

# Hot Spots in Erie Presque Isle

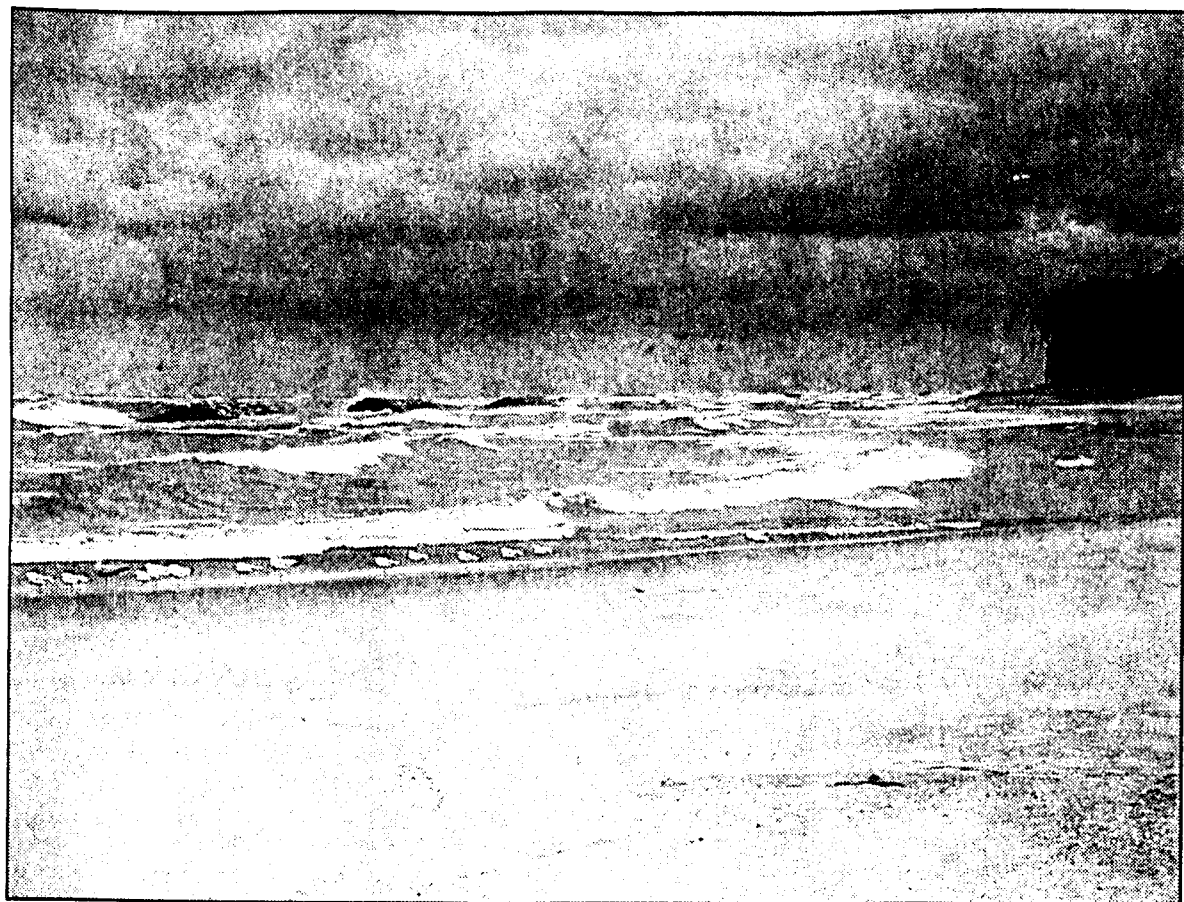


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As surprising as it may sound, winter is almost over. The snowy landscape will soon disappear and a more appealing Springtime setting will take its place.

When most individuals picture Springtime, they not only imagine the outdoors, but various outdoor activities that they may partake in. Such activities include in-line skating, swimming, walking, vol-

leyball and boating. It may be hard to believe, but all of these activities (and more!) can take place at one location-- Presque Isle!

