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Randolph, NY

**JAMESTOWN CRUISE-IN**  
Friday August 9 • 5pm  
Jamestown, NY

**FALCONER FARMER'S MARKET**  
Friday, August 9 • 12pm  
Falconer, NY

**CHAUTAUQUA LAKE DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL**  
Saturday August 10 • 8am  
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**MAYVILLE'S SATURDAY EVENING MARKET**  
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**JAMESTOWN PUBLIC MARKET**  
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**TASTE OF ELLICOTTVILLE**  
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**THIRD THURSDAY JAMESTOWN**  
Thursday, August 15 • 6am  
Jamestown NY

**ELLICOTTVILLE GAZEBO SERIES**  
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**GRIFFIS SCULPTURE PARK'S ANNUAL SUMMER FESTIVAL**  
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East Otto, NY

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## Explore the Buffalo Zoo

Full Day of Adventure Awaits



By BARBARA ARNSTEIN

Looking for someplace fun & wildly different to take the family this summer? The Buffalo Zoo offers wild fun day and night.

By day, everyone can visit lion cubs, giraffes, a tiger, an ocelot, meerkats, hyenas, gorillas,

parrots, polar bears, seals, otters and lots more animals and birds. Plus, there's a train ride and a carousel for children, and an interactive replica of a rain forest that's entirely indoors. A new and exciting animal show,

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## Taste of Ellicottville, August 10 & 11

Welcome to a Weekend-Long of Foodie Fun



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*This year's Weekend-Long Foodie Festival Introduces New VIP Experience.*

ELLICOTTVILLE - More than twenty restaurants have finalized their menus for this year's Taste of Ellicottville,

set for this Saturday and Sunday, August 10-11, 2024. Presented by Sysco and produced by the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce,

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## Spotlight: BFS - Madeline Hall

Taste of Ellicottville Celebrity Judge



**Madeline Hall at Chefs Hall Red Eye Burger collaboration with Chef Adam Ryan Toronto.**

By KATE BARTLETT

Madeline Hall has dubbed herself the Buffalo Food Slut, and will be making a special appearance as a food judge at the Taste of Ellicottville August 10-11. As a creative director and influencer, Madeline has built a career in the social media world, as well as a foodie. Her content attracts 1.3 million impressions

per month nationwide, and she helps businesses build their social media platforms and brand identity.

Born and raised in Buffalo, NY, Madeline has always had an appreciation for the Buffalo Food Scene, but describes herself as a picky eater as a child. "I was very picky growing up," recalls Madeline. "It wasn't until my sister began working at a seafood restaurant in Buffalo that I began to expand my palate. It was like my taste buds suddenly exploded and I couldn't get enough."

Madeline began working in the service industry as a freshman in college while studying communications at Buffalo State University. As a freshman, she worked at Spot coffee on Elmwood, starting as a dishwasher, then pouring coffee, and eventually cooking food. "As I poured coffee, I'd watch the food coming out of the kitchen and I didn't really like what I saw. I asked if I

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## Music Spotlight: Jenuine Cello

Captivating One-Woman Band

By KATE BARTLETT

Jen Mulhern, stage name Jenuine Cello, has earned her title as a captivating one-woman band. Playing vibrant cello textures looped and layered to create the songs within her heart, Jen engages audiences around the country with her talent. Living her years split between Buffalo, New York, and South Padre Island, Texas, Jen frequents the local Western New York music scene and gains inspiration from local musicians.

Jen started playing cello in sixth grade as part of a music elective in her middle school. She attributes her early love for cello, and music, to the accessibility of this public school program. "Once I picked it up, I never put it down," recalls Jen. "I gravitated towards the cello and once I started learning, I just loved it even more."

Jen began as a classically trained cellist and played in various city, state and regional orchestras throughout her high



**Jen is currently playing every Saturday throughout August in both Chautauqua and Ellicottville. She starts at Ellicottville Brewing Company in Bemus Point playing during brunch along Chautauqua Lake, then travels to Ellicottville to play at EBC Tap + Bottle Taqueria from 7-9pm.**

school career. She gained her Bachelors of Arts Degree in Music Performance at Texas State University, and then

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## Ellicottville: Meet the Chefs

Silver Fox Opens Season with New Faces



The new chef at The Silver Fox Restaurant, Jay Buchhardt and his sous chef, Corey Mellis are the new faces in the kitchen this season. The two have known each other for ten years and have worked together at other restaurants in the village. Photo/Jay Karassik

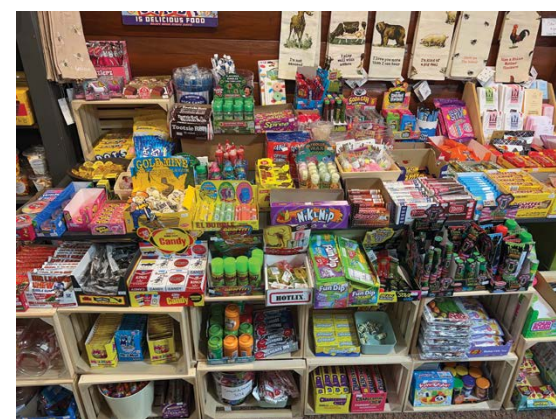
By CAROL FISHER-LINN

Back in the days before it was "cool" to repurpose old buildings far from what the original intent of the building was, Gerry Nickolson and his son, Michael, in 1974, got an idea to convert a rugged, circa late-1800's fur barn that they used for storage for their concrete business into a steakhouse. First off, one would wonder why take a gamble like that. You see, in 1974, the traffic on our main street was more apt to include farm trucks and folks in work pants and farm

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## Pea Pod and Juniper Too

Carlson Adds 2<sup>nd</sup> Business in Lakewood



As of the first week in June, Kim Carlson, owner of Pea Pod and Juniper in Lakewood, NY became the new owner of the 6 Baers Toy and Gift Shop also on Chautauqua Avenue in Lakewood. As the new owner, she has kept the toy and gift shop inventory intact, but she decided to call it Pea Pod and Juniper Too.

By DARLENE BRACE

When you drive into the Village of Lakewood, near the clock tower, you will see a shop called Pea Pod and Juniper, which is located at 141 Chautauqua Avenue. Pea Pod and Juniper is a unique floral and gift shop owned by Kim Carlson. Kim is from the Jamestown area, and she has worked in local family run businesses throughout her life.

The inspiration for opening this shop came

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# Publisher's Word

*"August is National Pirate Month"*



Arr, Matey! That ahead of you this summer. If you have an event you would like to share, please contact us directly through [www.thevillager.com](http://www.thevillager.com) and simply click on the "General Submissions" tab. For any other inquiries you can email [info@thevillager.com](mailto:info@thevillager.com) or call 716-699-2058, we are always happy to help. *We look forward to hearing from you! Until next week, enjoy the read and the trip - Jeanine Caprino Zimmer*

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## Village Casino Breaks World Record

Bemus Point Establishment Serves over 55,700 Wings



Congratulations to The Village Casino in Bemus Point for once again bringing home the Guinness Book of World Records title for the most chicken wings served in 24 hours last weekend; betting the old record with a smashing total of 55,760 Chicken Wings. Photos/Jane Pietrocario

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Registration is FREE! <https://runsignup.com/herontrailrun>

This annual race is in memory of Dave McDonald. Dave loved to run, he loved the Heron, and he loved music. Run or walk

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**Sunday August 11, 2024**  
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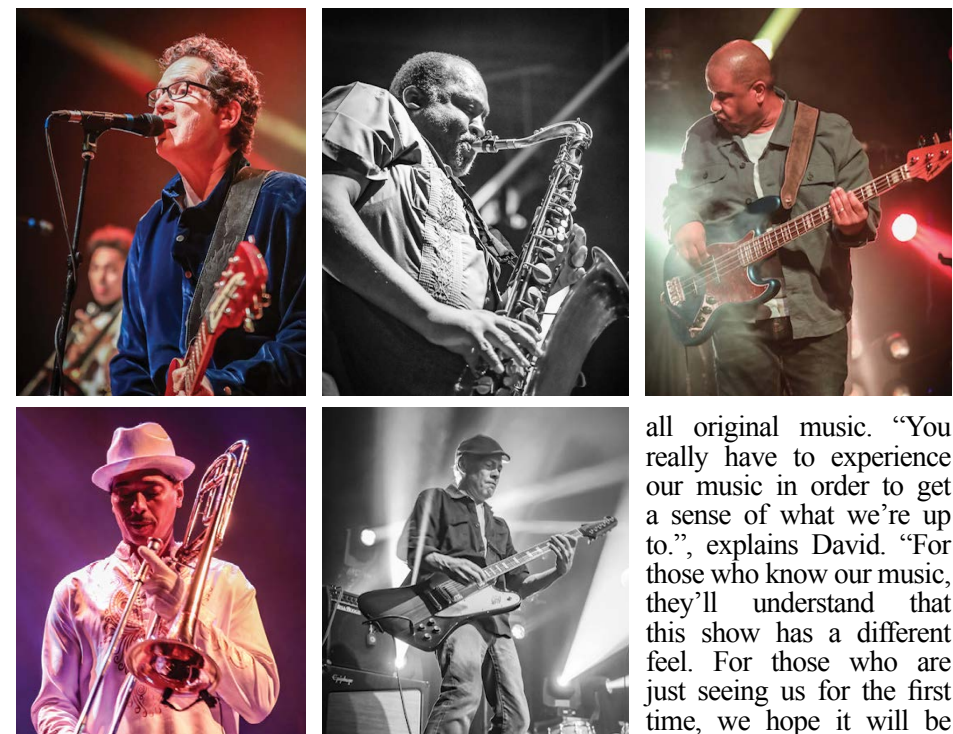
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A Taste of Ellicottville



# The Great Train Robbery

Local Renowned Alt. Reggae Band at Griffis Summer Festival



The Great Train Robbery will be playing Griffis Summer Festival Saturday August 18. Photos/ Jeff Tracy Photography.

