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Winter Traffic Safety



Keep safe in the winter storm with these traffic safety tips.

Every start to the winter season, we promise ourselves that this year will be different, that you'll be ready for whatever blizzard Mother Nature sends us. Flashback to 10 years ago, when the City of Buffalo and the Southtowns were clobbered by the infamous "wall of snow" that produced thunder and heavy snowfall of as much as 6 inches an hour. Yes, presently our weather has been with-



out any winter weather events with this fall being more like spring. However, our weather can change quickly and we can be hit with snow, ice, rain and fog off Lake Erie without warning. Motorists are encouraged to take a moment to review a few simple winter driving tips and double-check that you have the proper emergency gear in your vehicle to ensure your safety before any storm

hits. Not all drivers are prepared for winter driving conditions, so take it slow when driving on snowy, icy and wet roadways. Drive as the environment warrants, stay alert, reduce your speed. Due to poor visibility and/or bad road conditions, always leave plenty of room between cars. Brake early and slowly give yourself time to stop and react safely. Before pulling onto the road, be sure to completely clear snow and ice from your car windows, mirrors, lights, hood and roof. Take ex-

SPCA Warning: Arctic Cold And Pet Safety

With arctic cold temperatures expected to hit our area next week, the SPCA Serving Erie County is urging pet owners to take extra precautions to keep their pets safe.

"Just like us, our pets are susceptible to the dangers of extreme cold," said Chief Medical Officer Dr. Allison Kean. "We encourage all pet owners to take the necessary steps to protect their pets from the elements."



Protect your pet's paw pads from ice. Consider using vet-approved paw protectants, booties, and pet-friendly ice melts.

If your pet has short hair, consider dressing them in a coat or sweater to protect them from the elements.

Do not let your pet off-leash on snow and ice. Pets can easily lose their scent and sense of direction in these conditions. Also, make sure your pet's ID tags have your current information!

The SPCA Serving Erie County offers the following tips to keep pets safe during the arctic blast:

If you're feeling the chill, remember that your pets also feel it! Keep your furry friends cozy indoors and make bathroom breaks quick.

Wipe their belly and feet as soon as they come indoors, and ensure they have a warm place to lie down.

Inspect your parking space for antifreeze spills. Antifreeze is toxic to animals and can be lethal if ingested.

Report Animal Neglect: If you encounter a pet outside without food, water, or shelter, you can make an anonymous report to the SPCA Serving Erie County's Investigations Department: (716) 875-7360, ext. 214.

2025 Hertel Alley MuralFest

Council Member Joel Feroletto and Arts Services Inc. are thrilled to announce the return of this inspiring biannual event! This summer, on June 14th and 15th, selected artists will gather and live-paint or live-install their murals throughout the Hertel Alley. The MuralFest only occurs every two years, so this celebration of public art is not to be missed!



The Artists will begin their work starting on June 14th from 10 a.m. until dusk and continue June 15th from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The brick walls of the 16 buildings that make up Hertel Alley, which range in size, will serve as blank canvases for mural creation. Any artist who is interested in participating can find detailed application instructions and guidelines on

Arts Services Inc.'s website. Applications are due February 3rd at 5 p.m.

Council Member Joel Feroletto expressed his excitement for this year's event saying: "The 2025 Hertel Avenue Art Festival is approaching, and we are excited to transform Hertel Alley again! This event has been a success, providing opportunities for local artists while creating a destination for locals and those visiting Buffalo."

Jen Swan-Kilpatrick, Continued on page two.

Memories

From the Buffalo Rocket archives



January, 1992. BUFFALO BILLS ARE GOING TO THE SUPER BOWL...The Buffalo Bills celebrate after cornerback Kirby Jackson (#47) recovers a fumble late in the fourth quarter to keep the Bills with a 10 - 7 lead in Sundays victory over the Denver Broncos. Bill's will play in the Super Bowl January 26 against the Washington Redskins.

