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Penguin Paddle, Feb. 22 @ HV Annual Fundraiser for Adaptive Ski Program



The Penguin Paddle this Saturday, is one of the most awaited events at Holiday Valley, bringing families and zany fun-lovers together for a cause worth supporting. This silly all-day celebration is the main fundraiser for the Lounsbury Adaptive Ski Program (LASP), enabling individuals with disabilities experience the outdoor fun of skiing.

CAROL FISHER LINN

"Back in the old days" (60's) daily, at 4:30pm, when the sun was slipping behind the hills, lifts were closed and the last

skiers had departed, it was the responsibility of the ski patrollers to "sweep" the hills. Every inch of terrain was

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Ellicottville Winter Music Jam Annual Chamber Festival February 21-23



(For the full schedule this weekend's event, see page 7. For complete details, check out "What's Shakin", page 9.)

BY KATE BARTLETT

venues throughout Ellicottville.

This weekend, February 21-23 marks the 7th annual Winter Music Jam put on by the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce. This annual festival celebrates the second phase of ski season with local musicians playing at various

The Winter Music Jam was started by the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce in 2018 as a way to gather the community in celebration of the ski season. "Ellicottville has always been an amazing

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Second Annual Uppenover

Holiday Valley Fundraising Event for Roswell, 3/15



Uppenover is an uphill/downhill event that quite literally, goes up and over the slopes. The event starts at Holiday Valley, goes up, over, and down HoliMont, back up HoliMont, over and back down to Holiday Valley. Participants can use any equipment that attaches to feet, like touring skis, or show shoes, and are encouraged to participate at their own pace.

BY KATE BARTLETT

Saturday, March 15, marks the second annual Uppenover fundraising event with Holiday Valley. This fun and active

event encourages athletes of all ages and abilities to get 'up and over' the slopes while raising money for Roswell Park

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Sauerwein Proves Authenticity Matters

WNY Native with National Skiing Podcast



Unlike die-hard free-heel skiers, he never tied his identity to one discipline. His entry into ski media was just as unconventional. Over a decade ago, he converted a school bus into a mobile studio, launching The Pursuit, a web series documenting his East Coast travels. That caught the attention of Adam Jaber, host of The Out of Bounds Podcast, who invited him on as a guest. Their chemistry was immediate. Before long, Jaber offered him his own show under The Out of Collective banner.
Photo/Kris George.

BY JEFF MARTIN

Adam Sauerwein has built his career on one core belief: authenticity matters.

As a wedding photographer in Springville, NY, he knows the power of capturing real moments.

"The clothing might go out of style, but the emotion never does," he says.

That same philosophy fueled his work in ski media. As the former host of The Pursuit Podcast on The Out

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Nat'l Comedy Center Awards Kids ... Pg. 3 Kids & Teens Admitted Free through April 18

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Day Trip: Corning Museum of Glass See Glass in a New Light



The live, narrated glassworking demonstrations throughout the museum bring glass to life. Guests are also invited to try their own hand at making glass through a Make Your Own Glass session at an additional cost. (Pictured: Glass artist Manolo Aguilera (left) works alongside Corning Museum of Glass Hot Glass Team member Tom Ryder in a Guest Artist Demonstration.)

BY KATE BARTLETT

Just about two hours from Ellicottville is Corning, NY, home to the Corning Museum of Glass (CMoG). Established in 1951, this museum is home to the world's most comprehensive collection of glass and one of the top glassworking schools in the world. CMoG welcomes over 300,000 visitors from around the world annually.

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EVL-GV Trail Meeting Project Moves Into Design Phase



BY JEFF MARTIN, THE VILLAGER

EL LICOTTVILLE – Exciting progress is being made on the Ellicottville-Great Valley (EVL-GV) Trail as the project officially moves into its design phase. Community members, outdoor enthusiasts, and local business owners are invited to attend a public forum on Thursday, February 27, 2025, at the Ellicottville Town Center to learn more about the trail's development and its potential impact.

The EVL-GV Trail is a key part of the proposed 80-mile Southern Tier Trail, which will connect over 20 towns, cities, and villages in Western New York. Stretching approximately 52 miles through Cattaraugus County, the trail will link scenic destinations, encourage outdoor recreation, and create economic opportunities. It will also connect to major trail systems, including the Shoreline Trail in Buffalo, the 90-mile Genesee Valley

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Publisher's Word

"Always More to Explore..."



so inspired, sign up for the parade! It's easy to do and you are encouraged to be a part of the show. You can sign up on the Ellicottville Chamber website page: www.ellicottvilleny.com. If you are in Chautauqua County enjoying the read be sure to put your eyes on Darlene Brace's articles highlighting just a few of the newer storefronts in the historic Lakewood district (page 7).

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If you are in Ellicottville this weekend enjoying the skiing, live music, shopping and dining. Be sure to mark your calendars for Mardi Gras & Winter Carnival Weekend, March 8 & 9, 2025. If you feel

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artists have brought to life. Don't miss this opportunity to experience the beauty and creativity that thrives within us all. "Art has the power to uplift and renew our spirits. As we celebrate the artists from the Intandem Creative Arts department, we come together to provide access to the world of art for all." states Paula Bernstein, former executive director of TCAC.

OLEAN- The Tri County Arts Council (TCAC) and the Intandem Creative Arts department are proud to present the "A World of PossABILITIES" show, an inspiring exhibition that celebrates artistic expression and developmental disabilities awareness. The show's opening reception will take place on February 22, 2025, from 5-8pm at the Peg Bothner Gallery located at TCAC, 110 West State St., Olean, NY 14760.

Intandem Creative Arts Program. Over the last year, under the guidance of Jennifer Mysliwy and Lisa O'Neil and former executive director of TCAC Paula Bernstein, participants have poured their hearts and talents into creating masterpieces that reflect their unique perspectives and abilities. The exhibit offers a powerful glimpse into a world full of endless possibilities. Join us in celebrating art, creativity, and inclusion as the gallery show will run until March 29!

Every artist and crafter begins with a dream—to create something beautiful and meaningful. Each piece is made with love, hoping to find someone who treasures it just as much as they do. Every purchase you make helps bring that dream to life. Not only are you supporting local artists and crafters, but you're also supporting the Intandem Creative Arts Program and Tri-County Arts Council and its mission to nurture creativity and culture in our community. Shop small, make a difference, and be part of something bigger. For more information, please visit the Tri County Arts Council website or call 716-372-7455.

This exhibit highlights March as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, showcasing the creative works of individuals from the

We invite the community to come and explore the wonderful world of PossABILITIES that these

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Nat'l Comedy Center Awards Kids

Kids & Teens Free through April 18

The National Comedy Center, the nation's official museum and cultural institution dedicated to comedy, is making it easier for families to experience the fun and joy of laughing out loud together with admission free for kids and teens for a limited time.

Between February 15 and April 19, 2025, up to two (2) kids and teens, age 17 and under, will be admitted to the National Comedy Center for free with the purchase of an admission ticket by an accompanying adult. The free teens and kids offer kicks off just in time for school winter break, making it an ideal time for families to experience the National Comedy Center's interactive and immersive playground – perfect for comedy fans of all ages.

Guests can step into classic comedy scenes, create their own memes and cartoons, engage in a "Laugh Battle," and even try comedy karaoke. The fun begins upon arrival, as each guest creates a personalized "Sense of Humor Profile" stored on a LaughBand worn on the wrist, which customizes their experience by unlocking laughs at more than 50 exhibits

throughout the museum complex.

"As a parent myself, I know how special it is to find an experience that brings the whole family together," said Journey Gunderson, National Comedy Center Executive Director. "What I love the most about this museum is that kids, parents, and grandparents can share laughs together that cross generations. There's nothing more fun than laughing at the same punchlines, whether they be from today's comedy films and cartoons, to classic slapstick films, to memes, or TV shows from every era. One person is feeling nostalgia while another is discovering something new—but together, they're laughing and finding connection."

The National Comedy Center has received rave reviews from the media and visitors for its family-friendly exhibits – voted the Best Museum in The Buffalo News' "Best of 716" awards in 2024 and named by U.S. News & World Report as a "Top 25 Family Weekend Getaway in the U.S." in a list of destinations that included Walt Disney World and Disneyland. Western New York Family Magazine called the National Comedy Center



a "Must See Destination... recommended for school-aged children and up," and I LOVE NY named the Comedy Center one of the best "family-friendly indoor activities" in New York State. Macaroni KID Erie raved about the Comedy Center's "kid-friendly laughs," stating, "We spent nearly four hours at the museum and still had to drag our 7-and-9-year-olds away!"