BY KATE BARTLETT

Legendary Buffalo based alternative reggae band The Great Train Robbery will be playing Griffis Summer Festival Saturday August 18. Dubbed kings of the Buffalo music scene from the late 1980's-mid 2000s, the band has been on somewhat of a hiatus for 12 years until recently. Returning in 2022, the band has been playing sold out shows at the Town Ballroom, but this will be their first outdoor performance in many years.

Songwriter and lead singer/guitarist David Watts describes their sound as funky reggae, playing all original songs, no covers. "We try put on a show as opposed to just playing a list of songs," says David. "We typically play indoors with a rapid-fire song

style." The indoor set list is more scripted with an overall faster pace, while an outdoor concert allows for more of a laid back, performance style show. "It's going to be interesting playing outside for the first time in a great while," says David. "We're really looking forward it."

As lead singer/guitarist, David listens to the crowd and connects with their energy in order to determine which songs to play. "You never know what you're going to get," says David. "We change the song order on stage and adapt to the crowd. Switching songs, dropping songs, adding songs; faster, slower. Playing outdoors, it's more of a performance than a concert."

The Great Train Robbery is currently comprised of 7 members, with a horn section, rhythm and vocals. Their funky reggae style is captivating, upbeat, and

all original music. "You really have to experience our music in order to get a sense of what we're up to," explains David. "For those who know our music, they'll understand that this show has a different feel. For those who are just seeing us for the first time, we hope it will be an interestingly different experience for them."

David and the band are looking forward to the performance. "We love our fans, the crowds are great and we're really looking forward to doing something unusual. There's a special element, a unique energy to any outdoor performance, and we're ready to put on a show."

The question was asked, "What are your influences?" As a songwriter, he is influenced by every-thing. "There's only one answer to that question," states David. "Everything. Things you hear. People you meet. Places you go. The good and the bad. We are all influenced by everything. If you mean "musical influences", the answer is still the same. It's an art, and inspiration is everywhere."

For more information on Griffis Summer Music Festival visit <https://griffissculpturepark.org/> and to hear Great Train Robbery visit songs on YouTube.

# Celebrating 54 Years with Griffis

Summer Festival Dates Back to 1969



Griffis Sculpture Park Summer Festival is coming up on Sunday, August 18th. Festivals have always been part of the sculpture park since 1969. Here are a few pics from the opening weekend festival 54 years ago.

Griffis Sculpture Park is located at 6902 Mill Valley Rd, East Otto, NY 14729. You can learn more online at [griffissculpturepark.org](http://griffissculpturepark.org)

## Chautauqua Kitchen Series

2-Day Culinary Event Offered This Fall @ CHQ. Inst.



Athenaeum Hotel - Chautauqua Kitchen is a culinary event hosted by the Chautauqua Hotel Company, offering participants the opportunity to learn, dine and savor a diverse range of

culinary experiences over two days. September 5-7 & October 11-13. Attendees will engage with the talented culinary team, explore fine dining, wines, craft beverages,

and cocktails, and leave with Chautauqua Kitchen branded menu cards to recreate their favorite dishes at home, plus gift bags showcasing products from Chautauqua County.

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## Silver

### STORY. FROM COVER

boots than fancy cars with ski racks. The pharmacy (now part of Dina's) and Inn were regular pick up stops for the Bluebird buses that picked up travelers standing on the road with their suitcase at their sides. My children used these buses regularly, in fact. In 1974 we shopped at Biscup's hardware, a five and dime, and the haberdashery - Northrup's Style Shop - where we bought everything from baby bottles to men's undergarments and ladies nylon stockings, garter belts and brassieres, from an elderly gray-haired gentleman. In 1974 we had one fairly busy season (winter). Most restaurants closed for the summer with a few places like Weishan's, Whitmer's and The Barn serving visitors throughout the year. It was in this environment that these two brave guys followed their hunches and opened a steakhouse. It was called The silver Fox, not because it was an old fur barn, but because John Northrup gave Gerry Nickolson the nickname because of his silver hair - and indeed, considering the history of the building, it made perfect sense. Thus, the cozy, Victorian steakhouse was born.

Fast forward to today, and it remains a cozy Victorian steakhouse (the only steakhouse in town) specializing in the finest cuts of meats and the best seafood available. They serve dry aged steaks which produces a more tender and flavorful steak. Their new chef, Jay Buchhardt and his sous chef, Corey Mellis are the new faces in the kitchen this season. The two have known each other for ten years and have



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worked together at other restaurants in the village. Jay is from Little Valley and Corey from Olean, now living in Ellicottville and they work as a four-handed unit, one playing off the other. In talking with them it is clear that they are a team, bouncing ideas off one another for new sauces (a specialty), new dishes or even the plating effects. No detail is too insignificant to provide the Silver Fox customers with the finest eating experience they can find, anywhere.

Jay has had some chef schooling but basically, he learned from others who mentored him. He is especially grateful to Matt Snyder, with whom he had worked over twenty years, locally and in California. He says, "I learned from the best, and I am so grateful to Matt for all he taught me." In talking to both Jay and Corey it is easy to understand how they almost think alike and they certainly have a huge enthusiasm for creating food dishes that will keep you coming back for more. Working together in kitchen with relatively close quarters, they have learned to do a kind of

dance around each other, taking advantage of the smaller space to be in sync with each other. As Corey (a big guy!) says, "better a Ferrari than a bus!"

The restaurant is now owned by Michael and his wife Sally, a schoolteacher turned bartender, hostess, scheduler as needed. Michael has always had to have been on call in the kitchen at the grill. He is happy to say that for once in fifty years, he is free of that duty with these two new trusted and talented chefs in the kitchen. He and Sally are also looking forward to a fifty-year anniversary celebration coming up this December.

Currently, the Silver Fox is open on Wednesday, Thursday, 4:30 to 9pm and Friday and Saturday, 4:30 to 10pm. The bar opens at 4:30, and dinner is served starting at 5. An upstairs area is great for parties. Convenient parking is right out the front door at 23 Hughey Alley. For more information call 716-699-4672 or visit thesilverfoxrestaurant.com.

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# EA2EVL Fondo

## Erie-Cattaraugus Rail Trail Fund Raiser, October 5



petitive bike ride—starts at 42 North Brewing in East Aurora and goes down Route 240, heading west on Rt 242 into Ellicottville.

**#3 - Party On:** EA2EVL ends with a celebration—music, food, drinks—at the Holiday Valley Re-sort.

**#4 - Fundraising Awards:** Your registration gets you into the event, access to our course and rest stop amenities. We're asking each rider to fundraise for the ECRT Trail:

A \$100 donation earns you an event t-shirt and tickets for food/drink at the party.

If you raise \$500 or more, you get an EA2EVL event jersey, plus all of the above.

Our top fundraiser gets all of the above PLUS gets to wear the yellow jersey and a \$500 gift certificate from Tom's Pro Bike!!

**#5 - Register Today:** Sign up today, raise some money for ECRT, and enjoy the party and a great fall ride! To register: [runsignup.com](http://runsignup.com).

The fondo—or non-competitive bike ride—starts at 42 North Brewing in East Aurora and goes down Route 240, heading west on Rt 242 into Ellicottville.

Following three sold out events, the Erie Cattaraugus Rail Trail (ECRT) is excited for the 2024 EA2EVL Fondo. Over the last three years this ride has raised \$150,000 to continue to open, build, improve and maintain the 27-mile ECRT Trail that runs from Orchard Park to Ashford, NY. The trail

association is making so much progress because of YOUR SUPPORT!

**5 RIDE FACTS:** Here's what you need to know:  
**#1 - Date:** This year, the 42-mile charity bike ride will be held on Saturday, October 5th.

**#2 - Same Route:** How could you forget! The fondo—or non-com-

## Ellicottville Playground Project

Meet the Team, Donate to the Cause this Weekend



The team from the Ellicottville Playground project to have a booth at the event to help raise money for this wonderful cause. They will be located directly across the street from the Winery of Ellicottville from noon to 4pm Saturday and Sunday. As a special treat for the kids, Batman will be at the booth on Sunday for photos and a meet and greet, compliments of the Ellicottville Pharmacy. Many thanks to Ben Gilroy, owner of the Pharmacy.

# International Peace Run

## Passes Torch Along in Ellicottville, August 6



**Pictured:** Peace Runners representing Australia, Indonesia, Italy, Macedonia, New Zealand, Latvia, Poland, Slovakia, Russia, Ukraine, Croatia. With Mayor John Burrell, Supervisor Mc Andrew, Kimberly Orth, and the Widgers  
 Photo Submitted/Annie Widger, Ellicottville

The Sri Chinmoy Oneness-Home Peace Run (peacerun.org), history's largest peace torch relay, passed through Ellicottville on Tuesday, August 6th in the late afternoon. The Peace Run will cover 91 miles on the 6th running from Leeper to Ellicottville on Rte.219 passing the Peace Torch along the way. The international team is from 10 different countries and will be on the road for 4-months to promote peace, harmony and friendship. Along the route they meet with schools, youth organizations, local officials and attend events to pass the Peace Torch. The team will stay overnight in Ellicottville on the 6th compliments of Gentle Thunder Farm on Hencoop Hollow Rd.

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# National Buffalo Wing Festival

23rd Annual Feat. 62 New Sauces, August 31 & September 1



Buffalo, NY –The National Buffalo Wing Festival presented by Empower Federal Credit Union returns with a hotter-than-ever celebration of America’s favorite finger food! Taking place at Highmark Stadium this Labor Day Weekend, August 31st and September 1st, this year’s festival celebrates the 60th Anniversary of the “Buffalo Wing” and promises a weekend full of flavor, fun, and festivities for wing enthusiasts from coast to coast.

Since its inception in 2002 by Buffalo’s own Drew Cerza, also known as the “Wing King,” the festival has grown into a national phenomenon, attracting thousands of visitors annually. The 23rd annual Wingfest plans an exciting lineup of activities, contests, and, of course, mouth-watering wings from some of the best vendors in the country. Last year over 23,000 people attended from 46 different states

and 26 countries.

