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Area Events

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Holiday Valley & Village, Ellicottville

"WEARING OF THE GREEN"
Friday, March 18th • 6:30-9pm
Allegheny State Park, Salamanca

WNY MAPLE WEEKENDS
March 19th & 20th • 10-4pm
Maple Producers Throughout WNY

SPRING FLING 2022
Saturday, March 19th • 10-4pm
Onohsagwede' Cultural Center, Salamanca

SPRING POND SKIMMING 2022
Saturday, March 26th • 11-2:30pm
Holiday Valley Resort, Ellicottville

SPRING SPORTSMANS SHOW
Saturday, April 9th • 9am
Catt. County Fairgrounds, Little Valley

PETER COTTON TAIL EXPRESS
Saturday, April 9th • 11-4pm
Gowanda Train Station, Gowanda

MARTINA MCBRIDE LIVE
Saturday, April 9th • 8-11pm
Seneca Allegany Casino, Salamanca

HAPPY HALF MARATHON
Saturday, May 7th • 9-1pm
Holiday Valley Resort, Ellicottville

ST. PATRICK'S DEALERS CRAWL
Thursday, March 17th • 8am
Harley Davidson, Jamestown

LUCKY MUD RUN
Saturday, March 19th • 10am
Gerry Rodeo Grounds, Gerry

AUDUBON LIGHTS 2022
March 25th & 26th • 8pm
Audubon Nature Center, Jamestown

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Tuesday, April 5th • 7pm
Reg Lenna Center, Jamestown

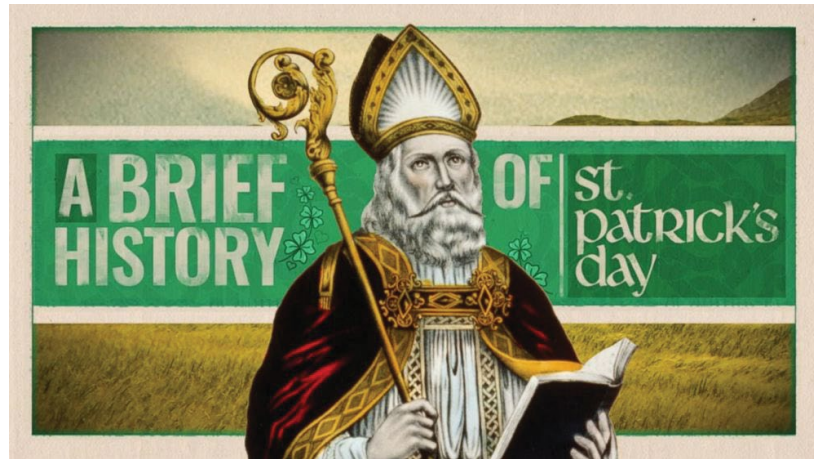
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Robert H. Jackson Center, Jamestown

ROCKIN THE COMMONS
Saturday, April 9th • 11-7pm
Barker Commons, Fredonia

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History of St. Patrick's Day

The Saint Who Wasn't a Saint Shall Always be Celebrated



St. Patrick, born in 387 AD and originally thought to have been named Maewyn Succat, was Roman-Britain whose dad was a Senator/Tax-collector, and his grandfather was a priest. He arrived in Ireland at age 16 at the hands of Irish pirates.

BY CAROL FISHER LINN

Sad news. Good old Saint Patrick is not a bona-fide canonized saint in the Church. Having died 1561 years ago on March 17, 461, he was a "saint" before the church recognized saints,

it seems. Wikipedia enlightens us: "he is venerated as a Saint in the Catholic church and in the Eastern Orthodox Church, where he is regarded as equal-to-the-apostles

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Welcome to Winter Carnival!

Events at Holiday Valley and in EVL this Weekend



BY BROOKE SZPAICHER

Holiday Valley in Ellicottville, NY invites you to come celebrate the winter season and the fun and sun of the upcoming spring season this weekend.

Schedules of Events:

Saturday:

• **10am-5pm: Safety Patrol Cookout, base of Yodeler:** Help support the Safety Patrol

of Holiday Valley and all their hard work and training that they offer each season to the resort. Enjoy a quick bite before heading out to the slopes or stop by for a quick lunch!

• **11am: 2nd Annual Winter Golf Classic:** Yes, golf in the snow! Although we have seen a lot of the snow disappear on the

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Celebrating Spring in All Religions

Do You Remember When You Were a Kid



With Lent comes a trip to the Broadway Market in Buffalo, where we literally rub shoulders with every brand of human being preparing to celebrate the season. If I haven't taken the time to decorate eggs, I first head to the pysanki booth to pick out some of my favorites, either wooden or shell.

BY CAROL FISHER LINN

Remember when you were a kid, and you couldn't wait for your birthday or a favorite holiday? My

granddaughter, Emma is turning 10 this month. She is days away from the long-awaited anniversary (22nd) of her birth (it was 80 degrees that day!). The calendar is marked off, she is getting the word out on what she'd like for her

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EVL Chamber Member Spotlight: The Villager

The Story Behind the Stories



In July 2001 the first issue of what was to become Zimmer Media, LLC was printed. It was all black and white and 12 pages. It was going to be a monthly arts journal, ar'te-fakt magazine was its name. The word "ar'te-fakt" literally means "something created by humans for a practical reason".

BY KATE BARTLETT

Have you ever wondered what is behind the stories you read here every week and how they all

come together? Jeanine Zimmer is the maker of this magic. She is the founder, publisher, editor,

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Sneak Peek Inside this Issue...

Special Hometown Concert ... Pg. B-2

10,000 Maniacs Featuring Mary Ramsey, Reg Lenna, Jamestown NY, May 21st



Jamestown's hometown heroes, 10,000 Maniacs featuring Mary Ramsey will be celebrating their 40th anniversary with a special hometown concert at the Reg Lenna Center for the Arts on Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Opening the concert, will be Michael Glabicki of Rusted Root with Dirk Miller.

Holiday Valley Ski & Safety Patrols ... Pg. 5

Two Different Teams, One Great Family

It was brought to our attention last week, with the release of the Annual Ski Patrol Food Drive event article, that the Holiday Valley Ski Patrol and the Holiday Valley Safety Patrol are actually two very different organizations. So, we wanted to take this opportunity to shed some light on both teams and what they bring to our community members on the slopes.

Maple Weekend Events

Region Celebrates Last Two Weekends of March



Johnson Estate Winery in Westfield offers a unique experience for adults during NYS Maple Weekends. Chef Andy will be making French Crepes with toasted nuts paired with their Maple Liqueur 12-4pm daily. Their creation tastes like "a combination of sherry and ice wine, fortified and sweet, with a dry finish. The light infusion of maple syrup provides a warming, not-too-sweet maple sensation." Guests can purchase a bottle and a French Crepe Kit to enjoy at home.

BY KATE BARTLETT

March means maple season. Get ready to sample fresh maple syrup and rediscover the wonders of syrup making during several events across Chautauqua and Cattaraugus counties. Mark your calendars for WNY Maple Weekends March 19-20 and 26-27, with several events extending through

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EVL Businesswoman in Full Circle

Station Bistro Closes, Lucky Day Homestead Rises



Entrepreneur Emily Tingué, owner of The Station Bistro, is excited for the path ahead at Lucky Day Homestead.

BY RACHEL FRALEY

They say everything comes "full circle" in life and if you asked Emily Tingué, I bet she would be likely to agree with that statement. Emily opened The Station Bistro located on Depot St. in West Valley, three years ago. The restaurant is a historic train themed bar and bistro, that features fresh, local, farm to table food on its menu. Live music regularly provides entertainment to the loyal customers as well. A crowd favorite among locals of many of the surrounding areas, sadly Emily has made the hard decision to close its doors.

Saturday April 2nd will be the official closing party. The Bistro opens at 4pm and the party will be open to the public. "We wanted to thank the patrons for a great 3 years", Emily said. There will be a limited menu, and the bar will be

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Publisher's Word

"To Everything there is a Season..."



Turn, turn, turn that chapter! with the kids; today and On to the next! It is time to every day is a gift. Everyone laugh, dance and love! Mardi understands that more now Gras is here and we can than ever before. We are truly finally, safely celebrate again. fortunate to be exactly where I know it's been a long, scary we are right now with who we road but here we meet again, are with. Count your blessings albeit stronger, wiser, more and your P's & Q's in this cautious and more thankful maiden voyage into Spring than ever. Enjoy every 2022! moment, it is a blessing. *Until next week, enjoy the* Enjoy your weekend, *read - Jeanine Caprino* whether you are dressed as a *Zimmer* dinosaur parading down the P.S. Did I mention you rock? street or enjoying ice cream Ya, I did. Rock it.

Important Public Service Announcement:
Road Closings for Mardi Gras Weekend
 Main Street in Ellicottville, NY will be closed to public traffic on March 12th from 5 till 7:30 pm for the duration of the 2022 Mardi Gras Parade.

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 Happy Belated Birthday to Katlyn Tekavec... March 8th

E-mail us your birthday greetings: info@thevillager.com

Important Public Service Announcement:
 Annual Great Valley Fireman's Regatta Cancelled for 2022

HOMETOWN HERO PROGRAM
 American Legion - Ellicottville Post 659 If you are interested in honoring your hero please call Mary Klahn at 716-450-4312 to request an application. DEADLINE FOR 2022 IS MARCH 12TH.

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR MORE LOCAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Ellicottville is Foodie Heaven

Over 15 Local Restaurants in Walkable Distance for Everyone to Enjoy

Over 15 local restaurants in a walkable 4 block radius is giving our foodie crowd a whole new reason to travel! Maybe it's our generation, (if it is we're not mad about it) but spending money on food isn't the problem, it's finding the food to spend money on. I'm not going to sit here and pretend that I don't enjoy a quick drive through meal occasionally but I also won't deny that I'm a food snob and go where I'm fed, well. Being an Ellicottville, NY native and a true foodie at heart I have admit that I'm blessed with a whole smorgasbord of flavor and culture right in my backyard. Trust us, we know a long day on the slopes will certainly heighten anyone's appetite and we want to spill the beans on our favorite spots to warm up and satisfy your hunger. Check out some of our top local restaurants that deserve the recognition for their flavorful cultural cuisine! (Not listed in any order because we like a diverse menu and let our cravings steer our decision making- always.)

1. Villaggio: As Italian food junkies, this for sure made our list! Of course we start off with a glass of red, an order of their house bread and spreads, and roasted brussel sprouts before we even think to glance at the choices for the main course. If you're beat after a day on



the slopes and are looking to wind down, chill, and fill up to a warm beach in mid-February.

4. Monroe Street Brick N' Brew: Brick oven pizza and grilled wings? Yes please! (I warned you that we love our Italian food!) These guys have a passion for their pizza and it doesn't go unnoticed, seemingly fresh and just as delicious as it looks. Although, this is often a debatable opinion in WNY, I believe that their wings are hands down the best I've ever had.

At the end of the day, food is food, but GOOD food-that's a whole love language. I promise you that traveling here for the sole purpose of experiencing Ellicottville's culinary culture is not crazy. Actually, it's kind of crazy if you don't. Be sure to come back for more as we guide you through the culinary side of Ellicottville! Looking to learn more about Ellicottville, NY? Visit the ellicottvilleny.com.

2. Kabob House: Talk about diversified flavor. The Kabob House is, in our opinion, best known for their Pakistani / Mediterranean cuisine, and will give you fellow foodies the flavor you're looking for! Amber, owner, stated in an interview with EllicottvilleNOW that a lot of her dishes are family recipes that has a little personal touch of hers. Right now, the hype is over their Tandoori Chicken Morsels that's served with Mango Chutney.

3. The Taqueria: One word- Mexican. C'mon who doesn't love quesadillas, tacos, and queso? Throw in a margarita (or two) on the rocks with a salted rim and I'm yours! All their dishes are full of color and bursting with Mexican flavor. This is the place where Ellicottville meets Mexico. It's also the next closest thing

Welcome to Mardi Gras Day Parade

Following a Two-Year Absence, an Iconic Event is Returning to Downtown Ellicottville

ELlicOTTVILLE - It is perhaps one of the most fun and zany events of winter, an event that invites both locals and visitors to put their creative minds to work, in preparation for the biggest party of ski season. An event that encourages individuals and groups to choose their theme, plan their costumes, and parade through Ellicottville's business district, while spectators line the streets, cheering for their favorites.