Up to two kids and teens will be admitted free to both the National Comedy Center museum and the nearby Lucille Ball Desi Arnaz Museum with the purchase of an admission ticket by an accompanying adult. Both museums are open Thursdays through Mondays, 10 am to 5 pm. Purchase tickets and get full details on this special admission offer at ComedyCenter.org/kids.



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This Business Builder Workshop will be held Wednesday, February 26 from 9:30 – 11:30am at the SUNY Fredonia Center for Innovation and

Economic Development (formerly the Technology Incubator), 214 Central Avenue, Dunkirk.

They will pack a variety of topics into this session, including a brief overview of the ShopLocalCHQ Gift Card; some social media marketing tips for small businesses from our new Director of Membership Development Bob Lingle, who also owns his own small business; a look at a fresh approach to foot traffic through product placement from Dawn Murphy who owns and

operates Whizz-n-Smash, producing a wide variety of nut butters distributed far and wide; and an overview of Bandwango, the CHQ Chamber's newly acquired platform that helps to build foot traffic around online passes.

This event is designed to be both a learning experience tied with a bit of networking. It is free for all to attend. Pre-registration is requested for planning purposes and is open now through the Chamber's web calendar at www.chqchamber.org.

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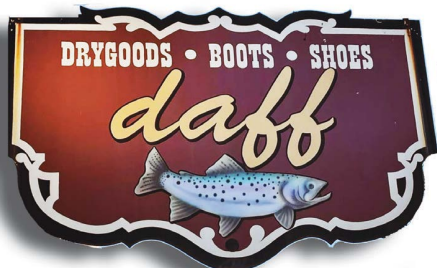
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Steve Dunlap, HoliMont race coach, with modern "shaped" skis and 1980s vintage "straight" skis.

BY DAN BALKIN

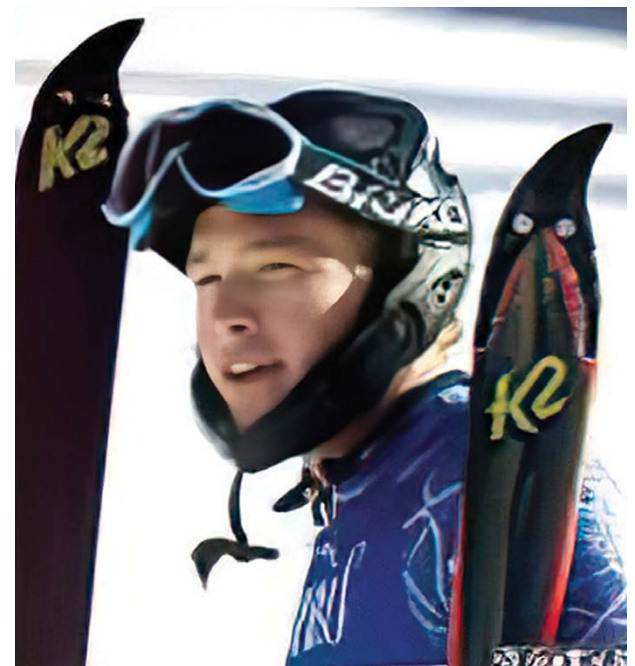
These things were big in the 1980s: MTV; the Swatch Watch; Atari; Rubik's Cube; Wayne Gretsky; Meryl Streep; Raiders of the Lost Ark; Michael Jackson – and Straight Skis. A few of these persons or items slink along in the public mind in 2025, but not straight skis. Why? Because modern shaped skis are so much better.

A brief history of the evolution of modern skis: In 1882, the first mass-production ski factory opened in – where else? – Norway. Thirty years earlier, in the 1850s, the Norwegians had already invented the first "cambered" ski. A cambered ski means that when you place it flat on the ground, the center of the ski rises higher than the tip or tail. The purpose of this innovation, which is still widely used in ski design today, is that when one steps into bindings attached to the center of the ski, one's weight is more evenly distributed over the entire length of the ski. In 1928, in one of the next giant leaps of ski-design innovation, Rudolph Lettner from Austria created the first skis with steel edges; in 1941, the first plastic base was put on a pair of Dynamic skis in France; in 1949, Howard Head – the man who Head skis are named after – manufactured the first

metal ski; then innovations slowly progressed, but the actual "long and straight" design of skis remained unchanged for decades. Anyone who was lugging 190, 200, 207, or even 210 cm long straight skis to the mountain in the 1980s will remember the first time they saw a skilled snowboarder descend under the lift. They were "carving" exquisite arcs in the snow, while almost everyone else on straight skis were generally swiveling and sliding their ungodly long and cumbersome straight skis to make turns. Why? The snowboard was wider in the tip and tail, and narrower in the center. This innovative "shaped" design meant that when it was tipped on edge, it was capable of "carving" a round arc in the snow where the edge gripped instead of slid. It felt more secure and was a lot more fun! In the tradition-bound world of ski design, however, it took a while to learn from the design of the newfangled snowboard. There were some preliminary steps by other manufacturers, but in the early 1990s the Slovenian company Elan manufactured what became the first mass produced "parabolic" or "shaped" ski. It was known as the Elan SCX for "SideCut Extreme." It was a sensation and kick-started the shaped ski revolution.

Steve Dunlap is an engineer, ski technique guru, and a race coach for our U16 and U18 (14-17-year-old) athletes at HoliMont. Steve is

originally from Maine and raced in the Nor-Ams, which is only surpassed in ski racing by the World Cup. Very few competitors climb this high on ski racing's pyramid of achievement. One day, during a race at Sugarloaf in Maine, a race coach pulled Steve aside and said, "Watch this next kid come down, he'll either smoke the competition or crash spectacularly." The kid won the race. The "kid" was a teenage Bode Miller. Bode is not only a gifted athlete, but a deep thinker. He embraced shaped skis when other racers were clinging to traditional ski designs. In 1995, at the Junior National Championships at Sugarloaf, he threw tradition to the wind and decided to race on a ski called the K2 Four. It was not a race ski, but a high-end recreational ski and it had a new shaped design where the tip and tail were noticeably wider than underfoot. It "carved" better arcs in the snow and Bode won three out of four of the races; in the other race he placed second! News of this feat spread not only in North America but also in the traditional world of European ski racing. This proved to be one of the last nails sealing the coffin of straight skis. Shaped skis became accepted on the racecourse, which led to their increased popularization with recreational skiers. It was the shape of things to come...



Teenage Bode Miller at the Junior National Championships in 1995. His K2 Four skis were the first shaped skis used in a major ski race.

Trail

CONT. FROM COVER

Greenway, and the Empire State Trail, forming an extensive regional network.

Local officials and trail advocates are eager to share updates and discuss the benefits the project will bring, including improved tourism, economic development, and enhanced safety for pedestrians and cyclists.

FEATURED SPEAKERS

Several experts will be speaking at the forum, each bringing valuable insight into the project's significance and expected benefits:

Kate O'Stricker – A Senior Development Specialist with the Cattaraugus County Department of Economic Development, Planning, and Tourism, O'Stricker has been instrumental in

securing federal funding for the trail's design. She will highlight the project's economic and tourism impact.

Justin Booth – As the director of GoBIKE, an organization focused on bicycle and pedestrian accessibility, Booth has successfully implemented safe walking and biking spaces across neighboring communities. He will discuss the trail's role in promoting safety and connectivity.

Carl Schoenthal – The President of Friends of the Genesee Valley Greenway, Schoenthal has fostered relationships between trail organizations and local governments to boost economic activity while preserving cultural heritage. He will provide insights on the "Trail Towns" model and its potential benefits for Ellicottville and Great Valley.

Paula Jones –

Representing Parks & Trails New York, Jones will discuss the Empire State Trail Town Program, which supports communities along major trail routes. She will share success stories from similar projects across the state.

With community engagement playing a crucial role in the trail's development, residents and stakeholders are encouraged to attend and participate in shaping this transformative project.

The public forum will take place on Thursday, February 27, 2025, from 6-8pm at the Ellicottville Town Center, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville.