Local Weather

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23RD	FRIDAY, JANUARY 24TH	SATURDAY, JANUARY 25TH	SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH	MONDAY, JANUARY 27TH	TUESDAY, JANUARY 28TH	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29TH
Snow High 26° Low 13°	Mostly Cloudy High 23° Low 17°	Cloudy High 29° Low 27°	Cloudy High 30° Low 20°	Snow High 27° Low 19°	Cloudy High 29° Low 27°	Mostly Cloudy High 34° Low 27°

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DUNE (1984) [Directed by David Lynch]
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Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Of Renovated Greenhouse: Tropical Orchard

The Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens will host a Grand Opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony to unveil a completely renovated greenhouse, the Tropical Orchard. The Tropical Orchard features a collection of edible plants from around the world, two new entrances, new winding pathways and educational signage. The Grand Opening will offer an exclusive first-look at the brand-new exhibit before it opens to the public. The event also celebrates the completion of a brand-new pathway that is dedicated in honor of the life and legacy of the Botanical Gardens' dear friend Mary Ann Kresse. The renovation began in mid-November 2024 and the Tropical Orchard will open to the public on Thursday, January 23 at 10:00am at the Buffalo and Erie County Botanicals Gardens Conservatory (Both front and rear entrances will be open) 2655 South Park Avenue Buffalo, NY 14218.



BUFFALO AND ERIE COUNTY

Botanical Gardens

The event is open to the media. Photo, video and interview opportunities will be available. RSVPs are encouraged and can be sent to Shaunna Mooney, smooney@buffalogardens.com.

Wednesday, January 22 8:30am: arrival and light refreshments 8:30-9:00am: interview opportunities 9:00am: President and CEO comments and ribbon cutting 9:15-10:00am: Exhibit opens for exploration.



Pineapple collection at the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens

2025 Hertel Alley MuralFest

Continued from page one. Executive Director of Arts Services Inc., reflected on the partnership with Feroletto and what it means for local artists saying: "By creating opportunities for artists to share their vision and talents, this festival highlights the vibrant and evolving arts scene here in Western New York. We're proud to partner with Councilmember Joel Feroletto and the City of Buffalo to turn Hertel Alley into a dynamic, ever-changing canvas that reflects the creativity, culture, and unity of our region."

This 2-day MuralFest will showcase the gifted artists as they transform

Hertel Alley into a vibrant spectacle of creativity, culture, and community spirit. But that's not all! Along with the creation of brand-new murals, the weekend

will also include music and other art activities to participate in! Mark your calendars, Hertel Alley is ready to transform again this June!

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Kids' Maze

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The Blotter

Felonies

From "D" District

Larceny On West Eagle Street From Niagara Falls Blvd. Target.

North Buffalo
January 18, 2025
 Delaware Avenue - On above date and location at approximately 1300 hours, defendant was inside of 2626 Delaware Avenue trespassing.

January 18, 2025
 Hertel Avenue - Defendant did pass all points of purchase with food items without permission without paying. Total product taken was \$61.59.

January 15, 2025
 Main Street - Complainant states that defendant was banging on his window with no legitimate purpose. This is in violation of an order of protection issued by presiding judge. Defendant did resist arrest and obstruct police officers in their duties by attempting to pull away from officers and attempting to headbutt officers.

West Side

January 17, 2025
 Lafayette Avenue - On above date, time, and location victim states defendant did jump on top of her and did apply pressure to her neck by means of hands causing red marks to the front of her neck. Victim did not lose consciousness.

January 16, 2025
 Lafayette Avenue - Victim states defendant did take her phone to prevent her from calling 911 during a verbal argument and that he did punch her in the face with his right fist causing pain and swelling.

January 16, 2025
 High Street - While at the home of the suspect, he and the victim got into a verbal argument that turned physical. The victim did slap the suspect and in return the suspect stabbed the victim.

Riverside
January 19, 2025

Pavonia Street - On above date and location defendant did take \$122.08 worth of merchandise from 601 Amherst (Wegmans) and did pass all points of purchase without payment. Video footage available.

