

Erie County Fair 2024



Photo by: Strates Carnival Company

The Annual 184th Erie County Fair, 2024 starts August 7th.

The “Best 12 Days of Summer” will get even better this year with new performances, foods and exhibits at the Eire County Fair this August 7th-18th. The following is a list of experiences debuting this year.

Erie County Fair organizers announced the following new competitions for the 12-day event:

Culinary Arts Division: This division returns after a several-year hiatus. A baking competition with

classes for Cookies, Cakes, Yeast Bread, Quick Breads, Pie Baking, Cobbler, and Candy. There is a separate division for juniors as well. Baked Decorating Extravaganza: This is an ‘On The Spot Competition’ In this competition, exhibitors will have one hour to decorate their item in a Carnival Fun or Erie County Fair theme at the fair. There are classes for cookies, cakes, and cupcakes. Judging will be based on originality, ap-

pearance, and general appeal.

The Chalk Art Competition: This is an ‘On The Spot Competition’. Competitors will have 6 hours to create chalk masterpieces at the fair that will be judged on originality, appearance, and general appeal.

Adult Lego Building Competition: This is an ‘On The Spot Competition’. Adults will be given 2 hours at the fair to create an orig-

Artists In Open Gardens



Gardens Buffalo Niagara is thrilled to present "Artists in Open Gardens," starting July 25th.

Gardens Buffalo Niagara is thrilled to present "Artists in Open Gardens," a community-engaging program that brings free arts programming to Western

New York (WNY) through the welcoming settings of Open Gardens.This unique initiative aims to foster a vibrant cultural exchange by showcasing talented vi-

sual and performing artists in a diverse range of locations, including rural communities such as Alden and East Aurora; suburban towns like West Seneca, Hamburg, and Williamsville; and the City of Buffalo.

All participating gardens, whether rural, suburban, or urban, share a common thread of being gracious and welcoming hosts, setting the stage for a harmonious union of art and nature. "Artists in Open Gardens" is an extraordinary opportunity for visitors to experience the magic of active art-making amidst the charm of

Galbani Italian Heritage Festival Returns To Buffalo!

The Galbani Cheese, Italy’s favorite cheese brand and America’s number-one ricotta, is excited to announce the return of the Galbani Italian Heritage Festival in Buffalo, taking place from Friday, July 26 to Sunday, July 28 on Hertel Avenue in North Buffalo, NY.

This year’s festival promises to be a spectacular celebration of Italian culture, featuring returning local vendors and exciting new participants.

Festival Highlights Include Exclusive Cooking Demonstrations by Famed Chef Marco of Galbani Cheese, Live Entertainment, and More.

Organizers say Hertel Avenue between Delaware Avenue and Virgil Avenue will close for vendors at 12 a.m. This section will remain closed until July 28 at 11:30 p.m.

Parking is available at Holy Spirit Church on Dakota Street and the old Kmart on Delaware Avenue. Free parking is available on surrounding streets.

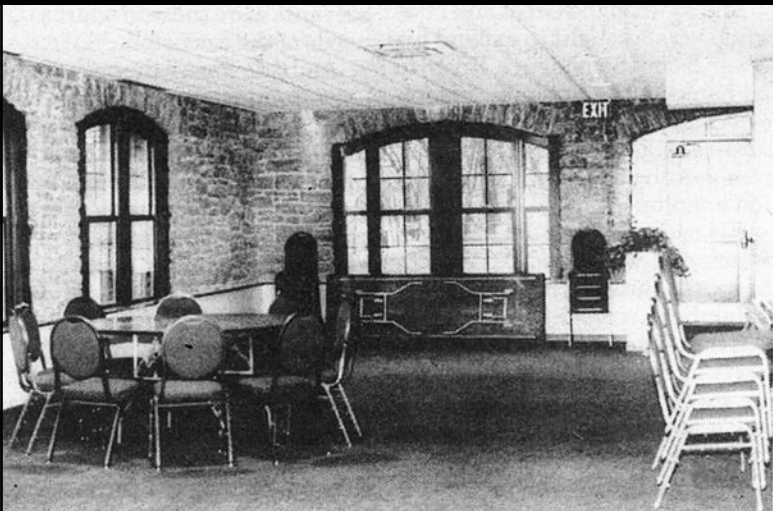
To learn more about Galbani Cheese, visit galbanicheese.com. Find Galbani Cheese on Instagram and Facebook.

