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## Area Events

- WINE & CHOCOLATE MONTH**  
February, 2023  
Lake Erie Wine Trail
- FAT BIKE FUN RIDE**  
Friday, February 24 • 6:30pm  
Allegany State Park-Camp Allegany
- TELESTOCK DAY**  
Friday, February 24 • 9am  
Holiday Valley, Ellicottville
- RTPI AFTER 5**  
Friday, February 24 • 5pm  
Roger Tory Peterson Inst., Jamestown
- PENGUIN PADDLE**  
Saturday, February 25 • 9am  
Holiday Valley, Ellicottville
- ICE FISHING DERBY**  
Saturday, February 25 • Midnight  
Hogans Hut, Chautauqua Lake
- WINTER MUSIC JAM**  
February 24 - February 26  
Village of Ellicottville
- 2023 SPORTSMAN SHOW**  
February 25 - February 26  
Seneca Allegany Casino, Salamanca
- COLDEST NIGHT 2K/5K WALK**  
Saturday, February 25th • 4pm  
YWCA, Jamestown
- WEEKLY SNOWSHOE HIKE**  
Tuesday, February 28 • 4:30pm  
Allegany State Park, Salamanca
- 4-H GREEN TIE AFFAIR**  
Sunday, February 26th • 3pm  
Chautauqua Suites, Mayville
- MOUNTAIN FEST 2023**  
March 3 - 5, 2023  
Ridgway, PA
- ST. PATRICK'S DASH**  
Saturday, March 4 • 9am  
Northwest Arena, Jamestown
- WEDDING SHOW**  
Sunday, March 5 • 12pm  
Northwest Arena, Jamestown
- BANKED SLALOM**  
Sunday, March 5 • 10am  
Holiday Valley, Ellicottville
- FRIENDS OF GOOD MUSIC**  
Friday, March 10 • 7:30pm  
Regina Quick Center, St. Bonaventure
- CARDBOARD BOX DERBY**  
Saturday, March 11 • 11am  
Peek'N Peak, Clymer
- WINTER CARNIVAL**  
March 11 - 12  
Holiday Valley, Ellicottville

For more information on this week's music, see page B-5

## Ellicottville History: Mardi Gras Parade Bringing the Party from the Slopes to the Village



**Punxutawney Phil** may not always be right about the weather but he is clever enough to always predict the good times at Ellicottville's Mardi Gras parade. He has been our esteemed guest several times, sponsored by The Villager Newspaper.

BY CAROL FISHER-LINN

How did Ellicottville end up with a March (not February) Mardi Gras Parade in the middle of our main street at night? Well, the parade was the peculiar, unexpected result of a conversation at Holiday Valley

with Jane Eshbaugh when this writer approached her for help bringing people into town to attend the grand opening of the retail store, Kazoo II almost 31 years ago.

I was helping owner, Arlene

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## EVL's Winter Music Jam This Weekend, February 24-26, 2023



Welcome to Winter Music Jam! See full schedule, page 2.

Welcome to Ellicottville's Winter Music Jam! This weekend will feature three days of live music in all the hot spots, complimenting the list of outdoor fun, shopping and dining you'll enjoy in Ellicottville. Whether you're prowling for rock n' roll, soulful blues, or a good country party, the entertainment planned for Winter Music Jam weekend is

sure to cater to all music tastes. Take advantage of all three days of live entertainment by turning your visit into an overnight stay at any of the hotels, condos, B&B's or vacation properties available in and around the village.

For a full line-up of this year's schedule, or to view lodging and dining options: [ellicottvillenewspaper.com](http://ellicottvillenewspaper.com); [thevillager.com](http://thevillager.com).

## 2023 Sportsman Show

Entertaining & Educating at Seneca Allegany



BY JESSICA MILLER

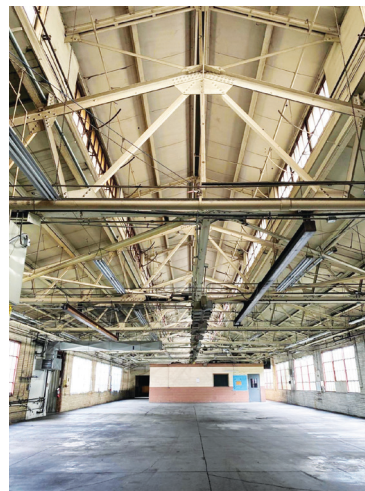
The Southern Tier of New York is well known for its ample hunting and fishing opportunities. Sportspeople

regularly cross both state and international borders for the chance to catch their next food source or trophy in the region.

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## Mountain Fest 2023

Showcasing the Best of Elk County and Beyond



Julee Marzella, current president of the Elk County Wilds Tourism Association sits outside the first location of the festival in December, 2018. The festival was so popular it moved to the Tannery building last year (right). This location is actually comprised of six buildings, five of which were occupied by Mountain Fest in 2022. This year, they are using all six buildings, giving them another 10,000 sq.ft. of space. (See story, "Mountain", page 7)

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Business from the Floor Opened Many Topics

Trustee Caitlin Croft addressed a topic that appears to be gaining interest which is to add a public skating rink in the Village or Town.

## Community Profile: Mary Fox

A Glimpse into the History of Ellicottville



Alexis Verros and the Barn employees serve up Beef Stroganoff and peanut butter ice cream pie at the 1995 Taste of Ellicottville.

BY KATE BARTLETT

It has been said that 'In order to know where we're going, we have to know where we've been,' and this is what drives history enthusiasts like Mary Fox. Mary has been compiling information on the

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## Compass Cycle & Flow

Roch. Based Co. Brings Focus to HoliMont



Lead cycle instructor and younger sister, Bryana, takes a class outside for a hillside private Bride Ride for a bachelorette party at HoliMont. Cycle and yoga private events can be booked year-round.

