



**WATERCOLOR VISIONS** — Williamsville North senior Carolyn Narby peruses the watercolors on display at a reception on April 12 at the Amberleigh Retirement Community. The pieces were created by students of Theresa Lee, including Narby and residents of Amberleigh. The pieces will be on display until April 30.

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## Baha'is to hold elections

The Baha'is of Amherst will be joining Baha'is worldwide on April 21 in celebrating the Festival of Ridván, the most significant of all Baha'i festivals. A brunch and special prayer service will be held at 10 a.m. at the Amherst Baha'i Center, 2218 Kensington Ave.

The Festival of Ridván signals the commencement of a 12-day period during which Bahá'u'lláh, the founder of the Baha'i faith, first declared his mission to his companions.

In a tablet, Bahá'u'lláh refers to his declaration as "the day of supreme felicity." Bahá'u'lláh spent 12 days in a garden prior to departing for Istanbul, the place to which he had been summoned

by the Ottoman Sultan at the instigation of an antagonistic clergy.

The night before the celebration, the community will hold the annual election of the Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Amherst, a sacred privilege and spiritual obligation.

There are no paid clergy in the Baha'i faith, and the nine-member Spiritual Assembly consults on all administrative matters pertaining to the community.

The Declaration of Bahá'u'lláh is celebrated annually by the 12-day Ridván Festival, described by Shoghi Effendi, a former guardian of the faith, as "the holiest and most significant of all Baha'i festivals."

### What's Going On

#### Ladies auxiliary to present auction

The Main-Transit Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary will present a Chinese auction and luncheon from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 21 at the Main-Transit Fire Department Banquet Facility, 6777 Main St., Williamsville. The event is presale only and tickets are \$20, which includes lunch and a sheet of tickets. Call 634-2119.

#### On the Campus

**Travis Yantomasi** has been named to the Dean's List for the winter quarter at Rochester Institute of Technology. He is the son of Dominic and Debra Yantomasi of Amherst.

**Lisa Bovisotto**, an Amherst resident, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Slippery Rock University.

**Robert Glover** of Getzville,

#### InfraGard Buffalo to hold open meeting

InfraGard Buffalo Members Alliance will hold a membership meeting, open to any interested parties, from 8 a.m. to noon Thursday, April 19 at the Harlem Road Community Center, 4255 Harlem Road, Amherst. To register, e-mail [bctf@fbi.gov](mailto:bctf@fbi.gov). Special Agent Thomas Grasso will be the guest speaker. Visit [www.infra-gard.net](http://www.infra-gard.net).

#### Healthy meals set as next topic of series

The third presentation in the Heart Healthy Series will be "Enjoy Meals the Heart Healthy Way" at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 18 at ElderWood Health Care, 815 Hopkins Road. Call 633-3900, ext. 243

#### JCC to travel to St. Bonaventure

Adult Services at the JCC Bendorson Family Building will take a bus trip to St. Bonaventure's Quick Center on Monday, April 30 for a docent-led tour of the exhibit Memoria, which showcases original documents and photographs of Don Aldo. Lunch at the Old Library Restaurant is included. Tickets are \$35 for the general public and \$25 for JCC and Holocaust Resource Center members. Reservations must be made by Monday, April 23. For more information or to register, call Amy at 688-4114, ext. 366 or e-mail [astromberg@jccbuffalo.org](mailto:astromberg@jccbuffalo.org).

#### Special needs seminar to be held April 19

"Community and Government Resources for Families with Young Children with Developmental Delays, Disabilities and Special Needs" focuses on options that parents have for their children with special needs and programs designed to help them. This course will be presented by Rita Sell at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 19 at Diversified Services, LLC 17 Limestone Drive, Suites 5 and 6, in Williamsville. Call 871-9883, ext. 101.

## ARW to host brunch, basket auction

The Amherst Republican Women will host their Spring Brunch and Basket Auction with a homemade baked goods sale at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 22 at the Brookfield Country Club, 5120 Shimerville Road, Clarence.

Brunch will be served at noon. The event is open to the public with admission at \$25 per person.

The gift baskets will include donations from the House of Representatives; an autographed photograph of the president; autographed books donated by Sean Hannity, who has a show on Fox News; theater tickets; magazine subscriptions to the National Review and Weekly Standard; gift certificates; liquor baskets and many other items.

For more information and reservations, call 634-0269 or 688-9016. Brunch co-chairwomen are Elaine Tuyn and Ruth Barone.

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Sunday, April 29 - 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm & 7:00 pm