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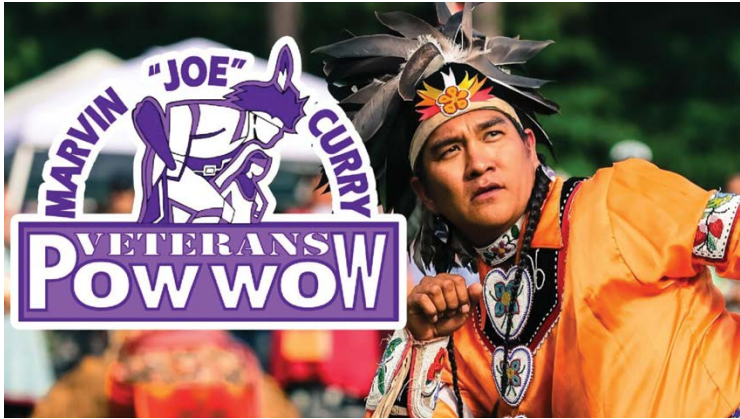
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Area Events

- CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY FAIR**
JULY 16-21
Dunkirk, NY
- EL LICOTTVILLE GAZEBO SERIES**
Thursday, July 18 • 7pm
Ellicottville, NY
- LAKEWOOD FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET**
Thursday July 18 • 10am
Lakewood, NY
- THIRD THURSDAY JAMESTOWN**
Thursday July 18 • 6pm
Jamestown, NY
- GREAT VALLEY BAND JAM**
Fri/Sat, July 19-20 • 6pm
Great Valley, NY
- MUSIC AT THE TRIANGLE IN RANDOLPH**
Friday July 19 • 6pm
Randolph, NY
- MARVIN "JOE" CURRY VETERANS POW WOW**
Sat/Sun, July 20-21 • 12pm
- SADDLE POND PARTY**
Saturday, July 20 • 10am
Ellicottville, NY
- WEEKEND CHAIRLIFT RIDES AT HOLIDAY VALLEY**
Sat/Sun, July 20-21 • 11am
Ellicottville, NY
- S. TIER WOUNDED WARRIOR BENEFIT CONCERT**
Saturday July 20 • 4pm
Olean, NY
- JAMESTOWN PUBLIC MARKET**
Saturday, July 20 • 10am
Jamestown, NY
- FREDONIA FARMER'S MARKET**
Saturday, July 20 • 10am
Fredonia, NY
- LAKE FEST AT LONG POINT STATE PARK**
Saturday, July 20 • 12pm
Bemus Point, NY
- SCANDINAVIAN FOLK FESTIVAL**
Saturday July 20-21 • All Day
Jamestown, NY
- JOHN DENVER TRIBUTE AT SENECA ALLEGANY CASINO**
Tuesday, July 23 • 2pm
Salamanca, NY
- CATTARAUGUS COUNTY FAIR**
July 27-August 3
Little Valley, NY
- ERIE CO. FAIR**
August 7-18
Erie Co. Fair Grounds
Hamburg NY
- TASTE OF EL LICOTTVILLE**
Sat/Sun August 10-11, • 10am
Ellicottville, NY

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Marvin Joe Curry Veterans Powwow Seneca Nation Annual Event Renamed – Relocated



BY CAROL FISHER-LINN

The 2024 Marvin Joe Curry Veterans Powwow will take place this Saturday and Sunday, July 20 & 21 at the Seneca Allegany Resort and Casino Event Center.

Formally known as the Seneca Casino Veteran's Powwow, it is an annual contest pow wow in honor of veterans. On their website we find this about Curry:

"Joe was a member of the Seneca Nation's Snipe Clan and was born on the Cattaraugus Territory. He was a member of the Iroquois Post #1587 and served in several positions with them. He started serving in the military in 1950 with serving two tours of duty during the Korean War and also served in the Vietnam War. During his

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Good Climb Endurance Challenge Five-Hour Endurance Event, July 27 at HoliMont



July 27th, marks the third annual Good Climb Endurance Challenge at HoliMont in Ellicottville with proceeds to benefit Horizon Health Services. The event aims to foster improved mental health through physical activity, encouraging everyone to push themselves outside their comfort zones in order to build mental and emotional resilience. (See article, pg. 4.)

Chautauqua Trolley Transit New Tourism Routes Run through August



The hybrid trolleys are beautifully designed with wooden seats, vintage lighting and gold accents throughout. They represent the trolley cars that once rode the streets of Jamestown.

BY KATE BARTLETT

Chautauqua Transit proudly launched its new trolley tourism routes on Independence Day weekend, July 5th. The trolleys offer a unique and enjoyable experience for both tourists and residents alike. The routes operate Thursdays-Saturdays through August, with 2 main

routes highlighting many local attractions.

The development of the trolley routes transpired through the Chautauqua Area Regional Transit System's modernization initiative. Last year, the transit system was rebranded to become CHQ Transit, and took on a few major acquisitions. In

SEE "TROLLEY" PG. 10

Lucille Ball Comedy Festival Lucy's Comedic Spirit Lives on in Jamestown



In 1991, Jamestown held its first "Lucy Fest" and thousands of visitors from across the country came to Jamestown to take part in this one-of-a-kind event. In 2018, the National Comedy Center in Jamestown opened, and it took over coordinating this festival that embodies Ball's vision.

BY DARLENE BRACE

Once again, it's that time of year for the Lucille Ball Comedy Festival (aka Lucy Fest by locals). This year's festival marks its 34th year and is named after Lucy as a celebration of her vision that Jamestown would be a comprehensive destination for

the art of comedy. The festival will run Thursday, August 1-Sunday, August 4, 2024.

Lucy's early dreams of being a comedian and actress were formed in the Jamestown area in local theater groups. She later moved to New York and Los

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Sneak Peek Inside this Issue...

Lewis Black Presents in Jamestown ... pg. 7
National Comedian's Final Tour Hits Stage Sept. 6



The National Comedy Center announced the Grammy-award winner's appearance is the second of two stand-up shows in Western New York. Black will perform in Buffalo at the Riviera Theater (North Tonawanda, NY) on Thursday, September 5, 2024 and at the Reg Lenna Center for the Arts in Jamestown on Friday, September 6, 2024.

Wild America Nature Art Festival ... pg. 3 Animal Presentations, Fine Art & More

The Wild America Nature Festival will happen once again at Panama Rocks on July 29-31, 2024. You are invited to see amazing animal presentations, shop fine art and craft vendors, taste delicious locally sourced food, listen to music, explore Panama Rocks, try axe throwing, enjoy fun activities - and so much more!

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Chautauqua Trail Officially Opened July 17th, 2022



The CHQ Trail, on the site of the CHQ. Golf Course, was est. in 2021 when Chautauqua Institution was awarded a KABOOM!® Play Everywhere Design Challenge grant funded by the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation.

BY BILL BURK

I got lost.

It was hardly possible. "New trail markers were added earlier this year," says Meg Pickard, Director of Recreation for Chautauqua Institution. She's right, of course, the trails are clearly marked, you can't really lose your way if you pay attention. Somehow, I managed.

