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Friday, June 3rd • 10-10pm
North Union Street, Olean

TREE & SHRUB WORKSHOP
Saturday, June 4th • 9:30-12:30pm
Nannen Arboretum, Ellicottville

ALLEGANY GARDEN FESTIVAL
Saturday, June 4th • 10-4pm
RH Livingston Complex, Allegany

2022 CHAMBERFEST
Saturday, June 4th • 3-7pm
Seneca Allegany Resort, Salamanca

GUS MACKER TOURNAMENT
June 10th, 11th, & 12th • 8:30am
Streets of Olean, Olean

ST. MARY'S BASILICA FESTIVAL
June 10th, 11th, & 12th • 12pm
St. Mary of the Angels, Olean

BARCELONA HARBOR EXPO
June 3rd, 4th & 5th • 10-5pm
Barcelona Harbor, Westfield

BEMUS POINT STOW FERRY
June 3rd, 4th & 5th • 12-9pm
The Ferry Landing, Bemus Point

FIRST FRIDAY BLOCK PARTY
Friday, June 3rd • 5-8pm
Main Street, Westfield

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES
Friday, June 3rd • 6-9pm
Southern Tier Brewing Co., Lakewood

DUNKIRK FLEA MARKET
Saturday, June 4th • 8-2pm
Route 5/Washington Ave, Dunkirk

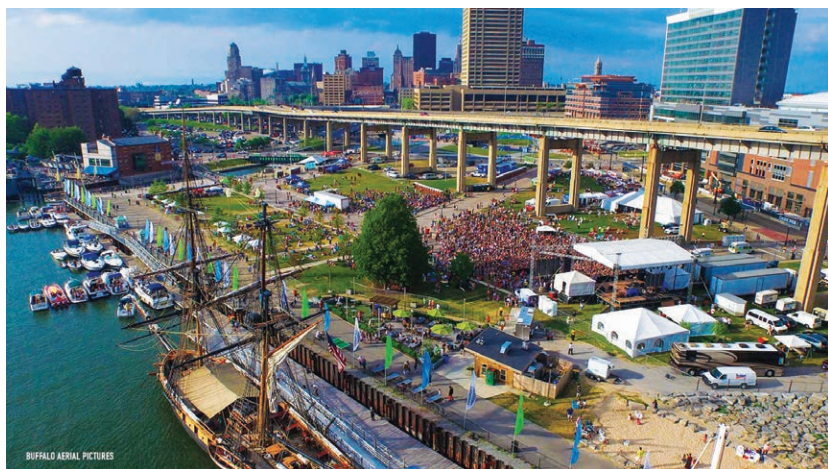
FREDONIA FARMERS MARKET
Saturday, June 4th • 9-1pm
Church Street, Fredonia

FARMERS AND ARTISANS MARKET
Saturday, June 4th • 9-2pm
Moore Park, Westfield

ANNUAL ROSIE'S RUN
Sunday, June 5th • 9am
Sherman Fire Hall, Sherman

For more information on this week's music, see page 11

Summer on Buffalo's Waterfront Canalside and Outer Harbor Offer Plethora of Events



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By KATE BARTLETT
This summer, experience the Buffalo Waterfront at Canalside and Outer Harbor. With a variety of events and activities to choose from, there's something for everyone here on the lake. Just don't forget to take in the views along the waterfront, under the iconic Skyway, with

sights of the city skyline; it's an outstanding adventure. "Explore Buffalo" offers comprehensive tours of Canalside and the waterfront by foot, while "Buffalo River History Tours" offer a variety of harbor boat tours

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Hit the Slopes in EVL this Summer Holiday Valley and HoliMont Offer Year-Round Fun



Both ski areas have a summer-full of events for the whole family. Upcoming events at Holiday Valley include the Mudslide Trail Run on Saturday June 18th. Holiday Valley also features a wide variety of summer activities to suit the family including the Sky High Adventure Park which offers a variety of outdoor adventures including an Aerial Park, Climbing Forest, Mountain Coaster, Gem mining, chair-lift rides and mountain biking. Their 18-hole par 70 "Double Black Diamond" golf course offers scenic views. Day passes are available for their pool complex. HoliMont has over 7 miles of new mountain biking trails and multiple events throughout the summer. Catch a lift up-hill on the Sunset lift at HoliMont with food and beverage on weekends (schedule online). (See story "Slopes", page 4.)

Summer Markets Opening Soon Jamestown Public Market 2022 Season



Photos/Rowen + Eden Photography

By Jessica Schultz
Summer is almost upon us; the weather is sunny and warm and farm fresh produce is arriving to farmer's markets all over our counties. One of the biggest is the Jamestown Public Market that runs

from June 11th through October 29th, every Saturday from 10-2pm, running along Jamestown NY's Third Street. *The Villager* had the chance to speak with Market Director *Linnea Carlson* about what the market season will look like for 2022.

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Italian-American Charity Golf Tournament Returns to Holiday Valley, June 9-11



The Italian American Charity Golf Tournament is one of the largest yearly golf tournaments Holiday Valley Hosts. Their current Chairman, David Munella believes this is the most unique tournament in the country. It combines a competitive challenge with a family atmosphere. The pinnacle of the event is the money raised to support local organizations. He states without question, the thing that keeps the tournament going is the group of committed individuals who work year-round and the support of the community which has never ceases to amaze him. (See story "GOLF", page 15.)

Sneak Peek Inside this Issue...

Merritt Estate Winery Strawberry Fest ... Pg. 9
41st Annual Event in Forestville, June 10-12



Who needs a break from all of the negativity going on in the world right now? We all do!! We all need to get out, enjoy some fresh air, good food and appreciate all that remains good. What better way to do that, than to head out to 2264 King Road in Forestville, NY for a visit to the Merritt Estate Winery on June 10-12, 2022 for their 41st Annual Strawberry Festival.

EVL Chamber Spotlight: EVL Quilt Shop... Pg. 7
Former Laboratory Researcher Turns Her Skills to Quilting

Amy Ewel is the sole proprietor/employee of the Ellicottville Quilt Shop. She opened the shop at 19 Jefferson Street in October 2002 as a welcoming place to share the love of quilting

Primary Voting in WNY Counties ... Pg. 3

Early Voting Counts, Get Out and Vote June 28, Locations & Times Listed

Shakespeare in the Park Play Returns to Delaware Park June 23



The annual free plays in the Buffalo Park, now in their 47th season, offer wonderful summer evenings outdoors from June 23 - August 21.

BY BARBARA ARNSTEIN

The Shakespeare plays in Delaware Park this summer are perfect for a tree-filled park setting because the main events in both happen mostly in the woods. In "As You Like It" various characters have adventures in a forest, including a man so love-struck he covers trees with love poems, while in "A Midsummer Night's Dream", four love-

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Yassou Festival is Back, June 17 & 18 Carrying on Traditions in Jamestown Parish



By JUDY SHULER
After a three-year COVID-imposed break, Jamestown's St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church will host its 38th annual Yassou Festival with Greek music, dance and food.

"This is the 100th anniversary of our parish, so we are just in a celebratory mood! It's going to be our best quality festival ever," says

Alexis Singleton, one of the event organizers. "We have streamlined so many of the processes, and really focused in on those items we do best."

It will again fall on Father's Day weekend, Friday and Saturday, June 17 and 18. Hours 11am-9pm Friday and 11am-9pm Saturday under the big tent, rain or shine. Tours of the church, at Mount Vernon Place and Francis Place, will be offered both days at 2 and 6pm.

The performing arts, music and dance, are carriers of traditions. For Greeks, folk dancing ties them to their past and their future. Both in Greece and wherever they have immigrated throughout the world, they dance to

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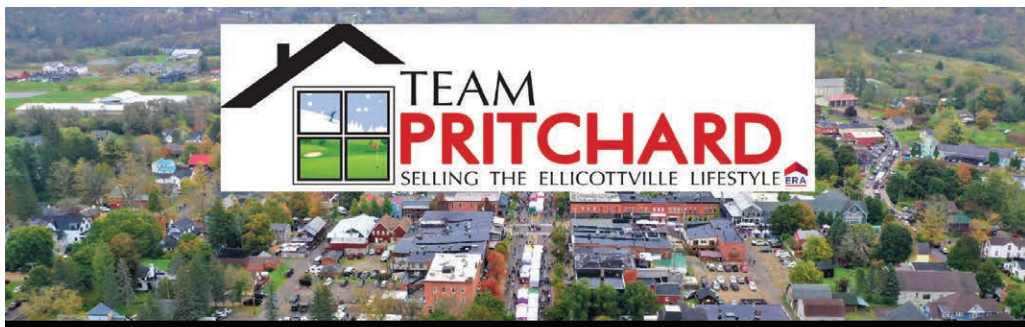
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"Mark Your Calendars, Today will Be Fun...."



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On the calendar, the official beginning of Summer is Tuesday, June 21, but to us Western New Yorker's, the date need not apply. We are a people of four seasons and know all too well, we never know an exact date, week, or even month one season is suddenly going to change into the next. Heck, it may snow tomorrow and most of us would go out and start playing in it!

