



Celebrate Spring at the 12th Annual Buffalo Cherry Blossom Festival on Saturday, April 26th and Sunday, April 27th.

The Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy, The Buffalo History Museum, Friends of Japanese Garden and Music Is Art is hosting the 12th Annual Buffalo Cherry Blossom Festival.

The community is invited to join us at this vibrant and free festival, which includes over 35 local vendors and food trucks, and an exciting lineup of talented performers and artists curated by Music Is Art. This annual festival welcomes spring to Western New York, honors the longstanding sister-city relationship between Buffalo, New York, and Kanazawa, Japan, and celebrates Japanese art and culture with the community. Celebrate inside The Buffalo History Museum and outside in the Japanese Garden with cultural displays and activities. Learn about bonsai, origami, folk dolls, and Kanazawa, our sister city in Japan at activity tables inside the Buffalo History Museum. Enjoy Music is Art's 3 stages of live music in the Japanese Garden. Stroll in the garden

and take a ride on the pink boats on Mirror Lake. Grab something to eat from the Food Trucks.

Food Trucks
Cheesy Chicks, Fat Bob's Food Trucks, Money Bags, Dump-lings, Pawlowski's Pierogi, Sun Cuisine, Tiny Thai, Udder Brothers ice cream bike, World of Desserts

Activity Tables
Bonsai, origami, Japanese language, folk dolls and Kanazawa sister city activity tables

Pink boat rides on Mirror Lake
Take a ride around Mirror Lake and see the garden from a different angle.

Volunteers and Visitors in the Garden

McKinley High School Horticulture Students; sharing their knowledge about the trees, Niagara Frontier Plein Air Painters, Taoist Tai Chi Group (weather permitting)

Vendors for the Day
1. Blossom Designs New York 2. Blue Rochelle 3. Buffalo Ro-O-Zan Enkyoji Nichiren Buddhist Temple

4. Buffalo Roots 5. Clay By Jaclyn 6. Elikathal 7. Greenhouse Glass Studio 8. Hazel Grove Studio 10. Katharynmarie/Katy-DidArt 11. Kirsten's Creations 12. Martinsville Soapworks 13. Sapir Design 14. Stitch Buffalo 15. Teddy-muffs Designs 16. The Delightful Octopus 17. WillasWoolies

Nonprofits for the Day
1. Buffalo Toy Library 2. FeedMore WNY 3. Japan Culture Center 4. Spectrum Health & Human Services (Buffalo H.O.P.E. COMHPS and MAT Team) 5. The Tool Library 6. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service/Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge

Free parking is available during the festival in Lot R-14 on the Buffalo State Campus located at Rockwell Drive and Rees Street (past the entrance for the Richardson Olmsted Complex). The Buffalo Cherry Blossom Festival is approximately a 0.9 mile walk from the parking lot. See Google Map pin for parking lot location.

For more information, please visit: www.buffalocherryblossomfestival.org.



Shakespeare In Delaware Parks 50th Anniversary Season

Shakespeare in Delaware Park (SDP), one of the nation's largest and oldest-running free Shakespeare companies, proudly announces its milestone 50th Anniversary Season, bringing timeless stories to life under the stars. This celebratory season features two mainstage productions in Delaware Park and a touring production that honors the company's mission of accessibility and artistic excellence.

Twelfth Night
June 19 – July 13, 2025 (Tuesday-Sunday at 7pm) (There is a show July 4th)

A delightful comedy of mistaken identities, love triangles, and gender-bending surprises, Twelfth Night kicks off the season with music,

laughter, and revelry. Directed by Eileen Dugan and starring Rebecca Elkin, Norm Sham and Chris Hatch

Richard III
July 24 – August 17, 2025 (Tuesday-Sunday at 7pm)

The season continues with one of Shakespeare's most thrilling histories. Richard III offers a gripping tale of power, ambition, and betrayal as the infamous villain manipulates his way to the throne. Directed by Greg Stuhr starring Chris Avery.

