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# Happy Ginco de Mayo!



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Cinco de Mayo is a holiday celebrated in parts of Mexico and the United States in honour of a military victory in 1862 over the French forces of Napoleon III. Cinco de Mayo is not to be confused with Mexican Independence Day, which falls on September 16. The latter holiday was established

in 1810, some 50 years before the Battle of Puebla occurred.

Today, revelers mark the occasion with parades, parties, mariachi music, Mexican folk dancing and traditional foods such as tacos and mole poblano. Some of the largest festivals are held in Los Angeles, Chicago, and here in Buffalo.

lo. The annual Pub Crawl is coming up this Cinco

de Mayo weekend. It is set to take place on May 4th, from 5 pm to 11 pm. In addition, Deep South Taco will have it's 8th Annual Cinco de Mayo festival. Live bands from 1 pm to 9 pm featuring Nerds Gone Wild, XOXO, 5D and DoubleShot.

For more events coming up in Buafflo for this holiday weekend, please visit https://stepoutbuffalo.com/guide-to-cincode-mayo-parties-in-wny.

## **Buffalo Spring Fashion Week Returns After 11 Years**

Spring Buffalo Fashion Week is making its long-awaited return, hosting four fashion shows from May 1st through May 4th at some of the city's most

iconic loca-This tions. is the first time in over decade that Buffalo has hosted its own spring fashweek, ion and it's set to be a landmark event. Featur-

ing over 420 models and 20 designers, the event promises to showcase the vibrant fashion scene in Buffalo. Each day of the fashion week will offer something unique, with styles ranging from high fashion and streetwear to avant-garde and eco-friendly designs. The shows will take

place at stunning venues across the city, including the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens, The Admiral Room, Seneca One, and Templeton Landing.

Attendees will have the opportunity to meet and network with industry insiders, view exclusive collections, and experience the cutting edge of fashion right here in Buf-

falo.

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Let's make history together! Join us at Spring Buffalo Fashion Week and be part of the biggest fashion events in Buffalo's history.

For Press inquiries, interviews & more please contact: Khalil Carr at Kcarr@buffalofw.com or (c) 716-566-8936

## Salsa in the Park: Outdoors Summer Dance Party

The 11th Annual Salsa in the Park, 2024, Starts Monday, June 3rd. No partner necessary. Groups and families welcome. It will take

place The Rose Gardens Pavilion at Marcy Casino, Delaware Park, 199 Lincoln Parkway, Buffalo, N.Y., 14222. Parking on Lincoln Pkwy or Rumsey Rd. Weekly on Mondays between June 3rd - July

8th (six consecutive events), 6:30-9PM. Plus, Grand Finale Party August 19th (RAIN DATE: Aug. 26th), 6:30 - 9:30PM. (Events are weather permitting and may be canceled due to inclement weather by 3:30PM on the day of each event). Please bring your own water bottles.

The price is \$15.00 General, \$10 for Students with current student I.D. Includes a dance lesson for beginners and dance social to follow, so you can practice your new moves. Grand Finale Party Au-

gust 19th (RAIN DATÉ Aug. 26th) with live Latin music by Sol Y Sombra, tickets \$20 general public, \$15 for Students with a current student I.D. Children under 10

years old free of charge and must be supervised by an adult at all times.

ONLINE & IN PERSON TICKET SALES. Tickets will be released online at 3:30PM the day of each event. Go here to purchase tickets online the day of each event: https://www.sarah-haykel.com/salsainthepark/. You can pay in person at the door starting at 6:15PM the day of each event via cash, Venmo or Cash App.

Event will be canceled in the case of inclement weather by 3:30PM the day of the event.

Go here for details: https://www.sarahhaykel.com/salsainthepark/
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From the Buffalo Rocket archives



July, 1992. BOLLER'S CAR WASH...Uniting at their Niagara Street car wash are siblings (ltr) George Boller, Cheryl Boller, and John Boller.