**NEW THIS YEAR:**

• **People’s Choice Award:** Since it is election year, the festival has decided to let attendees vote on their favorite wing at the festival through a QR code. Other voting will include great ongoing issues like ranch vs. blue cheese, drums vs flats and dipping vs non-dipping.

• **New Festival Layout:** The entire festival will be held on the main concourse inside the stadium. Festival Goers will still have access to the field to hang out and take pictures. This will allow attendees to navigate the entire festival footprint much easier.

• **New Wing Flavors:** Participating restaurants are challenged every year to create tantalizing new wing flavors as they compete for national awards. This year 62 new wing recipes will be featured. Some new flavors include: Maple Bacon Jalapeno - French Toast - Cajun Rum Butter - Whiskey Apple Bourbon - Hot Dill Pickle -

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• **VIP Craft Beer Fundraiser Presented by DiMarco Body Sculpting & Aesthetics, LLC:** Back for the second year, attendees can purchase a VIP ticket for Saturday and experience the festival in style. Included in the ticket is admission to the festival, chicken wings, local craft beer tastings, a souvenir plate and cup and more.

• **Crazy Contests:** Back again this year are the Wing It On! United States Chicken Wing Eating Championship and Buffalo Buffet Bowl for professional eaters from

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## BFS

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could try cooking a few things and it went great.” Madeline furthered her experience with the industry cooking and experimenting with different tastes and presentation of food items. She also worked on two food trucks: Minneo & Sappio and Cheesy Chick both cooking and serving food. Her first serving job was at Boomerangs, then work at Cabaret Restaurant. She began as a host but with her outgoing personality, she quickly began to bartend.

Madeline would throw elaborately themed dinner parties throughout college, hosting her friends with homecooked meals. “I loved hosting and my friends loved eating! It was the perfect combination and made our college years a lot of fun. Everyone was looking for a home-cooked meal. It also gave me experience in the kitchen into being a personal chef.”

Madeline was faced with serious health issues at a young age when she was diagnosed with SIBO (Small Intestine Bacterial Overgrowth) at 22 years old. After 2 years of clean eating, soul searching and Colon Hydro Therapy, Madeline was SIBO free, and has remained so since. “Facing this at such a young age completely shaped my health journey, and reframed my lifestyle. It’s almost a blessing to have undergone this, as I have a deeper appreciation for food, and I’ve found a balance between health and the Buffalo Food Scene which I love.”

Madeline continued to network in the food community of Buffalo, and obtained her first

personal chef opportunity while bartending at Cabaret restaurant in the Theatre District. “I’m a very outgoing person, and I loved sharing pictures of the meals I created. One thing led to another, and I steadily began to gain clients to work for as a personal chef.”

While building her own social media platforms, Madeline started to learn about the engagement and analytics of social media. “It was fascinating to me,” recalls Madeline. “People really loved watching my food content, so I focused on that aspect for a while. I also learned a ton about how to build a brand and engage the community of social media.”

Madeline decided to launch her own personal consulting site, helping businesses build their brands and social media platforms. She was recently named the Vice President of Game Day Hospitality after raising their social media engagement by 400% in a year. Her position with Game Day focuses on experiential tailgating around the country for all major sports teams, but mostly the NFL. Her Instagram page has 41,000 followers, and she was named Best Instagrammer in WNY in 2023 by Buffalo Spree.

Not only is Madeline passionate about food and creative consulting, but she always finds a way to give back to the community. “I live by the motto to give more than you take and to be bigger than your surroundings. A huge part of my mission is to give back to the community, and I’m always seeking creative ways to do that.”

During the pandemic, Madeline worked with local restaurants to order food and deliver food to



Prince Street Pizza is located around the USA and Toronto. Toronto location photo shoot with Lanie Williams

essential workers.

She was recognized on the Today Show for her acts of Kindness. She was clandestinely in Cincinnati during the Buffalo Bills game where Damar Hamlin’s heart stopped for almost 9 minutes. “I was planning on leaving the day after the game, but decided I could serve the community during this time of need.” Madeline stayed 3 days and served over 650 essential workers during this time. Having worked with the Thurman Thomas Foundation in the past, he and his wife generously helped fundraise efforts and push on social media to donate.

Additionally, Madeline has her own clothing line, which she launched online in 2020. Her brand, BFS Brand athletic leisure wear reflects her style provides a creative outlet, and reaches her followers on a deeper connection.

Madeline will be judging at the Taste of Ellicottville August 10-11 for her first time. “While I’ve never judged or attended the Taste of Ellicottville, I appreciate all that Ellicottville has to offer, year-round. There’re so many remarkable restaurants within such

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events in Buffalo. Now preparing for its eighth edition. MBSB has really become so much more than meatballs. A select group of vital charity organizations receive valuable assistance from the event proceeds. **HOW DOES IT WORK?** Contenders are invited to participate. Some have been with the event since year 1. There are two categories in which meatballs compete - Traditional, or "Menu Meatball" - the ball you serve day to day at your restaurant. And then there's Freestyle. This is where people get really creative. Reuben meatballs, turkey dinner meatballs, veal and mortadella with pistachio

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4	VILLAGGIO	Risotto Bites, Nani's Mini Meatballs, Porchetta Slider, Arugula Salad, Buffalo Calamari, Bottled Water	5, 6, 6, 4, 6, 2
5	SILVER FOX STEAKHOUSE	Angus Beef Tenderloin Skewers w/Rosemary Aioli, Asian Tuna, San Pellegrino Water	6, 5, 2
6	EDNA'S AT HOLIDAY VALLEY	Buffalo Chicken Arancini w/Bleu Cream & Celery, Carrot Confetti (Buffalo), Edna's Signature Hummus w/Vegetables & Pita, Strawberry Basil Panna Cotta w/Blueberries & White Chocolate, Starbucks Dragon Berry Fruit Refresher, Bottled Water	5, 4, 4, 4, 4, 2
7	GIN MILL	Shrimp Corn Chowder, 2 Tempura Shrimp, 2 Pork Potstickers, Mini Beef on Weck (Buffalo), Fresh Potato Chips	3, 4, 3, 4, 2

8. HIDALGO MEXICAN GRILL	Hard Shell Taco, Flautas, Chicken Quesadilla, Soda Mexicana, Fried Ice Cream	3, 3, 4, 4, 4
9. MADIGAN'S	Madigan's Famous Sweet and Spicy Wings (Buffalo), Loaded Mac & Cheese, Dom's Butcher Block Beef Jerky, Bottled Water	5, 5, 5, 2
10. KATY'S CAFE	Blue Mushroom Soup, Raspberry Lemonade Refresher, Summer Berry Shortcake with Lemon Whipped Cream, Smokey BBQ Burnt Ends Mac & Cheese	4, 3, 4, 6
11. BALLOONS RESTAURANT & NIGHTCLUB	Korean BBQ Rice Bowl, Brisket Mac & Cheese Bowl, Wings: Medium or BBQ (Buffalo), Creamsicle Float	6, 6, 5, 5
12. CUPCAKED / CHEF'S CORNER	Lobster & Shrimp Roll, White Tomato Soup, Loganberry Macaroni Pack (Buffalo), Raspberry Crisp Bar, PB Banana Cheesecake	5, 3, 3, 4, 5
13. ELLCOTTVILLE BREWING COMPANY	Mini Shepherd's Pie, Buffalo Style Chicken Thighs (Buffalo), Burrata Cheese w/Fig and Tomato, Fresh Lemonade, Bottled water	6, 5, 6, 4, 1
14. MONROE STREET BRICK & BREW	Cheese Pizza Slice, Pepperoni Pizza Slice, Garlic White Pizza Slice, Buffalo Chicken Pizza Slice (Buffalo), Water	5, 5, 5, 5, 2
15. STEELBOUND BREWERY & DISTILLERY	Cranberry Dijon Mortadella Sliders - Brioche, Cranberry Dijon, fresh mozzarella, fried Mortadella, Chopped Salad - chopped greens, bacon, tomato, gorgonzola, cucumber, carrots and Buttermilk Blue Cheese Dressing	4, 4, 4, 3
16. WATSON'S CHOCOLATES	Rice Pudding, Sponge Candy, Sea Salt Caramels, Grandma's Baklava, "Everything" Patty	5, 5, 3, 3, 4
17. WEST ROSE	Smoked Chicken Pita w/tabbouleh, garlic sauce & cucumber, chic peas, Malted Coconut Marlow Scoop (dessert), Loganberry Arnold Palmer (alcohol free), Bottled water	5, 4, 4, 3, 2
18. DINA'S RESTAURANT	Beef Tenderloin w/Caramelized Onions, Crumbled Gorgonzola & Port Wine Demi, BBQ Baby Back Ribs (1-2 bone portion), Short Rib Melt, Vegan Stuffed Poblano, w/Impossible Beef, Black Beans, Corn, Rice, Vegan Cheese & Salsa, Chicken Wing Pizza (Buffalo)	6, 6, 5, 4, 5, 5, 5
19. DINA'S AT THE MONT	Homemade Mac & Cheese, Arugula & Burrata Salad w/Blackberries, Candied Pecans, Cucumber, Tomato & Honey Balsamic Dressing, Grilled Peach w/Brown Sugar & Goat Cheese Ice Cream and Honey/Balsamic Sauce, Lobster Quesadilla, Cilantro/Lime Aioli, Lobster Arancini with Pink Vodka Sauce	4, 4, 6, 4, 5, 6, 6
20. THE BANQ COCKTAIL LOUNGE	Fried Oysters over Arugula with Lemon Caper Aioli (2), Ricotta Stuffed Gnocchi w/Buffalo Sauce & Blue Cheese Dressing (Buffalo), Tuna Poke Bowl with Fried Wonton Chips, Blueberry Lemonade, Watermelon Mojito Mocktail	4, 4, 5, 4, 4

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# Taste

## STORY FROM COVER

visitors from Canada and the surrounding states are expected to travel here for a chance to indulge in the local culinary scene as establishments serve up some of their most notable menu items.