Touring Production:
Romeo and Juliet
June 11-August 18, 2025--At venues throughout WNY

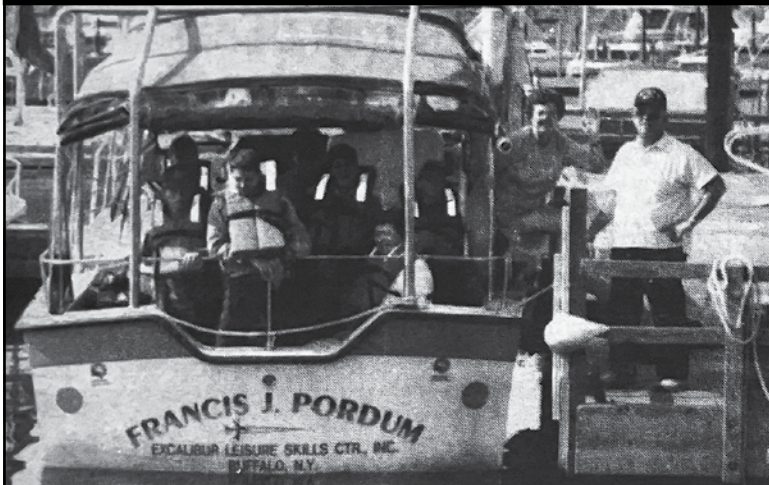
To mark this extraordinary anniversary, SDP hits the road with a dy-



SHAKESPEARE
IN DELAWARE PARK

Memories

From the Buffalo Rocket archives



April, 1992. EXCALIBUR OFFERS THERAPEUTIC RECREATION FOR THE DISADVANTAGED AND DISABLED...The first mate and crew of the Excalibur dock at the waterfront after taking agency children on an excursion.

Local Weather

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 Partly Cloudy High 64° Low 59°	 Showers High 68° Low 50°	 Showers High 54° Low 43°	 Sunny High 63° Low 44°	 Partly Cloudy High 69° Low 55°	 Mostly Cloudy High 75° Low 60°	 Showers High 67° Low 52°

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Hands And Hearts At Work: Buffalo Unites To Care For Historic Parks Through Olmsted Month

The Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy (BOPC) will celebrate Olmsted Month, a community-led effort that launches on Earth Day, April 22, through May 22. This initiative formally kicks off the volunteer season with a series of environmental stewardship events that are critical to the Conservancy's operations, forestry, and horticulture teams who maintain 850 acres of historic greenspace, almost half of the City of Buffalo's parkland.

Thanks to support from Curbell, Inc., Lawley Insurance, M&T Bank, and National Fuel, the Conservancy will provide the necessary tools, materials, and supplies that are essential to keeping your parks clean, green, and safe this season. The Conservancy anticipates welcoming over 870 volunteers throughout Olmsted Month.

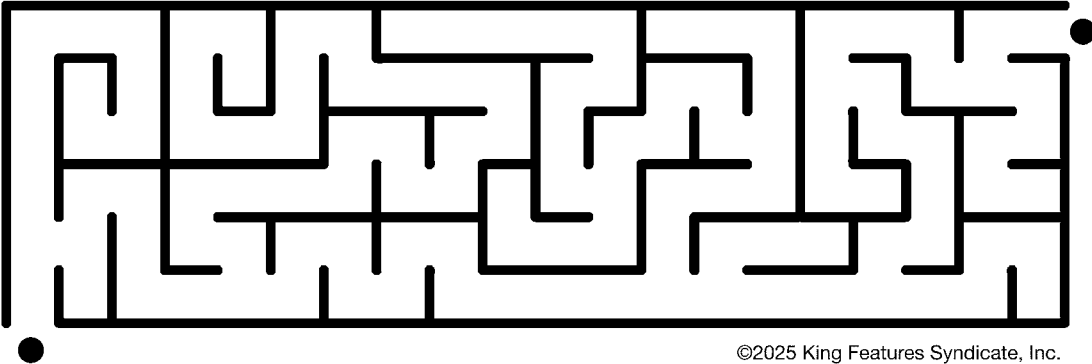
"At National Fuel, we understand that it takes both helping hands and financial support to keep a park system running," said Summer Handzlik, Director of Corporate Communications at National Fuel. "We're proud to contribute in both ways, with hundreds of our volunteers showing up and supporting the Conservancy's mission to care for Buffalo's treasured greenspaces."