The one thing you can "mark on your calendar" is to do your humble best to make this day a good one.

That being said, if you have an event of something fun you would like to share with our readers, please let us know we would love to pass on the good information:
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Until next week,
Jeanine Caprino Zimmer

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Special Monthly Contest

Nominate your favorite small business owner. (One entry per person please) and if your recommendation is chosen, we will feature that small business owner in a special feature article on the cover of our publication. Next deadline is June 21st, 2022 All nominations can be made via e-mail to info@thevillager.com or to jessica@thevillager.com or by calling into the office at 716-699-2058. Vote and support your favorite businesses today!!

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Primary Voting in WNY Counties

Early Voting Counts. Get Out and Vote June 28, Locations & Times Listed

By CAROL FISHER-LINN

It seems too early to start talking about elections, but the Primary vote for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and for Alderman in Salamanca Ward 2 is coming up in June. We registered Americans vote in primaries for delegates from our individual major parties (Democratic or Republican) when more than one person has declared their intent to run for an office. In the case of Governor there are a total of 7 candidates from whom to choose; 3 Democrat (Kathy Hochul, Thomas Suozzi, Jumaane Williams) and 4 Republicans (Rob Astorino, Andrew Giuliani, Harry Wilson, Lee Zeldin). Also running for Lt. Governor are Democrats Ana Maria Archila, Diana Reyna, Antonio Delgado. In Salamanca Ward 2, for Alderman you will consider either Kylee Johnson or Susan Labrun.

Now, if I dropped some tidbits of facts about candidates like : "... is an American politician, radio producer, and television host who was the county executive of Westchester County, New York, from 2010 to 2017," or "Throughout his campaign, he has framed himself as a "common sense Democrat" who opposes some elected members of his party on issues like bail reform and New York's new congressional maps." or, one more "...an American lawyer and politician serving as the 57th and current governor of New York since August 24, 2021," would you be able to determine whom I am writing about? I suspect you'd guess the latter but it's likely you may not know much about the others I have identified. YOU NEED TO KNOW WHAT THEY STAND FOR!!!

The NYS Primary is coming up June 28th in both Cattaraugus and Chautauqua Counties with early voting offered in both counties. You may not think it's that important for you to show up and vote for a simple primary but think of it as the "election before the election." Primaries narrow down the candidates for the November election. In NYS we have a closed primary system which requires a voter to only vote for an individual in the party in which he/she is registered. Some states (like GA) have open primaries which allow a switchover if a voter wishes (i.e., Democrat voting for Republican or reverse). Although this primary is only for the offices mentioned, there will be another August 23 for some state offices which are yet to be determined. Remember this, oftentimes, the primary elections are the "battlegrounds" which pretty much influence the outcome in November. YOUR VOTING IS IMPORTANT. You need to show up! Consider this: You have a family reunion and it's time to vote on when and where the next one will be held and who will be in charge. Aunt Tillie and Uncle Pete are asking your vote. Aunt Tillie is a crotchety tyrant who makes everyone miserable, and Uncle Pete is a Teddy Bear who makes everyone feel included and important. Your choice. It's really very important that everyone has a vote on who will be in charge. Problem is, the vote time was not announced, and almost everyone went off to the pool. Tillie is leaving and must know before she departs to her lair. So, the handful of people who stayed around get to speak for all of you. It's the same with a Primary. The voters who show have the

power to speak for everyone in the voting district, including you, if you choose not to "bother" showing up.

Voting Information:
Cattaraugus County: Early Voting: Cattaraugus County Board of Elections, 207 Rock City Street, Little Valley and JCC Olean Campus Cutco Building Magnano Room, 305 North Barry Street, Olean. Dates: Saturday, June 18th 9am to 5pm, Sunday, June 19th 9am to 5pm, Monday, June 20th 10am to 6pm, Tuesday, June 21st 12pm to 8pm, Wednesday, June 22nd 12pm to 8pm Thursday, June 23rd 10pm to 6pm, Friday, June 24th 10am to 6pm, Saturday, June 25th 9am to 5pm Sunday, June 26th 9am to 5pm. You can still vote Absentee if you need to. Call your BOE for more details. 716-938-9400

Voting Information:
Chautauqua County: Early Voting: Board of Elections Offices Hall R Clothier Building, 7 Erie St. Mayville; Robert J. Jackson Center, Prendergast Ave Entrance, 305 E 4th St. Jamestown; Chautauqua Mall Main Entrance, 38 Fairmount Ave, Lakewood, Chautauqua County Fairgrounds 4-H Building, 1089 Central Avenue, Dunkirk. Dates: Saturday June 18 from 9-5pm, Sunday June 19 from 9am-5pm, Monday June 20 from Noon-8pm, Tuesday June 21 from Noon-8pm, Wednesday June 22 from 10am-6pm, Thursday June 23 from 10am-6pm, Friday June 24 from 10am-6pm, Saturday June 25 from 9am-5pm.

Call your BOE for more information: 716-753-4580. Of course, voting will still take place on June 28th at your regular polling places

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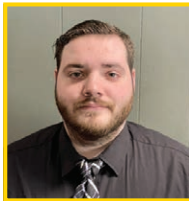
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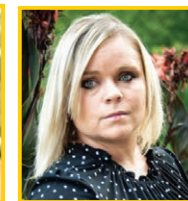
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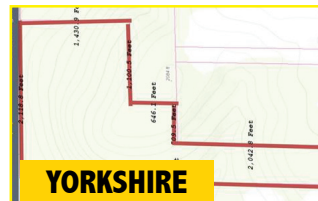


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Important Safety Message

Ellicottville Central School Gives Update On Student Safety Policies

Dear ECS Community:

In light of recent tragic mass shootings, we wanted to reach out regarding Emergency Protocols at ECS. Please know that we still have to conduct two emergency drills before the end of the year, as well as a fire drill. We would also like to let you know that one of these drills will include a "go home early" drill. More information about that drill will be shared in a letter sent to parents in the near future. In addition to these drills being required by NYS, they are also VERY important for students and staff as they provide for practice and conversation about what to do should a true emergency ever take place at the school. When conducting emergency drills, we will very clearly indicate they are drills to avoid creating undue anxiety. Please note that we typically do not send out robo-calls or make posts for drills unless there are unusual circumstances. For your convenience, we would also like to review "The BIG 4 Emergency Protocols." These four protocols are: Shelter in Place, Lockdown, Lockout, and Evacuation. We cannot share the exact steps we take in each of these protocols, as doing could compromise them, and ultimately our ability to best protect students. We can, however, provide a brief overview of each protocol so you are better informed. Shelter in Place: This is considered one of the least intrusive procedures. It is used to secure students safely in classes, and restrict

movement in hallways and throughout the building. Examples of when this may be used include: a medical emergency in the building, overt disruption in hallway, or staging for possible transition to Lockout, Lockdown or Evacuation. A Shelter in Place not only secures students, it allows for time to assess a situation without taking too extreme a measure. During a Shelter in Place teachers and students may continue normal classroom activities behind closed and locked doors. Lockout: This is considered a mid-level procedure. It is used when an actual or potential threat exists from outside the school building (Ex. Escaped fugitive, unusual disturbance in the parking lot or road, disgruntled employee or spouse, etc.). During a Lockout, all outside activities are cancelled and the exterior doors and windows are closed and locked. Once the building is secure, we may decide to allow normal activities within the school. Evacuation: This can be considered a mid-level procedure or a high-level procedure based on the situation. Evacuating the building when a fire alarm sound is something we have all learned do since we were little kids and is a straight forward procedure. When we need to evacuate and relocate to another location due to an imminent threat such as a bomb or chemical threat this is considered a high-level procedure. Please know that should we need to evacuate to another location, we will notify parents that we are doing so, but for safety reasons will not

announce in advance where we are evacuating to. Lockdown: This is considered our highest alert! A Lockdown is used when an actual or imminent threat exists and we need to immediately secure students. Examples of when this may be used include: a trespasser with a weapon is on campus, there is a hostage situation, or there is a riot. In a lockdown, students and staff are not only secured behind locked doors, they are to be out of sight and silent. Please note that we: May employ more than one procedure at a time. May transition from one procedure to another. Will modify or "flex" a procedure if it is necessary. Our goal is to best ensure everyone's safety. Our Safety Committee will be reviewing and updating our Safety Plan as needed. As part of our capital project, we have installed new locks on all interior classroom doors and these are set to the lock position all day. If the classroom door is closed, it is locked. This system is currently up and running. We are also re-testing all of our exterior doors to ensure they are locked throughout the day. In order for anyone (other than staff) to gain access to the building, they have to be buzzed in by one of the offices. The offices have cameras so they see the person before buzzing them in. If at any point, you have questions about our safety protocols or have concerns to share, do not hesitate to reach out to the school. If you would like to e-mail me, my e-mail address is: bmiller@ecsny.org. Sincerely, Bob Miller



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By KATE BARTLETT

In true fashion, HoliMont and Holiday Valley are proving Ellicottville to be a premier destination for all seasons with their spring and summer outdoor recreational activities. Any outdoor enthusiast will be more than pleased with the variety of activities on the slopes. There are plenty of opportunities to opt outside and take in the fresh mountain air with something for everyone.