BY KATE BARTLETT

Compass Cycle + Flow was founded in Rochester 7 years ago by sisters Ashley Biryala and Nicole Branagan. As long time skiers at HoliMont since childhood, they saw the opportunity to open a satellite location in Ellicottville. They are amidst their second season here at HoliMont and continue to welcome new cyclists (and novice riders) to

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## Publisher's Word

"Sharing Your Stories"



March is National Woman's Month. In celebration we will bring you stories of some inspirational women and the contributions they have made. The month is full of events from Ellicottville's famed Mardi Gras weekend, March 10-12, to the Mountain Fest in Ridgway, PA, March 3-5. Businesses and events are on the move and you can read all about them on these pages. We love to tell these stories; as always if you have a great one to tell, drop us a line, we would love to share it with our readers. Email me directly: info@thevillager.com. *Until next week, enjoy the read - Jeanine Caprino Zimmer.*

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"The Players" Headline Saturday, July 1

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## Winter Jam Weekend 2023

Three days of indoor live music in all the hot spots, complementing the list of outdoor fun!

## ENTERTAINMENT LINE-UP

February 24<sup>th</sup>- 26<sup>th</sup>  
ACCURATE AS OF 2/21/23

### FRIDAY

6:30pm County Lines @ Balloons Restaurant  
7:00pm Tim Britt Duo @ Villaggio  
7:00pm Jay McDonnell @ 12 Gates of EVL  
8:00pm 2 Guys Drinkin Beer @ Gin Mill  
10:00pm DJ Andre & The Giant RedHead @ Balloons Restaurant

### SATURDAY

2:00pm Davey O @ Gin Mill  
4:00pm Jay McDonnell @ Holiday Valley  
5:00pm Wheelsmith Band @ Madigans  
6:30pm Son @ Balloons Restaurant  
7:00pm 10 Delaware @ Ellicottville Brewing  
7:00pm Girls of Grosh @ Villaggio  
8:00pm Barnstorm Country Band @ Gin Mill  
8:00pm Interstate Daydream Review Band @ Finnerty's Taproom  
10:00pm ChillBillys @ Balloons Restaurant  
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### SUNDAY

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# EBC Little Valley Celebrates

## Ribbon Cutting with Senator George Borrello

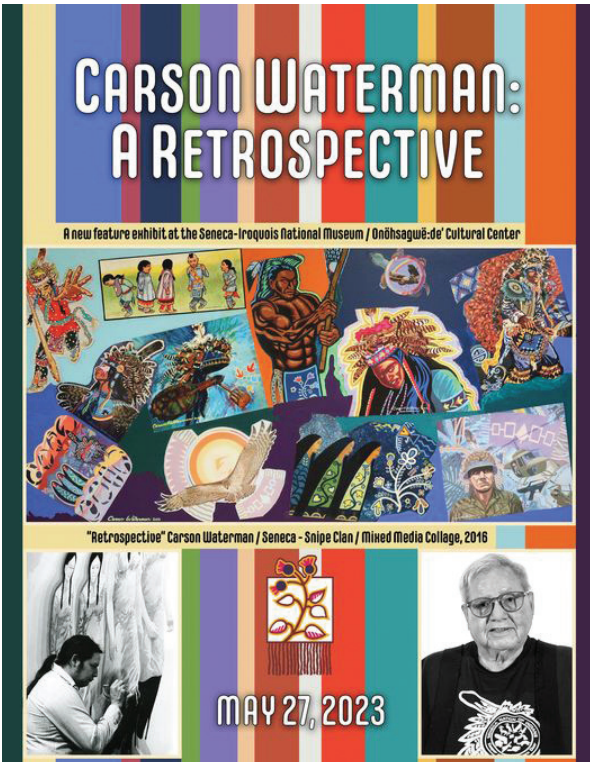
Ellicottville Brewing Company's newest facility in Little Valley was welcomed with open arms from the community last Friday, February 17. The Ellicottville Brewing Pub & Pizzeria is their 5th pub & restaurant and is officially open at 202 2nd Street in the village of Little Valley adjacent to their core operational brewing facility. It is a wonderful addition to the village for a gathering place of friends and family. Follow them on social media and their website for hours of operation, menu, takeout, special events, and other news @ellicottvillebrewingLV.



# Recognizing Artist Carson Waterman

## Career-Spanning Retrospective Show at Seneca Museum

Distinguished Onöndowa'ga: (Seneca) artist and "national treasure of the Seneca Nation", Carson Waterman, will have a career-spanning retrospective show opening at the Seneca-Iroquois National Museum in Salamanca, New York this May. "Carson Waterman: A Retrospective" will celebrate Waterman's life, work, and profound impact on the representation of Onöndowa'ga: identity and visual culture over the past several decades. This showcase will feature a wide selection of works, including output from his time as a student at the Cooper School of Art in Cleveland Ohio, harrowing sketches from his tour in Vietnam, (where he served as a combat artist) and the original rendering of his bold reimagining of the iconic Buffalo Sabres logo that the team commissioned in 2021, and more.



This exhibition will open to the public on May 27, 2023 and be on display through April 2024. For more information please visit [senecamuseum.org](http://senecamuseum.org).

# Howard Hanna Coat Drive in E'Ville

Howard Hanna Real Estate Annual Coat Drive Is Back: Howard Hanna Real Estate Services and The Villager have joined together in collecting new and/or gently used coats, hats, gloves & mittens. Donations will be accepted all winter during business hours (seven days a week!) at the Howard Hanna office located at 34 Washington St. Ellicottville, NY.

# 2023 Mardi Gras Parade

## Applications Now Being Accepted for Participation



ELLICOTTVILLE - It is without a doubt one of the most fun and zany weekends you'll experience in Ellicottville. Mardi Gras Weekend delivers a New Orleans style celebration with a ski town twist. Mark your calendars for March 10-12, 2023 and start planning your group's float entry for the iconic Parade!

"Mardi Gras Weekend always brings a great crowd of families, friends, locals and visitors out for a couple days of festive flair and superior fun," said Jessica Wallace, Business Development Manager at the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce. "From all the themed activities on the slopes to the high-energy vibe downtown, Ellicottville comes alive for three days of costumes, color and lots of live music."

