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Great Pumpkin Farm's Fall Festival



The Great Pumpkin Farm Festival is now underway, open daily 10 am to 7 pm from September 13 - October 31.

Western New York's favorite fall festival is back and bigger than ever! The Great Pumpkin Farm's Fall Festival is all about wholesome fun, great food and enjoying everything the season has to offer. It's where families come to get their pumpkins, mums and cornstalks, to enjoy



the thrill of the rides and the chills of the events, attractions and shows and where you can enjoy a delicious warm donut on a crisp fall day, along with a glass of fresh cider or a specialty Halloween drink at the Witches Brew Bar & Café. It's a great place to take photos of the little ones

or find that special Halloween decoration in the Pumpkin Palace. Simply put, the Great Pumpkin Farm's Fall Festival is a great way to celebrate fall, celebrate family and celebrate FUN.

September 20 & 21

Zombies in the corn maze from noon to 4 pm

All Attractions running including Amusement
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Fifth Annual Fitness On The Field Comes To Highmark Stadium



The annual "Fitness on the Field" is back at Highmark Stadium starting September 19 and 20.

The fifth annual Fitness on the Field, presented by Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, is returning to Highmark Stadium for a full weekend of fitness and

family fun on September 19 and 20.

This year's event – the last on the stadium's current field – boasts a diverse lineup of activities,

from sunset yoga and salsa dancing to bootcamp, Pilates, and spinning. Plus, a kidszone, mini golf experience and appearances by Billy Buffalo make it a full-family event.

A donation of just \$10 per date, collected upon registration, unlocks access to all 45-minute fitness and spin classes. 100% of proceeds, matched dollar-for-dollar by Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield, will directly benefit a local nonprofit chosen by participating fitness studios. Plus, participants
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September Is Passport Awareness Month

The Erie County Clerk's Office is celebrating National Passport Awareness Month by reminding the traveling public that my office is an official Passport Application Acceptance Agent of the United States Passport Service for first-time customers and children. Further, I would like to remind current passport holders to ensure that their document is valid prior to traveling.

This information is hardly ever mentioned by airlines upon making your international flight reservations. As a first step in planning any trip abroad, check to see what identifying documents are required for your intended destination and verify that

your passport is valid for at least six months.

Additionally, U.S. travelers must meet the REAL ID compliance standard in order to board domestic flights and access certain federal facilities. A valid U.S. passport book, a passport card, a state-issued enhanced (EDL) driver license or enhanced non-driver identification card all meet the new security standards.

Passport applications, a list of all required documents, and detailed breakdown of the new fee schedule are available by visiting erie.gov/passports or by contacting the Erie County Clerk's Outreach Center at (716) 858-8864.

Memories

From the Buffalo Rocket archives



September, 1993. ST. MARGARET'S PREPARES FOR JUBILEE WITH HELP FROM LOCAL BUSINESS... Out of respect for heritage of St. Margaret's, 1386 Hertel Avenue, the president of the 127-year-old Kittinger Company, Nicholas Dafino, right, is shown presenting a priceless Kittinger coffee table to the Diamond Jubilee Committee headed by Monsignor James D. Kelly, pastor, Mary Ellen Keohane, chairperson, and Barbara Berryman Brandt, co-chair-person (from right).

Local Weather

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH



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High 75°
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH



Sunny
High 76°
Low 56°

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH



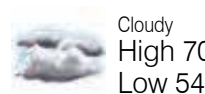
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High 76°
Low 58°

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST



Cloudy
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Low 59°

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND



Cloudy
High 70°
Low 54°

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD



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9:45 Tue 9/16: (1:30), (4:15), 7:00, 9:45
Wed 9/17: (1:30), (4:15), 7:00, 9:45
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Great Pumpkin Farm's Fall Festival

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rides, 5 acre corn maze, Pedal Kart Rides, Contest, Entertainment, and more!
September 27 & 28
Clowns in the Corn Maze (noon to 4 pm)
All attractions running including the Petting Zoo, Corn maze, Boo Barn, Hay maze, Hayrides, and SO much more
October 4 & 5
World Pumpkin Weigh-Off beginning at noon on Saturday
All attractions running including live music at the Witches Brew Outdoor bar, carnival food, jumping pillows, and SO much more
October 11, 12, & 13
Pumpkin Olympics
All attractions running including Mining for Gems, Pumpkin Hill Slide, Pedal Kart rides, Contests, Crafts and SO more
Zombies in the Corn Maze (noon to 4 pm)
October 18 & 19
All attractions running including 5-acre Corn maze, Boo Barn, Hay maze, Hayrides, Apple & Pumpkin Donuts, and SO much more
Clowns in the Corn Maze (noon to 4 pm)
October 25 & 26
Final Weekend! All attractions will be running including Hayrides, Corn Maze, Zombie Train, Apple Cannons, Amusement Rides, and SO much more!
Costume Contest on both days

