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## Pond Skimming Party Moved To Sunday

Better Forecasted Weather Will Make for a Better Party On the Slopes of Holiday Valley



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Everyone loves the tradition of Pond Skimming, but unfortunately it doesn't seem like Mother Nature is willing to cooperate for what was originally scheduled for this Saturday. So in light of the chance of inclement weather, Pond Skimming 2023 has been moved to Sunday, March 26. But don't worry too much, nothing else has changed!

Registration will still take place outside Holiday Valley's Yodeler Lodge on the day of the event starting at 11:00am, with a maximum of 50 skimmers accepted. Kids under 18 must have a parent signature; minimum age is 8-years-old. Skimming will commence at 1:00pm with prizes awarded in various categories, including Best Skimmer, Best Costume, Best Kid and Best Splash.

This is the perfect opportunity to watch a number of snowsports enthusiasts don their favorite costumes, strap on their skis or snowboard and barrel down the lower part of Yodeler slope towards an ice water-filled trench, where they'll try their luck (they'll need quite a bit of skill, also) to skim across its entirety, without sinking or hilariously crashing. Either way, it's a good time - for participants and spectators. Find additional details and other events at [holidayvalley.com](http://holidayvalley.com).

### FROM SAWDUST TO SYRUP

Moss construction, owned by Asa Moss, Greg Vassar and Jonathan Moss, Jr. is a local construction company that for most, needs no introduction. What they are really excited to introduce, however, is their newest endeavor, which finds them in the business of maple syrup production.

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## CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL WHISKEY DAY LOCALLY

International Whiskey Day is fast approaching on March 27 and we've some great local options to grab yourself a glass (or a bottle) and enjoy. But what is the process behind the creation of whiskey? What's the difference in flavors? How are those flavors created? Ellicottville's own Bryan Scharf, owner of Ellicottville Distillery, was ready to answer these questions. E-Ville Spirits & Wines owner, Shannon Carscallen, was also eager to share the many different types of whiskeys she has in stock (including Jack Daniels, Jim Beam, Crown Royal and ever-popular Irish Whiskey), along with some of her personal favorites. Stop in to either business to pick up your favorite flavor to celebrate the occasion ... page 07

### New Salon Adds New Style to Downtown Ellicottville

Have you reached that point in winter where you just feel like you've let your hair go on too long? Maybe you want to change up your style or your color to feel refreshed for Spring? Ellicottville's newest hair salon is now open for business... Welcome to The Vintage Hairpin, located on Jefferson Street (inside the former Ava Grace Fashions building). With a base of talent, The Vintage Hairpin is a full amenity salon that offers not just hair cutting and styling but also full color, balayage, foiling & fantasy colors ... page 08

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HONORING AMERICA'S  
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## From Field to Fully Functional

Ellicottville's Basecamp Tiny Home Village Prepares for Phase II

By RICH RUMFOLA

Driving west out of downtown Ellicottville towards Little Valley on Route 242, you pass condos and housing near the main entrance to the HoliMont Ski Club and until recently, you passed by a small chunk of real estate that's only been the home for weeds and small woodland creatures for as long as anyone can remember.

Having driven past that spot a countless number of times over the years, it's still tough to imagine that they found enough room to fit an entire 'village' of 11 rentable residences between the road and the creek that flows through the woods towards town. Ranging in size from 364-800 square feet, each cabin comes equipped with a full kitchenette, bathroom, washer/dryer and bath/shower.

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### BOOK EVENT TO SUPPORT CHILDREN LOCALLY AND IN UGANDA

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# Publisher's PICK

## POWER POEMS FOR GIRAFFES

Local Authors to Host Special Book Signing Event to Support the Needs of Children in Uganda and in Ellicottville - Through Learning and Skateboarding



photo / Mbubbi Daniel, Director of Care for the Needy Charity Uganda

ELLCOTTVILLE - READ-2-GIVE was a concept dreamed up and made real by the efforts of local book lovers Katie Benatovich, Carey Ann Welch, Charity Burlingame and Neal Steward. From this shared vision, the "Power Poems For Giraffes" book project was born. The project provides multiple opportunities for readers to give - to self, to the local community, to the education community, and to the international community.

"Power Poems For Giraffes" was published last year by TreeTops Publishing and has already gained momentum in "giving back". Through the sale of the book, \$1 from every book purchase will help generate funds for 54 children at an orphanage in Uganda, Africa. These children currently need a roof for their classroom (shelter from both the hot sun and heavy rains) as well as basic school provisions (such as pens, paper, books, and markers). Direct donations to this charity can be made at [www.careforthenedycharity.org](http://www.careforthenedycharity.org).

Additionally, each book sold generates funds for the Ellicottville outdoor skatepark, too! \$1 from each book sale will help provide skateboarding scholarships for children right here in Ellicottville. That is why international poet/author (and Great Valley resident) Katie Benatovich likes to call the Giraffes Project a way of spreading messages and acts of kindness - "A world LOVE family!" - one book at a time.

