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Saturday, October 15th • 9am
4844 Sugartown Rd, Ellicottville

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October 15th & 16th • 11-5pm Daily
Holiday Valley Resort, Ellicottville

TROUT FISHING DERBY
Saturday, October 15th • 7-6pm
Cattaraugus Creek, Gowanda

W.I.L.M.A. 2022
Saturday, October 15th • 10am
Catt. County Fairgrounds, Little

FALL FOLIAGE TRAIN RIDE
Saturday, October 15th • 11-4pm
Gowanda Train Station, Gowanda

SCARY STORYTELLING NIGHT
Thursday, October 20th • 6-8pm
Onöhsagwë:de' Center, Salamanca

OCTOBERFEST
Friday, October 14th • 5pm
Athenaeum Hotel, Chautauqua

TERROR IN THE TREES
October 14th & 15th • 7-11pm
Campus Woodlot, SUNY Fredonia

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Saturday, October 15th • 2pm
Marvin House, Jamestown

ICE BUMPER CARS
Sunday, October 16th • 1:30-4pm
Northwest Arena, Jamestown

HARVEST MOON TOURS/FESTIVAL
Friday, October 21st • 12pm
Barker Commons, Fredonia

INTO THE WOODS
Saturday, October 22nd • 7:30-10pm
Rockefeller Arts Center, SUNY Fredonia

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Saturday, October 22nd • 10am
Panama Rocks Scenic Park, Panama

KINDA SCARED AT THE FAIR
Saturday, October 22nd • 10am
CHQ Fair Grounds, Dunkirk

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

Breast Cancer Awareness

October Designated to Empower through Knowledge



CAROLANN FISHER-LINN

It's a safe bet that someone close to you has had or is presently being treated for breast cancer. As the most commonly occurring cancer in women worldwide, breast cancer poses a formidable public health challenge on a

global scale. You could say it's ubiquitous, appearing in every culture across the globe. Breastcancer.org reveals that "As of January 2022, there are more than 3.8 million women with a history of breast cancer in the

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It's Pumpkin Picking Season

Exploring the Pumpkin Farms Around WNY



BY JESSICA SCHULTZ

It's almost time for Halloween and you have to have pumpkins to carve into Jack-o'-lanterns. This is the perfect time to visit a local pumpkin farm and make a beautiful fall day out of

pumpkin hunting. Most places offer a variety of entertainment for families and tasty treats to eat and delightful drinks to enjoy. Let's see what places are around our areas.

Pumpkinville (4844

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The Mullet Is In Style

49 Coffee House in Springville Adds Cocktail Lounge



BY BARBARA ARNSTEIN

The 49 Coffee House at 49 East Main Street in Springville now has a drinking and dining

area in the back called "The Mullet"! The newly opened late-afternoon-and-evening "sibling" down the hall from the coffee house offers a variety of hand-crafted cocktails, bourbon, wine and craft beer, cider and seltzer. It also serves non-alcoholic drinks

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Series: WNY Little Know Facts

Exploring the History in Bradford, PA



BY CAROLANN FISHER-LINN

A routine mission to Bradford led to the discovery of the Marilyn Home Museum, in the heart of downtown. Marilyn Home (born 1/16/1934), one of the greatest mezzo-sopranos of all time, is a Bradford native who became

a world class opera star. Who knew? The Home family lived modestly on Elm Street sharing the building with a grocery store in front. Money was scarce in those days, but they managed to get by. Then came the big move to Long Beach, California,

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Sneak Peek

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Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at JCC

The United States ranks number one in the world in terms of entrepreneurship. According to Census.gov nearly 5.4 million new businesses were registered in 2021. Small business and entrepreneurship play a central role in our daily lives, but you may not realize how large of a role it plays. Small businesses employ nearly half of all workers in the United States.



EVL's Revered Walter Holland Sr.

Farewell Wally Holland. We're Gonna Miss Ya! ... Pg. 6

For thirty-three years Sir Wally Holland (as I like to call him) – has spent, no, devoted a bit less than a third of his interesting life in Ellicottville.

Artist Spotlight: Mir Ali

Guitar Virtuoso Performs in EVL Next Friday



BY KATE BARTLETT

The Banq will again host renown guitar virtuoso and composer Mir Ali next Friday, October 21. Mir has been described by Acoustic Guitar magazine as "an exceptional nylon string guitarist," as "mesmerizing and hypnotic" by National Public Radio and as "Innovative and eclectic" by Soundboard magazine. The village is honored to welcome this musical talent and invites all to come experience his gift. The show is free and starts at 7pm at 9 Washington Street.

Mir was born and raised in Pakistan until he was 9 years old, when he moved to the US to live with his aunt. His passion for music came about when he became very homesick and missing his parents. "My Aunt, who was my guardian and an amateur classical guitarist, persuaded me to start taking lessons. This was a significant moment in my life as my entire world became consumed by music

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Scary Storytelling Night

Onöhsagwë:de' Cultural Center to Host



BY JESSICA SCHULTZ

What better way to spend a crisp fall evening than to sit around a roaring fire and spend the time toasting tasty s'mores and hearing old time spooky stories. The Seneca-Iroquois National Museum knows there is no better way to spend a fall night and they invite you to join them at 82 Hetzel Street in Salamanca, NY on Thursday, October 20th at 6pm to hear stories told by Leeora White. The Villager had the great privilege to speak with storyteller Leeora White about the event and all that it was offering.

The Villager (V): How did the idea of Scary Storytelling night come to be?

Leeora(L): "The idea of Scary Storytelling came to be last fall when I told the Seneca Iroquois National Museum manager Hayden Haynes that I was interested in sharing stories my Grand-Dad Duwayne 'Duce' Bowen had written in his two

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Publisher's Word

"With Every Season There is Change!"

writing about how borders were just beginning to reopen and we were starting up again. Now, a year into the re-introduction of normalcy, we are noticing a new awareness and respect for people, space and manners in general. After being secluded from groups for so long, we seem to have adapted to a higher level of consciousness. Every action causes a reaction and I believe we are seeing a trend of healthier, more patient days ahead. The new season is upon us and it's going to be a great one! As always, if you have a story or upcoming event that you would like to share with our readers, please contact me directly (info@thevillager.ny.com); we are always looking for new events and ideas.

~ Until next week, enjoy the read. Yours in writing,
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Escape the Haunted Library

Ellicottville Memorial Library Spooky Escape Room Event, Oct. 28&29

Fall is in the air and Halloween is just around the corner. This year the Ellicottville Memorial Library has created a spooky Escape Room event. Come join us on either Oct 28th or 29th to see if you have what it takes to solve the clues and complete the challenge before it's too late! Participants must pre-register to select a 30-minute time slot. Groups of up to 5 members are recommended. The Escape Room puzzles are geared towards a middle school age range, but everyone is welcome. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Costumes are



encouraged. Contact the Library at 716-699-2842 for more information or to register for a start time.

Letter to Ellicottville Community

Thank You for the Support of Brother, Mat Snyder

BY AMANDA PECHORA-SUTPGEN

I had the honor of traveling home after a decade to join friends & family in support of my brother's cancer journey. The days and weeks leading up to the trip were filled with every emotion one could feel, anticipation of reconnecting after far too long, fear of how Mat might look after losing so much weight or feel after being pumped with ongoing chemo cocktails; feelings of sadness around our mother's pain, handicaps and health issues while she too is enduring the weight of discovering Mat's illness, awe & gratitude for all of you who have shown up... I mean REALLY SHOWN UP & overwhelm as to how to even begin to show appreciation for the efforts made on behalf of my brother and our family. As I drove from the Buffalo airport to Catt County, I was filled with nostalgia. The beauty in the changing of the leaves, the vastness and gravity of nature's canvas, and in those moments, just hours before seeing all who were able to attend the Be Grateful event at Balloons, my heart felt full. I allowed myself to breathe in the fresh fall air and to exhale all of the fears. Peace washed over me, because in that moment reconnecting with the earth, I was reminded that nature might be our best teacher... nature endures. Time after time, we see evidence of how for instance, a forest that had been burned to the ground in a wildfire will slowly regenerate and new life will form. I thought of my brother as one of those deeply rooted trees... looking to the sky, bathing in sunlight with his roots grounded far into this earth, this lifetime, this existence and I was reminded of resiliency and strength. Those who know our family intimately know that we have endured much. When we were kids, our was house burned to the ground; we lost everything and were lucky to have survive the calculated attempt on our lives. Our mother, the warrior she is, picked up the pieces and put us back together as a family. Years later, Mat was almost killed on the side of the road in Eville. In an unwarranted & violent attack, a carload of lunatics sized him up, stalked & taunted him while he was alone and vulnerable. These cowards pulled over, beat him and slit his throat leaving him for dead. He miraculously picked himself off of the