Last chance to get your pumpkins and apple cider!
Zombies in the Corn Maze from noon to 4
The Great Pumpkin Farm
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September 13 - October 31
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Coupons with your paid admission include:
\$2 off the Cornmaze
\$1 off the Panning for Gems
\$1 off the Zombie Train
\$2 off the Apple/Pumpkin Cannons
\$1 off the Jumbo Pillows
For details on all pricing for all attractions, visit their website.
Visit Week Days, too!
The Great Pumpkin Farm will be open every day beginning September 13 through October 31, and there's NO admission fee on weekdays (except on Columbus Day). This is a terrific outing if you've got little ones. You can visit The Pumpkin Palace as well as a petting zoo, hay maze and playground. The bakery and candy store are open, and guests can purchase pumpkins, cornstalks, gourds, apples, and cider.
You'll love all the family-friendly fall fun at The Great Pumpkin Farm, one of my favorite places in Western New York! For more information and schedule details, visit www.greatpumpkinfarm.com.

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SCRAMBLERS
Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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Mend
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Skip
PACER

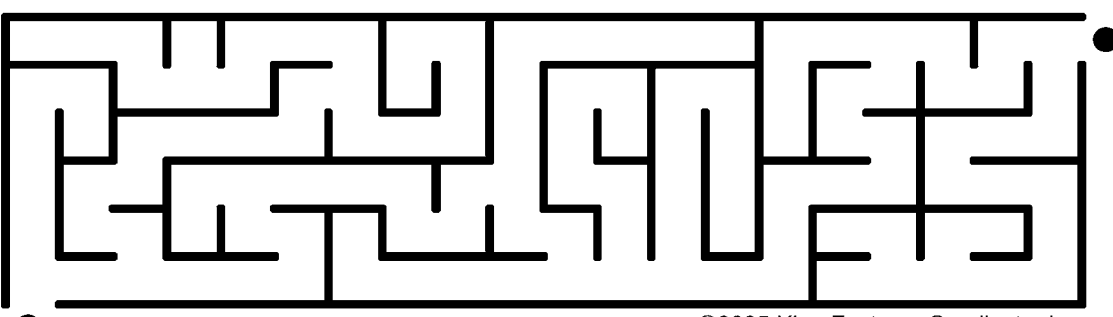
Swamp
GHOULS

TODAY'S WORD

"My first selection is a _____ song against piano lessons."

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Kids' Maze



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Answers on page seven.



The Blotter

Felonies

From "D" District

A Slew Of Breaking And Enterings Hit Hertel Avenue

North Buffalo
September 15, 2025
Hertel Avenue - Victim states he woke up to find handprints on his bathroom window caused when the defendant did enter. While inside, a \$5 can of Lysol was removed from the house without permission.

September 15, 2025
Hertel Avenue - Defendant did enter through a side window, after removing plants from a table in front of the window and taking them outside as well as a statue of a giraffe statue valued at \$10 before entering the home and remaining unlawfully without permission from the home owner.

September 15, 2025
Hertel Avenue - Defendant did arrive at Wegmans in a stolen vehicle belonging to victim, a 2021 Volkswagen Atlas. While inside Wegmans defendant did attempt to use a stolen credit card belonging to victim. Victim did receive a notification to his phone that there was an attempt to use his card at the location. Video provided by Wegmans does show defendant arriving in a stolen vehicle and in the store attempting to use the stolen credit card. Identification of suspect made from video still by a parole officer.

September 15, 2025
Hertel Avenue - Defendant did enter a dwelling, by means of cutting open a screen on a rear window and entering through the window into the kitchen of the home. While inside defendant did take a single can of beer from the fridge as well as an \$800 electric scooter belonging to one of the tenants at the home. Defendant did then exit through the front door. Incident caught on both interior and exterior security cameras belonging to the owner of a home. Identification of defendant made by defendant's parole officer.

