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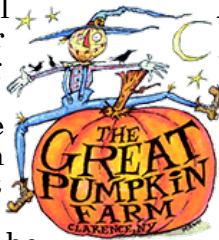
Great Pumpkin Fall Festival



Photo by: The Great Pumpkin Farm

The annual Great Pumpkin Farm's Fall Festival is now underway in Clarence NY, ending Thursday, October 31st.

Western New York's favorite fall festival is back and bigger than ever! Going on to Thursday, October 31st, the Great Pumpkin Farm located at 11199 Main Street, Clarence, NY will be open daily 10 am to 7 pm



for The Great Pumpkin Farm's Fall Festival. This much beloved event is all about wholesome fun, great food and enjoying everything the season has to offer. It's where families come to get their pump-

kins, mums and cornstalks, to enjoy the thrill of the rides and the chills of the events, attractions and shows and where you can enjoy a delicious warm donut on a crisp fall day, along with a glass of fresh cider, or a specialty Halloween *Continued on page six.*

Buffalo History Museum Presents Junior History Buffs

Junior History Buffs, a free program at The Buffalo History Museum, engages children ages 4-11 in age-appropriate history lessons, songs, stories, crafts, and games. A short program, or "Circle Time," is instructor-guided and includes songs, a brief lesson about local history, and a story. Self-guided activities follow and can be enjoyed by the entire family to include crafts, interactive artifact explorations, and games related to the exhibits.



This fall, Junior History Buffs will feature a series called "Pioneer for a Day." Each month kids can explore topics like Pioneer Art, Pioneer Toys, Pioneer Food, and they can try

unique pioneer crafts like weaving, making a corn husk doll and making butter. Come join us!

Junior History Buffs takes place every third Friday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., with Circle Time at 10:30 a.m., and again from 3 to 4:30 p.m., with Circle Time at 3:30 p.m. Through the end of the year the sessions are scheduled for Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15, and Dec. 20. Visit buffalohistory.org for more information.

This free admission day is made possible through the generosity of M&T Bank.

The Buffalo History Museum has been Western New York's premier historical organization since 1862. We are the keepers of the

authentic stories that make our community unique. Our collections, exhibits and programs tell the stories of the people, events, and movements that demonstrate Western New York's essential place in shaping American history.

The Buffalo History Museum is a private not-for-profit organization tax exempt under Sec. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. We receive operating support from the County of Erie, the City of Buffalo, New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature, and from donors, members, and friends. The Buffalo History Museum is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums.

T-Shirt Revealed For 129th Annual YMCA Turkey Trot

YMCA Buffalo Niagara is thrilled to unveil the highly anticipated t-shirt for the 129th Annual YMCA Turkey Trot. All registered Turkey Trotters will receive this commemorative shirt when they sign up.

The YMCA Turkey Trot is a time-honored Thanksgiving Day tradition. The oldest consecutively run footrace in the world, the YMCA Turkey Trot is an 8k race that attracts 14,000 runners and walkers annually. Proceeds raised support YMCA Buffalo Niagara programs that empower youth, ensure health equity, and address our community's greatest needs.

Thousands of trotters have already locked in their spot for the race with our early bird price

of \$39 now through October 4.

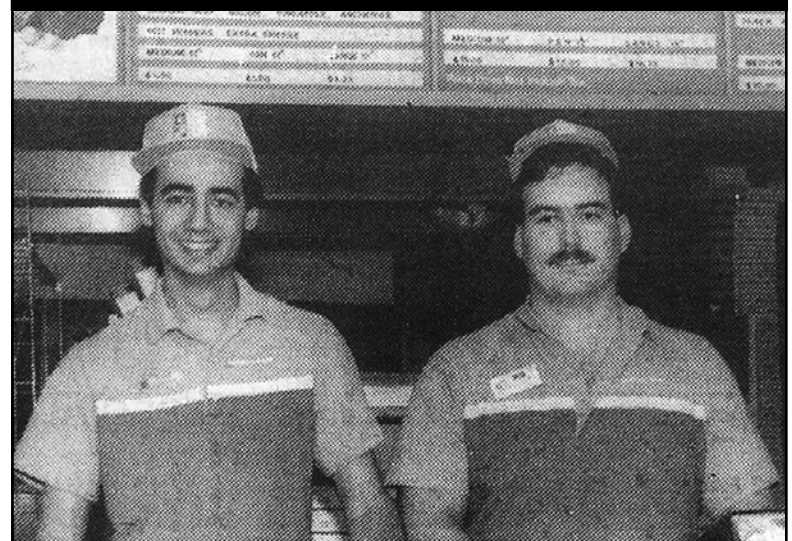
For more information on this year's race, please visit YMCABN.org or contact the Turkey Trot call line at (716) 565-6000.

