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## Happy Veteran's Day 2024!



**The annual Veteran's Day Parade will take place this Saturday, November 2nd, starting at the Red Jacket and ending at the Buffalo Botanical Gardens.**

Veterans Day occurs on November 11th every year in honor of the "eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month" of 1918 that signaled the end of World War I, honoring the men and women of all wars who have served our Nation and answered the call to defend it. The United States rose to greatness on the strength of their service and their stories are woven into the fabric of our Nation's history.

Whether they served in times of war or peace, all veterans share a common bond, their belief in the cause of freedom. A belief



so strong they are willing to give their lives, if need be, in its defense. We know them as our fathers and mothers, our family members, or perhaps our next-door neighbors. Here in Erie County we have approximately 52,000 veterans who have risked their lives to protect us, many of whom served in Vietnam, which is two and a half times greater than any other conflict. As Americans, we all must take the time to honor and thank them for their service.

Every Veterans Day, Erie County holds a number of memorial services to hon-

or these men and women for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice. I encourage all Erie County residents to take time to honor and celebrate the heroism and courage of our local veteran community by attending a veteran's event in your community or by simply displaying an American flag outside your home.

At the Erie County Clerk's Office, we proudly pay tribute to our veterans 365 days a year through our "Thank-A-Vet" Discount Card Program. I would like to remind veterans if

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## Waterfront Announces Full Winter Schedule

Just three weeks from opening day at the Ice at Canalside, presented by Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, Buffalo Waterfront today released the full winter 2024-2025 special event schedule for the ice rink, opened reservations for ice activities, and announced the addition of a new mascot, which the community will be invited to help name.



Friday, Nov. 22 will mark opening day at the ice. A new mascot, which will be revealed on Buffalo Waterfront's social media in the coming weeks, will also take the ice for the first time that day. Members of the community can submit naming ideas for the mascot on both social media and in person during opening weekend.

New and returning fea-

tures at the ice this year include:

The Ice Express Train, a new trackless train that will run on the ice during Kids Club Sundays and on Tuesdays during public skating hours.

Ice Bumper Cars, back after a one-year hiatus, will return with a brand-new fleet of vehicles.

Ice Bikes will also make their return to the ice on

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## The Buffalo Museum Sports Collectors Tour

If you love the Buffalo Bills, Bisons, Sabres, Bandits, or one of the many other teams that have been part of local sports history, then you must sign up for this tour. On Saturday, Nov. 16, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Buffalo History Museum guests will participate in a 30-minute tour of the sports exhibit, ICONS: The Makers and Moments of Buffalo Sports, which captures Buffalo's rich professional sports history and investigates the unique connection that exists between fans and their beloved teams. Several local sports collectors will be displaying some of their favorite items. Come and see these one-

of-a-kind items and hear the unique stories behind them.

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.

When purchasing tickets, you can select a time slot for your tour.

Tickets are \$15 (\$10 for members) and can be purchased online at <https://tinyurl.com/iconstour>.

## Memories

*From the Buffalo Rocket archives*



**OCTOBER, 1992. NORTH BUFFALO KIWANIS INSTALLS NEW MEMBERS...** Johanna Fromen, second from left, was recently elected president of the Kiwanis Club of North Buffalo for 1992-93' at its ninth annual installation dinner held at the Saratoga Restaurant. Other elected officers, pictured from left, are Angelo M. Constanzo and Michele A. Graves, directors, Donald W. Boyd Jr., secretary, and Anthony P. Maggiotto, director.

## Local Weather

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH



Mostly Cloudy  
High 75°  
Low 50°

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH



Cloudy  
High 53°  
Low 39°

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH



Partly Cloudy  
High 50°  
Low 36°

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH



Mostly Cloudy  
High 56°  
Low 47°

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH



Showers  
High 62°  
Low 59°

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH



Showers  
High 71°  
Low 54°

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH



Showers  
High 60°  
Low 44°



**FREE NORTH PARK PASSES:** D. Willia Sutherland, 95 Lovering Ave., 14216

**FREE PIZZA:** Linda Parks, 40 Henley Rd., 14216

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# St. Marks Lions Roar!



**St. Marks Lions celebrating after the game.**

For the second year in a row, the St. Mark's Varsity Baseball team won back to back championships in the Diocesan Catholic School League Division over Elmwood Franklin and City Honors players, 11-3 in a rout, played on a beautiful night at Canisius University.

