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Indian

INDIA GATE

1116 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, 886-4000. 6 1 11
Specialties include lamb madras, chicken masala, varieties of naan, kheer, and desserts. \$7.95 for the lunch buffet. Hours: Lunch: daily, 11am-2:30pm; Dinner: daily, Su-Th, 4:30-10pm, F-Sa, 4:30-10:30pm. \$\$

KABAB & CURRY

5185 Transit Rd. (at Maple), Williamsville, 565-3822. 6 1 11
Indian, Pakistani cuisine. Spacious surroundings with exotic music and waterfalls. Specialties: lamb and chicken karahi, and dosa (lentil and vegetable combination). Hours: M-F, 11:30am-2:30pm; Sa-Su, 11:30am-3pm; Dinner: M-Su, 5-10pm. \$\$

STAR OF INDIA

3167 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, 447-4388. 6 1 11
Homemade Indian cuisine. Specialties: chicken tikka masala, great variety of other Indian dishes. Hours: Lunch: daily, 11:30am-3pm; Dinner: daily, 4:30-10pm. \$\$

TANDOORI'S ROYAL INDIAN CUISINE

7740 Transit Rd., Williamsville, 632-1112. 6 1 11
Royal Indian cuisine. Specialties: tender lamb, chicken, and seafood dishes marinated and cooked in clay tandoors. Hours: M-F, 11am-2:30pm; Dinner: Su-Th, 5-10pm; F-Sa, 5-11pm. \$\$

TASTE OF INDIA

3093 Sheridan Dr., Amherst, 837-0460. 6 1 11
Lunch buffet daily and a dinner buffet on Tuesdays. Traditional Indian dishes including breads, curried chickpeas, and tandoori. Hours: Lunch: daily, 11:30am-2:30pm; Dinner: daily, 4:30-10pm. \$\$

Italian

AMICI RISTORANTE

2516 Elmwood Ave., Kenmore, 874-0143. 6 1 11
Voted best sauce from Boss of the Sauce. Specialties include linguini caritiera, eggplant rotolini, and Sicilian calamari. Hours: daily, 4-10pm; Tu, closed. \$\$

BROCCO

2818 Delaware Ave., Kenmore, 447-5601. 6 1 11
Upscale Italian eatery that also features a banquet room. Hours: Dinner: Tu-Su, 5-10pm; Sa, 5-11pm. \$\$\$

CARRABBA'S

1645 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst, 833-5003. 6 1 11
High-quality, flavorful, hand-made Italian dishes, served in a warm, casual environment. Specialties include pizzas and grills from a wood-fire oven. Offers a Bambini Menu for the kids. Hours: M-Th, 4-10pm; F, 4-11pm; Sa, 3-11pm; Su, 2-9pm. \$\$

CASA MIA RISTORANTE

3518 Portage Rd., Niagara Falls, Ontario, 905-356-5410. 6 1 11
Family owned and operated. Weekend dinner specials; known for veal parmigiana. Hours: M-F, 11:30am-10pm; Sa-Su, 5pm-1am. \$\$\$ (CDN)

CHEF'S RESTAURANT

291 Seneca St., Buffalo, 856-9187. 6 1 11
Italian cuisine, favorite local gathering place, with a family atmosphere. Specialty: spaghetti parmigiana. Offering drop-off catering service. Hours: M-Sa, 11am-9pm. \$\$

DEFLIPPO'S RESTAURANT

326 West Ave., Lockport, 433-2913. 1 11
Italian-American cuisine, noted for its sauce. Specialties: house-smoked prime rib, veal parmesan, and seafood. Reservations suggested. Hours: Tu-Sa, 4:30-11pm; Su, 4-10pm. \$\$

DITONDO'S

370 Seneca St., Buffalo, 855-8838. 6 1 11
One of Buffalo's favorite and most revered Italian restaurants. Specialties including fresh calamari salad as well as classic Italian favorites such as spaghetti and bracciale. Hours: Lunch: M-F, 11am-2pm; Dinner: F, 5-9pm. \$