For a full schedule of this weekend’s Italian Festival please turn to page 4 of this issue.





Memories

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NOVEMBER, 1992. DELAWARE PARK CASINO PREPARES TO SERVE COMMUNITY YEAR-ROUND...The newly renovated Delaware Park Casino is currently available for party and meeting reservations rights.

Local Weather

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YMCA Buffalo Niagara Announces Creation of “YMCA Camp Swan”



Photo by: Michael Baggerman

The newly developed and up and coming "YMCA Camp Swan" is expected to open by April 2026.

YMCA Buffalo Niagara is excited to announce that the parcel of land at 1984 Elmwood Avenue will be transformed into YMCA Camp Swan, a site that will serve as a future summer camp and year-round community event space in the City of Buffalo.

“YMCA Camp Swan will become one of the safest places for children in our community and create new opportunities for disadvantaged children and families in the North Buffalo and West Side community,” said John Ehrbar, YMCA Buffalo Niagara President and CEO. “I want to thank all of our community stakeholders for making this project a reality. In particular, I’d like to thank the William E. and Ann L. Swan Foundation for their charitable contribution of \$2.5 million for this project. This summer camp is being named in honor of Bill and Ann.”

The 7-acre site of Camp Swan sat vacant and blighted for decades until it was purchased by the YMCA in late-2021. A new wellness center was initially proposed for the location. However, rising costs of construction and other financial challenges led to a re-imagined solution to fulfill the Y’s commitment to addressing the City of Buffalo’s unmet needs. The YMCA Board of Directors approved this solution at the end of June.

Camp Swan will serve as many as 200 children each week during the summer through day camp and summer learning loss programs. Amenities will include a sports court, outdoor pool, nature playgrounds, and a

vast open field space. It will also be used to provide free drowning prevention programs, youth sports leagues and play opportunities for children, and collaborative events with other organizations who complement the Y’s mission.

The Y is currently at 80 percent of its fundraising goal of \$5 million. After completion of fundraising, the Y anticipates a groundbreaking in Spring 2025 with an expected

opening by April 2026. Locally founded in 1852, YMCA Buffalo Niagara is a charitable, community based organization committed to providing programs designed to build a healthy spirit, mind, and body for all. The YMCA’s focus on youth development, healthy living and social responsibility is reflected in the variety of programs that are offered to all ages and abilities. A not for profit organization, YMCA Buffalo Niagara serves over 1 in 15 people annually through six membership branches and four camps throughout Western New York, as well as at over 50 community based program sites. For more information please visit YMCABN.org.

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Domestic Assault Reportings Throughout Buffalo

North Buffalo
July 21, 2024
Hertel Avenue - Defendant did get into a verbal altercation with the victim then followed her into her apartment. While inside the apartment he did push the victim against the wall causing damage to her glasses, approximately \$100.00. The victim attempted to leave numerous times but held her against the wall in the corner which then the victim kicked him in the genitals numerous times to escape to the police station for help.

July 18, 2024
Grant Street - Defendant and Co-Defendant did enter 492 Grant Street and fill a trash can with merchandise. Defendant then did leave the store in New York registered vehicle without paying. Defendants were apprehended at 190 Hampshire during a traffic stop.

West Side
July 20, 2024
Baynes Avenue - On 7/20/24 at approximately 1000 hours at 73 Baynes, victim states that de-

fendant came to house, knocked/banged on the door repeatedly and when she opened the door, defendant showed her a gun from his waist, then punched her in the face. Defendant arrested on scene by officers.

July 21, 2024
Elmwood Avenue - Victim states that on 7/9/24 defendant did come down a shared stairway screaming of victim while holding a wrench. A physical altercation occurred between the two. Defendant also broke 3 windows to victims home (value \$150.00). Victim does have an active order of protection against defendant.

July 21, 2024
Main Street - Victim states that after a verbal altercation defendant did throw her to the ground causing bruising on her upper back and small lacerations on her shoulder. Defendant did also kick victim in the stomach.

July 19, 2024
Elmwood Avenue - On above, date, and location

defendant did pay for some merchandise at the self checkout but failed to pay for \$120.29 worth of merchandise before passing all points of purchase with said merchandise.