For more information, attendees can contact Kate O'Stricker at kmostricker@cattco.org or visit the EVGVTRAIL.ORG or watch the [EVGVTRAIL Facebook Page](https://www.facebook.com/EVGVTRAIL).

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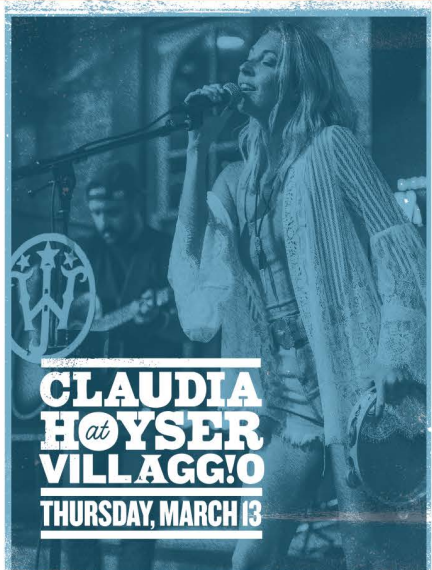
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Uppenover

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Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Jane Eshbaugh, Marketing Advisor with Holiday Valley, was inspired to start the event last year to gather the community together in a fun, active event while raising awareness and funds for Roswell Park. The event also raises awareness to the Holiday Valley team that rides in the Empire State Ride, a fundraising ride across New York State that makes an incredible impact to Roswell. "We figured this was a fun and unique event to get people together and be active while supporting this great cause," says Jane. Uppenover is an uphill/downhill event that quite literally, goes up and over the slopes. The event starts at Holiday Valley, goes up, over, and down HoliMont, back up HoliMont, over and back down to Holiday Valley. Participants can use any equipment that attaches to feet, like touring skis, cross country skis, or show shoes, and are encouraged to participate at their own pace. "It can be a race, or just for fun. We just encourage



Athletes of all abilities to participate in this unique event on Saturday, March 15, or just come celebrate at the afterparty. "It's sure to be a good time, in good company, for a great cause." For more information on the event, or to register, visit holidayvalley.com, find Uppenover on the events page.

everyone to embrace the elements, be safe, and have a good time," says Jane. Prizes will be awarded to the fastest male and female, as well as the first, second and third place participants for HoliMont and Holiday Valley. "It's a friendly competition between us," says Jane. Holiday Valley won last year, and currently displays the traveling trophy proudly. Prizes for fastest male and female include a beautifully hand-turned bowl created by local artist Mark Pritchard. Everyone is invited to the after party at the Champagne Sundek outside Yodeler Lodge with music, raffles, food and beer provided by 42 North. "Whether you participate, or just want to come out and

have fun supporting a good cause, all are welcome at the after party," says Jane. The party will include a basket raffle including one-of-a-kind items. As a cancer survivor, Jane has experienced first-hand the incredible care and cutting-edge research at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center and is determined to help make an impact to this remarkable organization. Founded in 1898 as the nation's first cancer center, Roswell Park set the standard for today's multidisciplinary approach to the highest quality cancer care. Located in downtown Buffalo, New York, Roswell Park remains the only comprehensive cancer center designated by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) in Upstate New York, and one of only four NCI-designated comprehensive cancer centers in all of New York. In the past year, Roswell Park teams cared for more than 46,000 patients. From cancer detection and treatment to cutting edge research, Roswell is a true leader in comprehensive cancer care in the nation.

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Roxasana Sadeghi, the female winner last year (and her kids).

Penguin

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covered to be certain no random skier was still on the hills or in the adjacent woods. To make it fun, after the finals were done the patrollers would often go back up one more time carrying wide shovels on which they would then commence to ride down the hill. Was this the precursor of the Penguin Paddle? Not quite, but these after-hour shenanigans took place at a time when a man by the name of Bill Lounsbury volunteered for the Holiday Valley Ski Patrol.

Lounsbury, along with many other dedicated people, was a volunteer for the Holiday Valley Ski Patrol. All the people who volunteer need to go through rigorous training including first aid, technical skills and the ability to guide a loaded toboggan down the steepest slopes. In fact, it takes easily a year of training to become a patroller, with annual refresher courses required. I tell you this so you can understand how physical, technical and demanding it is to be a Ski Patroller.

In 1982, during his tenure on the Ski Patrol, Lounsbury fiercely battled cancer and lost a leg to the disease. Undaunted, he bravely taught himself to ski one-legged and continued enjoying his sport, inspiring others with his courage, passion and dedication. For a short while, he maintained his role on the Ski Patrol



Photo/Jon Elder

and even passed the loaded toboggan test, on one leg. Joan Reynolds, who served on the Patrol at the same time, remembers him removing his prosthesis and announcing, "here, watch my leg while I go skiing." He skied and patrolled one-legged.

It's a funny thing how things evolve. Patrollers and skiers alike were like one big family in those days. Word spread about Lounsbury's dilemma and a couple of madcap gals from Cleveland, Emily Eckley, Connie Velotta, and Karen Lowe decided to try something Emily had seen on a show - belly sliding with trash bags. Ever one for fun, Emily said "we have to try this," went to the top of the hill, put on bags and slid down. Next thing they knew, it became a weekly thing which then involved food and even

more fun. They called it the Penguin Paddle and collected money for bags and food which they donated for Lounsbury's medical expenses. Eventually, Lounsbury succumbed to the disease, and in September of 1988 a group of dedicated patrollers from Cleveland led by Bert Probst and his wife, ski instructor, Jane Probst, with the cooperation and support of Holiday Valley Ski Resort, founded The Bill Lounsbury Adaptive Ski Program (LASP) to honor his memory.

The Penguin Paddle is one of the most awaited events at Holiday Valley, bringing families and fun-lovers together for a cause worth supporting. This cheerful all-day celebration is the main fundraiser for

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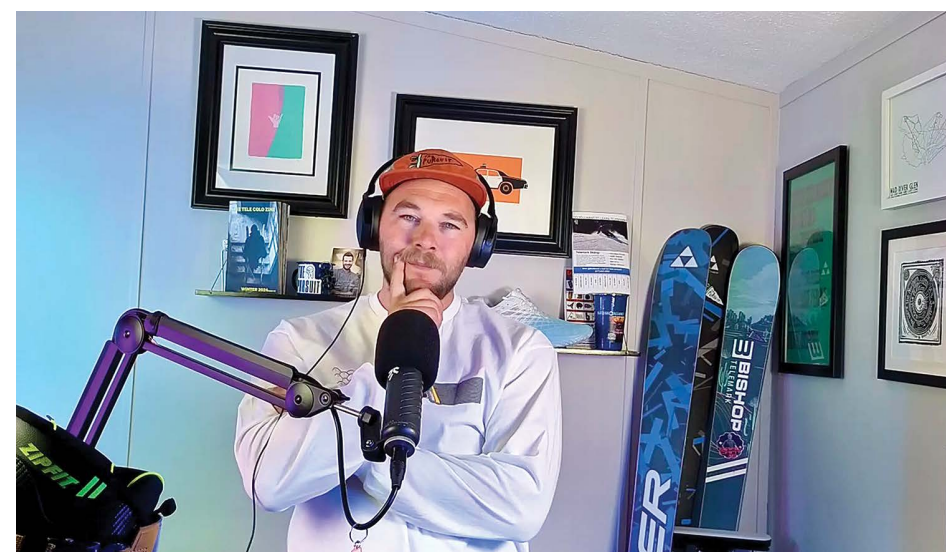
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Podcast

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of Collective, Sauerwein became known for cutting through industry fluff. No scripted soundbites. No corporate-approved answers. Just real conversations.

“People hear the usual PR-friendly stuff from athletes, but I think they want something real,” he says. “Gone are the days of pushing products and fake enthusiasm. If an athlete’s angry, I want them to say why.”

FROM TELEMAR TO THE MIC

Sauerwein didn’t grow up steeped in telemark culture. He discovered it at Holiday Valley in western New York, watching skiers like Mike Paterniti prove that free-heel skiing could be aggressive, stylish, and dynamic. Inspired, he committed nearly a decade to telemark before shifting toward alpine touring for backcountry efficiency. Unlike die-hard free-heel skiers, he never tied his identity to one discipline.