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. A not for profit organization, YMCA Buffalo Niagara serves more than 1 in 15 people annually through six membership branches and four camps throughout Western New York, as well as at over 40 community based program sites. For more information please visit YMCABN.org.



Memories

From the Buffalo Rocket archives



OCTOBER, 1992. MEET YOUR MERCHANT: DOMINO'S PIZZA...Owner Kamil Elhasani, left, and manager Tom Rizzo take a break before the busy dinner hour at Domino's Pizza on Hertel Avenue.

Local Weather

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH	FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH	SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST	SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD	TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH	WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH
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SPORTS
 By Bill Snyder

Dodgers Win Championship!



(Left to Right) Quinn Dickerson, Seamus Finn, Malachi Sinnott, Jayce Ernest, Mikie Anderson, Tae'vion Samuel, Julius Warren, Patrick Ganci, Finley Vitrano, Tommy Bowling.

"If you coach their hearts, the wins will come." That's the feeling Matt Bowling had recently, while reflecting on his season as manager of the 8U Dodgers and leading them to victory in the championship games of the Double AA Boys Division of the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League. The Dodgers defeated the Phillies in two straight games, 11-0 and 6-1 in early August that ended a magical Summer in Shoshone Park.

Four players, Jayce Ernest, Seamus Finn, Malachi Sinnott and Julius Warren lead the team at the plate while three pitchers, Thomas Bowling, Mike Anderson and Quinn Dickerson were on the hill to surprise six other teams in the Division with clutch play and team defense that would make Freddie Freeman and Mookie Betts jealous in Los Angeles.

Playing against teams like the Braves, Brewers, Cardinals, Mets or Pirates, the Dodgers were taught early in the season about some of the big league players that called themselves the Dodgers. Bowling, a lifelong Dodgers fan, shared the history of the L A franchise and let them know about the greatest Dodger of all-time, Jackie Robinson.

"We had 20 rules that I felt the boys needed to know before the season started," said Bowling. "One of those was to have fun and I think they achieved that. Another was me reminding them that this was the club of the great

Jackie Robinson and he helped bring diversity to the Dodgers when they used to play in Brooklyn. That's the kind of team I thought we had here in Shoshone Park and I just helped them win a Championship."

Bowling's Dodgers will forever be a part of his life now after watching young players like Tae'vion Samuel and Malachi Sinnott made his first head coaching experience in Shoshone Park so pleasurable. It's true. First year player Samuel always had a smile on his face every day, even though he had trouble hitting the ball right away. Sinnott was there for every game and never gave up. Even when he had to wear the heavy catcher's gear behind the plate.

"I loved getting to do this," Bowling said. "You're getting kids from everywhere across the area and watching them learn the game, some of them for the first time. The Travel boys were very patient with the newcomers, helping each other out and I knew that even though the wins weren't coming right away, we would still be fine."

Mike Anderson was clutch for the Dodgers. He pitched two innings during the playoffs and his location was spot on. He boosted the morale for the rest of the team. Tom Bowling served as the Dodgers starter on the mound and he just threw strikes. Jayce Ernest was the team's closer and he gave his heart to the team all season.

The Dodgers finished the

regular season with a 6-5-1 record, good for third place in a competitive division. The Braves took first place with just one loss after twelve games and were dominant all season. The Dodgers met the Brewers in the first round and suffered their first loss, 6-3 and things looked bleak right away. Another loss would end the Dodgers season.