Volunteers play a significant role in helping to ensure that Buffalo's Olmsted landscapes are beautiful for park users. In 2024, over 1,980 volunteers contributed more than 5,800 hours—valued at \$215,000—to help care for Olmsted landscapes. The Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy has seen a fundamental shift in how Buffaloans use the parks since the COVID-19 pandemic. The National Recreation and Park Association revealed in their 2024 Engagement with Parks Report that more than 8 in 10 U.S. adults visited a local park or recreation facility in the past year, confirming parks are more essential than ever and worthy of continued investment.

"As demand for clean, safe, and accessible parks continues to grow, so does the cost of maintaining them," says Executive Director Catie Stephenson. "Volunteer support remains vital and deeply appreciated and sustaining the parks also depends on individual contributions. Gifts of \$25, \$50, or \$100 can make a meaningful difference."

The Conservancy invites the community to get involved, whether by volunteering or making a donation, to help ensure your historic parks remain vibrant and welcoming for all. Donations can be made through its spring appeal at www.bfloparks.org/donate and volunteers may sign up at www.bfloparks.org/volunteer.

Kids' Maze



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Up To You Deli.....2189 Niagara Street



The Blotter

Felonies

From "D" District

Assailant Attacks Victim, Breaking Into House And Throwing A Water Bottle

North Buffalo
April 22, 2025
Delaware Avenue - Defendant has Buffalo warrant upon search defendant did have front left pants pocket, 1 glass pipe with burnt residue, suspected crack cocaine. Defendant also violated orders of protection issued by honorable judge.

April 21, 2025
Delaware Avenue - Defendant was verbally trespassed from the location by patrol per request from the property manager. Defendant was seen on the property violating trespass order.

April 21, 2025
Delaware Avenue - On above date, time, and location, complainant stated above suspect did take multiple items without permission, passing all points of purchase.

April 21, 2025
Virgil Avenue - On above, date, and location at 601 Amherst Street at approximately 0830 hours, the subject did take without permission \$93.40 worth of merchandise and did pass all points of purchase. Defendant was apprehended at 108 Virgil Avenue.

April 20, 2025
Starin Avenue - Suspect went to victim's house violating order of protection issued by honorable judge.

West Side
April 22, 2025
Ashland Avenue - Victim reports to officers that suspect did come to her home unannounced and began banging on her door. Afterwards suspect forced his way into the home, breaking the door and then suspect did begin to choke victim. Suspect did also throw a water at victims' face before fleeing the scene.

April 21, 2025
Grant Street - Offender did take without permission approximately 12 bags of Reeses Pretzels valued at \$51.00 and passed all points of purchase. Offender was apprehended at 302 Auburn Place, brought back to 171 Grant, and positively ID'd by the subject.

Defendant did damage (3) televisions and threw complainant's Easter dinner on the ground causing a total of \$900.00 in damages.

April 19, 2025
Evelyn Street - Defendant did go to 104 Beatrice uninvited working to get inside of the home but complainant refused to let defendant in because she was afraid he will hurt her. Patrol officer did attempt to stop and detain defendant. Defendant did attempt to flee one fight with officer.

Riverside
April 20, 2025
Grace Street - Defendant did strike complainant in the face with a closed fist after a domestic incident.

ADOPT A PET

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This Week's Featured Friend: RAMONA

OUR SHELTER IS OVERFLOWING WITH DOGS!

Meet Ramona! This pretty lady of about 7 yrs of age is waiting to bust out of shelter life as it's not the place she wants to be. She seems confused, uncertain and does not like to go back into her kennel. Ramona does like to go for walks, has a pep in her step when out, and even enjoys chasing after toys and having some fun time in the yard. She will settle in for pets and praise and will do a sit after she feels comfortable in her space. She definitely will need a chance to decompress once in a home allowing some of her anxiety to wash away.