Re-discover the slopes of HoliMont as their lands are open to the public for hiking and mountain biking. Come explore the ponds at the top of the ridge, have a campfire, or simply pick berries. They have over 7 miles of new mountain biking trails and multiple events throughout the summer. Catch a lift up-hill on the Sunset lift with food and beverage on weekends (schedule online). Check out one of their most recent trails, a fun and flowy 1-mile trail

biking or hiking? from the top of Greer slope to the main chalet area. Another newer trail connects the top of Sunset to the top of Greer. Season bike passes are available as well as E-Bike rentals, which are great on the hills. For more information, visit their website <https://holimont.com/> and follow them on social media.

Holiday Valley has a wide variety of summer activities to suit the family. Sky High Adventure Park offers a variety of outdoor adventures including an Aerial Park, Climbing Forest, Mountain Coaster, Gem mining, chairlift rides and mountain biking. Their 18-hole par 70 "Double Black Diamond" golf course offers scenic views from every hole. Day passes are available for their pool complex with lap pool, toddler pool and activity pool with water slide & diving board.

Upcoming events include the Holiday Valley Mudslide Trail Run on Saturday June 18th. The course starts at Spruce Lake at the top of the mountain with 15 obstacles and a 3.5- and 5.4-mile options. Guaranteed to be very muddy and lots of fun; a sure

way to get down and dirty on the slopes.

The much-anticipated Summer Music Festival will be held on the slopes of Holiday Valley July 2-3 featuring "The Voices of Classic Rock" concert. Saturday's concert features Practically Petty, an acclaimed Tom Petty tribute band, followed by Asia featuring John Payne with special guests John Elefante, former lead singer of Kansas, and Lou Gramm, the voice of Foreigner. The Buffalo Philharmonic takes the stage on Sunday, playing patriotic favorites followed by a spectacular fireworks show a favorite 4th of July tradition. For concert details and to purchase tickets visit the Ellicottville Chamber website <https://www.ellicottvillenyc.com/>

For more information regarding summer events and tickets, visit their website and follow them on social media. Also watch for the Junior Golfer Chip + Putt Qualifier scheduled for Thursday July 21, as well as the Cabana Concert Series, bringing live music to the pool bar on summer nights.



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Holiday Valley Update

Junior Golfer Drive, Chip & Putt Qualifier, Thursday, July 21st

By BROOKE SZPAICHER



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This year the Drive, Chip, Putt qualifier will be hosted by Holiday Valley Resort on Thursday, July 21st, 2022 at the Holiday Valley Practice Facility. This is a FREE event for any junior golfer seven to fifteen, boys and girls! There are four age categories: 7 to 9 years old, 10 to 11 years old, 12 to 13 years old, and 14 to 15 years old. Holiday Valley is a local qualifying location, one of many that will take place through May, June, and July throughout all fifty states. From there, qualifiers head to the subregional round, which takes places in approximately sixty sites throughout July and August. Regional qualifiers will play in September and October at ten sites and ends with the National Finals at Augusta National Golf Club the Sunday before the Masters Tournament. "A joint initiative founded in 2013 by the Masters Tournament, United States Golf Association and The PGA of America, Drive, Chip and Putt is a free nationwide junior golf development competition aimed at growing the game

by focusing on the three fundamental skills employed in golf. By tapping the creative and competitive spirit of girls and boys ages 7-15, Drive, Chip and Putt provides aspiring junior golfers an opportunity to play with their peers in qualifiers around the country. Participants who advance through local, sub-regional and regional qualifying in each age/gender category earn a place in the National Finals, which is conducted at Augusta National Golf Club the Sunday before the Masters Tournament and is broadcast live by Golf Channel." www.drivechipandputt.com. I spoke with Kyle Benish, Holiday

Valley's PGA Head Golf Professional, who is also the chairman of the Junior Golf and Growth of the Game Committee for the PGA Western New York Section, he mentioned that this could potentially become an annual qualifying location, but that is still to be determined. It's just exciting that Holiday Valley gets to host this year as one of the sites and to bring the junior golfers together and get them out there to enjoy the sport of golf. For more information, visit www.holidayvalley.com and find the link under Events. You can also visit drivechipandputt.com for more information on this event!

Holiday Valley Pools Opening Soon



Starting June 18, the pools at Holiday Valley Resort are open 7 days a week until September 5, weather permitting. During the summer season, the pools are open weekdays from 11 AM to 7 PM and weekends from 9 AM to 7 PM. There are 3 swim sessions: 9am to 10:30 weekends for Holiday Valley lodging guests, and 11AM to 2:30pm and 3pm to 7pm for public. Reservations are suggested on weekdays and are required on weekends. If there are any unreserved spots left for the swim sessions, we will welcome walk-in customers. But weekends generally sell out so it is advisable to reserve ahead. Pool guests will be given a wrist band so they can enter and exit the pool area during their session. Details on how to make reservations can be found at www.holidayvalley.com/summer/pools/

Wedding Announcement

Introducing Mr. & Mrs Cessna ~ Vows Exchanged May 26, 2022



Jordan Cessna and Allie Doro got married May, 26, 2022 at The Banq in Ellicottville, NY and celebrated with family and friends near their home in Lakewood, NY.

Many of you probably recognize Allie from Holiday Valley, she is the Snowsports Director and also grew up in Ellicottville. Jordan has become no stranger himself and is beloved in our local Village. We wish the newlyweds a life of love, health and happiness!

Trash & Treasure Sale 2022

St. Paul's Annual Event, Ellicottville NY, Friday, June 10th, 9-4pm

Calling all closet, garage, basement and attic cleaners!!!! St. Paul's annual trash and treasure sale is sneaking right up on us AND...this year it will be Friday, June 10th from 9AM to 4PM and Saturday June 11th 9AM to 3PM. Here are a few tidbits that may interest you...Trash & Treasure has been going on since 2008. Also, here is the most repeated comment for our church's trash

& treasure sale: "Your church has the most wonderful and generous items of ANY other sale we've been to and the way you run your sale is so helpful for those in need for our area! So...the success of the Trash & Treasure is because of ALL OF YOU and your generosity of heart and soul and "GOOD STUFF". And don't worry... the Treasure Café will be up and running with fresh grilled Sahlen's Hot Dogs and don't

forget about our famous Hot Fudge Sunday's.... YUM!!! St. Paul's has been updating, our original building from 1964. We have finished with the new windows and the siding. We are hoping for a good turnout so, we can work towards a new heater, air conditioning and handicapped bathroom. We hope to see all you Treasure Hunters. Thank you all for your support! God Bless!

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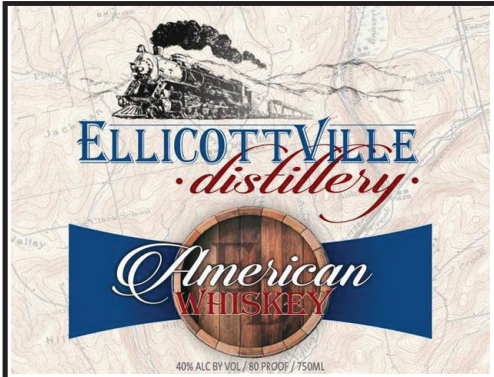
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Ellicottville Chamber Member Spotlight: EVL Quilt Shop

Former Laboratory Researcher Turns Her Skills to Quilting

By KATE BARTLETT

Amy Ewel is the sole proprietor/employee of the Ellicottville Quilt Shop. She opened the shop at 19 Jefferson Street in October 2002 as a welcoming place to share the love of quilting to those familiar with quilting, as well as those just starting out. Here you'll find everything you need to make your own quilt, as well as a variety of ready-made products. Amy also offers a wealth of services and classes to inspire experienced quilters, as well as beginner and how-to courses.

Amy began quilting as a creative outlet during a stressful career. "As a scientist, I found I needed a creative outlet, so I also worked part-time in quilt shops." After almost 20 years as a molecular biology laboratory researcher for various employers throughout New England, Amy found the opportunity to move back to the area and open a quilt shop in 2002. She felt it was time for a change, so she collected her savings, and decided to turn her hobby into a career. Growing up in Delevan, NY, she had her sights on Ellicottville for her quilt shop, as the perfect resort town. "Quilts are a perfect addition to any ski condo or home. Not only are they very functional, they are also visually pleasing. A quality I love!"

Amy's shelves are well stocked with books and patterns. The shop showcases an entire wall of quilting notions, all the supplies and tools you need to make a quilt. They run the



gamut from pins to marking tools to rotary cutters and rulers. The shop also boasts around 1000 volts of 100% cotton quilting fabric in various colors and patterns. Amy has a wide variety of patterned fabric with everything kids and novelty, civil war reproduction and batiks, which is an Indonesian technique of wax-resist fabric dyeing.

You'll also find a large variety of ready-made items including table toppers, table runners, placemats, wall hangings and, of course, quilts. Amy typically has about 3-4 of each size quilt in shop (baby, throw, twin, queen, and king), hand made by her and ready for purchase. Shoppers come from all over to see what she has in store. She gets a variety of shoppers

including locals, casual browsers, serious quilters, and day-trippers from the Buffalo area who make a day out of visiting her shop and the surrounding area. "I love helping customers and sharing my love for quilting." Guests appreciate the personal service from Amy, and the simplicity of the shop.

