



"Movies In The Meadow" Series Opens This Friday in Delaware Park



"Movies In The Meadow" series begins this Friday, August 3rd in Delaware Park with "Casablanca"

The Parkside Community Association is proud to present the 2012 schedule for our popular Movies in the Meadow series. This year we're bringing you a

line-up of Classic films, including examples of Film Noir, Hitchcock mystery, romance, family fare, and comedy. All showings are in Delaware Park, are free and open to the public, though donations in support of the mission of the Parkside Community Association are always appreciated.

Every Friday in August, the movies are scheduled to start as soon as it's dark enough to be seen, approximately 8:30 pm. The location will be directly in front of the Parkside Lodge in Delaware Park, near the intersection of Parkside and Florence.

Friday, August 3rd - the movie of the night is Casablanca.

Bring a picnic blanket, enjoy some popcorn, and come out to enjoy Delaware Park

at dusk with your friends and neighbors. In the event of rain, the shows will be held at the nearby Parkside Lodge.

The series schedule is as follows:

Friday, August 3rd - "Casablanca".

Friday, August 10th - "Rear Window".

Friday, August 17th - "It Happened One Night".

Friday, August 24th - "Willy Wonka And The Chocolate Factory".

Friday, August 31st - "Young Frankenstein".

For further details, including movie ratings and trailers, visit www.parksidebuffalo.org/movies or contact the Parkside Community Association at 716 838-1240 or by email at office@parksidebuffalo.org.

Gilda's "Red Door Run" To Take Place On September 12th



Gilda's Club Western New York, a not-for-profit support community for those touched by cancer, announces the inaugural Gilda's Red Door Run and Fun Walk, to take place on Wednesday, September 12, 2012. Registration and packet pick up begins at 5:00 p.m. at Gilda's Club WNY, 1140 Delaware Av-

enue in Buffalo, where the race will begin at 6:30 p.m. This race is USA Track & Field sanctioned, with results by Tempus Fugit.

Runners and walkers of all ages are urged to lace up their sneakers and take part in this event, which will raise money for Gilda's Club WNY. All funds raised from this event will stay in

Western New York to help men, women, children and teens living with cancer by providing programming that offers emotional and social support. Membership in Gilda's Club is free of charge; the organization is supported by donations received from individuals, companies and foundations.

"The Gilda's Red Door Run will be a great way to support this worthwhile organization while getting in some good exercise and having a lot of fun at the same time," says Jane Buck, race (con't on page 5)

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

Scattered T-Storms
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The Adventures of...

Rocket Man

by Doug Smith



'Trouble In Tahiti'

For more than half its 50 years, the Shaw Festival has enhanced its lineup with a one-act show at lunchtime, a quick shot of something Shavian to be complemented with chasers of shopping and dining in this Borough Walt Disney might have invented.

Providing a second role for actors from the mainstages, many a noonday play has satisfied visitors' theatrical hunger all by itself, an appetizer obviating the entree. "Village Wooing" comes to mind, and the frenetic "The President," so popular that it won a second term in a landslide.

This year it's "Trouble in Tahiti" and comparatively speaking, it doesn't wash except as a curiosity, a one-act

opera by Leonard Bernstein pinpointing the perils of suburbia in 1952. It seems dated, a nearly fatal attribute at the time-specific Shaw Fest. (A sharp contrast is the Amherst Players' recent "Our Town," which clearly revered its doubly-distant time period, even if definitively amateur.)

"Trouble" – the title refers to a fictional movie – conveys Bernstein's search for a voice, and in the small orchestra and large chorus there are hints in movement and sound of the work he then called "East Side Story." This operetta tells of Dinah and Sam, once in love, now in lack, in their hell of a suburban paradise. "If only," she sings, "we could return to the

garden."

It has its moments. Elodie Gillett and Mark Uhre sing gorgeous, if forgettable, lyrics. From the Greek-style chorus, director Jay Turvey couches his counsel in cynicism as the works-for-cash psychiatrist and Patty Jamieson jots down just the right notes as the stenographer. The movie scene works quite well, to an effectively ironic ending.

