The Erie County Fair is accepting applications from high school students to participate in the Pepsi-Cola Marching Band.

News & Notes

AUDITIONS

Open auditions for Amherst Teen Idol will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Boulevard Mall (near Macy’s) in Amherst. The contest is open to all amateur vocalists ages 12 to 20. Finalists will be chosen to perform on May 8. For more information and application forms, visit amherstvouthandrec.org or call 631-7132.

ARTWORKS

Young Audiences is launching ArtWorks, a paid summer youth apprenticeship program in the arts for city residents ages 14 to 18. Application assistance workshops will be held at noon Friday in the Edward Saunders Center, 2777 Bailey Ave. and at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Central Library, Lafayette Square. The deadline for applications for the program is 4 p.m. May 1. For more information, call 881-0917 or visit yawny.org/latest-news/artworks.

SHAKESPEARIENCE

Shakespearience, Shakespeare in Delaware Park’s high school apprentice program, will hold interviews from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 25. Call 856-4533 by April 17 for an appointment. Session I, “Romeo and Juliet,” will run from June 13 to July 12; session II, “Twelfth Night,” will run from July 18 to Aug. 16.

CONTEST

The Holocaust Research Center is holding its annual Arts and Writing Contest for students in grades seven through 12. This year’s theme is “How Propaganda Can Provoke and Prevent Genocide.” The deadline is Wednesday. For more information, email ed@hrcbuffalo.org, call 634-9535 or visit hrcbuffalo.org.
The North Tonawanda School District will be holding its third annual free Health Fair at 6 p.m. next Thursday in North Tonawanda Middle School, 1500 Vanderbilt Ave. Also, the district will hold its third annual 5K Run and 1-mile Family Fun Walk at 9 a.m. April 18 beginning at the middle school. Registration is $10 at ntschools.org.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Activities this week at the Central Library, Lafayette Square, include a Launch Pad Open House with demonstrations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday; DIY crafts for kids from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday; screening of "The Mummy Returns" from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday; and a kite-making workshop with Meg Robinson-Albers in the Young Audiences Second Saturday series at 1 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 858-8900 or visit buffalolib.org or yawny.org/public-programs.

ARTS CAFE

The Lewiston Arts Cafe continues Tuesday with poet Lynn Ciesielski and musician Zak Ward at the Lewiston Opera Hall, 732 Center St., Lewiston. Admission is $2. For more information, visit artcouncil.org or justbuffalo.org.

MUSICIANS SOUGHT

Erie County Fair is looking for high school students to participate in the Pepsi-Cola Marching Band, which performs during the fair's daily parade as well as a few other performances during the 12-day event. Rehearsals will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning June 9. Deadline for applications is May 27. For applications and more information, call 649-3900, Ext. 6403, or visit ecfair.org.