The Giraffe Team also hosts Reading Celebrations and specialized classroom workshops in the local communities and schools, and they have wonderful multilingual web resources that provide to our education and online community.

### CELEBRATE WITH THE GIRAFFE TEAM

The Giraffe Team would like to invite the community to come celebrate "our World Love Family" and the start of the Ellicottville's Skatepark Scholarships with an amazing mix of skateboards, balloons, and giraffes at the Ellicottville Memorial Library on Saturday, April 1 at 2:00pm. Here's what you can expect:

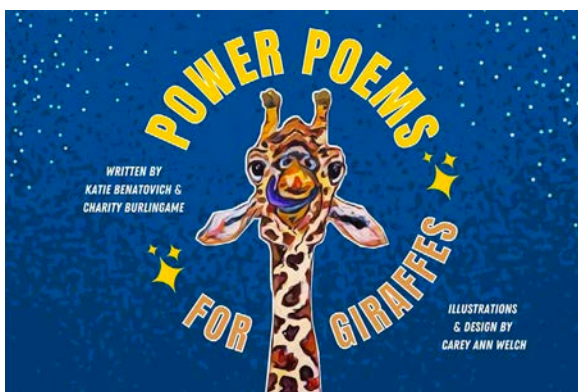
**SKATEBOARDS:** Skateboarding is an awesome social-emotional tool, and once construction of the outdoor skatepark is completed and open for use this summer, it will benefit many children and families in our community. According to Benatovich, this is just the start of an ongoing commitment. At the library event, a check for \$100 will be given to SK8EVL, the committee that has worked so hard over the last three years to raise the funding needed to build the skatepark here in Ellicottville.

**BALLOONS:** A special social-emotional learning (SEL) activity from the Power Poems for Giraffes book will be led by co-author Charity Burlingame with environmentally friendly balloons. Children of all ages are welcome with their families. It will be Balloon-tastic!

**GIRAFFES:** Bella, the lovable, 4-foot-tall toy giraffe is ready for photos, hugs, and new fashion looks (she has a travel trunk full of hats, necklaces and scarves). She also has special "Bella Goodie Bags" to give away. I wonder what Bella has up her sleeve... or hoof?

**BONUS BOOK SIGNING:** The Giraffe Team will also have books for sale and will be doing book signings of their creative, multilingual, Power Poems for Giraffes book. Co-author Katie Benatovich will be on-hand for poetry readings while book illustrator Carey Ann Welch will be spearheading some fun art activities. Connection Card designer Neal Steward will also be available to show how to make an easel by upcycling a cardboard box to use with the Connection Cards. Co-author and SEL Activity expert Charity Burlingame will be leading the balloon activities and signing books.

Join the Giraffe Team for this special celebration for the Ellicottville Skatepark between 2:00pm and 4:00pm on Saturday, April 1 at Ellicottville Memorial Library, 6499 Maples Road, Ellicottville, NY. For more information email [info@treetopspublishing.com](mailto:info@treetopspublishing.com) or find TreeTops Publishing on Facebook.



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## REMEMBERING JOEY D.

Ellicottville Says Goodbye to its Most Fun, Fashionable and Colorful Icon



By CAROL FISHER-LINN

*"There are many people that we meet in our lives. But only a very few will make a lasting impression on our minds and hearts." - Susan Polis Schutz*

The close-knit community of Ellicottville is mourning the death of beloved, fun-loving, eccentric Joey D, who left us, at age 87, on March 14 to take his brand of zany joyfulness to that mysterious world behind the veil. As his friend, Brooks LeFeber laughingly said, "It took more than one person to wrangle Joey. He's probably up there making himself known in typical Joey style."

Although he had not served recently, Joey had been the Mayor's Deputy for many years and until two years ago, he served on the Village Board. Consequently, Mayor John Burrell asked that everyone in the village fly their flag at half-staff in honor of Joey. Mary Klahn, village secretary reminds us of how involved he was in the village beautification program. He loved to see things in order and lovely, which is why in his official obituary people are reminded to donate to the Alley Katz in his honor, if they are so inclined.

### A HELPING HAND

There are those who knew Joey well and loved him deeply, and then there are those of us who knew him on the margins and watched his "antics" from afar. The beautiful thing about Joey is that he was so much more than his public, fun-loving persona. Mary Klahn went on to say how she knew (as did Brooks LeFeber) that Joey quietly helped many others in the community. If he knew of a need, a house needing paint, a person needing food for their family, a kid needing something, Joey would inconspicuously hand them what they needed without any fanfare or ado. Surely, every community has these silent heroes. It is a privilege to be able to unveil Joey and honor him for the good he has done.

