

**Meetings**

**Goodwill now recycling computers**

Erie County residents can now recycle computer equipment and other household electronics at no cost through Goodwill Industries of Western New York. Locations accepting materials include the Goodwill Store at the Airport Plaza located at Genesee and Union, the Goodwill Clarence Store at 4311 Transit Road, Tops at Niagara Falls Boulevard, Tops at Maple and Transit roads, Tops at Ridge and Orchard Park roads, and Tops at North Bailey and Maple. For more information, call 447-0720.

**Canisius holds open house for graduates**

The Canisius College Graduate Business Programs will hold an open house for prospective graduate students at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, July 17 in the Grupp Fireside Lounge on the second floor of the Richard E. Winter Center, 42 Student Court. Information will be provided on evening Master of Business Administration programs, professional accounting programs, and programs in communication and leadership. For further information or to reserve a spot, call 888-2140 or e-mail gradubus@canisius.edu. To learn more about the graduate programs offered, visit [www.canisius.edu/business/graduate\\_programs.asp](http://www.canisius.edu/business/graduate_programs.asp).

**ECC hosts workshop**

Consumer Credit Counseling of Buffalo Inc. will provide a free "How to Survive a Layoff" seminar at 1 p.m. on Friday, June 29 at the Erie Community College Workforce Development One-Stop Center, 3176 Abbott Road in Orchard Park. The seminar will educate regular and nonregular visitors of the center on how the agency can help in times of instability while providing the education and resources they need. For more information on the program, call 712-2060.

## Golf instructor honored by equipment company

by **KEATON T. DEPRIEST**  
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A member of the local golf community was recently given a worldwide ranking.

South Buffalo resident Mike Callahan, a certified U.S. golf teaching instructor, was voted as one of the Top 100 club fitters in the world by KZG, a custom golf equipment company.

Callahan, a golf fitter and instructor at Airport Driving Range, 207 Youngs Road, Williamsville, said he greatly appreciates the honor.

"It really was a great honor for them to recognize me," said Callahan, 40, who has been working as a club fitter and instructor for the past 17 years.

Callahan said he learned a vast amount of skills by talking to other golfers and exchanging ideas, which helped him to better fit people with their clubs.

"You have to make sure your clubs fit right, because it makes it harder for adjustments in technique if it's the wrong club for you," he said.

As a fitter, Callahan assists people in finding a better swing through a perfectly matched club.

"I educate people on how to use and find the right club," he said. "Everyone is built differently."

His dedication to molding a club to the golfer's form is something that KZG salesmen noticed and was the reason he was rec-



**Golf instructor Mike Callahan** offers a tip to Airport Driving Range customer Paul Lammana. Callahan was recently ranked a Top 100 Club Fitter by KZG, a golf equipment company.

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ommended to a panel of judges during the company's ranking procedure.

"They took a look at my background and what I do here," Calla-

han said. "After going through a panel, I was called in February by KZG, and they told me I was ranked in the Top 100 based on experience and education."

He said one of the keys to being a club fitter is always learning from students and customers.

Callahan teaches students in five golf clinics per week at the Airport Driving Range, as well as holding private golfing lessons.

One of the techniques he uses that KZG took into consideration is videotaping students as they practice their golf driving.

"It is a lot easier when you can see how your swing flows," he said. "It is easier to explain what type of club the person needs or what they need to work on."

Callahan said KZG merchandise is offered in the range's Pro Shop, which features the company's utility irons, left-handed clubs, and many other accessories.

"Being an instructor is something that I enjoy doing, and I am always offering tips to people who may need the extra help," Callahan said.

From now until the end of August, Airport Driving Range will be open from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Purchasing the annual membership card will allow golfers to buy one bucket of driving range balls for \$8 and the second for \$1, a savings of \$7 for the two buckets.

For more information about the driving range, call 634-5588.

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## Allstate Homecare of Buffalo goes where needed

by **JESSICA L. FINCH**  
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The motto sums up a grand scheme of services in one sentence, "Allstate Home Care — The Patient People."

Allstate Homecare of Buffalo Inc., which moved to Williamsville last month, offers services to patients from infancy to elderly. It had been located in Buffalo since 1981.

Sheila Bernard, chief executive officer and administrator, said the move was in response to where the client base is located.

"We wanted to bring services closer to the populations out here," she said.

Allstate Homecare provides services that allow clients to remain in their homes. They also see patients in health care facilities and hospitals as needed.

"There is such a need for home care out here," Bernard said about locating at 6490 Main St., near Limestone Drive.

There are many different reasons why someone would need home care, and Allstate offers the various levels of staffing to accommodate that. That includes nurse's aides, companions and hospital sitters.

"It's an alternative to putting a loved one, or one admitting themselves, into a nursing home," she said, noting that admittance is usually more expensive.

When discussing the options of home care or placement in a facility, families should be aware that 24-hour staffing is available through Allstate.

"They are not really alone; that thought usually scares people," she said.

Bernard added that for some people, diseases have progressed more slowly when staying home, they are happier and don't have to deal with the transition.

While many of the clients are elderly, with a larger percentage diagnosed with Alzheimer's, the company also handles younger cases.

"We helps parents feel like a family. They go about being moms and dads, and we worry about the medical needs," she said.

Allstate has contracts with several facilities, including Weinberg Campus and Women and Children's Hospital, that allow Allstate's staff to assist in the complexes. This includes servicing patients who are waiting to move into a facility.

Service also extends beyond the suburban and city borders in Western New York. Through its transportation department, Allstate allows staff to travel to rural areas where care is needed — 24 hours a day.

Allstate is in compliance and has earned a good reputation, with the State Department of Health, and state social services, she said.

For information about services at Allstate Homecare, call 565-3626.

**Business News**

**C-Pap Xpress**, located at 8056 Transit Road in the Tops Plaza, Williamsville, held its grand opening on Friday. C-Pap Xpress will offer sleep apnea equipment to the retail market. The business is

open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 633-2788 or visit the Web site [www.cpapxpress.com](http://www.cpapxpress.com).

## D'Angelo named partner

Jaekle Fleischmann & Mugel, LLP, a law firm with an office in Amherst, has named Victoria L. D'Angelo a partner in the estates and trusts practice group.

A former justice for the Village of Williamsville from 1992 to 2003, D'Angelo has more than 26 years' experience.

She also served as an instructor for the estate planning portion of the Medaille College certified financial planner course.

D'Angelo completed the New York State Clerkship Law Program and is admitted to practice law in New York State. She currently serves on the Executive Committee of the Trust and Estate Section of the New York State Bar Association and is a vice chairwoman of the Estate and Trust Administration Committee; is a member of the American, Erie County and Women's Bar associations; and serves on the Surrogate's Court and Real Property Law committees of the Erie County Bar Association.