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://friendsolcbas.org/adopt>

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MAGIC MAZE — DAY : OBSERVANCES

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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: CELEBRATION OF OLD GLORY

- April Fools'Armed ForcesArmisticeBastille
- Columbus ElectionFather's Independence
- Labor May MemorialMLK
- Mother's New Year's Veterans

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Persian Gulf emirate

6 Little lie

9 Chances, for short

12 Winner's gesture

13 "All bets — off"

14 Haw preceder

15 Thesaurus compiler

16 Bach's "Coffee —"

18 Deserves

20 Legal document

21 Salonga of "Miss Saigon"

23 Commotion

24 Deli array

25 Arsenal supply

27 Wear down

29 "Othello" character

31 Indian instruments

35 Mea —

37 Coin aperture

38 Be buoyant

41 — out a living

43 Glacial

44 Hoops great

45 Ornamental beetle

47 Cheery refrain

49 Arcade pioneer

52 Revue segment

53 Prohibit

54 Serious

55 That lady

56 Walgreens alternative

57 On mom's side

8 London's Big —

9 Butler's love

10 — four (small cake)

11 Plane assignments

17 Chirps

19 Perfect

21 Science room

22 Brit. record label

24 1501, in Roman numerals

26 Available for work

28 Japanese seaport

30 Snip

32 "Open sesame" speaker

33 Sinbad's bird

34 Pigs' digs

36 Praline nuts

38 Greek cheeses

39 Coniferous tree

40 Emulate Douglass

42 Obliterate

45 Serb or Croat

46 Heaps

48 "Shark Tank" network

50 Emeritus, briefly

51 Hot temper

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Weekly SUDOKU

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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!



Please Clear Up Our Confusion About Our Social Security Payments? – Ask Rusty

Dear Rusty: I am thoroughly confused. What do I need to do to continue receiving automatic Social Security deposits to my bank account, and maintain our Medicare and Supplement health insurance? My wife has received her SS deposit regularly on the 3rd Wednesday each month with automatic bank deposit for many years. I have received my SS deposit regularly the 4th Wednesday each month with automatic bank deposit also for many years. Can you please tell me what to do to continue receiving these automatic deposits?

First, I hear that we do not need to do anything. Then I hear that we must show up in person at our local SS office to visually confirm our identity. We live 100 miles away from our only SS office, and apparently, they don't take walk-ins. Next, I hear that we must contact the SS on the internet and answer their questions in order to continue receiving our checks. I am totally confused and don't know what to do, and we don't want to miss our Medicare and Supplement insurance cancelled. Can you please help us?

Signed: Confused in Hawaii

Dear Confused: I know there have been a lot of news media reports and articles

written on the recent changes announced by the Social Security Administration (SSA) with respect to a need to confirm one's identity in-person. Allow me to set your mind at ease because, from what you have described (that you are already receiving Social Security benefits and Medicare insurance), you do not need to do anything to have your Social Security benefits, and your Medicare insurance continue without interruption (and that includes your wife as well).

That which has been reported in the media is sometimes misleading or misinformed, but here at the AMA Foundation's Social Security Advisory Service we are watching these events very closely and can assure you that your regular benefits will continue uninterrupted. The only people who may be affected by the SSA's new processes are those who are applying for Social Security for the first time, or those who need to change where their monthly benefit is deposited. In those cases, the SSA is being very careful that no fraud is being attempted and, thus, the reason for a possible in-person SSA office visit (but only in those specific unique circumstances). But for you and your wife, it will continue to be "business as usual" and you will see no interruption in

either your monthly Social Security benefit nor in your usual Medicare coverage and supplement. You don't need to do anything to have all your benefits continue.

So, please relax and do not worry. And rest assured that here at the AMAC Foundation we are watching all events occurring in Washington, D.C., especially those related to Social Security and Medicare, and will promptly inform our members of anything which affects them.

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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Shakespeare In Delaware Parks 50th Anniversary Season

Continued from page one. namic, hour long 5 actor-travel-friendly production of Romeo and Juliet, bringing Shakespeare's most iconic love story across the region—making it easier than ever for audiences of all ages to experience the Bard.

"As we celebrate 50 years of free Shakespeare, we are not only honoring our rich history but embracing our future," says Lisa Ludwig, Executive Director. "This season is a

heartfelt thank-you to our community—as we mark five decades of laughter, drama, and unforgettable summer nights together."