### AN HONORABLE CAREER

We know the colorful Ellicottville guy, but prior to his finding our sweet little town with the help of his long-time ski club buddy, Corky Kantowski, he did some serious work in the world. He was a proud veteran, having served in the Army 10th Mountain Division, in Germany, as a tank driver in the Cold War. In his telling, "there we were, sitting opposite the Russians, both pointing our machine guns at each other."

A UB graduate, he retired from successfully owning Fargo Air in Buffalo to come to Ellicottville and, as John Burrell says, "let his hair down." He sold real estate in Ellicottville for over 25 years for Hunt Realty and later Holiday Valley Realty. Imagine buying a house from Joey. You'd want to do it just to be in the same town with him!

One cannot tell a Joey D story without talking about the fashion-conscious man who allegedly would go home as many as five times a day to change his clothes for the hourly occasion. His ubiquitous straw hat topped many a colorful ensemble, not to mention the ones designed for specific holidays.

### STORIES OF JOEY D.

A few stories worth telling (these all from LeFeber) include the LaundroNut story - a title Joey wore after attempting to ride in the dryer in the local laundromat. You may remember him getting into a bit of mischief rollerblading on the village sidewalks on his 75th birthday. "Arrested" for parking by a hydrant, he was given public service. He chose to walk in the Christmas Stroll as a fully outfitted Arab with a camel, which was good. But, trying to take the camel into Madigan's, getting it halfway in and leaving it with Tommy O'Connor holding the lead was not so good - but it was Joey.

No one who has been in the local establishments can say they have not heard Joey and his musical 'Spoons.' As LeFeber would say, "What he lacked in rhythm, he made up with lack of rhythm." If there was a band in town over these many years, Joey had likely "spooned" with them. The stories are endless. Please share them with one another as we try to spread the smiles the way Joey did.

### UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

Our sincerest condolences go out to Joey's many friends and family, especially his daughters Dina and Jennifer and his grandchildren, Cecelia, Emmylu, Coleman, and Gianna whom he absolutely adored and doted upon. Surely, Joey helped to do his share to make this a wonderful world. Cheers, old friend. We can't wait to see you on the other side.

## HONORING OUR VETS

America to Observe National Vietnam War Veterans Day March 29th



By CAROL FISHER-LINN

*"Every service member of the Vietnam generation should know that their sacrifices mattered and that their service made a difference." - President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. (3/29/22)*

Looking back in history, it's hard to imagine that fifty years ago this year, on March 29, 1973, the last U.S. combat troops left the Republic of Vietnam. Vietnam Veteran's Day was first observed as a one-time event in 2012, when President Barack Obama issued a proclamation calling on "all Americans to observe this day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities." In 2016, The Vietnam Veterans Day Coalition of States Council requested of Congress that March 29 be officially established as Vietnam War Veterans Day. Then on March 28, President Trump signed the Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017 which officially recognizes March 29 as National Vietnam War Veterans Day. Although flags are not flown half-staff this day, you are reminded to display your flag.

Lasting from 1955 to 1975, the Vietnam war engulfed the Southeast Asian country of Vietnam as well as its neighboring countries, Cambodia and Laos. It resulted in several million deaths, most of whom were Vietnamese civilians. By 1964 the U.S. had 23,000 military advisers in Vietnam, but after the Gulf of Tonkin incident (August 1964) Congress gave President Johnson authority to increase our presence and combat units were sent for the first time. In the face of increasing domestic opposition (think Kent State in 1970, for example), U.S. ground forces had largely withdrawn by early 1972, and their operations were limited to air support, artillery support, advisors, and materiel shipments.

The war ended in 1975 with the fall of Saigon. A total of 2,709,918 Americans served in uniform in Vietnam. Of the 2.7 million, between 1-1.6 million (40-60%) either fought in combat, provided close support, or were at least regularly exposed to enemy attack. Vietnam Veterans represented 9.7% of their generation. (vietnamveteranproject.org)

About 58,220 military personnel died (average age, 23) with the largest number (by state) from New York State - 4119, per archives.gov. The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), the agency within the Department of Defense responsible for tracking down MIAs, reported in March 2022 that 1,581 Americans are now listed as missing and unaccounted-for from the Vietnam War (pow-miafamilies.org). It is estimated that the Vietnam Veterans still alive number about 610,000, making them the second largest group of American military veterans.

Some Vietnam veterans were treated poorly when they returned home from war. Sadly, veterans started tossing their uniforms in the trash in airports and changing into civilian clothes to avoid being spit on, or jeered at, or worse. It seems they were blamed for what had happened in Vietnam. (They were easy targets - after all, we didn't have interactions with the politicians who put us into that war.)

When the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was erected in Washington, D.C. in 1982 the public began softening in their attitude. Eventually, the veterans were almost regarded as victims. Consider this: out of the 1.6 million total who served in all capacities in Vietnam, nearly 750,000 became homeless. Even more have committed suicide. Aside from the deaths on the battlefield, there were over 300,000 wounded and more than 700,000 who suffered from PTSD. (reference.com).