This year's parade spectators can expect a visit from Punxsutawney Phil as this year's honorary Grand Marshall! Holiday Valley is putting the finishing touches on

their Winter Carnival schedule, which will surely bring back the Mountaintop Pancake Breakfast, Costume Parade down Mardi Gras slope, and the ever-popular SnowBar, just to name a few. HoliMont likewise has a full lineup of fun planned for their members. But perhaps the most anticipated event of the entire weekend is the Mardi Gras Parade.

"An event that invites both locals and visitors to put their creative minds to work in preparation for the biggest party of ski season, the parade encourages individuals and groups to choose their theme, plan their costumes, and parade through Ellicottville's business district, while spectators line the streets, cheering for their favorites," said Wallace. "The Mardi Gras Parade is a family-friendly event. As a reminder, no alcohol is permitted in the parade, and while candy and trinkets such as bead necklaces can be handed out to spectators, marchers are asked not to throw items into the

crowd." Past parades have seen quite an eclectic mix of fun and creativity - from snow angels, minions and pirates to Dr. Seuss characters and even live bands floating down Ellicottville's main drag. How creative can YOU get?

Gather your ski buddies, co-workers or just yourself and start pondering your Mardi Gras Parade theme. Walking groups and motorized floats can apply. Find the registration form online at [ellicottvilleny.com](http://ellicottvilleny.com). The parade, which will take place Saturday, March 11 at 6pm, will make its way from Katy's Cafe to the Gazebo, led by this year's King and Queen... who will be crowned this year? The best part: registering for the Mardi Gras Parade is FREE!

Need more details? Head to [ellicottvilleny.com](http://ellicottvilleny.com) or follow the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce on Facebook, @visitellicottville on Instagram and keep tabs on the latest leading up to the biggest party of ski season!



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## Compass

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their weekend spin classes. Class participants do not need to be members of HoliMont to enjoy the ride.

The sisters have always led a healthy lifestyle, and believe in the power of finding balance and motivation through fitness. They saw a need for a boutique fitness studio in Rochester and seized the opportunity in 2016. Compass Cycle took off, and they expanded their 30 bike studio to include power Vinyasa yoga 2 years later, adding the "Flow" to their name. All classes are led by certified instructors with the core belief in the power of mind body connection. "Our goal at Compass is to help you become centered through fitness," says Nicole. "We believe in a fit mindset. We want people to feel a part of something bigger than themselves. We want you to feel empowered; to know where you are today and know that is enough."

Compass welcomes all levels of fitness and the sisters have worked hard to ensure every instructor embodies a non-judgmental culture. "Everyone is welcome here: men and women of all ages, levels and abilities. We offer a fun, welcoming atmosphere to get a good sweat in. Compass is a supportive community. We work together to build each



Founders and sisters, Ashley and Nicole, bring their passion for fitness and community to Ellicottville with a satellite location at HoliMont that hosts cycle and yoga classes.

other up to find the best versions of ourselves both in and out of the studio."

Compass Cycle is also available for private/pop-up events for both yoga and spin. "We have a fleet of 18 bikes we take on the road. We've hosted a 60th birthday party outside and several bachelorette parties and "Bride Rides." It's such a great way to celebrate together." Compass can take the fleet just about anywhere and the sisters love new ideas for events. Various class lengths (30-60 mins) and styles are available. For more information email Nicole directly at nicole@compasscyclestudio.com.

All classes in Rochester and Ellicottville, spin and yoga, are led in a dark candle-lit studio with no lights, no windows, and no screens. Riders unplug from the outside world and sweat to the beat of

an upbeat playlist. "We offer rhythmic riding and our classes are musically driven, riding to the beat of the music led by energetic, motivating instructors."

Yoga and Spin classes are offered at HoliMont on Saturdays (and some Sundays) at 830 (cycle), 930 (yoga) and 1045 (cycle) for 45 minutes of pure core fitness. Guests can either buy a single, drop-in class, or a package deal of 5 passes, which can be used for up to 2 guests. "We encourage everyone to come give us a try, drop in for a class, and experience the power of movement." Guests do not need to be members of HoliMont to attend classes. Visit <https://www.compasscyclestudio.com/about> to reserve or purchase online and follow on social media @compasscyclestudio and Compass Cycle Studio on FB.

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## Holiday Valley Spotlight

President and GM, Dennis Eshbaugh



General Manager in 1995. He's overseen countless renovation and upgrade projects to the resort over the years, something that has helped Holiday Valley consistently rank in the Top 10 of the SKI Magazine Reader Resort Survey.

Recently, Dennis sat down with Stuart Winchester of The Storm Skiing Journal and Podcast and discussed a wide range of topics; from the history of skiing in Ellicottville, to his philosophy on running a ski resort, to the numerous ways the ski industry has impacted his life.

Take some time, sit back and enjoy this glimpse into the life of Dennis Eshbaugh at stormskiing.com.

Holiday Valley's four-season destination that attracts people from all over the east coast. Dennis fell in love with skiing at a young age and after spending time as the Snowsports Director at Holiday Valley, Dennis became the General Manager of the resort in 1989 and then was appointed to President and

## Parade

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Solly, launch her store in 1992 and there was simply no convincing her that Winter Carnival Weekend was the worst possible weekend for village businesses. People came to the ski areas and remained there all weekend. We needed to get skiers away from the slopes and activities and bring them to town. Jane offered to work with me in ways I had not expected. I wanted to give each skier a kazoo with a discount tag useable at the Grand Opening. But then - IT happened! I nonchalantly mentioned that it must have been such fun years ago when some of the activities took place downtown. "Didn't they select the King and Queen in the Village Square?" I asked innocently enough. (uh oh - what was I thinking?) My mind wandered to the years-ago scenes of the fancy balls at "Hardware Heights" (above Adventure Bound) and the next thing I heard was my own voice saying, "why don't we just have a parade?" Jane did not miss a beat. "Why don't you?" said she. Before I could recover from what I had just done, Bobby McCarthy, who happened to be in the room when I arrived, offered to be "The Voice" for the event. It was over before I could finally come to my senses and say, "Faith and Begorrah" (instead



Since 1958 Holiday Valley has always been supportive of people having fun, whether its on the ski slopes or in the Village at the Mardi Gras parade. This commemorative shot was taken Mardi Gras 2018 celebrating 60 years of fun for Holiday Valley and Ellicottville.

of something less ladylike to my Irish friend). A parade was in the works. It was a done deal. There was, however, one small problem. Winter Carnival was three weeks away!