January 19, 2025
 West Eagle Street - On above date and location at 300 Roesch Avenue between 1100 and 1440 hours defendant did enter apartment 1 without permission and did take without permission from therein one 65" Samsung TV, three guitars, two guitar amplifiers, 8 pairs of men's shoes, one pair brown Armani sunglasses, two bandannas, one husky utility knife, three packs of Seneca Cigarettes, and one bottle of Dr. Pepper, total approximate value \$3,600.00. During a search of defendant's premises at 300 Roesch #2 upon a warrant issued by honorable judge. Defendant found to be in possession of a portion of complainant's aforementioned stolen property, to wit; one pair white/purple Nike sneakers, one pair tan Timberland boots, one pair Armani sunglasses, two bandannas, one husky utility knife, three packs Seneca Cigarettes, one bottle Dr. Pepper. Investigated by presiding detective.

January 18, 2025
 Elmwood Avenue - Complainant reports on above date, time, and location to victim that without permission the defendant took merchandise value of \$1,989.87 and passed all points of purchase without payment.

January 18, 2025
 Elmwood Avenue - Suspect did take without permission on above date and location miscellaneous merchandise and did pass all points of purchase without payment. Defendant was previously trespassing on 12/22/24 due to another incident at another Target location on Niagara Falls

Blvd.
January 17, 2025
 Crowley Avenue - While conducting a search warrant of 116 Crowley Avenue, detective did recover 3 green circular pills labeled 30m believed to be ecstasy and also a large ziploc bag with white powdery residue believed to be cocaine.

MAGIC MAZE ● THINGS THAT PILE UP

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

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
 Unlisted clue hint: DIRTY — IN THE SINK

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|---------|---------------|------------|------------|
| Bills | Honeydew list | Newspapers | To-do list |
| Books | Laundry | Projects | Toys |
| Closets | Leaves | Recycling | Trash |
| Debt | Magazines | Snow | |

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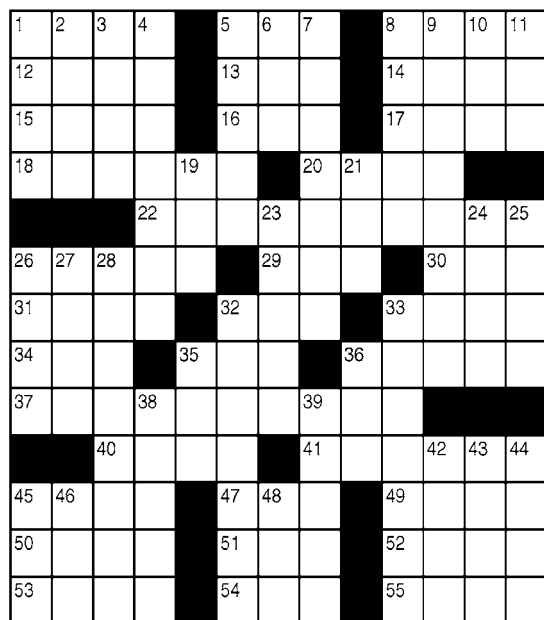
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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Pickle holders
- 5 Klutz
- 8 Pre-weekend yell
- 12 Layered cookie
- 13 School org.
- 14 Nozzle site
- 15 Complaint
- 16 Mahal pre-ceder
- 17 Memory method
- 18 Jungle trek
- 20 Apple product
- 22 "Lunch break is over!"
- 26 Sports bar fixture
- 29 "Mangia!"
- 30 Avril follower
- 31 Marsh plant
- 32 "Blue Bloods" ainer
- 33 Nov. honorees
- 34 401(k) alternative
- 35 Notable time
- 36 Trig terms
- 37 Consecutive
- 40 Puerto —
- 41 Small apes
- 45 Help a hood
- 47 Fanatic
- 49 Aswan's river
- 50 Roster



- 51 Compass dir.
- 52 Radiate
- 53 — -bitty
- 54 Carried out
- 55 Lushes
- DOWN**
- 1 Want-ad listings
- 2 Region
- 3 Coral formation
- 4 Sleeper
- 5 Eye-related
- 6 One-time link
- 7 Tex-Mex wraps
- 8 Toss
- 9 Favorable sign
- 10 Follower (Suff.)
- 11 Service charge
- 19 Squealer
- 21 Soup cooker
- 23 Skewered entree
- 24 Assess
- 25 Smooch
- 26 Chicago paper, briefly
- 27 Actress Farmiga
- 28 "American Idol" host Ryan
- 32 Sang softly
- 33 Minnesota footballers
- 35 Catchall abbr.
- 36 Learning ctr.
- 38 Poker pot
- 39 Played a part
- 42 Actor O'Shea
- 43 Conspiracy
- 44 Stitches
- 45 Boxing legend
- 46 Morsel
- 48 Numerical prefix