Amy highlights her classes in a monthly newsletter, which readers can sign up for on her website ellicottvillequiltshop.com or email ellicottvillequiltshop@gmail.com. She offers monthly specials, 'free sew' (guests are invited to stop down and sew alongside Amy anytime), cutting services, and a variety of

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ECS Trap Team Champions

Undefeated 2022 Season

By JESSICA SCHULTZ

The Ellicottville Central School Trap Team wrapped up its 2022 season with an undefeated victory. The students practiced hard and competed beautifully. *The Villager* had the opportunity to speak with Coach Robert (Bob) Poole about his team and what it takes to shoot for the win.

The Villager (V): An undefeated 2022 season!! What do you think was the top contributing factor to this?

Bob (B): "For the undefeated season I attribute that to unbridled enthusiasm for this sport and positive coaching from the volunteer assistants who are very adept and knowledgeable about the sport along with my abilities as well I suppose, I will take the credit lastly."

V: Your students took tops scores in the Male Shooter and Most Improved Male shooter categories; which students and what was their overall scores?

B: "The top shooter and most improved shooter names were drawn from the weekly match score results along with the total number of perfect scores factored in during the practice days as well. Our season was a bit modified and abbreviated to only 4 matches due to Covid protocol so all matches by every team were shot at their respective "home Fields" and the scores compiled and posted after the fact. Our top shooter was Sean Crowley with three perfect 25's this year! Who shot a 92 out of a possible 100 (25 targets per match only) and our most improved was Reese Benjamin whose scores steadily improved every week starting out with 13 of



The Ellicottville Central School Trap Team wrapped up its season on Saturday May 7th. With a "Fun Day" hosted at the team's home field at the Ellicottville Sportsman's club. The team went undefeated in its 2022 match schedule.

25 the first week, 17 in week 2, 19 in week 3 and finishing out with a 21 in week 4."

V: What does it take to be a member of the trap team?

B: "To be on the team a competitor first needs to sign up at the High School Prior to the season and attend the orientation and safety meeting."

V: Safety is a huge priority; what is the process to make sure the students are safe?

B: "Safety is the NUMBER ONE PRIORITY. I ascertain from every prospective shooter whether or not he or she has successfully taken and passed the New York State Hunter Safety Course, if so we have a refresher session in safe gun handling and a brief quiz afterwards. If they don't have the Hunter Ed. Course then I give them a more extensive safety training session and make them watch the experienced shooters practice under supervision before they themselves are allowed to handle a firearm with close supervision. At every event and on EVERY squad on the line adult supervision is present with a minimum of two at all times."

V: The program seems to be ran mostly by volunteers;

could you let us know who they are?

B: "We have several volunteer coaches who all are very experienced trap shooters, club officers and members. To name a few, Brian and Sheila Lannon who are the Ellicottville Sportsman Club President and Treasurer respectively, Bob Gross the Club V.P., Masha Salisbury, The Club Seceretary, Stan Grochowina Board of Directors member, Mark Smith, past club officer, and other dedicated club members as well and my apologies for any omissions. I also am a Club Board member and the High School Trap Team coach as well as a certified NYS Hunter Safety Instructor for the firearms program."

V: What do you think next season will be like?

B: "I predict next season will be a winning season also because of the whole 19-member team we are only losing one senior student Josh Coolidge who is also a great shooter but our team is experienced and eager so they should be able to close the ranks pretty well in spite of his departure."

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41st Annual Event in Forestville, June 10-12

By JESSICA SCHULTZ

Who needs a break from all of the negativity going on in the world right now? We all do!! We all need to get out, enjoy some fresh air, good food and appreciate all that remains good. What better way to do that, than to head out to 2264 King Road in Forestville, NY for a visit to the Merritt Estate Winery on June 10-12, 2022 for their 41st Annual Strawberry Festival. This great event boasts live music, tasty food and fun for even the littlest ones in your family to enjoy. *The Villager* had the opportunity to speak with owner **Bill Merritt** about the event and everything going on during it this year.

Villager (V): Strawberry Festival is back for its 41st year, what is different for 2022?

Bill (B): "New this year is a Friday night concert featuring Western New York's favorite country band, West of the Mark: The Prime Project, on Friday night from 7-10pm. They bring a lot of energy with their country music. There will be food and drinks available to enjoy. Like always, admission and parking are free. This year we will be offering a Strawberry Swizzle, a strawberry wine cooler for everybody to enjoy."

V: What are the event hours and prices?

B: "The event kicks off on Friday at 5pm with the concert beginning at 7pm. There will be a limited food menu and beverages available. Saturday the event begins at noon with live music, an artisan market with 20 different vendors and a full food menu available. The classic car show begins at 1pm and runs until 5pm. The music continues until 10pm. The band line up is:



Live music, classic car show, fun foods, great beverages and activities for the kids.

Zen City from 12pm-3pm; Black Widow from 3:30-6:30pm; and Freebird, a Lynyrd Skynyrd Tribute Band from 7-10pm. Sunday begins at noon with Ion Sky from 12-3pm and DTO from 3:30-6:30pm. As always, there is free admission and parking. Guests may make a donation to the Northern Chautauqua Canine Rescue."

V: What things will be offered food wise? (I'm sure strawberry desserts are in high order.)

B: "A variety of food will be available on Saturday and Sunday to please everybody. Hot dogs, hamburgers, cheeseburgers and french fries are a staple. There will also be chicken salad wraps, chicken breast sandwiches and a garbage plate. And you called it on desserts, guests can enjoy strawberry shortcake and chocolate covered strawberries."

V: What is there for the younger family members to enjoy?

B: "We will have entertainment such as a bounce house and a balloon artist that kids always enjoy watching."

V: Each year you accept

donations for a charity; which charity are you supporting this year?

B: "This year we will be collecting donations for The Northern Chautauqua Canine Rescue in Westfield."

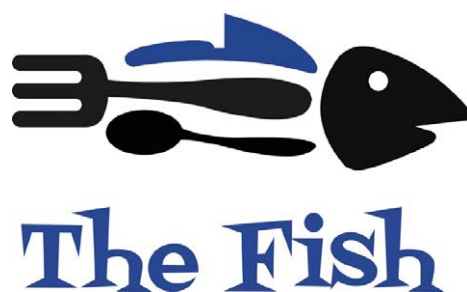
V: What's the next event at the winery has lined up after the Strawberry Festival?

B: "The next event that we will hold at the winery will be our Septemberfest on September 10 and 11, that will feature Chiavetta's famous chicken BBQ."

V: Anything else to add?

B: "We do ask that attendees refrain from bringing any outside food and beverages to the event but other than that, I hope everybody that wants to, brings a lawn chair to sit and enjoy the fun."

Thank you, Bill, for taking the time to speak with us and for hosting this fantastic event. And a huge thank you to the whole winery staff for making the festival possible for our communities' members to enjoy. Remember if you need more information or just want to keep your eye out for updates, check out the Merritt Estate Winery's Facebook page, merrittstatewinery.com or call 888-965-4800.



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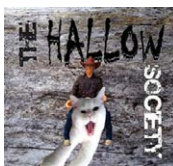
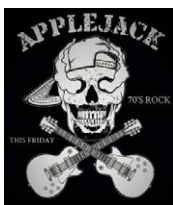


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The Allegany Nature Pilgrimage is a cooperative presentation of Allegany State Park and volunteers from Jamestown's Audubon Community Nature Center, Buffalo Audubon Society, Rochester's Burroughs Audubon Nature Club, and

lecture. Topics include a star watch with telescopes, live animal exhibits, history of Allegany State Park, reptiles and amphibians, fossils, bird walks, bird banding, early morning and late-night walks, flowers and trees, family and adult programs and much more. T

The Friday and Saturday evening "Big Tent" presenters are set. Friday is "River Snorkeling Adventures: An Evening with Underwater Naturalist and River Adventurer Keith Williams." Saturday is "Meet Your Neighbors: Environmental Conservation Starts in Our Backyards with 'Backyard Naturalist' Twan Leenders."

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Dragons & Fairies Festival

Audubon's Annual Event Expands, Jamestown NY, June 11th, 10-4pm



Jamestown, N.Y. – Not just for kids anymore, adults and children alike will be delighted with the wonderfully expanded offerings at Audubon Community Nature Center's 2022 Dragons and Fairies Festival.

On Saturday, June 11, 2022, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Audubon's grounds will be transformed into a splendid mix of all things magical. Among many surprises, you may find trolls hiding under the bridges, elves wandering the trails, and dragons that lay eggs in unexpected places.

Children can try their hand at archery, make a wizard staff, enjoy fairy tale story times, go on a dragon egg hunt, experience the play areas and all kinds of fantastic fun. You won't want to miss the obstacle course, the labyrinth painted on the grass or the unicorns (noon to 4 p.m.) from Double Rainbow Farm. Taste of Buffalo will be a food truck vendor.