Presque Isle provides year-round recreational activities for nearly four million visitors each year.

The name Presque Isle means "a Peninsula that wants to be an island;" geologists believe that it was formed over 11,000 years

ago. As it is every year, Presque Isle will be swamped by tourists and Erieites alike, who not only visit Presque Isle for its fun activities, but also for its breathtaking beauty.

Great weather and fun outdoor activities definitely go hand in hand, making Presque Isle a definite *Hot Spot in Erie*.

# Happenings in Erie

## March 22-24

The musical "110 In The Shade," at the Erie Playhouse, Friday and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

## March 24

California Dreamin' Beach Ball Gala, at the Ambassador Banquet & Conference Center at the Courtyard by Marriott, 6:30 p.m.

The Erie Philharmonic Presents "Dancin' & Romancin," a Night of the Charleston, Jitterbug, and Tango, at the Warner Theater, 8:00 p.m.

## March 25

Performance by the winners of the 2000 D' Angelo Young Artists String Competition, at the Mary D' Angelo Performing Arts Center at Mercyhurst College, 2:30 p.m.

## BEACON CODES

Figure out the quote and who said it by figuring out what these letters translate to. Your clue: J equals I.

"JD QBVYY GPVIN J ZXN NFK FL YRYVUQBJDT J'RY

OYXVDYI XMPFQ OJAY: JQ TPNY PD."

VPMYVQ AVPNQ

Last Issue's Answer: "It isn't what you do, but how you do it."

John Wooden

## THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

The weekly column that asks if there is intelligent life out there.

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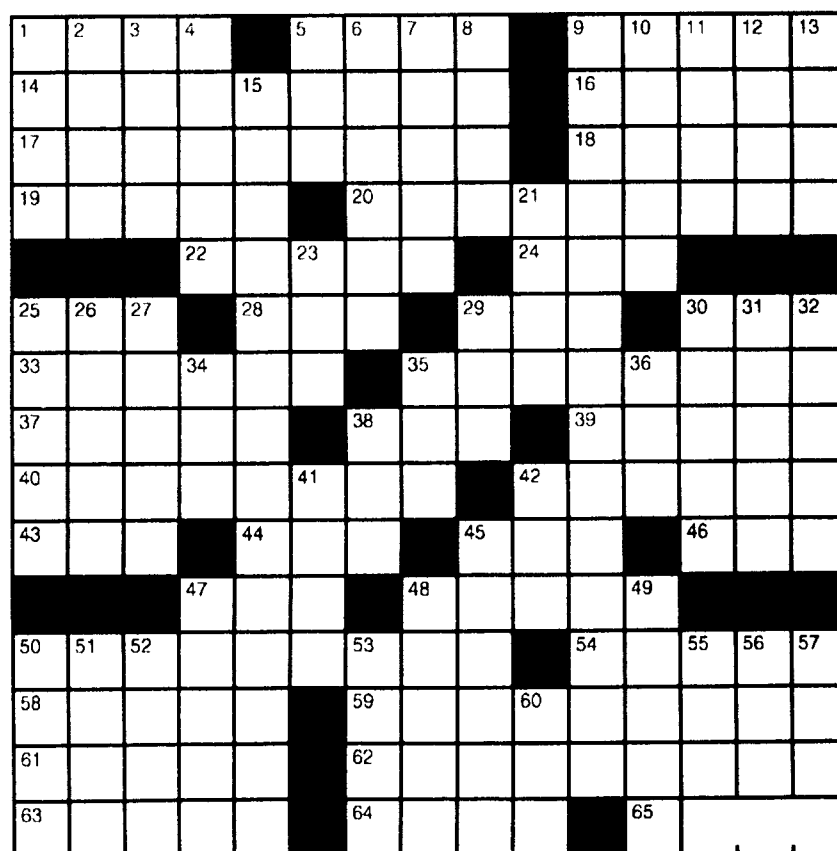
**WHY? DID I DO SOMETHING WRONG?** A 22-year-old Dutchman taking his driving test stalled the car at a railroad crossing in Amsterdam, and was frantically trying to get it started when a speeding train approached. The man and his driving examiner finally had to leap from the vehicle right before the train smashed into it and dragged it 500 feet. Another train heading in the opposite direction subsequently collided with the car as well and ripped it to pieces. The man was not granted a driver's license.

