

Make plans for 26th annual Buffalo Niagara Buddy Walk



Submitted by Deborah L. Fleck, President Christine Sirianni, Vice President Family and Friends Down Syndrome Association of Niagara

Please join the Family and Friends Down Syndrome Association of Niagara Inc., a nonprofit 501(c)(3) and local affiliate organization of The National Down Syndrome Society on Saturday, Sept. 9, for the 26th annual Buffalo Niagara Buddy Walk in the

Lewiston Kiwanis Peach Festival parade.

No advance registration is required. On-site registration is from 9-10:30 a.m., and costs \$10 per person. Cash, checks and PayPal will be accepted. Lime green Buddy Walk T-shirts will be worn. No shirts will be sold. Next year, we have to change to the official National Down Syndrome Society shirts.

Wear lime green shirts if you don't have an old Buddy Walk shirt.

Free ride tickets are limited in number and available for all walkers under the age of 18. A pizza party will follow the walk.

Register and assemble in front of the Lewiston village offices at the Red Brick Municipal Building, North Fourth and Ridge streets. The Discover Niagara Shuttle will

be available to transport those wishing to not walk the one-mile route down Center Street.

Come join us in celebrating the lives of our children and raise positive awareness of the unique talents of individuals with Down syndrome! Thank you in advance

for your support.

Please email Deborah Fleck at downriverdebs@gmail.com or Christine Sirianni at dsaniagara@gmail.com and be sure to visit our new website, familyandfriends-downsyndromeassociationofniagara.com, for further details.

IN THE NEWS

Girl Scouts of WNY set 'year of fun' party

The Girl Scouts of Western New York (GSWNY) are preparing for a new year of fun, learning and adventure for its members – and part of the experience is to welcome new members, too.

A press release stated, "Make this a year of fun for your girl, and encourage her to become a Girl Scout. Learn more about the life-long benefits of Girl Scouting at a free kick-off party. Join us Sunday, Aug. 13, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Camp Windy Meadows located at 5000 Cambria St., Lockport. The kick-off at Camp Windy Meadows will include archery, bracelet-making, tie-dye, fire trucks, and more. You will also have the opportunity to enter to win a free Girl Scout uniform if you RSVP!"

GSWNY is also interested in meeting adult volunteers who may be interested in leading a troop. For more information, visit gswny.org or call 888-837-6410.

Memorial Mass for music-makers

A Memorial Mass in celebration of all deceased members from choirs associated with more than 50 years of music ministry in Western New York will be held at noon Sept. 10 at St. Mary's R.C. Church, 237 Fourth St., Niagara Falls.

Organizers said, "This Mass will include the faithful singers associated with Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, St. Teresa's (now St. Rafael's), Divine Mercy, Nativity of the Virgin Mary in Clarence, as well as St. Mary's. The choir of St. Mary's will be joined by interested former members and will also commemorate all people who serve the Lord through song."

Deceased members include: Geraldine Brodowski, Margie Dee Carden, Jim Conrad, Al Cote, Mary Ann Cote, Rose Marie Cubello, Anna D'Onofrio, Ted Fita, Barbara Gleason, Erik Hanson, Ann Kelly, Katherine Killian, Loretta King, Gloria Knair, Frank

La Forte, Lauren Lipiec, Mike Matyas, David Metzger, Pat Perry, Victoria Polly, Robert Potratz, Alice Roscypala, Barbara Rossman, Irene Seyfried, Bill Shewin, Frank Trippi, Josephine Tulimeri, Ann

Watson, Molly Woods ... "and for all people who serve The Lord through song."

For more, contact James Manuse at the St. Mary's office: 716-282-7059.



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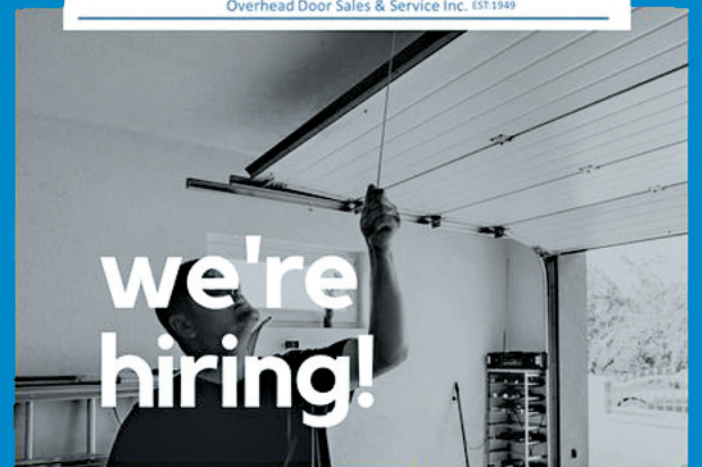


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