Maybe my horrible sense of direction. Or maybe because when you're tucked into the CHQ Trail, it's easy to get immersed in the experience,

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Miller and the Other Sinners Renowned Southern Soul Band at HV



BY KATE BARTLETT

Renowned Buffalo based southern soul band Miller and the Other Sinners will play for the first time at the 4th annual HillTAP Festival at Holiday Valley on Saturday, July 27th at 4pm. The band is known for their southern soul blend inspired by Memphis soul, gospel spirit, and funky rhythm and blues. The group puts on an unforgettable show filled with catching songs and tremendous energy that gets to the crowd.

David Miller founded the band in 2015 while recording his solo album Poisons Sipped. "It happened by chance," recalls David. Members of the world-famous Campbell Brothers and a small ensemble of talented musicians came together

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Publisher's Word

"Is Your Schedule Filled Up Yet?"



Good morning, afternoon or evening; whatever time it is your reading this paper, it couldn't be a better time and I am confident that you are in a great place to be! The summers here are gorgeous and full of adventures; which event have you pin-pointed

for this weekend? There is the celebrated Powwow in Salamanca, as well as the Chautauqua County Fair happening. Next weekend, there's no time to recharge as Ellicottville brings you the annual Jazz & Blues Weekend and the Cattaraugus County Fair is set to begin. Besides these highlights, we have detailed for you great art exhibits, museums, and trails to explore. Have we missed something? Let us know! The Villager always encourages and appreciates reader participation. If you know of an event or article of interest we have missed, please let us know. It's easy! Simply go to www.thevillager.com and click the "General Submissions" tab. We look forward to hearing from you! We graciously accept story ideas, photo submissions and are always looking for writers.

We look forward to hearing from you and until next week, enjoy your weekend, the community, your friends and family! - Thank you for spending some time with us and our sponsors, Jeanine Caprino Zimmer

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"Adventure Begins at Your Library"

Ellicottville Memorial Library Summer Reading Program '24

Again, this year the Ellicottville Memorial Library is conducting a five-week Summer Reading Program for the youth of our community. For the last thirteen years, the Bob McCarthy Foundation has provided a grant allowing the library to hire a local student serving as our Summer Intern and this year we have chosen Cameron Kaleta (we try to hire a senior in high school or a student currently attending college). We are so appreciative for this funding which not only benefits the children, but also provides valuable, paid work experience for the intern.

The national theme for this summer is "Adventure Begins at Your Library" and we will be focusing on adventures of many kinds. Each week will have its own mini theme such as adventure in the mountains, adventure in the ocean and adventure in the Savannah. Join in the fun while playing mini golf, completing a scavenger hunt, and creating a terrarium, just to name a few. Meanwhile as the children read, they earn tickets to try and win some great prizes - a tent, a fishing pole, sky high passes, Legos, etc.

The Library develops this program every year because we know that fostering a love of reading in children is vital. Through the use fun activities, challenges, and awesome incentives we motivate children to read. This in turn has the added benefit of helping children maintain their reading skills over the summer. The Summer Intern has made a huge difference by allowing us to develop and provide increased programs and activities to the 100+ children that sign up each summer.

on July 8th and will continue until August 11th. Children are welcome to sign up at any point during that time. The national theme for this summer is "Adventure Begins at Your Library" and we will be focusing on adventures of many kinds. Each week will have its own mini theme such as adventure in the mountains, adventure in the ocean and adventure in the Savannah. Join in the fun while playing mini golf, completing a scavenger hunt, and creating a terrarium, just to name a few. Meanwhile as the children read, they earn tickets to try and win some great prizes - a tent, a fishing pole, sky high passes, Legos, etc. Most of the prizes were donated by some very caring individuals in our wonderful community. Speaking of a wonderful community, we are truly grateful to the Bob McCarthy Foundation which is an exceptional organization that changes lives, lifts people up and whose members work tirelessly to make this community a better place.

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Ellicottville Jazz & Blues Weekend '24

Music Fills the Village at Annual Festival Next Weekend, July 26-28



A Jazz and Blues Weekend in Ellicottville is a boutique experience. Wander through the village and choose from a variety of Jazz and Blues performance areas ranging from restaurants, bars & nightclubs and street-side. Ellicottville has the shops and all the facilities you'd expect in an international class resort, the village is self-contained - all of the venues are within an easy walking distance of each other so after you arrive, leave the car and enjoy the fresh mountain air on foot. Outstanding accommodations for all budget levels are located in the Village or within walking distance. (Full schedule, page 4 and online www.thevillager.com and www.ellicottvillenyc.com.)

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Be a Part of the Art!

Wild America Nature Festival

Animal Presentations, Fine Art & More at Panama Rocks



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 Save up to \$2 per person and get in a quicker VIP entrance by purchasing your admission online today at www.WildAmericaFest.com. Panama Rocks is located at 11 Rock Hill Road, Panama, NY. They can be reached at 716- 782-2845.

Blast from the Past: Sculpture Park

Griffis 2nd Annual October-Fest, 1969

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Sculpture Park Stories: October 1969. With Woodstock being a very recent memory, a crowd of 5,000 was expected for the Park's 2nd annual October-Fest. Mark Griffis recalled, "Larry curated all the early festivals. One in 1969 was at the Rohr Hill site. There were ballet dancers, poets, and a great band. Larry built the first stage at Rohr. A biker gang with leathers and wearing their 'colors' showed up as well. Larry spoke to them and welcomed them and the bikers enjoyed the whole show." Don't forget, Griffis Sculpture Park Summer Festival returns on Sunday, August 18th.

Ellicottville Village Park Highlights

"EV Play Place" Presents: Inclusive Seat

BY KELSEY ADAMSON

Ellicottville Playground Committee presents "EV Play Place", a biweekly segment dedicated to key pieces of playground equipment planned for our Ellicottville Village Park update. The featured pieces each highlight the way design is used to create a spirit of inclusivity in play. With the collaboration of Little Tikes and Unlimited Play we hope to bring extra joy to all the children of our community. This week we focus on the Inclusive Seat.



Physically encourage strength, flexibility, and balance in the riders, but they are also a group activity that helps build connections and friendships. The inclusive seat allows children with mobility impairments or orthopedic conditions to join in the fun. Many children with disabilities such as cerebral palsy or muscular dystrophy to name a couple have varying amounts of trunk strength. The rigid back and supportive structure of the inclusive seat allows children to maintain a comfortable and upright sitting position, reducing the risk of discomfort or injury during play. The design of the inclusive seat grants all the children of our community to join in the exhilarating fun of the swings.

FUNDRAISING EFFORTS
 We are actively working on fundraising. We have plans for three Inclusive Seats. Two are set up as swings, and the third is on the inclusive rail rider (like a zip line). Each of the Inclusive Seats will cost \$1,537. If you would like to contribute to this piece of equipment or help in any fashion, please feel free to contact the Ellicottville Playground Committee at ellicottvilleplayground@gmail.com. Follow us on Instagram @ellicottvilleplayground. Find more information at <https://unlimitedplay.org/playground/the-ellicottville-playground>

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 2:00 PM @ Gin Mill - Brian Rick
 5:00 PM @ Winery of Ellicottville - Kat Jones
 5:00 PM @ Madigans - Pedro and the Smooth Cats
 6:30 PM @ Silver Fox Restaurant & Steak House - LTM Trio
 7:00 PM @ Villaggio - Son
 7:00 PM @ Ellicottville Tap + Bottle & Taqueria - Jenuine Cello
 8:30 PM @ Gin Mill - Maria Aurigema Band
 9:00 PM @ Madigans - Karaoke

Jul 28, 2024
 12:00 PM @ Gin Mill - John Patti
 1:00 PM @ Winery of Ellicottville - The George Scott Big Band
 4:00 PM @ Gin Mill - Meet the Bacons
 5:30 PM @ Villaggio - Chris Maloney



Good Climb Endurance Challenge

Five-Hour Endurance Event, July 27 at HoliMont



By KATE BARTLETT

Saturday, July 27th, marks the third annual Good Climb Endurance Challenge at HoliMont in Ellicottville with proceeds to benefit Horizon Health Services. The event aims to foster improved mental health through physical activity, encouraging anyone and everyone to push themselves outside their comfort zones in order to build mental and emotional resilience.