### THE PACT ACT

Of the 610,000 or so who are living, perhaps you have family members, friends, or neighbors who still carry the scars of that terrible war. Please be sure they or their loved ones know that a law was signed on August 10, 2022 called the PACT Act which expands VA benefits for veterans exposed to burn pits, Agent Orange, and other toxic materials. This law helps us provide generations of Veterans - and their survivors - with the care and benefits they've earned and deserve. Call 800-698-2411 (TTY: 711). And you can file a claim for PACT Act-related disability compensation or apply for VA health care now. (va.gov).

If you happen to know of a Vietnam Vet, give them a call or drop them a note to thank them for their service. If they are in a care facility, visit them and let them know they are not forgotten, or you may know of Gold Star families who need to be remembered as well. March 29 is a great day to take a vet to lunch or take lunch to them! America can't thank our veterans enough for their service and for the sacrifices made by them and their families.



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# PHOTO REWIND

## Rail Rider Jamboree Brings Picture Perfect Snow to Ellicottville

Holiday Valley played host to not only an amazing lineup of live music, but also some much welcomed snowfall at the 2nd annual Rail Rider Jamboree Saturday, March 25. With a vendor village, good grub, tasty brews and some of the best Bluegrass/Americana bands from around the region, crowds celebrated ski season in style. Headlined by Dark Star Orchestra, you can see from the photos... this tour was epic.

View more photos from this year's Rail Rider Jamboree on our FB / IG pages: @ellicottvilleNOW.

photos / Rich Rumfola





# BUSINESS

## FROM FIELD TO FULLY EQUIPPED

Basecamp Village Project at Base of HoliMont Prepares for Phase II



photo / Rich Rumfola

BY RICH RUMFOLA

Driving west out of downtown Ellicottville towards Little Valley on Route 242, you pass condos and housing near the main entrance to the HoliMont Ski Club and until recently, you passed by a small chunk of real estate that's only been the home for weeds and small woodland creatures for as long as anyone can remember.

Having driven past that spot a countless number of times over the years, it's still tough to imagine that they found enough room to fit an entire 'village' of 11 rentable residences between the road and the creek that flows through the woods towards town.

"Our architect did a great job of fine-tuning where the cabins could go and how we would fit 11 of them with different sizes on the property," explained Yianni Pozantidis, a partner in the \$2.9 million Basecamp Village project. "We partnered with Buffalo Construction Consultants - Bill Mahoney and Joe Mannarino - and they did a tremendous job of building the site for us."

Ranging in size from 364-800 square feet, each cabin comes equipped with a full kitchenette, bathroom, washer/dryer and bath/shower, and are named after famous North American ski areas, such as Whistler, Tahoe and Breckenridge. Along with the varying sizes of living space inside each of the rustic-looking cabins, some models have a loft only, while some cabins have a bedroom only and others feature a combination of both. Although some would consider the ladder-climb into the loft a little too sporty for their taste, those willing to embrace the challenge are rewarded with their own "floor" of the house, including a beautiful view from a window that seems to take up half of the wall it's in.

"Our Aspen Chalet is 800 square feet," Pozantidis said. "It's the largest cabin on the property and sleeps up to six with two bedrooms and a pullout bed." With an average rate of \$300-\$350 per night, Pozantidis says all the units sleep four comfortably, with pullout and roll-away beds available.

All skiers and snowboarders themselves, Pozantidis described his partnership team's vision for the look and feel of the cabins, saying, "We wanted a mixture of the rustic cabin look that you see on the exterior, but we wanted a little bit more of a modern look inside."

Entering into one of these 'mini' properties with its vaulted ceilings and large picture windows, you are immediately struck with the seeming contradiction of having so much space available in such a small building.

"You walk in and you think you're walking into a tiny cabin," Pozantidis said. "But what you walk into is a really nice, small condo that has cathedral ceilings and huge windows - it's not even bright out today and look at all the light that comes into here - so all of a sudden, this becomes a very large space!" he exclaimed.

He went on to praise Mark Dean of Dean Architects in Buffalo, whom he credits for turning the ownership team's vision for the project into reality. "The big windows were something that I and my partners really wanted, so we could showcase how beautiful the area is - with the creek and the woods on the other side," Pozantidis said.

### ADDITIONAL AMENITIES ON THE WAY

Located within a 15-minute walk into downtown Ellicottville and even closer than that to the lifts at HoliMont, the Basecamp Village property includes a wooded lot that will be developed down the road so patrons can fully enjoy the natural surroundings. Pozantidis says that plans for Phase II of the project include building a bridge from the condos into the woods on the other side of the creek and then clearing brush to make space for fire pits and seating.

"Once that's complete, now you have another option if you want to hang out on-site and don't want to leave," he said, and then went on to explain, "This spot is beautiful all year round - you're not going to see that at any other motel - and then with the design and layout of the cabins and property, what we have here is second to none!"