Now what? The next day, in the new mayor's office, I listened as Mayor John Burrell reminded me of the challenges ahead (like closing a state road at night, permits, insurance, police/firemen, snow removal, etc. - which the Chamber now willingly handles ... Thank you! Despite it all, he gave his okay, probably with his fingers crossed behind

his back. On main street, a few business owners loved it - most wanted to string me up. Thankfully, help arrived. Despite the short notice, Ellicottville, being Ellicottville, came through that first year with 20 floats and marching units. Snow was knee deep but thankfully cleared by the village DPW (thank you, Dennis Linn, and crew) to allow spectators to stand four deep.

All these years later, the happy tradition continues. Store windows are

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## Fundraisers for Springville Food Pantry/Thrift Store

By BARBARA ARNSTEIN



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If you shop at the Trading Post's Thrift Store, any Tuesday between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m., or on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10am-2pm, you can find wonderful bargains in clothes, accessories and other things. There are always blouses, shirts and jackets priced at only a few dollars, and designer names are sometimes among them. If you have any gently-used purses you don't need, the Trading Post will be happy to accept them for its LIVE purse auction held in September. "Everything in the store is donated and the money we raise from selling the donations keeps the food pantry open", said Peggy Austin, the Director of the Trading Post since 2018. "We accept good quality clothes, accessories, shoes, jewelry, small household items and toys". Ms. Austin and her team of hard-working volunteers annually dedicates over 10,000 hours to helping out residents in the neighboring areas.

"We care for the basic food, clothing and infant needs", said Ms. Austin. "Last year we took care of over 40,000-plus separate

needs. Our outreach circle includes many southern tier communities in Erie County, Cattaraugus and Wyoming counties". Hundreds of individuals are given nutritious lunches monthly and they include working families trying to make ends meet, single income households and elderly people. The Trading Post serves many rural areas around Springville where few emergency resources, or in some cases, none at all are available. In August they give away school supplies at the store. The many regular, generous donors to the vital community center include: Walmart, Wegman's, Tops, Aldi, the Arts Cafe, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Davies Hillside Farms, the American Legion VFW, the Springville Moose Lodge, and local farmers who bring produce.

The hours for the Thrift Store are: Tuesdays from 1-5pm and Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10am-2pm. The Feeding America Food pantry is open Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10am-noon, and the Takeout

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# EVL Village Board: Public Skating Rink

## Herbicides, Short-Term Rentals, Parking Violations Discussed

By DAVE PARKER

The Village of Ellicottville held its monthly Board meeting on February 21st. Mayor John Burrell opened the meeting with the good news that the Village had received a sales tax check from the County for over \$130,000. Next, a public hearing was held for the proposed Local Law #1-2023 Volunteer Firefighter and Ambulance Worker Property Tax Exemption. The comments from the public and from the Board were in favor of this incentive to attract and retain volunteer first responders. The public hearing was closed and the Board will vote on the law at a future meeting.

Mayor Burrell asked for business from the floor and there were several residents and property owners with topics. Two individuals expressed concerns about the spraying of herbicides in the Village. They voiced concerns about the exposure of people and pets to unknown and possibly carcinogenic chemicals and also the impact on pollinators who rely on dandelions in the early spring for pollen. Mayor Burrell noted that the spraying was limited to a few areas in the Village to help with lawns and control weeds; however, the Board would review options that are more eco-friendly with Dr. Green Lawn which is the company that applies the weed control in the Village. The Board also agreed to defer the payment for the 2023 treatments to Dr. Green Lawn until

options are reviewed. Another topic from the floor was the lack of enforcement of short-term rental laws. A resident detailed issues with properties next to him being full of cars on the weekend that regularly block the sidewalk and prevent the sidewalk plow from plowing. Also of concern was the noise during the summer when the guests are able to use the hot tub until the early morning hours. The resident wanted to avoid calling the police but was not clear on the best route and was concerned that the Village lacked the ability to enforce the short-term rental laws. Village Attorney Richard Stanton addressed the process to file complaints.

The final topic from the floor was a concern over the common parking violations that impact Village residents by blocking their driveways. The resident detailed that no towing is being done and visitors are not being deterred from parking improperly by the lack of enforcement. Mayor Burrell noted that the Village is working on adding 121 parking spaces and the enforcement of parking laws would need the Town Police Department to address this.

### CANNABIS LEGAL CHALLENGES

Mayor Burrell moved on to the next agenda topic and detailed the many meetings that he has attended over the last month. Of note was a New York Conference of Mayors event where the Mayor heard from others across the state on the

cannabis legal challenges and enforcement. Mayor Burrell brought back information and insights from other mayors from across the state and had a discussion with the Ellicottville police department on cannabis law enforcement.

The Village and Town Department Heads detailed their many projects in the area. Of note, the Village will be developing a bond to support several initiatives including street, water, parking, and lighting improvements.

### PUBLIC SKATING RINK

Trustee Caitlin Croft addressed a topic that appears to be gaining interest which is to add a public skating rink in the Village or Town. The Board noted this request has been received multiple times and the Town Park had a short-lived outdoor rink several years ago. The discussion among the Board was that for a skating rink to be successful it would need similar support as the Skate Park where funding sources would support the building and operation of the ice rink.

Before ending the public portion of the meeting and adjourning into the executive session, a request from the Chamber of Commerce for the Mardi Gras parade was reviewed and approved.

For full meeting details and other Village news please visit the Village's website at <https://www.ellicottvillegov.com/village.html>.

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The Rowdy Ladybug will be located in the Kids Corner at Mountain Fest 2023. In addition to selling handmade children's costumes & play items; a children's interactive story time on Saturday afternoon!

By PATRICIA MEASER

Ridgway, PA – The annual Mountain Fest in Ridgway is nearly upon us, scheduled for March 3 - 5. This festival showcases arts and crafts, food, beer, fine spirits, toys, and so much more, made by vendors from the Allegheny Mountains region and beyond! Now in its fifth year, the festival has grown beyond anything the original organizers could have imagined.