Riverside
July 22, 2024
Tonawanda Street - Defendant did violate order of protection issued by Buffalo city police when he threw a set of keys at the victim's left eye, causing bruising and swelling. Officer did recover 1 extended magazine with feeder containing unspent 40mm rounds.

July 22, 2024
Elgas Street - Victim reported that the defendant followed her home despite her telling him not to. The defendant then reportedly held victim's wrist against the wall. Victim stated she wants an order of protection against the defendant. Victim stated she screamed for help and neighbor called 911.

July 22, 2024
Ontario Street - The defendant did threaten to shoot the complainant in the face, causing alarm. The complainant does want an order of protection issued as soon as possible. The complainant states that the defendant was brandishing what appeared to be a small black firearm during the incident, no firearm recovered.

July 21, 2024
Tonawanda Street - The suspect did refuse to leave Rite-Aid after being ordered to by police. The suspect did cause a disturbance in Rite-Aid, causing alarm. When officers attempted to the suspect into custody the suspect did actively resist officers.

July 19, 2024
Tonawanda Street - Victim stated defendant pulled out a pocket knife on him and stated she was going to cut him up. Officer recovered a silver pocket knife at 222 Ross Avenue.

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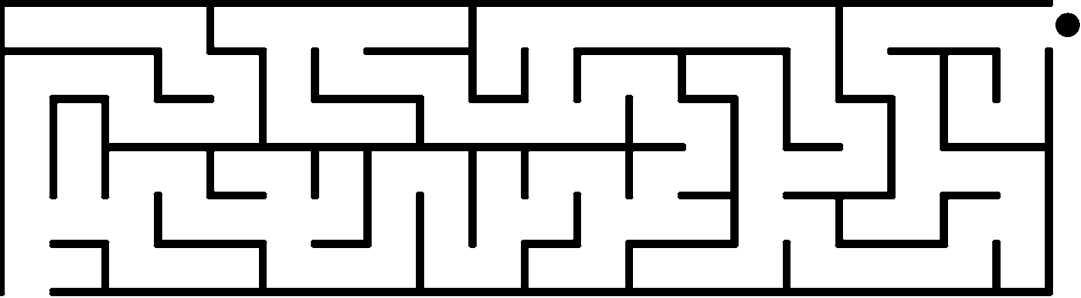
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by Linda Thistle

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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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King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Pequod captain
5 "Big Blue"
8 Driver with a handle
12 Sci-fi prefix
13 Rep.'s rival
14 Sea predator
15 Be overly sweet
16 The Stars and Stripes
18 A cause of pay inequity
20 Political meeting
21 — butter
23 SUV maker
24 Veterans
28 Snack
31 Museum-funding org.
32 TV, radio, etc.
34 Fib
35 Lummoxes
37 Celtic language
39 Bear hair
41 Architect
42 "Alfie" singer
45 Painter
49 It may be hard to break
51 Sushi fish
52 India's continent

DOWN

1 Curved lines
2 Bagel feature
3 "Life is like — of chocolates"
4 Like Peter Pan
5 Mozart opera
6 — canto
7 Roman 2600
8 Newspaper piece
9 Veggie with florets
10 Beige
11 Sunbeams
17 Joke
19 Counterfeit
22 Confuse
24 Plastic — Band
25 Grazing land
26 Yellow flower
27 Avoid
29 Bro's sib
30 Sly chuckle

33 Suffix for billion
36 Baby's beachwear
38 Courses
40 Genetic letters
42 "— I say!"
43 "Casablanca" role
44 Online auction site
46 Carpets
47 Body sci.
48 Tiny amounts
50 Here, to Henri

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I Was Self-Employed And Don't Have Enough Credits For Social Security – Ask Rusty

Dear Rusty: For a thirty-year period, I was making a living as an independent contractor and freelancer. I was working on behalf of myself. Thus, I was only paying state and federal taxes when applied. Due to changes in the employment landscape, I wish to apply for benefits at age sixty-four, as receiving said SS benefits would serve as supplemental income to what I would be receiving from outside sources. I recently discovered through the SSA that I do not have enough "points" to apply for Social Security benefits. What would be the method to obtain those required points in order to receive benefits?