The cabins share the same basic structure and it's easy to imagine them attached and standing side by side, in one long row, like old-school motels used to be. But they're not attached, and each cabin at Basecamp Village is its own unique building, and each

"Basecamp Tiny Homes" continued page 12

## THE VINTAGE HAIRPIN

New Salon Adds New Style to Downtown Ellicottville



BY BARBARA ARNSTEIN & JESSICA SCHULTZ

Have you reached that point in winter where you just feel like you've let your hair go on too long? Maybe you want to change up your style or your color to feel refreshed for Spring? Ellicottville's newest hair salon is now open for business... Welcome to The Vintage Hairpin, located on Jefferson Street (inside the former Ava Grace Fashions building).

The Vintage Hairpin is the second location of the popular Gowanda shop (13 South Water Street, Gowanda), owned and operated by Rachel Galeti and her family. Three generations of hair dressing talent are available between the two locations. Rachel herself has been doing hair for 28 years, her mother Donna used to run the Gowanda location, and Rachel's daughter Liza, who is currently an apprentice, just recently received her license in Cosmetology.

With such a base of talent, The Vintage Hairpin is a full amenity salon that offers not just hair cutting and styling but also full color, balayage, foiling and fantasy colors like blue, purple, green and red. (Sign this writer up for a new blue look soon!) Looking ahead into the fall, Liza plans to introduce some spa services and esthetics.

It's surprising that Rachel has time to run two flourishing businesses, with her other passion keeping her pretty busy already. You may know her as the vocalist from local WNY country band sensation the Barnstorm Band. She's been with the group for nine years and loves playing nighttime gigs after salon hours. (Their next show in Ellicottville is set for April 1st at the Gin Mill, 8:00pm-midnight).

So how did Rachel become so involved in the salon world? "I began in the industry in 1995 at our family's business as a stylist manager and trainer," said Rachel. "My mother had a salon in our home that eventually became the 'Hair We Are' salon locations, so it's always been a part of my life. My mother is retired from full-time salon work, and now focuses on Christian Ministries. However, she still sometimes does thermal straightening, which permanently straightens curly hair."

When discussing her favorite parts of the business, Rachel had this to say: "My personal passions are precision cutting and all texture techniques. I don't just color, I specialize in color theory. Men and women are welcome to come and have their hair done and I will make sure they all look fabulous for any occasion."

And she does mean any occasion. She offers services for wedding parties, not to mention she also loves to be a part of the communities she is working in. Here in the 14731, Rachel attended Ladies Day at HoliMont earlier this ski season, and just recently hosted a pop-up event during Ellicottville's Mardi Gras celebration where she offered complimentary food, hosted some great giveaways and met plenty of potential new clients.

The Vintage Hairpin is going to bring a lot of fun and flare to Ellicottville. You can book hair appointments with Rachel Wednesday through Friday. She is also available for special events and some weekends. Call The Vintage Hairpin at 716-803-7318 or email [rachelgalati.rg@gmail.com](mailto:rachelgalati.rg@gmail.com). Don't be shy... whatever look you decide to try, Rachel and her team have got you.

## EVENTS BROCHURE RELEASED

Greater Olean Area Chamber Begins Distribution of 2023 Brochure

OLEAN - The 2023 Events and Activities brochure produced by the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce is now available. Events located in Cattaraugus, Allegany counties in New York State, as well as McKean and Potter counties in Pennsylvania are listed. This brochure will be delivered to over 200 locations in a 200-mile radius of Olean with additional distributions to locations throughout the Pittsburgh area. It is also sent to both regional visitor's centers in New York, and one in Pennsylvania. Each year, GOACC produces 6,000 brochures as a way of promoting the many events that are held to educate residents and visitors of the opportunities in the area. It's a great way to encourage people to visit. The event scheduling also assists area organizations to ensure that fundraising events don't happen on the same date. To pick up a copy, please visit the GOACC office at 301 North Union Street, Olean, email [info@oleanny.com](mailto:info@oleanny.com), visit the 'virtual' brochure online at [www.oleanny.com](http://www.oleanny.com) or call 716-372-4433.



# FOOD AND DRINK

## ELLICOTTVILLE SYRUP CO.

Local Family Launches Maple Syrup Production Business



By CAROL FISHER-LINN

It's kind of interesting how one thing leads to another. Asa Moss and his partner, Franklinville native, Greg Vassar and their four children live on the fifty-plus-acre Moss Farms LLC on Tough Hill Road (towards Rainbow Lake from Ellicottville center), which has been in the Moss family for three generations. The family has been part of community life for many years.

Jonathan Moss, Sr. was well known in the community - selling insurance for family-owned Moss and Sullivan Insurance and tending bar for years at Madigan's. Asa is also well known for his musical talents on the bagpipes. He recently played for members of the American Legion in town, as well as at the St. Patrick's Day festivities at Madigan's and Finnerty's. Asa normally wears his plaid kilt, derk, and the traditional sporrán to carry his wallet and necessities, but this year the winds were too high, so he did not. It seems a true Scotsman doesn't wear his kilt when the wind may rustle around underneath it and expose more than the gentleman's musical talents!