The harp and guitar duo Sixpence will entertain with a three-hour set of Celtic and British folk music in the

Expect a day filled with live music, food, obstacle courses, play areas, crafts, fairy tale story times and all kinds of fantastic fun at Audubon Community Nature Center's Dragons and Fairies Festival, Saturday, June 11, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

middle of the day. dragon decorated pies. Three pies will be raffled off, with proceeds to benefit Audubon. Face coverings are strongly recommended for inside the Nature Center building. The fee is \$8 for adults, \$6 for Nature Center members and children ages 3 to 15, and free for 2 and under. Parking is free. Reservations are appreciated through Upcoming Programs at AudubonCNC.org. Walk-ins are welcome.

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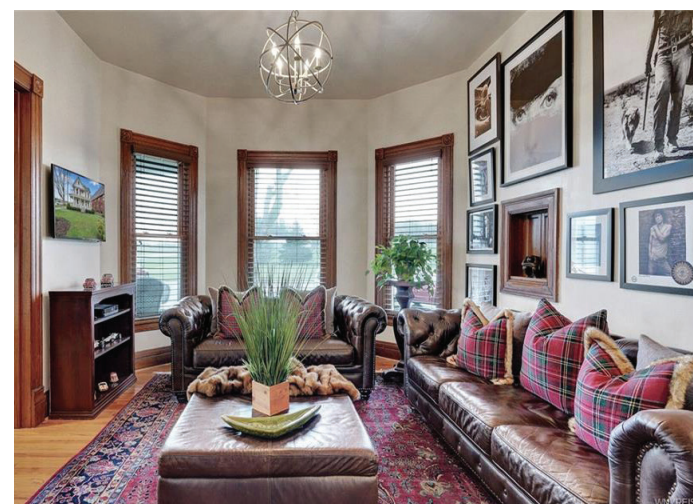
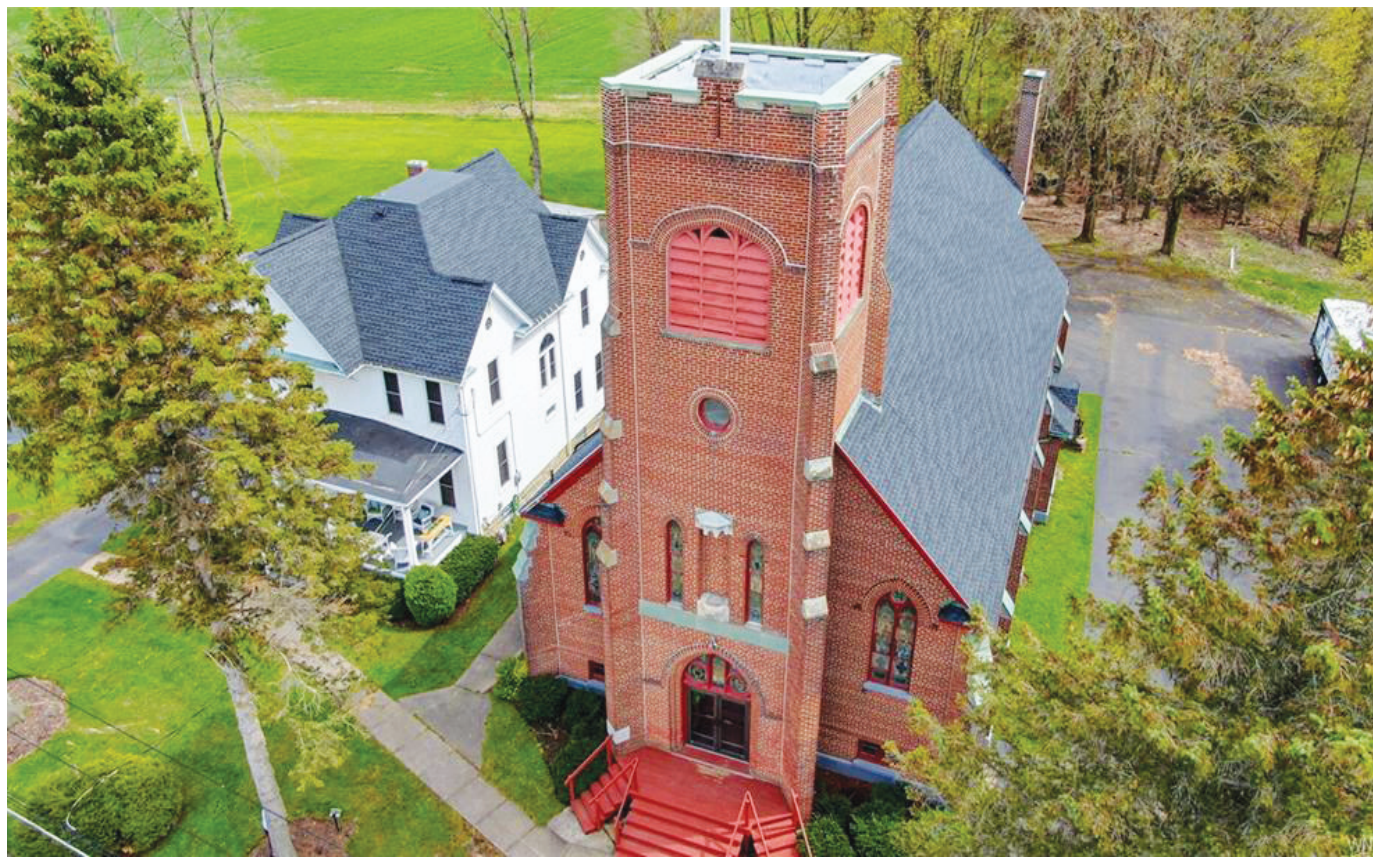
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Market

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Villager (V): The market is back for 2022; what will the market be offering this year?

Linnea (L): We are so excited to have the market season begin! 2022 we will once again be along Third Street, between N. Main and Cherry Streets. We are thrilled to welcome back our favorite farmers and vendors, but also excited to welcome several new vendors. We will have four produce vendors this year, including new vendor Carlberg Farm, each offering a variety of selection; we welcome a new baker, Magic Cat Bakery each week; and continue to offer space to new artisans in the area, such as our new woodcraft vendor Turned N' Burned. Last year was our most successful season on record, and we hope to continue our growth this year. We are also excited that our main local meat vendor, Conklin Family Ranch, will be at market each week with their locally raised beef and pork products! We continue to expand our offerings and want the market to be your one-stop grocery stop!"

V: Anything new about the market for this year?

L: "The most exciting part of 2022 will be the return of several of our favorite market event days, and new this year is our collaboration with a variety of local events and organizations. We will once again be partnering with Jamestown Pride for our opening day, June 11. We will be taking over a large part of downtown Jamestown, offering double the number of vendors on a typical day as well as host outreach from community organizations. July 16 will be the weekend of the annual Scandinavian Festival, and

we will be welcoming the decoration of the Maypole alongside market. We will also be partnering with the Chautauqua Connection's Children's' Coalition for their 'Christmas in July' event and Color Run on July 23. And of course, August 6 we will celebrate Lucy Fest as our Jamestown can! So, there is a lot to celebrate."

V: What forms of payment are accepted?

L: "The Market accepts cash, as well as credit, SNAP/EBT, Double Up Food Bucks, and WIC/Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program vouchers. Double Up Food Bucks is a national model for healthy food incentive programs that provides individuals and families who use SNAP benefits with a dollar-for-dollar match that encourages the purchase of healthy, locally grown fruits and vegetables. Individuals can spend their SNAP/EBT benefits by visiting our green Jamestown Public Market Information tent each week, and spend their monies on a variety of local products including breads, cheeses, meats and eggs. We will also be continuing our weekly children's program, the SPROUTS, sponsored by Novel Destination. Each week children can participate in a free nutrition or agriculture focused activity, and receive a \$2 voucher to spend on local fruits or vegetables."

V: What do you think sets the Jamestown Public Market apart from other markets?

L: "We feel that the Jamestown Public Market is truly a special market because of our location and our partnerships with the community. Our entire city has truly embraced the market, from the city administration and council itself, to individual members of our community, to local businesses. We are so grateful to our neighbors, such



as Crown Street Roasting and Covenant Manor, for welcoming us into their space, and we love to celebrate alongside various community groups bringing exciting events downtown. Jamestown has so much going on both downtown and throughout the city, and the Saturday market is one way to meet your neighbors and support local!"

V: Anything else to add?

L: "Our market will run Saturdays starting June 11-October 29, from 10am-2pm. We will also be launching our Mobile Market program on June 15, and continue to operate both our CSA Program and the GROW Jamestown Community Gardens. More information can be found at our website, www.jtownpublicmarket.org or on our FB/Instagram pages: Jamestown Public Market. The Jamestown Public Market is supported by the Jamestown Renaissance Corporation; the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation; the United Way of Southern Chautauqua County; The Chautauqua Center and Novel Destination."

Thank you, Linnea for taking the time to speak with us about the market and everything it has to offer the community this season. And a special thank you to all the vendors making this event possible. More information on the market can be found at www.jtownpublicmarket.org.

Garden Girl: Welcome June!