It started out as an idea for a one-time event, just to see if there was any interest. Julee Marzella, current president of the Elk County Wilds Tourism Association, presented the idea to the association as a way to promote tourism as well as local products. Tom "T.O." Fitch, who was president at the time, thought it was a great idea and ran with it. The first festival was so popular that vendors and visitors alike kept asking when the next one would be held. So it became an annual tradition. Julee

was made Vice President to help organize, and then she became President after T.O. passed in early 2021.

"At the first festival, we had maybe 40 vendors and a thousand visitors," says Julee. "This year, we have over 100 vendors booked, and have a long waiting list of vendors who can join if another vendor has to cancel. We're expecting over 6000 visitors that weekend." All this in a town with a population of only about 4000!

Many of the same visitors come back every year, which Julee says makes it extra special. "It's like a small-town reunion, with great food and music!" The expansion of Mountain Fest is important to supporting their goal of expanding tourism. Julee pointed out, "We want to make Ridgway a destination people think of when they are looking for things to do."

Julee noted that the planning committee had to make a few changes to accommodate that growth. The first change

was that they had to set up a temporary stop light to control traffic. Another change involved the venue. The festival moved to the Tannery building last year. This location is actually comprised of six buildings, five of which were occupied by Mountain Fest in 2022. This year, they are using all six buildings, giving them another 10,000 sq.ft. of space.

"It's still not enough," adds Julee. In addition to the increase in vendors, the committee also created a whole room just for kids, called Kids' Corner. It includes an area for interactive story time, a coloring contest, a nerf gun range and a petting zoo. They also added a separate room dedicated to food vendors, and space for dancing or just to hang out and listen to the music.

Music will be playing all day every day, starting with a DJ Friday afternoon and transitioning to live music at 3pm. The music styles of the live acts run the gamut from pop to rock to country. There's some acoustic, like Ian Unwired, and

some electric music, like High River Valley Band (formerly Muzical Romance). The music committee ensured that some past favorites will be playing, while adding in some new acts for variety. You can see a list of the headliners on the event website (see below).

Some of the food vendors this year will have such varied products as flavored pickles, hickory syrup, homemade BBQ sauce, candied roasted nuts, flavored peanuts, freeze dried candy, specialty coffee, gourmet donuts, sushi, and of course, kettle corn. Non-food vendors include laser etching, nature photography, leatherworks, jewelry and beard care products. There are too many to mention. When asked where the committee found all these vendors, Julee explained that some came from advertising on Facebook, but most of them learned about the festival via word of mouth. And they are coming from other states now, not just the local area. This includes the

bands. They had music acts from New Jersey and New York apply.

Julee said the committee is able to manage all of this only with the help of a lot of volunteers. They use volunteers to sell tickets and man the gates. High school students volunteer to clean up tables and pick up trash for community service credit. Members of the local fire department will be directing traffic and helping with parking.

The other key to managing this constantly growing event is to start planning the next year's festival as soon as possible, per Julee. They are already working on plans for a new venue that they hope to make permanent. The association is hoping to partner with the Ridgway Borough to create a large event center, which can be used for any community events, not just Mountain Fest. They have identified a building that they think is perfect for this. It has over 40,000 sq.ft., a lot of acreage along the river and includes a campground and parking area. The

building would need to be updated to better suit use as a public venue, so Julee is not sure whether it will be ready for next year or not. But it is definitely something to look forward to. There are plans to host events such as music festivals, auctions, car shows and movie nights.

The cost to attend Mountain Fest is only \$5 per person. You receive a wristband that allows you access all weekend for one price. Proceeds from Mountain Fest go to support tourism, the Rails to Trails program, the Splash Pad at the YMCA for outdoor water play in warm months, and a scholarship fund in honor of T.O. Fitch. Some of the money raised will be used for the new event center.

The address for Mountain Fest is 310 Tanner Street, Ridgway, PA 15853

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# Ellicottville Village Life

## Elliottville Salt Cave: Catch Your Breath at the Halotherapy Spa

By, GARY MALICKI

Before moving here I noticed the sign on the side of the road as you enter town that says, "Ellicottville, Doesn't This Place Feel Great". It may be true that you don't have to live here to feel that sentiment but being a village resident really brings it home.

In alignment with that community slogan, there's no lack of opportunities to pamper yourself here. You can treat yourself to any one of a number of great places to eat and drink... and what a selection to choose from! You can even find a path to inner peace and good health at the Ellicottville Salt Cave & Spa, an amazing place to renew and rejuvenate.

I had the pleasure of visiting this unique place a few weeks ago. I must tell you that just upon entering the building, I was immediately struck by a real sense of calm. I had the good fortune to spend a little time with Nancy, one of two receptionists who work the desk. Laurie would be the other. She was very helpful to run down the list of staff that makes the magic in this place. The massage therapists are April, Janet and Teresa and there is also a team of estheticians or skin and facial specialists who include Cindy, Olivia, Cristin and Tonia. They do their jobs with great care and professionalism. I asked Nancy what she liked most about working here and she responded



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with two words, "It's peaceful".

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I was informed that their clientele is made up mostly of visitors but also have their fair share of locals who take advantage of their services as well. The gift shop within

is also a highlight. Nancy was kind enough to allow me take her picture surrounded by only a fraction of a large selection of salt lamps for sale. A few years ago my wife's brother gifted us a salt lamp and, at the time, never gave it a second thought. I found out on my visit there that they can reduce allergy symptoms, act as an air purifier, help you to achieve a better sleep and more. I've decided to give him a call and thank him again for that gift now that I know much more about them.

My research in writing this piece taught me that there are similar salt rooms around the country. How fortunate we are to have a place like this fulfilling its mission of improving health and helping people to experience inner peace located right here in Ellicottville...doesn't this place feel great? It sure does!

## Sports

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These visitors will have an added motivation to travel to Salamanca during the weekend of February 25 and 26: the 2022 Sportsman Show at Seneca Allegany Resort and Casino (186 Exit 20 777 Seneca Allegany Blvd, Salamanca).