But Bowling kept them focused on the long road to victory. They brought their bats in a 15-4 victory over the Mets before they met the first place Braves. Down 3-2 in the top of the sixth inning, a Seamus Finn homerun tied the game at 3-3 before six more Dodgers step to the plate and turn the game into a rout.

Quinn Dickerson, playing in front of his grandfather "Cougar," a former coach in Hertel North Park, got a base hit to keep the inning going. Mike Anderson came up with another clutch hit that scored Dickerson. Two batters later, Tom Bowling drove in Anderson and the Dodgers had taken a 5-3 lead. Malachi Sinnott followed before Julius Warren broke the game open with a triple, scoring two more runs and the 7-3 final.

"These boys were awesome all year," said Bowling. "They never gave up. They showed up for all the practices, batting cage and worked hard. We need them to keep playing and have fun while doing it."

Tae'vion Samuel finally got his first hit of the season and it couldn't have come at a better time than a playoff game against the Cardinals. Teammate, Seamus Finn was so dedicated to this team that he had his parents pick him up from Summer Camp and drive him back to Shoshone Park for his Playoff games. A middle infielder, he hit a big triple in the top of the fifth inning of the Championship game against the Phillies.

Other players on the team included third baseman and outfielder Finley Vitrano and outfielder A Jay Williams who showed tremendous effort all season. Bowling thanked all his assistants for helping him all year like Jordan Ernest, Mike Anderson, Rob Dickerson and Mike Vitrano. Key players called up this season included Carter Correa, Roman Derr, Patrick Ganci, Taamir McCray, Chandler Mollerus, Kee Sinnott and Aaron Graves.

"I've coached in Maryland and in DC as a high school Soccer coach before coming here to WNY," said Bowling finally. "But I've never seen anything quite like what we have here in Shoshone Park every year for these kids. This is a community."



The Blotter

Felonies

From "D" District

Intoxicated Driving Drug And Gun Bust On Niagara

North Buffalo
September 15, 2024
 Hertel Avenue - On the above date, time, and location officers did respond to shots call in which the complainant states that her ex boyfriend did come to the area of Woltz/Broadway to look for her. Defendant 2 did locate her vehicle and did break complainant's car sideview mirrors and fire 1 round into the air. At that time complainant stated the defendant did call as she was driving to her home on Hertel Avenue. At that time complainant states the defendant did come to her house as a passenger and fired 3 rounds off into the air as well.

September 15, 2024
 St. Lawrence Avenue - Victim states that on the above, date, time, and location at 365 St. Lawrence Avenue, defendant did punch the victim in the head multiple times that caused swelling to the back of the head. Defendant did then put the victim into a chokehold by placing his arm around victim's neck from behind. Victim broke free and did then call 911.

September 14, 2024
 Hertel Avenue - Defendant did admit to making a false 911 call of shots fired because officers weren't responding fast enough. Defendant was also upset because he was kicked off the NFTA metro bus.

September 11, 2024
 Colvin Avenue - While at 572 Colvin Avenue at approximately 1500 hours, defendant did throw a glass candle strike complainant in the face causing them lacerations and bleeding of the right side of the chin. Complainant did seek medical treatment and did receive 9 sutures at ECMC.

West Side
September 14, 2024
 Elmwood Avenue - On above date, time, and location at approximately 1208 hours, defendant did take and conceal two sets of gloves and sandpaper on his person. Once cashing out for products in his cart, he did then pass all points of purchase. Defendant was then put into custody by asset protection.

Riverside
September 15, 2024
 Newfield Street - Victim reports having an argument with defendant and defendant did strike him with an open hand multiple times. Victim also reported defendant did strike his New York registered vehicle causing damage to right front fender.

September 15, 2024
 Niagara Street - Officers observed a New York registered vehicle make a U-turn at Niagara and Farmer. The vehicle continued southbound on Niagara traveling at a speed that is unreasonable and imprudent. The vehicle did cross over and travel in center lane. Once stopped, officers did see open bottle of Hennessy in back seat of vehicle as well as smelled numerous smoked marijuana blunts. Officer did see a gun holster between defendant's feet. Officer did remove defendant from the vehicle at which point officer did recover a Taurus G3 loaded with 14 rounds in the magazine. An additional magazine with 13 rounds recovered in glove box. An additional single round recovered in center console. Firearm submitted by patrol officer. Evidence submitted by patrol officer.