With three different levels to choose from, the event is open to different ability levels, but pushes everyone to raise the bar and go for the grit. All courses scale up HoliMont Exhibition Area, and participants can take any of the three routes at any time. The goal is to do as many laps up the slope in the allotted five hours, progressing at your own pace. "When you think you've done as many as you can, go for one more."

Once at the top, participants can refill their water bottles, take in the view with a few deep breaths, then hop on

the chair lift down for a recovery ride. Prizes will be awarded for top finishers along with great swag for everyone. Celebrate a job well-done at the afterparty with a fully catered lunch by Market in the Square, beverages by Try-It distributing and music by DJ Tyler.

"This is such a fun event," remarks Travis Widge, Snowsports Director at HoliMont. "The energy is amped and everyone is excited. The positive community of like-minded people in an atmosphere of support is outstanding. Everyone is here to have a great time, and push their own limits. People remember from years before, and try to do better than last year. It's a great coming together of the community to support each other, mental health awareness, and outdoor fun."

The event is very spectator friendly with great views from the bottom of the hill, as well as several spots along the course. The patio at the base of Exhibition Run will have

Adirondack chairs and tables for spectators with food available and coolers welcome.

Throughout the course, there is over 700 feet of elevation gained. As mentioned, the courses vary in ability, with the route underneath the chairlift being the steepest but most direct. The two remaining routes are a bit less steep, but a little longer. The recovery ride on Exhibition Run chairlift is 2,400 feet long.

According to Widge, the event was inspired by the desire from John Baldwin to encourage mental strength and health through pushing your limits. The event has grown substantially since its inception 2 years ago. "The event has had great support from Horizon Health Services and Excelsior Orthopedics," says Travis. "Every year we have more vendors and we've been able to support more and more mental health outreach.

For more information and to register visit <https://www.thegoodclimb.com/>.



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Saddle Pond Party at HoliMont

Day Full of Family Activities this Saturday, July 20



By KATE BARTLETT

This year marks the third annual Saddle Pond Party, Saturday July 20th from 10-4:30pm at the Sunset Area of HoliMont. The event features a variety of family fun activities including paddle sports, camping, live music, fishing derby, kayak races, tie-dyeing and more. The event is open to everyone.

The event will take place at the newly renovated area atop the slopes to showcase this beautiful landscape. "It's been a great success

in years past," says Travis Widge, Snowsports Director for HoliMont. "We're looking forward to another successful year."

The festival atmosphere kicks off at 10am with paddle sports and family riding. The fishing derby starts at 10:30 going until noon; kayak races 12:30 until completion. Tie-dyeing stations will be set up with shirts available for purchase for \$11. Vendors will be on site all day along with the Wandering Hut food truck. Blind draw cornhole tournament will

round out the day starting at 2pm.

The Saddle Pond Party was created to help support local businesses who share the common interest and passion for the great outdoors. The events aim to bring the community together and provide a platform for networking and fun. It's become a fun family friendly festival to look forward to every year.

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Jamestown Cruise-In

Event Returns August 9, Downtown Jamestown

One of Downtown Jamestown's largest events returns August 9 as the Chamber of Commerce presents Jamestown Cruise-In from 5-9pm. This annual display of classic cars, hotrods, and cool vehicles always draws a crowd. This spectacular event is back for its 31st year! Enjoy live music by In Crowd, support lo-

cal businesses with food and beverage purchases, and join in all the fun with another People's Choice Award as spectators can text the number of their favorite car. Vehicle registration and sponsorship opportunities are open online now through the Chamber's web calendar. Jamestown Cruise-In is sponsored by

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to form "Miller and the Other Sinners."

The group originally consisted of rotating members, but has recently maintained a steady 3-5 members over the past 5 years: Isaiah Griffin on drums, Steve Davis on bass and keys, Dalton Sharp on saxophone and Paul Gaspar on trumpet. Founder David sings lead vocals and guitar in addition to writing their original songs.

David was inspired by music at a young age as he grew up around music in the church in the Allegheny County area. He sang gospel music and played piano around 6 years old, and began playing guitar and writing songs at age 11. "The energy from the music was powerful; it was contagious," recalls David. "I loved playing and I couldn't get enough."

His one grandfather was an evangelist speaker, and David toured with him in churches and tents around Long Island and New Jersey. David played music and recorded cassettes to sell to the crowd, gaining experience playing for different crowds at the young age of 12. He played saxophone in school band between 5-12th grade and was in various Christian bands throughout High School in Fillmore, NY. He got into rock music as a junior, and began to appreciate heavy Seattle grunge music in college. These various music genres shaped David into who he is as an artist today. "I was finding my way as a musician, exploring different styles and sounds and gained a deeper appreciation for all music."

After he got married in 1989, David took a step back from music to focus on raising his family and a more stable career. "Music never left my life; it was always a passion of mine and a hobby during this time." David had 2 sons Joshua and Matthew with his wife, Laura, and worked as a worship leader/youth pastor and eventually in his own software business in Clarence, NY. David instilled an appreciation for music in his children, and they also began



Saturday, July 27th marks the fourth annual HillTAP Festival with 42 North Brewing at Holiday Valley. The musical acts this year include three phenomenal regional artists playing a variety of music. You can catch Miller & The Other Sinners will play Rhythm & Soul music from 4-5:30pm at the Tannenbaum Lodge. For more info log on to: <https://www.hilltapfestival.com>

playing at a young age. He started a blues band, Beautiful Bones, with his son Joshua when he was 15, along with his nephew Nick Peterson on bass. "I love making music with my boys," says David. "Josh and I occasionally play gigs to this day."

David worked in his church as a youth pastor and furthered his music in the church. "At this time, the church was strict about music staying in the church, which I wasn't sure I agreed with. I began to reevaluate as felt pulled to bring music outside the church." He focused on songwriting and produced 2 albums under his name.

David became a well-known and respected artist in the WNY music community, having shared the stage with Gary Clark Jr., Steve Miller Band, Tedechi Trucks Band, Shemekia Copeland, Govt Mule and many more.

While recording his second album, Miller and the Other Sinners was born 8 years ago. While the group has evolved over the years, it has stayed true to its soulful roots. Since August of 2015, they have performed over 1300 shows across 26 states (and Canada) playing festivals, parties and other events. On June 27th, Miller and the Other Sinners were set to open for Los Lonely Boys in Rochester; however, they were called up to play as the headliner when the band cancelled. "It was such a great opportunity; we had a great time playing on that stage. The crowd energy was contagious."

For the first time, Miller and the Other Sinners will be playing at HillTAP on the slopes of Holiday Valley in Ellicottville on Saturday, July 27th. "We're looking forward to the show," says David. "Ellicottville is such a great community; the energy there is great." The

group will also play at the Fairport Music Festival for their 7th year in August.