blood saturated ground & made it to the Whole Hog Cafe to call for help. The gash to his throat was merely inches from the carotid artery... this brush with death was sobering then and chokes me up revisiting today. My brother had a will to live and despite many odds, healed. I remember driving around Salamanca, Eville and surrounding areas in a rage... little sis was ready to kill whoever tried to hurt my brother. Of course, I was completely helpless, but I knew how to cope was to find justice. I don't know that true justice was ever found, but my big brother survived. My brother was a miracle. These were just a few challenges our family faced through the years, these stories are not meant to incite pity, on the contrary, they are meant to share a message with all of you. They are meant to weave together the bonds of community in the sense that we all endure unfathomable challenges in lifetime. You all have suffered your own losses and each situation holds weight. Many of you have endured or are still battling your own health or cancer journeys. Many have sick, aging or struggling family members. We have seen so much loss, so much sadness, and so much joy as a "family" throughout the whole region. We have all carried the weight, the pain & the victories together near and far. Walking into the event at Balloons with Mat, seeing all of your beautiful, welcoming faces, and receiving all of your love reminded me of these undeniable bonds. Each and every one of you are part of a shared story. Your roots intertwine with ours and together we are stronger and more resilient than ever. The main topic Mat and I discussed while I was home was the guilt, we felt over not getting to truly connect with everyone at the event. Not in a social sense, but in true connection to say, "thank you". The flood of support was overwhelming and the ability to share gratitude, or even conversation in that short period of time left us stifled. I believe over 350 people showed up... and when I say "showed up" I don't mean just happened to be there, I mean, STEPPED UP in a way that was beyond the scope of my feeble words. The generosity of Mike and Melanie was staggering to say the least, the way Johnny, Joe, Chad and so many others (that I will never be able to list), put their lives on hold and made it their sole mission to rally around ticket sales, love and kindness was

beyond words, the number of people from all over the state who came (knowing they might not even get to talk to us), was mind blowing, & the number of people who donated thoughtfully crafted gift baskets, artwork, beautiful food and monetary offerings from afar were astounding. Because of you, my big brother had the energy to transcend through Eville yesterday with his pup Finnegan. This was the first time in months that Mat felt the ability to walk his dog. When I dropped him off at Roswell for Chemo on Tuesday morning, we had to say our final "goodbyes". Neither of us would know how the next few days, weeks or months would play out, but my brother assured me that he was going to keep moving forward & was going to kick cancer in the balls. Imagine my delight when I heard that by Wednesday, he was inspired and feeling well enough to put Finnegan in truck, and walk the town. When I spoke with him today, something became abundantly clear to me... your energy & support made this possible. Maya Angelou once said, "...people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel". YOU all made my brother feel strong, loved, honored, supported and respected in a way that I believe will send him soaring through his treatment with the same strength, humor and sarcasm you have all grown accustomed to in his presence. I believe that your love, tragedies, victories, & your accomplishments strengthen his. I trust that those common threads weave together a beautiful tapestry that will wave in his honor through recovery. For this, I will forever share gratitude from our family to yours. I flew home last night knowing that I am leaving him in the best hands & hearts. I speak for Mat, my mother and the rest of our family when I say, we are incredibly sorry if you saw us and we couldn't get to you, or only squeaked out a hug or a "hello" when all we wanted was to shower you with the same love & appreciation you have shown us. We love you all very much and will never forget the generosity in heart and spirit you all shared with us. Moving into the future we hope we can do the same for all of you in times of need. Thank you, thank you, thank you! Much love, respect and gratitude. <http://spot.fund/rip6JJ> The online fundraiser will remain active through treatment and recovery

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Holiday Valley Update

Fall Fest at Holiday Valley Resort



Fall Fest 2022 was a great success at Holiday Valley Resort. Guests enjoyed the ride to the top of Mardi Gras, the party at the Cabana Bar, the mountain coaster and more. Can't wait to see what 2023 will bring!!

Fall Views @ Holiday Valley Resort



Ellicottville local John Karassik recently sent these gorgeous shots of Holiday Valley Resort. The views are pretty nice this time of year!



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Junior Explorers: Stokoe Farms

The Juniors Enjoyed Stokoe Farms Harvest Festival in Scottville, NY

EVAN & ADDISON
BARTLETT

We took a drive out Scottville, NY (just outside of Rochester) for a day full of fun fall adventures at Stokoe Farms. This is becoming another fall tradition as we had so much fun last year we had to come back again! They have over 35 activities (many included with general admission) including hayrides, unique farm animals (emu, kangaroos, camels, porcupines, and many more), multiple playgrounds, sports center, huge "corn pit" play area, corn and soybean maze, pumpkin

patch, go-cart bikes, ziplines, train rides and huge fun-slides.... There's even a little nature walk too. Mom and Dad joined in the fun racing on the ziplines, and we all had fun hitting targets with the apple cannons and paintball guns. Spend the day on the farm, and grab lunch in their cafeteria, or pack a picnic and grab some yummy fall snacks like apple cider donuts and kettle corn. The candy cannon blasts off at 4:30 on most weekends, so bring a bag to stock up on treats! Harvest Fest runs through October 23, but there's plenty of year-round fun on the farm. Stop down during the holidays to cut

your own Christmas Tree and enjoy the winter magic on the farm. They also offer private animal encounters on their Roo Ranch. Visit <https://stokoeffarms.com/> for full schedule and details. NO matter the season, exploring's the reason! 'Till next week.

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Farewell Wally Holland. We're Gonna Miss Ya!



Two of Ellicottville's iconic dapper gentlemen at Rotary's Tuscan Moon Benefit at Holiday Valley Resort: Joe DiPasquale (left), Wally Holland (right).

volume of stories come from, he was almost like a chameleon, adapting to the environment he found himself in. I use the term "environment" loosely as one who reads the book will discover. "Pickles" or "predicaments" might also describe were he often found himself before he met his beloved "Cata", who turned his life around and gave him stability and a family of whom he is proud beyond words or measure. He boasts of his boys' awards from Wally's Spelling Bee championships to Senior class Valedictorian - Phillippe's award in Portville. "It was a huge honor, but I can't remember what it was called," says Wally, rather uncharacteristically, since he can remember the tiniest details of things from WWII. Ellicottville is not the only town that is losing this dear man. He also has ties to Springville where he worked out weekly at the Spring Creek Athletic Club, where his wife Kathleen was a world languages teacher at Springville-Griffith Institute, and where he performed in Little Theater. For all his humor, captivating (and seemingly endless) anecdotes and enthusiastic stories, Wally has a poetic, philosophical side which might be missed when one interacts with Wally, the perpetual entertainer. From his book, *Dear God. What's on the Second Floor?*, I quote a few nuggets which can be fleshed out if you get your hands on it and discover that other side of Wally Holland (as Bobby McCarthy always called him). These bits from his book I share in closing will reveal that other side: "enough small

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By CAROLANN FISHER-LINN

It was the best of times; it was the worst of times...
Dickens

For thirty-three years Sir Wally Holland (as I like to call him - after all, he is a Brit, so why not?) has spent, no, devoted a bit less than a third of his interesting life in Ellicottville. Most local folk either know him or know who he is. Wally has his own unique way of standing out in a crowd. Even on a quick run to the grocery store, he will be dressed in a fine tailored pair of pants and perhaps a cashmere sweater and classy leather shoes. Dapper, yes, that's the word. Like one of the people he admires, vintage actor, Cary Grant, Wally exudes a comfort or ease in his own skin and is clearly able to carry off wearing a tux as easily as his soccer referee uniform.

Alas, Ellicottville is losing this treasure of a human being as Wally moves into another chapter of his life to take residence with his son Phillippe and his family in Chicago. Wally looks forward to spending time with the little ones, especially the youngest, who is four. And, naturally, soccer is already part of

their lives, so one can only imagine where that will lead for them with Grandfather Wally to teach them the fine art of soccer. After all, coaching or refereeing soccer has been his life and his lifeline for most of the years he has spent in Ellicottville. As a Brit, of course, he grew up playing and loving the sport of "football" as soccer is known across the pond. In Ellicottville and from Portville to Fredonia and all soccer fields in between, Wally has been a mainstay, and as he finally retired after this past soccer season, at 88, he was the oldest soccer official in NYS, distinctions previously held by both Joe and Adam Delity, dear friends of Wally's - Ellicottvillians, all.