Bernstein's lyrics catalogue an intriguing roster – Wellesley, Elkins Park, Shaker Heights, Ozone Park – but in his program notes, Director Turvey suggests that the suburbs sprang into being about 1947. Take it from Rocket Man, who was launched in one, it was way before that. Why is Kenmore Village Historian Ed Adamczyk never around when you need him?

With an 11:30 a.m. curtain, "Tahiti" remains on the Shaw Festival horizon until Oct. 8, three or four times a week. **FIVE ROCKETS** (out of 10).

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The Blotter

Felonies

From "D" District

North Buffalo

July 24, 2012
Elmwood Ave. - Reporting for a construction company, an employee stated that unknown person (s) did enter inside building of construction site taking over \$5,000 of steel.

July 25, 2012
Fairchild Ave. - Complainant states that unknown person (s) entered her unlocked house sometime during a local festival and stole various jewelry items valued at approximately \$3,000 and \$5,000.

Parker Ave. - Complainant reports that while people were in her home, someone took jewelry from her bedroom. Complainant also states that she noticed it today when her daughter from Fairchild told her all her jewelry was missing.

July 26, 2012
Hertel Ave. - Complainant

reports that 2 males did enter apartment, one armed with a handgun. Complainant was tied up with zip ties and shower curtain. Taken from apartment was 46" television, laptop and some jewelry. Total value of larceny is unknown at this time.

Colvin Ave. / Amherst St. - Defendant did stop in traffic and got out of car and attacked complainant, breaking out driver's side window and began attacking complainant #1. Said incident was witnessed by an off duty fireman, who identified himself by badge as a peace officer to defendant. Defendant did then harass complainant #2. Officers responded to a call of an officer in trouble.

Woodward Ave. - Complainant reports that unknown person (s) did cut and damage both brake and gas lines to his vehicle, causing approximately \$1,500 damage.

West Side

July 24, 2012
Hawley St. - Defendant #1 states that defendant #2 came to his address and harassed him several times, the last time she brought a metal baseball bat and did strike vehicle, breaking off mirror and damaging driver door, \$250. Defendant #1 then got control of bat and struck her vehicle four times, causing over \$1,500 of damage.

July 25, 2012
Grant St. - Defendant was stopped for a traffic violation and was found to be in possession of five bags of marijuana, had an outstanding warrant in the city of Buffalo and did not have a driver's license.

Chapin Pkwy - Complainant states that unknown person did break the door window and gained entry into residence. Suspect did grab a change purse off the kitchen table but was scared off by motion alarm, causing him to flee, dropping purse on the stairs.

July 26, 2012
Grant St. - Complainant states that while at a convenience store he dropped his wallet, not realizing it

until 5 minutes later. After returning to the store he was told that an unknown male did pick up the wallet and leave the store. Wallet contained benefits card, social security card, driver's license and \$40 cash.

Riverside

July 23, 2012
Eckhart Ave. - Complainant states that unknown person (s) did file her income check and did cash check for \$1,087.

July 24, 2012
Tonawanda St. - While investigating a call, defendant was found to be in possession of keys to a vehicle he did not have permission to have. Defendant was driving recklessly and did cause damage to vehicle by smashing into curb, damaging driver's side front tire and breaking axle of vehicle. Defendant did not have a driver's license.

Ontario St. - While investigating a complaint of drug activity, officers observed defendant with a blunt. Upon further investigation, defendant was found to be in possession of 33 bags of marijuana in his pockets.

Amherst St. - Complainant

reports that defendant did spit in her face and break the wooden post at the bar she owns. Defendant did bite complainant #2 on the fore arm causing pain and swelling. Defendant refused to place her hands behind her back and had to be physically subdued. Once defendant was placed in the patrol car, she attempted to kick the rear windows with her feet. Defendant was then sprayed with chemical agent to neutralize her actions.

July 26, 2012
Dearborn St - Complainant states that suspect, possible ex-boyfriend, entered the residence by forcing the front door and once inside took without permission, refrigerator, stove and 62" television set. Unknown value of larceny at this time.