The Sinners have released 3 albums 3 Nights at the Strand, Rise and Thives In The Breadline, recently on April 1st making their original music more accessible. David remains inspired to create music and finds inspiration in various ways. David has been influenced by old blues and 70's soul music, but also finds inspiration in great artists. "I've always been inspired by great musicians, like Bill Withers and BB King; but there're so many young artists too. It's great to hear new sounds by these incredible songwriters and musicians."

David finds inspiration in everyday life, but frequently writes music during long drives. "I write my best songs on long drives, just jamming out on the open road. Life grants us so many great opportunities and experiences, and I love putting them into song." He has been working on his solo album, which is anticipated to be released this upcoming fall. The sound is influenced by Roots Americana.

David enjoys being active in the music community and serves as an ambassador for Three Chord Bourbon, a company founded by Pat Benatar's husband, Neil Giraldo, supporting live musicians. He has also collaborated with 42 North recently with similar efforts to keep live music live. "Its always helpful to have brands that believe in live music collaborating on special events."

For more information visit <https://www.millerandtheothersinners.com/> and <https://threechordbourbon.com/>. See the band live at HillTAP with tickets available at <https://www.hilltapfestival.com/>.

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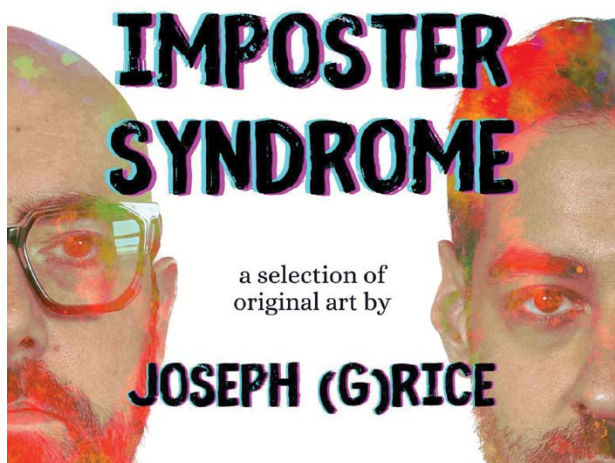
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Artist Spotlight: A Case of Mistaken Identity

Duo Painting Show Opens in Jamestown this Friday, July 19



a selection of original art by

JOSEPH (G)RICE

of me is doing. [...] It's a surprise to me as well as whoever's watching me paint" These spontaneous watercolors contrast with Rice's portraiture, animal, and nature art, which are often more methodically executed in oil or digital painting.

Joe Grice is best known for his paintings of birds. He also paints landscapes, and uses other mediums including gouache and charcoal. Grice describes the work in "Imposter Syndrome" as "an evolution of the path I've been on, and always trying to push myself and improve my technique and vision."

"Joe and I as artists don't want to be pigeon-holed into a certain subject, we both like to paint or draw from a lot of different sources," says Rice, who describes the pair as "rebellious against being put into these boxes" and shares that both are "putting together large bodies of work to challenge those preconceived notions."

Beyond this show, both artists have active online presences and high profiles in the community. Rice recently started an event painting business, which entails live watercolor paintings of the sort on display at the exhibit, but for "weddings, birthday parties, anniversary parties, block parties, etcetera." Readers can find more of his work, and book him for live events painting, at joericeart.com

Joe Grice exhibits at festivals and group art shows across Western New York. He will be vending at the upcoming Panama Rocks Wild America

By MILES HILTON

Friday, July 19 from 6-8pm, at Pearl City Clay House in downtown Jamestown.

Joe Rice, watercolorist and events painter, is a familiar site at events around Jamestown, where he captures the exuberance of these gatherings through lively paintings. Joe Grice and his oil paintings are also a familiar site around town, often exhibiting at the Chautauqua Art Gallery. As their names might suggest, these two artists often get mistaken for each other.

"Joe and I have [...] been aware of each other's work, but in the past 5 years we've both really increased our rate of work and the amount we're producing, and more and more we started getting confused for each other," says Rice, remembering times when "someone will see our work at a gallery and say 'wait, I'm pretty sure they spelled Joe's name wrong'". Since these humorous confusions began, the pair has been "joking about doing a show together, and it's just now coming to fruition."

The opening of their joint show "Imposter Syndrome" will be this

Friday, July 19 from 6-8pm, at Pearl City Clay House in downtown Jamestown. Joe Grice, who also lives in Jamestown, completed an Artists Residency in 2022 at the Roger Tory Peterson Institute, which helped him reframe his art from a hobby to a valid career path. "I think both Joe Rice and I are coming into our own as emerging artists and taking chances on ourselves," he says, "which is why we chose the title 'Imposter Syndrome'. It's tongue in cheek because we are constantly confused for each other in the community, however it is also a very real phenomenon that we as artists have gone through [...] despite any success we may have."

Rice is most visible as an events painter, a role that puts him front and center at concerts and other events around town. He describes this process as, "me going to a concert, setting up my easel and paint palette, and really absorbing what's happening, the music, the ambiance of the band, even the audience definitely plays a huge role. A lot of my event paintings, I have no plan going in and it's really dependent on what the artist in front

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active duty in the Navy, he served on eight warships, including the U.S.S. Little Rock. He retired in 1997. Throughout his career, he earned numerous honors."

Three years before Curry retired the first Seneca Nation Pow Wow was held. Returning home, he became a driving force with his Post #1587 cohorts to keep the Pow Wow improving each year. I recall taking a grandchild in a stroller and a rambunctious toddler to a Pow Wow held on the grounds of Veteran's Memorial Park twenty or so years ago. The event was all outdoors and the heat (or rain) sometimes got the best of the dancers and the spectators. We stood to watch, sometimes having to look over taller individuals or around them. The best seats in the house probably were those of toddlers on their parents or grandparents' shoulders. Of course, elders and handicapped had preferred seating. This year things will be different ... and much better. What remains is that this Pow Wow is one of the largest celebrations of its kind in the northeast.

The dancing competitions will be held indoors at the Seneca Allegany Resort and Casino Event Center. It seems the hot turf at Veteran's Park burned the dancers' feet. Bleachers are being added to accommodate all onlookers, and of course veterans, handicapped and elders will have special seating. Golf carts will be on a roll both days during the events taking those individuals from their cars and back. All veterans are officially honored both days at 11am. If you are a vet, wear something to signify your status and be there in time to be honored with all

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Stevens represents the caliber of the artists and vendors you will find in the Cultural tent, sponsored

by The Onohsagwe:de' Cultural Center. It is suggested by the promoters that visitors make their first stop at the tent to learn about the various cultures and arts represented there. There will be artisans from across North America, or as they say, The Turtle. (To the indigenous, Turtle Island is North America.) Only the most talented award-winning artists are chosen for the Pow Wow where carving, beadwork, metalwork, basket making and other native crafts will be exhibited. Stop, look, admire, ask questions, and familiarize yourself with their ways, their appreciation for beauty and their love of Mother Earth.

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National Comedy Center Announces "Lewis Black's Goodbye Yeller Brick Road, The Final Tour" Coming to Jamestown.

Now hear this! Comedian Lewis Black brings his "Goodbye Yeller Brick Road, The Final Tour" to Jamestown this September.

