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## YMCA Turkey Trot Registration



Photo by The YMCA.

The YMCA Turkey Trot Registration is now open! Register today!

YMCA Buffalo Niagara is excited to announce that registration for the 130th annual YMCA Turkey Trot is now open! Trotters may register at [YMCATurkeyTrot.org](http://YMCATurkeyTrot.org) until race capacity is reached.

The YMCA Turkey Trot is a time-honored Thanksgiving Day tradition. The oldest con-

secutively run footrace in the world, the YMCA Turkey Trot is an 8k race that attracts more than 14,000 runners and walkers annually. Proceeds raised support vital YMCA programs and services that empower youth, improve community health, and address our community's greatest needs.

Danielle Roberts, the Vice President of Community Impact, will be available Friday from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm to talk about the Turkey Trot. Contact Paul Stockman to set up a time for the interview.

For more information on this year's race, please visit [YMCATurkeyTrot.org](http://YMCATurkeyTrot.org) or contact the Turkey Trot call line at (716) 565-6000.

## National Breastfeeding Awareness Month

Erie County is acknowledging National Breastfeeding Awareness Month in August, highlighting a national theme of "Forward Together." Activities and messages this month underscore the need for unified support in creating breastfeeding, chestfeeding and lactation-friendly environments, especially in workplaces and public spaces.

"Human milk is a dynamic and convenient food; milk and the milk supply change to meet a baby's needs as they grow, providing complete nutrition," said Commis-

sioner of Health Dr. Gale Burstein. "For those who are able, breastfeeding offers your child the best possible start. It is proven to lower risks for asthma, type 1 diabetes and obesity. Breastfed babies have fewer ear infections and stomach bugs, and fewer problems with digestion. And antibodies in human milk provide strong immunity against some diseases."

Breastfeeding matters for postpartum recovery – recovery after birth. It reduces risks for breast and ovarian cancers, type 2 diabetes and high blood pressure. And for

families, breastfeeding is a less expensive choice than formula.

Health experts, including the American Academy of Pediatrics, recommend exclusive breastfeeding for about the first 6 months. After that, continue breastfeeding while introducing solid foods, for as long as it's mutually desired—up to 2 years or beyond.

Erie County offers resources to employers through its Breastfeeding, Chestfeeding and Lactation Friendly Worksite program. This program supports employers in providing private, comfortable spaces

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## 5th Annual Urban Farm Day Returns Saturday, August 16th

On Saturday, August 16, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. the 5th annual Urban Farm Day will celebrate 21 urban farms located in Buffalo, Grand Island and Tonawanda. Free and open to the public, visitors can enjoy activities that range from tomato tasting and rabbit petting to talks on soil health and food insecurity.

Urban Farm Day grew out of covid and the food access issues that arose. UFD highlights the exceptional work urban farms do to address food insecurity and to ensure that individuals and communities have better access to fresh food. Access

that includes mobile markets, neighborhood farms, and even small, individual gardens.

We also want to have fun. Even if visitors never plan to put a single tomato plant in the ground. As the tagline for UFD notes, "It's not what you think it is."

**Gardens**  
BUFFALO NIAGARA UFD sites

Last year at one of the small private UFD sites on Grand Island, the grower noted, "I happened to have a bed of potatoes ready to dig. The kids loved it. Two little boys, 5 and 3, preferred taking home a potato to having a cookie. Even the adults were digging in. Well worth my time to educate about growing food."

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## Memories

*From the Buffalo Rocket archives*



August, 1993. NORTH BUFFALO YOUTH BASEBALL PLAYERS MEET BUFFALO HOCKEY PLAYER... Rand Avenue residents Sean and Corey McCrone, left to right, meet Pat LaFontaine of the Buffalo Sabres at the recent County Executive's Baseball Tournament. LaFontaine visited with players after throwing out the first ball.