"The Taste is the perfect opportunity to sample a variety of flavors from our local restaurants, all in an afternoon," said Brian McFadden, Executive Director of the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce. "This is the only Taste event in Western NY that requires

all restaurants to have a full-time location in the Village and Town".

Small portions of select menu items from each of the participating restaurants will be offered each day from 12-4pm. Purchase your food tickets at the event, pick up a menu sheet, and plan your foodie experience as you saunter the streets and sidewalks, where restaurants will be set up for your outdoor tasting pleasure. Tickets are \$1 each, with food items ranging from \$1-\$6.

To add to the festival vibe, this year's theme is "Christmas in August." Expect to see some ho-ho-holiday decor and share

in whimsical wonderland cheer! Restaurants are encouraged to get creative and with their booth decorations... nostalgic Christmas colors and the sound of sleigh bells are sure to be seen and heard all through town.

As for the food itself, this year's judging will return with awards in the following categories: Best of Ellicottville, Healthy Choice, Sweetest Sweet, Kids Choice, and Buffalo-inspired. The latter category will bring in two very special judges, two well-known individuals who couldn't be any more Buffalo! Madeline Hall (Buffalo Influencer, BFS) (see cover story) and Drew

Cerza (The Wing King) (see story on his Buffalo Wing Fest, page 6) will take responsibility for choosing the best Buffalo-inspired dish at this year's Taste.

"We have been working with Madeline, BFS, a well-known social media influencer, on Taste of Ellicottville for a couple of months now to gain more interest in the event and to showcase the culinary scene that we have to offer here that not many are aware of," said Barb Pump, Assistant Executive of the Ellicottville Chamber. "She has an amazing outlook on the food scene and the idea of partnering with her to take Taste to another level was a no-brainer. Drew

Cerza, as many know, is a staple in the Buffalo food scene and to have both of them as judges is almost as exciting as a wing eating competition (wink wink!)."

Judges making their way for the Taste's general categories include Kate Glaser and Jade King of Hope Rises, and Sue O'Neil of KISS 98.5, among others.

New this year, a VIP Experience has been created to offer a more intimate tasting session for Taste-goers. "The VIP Experience is something new. We wanted to try to provide new experiences for the event," said Barb. "Food options

from participating restaurants will be served inside the private bar area in the Carriage House at The Gin Mill."

The Chamber is offering only 30 VIP Experience spots. The \$100 experience will include:

- Menu tasting from 7 local restaurants from 11am-2pm
- 2 drink tickets that can be redeemed from the Gin Mill's special Carriage House drink menu
- 2 additional sheets of food tickets (10 tickets per sheet) to be used at the general Taste booths.

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**BREAKING NEWS**



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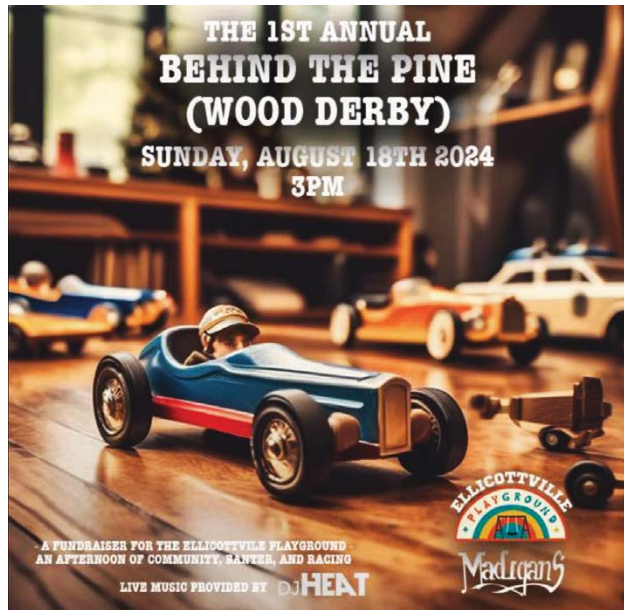


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# Behind the Pine (Wood Derby)

Madigan's Hosts Fundraiser for EVL Playground, August 18



upstairs at the green bar (Madigan's) at 3pm Sunday August 18th. On the Eventbrite link it says to "get ready to show off your creativity, and speed as you race your handcrafted wooden car down the track. An event that is perfect for families, friends, and anyone who loves a good competition. Don't miss a chance to win awesome prizes and bragging rights!"

The basic rules for the racers are the width shall not exceed 2-3/4 inches, the length shall not exceed 7 inches, and weight shall not exceed 5 ounces. Axles, wheel, and body shall be from the materials provided in the kit and wheel bearings, washers, and bushings are prohibited. There will be a variety of divisions, from kids to adults, making this a come one, come all event, with giveaways, raffles, 50/50, and live entertainment from DJ Heat from WBLK. Food will be provided by Dom's Butcher Block and the track is donated by Paula Dineen from the local scout troop.

Morgan has more ideas up his sleeve as well, but this racing day will be epic and memorable. If there are any questions shoot him an email at thepatmorgan@gmail.com and stop in to Madigan's and get your model racer to shape up for the competition. Registration is \$30 and can be paid on the Eventbrite link found on the Facebook page or the day of the race. Tell your friends and family, let's make this a great day of racing!

A big shout out goes to the whole community involved in Ellicottville's new Inclusive Playground and to event sponsors, Dom's Butcher Block, and DJ Heat.

By CHAD NEAL

## Classic Wooden Model Car Racing Event, Sunday August 18 at Madigan's in Ellicottville to benefit new Ellicottville Playground.

Pat Morgan is back in Ellicottville and he has an agenda. His love for this place is known amongst his inner circle and he wants to show this town his ideas to keep it going in the positive direction we have been skating in for decades now. Morgan was away for ten years doing his thing, but now he has moved back to the village he loves (here in this Bubble of Awesomeness) and he has ideas to help make it even better. One idea he has to help support the new inclusive playground in the works is a model car race at Madigan's on Sunday August 18th. He has dubbed the event "The 1st Annual Behind the Pine (Wood Derby)" as it involves the classic wooden model gravity racers made popular in the scouting groups all around the country and the world.

"The Pinewood Derby is rich with history," said Morgan, "dating back to the first ever in 1953. Fast forward to 2024, what better time to bring it back, in the form of a fundraiser for the Ellicottville Playground. Most of us have childhood memories building cars with our parents, racing them, and letting them collect dust on the shelf over the years. Time to dust them off!"

Morgan told *The Villager* that it is a family-friendly event with divisions for kids and adults and he suggested there will be a "legends division with older cars from childhood." Look on the Eventbrite link on the 1st Annual (Behind the Pine) Wood Derby page on Facebook for more information. Morgan is also planning a night to paint and make your cars personalized and styling at Madigan's during the week before the big race. Madigan's will have a limited number of model cars for sale prior to the event or you can find them on Amazon - search for the basic Pine Derby Car Kit. The race will be held

# Distilled and Chilled Music Fest

Ellicottville Distillery Hosts 5th Annual, Aug. 17

By CHAD NEAL

Music festivals are very much a part of the Ellicottville scene. The village holds a few every year, and there is also an annual festival held at The Ellicottville Distillery going on its 5th year. Saturday, August 17th Distilled and Chilled Music Festival will be highlighting nine musical acts from all over the Western New York area. The festivities will have the relaxed and cool atmosphere as two stages will be showcasing non-stop live music all day until 9:30pm. There will be a Main Stage hosting 6 bands and the Acoustic Stage lineup has 3 acts to keep the vibe steady.

The organizers wanted to focus on original music for Distilled and Chilled. Nick Kody, who puts the festival together, said that he enjoys "putting on a larger festival type event to feature local music. Most of the acts are 70% original material, not cover bands, although we do mix in a few covers, or our take of a cover every now and then. I used to put on an event at my house, but then realized that Ellicottville Distillery would be the perfect location for the event to grow with their large outdoor space."

The Ellicottville Distillery is located outside the village, 4 miles east on Rte. 242 on Robbins Rd. at Ashford Junction by the Tubing Park. The property is perfect for a festival of this kind as it is on several acres along with Bigfoot Park Golf next door and the tasting room in the distillery itself. There will be over 25 vendors selling many great and fun items, from plants to jewelry, crafts and clothing. Food



The festivities will have the relaxed and cool atmosphere as two stages will be showcasing non-stop live music all day until 9:30pm. There will be a Main Stage hosting 6 bands and the Acoustic Stage lineup has 3 acts to keep the vibe steady.

will be provided by two excellent live sets of separate food trucks Jake & The Fatman and KB Food Catering. Delicious cocktails and tasty beers will be available in the tasting room, all made with spirits and ales made in New York.

Tickets at the gate are \$20 per adult and kids 12 and under are free. The doors open and festivities start at 12pm. There is some seating under the pavilion, but they suggest you bring your own chair for comfort, as with all the open space, there will be good spots with a good view of the main stage everywhere. There is a section of the distillery's website to find more info on the Distilled and Chilled visit their website [ellicottvilledistillery.com/distilled-chilled-music-festival](http://ellicottvilledistillery.com/distilled-chilled-music-festival).

The outfits that will be sharing their talents on the Main Stage starting at 12:30 are Porcelain Train until 1:30; Fuzzy & The Rustbelts play their music stylings from 2-3pm; The Beard & The Bird from 3:30-4:30pm; Marshmallow Overcoat from 5-6pm; Kody & Herren from 6:30-7:30m and to end the evenings

original music Captain Tom & The Hooligans will be jamming from 8-9:30pm. In between these acts, acoustic artists will be playing under the pavilion. Three different solo musicians will play twice each twixt the plugged-in acts. Brian Wreck, who plays Wednesday nights at the Gin Mill will have the 12-12:30 and 1:30-2pm sets; Jason Mirek will croon for the crowd at 3-3:30 and 4:30-5pm; and Tina Williams will highlight her music from 6-6:30 and 7:30-8pm.