THE DOVE RESTAURANT

3002 Abbott Rd., Orchard Park, 823-6680. 6 1 11
Contemporary Italian cuisine. Huge lunch and dinner menu with restaurant-made desserts. Hours: Lunch: M-F, 11:30am-2pm; Dinner: M-Th, 5-9pm; F-Sa, 5-10pm. \$\$

FALLETTA'S

8255 Clarence Center Rd., East Amherst, 741-7406. 6 1 11
Longstanding Western New York tradition of fine Italian cuisine. Specialties: veal, seafood, and steak. Hours: Tu-Sa, 4-9pm; Su, 4-8:30pm. \$\$



la dolce vita

By Terri Parsell Hilmeý

IT'S THE TIME OF YEAR TO BE THINKING ABOUT PLANNING YOUR GARDEN, SPRING CLEANING YOUR HOME, ETC.

But when you're ready to get out of the house, there are loads of black-tie galas and themed dinners to choose from, the proceeds of which go to better your community in various ways. Enjoy!

Reach for the Stars Creative Black Tie Gala

Saturday, April 5
5:30 p.m.-midnight

Beware: paparazzi may scream for your photograph as you enter. It's all part of the Hollywood theme. The dress is creative black tie, with guests encouraged to dress as their favorite movie star (rumor has it that last year a prominent local citizen dressed as Black-Tie Spiderman). Enjoy martini-tasting stations and ice luges at the Seneca Niagara Casino Event Center, with a silent auction, a formal sit-down dinner, and a signature after-dinner cocktail served as dessert. Then enjoy dancing to Boys of Summer and Sax Man Slim. Tickets are \$150 per person (there is also a hotel package available for \$225 per person). All proceeds will go to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Western New York. For more information, check out www.westny.wish.org, or call Tracy Wessel Gray at 810-WISH x211.

Whine and the City Shea's Performing Arts Center

Thursday, April 17
5:30-8:30 p.m.

Shea's is pairing up with local restaurants and wineries to convince partygoers to stop "whining" and start "winning." Twelve to fifteen local wineries will participate, each showcasing two or three different wines. Another twelve to fifteen local restaurants will also participate, serving all kinds of sample-size dishes. While you're enjoying the process of choosing your favorites, you'll be entertained by a live jazz band. Tickets are \$35 presale and \$40 at the door. All proceeds will go to benefit Shea's restoration and educational programming. For more information, check out www.sheas.org, call Bobbi Scott at 847-1410, or e-mail her at rscoff@sheas.org.

'Black and White Ball Sisters Hospital Foundation

Friday, April 25
From 6-11:30 p.m.

Hosted at the Hyatt Regency Grand Ballroom, this black-tie, Venetian-o-themed signature event will include white-gloved service, starting with a high-end open bar and gourmet hors d'oeuvres and tapas to the strains of a Venetian string ensemble. This brilliant beginning will be followed by an

performances from some of the "consumers" of whom they are particularly proud. For more information, check out www.opportunitiesunlimited.org, or call Tricia Furnari at 297-6400.

'Buffalo State College Foundation Gala— All College Honors Scholarship Gala

Saturday, April 26
6-9 p.m.



BUFFALO STATE'S ALL COLLEGE HONORS SCHOLARSHIP GALA CHAIRS EUNICE A. LEWIN AND ANTHONY J. BAYNES.

Photo courtesy of Buffalo State.

elaborate five-course meal, then dancing to the tunes of Joirryde with the Hitman Horns. Proceeds will go to benefit the new M. Steven Piver, M.D. Women's Health & Wellness Center. There will be theme baskets, a silent auction, and a live auction with MC Cash Cunningham, featuring exciting and unique items which will also raise funds for the Piver Center. Tickets are \$225 per person. For more information, check out www.sistershospitalfoundation.org, or call Anne Snyder at 862-1990.

