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## Hertel Spring Clean-up



Photo Courtesy of Hertel Business Association.

**Volunteers from M&T Bank Delaware - Hertel Branch showing their dedication to our community during the Hertel Clean Up with HBA President, Judy Porto - Fiorella 2023.**

The Hertel Business Associations Annual Spring Clean-up is on April 26th and runs from 9:00am- 12:00pm. Volunteers will meet on the 1400 block of Hertel Avenue and work their way down the avenue to address all areas that are in need. This event is always a fun way to get together with other community members while making a

difference that we can all enjoy. The Hertel Business Association is still seeking volunteers, please register at [www.hertel-ave.com](http://www.hertel-ave.com).

Let's roll up our sleeves, grab some trash bags, and make our neighborhood sparkle! Together, we can make a difference!

Garbage bags and gloves will be provided but

volunteers are encouraged to bring their own rakes, brooms, and shovels.

Another opportunity to help beautify our district is in the Elmwood Village. The Elmwood Village Association is hosting this annual clean-up on April 22nd from 9am-1pm. If you would like to volunteer for this event or want more information email [info@elmwoodvillage.org](mailto:info@elmwoodvillage.org).

## TBECBG Butterfly Experience Coming This Summer

The Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens announced that its new Butterfly Experience will open this summer from June 7 to August 3. Hundreds of live butterflies will take flight in their newly renovated Tropical Orchard. The live butterfly exhibit will be open daily from 10:00am to 4:00pm, and tickets are on sale now at [buffalogardens.com](http://buffalogardens.com).

This summer, the Butterfly Experience welcomes visitors near and

far to immerse themselves into the winged world of butterflies inside the Botanical Gardens' historic conservatory. For the first time in its 125-year history, visitors will be able to get up close and personal with a flock of live butterflies, flying high, low, here and there. The experience allows the public to be surrounded by hundreds of butterflies that are native to the continental United States to capture the beauty and magic of the butterflies while

also learning about the important role that pollinators play in their ecosystems. The experience will open on Saturday, June 7, 2025 and will be open daily from 10:00am to 4:00pm through Sunday, August 3, 2025.

The Butterfly Experience will be open daily from June 7 through August 3, from 10:00am-4:00pm. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for students and seniors (62+), \$9.50 for kids ages 3-12, and kids 2 and under and Botanical Gardens members are free but must have a ticket.



BUFFALO AND ERIE COUNTY  
**Botanical Gardens**

## SPCA Drive-Thru Low-Cost Canine Vaccine Clinic

The SPCA Serving Erie County is partnering with Petco Love to host a Drive-Thru Low-Cost Canine Vaccine Clinic next month!

The clinic will take place on Wednesday, April 30, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Fairgrounds in Hamburg, located at 5820 South Park Avenue. Attendees are requested to enter the fairgrounds via the South Park entrance. Appointments are not required for the clinic!

The clinic will offer multiple different price points. These include entire vaccine bundles for puppies and adult dogs and prices for individual vaccines. Cash, credit, Venmo, and PayPal will all be accepted.

In addition, free pet supplies will be available while supplies last.

You can view the entire price breakdown below:

The Whole Shebark (for adult dogs) \$30

DHPP\*

Dewormer

Flea Treatment

Microchip and registration

Rabies

Leptospirosis\*

Baby Bundle (for puppies 6-12 weeks old) \$15

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Vaccines with an asterisk next to them imply vaccines that may require a booster depending on the dog's age and previous vaccination status. Booster vaccines  
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## Memories

*From the Buffalo Rocket archives*



**March, 1992. NORTH BUFFALO GIRL PREPARES FOR JOURNEY TO THE SOVIET UNION...Jessica Rinkerman prepares for this summer's big trip by organizing a scrapbook that will show what her life is like at home in Buffalo.**