September 15, 2025
Hertel Avenue - Defendant did enter the un-

locked back door and remained unlawfully while taking a \$10,000 carbon fiber road bike, a \$150 Bose radio, a \$300 REI sleeping bag and a \$100 Eddie Bauer jacket, blue in color.

September 13, 2025
Hertel Avenue - Defendant did enter and remain unlawfully upon real property which was fenced and designed to exclude intruders. Defendant did pass through the latched and closed gate and while in yard did rummage through complainants vehicle and did enter without permission the detached garage.

Riverside
September 16, 2025
Elmwood Avenue - Defendant did enter Home

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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: SLY LIKE A —

Cabbage	Cross	Pepper	Snapper
Carpet	Dwarf	Planet	Square
Corpuscle	Onions	Ribbon	Squirrel
Crescent	Panda	Salmon	

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Depot and did conceal merchandise in his overalls then did leave the store passing all points of purchase. Total taken \$211.89.

September 16, 2025
Condon Avenue - Defendant did unlawfully enter victim's home through back window causing damage of the window lock and while entering through the window and inside did break the window rod. Defendant did then enter victim's room and did stand over victim in an aggressive manner placing the victim in fear of physical harm. While standing over victim, defendant and threaten to hurt victim if she called the police. Damage value at \$120.00. Victim stated defendant does not live on Condon Avenue.



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King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Wildebeests
5 Snitch
8 Utah ski resort
12 Impetuous
13 Adam's mate
14 Acquires
15 "Zip- — -Doo-Dah"
16 Beer purchases
18 Fawcett of '70s TV
20 Speeder's punishment
21 Chanteuse Edith
23 Chap
24 Edible pod
28 "Auld Lang —"

31 Blunder
32 — -Croat
34 Texas tea
35 Scrambled wd.
37 Brazilian city
39 Dad on "Black-ish"
41 San — Obispo, Calif.
42 Thelma's buddy
45 Brother's son
49 Ink-loaded accessory
51 Continental coin

52 Carry
53 Rage
54 Family
55 Beholds
56 Scoundrel
57 To-do list item

DOWN

1 Tennis great Steffi
2 Zilch
3 Addict
4 Everest guide
5 Molds anew
6 Bird (Pref.)

7 Libretto
8 You can count on it
9 Comment to a jackpot winner
10 Youngster
11 CEO's aide
17 Farm squealer
19 Melodies
22 Untamed
24 Salty expanse
25 Samovar
26 School alumnus
27 Was plentiful
29 Zero

30 "Strange Magic" gp.
33 Mayberry boy
36 Tony-winner Tammy
38 Phase
40 "Sixth sense"
42 D-Day carriers
43 Oklahoma tribe
44 Grand tale
46 Luau dance
47 Historic times
48 Policy expert
50 Notre Dame coach

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FREE PIZZA: Matthews Kharmia, 423 Lisbon 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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Should I Claim Social Security Early Because it is Going Bankrupt? - Ask Rusty

Dear Rusty: My best friend is going to be 62 and wants to begin taking her Social Security immediately. Her reasoning not to wait is the thought that it is going to run out in 10 years, so she wants as much of her money before that happens. I have paid into Social Security my entire working life (44 years and counting). What are your thoughts on taking it as soon as you are eligible? **Signed: Uncertain what to do**

Dear Uncertain: Deciding when to claim Social Security is a sometimes-confusing task, but no one should ever claim SS early because they believe Social Security will go bankrupt in the near future. Social Security cannot and will not go bankrupt. What your friend may be referring to is the fact that Social Security will be facing some financial issues in 2033 unless Congress acts soon to reform the program. And they will act, but likely not until they must.

The fact is, Social Security still has about \$2.7 trillion in reserved funds which are now being used to pay full benefits. If that Reserves balance were to be fully depleted, then Social Security would need to go to a "cash basis" (essentially, paying out in benefits only what is received in SS taxes), which would result in about a 21% cut in everyone's bene-

fit. In other words, even if Congress neglected to reform the program, beneficiaries would still get about 79% of their monthly benefit starting in about 2033/2034. Hardly anyone believes that Congress will fail to eventually reform Social Security, and, in fact, they already know how to do that reform (they just currently lack the bipartisanship to accomplish it). But neglecting reform would amount to political suicide for all members of Congress, which is extremely unlikely to happen.