September 13, 2024
 Symphony Circle - Defendant did strike victim with a closed fist while wearing brass knuckles. The defendant did then grab a baseball bat from the co-defendant and did run after victim with the baseball bat in hand placing victim in fear of serious physical injury. The victim did suffer from a large laceration above his left eye from the brass knuckles and did suffer a broken rib from the baseball bat.

September 13, 2024
 Tonawanda Street - Victim states while standing in line at the food pantry suspect was staring at her and she asked him to stop.. This escalated into suspect making verbal threats to make victim disappear and no one would know.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦
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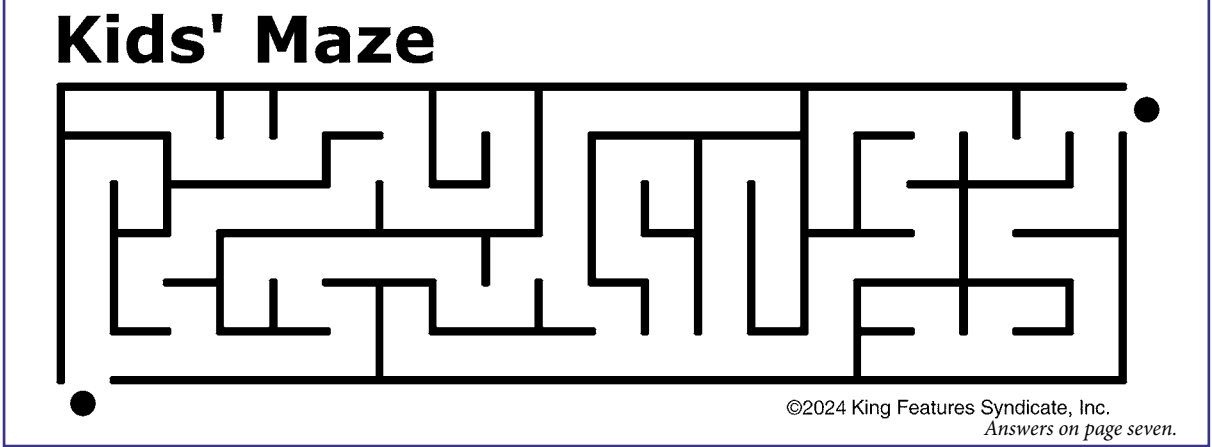
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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Bit of butter
- 4 "Dream on!"
- 8 Half (Pref.)
- 12 "Kinda" suffix
- 13 Mandolin's kin
- 14 Redact
- 15 LAX info
- 16 Embraces among team members, say
- 18 Mideast peninsula
- 20 "Gee, ya think?"
- 21 Nevada city
- 24 Pansy part
- 28 Floor coverings
- 32 Luau dance
- 33 Paul Newman film
- 34 Refine metal
- 36 Male turkey
- 37 "M*A*S*H" star
- 39 Pub vessels
- 41 Sand castle site
- 43 Clear the decks?
- 44 Gearwheel tooth
- 46 Mary Poppins, e.g.
- 50 Hydrants
- 55 Tic-tac-toe win
- 56 Totals
- 57 Mine, to Marcel
- 8 Sneaky laugh
- 9 Sch. URL ender
- 10 "Top Gun" target
- 11 TGIF part
- 17 Young seal
- 19 Coach Parseghian
- 22 Feeling no pain
- 23 Curved moldings
- 25 Ballet wear
- 26 Sleep like —
- 27 Felonious flights
- 28 Melville captain
- 29 Hold sway
- 30 Icelandic epic
- 31 Whole lot
- 35 Trains, buses, etc.
- 38 Entry
- 40 CEO's deg.
- 42 Jump
- 45 Glitz partner
- 47 Alaskan seaport
- 48 Linguist Chomsky
- 49 Present-day "carpe diem"
- 50 "Terrif!"
- 51 Wyo. neighbor
- 52 Vitamin stat
- 53 Hollywood's Thurman
- 54 Acquired

