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It is Time to Get Out and Vote!

Facts You Need to Know on Nov. 5 General Election



The general election on November 5th will decide the president of the United States, as well as several other offices and ballot measures.

BY MILES HILTON

The November 5th general election is right around the corner. Elections are a chance for Americans to exercise our democratic right to choose our political representatives, and

this November the presidency will be on the ballot. Here's everything you need to know to vote in the General Election.

Who's ELIGIBLE TO VOTE

To be eligible to vote in New York State, a person must be 18 years old or older, a citizen of the United States, not judged mentally incompetent by a court, and have lived in the state and county in which they are registering for at least 30 days. Those incarcerated on a felony conviction may not vote, but those convicted of a felony who are no longer incarcerated have the right to vote, even if they are on parole. Those convicted of any other class of crime may vote, even if incarcerated. Finally, one cannot be registered to vote in any other location.

REGISTRATION

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EVL Halloween Half Marathon

Annual 5K and Relay Race Celebrates 11 Years



For more info and to register visit www.evlhalf.com, and join the fun on Saturday, October 26th in the village of Ellicottville.

BY KATE BARTLETT

October 26th marks the 11th annual EVL Halloween Half Marathon, 5K, and Relay—also known as the EVL Half.

Grab a friend, don your best costume, and get ready to run in this much-anticipated event. Runners of all abilities are

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Thriller Dancers at Villaggio

Annual Flash Mob Performance, October 26



BY KATE BARTLETT

Saturday October 26th, The Thriller Dancers return to the streets of Ellicottville outside of Villaggio for their 9th annual 'flash mob' style performance. 61 dancers will perform 2 sets on Monroe Street decked out as their best Zombie to recreate Michael Jackson's 1983 smash hit music video Thriller. As always, the shows are free and open to the public and will take place at 8 and 9pm.

The Thriller Dancers are from Fusion Dance Studio led by owner Kelli Wagner, Shari Bently, and many other talented instructors. The dancers range in age from 7-18 years old. Every year, the dancers make their performance better than the year before. "The main choreography stays true to the well-known Michael Jackson moves," says Kelli. "We spice it up a bit from the year before to

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Ghostfish Brewing Company - East

Legendary Gluten Free Beer Brewed Locally



In February of 2015, Ghostfish Brewing Company opened in Seattle, Washington. They began producing beer using gluten free grains, yeast strains, and Pacific Northwest hops. Eventually they distributed Ghostfish beer across the country, and they were very successful. The beer is packaged in aluminum cans and distributed to 20 states and 2 Canadian provinces. For distribution expense purposes, they decided to open an East Coast production and distribution facility in Westfield in 2023.

BY DARLENE BRACE

Some people with Celiac Disease and gluten intolerances may want to enjoy a beer now and then, and they would like to find a gluten free beer that

still tastes good. Did you know that a popular gluten free beer is produced and distributed from Westfield, New York?

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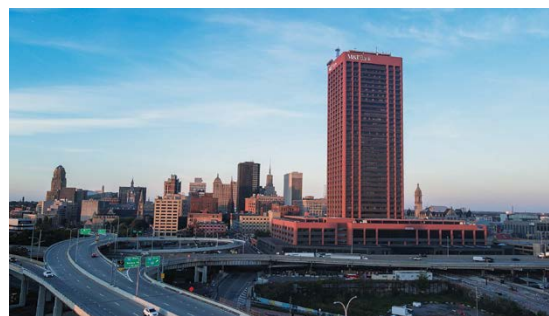
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Buffalo Accelerator Program

43North - Making Bfloo a Start-Up Hot Spot



Each of the 5 businesses selected receives \$1 million dollars, as well as valuable resources to help their business scale and grow. In return, the selected businesses sign-on to operate their business here in Buffalo for one calendar year, starting in January. Each company is provided office space in Seneca One Tower, access to 43North's investor network, mentorship and other resources.

BY KATE BARTLETT

Founded in 2014, 43North is a government funded non-profit organization that invests \$5 million each year in companies that relocate to Buffalo through their immersive accelerator program. Their annual interactive awards production was held at Sheas Theatre in Downtown Buffalo this past Thursday, October 10, selecting this year's five start-up companies.

43North, named for Buffalo's latitude, was started by Jordan Levy as a way to invest in the city by fostering startups in the community. His vision was to create a business plan competition

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"Mountain Misfits Rescue"

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The goal of Mountain Misfits farm in Little Valley is not only to save these animals, but also to educate people on what great pets they can become. To learn more visit: mountainmisfits.org. (Pictured, Gracie one of the pigs on the pond in their sanctuary.)

BY STEPHANIE RIVERIA

How do two military veterans share an idea to establish an animal rescue for animals; and that rescue happens to be focused primarily on pigs?

It all started back in the summer through the fall of 2018 when Jason Potalivo, a disabled military veteran from WNY, began working on a farm in North Carolina through a chef program called, "Farm-to-Table".

"After 6 years of active service time, my military buddy and I worked directly with hogs, and it was through this program I realized pigs recognize and learn from human interactions and crave attention and challenges," Potalivo said.

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NIGHT LIGHTS AT GRIFFIS SCULPTURE PK: OCTOBER 18-19, 2024 :E.OTTO, NY

Publisher's Word

"Holy October, where does the Time Go?"



Events abound appreciating all things October: costume styled parties and races, pumpkin farms, haunted houses, open houses, guided tours...all give you plenty of reasons to neglect the ever-growing pile of fallen leaves on your lawn. There are tasks to be done and fun to be had. Enjoy all the events our region has in store for you but always take a day or two to tend to the changes in nature; stay on top of it, so it doesn't get on top of you!

As always, we have filled these pages with events and businesses for you to explore. We love sharing ideas with you and love sharing your ideas too! Please help us keep everyone informed. It's easy! Simply go to our webpage www.thevillager.com and click on the "General Submissions" tab, or you can email me directly at info@thevillager.com and we will be sure to keep our readers informed. Enjoy the weekend and the read.

Until next week, yours in writing - Jeanine Caprino Zimmer

As our areas close one season and prepare for the new, there is never a dull moment for things to do.

As always, we have filled these pages with

Happy Birthday

- Sally Andriaccio... October 19th • Robby Wilkens... October 19th
- Lazlo Neuwirth... October 23rd
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- Joany Klopp Bund... November 2nd • Shelly Smith... November 4th

Email us your birthday greetings: info@thevillager.com

Overland Trails Revitalization Project

Latest Round of CHQ. County Trail Upgrades is Complete

PANAMA, NY – In cooperation with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and the Chautauque County Parks Department, the Chautauque County Partnership of Economic Growth (CCPEG) is pleased to report that Phase IV of the Chautauque County Overland Trails Revitalization Project is complete. The Phase IV redevelopment focused on updating the Fred J. Cusimano Westside Overland Trail in Panama and Brokenstraw State Forests, along with sections of private property south of Titus Road in the Town of Sherman.

Blessed with dry and temperate weather in August and September, Trail Construction Associates (TCA) was able to complete its work without any issues. This marks the fourth year that TCA has been working on the Overland Trails and the company's familiarity with the scope of work is evident in the finished product.



People who use Chautauque County's Fred J. Cusimano Westside Overland Trail in Panama and Brokenstraw State Forests will notice several improvements and upgrades, thanks to work that was recently completed through the Phase IV Overland Trail Revitalization Project.