Not only will the venue be a relaxed and peaceful place to enjoy live tunes, but the performances will make the atmosphere even better. The Ellicottville Distillery and Bigfoot Park Golf will both be working together to make this a fun event and Nick Kody's planning and organizing are sure to keep everyone delighted. The Distilled and Chilled Music Festival is growing every year and this one is set to be the best one yet. The Ellicottville Distillery is located at 5462 Robbins Road Ellicottville.

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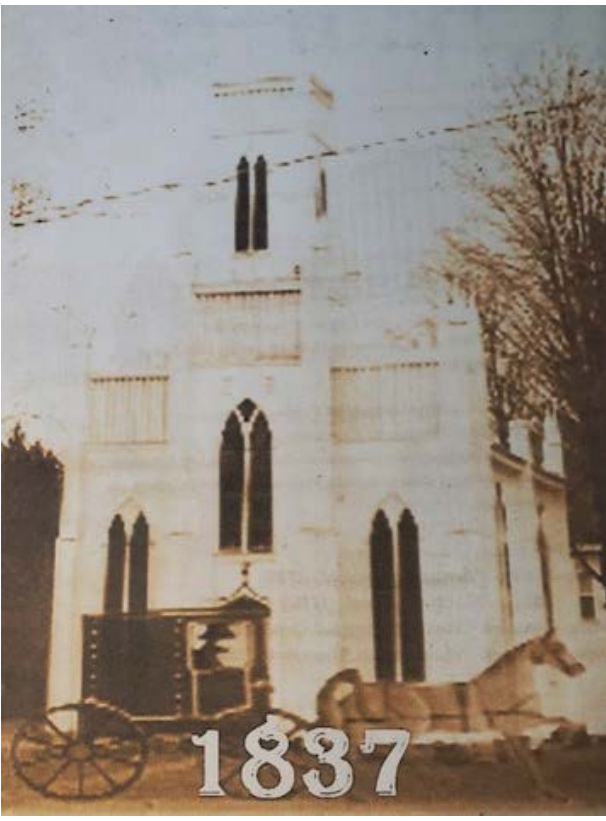
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# History: St. John's Episcopal Church

First Church in Village of Ellicottville



This church building is regarded as one of the most authentic of wooden Gothic construction in the eastern United States. It is maintained by the G. Wilbur Northrup Trust Fund. The Northrup family remains one of the major benefactors to this fund, hence the pristine condition of this grand historic church.

By CAROL FISHER-LINN

*Buildings tell stories, and these walls are talking...*

From the Library of Congress we learn that many of the British North America colonies that eventually formed the United States of America were settled in the seventeenth century by men and women, who, in the face of European prosecution, refused to compromise passionately held religious convictions and fled Europe. The New England colonies, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Maryland were conceived and established "as plantations of religion.

They go on to say that they enthusiastically supported the efforts of their leaders to create "a city on a hill" or a "holy experiment" whose success would prove that God's plan for his churches could be successfully realized in the American wilderness. As the colonies became more settled, the influence of the clergy and their churches grew. At the heart of most communities was the church. That explains why, when a community/village/town is formed, the establishment of a church follows. It was no different in Ellicottville.

1817, and the wilderness named Ellicottville (after Joseph Ellicott from the Holland Land Company)

comes into its own, designated Cattaraugus County seat. When the Holland Land Company divided the land for sale and the village lots were established, the central four corners were firmly designated: two for county buildings, one for a school, and one for a church. The Episcopal Church, being the first church formed in the village was granted one of the reserved four corners. Although formed as a church in 1829, the building did not go up until 1837.

Until then, church services were held upstairs in the new Town Hall. In 1829 a missionary, Rev. Wm. Bostwick, visited the area which he termed "wild" and assisted the new Episcopalians to form their church. To be clear, there was an organized Baptist Church in town with services being held in a home on Bryant Hill Road since 1824, but not in the village.

In a booklet about St. John's Church in Ellicottville first compiled in 1946 by William King Laidlaw, he tells us "the first sojourners on the site of Ellicottville were Orrin Picher and a man named Waters. Hired by the Holland Land company to make a clearing, they cut the trees from the site of the City Garage (Katy's) to the present Monroe Street. They lived in a hut in the vicinity during the winter of 1813-1814. As if that were not accomplishment enough, they claimed they heard the firing of cannon at the capture of Buffalo on the 29th of December 1813." (The War of 1812.) By 1829 when St. John's

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# Pea Pod

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during the Covid pandemic. Kim felt she wasn't living her life to the fullest. When her son Alex passed away in 2016, she had realized how quickly life can change. She felt she needed to create something that filled her heart. Previously she had worked at Girton's Flower Shop when she was in her twenties, so she knew how to create floral arrangements. She followed her heart and decided to open this shop as she felt healing would come through creating this beautiful business.

Kim opened Pea Pod and Juniper in the fall of 2020. Since then, she has created an amazing business that is much more than just a traditional florist shop. Kim said, "I wanted to create a space and a shopping experience unlike any other in the area" and that's exactly what she did. Her shop has a relaxing vibe, and it brings joy and fulfillment to her and her customers. The shop carries a large selection of fresh flowers, and Kim can make any size and type of arrangement for any occasion. You will also find a selection of plants of various types and sizes. Her shop also includes a large variety of unique gifts and other items including things like candles, fragrances, chocolates, spices, jewelry, stuffed animals, clothing, accessories, Italian glass, books, specialty items for men, women, and children and much more. Pea Pod and Juniper is full of beauty, life, hope, and fun!!

Kim recently had another unique business opportunity proposed to her. In May of 2024, Kim's friend Sally Baer,



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who had been the owner of 6 Baers Toy and Gift Shop on Chautauqua Avenue, called her. Sally asked Kim if she wanted to buy some of her unique inventory to put in her shop. Kim was interested, but she not only bought some of the inventory, by the end of the day they had an agreement that Kim would buy the 6 Baers business from Sally. As of the first week in June, Kim became the new owner of the 6 Baers Toy and Gift Shop. As the new owner, she has kept the toy and gift shop inventory intact, but she decided to call it Pea Pod and Juniper Too.

Just as Kim wanted her floral and gift shop to be like no other in the area, Pea Pod and Juniper Too is also a one-of-a-kind store. There are three rooms of old-fashioned classic toys, including big company names like Brio and Playmobil. Other items found there would be journals, candles, arts and crafts, puzzles, wildlife stuffed animals, puppets, and more. It's very kid friendly, and it has a wide range of candy that you would have found in the little corner stores in the 60's and 70's that you

don't find in stores today. Some examples of the candy would be candy necklaces, Pixi Sticks, chocolate ice cubes and coins, Gold Mine Candy, and Charleston Chews. There are too many to list them all here, so you should go see it for yourself.

As a small business owner, Kim has a very busy schedule but still dedicates some of her time and money giving back to the community. She sometimes speaks to organizations and garden clubs. In June, she spoke to the Jamestown Young Professionals group and talked to them about what it's like to start a business from scratch. She also makes fifteen to twenty donations per month to local charities, nonprofits, and benefits. At Pea Pod and Juniper, she also holds floral design classes for small groups that you can sign up for just about any time.

Pea Pod and Juniper is open every day from 9am-5pm except Sundays and makes deliveries

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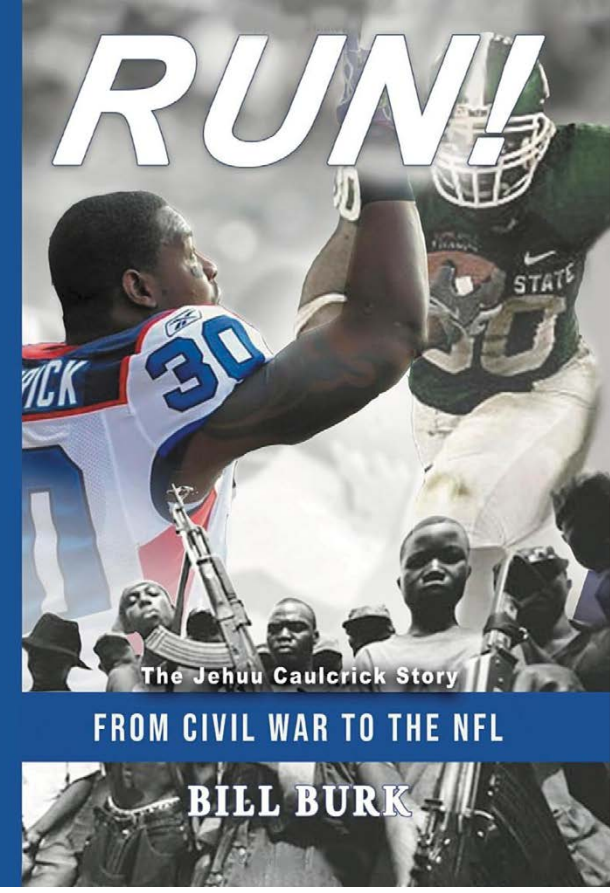


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weapon, machetes, pistols, AK-47s as large as the kids themselves.

SCENE: The swamp steams in front of a line of African child soldiers, dressed in rags and costumes (horror masks and wigs, dirty wedding dresses, shorts and ripped, bright colored t-shirts). Morning fog rises in waves of heat, like an impossible cloud from the thick, muddy dampness.

- The boys, aged ten to teens, are gathered on the edge of the swamp, quiet but restless. Camera pans across the swamp to a cityscape in the distance, past the green, brown bog that lays before them.

-Camera follows the row of gaunt faces, their pacing feet, bugs flit in and out of their open eyes and mouths. The eyes are yellowed with jaundice and malnutrition, lips cracked with blood-red smears across teeth that show against bony cheeks. There is no baby fat in the ranks of the Child Soldiers of Liberia.

-As the sun continues to rise, the swamp comes alive, it roils like percolating water. The camera catches slashes of gator, snake, and other primal beasts that puncture the swamp's surface.

-Camera swings past the boys and Jeeps and white Toyota pick-up trucks skid to a halt behind them. Men in camouflage military uniforms (red berets) leap from the truck beds and the back seats of the Jeeps. They rush to the front of the lines of boys, they yell, they scream, they exhort. They pass out ammo, and jungle juice, syringes, and a white cream that the child soldiers smear on their faces and bare skin.