The National Comedy Center announced the Grammy-award winner's appearance is the second of two stand-up shows in Western New York. Black will perform in Buffalo at the Riviera Theater (North Tonawanda, NY) on Thursday, September 5, 2024 and at the Reg Lenna Center for the Arts in Jamestown on Friday, September 6, 2024.

Comedian, actor and writer Black recently announced that his current tour would be his final one – after 35+ years as a touring comedian – marking the end of his legendary world touring career. He will write the next chapter of his career by going back to his roots and focusing on writing a new play, penning a new book, and expanding his podcast, RantCast, to include live recordings.

Known as "King of the Rant," Black is beloved for his trademark style of comedic yelling and finger-pointing to expose the absurdities of life. His comedic brilliance makes people laugh at life's hypocrisies and the insanity he sees in the world. He is the longest-running correspondent on Comedy Central's *The Daily Show* and is currently starring as the voice of "Anger" in the Disney and Pixar box-office blockbuster film *Inside Out 2*.

Black is a National Comedy Center Advisory Board member and a



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longtime supporter of the non-profit cultural institution, which became the nation's first official archive and museum dedicated to preserving and presenting comedy's heritage when it opened its doors in 2018.

"It's always been a thrill for me to come to Jamestown and Buffalo, spend time in this incredible museum and perform for National Comedy Center audiences," said Black. "It means a lot to me to take the stage on this final tour, for these two very special shows, performing for friends and fans who love comedy as much as I do."

"Audiences here in Western New York have loved and appreciated Lewis Black's comedy for decades – since he first performed at one of the earliest Lucille Ball Comedy Festivals in Jamestown back in the early '90s," stated National Comedy Center Executive Director, Journey Gunderson.

"Lewis has become a steadfast supporter of the National Comedy Center's non-profit mission. On this final tour of his extraordinary

career, it's an honor to bring him back for two final shows so we can share that experience together. He's been an ambassador for the comedy community to receive an elevated level of regard within the arts, and he's one of most respected practitioners of the craft. From being the longest-running correspondent of *The Daily Show*, to his singular style and voice gracing stages for decades, he's an artist taking a final bow on tour, and it's not to miss if you live in Western New York."

Tickets for the Lewis Black shows are on sale now at ComedyCenter.org. All ticket holders for these shows will receive the benefit of a special admission offer for the National Comedy Center museum experience in Jamestown, NY. Ticket holders are eligible to receive a complimentary museum admission ticket with the purchase of one regular museum admission. Details are available at ComedyCenter.org/LewisBlack.



The Lucy Festival will have over fifty live events over four days, and also the National Comedy Center and Lucy Desi Museum will be open.

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Angles, where she starred in movies and in television and radio shows. She is most well known for her role in *I Love Lucy* from 1951-1957. *I Love Lucy* skyrocketed her as one of the pioneering leading female comedians of her time. Many years later, in 1989, the idea for The Lucille Ball Comedy Festival was discussed with Lucy, and it was her wish to have this type of festival to honor her instead of a statue or memorial. It had also been scheduled for her to be presented an honorary degree at Jamestown Community College. Unfortunately, Lucy died a month before this was scheduled.

In 1991, Jamestown held its first "Lucy Fest" and thousands of visitors from across the country came to Jamestown to take part in this one-of-a-kind event. In 2018, the National Comedy Center in Jamestown opened, and it took over coordinating this festival that embodies Ball's vision. The current Comedy Center's Vice President of Programming & Guest Experiences, Malachi Livermore, stated, "Our festival will have the best of comedy's past and present. It will include outstanding headliners, the best touring stand-up comedians, and three

nights of free block parties with live music. The Lucy Festival will have over fifty live events over four days, and also the National Comedy Center and Lucy Desi Museum will be open. We look forward to drawing festival attendees from across the U.S. They come for the comedy, but also stay in our local hotels and visit our restaurants, attractions, and local businesses."

This year's festival has a great line-up of events. From well-known headliners to smaller events and block parties, there is sure to be something for everyone. On Thursday-Saturday, lunches and dinners will be served in the Tropicana Club at 11am and 1pm each day and includes a video performance on the big screen. There will be Block Parties before and after the headlining comedians. The Block Parties will include live music, vendors, and adult beverages. Late-night comedy shows (9:30pm & 11pm) will be at the Tropicana Club and feature comedians from across the nation. Here are some other highlights that may interest you:

Thursday August 1st -1pm, A Step Back in Time: Feb 1956 in Jamestown- Includes a Reg Lenna tour with a historic look back to when Lucy came back to Jamestown in 1956, access to archives, photo ops and showing of Lucy's 1956 movie *Forever Darling*; 5:30pm, Block Party

outside of the Reg Lenna with the In Crowd; 7pm, Headliner Nicole Byer at the Reg Lenna. She is a comedian, actress, and is known for Netflix series *Nailed It*, *Girl Code*, and other television shows, Netflix, and movies.

Friday August 2- Lucille Ball's Hometown Tours (check for various times). This guided bus tour stops at Lucy's childhood home and other places significant to Lucy; 1pm, Lucy & Desi Super Fan Trivia Contest at the Doubletree Hotel; 5:30pm, the Untouchables play at the Block Party near the Reg Lenna. Headliner Jeff Ross will be at Reg Lenna at 7pm. He is a stand-up comedian and actor. He's best known for his insult comedy as the "Roast Master General" and has roasted many celebrities; 8pm, Doubletree Hotel will host The Lucy and Desi Hollywood Soiree, including music, hors d'oeuvres, and a costume contest with prizes.

Saturday August 3- Lucille Ball's Hometown Tours continue; 11am, I Love Lucy Trivia at the Doubletree Hotel; 3:30pm, Sarah Royal Book Signing, author of *AKA Lucy: The Dynamic and Determined Life of Lucille Ball*; 5:30pm, Block Party with Smackdab near the Comedy Center; 8pm, Headliner Nate Bargatze at the Northwest Arena

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in Brief

Musical #2: "The Phantom of the Opera"

BY BARBARA ARNSTEIN

Webber, ironically, their union was fatally fractured when Brightman became irresistibly attracted to a "Phantom" keyboardist, and had an affair with him, feeling an attraction much like the one experienced by her onstage counterpart Christine for the organ-playing Phantom.

When "Phantom" begins, the singer, Christine, is getting singing lessons from the Phantom, literally behind the scenes, because he's coaching her from behind the walls of her dressing room. She thinks this is wonderfully romantic, not realizing he's horribly obsessed with her. On the night she becomes an overnight success, her childhood friend Raoul sees her performance and invites her out to dinner, and this makes the Phantom so jealous he kidnaps her. The masked man takes her to his lair below the Opera House, where she is mesmerized by his singing and playing but shocked when she removes his mask and finds he's grotesquely disfigured. He soon lets her go, but his obsession continues. In Act Two, he forces the Opera House to present an opera he's written for Christine to star in, but she doesn't want to perform in it because she's afraid he'll kidnap her again. Ironically, Raoul, to whom she's become engaged, talks her into performing, saying she'll be safe because police will be on hand. After the Phantom joins her on stage in disguise, he does kidnap her again but Raoul goes to her rescue. In the end, they're together again and the Phantom mysteriously vanishes.

Why did a musical revolving around someone who terrorizes loads of people (and even murders two) become such an incredible international success? I'm sure the mesmerizing music helped. Its original cast album was the first in British musical history to enter the music charts at number one, and it promptly went platinum. Sarah Brightman's phenomenal voice spans three octaves. When the Broadway production first premiered, it was nominated for ten Tony awards, and it won seven, including those for Leading Actor (Michael Crawford) and Best Musical.