Thom Wright, TCA co-owner, noted his appreciation to "collaborate with the land owners, the NYSDEC, and the county to bring these sections of the Overland Trails to a more sustainable level for trail users."

"Panama and Brokenstraw State Forests are absolutely beautiful public lands, and I am incredibly happy with TCA's updates to the Overland Trail through these two state forests," said Jacob Bodway, CCPEG Trail Coordinator. "There is one important reroute in Panama State Forest that adds accessibility for all trail user groups, and TCA also did a wonderful job of addressing some of the chronic wet areas of trail along sections of private property. I can't thank the private property owners enough for recognizing the importance of the Overland Trails for Chautauque County residents and visitors."

"As we seek to improve our recreational assets for

existing county residents and market the county to prospective residents, it will focus on Boutwell Hill State Forest in the summer 2025.

is essential that we have quality attributes for them to enjoy," said Mark Geise, Deputy County Executive for Economic Development, County of Chautauque Industrial Development Agency CEO, and CCPEG advisory board co-chair. "The trails were tired and needed some much-needed TLC, which this initiative addresses." Phase IV was funded through the generous support of local foundations, including: Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, The Lenna Foundation, The Sheldon Foundation, Chautauque Region Community Foundation, The Jessie Smith Darrah Fund, and CCPEG. Pending future funding, Phase V of the Overland Trails project

about CCPEG - The Chautauque County Partnership for Economic Growth (CCPEG) serves as the main convener of economic development partners and resources to advance key projects that achieve economic prosperity in Chautauque County. It also serves as the catalyst and broker of resources for advancing economic prosperity efforts and is the central coordinating entity for the formation, retention, development, and attraction of quality jobs and advancements to the quality of life. It is an initiative of the Chautauque Region Economic Development Corporation (CREDC). For more info visit CHQPartnership.org.

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Rotary Club of Ellicottville

Free Thanksgiving Dinner Nov. 7th from 5-7pm at St Paul's

On Wednesday, November 7th the Rotary Club of Ellicottville will be hosting a free community Thanksgiving Dinner from 5-7pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 6360 Route 242 East.



“Our goal is to provide a safe and accepting space for the entire community to come together. Everyone is invited. If you are alone for the holiday, unable to serve a meal yourself or just want good food and company come and join us.” Home delivery also available for those unable to attend”, noted Darlene Allen, Rotary Committee

Chairperson. Reservations are appreciated but not required. You can reserve a seat, secure a ride or request a home delivery support it. by calling (716) 430-8938. The Ellicottville Rotary appreciates any volunteers wishing to help with this endeavor and donations to support it.

EVL Chamber Thanks the Students

Thanking ECS Students who Volunteered During Fall Festival



And a big thank you to the students who came out Saturday and then in the cold and rain Sunday and Monday morning to pick up any trash left on our residential streets. We are happy to make a generous contribution towards your class trip. It was a pleasure meeting such dedicated students, Brian McFadden.

'25 Ellicottville Phone Directories Call Our Offices Today to Update Your Info.

If you are a resident of Ellicottville and you are not listed in the Ellicottville Phone Directory and would like to be or if you know of someone who has moved, please contact our offices today so we can update our files and keep bringing to you the must up to date information each year. 716-699-2058 • info@thevillagerny.com.

Nature & Wellness Weekends

Family-Friendly Events at The Heron, Next Event Oct. 26 & 27



Nature and Wellness weekends with FREE Family-friendly activities at The Heron to inspire you to connect deeply with nature, and have the opportunity to relax and unwind from the outside world.

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Horse Encounters with Jodi Gray

Horses have the ability to open pathways of emotion otherwise overlooked. Spending a short time in their presence will help you understand the true origin of horsepower and partnership. This activity can be modified for all ages and abilities.

Forest Bathing Experience & Feather bundle workshop with Diane Clark

Sound bath and meditation with Jessica Frombach, bring a yoga mat! Enjoy the dark sky views at the Heron, check out the Milky Way and the constellations while star gazing with Domenic Rocco. Bring your camera/smart device – We'll cover how to capture night sky photos for those that are interested *Weather permitting*

Outdoor morning yoga session with our resident Yogui Jen Raines!

Hands-on foraging discussion with Harold Reynolds. Learn about local flora from WNY and Chautauqua County.

Mindful tea time and nature sharing circle with Isa Cardenas.

The tea will be made with local herbs foraged by Harold Reynolds.

Spirit Tours @ Fenton History Ctr.

Jamestown Hosts Fun Event for Adults, October 26



This is a special Spirt Tour from 8:30-10:30pm on Saturday, October 26. Refreshments will be available. Adults 18+ only. Participants are welcome to arrive in costume. Cost is \$40 for members or \$45 for non-members. There is a limit of 30 tickets per tour. The tour will be presented by Kaycee Colburn, Fenton Trustee.

Kaycee Colburn is an artist, paranormal investigator and spiritual intuitive. She has apprenticed under Brian Cano of Travel Channel's Haunted Collector and Paranormal Caught on Camera, worked at the Haunted Hinsdale House, worked for Nick Groff of Travel Channel's Ghost Adventures and his new show Death Walker. Kaycee has investigated many locations including the Lizzy Borden House and the Infamous Conjuring House. If this isn't intriguing enough, now's your chance to join Paranormal investigator Kaycee Colburn for an evening at the Fenton Mansion for their first ever Spirit Tours. Be among the first to experience the Fenton after hours, come explore as we try to commune with those passed on. What secrets will we discover? Will we find what goes bump in the night? What shadows lurk within?

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21 Washington Street

Kazoo II, the Present and Most Fanciful Resident



In 1876 Edwin S. King, opened a drug store on 21 Washington Street. It's changed many hands and been a variety of businesses since then. By 1955, the store took on another personality becoming an appliance store owned by Art Glenn. Some may remember that Glenn Sanders worked there. From 1982-1988, it became an Agway run by Joe Halloran, then Fox Valley Florists until 2000; Mud Sweat and Gears occupied it for some time, moving to another location and making way for Kazoo II which is the present and, admit it, the most fun and fanciful resident.

By, CAROL FISHER LINN

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

Founded in 1817, 207 years ago, and incorporated 20 years later, Ellicottville's history grows longer with each passing year. Yet, some things should not be forgotten. For instance, Ellicottville was county seat until 1868 and ... a bit of trivia - how many of you know that the Indians called Ellicottville "De-as-en-daqua," meaning a place of courts (from when it was county seat). We called it Ellicottville in honor of the land agent of the Holland Land Company, Joseph Ellicott who was instrumental in laying out the village. Even though we were founded in 1817, the seed was planted years earlier, in 1808, when most of Western New York State was still wilderness - you know, wolves, elk, big cats, etc. Imagine!

Locations you only know now as ski hills, or even our main streets were, back then, remote and unsettled. Once the pioneers started coming, first setting stakes on Bryant Hill Road in 1815 where the first log home in

the town was built (another in the village sprang up in 1816) the environment began changing. In those days, our muddy main street (Washington) was often overrun with sheep, goats and animals hurried along by drovers taking their animals out west. Imagine standing on the wooden platform in front of the local business establishments and watching people shoeing animals away from their homes, regardless of the fences that surrounded most of them, built exactly for that purpose. Agriculture was the backbone of the community and farmers were able to ship potatoes, apples, and hay. They eventually turned to dairying in the early 1900's, bringing other dairy related businesses into the area and farmers into the village on Thursdays - "Butter Day," trading eggs and crocks of butter for leather goods or necessary items.