Summer is Starting, Say Hello to the Irises



BY LINDA KATHERINE YATES
ARTIST & GARDENER

The name Iris comes from the Greek word for rainbow, and is the name of the Greek goddess of the rainbow. Some authors think the name refers to the wide variety of flower colours found in the many species. Iris is a genus of some 300 species of flowering plants with showy flowers. As well as being the scientific name, Iris is also widely used as the common name for all Iris species. It is a very popular garden flower for many reasons. A cluster of colourful Irises makes for an eye-catching addition to any garden. They are drought tolerant, deer resistant and they attract bees, butterflies and hummingbirds... They are a standout alone or in groups.



They are particularly stunning in a large grouping of all the same choice colour. They are tolerant of a wide range of soils as long as it is well drained and in full sun. The bearded types prefer to have their rysesomes (feet) exposed to the baking sun. There are several varieties of Iris in our vicinity such as the Bearded,

Siberian, Japanese, and the wild blue or yellow Flag Iris. The first to bloom are the Bearded Iris and are the ones shown in the photographs here. It is almost impossible to choose a favorite! Irises are a win-win! "And since all of this loveliness cannot be Heaven, I know in my heart it must be JUNE."

Quilt

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\$5 classes including how to make baby quilts, table runners, placemats and more. "If you'd like to learn to make something or a new technique that isn't on the class list, just call me and we can set something up!" She loves being a part of

the Ellicottville community, and frequent gives back. She regularly supports the Ellicottville Food Panty and currently has a food drive running with an opportunity for customers to earn 5-10% off their purchase with a canned food donation. She also annually raffles off a quilt to support the Rotary Club during the holiday season. Amy invites everyone to stop into the shop, quilter or not, to

see what's in store. "It's such a unique place. There's really something for everyone. Let me give you a tour, and teach you something new! So please come in soon, you'll be as welcomed as an old friend." Follow on Facebook @ The Ellicottville Quilt Shop Instagram @ ellicottvillequiltshop call (716) 699-2065 or stop in Thurs -Sat 11-5pm or by chance.



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By: MOUTH SAY TONGUE

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SATURDAY: The Gin Mill is the early bird with Davey O from 2-5pm. Davey is a singer/songwriter who plays a folk/roots set of originals and covers to accompany your late lunch or early dinner. Live-n-Kickin takes the late shift from 8-12am. They play a rock/pop/country set of covers to get you up and moving. If you like high end liquor the Carriage House Sidebar can make you any craft cocktail you desire.

We return to Balloons for JJ Vicars and the Desiatos on the main stage from 6:30-10pm. This Clevelander plays rockabilly/boogie/blues and Rock'n'roll covers and originals. In the tent, which is now open, EVL's own, Tui Osborne will play from 6-9pm. Tui plays a reggae/ska/pop/folk set of covers while you enjoy the beautiful weather. DJ bad Weekend returns with some crunk so you can shake you junk on the two dance floors.

Finnerty's joins the musical madness with The Alexander James Band from 8-12am. They play a multi genre set of covers that are very danceable. Check out the dart board, pool table, Bird King video game and the multitude of TVs to watch sports on.

We end up, once again, at Madigan's with DJ Persia rockin the house sound with some glide of your slide from 10-2am. Don't forget the foosball and pool tables for

you bar room athletes.

SUNDAY: Balloons hosts their first Sunday show of the year with the return of Mike Nowak from 1-3pm. Try the Chicken Souvlaki Salad, a local's favorite.

The Gin Mill brings back Sunday music with Meet the Bacons from 2-5pm. This duo plays a classic country/rock/bluegrass/blues/folk set of covers. Don't forget there's 37 beers on tap.

Ellicottville Distillery is a playah with their Sunday Music Series presenting Chris Squier from 2-5pm. Chris plays a folk/folk rock set of originals. Enjoy some locally made cocktails in a rural setting.

Villaggio hosts AYCE Pasta and Prime Rib Night from 5-9pm. Chris Maloney is the musical host from 5:30-8:30pm. Chris play a rock/folk/pop/alt set of covers while you dine on the southern tiers best Italian food. Boun cibo brave persone.

Monday is Strings and Wings at Balloons from 4-10pm. This week's music is provided by Brianna Blankenship from 6-9pm. This former American Idol contestant plays country originals and covers. 75 cent wings and a fine craft beer selection makes for a great evening.

It's the first Tuesday of the month so The Gin Mill will host the Hick Ups from 7-11pm. These local musicians play bluegrass/country/Americana style covers. Try the pot roast, a local's favorite.

We end the seven-day weekend like we have for the last 39 years at The Gin

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Beat on the Street:

What was the Best Park of Your Summer Vacations?

By CHAD NEAL

reason we as adults strive for any vacation. Working our keisters off just to have those days we don't have to go into the work shack started from our memories of the greatest school break of the year. Imagine if we had summer vacations all of our life? What was the best part of your summer vacations as a kid?

Alice Cooper sang a great anthem for the end of the school year. That time most kids can't wait for - as soon as the school year begins. The freedom and warm weather, and not feeling any responsibilities at all is really what we strive for as adults too. Summer vacation memories are the



Jess B. - Having the neighborhood kids in Eddyville come to our yard to play.



Jess C. - A week at the grandparents! They would take us to museums, and on short road trips with bologna and mustard sandwiches lol, but the best part was Crystal Beach.



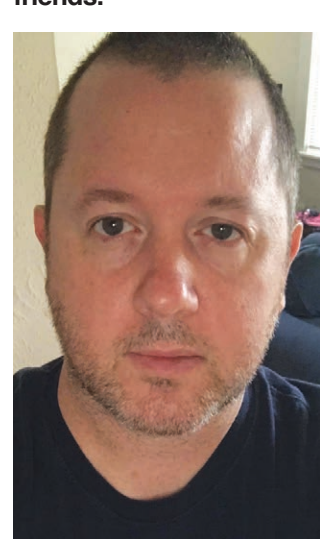
Jennifer B. - So many... cooking class at the town hall, ceramics class with Linda Sherman, vacation Bible school. I guess the common denominator was just being with my friends.



Jacqueline P. - During the week, playing in my neighborhood until the street lights went on, spending weekends on Lake Erie-Bennett beach-sailing and running through the sand dunes!



Joshua P. - Getting up at the crack of dawn to go to work with my dad and stack 25 cord of firewood in the back of a black steel dump truck.



Craig D. - No school.



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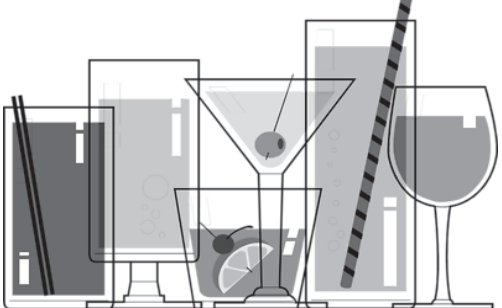
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To solve a Sudoku puzzle, place a number into each box so that each row across, each column down, and each small 9 box square within the larger diagram (there are 9 of these) will contain every number from 1 through 9. In other words, no number will 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:

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Buffalo

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including sunset cruises, cocktail cruises, private charters and a pirate boat tour for the kids (and young at heart). Both schedules are available online.

Two of the most recent additions to the Canalside area include the Longshed building and the Heritage Carousel. Visitors are welcome to tour the Longshed building and watch a replica of an 1825 Erie Canal Boat being built. The remarkable wood-frame building is currently used by the Buffalo Maritime Center to construct a replica of the Seneca Chief, which transported Governor DeWitt Clinton from Buffalo to NYC to mark the opening of the Erie Canal. Volunteers are welcome to join the crew to help this project, which is expected to take 3 years to complete.

The Buffalo Heritage Carousel is a beautifully restored solar-powered vintaged park-style carousel. Originally designed in 1924 in North Tonawanda, it celebrates the history of carousel manufacturing in WNY as well as the use of renewable energy that began with hydro-electric power from Niagara Falls to Buffalo. At only \$1 per ride, everyone can enjoy this historic piece of art, it's truly a sight to be seen.

Canalside is hosting a variety of events on the waterfront throughout the summer. Fitness classes (many free of charge) are frequently held on the lawns and include yoga, barre, Zumba and more. Check online for days and times. Families can enjoy story times on the lawn sponsored by EPIC most Wednesdays throughout the summer months from 11am-1pm. Explore and More also offers Free Play Fridays from 11am-1pm with a variety of games and activities. Family-friendly



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movie nights are being held on the front lawn at 6pm on June 15th, July 20th, and August 17th, check online for movie listings. Pride Festival is June 5th, with many anticipated to follow. Details to be released soon on their website and social media.

While in the area, be sure to walk through the Naval and Military Park, the largest in the country and home to the USS the Sullivans. The ships remain closed to the public as crews work to assess damage and remove water, but the park remains open for the 2022 season. Kayak rentals are available and boaters can paddle down the river the historic grain elevators and underneath the Skyway. The Bike Ferry runs non-stop daily from 12-8pm weekdays 8am-8pm on weekends for only \$1 per person one way. No reservations necessary, tickets can be purchased at the kiosk on site, but maps are available at www.queencityferry.com. Blue Bike Rentals are also available on the Boardwalk.