Annual Awards Dinner & Gala Opportunities Unlimited of Niagara

Friday, April 25
5:30-10 p.m.

The stage is set for Opportunities Unlimited to celebrate the accomplishments of people with developmental disabilities (their "consumers") and to honor community supporters. A number of their consumers are honored, one from each of their major programs. The evening concludes with raucous dancing to a talented local DJ. Held at the Niagara Falls Conference Center, there will be a formal sit-down dinner, punctuated with

The Buffalo State College Foundation celebrates the Power of the Arts at the 11th Annual All College Honors Scholarship Gala, April 26, at the Connecticut Street Armory. This year's gala is chaired by Anthony J. Baynes, owner and founder of the A.J. Baynes Group, and Eunice A. Lewin, a friend of the college. Proceeds from the Gala help fund scholarships for deserving students in the college's rigorous All College Honors Program. Tickets for the event are \$200 per person. For more information, contact at 878-3725.

'Everywoman Opportunity Center Awards Dinner

Thursday, May 1
6-9 p.m.

Enjoy an evening at Salvatore's Italian Gardens Restaurant, and celebrate the accomplishments of women. The event promises good food, good friends, and good stories. There will be a reception, followed by a buffet-style dinner. All proceeds will support Everywoman Opportunity Center's mission to help women achieve personal and economic self-sufficiency. For more information, check out www.everywoman.org, call Myrna Young at 847-1120, x217, or e-mail her at myyoung@everywoman.org.

TECHNOLOGY/ Going Green

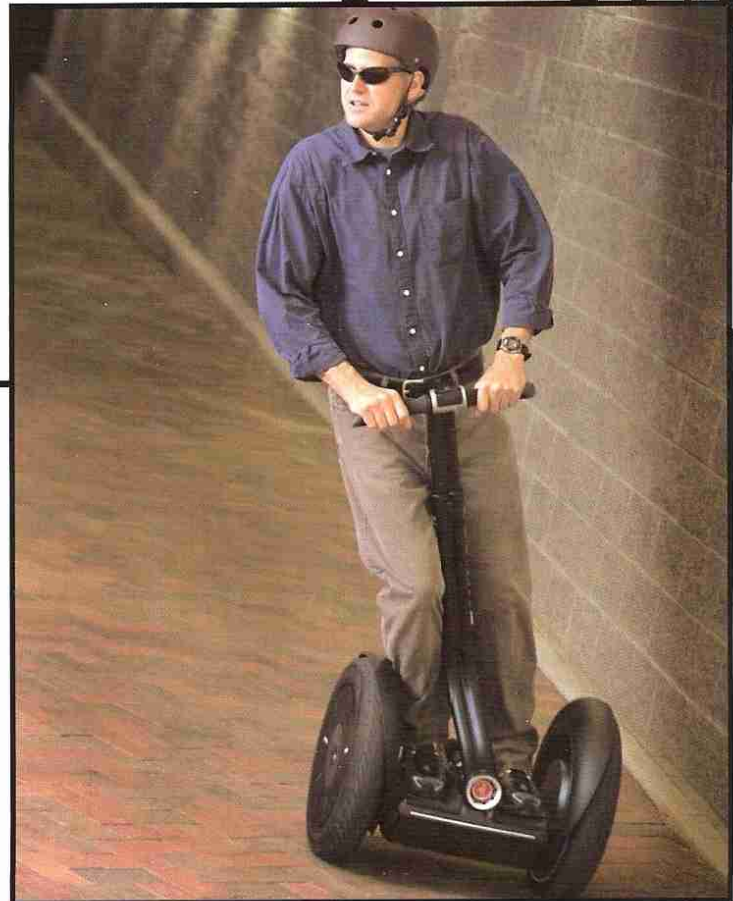
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Bottom: The i2 is easy to maneuver both indoors and out.
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