Ellicottville grew, establishing a bank, dry goods stores, pharmacies, churches, schoolrooms, and slowly the necessities of life were provided in our growing community.

Although we lost the position of being county seat because of the lack of railroad connections in the 1860's, eventually the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh Railway did find its way into the village in the 1870's. It was in that era (1876) that Edwin S. King, opened a drug store on 21 Washington Street. Old timers loved to repeat the tale told by their generation of old timers who told of Frank Harnes who had a watch repair shop set up in King's window. This is the same window that today you might find happy stuffed JellyCats and grand mirrors and pumpkins, witches, and skeletons to celebrate the upcoming holiday season. Back then, the elevated location gave him full view of the main street. He could see who was coming. With several watches spread out on the bench, if he saw a person coming whose watch had previously been brought in for repairs, he would immediately pick it up and when asked if it was repaired, he would reply, "Why, I was just now working on it." Harnes sold his shop to Charley Ward. Matthew M. Kiernan sold Singer Sewing Machines in the same store. In that 1880's era, L.B. Nichols had an insurance office upstairs and by 1892 the building housed Walrath Brothers Dry Goods, Boots and Groceries. Somewhere later Walter Lawler became a partner and the store became known as Lawler-Walrath. By 1938 it was Walter Lawler's Complete Family Store. There was likely a soda fountain in the store because Ellicottville resident, Betty Hackett, tells how she loved to twirl on the stools in the store as a child. She also remembers that another resident named Olive Burlingame sold dresses

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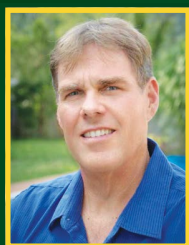
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Celebrating Halloween Folklore

Spooky Traditions that Surpass Land and Time

By CAROL FISHER-LINN

Scary things everywhere; remember that '70's song, "I don't like spiders and snakes...?"

We had a spider hanging around on the dining room ceiling for weeks. I do not have arachnophobia, a phobia of spiders and other arachnids, so I loved watching it. When they appear in what I consider a harmless location, I leave them be. In fact, back in the days when I had a home on Martha Street with the old wooden pop-in screens, my bedroom lacked the screen. A window was above my bed. One year, a very large spider decided to help me and built a spider web screen on the entire window. This provided Ms. Spider with an ample supply of nourishment throughout the summer and kept my bedroom insect free. It was a symbiotic relationship which ended when I had to close the window for the cooler weather.

Yet, these relatively benign creatures have become one of the symbols of Halloween because of their purported connection with witches. Back in medieval times, spiders, black cats, and rats were believed to be evil companions for the witches.

In folklore, spiders are described as storytellers and oracles of fate, wealth, and sometimes death, but remember, I use the word "folklore." Here are a few: Most spiders (except



The J.N. Adam Developmental Center was a residential and treatment facility for people with developmental disabilities in Perryburg, New York. The facility was originally a tuberculosis hospital from 1912 to 1952, and was later converted to a mental health facility in 1960.

tarantulas) are omens of good luck. The bigger the spider - the greater the luck. I get my tolerance for these creatures from my Polish grandfather who always said that spiders in the house indicate a happy home. Now, back to the one above my bed. Legend has it, that if it a white spider above your bed it is good luck. A black one, not so much. Here's another: If you have a fire lamp or candle and a spider falls in and gets burnt to a crisp, a witch is nearby. In researching old world cures, I came across this one which I would be hesitant to try - a spider in syrup will cure a fever. I'll take an aspirin, thank you. Now, despite the common phobia of spiders, it is believed that if you see a spider during Halloween, it means that a loved one is watching over you. Even better, if it jumps into your pocket, you will be the recipient of wealth!!!!

Every community has its

own spooky places. Our region is no exception. I used to work at JN Adam Developmental Center in Perryburg the '80's. One did not even have to get into the building without hearing sounds emanating from the building. Of course, those were generally the cries or moans of the clients who lived there. (Or were they?) I remember the chills that ran up my spine when I heard those sounds the first time I parked my car to go to my new job. What was worse is I worked the night shift which just added more fuel to my imagination. Today, stories abound about people getting into that property now that it is abandoned and falling into disrepair. They still hear the sounds and no one any longer inhabits the buildings. Other haunted places in the

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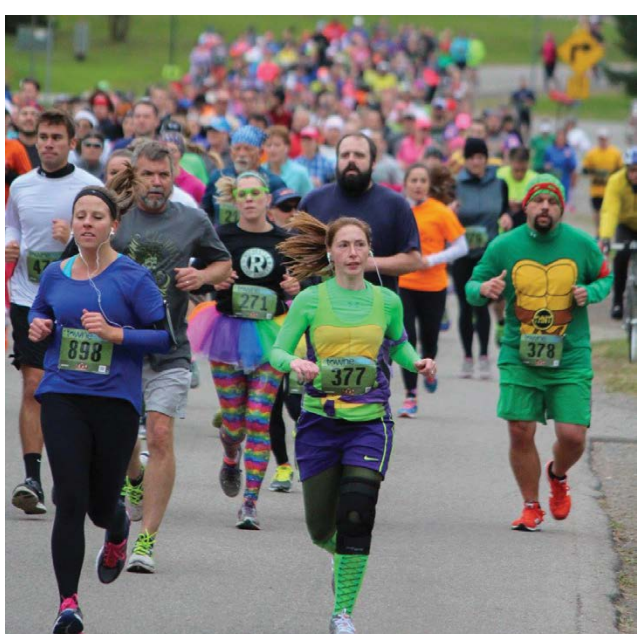


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EVL Half



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encouraged to join in the fun! Doug and Gwen Bush, the owners and founders of the event, started the race in 2014 with the hope of creating a fun and inclusive experience for runners of all levels, while helping Ellicottville thrive as an all-season resort town. Over the years, it has grown into one of the most anticipated running events of the season.

The EVL Half typically draws close to 2,000 runners per year making it one of the largest events for such a small community. Last year was one of the biggest to date and this year is looking like it will continue that trend.

The racecourse will follow similar routes to previous years, with the half marathon and relay starting at 11am, and 5K kicking off at 11:15am. The rolling course heads out of the village North through the scenic country roads and back into the village. "As always, our goal is to provide a fun and safe experience for all participants," Gwen states.

Prizes will be awarded for men's and women's

placements in each age group at the after-party at Ellicottville Brewing Company. The costume competition, sponsored by Watson's Chocolates, can get pretty fierce as athletes come out dressed to impress. Costume categories include: Best Group (two or more people), Best Individual, Funniest, Scariest, Most Girly, Best Kid, and Best in Show.

"There's something truly magical about watching our community come alive, as runners in creative costumes fill the streets with laughter and energy. Seeing families and friends of all ages come together to celebrate health and happiness amidst the beauty of Ellicottville

warms my heart every year. We like to think our races are a testament to the vibrant spirit and togetherness that makes Ellicottville so special. This community is like no other, and we are genuinely grateful for the support of the residents, merchants, and our athletes."