Playing on a neutral field of the preeminent Jesuit College in WNY, six eighth grade boys led the maroon and white Lions to their second Championship in as many years and ended their careers without losing a single game. The 20-0-1 record over two seasons has made the Woodward Avenue School one of the best athletic programs across Western New York in both public and parochial Divisions.

Hundreds of St. Mark's students, families, administration and supporters were on hand this night to watch the Lions win their fourth Championship over an eight year period and is a tribute to the amount of time spent between their games in practice throughout a season.

"It was incredible to me how hard these kids were willing to work all Fall to win," said Lions eight year coach Kevin Pritchard afterward. "I'm incredibly proud of these boys and grateful for my fellow coaches."

Pritchard has been a part of the Baseball program at St. Mark's for almost 20 years now, watching his three sons grow up and play within the past ten years. In his eight seasons as manager, he has watched over numerous young boys get started in a baseball career, showing his love for the game and his interest in their young lives.

This season, six eighth graders were a major reason how the team was able to repeat as Champions for St. Mark's. They are: Burke Ganci, the team's second baseman. Greyson Gordon, a towering right-hander on the mound who threw fast balls faster than you could see. John (JR) Hornung, a lanky first baseman who could stretch out for a catch to get the runner. Daniel Kooshoian, who patrolled Centerfield and was key in the team's defense. Paul Rubino, a steady Shortstop for the infield and finally Drew Smith, a quiet leader on the team who spoke with his bat and the glove out on the diamond.

All six boys are prominent players in the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League Travel program in Shoshone Park. After all the Championships have been won in League games, boys can continue to play for the various

Schools located around Shoshone Park like St. Mark's, City Honors, Olmstead or Canisius High School. Without their start in the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League, (HNPYBL) the Schools wouldn't have reputable Sports programs in the Spring and early Fall.

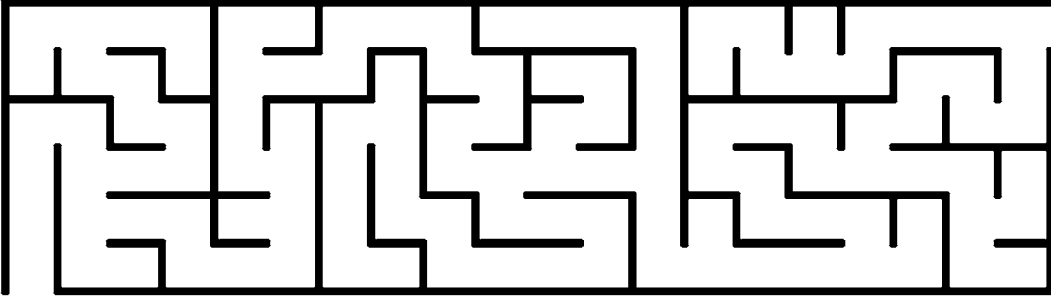
Pritchard and his two assistants, Kevin Mahoney and Matthew Ward in the dug out, this year selected four players from the team with MVP performances. They are Dan Kooskoian for Defense, Drew Smith for Offense, John (JR) Hornung as most improved and Greyson Gordon as overall team MVP. Pritchard, Mahoney and Ward are all outstanding Coaches in the HNPYBL program each Summer and have worked with these boys almost every day each Summer.

Pritchard had the last word. "I would like to thank all the players, the coaches, and all the parents for their commitment to the team and to one another."

What else can be said or written about this year's World Series? The two best teams from each League battled it out in L A and New York. The free agent spending by the Dodgers to acquire Japanese phenom Shohei Ohtani from the Angels before the season was the missing piece for a Dodger team that was looking to celebrate a legitimate World Series victory after 2020 when Covid affected the game. The Yankees and Brian Cashman traded for Juan Soto before the season to complement with Aaron Judge at the plate for more offense and a return to the playoffs. Both worked, but not without the help of Freddie Freeman, Mookie Betts or Kiki Hernandez. Gerrit Cole pitched well enough in game five after the Yankees won their first game last Tuesday, on an Anthony Volpe Grand Slam. Can the team resign Soto and improve their pitching to win the AL East again against a good Orioles team that played well all season. Let's hope the White Sox can figure things out in the Southside of Chicago and not lose 121 games. See you next year.