Diners at the Ellicottville Inn years back will remember Wally in his tuxedo caring for their needs and recommending the finest wine in their cellars. As I said, he is comfortable dressed "to the nines," serving people and making them comfortable. This comes from his cruise-ship years in his old life, pre-marriage to his beloved "Cata" and pre-parenthood. In that surprising old life, which is where his



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Bradford

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when Marilyn was 11. The plan was for her to have better performing opportunities than the school Christmas pageant and service organization events. Her opera career took her to venues all over the globe, but she always remembered her modest beginnings in Bradford. Imagine this: The shining star of the Metropolitan Opera House returned in June 1979 for the city's centennial, singing before 1400 people at Bradford High School Auditorium. Marilyn donated her personal archives to the University of Pittsburgh in 2013. In May 2017, the Marilyn Home Museum and Exhibit Center was dedicated, with Marilyn and her family in attendance. Although you may not fancy opera, you may remember Ms. Home singing the National Anthem, along with the lovely song written for her twenty-five years ago, "Make a Rainbow," and the Shaker hymn, "Simple Gifts," in January 1993 at President Clinton's Inauguration. (She performed for 4 presidents.) The museum display is interactive with many options to hear her magical voice and see some of her opulent gowns and impressive awards. As you tour, you will eventually be drawn to the Starbucks coffee bar next to the museum, and your eye will also be caught by the unique, humorous items in the interesting gift shop. The free museum is open daily, Monday through Saturday 9am - 5pm, Sunday 11am - 4pm, located at 2 Marilyn Home Way. Hang a left at the end of Main Street (at the gazebo) and circle around in front of the museum. (814) 362-7990. One does



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not spend time in Bradford without visiting the Zippo/Case Museum. First opened in late 1993, it featured products from the Zippo family of companies at the time: Zippo, W.R. Case and Sons Cutlery Company and Holgate Toys (26 miles from Zippo in Kane Pa. - think classic wooden toys). It was too small to accommodate the visitors and collectors who made the trip so a new Zippo/Case Visitors Center opened in July 1997. Today, 100,000 people from around the globe pass through the doors. The lighters are what legends are made of. An ad in 1942 wrote, "Zippo Windproof LIGHTERS have acted as rescue beacons for men in open boats, as a guide through dense dark jungles and as a means for lighting fires for food and warmth." Have a beat-up Zippo that needs some TLC? Take it along. The Zippo Repair Clinic is onsite. Located at 1932 Zippo Drive (814-368-1932) you can't miss the 14 Zippo-street lighters lining the drive or the 40-foot Zippo lighter (lit) over the entrance. Add to that a massive Case three-blade pocket-knife and you'll know you have arrived. Of course, it's handicap accessible, and did I say it's free? Visit the Penn-

Brad Oil Museum - a non-profit museum dedicated to the memories of the men (and women), their stories, and preserving the equipment relating to the history of the Bradford Oil fields. Admission is \$5 Adults, kids under 12 free as well as active military and their families. Located at 901 South Avenue, they are open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 9am-4pm and Saturday 9am-2pm and can be reached at (814) 362-1955. BTW: The first successful oil well ever drilled in America (8/27/1859) was ninety minutes away at Titusville, which began our petroleum industry. The Kinzua Sky Walk ("One of the top ten scenic skywalks in the world." The Culture Trip, UK) would be an exciting addition to any fall leaf-watching itinerary and gives visitors a panoramic view of Kinzua Valley as they walk out 225 feet (on glass) above the valley floor. The Viaduct, built in May 1882, was once the longest and tallest railroad structure at 2,053 feet long and 301 feet high. It was partially destroyed by a tornado during 2003. It's 29 min from Zippo (20.1 mi) via PA-646 S. Open daily 8am to 6pm. (814) 778-5467. Happy leaf-watching, folks!



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Lakewood Library Re-Opens

Local Library Ribbon Cutting After Water Damage Closure



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Closed on February 4 due to water damages, The Lakewood Library was reopened 7 months later, on September 12. October 8, the library hosted a Grand Reopening Fall Fest with a ribbon cutting. The funding and regrouping gave them the opportunity to evaluate existing and create new programs and services. One additional feature they now offer is Mango Languages (courses in over 70 world languages) as a new learning device for patrons.

By JUDY SCHULER

In few places would a leaking roof cause such consternation as in a library. At first barely noticed, then growing and disguising its source, the leak led to moving 26,000 books, thousands of DVDs and audio books and closure of Lakewood Memorial Library, 12 W. Summit Street, until the roof could be replaced and the interior damage restored.

Closed on February 4, it was reopened 7 months later, on September 12. Last Saturday, October 8, the library hosted a Grand Reopening Fall Fest with ribbon cutting, crafts, food trucks, free books, pumpkin painting, games and crafts led by members of the Southwestern High School Cross Country Team. It was "a great success. Community members were very supportive and expressed their joy in our being open again," says Shannon Taylor, library director. "Because all of the books were unloaded from the shelves and stored offsite as part of the

mitigation process, we decided to reconfigure the layout by rearranging the shelves to create more open space," says Taylor.

"The closure itself hasn't changed the services we provide but it did grant us the opportunity to evaluate our existing programs and services to improve them and create new programs and offer new services as well. Through grant funding, we will now be offering computer classes with Northstar Digital Literacy and free art workshops each month featuring local artists. We have also added Mango Languages (courses in over 70 world languages) as a new learning mechanism for our patrons."

Through the remainder of 2022 and into 2023 "we are looking forward to serving our community and also to finding new ways to better serve them. We hope to make up for lost time with a robust slate of programs and featured artists in our gallery. The current artists through the month of October are Mary McCague and Tom Townsend. Many

of the pieces are for sale with proceeds benefiting the library." Art workshops and other events will be featured as they occur.

The art workshop on Saturday, October 22, is Poetry in Motion, a beading workshop by D'Archie Manzella. Registration is required as space is limited. Sign up by calling 716-763-6234 or emailing programs@lakewoodlibrary.org.

Another special program on Wednesday, October 26 at 5pm, is "Spiders, Bats, Snakes: Oh My", a program by Becky Nystrom, Jonathan Townsend, and Twan Leenders, "knowledgeable and passionate local biologists that will explore the causes and consequences of the common misconceptions surrounding these creatures that so many consider creepy." It's recommended for teens and adults.

Beginning in January, Lakewood Library will host the Acting Lab every second and fourth

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and coffee. The food menu will be introduced gradually and it will feature items on flatbreads, the "Jake & The Fatman" panini from the coffee house, charcuterie boards and desserts from "Sugargoat Baking & Grazing". They will also offer all kinds of bulk candy, sold by the ounce at the Coffee House.

The 49 Coffee House offers coffee and tea, breakfast and brunch, has interesting decor and, for years, has served as a daytime social hub for the surrounding area. Its menu has something for everyone, ranging from bagels to bubble tea, soup, sandwiches, and much more. Breakfast eaters enjoy the Belgian Waffles; the Sweet Potato Bowl, topped with honey, cinnamon, walnuts and raisins, and the hard-boiled egg on avocado toast, among other things. Brunch fans enjoy the Buffalo Chicken & Waffle Panini, and more, while people there for lunch often order the "Jake & The Fatman" barbecue panini, with pulled pork, macaroni and cheese, pickles, and more. The kids who gather there every day after school order all sorts of things, as do the friends and family groups who meet there for breakfasts, lunches and brunches. Parents bring their children there for a treat, such as cookies, or a bag of chocolates to take home, and it's often a meeting place for business associates, and so much more. The decor includes art on the walls and into the hallway, blackboards full of dining choices, and seating areas including half-booth/half tables and seats offering a view of Main Street. Hours are



Saturday-Sunday 8am-4pm and Monday-Friday 6am-5pm.

The hours of "The Mullet" are from Thursday through Saturday 4-11pm. The bar has a shelf above it with various kinds of candy lined up, there are cozy tables and there's a Pac-Man arcade game that works for .25 a game.

Lindsay and Kevin Buncy co-own the coffee house, The Mullet and another coffee house in Arcade, NY. She handles the business but they're both always thinking up and implementing ideas for improving their places. "We decided to open The Mullet after a few years of contemplating what would be the best way to grow our business, and create the most revenue," she said, "but most importantly, add to the Springville community. We wanted to create a space that didn't already exist in the area. Plus, we wanted to give people the ability to have a great drink while socializing in a unique, chill environment where they feel safe and welcomed. In

Arcade, another game is arriving and there will be complimentary games of pool."