All performances are free and open to the public, continuing the proud tradition that has made Shakespeare in Delaware Park a beloved summer staple in Buffalo. For performance schedules, venue information, and ways to support the 50th Anniversary Season, visit shakespearein-delawarepark.org

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Buffalo Pro Soccer To Build New Stadium In The City Of Buffalo

Buffalo Pro Soccer announced plans to construct a 7,600-seat, privately-funded stadium near the Buffalo River in the city's Valley neighborhood. Set to be located at Elk and Lee Street, the stadium will serve as a driving force in the development of a new entertainment district that is taking shape in the City of Buffalo.

Buffalo Pro Soccer revealed the first official renderings of its stadium and announced construction is slated to begin this summer. Among the 7,600 seats it will host, the forthcoming stadium will feature family-friendly ticket prices, a designated high-energy, safe-standing supporters' section, and elevated experiences in its 12 hospitality suites, two private party areas, and club-level seats. Buffalo Pro Soccer's plans also call for training facilities for its athletes and academy, offices for team staff, as well as ample parking and transportation options for fans.

Fans now have a lim-

ited opportunity to secure their priority spot as a season-ticket member for Buffalo Pro Soccer's inaugural season through a "Founding Member" campaign, which the club launched Friday. By placing a deposit on tickets before the start of construction this summer, supporters can lock in their status as a Founding Member and reserve early access to season tickets in the sections of their choosing.



"I am honored to introduce our city to the home of Buffalo Pro Soccer — a destination for everyone in Buffalo to experience the joy and power of the world's game. It will be a gathering place where our community will come together to celebrate victories, support each other through challenges, and bring Buffalo's hardworking, never-give-up mentality to life on the field and in the stands. In this new stadium, Buffalo Pro Soccer will grow alongside our city as we strive for excellence every day," said Peter Marlette Jr., President of Buffalo Pro Soccer.

"This project will provide a significant private investment into our city, leveraging sports as a catalyst for development. Our Founding Members will be an important part of our work to build a winning team that thrives here in our new home."

The project will use modular construction to accelerate the timeline to build and open Buffalo's first professional soccer-specific stadium. Buffalo Pro Soccer has engaged LaBella Associates, the preferred architect and engineer of the USL, as its lead architect and MEP engineer, Wendel Companies to provide civil engineering, SixFive Stadium Experience to serve as modular stadium advisor and supplier, and Campus Construction Management Group as the construction manager. Ciminelli Real Estate Corporation provided development services and Newmark Ciminelli represented Buffalo Pro Soccer in the lease transaction.

For more information about Buffalo Pro Soccer, please visit buffaloprosoccer.com.

Senior
TRIVIA

Pop Quiz
Test your knowledge!

1) Which animated movie was the first to be nominated for a Best Picture Academy Award?

2. Interior and exterior film shots of Alnwick Castle in England are featured in the first two movies of which film series?

3) What was the last name of the family in the sitcom "Married... With Children"?

4) For which category is the Caldecott Medal awarded?

5) Also known as a double eagle, what is the golf term for scoring three under par on a hole?

6) What is the protein that carries oxygen in the blood?

7) Which president was the first to name a woman as a Cabinet member?

8) What is a baby toad called?

9) Which fastfood chain's secret ingredient is 11 herbs and spices?

10) How many moons does Mars have?

Answers on page seven.

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

(add \$1.40 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)

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.

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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 \$7.70 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)

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

Large Specialty Pizza with Double Wings (20) and 1 Bleu Cheese.

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Thirty Specialty Pak.....60.75

Large Specialty Pizza with Triple Wings (30) and 2 Bleu Cheese.

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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

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Nativity BVM: A reunion for ALL YEARS of Nativity of the BVM School on Albany Street in Buffalo will be held July 20, 2025 at BUFFALO RIVER PAVILION (formerly FONTANA'S GROVE- 2299 Clinton Street, W. Seneca. Reservations are a must! Call Helen Brown Kurzdorfer at 716-400-7977 or Rosie DiLiberto Mendolera at 716-881-1306 before 5/15/25.