Moss construction (FB: Moss Construction LLC), owned by Asa Moss, Greg Vassar and Jonathan Moss, Jr. is also part of their business enterprises stemming from a desire to fulfill some family dreams for what started as 400 acres back in Asa's granddad's day. Although Scotsmen, there seems to be a wee bit of do-it-yourself Amish mixed in, possibly through local association. They will build for you, they will cut the trees to cut the lumber for your project if needed, they will create the metal braces if you look for a post and beam building, dig a trench, put in a new foundation or a pond, etc., and top it all off with a bottle of homemade maple syrup.

Since Greg and Asa are students of family lore, many of these projects pay homage to ancestors who came before. It seems Asa's family goes back to England when folks were leaving for a better life in America. The irony of it is that his ancestors might have not been here except for a child who needed medical care on the day they were to leave, forcing them to wait another day to board. The ship they were scheduled on originally did not make it. One of these ancestors went on to marry and eventually start the first lumber mill in East Aurora. Some of the sawdust DNA seeds must have been passed on to Asa who always wanted to have a lumber mill on the Moss land in Ellicottville, which is now a reality.

### FROM SAWDUST TO SYRUP

Moss Farms LLC owns the land on which the maples grow from which the delicious, sweet sap flows. The maple syrup production is a culmination of another dream, and "one that takes over your life like a sweet disease," said Greg as he laughed rather ruefully. The production company rents the trees from Moss Farms through which they run their sap collection lines. The operation is still relatively small with 300 taps; the plan is to get to 3,000 within the next few years. At this point they will be placing their syrup in local shops. Watch for it!

Since the domain name, Ellicottville Syrup Co. is still pending, they can be reached presently though mossconstructionco.com. Call 716-225-7784 if you want to know more about any of the operations they have going up on their hill.

## NATIONAL COMEDY CENTER

Paul Morrissey to Record New Comedy Album in Front of Live Audience

JAMESTOWN - The National Comedy Center, the nation's official cultural institution dedicated to the art of comedy, will present acclaimed comedian Paul Morrissey - performing on stage in Jamestown, NY - as he records his new comedy album in front of a live audience. Tickets are now available for "An Evening of Comedy with Paul Morrissey: ICE CREAM VS EVERYTHING" on March 24 and 25.

With national television appearances on CBS's The Late, Late Show and The Late Show with David Letterman, Paul Morrissey has headlined clubs and theaters across the country, opened theater tours for Jim Gaffigan and Tom Papa and performed at major comedy festivals including the Just for Laughs Festival in Montreal, the Montreux Comedy Festival and the National Comedy Center's Lucille Ball Comedy Festival. He co-hosted the "Come To Papa with Tom Papa" podcast on Bill Burr's All Things Comedy Network,

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## INTERNATIONAL WHISKEY DAY

Take a Taste with Ellicottville Distillery and E-Ville Spirits March 27th



By JESSICA SCHULTZ

International Whiskey Day is fast approaching on March 27 and we've some great local options to grab yourself a glass (or a bottle) and enjoy. But what is the process behind the creation of whiskey? What's the difference in flavors? How are those flavors created? Ellicottville's own Bryan Scharf, owner of Ellicottville Distillery, was ready to answer these questions.

**eNOW:** Can you give us some insight as to what goes into the process of making whiskey?

**BRYAN:** Creating whiskey involves grain, water, yeast and heat. You have to add the grain to the water and cook it until it breaks down the starches into simple sugars that the yeast can ingest to create alcohol (heat and CO2 as bi-products). We accomplish this in our mash tank. After the starches break down, you add the yeast and transfer the mash to the fermentors where the yeast eats for six to seven days. After that time, we send the mash to the still to separate the alcohol from the mash.

The separation process is done by heating the still with the mash up to about 173 degrees Fahrenheit where alcohol vaporizes and rises off of the liquid mash. The vapor is then pushed through steam lines where it eventually is returned to a liquid in the condenser and then caught in the holding tanks.

Then to create bourbon, we put clear whiskey into new barrels and age it for at least two years. Whiskey is typically aged in used barrels. We have a bourbon, American and a Rye whiskey, as well as a small amount of Single Malt aging.

**eNOW:** How do you differentiate between types?

**BRYAN:** To differentiate between types, it mostly comes down to the type of grains used for the blend. For instance, in the bourbon and American whiskeys, the blend must be at least 61% corn, while the rye has to be at least 51% rye and the single malt is 100% barley.

**eNOW:** How do you create flavor differences between blends?

**BRYAN:** Creating different flavor profiles requires the use of different ratios of grains in your still, then if it's whiskey, aging it in different types of barrels will also adjust the flavor - for instance, using maple barrels, wine barrels, even beef barrels. Bourbon can be finished in different used barrels or just straight out of the original.