DOWN

- 1 Slapstick arsenal
- 2 Italian wine region
- 3 Compared to
- 4 North African capital
- 5 California's Big —
- 6 "Am — blame?"
- 7 Family fight

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Should My Husband File And Then Suspend His Benefits? – Ask Rusty

Dear Rusty: My financial advisor used a computer program which told my husband to take his SS at age 68, then suspend it after a few months. What I understood was if my husband started and then stopped taking distributions, he would earn delayed retirement credits and thus get more at

age 70. I know waiting increases SS amounts, by 8% a year, but does purposely starting and then stopping SS increase distributions even more? Thank you in advance for your service as a Social Security Advisor. **Signed: Confused Dear Confused:** Suspending receipt of one's SS benefits after their FRA (as in your husband's case) does result in him earning Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs), but the DRCs earned accumulate at the same rate as if he simply waited longer to claim his SS benefit in the first place. DRCs are earned up to 70 years of age, at which point your husband's maximum SS benefit is attained (FYI, DRCs earn .667% of additional benefit for each month benefits are delayed or suspended, or 8% per year). But I see no advantage to your husband starting his benefits now (at 68) and then suspending them several months later to earn DRCs – the number of DRCs earned are the same in either case, so he could simply wait to apply for his Social Security benefits until he is 70 to get his maximum amount.

The only rationale I can think of to claim and then suspend after doing so is to get a few months of his benefit payments before suspending. But the few months he received benefits before suspending will be considered when he later unsuspends his benefit, so that his total payment amount will be a bit less at 70 than it would otherwise be if he simply waits longer to claim SS. And, just for information, he can't "file and suspend" his benefits

so that you can receive a spousal benefit from him. That option (to file and suspend, enabling a spouse to receive benefits) was eliminated by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 – while your husband's benefits are suspended, you cannot receive a spousal benefit from him.

So, frankly, I see no advantage to your husband claiming his benefit now and then suspending them a few months later. If his goal is to maximize his SS benefit, then the best way to do that is simply wait longer to claim.

Thank you for submitting your question to our Social Security Advisor department. Be sure to share our link with your family and friends.

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Obituary

In Loving Memory

Daniel P. Starr
1934 – 2024



Daniel P. Starr entered into rest on September 11, 2024 at age 90. Beloved husband of

64 years to Joanne (nee Callahan) Starr; devoted father of Katherine L. Starr, Elizabeth S. (Joseph M.) Hassett, Mary Louise "Molly" (Michael Adowski) Starr and Jennifer S. (Scott Sherlock) Hyde; cherished grandfather of Joseph D. Hassett, Nicholas E. Hassett, Katherine S. Hassett and Zoe L. Hyde; loving son of the late Harry and Marion Starr; dear brother of Roger (Cree) Starr and the late Harriet Coleman, Geraldine Keane, James Starr, Thomas Starr and William Starr; also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Relatives and friends may visit PERNA, DENGLER, ROBERTS FUNERAL HOME, 1671 Maple Rd., Williamsville, NY 14221 on Sunday (September 22, 2024) from 1-5pm. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Christ the King Church, 30 Lamarck Dr., Amherst, NY 14226 on Monday (September 23, 2024) at 10am. Please assemble at church. Dan was a veteran of the US Army, earned a PhD in history and was the retired Athletic Director from Canisius College. Flowers gratefully declined.

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Erie County Clerk
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September Is Passport Awareness Month

The Erie County Clerk's Office is celebrating National Passport Awareness Month by reminding the traveling public that my office is an official Passport Application Acceptance Agent of the United States Passport Service for first-time customers and children. Further, I would like to remind current passport holders to ensure that their document is valid prior to traveling.

Most tourists know they need a passport to travel internationally to foreign lands, however many are unaware that in a number of foreign countries, your passport must be valid for six months beyond your date of return. If your travel document expires before that, you may be denied boarding your flight or entry to your destination and be sent back home immediately upon your arrival.

This information is hardly ever mentioned by airlines upon making your international flight reservations. As a first step in planning any trip abroad, check to see what identifying documents are required for your intended destination and verify that your

passport is valid for at least six months. If the expiration date is less than that of the cutoff, take steps to renew your passport right away.

