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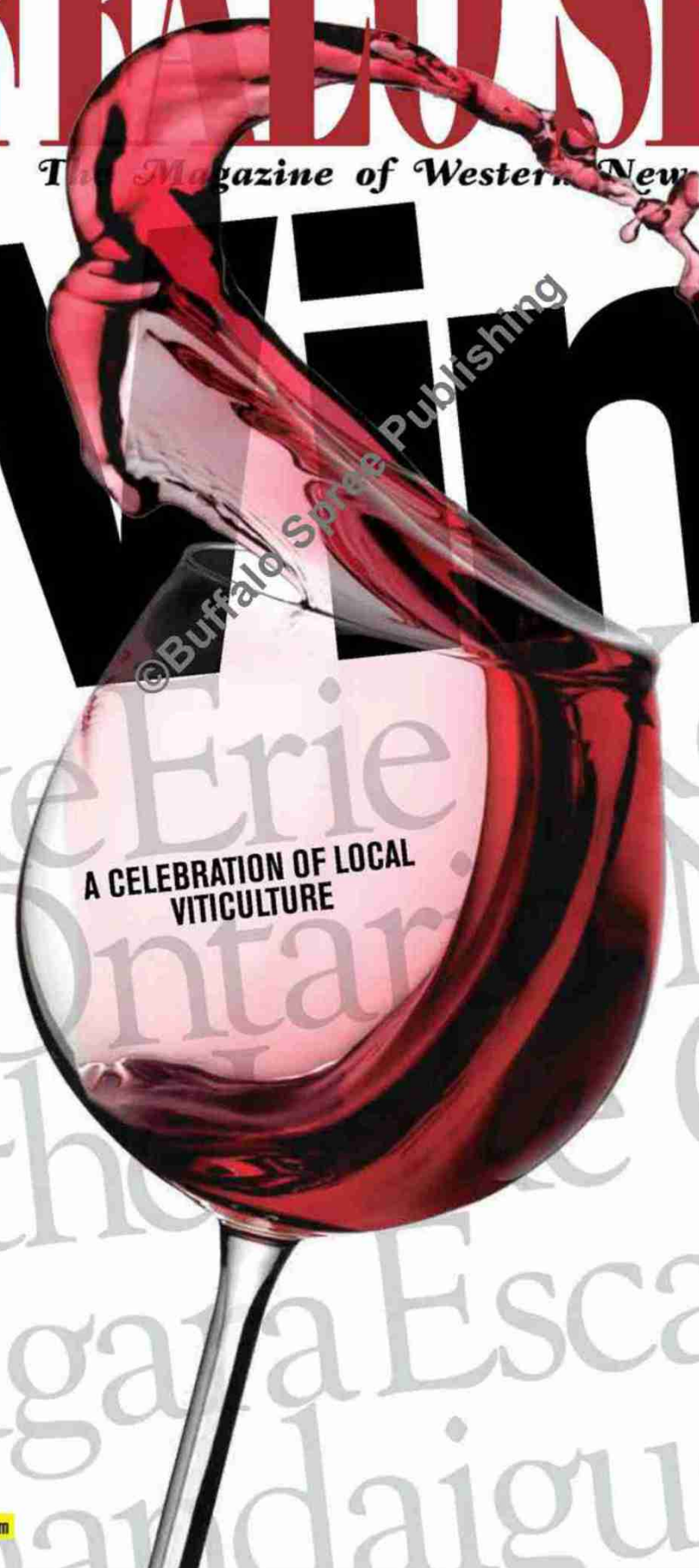
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Charity/Tricks, treats, and men who cook

BY TERRI PARSELL HILMEY

Trick or treat! There are plenty of both this month. Watch men cook (one of my personal favorites), purchase some inspired artwork, savor a bowl of chili, or celebrate our long history of legal excellence. Those are the treats; the tricks are up to you.

6th Annual Men Who Cook

Beneficiary: Crisis Services
6–9 p.m., Tuesday, October 2, Statler Towers, Golden Ballroom, 107 Delaware Ave. Tickets: \$55 per person, or \$100 per couple; call July Carotta at 831-4467, or visit crisisservices.org.

More than twenty amateur “men who cook” (including Tim Herzog of Flying Bison Brewery and other local celebs) will be mixed with chefs from local restaurants like Left Bank, Ilio DiPaolo’s, and Joe’s Deli to prepare their signature dishes. Guests will stroll around, watch them cook, sample their wares, and enjoy live jazz music provided by the Larry Eason Trio. Premier is supplying the wine, Flying Bison the beer, and all proceeds benefit Crisis Services, WNY’s most comprehensive crisis center.



From last year’s Men Who Cook

10th Annual Art Work Auction



Beneficiary: Autism Services, Inc. (formerly Autistic Services, Inc.)
5:30–9 p.m., Friday, October 5, Asbury Hall (Babeville), 341 Delaware Ave. Tickets: \$35 per person; call Veronica Federiconi at 631-5777, ext. 318, or visit autisticservices.org.