Following a two-year hiatus due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Ellicottville's Mardi Gras Parade is back on the schedule, and organizers of the event are anticipating a record turnout, as many have expressed how much they've missed this iconic festival.

"In March of 2020, just one week before our Mardi Gras celebration was set to take place, our nation's leaders declared a public health emergency, and businesses and events were ordered to shut down to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus," remembers Brian McFadden, executive director of the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce. "Now, two years later, with vaccination rates increasing and mandates being lifted, we are excited to bring back the Mardi Gras Parade, and we're looking forward to celebrating this iconic event with our friends again - safely."

Coinciding with Holiday Valley's Winter Carnival weekend, the Mardi Gras Parade is set for Saturday, March 12th. Registered participants will gather in the parking lot at Katy's Café before 6:00pm and will march down Ellicottville's main drag promptly at 6:30pm, ending at the Gazebo. Applications to participate are now available on the Ellicottville Chamber's website and you must pre-register to be in the parade.

"We've already received a number of applications, and we're very close to finalizing all of the fun details for the 'Best of' contests," said Jessica Wallace, the Chamber's business development manager. "We can't wait to see what everyone has in store for their costumes and float decorations. Our local businesses always go above and beyond, and we anticipate a good crowd to cheer them on."

The culmination of the Mardi Gras Parade is the crowning of a King and Queen, decided on by spectators who will applaud for their favorite. Not only will the King and Queen claim bragging rights, they will also be invited to lead the Winter Carnival Costume Parade down Mardi Gras slope the following day at Holiday Valley.

A few notes to remember: The Mardi Gras Parade is a family-friendly event. No alcohol is permitted in the parade.



While candy and trinkets such as bead necklaces can be handed out to spectators, marchers are asked not to throw items into the crowd. Lastly, day-of registration will not be available, hop onto ellicottvillenyny.com soon and fill out the online application.

"Once you're registered, let the fun begin!" said Wallace. "Gather your group and get started on those zany and elaborate costumes and floats. Let's make the 2022 Mardi Gras Parade one to remember!"

For additional information about this year's Mardi Gras Parade or if you have questions, please call the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce at 800-349-9099 or email jessica@ellicottvillenyny.com. To learn more about Holiday Valley's Winter Carnival celebration March 12-13th, go to holidayvalley.com.

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The Rotary Club of Ellicottville Provides Yearly Financial Support



Over the past number of years, the Rotary Club of Ellicottville has been providing equipment and monetary support for many local organizations. Working with the Ellicottville Memorial Library for over 15 years the Club initially provided a \$50,000.00 donation to the building fund establishing the Rotary room in the library. The Club also provides yearly financial support funding the youth Intern program every summer along with support for the Summer Reading Program and other child friendly programs. Rotary is committed to keeping the library technologically current through donations of computers and equipment. Over the years they have also provided technology teaching tools like Robotics and Drone kits via Rotary District Grants. The community as a whole benefits from the essential programs for all ages. With the pandemic changing how we all learn and work there was a need to improve WiFi access 24/7 at the library. To

this end the Rotary Club of Ellicottville applied for and received a district grant to provide another technology upgrade. New indoor and outdoor wireless access points have been installed so that Wi-Fi access is stronger both inside the building and in the parking lot. Just as a reminder, the internet is always on at the library - even if they are closed, so you can surf the internet to your heart's content. Along with the new WiFi installation the Rotary Grant provided new 27" monitors along with new, faster SSD hard drives on all of the patron desktop computers. The screens are a huge improvement over the old smaller monitors and the speed of the computers allows for lightning-fast downloads, which Laura described as an awesome improvement. The Rotary Club of Ellicottville, working with Laura Flanagan, developed a list of equipment needed to accomplish this enhancement. The Rotary Club of Ellicottville then submitted and received a matching grant from Rotary District 7090.

The Rotary District Grant has been used in the past to support numerous projects at the Ellicottville Memorial Library, Ellicottville Central School, the Ellicottville Food Pantry, the Village Park and the Rotary Auditorium at the Ellicottville Town Center to name a few.

This particular grant provided the upgrade to the computers and paid for the installation of the new WiFi access points. Both Rotarians and Friends of Rotary did the minor set up of the equipment but left the wiring to the professionals.

The Rotary District 7090 provides a matching grant of up to \$2,000.00 to Clubs that meet the criteria annually. The Rotary Club of Ellicottville contributed \$2,500.00 for a total of \$4,500.00 to modernize the equipment and improve internet access. Laura said "We are thrilled to have your continued support of the Rotary Club of Ellicottville. I hope our community realizes that this exceptional organization changes lives, lifts people up, and makes this community a better place."

The Ellicottville Memorial Library services the Ellicottville Community with many unique programs year-round while providing computer access to all who need it. The Rotary Club of Ellicottville meets every second Wednesday at 6:15 PM, currently via Zoom due to the pandemic. Anyone is welcome, so please visit their website www.ellicottvillerotary.com.

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HoliMont Update

The Vivians: Holimont Snowsports Family

BY DAN BALKIN



You may have heard of a Harlequin Romance - be assured however that a Holi-Romance is more enchanting. Mark and Mary Claire Vivian are long standing fixtures on the HoliMont Snowsports School. Mary Claire is the indefatigable Children's Director and Mark is one of the key instructor / trainers that sustain the overall quality of the Snowsports School. Mark hails from Toronto and came to HoliMont in the 1993 ski season after working as an instructor at The Collingwood Ski Area in Ontario. Mary Claire is from Orchard Park, worked as a children's instructor at Holiday Valley and arrived at HoliMont in 2002.

Mary Claire fondly remembers Mark as being one of her instructor trainers when she arrived at HoliMont. She describes Mark as her "#1 Coach". It has worked out. Mark climbed the PSIA certification ladder to become a Level III (full certified) instructor in 1997. He helped Mary Claire along the same path. Mary Claire has already passed the very challenging skiing portion of the Level III exam and needs to complete the teaching portion of the exam to become a Level III instructor - the gold standard of ski instruction. One of the high-level tasks a Level III instructor must pass is to ski a long, steep mogul run in good form. Mary Claire took her Level III skiing exam at Sunday River in Maine and remembers the mogul run being the length of Sunset and the steepness of Greer Hill. To pass, husband Mark obviously taught her well and Mary Claire rose to the occasion!

After knowing each other for two years, Mark and Mary Claire started dating in 2004. They remember that Mark's son Simon (who is now 26) accompanied them almost

everywhere. In December 2009, Mark and Mary Claire became engaged halfway up the old Expo chair. They were married five months later in May 2010 at the Saturn Club in Buffalo. Mark and Mary Claire remember it as a beautiful spring day - blissfully accepting that winter's skiing snow would return next year.

Mark has been the Snowsports Training Director at HoliMont and currently has assumed the vital role training the apprentices. This is a natural fit for Mark because he also teaches the top alpine Snowsports class, The Eagles. These are kids ages 10-13 years old who are interested in polishing their all-mountain skiing skills. Mark: "It is very gratifying to watch an Eagle join the Snowsports trainee program".

Mary Claire was the Assistant Children's Director and became the Children's Director in 2010. She has 250 kids in the program and knows each of them. Her work ethic and seeming omnipresence in the Snowsports building and on the slopes to answer every question and take care of every small detail are the stuff of Holi-Legend among the instructors. Mary Claire: "It is a joy when you ski by and one of the kids in the program shouts out 'Hi Mary Claire'". Mark and Mary Claire are among the most dedicated instructors in the Snowsports program. In addition to their Snowsports seasonal program duties, they attend The PSIA Management Seminar at a ski area in New England on behalf of HoliMont every December. HoliMont's dynamic duo? Indeed.

Mark and Mary Claire have three children: Mara 10, Colin 8, and Tess 6. Mary Claire is also a teacher in Orchard Park. She commented, "How awesome it is that HoliMont is able to accommodate working with juggling our family life". What a family life it is! For Mark and Mary Claire, "HoliMont is our kids back yard" and "It is a dream life of skiing with friends all weekend long". To put the dedicated ski life in perspective, Mark remembers driving from Toronto on Thursdays to Mary Claire's former house in Buffalo. Very early on Friday morning, Mark and his son Simon would leave for Simon's ski race at a distant mountain such as Gore in eastern NY. The race would occur on the weekend, and they would drive back to Mary Claire's house Sunday night and depart for Toronto Monday morning. Exhausting? For some people. For the Vivian family it's called the love of skiing.

HoliMont Covid-19 Testing

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Holiday Valley Ski & Safety Patrols

Two Different Teams, One Great Family



refreshed annually through ongoing training in skiing, or snowboarding toboggan handling, first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), Automatic External Defibrillator (AED), lift evacuation, snowmobile operations and more. 90% of the Ski Patrol is volunteer, spending hours each year giving back to the ski and snowboard community that they love.”

“No matter what color coat we wear, both patrols are happy to assist Holiday Valley guests! Our main goal is similar, to help ensure everyone is safe and has a great time visiting the resort”

By JESSICA SCHULTZ

provide?

It was brought to our attention last week, with the release of the Annual Ski Patrol Food Drive event article, that the Holiday Valley Ski Patrol and the Holiday Valley Safety Patrol are actually two very different organizations. So, we wanted to take this opportunity to shed some light on both teams and what they bring to our community members on the slopes.

Once again, *The Villager* had the pleasure to speak with ski patroller **Rebecca Mansell** for the inside details on both teams.

The Villager (V): Holiday Valley has multiple units to assist its guests, could you explain the difference between the Ski Patrol and the Safety Patrol?

Rebecca (R): “To begin, there is an obvious difference in Jacket color. Safety Patrol is Yellow with Black markings. Ski Patrol is Red with the White Cross. All Patrollers, both Safety and Ski, are part of the National Ski Patrol which was started in 1938 with the creed of “Service and Safety”.

V: Could you elaborate on what services both the ski patrol and the safety patrol

R: “**The Safety Patrol** was started at Holiday Valley 40 years ago in 1982 and their job is to assist guests and promote safety on the slopes. They educate skiers and riders on Smart style, Your Responsibility Code, Common Sense on the slopes and act as Ambassadors on the Hill. They are the Mountain Hosts, when guests arrive, and help customers when they have misplaced something, from gloves to cell phones to family members. The Safety Patrol runs a mountain top food stand every weekend throughout the season selling hot-dogs and sausages out of the Champagne Warming hut at the top of the Mardi Gras Chairlift.

The Holiday Valley Ski Patrol is as old as Holiday Valley. The Ski Patrol is a highly trained team of skiing and snowboarding enthusiasts with a common passion for service, and safety. The Ski Patrol’s first priority is to help persons who may be injured. They act as on-the-hill medics and facilitate the transport of injured guests to one of two first aid rooms. All of the Ski Patrollers have their skills

V: Do both agencies work in tandem or are they fully separate?

R: “The Safety and Ski Patrol teams work together to perform their jobs on the hill. When working on scene, guests of Holiday Valley can commonly observe the Safety Patrollers managing skier/boarder traffic around an incident, as the Ski Patrollers attend to the matter at hand. Then, as the injured guest is transported by the Ski Patrollers from the hill to the first aid room, the Safety Patrollers can be heard blowing whistles and parting crowds to alert guests that a toboggan is coming through on its way to the Ski Patrol First Aid Room.”

V: Anything else to add?

R: “No matter what color coat we wear, both patrols are happy to assist Holiday Valley guests! Our main goal is similar, to help ensure everyone is safe and has a great time visiting the resort”

Thank you, Rebecca, for once again taking the time to speak with us and for sharing all the details on both the ski and safety patrols. And a huge thank you to both the Holiday Valley Ski Patrol and Holiday Valley Safety Patrol members for everything you do to make sure both our locals and visitors alike can enjoy all the slopes have to offer!!

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Upcoming Rail Rider Jamboree!!



We are only 11 days out until the Rail Rider Jamboree. This Borderland Music + Arts Festival event at Holiday Valley Resort that features fan favorites, Dark Star Orchestra, Keller Williams, Driftwood, Brass Machine and A Girl Named Genny. You're not going to want to miss this party!

Boardroom Banked Success!!!



The WNY Snowboard community is an incredible one. There was a fantastic turnout last Sunday at the Holiday Valley Resort for The Boardroom Snowboard Shop's 4th Banked Slalom event. Not only did everyone help raise money for PUNT Pediatric Cancer Collaborative but new friends were made and a ton of fun was had. Thank you to everyone who came out.