Even if you're not a walker or runner, you can still join the event festivities by cheering on the athletes along the route and heading to the after-race party at Ellicottville Brewing Company.

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Thriller

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keep things fresh." The Thriller Dancers have been performing this dance in Ellicottville around Halloween for 8 years. For many dancers, this is their first performance in front of a live crowd, and this performance is like none-other. "It's such an incredible experience for the dancers," says Kelli. "Performing in full-zombie character, on the street in the middle of the night; it's just incredible. The crowd in Ellicottville is awesome, and they feel that energy. We just love it."

The competitive dancers begin practicing in early October, and put in an average of 6 hours per week rehearsing for the month leading up to the Thriller shows. They each pick their own zombie persona, and really get into character during each performance. "The costumes seem to get more elaborate every year. A show like this with unique choreography and crowd interaction is very rare," says Kelli.

The performers will again lead tutorials of the dance in between the 8 and 9 performances with prizes for participation.



"We have a lot of fun and a lot of talented participants! We love getting the crowd involved," says Kelli.

Kelli's favorite part of the event is watching the excitement of the performers and interacting with the crowd. "This is the first opportunity for many of our young dancers to perform outside of a studio in front of a live audience. It's such a rewarding and exciting experience." The Dancers have even gained international attention as they were featured on international news broadcasts, the Rockettes social media, and YouTube. "I've been humbled to meet people who've traveled from several states away just to see our performance."

Many of the dancers are familiar with thrilling dances, as the studio has competed with their

award-winning dance Don't Be Scared at various competitions around the country. This dance incorporates several horror movies including The Ring, IT, and Ghostface into a high-energy flip dance with contortion and tumbling. The Fusion dancers won several awards with this dance at various competitions, most notably 1st Place at National's in Hershey Pennsylvania this year. "We're so proud of the girls, and our boy Breyden," remarks Kelli. "It's a great dance and the girls do an incredible job performing it each and every time."

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Rescue

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This peaked Potalivo's curiosity, leading him to work on his military buddy's farm over the next 3 years, breeding and raising pigs. It was this experience that helped him to understand not just how complex these animals were, but how quickly they adapt to learning basic skills and expressing human emotions.

"My buddy said, 'You cannot train a pig,' and thought the idea of it was insane," but Potalivo's compassion for animals grew when he acquired one of his friend's piglets, an American Landrace that he named Chester. "He became my emotional support animal (ESA) and lived in my house harmoniously with my dogs and cats. I took the time to challenge Chester just to see how smart he was. From opening doors to playing sports, I began to see Chester understood complex instructions that other domesticated animals didn't normally pick up."

Chester, now standing at a whopping 900 pounds, is gentler than your average dog, prefers a king mattress with a ton of blankets and even toys to decorate his areas. "There is a common misconception that pigs are garbage eating, mud laying, lazy animals," Potalivo expressed. "What many people do not know is pigs are one of the most intelligent animals on earth, and only rely on mud to cool off or to protect themselves from harmful insects or the sun - they actually like to be clean."

Once having raised,



Jason Potalivo, co-owner, fixing Galahad the pig's first birthday hat (left with the spots), next to her is Kiwi, the big one to the right is (his first adoptee) Chester, and the one trying to go through Jason's legs behind him is Shia.

trained and domesticated Chester, the concept of "Mountain Misfits Rescue" was born upon Potalivo's move to Little Valley, New York in 2021.

"We soon realized people were breeding and eating mini pigs out in the country, so we decided to take in all the neglected breeding mini pigs and even some adult full fledge commercial hogs. We don't believe in the consumption of pork due to the lack of knowledge and health concerns from the main factory farms that pork comes from. The conditions are subpar and cause a lot of health and behavioral issues in the hogs when kept in close confined areas. Pigs naturally do better when they are raised free range."

In the almost 3 years of their own financial standing, making sacrifices solely for the rescue, Mountain Misfits has managed to save 6 additional mini pigs from terrible and unfortunate circumstances and brought them all to rehabilitation with gentle hands and the

provided structure and safety.

"Our goal at Mountain Misfits is to provide education to the public about the wonders of the animals we have on our property," Potalivo said. "While the majority of the animals we care for are pigs, we have taken in others, including a 22-year-old autism certified pony named Whisper who loves children."

Mountain Misfits is open to providing educational tours at their sanctuary and hopes with the publicity, they can change the directive about hogs in the United States.

"We want to show people that pigs can be a man's best friend as well. They deserve love and compassion from today's generations and are not just food, but also valuable farm hands. They move earth and can help direct flows of water by sealing the ground using their bodily oils. They eat the invasive bushes and shrubs in the pasture along with keeping a certain style

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2024 43North Winners celebrate victory on stage at Sheas. Pictured: (in order left to right) Burak Aksar, Spiky.AI; Richard Chan, CoverRight; Daphne Pariser, HeronAI; Jeffrey Dietrich, Rarebird; Sharon Cryan, FoodNerd.

43North

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to award selected startups funding and resources to launch their company here in Buffalo. He recognized the need for change and with a deep love for his city, he was inspired to take action to transform Buffalo back into a hub of innovation and opportunity.

Thanks to 43North, Buffalo's startup ecosystem is thriving. "It's strategic location, infrastructure and workforce make it a place where startups can truly make an impact. With the support of more than 20 entrepreneurship programs, including incubators, accelerators and economic development organizations, the startup business industry in Buffalo is stronger than ever.

Since its inception, the process has changed drastically, but the vision remains the same: to make Buffalo a place the world's most innovative startups want to call home. "Our program has evolved significantly over the past

ten years," said Christian Gaddis, Director of Recruitment Marketing for 43North. "In our first year, the entire Finals show fit on the stage at Shea's Theatre. Now, the production is on a much larger scale, and the competition to make it to the stage is tougher than ever."

Companies from all over the globe apply in May, with nearly 1,000 this year alone. There is no limitation on location and it is industry non-specific. "We've had companies from Canada, the United Kingdom, and all over the United States with businesses ranging from FinTech to SaaS to quantum computing to physical products. Each business is scored by a panel of industry experts and venture capitalists. Finalists are selected and move on to a semi-final competition of 15 businesses held on Wednesday, October 9th, from which 8 move forward to the final competition on Thursday, October 10th. During the awards presentation, each business presents their idea in front of a live audience, along with a panel of judges.

"We love having a live awards ceremony, and we try to make it as fun and interactive as possible. Not only is it a great networking opportunity, but it is inspirational and shows the businesses the excitement and energy here in our Queen City." The crowd is given the chance to vote, by cheering, for their favorite business, from which a \$25K Peoples' Choice award is chosen. "This adds an element of excitement and gives the people a chance to voice their opinions."

Each of the 5 businesses selected receives \$1 million dollars, as well as valuable resources to help their business scale and grow. In return, the selected businesses sign-on to operate their business here in Buffalo for one calendar year, starting in January. Each company is provided office space in Seneca One Tower, access to 43North's investor network, mentorship and other resources. 43North offers quality-of-life programming

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Ghostfish

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This brewing company is called Ghostfish Brewing Company, and it is located at 8305 US-20 in Westfield.

One of the co-founders of Ghostfish Brewing Company is Brian Thiel, who lives in Seattle, Washington. Nearly fourteen years ago, Brian was considering opening a traditional brewery.