## Local Weather

THURSDAY, APRIL 3RD



Showers/Wind  
High 60°  
Low 38°

FRIDAY, APRIL 4TH



Mostly Cloudy  
High 52°  
Low 43°

SATURDAY, APRIL 5TH



Rain  
High 53°  
Low 40°

SUNDAY, APRIL 6TH



Showers  
High 43°  
Low 34°

SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH



Partly Cloudy  
High 45°  
Low 28°

MONDAY, APRIL 8TH



Mostly Cloudy  
High 43°  
Low 26°

MONDAY, APRIL 9TH



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Low 33°



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**TIME BANDITS (1981)** Sat 4/5: (11:30am) Sun 4/6: (11:30am)

**AXCN: VAMPIRE HUNTER D (40th Anniversary) (SUBTITLED)** Wed 4/9: 9:30

**AXCN: VAMPIRE HUNTER D (40th Anniversary) (DUBBED)** Thur 4/10: 9:30

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**SPORTS**  
By Bill Snyder

## Gannon And Mahoney Are Marauders!



From left to right: Tim Gannon and Ryan Mahoney.

Sometime late last week, the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League (HNPYBL) hit a huge double for North Buffalo, even though they hadn't even played a game yet.

Two North Buffalo Boys, Tim Gannon and Ryan Mahoney, both former players in the Hertel North Park Youth League last season, were named to their varsity Baseball team this season by head baseball coach Paul Nasca of St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute to play for the Marauders at the Tonawanda School, located not far from Diamond #5 in Shoshone Park.

Both boys, Gannon, age 16, and Mahoney, age 17, were stand-out players in the Hertel North Park League last season and for many years both had grown up to play in the North Buffalo League. Last season, Gannon's pitching on the mound, helped lead his team, the Mariners, to a runner-up finish in the Championship games against the Dodgers in the Senior Division and Mahoney led his team, the Diamondbacks to a winning season. After closing their years playing in

Shoshone Park last fall, the two have continued to play Travel Ball while studying at the Kenmore Avenue School. Both are very excited to make the team.

"I'm very excited," said Mahoney, earlier this week. "Ever since I was a kid, it has been my dream and now, I have the ability to live it." Gannon was just as excited. "Shoshone has given me the opportunity to play and make many friends from other Schools. It has helped develop my skills."

Both players have had the fortune of playing for their fathers in Shoshone Park, over the years. Tim's father, Joe Gannon, has watched his son develop into a formidable pitcher on the mound and a defensive infielder on the basepaths. Ryan's father, Kevin Mahoney, has been with his son every step of the way and keeps his focus on the game. Both men are long-time coaches in Shoshone Park and have seen many others try to win on the diamonds on Hertel Avenue, near Main Street.

Other coaches in Shoshone Park have helped both boys. "Coach Kresse, coach Pritchard, Mr. Daley, coach

Gallivan and coach Marcello have all helped me," said Mahoney. "Some of the skills I learned are the ability to be coachable." Gannon was quick to appreciate all his former coaches. "My Dad, and all of the other people who have coached me at Shoshone."

Even though both boys are no longer playing in the League, they'll help out by umpiring in the little league divisions of Hertel North Park and come watch their friends and classmates play their games.

Mahoney offers advice to some little guys learning the game now.

"Learn to have fun no matter what the outcome of the game is. As you grow older, you will look back on the time you had at Shoshone and you don't want to have any bad memories. Don't take the game too seriously."

Presently, registration numbers for this season are just over 1,000 boys and girls so far with the numbers changing almost everyday. That's a little less than last year at this time but with the nicer weather coming, the League feels they can attain 1,200 at least. Registration is crucial now to assure your son or daughter can play. Go to [www.hnpybl.com](http://www.hnpybl.com) for more information on how to join.