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March Chili Crawl

GOACC & OSSC Announce Event for Saturday, March 26th, 12-5pm



as a result of the funds raised from the event. The dogs and their owners go through various courses together, properly preparing the dogs to serve those who've served," reported Aaron Tierson, member of the crawl committee.

The time frame of the crawl is Noon to 5 p.m. that Saturday. Participants need to call the Chamber to sign up for the crawl for \$35 which includes 8 vouchers, judging card, and a chili eating vessel. The fee will go to \$45 March 14th. Online reservations can be purchased at shop.oleanny.com. Although confirmation of locations is on-going by the committee, both Union Whiskey and Village Green are on board.

"Aaron and I approached the Chamber back in March 2021 to help organize the taco event (144 crawlers) and the wing crawl (206). The feedback was to continue this in the area with other food items," Tyler Booth added. Tyler's OSSC is the Southern Tier's organizer of recreational sports, social fun, and charity events - kickball, beach volleyball and a scavenger hunt. Please call or stop in the Chamber to make reservations - your chili packet will be available for pick up Wednesday, March 23. Chamber is located at 301 North Union Street, Olean with phone number 716-372-4433. You can also go online to shop.oleanny.com to purchase your ticket.

OLEAN — National Chili Day on the fourth Thursday in February honors one of America's favorite winter dishes—chili. It's also known as chili con carne (chili with meat). It's also the day that the Olean Sports and Social Club (OSSC) and the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce are announcing their CHILI CRAWL is set for Saturday, March 26th. They are once again teaming up to present the next segment of a food crawl - and using it as a fundraiser to raise funds for service dogs through the WNY Heroes / Pawsitive for Heroes. Through the Taco Crawl in June and the Wing Crawl in November, the events were able to donate more than \$7000 to the charity.

area locations to test/try/enjoy a bowl of chili. You will rate each bowl on presentation, flavor, temperature and overall. Votes will be tallied at the end of the crawl with the BEST CHILI named. Also, one of the lucky participants will be taking away \$500 in Shop Olean gift certificates.

"Okay - so 8 cups of chili in 5 hours? The committee discussed this and we are suggesting that each location have a bowl be between 4 to 6 oz. Each restaurant will be turning in their own recipe of chili and we are suggesting to them to watch the hot/spice gauge on the bowl - as the crawlers need to get through 8 locations," stated (with a little laugh) Meme K. Yanetsko, GOACC COO.

"We continue to fun'raise for the Western New York Heroes program called 'Pawsitive for Heroes.' The program pays for service dog training

What is a crawl? The crawl is where you pay one price (\$35) and receive vouchers to travel to eight different

Junior Explorers: 1 Year Anniversary

The Junior's Celebrated One Year of Exploring at Buffalo's Cereal Spot

EVAN & ADDISON BARTLETT

This week marks our one-year anniversary as the Junior Explorers with The Villager so we had an extra special celebration with lots of delicious treats. We checked out The Cereal Spot on Hertel Avenue in Buffalo, where everyone is a cereal chef! This place has over 100 kinds of cereal, 20 kinds of milk, ice creams, candy, cupcakes and pancakes, amongst other seasonal specialties so no two creations are ever the same. Inspired by his love for cereal as a kid, Eric dreamed of opening a Cereal café. He woke up every morning to the smell of the General Mills cereal factory in Buffalo reminding him of his dream. In



2020, Eric, Jeremy and Ranger opened the Cereal Spot and it's been a hit with kids of all ages. Pick from variety of cereals, including international brands from Canada (Timbits) and Mexico (Spanish CocoPuffs), seasonal cereals (Elf on the Shelf, Pumpkin Spice, Flutie Flakes), classics for Mom and Dad (Alphabits, Waffle Crisp, Apple Jacks) and traditional favorites (Lucky Charms, Fruit Loops, Kix). Mix as many as you like, top with ice cream and/or milk and stir up some fun! Their best-selling cereal is hands down Fruity Pebbles and Eric's favorite creation is the Cereal Tacos filled with ice cream.

Stop in anytime, cereal's not just for breakfast! See you Spoon!

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Daylight Saving Time

Daylight Saving Time starts Sunday! Get ready. Set. Spring forward! DST begins at 2am on Sunday, March 13. This time was chosen because fewer trains were running and, more importantly, it causes minimal disruption to bars, many of which close at 1:59am. Taking care of the important stuff, right? Turn those clocks ahead, and if you find you can't sleep, go to <https://www.factretriever.com/daylight-saving-time-facts> and find more fun facts about DST.

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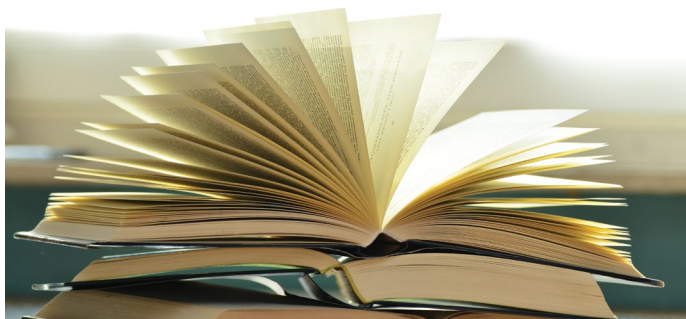
Programs Aim to Give Upcoming Students Credit When Credit is Due

By JESSICA MILLER

The importance of higher education cannot be overstated in terms of personal and professional development. Opportunities of all manner become more accessible as levels of education increase. But as vital as a degree may be, tuition and credits for classes can be costly. Even students with access to financial aid often find themselves paying substantial fees out of pocket or taking out loans that stretch well into the future.

General education credits are as much a part of the degree process as funding. These courses confirm the pupil has working understanding on a broad range of subjects and obtained a well-rounded education. History, mathematics, English, psychology, culture, and science are some examples of gen ed courses required as part of a degree's curriculum. An advantage of these courses being common requirements of any major is that these courses are relatively easy to transfer and apply if the student changes majors or universities.

Varied businesses, schools, and programs have recently made obtaining these general ed credits even easier to access and afford. Sophia (sophia.org) is one of the most well-known business models of these. Sophia offers over 30 gen ed courses accessible by a \$79 per month subscription plan. Subscribers can take up to two courses at a time, and students can take as many of these courses as they want. These credits are American Council on Education (ACE) and Distance Education Accreditation Commission



Low cost or free general education credits can save college students both time and money. Modern States is an organization that even offers the possibility of "Freshman Year for Free" to pupils who pass eight CLEP exams using its program.

(DEAC) approved for transfer to participating schools. Courses can be accessed in a web browser or an app.

StraighterLine (straighterline.com) operates its courses in a similar membership plan manner. Subscription to this platform is \$99 per month, and individual courses start at one-time payments of \$59 in addition to the monthly membership. Like Sophia, StraighterLine courses are approved by schools accepting ACE credits. This platform has partner school agreements that promise guaranteed credit transfer of StraighterLine credits.

Modern States (modernstates.org) is a nonprofit alliance dedicated to providing college access to all by providing free College Level Examination Program (CLEP) test preparation and CLEP vouchers to its participants on its website or in the app. The "Freshman Year for Free" program is designed to potentially provide the equivalent of a free freshman term to students passing eight CLEP exams. When students pass CLEP exams, these test results can be credited for the university's course requirements without any

class registration necessary to participating schools.

Online college courses in general have made higher education more attainable for students with demands outside of academia. College courses taken online have proven themselves to demand the same intellectual rigor as their in-person counterparts and have the added advantages of increased schedule flexibility and potentially decreased fees. The latter is especially advantageous for students who will not need to pay to live in a dorm, pay campus activity fees, or use a school meal plan. Students who can utilize diverse tools such as listed above can obtain a quality education while saving money.

Regardless of which means credits are earned, it is up to the student to ensure that these credits will transfer to their degree path and school. Doing this due diligence beforehand saves precious time, money, and energy that can be directed to the right places. Academic advisors can provide the best and most applicable advice to students on these courses and others more focused on a specific degree.

Inside Business: Main Street Pizzeria

Family Owned and Operated Cafe In Springville, NY

By BARBARA ARNSTEIN

Main Street Pizzeria and Cafe, a family owned and operated restaurant at 56 East Main Street in Springville serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. All homemade goodness. The restaurant has been at that address for fourteen years. It was started by Joseph Emerling in 1998 at 60 East Main Street, and now his son Justin Emerling manages the kitchen, while his daughter Nicole manages the dining area.

When it was merged with the East End Cafe, the original pizzeria menu was combined with

a cafe menu. It has sandwiches, burgers, wraps, pastas, salads and, of course, pizza. One of the most popular morning menu items, Nick's Big Breakfast, includes two eggs, pancakes, sausage, bacon, home fries and toast. The popular lunch choices include the Hot and Cold Subs. Diners can choose from Steak, Chicken and Italian Sausage Bombers, with onions, mushrooms, green peppers and mozzarella.

Owner Justin Emerling states that "The most-ordered items include the Reuben sandwiches and the Beef on Weck, while the most popular evening item is the Hot Roast Beef Dinner. The popular pastas include Chesapeake Pasta with lobster, shrimp and crab in a cream sauce. Now is the time to enjoy the Haddock Fish Fry dish. The



Main Street Family, Nicole Emerling, Joe Emerling and Justin Emerling

most popular desserts are the Carrot Cake and the Chocolate Mousse Pie. The kids' menu includes burgers, franks, spaghetti and meatballs, grilled cheese and more."

Several of the dishes are named after streets in Springville: the Elk Street includes chicken with ham and Swiss; the Mill Street, chicken salad with sliced apples and almonds; the Pearl Street, provolone with red peppers, and the Myrtle Ave, turkey, Swiss and bacon. "We like to represent our local roots."

The Pizzeria & Cafe is located in Springville's mini-mall, where the hallway features copies of signs seen in Springville in 1911. There are tables inside for on-site dining and there is a banquet room in the back that can seat 25. The room is used for everything from private parties to business meetings and gatherings held by various organizations, including Scouts of America.

The decorative branches in the main dining area are decorated by Nicole for every holiday. At the parties, diners can order off the menu, or those ever-popular items on the menu, pizza and wings.

Takeout orders are welcome and they have a new online ordering system to help everyone place their orders with ease. My personal favorite there is the hot roast beef on a roll, with sauteed mushrooms and melted provolone (also the favorite of countless other customers!).

MSP's number is (716) 592-5555. There is plenty of seating, so come in and enjoy a great evening out at one of the tables that have a great view of Main Street or order online for pickup and delivery is available daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Hours: Monday, 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Tuesday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Sunday 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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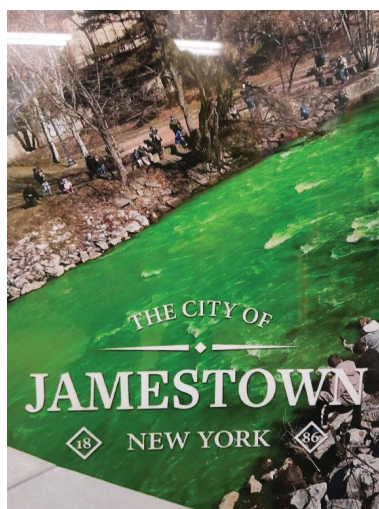
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and Enlightener of Ireland. He is also regarded as a Saint within the framework of their respective doctrine by the Anglican Communion and the Lutheran Churches." And my dear sainted mother (rest her soul) would wash my mouth out with soap if she ever heard me suggest St. Patrick was not a saint!

So how did this fellow ever end up regarded as a saint, you ask? Did he really chase snakes out of Ireland? Well, since Ireland is surrounded by water, these critters have never set their slimy little bodies on the soil of Ireland. The snakes were symbolic of the evil and corruption that he found there and allegedly drove out. Today, especially since 1995, the Irish government has used the story and celebration of St. Patrick to drive tourism into Ireland and showcase her culture to the rest of the world! It is a major turn from the original celebration of St. Patrick's Day as a solemn religious occasion with pubs closed by law on that day until the 1970's. Can you imagine how Bobby McCarthy would have managed if he traveled to celebrate St. Patty's in his pub-shuttered Motherland in the 70's? Faith and Begorrah!