**eNOW:** How do you come up with your recipes?

**BRYAN:** Everything is a bit different with recipes. Using what is available is a large part of what we do and why we are able to make each blend more complex or totally different. Everything is changing so we do different styles every year and will continue to tweak recipes in the future. If someone has a recipe suggestion they want made, we're happy to try that too. We're always open to something new and innovative.

**eNOW:** What truly sets your favorite version of the whiskey you create aside from others?

**BRYAN:** What sets us apart, I feel, is that we have created everything here - from grain to bottle (or glass in a cocktail). We've overseen the aging process that started almost seven years ago when the equipment first arrived. We even built our own rick house for aging.

**eNOW:** What is the most unique spirit you offer?

**BRYAN:** Our Honey Spirit is the most unique spirit we make. It's created from honey mead and distilled and aged in barrels. Its flavor is like a mixture of whiskey and rum with the warm taste of honey. Perfect for an after dinner aperitif.

### E-VILLE SPIRITS & WINE

After all that great info, we spoke with E-Ville Spirits & Wine owner Shannon Carscalen about the whiskeys she has in stock and her personal favorites...

**eNOW:** Can you cue us in on the types of whiskey you carry?

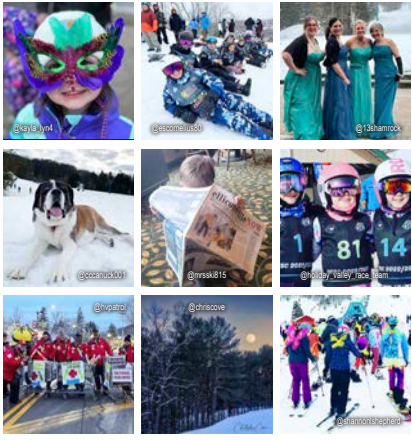
**SHANNON:** Wow, we carry a lot! We've got lower alcohol proof versions like Jack Daniels and Jim Bean, we have Canadian whiskeys including Crown Royal and Black Velvet. Irish Whiskey is always popular. We also stock Jameson, Tullamore Due and a couple others in that variety. Since our Bourbon/Scotch Clubs have over 100 people, we are expected to carry a wide variety of great whiskeys such as American, Canadian,

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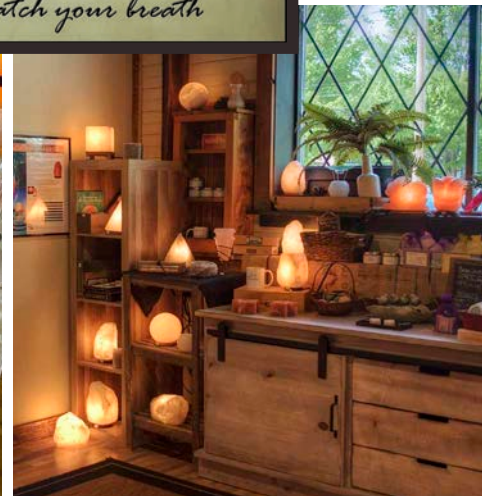
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# COMMUNITY

## SUPPORT FOR OUR LIBRARIES

New Fund Established to Provide Educational Programming for Children and Adults



Pictured: Cindy Wagner (center) with sons Brian North (left) and Jason North (right).

OLEAN - Cindy Wagner knows the value of giving, having worked in the nonprofit sector for much of her career.

Wagner recently established Wagner Family Fund at the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation to give support to libraries in Cattaraugus and Allegany counties beginning in 2023. The fund's grant application process will open August 1 with a September 30 deadline, and awards will be made in November each year.

Wagner also knows the value of the grant process, beginning her career in grant writing when she was working with a shelter for women who were victims of domestic violence in Cortland. She would go on to a 30+ year career in nonprofit management with non-profits up and down the East Coast, but she always continued to write grants, even when serving as director of an organization, she said.

A native of Portville, Wagner began college at 28 as a full-time working, single mother of two, and graduated from Jamestown Community College with High Honors and Cum Laude from SUNY Fredonia in just three and half years - a feat that remains one of her proudest achievements to date.

Wagner, as well as the rest of her family, were also active volunteering in the community. Wagner served as a board member of the Mental Health Association in Cattaraugus County, as president and a member of Keynote Chorus and was a member and former chair of the Town of Portville Planning Board after she returned to the area 17 years ago when her grandchildren began arriving.

She remembered her late parents, Nancy and Gerald Wagner, also volunteering for community organizations like Olean General Hospital and Meals on Wheels.

"Everyone in our family has always volunteered our time, but this is maybe the first time we have really been able to give of our money, too," said Wagner. "My parents have passed now, and not all of us have as much time anymore, so I am happy that we are still able to help out, and it means a lot to be able to do it in way that lasts in perpetuity."