Around that time, a close family member found out that she had Celiac disease and had to consume only gluten free products.

She liked to have a beer occasionally and there were hardly any gluten free beer options.

Coincidentally, around this time, Brian had gone to the Great American Beer Festival in 2012, and it confirmed in his mind that there was a lack of tasty gluten free beers.

When he returned from the beer festival, he and the other co-founder decided to open a gluten free beer.

In February of 2015, Ghostfish Brewing Company opened in Seattle, Washington. They began producing beer using gluten free grains, yeast strains, and Pacific Northwest hops.

Eventually they distributed Ghostfish beer across the country, and they were very successful. Now in 2024, they produce eight year-round/flagship beer brands and a host of seasonal beers.

Their best seller is a Grapefruit IPA. The beer is packaged in aluminum cans and distributed to 20 states and 2 Canadian provinces.

At this point you may



Ghostfish Brewing Company in Westfield was awarded the 2024 Producer of the Year Award by the Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce. This photo was taken by the Chamber of Commerce at their ribbon cutting ceremony in Westfield, NY.

be confused as to what this Seattle brewery has to do with Westfield. Well, as Ghostfish beer became more popular, they were distributing it to many states across the country. It became clear that distributing beer from the west coast of the country to the east coast was going to be problematic. The cost for transporting the beer was becoming very expensive.

Brian and the other co-owners had discussions about the possibility of opening another location on the eastern side of the United States. One of the co-owners is a small business owner that lives in Westfield, New York. With Westfield being central to Erie, PA and Buffalo, NY, and near several large interstate highways, he thought it might be a good location. He also knew of a building that had some existing structures that would be needed for this kind of business and thought that it might be a good fit for their company. Eventually they decided to open the second location in Westfield. They were awarded an OCR (Community Renewal) grant by the Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce that gave support for the new location.

The company leased

the 5,500 sq. ft. building for their business. They made some necessary renovations and got it ready for beer production. They refer to their Westfield location as Ghostfish East, which began producing and distributing their gluten free beer in early 2023. This facility employs a handful of people and has the ability to produce 2000 barrels annually. From the Westfield location, they were able to distribute to states on the eastern side of the country more efficiently.

Ghostfish East now produces five flagship brands and some seasonal brands. From Westfield, they distribute to approximately ten states. This tasty gluten free beer is currently sold in Chautauqua County at Brazil Lounge in Jamestown, Chautauqua Harbor Hotel in Celeron, Wegmans and Don's Car Wash in Lakewood, Asheville General Store, and Bridgeview One Stop in Bemus Point.

Just a few weeks ago, the Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce selected county businesses for this year's Chamber awards. The Ghostfish Brewing Company in

Westfield, NY, was awarded the 2024 Producer of the Year Award by the Chamber of Commerce.

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The Chautauqua Ridge

Old Portage Road Significant Connector of Trade

By BILL BURK

The Chautauqua Ridge serves as a natural divider between Lake Erie and Lake Chautauqua. While Lake Erie is connected to extensive inland water routes that lead deep into North America and out to the Atlantic Ocean, Chautauqua Lake flows southward, draining into the Allegheny River, which then joins the Ohio River and ultimately reaches the Gulf of Mexico via the Mississippi River. The portage between these two water systems was critical for early travelers and traders, especially given the elevation difference—the ridge on this route rises about 1,500 feet above sea level, while Lake Erie sits roughly 700 feet above sea level.

The Chautauqua Portage, a route extending from Mayville on Chautauqua Lake to Barcelona on Lake Erie, was well-traveled by Native Americans long before Europeans arrived.

This nine-mile stretch of land, known as the Old Portage Road, bridged the gap between the lakes and provided a crucial link in trade and transportation for the region's indigenous peoples, including the Seneca, who were part of the Iroquois Confederacy.

The Seneca used the trail to move goods like furs, tools, and foodstuffs between their villages and neighboring tribes. Their deep understanding of the landscape and waterways meant that this portage was integral to their trading network, connecting the watersheds of the Great Lakes with

those of the Ohio River and beyond.

Étienne Brûlé became the first European to document the use of the trail in 1615, but it wasn't until 1749 that the route took on significant European interest. That year, a French expedition led by Celeron de Bienville arrived at Chautauqua Creek on Lake Erie, seeking to claim the Ohio Valley for France. They blazed a trail through the dense forests to Chautauqua Lake, eventually reaching the Allegheny and Ohio Rivers. By 1753, a larger French force had expanded the trail into a full military road to transport supplies to a chain of forts along the Allegheny River, including Fort Le Boeuf, Fort Machault, and Fort Duquesne.

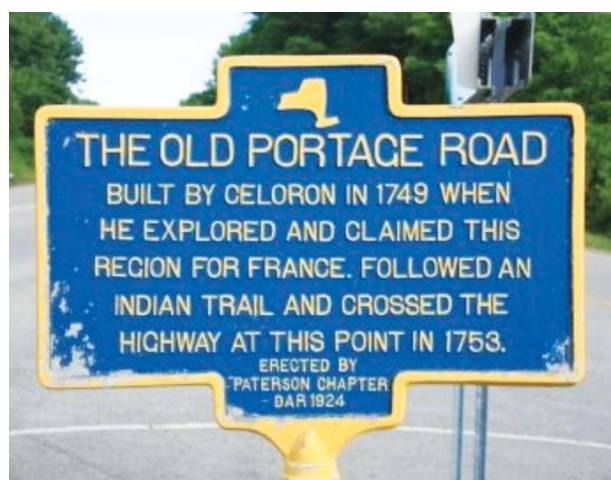
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recognized the strategic value of controlling this transportation corridor.

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Even in the early 19th century, the Old Portage Road retained its importance. During the War of 1812, it was used by American forces to transport troops and supplies, playing a role in the pivotal Battle of Lake Erie. Supplies, including cannons, were moved from the interior to the American fleet stationed at Barcelona Harbor on Lake Erie. This logistical advantage helped the U.S. Navy secure a decisive victory over the British at Put-In-Bay, Ohio.

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in Brief

Musical #12: "Godspell"

By BARBARA ARNSTEIN

"Godspell's" songs, based on the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, were written by Stephen Schwartz, who also composed the music.

"Godspell", began as a student's project at Carnegie Mellon University, that was made into a musical and moved to an Off-Off-Broadway theater, then an Off-Broadway theater, and finally a Broadway theater (plus theaters worldwide). The 1973 movie, mostly filmed in various locations throughout Manhattan, it begins when eight of the ten unnamed characters (men and women in their early 20's) are mysteriously summoned from their jobs and gather in Central Park, where they all jump into a fountain under an angel statue. There, the other two characters appear: Jesus, who has a heart on his forehead and wears a Superman t-shirt, and John the Baptist, who wears a colorful tailcoat. Soon afterwards, all ten find a junkyard that supplies the other eight with clownish costumes, and all of them with props for the clowning connected with the movie's songs, most of which involve Biblical parables. All the actors in the movie were cast because they appeared in various stage productions of "Godspell". Amazingly, the Toronto production of the show launched the careers of many popular performers, including Gilda Radner, Martin Short, Andrea Martin, and Victor Garber, who plays Jesus in the movie. (Years later, he played the devil, in the Broadway musical "Damn Yankees", in which his character is weirdly called

"Mr. Applegate").