St. Patrick, born in 387 AD and originally thought to have been named Maewyn Succat, was Roman-Britain whose dad was a Senator/Tax-collector, and his grandfather was a priest. He arrived in Ireland at age 16 at the hands of Irish pirates. He was held captive and worked as a shepherd. The nomadic life helped to strengthen his relationship with God and led to an eventual conversion to Christianity. He later escaped, renamed himself Patricius and years later returned to Ireland where he was credited with



A party is great, but it might be more fun if you head over to Jamestown on Saturday, March 19 (you can still party on the 17th) from 9am-noon, when the good people from the Jamestown Parks Department will be dyeing the Chadakoin River (Chautauqua Lake's outlet) green which can be viewed on the Riverwalk.

bringing Christianity to its people. Legend has it, he used the three-leafed shamrock to explain the Holy Trinity (Father, Son, Holy Spirit). According to his own writings, Patricius baptized thousands, ordained priests and converted wealthy women turning some into nuns. Ireland became known as a Catholic country for centuries until 2015 after the revelations of the child abuse scandals that rocked the church.

But celebrations still abound. Heck, who doesn't need a celebration in March after a long, cold winter? Especially in Lent when these sorts of festivities are generally put on hold. Any excuse for a party, right? A party is great, but it might be more fun if you head over to Jamestown on Saturday, March 19 (you can still party on the 17th) from 9am-noon, when the good people from the Jamestown Parks Department will be dyeing the Chadakoin River (Chautauqua Lake's outlet) green which can be viewed on the Riverwalk. The Chadakoin River traverses the city of Jamestown, where you can walk, jog, or bike along the winding

path of the Riverwalk trail. In talking with Parks Department Director, Dan Stone (who hails from Salamanca), Irish music begins around 9:30, the leprechaun arrives 10-10:30 when he will wave his magic Shillelagh turning the river green for ¼ hour or so. Hot chocolate will be available to warm you up along with donuts and cookies to keep you from fainting and hitting your head on the Blarney Stone, which you may, nay, you must kiss! The legend has it that if you give the Blarney Stone a smooch, you will acquire the gift of persuasiveness and eloquence and never be at a loss for words. In Ireland, one must lean upside down to kiss the stone and since it is 85 feet up, it's not for the faint of heart. Plus, you must pay to do it! Jamestown's Blarney Stone, discovered in Chautauqua Lake about 20 years ago, sits in the middle of the Riverwalk. After the festivities, stroll or drive around and discover all that Jamestown has to offer. You'll be delighted. "Law leh Paw-drug suna ghit." Erin Go Bragh!

Carnival

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golf course, this is an event you don't want to miss! Get a partner, get a group of four, and sign up! Bring your Yeti's with your favorite beverage and play a quick round of golf!

• 11-4:30pm: Snowbar: The infamous Snowbar is something most of us look forward to. We watch the snowmakers build and create the famous mound of snow at the bottom of Yodeler. Grab a quick beverage in between runs and show your support for our Snowmakers, because without them, we wouldn't have the winter seasons we get to enjoy! Always thank a Snowmaker!

• 2pm: Ski Patrol Toboggan Event, lower Yodeler: The toboggan obstacle race is scheduled for 2pm on Saturday, March 12. Teams of three ski patrollers from Holiday Valley and HoliMont will compete to complete the obstacle course with the fastest time. Winners are awarded a trophy and season-long bragging rights. Past obstacles have included position swaps (toboggan handles, toboggan tail rope and rider), balloon carries, stop-in-the-box drills and more. Spectators can watch from the Snow Bar at Yodeler base while enjoying a beer or a hot dog from the Safety Patrol cookout.

• 2:30pm: Beer Slalom, lower Yodeler: This is as ridiculous and fun as it sounds. Get a pint of beer and take the course down lower Yodeler without spilling any beer. The person with the best time and most beer left wins!

• 3-7pm: Mo Porter Band in Main Floor Yodeler: A familiar band to Ellicottville. Come jam out!

• 6:30pm: Mardi Gras Parade, downtown in Village of Ellicottville: Be sure to head down to the village Saturday evening to enjoy floats, firetrucks, and familiar faces in the Mardi Gras parade.

Sunday:

• 9am 'til gone: Ski Patrol Pancake Breakfast: Warming Hut, top of Mardi Gras: Ski Patrol always offers their pancake breakfast at the top of the hill. What better way to start your Sunday off? Grab a quick bite and support the HV Ski Patrol with some pancakes on the go!

• 10-5pm: Safety Patrol Cookout, base of Yodeler: Help support the Safety Patrol of Holiday Valley and all their hard work and training that they offer each season to the resort. Enjoy a quick bite before heading out to the slopes or stop by for a quick lunch! 11-4:30: Snowbar

• 11:45am: Line up for costume parade, Edelweiss Lean-To Mardi Gras

Noon: Costumer parade for all ages, Mardi Gras: Come one, come all! Join in on the Mardi Gras Costume Parade down Mardi Gras. This is an event for all ages! Spectators can watch at the base of Mardi Gras to see all the silly costumes! Noon: Lederhosen Ski Club Hot Dogs for Lounsbury, near Clocktower, Main Chalet

Noon: Ellicottville Ski Club Wine & Cheese, near Clocktower, Main Chalet

• 2pm: Ice cream Sundaes at Creekside: YUM!

• 2:30: Dummy Downhill, Yodeler: Visit www.holidayvalley.com under Events-Winter Carnival to register for the Dummy Downhill. Get the crew together and create a "dummy" to send down the hill on skis or snowboard. Registration is at the Snowbar, located at the base

of Yodeler. Dummies will be inspected, weighed, and measured at that time. The race will begin promptly at 2:30pm. For safety reasons, metal bracing or metal weights may not be used in dummies. Acceptable construction materials include wood, plastic, wire, tape, foam rubber, vinyl, cardboard, or plastic tubing. Weight and ballast can be provided with sand or other non-hazardous materials. Dummies may not exceed 40 pounds in weight, 6 feet in height or 36 inches in width of stance. Dummie may not be living or breathing. Smoke effects are acceptable but nothing that can catch fire. After the race, it is the responsibility of the owner to remove and dispose of their dummy. 3:00: Mercy Flight Raffle drawing at Snowbar 3-6: Tui Osbourne Band, Main Floor Yodeler: Ellicottville Local and National Champ St. Bonaventure Rugby Coach, stop in and dance the evening away!

Creekside has activities going on all weekend long for the family. Be sure to visit Creekside for face painting, hot dog cookout, and a scavenger hunt for the kiddos! You don't want to miss the Mardi Gras decorations, too!

- 11:30-1pm: Face Painting, Creekside
- 11:30 'til gone: Hot Dog Cookout at Creekside
- 1pm: Scavenger Hunt: Creekside

(See complete schedule, page 16.)

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By DARLENE MAE O'CONNOR

In southwestern New York State along the Southern Tier Expressway running from Chautauqua to Cattaraugus and Erie counties you will find thriving: cities, townships, villages and communities of almost any size offering activities to satisfy a wide range of interests during every season of the year. These communities and the people living in them have survived to thrive through the endless uncertainties of the past two years and more. What they all have in common is that they seemingly take their survival cues from the natural world surrounding them.

Cascading crystal waters race from the fierce Niagara pulsing through rivers and streams continually renewing the waters of Chautauqua Lake and the life on her scenic shores. The Village of Lakewood is a lovely lakeside community endowed with a bounty of trees deeply rooted and intertwined beneath the soil. These roots provide strength and support for all of the trees and any new life springing forth. The lake keeps the earth moist

and rich in minerals, supplying the trees and foliage with healthy soil. This symbiotic relationship exemplifies how it is literally in our nature to be interdependent and mutually supportive for the health and longevity of those in a shared existence. Humans benefit from symbiotic relationships with one another in their pursuit of healthy, purposeful and well ~ balanced lives and this seems to be the thread of truth that ties the Community of Lakewood, New York together and has since I was swimming at the public beach at the end of Chautauqua Ave. just prior to the Jurassic era. Well at least as far back as the days of the "Beatles", "Bell Bottoms" and VW "Love Bug" crazes, {not to date myself}.

The Ryders Cup Coffee Shop and Eatery located at 28 Chautauqua Ave. in the heart of Lakewood is a hallmark of the symbiotic spirit that is shared among the residents and pervades the local business community. Initially owned and operated by Joanne Dunn and her competitive extreme sports enthusiast sons, the name honors the spirit of excellence in athleticism and endurance. Endure it

has through relocation to its current address, change in ownership to Joyce and her niece Elise who began working for Joanne and sons as a teenager. Elise loved it so much that when it went up for sale, she and Aunt Joyce eagerly became partners and bought the Espresso bar and Eatery. Eventually Elise left for other adventures, but even the unpredictable circumstances stemming from the COVID crises could not force Joyce to close the doors.

What makes this little slice of java heaven unique and busily brewing is the commitment Joyce has made to its tradition of providing exposure for local artists and locally sourced products. The walls inside are adorned by the incredible works of area artists. Patrons are welcomed by overstuffed chairs and various seating arrangements to meet any customers need. Each month she gives an opportunity to a different artist to be featured and to her patrons the opportunity to purchase one-of-a-kind pieces supporting a culture of artistic diversity and enlightenment. Just think of it, a new gallery exhibit to be enjoyed every month with a cup of whatever warms the cockles of your heart or something cold to sip while checking out cool original works of art. Does it get any more symbiotic or better than this?

To keep up with events and artists sponsored by this unique coffee shop, you can check them out on Facebook, but you will want to stop in; it is all artfully done and good to the last drop. Thank you, Joyce, for supporting our local talent and for your commitment to serving up creativity with a smile.

90 Minutes Over Cambodia

Local Vietnam War Veteran Releases Novel About Events

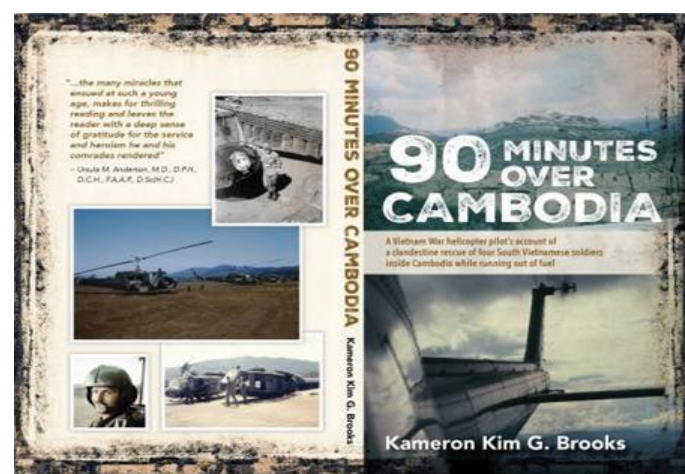
By JULIA WILSON

Kameron Brooks grew up in Cattaraugus, NY. He enlisted in the Army and became a Warrant Officer helicopter pilot in June 1968. "During that year, I served as an Aircraft Commander during combat missions in the Central Highlands of Vietnam, and as you will read, Cambodia also."

Kameron's newly released book: 90 Minutes Over Cambodia - A Vietnam War helicopter pilot's account of the clandestine rescue of four South Vietnamese soldiers inside Cambodia. It entails his Vietnam real life encounters that he endured during his tour of duty. His first-hand duties are captured and told throughout his book.

"We did our part and the stories of what we did are now living on." Brooks goes on to say, "There are several reasons I wrote this book. First, stories of individual sacrifice and intimate hostile engagements should be preserved. War is written in history books and seen on television documentaries. There is much more to tell."

Brooks talks about the



importance of God. "The Bible states that God is good. Years after my year in Vietnam, I came to realize that one fateful day in Cambodia, yes God was good to me and my crew. Today, as a believer, I see His hand at work in so many things in my life and the lives of others."

During his mission in Cambodia, Brooks had to be on guard the entire time. "Not knowing where I was going." Being the pilot flying the helicopter in the middle of the jungle on a mission, one wrong turn or move could cause a disaster. Many thoughts ran through his head- What if the engine goes out- Low Fuel Warning Light

was on now and the thought of running out of fuel in the middle of a jungle made his on-guard level more intense.

Thank goodness God had a plan and Brooks and his crew/passengers were brought to safety. He has been blessed with a wonderful family and career. Brooks' wife Becky is very proud of her husband and his dedication for his service to his county.

You can order a copy of his paperback book directly through emailing kambrooks25@outlook.com or mailing a payment to 2859 W. Oak Hill Road Jamestown, NY 14701. The cost of the book is \$12 plus \$3.25 shipping.