"The Arcade location is doing great," she continued. "Our first year in Arcade has been very comparable to our first year in Springville. We have noticed increased traffic from the train and the community. The top selling items there are our bagel sandwiches, bubble tea, nitro cold brew and the Buffalo Chicken waffle panini". The Arcade coffee shop is located at 277 Main Street in Arcade, NY. It is open Monday through Friday, from 6am-7pm, Saturdays from 8am-7pm and Sundays from 8-4pm.

"At 'The Mullet', we plan to add more food options in the coming weeks, including Sunday brunch and to offer the space to rent during off hours for small events. We are forever growing our company and have more plans in the works for 2023", said Ms. Buncy. For more information, call (716) 794-3098.

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The SBDC team at Jamestown Community College including from left to right: Brian Rovegno, Dan Hickman, Courtney Curatolo, Heidi Woodard, Scott Miller, and Beth Reed.

Roughly one in ten people in the United States is an entrepreneur.

Did you know the definition of a small business in the United States is any business with under 500 employees? The United States ranks number one in the world in terms of entrepreneurship. According to Census.gov nearly 5.4 million new businesses were registered in 2021. The federal government supports small businesses from the idea stage to grow stages through the US Small Business Administration and their resource partners such as SCORE and the Small Business Development Centers throughout the state of New York and the rest of the country. These resources are free to all small businesses.

Small business and entrepreneurship play a central role in our daily lives, but you may not realize how large of a role it plays. Small businesses employ nearly half of all workers in the United States. These businesses pay taxes that contribute to the infrastructure of their community, fund local youth sports, charities, and other nonprofits. There are so many ways small businesses integrate themselves within their community.

Entrepreneurship is often considered the backbone of the American economy. If you did a quick Google search you would find there are 31 million entrepreneurs in the United States alone! This means roughly one in ten people in the United States is an entrepreneur. It is exciting to realize how many people had an idea or a dream and went

for it. Entrepreneurship is a dream for many of us, but not everyone knows where to start. Owning and operating a small business takes a lot of time, knowledge, and passion. Understanding the ins and outs of small business may seem overwhelming. You may feel like you don't know where to start. However, this is where the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Jamestown Community College can help. The Small Business Development Center at JCC serves Chautauqua, Cattaraugus and Allegany counties. The SBDC delivers high quality business counseling and training to clients looking to start a business or improve the performance of an existing business. Certified business advisors provide free and confidential services to any small business in the region. Advisors provide guidance on business plans, financial projections, cash flow management, marketing, loan and grant applications, minority and women certifications, website development, ecommerce, and so much more.

In addition to delivering business counseling, the SBDC at JCC recently created the Entrepreneurship Essentials certification course. This course was created with the support of a grant from the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation. The certification is fully online and focuses on entrepreneurship for businesses in New York State. The \$195 certification is provided by Jamestown Community College with six modules that provide essential information regarding entrepreneurship basics, product design, accounting and financial, legal issues, market research, and human resources. These six modules give potential entrepreneurs a strong foundation into the realm of operating a small business and becoming an entrepreneur. The SBDC at JCC also provides other free courses on the Online Business Academy found at www.sbdcbusinessacademy.com. For more info about the Small Business Development Center check out www.sbdcc.org or call 716-338-1024.

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was her talent; she loved singing and playing the piano.

National Women's college near Washington, DC was her first college. Her Dad did not permit school with boys. While being instructed one day on the piano she hummed. Her beautiful voice was discovered. Every Monday during college the women went by bus to DC for concerts. Dorothy continued her music education. She graduated from Penn Hall, Chambersburg, PA in 2 years.

Dorothy's parents spent winters in Florida. During her mother's surprise birthday party hosted by the Clark Family, owners of Clark's Candy located in Pittsburgh, Pa, she was seated next to Bob, their nephew. They had a lovely conversation followed by a walk in the garden. They enjoyed each other's company, but Bob, in the Air Force, was stationed in Philadelphia. Correspondence continued throughout WWII.

During Christmas Dorothy worked at Murphy's Five and Dime. Another time at Bigelow's. She sang at churches on Sunday for pay. Her voice was known throughout the communities. Her father was against her driving, but her mother secretly helped her buy a car. She had a 1935 2-door Pontiac. Her eyes dance as she describes the car that only fit two people in the back seat.

Dorothy and Bob Snitger were in love. They wanted a Christmas wedding, but both families did approve the timing due to businesses. They were married in the Fall in Jamestown. The wedding night was spent

in Kane. No time for a honeymoon. Bob had to be back in Philly for the candy business. They rented an apartment for years. Bob became ill suddenly. He died age 63 after only two weeks of hospitalization. Dorothy was devastated and returned to Jamestown. Her mother's disappointment was obvious when Dorothy rented her own apartment. Dorothy had been independent. Sharing would be a bad idea. She traveled the world. However, she regrets never traveling to France. Her brother James lived in Denver. He was a famous artist. He did travel to Paris for his artwork. He sent Dorothy French perfume that she cherishes.

Dorothy is the oldest Charter member of The Marvin House. She signed the Charter in 1951. She radiates a big smile talking about musical entertainment and delicious food at the MH. At 104, she follows the future of the Marvin House. She never tires of talking about volunteering and working for the continuation of the gift from Elizabeth Warner Marvin.

What is important in 2022? The Boston Red Sox and the Buffalo Bills. In discussing Women, she shares her desire to see women return to fashion and dresses. Dorothy makes sure her image is one of beauty and grace before entertaining guests. Yes, her picture is worth a thousand words. So interesting as she shares many thoughts thru the ages.

Dorothy Valone Snitger is a treasure. Wish her a Happy 104th birthday, October 16th. Send cards to Dorothy c/o The Marvin House, 2 W 5th Street, Jamestown, NY 14701.

Cancer

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U.S. This includes women currently being treated and women who have finished treatment."

The earliest descriptions of breast cancer are found in the history of ancient Egypt. Since then, scientific research has exponentially increased the survival of breast cancer patients, many times without the dreaded mastectomy which left women with debilitating post-treatment psychological impact.

Except for skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common cancer in women in the United States. Deaths from breast cancer have declined over time, but breast cancer remains the second leading cause of cancer death among women overall (heart disease is #1) and the leading cause of cancer death among Hispanic women. One of every four deaths in the United States is due to cancer.

Breastcancer.org gives these facts: 13% or 1 in 8 women will develop breast cancer in her lifetime. A man's lifetime risk is 1 in 833. "Each year in the United States, about 264,000 cases of breast cancer are diagnosed in women and about 2,400 in men. About 42,000 women and 500 men in the U.S. die each year from breast cancer. Black women have a higher rate of death from breast cancer than White women" (cdc.gov).

In 2022, it's estimated that about 30% of newly diagnosed cancers in women will be breast cancers. Breast cancer became the most common cancer globally as of 2021, accounting for 12% of all new annual cancer cases worldwide, according to the World Health Organization. The good news, and there really is good news about breast cancer, is this: After 2000, breast cancer rates started dropping after increasing over two previous decades. A prevailing theory is this was partly due to the reduced use of HRT (hormone replacement therapy).

Do you have a first-degree relative (mom, sister, daughter) who has/had breast cancer? A woman's risk of breast cancer nearly doubles if she has a first-degree relative (mother, sister, daughter) who has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Less than 15% of women who get breast cancer have a family member diagnosed with it. About 5-10% of breast cancers can be linked to known gene mutations inherited from one's mother or father. The 85% with breast cancers with no family history develop it due to genetic mutations that happen because of the aging process. In other words, some of the most significant risk factors for breast cancer are being a woman and growing older.

Following are steps recommended by the CDC to detect breast cancer early, when it's easiest to treat: Knowing your risk for breast cancer; Knowing how you can lower your risk of breast cancer; Knowing your family history; Knowing when and where to get a breast cancer screening. Did you know that sometimes breast cancer has no symptoms – not even a lump? Screening is important. If you have trouble paying, CDC offers free or low-cost screenings to women who qualify. You may qualify if you have no insurance or no coverage for screenings; your family income is at or below 250% of federal poverty level; you are between the ages of 40 and 64. Go to the CDC website and follow the prompts.

Coming from a tribe of four children, three of whom have had cancer, and knowing many community members who have dealt with it, this much I know: You don't let cancer get the upper hand. You surround yourself with people who care, you listen to your doctors and remain willing to try new treatments. Ellicottville's mayor, John Burrell (a cancer survivor himself) said this to me, (paraphrased) It is said that as soon as you are born you begin dying ... or do you? Better still is to begin living, and continue living through all circumstances, including cancer, until your day of departure finally arrives. Good advice. Stay healthy. Stay positive.