Thank you in advance for your service as a Social Security Advisor. Signed: Needing Points

Dear Needing: Social Security is an earned benefit, and eligibility is attained by contributing to SS through FICA payroll taxes, or Self-Employment (SECA) tax on your net earnings from self-employment, over your lifetime. You must have at least 40 "quarters of credit" to be eligible for Social Security benefits – essen-

tially you must work one quarter of each year earning at least a specified amount during that quarter to earn one credit, and you can earn a maximum of 4 credits for each year you work. The amount of earnings per credit varies each year, but for 2024, work earnings of \$1,730 give you one credit (annual work earnings of \$6,920 earn 4 credits). Usually, you must contribute to Social Security for about 10 years to be eligible for benefits. You must have earned at least 40 quarter credits to collect Social Security retirement benefits/ If you have less than 40 you are not eligible for SS retirement benefits.

For self-employed individuals, SECA SS tax is paid when you file your federal income tax return – you pay into Social Security when filing your annual Self-Employment income tax return (the self-employed must pay both the employee and the employer portion of Social Security tax). If you did not file an income tax return for each year over your lifetime you were self-employed, you didn't earn any SS credits for that year. You pay SECA

tax on your NET earnings from self-employment (after all business expenses are deducted).

If you are just a few credits short of the 40 necessary to be eligible for benefits, you can still earn those extra credits needed by working and paying SS FICA or SECA taxes on your work earnings. For each \$1,730 earned this year, you will earn one SS credit, up to a maximum of 4 per year. But you must contribute to Social Security from those earnings – if you work as a company employee you will have FICA taxes withheld from your earnings, and if you are still self-employed you would need to pay SECA taxes on net earnings over \$6,920 when you file your self-employment income tax return. You would need to do that for as long as it takes for you to attain the minimum 40 quarter credits needed to be eligible for Social Security retirement benefits. (FYI: you cannot "buy" the extra points needed; you need to earn them by working and contributing to Social Security from your earnings).

One final point: whenever SS benefits are claimed before one's full retirement age (FRA) Social Security's "earnings test" applies. The earnings test limits how much you can earn from working before some of your SS benefits are taken away.

The earnings test no longer applies after you reach your FRA and, if you turned 64 this year, your FRA is 67. Self-employed individuals are also subject to an hourly limit of 15 to 45 working hours per month in their first year of early retirement.

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FRIDAY, JULY 26TH

- 11:00am • DJ Andrew
- 1:30pm • Buffalo Jazz & Swing Band
- 3:30pm • Christina Custode
- 5:00pm • Formula Band
- 6:30pm • Opening Ceremony
- 7:30pm • Freestyle Friday Featuring Cynthia, Angelo Venuto & DJ Anthony Mangini

Allegro Band

Cynthia

Christina Custode

Formula

DJ Anthony

Elio Scaccio

Cami Clune

SATURDAY, JULY 27TH

- 11:00am • DJ Andrew
- 1:00pm • Michael Nanula
- 2:30pm • Angelica DiCastro
- 4:00pm • Elio Scaccio The Sicilian Tenor
- 6:00pm • Angelo Venuto
- 7:30pm • Material Girl, A Madonna Tribute Show

Angelica DiCastro

Michael Nanula

Angelo Venuto

Material Girl

SUNDAY, JULY 28TH

- 10:00am • Italian Radio with Tony O
- 12:00pm • DJ Andrew
- 1:00pm • Galbani Celebrity Cheese Stacking For Charity
- 1:30pm • Cami Clune
- 3:00pm • Blaise Biagio & Dancers
- 4:30pm • Allegro Band

Blaise Biagio & Dancers

Artists In Open Gardens

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the "backyard" setting, creating an intimate and immersive artistic experience.

The artists have been carefully selected not only for their talents but also for their eagerness to connect with visitors and engage with the audience. This program fosters an environment of inclusivity and encourages artists to invite their families, friends, and fans to join them, thereby introducing new audiences to the delights of Open Gardens.