Village Planning Board

Architectural Review, New Sign Approval and Interview Progress

By DAVE PARKER

The Village of Ellicottville Planning Board meeting was held on March 8. The main agenda topic was the site plan and architectural review for an application at 8 Fillmore. With no comments received during the public hearing, the Board approved the application for a roof overhang on the back patio of this residence.

An additional application was reviewed and approved by the Board for a sign permit by the Winery of Ellicottville at 14 Monroe for a hanging sign. The Board reviewed the application and the sign design met all required criteria.

The Board briefly discussed the progress of interviewing for the vacant Planner position. Additional interviews have been conducted recently to fill

the position previously held by Gary Palumbo.

April's Village Planning Board meeting will likely be canceled due to a current lack of applications and Board members not being available.

For more meeting details, please visit the Village Planning Board's site at ellicottvillegov.com/village-planning-board-meetings.html.

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Spring

STORY FROM COVER

The word "Lent" comes from an old English word for "lengthening." The days are growing longer as we prepare to welcome the season of spring.

with the Persian letter "s"). The Thai people celebrate New Year called Songkran. Water is symbolically used to wash away the previous year. A community water fight could be part of the celebration. Surely, every culture has its own way to honor and celebrate the arrival of spring – of new beginnings.

So it is with the Lenten season. Lent, solemn as it is, is also a celebration of the gift of connection to our God, of awakening, of new beginnings. It is a time for deep diving into our souls, of rediscovery and reconnection to ourselves as we unearth forgotten truths, and of experiencing the pain of "giving up" something we love to understand sacrifice. Mama used to say to us, "give it up for the poor souls in Purgatory."

For non-Catholics, Purgatory is a place of suffering inhabited by the souls of sinners who are atoning for their sins before heading to heaven. Lent reminds us of the push-pull of life between the sorrow for doing something wicked and the joy that comes with forgiveness. Speaking of Joy, Lent reminds us that Easter is coming. Seeking God more intentionally, Easter becomes more than just baskets and holiday feasts. Lent reminds us that we are never alone,

which we often tend to forget in the ruckus of daily life with its ups and downs. It's nice to remember that God, or your Higher Power, is at your side.

With Lent comes a trip to the Broadway Market in Buffalo, where we literally rub shoulders with every brand of human being preparing to celebrate the season. If I haven't taken the time to decorate eggs, I first head to the pysanki booth to pick out some of my favorites, either wooden or shell. From there, I elbow my way to stand five-deep at Camillos to pick up hams and freshly made kielbasa flavored with Easter marjoram (or I stop at their store in Sloan).

As I wait my turn, I reminisce over the years our entire family sat around the table cutting the pork butt, mixing in the spices, wrapping the natural casing on the grinder, and producing the most delicious kielbasa on the planet.

I stop at the pierogi stand and grab an assortment. I don't need candy—we have Watsons, so I head to the bakery for hot cross buns, kruschicki (bow-tie pastry), placek (Polish coffee/crumb cake), and finally head to the booth selling original Crystal beach suckers for the Easter baskets. Loganberry anyone?

birthday, and she is working at being on her best behavior to earn the forthcoming gifts and party. Some days, determined as she might be to be on her best behavior, she falls off the wagon. Her parents and we, her grandparents, encourage her to keep trying her best, reminding her that the rewards are worth the effort.

Lent is kind of like that. Last week, Christians all over the globe began the penitential season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, indicating our human mortality and necessity for relationship with heaven. We are now into the 40 days of Lent.

The word "Lent" comes from an old English word for "lengthening." The days are growing longer as we prepare to welcome the season of spring. Like Emma, we prepare. We give thanks. We reflect. We pray. We remember. We give up. There is value in these things, whether we are Christian, Jew, Buddhist, Hindu, Sikh, Islamist, etc., or we practice no organized religion at all.

The Jewish people celebrate Passover by setting aside days to reflect, pray and give thanks. In northern India there is a festival of colors celebration called HOLI marking the end of winter. They light bonfires and throw colorful powder in jubilation. The Persian New Year, celebrated on Nowruz (New Day) starts with clearing out the old and having a big feast (with 7 foods starting



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BY LILIAN D. DIRITO,
HOLISTIC WELLNESS &
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Airborne particles are everywhere. When particles enter the respiratory system via the nose or the mouth, the body turns on its cleansing mechanisms, and the immune system is put on active duty. Herbal nourishment supports a healthy respiratory system that can be challenged by inhaled irritants. Throughout the years I have used natural herb formulas that help balance the natural eliminative functions of the respiratory system. Supporting a healthy lung function would also help to support the body during seasonal changes. This time we will go deeper in the wisdom of herbs, getting to know more of the properties of each one of five herbs contained in a respiratory-support formula to understand the powerful action they may add to our seasonal challenge. First, let's talk about Fenugreek. Fenugreek seeds and leaves are strongly aromatic and flavorful. The seeds are bitter in taste, but lose their bitterness if lightly roasted. They are rich in vitamins such as thiamin, folic acid, riboflavin, niacin, vitamin A, B6, and C, and are a rich storehouse of many minerals such as copper, potassium, calcium, iron, selenium, zinc, manganese, and magnesium.

Fenugreek leaves are a rich source of vitamin K as well. Fenugreek maintains mucus conditions of the body, mostly the lungs, by helping to clear congestion, may also help remove allergens and toxins from the respiratory tract. Fenugreek also acts as a throat cleanser and mucus solvent that also eases the urge to cough. The second herb is Mullein. Mullein, aka Adam's Flannel, Beggar's blanket and torch weed, contains mucilage, gum, saponins, flavonoids and other beneficial compounds. According to the European Union Monograph, its traditional use is in relieving sore throat linked to dry cough and cold. Mullein is a very powerful lung remedy that supports weakened lung tissue and is useful for chronic respiratory congestion as it is soothing and lubricating. Mullein leaves and flowers are generally regarded as safe. Next is Fennel, Fennel has traditionally been used as a cleansing herb and is often used after eating. It has been used as a digestive aid since early times, as expectorant to increase breast-milk production in nursing mothers, liver tonic and more. Fennel is often used as an expectorant and bronchodilator for the treatment of colds and coughs, and to dissolve mucus in the respiratory tract to help loosen phlegm in the lungs in animal studies. Fennel also exhibits antibacterial, analgesic (pain relieving), antipyretic (fever-reducing) and some immunomodulatory activity. Fourth is Bonset. Bonset is a well-known herbal remedy to help with influenza and fever. Bonset has also been traditionally used for phlegm in the bronchial,

respiratory congestion, and as an expectorant. Studies have also documented anti-inflammatory activity for some of the flavonoids found in bonnet. Indians used bonset during seasonal times when the body needed extra nutritional support. Number five is Horseradish, this herb has a stimulating effect on the respiratory system, which you can easily discover for yourself by eating a small amount of the freshly grated herb. Horseradish has a long history of use in helping bronchial congestion and infections, as well as tissue inflammation and swelling, primarily due to its ability to stimulate blood flow to the respiratory mucosa, decrease the thickness of mucus, and aid in clearing respiratory catarrh in the lungs and sinuses. Part of the information in this article was extracted from Strategies for Health, Steven Home, RH (AHG) and Herb Allure NSP Master Reference, HART. The contents of this article are for informational purposes only and are not a substitute for professional medical advice, diagnosis, or treatment. Always seek the advice of your physician or another qualified healthcare provider with any questions you have regarding a medical condition, and before undertaking any diet, dietary supplement, exercise, or another health program. We disclaim any liability if the reader uses or prescribes any remedies, natural or otherwise, for him/herself or another. For more information please call Nature's Remedy in Ellicottville at 716-699-4372 Visit us at 26 Monroe St-Ellicottville, NY

This Week in Health & Science: Tiny Drug Factories

New Micro Bead Cancer Treatment Clears Cancer in Mice in Just Days



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How many people do you know who have beaten cancer or lost his or her life to cancer? You likely know far too many, perhaps including yourself. The National Cancer Institute estimates there were nearly two million new cancer diagnoses in 2020, and 606,520 people died (not exact numbers, but official projections). Even though total cancer death rates have steadily declined for years, certain cancers have lagged in successful treatments. The World Health Organization estimates that one of every six documented deaths across the globe is due to cancer. That's why every small advance in treatment and prevention is critical. This week, a study in mice, used as a mammalian model, showed a novel bioengineered treatment could possibly lead to a whole new approach to eradicating cancer cells at their source. The Rice University researchers used implantable "drug factories" the size of a pinhead to deliver continuous, high doses of interleukin-2, a natural compound that activates white blood cells to fight cancer. Each tiny bead contains cells engineered to produce interleukin-2 encased in a protective shell. These drug-producing

beads were implanted with minimally invasive surgery, into mice with either colorectal or ovarian cancers. Co-author, Omid Veisheh, an assistant professor of bioengineering at Rice, whose lab developed the technology, says as soon as they determined the correct dose, or number of beads, his team put the technology to work. The results showed tumors disappeared in less than a week in 100% of the mice with ovarian cancer, and seven of eight animals with colorectal cancer. Veisheh explains, "We just administer once, but the drug factories keep making the dose every day, where it's needed until the cancer is eliminated." This research has lots of people paying attention for a couple of reasons. First, the dosing of the interleukin-2 (an approved cancer treatment) is concentrated near the tumors, unlike an IV administration which enters the circulatory system and can cause side effects. These beads are placed directly beside tumors within the peritoneum, a sac-like lining that supports intestines, ovaries, and other abdominal organs. The beads create a stronger immune response because the amount of the drug is greater. Lead author of the study, Amanda Nash, adds, "If you gave the same concentration of the protein through an IV pump, it would be extremely toxic. With the drug factories, the concentration we see elsewhere in the body, away from the tumor site, is actually lower than what patients have to tolerate with IV treatments. The high concentration is only at the tumor site." Another reason for heightened interest – all

the components of the beads are already approved for use in people, which could speed up approval for human clinical trials. Researchers say the final protocol would be minimally invasive and relatively straightforward to administer. Nash points out this therapy could be used to treat cancers of the liver, lungs, and other organs such as pancreas which is notoriously difficult to detect, and eliminate. Most pancreatic tumors are advanced by the time symptoms arise and a diagnosis is made. The beads could be placed next to tumors and within the linings that surround those organs, attacking the tumors directly. For those with pancreatic cancer, this could mean life extension, and possibly lifesaving. Though, one of the rarer cancers, pancreatic tumors kill the majority of those diagnosed given the five-year survival rate remains a dismal 11%. Research has now shown that diabetes, obesity, and smoking are closely linked to pancreatic cancer. It is therefore imperative to watch blood sugar levels, by eating healthy whole foods, and limiting sugar; maintain healthy weight, and quit smoking or vaping if you do. For those already battling cancer, or have a friend or loved one who is, this new treatment is expected to become available for those seeking clinical trials, sometime by the end of this year. For more information go to: news.rice.edu/news/2022/drug-factory-implants-eliminate-ovarian-colorectal-cancer-mice



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SATURDAY: Holiday Valley will have music at Yodeler Lodge as part of their winter carnival celebration and Mo Porter will play from 3-7pm on the main floor. They play a multi genre set of covers from the 7-90's.

Madigan's is back again with EVL's own Tui Osborne Trio from 6-9pm. Tui plays a ska/reggae/rock/pop set of covers. Check out the foosball and pool tables for a little competition. DJ SI will provide the slide for your glide in the sound booth.

We return to Balloons for Cats On Holiday from 7-10:30pm on the main stage. This Cleveland band plays a zydeco/roots/swing set of originals and covers. Jennifer and Dylan return to the back bar to provide some background music to the buzz of the night. DJ Bad Weekend will keep the party going in the sound booth till 2am.

We're back on Washington St at The Gin Mill for Live & Kickin from 8-12am. This band plays old and new country covers so brush off your Texas Two Step. If you fancy a top shelf craft cocktail, check out the Carriage House Sidebar which is open on the weekends.

Finnerty's joins the fun with The Rig from 8-11pm. This band plays rock covers

ranging from The Stones to Prince to The Allman Bros for some good dancing. Check out the dart board, pool table or the old school Golden Tee video game and definitely try some of the corned beef and cabbage all month long.

SUNDAY: Back up at The Yodeler Lodge the Tui Osborne Band will entertain from 3-6pm. They play a reggae/ska/pop set of covers.

Villaggio offers the AYCE Pasta Bar and Prime Rib Night from 5-9pm with musical accompaniment provided by Chris Maloney from 5:30-8:30pm. Chris's plays a rock/pop/folk set of covers.