When the boys charge into the swamp as maniacal

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BY **BILL BURK**

about making a movie than I did about writing a book, but I wrote one anyway. Now my goal is to make RUN! into a motion picture. It's a story that deserves a wide audience in a visual medium.

The process is straightforward but costly. To bring this story to the screen I started a crowdfunding campaign on the website INDIEGOGO. Funds will go to hire an experienced scriptwriter, a graphic designer to storyboard the film, and move the project into development through agents, studios or independent filmmakers.

**RUN! THE MOVIE**  
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I wrote a book called RUN! From Civil War to the NFL; The Jehuu Caulcrick Story. It's the true story of Clymer resident Jehuu Caulcrick's escape from civil war in his native country Liberia, Africa, and his journey to play for the Buffalo Bills in the NFL. It's available on Amazon, or locally at Good Neighbor Book Store in Lakewood, NY.

People who know the story have said it would make a great movie, capturing on film the themes of resilience, bravery, redemption, the savagery of war in a strange land, and the power of mothers and grandparents when their children are in danger. I happen to agree, so that's what I'm doing, making a movie. I know no more

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**Elinor Roosevelt seated next to Ms. Pennybaker, founder of the CHQ. Women's Club who single-handedly raised monthly from the Rockefellers and other to establish Chautauqua's endowment. To her right, is the long-time President Aurthur Bestor that Bestor Plaza was named after.**

BY **STEVE RAWLINGS**

**PART 2- IMPACT TO THE REGION, AND THE WORLD**

Chautauqua's early years coincided with the rise of the American industrial era, attracting influential industrialists and innovators. The convergence of religious ideals and business acumen fostered a unique environment where industrialists, bankers, and investors could exchange ideas and strategies, fueling economic growth in the Great Lakes region. This is one of the reasons my grandfather

was attracted to attend Chautauqua. Though deeply religious in his upbringing, Chautauqua was the ideal place to have open dialogue about evolving business and economic ideas in the region.

The **Heinz Family** of Pittsburg were early attendees and benefactors. **Thomas Edison**, a frequent visitor, found inspiration within the intellectually stimulating environment, and met his wife Mina, daughter of founder Lewis Miller. The couple would later inherit the Miller

Cottage, also known as the Edison Cottage which is now a National Historic Landmark. The Massey family of the agricultural machine innovators **Massey-Ferguson**, dedicated the magnificent 5,640 pipe Massey organ in 1907 which is still played every day throughout the season by organist Josh Stafford.

Cultural and Intellectual Expansion

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*in Brief*

**Musical #5: "THE LION KING"**

"The Lion King" is a 1994 full-length Disney cartoon, a Broadway musical that opened in 1997 and a 2019 digitally rendered film, whose sequel is due in December. Its song, "Can You Feel the Love Tonight?", won an Oscar for Best Original Song, a Grammy for Best Male Pop Vocal Performance, and a Golden Globe for Best Song in a Motion Picture. Three songs were added to the musical by the cartoon's songwriting team, composer/singer Elton John and lyricist Tim Rice, plus musical material by African composer, Lebo M.

A Japanese cartoon series first shown on American television in 1966. The Disney company denies that "Kimba", created by Osamu Tezuka, inspired "King" and claims the cartoons look alike because they both feature African animals. However, similar characters include a villainous lion, hyena lackeys, a bird sidekick, and a monkey mentor, while storylines they share involve an heir to a kingdom, and a father dying.

The story begins when a lion cub, Simba, has just been born. Almost all the other animals on the African savannah bow to him, recognizing him as their future ruler. This doesn't thrill his uncle, Scar, who wants to be the king, and his minions, who are spotted hyenas. Soon he murders his brother, Mufasa, via stampede but Simba runs away. Believing he was responsible for his father's death, he grows up in exile with two friends, a warthog and a meerkat. After Scar becomes a dictator, Simba returns and becomes the king.

Julie Taymor, won two of the six '98 Tony awards for the musical, for Best Costumes and for Best Director of a Musical. becoming the first woman to win one for directing. She ingeniously created many costumes that incorporate puppet elements, and many that were inspired by traditional African fabrics. On stage, giraffes are depicted by actors on stilts, stylized birds are whirled on wires, and a wildebeest stampede is evoked by figures on revolving rollers.

Nathan Lane and Matthew Broderick (Timon the meerkat and Simba, as an adult), never met while recording for "King", because (almost) every actor's performance was recorded separately. Seven years later they starred in a Broadway musical together, "The Producers" (which was nominated for twelve Tonys, and won all twelve) and later starred in the movie

made from it. In '92, Lane and Ernie Sabella, (Pumbaa the warthog), appeared on Broadway in "Guys and Dolls". They recorded their lines for "King" together, the first Disney actors ever to do so. In '96 both were in the Broadway revival of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum". Fun fact: "Adult Simba's" songs in "King" are performed by Joseph Williams, the lead vocalist for the band Toto, which is best known for the song "Africa".

In Swahili, Mufasa means "king", so Mufasa is really King the Lion King. Simba means "lion", so Simba is really Lion the Lion King. The cartoon hyenas, Scar's sycophants, are Shenzi ("savage"), Banzai ("lurk") and Ed, while in the 2019 movie, Ed is Azizi ("precious"), and Banzai is Kamari ("moonlight"), and all three are Scar's equals. However, every version of "King" depicts hyenas as the society's outsiders, and in real life the opposite is true. According to Katherine J. Wu, Co-Director Emeritus of "Science in the News", spotted hyenas are the most successful savannah animals, outnumbering all the other carnivores there. Unlike most other mammal societies, their society is always led by females, who are typically very intelligent and expert at encouraging cooperation. Sometimes they're called laughing hyenas.

BY DARLENE BRACE

There are only a few weeks left of summer vacation, but there is still plenty of things happening in Chautauqua County this weekend to entertain you.

**Thursday August 8 - Basil and Bones** is having a **Cruise-In Car Show** on Foote Avenue Extension in Jamestown. The fun starts 4pm and there is free admission with great food, music, and a chance to win prizes. Shine up your ride and enter or just join the fun as a spectator.

The Thursday Night Summer Concert Series continues at the **Dunkirk Pier**. At 5:30pm, **Mayflower Hill** gets the party started. Then at 6:45 **Hello City, a Bare-Naked Ladies tribute band**, will take the stage. Some of the shops stay open, there are vendors, ice cream, and more.

Another Thursday Night Concert Series is in **Lakewood at Hartley Park**. **Erika and Jesse** will be performing starting at 7pm. Come watch the sunset and listen to the music from this talented duo.

**Friday August 9 - Steven Sanchez** will perform at **Chautauqua Institution** starting at 8pm. His timeless sound has hit the pop culture and taken it by surprise. He has been on late-night talk shows, and he is currently on an international tour entertaining the crowds with his hit *Until I Found You* and many more.

The **Downtown Jamestown Cruise-In** is having its 31st year starting at 5pm. There will be all kinds of classic cars, hot rods, and other cool cars old and new. It will line blocks of the streets of downtown Jamestown. **The In Crowd** will be performing on stage

from 5pm-9pm and they play eclectic music ranging from golden oldies to present day music covers as well as a few originals.

**Saturday August 10th -Big Sauce Trio** will be play at **Southern Tier Brewery**. They play a mix of classic music and starting at 1pm. Check out this great music while sipping on your favorite beverage.

**Ion Sky** will be performing at **The Village Casino**. They will play a fun mix of rock and pop music starting at 9:30pm. Stop there by land or water and dance the night away.

**Afraid of Human** is performing at **Southern Tier Distillery** starting at 6pm. This high energy hard rock band plays originals and selective covers from many of your favorite hard rock bands. Just across the street at **The Southern Tier Brewery**, **Tiny Music** will be playing favorite tunes and sing-alongs starting at 7pm.

At **Chautauqua Suites in Mayville**, **Miranda Wilcox** will perform at 6pm. She plays originals and covers that span genres and decades of music. Her versatility will certainly please the crowd.

**Party McFly** is a versatile party band that will be on stage at **The Spot on the Lake in Dunkirk**. They will entertain you with their classic tunes as well as some of today's favorites starting at 6pm.

**Group Ther-Happy in Lakewood** has great live music this weekend.

On Saturday, **Interstate Daydream** will entertain the crowd starting at 8pm. On Sunday, **Ryan Melquist** will play from 5pm-8pm. Enjoy the summer nights on the patio while listening to the live music and some delicious food and drinks. **Big Inlet Brewing** has

a busy weekend of live music. On Friday, they welcome back **Ion Sky**. They will play rock and pop music starting at 6pm. On Saturday, **Slime & Red** will take the stage at 4pm. The live music continues Sunday afternoon as **Bill Ward** entertains the crowd once again at 2pm.

**The Fish in Bemus Point** will have a fun weekend of live music, and they will be rocking the shores of Chautauqua Lake. **Division Street Machine** will perform on Friday night, playing original blues, funk, and improvised jams starting at 7pm. On Saturday night, **Innocent Bystander** will play an array of music starting at 7pm. Then Western New York's party band **Nerds Gone Wild** is returning to The Fish on Sunday afternoon. They play 80's music and will entertain the crowd at starting 3pm.

**Sunset Bay Beach** has another fun weekend of live music planned. On Thursday, **Midnight Recovery** will perform at Cabana Sam's at 7pm. Friday, **Kurtz Back** will play at the Sunset Bay Beach Club at 8pm. On Saturday night, the Beach Club will host **The Taylor Swift Experience** starting at 7:30pm. Cami and the Fringe recreate Taylor Swift's Eras Tour as they sing many of Taylor's greatest hits. On Sunday afternoon, the live music is back at Cabana Sam's with **Bleeding Hearts** starting at 6pm.

Get out and enjoy some of this great live music on these nice summer evenings, as fall will soon be approaching. Check out the next issue to see what's happening in Chautauqua County next weekend.