FRIDAY, JULY 26
EAST AURORA
10am-2pm | Artist Ruby Merritt
Sit & Sip (Kim & Seth Kaiser), 538 Oakwood Avenue
10am-2pm | Artist Alison Cortes

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Pamela Sieracki's Garden, 505 Fillmore Avenue
GRAND ISLAND
2-6pm | Artist Liz Spector

Blumen-garten (Paul & Peggy Koppmann), 246 Timberlake Drive
HAMBURG
4-8pm | Artist Cecelia Favorito

Jeff & Wendy Leyonmark Garden, 88 Woodview Avenue
LOCKPORT
10am-2pm | Artist DeeDee Stachowski

Lonesome Oak Gardens (Deborah & Charles Heinrich), 5390 Ernest Road
SOUTH BUFFALO
2-5pm | Artist Eugene Sims

Sharon's Garden (Sharon Mucciaccio), 32 Rutland Street
WEST FALLS
10am-2pm | Artist Emma Stanton

West Falls Garden (Cheryl Hall), 7690 Ellicott Road
WEST SENECA
2-5pm | Artist Tatiana Ryckman

Tom & Maureen Szpara Garden, 321 Reserve Road
2-6pm | Artist Joey Goergen

Shangri-la di da (Paul & Marianne Rice), 186 Indian Church Road

Gardens Buffalo Niagara invites you to join us in celebrating the integration of art and nature during these events. "Artists in Open Gardens" is made possible with support from the Statewide Community Regrant program, the New York State Council on the Arts, the Office of the Governor, the New York State Legislature, and Arts Services Inc.

Gardens Buffalo Niagara's mission is to create more vibrant and beautiful communities by sharing gardens with events like the Buffalo Style Garden Art Sale, Tours of Open Gardens in July, Conservation Day on Bidwell Parkway, East Side Garden Walk, Garden Walk Buffalo, and Urban Farm Day.

Senior TRIVIA

Pop Quiz

Test your knowledge!

- 1) What is the longest-running talk show on television?
2. In terms of letter count, what is the longest month of the year?
- 3) Which famous action movie is set on Amity Island?
- 4) What is heliocentrism?
- 5) What kind of horses are featured in Budweiser beer ads?
- 6) Which state's nickname is "The Land of 10,000 Lakes"?
- 7) How many goodies are in a baker's dozen?
- 8) Who invented the battery?
- 9) What does an ampersand symbol signify?
- 10) In which desert is Las Vegas, Nevada, located?

Last Answers: 1. Pawnee, Indiana. 2. 13. 3. Laurence Fishburne. 4. Achilles. 5. James Cook. 6. Crazy Horse and Sitting Bull. 7. Larkspur and water lily. 8. "The Raven" by Edgar Allen Poe. 9. Middle ear — the stapedius. 10. Botox.

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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
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
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Elmwood Square Apts.....505 Elmwood Avenue
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Frontier Liquor & Beverage Ctr.....121 Grant Street
First Niagara Bank.....Elmwood at West Utica
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

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Table leg is moved. 2. Pillow is larger. 3. Telephone pole is moved. 4. Bush is smaller. 5. Fence boards are wider. 6. Man's legs are longer.

The Grapevine



Explore & More: Touch A Truck, the signature of the event of the summer, returns to Canalside on Sunday, July 28 from 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Dozens of trucks and vendors will line the streets for kids to get an up-close-and-personal experience. For more info visit <https://explore-andmore.org>.



Afternoon Drive Host WEBR AM 1440 AND FM 105.3 is one of Buffalo's most iconic radio stations. We are celebrating our 100TH Anniversary in 2024 and would like you to join our family!! We are currently looking for an Afternoon Drive host to be on air from 2PM-6PM Monday-Friday. Bring your energy and ability to relate to our listeners. Experience preferred, but will consider someone who is willing to learn and take direction. College radio would be a big plus!! Great support with local ownership. Have fun, be yourself and grow at the same time!! Please email a recent air check to: Tony Venturoli, Program Director, WEBR AM 1440, FM 105.3. Email address is: ajthedj104@hotmail.com. Phone 716-481-8836.



Bennett High School Class of 64 60th reunion. August 9-11, 2024 Friday night at the Parkside Meadow. Saturday a trip to the new AKG (Albright Knox) \$20 each and/or trip TBA. Sat night cocktail party at Sean Patricks (\$60 each) Sunday morning a farewell brunch in a beautiful garden setting. For more information contact Sharron Witkin Frommann at fro457@aol.com or 716-634-3495 leave a message.



The Mental Health Empowerment Project's Wellness Day Expo Our Wellness Day Expo brings together local organizations, businesses, and community members to promote physical, mental, and emotional well-being. It features

over forty organizations serving Buffalo and Western New York. Thursday, August 1st, Time: 10 AM – 4 PM Second Floor of the Buffalo & Erie County Central Public Library, 1 Lafayette Square, Buffalo NY 14203.