**WHERE AM I? UH, HOME, DEAR, WHY?** Rebecca Fyfe, a British tourist, found herself on a ship which was sinking in heavy seas in the Lombok Strait off Indonesia. The ship had no radio, so she sent a mobile phone text message to her boyfriend back in England. He immediately called the Coast Guard, which rescued everyone. He had received the message while he was drinking in a London pub.

**LONG TIME NO SEE:** After escaping from a Tennessee prison where he had been locked up for murder, Gary Dean Gray went to Florida and, for a time, hung around the Roundup bar in Pensacola before apparently moving on. Soon afterward, the bar's owners found out he was a wanted fugitive, and posted his picture on the wall. After four months, they took it down, assuming he would never show his face there again. Wrong! He came in for a brewski, and the bartender called the cops.

## Crossword

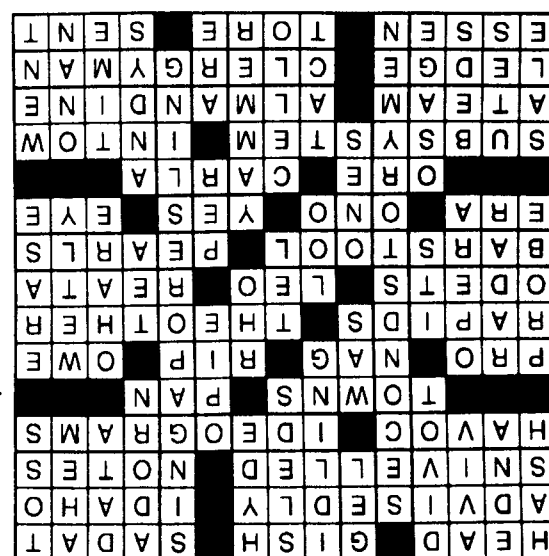
- ACROSS
- Beer formation
  - Lillian or Dorothy
  - Egypt's Anwar
  - With careful consideration
  - Twin Falls state
  - Whined
  - Class writing
  - Hurricane's aftermath
  - Pictorial characters
  - Large villages
  - Woodlands deity
  - PGA member
  - Pester
  - Grave letters
  - Be in debt
  - Whitewater
  - Tryon novel
  - "Waiting for Lefty" dramatist
  - Name for a lion
  - "Giant" ranch
  - Saloon seat
  - Oyster creations
  - Time period
  - Lennon's love
  - OK
  - Give the once-over
  - Lode load
  - "Cheers" barmaid
  - Secondary method
  - Like a tug's cargo
  - Mr. T's group
  - Deep violet-red garnet
  - Cliff shelf
  - Priest or rabbi
  - City on the Ruhr
  - Ripped
  - Shipped



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- DOWN
- Hodgepodge
  - Writer Buchanan
  - Tel \_\_\_-Jaffa
  - Golfer's gouge
  - Styling product
  - Loafing
  - Iditarod rides
  - Jekyll's alter ego
  - Fruity cocktail
  - Bedeck
  - Information
  - Throat-clearing sound
  - Throw
  - Cat burglars
  - Mayberry kid
  - Used to be
  - Exploratory vessel
  - Velocity detector
  - "Martha" or "Norma"
  - Pi follower
  - Midwest hub
  - How a water balloon splatters
  - Expunge
  - For what \_\_\_ worth
  - Part of AT&T
  - Pekoe, e.g.
  - Old card game
  - Singletons

## Solutions



- According to
- White
- Type of orange
- Viola's kin
- Gibb and Griffith
- Closeout, e.g.
- Shoshones
- Four-posters
- Savoir faire
- Duration
- Son of Judah
- Took off
- "We \_\_\_ the World"