**FREE PIZZA:** James Romanello, 72 Hallam Rd., 14216

# Kids' Maze



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FREE NORTH PARK PASSES: Charmine Williams, 136 Avery Ave., 14216





# The Blotter

## Felonies

From "D" District

### Assailant Pepper Sprays Officers During Arrest

**North Buffalo**  
**November 2, 2024**  
Delaware Avenue - Defendant did use metal clip-pers to remove security tags in an attempt to take merchandise. Male was stopped inside store by police.

**November 2, 2024**  
Hertel Avenue - On above date and location between 1915 hours and 2100 hours, while working at Citi-Trends (2101 Elmwood Avenue) defendant and co-defendant did not up multiple merchandise transactions. Defendant 2 has a total larceny of \$6,000.00 from CitiTrends. All transactions are on video, district manager did identify both defendants for this case statement taken by detective.

**November 1, 2024**  
Elmwood Avenue -Complainant reports that defendant did refuse to leave the business when asked to do so and then did throw popcorn at the complainant and threatened to

punch him. When officers attempted to detain the defendant he did actively resist officers by pulling away and tensing his arms to prevent handcuffing.

**West Side**  
**November 2, 2024**  
Hoyt Street - Victim states that defendant and himself got into a verbal argument over a drink that turned physical when defendant did go upstairs and grab a handgun and did point it at the victim's forehead and then struck the victim in the forehead several times causing, pain, bruising, and swelling.

**Riverside**  
**November 2, 2024**  
Riverside Avenue - Victim stated defendant came to his home after he told her she was not welcomed. Defendant was knocking on his door and windows causing him to be annoyed.

**October 31, 2024**  
Elmwood Avenue - Subject stated he was robbed and wanted to speak with po-

lice. When officers asked about the situation, he left the scene. Officers ran his info and found multiple warrants.

**November 1, 2024**  
Isabelle Street - Defendant did unlawfully enter and remain in the apartment of 62 Isabelle, apartment 2F.

**October 31, 2024**  
Blum Avenue - Defendant arrested at above date and location. Defendant did deploy pepper spray on victim. Victim 1 did call 911 and stated he heard male and female arguing inside 75 Blum Avenue and furniture possibly being thrown when officer/victim 2 responded to investigate defendant did deploy pepper spray into officer's face. Defendant then did slam the door and lock himself inside. Officers did gain entry and did deploy tasers. Male was taken into custody and to ECMC for evaluation. Female subject inside. Home denied any domestic stating, "neighbors are spying on them," and was evaluated by BHT. Juvenile child/daughter was in home during altercation.

**October 31, 2024**  
Blum Avenue - Defendant has caused damage to victim's property on multiple days by throwing eggs and garbage at the building. Damaged to lanterns hanging on porch value (\$25.00). Defendant has screamed and threatened victim multiple times on multiple occasions casuing him to be alarmed and annoyed.

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# Weekly SUDOKU

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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FREE PIZZA: Donald Marshall II, 16 Covington Rd., 14216  
FREE NORTH PARK PASSES: Lynn Dejac, 61 Wellington Rd. Apt. Lowr., 14216.

## King Crossword

### ACROSS

1 Story lines  
5 Entanglement  
8 Victor's cry  
12 Barking mammal  
13 Artist Yoko  
14 Scrapped mission  
15 Hawaiian city  
16 Tic-tac-toe win  
17 Corrida bull  
18 Surround  
20 Edge  
22 Standard  
23 Fiddle stick  
24 Umps  
27 Revolt  
32 — Baba  
33 To and —  
34 Modern, in Bonn  
35 They can hold their heads high  
38 Aussie greeting  
39 Takeoff stat  
40 Comic Phillips  
42 On the job  
45 Destroys  
49 Hoodlum  
50 Privy  
52 Small combo  
53 Oklahoma tribe  
54 Gl entertain-ers  
55 Full house, e.g.