Buffalo River Fest Park: On May 28th Wednesday Night Concert, 6:30 p.m.- 10 p.m. will feature Crash Cadillac, which has a variety of music that you can rock out to, dance to, party to, drink to and all around have a great time at the park all night long! This is part of Buffalo River Fest Park's Wednesday night concert series. It's free, just bring a chair and a jacket! Food & beverages are available for purchase. For more information on these Wednesday Night Concerts, contact Peg Overdorf at 716-553-8350.



Cazenovia Neighborhood Library: Tuesday, May 13, 6:30 pm: Audrey Mang will speak about her book "Nothing's Easy," describing the social justice work of Jim & Audrey Mang, at the Cazenovia Neighborhood Library, 155 Cazenovia St., Buffalo 14210. Free and open to the public. Call 716-821-0564 to reserve your seat.



Hull House "History Camp for Kids" Set for July: The Hull Family Home & Farmstead will again host its annual "History Camp for Kids" during the week of July 21-25. The camp, located at 5976 Genesee Street in Lancaster, runs from 9:00AM to 4:00PM daily. Students entering grades four through eight in the fall are invited to register. Campers will learn about family and farm life in the early 1800s on the western New York frontier. Daily themes include food, textiles and fashion, indigenous people, trades, pioneer games and archaeology. Re-enactors from the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 will provide additional history lessons. The cost per camper for the week is \$300. For further information or to request an application, please contact Suzanne Jacobs at sjacobs@hullfamilyhome.com or call 716-681-5494.



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Inaugural Botanical Bash Fundraiser In Honor Of Mark Mortenson

The Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens announced that their annual fundraiser will be celebrated in a brand-new way and in a new season—spring. The Botanical Bash is a reimaged version of their long-standing formal annual fundraising event. This lively cocktail-style party will feature entertainment, games, food, drinks, and fundraising. The event will take place on Friday, May 2 from 6:00pm to 10:00pm. The Botanical Gardens' organizers say it's a 'a good time for a great cause.' The Botanical Bash will also honor the life and leadership of former President and CEO, Mark Mortenson, after his untimely passing in September of 2024. The Botanical Bash is presented by Philips Lytle LLP and is supported by Honorary Chair, Curt Marant-Mortenson.

The inaugural Botanical Bash will bring together members of the community to partake in games, food, drinks, entertainment, and a digital silent auction experience to support the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens' mission. Attendees will enjoy an open bar, a cocktail party style meal, desserts, music and entertainment, games, dancing, a digital auction experience, valet parking and more. Games like 'Botanical Bowling' and 'Plant Plinko' will invite guests to play and win prizes for some added fun. A stilt-walking wonder will also add to the entertainment. Food and drinks will be provided by the Botanical Gardens' catering partners: Buffalo Bubble Bar, Buffalo Catering Company, Curly's Grille, Fat Bob's, Salvatore's Hospitality, and The Grazeul Gatherer. An open bar and food stations will be set up throughout the conservatory to encourage guests to explore the tropical paradise and enjoy the fresh scents of their Spring Flower Exhibit. Amongst the fun and games, guests are invited to participate in the silent auction and donate to their annual Mission Project, which will be managed through a digital platform for a simplified fundraising experience. The silent auction will feature impressive packages with a wide range of interests and price points.

"Our Botanical Bash is taking on a whole new

approach that really puts the 'fun' in fundraising. As we celebrate our 125th anniversary and embark on a monumental new project we will come together to honor our dear friend, Mark Mortenson, and his passion for the future of the Botanical Gardens. We encourage attendees to wear their brightest colors and florals in honor of Mark's vibrancy for life and color," said President and CEO, Erin Grajek.

Guests will be invited to contribute to the annual Mission Project, which raises funds for a particular project. This year's Mission Project will be unveiled at the event, and attendees will receive an exclusive first-look at the project. Guests will be encouraged to make donations to the project on the night of the event, and will also have the opportunity to do so after the event through their website, which will then be available to the public.