So how much will a passport cost you in total? There are a number of factors that go into the cost calculation, including the type of passport you want, whether you're renewing or getting your first one, and how fast you need to obtain your travel document.

With the new fee, the cost of a first-time adult passport book comes out to \$165, comprised of a \$130 application fee and a \$35 acceptance fee. The price for renewing an adult passport book now totals \$130. The price for a minor passport book for those under age 16 is now \$135, consisting of a \$100 application fee and a \$35 acceptance fee. According to the State Department, the turnaround time for routine service, including passport renewals, currently can take 6 to 8 weeks. For \$60 more, an expedited renewal application can take 2 to 3 weeks. Processing times can change at any time, so it is important that you check the status of



your passport application online at travel.state.gov/passports.

Payment for the passport or passport card must be in the form of check or money order. No cash or credit cards can be accepted. A certified copy of your birth certificate and proof of identity, such as a valid New York State driver's license or non-driver identification card, is required in order for any application to be accepted. Those looking to obtain a passport or passport card for any children under the age of 16 need to make sure both parents are present to sign the application.

The Erie County Clerk's Office is open to the public and applicants can apply for a passport card and /or passport book at Old County Hall, 92 Franklin Street, Buffalo, Monday - Friday 9:00am-5:00pm or at the County Clerk's Outreach Center, 1088 Union Road, West Seneca next to the Auto Bureau in the Southgate Plaza, Monday- Friday from 9am to 5:00pm. In recognizing the challenges of coordinating schedules for travelers during normal business hours to apply in person for their passports, the Outreach Center in West Seneca has extended evening hours every Thursday till 7:00 p.m. Passport photos can be taken at either office for a fee of \$10. No appointments are necessary.

Current passport holders with less than 6 months validity remaining on their travel document(s) must submit the renewal application directly to the Passport Agency by mail. Such renewals cannot be completed through the County Clerk's Office. A complete list of instructions on how to renew a passport by mail can be found at travel.state.gov/passports. However, the passport agents in my office will be happy to assist in making sure your renewal application is completed properly and also take your passport photo.

Additionally, U.S. travelers must meet the REAL ID compliance standard in order to board domestic flights and access certain federal facilities. A valid U.S. passport book, a passport card, a state-issued enhanced (EDL) driver license or enhanced non-driver identification card all meet the new security standard that goes into effect May 7, 2025.

Passport applications, a list of all required documents, and detailed breakdown of the new fee schedule are available by visiting erie.gov/passports or by contacting the Erie County Clerk's Outreach Center at (716) 498-8584.

Senior TRIVIA

Pop Quiz

Test your knowledge!

- 1) Mount Vesuvius overlooks which modern Italian city?

2. What kind of creature is half bird and half woman with an alluring song?

- 3) What is a common name for iron oxide?

- 4) What kind of pastry is used to make baklava?

- 5) What is the name of Elle's chihuahua in "Legally Blonde"?

- 6) What is a common name for bruxism?

- 7) Prospero is a character in which of Shakespeare's plays?

- 8) How many stars make up the Big Dipper?

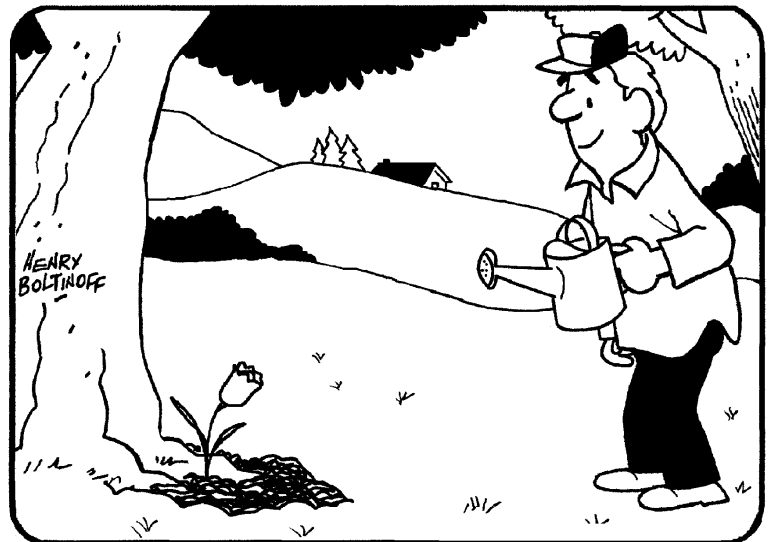
- 9) Which state's nickname is The Sunflower State?