Here at the AMAC Foundation, we are confident that Congress will soon address Social Security's future financial dilemma, and we have been working on potential solutions. We have, for several years, been providing these suggestions to various members of Congress, and those members are now considering our proposals. Thus, we do not suggest making a Social Security claiming decision based on fear of the program going bankrupt. That fear is unfounded. Instead, we suggest that everyone decide when to claim based upon their individual personal situation, considering their need for the SS money,

their life expectancy, and their marital status. And remember, claiming early (before one's SS full retirement age (FRA)) also means Social Security's Annual Earnings Test (AET) will apply (the AET limits how much can be earned from working before FRA is attained).

So, our thought on the wisdom of taking Social Security as soon as you

are eligible is that it is often not a wise decision, and certainly not if that decision is made based on fear of Social Security "not being there" soon. Instead, we suggest making your Social Security claiming decision based upon your unique personal circumstances, including, especially, your life expectancy, financial need, and marital status.

Senior TRIVIA

Pop Quiz

Test your knowledge!

- 1) What was the name of Ron Burgundy's dog in "Anchorman"?
2. The middle school student Greg Heffley is the protagonist of which book series?
- 3) What is the Abyssal Zone in the ocean?
- 4) Where is the island of Aruba located?
- 5) Which city is the setting for the series "Breaking Bad"?
- 6) What is the fear of colors called?
- 7) What connects muscles to bones?
- 8) Which state is home to the Badlands National Park?
- 9) Who was the sixth president of the United States?
- 10) What is September's traditional birthstone?

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YMCA Celebrates Cultural Unity With Welcoming Week And Open House

All five YMCA Buffalo Niagara branches will host Welcoming Week from Sunday, September 14 to Saturday, September 20. Welcoming Week is an annual event that celebrates communities coming together to promote cross-cultural understanding and raise awareness of the benefits of welcoming everyone.

Throughout the week, each of the five YMCA branches will have culturally-inspired activities in the lobby. This is a chance for neighbors—both immigrants and U.S.-born residents—to get to know one another and celebrate

what unites us as a community.

The William-Emslie YMCA will host a Naturalization Ceremony on Thursday, September 18 at 9:00 a.m. The week culminates with a Try the Y for Free Open House on Saturday, September 20 where the public is invited to enjoy a workout, try a fitness class and swim at the YMCA for free. Anyone who joins during this time can save \$75 on the join fee.

The Y will also be accepting donations to Journey's End Refugee Services to help support refugees



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and immigrants on their journey toward self-sufficiency.

For interview requests, please contact Paul Stockman at pstockman@ymcabn.org or (678) 232-5919. Go to YMCABN.org or visit any YMCA Buffalo Niagara location to learn more about Welcoming Week and all activities.

Locally founded in 1852, YMCA Buffalo Niagara is a charitable, community based organization committed to providing programs designed to build a healthy spirit, mind, and body for all. The YMCA's focus on youth development, healthy living and social responsibility is reflected in the variety of programs that are offered to all ages and abilities. A nonprofit organization, YMCA Buffalo Niagara serves over 100,000 people annually through five membership branches and four camps throughout Western New York, as well as at over 50 community based program sites. For more information please visit YMCABN.org.

Fifth Annual Fitness On The Field Comes To Highmark Stadium

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can refuel and recover with post-workout snacks and recovery stations provided by Stretch Labs.

"It's remarkable to reflect on how Fitness on the Field has flourished within our community over the last five years—from its expanded offerings and attendance to its increasing impact," said Michael Ball, vice president, community affairs, Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield. "Our partnership with the Buffalo Bills has transformed Highmark Stadium into a vibrant center where health and community thrive. This event embodies that spirit, and this year holds special importance as we mark our final fitness event here, paving the way for exciting opportunities at the new stadium."

Registration is required, visit Fitness on the Field Presented by Highmark

BCBS | Buffalo Bills Account Manager to sign up today.

The 2025 Fitness on the Field line-up includes:

Friday, September 19
6:30 p.m.: Sunset Yoga with HEAL BFLO
7:30 p.m.: Under the Lights: Salsa Dancing

Saturday, September 20
8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.: Shannon Connors Fitness
9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.: Next Level Bootcamp
9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.: Spinning Class with Rebel Ride*

10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.: Body of Wealth
10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.: Spark Fitness*

11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.: Every Body Plus Pilates
11:00 a.m. – 11:45 p.m.: RISE Fitness*

*Spin classes are limited to 50 individuals per class and availability will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Fall Fest Returns To Canalside September 27

Get ready for some festive fall fun for the whole family at Canalside on Saturday, Sept. 27. Free activities for kids and adults will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. as Buffalo Waterfront hosts its final Canalside event of the season.