Library

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Saturday, 2-4pm. Open to students 16 and older, it will focus on basics like

word order and diction, contentless scenes, drama games, monologues, and script analysis. Participants will also learn from acting legends, including Stanislavski, Meisner, Strasberg, Adler, Hagen and more.

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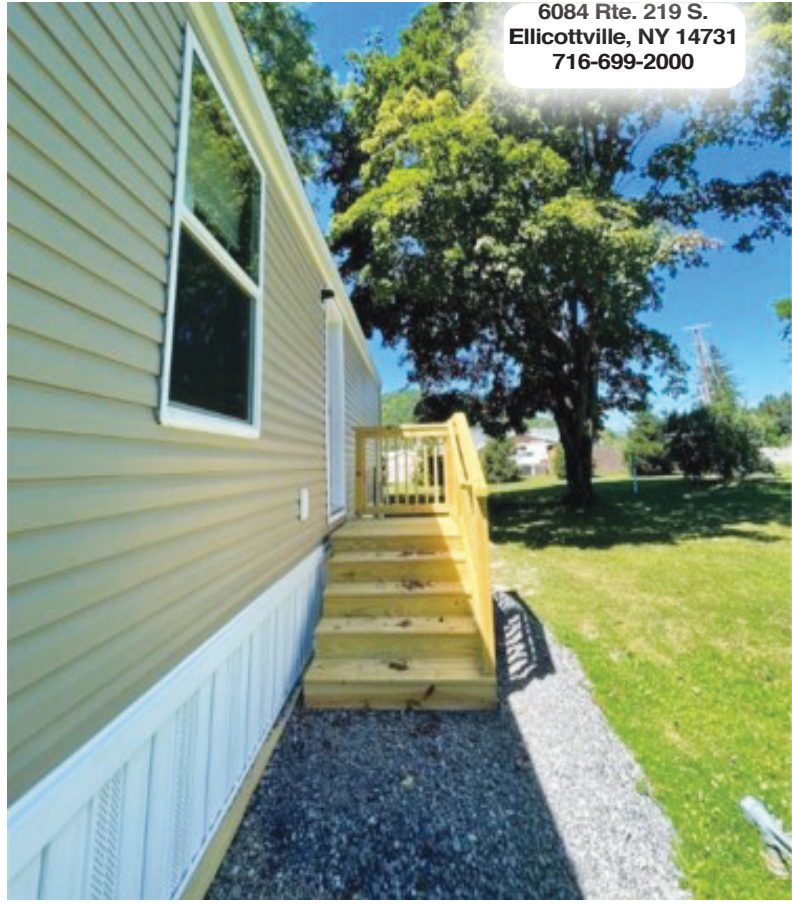
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Day Tripping: Jurassic World Live Tour

A Spotlight on Performer Derek Rojan



BY KATE BARTLETT

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Jurassic World Live tour is returning to Buffalo at KeyBank Arena October 21-23 with a thrilling new show. The production features 24 film-accurate, life-sized dinosaurs, with scale, speech and ferocity, operated by animatronics and performers. Deemed exhilarating and unpredictable, this show is sure to be action packed with edge-of-your-seat stunts.

The Villager had the pleasure of speaking with touring stunt performer Derek Rojan who plays main character Chad, an 18-year-old extreme sport and social media guy who helps save the day. Derek started stunt performing when he was 19 in Universal Studios Orlando and has been featured in Halloween Horror Night and Pirates of Adventure shows. "Ever since I could remember, I wanted to be like the heroes or the guy who saved the day in an intriguing story." He has a passion for performing and is enthused to be touring with Jurassic World and

This Jurassic World story transforms the arena into the dense jungles of Isla Nublar, where scientists work to unravel a corrupt plan and save Jeanie, a Troodon dinosaur, from a terrible fate. Along the way, experience some of Jurassic World's most iconic dinosaurs including Blue the Raptor, Stegosaurus, Triceratops and the mighty Tyrannosaurus rex. Derek's character plays a key role in helping out while providing action packed choreography and extreme motorcycle stunts.

The show is unique in that it provides guests the opportunity to experience the force and power of the dinosaurs up close with an action entertaining packed storyline. Jurassic World kicked off this tour in Columbus on September 29th, and will run through April 2023 in various cities around the United States. Jurassic is put on by Feld Entertainment and is made up of 32 touring performers, plus stage cast and crew. "I'm so impressed with this group. They're very committed to the health

Derek is committed to his performing career and is enthusiastic about his first touring experience. "I'm so excited to explore new cities and what each one significantly has to offer." He's not sure where his performing career hold for him after Jurassic, but he knows he'll be performing somewhere. "I'm excited to learn from this experience. I'm not sure where it will take me but I can't wait to find out. I'm taking it one day at a time."

Derek's favorite part of performing is watching the audience's reactions. "I just love seeing the awe on kids' faces. I love seeing their reactions and watching them light up during the 'wow' moments. It's really awesome."

For an experience you'll never forget, get your tickets online at <https://www.jurassicworldlivetour.com/> and visit Derek and his crew in Buffalo at KeyBank arena. "We're back in Buffalo and bigger and better than ever!"



BY LINDA KATHERINE YATES
ARTIST & GARDENER



I do not really yearn for October to arrive but when it finally rolls around it is not to be unrecognized as the season of brilliant warm colours. How can we not love the falling of the red, orange, bronze and yellow leaves all around us. It's usually such a subtle process that we hardly notice it happening right before our eyes. If you are able to focus upon this process, it is a serene and soft moment in time. I love the sound of it and especially the vision of lofty leaves drifting slowly to the ground like soft rain. There is so much to appreciate about October. The gardens look like a giant Impressionistic landscape painting where the colours all blend together in a harmony of downplayed exuberance. For me, I am not yet ready to put the gardens to bed for the winter as other gardeners like to do at this time of the season. I like to leave the plants

standing in the gardens as long as I can tolerate the withering stems. Letting the flowers go to seed and allowing the seedpods to ripen so they can self-sow for next year will increase the size of the gardens naturally. They are happy to propagate themselves if this is what you want them to do. Also, some of the very latest flowering perennials of October would look too stark without other plants surrounding them. For instance, the very tall deep royal purple Monkshood (Aconitum) is just now opening up its blossoms, and is a beautiful contrast against the glorious background of waning rusty orange leaves of the maple trees. Windflowers, or Anemones, are also still retaining their stunning white, yellow centered, flowers on tall willowy stems that are perfect in height beside the

Monkshood. Tall wiry reddish-purple Verbena Bonariensis plants are also retaining their dignity nicely and the autumn border would be lonesome without these late blooming beauties.

All flowering things in October are eye-candy. As human beings we tend to invest in colour, colour and more colour! We like to see orange pumpkins, colourful gourds, cornstalks, Zinnias, Dahlias, Canna Lilies, Asters, Pansies and Mums almost everywhere we look. Autumn is almost overwhelming in its glorious late eye-catching blast of radiant colours. And with that note I'll say Happy October gardening and be sure to soak up the sweet late sunshine and magnificent colours of Fall! "Fallen leaves on the ground are the golden song of immortal creativity." ~ Amit Ray ~

Save the Date: Chicken BBQ

Ellicottville/Great Valley Trail Committee Chicken BBQ. October 22nd, noon till sold out (3:30pm), Corner of Jefferson and Washington. \$15. Get a free bottle of water when you buy pre-sale tickets at EVL Chamber (9 W. Washington, 10-3, Mon - Fri) or ERA Team VP Office (12 Washington, 9-5pm Mon-Sat)

Wally

STORY FROM PG. 6

things make up a life." Re: getting older: "I am grateful for a chance to watch the world change." There are

so many more if you are observant. Read the book. At 88, Wally continues to be as much of an observer as a willing, active participant in life. Ellicottville will truly miss you, Wally Holland. May life continue to be sweet and astonishing to

you. As he says, "I am the luckiest man alive." Indeed. You can find this rollicking book Dear God, What's on the Second Floor? "memoir of an unusually lucky 84-year-old Englishman" on Amazon for \$13 or less or used.



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Just a few doors east Madigan's will be rockin with DJ SI puttin the bump in your grind from 9-2am. Take a whirl at the foosball or pool tables and let the A-Team whip you up a cocktail or shot behind the pine.

SATURDAY: The Gin Mill is the early bird with Salads and Ballads featuring Terry Savastano from 2-5pm. Terry plays singer/songwriter covers and throws in some Italian ballads (sung in Italian) and a few jokes. The late shift will be hosted by Wasted Whiskey from 8-12am. There are always 37 beers on tap for your drinking pleasure.