## **Local Weather**

THURSDAY, MAY 2ND FRIDAY, MAY 3RD SATURDAY, MAY 4TH SUNDAY, MAY 5TH MONDAY, MAY 6TH TUESDAY, MAY 7TH



Sunny High 55° Low 47°



Sunny High 59° Low 42°



High 49° Low 35°



Showers High 48° Low 37°



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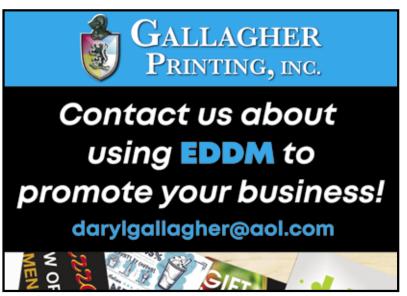
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# SPORTS By Bill Snyder

## FESTIVITIES For OPENING DAY!



The corner of Saranac and Hertel Avenue.

Michael Eberz, a 12 year old player in the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League, practically won a Travel game for the North Buffalo Blaze by himself last Sunday, April 28th in a 6-3 victory over the North Tonawanda Americans in Shoshone Park.

Playing under dark clouds and intermittent rain, Eberz scored the game winning run

that broke open a
3-3 tie midway
through the
game, by stealing home plate
from third
base, against
the Premier
League team and

gave the Yellow Blaze team their first win of the season. Eberz reached base on one of two big hits on the day and had four strikeouts over two innings in one of several games scheduled for North Buffalo to start their Travel season.

In another game played nearby, Jack Perry and Jack Ramsey of the North Buffalo 8U Blaze green team, combined to go 7 for 8 at the plate with 7 RBI's combined for a 14-12 victory over the Blaze yellow team in a real slugfest. Chris Nance and Jace Ernst both went four for four at the plate for the yellow team. Luke Nikiel had three strikeouts and

teammate Connor Whelan doubled in two runs.

These were just two of the "soft" opening games for the North Buffalo League played in a season that starts off this Saturday morning, May 4th in that tiny Park on Hertel near Main Street. The Southeast corner of Hertel and Saranac Avenue is where a childhood dream playing Baseball

or Softball begins the first weekend of May every year for over a thousand kids in North Buffalo. At 11:00am their annual parade will start from behind the Cornelius Building and the St. Marga-

ing and the St. Margaret's Church where under the guidance of the Buffalo Police Depart-ment Traffic Division, they will march through the busy thoroughfare of Hertel. Joining them will be their coaches and all their friends from Schools to follow Buffalo Mayor Byron W. Brown as he leads all players to the Park for a League he considers to be one of the best Youth Sports organizations this City has ever had. A staunch supporter of Hertel North Park since he took over as Mayor four terms ago, Brown has never missed an Opening Day for North Buffalo and works hard to help in the

League's success.

This year, the League will gather to pay trib-ute to the immediate past president of Hertel North Park, Donald E. Morris, who served North Buffalo children for over 30 years in making sure "his kids" could learn to play a game he so loved ever since he himself was a child on Buffalo's west side. All children registered to play this season will be wearing a new jersey from Laux Sporting Goods however, this year, all team shirts have a "Donnie" circular patch sewn into their left sleeve, in tribute to a man who has done so much for this League and Shoshone Park before his death on December 29th of last year.

"We have a lot of things we want to say and do in tribute to Don on Saturday and we're hoping that the weather forecasts will allow us to carry out our plans to honor him here in Shoshone Park," said one Board member Monday night. "We don't know how long the ceremony will last, but we'll show his immediate family and friends just how much we loved him. And all the scheduled games

will be played"
As many as 18 games are scheduled beginning at 1:30pm and will continue into the early evening. There are as many as 64 teams all ready to start Saturday. They've been practicing over the past few weeks, despite the weather and are all looking forward to a great Summer.