The lineup for Fall Fest 2025, presented by Citizens Bank, includes:

- Storytimes & giveaways by Barb's Book Buddies
- Petting zoo following a sold-out Goat Yoga class, presented by Highmark Blue Cross
- Blue Shield
- Village Play Voyager – Playground on Wheels
- Bounce house
- Chalk artists
- Live music by the Alumni Band from 1 to 4 p.m. on the boardwalk
- Prize wheel & giveaways from Highmark
- Vendors with specialty gifts, apparel, artisan products, books, specialty foods & more

While the event is free to attend, a \$5 kid pass guarantees a pumpkin to decorate and a Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield bag with trinkets and activities, plus admission and ice skate rentals for the Ice at Canalside's winter season, courtesy of Rich Entertainment Group (REG). Kid passes can be purchased at Fall Fest or in advance online.

Fall Fest attendees can also enter to win prize packages from REG's portfolio of businesses, including treats from Frost Artisan Bak-

ery, a gift certificate for the Glen Iris Inn, free tickets to a 2026 Buffalo Bisons home game and more.

"Our annual Fall Fest is the perfect way to wrap up the beautiful summer we enjoyed here in Western New York and celebrate the new season," said Lauren Ford, general manager, Buffalo Waterfront. "We invite families to come out, embrace the fall spirit and enjoy a fun day at the waterfront."

Buffalo's Waterfront is a growing regional destination and entertainment district encompassing Canalside and Outer Harbor. The Buffalo Waterfront hosts large events and daily activities of all types and strives to provide public access to the land and waterways on the Lake Erie shoreline. Operated by the Buffalo Waterfront Management Group, part of Rich Entertainment Group – a subsidiary of Rich Products, the Buffalo Waterfront is the go-to place for locals and out-of-towners of all ages to learn, play and relax. For more information, visit www.buffalowaterfront.com.

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Home Taste (Chinese Cuisine).....3106 Delaware Avenue
Imagine Salon.....1527 Hertel Avenue
Macy's Place.....3100 Delaware Avenue
Joey's Place.....83 Niagara Street
Johnny's Meats.....1191 Hertel Avenue
Knights of Columbus.....1530 Kenmore Avenue
Korona Jewelers.....1588 Hertel Avenue
North Buffalo Community Ctr.....203 Sanders Road

WEST SIDE

Baptist Manor.....276 Linwood Avenue
Buffalo Public Library.....Niagara at Porter
BMHA Housing.....245 Elmwood Avenue
CWJ Lock & Key.....183 Forest Avenue
Corner Store.....Forest & Grant
Delaware Apartments.....1217 Delaware Avenue
Dibble Hardware.....262 West Ferry Street
Elmwood Square Apts.....505 Elmwood Avenue
Fast Stop Food Mart.....326 Military Road
Frontier Liquor & Beverage Ctr.....121 Grant Street
First Niagara Bank.....Elmwood at West Utica
M&T Bank.....130 Grant Street
Military Coin Laundry.....1134 Military Road
Santasio's Restaurant.....1329 Niagara Street

TIMON TOWERS

Timon Towers.....1015 Delaware Avenue
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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. Please send your questions to bennettalumniassociation@gmail.com or text or call Neil Lange at 716-308-5451.

Buffalo River Fest Park: On Friday, September 19 the Buffalo River Fest Park LLC will hold its annual Charity Golf Tournament; Dinner. Golf will be \$80 per person, 4 person scramble with a noon shotgun start at Cazenovia Park Golf Course, 1 Willink Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14210. It will be followed up with dinner starting at 5 p.m. at Buffalo River Fest Park's Wharf which is on the Buffalo River at 249 Ohio Street in Buffalo, New York. There will be contests and prizes throughout the day including a basket raffle! Proceeds will go toward maintaining the park. If you are interested in attending or for more information, please contact Don Rogers at 716-228-4756 or Peg Overdorf at 716-553-8350.