## Local Weather

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14TH

Partly Cloudy  
High 82°  
Low 66°

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15TH

Partly Cloudy  
High 85°  
Low 67°

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16TH

Mostly Cloudy  
High 88°  
Low 73°

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17TH

Partly Cloudy  
High 91°  
Low 68°

MONDAY, AUGUST 18TH

Mostly Sunny  
High 91°  
Low 68°

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19TH

Mostly Sunny  
High 87°  
Low 70°

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20TH

Sunny  
High 88°  
Low 71°



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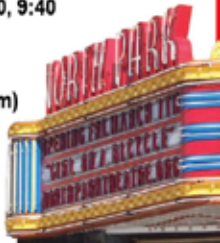
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**THE LAST CLASS** Fri 8/16: (5:00) Sat 8/16: 6:00 Sun 8/17: (5:40) Mon 8/18:  
(5:00) Tue 8/19: (5:00) Wed 8/20: (4:25)  
**SHIN GODZILLA [2016] (4K RE-RELEASE)** Fri 8/15: 7:00, 9:40 Sat 8/16: 7:50  
Mon 8/18: 7:00 Tue 8/19: 9:40 Wed 8/20: 8:45 Thur 8/21: 7:00, 9:40  
**SHIN GODZILLA [2016] (Black & White)** Mon 8/18: 9:40 Tue  
8/19: 7:00  
**48-HOUR FILM PROJECT BUFFALO 2025** Sat 8/16: (11:00am)  
Sun 8/17: (11:00am)  
**WHAT HAPPENED TO THE WOLF? (2021)** Sun 8/17: (3:00)  
**PIECE BY PIECE [Free Screening]** Wed 8/20: 6:30

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## "Unruly Spaces" Series At Buffalo Arts Studio



**Sam Modder, Of All the Worlds We Could Have Dreamed (installation view), photo courtesy of the artist.**

Buffalo Arts Studio is proud to announce Unruly Spaces, a year-long series of exhibitions, artist-led workshops, and public panel conversations running from August 2025 through April 2026. Presented in partnership with grassroots community empowerment organizations, Unruly Spaces will examine systems of exclusion and erasure while fostering inclusive critical dialogue through the lens of contemporary art.

This initiative supports new work by artists who address colonialism, immigration, and cultural identity. It reflects Buffalo Arts Studio's commitment to fair compensation for artists, socially engaged programming, and curatorial collaboration that balances community voice with artistic vision.

The series opens August 22, 2025, with concurrent solo exhibitions by textile artist Davana Robedee (Syracuse, NY) and multimedia artist Sam Modder (Tampa, FL). Robedee's large-scale shibori works incorporate indigo dye grown and extracted from plants she cultivates. She will lead indigo workshops focusing on the indigenous West African roots of the dye. Modder's figurative drawings and collages depict powerful Black female characters occupying real and imagined landscapes. Her work reframes history through the lens of the Black imaginary, imagining alternate realities that confront structural oppression.

On September 26, Jozef Bajus (Buffalo, NY) will debut *Everything Stays*, featuring works created from two decades' worth of reclaimed materials. Bajus transforms discarded objects into poetic constructions that inspire reflection on sustainability and creative reuse.

A panel discussion titled **Blue Jeans and Black Hair: Decolonizing Standards of Fashion and Beauty** will take place on October 24, bringing together academics and activists from Buffalo State University and Buffalo Fashion Runway.

Beginning January 23, 2026, Millie Chen (Buffalo, NY/Ontario, Canada) will present drawings that trace hidden histories along the Niagara River. Her work reveals unmarked sites of cultural and historical significance, from Underground Railroad crossings to early Indigenous settlements. Showing alongside Chen is Victoria Udondian (Buffalo, NY), whose work challenges cultural and racial assumptions shaped by global migration and the legacy of colonialism.

In February 2026, Buffalo Arts Studio will partner with Stitch Buffalo to present a collaborative community exhibition featuring refugee women artists. This project will center stories of coexistence, cultural resilience, and self-expression through textile and mixed-media works.

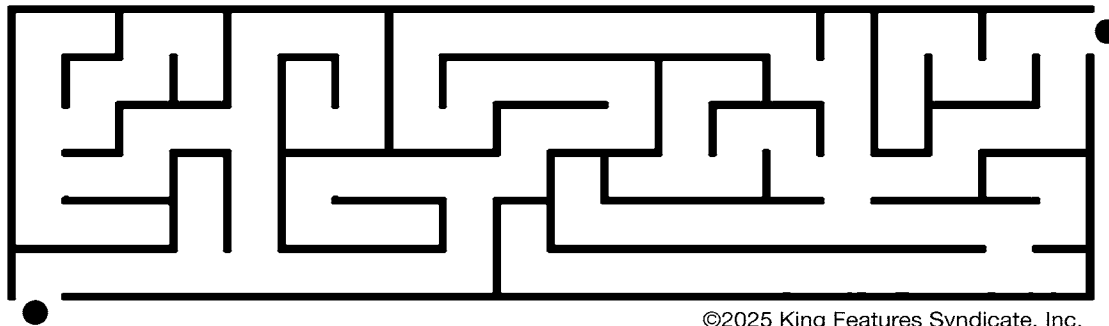
Unruly Spaces affirms the role of artists and curators in building equitable cultur-

al platforms and reshaping collective understanding through collaboration, education, and bold creative practice.