This season, the League is working hard to ensure that anyone traveling to Shoshone Park finds a secure and lawful place to park their cars. The LaSalle Parking lot above Shoshone Park off of Diamond 7 is probably the best place to park if you allow yourself time to arrive early. If you wish to park your vehicles off of Parkside Court, Shoshone Avenue and Tacoma, please be mindful of the residents on these quiet streets. Parking on both sides of a street and blocking driveways might bring a patrol car around.

Over 1,200 boys and girls have signed up to play this season, 64 house teams, two Senior Divisions of 13, boys and girls t-ball and boys and girls travel teams of Blaze, Wildcats and Knights mean close to 100 teams that I need to find out who won. I love the challenge

the challenge.



## The Blotter **Felonies**

From "D" District

## **Massive Drug Bust On Beatrice Avenue**

#### North Buffalo **April 29, 2024**

Amherst Street - On 4/29/2024 at approximately 1058 hours while the defendant was in the Boost Mobile store at 282 Amherst St., complainant states defendant did threaten to come back and shoot up the place of business after both parties had a disagreement over how the complainant was handling his insurance claim for his phone. Complainant became fearful of defendant, no longer wants him in the store and would like a Stay-away order of protection. Complainant can provide private audio/ video of the incident.

#### **April 27, 2024**

Delaware Avenue - Defendant was found to be trespassing inside the second floor stairwell of the apartment building at 2439 Delaware Avenue. The building is secured from the outside by lock and key and only accessible to residents and residents guests. Complainant states he gave no permission to the defendant to sleep in the stair-

#### West Side **April 28, 2024**

Elmwood Avenue - Officer's stopped defendant for soliciting for asking people to buy alcohol for her. When patted down defendant had in right sweater pocket, 1 glass crack stem with residue. Defendant gave officers her wrong last name and no middle initial.

**April 25, 2024** Elmwood Avenue - Complainant and defendant got into a verbal argument over moving the complainant's belongings. Defendant then shoved the complainant against the wall and attempted to push her out the house.

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#### **April 25, 2024**

Dart Street - Victim states into a verbal argument that did turn physical when defendant did stomp on victim's lower stomach by means of their foot. Defendant then did strike victim in the face by means of a tupperware container causing pain and bruising to left cheek.

#### Riverside **April 25, 2024**

Argus Street - Victim states her and defendant did get into a verbal argument that did turn physical when defendant did bite her right pinky causing a small laceration. Defendant did also cause damage to wall by means of slamming her head into it (unknown damage).

#### **April 24, 2024**

Beatrice Avenue - On

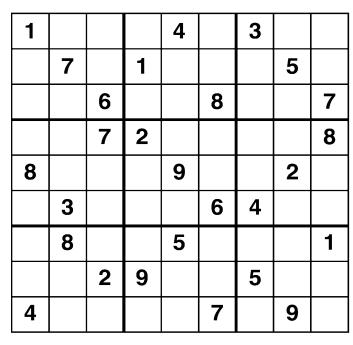
4/24/2024 at approximately 0657, BPD Intel, SWAT, ECSO, SSTF did execute a search warrant written by detective and signed by presiding honorable judge at the above address. BPD SWAT made entry and the defendant was placed in custody by SWAT officer in the front hall. SSTF officer did recover a black plastic bag containing a white rock substance and multi-color "Nerdz" bag that contained a plastic baggie with white rock substance, a plastic baggie containing a grey powder substance and 20 white glassine envelopes containing a grey powder from inside a hole in the wall in the dining room. Detective did recover plastic baggies for the packaging from the dining room floor. SSTF officer did recover a glass plate and razor blades with powder residue from a shelf in the dining room. Detective did recover a black digital scale with residue from the kitchen counter. The total weight for the crack cocaine is approximately 50 grams. The total weight for the fentanyl is approximately 3 grams. Detective did P10 all evidence and patrol officer did submit all drugs to the lab. Miranda warning

her and defendant did get

issued by detective.