The Kickoff Ceremony for Italian Heritage Month hosted by the Federation of Italian American Societies of Western New York will take place on Saturday October 4,

2025, 12:00pm in Cabri-ni Hall at St. Anthony's Church 160 Court Street, Buffalo NY 14202. At approximately 11:15am we will be raising the Italian Flag in Niagara Square immediately followed by the program inside Cabri-ni Hall which will include procession of regional flags, American and Italian National Anthems, guest speakers and proclamations. In attendance will be members from the Italian American community, local dignitaries and students from Buffalo Public Schools.

The BRRAlliance will host the 4th Annual River Rock Run 5K on September 19, 2025 at 6:00 PM beginning and ending at Riverside Park with a run/walk along the beautiful Niagara River Shoreline Trail. This official USA Track & Field certified and sanctioned 5K with a professionally measured 5 kilometer/3.1-mile-long course was designed to highlight the northwest Buffalo waterfront and the beauty of the area parks, with an evening race chosen to display the beauty of the sunset over the Niagara River, which will be occurring at 7:18 PM on September 19th. Commemorative t-shirts, finisher medals and trophies are all part of the family friendly fun where you can enjoy some refreshments after the run while the sunset glows. New this year the BRRAlliance, which serves to improve the quality of life for those in the North District of Buffalo, has added an option for those out of the area or unable to participate on September 19th to register virtually and complete the 5K anywhere, anytime before September 30th. Virtual runners will download the It's Your Race app to track and record their run and they will receive a

Run t-shirt and finishers medal when they complete their course. Virtual runners will need to supply their own sunset view and post run refreshments! Attendees can register for the River Rock Run online via the River Rock Run It's Your Race page at riverrock.it-syourrace.com, or in person on the day of the event. The cost of registration is \$30.00 online and \$35.00 in-person on the day of the run, \$35.00 to register as a virtual participant. The River Rock Run is a family-friendly all-ages event that serves

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Tacit 2. Patch;
3. Caper; 4. Slough

Today's Word

PROTEST

Puzzle on page six.

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GAMES

King Crossword
Answers
Solution time: 22 mins.

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Puzzle on page three.

Weekly SUDOKU
Answer

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Puzzle on page three.

1. Baxter. 2. "Diary of a Wimpy Kid." 3. The deepest and darkest part of the ocean, at depths of 3,000 to 6,000 meters. 4. Southern Caribbean Sea. 5. Albuquerque, New Mexico. 6. Chromophobia. 7. Tendons. 8. South Dakota. 9. John Quincy Adams. 10. Sapphire.

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INDEX NO.: 815542/2024 Date Filed: 06/ 17 /2025 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS WITH NOTICE MORTGAGED PREMISES: 386 DuShane Drive Buffalo, NY 14223 a/k/a 386 DuShane Drive, Tonawanda, NY 14223 SBL #: 66.60-3-18 Plaintiff designates ERIE County as the place of trial; venue is based upon the county in which the mortgaged premises is situate. STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF ERIE Wintrust Mortgage, a division of Barrington Bank & Trust Company, N.A., Plaintiff, vs. Public Administrator of Erie County, as Administrator of The Estate of Stanislaw S. Kanfold, deceased; Thomas Turnbaugh, as Heir to The Estate of Stanislaw S. Kanfold, deceased; Lacie Marie Rosario, as Heir to The Estate of Stanislaw S. Kanfold, deceased; Unknown Heirs of Stanislaw S. Kanfold, Any and All Unknown heirs of Stanislaw S. Kanfold, all the heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, devisees, grantees, trustees, lienors, creditors, assignees and successors in interest of any of the aforesaid defendants, next of kin, distributees, devisees, grantees, trustees, lienors, creditors, assignees and successors in interest of any of the aforesaid classes of person, if they or any of them be dead, and their respective husbands, wives or widows, if any, and all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to plaintiff, except as herein stated; United States of America o/b/o Internal Revenue Service; New York State Department of Taxation and Finance; John Doe #1 through #6, and Jane Doe #1 through #6, the last twelve names being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants, tenants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises being foreclosed herein, TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: 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 Summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the attorneys for the Plaintiff within 20 days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after service is complete if this 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 Amended Complaint. 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 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. THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$ 145,000.00 and interest, recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Erie on December 31, 2018 , in Book 13883, Page 1029 covering premises known as 386 DuShane Drive, Buffalo, NY 14223 a/k/a 386 DuShane Drive Tonawanda, NY 14223, SBL #: 66.60-3-18 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. The Plaintiff also seeks a deficiency judgment against the Defendants and for any debt secured by said Mortgage which is not satisfied by the proceeds of the sale of said premises. TO the Unknown heirs of Stanislaw S. Kanfold, all the heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, devisees, grantees, trustees, lienors, creditors, assignees and successors in interest of any of the aforesaid defendants, next of kin, distributees, devisees, grantees, trustees, lienors, creditors, assignees and successors in interest of any of the aforesaid classes of person, if they or any of them be dead, and their respective husbands, wives or widows, if any, and all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to plaintiff, except as herein stated, the foregoing Supplemental Summons with Notice is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Amended Order of the Hon. Michael A. Siragusa J.S.C. of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Erie dated and filed August 11, 2025. Dated: August 19, 2025 /s/ Deborah M. Gallo Deborah M. Gallo, Esq. McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLP 420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 840 New York, New York 10170 Phone: 347.286.7409 Fax: 347-286-7414 Attorneys for Plaintiff, Wintrust Mortgage, a division of Barrington Bank & Trust Company, N.A., HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT WE SEND YOU THIS NOTICE ABOUT THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT IN THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. PLEASE READ THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE TO OBTAIN ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF. SOURCES OF INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE. The State encourages you to become informed about your options in foreclosure. In addition to seeking assistance from an attorney or legal aid office, there are government agencies and non-profit organizations that you may contact for information about possible options, including trying to work with your lender during this process. To locate an entity near you, you may call the toll-free helpline maintained by the New York State Banking Department of Financial Services at 1-800-342-3736 or visit the Department's website at www.dfs.ny.gov. FORECLOSURE RESCUE SCAMS Be careful