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- Dash's Supermarket.....1770 Hertel Avenue
- Delaware YMCA.....2564 Delaware Avenue
- Enchanted Hair Salon.....3030 Delaware Avenue
- Evans Bank.....2670 Delaware Avenue
- Fig Tree Patisserie.....3062 Delaware Avenue
- Finishing Touches.....2820 Delaware Avenue
- Ginnane Funeral Home.....3215 Delaware Avenue
- Gloria J. Parks Community Ctr.....3242 Main Street
- Gamma Mora's.....1465 Hertel Avenue
- Great Clips.....2678 Delaware Avenue
- Hertel Coin Laundry.....1274 Hertel Avenue
- Hertel Park Senior Apartments.....1631 Hertel Avenue
- Hertel Parker Liquors.....1859 Hertel Avenue
- Home Taste (Chinese Cuisine).....3106 Delaware Avenue
- 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
- Scissors.....1497 Hertel Avenue
- Studio Sophia.....1094 Hertel Avenue
- Sunoco Gas Station.....4505 Main Street
- Theater Apts.....1065 Kenmore Avenue
- Terrie's Workout Center.....1481 Hertel Avenue
- Vince's Pizza.....1803 Kenmore Avenue
- Wesselman's Inc.....564 Colvin Boulevard
- Wellington Pub.....1541 Hertel Avenue

WEST SIDE

- Baptist Manor.....276 Linwood Avenue
- Buffalo Public Library.....Niagara at Porter
- BMHA Housing.....245 Elmwood Avenue
- CWJ Lock & Key.....183 Forest Avenue
- Corner Store.....Forest & Grant
- Delaware Apartments.....1217 Delaware Avenue
- Dibble Hardware.....262 West Ferry Street
- Elmwood Square Apts.....505 Elmwood Avenue
- Fast Stop Food Mart.....326 Military Road
- 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
- Doyles 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.....262 West Ferry Street
- Roland Insurance Agency.....432 Amherst Street
- Sun Restaurant.....1989 Niagara Street
- Up To You Deli.....2189 Niagara Street



About When to Claim Social Security and Taxation of Benefits – Ask Rusty

Dear Rusty: I've been told that members of Congress do not have Social Security deducted from their pay; Additionally, that their retirement dollars come from the Social Security Administration purse even if they only serve as a member of Congress for a short number of terms. Also, if this is true, are there other individuals that enjoy these advantages?

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

Signed: Concerned Senior

Dear Concerned Senior: I'm afraid this is one of those "urban legend" kind of rumors that just seems to keep popping up, especially when the issues surrounding Social Security's financial problems come up. In addition to being untrue, it often is used to display the public's animosity toward elected officials and the feeling that Congress—and other elected officials—are above the fray, so to speak, and

therefore not affected by the implications of Social Security's looming insolvency problem.

Here's the reality. Since January 1, 1984, all members of Congress, the President and Vice President, Federal judges, and most political appointees, are covered under the Social Security program. The rumor that these elected officials do not pay Social Security tax most likely is attributable to the fact that from 1920 to 1983, they were participants in the Civil Service Retirement System—CSRS—the federal retirement plan federal workers used even before the Social Security Act was passed. CSRS provided a pension for federal employees, so they were exempted from contributing to or collecting from the new Social Security program.

In 1987, then, the federal government officially changed over to FERS—the Federal Employee Retirement System—and all employees hired from that point for-

ward are now covered under FERS. There are multiple parts to FERS, and one of them is mandatory FICA contributions. So, all federal employees—including members of Congress—are subject to the 6.2% FICA tax, are eligible for Social Security retirement benefits, and are governed by the multitude of rules and regulations associated with Social Security. But other than standard SS benefits which they may normally be entitled, no Social Security funds are used to supplement Congressional retirement.