Pitch Hit & Run event at Cardinal O'Hara High School in the Town of Tonawanda. The event, now scheduled from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday July 27, is open to those ages 7 to 14. The event June 29 was postponed because of rain and thunderstorms. In addition, a huge summer basket raffle will take inside the gym at O'Hara from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with the first raffle drawing at 12:30 p.m. Those purchasing tickets for the raffle are invited to drop tickets in the raffle and then stay on for the Pitch, Hit & Run event. Raffle winners who can't stay for the Pitch Hit & Run event will be called following the event. A full concession stand will be available throughout the competition. For more information, go online at www.caardinalohara.com or email rorr@cardinalohara.com.



The Grover Cleveland High School Class of 1964 will hold their 60th class reunion on Thursday, August 29 at 4pm at Riverworks, 359 Ganson Street, Buffalo 14203. The event is casual and no RSVP's are required. Cash bar and cash food. If you have any questions contact Donna Caffarelli Leiser, 716-868-3862 or JoAnne Lauricella Picci-one, 716-909-4891.



Submit Your Community Event to

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Erie County Fair 2024

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Quilt Square Competition: Exhibitors will submit a creative quilt square from the kit provided. Following the fair, the quilt squares will be combined to create a larger quilt that will be auctioned off at a membership event, with the proceeds going to benefit the Erie County Agricultural Society Scholarship Fund.

Decorative Canning (under Canned Goods): This competition combines the worlds of art and canning into one beautiful creation! Exhibitors will follow pickling guidelines after they cut, shape, and style the

items in their jar. Each jar must have at least three vegetables and/or fruit included but positioned to be decorative and eye-appealing.

Total Mixed Ration (in Farm Products): Exhibitors can showcase their livestock feed, aka Total Mixed Ration (TMR), by entering a 3-pound diet sample that will be judged on appearance, moisture content, and quality of combined feed items with valuations provided by Cumberland Valley Analytical Services.

Community Garden Competition: This competition is open to School Gardens, Urban Gardens, and CSAs. Each garden will

submit their best collection of eight vegetables.

Sprouting Chefs: This competition is open to any school garden or school garden club! Student Garden Clubs will submit their prepared recipe (i.e. salsa) that uses at least two ingredients grown in their school's garden. This competition includes showcasing the planting, growing, and harvesting from the school garden club, plus their recipe.

The deadline for most competition entries is July 12. Entries cost \$25 per adult and \$5 per child ages 5 to 12.

For more information and tickets please visit <https://www.ecfair.org/>.

FREE PIZZA: Iris McLaughlin, 116 Elmhurst Pl., 14215

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D I B A E Z N X W U O T A R I
Q V G P S A M T S I R H C E L
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Y S U I T I R U A M M X W V A
T S R R R P O E T T O Y A M R
N S L D R A W D E E C N I R P

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: FLIGHTLESS ANTARCTIC BIRD

Bird	Garden	Mayotte	Prince Edward
Carnac	Madagascar	Pemba	Seal
Christmas	Maldives	Penang	Sri Lanka
Comoros	Mauritius	Praslin	

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Answers on page seven.

FREE NORTH PARK PASSES: Maia Re-Cicero, 650 Crescent Ave., 14216.

"Something smells good. Are we having _____?"

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Order
SEESISR

Meet
EVENCON

Concede
IDELY

Flurry
PASTE

TODAY'S WORD

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Notice of formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Shady Shack Ice Cream & Grill LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on May 17, 2024. 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 2365 William Street, Cheektowaga, NY 14206. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity. 30

NOTICE OF FORMATION of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Ryan & Kathy's Enterprises LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of the State of NY (SSNY) on June 25, 2024. Office location is Erie County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon who process against my be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to 150 Willardshire Rd, Orchard Park, NY 14127. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. 33

NOTICE of FORMATION of a FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Welty Energy & Infrastructure, LLC Date of filing of Articles of Organization with the NY Dept of State: June 4, 2024 Office of the LLC: Erie County, New York 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: 3421 Ridgewood Road, Suite 200, AKRON, OH 44333 Purpose of LLC: Any lawful purpose permitted for LLCs under NY Limited liability Company Act Duration, if specific: N/A 33