## Weekly SUDOKU

### by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

#### **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging ♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!

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39 Wine grape

42 TV host Kelly

43 Slanted type

(Abbr.)

seniors

35 Puzzle

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## This Week's Featured Friend:

#### **OUR SHELTER IS OVERFLOWING WITH DOGS!**

BLUE HAS COME SO FAR FROM when he arrived at the shelter!!!!! Meet Blue! He was given this name because of his beautiful eyes that captivate you even when his comical antics get the best of you. He is a young lanky boy probably just close to a year old that is clumsv. energetic and absolutely embraces the world around him. Blue knows a solid "sit" command and loves treats! He responds well to reward with treats, and has been learning how to take his treats gently. Volunteers have been working with him on this and he is doing so much better from when he arrived at the shelter with little to no manners. He has learned down, spin and patience when



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

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## King Crossword

#### **ACROSS** 1 Scene stealer 4 Pilgrimage to Mecca

8 Auction 12 Carte lead-in 13 Pakistani language 14 Currier's partner 15 Florida city 17 Clothing store section 18 Intimidates, with "out" 19 Apprehend

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puters 48 Hit song by Shawn Mendes and Camila Cabello

50 "Oops!" 51 Walked (on) 53 Infatuated 54 Bohemian

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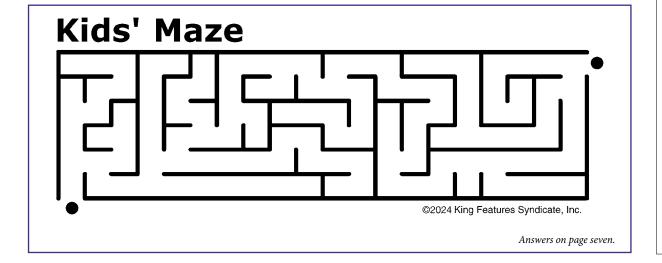
44 Org. for 3 Creche figure 25 Crystal gazer 45 Coffee holder 46 "Caught ya!" playwright

7 "Walk on the 29 Covert agent

10 Actor Cariou 38 Malia's sister

47 Gear tooth 49 Goof up

Answers on page seven.





#### Ask Rusty – Widower's Retirement Stymied By Social Security's "WEP"

Dear Rusty: My wife passed away 4 years ago. I want to retire so called SSA and was told I can collect my own SS at 62, reduced by WEP. My wife's SS was greater than mine, but they said I do not qualify for hers at age 60 because of the GPO. This seems odd that I get zero for her, however I can collect mine at the two thirds reduction at 62. Is this true? This zero dollar amount places my retirement on hold for now. I was counting on her SS.

Thank you in advance for your service as a Social Security Advisor.

Signed: Discouraged Widower

Dear Discouraged:

The Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and the Government Pension Offset (GPO) are two of the most confusing (and unpopular) of Social Security's myriad rules. From the way you describe your conversation with the Social Security Administration, it doesn't appear to have concluded with you fully understanding how these provisions work, so allow me to elaborate.

WEP and GPO affect anyone who has a retirement pension from a federal, state, or local government agency which did not participate in Social Security, meaning neither the employee nor the employer paid into Social Security based on the employee's earnings. Obviously, you have such a pension, which means that WEP will reduce any Social Security retirement benefit you have earned from other employment where SS payroll taxes were withheld, and the GPO will affect any survivor benefit you are entitled to.

WEP affects only the SS retirement benefit you earned elsewhere; WEP does not affect any surviving spouse benefit you might be entitled to from your wife. Rather, it is the GPO which affects your survivor benefit, again because of your state retirement (called a "non-covered pension" – one earned without contributing to Social Security). The GPO will reduce any surviving spouse benefit you might be entitled to by 2/3rds of the amount of your "non-covered" state pension. Depending on the size of your state pension, that reduction may entirely eliminate your surviving spouse benefit from your