The catchy duet, "All For the Best" is challenging to perform because it requires the two singers to sing contrasting verses simultaneously. It was made even more difficult during the filming of the movie, because, for part of it, the two actors performing it had to tap-dance on narrow scaffolding suspended high in the air. Although their performance up there only lasts twenty-two seconds, the result is spectacular because the moving lights on the neon sign behind them reflect their movements as they dance. A version of the song "Day by Day", sung by the original Off-Broadway cast, was released in 1972 and spent 14 weeks on the Billboard Hot 100 list, peaking at Number 13 in July. The lead singer, Robin Lamont, who sings it in the movie, was uncredited.

Except for a few minutes at the beginning and end of the film, no other people are seen anywhere they go but the ten. In "The Filming of Godspell", the director, David Greene, said he filmed it that way to create the feeling they were in their own special world. About the dancing, he said, "I told the choreographer (Sammy Bayes) to make up choreography that the kids could've made up themselves" and he described the result as having "a marvelous sense of absurdity". Describing the movie in general, he said, "There's a sense of joy, and of fun and absurdity, that is a cross between 'The Little Rascals' and 'The Wizard of Oz'. It's a celebration".

Rarely does a musical create important social change but "Godspell" did just that. Before this happened, one of its songs, "Beautiful City", seemed to hint at the change it would bring about. Some of those lyrics: "Come sing me sweet rejoicing./Come sing me love./We're not afraid of voicing/all the things we're dreaming of...We can build a beautiful city, yes we can./Yes, we can". To begin with, when "Godspell" opened in Maseru, Lesotho in South Africa in 1973, it ran for five months. However, when it was brought to the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, it was banned, since its mixed-race cast challenged apartheid, the official system of segregation. The producers, Des & Dawn Lindberg, challenged this ban in the Supreme Court and won! The show then toured South Africa for two years (and returned in later years) and this brought about some changes in society. In 1993, the song played another important role when its lyrics were rewritten in response to the riots in Los Angeles prompted by the Rodney King case. Since then, most productions of "Godspell" feature the new lyrics, which include the words, "When your trust is all but shattered./When your faith is all but killed./You can give up, bitter and battered/Or you can slowly start to build." The lyrics for

Family Fun Festivals and Live Music

By DARLENE BRACE

Fall in Western New York is a beautiful season, with all it's amazing color. There is plenty of fun to be had both indoors and out. Read on to see what fun you will find happening in Chautauqua County.

Friday October 18 – In Westfield, **Customer Appreciation Nights** continue at **Five and 20 Brewing and Spirits**. There will be \$2 off draft beer and some cocktails will be priced at \$5.20 from 5pm-8pm. Talented musician Mike Chase will be the entertainment for the evening.

Music for your Mouth in Mayville will be having live music to accompany your delicious meal. **Two Towns** will be rocking it out, playing rock and some country music starting at 5:30pm. Call (716) 224-1035 for reservations

Dean Wells will be performing at the **Wine Cellar** in downtown Jamestown. Dean will be playing mostly classic rock covers and a few originals from 6:30pm-9:30pm.

Big Inlet Brewing in Mayville will host the talented **Jason Mirek** starting at 6pm. He plays Americana style music as well as some original tunes. Bring your family and friends and enjoy hanging out while listening to the music.

It's **Karaoke Night at Shawbucks** in downtown Jamestown starting at 9pm. DJ Giulia will be playing the tunes. Pick your favorite song to sing or just enjoy as a spectator. Either way it will be a fun night.

Popular WNY band **Black Widow** will be performing **She Sings Café** in Mayville. Come

enjoy the show as **Black Widow** plays rock and pop covers from 6:30pm-10:30pm.

Just outside of Jamestown, **The Celeron Legion** will host the 8th Annual **Lip Sync Battle**. Get your act together and come be a part of this great show, or you can be entertained just watching it. This is a fundraising event for the WOW Foundation. There will be raffles, a costume contest, and a whole lot of fun, starting at 6pm.

Seneca Allegheny Casino's River Bar is having a fun weekend of live music. On Friday night, **Jesse and Erika** will perform starting at 7pm. Then at 7pm Saturday, **J.J. White and Mojo Sauce** will entertain the crowd with their bluesy jazz tunes.

Saturday October 19 - **Lenny and the Landshark** will be performing at **Southern Tier Brewing** in Lakewood. Enjoy your favorite Southern Tier beverage as you listen to some great tunes, starting at 5pm.

OsbornNash will perform at **She Sings Café** in Mayville. This singer/songwriting duo plays a mix of originals and covers and the play a little bit of country and other genres. Come enjoy a delicious meal while listening to these talented musicians.

Furious George performs at **Group Ther-Happy** starting at 8pm. They play an entertaining mix of classic rock, 80s and 90's, and metal covers as well as some original tunes.

Ion Sky (unplugged) will be performing at **Cuevas Bar and Grill** in Dunkirk starting at 7pm. They play a fun mix of rock and pop

music that will surely get you moving to the beat.

Justin Wheeler is a talented singer/songwriter that enjoys creating his own music and plays some selective covers. Join him at the **Cooler Bar and Grill** in Sherman starting at 7pm.

Saturday October 19 & Sunday October 20 - Harvest View Greenhouses in Fredonia continues its **Fall Festival**. Your general admission provides a host of indoor and outdoor activities and includes admittance to the live music. On Saturday, **Two Towns** will perform classic rock and country music from 1pm-4pm. Then from 1pm-5pm Sunday, the talented trio **Ultra Violet** will play pop, hip hop, and R&B music from the 90's to present. Check out harvestviewgreenhouses.com for a complete list of activities.

The **Peek n' Peak Resort** in Clymer continues its **Fall Festival** this weekend. It features over a hundred artisan vendors. There are activities for kids and the Mountain Adventures are still available. On Saturday afternoon, **Tiny Music** plays from 1pm-5pm. Later, **Rick Magee & The Roadhouse Rockers** will perform in the Bistro 210 starting at 9:30pm. On Sunday, afternoon from 1-5pm, **Juvenile Characteristics** will conclude the festival's live music. For a complete list of activities, go to pknpk.com.

What a fun weekend! There was a variety of live music and many different types of venues. Check out next week's issue to see what's happening in Chautauqua County.

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What's Shakin' in EVL

Whether Outside or In, Live Music is Always Available

By: MOUTH SAY TONGUE

The leaves are turning and the colors are exploding so get out there and do some peeping and then come to town and ear, drink and listen to music. Let's see who's playing?

We start the seven-day weekend Thursday at The Gin Mill with Tyler and Jim from 8-11pm. This duo plays a rock/pop/folk set of covers and originals with an emphasis on the British Invasion. Try some of the 37 beers that are always on tap.

FRIDAY
Balloons is first up with The Knight Crew from 6:30-10pm. This band plays top 40's music from the 70's till today. The back bar will host Conner Brien from 10-1am. Conner plays a rock/pop set of covers from the 80-2000's. Dj Kage will provide the thumpin for the bumpin on the two dance floors from 10-2am.

The Gin Mill hosts Twi Guys Drinking Beer from 8-12am. Ron and Terry play a rock/pop/country /folk set of covers you'll know the words to. Try the latest kitchen in town open till 10pm sun-thurs and 11pm fri-sat. Open for breakfast 9-11:30am sat-sun.