Over 350 tables and 40 booths will be set up to help outdoor enthusiasts of all stripes buy, sell, and trade equipment for their favorite sports. Antique collectors will likewise enjoy the chance to admire and purchase the vintage firearms on display. Those who seek chartered service hunting or fishing adventures also have the opportunity to connect with skilled guides during the show. Animal lovers will particularly enjoy seeing and learning about the western New York wildlife at educational exhibits. If the animals of interest are the ones for permanent display, taxidermists will have these examples of work for viewing.

This broad range of activities at the Sportsman Show is part of the vision of Frewsburg's own Jim Buck. Buck was an Army veteran and collector of antique and military guns for over 50 years. He had the knowledge and expertise that only decades of passion for the subject can provide. This wealth of information was meant to be shared with like-minded hobbyists.

It was only natural that his 40 years of show



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production experience would complement his love for gun collection, and these interests culminated in the formation of York-Penn Shows. This unique, outdoors event-focused show organization became known for being well organized; as such, York-Penn shows grew in attendance and popularity across the tri-state area. York-Penn Shows and its annual Sportsman Show at Seneca Allegany continue as part of Buck's legacy after his June 2019 passing. His family is proud to carry on this tradition of sport show excellence with the 2023 return to the Seneca Allegany Event Center.

As the host venue of the 2023 Sportsman Show, the Seneca Allegany Resort and Casino is offering \$10 of free slot play at the casino when proof of admission is shown at the Social Club counter. Tickets for the show are \$10 per person, and children 12 and under are admitted for free with an adult ticket. The hours of

the show are 9 a.m.—5 p.m. on Saturday, and 9 a.m.—3 p.m.

It is most important for potential firearm shoppers to be prepared for a legal sale. Gun transaction participants at this and similar shows are also required by New York state law to participate in a National Instant Background Check before the sale, no matter the antique status of the firearm. Pistol permit clerks from Chautauqua, Cattaraugus, and Allegany counties will be present both days to help facilitate and expedite transactions. Upon confirmation of eligibility to own a gun, a sale can proceed.

Shoppers and browsers alike have two days to enjoy the outdoors inside of the Seneca Allegany Event Center. It is hoped that spending the weekend indoors to shop and learn during the weekend will find everything they need to enjoy the outdoors of the region through the year.

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Les and Mary Fox and the Barn Employees, 1994.

of the sometimes-unnoticed Episcopal Church located on the town square. It has been beautifully maintained from its original 1830's style along with its historical significance, it's one of my favorite buildings in the area, and a perfect example of Ellicottville's rich history."

The book covers the development of the town and village, how settlers came to the area for farming and the timber industry. Mary describes the industries that developed in the town, including hosiery, basketry and upholstery during the turn of the century Industrial Revolution. She highlights the involvement of the area in the Civil War and World War II, as well as the life and times during this era. The book features homes of architectural significance and describes the history of the educational system of the area. "It's so important to know our history. I've always had such a passion for history, and I love that I'm able to share it with others." The book also contains many pictures, depicting the village and buildings during these historic times. "So much can be explained with pictures. They bring you back to these times, and you can really visualize what it was like back then, ultimately gaining a deeper appreciation for our history here."

"What's always stayed true in Ellicottville, is the welcoming nature of the community. Everyone here has always been warm and friendly. Thanks to being an historic district, the community has kept the quaintness and charm of Main Street."

Watch for a presentation by Mary at the Ellicottville Historical Society this summer, and stay tuned to The Villager for updates on the much-anticipated

# Parade

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decorated, music plays in the street, Mardi gras specials are offered and for weeks the air is filled with celebration and anticipation. Oldtimers tell stories, remembering their favorites: Phil, the Punxsutawney groundhog, the Chicken Wing King, Drew Cerza, and our beloved Edna Northrup, all serving at different times as Masters of ceremony; the giant Canadian Flag on the back of a pickup smaller than the flag; the Oscar Meyer Weiner car; the Menopause Maidens and their marching routine; the magnificent ski area floats and so many more wonderful participants too numerous to mention.



Veteran parade attendees cannot forget our amazing and beloved Mardi Gras King, Ken Brown, who for years never disappointed us as he appeared in his outlandish glittering, lighted costumes, and giant ski gloves. Having left us exactly 11 years ago on the 22nd, The King is forever missed by those of us who had the good fortune to be his friend.

This year the Mardi Gras weekend is March 11-12 with the parade on the 11th, queuing at 6pm in front of Katy's. Secure your place in line so you have front row viewing. Please remember to bring canned goods for the Ski Patrol's annual collection for the local Food Pantry. Donate in front of Tops or at the parade where they collect along the route.

# Barn

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history of Ellicottville for almost as long as she can remember. Having lived in Ellicottville for over 50 years, she's seen our small town evolve and go through many changes. Mary is in the process of writing a book about the history of Ellicottville, and hopes to give readers a deeper appreciation of our small town by giving a glimpse into it's past.

Mary moved to Ellicottville in 1969 to open "The Barn" Restaurant at 7 Monroe Street, which is now Villaggio. At that time, there were 4-5 bars in town, none of which were dinner style restaurants. Mary wished to bring casual family dining to the village, and had a vision of warm, cozy atmosphere serving a variety of homestyle favorites. "The history of The Barn itself is quite interesting. It was built in the 1800's as a livery stable for hotels on Main Street. We wanted to preserve the historic barn style, while remodeling the interior to be a cozy restaurant with booths, upper seating level and 2 story feature fireplace." Mary not only ran the restaurant, but she hosted and cooked in the kitchen too. "We served everything from steaks, seafood, fish fries, and my specialty Beef Stroganoff, which I still get requests for the recipe to this day."

The Barn was open 29 years and was very busy, frequently with a wait line on weekends. More restaurants popped up in the Village, including The Silver Fox along with more shops "It was nothing like the year round specialty gift shops in the village today."

In 1969, the village was a farming community with a feed store, a five and ten store, a dry goods store, small grocery stores, meat market, bakery and several bars. And a rapidly growing Holiday Valley ski resort. Over the years with more and more restaurants and specialty shops opening up, it has become the destination resort it is today: a town for all seasons. Holiday Valley was the catalyst for Ellicottville's transformation from a quiet little farming town into a busy resort town.

