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# COMMUNITY ALBUM



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## Calendar sales raise funds for cancer charities

A group of local female vocalists raised more than \$1,500 for two charities by selling a 2015 photo calendar. Proceeds were split between Erie's StringsforaCure and the Regional Cancer Center. The Regional Cancer Center donation was made in honor of Angela Arduini Fels, who recently lost her battle with breast cancer. On hand for the check presentation were, from left, Lisa Louis, of the Regional Cancer Center; Selleena Ellsworth, a vocalist and the calendar project leader; Patti Larson, development director/treasurer of StringsforaCure; and Elisa Guida, founder and executive director of StringsforaCure.



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## Erie Shriners Hospital recognizes Erie Gives donor

Rick Liebel, development officer at Erie Shriners Ambulatory Surgery Center and Outpatient Specialty Care Center, right, presented an award to Robert Herbert, potentate of Syria Shriners, for the largest gift ever given on Erie Gives Day, \$63,540. The award was presented on behalf of the Erie Community Foundation and Erie Shriners.



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## Bra crawl raises funds for StringsforaCure

A bra crawl, with visits to five local bars and an award for the "Best Blinged Bra" as well as a grand prize, on Oct. 17, raised \$1,370 in donations for StringsforaCure, which educates, comforts, supports and provide financial assistance to cancer patients, primarily those with breast cancer. The event, hosted by Rocket 101 and emceed by DJs Mojo and AC, included music, dancing, T-shirts and awards. On hand for the check presentation at Rocket 101 Studios were, from left, Elisa Guida, founder and executive director of StringsforaCure; morning DJ Allen Carpenter; Patti Larson, development director/treasurer of StringsforaCure; and DJ Mojo McKay.



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## St. Luke students excel in poster contest

Fifth- and sixth-graders at St. Luke School designed posters to enter the Lions International Peace Poster Contest. The theme was "Share Peace," and the poster could be done in any medium but not include words, glue or staples. The posters created by students Maggie Zimmer and Kate Foyle, both in sixth grade, were accepted, and Kate won first place in the local division. Her poster will go on to the district level of the competition. From left, St. Luke School art teacher Gretchen Petarca, Maggie Zimmer, Kate Foyle and Lion Gene Shelhamer display the posters.



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## VFW Post donates gas cards for veterans

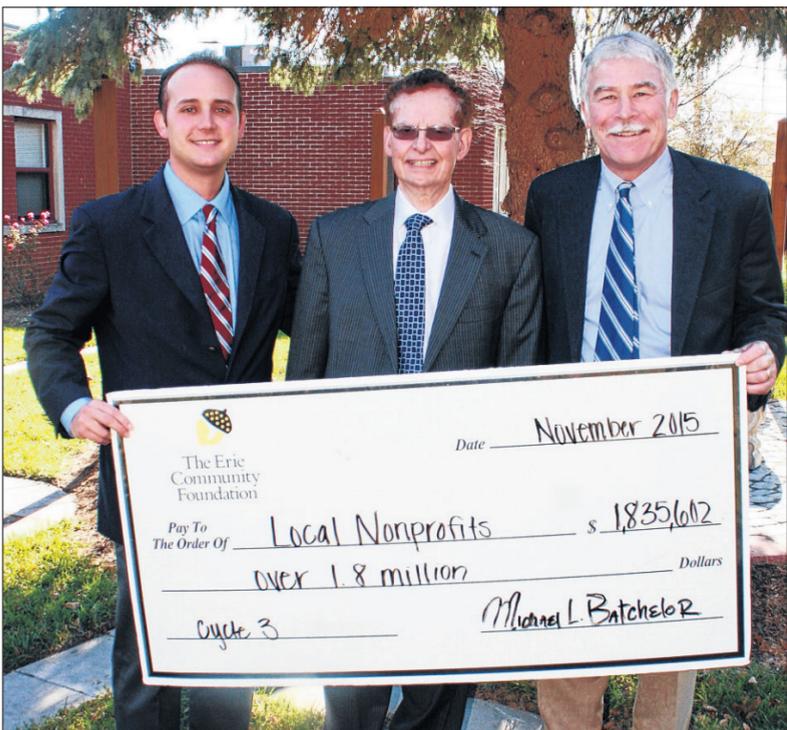
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 470 recently donated prepaid gas cards to the Erie Veterans Affairs Medical Center. Joe Benacci, District 28 commander and VFW Post quartermaster, presented a gas card to Heather Moore, Navy veteran.



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## Painting event raises money for Orphan Angels

Orphan Angels Cat Sanctuary and Adoption Center recently raised \$210 with a painting session led by artist Heather Cash at the Cocktails and Colors Studio in Millcreek Township. Susannah Bayer, Orphan Angels' fundraising director, left, accepted the check from Heather Cash.



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## Harborcreek Youth Services receives grant

The Erie Community Foundation and the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority awarded more than \$1.8 million at a grant reception held at Harborcreek Youth Services. The largest grant, in the amount of \$30,000, was awarded to Harborcreek Youth Services for a therapeutic music initiative in collaboration with Mercyhurst University. Attending the reception were, from left, Perry Wood, executive director, ECGRA; John Petulla, chief executive, Harborcreek Youth Services; and Mike Batchelor, president, Erie Community Foundation.

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- THE PHOTOS:** Photos should be in color. Poor-quality photos, i.e., eyes closed, too dark, out of focus, Polaroids and computer-printed photos on paper cannot be used.
- WHAT'S GOING ON?** Tell us about the nature of the event and when and where it was held. Identify everyone pictured in order, row by row, left to right, with first and last names.
- ALSO NOTE:** Provide the name and number of a contact person. If you want the photo returned, put your name and address on the back. Questions? Call 870-1689.

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