Madigans keeps the party going with Dj Per-

sia from 9-2am. He'll provide the sauce so you can dance like a boss in the window on Washington.

SATURDAY
We're back at The Gin Mill for The Chill-billys from 2-5pm. This husband-and-wife act plays a rock/country/pop/blues/folk set of covers and originals. The Rusty Nickel Band takes the stage from 8-12am. This band plays classic and current country/rock covers. Check out the Carriage House Sidebar for some craft cocktails made with high end spirits.

Balloons is back with Whiskey Trick from 6:30-10pm. This band plays a pop/ Celtic/country set of covers and originals. The back bar will host The Groove Bros from 10-1am. This duo plays an r&b/blues/pop/jazz/funk set of covers. Dj Lyfe will rock the house sound from 10-2am.

Madigans is a player with Dj Kage from 9-2am. He puts the funk in the trunk so you can shake your junk till the wee hours. Try the Dart board or pool tables for some competition.

SUNDAY
Villaggio hosts its weekly AYCE Pasta Night and Prime Rib Special from 5-9pm. Since the Bills are playing they will open at 12:30 with wings and pizza available along with drink specials. Chris Maloney will entertain

from 5:30-8:30pm. Chris plays a rock/pop/folk/alt set of covers.

We return to The Gin Mill for Drew Vic's from 4-7pm. Drew plays a rock/pop set of originals and covers. Try some of their famous Bloody Mary's.

Monday is Strings and Wings at Balloons from 4-10pm. This weeks host is the very popular Pat and Owen from 6-9pm. These fellows play a blues/folk/pop /country set of covers and originals.

The Gin Mill's Monday musical host is Red Gray from 7-10pm. Red plays classic and modern country and classic and southern rock covers and originals.

Tuesday The Gin Mill hosts The Marty Peters Duo from 7-10pm. Marty is a member of the Buffalo Music HOF and plays folk and blues covers from the 60-70's.

We end the seven-day weekend like we have for the last 40 years, at The Gin Mill for Wing, Wednesday from 7-10pm. Your musical host is Brian Rick. Brian plays a rock/folk/pop/country set of covers. Don't forget those 37 beers on tap to wash those wings down with.

We hope you had a fun time in our village and that you return often with friends and family but wherever you are PLEASE, ALWAYS SUPPORT LIVE MUSIC!!!!!!!

Beat on the Street:

"What were You Doing on a Friday Night When You were 16"

BY CHAD NEAL



Storm W.- Playing football in the good ole Maroon and White! Then heading to the after party to celebrate the win usually!

In the midst of the teenage years there are many different directions a kid can go. At 16 the life of an adolescent changes - big time. It's the year, in this state anyhow, that we can get our drivers permit and license. Hormones are raging and the social butterfly starts to emerge or not, and coming into one's own often happens at that juncture. Some have a plan. Some do not. Enjoying a new found freedom and practicing adult themed fun happens quite bit around that age and it's found out whether or not any certain lifestyle is the way to go. Partying is often a new function a lot of teens get into and working to get money is also a new found desire, sometimes both of those things occur. Mistakes are often made and the decisions can then be easier guided for the youth. What were you doing on a Friday night when you were 16?



Donna T.- Playing bagpipes at the football game and then heading to Shakeys and clearwater beach after to hang out.



Larry K.- Watching The Dukes of Hazzard!



Ashley G.- Working at Hoagies then playing and smoking in the video games all night.



Jake E.- "Bowling" but really we were drinking and smoking in the woods somewhere.



Michaela P.- Blaring Justin Bieber while closing Katy's Cafe. Probably ruining her speakers and forcing Ms Lynn to knock on the walls next door at Alexandria's because the music was too loud!

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Vote

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All New York State residents must be registered to vote by October 26 to cast their ballots in the General Election. Check your registration status at voterlookup.elections.ny.gov. You can register online by going to elections.ny.gov/voter-registration-process. You can also register by mailing registration forms to your county's Board of Elections, or by visiting your Board of Elections office in person.

What's on the Ballot In addition to the presidency, the offices of Senator, State Supreme Court Justice, Congressional Representative, State Senator, Member of Assembly, and various county positions will be voted on. A New York State constitutional amendment, the "Amendment to Protect Against Unequal Treatment", will also be on the ballot. Visit candidate web sites to determine who you would like to vote for. Sample ballots can be found on the websites of the Cattaraugus and Chautauqua County Board of Elections.

Early Voting All registered voters may vote early between October 26 and November 3. Both Chautauqua and Cattaraugus Counties have multiple early voting locations, and any voter can visit any early voting location in their county. All Chautauqua County early voting poll sites are physically accessible.



In addition to voting on November 5th, early voting and mail-in and absentee ballots are available.

Visit your county's Board of Elections website for the locations and hours of early voting poll sites, and remember that if you vote early, you are not eligible to vote on election day.

Mail-In and Absentee Ballots Any New Yorker registered to vote may vote by mail, also known as 'early mail ballot'. Applications for early mail ballots must be received by your county's Board of Elections no later than 10 days before the election, Saturday, October 26. You can request an early mail ballot online at ballotapplication.elections.ny.gov/home/earlymail, or by mailing or delivering an application in-person to your county Board of Elections. Absentee Ballots are available for those who will be out of the county on election day, who are incarcerated, or whose primary care duties preclude voting in person. Voters must submit absentee ballot applications no later than 10 days before the election. Voters who are in the military or living out of the country on election day must visit www.fvap.gov/new-york to request a ballot. Election Day - November

5th On November 5th, the day of the general election, poll sites will be open nationwide from 6am-9pm. Those without sufficient time to vote outside of working hours are entitled to up to 2 paid hours off work to vote on election day. If you are in line at the poll site at 9pm, you have the right to cast your ballot. Unlike early voting, when voters may visit any poll site in their county, those planning to vote on the day of the election must go to their election district's poll site. A list of poll sites by election district may be found on each county's Board of Elections website, and all New York voters can find their election district and their polling site by visiting voterlookup.elections.ny.gov. For More Information

- Cattaraugus County - www.cattco.gov/board-elections
- Chautauqua County - chqgov.com/board-of-elections/Board-of-Elections
- New York State Voter Information Lookup - voterlookup.elections.ny.gov

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43North

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designed to enhance the experience for founders and employees relocating to Buffalo, making the city an attractive place to live and work. The program focuses on building community connections, promoting well-being, and providing resources that help companies and their teams thrive both personally and professionally. Activities range from ski days at HoliMont in the winter to progressive dinners at local restaurants, and

opportunities to enjoy Lake Erie during the summer. In addition, 43North provides community engagement initiatives that connect local residents with founders and companies through panel discussions, networking events, and career fairs. To date, 43North has 74 portfolio companies, with a wide variety of businesses, including ACV Auctions, which currently employs more than 600 people locally and 2000 internationally, and Top Seedz Crackers, which recently opened a manufacturing facility in downtown Buffalo

massively increasing their production. This year's five winners of a \$1 million investment from the 43North finals competition were: FoodNerd (one of the three semifinalists from Buffalo), HeronAI (Cambridge, MA), CoverRight (Brooklyn), Rarebird (San Francisco) and Spiky.ai (Brookline, MA). All five will operate from Buffalo for the 2025 calendar year with office space inside Seneca One. For more information, visit 43North.org, follow on social media and email for more information.