### DOWN

1 Tennis legend  
2 Check  
3 Young whale  
4 Sailing ves-sels  
5 PBS anchor  
6 Rock's Brian  
7 Nitwit  
8 Preambles  
9 Oboe, for one

10 Folklore mon-ster  
11 Queen dowa-ger of Jordan  
19 "— Boheme"  
21 Kimono closer  
24 Tatter  
25 Yalie  
26 Kindling  
28 Opposite of "post-"  
29 Guitar-making material  
30 PBS support-er  
31 Chap  
36 Makes amends

37 New Deal pres.  
38 "Faust" dra-matist  
41 "— Deeds"  
42 Awestruck  
43 Dorothy's dog  
44 Heidi of "Project Runway"  
46 Rocky out-crop  
47 Monarch  
48 Freshens lawns  
51 Sugar suffix

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## Working Septuagenarian Asks About Disability Benefits – Ask Rusty

**Dear Rusty:** I retired at my full retirement age, am now 79 and will be 80 in December. I have been working consistently since. I get a meager Social Security benefit, only about \$800 due to my federal retirement offset. Most jobs I have held since filing and collecting SS have involved very labor-intensive work, to include my current position. This has taken a toll.

My question: is there any provision in Social Security that permits re-evaluation of Social Security benefits for disability after one has collected and paid into the system for some 15 years? I suspect not but thought I would ask, since at my not so tender age, I am faced with having to cease employment that generates needed income.

**Signed: Working Still at 79**

**Dear Still Working:** I'm

afraid that Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits are no longer available once you reach your SS "full retirement age," or "FRA," which for you was age 66. Indeed, anyone collecting SSDI at full retirement age is automatically converted to their regular SS retirement benefits at the same amount they were previously receiving on SSDI. That's because SSDI benefits are intended to sustain workers up to their SS full retirement age, but SSDI goes away once FRA is attained.

Thus, the provision to apply for SS disability allows only those who have not yet reached their full retirement age to seek disability benefits. Once FRA is reached, SSDI benefits are no longer available. Simply for your awareness, there would be no financial advantage for you to receive SS disability bene-

fits anyway, because the most you can get on SSDI is your full retirement age amount. Thus, since you retired and claimed SS at your full retirement age, no additional disability amount would be available anyway.

FYI, I admire, at your "tender age," that you are still actively working, but I'm afraid you cannot claim more now on Social Security disability because you've already reached your FRA. However, from what you've written, your SS retirement benefit has been affected by the so-called Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) which affects those with a separate pension earned without contributing to Social Security.

If you've been separately working (and contributing to Social Security) since you left government service, and you now have more than 20 years contributing to SS from other non-government "substantial earnings," it's possible that you can request a reevaluation of your WEP penalty. WEP provides relief for those who have more than 20 years contributing to Social Security. So, if you have more than that over your lifetime, you could ask that your WEP reduction be reevaluated to consider your additional years contributing to Social

Security. If that is the case, your monthly amount would be increased to consider those additional years contributing to SS since you first claimed.

I suggest, if you now have more than 20 years of contributions to Social Security from your non-government work over your lifetime, that you call Social Security to request reevaluation of your WEP retirement amount. FYI, you can see exactly how many years of SS-covered work you have by request-

ing an "Earnings Statement" from Social Security. You can get this Statement by calling 1.800.772.1213, or you can also get it at your personal "my Social Security" online account at [www.ssa.gov/myaccount](http://www.ssa.gov/myaccount) (Social Security will also be able to tell you this directly when you call). In any case, I wish you good fortune, and hope that reevaluating the WEP reduction to your SS benefit may offer some small financial relief as you go forward.

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# Michael P. Kearns

Erie County Clerk  
Guest Columnist

Operation Green Light For Veterans

In advance of the upcoming Veterans Day holiday, Erie County Clerk Michael P. Kearns announced plans to illuminate Old County Hall green from November 4th — 11th as part of Operation Green Light for Veterans, a nationwide effort to support military veterans. The initiative, led by the National Association of Counties (NACo), raises awareness about the unique challenges faced by many veterans and the resources available at the county, state, and federal levels to assist veterans and their families.

Kearns is encouraging residents, businesses, and other organizations to participate by simply changing one light bulb inside or outside their

home to a green bulb. “By shining a green light, we let our veteran community, and their families know that they are seen, appreciated, and supported,” stated Kearns.

Throughout the year, the Erie County Clerk’s Office is busy assisting and working with veterans to enroll in the very popular “Thank-A-Vet” Discount Card Program



after placing their DD-214 discharge papers on permanent file in the Clerk’s office. By doing so, this ensures quick access to discharge papers which the veteran or family will need to verify proof of honorable discharge if they require access to federal, state or death benefits. Additionally, the complimentary discount card provides valuable discounts that the veteran can utilize at over 1,400 area businesses throughout Erie County.