Two teams of 12 year old boys are ready to play already. Here's a listing of both teams. Team Green has Lucas Adamczyk-Turkovich, Maddex Beale, Christian Cipolla, Alexander Felver, Connor Gunnarson, Brody Huard, Jack Kleeh, Broderick Large, Vincent Martin, Jace Petti and Brady Roberts. Team Yellow has Bennett Armstrong, Colin Busiere, Sebastian Fyda, Elijah Hilliard, Patrick Lea-Kelly, Joseph LoTempio, Michael McCabe, George Rhoney, Dominic Sabia, Will Schoepflin, Cole Schrader and Colin Poppenberg.

They will wear the green and yellow uniforms of the North Buffalo Blaze in Shoshone and many other Parks in Western New York this season. Mark your Calendars for Saturday, May 3 as Opening Day in North Buffalo.

**Kids' Maze**

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# The Blotter

## Felonies

From "D" District

### Arrested Steals \$115.71 Worth Of New York Strip Steaks And Crab

**North Buffalo**  
**April 1, 2025**  
Ramsdell Avenue - Subject did follow complainant and harass her. Subject then did shove complainant, throw her phone, and threaten her. Defendant violated active order of protection.

**March 31, 2025**  
Amherst Street - Victim reports that suspect did make threats to kill her following a verbal altercation.

**March 31, 2025**  
Delaware Avenue - Complainant stated that defendant did come into store and threaten to fight him after a verbal argument. Defendant then destroyed one glass door valued at approximately \$1,200.00, one beer valued at \$5.00, and one Red Bull valued at \$5.00. Defendant also took phone charger and passed all points of purchase without paying valued at \$5.00.

**March 30, 2025**  
Sharon Avenue - Complainant states defendant took her phone from her hands and started to delete the video that he took of her. Complainant took defendant's phone to call 911. When defendant got her phone back, defendant pulled complainant by the coat and bent his finger to get her phone back. Complainant's finger still hurts.

**West Side**  
**March 27, 2025**  
Elmwood Avenue - Defendant did go into the store and took two candy bars and did pass all points of purchase without paying.

**March 28, 2025**  
Elmwood Avenue - Arrested did take without personal New York strip steaks and crab (valued \$115.71) and pass all points of purchase without payment. Appearance ticket issued. Store issued a no trespass notice.

**Riverside**  
**March 30, 2025**  
Clayton Street - Com-

**March 29, 2025**  
Riverside Avenue - Complainant states defendant did place their hands around his neck, restricting his airway and causing scratches to his neck and also scratched his right upper arm.



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Q O U I N S U D O L K U N S O

I L T H L F N N D R C C E B A

B R E B B A L C Z X W V U U S

R Q O N L M C R E B M U L S K

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
Unlisted clue hint: THE FAT OF A WHALE

Caliber

Chamber

Clabber

Cucumber

Encumber

Landlubber

November

Number

October

Robber

Saber

Slumber

Subscriber

Timber

Uber

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## King Crossword

**ACROSS**

1 "Li'l Abner" creator

5 Yellowstone grazer

8 Cymbal's kin

12 Petri dish gel

13 Sturgeon product

14 Ancient Dead Sea land

15 Fierceness

17 Milan money, once

18 PC alternative

19 Sheryl Sandberg best seller

21 Grating

24 Harangue

25 "Rhyme Pays" rapper

26 With passion

30 Monk's title

31 Piquant

32 Tic-tac-toe win

33 Hit song by ABBA

35 Friend

36 Curved lines

37 Jiggly dessert

38 Rum cocktail

41 Pear-shaped fruit

42 Spumante source

43 Agitates

48 Actor Schreiber

**DOWN**

1 Half- — (latte option)

2 Candle count

3 Standard

4 On time

5 Idle or Bana

6 Parcel of land

7 Bogart/Bacall classic

8 Trattoria deserts

9 Valhalla VIP

10 Sushi wrapper

11 Fed. agents

16 Low isle

20 Jealousy

21 Jazz phrase

22 Estate measure

23 Burn something

24 Tears apart

26 Imaginary

27 Toy store buy

28 Lounge

29 Cellist Ma

31 Actress Reid

34 Indigenous

35 Sea off Greece

37 Comic Carrey

38 Like ganders

39 Unrepaired

40 Detail

41 Toad's kin

44 Away from WSW

45 Formerly called

46 Three, in Rome

47 Turf

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## Weekly SUDOKU

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1			7			4	6	
	4		8			2		
		5	1					7