His entry into ski media was just as unconventional. Over a

decade ago, he converted a school bus into a mobile studio, launching The Pursuit, a web series documenting his East Coast travels. That caught the attention of Adam Jaber, host of The Out of Bounds Podcast, who invited him on as a guest. Their chemistry was immediate. Before long, Jaber offered him his own show under The Out of Collective banner.

Originally planned as a short-run series, The Pursuit Podcast lasted 189 episodes, covering everything from freeskiing to industry trends, with telemark skiing woven into the larger conversation. Unlike traditional telemark-focused media, Sauerwein pulled free-heel skiing into a broader discussion about the sport’s future.

CHALLENGING THE INDUSTRY

Sauerwein’s willingness to challenge the status quo has made him both an ally and a thorn in the side of the ski industry. His critique of Scarpa’s revamped TX Pro boot release was a perfect example. For months, details about the boot had been circulating online, yet Scarpa continued to tease the launch as if it were still a secret.

To Sauerwein,

this wasn’t just bad marketing—it highlighted a deeper issue. In his view, telemark risks becoming trapped in nostalgia instead of evolving for a modern audience.

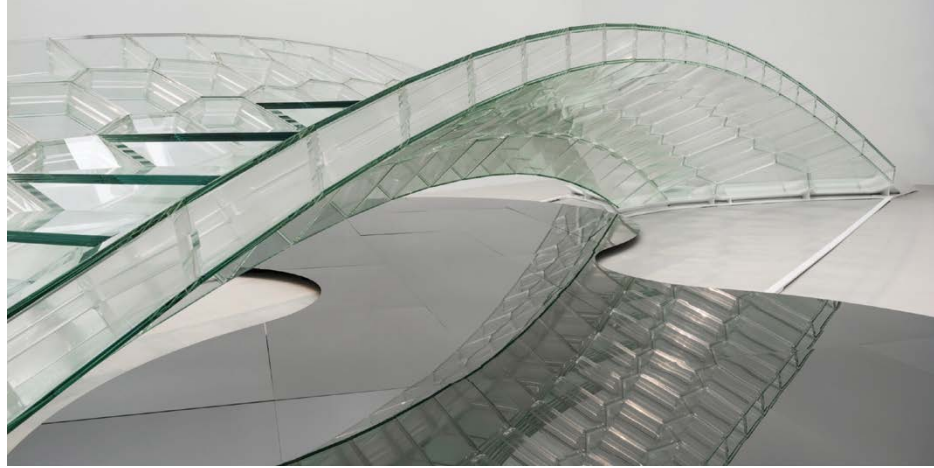
His style—blunt but often laced with humor—has resonated with younger skiers who feel disconnected from telemark’s old-school image. But some traditionalists see his critiques as disrespectful.

Still, Sauerwein insists he’s not here to tear people down. “It took a lot for people to trust me in this business,” he says. “But they know now that I’m not just here to make them look bad—I want to push the conversation forward.”

WHAT’S NEXT?

In February, Sauerwein announced he was stepping away from The Pursuit Podcast. But he’s not stepping away from the conversation. Instead, he’s transitioning to The Out of Collective Podcast, where his voice—unfiltered and unapologetic—will continue to challenge, question, and push skiing culture forward.

The medium may change, but the mission stays the same: real conversations that lead to an authenticity that has been sorely missed.



Currently on display in the Contemporary Wing through September 1 is Vitrum Leve Bridge, a 30-foot walking bridge made of completely hollow glass blocks. Modeled after structures found organically in nature, the glass bridge uses precise geometry to accomplish a level of support that would normally require far more material. The entire system can even be disassembled, recycled, and repurposed, giving back the natural environment that inspired its creation.

Glass

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The museum spans over 3,500 years of history with items ranging from the portrait of an ancient Egyptian pharaoh to contemporary sculpture comprising over 50,000 items. Guests are invited to explore glass through various experiences, including art, collections, demonstrations and the innovation center.

The live, narrated glass working demonstrations throughout the museum bring glass to life. Guests are also invited to try their own hand at making glass through a Make Your Own Glass session at an additional cost. These programs offer beginners of (almost) all ages (recommended 10+) the opportunity to create a glass piece to bring home. Their renowned school also offers more advanced classes for glassmaking year-round.

The buildings and 10-acre grounds themselves are something to admire. In 2007, the building ranked #137 on a list of America’s

150 Favorite Buildings in a poll conducted by The American Institute of Architects. Over the years, CMoG has expanded its capacity and completed several additions and updates to best meet their growing needs and vision. Most recently, the Contemporary Art & Design Wing opened in March 2015 as a 100,000 square foot area including a 26,000 square-foot gallery. It is the largest space anywhere dedicated to the presentation of contemporary art in glass. Karol Wight, the institution’s president and executive director, has observed, “The opening of the Contemporary Art + Design Wing was a pivotal moment for the Museum. CMoG provides the rare opportunity to experience the medium’s complete and complex history, appreciate its application as an artistic medium, and witness and participate in its creation all in one place. Contemporary artists are taking glass to a new scale, and our new wing allows us to showcase these monumental works in an ideal viewing atmosphere.”

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Chautauqua Medical Aesthetics

3 Friends Helping Their Clients Attain Optimal Skin Health

BY DARLENE BRACE

Chautauqua Medical Aesthetics is a practice that provides high-quality, non-surgical skin treatments and aesthetic care that helps their clients attain optimal skin health. This practice is owned and operated by Dr. Metivia Whitmore and is located at 120 Chautauqua Avenue in Lakewood.

Dr. Whitmore opened Chautauqua Medical Aesthetics in May 2024, along with physician assistants Sarah Uebelhoer and Katie Madden. The three women have worked together for years at Family Health Medical Services and are passionate about helping others. As coworkers and friends for more than 10 years, they established the medical aesthetics practice while continuing to work at Family Health. They consider Chautauqua Medical Aesthetics their fun job, helping clients feel good about themselves.

When Dr. Whitmore and her two colleagues decided they wanted to pursue the medical

aesthetics field, they had to undergo training. The three of them have participated in online coursework and completed private training in Texas, where they gained hands-on experience in aesthetic practices. They continue to update their skills through ongoing training.

Starting with Chautauqua Medical Aesthetics begins with a consultation, which consists of a thorough assessment of the client's skin health, facial structure, and overall health. Then a personalized treatment plan is created specifically for them and considers factors, such as their age, skin type, health history, and desired outcomes. The goal of the treatment plan is to help clients achieve more radiant, glowing skin through innovative methods that focus on rejuvenating their complexion. This may include non-invasive injection therapies, facials, skin care products, and more.

The most common and popular treatments are Jeuveau and Dysport, which are neurotoxin injections similar to Botox. These procedures are non-surgical solutions for reducing lines and wrinkles. The

injections are administered into the muscles to help them relax, resulting in a smoother, more youthful appearance. Each session lasts about 15 minutes and is typically given every four months or so.

Another popular treatment is called microneedling. Microneedling uses the only FDA-approved microneedling device called SkinPen, which creates microscopic holes in the skin, stimulating collagen production. The microneedling process can be enhanced with Platelet Rich Fibrin (PRF), derived from a client's own blood, that is injected back into their skin, promoting enhanced healing and deeper penetration. Overall, microneedling improves the skin's texture and tone, effectively addressing acne scars, lines, and hyperpigmentation while improving the overall tone and texture of the skin.

Chautauqua Medical Aesthetics offers a variety of dermal fillers for the mid-face, lower face, and lips. These facial treatments enhance

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Colquhoun's Ice Cream and Subs

A Cool Idea Makes Hot Revenue in Lakewood, NY

BY DARLENE BRACE

Gene and Tammy Calhoun recently opened Colquhoun's Ice Creams and Subs in Lakewood at 48 Chautauqua Avenue. For the last few years, they have owned an ice cream and sub shop in Conewango Valley. Their business there has been very successful, and now they have opened a Lakewood location with the encouragement of a friend and local business owner Kim Carlson.

Before the idea of opening an ice cream shop came to be, Gene worked as a machinist, and his wife Tammy was employed at Gowanda Electronics. Gene originally got the idea for making ice cream because he had an Amish friend who owned a bulk food store who asked Gene if he could store his ice cream in his freezer. Eventually, this sparked Gene's interest in making and selling ice cream when he observed all the people coming for ice cream. They thought it might be a great opportunity to open an ice cream shop in the area since there weren't any nearby. Coincidentally, Gene saw a Facebook post about a soft-serve ice cream machine and decided to buy one to try it out. To educate himself on ice cream making, Gene

watched YouTube videos. Their first creation was Scottish Coffee Toffee, and it was very tasty.

