

# Happy Cinco de Mayo!



**This annual Cinco de Mayo is coming up this Monday, May 5th!**

Happy Cinco de Mayo! This Cinco de Mayo comes up on Monday, May 5th this year. Cinco de Mayo is a holiday celebrated in parts of Mexico and the United States in honour of a military victory in 1862 over the French forces of Napoleon III. Cinco de Mayo is not to be confused with Mexican Independence Day, which falls on September 16. The latter holiday was established in 1810, some 50 years before the

Battle of Puebla occurred. Cinco de Mayo is sometimes mistaken for Mexican Independence Day—the most important national holiday in Mexico—which is celebrated on September 16, commemorating the Cry of Dolores in 1810, which initiated the Mexican War of Independence from Spain.[1] [9] Cinco de Mayo has been referenced and featured in entertainment media, and has become an increasingly global celebration of Mex-

ican culture, cuisine, and heritage. Today, revelers mark the occasion with parades, parties, mariachi music, Mexican folk dancing and traditional foods such as tacos and mole poblano. Some of the largest festivals are held in Los Angeles, Chicago, and here in Buffalo. For events coming up in Buffalo for this holiday, please visit [www.stepout-buffalo.com/guide-to-cinco-de-mayo-parties-in-wny](http://www.stepout-buffalo.com/guide-to-cinco-de-mayo-parties-in-wny).

## Food Truck Thursdays Returns To Niagara Square On May First

The Buffalo Common Council look forward to the return of Food Truck Thursdays in Niagara Square, beginning Thursday, May 1st. This season marks the tenth year of the popular Downtown food truck initiative. More than 26 food truck vendors will take part this season, with three new vendors making their



Food Truck Thursdays debut, including Dimples Pancakes, Kings & Queens Ice Cream and TCB Tacos. Mayor Christopher P. Scanlon said, “2025 marks the tenth season of Food Truck Thursdays in Niagara Square. That’s ten years of providing the city and downtown workforce with a diverse sampling of food op-

tions from some of the best food trucks in our community. I want to thank this year’s participating food truck vendors for bringing the community and food together in an upbeat, fun and positive atmosphere.” Food Truck Thursdays runs every Thursday, from Thursday, May 1, 2025, to Thursday, October 16th. As South District Council Member, Mayor Scanlon helped launch the ‘Food Truck Thursdays’ *Continued on page six.*

## New Inclusive Playground At Cazenovia Park

City of Buffalo Mayor Christopher P. Scanlon, alongside Erie County officials including Deputy County Executive Lisa Chimera and Erie County Legislature Majority Leader John Gilmour, and the Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy, celebrated the grand opening of the new inclusive playground at Cazenovia Park in South Buffalo. The \$850,000 project was a collaborative effort between the City of Buffalo and Erie County, with the City contributing \$400,000 in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds—underscoring a shared commitment to equity, accessibility, and inclusive public spaces throughout the park system. “This new inclusive playground is more than just a place to play—it’s a symbol of what we can achieve when we work

together to make our city more welcoming for everyone,” said Buffalo Mayor Christopher P. Scanlon. “I’m proud that the City of Buffalo and Erie County came together to create a space where all children and families, regardless of ability, can laugh, explore, and grow. Investments like these strengthen our neighborhoods and reflect the values that make Buffalo a city for all.” The playground is one of the most highly trafficked recreational spaces in the Olmsted Park System and now features modern equipment designed to accommodate children of all abilities. “Erie County is proud to partner with the City of Buffalo and Olmstead Parks Conservancy to open a third Inclusive Playground in Buffalo,” said Deputy Erie County *Continued on page four.*

## Memories

*From the Buffalo Rocket archives*



**May, 1992. M&T BANK ENROLLED AS UNIFEST SPONSOR...Independent Living Center of Western New York Executive Director Douglas Usiak, left, recieves a check for Unifest Entertainment Stage #1 from M&T Vice President Dan Workman.**

## Local Weather

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 Rain High 70° Low 58°	 Showers High 60° Low 47°	 Showers High 54° Low 45°	 Sunny High 60° Low 50°	 Partly Cloudy High 64° Low 52°	 Mostly Cloudy High 65° Low 52°	 Partly Cloudy High 60° Low 54°

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**SPORTS**  
By Bill Snyder

## Opening Day In North Buffalo!



Erie County Legislator John A. Bargnesi of the 4th District visited Shoshone Park last Saturday afternoon and was welcomed by the Board of Officers of the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League, including president John C. Hornung. (fourth from the left) In his hands were two brand new defibrillators he presented to the League for use this season for any child having a need on the Diamonds of Shoshone Park. For the second year in a row, Bargnesi has found money in the County Budget to procure these life saving devices for any non profit organization in his District.