When Lloyd-Webber created the scenes in which the composer won't let people present a show unless they let his favorite singer play the lead, he couldn't have known he would really be in that situation someday. But such clairvoyant moments happen to writers all the time. Someone once wrote a play (an interactive murder mystery/dinner) involving a writer who is hired to work at a Manhattan magazine office, where she meets her future husband, an editor-in-chief. After it was performed in restaurants throughout Manhattan, the playwright was hired to work at a Manhattan magazine office, where she met her future husband, an editor-in-chief. This true story is in the 1999 book, "Chocolate for a Lover's Heart: Soul-Stirring Stories That Celebrate The Power of Love", edited by Kay Allenbaugh. I know it happened because the playwright was me.

Happenings in Chautauqua County this Weekend

BY DARLENE BRACE

It's the middle of summer, and there are a lot of activities to choose from to keep you and your family busy. Check out what's happening in Chautauqua County this weekend.

Thursday July 18 - Ion Sky will perform their acoustic set at the **Busti Tap House** starting at 6:30pm. Come enjoy some delicious food from the Tap House menu while listening to their rock and pop music.

Music at the Pier in Dunkirk continues this Thursday with their hard rock night. Starting at 5:30pm, classic rock band **Midlife Crisis** will get things started. At 6:45pm, **Appetite for Voltage** will take the stage. They are a Guns n Roses/ACDC tribute band that will surely get everyone rocking out on the shores of Lake Erie.

Another Thursday night summer concert series is in Lakewood at **Hartley Park**. This week, **Brown Dog Acoustics** will be performing their energetic acoustic rock and country music starting at 7pm.

Friday July 19 - The U2 Tribute Band called Wide Awake will be at **Southern Tier Brewing Company** starting at 6pm. Come enjoy the music while sipping on your favorite Southern Tier Beverage.

Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons will be performing at **Chautauqua Institution** at 8:15pm. They will be playing some of their old-time hits like "Sherry," "Walk Like a Man," and "Big Girls Don't Cry".

Sat July 20 - In downtown Jamestown, **Brazil** will continue with its Music on the Stoop. Local singer/songwriter **Jade Giambrone** will be performing a mix of

originals and country covers on the patio.

Peek and Peak Resort in Clymer, New York will be hosting **High Life** in the Gazebo Grill Main Stage from 5pm-9pm. Then, **Pendleton Station** will perform classic rock in the Bistro 210 starting at 9:30pm.

In Mayville, **Miranda Wilcox** will be performing at **Chautauqua Suites** starting at 6pm. Miranda is a young talented singer/songwriter that performs original music as well as an eclectic set of rock cover music.

Check out the 2nd annual **Long Point Lake Fest** from 12pm-7pm. There will be food, vendors, lawn games, a cornhole tournament, a scavenger hunt and more. There will be tunes by a DJ as well as from classic rock band **Goldirocks** from 2pm-5pm.

In nearby Cattaraugus County, the **Seneca Allegheny Casino's River Bar** is hosting some live music this weekend. On Friday night **Jesse and Erika** will play acoustic rock from 7pm to 11pm. Saturday night, the **Iron Eyes Experience** will perform classic rock and blues starting at 7pm.

The **Scandinavian Folk Festival** will be held at the **Northwest Arena** on July 20 & 21. Enjoy the culture, heritage, and customs as presented through a variety of music and dance performances. Headliner **Abbamania** will perform Saturday night at 8pm. There will also be a variety of food trucks and vendors. For more detailed information, go to www.scandinavianjamestown.org.

Sunday July 21 - OsbornNash will be performing at **Group Therapy** starting at 5pm.

This talented duo plays a wide variety of music. Come listen to the great music while enjoying some delicious food.

All Weekend - Sunset Bay Beach will once again be rocking the shores of Lake Erie. On Thursday night, start your weekend early with **Joe and the Schmoes** at Cabana Sam's. Sunset Bay Beach Club will be hosting **Midnight Strikes** starting at 10pm on Friday, and Saturday night **Midnight Recovery** will be jamming with their classic rock and country tunes starting at 8:30pm. Back at Cabana Sams on Sunday afternoon will be WNY's Party band **Nerds Gone Wild** starting at 3pm. It's sure to be a rockin' good time.

Bemus Point will be rocking the docks again this weekend. **The Village Casino** will host the talented duo **Lenny and the Landshark** on Thursday at 7pm. They will entertain you with their eclectic song list. On Saturday night, popular local band **Bucked Up** will perform their country/rock music starting at 9:30pm.

Up the street at **The Fish, Skinny Moo** will perform some classic music Friday night starting at 7pm. On Saturday night, a DJ will be spinning the tunes. Sunday afternoon, **Only Human** will get you moving to the beat in your seats or maybe dancing on the dock. Bemus Point entertainment never disappoints.

Big Inlet Brewing has a busy weekend of live music. On Friday, **Kevin Rowe & Friends** will perform Americana music at 6pm. On Saturday,

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SATURDAY

The Gin Mill is first up with John Frinzi from 2-5pm. John plays a folk/country/ pop set of originals and covers. Barnstorm takes the stage from 8-12am. This band plays new and classic country with a little rock thrown in. If you like craft cocktail try the Carriage House Sidebar for some high-end spirits.

We're back at Balloons for The Love Underground from 6:30-10pm. This band plays a rock/soul/funk set of covers to dance to. The tent will host Greg Zeist from 10-1am. Greg plays a rock/country/ folk/americana set of covers. Dj KT Stylez will provide the sauce so you can dance like a boss from 10-2am.

Taqueria is back with SON from 7-10pm. This duo plays a pop/r&b/blues/jazz set of covers and originals.

Last but not least Madigans hosts Bj Delta tearing up the sound booth putin the funk in the trunk so you can shake your junk from 9-2am.

SUNDAY

Balloons hosts Cameron Markott from 1-4pm in the tent. Do a little day drinking with live music outside in the tent.

The Gin Mill is an early bird with the return of John Frinzi from 2-5pm. Have a late lunch or early dinner of just drink some Bloody Mary's

Ellicottville Distillery hosts its Sunday Series with Interstate Daydream from 2-5pm. This couple plays a

rock/pop/folk/ country set with some soulful vocals.

Villaggio hosts its weekly AYCE Pasta and Prime Rib Special from 5-9pm. Fresh pasta with the fixings of your choice or savory prime cooked how you like it. Chris Maloney is the summer host from 6:30-8:30pm. Chris plays a rock/pop/folk/alt set of covers.

MONDAY

Monday is Strings and Wings at Balloons from 4-10pm. 50 cent wings and lots of good craft beers to wash them down with. This weeks musical guest is Tina Williams from 6-9pm. Tina plays a rock/pop/folk/country set of covers and originals.

The Gin Mill's Monday night music is provided by Michael David from 7-10pm. He plays a country/rock/bluegrass set of covers. Don't forget those 37 beers on tap.

TUESDAY

Balloons hosts Melissa Sauers, in the tent, Tuesday from 6-9pm. Melissa plays folk/acoustic rock covers.

Tuesday, The Gin Mill hosts Marty Peters and company from 7-10pm. Marty is a Buffalo Music HOF'er and plays a blues/folk set of covers from the 70's-90's.