Around this time, they met Kim Carlson, the owner of Peapod and Juniper, after Gene posted that he had made Scottish Coffee Toffee flavored ice cream. Kim expressed interest in trying it. After tasting his homemade ice cream, Kim was impressed. She encouraged the Calhouns to pursue their passion for making delicious ice cream. She invited them to sell some at Peapod and Juniper, and they agreed. The Calhouns sold pints that were ordered online, and it turned out to be a successful venture.

After that, Gene and Tammy decided that they wanted to open an ice cream shop. They opened the Conewango Valley location in July of 2021. At first, they considered only making soft serve, but eventually, they made both soft and hard ice cream. They were quite busy that season, and it was very successful. However, during the winter months, when ice cream sales slowed down considerably, they decided to include making subs to get them through the slower time. Their business in Conewango flourished as it became a hit in the

community there.

Since opening in 2021, Gene and Tammy have created hundreds of ice cream flavors, many of which were inspired by customer requests for specific flavor combinations. When customers asked for certain flavors, Gene said, "If we can, we will." Over the years, they have sold more than 300 unique flavors, all of which are made at their facility in Conowango. As their business continued to grow, Gene and Tammy decided to retire from their previous jobs to focus on running the ice cream and sub shop full-time.

Then around Halloween of 2024, their friend Kim Carlson approached the Calhouns once again. This time they discussed the possibility of Gene and Tammy opening their business in a location in Lakewood. Kim explained to the Calhouns that for three weekends in December, the Christmas in the Village Festival would be taking place and thought it would be good timing and a good location for their business. The Calhouns agreed and soon they opened

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Ellicottville's Winter Music Jam 2025

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Check back next week for updated schedule.



February 21-23 Music Line Up

Friday, February 21

- 4-7pm: Jamie Smith @ Edna's @ The Tamarack Club, HV
- 6-9pm: Skipdog @ The Ratchet Hatchet
- 6:30-10pm: Innocent Bystander @ Balloon's
- 7-10pm: Interstate Daydream @ Mill St. Sports Pub
- 8-12am: 2 Guys Drinkin' Beer @ Gin Mill
- 9-2am: DJ Persia @ Madigan's
- 10-2am: DJ KT Stylez @ Balloon's
- 10-1am: Campfire Junkie @ Balloon's Back Bar


Saturday, February 22

- 2-5pm: Brian Rick @ Gin Mill
- 4-7pm: Trevor from the PA Line Band @ Holiday Valley (T-Bar)
- 5-8pm: The Rig @ Madigan's
- 5:30pm: Cody Klink @ The Ratchet Hatchet
- 6:30-10pm: Darkwater Duo @ Balloons Restaurant
- 7-10pm: Tom Dietrich @ Cygaro Cigar Club & Lounge
- 8-11pm: Grand Larceny @ Mill St. Sports Pub
- 8-12am: Hazzard County @ Gin Mill
- 9-2am: DJ Persia @ Madigan's
- 10-1am: The Chillbillys @ Balloons Back Bar
- 10-2am: Dj Lyfe 10-2am @ Balloons Restaurant & Night Club

Sunday, February 23

- 2-5pm: Fritz the Kat @ Mill St. Sports Pub
- 2-5pm: Meet the Bacons @ Gin Mill
- 5:30-8:30pm: Grace Lougan @ Villaggio

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Mark Your Calendar: February is National Heart Month

Telltale Signs You Could be Having a Heart Attack

By CAROL FISHER-LINN

Have a Heart – Take Care of Yours.

For many of us this past week, heart symbols played a big part in our celebration of Valentine's Day – Sweetheart candy message hearts, heart shaped chocolates and cards, maybe even a heart shaped engagement diamond! Yet, the heart that requires our most committed attention is the one that beats in each of our chests. You see, without a healthy heart our lives get compromised and eventually end, perhaps earlier than necessary.

Do you know what a heart attack looks like? Here's a classic from the movies: "Something's Gotta Give." In it, Harry played by Jack Nicholson rolls on the floor, clutches his chest, rolls his eyes back and breaks out into a cold sweat. "Does your chest hurt?" He is asked. "It's like an elephant's ... sitting on it." The problem is, that is what you get from the film industry, and we accept it as real. Yet, Per the CDC, "The leading cause of death for both sexes is heart disease..." Not only does the film industry not take this fact into account, but we also don't necessarily pay too much attention either.

"Given the crucial role popular media plays in shaping public understanding of health issues, this lack of representation could be contributing to the misunderstanding that cardiovascular disease is a man's disease," said Dr. Kirsten Shaw, a cardiologist fellow at Allina Health Minneapolis Heart

Institute in Minnesota. "In reality, heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women in the U.S. and disproportionately affects racial and ethnic minority populations," she said. "But they aren't seeing themselves represented in popular media." The fact is only 44% of women recognize heart disease is their leading cause of death.

We learn this from the CDC: Women experience heart attacks differently from men. **Signs a woman is having a heart attack: Chest Pain.** About 90% of women say they have chest pain and discomfort, generally after stress, whether physical or emotional. Pain is strong, increases over a few minutes, is very deep and hard to pinpoint. Described as pressure, squeezing, or heaviness in the chest. Arm, back, neck, or jaw pain. Sometimes chest pain radiates to arm, neck, jaw or back, sometimes increasing in intensity. **Stomach pain.** Nausea and stomach pain are often signals of a heart attack in women. What happens is it is sometimes mistaken for heartburn or acid reflux so women delay acting. **Shortness of breath.** If you suddenly have shortness of breath for no reason (like out of the blue when grocery shopping or doing everyday things) you could be having a heart attack. If you must stop to rest, it could be a warning sign. **Sweating.** "Sudden sweating plus chest pain is another related heart attack symptom for women. You may break out in a cold sweat or feel clammy while also feeling some chest pain." **Fatigue.** Fatigue hits you from nowhere.

Signs for men: Chest Pain. It starts slowly with mild pain or discomfort or could be a sudden onset of pain, much like the Hollywood description above. Chest Discomfort or Pressure. The pain can be severe, but not necessarily. It can be mistaken for heartburn with the pain, discomfort, squeezing, in the left or center of chest. It might even come and go. **Pain in Other Parts of Your Body.** Because you are not getting enough blood, you may experience pain in other areas like the stomach, shoulders, one or both arms (likely left), back, neck, jaw and sometimes even teeth. Shortness of breath and fatigue hit the men as well as the women. Men may experience anxiety, nausea or vomiting sometimes, coughing, cold sweat, etc.

Catch the signs early. The more symptoms, the more likely you are having a heart attack, male and female.

Bottom line: MINUTES COUNT! Experts recommend that you call an ambulance (911) because EMT's can immediately start addressing the heart attack immediately. Further, experts say that statistically, people arriving by ambulance will often receive urgent care much sooner than those who arrive on their own.

Become aware. February's heart month is a perfect time to pay attention to your body and learn all you can how to live a healthier lifestyle to maintain a healthy heart. Learn CPR, familiarize yourself with all aspects of heart disease, maybe even volunteer for the heart association. It might save your or a loved one's life.

Chautauqua County Events

By DARLENE BRACE

The weather has been cold and snowy for quite a while this winter season, and many people may be getting cabin fever. Maybe it's time to get out and see what's happening in Chautauqua County.

Thursday, February 20th – There is another **Open Jam night at The Wine Cellar** in downtown Jamestown. Any type of musical talent is welcome, so no matter if you play an instrument or want to sing your favorite song, come join in the fun. Shamus and Lacey from Old Fish are hosting the night starting at 10pm.

Friday, February 21 - **Miranda Wilcox** returns to the stage in the **Bellini Lounge** at Chautauqua Suites in Mayville. Miranda plays covers from different generations and genres of music, as well as some of her own original tunes. Check out this talented performer and you will be amazed by her talent.

Ion Sky-Unplugged will be performing at **The Office** in Kennedy starting at 7pm. They will be playing their acoustic versions of rock and pop music, and they will get the crowd moving to the beat.