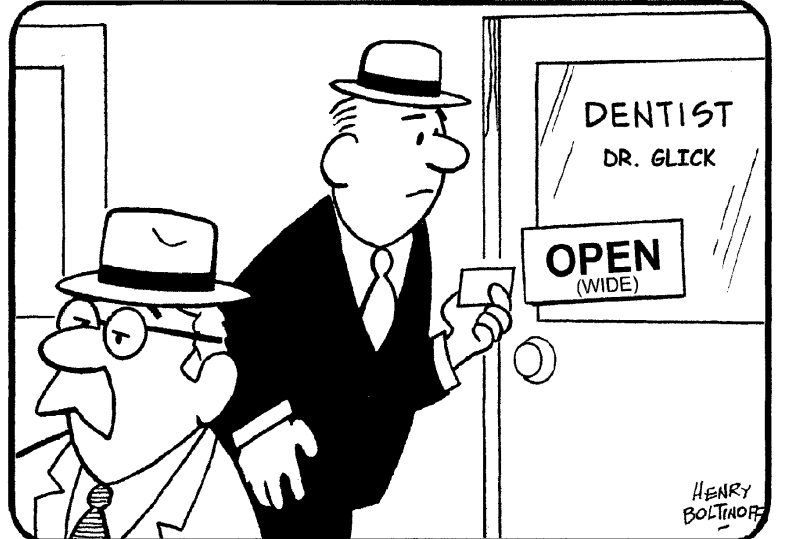
Tickets to the Botanical Bash include an open bar, a cocktail party style meal, desserts, music and entertainment, valet

parking and more. Tickets are \$125 per person and can be purchased online at buffalogardens.com. Ticket sales close on Friday, April 25 at 11:59pm.

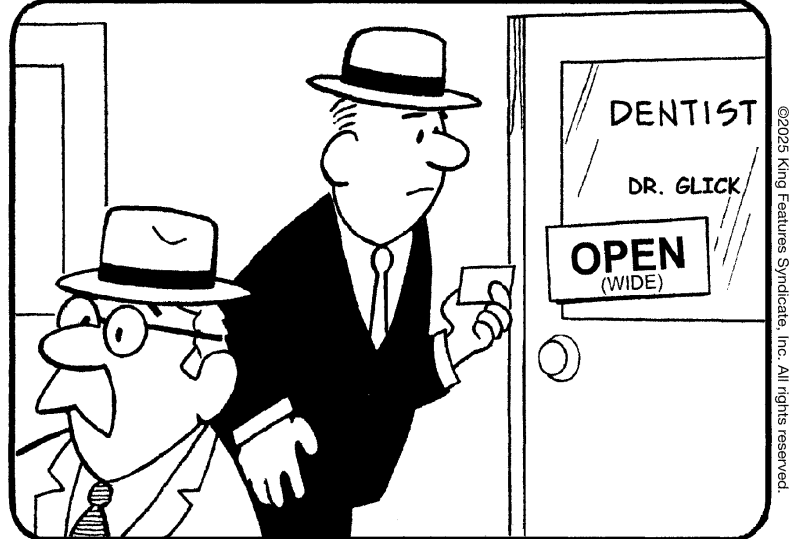
The Botanical Bash is presented by Philips Lytle LLP, is supported by Honorary Chair Curt Marant-Mortenson, and is sponsored by Richard and Karen Penfold, Turner Construction, Wendel, Moog, Ferguson Electric, National Fuel, Lumsden McCormick LLP, Catholic Health, and Azar Design Co.

About Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens
Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that welcomes all to enjoy its living plant collections, breathtaking conservatory, and educational programming. Opened in 1900, the Botanical Gardens is located within a park system designed by Frederick Law Olmsted. Support for the organization is provided by public funds from Erie County; the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation; members; donors; and friends.