Under normal SS rules, a surviving spouse does not become eligible for survivor benefits until they reach age 60 (age 50 if disabled). Normally, a surviving spouse benefit claimed at age 60 is reduced by 28.5% and it is the GPO (not WEP) that will affect your survivor benefit whenever you claim it. However, even without GPO, your age 60 survivor benefit amount would be only 71.5% of the amount your wife was receiving (or entitled to receive) at her death. If you are already collecting your non-covered state pension when you claim your SS survivor benefit from your wife, then that reduced age 60 survivor benefit would be offset by 2/3rds of the amount of your state pension. And that (according to what Social Security told you) is what eliminated your age 60 eligibility for a surviving spouse benefit from your wife. If you don't claim it at 60 your survivor benefit will continue to grow until you reach your full retirement age (FRA) of 67, but if 2/3rds of your state pension is more than 100% of your SS survivor benefit, you still won't get any surviving spouse benefit from your wife's record.

A further consequence of your non-covered state pension is that the SS retirement benefit you earned elsewhere will be reduced by WEP. WEP will reduce, but cannot eliminate, your Social Security retirement benefit. The WEP formula is complex but, generally, your WEP-based Social Security retirement ben-efit will likely be roughly half of what you would get if you did not have a state "non-covered pension." You could claim your WEP-reduced SS retirement benefit as early as age 62 or, if financially feasible, delay longer to get a somewhat higher (but still reduced)

amount.

Just FYI, your state employer had an obligation to fully inform you of the consequences of not contribut-

ing to Social Security while earning your state pension. It appears as though they may not have fulfilled that obligation.

Salsa in the Park: Outdoors
Summer Dance Party

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This year sponsors are Symphony Real Estate LLC as the main 2024 sponsor. Thanks to additional sponsors, West Herr Ford and the Hispanic Heritage Council of W.N.Y. And, Lloyd Taco Factory as a partner this year will have a taco truck at every Salsa in the Park event selling tasty food and cool drinks for purchase.

Join for the 11th Annual Salsa in the Park, a special Latin dance summer event, coveted by dance fans and non-dancers alike. We begin with a beginners partner dance lesson followed by open social dancing to Salsa, Timba (Cuban Salsa), Bachata, Merengue, Cha Cha Cha, and Kizomba.

Bring your family, friends, partner and colleagues, or come on your own. Singles

and couples welcomed to attend, no partner necessary. Great date night idea! Prepare for an awesome night out in one of Buffalo's most beautiful locations, The Rose Gardens Pavilion, Delaware Park. See why Salsa in the Park has become one of buffalo's most beloved summer events.

Beginners, singles, employee outings, groups of friends and families welcomed and encouraged. Partner dancing is an amazing way to socialize and meet new people, get exercise in a fun and social way, and be in a beautiful outdoors setting during the magical summer's in Buffalo!

To find out more about "Salsa" Sarah Haykel and Salsa for the Soul, please email sarah@sarahhaykel. com.



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## Northwest **Buffalo Beat**

By Dave Gallagher AKA Joe Bortz

## All Men Are Created Equal.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Hap-piness." (Declaration of

Independence).

"All men are created equal" Really? Have always had a problem with that. It sounds nice and would be if true, but I cannot think of two men, or women, who came out of their mother's womb equally. Yes, they have one head, two arms and legs, ten fingers and toes so physically, people are created the same, or equally. But that is it. You cannot find two people in the billions on this earth that have equality after birth. Wrap your head around that one and think about it. Depending on where they are born and to whom will determine what kind of lifestyle they will lead

after day one.
Take for instance, a child born in another country, let us say India, compared to one born in the United States. Just the average family, nothing special. Which one would you rather be? They are considered to be created equal. Both will make the best of their lives and be happy just to have been born but in reality, one will struggle through life more than the other.

I thought about this the other day when on a cruise ship touring the Multi million-dollar homes in Naples, Florida. My thoughts were that the people living in those homes now are more than likely the descendants of the original owners. How fortunate they were to have been born into a lifestyle like that, with servants, yachts, and not ever having to work. All the luxuries that the world could provide. Then there are those not so fortunate.