Buffalo Arts Studio (BAS) connects diverse communities through visual arts, offering inclusive exhibitions, educational programs, mentorships, and public art initiatives. BAS provides vital resources for visual artists, including affordable studio space and paid opportunities. Through its programs, BAS serves as a catalyst for self-empowerment, innovation, and regional enhancement.

Buffalo Arts Studio is supported in part by The Cameron and Jane Baird Foundation, Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, Erie County Cultural Funds, M&T Bank, Ovation Stand for the Arts, The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts, and through the New York State Council for the Arts with the support of Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature.

# Kids' Maze



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# The Blotter

## Felonies

From "D" District

### Assailant Steals Multiple Appliances Valued Over \$6000

**North Buffalo**  
**August 12, 2025**  
Delsan Court - Defendant did take without permission (1) ashtray from the porch at 82 Delsan Court. Defendant was found to be in possession of said ashtray while investigating an unrelated incident at defendant's house. Appearance ticket issued.

**August 12, 2025**  
Delaware Avenue - Defendant did take without permission various amounts of "PSD" underwear and did pass all points of purchase.

**August 12, 2025**  
Hertel Avenue - Defendant did key complainant's car damaging same, causing approximately \$500.00 in damages. Supporting deposition on file taken by detective. Photo array completed by detective.

**August 11, 2025**  
Lovering Avenue - Suspect did enter victim's home without permission and knowingly remained unlawfully with a key to victim's home that the landlord did state he was not allowed to have. Suspect did take off victim's dresser \$5,000.00 in cash.

**August 10, 2025**  
Hertel Avenue - On above date and location the defendant did enter the victim's residence by breaking victim's rear window (\$916.67). While inside the defendant did take without permission \$4,800.00 in cash, an Apple iPad (\$349), Apple TV Box (\$129), Apple Magic Mouse (\$79), Magic Bullet Blender (\$40), cleaning supplies (\$50), electronic case (\$22), and four bottles of cologne (\$935). Aggregate value of stolen items is \$6354. Detective did respond to the scene and locate fingerprints inside residence on victim's TV that did match defendant on analysis. Defendant apprehended at 355 Colvin Avenue and did have in his possession an Apple TV Box. Defendant mirandized and interviewed by detective.

**West Side**  
**August 11, 2025**  
Winter Street - On above date and location at ap-

proximately 1340 hours the defendant did walk onto victim's front porch located at 502 Linden Avenue and did take a package without permission valued at \$105.00. The victim did provide ring camera footage of the incident. Defendant was ID'd by patrol officer. Defendant did match the physical description and was operating the same bike and wearing the same yellow bracelet as shown in camera footage.

**August 10, 2025**  
Rhode Island Street - Victim states that after verbal argument, defendant

did punch victim in the face and slammed her to the ground, causing minor bruises on legs and also did break kitchen furniture.

**Riverside**  
**August 10, 2025**  
Winter Street - Defendant was operating New York registered vehicle without rear tail lights being illuminated. Upon further investigation defendant was found to be suspended and operating a stolen vehicle without rear switched license plate. Upon search of defendant officer did recover four clear vials containing a white rock like substance and did submit them to the lab. Officer did a P-10 switched plate to headquarters.

**Riverside**  
**August 9, 2025**  
Hartman Place - Defendant did tell victim that he would have unrelated female come to the house and assault her.



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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: DEATH —

Acadia	Crater Lake	Katmai	Saguaro
Arches	Denali	Olympic	Yosemite
Badlands	Glacier	Redwood	Zion
Biscayne	Grand Canyon	Rocky Mountain	

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## King Crossword

**ACROSS**

1 AWOL pursuers  
4 Lab sci.  
8 Beach crawler  
12 Fair-hiring letters  
13 Corporate symbol  
14 Aware of  
15 — pro nobis  
16 Long-haired feline  
18 Windshield cleaner  
20 Hide-hair insert  
21 Elite alternative  
24 Bar legally  
28 Three digits after 1  
32 Lighten  
33 Auction action  
34 Tools for duels  
36 — Na Na  
37 Beatnik's assent  
39 "The danger has passed"  
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44 Non-dairy milk type  
46 Bounds  
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10 — glance  
11 Droid  
17 Caviar  
19 Ecol. watchdog  
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23 "Rumour Has It" singer  
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26 Job-safety org.  
27 Dessert fruit  
28 Slightly