NOTICE OF FORMATION of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Autism Spectrum Insight LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 6/26/24. Office located in Erie Co. SSNY designated agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Autism Spectrum Insight LLC, 40 Homer Ave. Buffalo, NY 14216. Purpose: any lawful activity. 35

Architectural Project Coordinators for Young and Wright Architectural in Buffalo, NY (multiple openings). Create architectural drawings using CAD. Req's: Bach + 6 mos related exp through employment, educ or training. Must have exp in 3D BIM Modelling and CAD. Salary \$49,546/yr. Email resume to

shawnw@youngandwright.com. 30

Notice of Formation of a Domestic Professional Limited Liability Company Adapt Physical Therapy, PLLC's Arts of Org were filed by the NY Dep't of State on 3/22/24. Its office location is Erie County. Its purpose is physical therapy. NY's Sec'y of State is designated as agent upon whom process may be served. The Sec'y shall mail a copy of any process to the PLLC at 170 Garner Ave, Buffalo, NY 14213.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ERIE MidFirst Bank, Plaintiff -against- Shawn Slaughter as Heir to the Estate of Vivian Slaughter, Patrina Williams as Heir to the Estate of Vivian Slaughter and Vivian Slaughter's unknown heirs-at-law, next-of-kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors, and successors in interest and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through said defendant who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or otherwise, any right, title or interest in the real property described in the complaint herein, Buffalo Neighborhood Revitalization Corporation, New York State Affordable Housing Corporation, a public benefit corporation created and existing as a subsidiary of the New York State Housing Finance Agency, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, United States of America-Internal Revenue Service, New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, Commissioner of the Erie County Department of Social Services, RCS Capital Partners Inc., Northwest Asset Management, Mavis Discount Tires, Beechwood Health Care Center Inc., Student Transport Inc., People of the State of New York and Erie County Probation Department, Defendants. Index No.: 814640/2023 Filed: July 17, 2024 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Plaintiff designates Erie County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated. TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S): YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your Answer or, if the Complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance on the attorneys for the plaintiff within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service; or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered

to you within the State of New York; or within sixty (60) days if it is the United States of America. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$48,926.00 and interest, recorded in the office of the clerk of the County of Erie on October 25, 1994 in Book 12648, Page 5495 covering premises known as 374 Dewey Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14214. The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. Dated: Bay Shore, New

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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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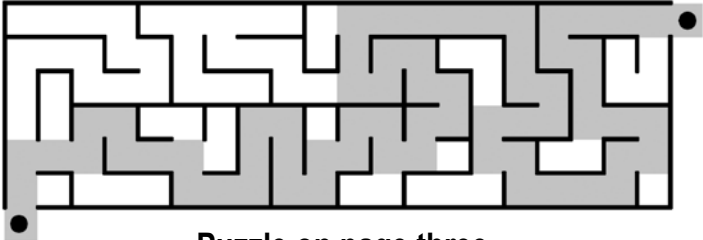
SCRAMBLERS
solution

1. Series; 2. Convene;
3. Yield; 4. Spate

Today's Word
VISITORS

Puzzle on page six.

Kids' Maze Solution



Puzzle on page three.

— King Crossword —
Answers

Solution time: 22 mins.

A	H	A	B	I	B	M	C	B	E	R	
R	O	B	O	D	E	M	O	R	C	A	
C	L	O	Y	O	L	D	G	L	O	R	Y
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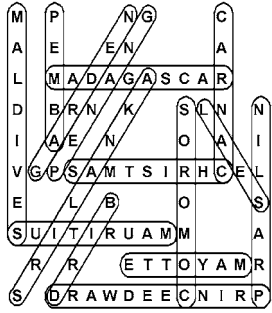
Puzzle on page three.

— Weekly SUDOKU —
Answer

2	9	4	5	7	6	1	8	3
5	3	7	1	8	9	6	2	4
6	8	1	2	4	3	9	7	5
7	1	9	6	5	8	3	4	2
8	4	5	3	1	2	7	6	9
3	2	6	7	9	4	5	1	8
4	5	3	8	6	1	2	9	7
9	6	2	4	3	7	8	5	1
1	7	8	9	2	5	4	3	6

Puzzle on page three.

ISLANDS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN



Puzzle on page six.

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