Balloons is back with The Funk Knights on the main stage from 6:30-10pm. This band makes its Balloons debut and plays classic funk covers. Jennifer Westwood and Dylan Dunbar return to the back bar after doing some touring around the country. They play a country/blues set of covers and originals.

Madigan's is closing it out with DJ SI in the sound booth with some thumpin for the bumpin in the window. Remember, it's not an official bachelorette party if you don't dance in the window in EVL.

SUNDAY: The Gin Mill gets the worm with The Hick Ups from 12pm till game time. They play a

breakfast Saturday and Sunday from 9-11pm. Get your game face on with some Bloody Mary's. Go Bills!!!!!!

Villaggio will host their AYCE Pasta and Prime Rib Night from 5-9pm. But will open early for the Bills game. Call ahead for opening time. Chris Maloney will play immediately following the game. Chris plays a rock/pop/folk/alt set of covers to accompany the finest Italian food the southern tier has to offer.

Monday is Strings and Wings Night at Balloons from 4-10pm. This week's musical host is Owen Eichensehr from 6-9pm. Owen plays a folk/rock/pop/roots set of covers and originals and usually has somebody with him but since he's touring Spain with The Chris O'Leary Band I don't know for certain. 75 cent wings and cold beer and great music makes for a great evening.

Tuesday night The Gin Mill brings back The Hick Ups from 7-11pm. Try the Gin Mill burger, it's a gut buster and don't forget those 37 beers on tap.

We end the week like we have for the last 39 years at The Gin Mill with Joe Wagner and Company and Wing Wednesday from 8-12am. Joe plays a rock/country rock/folk/pop/blues set of covers that you'll know the words to. Wing specials and cold beer makes for a local's favorite.

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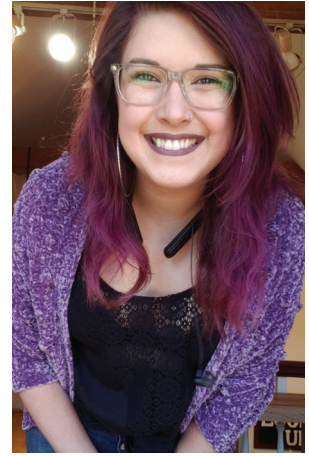
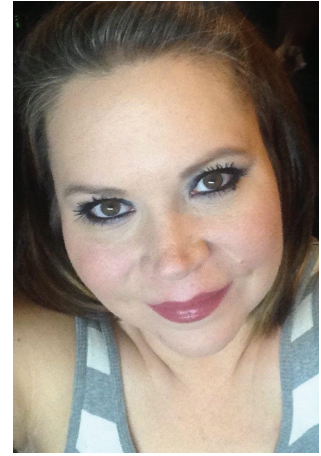
Beat on the Street:

Where Else Have You Seen Something Like EVL's Fall Fest?

By CFN

year, every year. Fall Fest is a huge anti-climactic party that whooshes through the village in three days' time leaving a trail of memories, money and forgotten souvenirs. Some say there's nothing like it anywhere, but maybe there is something similar! Where else have you seen something like Ellicottville's Fall Festival?

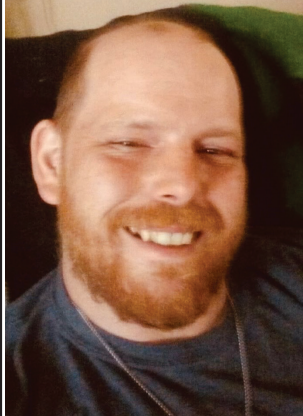
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Michelle J. - Port Dover's Friday the 13th party... happens every Friday the 13th, regardless of how many there are in that year! Great story behind it too!

Erin L. - The town I live in has something similar but for Labor Day... it's called Apple Festival (Hendersonville, N.C.).

Nikki H. - The State Fair!



Andy A. - Bourbon Street!

Josh H. - Newport Irish Festival, RI.

Bobby O. - Nighttime going to see the Rockefeller Christmas tree.

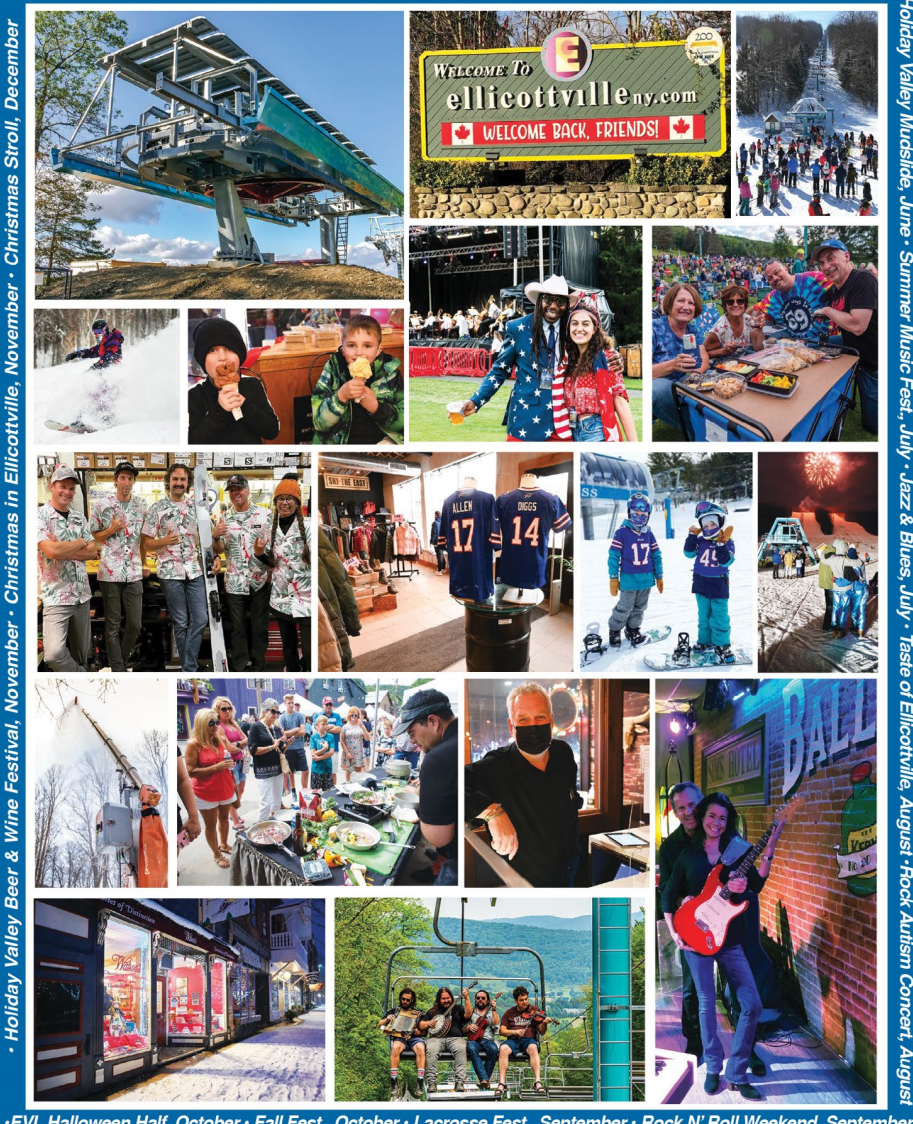
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Pumpkin

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Sugartown Road, Great Valley, NY): Open through October 31st from 9am-7pm daily, Pumpkintown has been a local staple in Ellicottville, NY for many years. Besides the choice of pumpkins big and small, for entertainment they offer Perky the Talking Pumpkin, Storyland, Train Play area, Farm Animals, Singing Chicken Show, the Kiddie Spookum Barn. There is even a beer garden for adults. Watch fresh cider being pressed and grab a gallon to take home from the onsite fridge. There is also a great array of apples to pick to fit your snacking and baking needs, as well as fudge, country gifts and décor. (The activities are open every day Monday through Sunday. On week days Apple blasters open at 1pm. Note: If raining or wet, jump pillows will be closed. Chicken BBQ and Kettle Corn open on weekends only.) Check out the famous pumpkin donuts and Pumpkin Ice Cream at the food stands. Cost of admission for the front farm market and retail shops are free, ages 3 and up must have either a Barnyard Blast or Hogwild Combo Pass to enter the back Barnyard Fun Activities area. Barnyard Blast is \$17.50 and Hogwild Combo Pass is \$25. Tickets may be purchased by visiting Pumpkintown.com.

and children ages 3+, \$10 for seniors, \$7 for veterans/active military and free for children 2 and under. Tickets can be purchased at the entrance and they accept both cash and cards. For more information visit the Pumpkintown Facebook page.