In other words, the rumor that Congress didn't pay into Social Security was actually true prior to 1984, but today it is a misstatement of fact. And the federal employee retirement plans (both the prior CSRS plan and the current FERS plan) are totally independent

of Social Security and do not negatively affect program solvency.

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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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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CEPA Gallery Hosts Opening Reception

Join The Center for Exploratory & Perceptual Arts (CEPA Gallery) on February 7th from 5-8 PM for the opening of two brand new exhibitions, Soul of the City: Memories of Jefferson Avenue and its Neighborhoods by Tafawa Hicks and Guest Curated by Michelle D. Hare, and ...but as a symptom by Roni Aviv.



S o u l of the City: Memories of Jefferson Avenue and its Neighborhoods showcases the photographs of Arthur "Tafawa" Hicks, a former photojournalist for The Challenger. Starting in 1974, Hicks spent 30 years in Buffalo capturing the essence of life in the East Side of Buffalo. Documenting Jefferson Avenue was integral to Hicks' practice. He captured the dichotomy of flourishing Black businesses, political mobility, and social unity versus a community plagued by intense segregation, and damaged neighborhoods, as well as social and economic disinvestments. His lens vividly captured the struggles, disparities,

achievements, beauty, and resilience of Buffalo's Black community.

Roni Aviv is a visual artist based in New York City. Her show ...but as a symptom is a series of black and white photographs weaving together a fragmented narrative reflecting the durational nature of traumatic processing. Through the blend of photography, text, and mark-making the works explore the complexities of language and manipulation. In the words of the artist, "I photograph small still lifes, recreating the visible and invisible traces left by experiences. I start from a biographical standpoint, and draw from both private and public sources; my own writing, letters, online dictionaries, and physical books. The materiality in the works serves as a metaphor for embodied experience and exposes a disconnect between words and their meaning."

Both exhibitions will be on view and open to the public from February 7,

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Pop Quiz

Test your knowledge!

- 1) Who created the retro TV series "Stranger Things"?

2. Which state is the home of Yellowstone National Park?

- 3) Which is the only planet in our solar system to rotate on its side?

- 4) What is the given name of the large bird in the animated movie "Up"?

- 5) Which three zodiac signs are considered earth signs?

- 6) What is the name of Hagrid's half-brother in the "Harry Potter" book series?

- 7) What is the capital city of Australia?

- 8) What type of nut is used in the chocolate spread Nutella?

- 9) What kind of sports match is divided into 7-minute periods called chukkas?

- 10) What type of horses often are used in Budweiser beer ads?

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Mini Pak	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)	
Thirty Pak	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)	
Family Pak	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)	
Party Pak	89.00
Sheet Pizza or (2) Large Pizzas with Cheese & One Item with Bucket of Wings (50) and 3 Bleu Cheese. (add \$2.45 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
Personal Specialty Pak	99.80
Personal Specialty Pizza with Five (5) Wings and 1 Bleu Cheese. (add \$.70 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
Small Specialty Pak	33.90
Medium Specialty Pizza with Single Wings (10) and 1 Bleu Cheese. (add \$1.40 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
Mini Specialty Pak	50.50
Large Specialty Pizza with Double Wings (20) and 1 Bleu Cheese. (add \$1.80 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
Thirty Specialty Pak	60.75
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Family Specialty Pak	82.25
Large Specialty Pizza with a Bucket of Wings (50) and 3 Bleu Cheese. (add \$2.45 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
Specialty Party Pak 1	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)	
Specialty Party Pak 2	96.00
(2) Large Specialty Pizzas with a Bucket of Wings (50) and 3 Bleu Cheese. (add \$2.45 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	