Any veteran or business owner with additional questions on how to obtain a ‘Thank-A-Vet’ Discount Card or be a participating business can contact the Erie County Clerk’s S.A.L.U.T.E.S. Program at 716-858-6787 or visit online at [erie.gov/clerk/thankavet](http://erie.gov/clerk/thankavet).

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# Senior TRIVIA

Pop Quiz

Test your knowledge!

1) What was the name of the tournament in “Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire”?

2) What was the name of the train service that started in 1883 between Paris and Constantinople (Istanbul)?

3) Who did the pigs represent in the allegorical novel “Animal Farm”?

4) Which European city houses the Reina Sofia museum?

5) What is the product that Don Draper makes an ad for in the final episode of “Mad Men”?

6) What is a group of unicorns called?

7) Which presidential retreat is officially named the “Naval Support Facility Thurmont”?

8) Which composer is featured in the film “Immortal Beloved”?

9) The Great Wall of China was mostly built by which dynasty?

10) What kind of fruit is also known as the Chinese gooseberry?

Last Week's Answers: 1. Alec Guinness. 2. A peninsula. 3. John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon. 4. Orchid. 5. Number One. 6. Carbon dioxide. 7. Nautilus. 8. Lawyer. 9. Breastbone. 10. Amsterdam

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<b>Mini Pak.</b> .....	47.00
Large Cheese and One Item Pizza with Double Wings (20) and 1 Bleu Cheese. (add \$1.80 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
<b>Thirty Pak</b> .....	53.25
Large Cheese and One Item Pizza with Triple Wings (30) and 2 Bleu Cheese. (add \$1.80 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
<b>Family Pak.</b> .....	78.75
Large Cheese and One Item Pizza with Bucket of Wings (50) and 3 Bleu Cheese. (add \$2.45 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
<b>Party Pak</b> .....	89.00
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<b>Personal Specialty Pak</b> .....	99.80
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<b>Small Specialty Pak</b> .....	33.90
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<b>Mini Specialty Pak</b> .....	50.50
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<b>Thirty Specialty Pak</b> .....	60.75
Large Specialty Pizza with Triple Wings (30) and 2 Bleu Cheese. (add \$1.80 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
<b>Family Specialty Pak</b> .....	82.25
Large Specialty Pizza with a Bucket of Wings (50) and 3 Bleu Cheese. (add \$2.45 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
<b>Specialty Party Pak 1</b> .....	92.50
(1) Large Cheese and One Item Pizza and (1) Large Specialty Pizza with a Bucket of Wings (50) and 3 Bleu Cheese. (add \$2.45 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
<b>Specialty Party Pak 2</b> .....	96.00
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**Canalside on Ice:** Buffalo Waterfront today announced the opening weekend of the Ice at Canalside, presented by Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield of WNY, and revealed some new features and events in the works for the upcoming season. The rink will open Friday, Nov. 22 through Sunday, Nov. 24 for its 2024-2025 season debut, with fireworks on opening night and on each Friday in November and December. The ice will re-open for regular, daily hours starting on Friday, Nov. 27. In addition to "Friday Night Lights" fireworks displays through

the end of the year, this season will also feature "Canalside Kids Club" on Sunday mornings, with a brand-new Trackless Ice Train ride, hockey shots experience and character appearances.



**A Meat Raffle**, hosted by the St. Margaret's Events Committee, will be held on Friday, November 15, 2024 at the American Legion Post, 533 Amherst Street (near Wegmans). Doors open at 6:00 pm, first spin at 7:00 pm. Admission ticket is \$10, table of 8 is \$70. We will have 50-50 raffle, basket raffle, and a special raffle for a cooler full of meat! Bring your own snacks and \$1 bills; beer and pop will be provided. Your Thanksgiving turkey may also be won. Tickets can be purchased at [stmargaretbuffalo.com](http://stmargaretbuffalo.com), in the church rectory, or at the door. Proceeds used to repair the church's handicap ramp. Questions can be directed to the church secretary, Diane at 876-5318.



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## Happy Veterans Day 2024!

*Continued from page one.* they have not already filed their honorable discharge papers and received the "Thank-A-Vet" discount card, to come in and do so. Presently, over 1,500 Erie County businesses, both large and small, have registered in the program to give valuable discounts on goods and services to our deserving veterans. We constantly add participating businesses to our program and I encourage any interested business owner to enlist and join us today in "thanking" our veteran

community.