- 10) Which is the only continent without bees?

Last Week's Answers: 1. "Sound" or "hearing" (e.g. "audiophile"). 2. "Bewitched." 3. 2,000-8,000. 4. Berlin, Germany. 5. Joseph Stalin. 6. "Titanic." 7. Ra. 8. New York.

Answers on page seven.

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Tree trunk is different. 2. Spot on watering can is longer. 3. Cap is larger. 4. Hair is shorter. 5. Mountain is different. 6. Flower is different.

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Buffalo River Fest Park LLC: On Friday, September 27th, the Buffalo River Fest will hold its annual Charity Golf Tournament & Dinner. Golf will be a 4 person scramble with a noon shotgun start at Terry Hills Golf Club in Batavia, New York. It will be followed up with dinner starting at 6 p.m. at Buffalo River Fest Park's Wharf which is on the Buffalo River at 249 Ohio Street in Buffalo, New York. There will be contests and prizes throughout the day! Including a basket raffle! Proceeds will go toward maintain-

ing the park. If you are interested in attending or for more information, please contact Peg Overdorf at 716-553-8350 or Paul at 716-512-9341.



Festival of the Arts starts Saturday, September 21 10 am to 11:30 am at the Buffalo Academy for Visual and Performing Arts (BPS #192) 450 Masten Avenue. Arts for Learning WNY will be offering a FREE Festival of the Arts at the Buffalo Academy for Visual and Performing Arts (BPS #192) for free live performances filled with creativity and talent.



Buffalo Music helping Buffalo History - Part 1: On Monday September 30, 2024 from 6:00 - 9:00 there will be a benefit for the Black Rock Historical Society (BRHS) at the Sportsmen's Tavern called Remembering McVan's. Panels will be talking about Floor Shows, Rock Music, Original Music, bootlegging during Prohibition, Go Go Dancers in the early 1960s, memorable concerts by national artists and behind the scenes information about events at the club. Admission includes a buffet, your first drink and all proceeds benefit the Black Rock Historical Society & Museum, a 501c3 non-profit organization. Advance tickets are available online and at the BRHS.



Great Pumpkin Farm Festival

Continued from page one. drink at the Witches Brew Bar & Café. It's a great place to take photos of the little ones or find that special Halloween decoration in our Pumpkin Palace. Simply put, the Great Pumpkin Farm's Fall Festival is a great way to celebrate fall, celebrate family and celebrate FUN.

September 21 & 22
Dinosaurs wandering the grounds from noon to 4 pm
Amusement rides & more

September 28 & 29
Zombies in the Corn Maze (noon to 4 pm)
Corn maze, Boo Barn, Hay maze, Hayrides and much more

October 5 & 6
World Pumpkin Weigh-Off beginning at noon on Saturday

Dinosaurs wandering the grounds from noon to 4 pm

October 12, 13, & 14
Pumpkin Olympics
Pumpkin Drop
Contests, Crafts and more

Clowns in the Corn Maze (noon to 4 pm)
October 19 & 20

Corn maze, Boo Barn, Hay maze, Hayrides, Apple & Pumpkin Donuts and much more

Aliens in the Corn Maze (noon to 4 pm)
October 26 & 27

Final Weekend! All attractions will be running including Hayrides, Corn Maze, Zombie Train, Apple Cannons, Amusement Rides, and more!

Costume Contest on both days

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Admission includes a free Tractor Drawn Hayride, Free Magic Show entrance, Free Cow Train Ride, Free Pumpkin Hill Slide, Free Boo Barn Entry, Free contests and activities including Pie Eating, Scarecrow Making, Pumpkin Decorating, Mummy Wrapping as well as crafts for the kids.