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By MOUTH SAY TONGUE

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**SATURDAY**

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Balloons is back with Reece from 6:30-10pm. This band plays country covers and originals. Out in the tent Bob Lee Acousticness will play from 10-1am. Bob plays folk/pop covers. Dj KT Stylez will provide the sauce so you can shake it like a boss from 10-2am.

Over at The Taqueria Jenuine Cello will perform on the patio from 7-10pm. This lady is a one-woman cello army using loopin devices to create original music that's very entertaining.

Madigans is back with Dj Persin from 9-2am playin the thumpin for the bumpin.

**SUNDAY**

We return to Balloons for Molly Conrad from 1-4pm. Molly plays folk and Irish folk originals and covers. Enjoy the village ambiance while you dine in the tent.

The Gin Mill returns with the very popular Chillbilllys from 2-5pm. This husband and wife act plays a rock/opp/ folk/blues/country set of covers and originals while you sip locally famous Bloody Mary's.

Villaggio hosts its weekly AYCE Pasta Night and Prime Rib Special from 5-9pm. Fresh made pasta and savory prime rib while Chris Maloney entertains from 5:30-8:30pm. Chris plays a rock/pop/ folk/alt set of covers to accompany the finest cuisine in the southern tier.

**MONDAY**

Monday is Strings and Wings at Balloons from 4-10pm. 50 cent wings and a nice craft beer selection to wash them down with music provided by very talented Chillbilllys.

The Gim Mill's Monday residency is hosted by Red Gray from 7-10pm. Red plays classic and outlaw country and southern rock covers and originals.

**TUESDAY**

Tuesday Balloons hosts Aaron Zoilkowskii from 6-9pm. Aaron is a dead head so he plays acoustic rock.

The Gin Mill hosts Marty Peters and Friends, Tuesday, from 7-10pm Marty is a Buffalo Music HOF'er and plays blues and folk covers from the 60-79's.

Balloons its final appearance of the week with Campfire Junkie from 6-9pm. This fellow plays country and country style originals and covers.

**WEDNESDAY**

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**THURSDAY**

The seven day weekend starts on Thursday at Balloons for Burger and Brew Nightt from 4-10pm. Get the burger of your choice and any domestic beer plus house made chips for only \$15. This weeks musical host is Grace Lougan from 6-9pm. Grace plays a rock/pop/alt/ blues set of covers and originals.

The Gazebo Series hosts The All Star Project, Thursday, from 7-9pm. Bring a chair, food and beverage and sit on the lawn and enjoy some classic rock from the 60-90's.

The Gin Mill's Thursday offering is Kody and Herren from 8-11pm. This duo plays a folk/country/rock/bluegrass set of covers and originals. Try some of the 37 beer that are always on tap.

**FRIDAY**

The Cabana Bar hosts The Campfire Junkie from 5:30-8:30pm. Sip cocktails by the pool and enjoy the beautiful ambiance of Holiday Valley.

We're back at Balloons for Seismic Urge from 6:30-10pm. This band plays a rock/alt/pop/dance set of covers. Out in thy tent The Groove Bros will play from 10-1am. This act plays a blues/funk/jazz/ pop/r&b set of covers. Dj Andre the Giant Redhead will play a groove so you can bust-a-move on the two dance floors.

The Gin Mill is back with Two Guys Drinking Beer from 8-12am. This duo plays rock/pop/blues/country set of covers you'll know the words to. Try the latest

# Beat on the Street:

"What was the Greatest Aha Moment You've Had?"

By Chad Neal



Jess B.- Life is too short to hate.

Mind blowing knowledge is blasted at us on the daily. "You learn something new everyday!" That old adage doesn't get old. We've been told things that make us have profound thoughts about existence, we've all seen things that made our minds spin, and we've discovered stuff we thought was never before known about. All of us only know so much and all of us have something to teach others - someday, somehow! When we discover through thought an idea we find as a resolve it definitely makes us happy. Figuring out how to suss out a way to move forward with certain plans through educated processes that we've heeded in life is an explosion of elation. What was the greatest aha moment you've had?



Beth N.- You can be whoever you want to be.



Glenn H.- No politician will lower your taxes or streamline government.



Matt H.- When I found out Racecar backwards spelled racecar!



Melissa N.- Don't worry if your partner is cheating. You'll eventually find out, break up and move on.



Nick P.- That moment the doctor handed me Olivia P.

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Last Week's Puzzle:

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

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## Taste

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• 2 charcuterie boards and wine tasting at Villaggio from 12:30-1:30pm  
 Once you've had your fill of the Taste, swing into any of Ellicottville's legendary hot spots and put those hard-earned calories to use. Live music is scheduled

all over town! Make it a weekend to remember and book an overnight stay! Room packages are available at the Wingate, Saisons and The Jefferson Inn, which include pre-sale Taste tickets. Check the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce website at ellicottvillenyc.com or call 800-349-9099 for a list of other lodging options and additional information about the Taste and other upcoming events.



## Chautauqua

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of ground-breakers in their fields as knowledge expanded throughout the world. The Chautauqua Lecture Series and Interfaith Lecture Series attract a diverse array of speakers who have shaped public discourse. Over the years, Chautauqua has hosted pioneering figures who have had a profound impact on society and culture:

**Helen Keller:** Despite being blind and deaf, Keller became an influential advocate for people with disabilities, using her platform at Chautauqua to promote inclusivity and accessibility long before DE&I was even discussed, laying the groundwork for Chautauqua to become a beacon for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

**Margaret Mead:** As a groundbreaking anthropologist, Mead's research on cultural diversity and human development brought new perspectives to Chautauqua audiences, fostering a deeper understanding of different societies.

**Franklin D. Roosevelt:** As a frequent speaker, FDR used Chautauqua as a platform to discuss his New Deal policies and vision for America, inspiring hope and action during the Great Depression. In 1936, near the end of the 62-season, FDR delivered a powerful message which would later be known as his "I Hate War" speech in the Amphitheater. FDR chose Chautauqua specifically to position the United States as an exemplar of peace and to implore the world leaders of the day and its citizens, to embrace our common humanity.

**Eleanor Roosevelt:**

Known for her advocacy of human rights and social justice, Eleanor Roosevelt's talks at Chautauqua emphasized the importance of civic engagement and equality and voting rights for women.

Concluding the 159th year: Wynton Marsalis and The Lincoln Project

As Chautauqua approaches the culmination of its 150th anniversary celebrations, it is fitting to highlight the contributions of **Wynton Marsalis and The Lincoln Project.** Marsalis, a renowned jazz musician and educator, has been a powerful advocate for using jazz as a metaphor for democracy and social cohesion with its emphasis on improvisation, collaboration, and individual expression within a collective framework.

Marsalis' involvement with Chautauqua and The Lincoln Project has brought a fresh perspective to the Institution's programming. By drawing parallels between jazz and modern politics, Marsalis has encouraged audiences to view democracy as an evolving art form that requires constant participation, creativity, and respect for diverse voices. His work with The Lincoln Project, which aims to foster a deeper understanding of American democracy through the arts, aligns perfectly with Chautauqua's mission of promoting lifelong learning and civic engagement.

Looking Ahead: The Future of Chautauqua

As part of its 150th-anniversary celebrations, Chautauqua has launched the "Boundless" capital campaign, aiming to raise \$150 million to support its mission of lifelong learning and cultural enrichment.



Thomas Edison, a frequent visitor, found inspiration within the intellectually stimulating environment, and met his wife Mina, daughter of founder Lewis Miller. The couple would later inherit the Miller Cottage, also known as the Edison Cottage which is now a National Historic Landmark.

This campaign includes initiatives to further integrate business and innovation into the institution's programming, ensuring that Chautauqua remains a vital resource for future generations. The funds will be used for capital projects, scholarships, and new program development, reinforcing Chautauqua's role as a leader in education and cultural engagement.

I could write on and on. But words cannot express how dear Chautauqua is to me. Childhood summer "Chautauqua friends" have become lifelong friends and our stories of this place in our lives would fill volumes, and still, not give a true description of this magical place. The best way to understand Chautauqua is to come to Chautauqua. This community of knowledge seekers, artists, thinkers and believers in humanity welcome anyone to join them. There is no place like it on earth.

## ZOO

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"Canine Champions for Conservation" is also included in the basic price of admission. Three times a day, six days each week, visitors can enjoy watching very talented dogs performing stunts, racing through agility courses, and presenting impressive routines. They can see dogs dancing, jumping rope, leaping to catch frisbees, walking on their front legs, whirling in and out of a walking human's legs, and accomplishing many more fun feats. Plus, at the end of the show, visitors have the opportunity to meet and greet the furry stars and their trainers.

The M & T Bank Rainforest Falls interactive exhibit features a two-story waterfalls, ramps and overlooks for visitors to watch dozens of free-flying birds, animals and reptiles (plus an elevator to make the visit easier). Its inhabitants range from an ocelot and squirrel monkeys to giant river turtles, an anteater and a vampire bat.

For the third year in a row,

**Zoomagination**, the Zoo's fantastically imaginative summer lantern celebration featuring way, way larger-than-life animals, birds, fish, insects and flowers is wonderfully lighting up the nights. Especially the thirty-foot-long dragon (that blows bubbles!) This year's event showcasing Asian and African culture is all-new and includes three different shows every evening that include incredible acrobatics, agile dancing and additional entertainment. Besides the nightly performances, visitors can enjoy Asian-inspired food, a beer garden and shopping for artisan-made items. The train ride and the carousel will be running each evening, but since it is past all the Zoo animals' bedtimes, visiting them is not part of the Zoomagination activities.

The many larger-than-life, wildly colorful figures and giant flowers now around the zoo include many that are familiar to fans of traditional Asian art, including butterflies, a peacock, a lion, a rooster, a horse, a monkey and lotus blossoms. Kid visitors especially love interacting with the frog that lights up and counts down. The special event runs from

6:30-10:30pm Thursdays through Sundays. Admission is \$19.95 for adults, and \$16.95 for kids.