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30 Redact  
31 Congers  
35 Edible mollusk  
38 Food seller  
40 Fib  
42 Small battery  
45 Despot  
47 Slightly open  
48 Weak  
49 Eyelid woe  
50 Billboards  
51 Tube top  
52 Capote nickname  
53 French article  
54 Navarro of "The View"

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FREE NORTH PARK PASSES: Lakeisha Mongrel, 17 Dorris Ave., 14215

## 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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I'm Still Confused About Medicare Part A And Part B Enrollment - Ask Rusty

**Dear Rusty:** I'm 64 and still working full time, and plan to continue working at least until I'm 70 ~ it's a good job, and I enjoy it. My job comes with health insurance, so I don't really need additional coverage, but I understand I will be required to sign up for Medicare Part A anyway when I turn 65 next year. What I don't understand is Part B: A colleague of mine, who is a little older than I am, said she signed up for Part B because a penalty will be incurred if we wait until we retire from our jobs and actually need the additional insurance. I'm not sure she's right. Can you explain what I should do?

**Signed:** Confused About Medicare

**Dear Confused:** We're happy to assist you with understanding this. First, enrolling in Medicare Part A (coverage for inpatient hospitalization service) is mandatory to collect Social Security after age 65. If you do not plan to take your Social Security benefits yet, you can defer enrolling in Part A until you claim Social Security. But Medicare Part A is also free to those eligible for Social Security, so there is little reason not to enroll in Part A at age 65 and, when you claim Social Security, you will be automatically enrolled.

Part B, which is coverage for outpatient healthcare services (doctors, medical tests, etc.), is different. Part B is always

optional because there is a premium associated with it (standard premium is \$185/month in 2025), but nearly everyone over age 65 requires healthcare coverage. If, however, you are employed and have "creditable" healthcare coverage from your employer ("creditable" is a group plan with more than 20 participants), then you can defer enrolling in Medicare Part B until your creditable employer coverage ends. And you can do so without incurring a "late enrollment penalty" for enrolling in Part B outside of your Initial Enrollment Period (IEP). When your creditable coverage from your employer ends, you will enter an 8-month Medicare "special enrollment period" (SEP) which permits you to enroll in Part B without penalty.

Thus, as long as your employer coverage is "creditable," you can defer enrolling in Part B without penalty. FYI, you can also enroll in Part B a couple of months prior to your employer coverage ending, asking that your Part B coverage starts when your employer coverage ends, to avoid any gap in healthcare coverage. Note you will likely need your employer to provide you with proof of creditable coverage when you later enroll in Part B.

A couple of extra thoughts:

If you require prescription drug coverage when your employer coverage ends after age 65, you only have 63 days to acquire that drug coverage without incurring a "Part D" (drug plan) late enrollment penalty. So, if needed, you should not wait to get insurance coverage for prescription drugs after you employer coverage ends.

If you now have a Health Savings Account (HSA) through your employer, you should discontinue any HSA contributions well before (perhaps as much as six months before) your enrollment in Medicare Part A. That's because Part A is not considered a "high deductible" insurance plan (a "high deductible" plan is a requirement for having a Health Savings Account). If you do not have an HSA, you need not be concerned about this. If you do, we can also provide you with more info on this.

I hope this answers your questions, but we are always here to assist if you need anything further. Contact us at SSAdvisor@amacfoundation.org, or at (800) 750-2622.

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Senior TRIVIA

Pop Quiz  
Test your knowledge!

- 1) Which is the only state named after a president?
2. Which goddess is queen of the Roman gods?
- 3) Who wrote the poem "Paradise Lost"?
- 4) Which monarch was known as the Sun King?
- 5) How many movies did Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers make together?
- 6) The country of Malta is on which continent?
- 7) What is a substance that speeds up a chemical reaction?
- 8) What is tzatziki?
- 9) What is the name of the family in the sitcom "Arrested Development"?
- 10) What part of the brain converts short-term memory into long-term memory?

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# Kearns Proudly Pays Tribute To Purple Heart Veterans For National Purple Heart Day



**Erie County Clerk Michael P. Kearns pays tribute to 15 Purple Heart Recipients added to the William J. Donovan Purple Heart Book of Merit for 2025 during a Dedication and Flag Raising Ceremony that included honorees, family members, veteran organizations, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart, Chapters 187 and 264.**

In honor of Purple Heart Appreciation Day, Erie County Clerk Michael P. Kearns recognized Erie County Purple Heart Recipients being added to the William J. Donovan Purple Heart Book of Merit for 2024. No formal

record of Purple Heart Recipients in Erie County existed prior to 2018 when Kearns originated Erie County's version of the "Book of Merit."