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UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIBUTEES OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE CALLAHAN A/K/A ANNE F. CALLAHAN A/K/A ANN F. CALLAHAN; GIRL SCOUTS OF WESTERN NEW YORK, INC.; STATE OF NEW YORK CIVIL RECOVERIES BUREAU; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (WESTERN DISTRICT) O/B/O INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; "JOHN DOE" AND "JANE DOE" said names being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants of premises being foreclosed herein, Defendants Index No. 807966/2024, Mortgaged Premises: 940 South Park Avenue Buffalo, NY 14210 Section: 122.51 Block: 3 Lot: 23 TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the 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 or 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 Complaint. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECTIVE of the above captioned action is to foreclose on on a Mortgage to secure \$20,900.00 and interest, recorded in the Erie County Clerk's Office on May 25, 2004 in Book 13164, Page 3570, Control Number 200405251540, covering the premises known as 940 South Park Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14210. The relief sought herein is a final judgment directing sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the mortgage described above. Plaintiff designates Erie County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is located. 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 an-

swer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. FRIEDMAN VARTOLO, LLP 1325 Franklin Avenue, Suite 160 Garden City, NY 11530, Attorneys for Plaintiff. 19

Notice of Formation of (RMB Art & Design), LLC Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on (3/29/25). 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 (196 N Park Ave. Buffalo, NY 14216). Any lawful purpose. 19

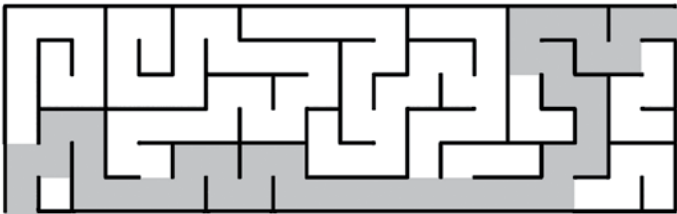
NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF ERIE CROSSCOUNTRY MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff AGAINST JOHNATHAN SZOPINSKI, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered March 3, 2025, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Closing Room of the Erie County Clerk's Office, 1st Floor, 92 Franklin Street, Buffalo NY on May 13, 2025 at 10:00AM, premises known as 271 Germania Street, AKA 269 Germania Street, Buffalo, NY 14220. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the City of Buffalo, County of Erie and State of New York, Section 123.77 Block 5 Lots 35 and 36. Approximate amount of judgment \$170,774.16 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #812041/2024. Jeffrey C. Mannillo, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC 1775 Wehrle Drive Williamsville, NY 14221 24-000416 85 039 18

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION, CARE AND PROTECTION, TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS, DOCKET NUMBER: 25CP0012BK, Trial Court of Massachusetts, Juvenile Court Department, COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Plymouth County Juvenile Court, 215 Main Street, Suite 270, Brockton, MA 02301. 508-586-4030. TO: Sebrun Daniels and any Unknown/Unnamed father of: Kyrie Louis-Jean: A petition has been presented to this court by DCF Brockton Office, seeking, as to the following child, Kyrie Louis-Jean, that said child be found in need of care and protection and committed to the Department of Children and Families. The court may dispense the rights of the person(s) named herein to receive notice of or to consent to any legal proceeding affecting the adoption, custody, or guardianship or any other disposition of the child named herein, if it finds that the child is in need of care and protection and that the best interests of the child would be served by said disposition. You are hereby ORDERED to appear in this court, at the court address set forth above, on the following date and time: 06/30/2025 at 09:00 AM Status Hearing You may bring an attorney with you. If you have a right to an attorney and if the court determines that you are indigent, the court will appoint an attorney to represent you. If you fail to appear, the court may proceed on that date and any date thereafter to a trial on the merits and adjudication of this matter. For further information call the Office of the Clerk-Magistrate at 508-586-4030. WITNESS: Hon. Thomasina Johnson, FIRST JUSTICE, DATE ISSUED: 03/19/2025, Kathleen Baptiste, Clerk-Magistrate. 17

FREE PIZZA: Cara McLaughlin, 65 New Amsterdam Ave., 14216

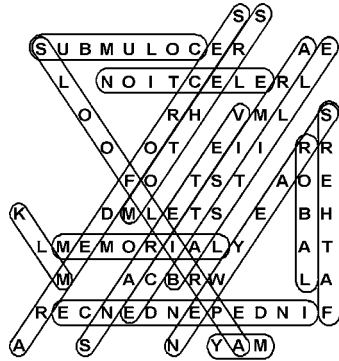
GAMES

Kids' Maze Solution



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— DAY : OBSERVANCES



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