In case you were wondering, the answer to the question, "Does the Buffalo Zoo have any buffalo?" is sort of both "yes" and "no". You see, it does have what many people think of as buffalo, but which are, in fact, actually American Bison. General admission is free for members and kids under age two, \$19.95 for kids ages two to twelve, \$25.95 for those from age 13 to 64, and \$22.95 for Seniors. Those with SNAP benefit cards get a major discount. The most inexpensive food item at the Zoo is a cup of custard for \$3.99. Hot dogs are \$9.49 (including fries). The kids' combo frankfurter, or peanut butter and jelly meals, include a hot dog or pb&j with apple sauce, and animal crackers and a juice drink for \$9.99. Other food options include burgers and pizza. The Buffalo Zoo is located at 300 Parkside Avenue in Buffalo, NY. For more information, go to buffalo.org or call (716) 837-3900.

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# Church

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was incorporated, the village had a sawmill, a grist mill, a tannery, a newspaper, a post office, two or three stores, two or three inns and about forty homes. People traveled by stage on the old plank road. Think of it. The description makes one think of an old Western movie set!

By 1835 weddings, communions and baptisms were still being held in the courthouse. Next time you are upstairs in that building, look to the past and imagine the events that took place between those walls. By that time, Ellicottville added three taverns, another store, two weekly newspapers and about thirty more homes. After some doing and the passage of even more time, by the summer of 1838 Ellicottville finally had the first consecrated church building in the county, on

one of the designated four corners, the land given to them by The Holland Land Company. The church was supported by renting of the pews, so some people paid for up to four. People like Nicholas Devereux from Utica, who purchased some of the holdings of the Holland Land Company, and a Roman Catholic lacking a R.C. church when in Ellicottville supported St. John's. Devereux would prove instrumental in obtaining a bell for the church, because at the time he had no Catholic church to give it to. Interestingly, the bell is far older than the church or the community in which it resides. Cast in 1708 by a man named Bargas for a monastery on the outskirts of Malaga, Spain, the bell, Gabriel, has its own story. Suffice it to say, politics and wars were involved so after 127 years of faithfully ringing the Angelus (a Catholic call to prayer) three times a day (hence the name, Gabriel) the monastery was attacked in 1835 and burned to the ground. But Gabriel survived. Along

came a master of a ship needing ballast. Through his connections, Devereux, with contributions from others, purchased the bell, got it brought by teams of oxen from the Buffalo Erie Canal landing and after much fear of disaster, got the one tone bell mounted in St. John's belfry. But there was a catch. He explicitly required that the bell be rung three times every day announcing the Angelus for the Catholics in the community. It was done for many years, likely until the Catholic church had its own building and bell. Gabriel, known as the oldest continuously rung bell in the United States, also served as the village fire bell.

This church building is regarded as one of the most authentic of wooden Gothic construction in the eastern United States. It is maintained by the G. Wilbur Northrup Trust Fund. The Northrup family remains one of the major benefactors to this fund, hence the pristine condition of this grand historic church.

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**MANSFIELD TOWN BOARD MEETING RESCHEDULED - NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** the next Town Board Meeting is rescheduled for Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., to be held at the Mansfield Town Hall, 7691 Toad Hollow Road, Little Valley, New York.

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# Pea Pod

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# BFS

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a small radius, I love how you can walk to everything. Ellicottville is a vibe and it's great." For more information, visit <https://bfsbrand.com/>, follow on social media @Buffalofoodstut @madelinehallbflo @bfsbrand and stop down to the Taste of Ellicottville on August 10-11 to find her festival favorites.



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# Cello

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began expanding into more contemporary music. "I had an affinity for various types of music," says Jen, "I wanted to explore that with cello, so I began playing by ear. I enjoyed exploring non-traditional styles and various genres, things people wouldn't expect to hear on cello. It was/is much different than playing sheet music; it can be intimidating exploring music off the page."

Eventually, Jen began writing her own original music, and officially named her project "Jenuine Cello" in 2014. "I wanted something easy that captured my music, while incorporating some of my name. Jenuine Cello was simple and to the point, it suited me. In classical music, everything is very close to perfect. In my music, I don't promise perfection, by I always promise to be genuine, from the heart."

While Jen's performances are completely solo, her sound is layered and complex with the use of a looper device. "I began using the looper in a series of concerts in Austin, Texas," explains Jen. "The looper allows the ability to record layers of my music, enabling the ability to capture melody and style while still being the only musician."

Jen surrendered to her music, and became a full-time musician in 2017, when she also moved to San Padre Island.

Three years later, during the Pandemic in 2020, she took her first trip to Buffalo, and recorded a series of Facebook live music series called Porch Sessions. "These series were my way of continuing to bring live music during the pandemic, when so many people needed it most. It was an attempt to bring some joy, some brightness during a time of such dark."

Since 2020, Jen has been returning to the Western New York region every year from June through September and enjoys playing at various venues in the area. "Western New York has such a rich, diverse music scene. I'm proud to be a part of it, but even more-so inspired by these talented musicians. The high-quality music in Buffalo is plentiful and it fills my cup."

Jen is currently playing every Saturday throughout August in both Chautauqua and Ellicottville. She starts at Ellicottville Brewing Company in Bemus Point playing during brunch along Chautauqua Lake, then travels to Ellicottville to play at EBC Tap+ Bottle Taqueria from 7-9pm. "The vibe on their patio is so intimate; it's a great setting to play, tucked away from the main street. The dinner crowd changes every time. Sometimes I'm background music, other times people are watching intently, engaging with my music. No evening is the same, yet it's always special none-the-less."

She recently released her new album, Loopholes, of original songwriting and arranging with cello and

vocals in April 2024. The album features 10 tracks of Jen's unique material and is available on her website, and soon on streaming platforms.

Jen's favorite thing about performing is being able to provide 'musical chills'. "You know those chills you get when you hear a song you love, or when music just hits you. I love getting those chills, and being able to give people that feeling is incredible."

As an artist, Jen finds inspiration by hearing music unexpected of cello. "I appreciate all types of music, and I'm always looking for something different to play. I love helping people hear familiar music in a new way; it's exciting yet familiar at the same time."

Jen is active in music programs in community schools in Texas and Buffalo; she actively brings Jenuine Cello to school-aged orchestra students in both states and has a history of teaching and workshoping at camps, schools and music festivals. "It's so important to make music accessible to young artists and beginner musicians. I like to demonstrate that cello, or any instrument, can be explored in more non-traditional ways, really however your heart desires."

For more information visit <https://jenuinecello.com/> and follow on social media for upcoming events, listen to her music at [www.jenuinecello.com](http://www.jenuinecello.com) and <https://bandcamp.com/jenuinecello>.

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# Wing

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Major League Eating. Amateurs will also be able to compete in a Hot Wing Eating or Buffalo Wing Eating contest. Bobbing for wings in a kiddie pool filled with blue cheese and a baby wing costume pageant and cooking contests are all returning as festival favorites.

**Live Music and Entertainment:** Festival goers can enjoy performances by top local bands, and interactive entertainment suitable for all ages.

**Charity Fundraisers:** Participate in various activities at the festival designed to raise funds for local charities and organizations. Over the last 22 years, over \$470,000 has been donated back to the community by the Wingfest. This year FeedMore WNY and the Alzheimer's Association of WNY are the main recipients.

"This year, we are turning up the heat and bringing even more excitement to the National Buffalo Wing Festival as we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Buffalo wing. Our goal is to create a memorable experience for every attendee, celebrating the love for wings while supporting

our community. We have an outstanding lineup of vendors, entertainment, and activities that will make this year's festival unforgettable", said Drew Cerza, festival founder.

Ticket Information: General admission tickets are \$21 (\$20 with cash discount), and VIP Tickets are \$75. Kids 8 and under are FREE. Tickets are available at the gate and online at [www.buffalowing.com](http://www.buffalowing.com) Parking is free. The festival takes place at Highmark Stadium in Orchard Park, NY on Saturday, August 31st from 12-9pm and on Sunday September 1st from 12-7pm. For more information, visit [www.BuffaloWing.com](http://www.BuffaloWing.com)

# RUN!

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non-humans, Operation Octopus, the battle for Monrovia starts. The camera tracks the scene like the D-Day advance on the beaches of Normandy, and we experience a primordial homage to the opening scenes from Saving Private Ryan. FADE OUT

FADE IN: BILLS STADIUM ON GAME DAY. 2009. BUFFALO NY. Buffalo Bills have the ball on offense.

-FLASH shots of Bills rabid MAFIA fans, the

scoreboard, the sideline. Camera catches up to JEHUU CAULCRICK on the sideline, standing, watching.

- B A C K G R O U N D SOUND: The stadium PA announcer says, "Third and one."

SCENE: Coach grabs Jehuu by the uniform sleeve: "Chu Chu...short yardage package is up. Get in there." Jehuu smiles, nods, pulls on his helmet, runs onto the field.

-FLASH to Bonita Caulcrick in the stands surrounded by family and friends. PA announcer, "Into the game number thirty Jehuu Caulcrick." We see Bonita gasp, hand to mouth, eyes go wide. "That's my boy."

-Bills offense sets. Jehuu is handed the ball for a run up the middle. POV from inside his helmet, we experience the chaos of professional football, bodies flying around. When Jehuu hits the line, the scene goes out of focus.

B A C K G R O U N D : PA announcer: "Jehuu Caulcrick runs for a Buffalo FIRST DOWN!"

VOICE-OVER: JEHUU: "Feels like I've been running my whole life."

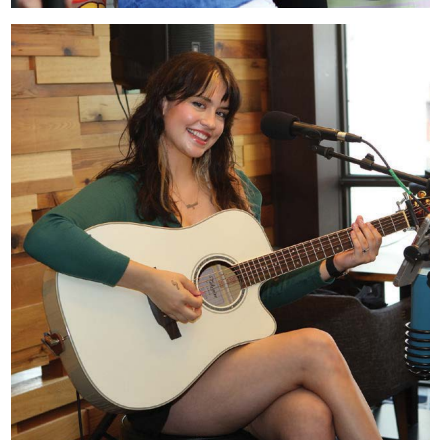
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