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Warming Shelters Open: To provide relief for residents in need, effective at 7:00PM on Monday, January 20, 2025, the City of Buffalo has activated the following warming shelters, which will remain open until further notice: Delavan Grider Community Center 877 E Delavan Ave, Buffalo, NY 14215 Tosh Collins Community Center 35 Cazenovia St, Buffalo, NY 14220 Changes to City Services: Garbage and Recycling: Due to hazardous weather conditions, Tuesday, January 21, 2025 garbage and recycling collection has been suspended. Residents should refrain from placing totes at the curb. The next scheduled pickup will be on Tuesday, January 28, 2025. Parking Reminder: Residents on alternate parking streets must follow regulations that went into effect at 6:00 PM this evening. Emergency Notifications: The City of Buffalo urges residents to sign up for BuffAlert to receive critical weather and closure updates directly to their phones. Sign-up process: Text your zip code to 38276 Customize alerts in 66 different languages More information at www.buffalony.gov/buffalert Residents are encouraged to remain indoors, avoid unnecessary travel, and stay informed via official channels. Pets should also be kept indoors

with limited exposure to the extreme cold conditions. For the latest updates and resources, visit the City of Buffalo's website or follow the city on social media.



Shea's 2025 Free Family Film Series schedule is below: Inside Out 2 Activities and community support provided by Spectrum Health Sunday, February 23, 2025 at 1:00PM (Doors open at noon) Akeelah And The Bee Sunday, April 27, 2025 at 1:00PM (Doors open at noon) The Lorax Sunday, May 18, 2025 at 1:00PM (Doors open at noon) Up. Tickets are free to the public; however, seating is limited. All four 2025 films are rated PG. Tickets will be available online approximately three weeks prior to each film. Free tickets are now available on the Shea's website for the first film, Inside Out 2: <https://www.sheas.org/performance/free-family-film-series-inside-out-2/>.



Gardens Buffalo Niagara invites passionate artisans and vendors to showcase their creativity at the 15th annual Garden Art Sale in partnership with the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens. It is set to be held: Saturday & Sunday, June 28 & 29, 2025 Buffalo & Erie County Botanical Gardens, 2655 South Park Ave, Buffalo, NY 14218. Artisans and vendors are encouraged to apply to this juried show and become a part of this exceptional event. Online applications and additional information can be found by visiting GardensBuffaloNiagara.com/vendors. The application deadline is Tuesday, March 25, 2025.



Submit Your Community Event to

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Winter Traffic Safety

Continued from page one. Take extra precaution when entering and exiting ramps and bridges as they can be extremely slippery. While four-wheel drive vehicles may help you get going quicker, they won't help you stop any quicker – don't get overconfident when driving one.

Make sure your car is properly maintained – the better shape your car is in, the safer you are on the road. Have your battery and ignition system checked, along with your brakes, transmission and tires. All fluids in your vehicle should be checked and topped off: de-icing washer fluid, oil, power steering and anti-freeze. Change or adjust spark plugs, air, fuel and emission filters. Check your headlights, brake and tail lights, blinkers and emergency flashers. It is vital to also know your car's capabilities and the safety features built into your vehicle such as traction control that helps the vehicle gain traction and the anti-lock braking system (ABS) which is standard in most new vehicles and assists you steer in emergencies by restoring traction.

In addition, during the winter season, don't crowd the plow. I ask that you be alert and courteous to County, City, Town and State snowplow operators who will be doing their best to keep the streets open and safe for traveling. Their goal is to maximize safety, be patient and drive with caution. For everyone's protection, please assist in this difficult task by yielding to their efforts and keeping a safe distance behind snowplows to avoid having your vehicle struck by flying sand and salt.

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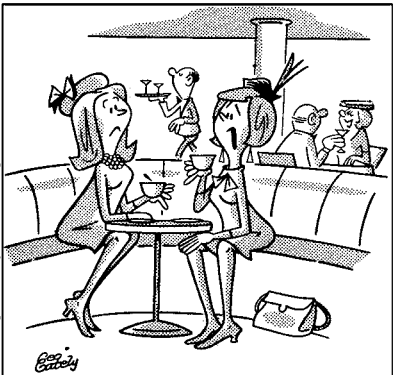
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"It was a very unusual _____ he didn't show up."

Answers on page seven.

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!