Hungry? There's plenty of options at the café, beer garden, and ice cream shop on the boardwalk. Liberty Hound

offers live music and a full bar and restaurant menu with Lakeside outdoor seating. Or, just bring a picnic or hope for one of many food trucks to be available.

Explore a more natural side of the city at the Outer Harbor, not far from Canalside, offering more than 200 miles of green space. This area includes the Independent Health Wellness Trail, Wilkeson Pointe, the Lakeside Bike Park, and the Lakeside Event Lawn. Visitors can rent kayaks and bikes to explore the miles of paved trails along the waterfront; the bike ferry connects this area to Canalside and downtown Buffalo, making a memorable ride. Various fitness classes are also offered at this location, free and open to the public. The much-anticipated Outer Harbor concert schedule was just released featuring TYGA, Ja Rule, T-Pain, Jimmie Allen and Moe. Tickets and more information online.

Be sure to follow the Buffalo Waterfront on social media for latest schedule updates.

Play

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smitten people are hilariously bewitched and bewildered by magical beings.

Other intriguing elements in these plays include a woman pretending to be a man who is pretending to be a woman, in "As You Like It", and a man who is temporarily transformed into an amusing half-human beast in "A Midsummer Night's Dream".

"As You Like It" runs from June 23rd-July 17th, while "A Midsummer Night's Dream" runs from July 28th-August 21st. The annual free plays in the Buffalo Park, now in their 47th season, offer wonderful summer evenings outdoors. Many families make a habit of seeing one every year and bringing a picnic. For an even more special evening out, you can attend the Opening Night Reception, held under a tent from 5:45pm-7:15pm, which promises to be fabulous. To begin with, there will be hors d'oeuvres provided by The Terrace at Delaware Park, along with a Freedom Run wine tasting, and finally delicious desserts from the Fairy Cakes Cupcakery. All of it will be enjoyed to the music of the Queen City Strings. The founder of Shakespeare in Delaware Park, Saul Elkin, will be honored by having a stage named after him. After the reception, the first performance of "As Like It" will and place with complimentary reserved seating for the ticket-holders. Tickets for all this are \$45 for Shakespeare in the Park (SDP) members, and \$55 for non-members.

"People think Shakespeare is daunting but he wrote his plays for everyone to enjoy", said Lisa Ludwig, the Executive Director. "They have both visual and verbal humor. The atmosphere in the park is always like an amazing community picnic, and everyone has fun.

The touring production from July 9th-August 22nd, "The Bard's in Our Yard", features some of Shakespeare's best lines. It's an hour long and has a cast of four."

The tour will be in Amherst on June 14th, the Central Terminal in Buffalo June 15th, in Lewiston on June 16th and at the Five Points Bakery in Buffalo June 17th. It will be in Tonawanda June 18th at 4:30pm & 7pm, Amherst June 19th at 4:30 pm & 7pm, Orchard Park on June 20th, in Amherst July 20th, Orchard Park July 21st, Blasdell on July 22nd, Grand Island July 23rd at 4:30pm & 7:30pm, on July 24th in Cambria 4:30pm & 7pm, July 26th in Hamburg, July 27th in West Seneca, on August 3rd at the Locust Street Arts in Buffalo, on August 15th in North Tonawanda and in Lackawanna on August 22nd. The plays are performed at Lincoln Parkway by the Marcy Casino and Rose Garden in Buffalo. If you wish, you can rent a chair for \$25. Call: (716) 856-4533.

Yassou

STORY FROM COVER

express everyday life and celebrate special occasions from baptisms to weddings. Most dances in America are circle dances, starting with the right foot and moving counterclockwise. Each dancer is linked by a handkerchief or by holding hands, wrists or shoulders. The common "Circle" dance is part of Greek tradition dating back to the Byzantine period, 330-1453 CE.

There will be live Bouzouki music by The Ageans, a Greek band from Rochester, and Yassou Dancers will perform certified kitchen, nothing is ordered pre-made, says Singleton.

This year they are planning a different traffic pattern inside the tent "to minimize waiting in line and reduce the opportunity for food to be exposed to humans. We've also added a lot more tables to allow more room for people to spread out."

A Greek boutique will offer tees, Greek fisherman hats, dresses, jewelry and more. Two admission tables are planned to reduce waiting time to enter and credit cards will be accepted for all purchases. Admission is \$3, with children under 12 free. More information is available at stnicholasjamestown.org and on Facebook.

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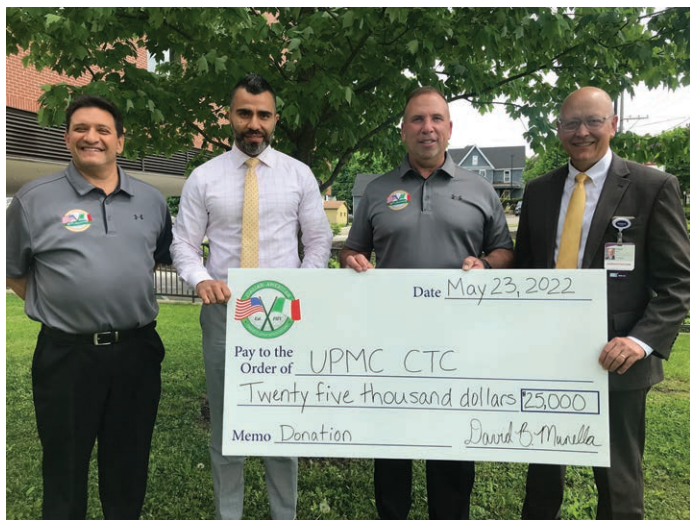
Mill with Joe Wagner and

Company, Wednesday from 8-10pm. Joe plays a folk/country/rock/blues/pop set of covers that you'll know the words to. \$1 off all domestics. I can't encourage you enough to get out and enjoy the many activities we have in our area and spread the word, but wherever are PLEASE, ALWAYS SUPPORT LIVE MUSIC!!!!!!!!!!!!

Golf

STORY FROM COVER

BY BROOKE SZPAICHER



The Italian American Golf Association once again has partnered with UPMC Cancer Treatment Center for a donation towards new equipment. This initiative helps support the hospital's program in treating patients locally. This mission has now been ongoing for over 20 years. (Picture: L to R. Joe Paterniti, IA Committee, Dr Gosain, UPMC, David Munella, IA Chairman, Cecil Miller, UPMC)

the community which has never ceased to amaze me.

(V): This is a charity tournament, correct? How are funds raised and what are they for? I know last year the funds are going towards a few year plan for technology/machines for the local hospital, is this still a work in progress?

(DM): This is a charity and as I previously alluded to, a competitive three-day tournament. The majority of our funds are raised through solicitation of businesses and individuals. One of the requirements for the players to be eligible to play is a minimum donation as well. We have been fortunate to have so many people who believe in our cause. We donate half the proceeds to a designated piece of equipment at UPMC Cancer Treatment Center and last year the new Hospice House in Lakewood.

(V): Why did this tournament originally start?

(DM): This is a great question. It started with our founding chairman Sam Restivo who wanted to start something when he played in an event where a Jewish individual asked a person of non-Jewish faith. The idea was to bring individuals of different cultures, such as an individual of a strong Italian heritage together with a person of non-Italian heritage. Then

once his original committee was set, they decided that for this to be successful, they needed to focus on a worthy charity that affected so many in the community. They made the easy decision to raise money for the American Cancer Society. We have since incorporated and as an organization all our funds now stay locally. This has been a huge boost to our fundraising efforts.

This tournament will always be near and dear to my heart personally, but I think so many people recognize this event when it comes to town. For more information on how to get involved or donate, visit www.iachairtygolf.com.

Caption: The Italian American Charity Golf Tournament is one of the largest yearly golf tournaments Holiday Valley Hosts. Their current Chairman, David Munella believes this is the most unique tournament in the country. It combines a competitive challenge with a family atmosphere. The pinnacle of the event is the money raised to support local organizations. He states without question, the thing that keeps the tournament going is the group of committed individuals who work year-round and the support of the community which has never ceased to amaze him.

Classifieds

PUBLIC NOTICES

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: 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.

NOTICE OF FORMATION: 200 Main Little Valley LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 2/25/22. Office: Cattaraugus County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1051 West Ave, Buffalo, NY, 14213. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION: PeaK Focus Coaching, LLC. filed with the SSNY on 3/13/2022. Office: Cattaraugus County. Registered Agent Inc. designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to PeaK Focus Coaching, 361 Lakeview Blvd. Delevan, NY 14042. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION: Ellicottville Alpine Ski & Board Rentals LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 7/2/2021. Assumed Name d/b/a The Boardroom filed on 8/4/2021. Office location: Cattaraugus County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Spencer M. Timkey, 4 Elk Creek Dr., Ellicottville, NY 14731. Purpose: all lawful activities.