The Boys and Girls registered to play Baseball or Softball in Shoshone Park are looking for bright sunshine and warmer temperatures this weekend as they prepare to open their Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League (HNPYBL) season this Saturday morning, May 3, at 11:00am with an annual parade up Hertel Avenue to the Park in their traditional Opening Day Ceremony.

Hundreds of players, from age six in t-ball to age sixteen in the Seniors have been waiting months for this day, ever since the last games were played in 2024. They'll begin gathering sometime after 10:00am in the Parking lot of St. Margaret's Church, just off of Saranac Street just east of Colvin

and begin to march with their coaches, wearing new uniform jerseys, ready to play.

Over 1,300 boys and girls are registered to play this season, keeping the sport of baseball and softball strong in North Buffalo for the past four years now. The home of Hertel North Park ever since 1957, this year is the site of the new Thomas M. Smith Athletic Center that has been built in the southeast corner of the Park and is set to open within the coming days The two story structure will be available all season long for League practices and team meetings while the baseball and softball games begin in earnest this Saturday.

Under a Buffalo Police Department Traffic Division

escort and a hook and ladder from a local station, the children will be safely led through the busy corridor of the North Buffalo Business District, passing such buildings as St. Margaret's Church, the North Park Theater and Bob & John's LaHacienda on the one mile route to that patch of green off of Hertel near Main Street.

By 11:00am, friends and families living off the residential streets, will have lined up on both sides of Hertel Avenue to catch a glimpse of the festivities. Babies in strollers and leashed dogs will make their presence known, helping North Buffalo bring in the new season.

This year, the League hopes to again welcome all distinguished guests to the celebration, representing the various offices in State and local Government. Their work has been instrumental in the planning and building of the new Thomas M. Smith Center and they wish all the children, well this season. They'll take a baseball or softball from a League official on the mound and attempt to throw a pitch that crosses the plate.

At a meeting held in a North Buffalo Dining Hall this past Monday night, over 100 young men and women gathered as volunteers to be team coaches for at least 65 house teams this season that will play in the Park nightly, during the week and on Saturdays. The League asks them to be nice to the game's umpires throughout their season this year. Make sure every child gets in the game and knows the league rules before the games begin.

After the ceremonies, Saturday's games will start at 1:30pm with as many as six playing simultaneously on nearby diamonds. There are games at 3:30pm and again at 5:30pm for as many as 24 games to start the season. It should be the start of another great year.

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Frontier Liquor & Beverage Cr.....121 Grant Street  
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M&T Bank.....130 Grant Street  
Military Coin Laundry.....1134 Military Road  
Santasiere'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**  
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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  
Doyle's 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 Cr.....155 Lawn Avenue  
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Pizza Bella.....1133 Tonawanda Street  
Riverside Market.....740 Tonawanda Street  
Riverside News Stand.....Tonawanda Street  
Roland Insurance Agency.....432 Amherst Street  
Sun Restaurant.....1989 Niagara Street  
Up To You Deli.....2189 Niagara Street



# The Blotter

## Felonies

From "D" District

### Thief Steals Vacuum Cleaner From Target; Leaves Through Back Exit

**North Buffalo**  
**April 28, 2025**  
Stratford Road - Defendant did pull a pair of scissors on victim over an argument about a cigarette and threatened to stab victim if he leaves. This did place victim in fear for his life. While on scene defendant did open hand slap victim in front of officers.

**April 28, 2025**  
Delaware Avenue - Arrested did take without permission (7) 12 packs of Red Bull (\$162.93 in total) and pass all points of purchase without payment. Arrested apprehended by loss prevention and items recovered by store.

**April 27, 2025**  
Hertel Avenue - The defendant did take \$71.95 worth of merchandise and did pass all points of purchase without paying. Dash's security and Buffalo police have advised defendant that he had trespassed on the store.

**West Side**  
**April 28, 2025**  
West Eagle Street - While at Target (2626 Delaware Avenue) at approximately 1306 hours, defendant did take without permission one vacuum cleaner, approximate value \$299.00, and did exit the store via the emergency exit making no attempts to render payment. Photo array by detective on scene. Investigation and statement conducted by detective.

**April 29, 2025**  
West Avenue - Complainant stated that defendant did approach him at his vehicle and displayed a knife.