Lessen _____

TIDULE _____

Abate _____

ANEW _____

Plod _____

GUTERD _____

Apart _____

ANOEL _____

TODAY'S WORD

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name of LLC: Cassaderma Esthetics LLC Date of filing of Articles of Organization with the NY Dept. of State: 2/03/2023 Office of the LLC: 682 Abbott Road Buffalo NY 14220 Erie County The NY Secretary of State has been designated as the agent upon whom process may be served. NYSS may mail a copy of process to the LLC at 682 Abbott Road Buffalo, NY 14220 Purpose of LLC: A wellness center that blends esthetics with yoga modalities for the majority of services. No specific duration attached to LLC.4

11/15/24. Its The office location is Erie County. Its purpose is any lawful purpose. 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 LLC at 238 Grant Pl, Buffalo, NY 14213. 5

Notice of Formation of (COMPANY NAME_Ace Monet LLC), LLC Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on (DATE OF FILING 10/07/2022). 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 to (ADDRESS OF RECIPIENT_152 Phyllis Buffalo, NY 14215). Any lawful purpose. 7

Notice of Formation of a Domestic Limited Liability Company Albanesi Pasta Co. LLC's Arts of Org were filed by the NY Dep't of State on

Notice of Formation of (CERASANI

ACCOUNTING SOLUTIONS LLC), LLC Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on (11/29/2024). 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 to (34 STERLING AVE, BUFFALO, NY 14216). Any lawful purpose. 7

Notice of Formation of a Domestic Limited Liability Company Niblock Technology Solutions LLC's Arts of Org were filed by the NY Dep't of State on 11/25/24. Its office location is Erie County. Its purpose is any lawful purpose. 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 LLC at 1763 Hertel Ave, Buffalo, NY 14216. 7

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF Erie, Mortgage Asset Management, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. Any and all known or unknown Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Lienors, Creditors, Trustees and all other Parties Claiming an Interest By, Through, Under or Against the Estate of Mary Rose Barrett, deceased, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on July 26, 2024, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the first floor closing room of the Erie County Clerk's Office, 92 Franklin Street, Buffalo, NY 14202 on February 25, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.,

premises known as 88 Marbeth Court a/k/a Marbeth Street, Buffalo, NY 14220. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the City of Buffalo, County of Erie and State of New York, Section 123.79, Block 3 and Lot 9. Approximate amount of judgment is \$86,456.84 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #813601/2021. Rebecca A. Bylewski, Esq., Referee Greenspoon Marder, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 2200, New York, NY 10105, Attorneys for Plaintiff 7

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Notice of Formation of Ousley Consulting LLC, LLC Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/22/2024. 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 to 232 Crescent Ave, Buffalo NY 14214. Any lawful purpose. 9

Official Notification Noel Kvetkosky, Trustee of Tripifoods Foundation. wishes to announce the Tripifoods Foundation's annual return for the year ended June 30, 2024, is available for inspection at the office of Freed Maxick CPAs, P.C. (located at The Liberty Bldg., 424 Main Street, Suite 800, Buffalo, NY 14202), (716) 847-2651 during regular business hours. Any citizen who wishes to inspect it may do so within 180 days from the date of this notification. A free copy of the return will be provided upon request. 4

GAMES

TRIVIA: 1. The Duffer Brothers. 2. Wyoming. 3. Uranus. 4. Kevin. 5. Taurus, Virgo and Capricorn. 6. Grawp. 7. Canberra. 8. Hazelnut. 9. Polo. 10. Clydesdale.

— King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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Differences: 1. Desk leg is missing, 2. Book is missing, 3. Doorknob is higher, 4. Blackboard is wider, 5. Bow is missing, 6. Pencil is added on desk.

SCRAMBLERS

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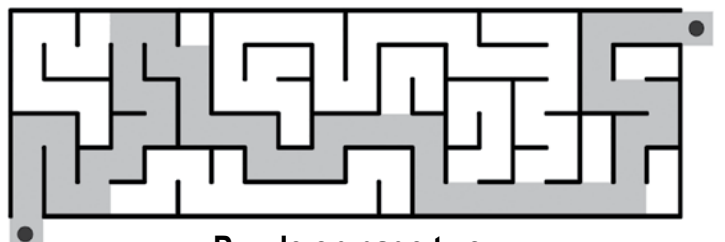
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4. Alone

Today's Word

WEDDING

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Kids' Maze Solution



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