Brazil Lounge in downtown Jamestown is having Happy Hour starting at 5:30pm. The entertainment will be performed by **Lenny Sale**. Come enjoy some drink specials and your favorite beverage while listening to this talented musician.

Big Inlet Brewing welcomes back **Kallie Williams** to perform starting at 6pm. Kallie is an acoustic ukulelist and vocalist, and she plays an eclectic set list, including

covers ranging from the 90s to today's hits.

Movies at The Reg continue this Friday night with Mufasa: The Lion King. Told in flashbacks, Rafiki tells the legend of Mufasa to Kiara, who is the young lion cub of Simba and Nala. The story introduces Mufasa as a young lion and the adventuresome journey he experiences along the way. Buy your tickets at the box office, grab some popcorn, and enjoy this exciting saga. You can also buy tickets online at reglenna.com.

2 Gingers in Jamestown welcomes **Andrew Wooten** to perform at 7:30pm. Andrew plays a combination of originals and selected covers. Enjoy their diverse menu while listening to this talent-ed soloist.

Saturday, Feb 22nd - Big Inlet Brewing welcomes back **Derek Davis** as the entertainment, starting at 5:30pm. Derek plays a versatile style of music, including many genres and generations of music. Bring your friends and enjoy the music while sipping on your favorite Big Inlet beverage.

Just a little southwest of Fredonia, the **Porcelain Bus Drivers** will be performing at **21 Brix Winery** in Portland. The music starts at 6pm, and they play a little bit of everything so it's sure to please the crowd.

Group Ther-Happy in Lakewood welcomes back the **Jay McDonnell Trio**, starting at 8pm. Group Ther-Happy has delicious appetizers and entrees for you to indulge in while you listen to this talent-ed trio perform some of your older favorite tunes.

Tyler McClain returns to **Peekn' Peak Resort** in Clymer this Saturday. Tyler plays a mix of music, and he will be performing in the Sports Bar from 6:30pm-9:30pm.

The River Bar in the **Seneca Allegany Casino** has a fun weekend of live music to enjoy. On Friday night, **Brother James** will play 60's-80s rock. On Saturday evening, the fun party band **Uptown Groove** will perform a wide array of genres, such as rock, blues, funk, and soul, as well as current Top 40. Both nights the music starts at 7pm, and don't forget to bring your dancing shoes.

Sunday, February 23rd - The **Busti Tap House** welcomes **Jim Ronan** to perform from 2pm-5pm. He will play acoustic versions of tunes to entertain the crowd. The Busti Tap House has many delicious items on its menu to choose from, including its delicious parmesan crusted fish. Check out this talented musician while enjoying an amazing dinner.

In nearby Cattaraugus County, **Ellicottville** is having its **Winter Music Jam 2025** this weekend. There are over a dozen performances of various genres of music throughout the three days at Ellicottville's hotspots. Make sure you check out the What's Shakin' in EVL on page 9 in today's Villager for details.

That was a fun week of live entertainment. Next week will already be the end of February. Check out next week's issue to see what's happening in Chautauqua County.

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By, MOUTH SAY TONGUE

floors from 10-2am.

It's the Winter Music Jam and that means lots of music around town so let's see who's playing where?

THURSDAY

The weekend in Evl starts on Thursday at Balloons with Burger, Brew and Trivia Night from 4-10pm. \$15 get you any burger and any domestic beer with house made chips. Trivia is from 7-9pm and there's cash prizes for first-3rd place.

Mill St Sports Pub hosts Paul Enderle, Thursday, from 7-10pm. Paul plays a rock/blues/ folk/modern country set of covers. Late night food is available. This is your place for all sports viewing.

The Gin Mill's Thursday music is provided by Tyler and Jim from 8-11pm. This duo plays a rock/pop set of covers and originals that reflect the British Invasion of the 60's. Try some of the 37 beers that are always on tap.

FRIDAY

Edna's at the Tamarack hosts Jamie Smith from 4-7pm. Jamie plays a rock/ pop/country/mod set of covers. Enjoy dinner and drinks with a great view of the slopes.

Hatchet Ratchet is up next with Skipdog from 6-9pm. They play a multi genre set of covers while you throw hatchets at targets.

Balloons is back with Innocent Bystander from 6:30-10pm. This band plays an alt/rock/pop set of originals and covers. The back bar will host The Campfire Junkie from 10-1am. He plays a modern country/folk set of covers and originals. Dj KT Stylez will serve up the juice so you can really cut loose on the two dance

We're back at The Mill St Sports Pub for Interstate Daydream from 7-10pm. This couple plays a rock/ pop/blues/folk/ country set of covers featuring some soulful vocals.

The Gin Mill is back with Two Guys Drinking Beer from 8-12am. Terry and Ron play a rock/pop/folk/blues/country set of covers that you can dance or sing-a-long to. Check out the menu serving till 9 pm sun-we'd and 10pm thurs-sat. Open for breakfast 9-11:30am sat-sun.

Madigans keeps the party going with Dj Persia from 9-2am. He'll provide the sauce so you can shake it like a boss in the window on Washington

SATURDAY

The Gin Mill is the early bird with Brian Rick from 2-5pm. Grab a late lunch or an early dinner or just do some day drinking. Hazard County takes the stage from 8-12am. This band plays modern and classic country. If you drink craft cocktails try the Carriage House Sidebar for some high-end spirits.

We head up The Valley at the T-Bar for PA Line from 4-7pm. Trevor plays an alt/folk/roots set of originals and covers. Sip some drinks with your ski boots on.

Madigans is up next with The Rig from 5-8pm. This Buffalo band plays a rock/ blues/pop set of covers. Di Persia returns to put the funk in the trunk so you can shake your junk from 9-2am.

Back at Balloons Darkwater Duo and Company takes the stage from 6:30-10pm. This Bradford band plays a rock/ pop/alt/country set of covers and originals. The back bar hosts The Chillbillys from 10-1am. This husband-and-wife act

plays a rock/pop/folk/blues/country set of covers and originals featuring smooth guitar riffs and sweet vocal harmonies. Dj Lyfe will provide the thumpin for the bumpin from 10-2am.

Cygaro Cigar Club is a player with Tom Dietrich from 7-10pm. He plays original and cover folk music.

Mill St Sports Pub is back with Grand Larceny from 8-11pm. This band plays multi genre covers from the 60's till now.

SUNDAY

First up is Mill St Sports Pub with Fritz plays a raucous set of folk/pop/jazz/honky tonk covers for your enjoyment.

The Gin Mill hosts Meet the Bacons from 2-5pm. This act plays Americana/folk/country/rock covers and originals while you sip some of those famous Bloody Mary's.

Villaggio hosts its weekly AYCE Pasta Night and Prime Rib Special from 5-9pm. Fresh pasta made to order with the toppings of your choice or savory prime cooked the way you like it. This weeks music is provided by the very talented Grace Lougan from 5:30-8:30pm. Grace plays a rock/pop/folk/alt set of covers and originals.

MONDAY

Monday is Strings and Wings at Balloons from 4-10pm. 50 cent wings with a fine selection of craft beers to wash em down. This week's musical guest is Tina Williams from 6-9pm. Tina plays a rock/pop/country/alt/blues set of covers and originals.

The Gin Mill's Monday residency is hosted by Michael David from 7-10pm. Michael plays a country/

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Beat on the Street:

“What Kind of New Business Would be a Good Fit for the Ellicottville Area?”

By CHAD NEAL

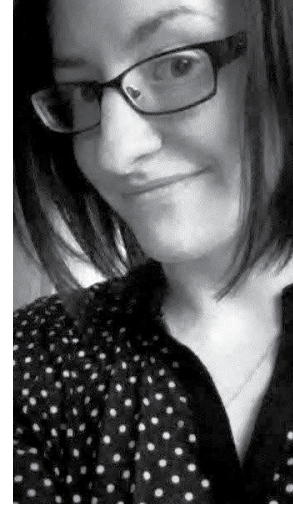
It's been asked before, and this subject is often discussed. New businesses - to cater to the area and the demand that is growing along with the amount of visitors to the region. Ellicottville is a draw for tourism in many ways these days; starting with the inception of skiing over half a century ago, many things have brought people to this locale. The restaurants and night spots have also been quite a draw for commerce and plenty of folks have gained their personal fortune serving the people that come here. Some have wondered and brainstormed about something they could do to strive in our Bubble of Awesomeness here, some have started their plan and many have seen fruition. Alas, there are many other ideas out there that would be placed well in this neck of the woods. What kind of new business would be a good fit for the Ellicottville area?