"An estimated 2 million servicemen and women who fought and lost their lives or received life-altering injury protecting our great country and have earned the Purple Heart," stated Kearns. "These selfless individuals come from all walks of life and backgrounds, and more specifically, from across Erie County. While the majority of veterans do not seek our thanks and praise, I firmly believe we owe them both." National Purple Heart Day is observed annually on August 7th and dedicated to remembering and honoring the brave men and women of the United States Armed Forces who were wounded on the battlefield or lost their lives in combat operations.

The Purple Heart is a United States military decoration awarded in the name of the president to those wounded or killed while serving on or after April 5, 1917, with the

U.S. military. Originally called the Badge of Military Merit, the Purple Heart was created by George Washington on August 7, 1782. In addition to receiving a purple heart shaped medal, the honoree's name and regiment were inscribed in the "Book of Merit" which was lost after the Revolutionary War and the award was largely forgotten until over 100 years later. The Purple Heart is the oldest military decoration still awarded to members of the U.S. military.

"It is my esteemed honor to present the 2025 Purple Heart Recipient Names being added to the William J. Donovan Purple Heart Book of Merit," said Kearns. "The lack of records on Purple Heart recipients was always a surprise to me. As the chief document and records holder for the county, I wanted to create a way for the names of Purple Heart Recipients to be acknowledged and remembered."

The 2025 volume of the William J. Donovan Purple Heart Recipients Book of Merit will now hold the names

of five hundred ninety (590) Purple Heart Recipients from across Erie County, with the additional fifteen (15) veterans added at today's ceremony.

The book is named after Buffalo native and leading advocate for the Central Intelligence Agency, William J. Donovan. Prior to becoming known as the "Father of American Intelligence", Donovan served in the United States Infantry and was one of the first units deployed to Europe during World War I. Donovan would receive three Purple Hearts during his service in the military and would go on to head the Central Intelligence Agency, during World War II.

This year's ceremony was held at Old County Hall, home to the Erie County Clerk's Office, in the Ceremonial Court Room, followed by a Purple Heart flag raising observance at the statue of President George Washington. The ceremony began with a welcome from County Clerk Kearns, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by World War II Veteran Dr. John Long, with the National Anthem performed by local lyricist George Miller. Kearns presented Certificates of Recognition and commemorative Purple Heart pins along with Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapters 187 and 264 to recipients or their family members as the honoree's names, branch of service, and war was read aloud.

The William J. Donovan Purple Heart Recipients Book of Merit is on permanent display at the Erie County Clerk's Office inside Old County Hall at 92 Franklin Street. Along with the book, there are also historical photos of William J. Donovan, a portrait of Donovan, and a World War I era Purple Heart with two oak leaf clusters donated to the Clerk's Office. Submissions for the 2026 Purple Heart Recipients Book of Merit are currently being accepted online at [erie.gov/clerk/purple-heartform](http://erie.gov/clerk/purple-heartform) or by contacting the County Clerk's office at 716-858-6787.

"I strongly believe we must honor our military heroes who have been injured or lost their lives while serving our country and were awarded this national recognition. Their bravery and sacrifice deserve to be celebrated. I am proud that we can preserve the legacy of our local servicemen and servicewomen at the Erie County Clerk's Office," added Kearns.

Additionally, County Clerk Kearns announced Old County Hall will be lit up purple through August 10th in honor of Purple Heart Appreciation Day and in solemn recognition for all service members injured or killed in action.





# The Grapevine

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**Lewis J. Bennett Prepares to Celebrate 100 Years of Educational Prowess:** Buffalo's Bennett High School is preparing to celebrate 100 years of the "School on the Hill". Built on land donated to the city by businessman Lewis J. Bennett, construction started in 1923 and finished in 1925. The school has seen countless thousands of students through its halls. In recognition of all that this North Buffalo treasure has

meant to its alumni and countless faculty and staff, the Bennett Alumni Association has announced its plans for the 100th Anniversary Weekend - Friday, September 19, Saturday, September 20 and Sunday, September 21, 2025. With a theme of Cherishing the Past • Celebrating the Present • Embracing the Future, the Alumni strive to continue supporting the school in its commitment to excellence. Information can be found on our website - [bennettalumni.com](http://bennettalumni.com). Please send your questions to [bennettalumniassociation@gmail.com](mailto:bennettalumniassociation@gmail.com) or text or call Neil Lange at 716-308-5451.