When a veteran place their discharge papers (DD-214) on file with the Erie County Clerk's Office, it safeguards the document and makes attaining their free certified copy quick and easy for the veteran and their loved ones. The "Thank-A-Vet" photo ID card is issued at no charge and our heroes walk away with a real benefit of potentially thousands of dollars in savings and local participating businesses benefit by assisting a veteran and earning the loyalty

of a new or existing customer.

To obtain your complimentary "Thank-A-Vet" Discount Card, visit the Erie County Clerk's Office located at 92 Franklin Street in Buffalo or the Clerk's Outreach Center located next to the Auto Bureau in the Southgate Plaza, Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Veterans and business owners can learn more about the Clerk's "Thank-A-Vet" Discount Card Program at [erie.gov/clerk/thankavet](http://erie.gov/clerk/thankavet) or call 716-858-6787.

## Waterfront Announces Full Winter Schedule

*Continued from page one.* weekends and holidays this winter.

A new Hockey Shot Stop will give skaters a space to test their hockey skills.

A Snow Sculpture display by Eric Jones will be updated and redesigned throughout the season.

Reservations & Season Passes:

Igloo, curling, group skates, and private rental reservations are now open. The Igloos at the Ice, presented by Paula's Donuts, can accommodate up to eight people and offer a cozy, intimate space to warm up and relax. Curling reservations can be made for four to 10 people and include an instructor and all the equipment. Season passes for both individuals and families are now available online at a new, lower cost and will be available in person at the Ice at Canalside's Honda Pavilion starting opening day.

Weekly Special Events:  
Kids Club Sundays (11 a.m. - 2 p.m.)

Every Sunday at the ice, enjoy family-friendly fun with skating, curling and bumper cars on the ice, plus Ice Express Train rides, character appearances, mini-Hockey Shots, free skate aids, and a Kids Skate Zone. All kids receive a free snack and toy or activity each week.

ROAR Logistics Community Skate Wednesdays (4 - 8 p.m.)

Free admission from 4 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday, courtesy of ROAR Logistics.

Friday Night Lights (6 - 10 p.m.)

Enjoy special theme nights, happy hour drink specials, a live DJ, and giveaways, plus a fireworks show each Friday in November & December.

Nov. 22: Live & Local (live music with local artists)

Nov. 29: Holiday Pop

Dec. 6: Broadway's Best

Dec. 13: Swiftie Celebration

Dec. 20: Mariah Carey &

Cozy Classics

Dec. 27: House DJ Night

Jan. 3: Pink Pony Club

Jan. 10: Skating Through the Decades

Jan. 17: Silent Disco

Jan. 24: Kings & Queens of Country

Jan. 31: Jam Band Fest

Feb. 7: Beyonce's Beyhive

Feb. 14: R&B Vibes

Feb. 21: EDM & Electronica Night

Special Event Saturdays (6 - 10 p.m.)

Nov. 23: Seasons Giveaway Night - Come to the ice for a live DJ, prize wheel, and giveaways to a Sabres game, a Bisons game, a Bandits game, the Buffalo Heritage Carousel, Explore & More, The Buffalo Zoo, Buffalo AKG, and Shea's every hour throughout the night.

Nov. 30: Polar Express Night - Celebrate the start of a holly and jolly season. Grab your pajamas and hop on the new Ice Express Train for a free ride, plus free hot chocolate. Be entered to win the Polar Express package, which includes a robe, a book, and an ornament. There may even be a visit from the man in red!

Dec. 7: Skate & Shop Night - Get some Christmas shopping done at the rink with local, Buffalo vendors. The first 100 shoppers will receive a free Ice at Canalside tote bag.

Dec. 14: Bills Mafia Skate - Shop local Buffalo and Bills-centric vendors, wear Bills gear for \$1 off admission, enjoy discounted beverages, and enter to win a Bills tailgate giveaway.

Dec. 21: Jingle Bell Rock the Ice - Stop down at the ice for the holiday bash of the year! Wear something festive for \$1 off admission, and enjoy stocking stuffer giveaways, Grinch mimosa drink specials, a live DJ, character meet-and-greet, plus a fireworks show.