Awald Farms Giant Pumpkin Patch (2195 Shirley Road, North Collins, NY) A U-Pick farm and farm market that has been going for over four generations. They are a commercial supplier for regional grocery markets all over the Northeast. In October through Halloween, it's pumpkin season. Open from 10-7pm daily you can visit for a nice family outing. Nicknamed the Giant Pumpkin Patch, they offer pumpkins of all shapes and sizes, including pumpkins that are hundreds of pounds. They have a fabulous shop with jams, maple syrup, and county gifts you can purchase to take home. Don't forget to stop and grab a photo in their now blooming sunflower field to commemorate your visit. There is not cost of admission to visit the farm. For more information visit the Awald Farms Facebook page.

Akron Acres (12607 Stage Road, Akron NY) Akron Acres is a year-round farm that offers a great fall attraction. You can visit Friday-Sunday from 10am-5:30pm and visit the country store and market to pick up pumpkins, apples, cider, fall décor, honey and more. There is no cost of admission to visit the shops or animal barns. If you want to do the corn maze, the cost is \$10 and they have great deals on the hayrides that include not just the ride but options to also include a pony ride, corn maze visit and picking a pumpkin from the patch. This is a family-owned operation on its 32nd year of business. Owner Marilyn Kelkenberg, her husband Andy, and their children Laura and Jake have been striving to make "A visit a tradition" for all the families who visit. Marilyn had this to say, "I think we are unique in the fact that we have become a real tradition for a lot of our families who come out to see us. One gentleman came out with his family for the 32nd time this year. He's been coming since we opened and that's the type of atmosphere we strive to provide." Don't forget to

grab some kettle corn for the ride home. You can find details on the hayride bundle options and more information on the farm by visiting Akron Acres website, akronacres.com.

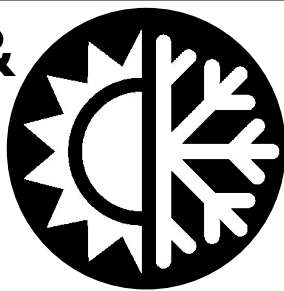
The Great Pumpkin Farm (11199 Main Street, Clarence NY) New York's largest fall festival attraction, open daily through October 30th from 10am-7pm and themed festivals each weekend. They've been open since 1996 and have been growing each year since. They have hosted the World Pumpkin Weigh Off each fall and are in the Guinness Book of World Records for the first 1,000lb pumpkin. Featuring the zombie train, boo barn, amusement rides, hayrides, corn maze (that sometimes you may find a zombie or dinosaur or two lurking in) and much more. Each weekend offers a theme of some sort, such as October 15th and 16th featuring the World Pumpkin Pie Eating Competition and dinos in the corn maze from 12-4pm. The final weekend, October 29th & 30th is costume contest weekend, so if you visit then, make sure to come dressed to impress in your Halloween best. There is also panning for gems, shooting gallery, petting zoo, jumping pillows, playground, magic shows, and a variety of options for dining. Visit the Witches Brew Bar & Café for domestic beer and Halloween drinks and the food grove offers the best festival food, like fried dough, pizza and more. And no trip to the Great Pumpkin Farm would be complete without grabbing a pumpkin from the patch and visiting the bakery and candy store for all the sweet fall delights you could dream of. Cost of admission is \$12 per person, \$10 for seniors 65 and over and children 2 and under are free. Tickets for midway rides are \$1.50 each and most rides are 3 or 4 tickets. Midway is open daily from 11am-6pm, weather permitting. Tickets are available at the gate or online by visiting The Great Pumpkin Farm's website, greatpumpkinfarm.com.

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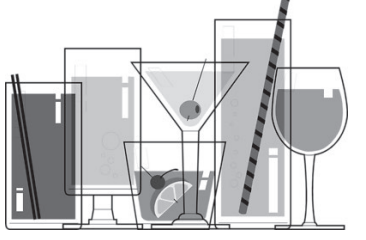
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To solve a Sudoku puzzle, place a number into each box so that each row across, each column down, and each small 9 box square within the larger diagram (there are 9 of these) will contain every number from 1 through 9. In other words, no number will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

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and the guitar. While the other kids were playing in the streets, my late afternoons and evenings were devoted to guitar practice; the music and the guitar took over and I feel lucky and blessed."

His first teachers were Oswald Rantucci in Buffalo NY, one of the leading classical guitar teachers in the US at the time. After high school, he studied at DePaul University with Richard Pick and with Aaron Shearer at Winston Salem, School of the Arts during the summer. After receiving his Bachelor's degree, he traveled to Spain on a special program to study Flamenco. After returning to the US, he did his graduate studies at the University of Akron.

Mir is a published composer and has five CDs commercially available with many of his original compositions. He has also won the Hollywood Award of Excellence for his movie score for the short film "Roots & Branches." His repertoire is vast and ranges from classical, Flamenco, Latin and world music. "I connect with all those cultures; I have also lived in many of those parts of the world. I find the music is very rich and captivating as well as connecting me to my roots." Mir has performed on tours, concerts, masterclasses, and a variety of competitions spanning five continents. He has won several international competitions and taught at various Universities in the US, Canada and Europe. He established Amherst School of Guitar/ASG Music Studios in Williamsville in 1982,



Mir has been awarded many accolades, but finds pleasure in the simple things, many of them not having to do with music. "I love teaching all ages and my passion has really become horses."

where he still directs the music and guitar program. Visit www.ASGMusicStudios.com for more information.

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Mir grew up listening to all kinds of music from The Beatles and Johnny Cash to Johann Sebastian Bach. "Paco De Lucia, a world-renowned Flamenco artist was a definite inspiration. Music from Spain, India, Pakistan, Gypsy music and also music from many other cultures including Bluegrass, Jazz is also in the mix. But the one name which had me from the beginning and continues to haunt me in a pretty amazing manner is Johann Sebastian Bach. He has been the biggest inspiration

for music and in life."

"Lately I gain inspiration from just listening, I mean really listening to someone like Eva Cassidy, Thelonius Monk, the Berlin Philharmonic. It takes 100% of your undivided attention. This is tough to do in today's world with such short attention spans!"

What makes his music unique, is his voice. "I try not to copy anyone else and have my own voice. This has always been a great struggle being that history has already produced so many extraordinary artists. It is almost impossible to invent new things. I love performing, making people happy and taking them to a different place through music."

"I would advise aspiring musicians to work hard to be at the top of your game by doing the best you can and make sure you love your work with passion regardless of what the world says. Remember, you are rich if your wants are less than your needs."

Visit www.Mir-Ali.com for his full biography, recordings, and upcoming events, and hear his music live at The Banq at the free show October 21 at 7pm.

Story

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books; One More Story and A Few More Stories. These stories were based on supernatural experiences here on the Allegany Reservation. I was just a young girl when my grandfather stepped off the earth, and I never got to hear the real eerie stories told first hand. So, I purchased his books to read and learned them in my own time. When I put his book in my hands and began reading his stories, it was as if I could hear his voice sharing them with me and I felt emotionally and spiritually connected to him again. It was in those moments of reading I knew I wanted to continue his legacy of telling these tales. The perfect opportunity to share these stories came and I shared them in October 2021 for the Cattaraugus Community Center Halloween Event. I truly enjoyed the experience of telling my grandfather's stories and I wanted to continue sharing them for the community. I have been looking forward to hosting a Halloween Event of Scary Storytelling at the beautiful Onöhsagwë:dé Cultural Center this fall since my previous event last year."

V: This is an outdoor event, what should guests bring with them?

L: "Guests can expect to bring a jacket, blanket, anything that makes them warm and cozy on a fall evening."

V: As you will be the story teller, could you give us a little biography on yourself?

L: "I am an enrolled Seneca of the Turtle Clan, from the Allegany Reservation and I was raised in Jimersontown, NY. I am a graduate of Salamanca High School, Class of 2014. I received an associate of business marketing and management from Jamestown Business College in 2017. I am the mother of two incredible children, William White, 6 and Marcella White, going on 2 and they inspire me every day. I am very grateful for the opportunity to be an employed artist who loves to create and is open to sharing stories that have been a part of the Iroquois or Hödinoh:šho:ni culture since the beginning of time."

V: Is there a cost for the event? If yes, where can tickets be purchased?

L: "The Creatives Rebuild New York is an Artist Employment Program that is supporting 300 Artist and 115 Organizations across New York State. The Seneca National-Iroquois Museum is one of the organizations that received funding to support 10 collaborating Hödinoh:šho:ni - Seneca

Artists. I am included as one of the artists for my inspiration to be a Storyteller from my beloved Grandfather Duce. I wish to carry on his legacy and my love for expressing my culture in other art forms such as beadwork and mixed media art. There is NO COST for the event."