**April 27, 2025**  
Bird Avenue - At approximately 0300 hours complainant reports her husband did come back home to their apartment on Bird Avenue in the upper floor intoxicated and throwing her phone. Complainant then reports that her daughter

ages. Domestic report completed. Photo camera footage available.

**Riverside**  
**April 24, 2025**  
Center Lane - Defendant did strike complainant in the face with an open hand multiple times.

**April 26, 2025**  
Prairie Avenue - Victim stated that her ex-husband had been separated for awhile and that he entered her house without permission. Suspect continued to threaten and harass victim as well as destroying her property. Suspect also makes victim give him money. Suspect also makes victim and children scared of him. Victim wants an order of protection.



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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: **Relating to the Netherlands**

Bank	Gambrel	New England	Sheep
Cattle	Hop	Pole	Tithe
Dairy	Horse	Potato	Tobacco
English	Monitor	Raised in a	

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## King Crossword

**ACROSS**

1 Menagerie

4 Embedded spies

9 "Frontline" ailer

12 Year in Spain

13 Empathic words

14 Land in la mer

15 Unfortunate soul

17 "Wham!"

18 Ga. neighbor

19 Tabloid subjects

21 Cal — (baseball's "Iron Man")

24 Scored 100 on

25 Buckeyes' sch.

26 Crater edge

28 Succinct

31 Shakespeare title starter

33 LAPD alert

35 Peruse

36 Sasha's sister

38 With it, once

40 Summer mo.

41 Norms (Abbr.)

43 In a morose way

45 Concludes by

47 Tank filler

48 Zodiac cat

49 Precinct canine

54 Fiddle stick

55 Ten — (long odds)

56 Flying saucer

57 New England cape

58 Trudges

59 Apply cream

**DOWN**

1 Microwave

2 Yoko from Tokyo

3 Tic-tac-toe win

4 Bette in "Beaches"

5 South Pacific region

6 Restroom, for short

7 Writer Jong

8 Choose

9 Fantasy

10 Shapeless mass

11 Stitches

16 '60s Atty. General

20 Lusty look

21 Meander

22 Actress

23 Earns

27 Speedometer stat

29 Biblical king

30 Jittery

32 Poses

34 Imploring

37 Conforms

39 Locales

42 Pub seat

44 Employ

45 Exile isle

46 Inert gas

50 Brit's restroom

51 Flop

52 One — kind

53 Sailor

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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!

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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 checks or have our Medicare and supplemental 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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New Inclusive Playground At Cazenovia Park

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Executive Lisa Chimera. "Accessibility and inclusion are key priorities for Erie County, and by creating spaces for people of all ages and abilities to enjoy, we enrich our communities and improve quality of life for all."

Erie County Legislator John Gilmour said, "This playground isn't just another project—it's personal. It represents years of hard work and a strong partnership between the city, county, and state. Together, we've created a space where

every child can play, every family can connect, and everyone feels welcome. Cazenovia Park has always been a special place for our community—this inclusive playground ensures it will continue to bring people together for generations to come. I was fortunate to secure \$450,000 in funding for this project, helping to strengthen our commitment to the future of this park. I'm proud of what we've accomplished and thankful to my partners in government for making it possible."

**Senior TRIVIA**

**Pop Quiz**

Test your knowledge!

1) Which actor was nominated for an Emmy for the same character on three different sitcoms?

2) Who was the first actor to refuse an Oscar award for Best Actor?

3) Which modern city is in the shadow of the active volcano Mount Vesuvius?

4) What gas is used to create seltzer water?

5) What is the center of an atom called?

6) Who are the six men who have made a career Grand Slam in pro golf?

7) What is the largest artery in the body?

8) For which category is the O. Henry Award given?

9) Which star system is nearest to our solar system?

10) How many presidents have died in office?

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Michael P. Kearns

Erie County Clerk

Guest Columnist

# Eastern Hills Mall DMV Open Select Mondays

Kearns to open the Eastern Hills Mall DMV on select Mondays specifically for vehicle registrations. Appointments will be required for motorists needing to register their vehicles. As the May 7th deadline approaches, Erie County Clerk Michael P. Kearns has observed a substantial surge in REAL ID transactions at all six Erie County Auto Bureau branches and Mobile locations. However, recognizing the urgent needs of motorists who must register vehicles amidst the busy REAL ID rush, Clerk Kearns has made a decisive move. The Eastern Hills Mall Branch will be open on select Mondays—April 28 and May 5—from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm specifically for vehicle reg-

istrations, renewals and license plate surrenders. “Our top priority is to ensure our customers receive efficient and effective service,” stated Erie County Clerk Kearns. “With the impending May 7th enforcement date and significant increase in transaction volume, we are committed to being flexible and proactive in delivering superior service. The Eastern Hills Mall branch, which is normally closed on Mondays, will open just for vehicle registrations transactions on the next couple of Mondays, as we take the necessary steps to address our customers’ DMV needs.” Appointments are required for the above event dates. To secure your online appointment for either of the specified dates, visit [erie.gov/clerk/reservations](http://erie.gov/clerk/reservations), select Vehicle Registration (EHM), choose Eastern Hills