of people who approach you with offers to “save” your home. There are individuals who watch for notices of foreclosure actions in order to unfairly profit from a homeowner’s distress. You should be extremely careful about any such promises and any suggestions that you pay them a fee or sign over your deed. State law requires anyone offering such services for profit to enter into a contract which fully describes the services they will perform and fees they will charge, and which prohibits them from taking any money from you until they have completed all such promised services. 38

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Director of Purchase 38

Notice of Formation of Strombroli Brothers LLC Articles of Org. filed with the Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on DATE OF FILING 9/13/2025. 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 265 Scamridge Curve, E1, Buffalo NY 14221 Any lawful purpose. 43

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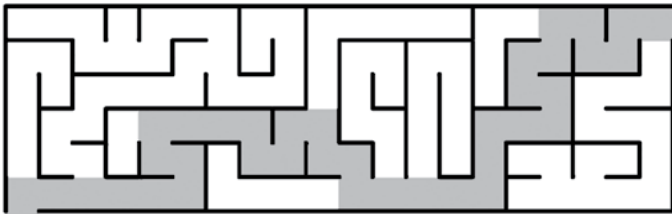
SUMMONS—SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF ERIE – PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff, -against- DARRIUS M. BLACKMON, AS HEIR AND DISTRIBUTEE OF THE DECEDENT JOHNNIE B. FENDERSON; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW, NEXT-OF-KIN, DISTRIBUTEES, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS AND SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST AND GENERALLY ALL PERSONS AND PARTIES HAVING OR CLAIMING, UNDER, BY OR THROUGH THE DECEDENT JOHNNIE B. FENDERSON, BY PURCHASE, INHERITANCE, LIEN OR OTHERWISE, ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE ; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (WESTERN DISTRICT); “JOHN DOE #1” through “JOHN DOE #10” inclusive, the names of the ten last name Defendants being fictitious, real names unknown to the Plaintiff, the parties intended being persons or corporations having an interest in, or tenants or persons in possession of, portions of the mortgaged premises described in the Complaint, Defendants - Index No. 809241/2025 Plaintiff Designates Erie County as the Place of Trial. The Basis of Venue is that the subject premises is situated in Erie County. To the above named Defendants– 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 Summons, to serve a Notice of Appearance upon the Plaintiff’s attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the date of service or within thirty (30) days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to

you within the State of New York. If you fail to so appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. That this Summons is being filed pursuant to an order of the court dated August 27, 2025. 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 (PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Dennis E. Ward J.S.C. Dated: August 27, 2025 Filed: August 28, 2025. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage and covering the premises known as 65 Baitz Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14206. Dated: May 29, 2025 Filed: May 29, 2025 Knuckles & Manfro, LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, By: Mark R. Knuckles, Esq., 120 White Plains Road, Suite 215, Tarrytown, New York 10591 Phone: (914) 345-3020 41

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