On the other side. Watching a documentary about World War II when Germany invaded Russia. The Russians were losing 40,000 soldiers a day. That is every day. There were so many bodies they did know how to bury them all. Soldiers are people born with one head, two arms and legs, ten fingers and toes. Many of the Russian soldiers were under twenty years old. Would you say they were created equally? Same as the Naples residents? Extreme comparison I know but true.

Let us just say that we are born equally, the same but from that moment on we take different paths, depending on our environment and abilities. Abilities being another comparison of how unequal we are. Some people are born handicapped, and others are gifted with tremendous physical attributes. A person who is physically or mentally challenged compared to a professional athlete or genius. Were they created equal? Okay, it is

a world that needs to be filled with different people to do different things to accomplish what they were created to do. Just disagree with the saying that we are created equal. Even physically. How boring this world would be if we were all the same. What is, is, we are all different, we just have to live with what was given to us. Reality is not particularly bad. Whoever created us knew what they were doing and that is not making us equal.

Do you have a birthday greeting you would like to see here? Birthdays, anniversaries, interesting pictures, short stories or even a 500 word column of interest to your neighbors. Send them to me and I will see what I can do. Nothing political or controversial. Send to Jbortze@aol.com



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#### Pop Quiz

Test your knowledge!

- 1) Which of the Great Lakes is smallest in surface area?
- 2. Which sitcom has the theme song,
- "Where Everybody Knows Your Name"?
- 3) Which part of the human body is involved with ACL surgery?
- 4) What is the victim's name in the U.S. version of the board game "Clue"?
- 5) What is the world's largest species of frog?
- 6) What do isobars indicate?
- 7) In the novel "Don Quixote," who is the human companion to the title character?
- 8) In which movie did actor Bill Murray live the same day over and over?
- 9) Who is believed to be the first actor in a Greek drama?
- 10) What is the name of Beyonce's 2024 country album?

Last Answers: 1. "V for Vendetta" (2005). 2. The Philippines. 3. Antebellum. 4. California, with nine. 5. "On the Road" by Jack Kerouac.

## **HOCUS-FOCUS**

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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lower. 4. Window is smaller. 5. Sleeve is different. 6. Ear is Differences: 1. Can is larger. 2. Brush has no paint on it. 3. Rail is

# Grapevine



Nativity of the BVM School: A reunion for ALL YEARS on Albany Street in Buffalo will be held July 21, 2024 at FONTANA'S GROVE- 2299 Clinton Street, W. Seneca. Reservations are a must! Call Helen Brown Kurzdorfer at 716-400-7977 or Rosie DiLiberto Mendolera at 716-881-1306 before 5/15/24.



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Samuel P. Capen Garden Walk: Plant and Seed Exchange May 18, 2024, 10am-2pm University Presbyterian Church, 3330 Main St. at Niagara Falls Blvd Free plant & seed exchange. Bring your perennials and seeds to share and get some new plants and seeds for your garden. In addition, pots, planters. and garden art will be for sale. Donations of used pots, garden ornaments. and other garden paraphernalia are welcome. Sponsored by Samuel P. Capen Garden Walk and Artseeds. Contact us: capengardenwalk@ gmail.com



New The Western York Scout Council is pleased to announce that the council has organized a bike rodeo / safety fair touch-a-truck event on Sunday May 19 from noon-3pm at Raymour & Flanigan parking lot 3464 McKinley Pkwy Hamburg. "This event is a great opportunity to get kids out, bring their bikes, and have some fun in a safe and well organized setting", said Ed Kane, Event and Red Jacket District Chair. Activities during the event include: Bike rodeo - organized by Bert's Bikes Safety demonstration Scouting unit sign-up opportunities Participating community organizations include: Bert's Bikes & Fitness Erie County Sheriffs NYS Police NYS Dept of Transportation NYS Forest Rangers NYS Dept of Environmental Conservation Hamburg Police Orchard Park Newton-Abbott Police Fire Co Woodlawn Fire Co Boston Fire Co- Fire Prevention Trailer Hamburg Highway Sponsors for the event, include: Raymour & Flanigan Sketchers Bert's Bikes and Fitness Tim Hortons Additional details and registration for the event at: https://www. wnyscouting.org/registration/calendardetail.



