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History Enthusiasts to Celebrate 75th Anniversary of Prohibition Repeal

BUFFALO, NEW YORK, December 3, 2008 - One of Buffalo's most historic taverns will be the setting for a spirited commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the repeal of prohibition. Forgotten Buffalo, the region's authority on unique landmarks, classic taverns, old world neighborhoods and "Nickel City" oddities will host a **ceremonial toast on Friday, December 5th at 9pm at Pristach's Tavern located at 1634 Bailey Avenue at Pullman Street, one block north of Broadway.**

The "toast to the repeal" at Pristach's is just one of four stops during Forgotten Buffalo's tour of family owned taverns on "Repeal Day." December 5th is significant as the date in 1933 that the United States repealed the Eighteenth Amendment and once again allowed Americans--and Buffalonians--the legal right to consume alcoholic beverages, ending almost 14 years of prohibition.

Forgotten Buffalo will be joined by over 50 history enthusiast as well as Prohibition historian and filmmaker Stephan Powell who will provide insight about Buffalo during the "dry" years. Powell will share colorful stories about bootlegging & smuggling across the Niagara River from Canada and the hundreds of speakeasies that helped make Buffalo one of the "wettest" cities in America.

Located at the corner of Bailey Avenue and Pullman Street in Buffalo, Pristach's is one of Buffalo's best Prohibition era taverns still in operation. Joseph Pristach took over the business in the mid-1930s and it has been operated by the same family ever since. His son Edward Pristach, a former Buffalo Police officer, eventually took over the business that is still run by his wife Regina. The tavern is located near the former Wildroot Root Hair Tonic factory and across the street from Buffalo's last remaining railroad roundhouse that was part of the famous Pullman Railcar shops.

Founded in 2007, ForgottenBuffalo.com Tours act as an urban explorer's guide to the Buffalo-Niagara region specializing in unique aspects of our region's history. Tours are created and led by television personality Maxwell Truth, host of Off Beat Cinema and trained Buffalo architecture and history docent Marty Biniasz. Each tour is specifically researched and crafted to give patrons a sense why Buffalo-Niagara is one of the most unique urban communities in the world.