**Farewell To Summer Evening Returns:** The annual Farewell to Summer gala evening returns on Thursday, September 4, 2025. The annual event will be held at Kloc's Grove & Banquet Hall, 1245 Seneca Creek Rd., West Seneca, NY, from 5:30 to 9 p.m. All proceeds will benefit seminarians of the Diocese of Buffalo. Rev. Richard Augustyn, director of Pastoral CareNolunteer Services at the Buffalo General Hospital and director of the St. Jude Center for Pastoral Care and Wellness, is chairperson. This event incorporates a sit down dinner, Chinese

auction and split club raffle with all proceeds to be used to prepare men for the priesthood. Tickets for the dinner are \$50.00 per person and are available by mail. Please include a self addressed envelope together with check payable to St. Jude Center Seminarian Scholarship Fund, do Edward J. Res-

ka, 4654 Kingswood Lane, Hamburg, NY 14075 or call 716.648.0370 for more information. Deadline for reservations is August 25, 2025. Split Club Raffle tickets are available at six for \$5.00 by sending a self-addressed envelope with a check payable to St. Jude Center, do 295 Enez Drive, Depew, NY 14043.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Urban Farm Day Returns Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>

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Visitors will have the opportunity to buy fresh produce at many of the sites, in addition to enjoying more than a dozen activities planned during the day, among them:  
A Community Bake at Groundwork Market Garden from 12 p.m.- 4 p.m., offering outdoor oven-fired pizza. Visitors are welcome to bring, bake and share their own offerings. Learn more.

a private, policy-focused tour. UFD committee members will host policy makers at 4 sites, and it's our hope to deepen their understanding of and interest in urban ag issues, e.g. water access, land acquisition, food access and more.

Special Ticketed Events from UFD Partners:

Explore Buffalo Bus Tour: Reserve a seat on the bus tour to visit 5 urban farms and learn more about their impact on Buffalo's food community. (Starts at 9 a.m., \$44/person.) Reserve your ticket.

Harvest Roll - 12-3pm: Harvest Roll is Slow Roll Buffalo's annual curated ride, experience, and fundraiser, partnering this year in exploring and supporting urban farms and food systems in WNY. Learn more.

Visitors are encouraged to download a map to plan in advance. For more information and to reserve spots for the special ticketed events, visit [UrbanFarmDay.com](http://UrbanFarmDay.com)

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sharing gardens through events like the Garden Artw Sale, Garden Walk Buffalo, America's largest garden tour; the East Side Garden Walk; Tour of Open Gardens on Thursdays and Fridays in July; Conservation Day in Bidwell Park, and promoting the many other garden tours of Buffalo Niagara.

## Obituary

**Bonsack, James L.**  
April 18, 1934 – August 4, 2025



Beloved husband of Irene (Gorski); dear father of Linda (Mark Maciejewski) Bonsack, Karen (Douglas) Fohrd, and Ann Marie Jacobs; loving grandfather of Michelle and Ashley Fohrd, Joshua, and Erik (Amanda) Jacobs; brother of Beverly Oatfield and the late Robert C. (late Barbara) Bonsack. The family would like friends to join them at a future service to be announced at St. Philip the Apostle RC Church. James retired from the city of Buffalo Police Dept. after 22 years and NY Central/Conrail after 43 years. Please share online condolences at [www.PACERFUNERALHOME.com](http://www.PACERFUNERALHOME.com)

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SUPREME COURT STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ERIE CITIZENS BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, -against- GREGORY SPIKES; John Roe and Jane Roe, said names being fictitious and unknown to Plaintiffs, the persons or parties intended being all known and unknown heirs-at-law and next-of-kin of Jacqueline L. Lee a/k/a Jacqueline L. Spikes, deceased, late of the City of Buffalo, County of Erie, and State of New York; SUSTAINABLE NEIGHBORHOODS LLC; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; and AUDREY SPIKES Defendants. SUMMONS WITH NOTICE Index No. 816980/2024 TO: John Roe and Jane Roe, said names being fictitious and unknown to Plaintiffs, the persons or parties intended being all known and unknown heirs-at-law and next-of-kin of Jacqueline L. Lee a/k/a Jacqueline L. Spikes, deceased, late of the City of Buffalo, County of Erie, and State of New York: YOU ARE HEREBY