Finally Balloons hosts Jennifer Westwood and Dylan Dunbar from 6-9pm. This Detroit duo plays a country/ blues/rock set of covers and originals and they are a Balloons favorite.

We've ended our seven day weekend the same for 40 years, at The Gin Mill for Wing, Wednesday from 7-10pm. Brian Rick is your host. Brian plays a rock/pop/ country set of covers.

If you enjoyed yourself please tell your friends and family and return often but wherever you are PLEASE, ALWAYS SUPPORT LIVE MUSIC!!!!!!

Beat on the Street:

“What Bands Would You Like to See at the Ellicottville Summer Festival of the Arts in the Future?”

By Chad Neal

The Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce has been delighting locals and visitors for decades now with the shows they put on at Holiday Valley on the Independence Day weekend. Some legendary outfits have found their way to Ellicottville to play some very recognizable music and it brings fans from all over. There's been a lot of positive reviews about it and some not so. But there will always be a negative factor on everything everywhere all the time. That doesn't mean it's bad, just balanced, like Yin and Yang. Every year though it brings in large crowds to the hill and commerce does well. What bands would you like to see at the Ellicottville Summer Festival of Arts in the future?



Jay K.- DM (Depeche Mode)!



Matt M.- Greensky bluegrass. Wood brothers. Dirty blanket. Neal Francis. I can go for a while, but I'll leave it at that.



G.- Uncle Remedy... or Kitten



Mat S.- Dark Star Orchestra, Mountain String Band or JGB!



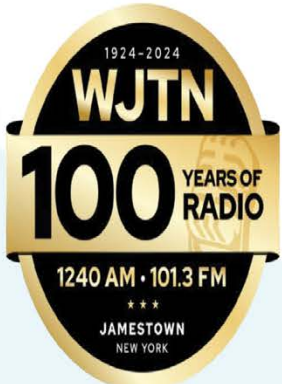
Jason G.- Fri: Jackson Stokes & Blackberry Smoke, Sat: Pat Harrington / Owen Eichensehr & Marcus King, Sun: Keb Mo & Tedeschi Trucks Band!



Heather H.- Luminaries!

Do you have a suggested question for Beat on the Street?

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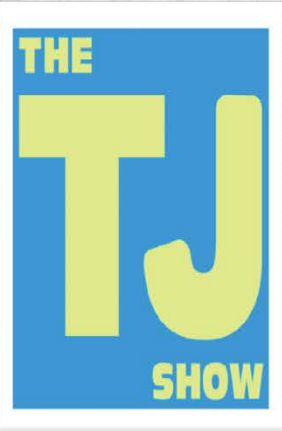
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Trolley

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addition to the three hybrid trolleys, the transit system fleet was updated with nine new busses.

The hybrid trolleys are beautifully designed with wooden seats, vintage lighting and gold accents throughout. They represent the trolley cars that once rode the streets of Jamestown. "Many people might not realize the significance of trolley cars to Jamestown," says Justin Gould, Media Coordinator for CHQ Transit. "Trolleys were an essential means of transportation to Jamestown many years ago," says Justin. "For about 40 years it was the best way to get around town. We're excited to have trolleys back on the streets of Jamestown," says Justin. "We're hoping people take advantage of this unique opportunity to see the sights and get around the area."

The trolleys operate along 2 main routes, divided between locations. The South County routes are designed to highlight key attractions including Jamestown, Bemus Point, and Midway State Park. Friday routes include Southern Tier Brewery, Ashville General Store, and Panama Rocks. Saturdays the route starts in Jamestown, stops in Bemus Point, proceeds to Midway State Park, and ends at the Chautauqua Institution, looping throughout the day.

The North County routes offer a delightful journey through several wineries

and lakefront destinations, as well as Sunset Bay Beach Club, Dunkirk Pier, Mayville's four corners and the Chautauqua Institution. A comprehensive breakdown of the tourism routes, including detailed maps with estimated arrival times, is available online at chqgov.com/carts/CHQTransit.

"We took careful consideration of desirable locations along both routes in order to help promote tourism to these locations, while providing convenience," says Michele Westphal, CHQ Transit Coordinator. "We made sure to include the Chautauqua Institution on Saturdays, as there is currently no other public transportation to that location."

"Our goal is to create a memorable and convenient travel experience for both locals and tourists," said Michele. "These new routes showcase the best of what Chautauqua County has to offer, and we are excited to see the positive impact they will have."

In addition to the new tourism routes, trolleys are available for public

rental, catering to private events such as weddings, bachelorette parties, birthdays and more. "Not only is it a unique and convenient way to get around, but the trolleys also provide excellent photo opportunities," says Michele.

Various pricing options are available for the trolleys, ranging from \$2.25 for a single ride, to \$10 for a hop-on-hop-off option. Reduced pricing is available for seniors, veterans and children, with a family package available for 2 adults and 2 children (\$30/day).

Michele and the team at CHQ Transit are excited to share this unique opportunity, and invite readers to come out for a ride through September. "We're looking forward to watching this program grow, and hope to offer more options in the coming years," says Michele.

For more information on the tourism routes or how to rent a trolley for a special event, please contact CHQ Transit at (716) 665-6466 or visit chqgov.com/carts/CHQTransit.

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★ ★ Sudoku Challenge ★ ★

This Week's Difficulty Level:
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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:

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

Trail

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the feeling of hiking in the depths of some remote forest, and that civilization isn't just beyond the next bend in the worn path. It's possible to think, to believe, that you're in the way-out woods, deep and dark, forging your way under a canopy of leaves.

The CHQ Trail, on the site of the Chautauqua Golf Course, was established in 2021 when Chautauqua Institution was awarded a KABOOM!* Play Everywhere Design Challenge grant funded by the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation. Pickard says, "CHQ Trail is a 5K nature, art and fitness trail that is open to the public free of charge all spring, summer, and fall."

It's a well-conceived, easily navigable pathway carved inside the Hill Course at Chautauqua Golf, and in Chautauqua fashion, it offers more than just a walk in the woods. The trail has what Pickard calls, "augmented reality artworks found along the trail."

That experience was created by Leslie Calimeri and John Stow. Calimeri has been a commercial and fine artist for nearly twenty years. Stow is a sculptor and blacksmith based in Stow, N.Y. He creates forged and carved sculptures that are both beautiful and functional. Both have added their talents to the CHQ Trail experience.

Pickard says, "Leslie's work highlights various landscapes and natural objects in Chautauqua County, emphasizing the colors, shapes, and spaces that define our shared environment. Her goal as a fine artist is to elevate everyday scenes. Her art invites viewers to rediscover the beauty in our surroundings. Leslie resides in Jamestown, N.Y., where she owns the Chautauqua Art Gallery.

Stow's wooden animal sculptures, known for



their animated and playful aesthetic, engage and delight viewers of all ages. These sculptures subtly encourage viewers, especially children, to create narratives around his work, fostering a personal and ever-expanding connection to his pieces."

Nate Hammond is the Recreation Facilities Coordinator at Chautauqua. The trail is part of his purview. "This fall, our community is gearing up for two thrilling events that promise to bring fun, excitement, and a healthy dose of competition to participants of all ages. The CHQ Trailblazer Challenge and the Squirrel Scramble are set to take place on October 5th at the CHQ Trail at the Chautauqua Golf Course.