Mac 11- Two things would be ridiculously awesome: 100 yards of Indoor Turf for sports like football, soccer, field Hockey, Lax etc

Michael C.- Outdoor ice rink, probably more of a municipal project than a money maker.

Nick D.- A serious arcade. Dave and Busters like yet locally owned. Cheaper yet good food options.



Kathy T.- How about a laundromat?? I remember & used the one at The Depot & also Millie's on Monroe!

Kathleen M.- Book Store!!

Jessica G.- Car wash! An automatic one with subscription model

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Music Jam

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Balloons, Gin Mill and Villaggio have been participating in the Winter Music Jam for several years, but The Ratchet Hatchet, Mill Street Sports Pub and Cygaro have just recently started hosting bands. Fritz the Kat (pictured), Buffalo's best genre smashing blues infused whiskey soaked Ska rocker was born and raised in Ellicottville, NY. He will start your Sunday, February 23 out right at the Mill Street Sports Pub, beginning at 2pm.

place to ski," comments Barb Pump, Executive Director of The Chamber. "We started this festival as an opportunity to get the community together in our local establishments, celebrating with music in good company during the second half of ski season."

This year, the festival kicks off on Friday, February 21 at Edna's at the Tamarack Club from 4-7 with Jamie Smith from Porcelain Bus Drivers. Skipdog will play at 6pm at The Ratchet Hatchet and 2 Guys Drinkin' Beer at The Gin Mill at 8pm. Over 20 local musicians will perform throughout the weekend at various venues in Ellicottville including Balloons, Gin Mill, Cygaro, Villaggio, Mill Street Sports Pub (formerly Finnerty's) and The Ratchet Hatchet. "It's a great way to experience our town," says Barb. "Come out an enjoy local artists at some of our most popular establishments."

Balloons, Gin Mill and Villaggio have been participating in the Winter Music Jam for several years, but The Ratchet Hatchet, Mill Street Sports Pub and Cygaro have just recently started hosting bands. "We're thrilled to have these restaurants participating, and we're

looking forward to visitors and locals coming out to experience some of the best Ellicottville has to offer," says Barb.

Holiday Valley will also have music with Trevor from PA Line upstairs in the main lodge at T-Bar from 4-7 on Saturday, February 22. "Having live music here always adds an extra level of fun to visiting Holiday Valley," says Dash Hegeman, Marketing Director for Holiday Valley. "Whether you're a local season passholder or here with your family on vacation, we want to provide you with a festive experience that will leave you wanting to come back and do it all over again. The music acts we are able to bring in throughout the

season do a great job of elevating the vibe after a day out on the slopes."

Barb encourages everyone to come out and experience local musicians during the Winter Music Jam. "We have so many talented musicians in the area. With so many bars and restaurants participating, there's something for everyone. Come out and visit one or try them all! It's a great way to spend an evening or the weekend here in Ellicottville."

All venues are indoors, so guests can be warm no matter the weather. For more information and full schedule of events, visit ellicottvillenyc.com and follow on social media @ Ellicottville, NY.

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★★ Sudoku Challenge ★★

This Week's Difficulty Level:
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To solve a Sudoku puzzle, place a number into each box so that each row across, each column down, and each small 9 box square within the larger diagram (there are 9 of these) will contain every number from 1 through 9. In other words, no number will appear more than once in any row, column, or smaller 9 box square. Working with the numbers already given as a guide, complete each diagram with the missing numbers that will lead to the correct solution....**Good luck!**

Last Week's Puzzle:

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Penguin

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the Lounsbury Adaptive Ski Program (LASP), enabling individuals with disabilities experience the outdoor fun of skiing.

Can't belly-slide? Be a cheerleader! Slide over to the slopes at Yodeler lodge on Saturday, and you will find hundreds of helmeted participants in black garbage bags ready to belly-race down the lower slope, just like a "rookery," a "waddle," or a "muster" of silly, happy penguins. In fact, for several years (long

ago), thanks to Eckley and company, a live penguin was brought to the hill to be certain that belly-sliders were doing so according to true penguin protocol. Finally, "Happy Holiday," the Eskimo Holiday Valley mascot, who for years had adorned brochures and a plaque at one of the lodges had a relatable visitor!

After the race, a hot buffet cookout lunch will be available to fill those iced bellies. Success-ful winners will leave the raffle and silent auction with some of the 150+ items - ski gear, gift cards, etc. Per an email from Program Director, Sue Whistler, "We

are not purchasing new equipment this year but will be using the proceeds from the Penguin Paddle to maintain our existing equipment inventory, fund ongoing instructor training and to offer a limited number of free lessons to students who demonstrate a financial need and a real desire to learn to ski." The event typically raises \$5000. See more at @ LounsburyAdaptive on Facebook and Instagram.

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Aesthetics

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youthful appearance, and can lift the jawline. Lip fillers add volume to the lips, and this is particularly popular among young adult patients. Kaitlyn Uber who is a registered nurse, has been added to the staff. She has had years of experience in aesthetics, and she specializes in lip filler treatments.

Additionally, this practice employs a New York State-certified aesthetician named Kristen Silk. Kristen provides clients with medical facials using Zo Skin Health medical-grade products including

dermaplaning, facials, and peels. The ZO products are utilized during some treatments, but certain lotions, scrubs, and other ZO products are available for purchase.

Chautauqua Medical Aesthetics is open Monday and Wednesday, 9am-3pm, Friday 10am-4:30pm, and Saturday 10am-1pm. They are closed on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday. For more information and to view a complete list of treatments, please visit their website at chqmedaesthetics.com or call 716-484-4569. You can also follow Chautauqua Medical Aesthetics on Facebook for updates, informational videos, specials, events, and before-and-after photos.

The professional team at Chautauqua Medical Aesthetics has extensive experience in the medical field and is excited to bring their passion for helping people into a practice that cultivates joy for themselves and their patients. Their services are tailored to meet the unique goals and needs of each client's skin health, boosting their self-esteem, and ensuring the best possible results for everyone. The staff at Chautauqua Medical Aesthetics is grateful for all their clients, including many patients who have followed them from the Family Health practice to join them in this exciting venture.

Ice Cream

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the Lakewood location. They officially opened Colquhoun's Ice Cream and Subs in Lakewood on Black Friday, with ice cream and food available from day one.

Since opening, Gene and Tammy have felt very welcomed by the Lakewood community. They are hoping that the Lakewood shop will be a busy and a profitable location. They are currently open Monday - Saturday

from 11am-7pm and are closed on Sundays. In addition to ice cream, they also serve a variety of subs, salads, soups, and wraps. There are tables available if you choose to dine in, or you can call 716-338-3617 for takeout. For updated information, you can visit Colquhoun's Ice Cream and Subs on Facebook.

The Calhouns love ice cream. They love making it, eating it, and seeing other people enjoy all their flavors of homemade ice cream. Tammy's favorite is the Scottish Coffee Toffee which was the first flavor that they made. Some of

their other best-sellers are Peanut Butter Overboard, Blueberry Cheesecake, Key Lime, and Reese's Pieces Peanut Butter Cookie Dough. They all sound delish, right?

Remember that Colquhoun's has more than just ice cream and that not many places serve ice cream in this area during the winter. There's nothing like Calhouns' homemade flavors, so when you're craving ice cream, head over to Lakewood to Colquhoun's and check out their delicious homemade ice cream.

Rotary Club of Ellicottville

Year in Review – Growing & Rebuilding

ELLCOTTVILLE - March brought goals, plans and a new vision for new, growing Rotary Club of Ellicottville. In March, 7-9 Rotary members assisted the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce by providing security along the route of the Mardi Gras parade, keeping revelers and children off the route and out of harm's way.

A little history. In 1994, a gentleman from Canada by the name of Jim Buchanan came to Ellicottville and, with his lovely wife, Donna Gushue, purchased the Jefferson Inn on Park Square. In 1999, he took it upon himself to gather together some local businesspersons and begin a Rotary Club in Ellicottville. Jim was a very kind, approachable kind of guy whose heart was in the right place. Perhaps he had been a Rotary member in Canada, or just liked the motto of the Rotary Club International – "Service Above Self."