Auto Bureau, and pick available date and time. For any further assistance, contact the Clerk’s Outreach Center Monday to Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and until 7:00 PM on Thursdays at 716-858-8864.

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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
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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
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Thirty Specialty Pak.....	60.75
Large Specialty Pizza with Triple Wings (30) and 2 Bleu Cheese. (add \$1.80 for Barbecue and/or Specialty Wings)	
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
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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.



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**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](mailto:sjacobs@hullfamilyhome.com) or call 716-681-5494.



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## Food Truck Thursdays Returns To Niagara Square On May First

*Continued from page one.* initiative in 2015 as a pilot program in an effort to provide office workers and visitors to Downtown Buffalo with additional food options.

Initially, there were only 8 participating vendors during a 3-month trial. This year, more than 26 trucks are taking part on a rotating basis, every Thursday, a great addition to Buffalo's lively and diverse food scene.

The Food Truck Thursdays 2025 season will kick off Thursday, May 1st from 11:00 AM – 2:30 PM. Below is a tentative list of vendors scheduled to be there on May 1st.

- Breezy Bowls
- Dimples Pancakes
- Fat Bob's Smoke-house
- Island Mike's Grille
- Just Pizza & Wing Co.
- Street Café
- Sun Roll
- The Cheesy Chick
- Tomaso's
- World of Desserts

Below is the 2025 complete list of participating food truck vendors.

- Anderson's
- Breezy Bowls
- Dimples Pancakes\*
- Dirty Bird Chicken N Waffles
- Edgy Vegy
- Fat Bob's Smoke-house
- Green Acres Ice Cream
- Island Mike's Grill
- Just Pizza & Wing Co.
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- Street Eats
- Pizza Amore
- Polish Villa
- Street Café
- Sun Roll
- TCB Tacos\*
- The Blend
- The Cheesy Chick

- The Great Aussie Bite
- Tiny Thai
- Tomaso's
- Viola's Submarines
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The Food Truck Thursday 2025 season will run through the fall.