The CHQ Trailblazer Challenge is an exhilarating 5k obstacle course race designed for adventurers aged 12 and up. What sets this event apart is not just the challenge of the course, but the unique, handmade obstacles crafted by our very own local artisan, John Stow. Each obstacle is a testament to creativity and local craftsmanship, making this race truly one-of-a-kind. Participants who register before September 30th will receive a commemorative T-shirt.

For our younger thrill-seekers, the Squirrel Scramble offers an equally exciting opportunity. Geared towards kids aged 5-12, this course is packed with agility challenges, and plenty of high-energy fun. Just like their older counterparts, Squirrel

Scramble participants who sign up before September 30th will also receive a special commemorative T-shirt, marking their achievement in style.

Both events not only promote physical activity and camaraderie, but also celebrate our community spirit and local talent. All proceeds from these events go directly to the ongoing maintenance for the CHQ Trail, which is a free community resource. We encourage families and individuals to join us in embracing the spirit of adventure and friendly competition at the CHQ Trailblazer Challenge and Squirrel Scramble this October."

And that's more or less how I got lost, finding a fictive reality on the CHQ Trail that says you're not in the middle of a golf course, but maybe at a wilderness path somewhere else, somewhere special (*my excuse and I'm sticking to it*).

For more information on how to register or get involved, please visit <https://runsignup.com/chqtrailblazerchallenge> or contact Nate Hammond at nhammond@chq.org.

* KABOOM! and Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation Announce 19 Winners of Play Everywhere Design Challenge Community Groups awarded \$1 million total across Western New York and Southeast Michigan for public installations that inspire play in everyday spaces. (ralphwilsonjr.org)

Art

Alliance Art Hub Trail this Labor Day weekend. His work can be found online at josephgrice.art.

First and foremost, don't miss the opening of "Imposter Syndrome". "I'm looking forward to bringing all the collective work that we've put hours

and hours in, to a show that the public can view" says Rice. "Joe and I have both been working really hard the past couple of years, and to see all that work displayed at a gallery ... it hasn't really set in how big of a deal that's going to be for us."

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Nature Festival, and will have an open studio on the North Shore Arts

Comedy

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The National Comedy Center is an American museum dedicated to comedy. Located in Lucille Ball's hometown of Jamestown, New York, the museum opened in August 2018 and reported 66,000 visitors in its first year of operation. The museum had been operating since 1996 as the Lucille Ball-Desi Arnaz Museum, which is now located a few blocks away. (Wikipedia.org) The National Comedy Center is located at 203 W 2nd St, Jamestown, NY 14701.

this year's 'Lucy Fest'. To find detailed descriptions and schedules of all the events or to buy tickets, go to comedycenter.org. Go to downtown Jamestown and join in the fun of this

year's Lucille Ball Comedy Festival. You will surely be laughing and having fun no matter what activities you decide to do, and you will remember why we all love Lucy.

at 8pm. Nate is a stand-up comedian. He has made appearances on Saturday Night Live, The Tonight Show etc... and has performed in stand-up comedy shows on Netflix and Comedy Central.

Sunday August 4 - 10am, Photo Opp with the Fab 4 on a recreated set at the Lucy Desi Museum; 1pm,

I Love Lucy Screening at the National Comedy Center's 350-foot outdoor movie screen. I Love Lucy episodes will be playing at no cost. Just bring your chairs and blankets to sit on.

These are some of the highlighted activities that are offered during

Powwow

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The Seneca Allegany Events Center is located at 777 Allegany Casino Blvd.

gets its name from the metal cones sewn in rows which makes their recognizable sound when the dancers move. The dance remains one of healing but it is also an expression of pride in their way of life.

For a sneak peek at the weekend events, arrive on Friday night at the events center (777 Allegany

Casino Blvd.) at 6pm for two hours of Iroquois Social Dancing and songs (free). You will find food and craft vendors to give you a taste for the weekend. For further information go to SenecaPowWow.org.

Gates open at 10am both days: Grand Entries taking place at 1pm Saturday and noon Sunday.

Then, follow the drums and find your place to watch the spectacle of grace, color, and dexterity. Listen for the music of the Jingle Dress which has a sweet story to match its sweet sound. Here's the story: an indigenous medicine man had a granddaughter who fell very sick. Spirit guides told him to create a Jingle Dress and have her dance in it to be healed. He did as commanded. Unable to dance on her own at first, she was supported by others but soon found she could dance on her own. The tribe was present when this took place and the story goes that she was healed. The Jingle Dance

Music

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Loose Connection will play at 5:30pm. On Sunday, local favorite **Bill Ward** will be entertaining the crowd with a lot of your favorite music.

These summer weekends

are fun, and the summer is already flying by. Next week look for next week's issue to see what happening in Chautauqua County during the last weekend in July.

Roger Tory Peterson Inst. Soiree

Artist-in-Residence Fundraiser Saturday, July 20

JAMESTOWN - Saturday, July 20th, from 6-9 pm, you are invited to support the arts at the RTPI 2024 Summer Soiree. This year's party is a fundraiser to benefit their Artist-in-Residence Program, which is a cornerstone of who RTPI is. Nurturing the next generation of nature artists is

an important part of their mission.

Read all about the Artist-in-Residence Program here: rtpi.org/artist-in-residence/.

Put on your summer cocktail party attire and celebrate under the tent, for an evening filled with music, hors d'oeuvres, and art. To purchase tickets, go

to rtpi.org. Johnson Estate Winery is the wine sponsor for the event.

If you are unable to attend the Soiree, you can still make a donation via their online registry with joy.com/rtpisummersoiree/registry. Your tax-deductible donation will go directly to helping a future Resident Artist.

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From Bryan's Brain



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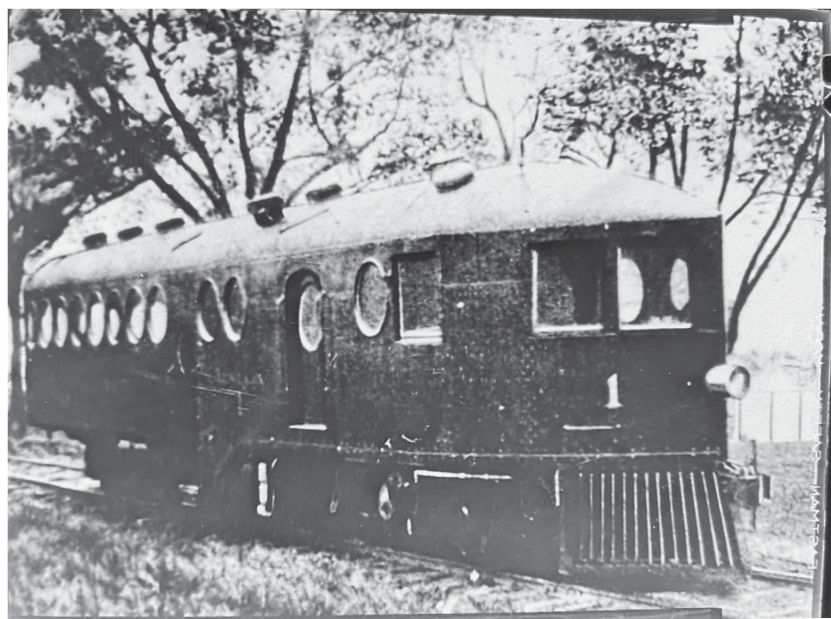
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