More than 100 pieces of art will be displayed, offered for sale, or auctioned

to the highest bidder at this gallery event showcasing the work of Autism Services’ clients—adults and children who fall somewhere along the autism spectrum. For three weeks prior to the event, auction items will be displayed at Main Street Studios. The event will style itself as a gallery opening, with an open bar and passed hors d’oeuvres, so the guests can enjoy the various works, purchase items, or wait for the big auction at the end to bid on a piece. Feel free to preview some of the art available at friendsofasi.org.

4th Annual Buffalo Chilifest

Beneficiary: People, Inc. Foundation
1–5 p.m., Sunday, October 14, at Statler City, 107 Delaware Ave. Tickets: \$5 per person for the entry fee, \$1 for each tasting ticket (kids five and under are free); call Sarah

From the 2011 Chili Fest



Snyder at 817-7269, or visit buffalochilifest.com.

Top chefs from WNY’s best restaurants will create some of the tastiest bowls of hot and spicy chili for all to judge. In the past they have featured exotic concoctions such as rattlesnake and armadillo tail chili. (Okay, just kidding about the armadillo, but the snake was real.) In fact, some of our high-end restaurants, including the Buffalo Chophouse, have created the kind of gourmet chili that you could only hope to make on your own stovetop. Come and taste them all; expect new, delicious, and different. This year, you’ll even be able to purchase some of your favorites to take home. There will also be live music, beer, prizes, trophies, and celebrity judges. Your ticket purchases help support People, Inc., the area’s leading nonprofit human services agency.

100th Anniversary Event

Beneficiary: Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo, Inc.
6–10 p.m., Wednesday, October 24, Hotel Lafayette,

391 Washington St. Tickets: \$100 per person; call Michele Poulos at 853-9555, ext. 500, or visit legalaidbuffalo.org.

The Hotel Lafayette's Grand Ballroom will host this special event: the centennial of the Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo. The celebration will cap off a century of fine lawyers representing those who could not otherwise afford legal representation. Cocktail hour



runs from 6 to 7 p.m., with a sit-down dinner following. The dress will be business wear for the gentlemen, and cocktail wear for the ladies. Expect live music and a short program highlighting the triumphs of Legal Aid from its beginnings in 1912 to today.

Galleria of Treats

Beneficiary: Kids Escaping Drugs
11 a.m.–8 p.m., Tuesday, October 30, Walden Galleria Mall, Cheektowaga. Tickets: \$2 donations per child (\$1 presale at the Galleria Customer Service Desk beginning October 1); call Christina Kruger at 827-9462, or visit makeeachangewny.org.

Welcome to the largest indoor trick-or-treat event in WNY. Not only does the event provide a safe Halloween alternative to over 7,000 children and their families, but it allows many businesses to showcase their products and services. Kids start at Forever 21 in the newer wing of the mall and head from table to table, picking up treats. There's also a pumpkin patch and a prize wheel for the kids to spin. Proceeds from the event help local kids suffering from chemical dependency.

Terri Parsell Hilmey is the listings editor for the Buffalo Spree Medical Resource Guide.



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Dancing Queen at the Fallsview

National Symphony Orchestra of Cuba
A night of Cuban and Latin American music
7:30 p.m. at UB's Center for the Arts. (UB North Campus, Amherst; 645-ARTS or ubcta.org)

23 Melissa Etheridge
The "Come to My Window" singer performs.
7:30 p.m. at Shea's Performing Arts Center. (650 Main St.; 800-745-3000 or sheas.org)

Roland E. Martin, organ
An ArtsCanjion Meet-the-Family performance.
8 p.m. at St. Joseph's University Church. (3269 Main St.; 888-2536 or catholicarts@artsandscansius.org)

Primus in 3D
Les Claypool and company—in 3D.
7:30 p.m. at Rapids Theatre. (1711 Main St., Niagara Falls; 205-8925 or rapidstheatre.com)

24 Glen Campbell: The Goodbye Tour
The country icon ("Rhinstone Cowboy") performs on his farewell tour.
7:30 p.m. at UB's Center for the Arts. (UB North Campus, Amherst; 645-ARTS or ubcta.org)

Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo 100th Anniversary Event
A century of Legal Aid is commemorated with cocktails, a sit-down dinner, and live music.
6–10 p.m. at the Hotel Lafayette. (391 Washington St.; 853-9555, ext. 500, or legalaidbuffalo.org)

Schoenberg/Lavatelli: Pierrot Lunaire
This performance of Arnold Schoenberg's chamber work will be presented with projections created by Mark Lavatelli.
7:30 p.m. at Buffalo Seminary. (205 Bidwell Pkwy.; 462-5659 or buffalochoamberplayers.org)

Power & the Glory
A UB Theatre and Dance Production, directed by Kazimierz Braun.
Through Oct. 28 at UB's Center for the Arts. (UB North Campus, Amherst; 645-ARTS or ubcta.org)

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Jeffrey Steele at Lancaster Opera House

25 Forever Young Fall 2012 Health and Living Expo
Spree's sister publication holds its annual free event featuring health screenings, experts geared toward the fifty-plus crowd, and giveaways.
9 a.m.–2 p.m. at the Classics V Ballnet Facility. (2425 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst; 783-9119 or foreveryoungwny.com)