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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## When Is The Best Time For Me To Claim Social Security? – Ask Rusty

**Dear Rusty:** I will be 66 ½ in June and would like to discuss when would be the best time for me to start taking my social security benefits. I am still employed full time and don't want to be penalized because of that. Please let me know what I need to do to set up an appointment with you. I got your information from the AMAC website, and I look forward to hearing from you.

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

**Signed: Ready to Claim**

**Dear Ready:** You can certainly call us on 1.888.750.2622 during normal EST business hours for a personal conversation. But to facilitate that conversation, be aware that deciding when to claim your Social

Security benefit normally depends on just a few factors, including your financial need, your health and expected longevity, and your marital status. A few things to be aware of:

Born in 1958, your "full retirement age" is age 66 years and 8 months. If you were born in October 1958, you will reach your FRA in June 2025, and that is the point you can get 100% of the SS benefit you've earned from a lifetime of working.

Once you reach your FRA in June, Social Security's "annual earnings test" no longer applies. Thus, you can continue working after you start your SS benefits and your earnings will not negatively affect your monthly benefit amount. If you claim any earlier than your FRA, you will

get a smaller benefit and also be subject to Social Security's annual earnings test (which for you this year – your FRA year – is \$62,160, or \$5,180/month after you start your SS benefits). If you decide to claim before your FRA, your benefit will be reduced by .556% for each month early (a permanent reduction).

You can also wait beyond your FRA to claim and earn Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs) at the rate of .667% per month (8% per year of delay), in order to get an even higher benefit later. If financially feasible, you can delay up to the age of 70 when your monthly benefit will reach maximum – about 27% more than it will be in June of this year.

If you are single and will not be eligible for a spousal benefit, then you should make your claiming decision based only on your own needs. If, however, you are married and your spouse's FRA benefit is more than twice your FRA amount, you may be entitled to a "spousal boost" (a supplemental amount added to your own SS benefit).

Your life expectancy should be considered when deciding when to claim your SS retirement benefits. If you expect to enjoy at least "average" longevity (about 87 for a woman your current age), then you might also consider delaying your claim (if financially feasible) and that is often a prudent choice. If you don't expect to achieve a long life, or if you need the money sooner, or if you are enti-

tled to spousal benefits, then claiming at your FRA of 66 years and 8 months is likely your best option.

In the end, only you can decide when you should claim your Social Security, but we're always here to answer any additional questions you may have. You can feel free to call us at any time (1.888.750.2622) during normal EST business hours to

discuss your options directly with one of our certified Social Security advisors. Or you can also ask any additional questions via email, which we will be most happy to respond to promptly.

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

## SPCA Drive-Thru Low-Cost Canine Vaccine Clinic

*Continued from page one.* will be made available at A La "Bark" Pricing.

Pet owners with additional questions can contact Amy Jaworski, the SPCA's Direc-

tor of Outreach and Safety Net Services, by calling (716) 875-7360 ext. 241. For more information, go to [YourSPCA.org/Vaccine-Microchip-Clinics](http://YourSPCA.org/Vaccine-Microchip-Clinics).

**ADOPT A PET**

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**This Week's Featured Friend: ERNEST**

OUR SHELTER IS  
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Meet Ernest! This boy is labeled 2 yrs of age but we really believe he is younger as he has a puppy-ish side to him. He is happy, playful and enjoys zipping around the yard with a toy or just to release some energy. Ernest is still learning new things from his human friends and will flourish with training and guidance in his new home. Since all our shelter dogs are sponsored with funds toward training, it is a great opportunity to create that bond between owner and pooch. He does love his treats and has to learn to not want them too enthusiastically as patience is key with many young dogs learning the ropes in a home. He does an amazing sit, and will take treats gently. He also loves to play with fun toys in the yard along with a good game or tug with a rope toy. You can use tug as a training tool as well!

