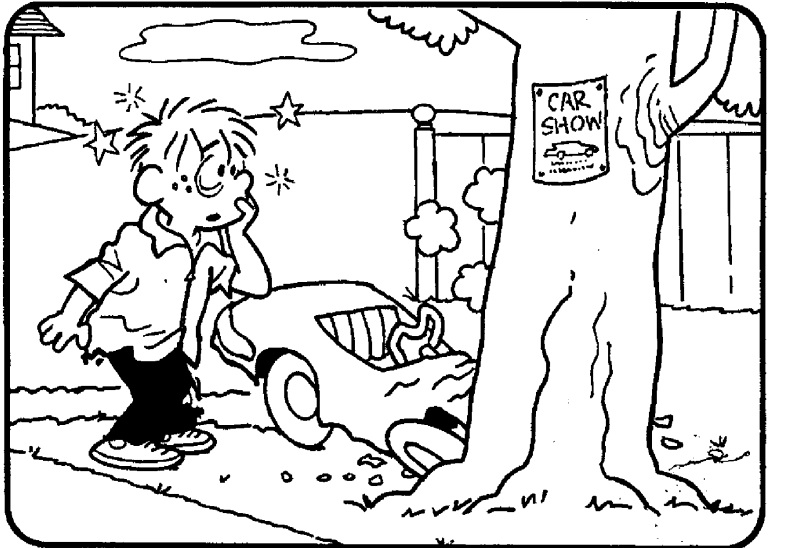
8) How many national parks are in the United States?

Last Answers: 1. 1977. 2. North Atlantic Ocean. 3. Art Fleming. 4. Cerebellum. 5. "The Murders in the Rue Morgue" by Edgar Allen Poe. 6. Pompeii and Herculaneum. 7. The Albuquerque Isotopes. 8. Food baked in a pastry crust. 9. Peanut. 10. Subway.

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Cloud is smaller. 2. Zipper is missing. 3. Bumper is missing. 4. Steering wheel is different. 5. Post is missing. 6. Poster is missing.

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The Grapevine

Salsa in the Park 10 Year Anniversary starts on the 1st and 3rd Mondays June - August. June 19th, July 3rd and 17th and August 7th from 6:30-9 PM at The Rose Gardens Pavilion at Marcy Casino, Delaware Park, 199 Lincoln Parkway, Buffalo, N.Y., 14222. August 21st, Grand Finale Party, 6:30 - 9:30 PM. Price is at \$15: includes dance lesson for beginners and dance social to follow, so you can practice your new moves. \$20 for Grand Finale Party August 21st with live Latin music by Sol y Sombra. (Weather Permitting: may be canceled due to inclement weather by 4 PM on date of event). Please bring your own water in reusable water bottles.



Reunion for ALL years of Nativity of the BVM School on Albany Street. To be held at: Town of Clarence Park (large pavilion-capacity 300) 10405 Main Street Clarence, N.Y. 14031 Date: Sunday July 9th, 2023 from 10:00am-8:00pm-Potluck Reservations are a must! RSVP by 6/30/23 to: Helen (Brown) Kurzdorfer at 716-400-7977 Rosie (DiLiberto) Mendolera at 716-881-1306.



Ten Lives Club Cat Adoption Group is proud to be showing the 2022-2023 New York Cat Film Festival (102

min long) this summer at a theater near you! From July 13th to July 27th, the non-profit will be showing a 102 minute long collection of short cat clips compiled into one enjoyable film. The premier will be at the McKinley Mall theater located at 3701 McKinley Pkwy, Buffalo on July 13th at 7pm and doors will open at 6pm. Doors will open one hour prior to the start of each film to give viewers a chance to find their seats, get some popcorn and relax. McKinley Mall Theater (3701 McKinley Pkwy, Buffalo), East Aurora Theater (673 Main St, East Aurora), Capitol Theater (720 Builders Way, Niagara Falls) and Amherst Theater (3500 Main St, Buffalo) will be showing the film. The film will be shown on the following dates and at the following locations: July 15th 1pm at the McKinley Mall, July 16th 1pm at the McKinley Mall, July 18th 7pm at the East Aurora Theater, July 22nd 7pm at the Capitol Theater and July 27th 7pm at the Am-

herst Theater. Tickets for the showings are \$12 pre-sale and \$14 at the door. Ten Lives Club receives a percentage of each ticket sold for each show. For more information on this event, visit Ten Lives Club's website or call Ten Lives Club's shelter at (716) 646-5577 ext.1.



Kenmore Farmers Market Opening on Father's Day at Kenmore Village Green (2919 Delaware Ave, Kenmore, NY 14217, Sundays, 9am-1pm, June 18th-Oct 29th. Intersection of Delaware Ave and Dela-

ware Rd Stop by the intersection of Delaware Rd. & Delaware Ave. this Sunday morning as the Village of Kenmore kicks off a new farmers market season on Father's Day! Each and every week, from June 18th through October 29th, the Kenmore Village Green (at 2919 Delaware Ave.) comes alive with tent after tent of Buffalo's best food producers and loads of excited community members. This food-based, producer-only market hosts a fantastic line-up of 40+ fresh and prepared foods with a strong commitment to craft production.



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