A Couple of Blaguards
Irish Classical Theatre Company presents *Angela's Ashes* author Frank McCourt and his brother Malachy's comedic view of their rags-to-riches story.
Through Nov. 18 at Andrews Theatre. (625 Main St.; 853-4282 or irishclassicaltheatre.com)

26 Opera Week
A variety of activities coordinated by the Erwin H. Johnson Memorial Fund, Inc., starts with an Operalytes production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *The Sorcerer* at the Riviera Theatre on Oct. 27 and 28 (operalytes.com).
Through Nov. 4 at locations throughout WNY. (celebrateoperawny.org or ehjfund.org)

Visiting Artist: Jason Vieaux, guitar, and Yolanda Kondonassis, harp
A program of new and traditional music for harp and guitar; master class on Oct. 27.
7:30 p.m. at Slee Hall. (UB North Campus, Amherst; 645-2921 or slee.buffalo.edu)

Chris Trapper
The singer/songwriter known for his song "This Time," from the Grammy winning soundtrack for *August Rush*, performs.
8:30 p.m. at the Historic Palace Theatre. (2 East Ave., Lockport; 438-1130 or lockportpalacetheatre.org)

Big Draw
An extravaganza of drawing activities, as part of Center for the Arts Open Studios.
4–8 p.m. at UB Art Gallery. (UB's Center for the

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Visiting Artist: Jason Vieaux at UB

Arts, UB North Campus, Amherst; 645-6913 or ubartgalleries.org)

Victoria Requiem
The Harmonia Chamber Singers performs Tomás Luis de Victoria's last published work.
Time and location TBA, through Oct. 28. (harmoniacs.org)

Dancing Queen
A 1970s dance extravaganza.
Through Nov. 11, excluding Oct. 30 and Nov. 6, at the Fallsview Casino. (6380 Fallsview Blvd., Niagara Falls, ON; 888-FALLSVU or fallsviewcasinosort.com)

Murder at the Gaiety
A mystery set during the roaring '20s, produced by the Mystery Company.
Through Nov. 4 at Ripa's. (4218 Walden Ave., Lancaster; 683-1776 or lancopera.com)

Jeffrey Steele
The country star is a CMA winner and Grammy nominee.
7:30 p.m. at Lancaster Opera House. (21 Central Ave., Lancaster; 683-1776 or lancopera.com)

Rush
The Canadian icons bring their *Clockwork Angels* Tour to town.
7:30 at First Niagara Center. (1 Seymour H. Knox III Plaza; 888-223-6000 or tickets.com)

27 Mike Epps
The stand-up is on his "I'm Still Standing" tour.
7 p.m. at Shea's Performing Arts Center. (650 Main St.; 800-745-3000 or sheas.org)

Cavanaugh's Tribute to Elton John
Michael Cavanaugh, who drew acclaim with his renditions of Billy Joel classics, returns to perform John's greatest hits.
8 p.m. at Kleinhans Music Hall. (3 Symphony Circle; 885-5000 or bpo.org)

28 Cheektowaga Community Symphony Orchestra Fall Concert
The CCSO kicks off its 2012-13 season.
3 p.m. at Villa Maria College Auditorium. (240 Pine Ridge Rd., 444-8693 or cheektowagasymphony.com)

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Michael Cavanaugh with the BPO

30 Jekyll & Hyde The Musical
American Idol star and Tony Award nominee Constantine Maroulis plays the dual role of Dr. Henry Jekyll and Edward Hyde in this classic good and evil story.
Through Nov. 4 at Shea's Performing Arts Center. (650 Main St.; 800-745-3000 or sheas.org)

Modigliani Quartet
The group is considered one of the world's most sought-after string quartets.
8 p.m. at Kleinhans Music Hall. (3 Symphony Circle; 462-4939 or billochambemusical.org)

21st Century Music: Snee Sinfonietta, with John Harbison conductor
Ligeti's "Horn Trio" and Harbison's "Crane Sightings for violin and string orchestra."
7:30 p.m. at Slee Hall. (UB North Campus, Amherst; 645-2921 or slee.buffalo.edu)

Ab Baars/Ig Henneman Duo
Modern jazz with Ab Baars (tenor saxophone, clarinet, shakuhachi) and Ig Henneman (viola).
8 p.m. at Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center. (341 Delaware Ave.; 854-1694 or hallwalls.org)

31 Dames at Sea
The parody of 1930s Busby Berkeley-style movie musicals is about an understudy who steps into a role on Broadway and becomes a star.
Oct. 31–Nov. 3, Nov. 7–10 at Buffalo State College's Flexible Theatre. (Donald Savage Building, Buffalo State College, 1300 Elmwood Ave.; 878-6416 or buffalo.state.edu/theater)

33 Variations
Beethoven's *Diabelli Variations* is used to bridge the 200-year gap between the past and present in this musical.
Through Dec. 2 at MusicalFare Theatre. (Daemen College, 4380 Main St., Amherst; 839-8540 or musicalfare.com)

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