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Ten Lives Club Cat Adoption Show - Saturday August 4th, 2012 from 11:00am-3:00pm at Pet Supplies Plus, 2155 Delaware Avenue in Buffalo. Healthy, beautiful cats will be available for adoption. All are spayed and neutered with shots. Give a sweet cat a new home! Call (716) 883-6845 for more information.

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Opera Week Volunteer Training Workshop - Saturday, August 11th at 10:00 am - Noon. Come and hear about the Annual Opera Volunteers International and how to coordinate a vocal event for Opera Day and Opera Week in Buffalo/Niagara.

The workshop will be held at the Audubon Public Library, 350 John James

Audubon Parkway, Amherst New York 14228. We need your response on how many your organization will send to the workshop to plan on food and printed material. Please send a name, address, E-mail address and telephone number. Call: 885-2486 Space limited!

Come and hear how Opera-Lytes and The Johnson Memorial Fund have partnered with schools, mentoring programs and the general public to get the word out about Opera Day on Sunday, October 28th, Opera Week, Oct.27th - Nov. 4th, and more.

This includes a report from Dr. Anastasia Johnson's attendance to the joint Annual Meetings of Opera Volunteers International and Opera America.

Handouts will include the Opera Week Program Program Cover handouts, a check list for arranging a concert at a venue, a list of WNY venues, and more.

For a complete Opera Day and Opera Week schedule see: www.celebrateopera-awny.org
For further information contact Sylvia Volk: artisans_company@yahoo.com or call 881-1424

Arbor Day Foundation- Spruce up your landscape by joining the Arbor Day Foundation in August.

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landscape."

New members of the Arbor Day Foundation will also receive The Tree Book, which includes information about tree planting and care, and Arbor Day, the Foundation's bimonthly publication.

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Additionally, the event will feature a silent auction, including several autographed NFL and celebrity gear and paraphernalia. Attendees can bid for purchase of these items. Proceeds raised from the event will benefit the initiatives of the David Clowney Foundation.

The David Clowney Foundation is a comprehensive community initiative designed to assist underprivileged youth through mentorship and empowerment.

Bowling with the Buffalo Bills will take place Monday, September 24, 2012, beginning promptly at 6:30 pm and ending at 10:00 pm. The event will be hosted at AMF Thruway Lanes in Buffalo, NY, the player's NFL team's home. Admission for the event will include dinner, bowling, a t-shirt and gift bag. For an individual adult, admission is \$75.00/person, and for an individual under the age of 18, admission is \$50.00/person. Additionally, group rates are offered for attendees; for 5 adults, admission is \$60.00/person, and for 5 non-adults, admission is \$35.00/person.

If you would like more information on The David Clowney Foundation, sponsorship opportunities, or tickets to Bowling with the Buffalo Bills, visit www.DavidClowneyFoundation.com, call 1-855-4-THEDCF (843323) or email DCF@TheY9Group.com.

Gilda's "Red Door Run" To Take Place on September 12th

(con't from front page)

co-chair and Gilda's Club WNY board member. "We hope everyone will come out, walk or run and then join us for the party afterward!"

Interested participants can register for the race at www.GildasRedDoorRun.com (walkers 12 and under do not need to register). The fee is \$22 if registration is completed by midnight September 9, 2012; after that, the fee is \$25.

The registration fee includes a post party with refreshments (including healthful wraps and fresh fruit), FREE photo booth for post-race memento photos and a giveaway item. Awards will be given out in several categories and will be presented at the post party, which will be held at Gilda's Club WNY.

The event is being held in memory of Jim & Maureen McHugh, who truly repre-



sented the generosity, kindness and positive spirit of every volunteer and member of Gilda's Club Western New York. Presenting sponsor of the race is CCS Oncology. Additional sponsors are welcome; please call 686.8485 for more information.

About Gilda's Club Western New York: Gilda's Club Western New York is a non-profit support community for men, women and children who are living with cancer, as well as their families and friends. Membership is offered free of charge to people at any stage of their experience with cancer. Through participation in groups, lectures, workshops and social events, members build social and emotional support and learn to live with cancer. Gilda's Club WNY is an affiliate of the Cancer Support Community, and serves the eight counties of Western New York. For more information about Gilda's Club WNY, call 716.332.5900 or visit www.gildasclubwny.org. Also, find us on Facebook.