The Gin Mill is back and so are Two Guys Drinking Beer from 8-11pm. Kick back with one of the 37 draft beers, get some bar food and listen to some of your old-time favorite songs.

Monday's is Strings and Wings Night at Balloons from 4-10pm. 75 cent wings and Jennifer and Dylan finish their stay in town with some bluesy/jazzy/country songs on the main stage from 6-9pm.

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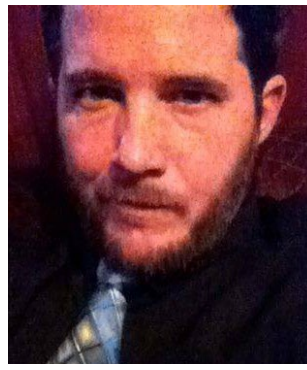
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What Fictional Universe Would You Like to Live In?

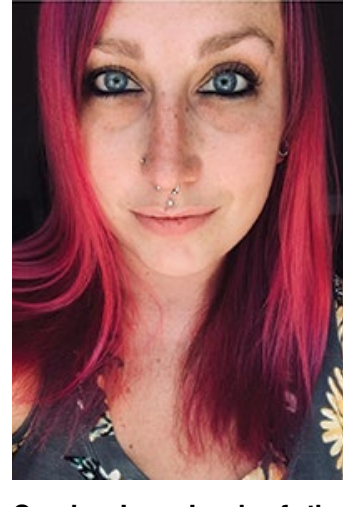
BY CHAD NEAL

we've known has worlds that are very different from our known world and some that are similar, but the differences make it intriguing to explore. So many books and movies spark the wonder many of us have of the new and unusual. What fictional universe would you like to live in?

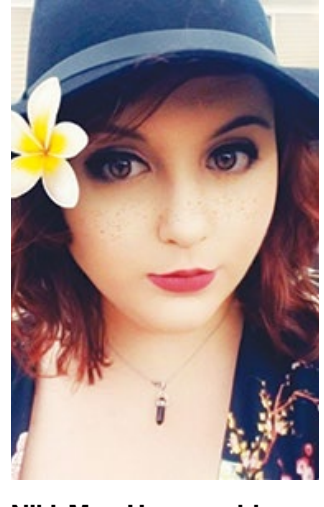
The theory of a multiverse is interesting. There are many made up universes in the minds and imaginations of story writers. And also, the individual imagination is a universe in and each of itself, which is actually a multiverse inside our known universe. The entertainment



Carrie H. - Hobbiton, Living a peaceful quiet life in the Shire.



Sondra L. - Lord of the Rings. I want to visit middle earth and live with elves. Mostly Legolas.



Niki M. - How could you make me choose!? I thought about it, Princess Bride!



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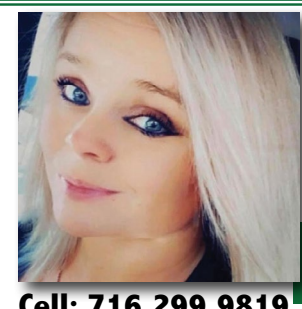


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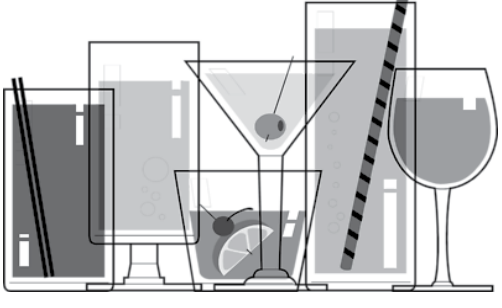
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★ ★ Sudoku Challenge ★ ★

This Week's Difficulty Level:
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6		2						
	4	1	8	9		7		
8	2			5		9		3
		3			5			2
	9		3	2	7		1	
4			1			3		
2		8		1			9	6
		5		3	9	2	8	
				2				7

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, place a number into each box so that each row across, each column down, and each small 9 box square within the larger diagram (there are 9 of these) will contain every number from 1 through 9. In other words, no number will appear more than once in any row, column, or smaller 9 box square. Working with the numbers already given as a guide, complete each diagram with the missing numbers that will lead to the correct solution.
Good luck!

Last Week's Puzzle:

1	3	6	9	2	7	4	8	5
4	8	2	1	5	6	9	7	3
7	9	5	3	4	8	1	2	6
8	6	4	2	9	3	5	1	7
3	7	1	4	8	5	6	9	2
2	5	9	6	7	1	8	3	4
9	2	8	5	3	4	7	6	1
5	1	7	8	6	2	3	4	9
6	4	3	7	1	9	2	5	8

Villager

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creator, artist and designer of *The Villager*, and the woman behind the curtain so to speak. A college student with a dream, she envisioned becoming an artist and publisher, and she made it happen. She has been publishing for 22 years and founded *The Villager* 17 years ago. The story of how *The Villager* came to be can be an inspiration for us all.

While studying Communications at the University at Buffalo, Jeanine found her passion for arts and publishing through her first internship at Nightlife Magazine in Buffalo, NY. This hands-on experience gave her the first steps in design and print as well as offered her opportunities to write; she conducted interviews with musicians such as Rob Buck of the 10,000 Maniacs and Levon Helm of The Band (who even met up with her for a cup of coffee at The Tralf in Buffalo before his show). She also had an interview over coffee on the Elmwood strip with poet and then UB professor, Robert Creeley; little did she know, how many more fascinating people she would have the opportunity to meet.

Jeanine, captivated by these opportunities, wanted to grow more, so she reached out to Artvoice, a publication covering arts, business and general editorial news in Buffalo, and was granted an unpaid internship. "I wanted to learn everything I could, so I worked for free. I was their gopher; I did anything and everything from fetching coffee to learning how to layout advertising." Besides running to get the designers' coffee, they threw her a few ad designs to work on - they never made it to print but her mind was expanding. She decided when she graduated in 2001, she would set out to start her own publication. And that she did.

In July 2001 she printed her first publication. It was all black and white and 12 pages. It was going to be a monthly arts journal, *ar'te-fakt magazine* was its name. The word "ar'te-fakt" literally means "something created by humans for a practical reason." With this publication, she merged her love for arts with journalism. She was able to feature her own and other artists' artwork on the cover, and began by selling advertising door-to-door down Elmwood Avenue in the city of Buffalo to keep the magazine running.

Jeanine single-handedly distributed these magazines to all the shops along Elmwood Avenue in Buffalo, bars in Fredonia, restaurants in Jamestown and all the hotels and colleges along the way. By January 2003, the publication was gloss and full color and into the Warren and Erie markets as well. And yes, she was still doing all the distribution nearly single-handedly. In September 2004, she expanded west into Cleveland and east into the Finger Lakes. She

even relocated to Cleveland and made this her hub and hired distributors. *ar'te-fakt magazine* had a good run for five years and by this time it was full gloss and 30 pages. Throughout those years, she was honored through the University at Buffalo to be a keynote speaker at a conference for graduate students in Cleveland. Her painting "Jam Session" commemorating "10 Years of Rock" was selected and on display in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Her work was also acknowledged on the cover of the arts section of the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, in 2005 and as "One to Watch" in Cleveland's *Inside Business* magazine, 2005. She worked tirelessly doing what she loved, feeling the flow and riding the wave of success.

In 2005, Jeanine started *The Villager*, a weekly publication in Ellicottville to promote people, places and events with no politics involved. After one year of managing both publications, with the encouragement of Brain McFadden from the Ellicottville Chamber and the local community, she decided to put *ar'te-fakt* to rest to focus solely on the newspaper.

As a Bemus Point resident, Jeanine also started *The Lakeside Ledger* in the Chautauqua region to promote tourism and a stronger sense of community amongst residents and businesses located there. In 2020, with the onset of the Covid pandemic, she merged the two newspapers into one publication, as *The Villager*, a weekly publication covering events in the Ellicottville, Cattaraugus and Chautauqua regions. Full editions are available in print and online at www.thevillager.com.

Jeanine's right-hand girl, Jessica Schultz is the office manager, and they operate as a well-oiled team. *The Villager* currently boasts 15 freelance writers who are very familiar with the term "Teamwork makes the dreamwork!" Always complimentary, Jeanine guides her writers and is proud of their hard work and dedication. Not a week goes

~ Agnes Lorraine Crowley Slack, 3/6/1925 - 3/2/2022 ~

Great Valley - It is with great sadness that the family of Agnes Lorraine Crowley Slack announce her peaceful passing on March 2, 2022. Lorraine was born in Hamburg, NY, to the late Steven and Madeline Robinson Schuster on March 6, 1925.

Lorraine and Joseph J. Crowley Sr. married at Holy Name of Mary Church in Ellicottville on June 9, 1951, and they operated the family dairy farm in Ellicottville. Joe passed away on January 24, 1967. Lorraine later married Donald Slack on July 3, 1971; he passed away on March 29, 2002.

Lorraine was a cook at Whitmer's Restaurant in Ellicottville, Chuck's Lounge in Cattaraugus, Spinning Wheel Restaurant in Salamanca, and then worked at Eddy's Restaurant in Great Valley until her mid-80's. She truly enjoyed working and seeing the regulars.

Lorraine's first loves were her children. Everyone enjoyed her Christmas cookies and she always enjoyed family get-togethers, and visits from her grandchildren. She was always ready for a trip to a casino whether be Las Vegas, Atlantic City, Niagara Falls, or Salamanca, and enjoyed going out for lunch or dinner.

Loving remembered and sadly missed by her children; Laurie Crowley of Allegany, Steve (Cheryl) Crowley of Ellicottville, Kathy (Mark) Hagon of Great Valley, Bob (Debbie) Crowley of Great Valley; daughter-in-law, Debra Crowley of Allegany. Grandchildren; Jeremy (Krista) Deanne, Joette (Jeff), Scott (Evelyn), Laurie

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Maple

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spring. But first, do you know the health benefits of maple syrup? Maple syrup is can be used as a sugar substitute for those who strive to use less refined sugar. It also has many properties that are good for the body including antioxidants, vitamins and minerals. It has fewer calories, and is generally much sweeter and contains some essential nutrients like zinc and manganese.

Cattaraugus County Events Boberg's Maple in Delevan invites you to watch their process and sample their popular maple cream and syrup products. Tour their modern building with ample parking. Open both weekends, both days.

The Maple Glen Sugar House in Gowanda will present candy making and tree tapping demos as well as wagon rides through the sugar bush. Free tours are also available every weekend in March outside of Maple weekends. Call 716-532-5483 to schedule.

Moore's Maple Shack & Pancake House in Freedom gives you the opportunity to sample maple products. They'll have the evaporator running and the restaurant will have All-You-Can-Eat Buttermilk Pancakes. The restaurant is open everyday day until mid-April and is decorated with unique family antiques.

Sprague's Maple Farms in Portville will have a variety of events including tree tapping demonstrations, demonstrations on how Native Americans made maple syrup, sugar on snow, maple cake donuts, and wagon rides to their old-fashioned sugarhouse. Saturdays and Sundays in March 10-4 weather permitting.

Ulinger's Maple Farm in

East Otto is family owned and operated and will welcome visitors both days, both weekends from 10-4. The farm is a growing maple farm with 14,000 trees. Tour their syrup making processes with products available for purchase, and offsite at several locations and online.

Wright Farms in Farmersville invites you to try their "jackwax", a unique creation which turns maple and snow into a taffy substance. Visitors can tour their modern sugarhouse and view over 8000 taps.

Franklinville is home to The Annual Maple Festival this weekend, founded in 1962 by the JayCee's. This two-day long festival attracts thousands of visitors to the area to experience local maple producers featuring their maple syrup and products. This year is will be held at the Franklinville Elementary School. Visit <https://www.franklinvillenyny.org/wny-maple-festival.html> for event schedule.

Chautauqua Lake Erie Region Events

Big Tree Maple in Ashville invites you to witness the production of maple syrup, cream and butter in a modern sugar house. Tastings and products available for purchase. Stop by nearby Ashville General Store (2 miles) starring Big Tree Maple products.

Clear Creek Farms will have maple product demonstrations highlighting sustainable farming methods, horse-drawn wagon or sleigh rides along with tastings, and products for purchase.

Fairbanks Maple, a rustic family run farm, will offer a complete demonstration on the process of maple syrup production from collecting to processing and boiling sap. Watch maple products being produced with tours including sugar house and sugar bush. In the past, they've offered informative wood walks. All-

you-can-eat pancake breakfast 8-4 on March 19th, 20th, 26th and 27th, with maple pulled pork sandwiches available later in the day.