Connector

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the Great Lakes and the interior waterways of North America. Its historical importance is underscored by its use in trade, warfare, and the movement of people and goods, making it a key element in both Native American and European settlement patterns. Though the road has changed over time, it is still in use today, with much of NY 394 tracing the route between Mayville and Westfield. While modern roads may deviate slightly from the original trail, they follow its general path,

and parts of the historic road, such as Old Portage Road, still exist near Little Chautauqua Creek. Historical markers, such as one on NY 394 east of Westfield, commemorate the significance of the Old Portage Road, preserving the memory of this once-crucial artery for trade, military campaigns, and transportation.

★ ★ Sudoku Challenge ★ ★

This Week's Difficulty Level: ★ ★ ★ ★ ☆

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!**

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

Last Week's Puzzle:

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

Walter's World

Photo Picks From "The Rittman Show"

This 1899 photo from The New York Times recalls an era when Thanksgiving was more like Halloween. With costumed revelers out in droves to celebrate this day of thanks, the holiday was said to be the busiest time of year for mask dealers and the like. But by the 1920s, the tradition had started to wane and the modern version of Thanksgiving increasingly took root.

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SECTION 802 NOTICE OF QUAL. OF DG DELEVAN LLC AUTH. FILED WITH SSNY ON 09/20/2024. Office location: Cattaraugus. LLC formed in DE on 09/18/2024. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to: 600 MAMARONECK AVENUE #400, HARRISON, NY, 10528. Arts. of Org. filed with DE SOS. Townsend Bldg. Dover, DE 19901. Any lawful purpose.

23 SUMMIT DR., LLC Notice of registration of Karp Properties, LLC d/b/a 23 Summit Dr., LLC, a foreign limited liability company ("LLC.") Application for Authority filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on 9/27/2024. The LLC was organized in the State of Ohio on 2/24/2004. Office location: Cattaraugus County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 23 Summit Dr., Ellicottville, NY 14723. The principal office of the LLC in its state of organization is 3135 Euclid Ave., Cleveland Ohio 44155. Articles of Organization filed with the Ohio Secretary of State, 180 Civic Center, Columbus OH 43215. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.

DEMAND AND NOTICE PURSUANT TO NEW YORK GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW § 15-304

To: Eastern Gas & Oil, P.O. Box 731, Warren, Ohio 44481
 Person Giving Notice: Joseph Kic and Mary Kunselman, c/o Evan F. Anderson, Esq. Hodgson Russ LLP

140 Pearl Street, Suite 100, Buffalo, New York 14202
 Interest of Person Giving Notice: Joseph Kic and Mary Kunselman are the current owners of the premises affected by the lease referenced below.

Oil and Gas Lease: Oil and Gas Lease given by John P. Kic and Antonina Kio, husband and wife (the "Lessor"), of Town of Delevan, County of Cattaraugus and State of New York, to Eastern Gas & Oil, which Lease is dated October 11, 1973 and recorded in the Cattaraugus County Clerk's Office in Liber 743 of Deeds at Page 185 on October 18, 1973, and which Lease had a primary term of ten (10) years from the date thereof (the "Lease"). The Lease was subsequently assigned by John Kapp and William Jones, d/b/a Eastern Gas and Oil to Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation by Assignment dated January 14, 1974, as recorded in the Cattaraugus County Clerk's Office in Liber 747 of Deeds at page 246 on March 8, 1974.

Premises Affected: A 90 acre or more parcel of real property in the Towns of Farmersville, County of Cattaraugus and State of New York which, in September 1973, was bounded on the North by lands of P. George and Swanson, on the East by lands of Swanson, on the South by lands of Strong, and on the West by lands of Guenther.

Date and Basis of Lease Termination: The Lease expired at the end of the primary term on October 11, 1973, as a result of there not having been any oil and gas development on the property affected by such Lease or on a unit which included a portion of the property affected by the Lease.

Demand: Pursuant to General Obligations Law § 15-304 the lessee of an oil and gas lease must provide a document in recordable form cancelling the lease of record within thirty (30) days of the lease expiration. Demand is made that you provide such a document to the Person Giving Notice, at the address set forth above, within thirty (30) days of your receipt of this Demand.

If you fail to provide the document, in recordable form, cancelling the lease within the time specified, the lease will be terminated pursuant to the provisions of General Obligations Law § 15-304.

If You Believe the Lease Remains In Effect: If you believe that the lease referenced above has not terminated, you must file an affidavit to that effect in Cattaraugus County within thirty (30) days of your receipt of this Demand and Notice and must provide a copy of such affidavit to the Person Giving Notice within ten (10) days following the filing of such affidavit.

If you have any questions concerning the foregoing, or wish to discuss the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Evan F. Anderson, Esq., Hodgson Russ LLP, 140 Pearl Street, Suite 100, Buffalo, New York 14202 (716) 848-1692.

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Kazoo

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a more contemporary resident remembered that Mr. Lawler delivered groceries house to house, accepting produce from farmers as payment for their purchases. By 1955, the store took on another personality becoming an appliance store owned by Art Glenn. Some may remember that Glenn

Sanders worked there. From 1982-1988, it became an Agway run by Joe Halloran, then Fox Valley Florists until 2000; Mud Sweat and Gears occupied it for some time, moving to another location and making way for Kazoo II which is the present and, admit it, the most fun and fanciful resident.

Ghostfish

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the brewing companies in Chautauqua County, and we would like to thank the Chamber of Commerce for this honorable award." Maybe you or your loved one would like to try Ghostfish beer. It's a tasty quality level beer that is a beer for all beer drinkers. It's on par or better than most beer and not just for those who need gluten free beer.

If you want more information on this brewery and where to find their beer, you can go to ghostfishbrewing.com. On their website, there is a beer finder feature that will help you to find locations of Ghostfish beer in your area and across the country. You can also check their Facebook page and other social media sites for more information.

Folklore

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In folklore, spiders are described as storytellers and oracles of fate, wealth, and sometimes death, but remember, I use the word "folklore." Here are a few: Most spiders (except tarantulas) are omens of good luck. The bigger the spider - the greater the luck. Legend has it, that if it a white spider above your bed it is good luck. A black one, not so much. Here's another: If you have a fire lamp or candle and a spider falls in and gets burnt to a crisp, a witch is nearby.

ride. Food and seating are available. \$30 adults, kiddoes under 5 free.

The Ellicottville Historical Society will be presenting ghost walks around the village of Ellicottville on Friday nights October 18, and October 25, led by Town Historian, Ellen Sirianni Frank. Gather at the Gazebo at 7pm for the walk to commence at 7:30pm. Wear appropriate clothing and shoes for the

two-hour event, carry a flashlight, and be sure your camera is charged in case you want to photograph mystical images or floating orbs at the cemetery. And just wait until you hear the stories about an execution, a shooting, a train accident and our resident ghosts in the Historical museum and local church. They will curl your hair. Enjoy this magical mystical Halloween season! Boo!

Rescue

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of order and flow within the rescue."

Mountain Misfits encourages people to spend time on their pasture with the rescues in person. Those interested in visiting can call or make an appointment directly on their website: mountainmisfits.org

(Pictured) Little Shia with their 22-year-old autism certified pony named Whisper who loves children.

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