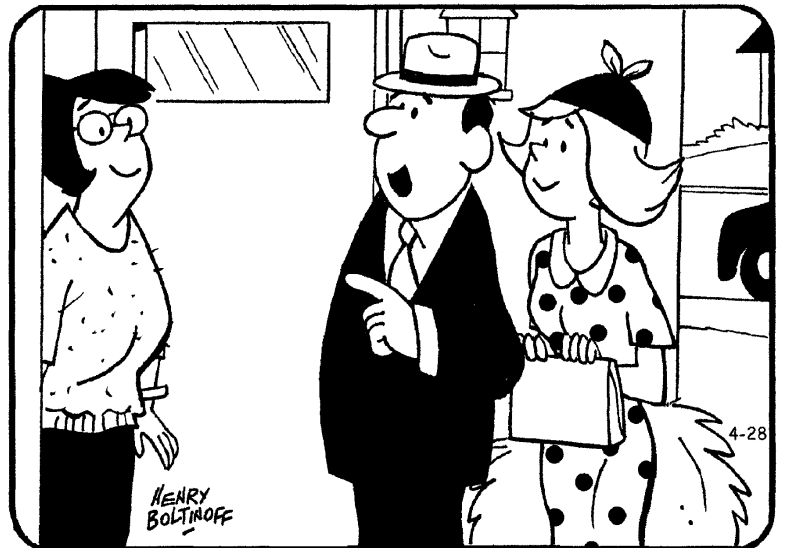
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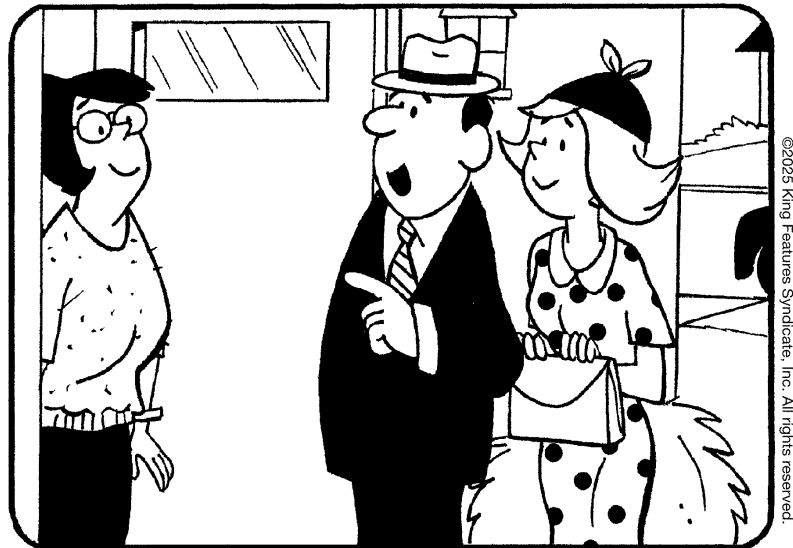
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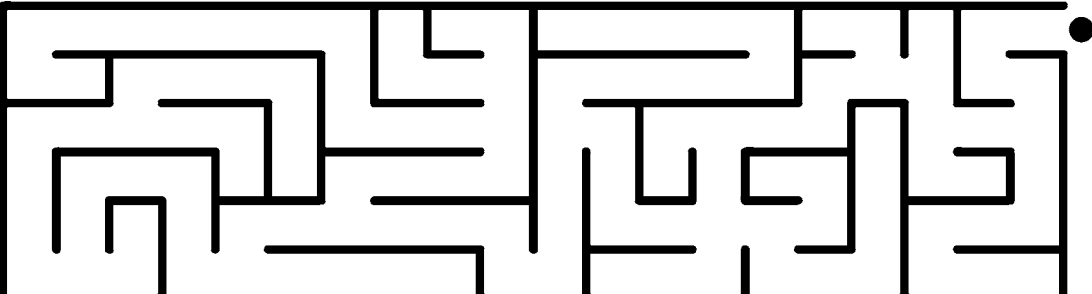


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## Kids' Maze



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SUMMONS Supreme Court of New York, Erie County U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUALCAPACITY BUT SOLELYAS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST, Plaintiff, -against- ROY M. BAYS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE CALLAHAN A/K/A ANNE F. CALLAHAN A/K/A ANN F. CALLAHAN AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN A. BAYS; CINDY L. SEELEY A/K/A CYNTHIA L. BAYS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE CALLAHAN A/K/A ANNE F. CALLAHAN A/K/A ANN F. CALLAHAN AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN A. BAYS; ROBERT J. BAYS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE CALLAHAN A/K/A ANNE F. CALLAHAN A/K/A ANN F. CALLAHAN AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN A. BAYS; GARY R. BAYS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE CALLAHAN A/K/A ANNE F. CALLAHAN A/K/A ANN F. CALLAHAN AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN A. BAYS; LISA M. BROWN A/K/A LISA M. BAYS A/K/A LISA BROWN AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE CALLAHAN A/K/A ANNE F. CALLAHAN A/K/A ANN F. CALLAHAN AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN A. BAYS; KATHERINE M. BAYS AS ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN J. BAYS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE CALLAHAN A/K/A ANNE F. CALLAHAN A/K/A ANN F. CALLAHAN AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN A. BAYS; JESSICA L. MAGUDER AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN J. BAYS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE CALLAHAN A/K/A ANNE F. CALLAHAN A/K/A ANN F. CALLAHAN AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN A. BAYS; ADAM J. BAYS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN J. BAYS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE CALLAHAN A/K/A ANNE F. CALLAHAN A/K/A ANN F. CALLAHAN AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN A. BAYS; MATTHEW J. BAYS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN J. BAYS AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANNE CALLAHAN A/K/A ANNE F. CALLAHAN A/K/A ANN F. CALLAHAN AND AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN A. BAYS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DISTRIB-

UTEES 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 answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to 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

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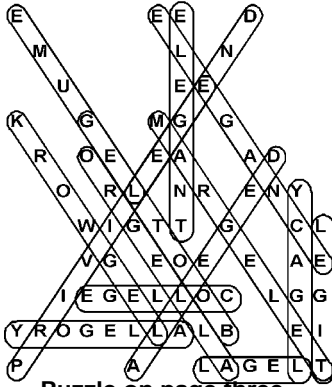
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