NOTICE OF FORMATION: Café D. LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 5/02/2022. Office: Cattaraugus County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 30 N. 3rd Street, Allegany, NY 14706. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION: Enchanted Mountain Challenge LLC Art of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/17/2022. Office: CATTARAUGUS County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, LEGALCORP SOLUTIONS 1060 Broadway Suite 100 ALBANY, NY 12204 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: PLANNING BOARD: VILLAGE OF ELLICOTTVILLE, NEW YORK: Pursuant to NYS Village Law Section 7-725-b and Sections 5.5, 6.6 and 10.16 of the Village of Ellicottville Zoning Local Law, a Public Hearing before the Village of Ellicottville Planning Board will be held on Tuesday, June 14 at 5:30 P.M. to consider: VPB-2022-010 – an application by John Sabatos for a Special Use Permit, Site Plan Review and Architectural Design Review in order to construct a new accessory building (garage) with an apartment to replace an existing garage at 31 East Washington Street, identified as tax map parcel 55.036-1-34. The Planning Board will hear interested persons at the public hearing. Persons wishing to do so, may submit written comments prior to the public hearing. Application materials are available for review at the Ellicottville Village Office, 1 West Washington Street, P.O. Box 475, Ellicottville, NY 14731 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday or on the Village website: <https://www.ellicottvillegov.com/village-planning-board-meetings.html>

FOR RENT

SEASONAL RENTALS - 2 & 3 Bdrm, fully furnished, in Village, 1 mi. from slopes starting at \$5000.00. Email - rosiepeaks@hotmail.com • Phone - (905) 357-9163 or (905) 651-3342

FOR RENT: Fully furnished condo steps outside the village available for the summer season April 1st - October 1st. 3BDR 1BA laundry onsite. \$1800/mo. plus utilities. Pets considered. No subleasing. Call 516-712-5941

WANTED

FITZPATRICK & WELLER, INC. - HELP WANTED for manufacturing of hardwood components. Immediate openings for full time machine operators. Full benefits included. Experience helpful, but not necessary. Must have a strong work ethic. Apply on our website at Fitzweller.com or in person 8 AM to 4 PM on weekdays at 12 Mill St., Ellicottville, NY. Contact ShainaH@FitzWeller.com, 716-699-2393.

HELP WANTED: Bartender needed. American Legion Post 659, Ellicottville. See Joanne, Tuesday through Friday, between 12-6pm. No experience necessary.

SEEKING 2 or 3 BR furnished summer rental for July and August for responsible married couple with references. Prefer air conditioning but not essential. Please email JimHeim9@gmail.com

IN SEARCH OF a 4 month rental, ongoing/multi-year, June-September in CATT/CHQ area. 3bdrm, 2 full bath, air conditioning preferred. Please contact Dick Rhoades at prriv@icloud.com.

FOR SALE

TAMARACK CLUB FRACTION FOR SALE: Studio unit, valley side, lobby level, sleeps 4. Amenities include: owner locker room, valet parking, heated pool, fitness center. Call or text (716)-258-0109.

FOR SALE: Spacious Victorian House For Sale. Seven miles from downtown Ellicottville-208 Court St, Little Valley. Four bedrooms, two baths, fireplace. Includes timber frame barn. Many updates. Well Maintained. \$149,900. 716-480-3474

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AVAILABLE!! Eldercare/cleaning services. Located in Cattaraugus County. Exceptional references. Call/text:607-221-9521

SERVICE AVAILABLE: Lawn and reseeding, leaves, tree and limb removal, beds and mulch, hedge trimming and lawn rolling. Fully insured. Call 716-244-7173: CBS Lawn and Landscaping

NOW OPEN: Shady Lane Greenhouse, now open for the season. We sell hanging baskets, bedding plants, herbs, vegetables, perennials and more. Fresh glazed donuts available every Saturday while supplies last. April 30th till June 11th, 8:30-6:30pm. Closed Sundays. Location: 7651 Ellicottville-Maples Road, (County Rd. 13)

Place Your Obituaries/Classifieds with Us!
Contact: 716-801-2038
E-mail jessica@thevillager.com
or info@thevillager.com

Have Fun and Stay Safe Out There!!

Voting

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6am to 9pm if you haven't voted early or absentee. Rules have changed so you may not be able to vote as you have in the past (check with your BOE) if you already

submitted an absentee ballot. Please, be a good citizen, be a grateful citizen, be a concerned citizen and vote in this Primary Election. Yes, YOUR vote is IMPORTANT

Trap

STORY FROM PG. 8

who in spite of being short staffed were able to get the kids to the club to practice and compete. Trapshooting is a shotgun sport open to all competitors regardless of age or gender it is a great shooting sport where nothing is harmed but some biodegradable orange clay targets, its fast paced and fun, and is a sport that many of these high schooler's will enjoy throughout their entire lives! I especially want to thank all the parents,

grandparents and involved adult guardians that supported their kids, transported them home and came to watch on some chilly march days to make this event special. I am looking forward to next season indeed!"

Thank you, Bob, for taking the time to speak with us about the team and a huge congratulations to the ECS Trap Team for their hard work and dedication paying off in an undefeated 2022 season!

Lakewood Library Still Closed

We are working hard to reopen and serve our community! Those of you who walk or drive by the library have probably noticed we've had some activity on our property this week. Our solar panels and HVAC have been removed and we began the roof replacement on Monday May 9. The interior work will follow once our Insurance reviews the bids. We are truly looking forward to welcoming you all back as soon as possible.

Local Writers Wanted

The Villager Newspaper is actively looking for motivated individuals to join our freelance writing team in both Cattaraugus and Chautauqua Counties. We offer the opportunity to write about local entertainment and events. Please send in a copy of your full resume and two writing samples if interested. We can be reached at 716-699-2058 or e-mail Jeanine at info@thevillager.com or e-mail Jessica at jessica@thevillager.com

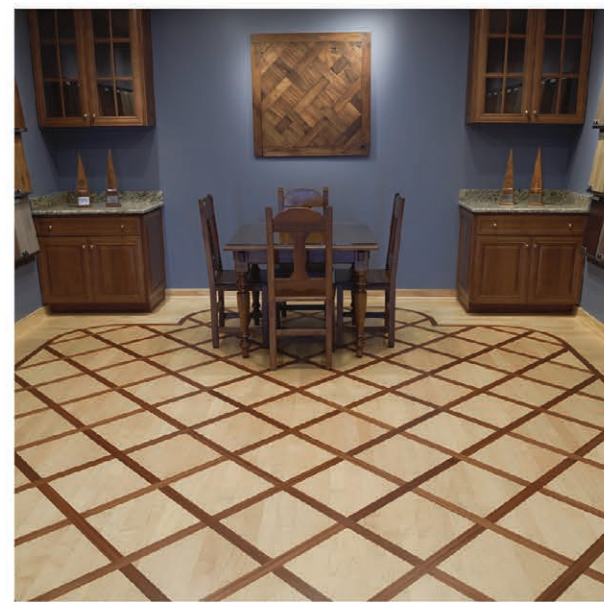
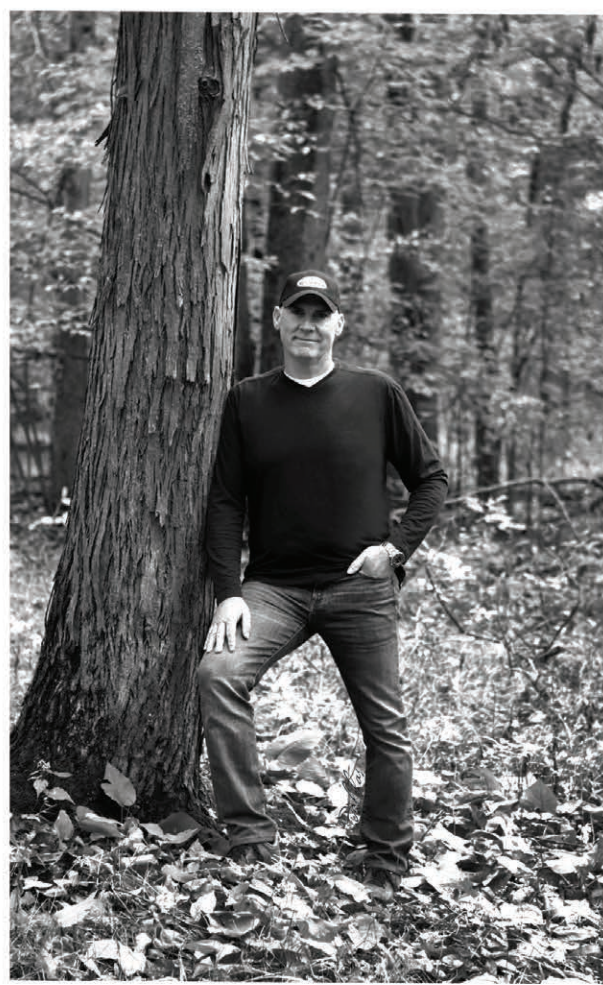
Meeting Writers Wanted

The Villager Newspaper is actively looking for motivated individuals to join our freelance writing team to cover Town and Village Meetings in Cattaraugus County. We offer pay for time attended and article written. Please send in a copy of your full resume and two writing samples if interested. We can be reached at 716-699-2058 or e-mail Jeanine at info@thevillager.com or e-mail Jessica at jessica@thevillager.com

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