Ten Lives Club Cat **Adoption Group** is hosting a Chicken BBQ on Friday May 17th from 3pm to 6pm (or when meals sell out) at Ten Lives Club's main shelter located at 3741 Lakeshore Rd, Blasdell, NY 14219. Meals tickets are \$15 presale and \$16 the day of and include BW's Smokin' Barrels BBQ Chicken, two sides, a roll with butter (take-out only). There will also be a bake sale and can drive during the duration of the garage sale. All Chicken BBQ meals are cooked on-site, fresh and ready to enjoy! The two-day Garage Sale will be held on Friday, May 17th from 9am to 6pm and Saturday, May 18th from 9am to 1pm. Donations for the garage sale will be accepted at Ten Lives Club's main shelter until May 12th. Need a space to sell some garage sale items? Spaces are available for rent for \$10. Enjoy a yummy Chicken BBQ meal and purchase some great finds while knowing all proceeds made from this event will benefit the cats at Ten Lives Club! For more information on this event, visit Ten Lives Club website or call their Event Coordinator at (716) 646-5577 ext. 2.



The Buffalo History Museum: Pan-American Exposition returns in a new exhibit—the Exposition's only planned, permanent structure. The Pan-American Exposition was a world's fair held in Buffalo between May and November of 1901. The new exhibit launching on May 2 inside the Museum's State Court, "Return to the Rainbow City: Buffalo's Pan-American Exposition," will recount the story of the fair—its planning, construction, and legacy—and feature a variety of Pan-Am artifacts, paintings, and photographs. The display will include nearly 100 Pan-Am keepsakes - from cups and mugs to paperweights and playing cards - that souvenir manufacturers created for the fair. During the Exposition's six-month run, more than eight million guests from around the world passed through its gates to explore the fair's 350 acres bounded by Delaware Park, the New York Central railroad line, and Delaware and Elmwood Avenues. The fair aimed to celebrate the achievements of the Western Hemisphere and foster better relations between the nations of North, South, and Central America. It show-cased industrial, cultural, and technological progress—the centerpiece being the large-scale use of electricity to illuminate its buildings each night.



Dog Ears Bookstore & Café, located at 688 Abbott Road in South Buffalo, will kick off a new sixweek Puppy Tales series at 10 a.m. Friday, May 10. Open to children ages 3 and 4 accompanied by a parent or guardian, Puppy Tales runs on six consecutive Friday mornings and each session includes three stories, a craft and healthy snacks. Sessions are skill- and book-based and the cost is \$30 per child. Puppy Tales is

limited to 15 children. Puppy Tales is a great way to prepare students for Pre-K. To register for Puppy Tales, please visit the bookstore or call 823-2665. For more information on Dog Ears Bookstore, please visit dogearsbookstore.org.



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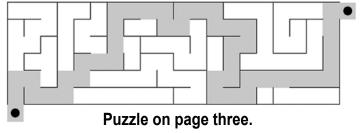
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(Section: 262, Block: 1, Lot: 16)

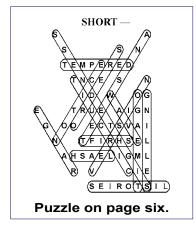
Approximate amount of lien \$218,598.33 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 817317/2018. Jennifer A. Runfola, Esq., Referee. McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 840 New York, NY 10170

> Tel. 347/286-7409 Dated: March 5, 2024

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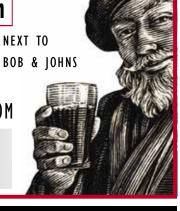
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