Johnson Estate Winery in Westfield offers a unique experience for adults during NYS Maple Weekends. Chef Andy will be making French Crepes with toasted nuts paired with their Maple Liqueur 12-4pm daily. Their creation tastes like "a combination of sherry and ice wine, fortified and sweet, with a dry finish. The light infusion of maple syrup provides a warming, not-too-sweet maple sensation." Guests can purchase a bottle and a French Crepe Kit to enjoy at home.

Lily Acre Farms in Amish Country will offer a pancake and waffle breakfast followed by a farm tour and live demonstrations of maple production.

Scott Farms & Greenhouse in Lakewood is Chautauqua County's newest sugar house and will have full demonstrations of the syrup, maple cream, candy and cotton candy making. Stop by Maple weekends and anytime you see the steam!

Red's Best Pancake House in Sherman is celebrating 40+ years producing maple syrup. This local institution is said to be a best-kept secret and is only open Saturday & Sunday from February - April, and then again in October. Enjoy all you can eat buckwheat pancakes, homemade pork sausage, apple sauce, and a beverage, all served with their house syrup. Watch and learn how sap transforms into the "liquid gold" that is maple syrup while you wait for a table.

No matter how you decide to appreciate the maple season, there's something for everyone across our region. For a complete list of farms participating in NYS Maple Weekends visit Enchantedmountains.com and TourChautauqua.com.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

VILLAGE BOARD ELLICOTTVILLE, NEW YORK: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: ABANDONMENT AND SALE OF A PORTION OF MARSHALL ALLEY, ELLICOTTVILLE NY: VILLAGE OF ELLICOTTVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: Please Take Notice that a public hearing will be held by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ellicottville on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. in the Village Hall at 1 West Washington Street, Ellicottville, NY for the purpose of considering: Authorizing the abandonment of the approximate 2' x 200 of the western edge of Marshall Alley in the Village of Ellicottville which adjoins the premises of 36 Washington Street, and then authorizing the selling the same to the owners of 36 Washington Street. By order of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ellicottville this public hearing will also be available via "Zoom", accessible under "Meeting Schedule" on the Village at <https://www.ellicottvillegov.com/>. This Public Hearing will also be in person at the above address.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY: The name of the Limited Liability Company is INDIGENOUS CONSULTING LLC; its Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on February 1, 2022; the county within New York in which its office is to be located is Cattaraugus; the Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served; the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is 11660 Route 39, Perrysburg, NY 14129; the purpose of the limited liability company is to carry on any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized pursuant to the New York Limited Liability Company Law

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF HMS West Enterprises LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State NY (SSNY) on 01/03/2022. Office Location: Cattaraugus County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: 1 West St., Cattaraugus, NY 14719. Purpose: for any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION: FitJoint Health Products, LLC (LLC) filed Arts. of Org. with NY Secy. of State (SS) on 12/31/2021. LLC's office is in Cattaraugus County. SS is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SS shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC at 247 W. River Rd., Portville NY 14770. LLC's purpose: any lawful activity.

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PUBLIC NOTICE: The Village of Ellicottville will be accepting applications for a full time position in our Public Works Department. Applications are available at the DPW Department at 11 Mill Street and at the Village Clerk's Office on One West Washington Street. Laborer position - CDL Preferred. Any questions please call 716-699-4636.

YOU ARE INVITED: To a Public Information Meeting about the Great Lakes Cheese Proposed Manufacturing Facility Great Lakes Cheese submitted an application to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation for permits to build and operate a cheese manufacturing facility located on State Route 16/98, Farmersville/Franklinville, NY. Want to know more? Come to a virtual meeting. When: March 17, 2022 Time: 12:00PM and 6:30PM Where: Zoom Meeting: 12:00PM ONLINE: us02web.zoom.us/j/85910452735?pwd=MjJFOFByZ3czWDFiWGcyRzhnT084QT09 12:00PM PHONE: +1 929 205 6099 US (New York) Meeting ID: 859 1045 2735; Passcode: 501289 6:30PM ONLINE: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81325893734?pwd=RVFwZ2ZuUjRBeE9iV2FQZnZ0QU1tZz09> 6:30PM PHONE: +1 929 205 6099 US (New York) Meeting ID: 813 2589 3734 Passcode: 816193 Your Attendance is Important. Get information about the proposed manufacturing plant. Talk to representatives from Great Lakes Cheese and Cattaraugus County IDA. Have your questions answered. Discuss your concerns about the proposed development. Provide comments on the proposed development. Provide comments on state draft permits. Visit www.cattacoida.com for details and to access recorded meetings. For more information, contact: Corey Wiktor, Cattaraugus County IDA, 9 East Washington Street, Ellicottville, New York 14731 Telephone: 716-699-2005 Email: corey@cattacoida.com

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Homestead

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open late. The Chillbillys will also be playing from 6-9pm. Speaking with the owner she said "It is unfortunate the Bistro has to close, it was a thriving, growing business". As unfortunate as it is, luckily, it's not all bad news, a definite bright spot is the advancement of The Luck Day Homestead.

Lucky Day Homestead was started approximately 10 years ago. It started out as a roadside pie stand ran by Emily until she bought the bistro. "We're looking to go back to the roots of that", she said. Lucky Day Homestead is more than just a roadside stand. It is actually certified by the Department of Agriculture and Markets for baked goods. It will be stocked with fresh, homemade baked goods at all times. Open 5 days a week, the roadside stand will be closed on Mondays and Tuesdays. They are hoping to advance their selection of baked goods by utilizing their relationship with Burdick Blueberries. You can also call about custom orders you



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would like. More than just baked goods, Lucky Day Homestead also features an Air BNB. In her opinion "It's the perfect relaxing area to retreat to", says Emily. If an Air BNB isn't your thing, there's more planned for the homestead. They plan to offer gardening classes and nature hikes at Lucky Day, the dates will be listed on the Instagram page. As a fitting tie in, you will be able to come see herbs and foods during your class

or hike, that has been served at the beloved Bistro. There will also hopefully be several small events over the next 2 to 3 years, reminiscent of the "Americana Fest".

There seems to be something for everyone at this new venture. Make sure you visit Lucky Day Homestead, located at 5111 Roszyk Hill Rd. Machias. Try a delicious baked good, take a hike and identify some herbs, or just take a weekend to get away in the Air BNB.

Slack

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(Stephen), Tony (Nicole) Rebecca (Scott), Shayne, Joe (Nicole), and Stephanie. Also great-grandchildren; Damin, Conner, Derrick, Lilly, Mason, Simon, Lucinda,

Eloise, Mackenzie, Addilyn, and Briella, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents and husbands, Lorraine is predeceased by a son, Joseph J. Crowley Jr., on September 28, 2020, a sister Madeline (Michael) Coolidge, and brothers; Steven (Beverly) Schuster, and Robert (Loretta)

Schuster. Private family services and burial will be held at the convenience of the family. Memorials may be made to the Great Valley Ambulance Service. Arrangements are under the direction of Mentley Funeral Home Inc., 411 Rock City St. Little Valley, NY.

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WINTER CARNIVAL SCHEDULE '22

SATURDAY MARCH 12

- 10-5 - Safety Patrol Cookout, base of Yodeler
- 11:00 - 2nd Annual Winter Golf Classic
- 11-4:30 - Snowbar
- 11:30-1 - Face Painting, Creekside
- 11:30 'til Gone - Hot Dog Cookout at Creekside
- 1:00 - Scavenger Hunt, Creekside
- 2:00 - Ski Patrol Toboggan event, lower Yodeler
- 2:30 - Beer Slalom, lower Yodeler
- 3-7 - Mo Porter Band in Main Floor Yodeler Lodge
- 6:30 - Mardi Gras Parade, downtown Ellicottville



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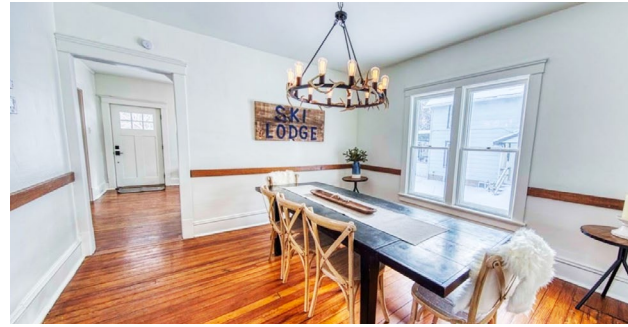
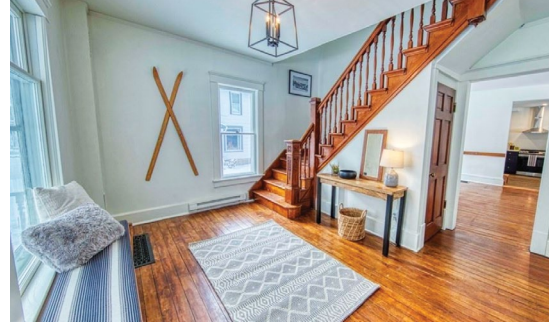
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- 9 'til Gone - Ski Patrol Pancake Breakfast, Mt. Top Warming Hut
- 10-5 - Safety Patrol Cookout, base of Yodeler
- 11-4:30 - Snowbar
- 11:45 - Line up for Costume Parade, Edelweiss Lean-To Mardi Gras
- Noon - Costume Parade for All Ages, Mardi Gras
- Noon - Lederhosen Ski Club Hot Dogs for Lounsbury, near Clocktower
- Noon - Ellicottville Ski Club Wine & Cheese, near Clocktower
- 2:00 - Ice Cream Sundaes at Creekside
- 2:30 - Dummy Downhill, Yodeler
- 3:00 - Mercy Flight Raffle Drawing at Snowbar.
- 3:00-6 - Tui Osborne Band, main floor Yodeler Lodge

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LIFESTYLES & LEISURE

Architectural Spotlight of Ellicottville Fully Renovated Classic Victorian Home



41 Jefferson Street, Ellicottville MLS# B1388436 \$679,000

41 Jefferson Street is a classic Victorian home that has been fully renovated. Designed by the seller with the keen eye of a professional designer and passionate skier, the house is rustic yet modern, classy yet charming. The seller wanted to bring this home back to life and design it for a modern family looking to get away and entertain in Ellicottville for ski weekends. The 5 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath house is walkable to shops and restaurants and down the road from both Holiday Valley and HoliMont ski resorts. The home is ideal for entertaining with an open floor plan, formal dining room, large renovated kitchen, and generous sleeping spaces. With 5 bedrooms and 2.5 baths, it features a large renovated kitchen with stainless-steel appliances, Highlights include hardwood flooring throughout, new stainless-steel appliances, quartz countertops, custom cabinets, new washer and dryer, ski room, gas fireplace, and enclosed private hot tub to enjoy a drink on a winter evening. Perhaps the home's signature feature is the restored gold chairlift on the front porch. Holiday Valley painted the #50 chair gold on most chairlifts in honor of its 50th Anniversary in 2008. "Ski houses are meant to be fun and festive, and thus an opportunity to have some standout expressions of style," said the seller. "You can't help but get a little excited when you get the gold chair at Holiday Valley. I want people to be excited every time they pull in the driveway." Be prepared for love at first sight as you walk through this move-in-ready home. Your weekend getaways in Ellicottville start now! Call Gregory Spako, Licensed Associate Broker, ERA Team VP Real Estate, 716-353-1440

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Special Hometown Concert

10,000 Maniacs Featuring Mary Ramsey, Reg Lenna, Jamestown NY, May 21st



Jamestown, NY - Jamestown's hometown heroes, 10,000 Maniacs featuring Mary Ramsey will be celebrating their 40th anniversary with a special hometown concert at the Reg Lenna Center for the Arts on Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Opening the concert, will be Michael Glabicki of Rusted Root with Dirk Miller. Tickets go on-sale, Friday, March 11 at 9:00 a.m. and can be purchased online at RegLenna.com or at Center's box office on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays (hours vary). Ticket prices are \$52, \$42 and \$22. The event is being produced by SitrlerHQ.