Jan. 4: Indian Cultural Night - Enjoy a full night celebrating Indian Culture, from food to vendors to music, in partnership with the

India Association of Buffalo.

Jan. 11: Sabres Night - Wear your Sabres gear for \$1 off admission, try your hand at a hockey shot contest, enjoy select discounted beverages, skate to a live DJ, and be entered to win a Sabres jersey.

Jan. 18: Ice Fest - This annual, all-day event will continue into the evening, with beverages from the ice luge, snow sculptures, a live ice-carving demo, giveaways, and more.

Jan. 25: Asian Cultural Night - Enjoy authentic Asian cuisine and Asian arts & crafts vendors.

Feb. 1: Black History Month Celebration - Kick off Black History Month with a celebration at the rink. Shop local, Black-owned businesses, enjoy food from Black-owned food trucks, and skate & dance with music from a local DJ.

Feb. 8: Pride Night - Skate to a live DJ, shop LB-GTQIA+ vendors, and enjoy a Marsha P. Johnson specialty drink. The most festively dressed will win an Oxford Pennant.

Feb. 15: Club Penguin Night - Come down to the New Club Penguin at the Ice - a free, snowy, non-virtual world based on the original Club Penguin. Enjoy a pop-up night club, coffee shop, snow forts, and more.

Feb. 22: End of Season Blowout Bash - Wrap up the ice season and enjoy food & beverage discounts, plus igloo, curling, and skate rental discounts.

2024-2025 Admission  
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Ages 13 & Up: \$8  
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Training walker: \$2

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PUBLIC AUCTION to satisfy overdue storage charges pursuant to UCC Code Section 7- 209, 210, and/or Articles 8 and 9, Sections 182, 184, 201, 201A-203 of the Lien Law of the State of New York, September 1, 2024, through September 8, 2024, online at [www.cashauction.com](http://www.cashauction.com) The following units will be auctioned from Metro Storage; Paul Small 2F529, Joel Clarke Reid 2F252, Thomas Roberts 2F507, Katrina King 2F358. Alden Village Estates; Jerald Deak D140, Doreene White C79. All units are contents of the storage unit. This list is an incomplete, representative sample only. All items are subject to redemption before the sale, and are sold "as is, where is." 15% Buyer's Premium. Cash Auctions 716.282.8466. 47

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Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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Puzzle on page three.

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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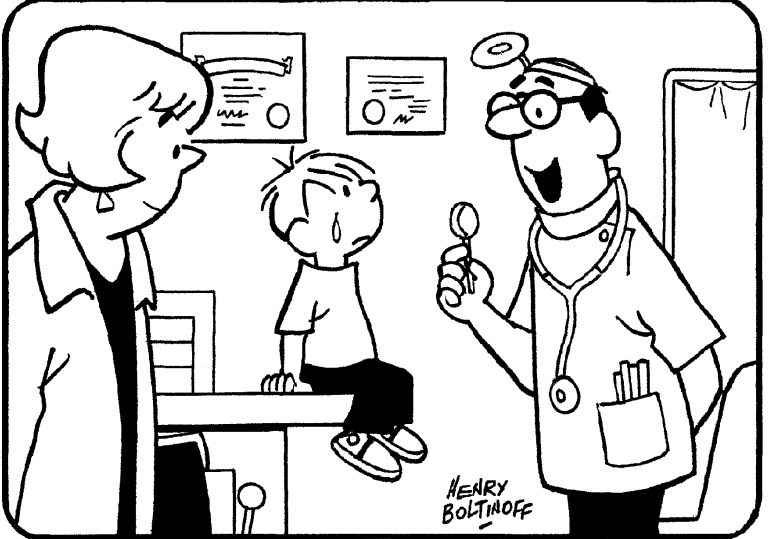
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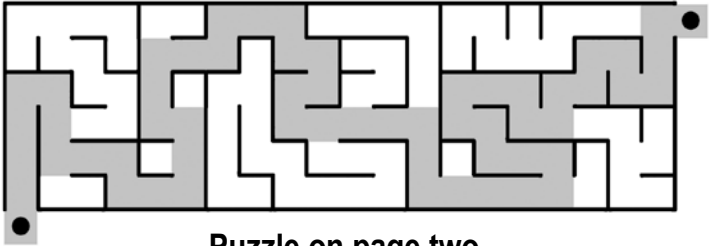
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