Rotary International started with the vision of one man — Chicago Attorney, Paul Harris in February 1905 so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships. Over time, Rotary's reach and vision gradually extended to humanitarian service. Members have a long track record of addressing challenges in their communities and around the world.

As Harris stated, "Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves." Rotary members are found the world over, working to solve some of the world's most challenging problems. For example, eradicating polio was the goal in 1979 and today polio is found in only two countries, Afghanistan and Pakistan (12 people in 2023) down from 125 in 1988.

2024 began slowly as new members joined and by March, the Board met repeatedly and strategized: how to get more members, what are our goals, what causes do we support, etc.

after the Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot. Once again in November, Rotary partnered with St. Paul's Lutheran Church for a free Community Thanksgiving Dinner which hosted 150 people on site, delivered meals to those who could not attend, and donated another 150 meals to the Salamanca Food Pantry.

December found our Rotary "Santa helpers" in front of Tops Market ringing the bell and collecting donations for the Salvation Army. We were also front and center serving hot chocolate during the annual tree lighting ceremony as we are every year. This year, Rotary supported our local students by giving \$1000 scholarships to 4 students from ECS and 1 from BOCES who exhibit Service Above Self. The annual scholarships are ongoing.

In Spring it was decided that Rotary would support the new Adaptive Ellicottville Play-ground. Contributions were made for 8 park benches in the playground area. Rotary Club of Ellicottville was the proud recipient of the 2024 annual President's award given to the club with the highest percentage of growth. Club President, John Weismantel was presented with the International club's highest honor - the annual Paul Harris Fellow Award which acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation. With this award, John Weismantel joins the ranks of people like U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Russian President Boris Yeltsin, U.S. astronaut James Lovell, UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and polio vaccine developer Jonas Salk. Hearty Congratulations to John.

In August, Rotary member, Dave Rothrock, hiked 351 wilderness miles as an international fund raiser to raise monies to help the Forest Restoration Group and volunteers in Belize to help preserve the very endangered yellow-headed parrot.

In September, the Rotary presented a Chili Cookoff. This fun event, graciously given room for the event at Madigan's upstairs, was not only one of our biggest fundraisers for the year, but it provided a great deal of fun for the community. Once again, Rotary set up their famous hot dog booth at the Lacrosse Tournament held annually in Ellicottville.

Fall saw our members turn the hall at St. Paul's Lutheran Church into a fun-filled spooky place where kiddoes came for more entertainment and goodies

after the Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot.

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If this article sparks your interest and you would like to learn more about the Rotary Club of Ellicottville you can find us on Facebook, or better still, join us for one of our bi-weekly meetings, Thursdays a 6pm at Mill Street Sports Pub.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

The Town of East Otto is accepting bids for the following repairs to the historical museum building. Bids will be accepted until Monday May 12, 2025, and will be opened at the May 13, 2025, board meeting at 6:30 PM. Bids may be submitted to the East Otto Town Clerk at 9393 Bowen Rd., East Otto NY 14729. Bids should be clearly marked "Bids for Museum Project". Please include the following in the bid: -Removal and disposal of the cement pad at the front of the building -Removal and replacement of rotted sections of the beam along the front of the Building -Replacement of supports along the front of the building to level the floor at the front of the building. Replacement of the cement pad with ADA compliant ramp with a landing at the entrance door and railings as required. Materials to be pressure treated and weather resistant. Railings to be painted white. -Sill plate at door to be replaced as necessary. Work to be completed by September 30, 2026. The town of East Otto reserves the right to reject any and all bids and rebid as necessary.

- By order of the Town Board, Town of East Otto - Deanna Bowen Town Clerk

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF THE TREE GIANT LLC were filed with the New York State Office of the Secretary of State on August 31, 2024. Office location: Cattaraugus County. The principal business location is located at 11431 Bolton Rd., Springville, NY 14141. The LLC designates the following as its registered agent upon whom process against it may be served within the state of New York: United States Corporation Agents Inc. 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: Assist residents and municipalities with the care or removal of trees and other flora or any lawful purpose.

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BRAND NEW LOWER LEVEL 1 BEDROOM, FULLY FURNISHED APARTMENT FOR RENT WITH LONG TERM LEASE, 6 MILES TO THE VILLAGE OF ELLICOTTVILLE. All utilities included, off street parking, no smoking, no pets. \$1300/month. Call 716-801-2172

OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT: 520 square feet of Office space at 39 Mill Street available for rent starting in August. Rent is \$600 a month plus gas, electric, water and snowplowing. Must sign 3 year commercial lease. Please call for details 716-699-4516 or 716-397-9527

SERVICES

FURNITURE REPAIR - Cosmetic and structural repairs for wood, upholstery and mechanisms. On-site or in-shop. Pumpkin Hollow Furniture can be reached by calling 716-604-6426.

HELP WANTED



THE PUB IN GREAT VALLEY IS LOOKING FOR BAR HELP if interested please call or text (text preferable) (716) 863-5498 for an interview.

FOR SALE

COUNTRYSIDE CONSTRUCTION - 26 Park Square, Franklinville, NY 14737 telephone: 585-403-3100. Bring this ad for 10% off in-store purchase! We have lights, live edge, vanity top, interior doors, hobby wood and more! Seniors and Military schedule your project now and receive 10% off labor costs! ID required New Builds, Pole Barns, Decks, Remodels, and much more!

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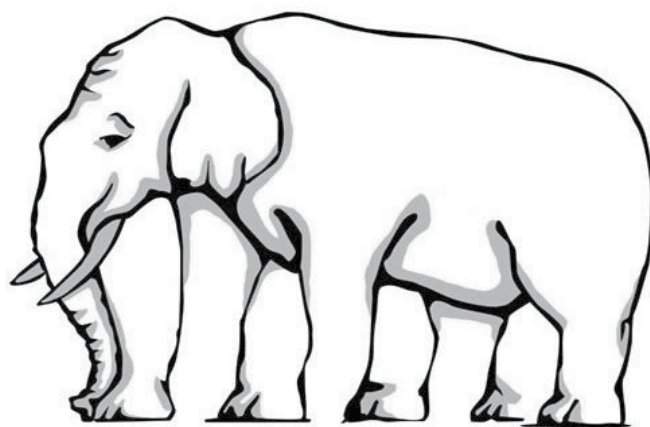
Walter's World

Photo Picks From "The Rittman Show"



Gregg Allman and Cher
in the back of a limousine 1975.

From Bryan's Brain



Optical Illusions: How many legs do I have?



The buildings and 10-acre grounds themselves are something to admire. In 2007, the building ranked #137 on a list of America's 150 Favorite Buildings in a poll conducted by The American Institute of Architects. Over the years, CMOG has expanded its capacity and completed several additions and updates to best meet their growing needs and vision. Most recently, the Contemporary Art & Design Wing opened in March 2015 as a 100,000 square foot area including a 26,000 square-foot gallery. It is the largest space anywhere dedicated to the presentation of contemporary art in glass.

Glass

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things glass.

Corning is located in the beautiful Finger Lakes region of upstate New York, offering plenty to explore in any season. This region

comprises 9,000 square miles to discover including waterfalls, gorges, forests and streams, rolling hills, and miles of spectacular shoreline on 11 glacial lakes and one Great Lake.

The area highlights several trails to explore including everything from swimming and boating, wine and cheese, art and history and

of course, wine. The Finger Lakes area is New York's largest wine producing region with more than 100 wineries and vineyards.

For more information about the Corning Museum of Glass visit home.cmog.org, view their class schedule and view some of their captivating pieces currently on display.

Shakin'

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rock/bluegrass/ grunge set of covers. Don't forget those 37 beers on tap.

The Gin Mill makes its next to last appearance

with The Marty Peters Duo, Tuesday, from 7-10pm. This Buffalo HOF'er plays folk/blues covers from the 60-70's.

WEDNESDAY

We've been ending the seven-day weekend the same for 40+ years at The Gun Mill for Wing, Wednesday from 7-10 pm.

Brian Rick is your musical host. Brian plays a rock/pop/country/alt set of covers.

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

Scenes From Celoron: 7th Annual Fire & Ice Celebration at Chautauqua Harbor Hotel Last Weekend



Scenes From Mayville: Annual Winter Festival Returned Last Weekend to Celebrate the Community



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