Mary recalls how the village of Ellicottville was nothing like it is today. "Summers were not like the winters here. Things changed as Holiday Valley added a golf course and hiking trails, but it was not the destination it has become today. Back then, we were hardly on the map."

Mary decided to write a book about the history of Ellicottville in order to help people gain a deeper appreciation for this area. "A great deal of fascinating history is here, and most people don't realize this. Many of the buildings were built in the 1800's and incredibly historic." She remarks on the rich history

# Post

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Lunch is available Fridays from 10am-noon. The Mobile Food Truck goes out on the third Friday of each month, from January through October. "It is only with the generous support of the community that we can continue to assist and meet so many needs each

year", said Ms. Austin. "Please consider including us in your gift-giving".

Everyone can enjoy the thrill of watching the exciting daily drawings on Facebook! Follow Trading Post Community Care Center live@noon daily., You can buy a calendar to help support the wonderful Trading Post, the thrift store/food pantry that does so much for so many people, and get those thirty-one drawing entries all at once by going

online to: <https://www.revivewesleyan.com/trading-post> or visit the Trading Post Community Care Center in Springville, NY, at 38 Franklin Street. Their Facebook posts include fun and informative videos such as the recent one demonstrating the art of making meatballs mixed with cabbage and onion, and topped with mozzarella and mayo. Yum! For more information about the Trading Post, call (716) 592-4455..

# Nannen Arboretum Classes

Series Starts March 8, 2023

Ellicottville - The Nannen Arboretum Society Inc. has scheduled its first educational program in its quarterly series for 2023. Lyn Chimera, Master Gardener and owner of Lessons from Nature, will speak on "Pruning and

Correcting Winter Damage of Trees and Shrubs". Lyn will also include information on the spring pruning of fruit trees. This important and exciting program will be held Wednesday March 8, 2023 at 6:30pm in the auditorium

at the Ellicottville Town Center, 28 Parkside Drive. Admission is \$5 at the door. Refreshments will be served.

If you have any questions, please contact me, Nan Miller, 716-244-0695. Thank you so much!



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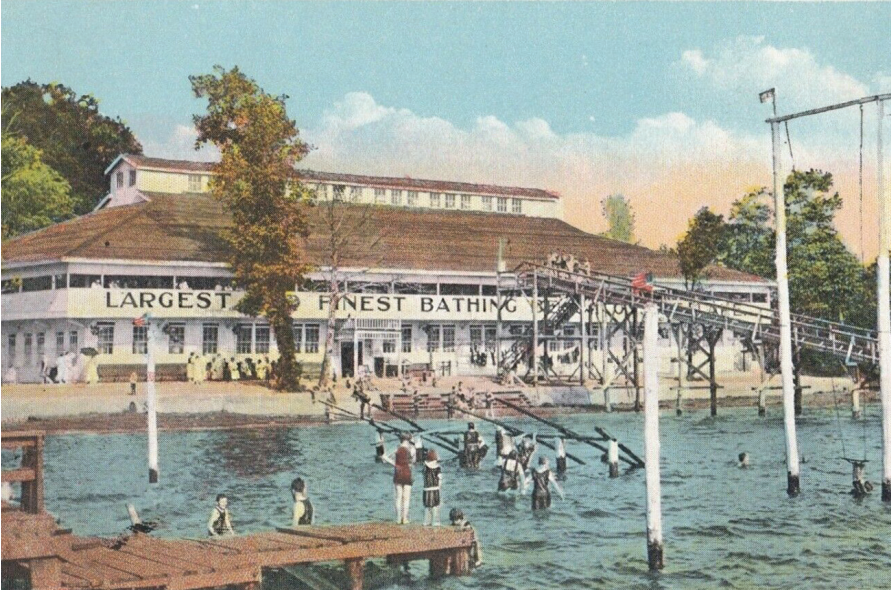
To solve a Sudoku puzzle, place a number into each box so that each row across, each column down, and each small 9 box square within the larger diagram (there are 9 of these) will contain every number from 1 through 9. In other words, no number will appear more than once in any row, column, or smaller 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!**

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**Last Week's Puzzle:**

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# What's Shaking in EVL

Whether Outside or In, Live Music is Always Available

By, MOUTH SAY TONGUE

It's Winter Jam Weekend and there's lots of music to listen to so let's see who's playing where.

Our seven-day weekend starts on Thursday at Balloons with Burger and Brew Night from 4-10pm. \$15 gets your choice of any burger and any beer on the menu with house made chips. This week's musical guests are Interstate Daydream from 6-9pm. This duo plays a rock/pop/country set of covers.

The Gin Mill hosts Tyler and Jim Thursday from 8-11pm. They play rock covers and originals influenced by the British Invasion of the 60's. Try one of the 37 beers on tap.

## FRIDAY

The Taqueria is first up with Tui Osborne from 6-9pm. Tui plays a reggae/ska/pop set of covers to accompany an amazing Tex-Mex menu.

12 Gates of EVL is up next with Jay McDonnell from 6-9pm. Jay plays acoustic rock from groups like CSNY, Eagles, Petty, etc..

Balloons is back with County Line on the main stage from 6:30-10pm. The back bar will feature Tina Williams from 10-1am. She plays a rock/pop/alt/indie set of covers and originals. Dj Andre the Giant Redhead will hit the sound booth playin some crunk so you can shake your junk on the two dance floors till 2am.

We return to The Gin Mill for Two Guys Drinking Beer from 8-12am. Ron and Terry play a rock/folk/pop/

country set of covers. Try the latest kitchen in town open till 11pm Friday-Saturday and 10pm Sunday-Thursday. They're also open for breakfast from 10-11am Saturday-Sunday.

Finnerty's will host Rick Emley from 8-11pm. They play a rock/pop/country set of covers.

We close out the evening at Madigans with Dj SI from 9-1am layin down the sauce so you can do the floss in the upstairs window.