SUMMONED and required to serve upon plaintiff's attorneys an answer to the complaint in this action within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if the summons is not personally served upon you with in the State of New York. The United States, if designated a defendant on this action, may appear or answer within sixty (60) days of service. In case of your failure to answer, judgment will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. The basis of the venue designated is that the mortgaged property is located in Erie County. TO: John Roe and Jane Roe, said names being fictitious and unknown to Plaintiffs, the persons or parties intended being all known and unknown heirs-at-law and next-of-kin of Jacqueline L. Lee a/k/a Jacqueline L. Spikes, deceased, late of the City of Buffalo, County of Erie, and State of New York: The foregoing summons

is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. John J. Delmonte, Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated the 16 th day of July, 2025, and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Office of the Clerk of Erie County. This is an action for foreclosure of a mortgage made by Charter One Bank, F.S.B., successor by merger to Citizens Bank, N.A. to Jacqueline L. Lee a/k/a Jacqueline L. Spikes in the original amount of \$24,400.00 with interest, dated June 23, 2000, recorded June 23, 2000 in the Erie County Clerk's Office in Book 12885 at page 9886. The relief sought is the foreclosure of the mortgage lien and the public sale of the mortgaged premises and in case of your failure to appear, judgment may be taken against you extinguishing any interest or judgment lien you may have in the mortgaged premises. The premises indexed in this action are described and commonly known as 332 W. Delavan Av-

enue, City of Buffalo, County of Erie, State of New York (SBL#: 88.84-1-4). A copy of the full legal description can be obtained by contacting counsel below. Dated: 7/25/2025 COOPER

ERVING & SAVAGE LLP Albany, New York BY: Matthew E. Minniefield, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiff 20 Corporate Woods Blvd., Suite 501 Albany, New York 12211 (518) 449-3900 36

## GAMES

King Crossword

Answers

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INDEX NO.: 813375/2023 Plaintiff designates ERIE as the place of trial situs of the real property SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS Mortgaged Premises: 43 GJOR STREET BUFFALO, NY 14207 Section: 88.27, Block: 1, Lot: 31 SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ERIE \_\_\_\_\_

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC. TRUST 2004-HE3, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-HE3, Plaintiff, vs. LEAH FROST AS ADMINISTRATRIX, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANGELA KLOS; STEPHEN KLOS, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANGELA KLOS, if living, and if she/he be dead, any and all persons unknown to plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or general or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or lien upon, or title to said real property by, through or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors and assigns, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to plaintiff; LISA ROSS, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF ANGELA KLOS; WESTSIDE NHS, INC.; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; BLAKE WILSON, "JOHN DOE #2" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last eleven names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises, described in the complaint, Defendants. \_\_\_\_\_

To the above named Defendants YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in the above entitled action and to serve a copy of your Answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service of the same is complete where service is made in any manner other 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. Your failure to appear or to answer will result in a judgment against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. In the event that a deficiency balance remains from the sale proceeds, a judgment may be entered against you. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above caption action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure the sum of \$50,100.00 and interest, recorded on February 06, 2004, in Book 13143 at Page 1627, of the Public Records of ERIE County, New York.,

covering premises known as 43 GJOR STREET, BUFFALO, NY 14207. The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above. ERIE County is designated as the place of trial because the real property affected by this action is located in said county. 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 the mortgage company will not stop the 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. Dated: June 12th, 2025 ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff Brandon Kopcienski, Esq. 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310 Westbury, NY 11590 516-280-7675 34

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name of LLC: The Parlor Bakery LLC. Date of filing of Articles of Organization with the NY Dept. of State: 06/05/2025. Office of the LLC: (43 Ripley pl Buffalo, NY 14213, 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 (43 Ripley pl Buffalo, NY 14213). Purpose of LLC: Home Bakery. No specific duration attached to LLC. 34

Notice of Formation of Grandpa Roscoe's LLC LLC Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/21/2025 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 80 Brewster St Depew NY 14043. Any lawful purpose. 36

Supplemental Summons and Notice of Object of Action SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ERIE ACTION TO FORECLOSE A MORTGAGE INDEX #: 807414/2025 MIDFIRST BANK Plaintiff, vs DWAYNE HICKS, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, MAYNARD NURSING HOME, INC., CARL MARTINO, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE, ERIE COUNTY CLERK JOHN DOE (Those unknown tenants, occupants, persons or corporations or their heirs, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, assignees, creditors or successors claiming an interest in the mortgaged premises.) Defendant(s). MORTGAGED PREMISES: 751 Woodlawn Avenue Buffalo, NY 14211 To the Above named Defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the Complaint is not served with this Supplemental Summons, to serve a

notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s) with- in twenty days after the service of this Supplemental Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Supplemental Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York). In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. The Attorney for Plaintiff has an office for business in the County of Erie. Trial to be held in the County of Erie. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. TO Maynard Nursing Home, Inc. Defendant In this Action. The foregoing Supplemental Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. Emilio L. Colaiacovo of the Supreme Court Of The State Of New York, dated the Eighteenth day of July, 2025 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Erie, in the City of Buffalo. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage upon the premises described below, executed by Dwayne Hicks dated the June 29, 1998, to secure the sum of \$62,883.00 and recorded at Book 12794, Page 2002 in the Office of the Erie County Clerk on June 29, 1998. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed June 29, 1998 and recorded on June 29, 1998, in the Office of the Erie County Clerk at Book 12794, Page 2043. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed March 15, 2004 and recorded on May 12, 2004, in the Office of the Erie County Clerk at Book 13161, Page 3848. The mortgage was subsequently assigned by an assignment executed December 1, 2008 and recorded on December 8, 2008, in the Office of the Erie County Clerk at Book 13428, Page 6768. Said Mortgage was subsequently modified by a Loan Modification Agreement executed by Dwayne Hicks on May 8, 2009 and recorded June 9, 2009 in Book 13450, Page 1063 in the Office of the Erie County Clerk. Said Mortgage was subsequently modified by a Loan Modification Agreement executed by Dwayne Hicks on November 21, 2014 and recorded January 27, 2015 in Book 13710, Page 428 in the Office of the Erie County Clerk. Said Mortgage was subsequently modified by a Loan

Modification Agreement executed by Dwayne Hicks on March 1, 2023 and recorded March 24, 2023 in Book 14085, Page 7401 in the Office of the Erie County Clerk. Said Mortgage was subsequently modified by a Loan Modification Agreement executed by Dwayne Hicks on August 7, 2024 and recorded September 18, 2024 in Book 14138, Page 1351 in the Office of the Erie County Clerk. The property in question is described as follows: 751 Woodlawn Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14211 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. DATED: July 21, 2025 Gross Polowy LLC Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s) 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 The law firm of Gross Polowy LLC and the attorneys whom it employs are debt collectors who are attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained by them will be used for that purpose. 86690

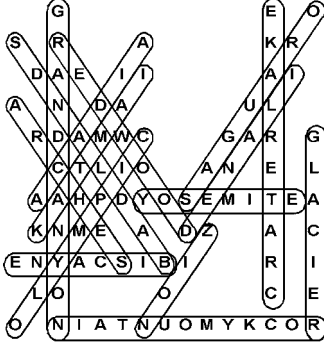
PUBLIC AUCTION to satisfy overdue storage charges pursuant to UCC Code Section 7- 209, 210, and/or Articles 8 and 9, Sections 182, 184, 201, 201A-203 of the Lien Law of the State of New York, August 17, 2025 - August 24, 2025, online at www.cashauction.com. The following units will be auctioned from Metro Storage; SEAN BROWN UNIT LL57, ANTHONY PERRY UNIT 2F217,

MARY JONES UNIT MM931, ERIC JOHNSON UNIT 2F203 & UNIT LL98, KIMBERLY BRIGHON UNIT 2F348, WILL HOLMES UNIT 2F472, DEWITT LEE UNIT TEXT08, LOREN LOBBAN UNIT BK208, AND EBONY GORDON UNIT LL95. All units are contents of the storage unit. This list is an incomplete, representative sample only. All items are subject to redemption before the sale, and are sold "as is, where is." 15% Buyer's Premium. Cash Auctions 716.282.8466. 34

Notice of Formation of (Holly A. Massett, LLC), LLC Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on (06/24/2025). 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 (Holly A. Massett, LLC, 41 19th St. Buffalo, NY 14213). Any lawful purpose. 35

Notice of Formation of Broadstone LLC Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on June 8th, 2025 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 (155 Montbleu drive Getzville NY 14068). Any lawful purpose. 37

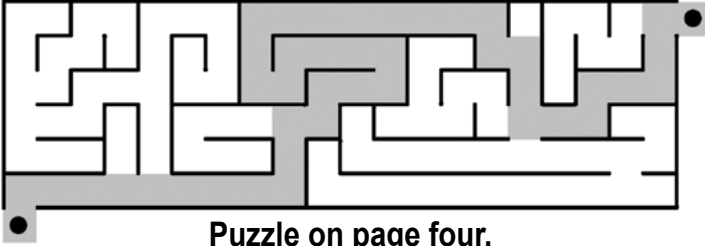
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