The Great Pumpkin Farm will be open every day beginning September 14 through October 31, and there's NO admission fee on weekdays (except on Columbus Day). This is a terrific outing if you've got little ones. You can visit The Pumpkin Palace as well as a petting

zoo, hay maze and playground. The bakery and candy store are open, and guests can purchase pumpkins; cornstalks; gourds; apples and cider.

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: RED-BROWN METAL

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ERIE; Index No. 805514/2023 Filed 05/03/2023 Plaintiff MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT, LLC V UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA A. HEDGES; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA O/B/O INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; AVCO SECURITY CORPORATION; THOMAS HEDGES, HEIR-AT-LAW; ANNE CREIGHTON, HEIR-AT-LAW "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the Subject Property described in the Complaint, PUBLICATION TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA A. HEDGES YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Amended Complaint in the above captioned action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the Plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after completion of service where service is made in any other manner than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a Defendant in this action may answer to appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Amended Complaint. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this Summons and Amended 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 publication and protect your property. Sending 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 ASSETS MANAGEMENT, LLC) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. To the above named defendants: The foregoing Publication is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Hon. Gerald J. Greenan III, J.S.C, a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of N.Y., dated August 1, 2024 and filed along with the supporting papers in the Erie County Clerk's Office. This is an action to foreclose a mortgage on the property located 34 Fairfield Avenue, Tonawanda, NY 14223 Section: 79.29 Block: 1 Lot: 15 Erie County is designated as the place of trial based upon the location of the property being foreclosed. Attorneys for Plaintiff: Stern & Eisenberg, PC, 20 Commerce Drive, Suite 230, Cranford, NJ 07016 T:(516) 630-0288. 39

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company. Owner: Jasmine Thorpe, LMHC Name of LLC: Jasmine Thorpe Mental Health Counseling PLLC Address: 1109 Delaware Ave, Buffalo NY, 14209 Articles filed with NYDOS: 5/29/20 24. 39

Notice of Formation of (Vogue Nails R&T LLC), LLC Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on (08/23/2024). Office in Erie County. SSNY is the designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process (4779 Transit Rd, STU #9, Depew, NY, 14043). Any lawful purpose. 40

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK INDEX NO. 804887/2024 COUNTY OF ERIE

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCAF ACQUISITION TRUST Plaintiff, vs. MICHAEL RYAN, if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs

at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; DJR9 INC; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SAVINGS BANK; PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint, Defendants. Plaintiff designates ERIE as the place of trial situs of the real property SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Mortgaged Premises: 66 KERMIT AVENUE A/K/A 66 KERMIT, BUFFALO, NY 14215 Section: 90.72, Block: 3, Lot: 37

To the above named Defendants YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other than by personal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$28,000.00 and interest, recorded

on April 08, 2004, in Book 13154 at Page 4967, of the Public Records of ERIE County, New York., covering premises known as 66 KERMIT AVENUE A/K/A 66 KERMIT, BUFFALO, NY 14215. 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. ERIE County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county. 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 the mortgage company will not stop the 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: September 4th, 2024 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff Brandon Kopcienski, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675. 41

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GAMES

- Trivia Answers:
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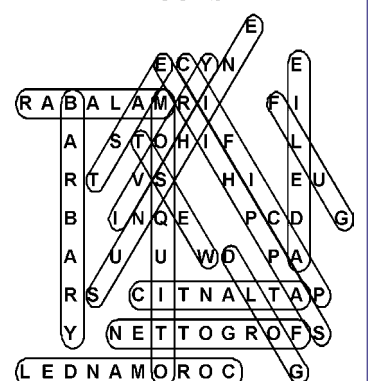
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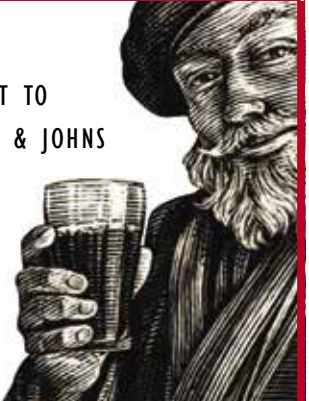


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