## SATURDAY

First up is The Gin Mill with Davey O from 2-5pm. Davey plays a folk/pop/roots set of originals and covers while you enjoy a late lunch or early dinner. Barnstorm take over the night shift from 8-12am. They play old and new country featuring a female vocalist. If you like craft cocktails visit The Carriage House Sidebar and let the mixologist whip you up some high-end spirits.

We're back at Madigans for Wheelsmith from 5-8pm. They play R & R covers from the 60-today. Check out the foosball and pool tables for a little competition. Dj Persia will keep the party going till 1am.

Balloons is back with Son (full band) from 6:30-10pm. They play a rock/blues/R & B/pop/jazz set of covers and originals. The back bar will host The Chillbillys from 10-1am. Interestingly enough the guitar player for the Chillbillys, Bob, taught the Son guitar player, Jed, how to play. Dj Kage will provide the thumpin for the bumpin till 2am.

Villaggio joins the fun with The Girls of Grosh from 7-10pm. They play

a rock/pop/alt/folk set of covers and originals to accompany the finest Italian cuisine in WNY.

Finnerty's is a player with Interstate Daydream Review from 8-11pm. They play a rock/folk/pop/alt/country set of covers. Try the award-winning wings or the corned beef sandwich.

## SUNDAY

The Gin Mill is back, and they're not done, with The Chillbillys, they are done, from 2-5pm. Enjoy some Bloody Mary's while you listen to some wonderful acoustic cover tunes.

Monday is Strings and Wings at Balloons from 4-10pm. 50 cent wings and a fine selection of craft beers to wash them down with. This weeks music will be provided by Tina Williams. Tina is one of Bullalo's better singer/songwriters and has played with and opened for some of the area's best talent.

Tuesday The Gin Mill presents Marty Peters and Company from 7-10pm. Marty plays blues and folk covers from the 60-70's. Don't forget those 37 beers on tap.

We close out the weekend like we have for the last 39 years at The Gin Mill for Joe Wagner and Company, Wing, Wednesday from 8-12am. Joe plays a rock/folk/country rock/pop/blues set of covers you've come too love. \$1 wings and \$1 off all domestics makes for a local's favorite.

If you had fun here in our Village tell your friends and family and come back often but wherever you are PLEASE, ALWAYS SUPPORT LIVE MUSIC!!!!!!

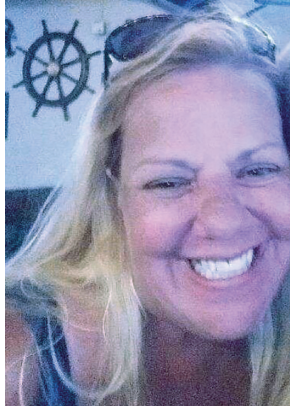
# Beat on the Street:

"What do You still Use that Most People Don't?"

By CHAD NEAL



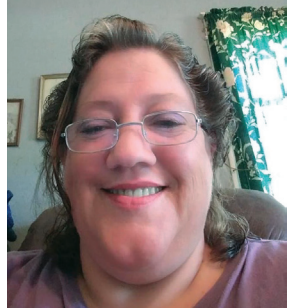
Times are changing ever so fast and as it goes on and as we get older it seems to get faster. So many things have become obsolete because of technology. So much disposable stuff that back in the day would be unheard of; a lot of the items we use on a daily basis are taken for granted. In the bygone days certain tangible articles were held in high esteem and today they aren't even thought of anymore by most. As we gain more we lose as well. We still use fire and it's so much easier to make it now than it was centuries ago, and as we find it better to not create smoke and fumes by burning fuels with fire, that too may go the way of the dodo. But we see it as necessity to keep finding better ways to go about being here. What do you use that most people don't anymore?



Lisa J. - An iron and ironing board.



Ryan P.- Photo Albums. I've spent a lot of time and money filling mine. They're more authentic. A lot of people just use the cloud, but when that goes down, I'll still have my pictures.



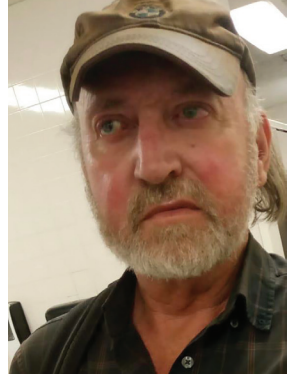
Amanda E.- My walkman with cassette and radio.



Matt H.- A checkbook sometimes. Don't ask me to balance it though.



Colby J.- Record player, to go with my vinyl collection.



Peter L.- I still use money. I still pay for everything with cash. I've never had a credit card. I have no idea how to use PayPal, etc.

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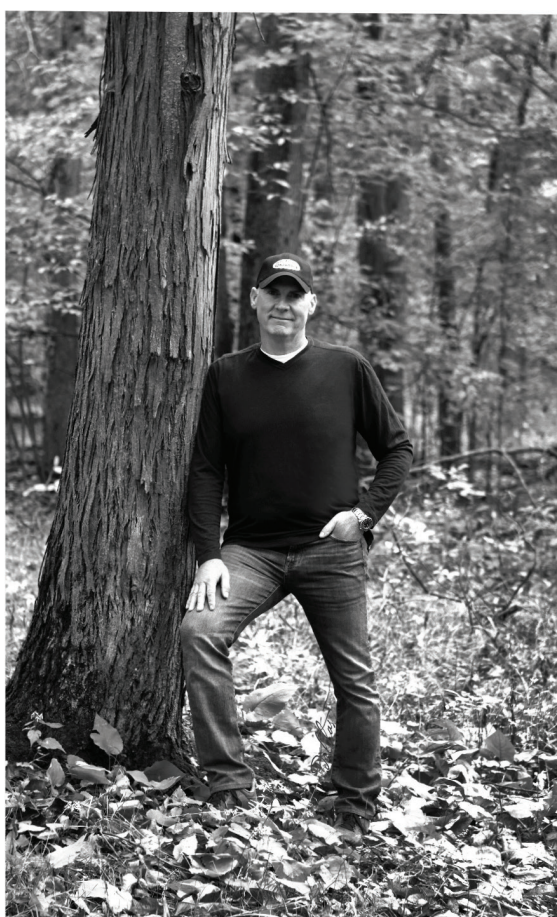
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