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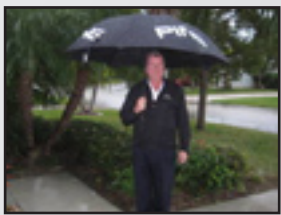
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Northwest Buffalo Beat

by Joe Bortz

"Speed Trap Ahead"

A couple of weeks ago there was an article on the internet about a woman who was arrested for warning motorists of a speed trap. It said the woman was riding her bike and spotted a police car in a not so conspicuous spot with a radar gun clocking passing cars. She immediately identified it as a so called speed trap and did what any normal human being would do. She went home and made a sign saying "Speed trap ahead" According to her and the media tapping the story, she was on the sidewalk with the sign. According to the police she was on the thoroughfare and subject to arrest for obstructing traffic.

The media in the video was making like she was some kind of hero to the people doing the right thing. Warning speeders to slow down ahead as they may get a ticket. I recall years ago on a game show, a motorcycle police man was a contestant. The game show asked the gentleman why he hides behind billboards to catch speeders. Like this was some disgusting act to trap innocent drivers. His answer was classic and I remember it to this day. If you are not speeding, it does not matter where the enforcement agent is. In plain sight or hidden, if you are not breaking the law, there is no concern.

How true that is then and

now. As I see it this woman with the sign should be arrested. She is warning people who are breaking the law, to not get caught. It is ok to speed but do not get caught. There are reasons there are speed limits and it is not a fund raiser for the area the ticket is being issued. Speeding kills people, running stop signs and red lights, kills people, driving while intoxicated, kills people. We all know this and it is a fact easily found in the vehicle fatality statistics.

Down in Florida the speed limit on the highway is 70 mph. No one goes 70 as if you did someone would run up your rear. What I would add to that is that there are no fender benders at that speed. If you are in an accident on a Florida highway, you usually die. The highways are flat, straight, three lanes and well lit at night. Not a lot of accidents, but if there is one at that speed, it is generally a fatality.

The reason I bring this up is a recent conversation with a Sheriff's deputy. He stated he is reasonable with the speeding tickets and a lot depended on the area the person is speeding in. Almost like a judgment call if it is fringe speeding. However, and we have all seen them, you have the occasional no care speeder who

endangers the lives of the people in the community. He said he arrested a fellow going 63 mph in a residential 35 mph speed zone. He was especially upset as there were young children playing in the area. He was happy to be able to give this fellow what he deserved.

Besides this deputy I have a nephew who is a State trooper. All you have to do is listen to one of them to open up on what they see on the roads as far as carnage caused by excessive speed. You would then maybe understand the reason for "speed traps" and traffic enforcement. No, to me the woman with the warning sign was no heroine but someone obstructing justice. Helping out the bad guys so to speak. Everyone is in a hurry nowadays and almost all of us speed to a certain extent. I would say 95% never drive at excessive speeds and maybe less than that drive under the influence. We need the people who give tickets to the law breakers. We need the traffic enforcement now more than ever with all the vehicles on the road. You could be driving along doing all the right things and suddenly find your self injured or killed by someone who is a careless driver. Who needs that? Wave to the State Trooper or policeman or

Sheriff's deputy and thank them for doing a good job. When you see them hiding behind a bush, just think of them as doing their job.

Pet Peeve:

Trying to think of a nice way of saying this but no matter what, it is disgusting. Dog owners who take their dogs for a walk and refuse to clean up after them. So the dog does what he needs to do, sometimes in the middle of the sidewalk or bike path, and the owner walks away and leaves the mess there. If they want a dog, they should be responsible for the maintenance necessary with dog ownership. It is not a fun thing to do but something that needs to be done.

More than once I have offered information to dog owners that their dogs have left something that needs to be addressed. I recall once telling a woman who was walking two great Danes. I mentioned that one of them had a biological urge in the middle of the street. She claimed at first it was not her dog that did it. Now picture the mess a Great Dane would leave and it was still steaming. She looked at and said "gracious me, I think it must have been Brutus". She proceeded to address the issue.

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