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V: Can we have a preview of some of the story content?

L: "In the Hödinoh:šho:ni culture it is a tradition to orally share stories from one generation to the next generation. It is very important to share these stories to share the significance between our relationship with the land referred to as Mother Earth and all the animals and birds that were here



Storyteller Leeora White will share stories of her Grandfather Duwayne 'Duce' Bowen next Thursday in Salamanca.

before mankind. There are also important stories shared between mankind and the supernatural that grandparents or parents would tell to spread awareness of these supernatural sightings or experiences. In honor of my Granddad and ancestors, I am very inspired to share these stories with my children and the next generation. If you'd like a preview of the story content, you can find it in my Grandfathers books! These books can be purchased at the Seneca-Iroquois National Museum."

V: Anything else you would like to add?

L: "I truly appreciate you taking an interest in me and this event. This is such an incredible opportunity. I look forward to seeing many familiar and new faces at the Onöhsagwë:dé Cultural Center on October 20th at 6pm. Nya:wéh!"

Thank you Leeora for taking the time to share your enthusiasm for the upcoming Spooky Storytelling Night. More information on the event can always be found by visiting senecamuseum.org

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF FORMATION: Hotshotz N' Heroes, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 08/11/22. Office: Cattaraugus County. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail copy to: 11 Church St Delevan, NY 14042. Purpose: Any lawful.

NOTICE OF FORMATION: Coffee Crate, LLC. Filed with SSNY on 09/06/22. Office: Cattaraugus County. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail copy to: 2890 Eaglesnest RD Delevan, NY 14042. Any lawful purpose.

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF RANDOLPH RETAIL Company LLC: Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law: Filed with New York State March 30, 2022: The name of the limited liability company is: Randolph Retail Company LLC. The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is: Cattaraugus. The secretary of state is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this state to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: 127 Main Street, Randolph, NY 14772. The effective date of the Articles of Organization shall be upon filing. The limited liability company is to be managed by: one or more managers. Indemnification pursuant to L.L.C.L. §420, 409 and 508(a). Catherine Congdon, Organizer.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of ALLEGANY CROSSINGS LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/03/21. Office in Cattaraugus County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 3864 NYS Route 417 Allegany, NY, 14706. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION: YARGEAU HOLDINGS, LLC filed Articles of Organization in New York on August 19, 2022. The LLC's office is in Cattaraugus County. The Secretary of State has been named as agent of service of process against the LLC and shall mail such process to 277 Broad Bay Circle, Machias, New York 14101. The LLC is formed to carry on any business for which an LLC may be formed in NY.

ELLCOTTVILLE JOINT Fire District Budget Hearing Notice Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 5:30 PM: Ellicottville Volunteer Fire Department; Fire station 300 Fillmore Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731: Notice is hereby given that the Budget Hearing Meeting of the Ellicottville Joint Fire District will take place on the following date: October 18, 2022 at the Ellicottville Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting at the Ellicottville Fire Station located at 311 Fillmore Drive for the purpose of planning the 2023 District Budget in accordance with the New York State Town Law. This notice is being posted in accordance with the provisions of Section 94 of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York: By order of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Ellicottville Joint Fire District. Mary Schuster, District Treasurer Board of Fire Commissioners Ellicottville Joint Fire District PO BOX 1724, Ellicottville NY 14731.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: For the approval of a Cable Television Agreement between Spectrum Northeast, LLC and the Village of Ellicottville: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Village of Ellicottville will hold a Public Hearing on October 18th, 2022 at 6:00pm at the Village and Town Hall located at 1 West Washington Street, Ellicottville, New York regarding granting a cable television franchise agreement by and between the Village of Ellicottville and Spectrum Northeast, LLC, an indirect subsidiary of Charter Communications. A copy of the agreement is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Village of Ellicottville Clerk's office located at One West Washington Street, Ellicottville, New York. At such public hearing, all persons will be given an opportunity to be heard. Written and oral statements will be taken at that time. Time limitations may be imposed for each oral statement, if necessary. Dated: October 3, 2022, By Order of the Board, Village of Ellicottville.

PLANNING BOARD: TOWN OF ELLICOTTVILLE, NEW YORK: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Ellicottville Planning Board will hold a public hearing at its meeting on Thursday, October 24, 2022. The Planning Board meeting begins at 6:00 p.m., at the Ellicottville Town Center, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731. The purpose of this hearing is to consider the following: TZP 2022-077 - a Special Use Permit application by American Tower to co-locate antennas and equipment at an existing telecommunications facility. The project involves the installation new antennas on an existing 301-foot tower and the installation of ground mounted equipment within the existing fence line of the current base station. The site is located at 8030 Jackman Hill Road, identified as tax map parcel 37.002-2-9.1/1. The Planning Board will hear interested persons at the public hearing. Persons wishing to do so, may submit written comments prior to the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Town of Ellicottville Planning Board, 1 Washington Street, P.O. Box 600, Ellicottville, NY 14731 or sent by email to: greg.keyser@evlengineering.com. Prior to the meeting, application materials will be made available for review at the Ellicottville Planning Department, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731 or on the Town website: www.ellicottvillegov.com.

WANTED

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

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.

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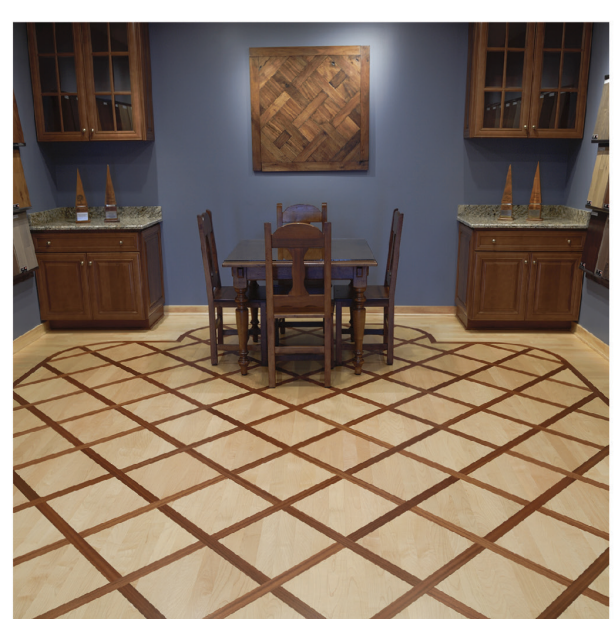
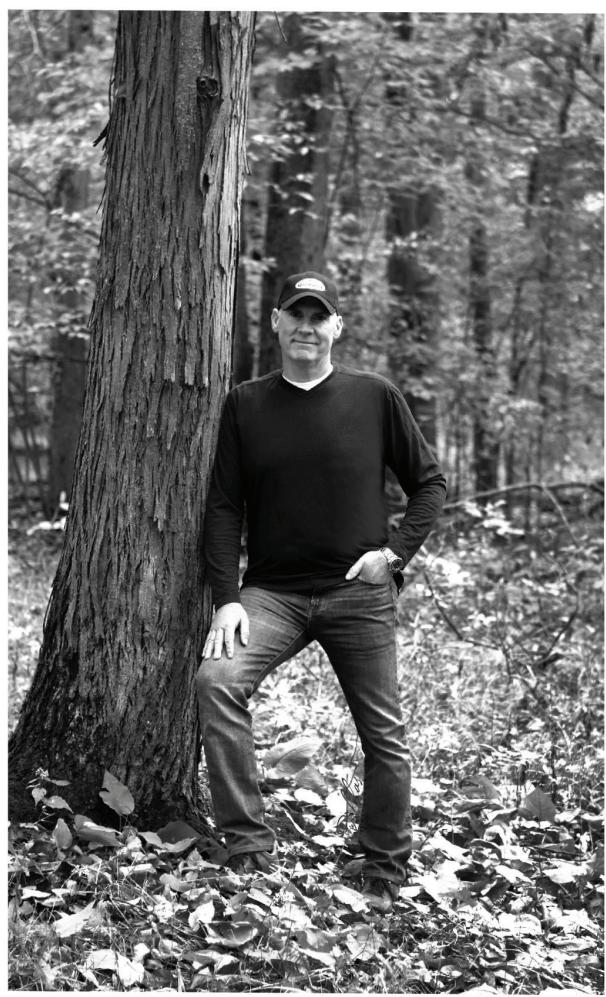
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