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



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Michael P. Kearns

Erie County Clerk

Guest Columnist

License Holders Do Not Need To Upgrade To Real ID

Erie County Clerk Michael P. Kearns is instructing motorists in New York State who possess an "enhanced" version of their driver's license or non-driver identification card already comply with the REAL ID standard and do not need to take further action.

"We continue to receive numerous phone calls, emails and in-person inquiries at our DMV branches from customers with an enhanced license who were told they needed to upgrade to a REAL ID," said Erie County Clerk Mickey Kearns. "I assure you, if you currently have a U.S. flag on your New York



State-issued document, you are free to fly about the country."

New York, along with four other states, offers an "enhanced driver's license," which requires the same application proof and meets the same criteria as the REAL ID to comply with upgraded federal standards. Applicants must also be U.S. citizens and pay an additional fee of \$30.

Kearns and his staff have been told by customers that Transportation Security Administration (TSA) agents, at the Buffalo Niagara International Airport as well as airports in Florida and elsewhere, have mistakenly in-

formed them that they need a REAL ID displaying a star icon on their license or id card and said an enhanced document will not be accepted on or after the May 7th deadline, despite TSA's website stating otherwise.

"I have contacted TSA directly a few times and shared the concerns of what we are hearing from the traveling public," stated Kearns. "They have assured me that New York State's enhanced version is and will be accepted at all airports nationwide."

Unlike a REAL ID, an enhanced license, permit, or non-driver ID can also be used to cross the U.S. border by land or sea into Canada, Mexico, and some Caribbean countries. A U.S. passport is still required to fly outside of the U.S. and for any cross-border travel to other countries.

To learn more about the REAL ID, review the list of acceptable documents required, or to schedule a DMV appointment, please visit [erie.gov/clerk/REALID](http://erie.gov/clerk/REALID) or contact the Clerk's Outreach Center at 716-858-8864.

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TRIVIA

Pop Quiz

Test your knowledge!

1) In the sitcom "Modern Family," Gloria is from which country?

2) Which author wrote "The Kite Thief" and "A Thousand Splendid Suns"?

3) What is the deepest lake in the world?

4) Which first lady's nickname was Lady Bird?

5) How many stars make up the Big Dipper?

6) Which famous Hollywood couple played lead roles in the film version of "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf"?

7) What is a group of skunks called?

8) How many sides does a decagon have?

9) Which American artist focused on women and children in her paintings?

10) What substance gives skin its color?

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Party Pak.....89.00

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Small Specialty Pak.....33.90

Medium Specialty Pizza with Single Wings (10) and 1 Bleu Cheese.

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Mini Specialty Pak.....50.50

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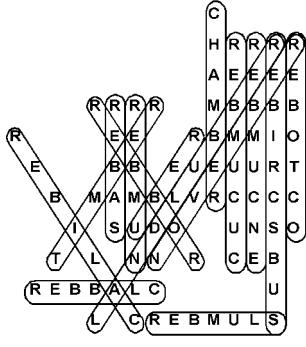
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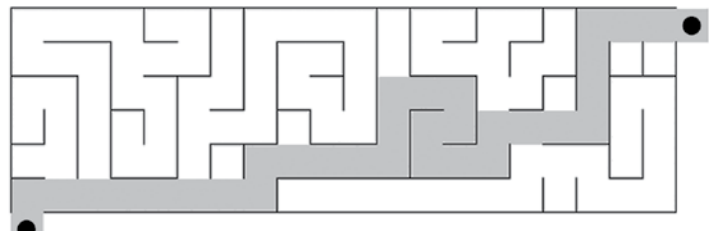
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**Answer**

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