"It's always special playing in front of friends, family and neighbors," said Steve Gustafson, bassist and a founding member of the band. "The Jamestown audience is very supportive and encouraging and that feels good. Our Jamestown shows also attract many of our uber fans from around the country. They call themselves 'The Stalkers.' They are wonderful people, very friendly and generous. They will be here for the weekend, staying in hotels, eating at restaurants, checking out the National Comedy Center and all things Lucy."

member Dennis Drew added, "We just keep getting better and better, so I'm excited. The Reg Lenna is absolutely the perfect size venue for us. It will be spectacular."

2021 marked the 40-year anniversary of the inception of 10,000 Maniacs. Founded in 1981 in Jamestown, NY, 10,000 Maniacs has weathered a few personnel changes and is still anchored by four out of six original members: Steve Gustafson, Dennis Drew, John Lombardo and Jerry Augustyniak.

10,000 Maniacs went from being chased out of a bar at their first show in Erie, PA, to one of the most enduring and recognizable bands from the early "alternative rock" movement - having released close to 20 albums. Their critically acclaimed breakout album, In My Tribe, was included in Rolling Stone Magazine's "100 Best Albums of The Eighties." In 1993, 10,000 Maniacs made their iconic performance on MTV's "Unplugged"; the released recording of that show would go on to sell over four million copies. All told, the band has sold over 10 million albums, with eight Billboard Hot 100 singles, and has made countless appearances on national TV, including Saturday Night Live, The Late Show with

David Letterman, and more. Their music continues to be heard in films and TV shows.

The band's relationship with the Reg Lenna Center for the Arts (formerly known as The Palace Theater) has been with them also since the beginning. "I watched movies at the Palace Theater in the 1960s when I was a kid," said Gustafson. "I saw 'Viva Las Vegas' there. I walked past it every day of high school. The Arts council and Phillip Morris let us rehearse on the stage of the Palace Theater before the money was raised to renovate and save the place."

"We worked out songs for just about every album on that stage," said Drew. "We shot our first MTV video there in 1985. We recorded demos for 'Our Time in Eden' there in '92."

Founding lead singer, Natalie Merchant left the band in 1993 to pursue a solo career and was replaced by back-up singer, Mary Ramsey, who proved to be a natural fit for the band vocally and added another dimension to the group with her prowess on violin and viola. Sadly, founding member, Robert Buck, passed away in 2000 and was replaced by long-time guitar tech, Jeff Erickson. For 10,000 Maniacs, it's really is about keeping it all in the family.

Opening the concert will be Michael Glabicki of Rusted Root and Dirk Miller. Glabicki is exploring new sounds and opening new doors with his solo career, regularly touring as a duo with Rusted Root's guitar player, Dirk Miller. His set will feature many of Rusted Root's hits, stories and songs

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CHQ Lake Ice Pick Returns

Lake Association's Ice Pick Fundraiser Officially Underway

Lakewood, NY — On Friday, February 11, 2022, the Chautauqua Lake Association delivered the Chautauqua Lake Ice Pick to The Lawson Center in Bemus Bay where it will remain until the spring thaw.

As an annual winter fundraiser, the CLA places a bright orange ice pick on the frozen lake and invites the community to share predictions on when the ice break will occur. The pick is monitored with a clock and video surveillance to accurately record the precise moment the pick has fallen through the ice. To participate in this fun winter tradition, share a guess for the exact date and time the pick will fall through the ice. Each guess is a \$5 donation and entries will be accepted through Sunday,



March 20, 2022.

The Grand Prize winner will receive \$250 and the next five closest guesses will each receive \$50. All remaining funds will benefit the Chautauqua Lake Association's year round lake

management efforts.

For a live stream of the ice pick, to download a mail-in form or to submit your guess online, visit ChautauquaAssociation.org/events. You may also stay updated by visiting the CLA on Facebook.

Living Voices: Bringing Life to History

Robert H. Jackson Center, Jamestown NY, Programs Returns for Mar. & Apr.

JAMESTOWN, NY— The Robert H. Jackson Center is thrilled to welcome Living Voices back for programs in March and April. Living Voices uses dynamic solo performances combined with archival film to transform history into a moving personal journal. The Center will present three performances of "The Right to Dream", on Tuesday, March 8 at 7 pm and Wednesday, March 9 at 10 am and 1 pm. This work explores the struggle and sacrifice for Black civil rights, through the efforts of a young African American activist coming of age during the civil rights movement. In the 1960s, Raymond risks his life to fight racism and help lead African Americans to equality and

the right to vote in the South through his involvement in the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee. Thursday and Friday, April 7 and 8, the Center will present three performances of "Within the Silence". Thursday evening at 7 pm and Friday at 10 am and 1 pm. This work asks, "What's the meaning of loyalty?" and explores the impact of Executive Order 9066, which imprisoned thousands of innocent Japanese Americans during World War II, through the experiences of one young, incarcerated citizen. In 1941, Emiko is an ordinary American teenager whose life is changed forever when racism and xenophobia explode against

her community after Japan bombs Pearl Harbor, forcing her and every member of her family to find a way to prove their loyalty to a country that sees them as "the face of the enemy."

The Robert H. Jackson Center, a non-profit dedicated to promoting liberty under law through the examination of the life and work of Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson and its relevance to current events and issues, invited students, their teachers, and the public to experience history in a unique way. Preregistration is required online at roberthjackson.org/events or by calling the Jackson Center at 716-483-6646.

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“Thank You Hometown Heroes”

ERA Team VP of EVL Salutes Front Line Workers at Mardi Gras Parade

ELLICOTTVILLE-It is one of the most popular events of winter. Crossing through the Village of Ellicottville, this event challenges both locals and visitors to bring out their creativity in preparation for the biggest party of ski season. This is all about themes, planning costumes and the eventual march through Ellicottville's business district, while spectators line the streets, cheering for their favorites. Following a two-year shutdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Ellicottville's Mardi Gras Parade is back on the schedule, this Saturday, March 12th at 6pm. Organizers are anticipating a record turnout noting many have expressed how much they've missed this iconic parade. Ellicottville's ERA Team VP Broker Bill Soffel and team are proud to announce the theme for their float this year is "Thank you Hometown Heroes" in an effort to express gratitude to the frontline workers who kept people safe throughout

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the pandemic. The Ellicottville Team will be carrying a large “Thank You” card for parade goers to sign before and after the parade! “We’re incredibly excited to celebrate Mardi Gras in Ellicottville this year, after two years off,” said Soffel. “Our team couldn’t think of a better way to participate in this year’s parade than by expressing our thanks to those who kept us safe throughout the pandemic. We’re also looking forward to welcoming the public to our office following the parade!” We are inviting local frontline workers, caregivers, firefighters, EMS personnel and medical staff from all over the area to join us in our parade this year, as we salute YOU for getting us through

one of the most trying times in American history. Please join us for our parade, walk with us and enjoy all Ellicottville has to offer, followed by a party in our office immediately following the parade. We’ll have some special surprises, refreshments, and we encourage you to come in your professional attire if you wish! Registered participants will gather in the parking lot at Katy’s Café before 6pm and will march down Ellicottville’s main street, promptly at 6:30pm, ending at the Ellicottville Gazebo. If you’re a frontline worker and would like to walk with our team, contact Kaysie Griffith at kaysie.griffith@teamvp.com or (716) 699-4800.

Special

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yet to be released. Drew said, “Michael is wonderful. We have a long history with him and the entire Rusted Root Family. He’s perfect for this show.” Glabicki has a long history of playing Jamestown, as one of Rusted Root’s first traveling gigs was at Joyce’s Keg Room. The band returned to Chautauqua County regularly, playing the Keg Room and Great Blue Heron Music Festival several times. He recently returned in 2019 with his Uprooted Band, to headline “Jamestown Best Day Ever” event. This event is entirely made possible with grant funding provided through Jamestown’s Downtown Revitalization Initiative award provided by Governor Hochul and New York State through Homes and Community Renewal and the Fund for Downtown Programming. The grant was approved by the Jamestown Local Development Corporation (JLDC) and is also administered by JLDC.

Hoping to Be Back to Bemus Bay!



The organization is still planning to make this the best summer. The stage is currently homeless and could possibly come back home to The Fish in Bemus Point, NY. Dan Dalpra, owner of the stage and current owner of The Fish, Tom Myers believe they can make it happen. They would need sponsors and community support to get this done. Show your support on Facebook.

Chamber Salute to the Finest

Jamestown Community Chamber Awards Recipients March 14th

The Jamestown Community Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce its list of award recipients for Salute to the Finest 2022! Each year Salute to the Finest pays tribute to local businesses and organizations that are making a difference in the local community – through service, filling vital needs, or by helping to create the unique flavor of the city by providing unique and special merchandise, foods, or other

products. This year’s award recipients are as follows: New Business of the Year, ART Cloth + Craft; Young Business Leader of the Year, Linnea Carlson; Manufacturer of the Year, Support Enterprises; Restaurant of the Year, HotSpot Café; Retailer of the Year, Dot’s Gift Boutique; Service to Humanity Award, UPMC Chautauqua; Pride of Jamestown Award, Roger Tory Peterson Institute; Legacy Award, Lind Funeral

Home; and Business of the Year, Shults Auto Group. Salute to the Finest will be held Monday, March 14 at the Lakewood Rod & Gun Club. The evening will include a cocktail hour from 5-6pm with assorted hors d’oeuvres and a cash bar, and the program will begin at 6pm. The cost is \$25 per person. Registration is open online now through the Chamber’s events calendar at www.chautauquachamber.org.

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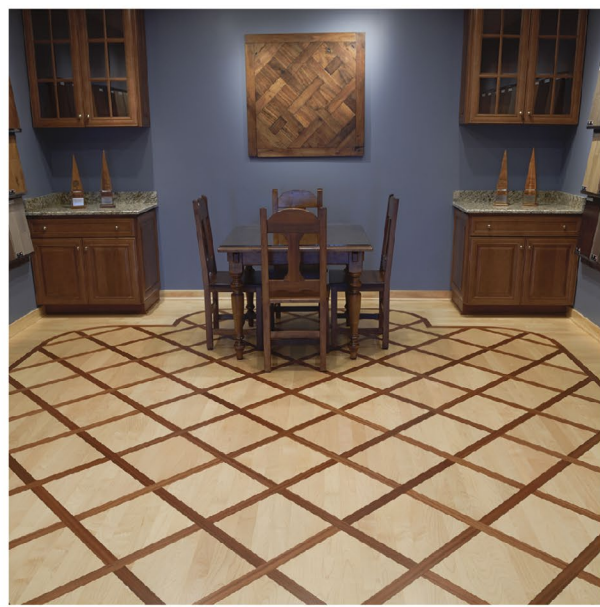
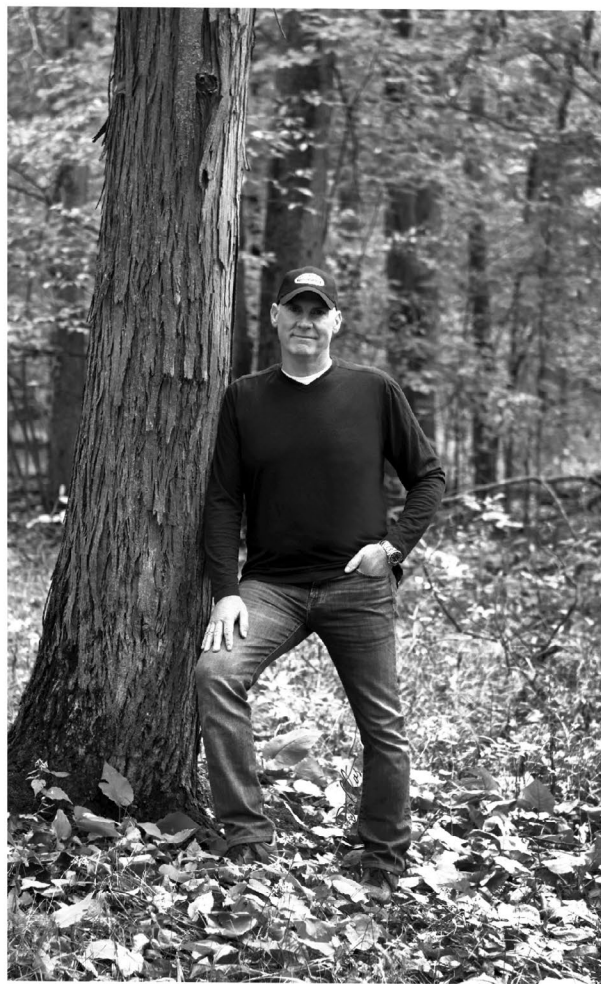
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