Established as an endowed fund, the Wagner fund will provide annual grants to area libraries in Cattaraugus and Allegany counties to support educational programming and new activities for youth and adults. Libraries have played a special role for the Wagner family, making it all the more meaningful to give back to them through this fund.

"Growing up in a middle-class family in the 70s, we never had a lot of money for extras, so libraries became very important to all of us," said Wagner. "Both of my parents and my brother and I became readers and it was books and the need for research for homework assignments that took us there."

While her mother was an aide in the Portville Elementary School for decades, libraries played an important role in the lives of her sons, Brian North (a North Carolina attorney) and Jason North (a Portville business owner).

"Whenever the boys and I would move to a new town for school or work, the first thing we would do is go to the library for a new library card," she said. "Whether it was for books, CDs or new artwork to hang on the wall, it was a great place to find out what was going on. It immediately made our small family feel a part of the community, and I feel indebted to all of those libraries."

Wagner hopes that the Wagner Family Fund will have a special impact over the many years to come for the libraries that were so important to her family in a community that she was raised in and returned to call "home."

"I hope the available funds bring new programming to those libraries who don't have a programming budget at all and be a critical piece of additional funding for libraries who want to expand their community education programs," she said.

"Libraries provide so much more than books for families of all backgrounds in the communities where they are located," said CRCF Executive Director Karen Niemic Buchheit. "For many, the libraries in our rural communities provide resources that are otherwise unattainable like internet and access to research materials and digital services. Libraries also provide programs that help youth and adults alike continue to learn and grow."

Donations can be made to the Wagner Family Fund at the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation, 301 N. Union St., Suite 203, Olean, NY 14760 or at [cattfoundation.org](http://cattfoundation.org).

## INSPIRED BY BREAD

Art's Cafe in Springville Bonds Relationships Through Art, Music and Food



BY BARBARA ARNSTEIN

There is so much to enjoy at Art's Cafe in Springville. Walk in and you'll see a beautiful coffee shop/bakery counter/art gallery and a small stage where music is often performed, plus there's an art room downstairs, a garden on the roof and a library area where language lessons are conducted.

The artwork currently on display is a Community Show that began in February and runs until April 8. From April 12-May 27, there will be an exhibit of landscape art by Jennifer Koury and Peggy Walker entitled, "Whose Woods These Are". The title was taken from the first four words of a poem by Carl Sandburg, "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening", published one hundred years ago.

### THE MENU

The coffee shop is a charming, gracious place to eat, socialize and listen to music. The menu begins with breakfast, available from 9:00am-4:00pm, which features various combinations of bacon, eggs, toast, butter, cream cheese and even whipped feta cheese, plus croissants and scones. Lunchtime begins at 11:00am and the selections include soups (different according to the day), grilled cheese, and Black Forest ham paninis, to name a few. (Be sure to check out the seasonal features on the Specials Board).

Let's talk about the breads. Oh, the breads! The breads available at the Cafe include: Wednesdays-Sourdough, Toasted Sesame, Deli Rye, Soft Pretzels & Bagels; Thursdays-Country Sourdough, Sunflower-Flax, Baguettes, French Bread Rolls; Fridays-Sourdough, Deli Rye, Soft Pretzels, Three-Seed, and Morning Buns; and on Saturdays-Sourdough, Cranberry Walnut, Olive and Herb, Monkey Bread, Morning Buns, Almond Croissants, Soft Pretzels and Bagels. You can, of course, get tea and coffee and espresso, along with hot chocolate, Root Beer, actual beer and wine by the glass.

"Our mission is to build community through food and art. Our space has been designed to inspire and restore, and we work hard to create an environment in which people feel welcomed and appreciated. We want every customer's experience to be a positive one," said Allison Duwe, worker/owner of Art's Cafe, who oversees the artisan bread and baking operations there. "Our partnership with Springville Center for the Arts makes us unique. That organization initiated the Cafe project and did all of the heavy lifting in the early stages of fundraising and construction. Although we are now a stand-alone business, we are one big family. The center programs our basement workshop space as well as our staged events."

### UPCOMING EVENTS

In 2011, when people first started thinking about creating a cafe/community center, they found that the old building in the space now occupied by the Cafe was such a wreck that the roof had collapsed into the basement! Happily, in January 2012, \$30,000 was raised in thirty days, and their dream was on its way. In May 2015, thirty trained volunteers installed the green roof, and construction was completed in December of 2019. The project and the architect involved, Jay Braymiller, were honored with an AIA design award. Shortly before it was ready to open, the Covid pandemic put things "on hold". It finally opened in the Fall of 2020. In 2021, the front seating was opened, and items were added to the menu.

"We have a number of upcoming events folks can check out on our website under our Calendar tab - from free music and art events to art workshops and ticketed concerts. There is something for everyone and every age," Duwe said. "We do free art-making for kids on the stage one Saturday a month, host artist talks and a silent book club, and will also be bringing legendary blues and folk musician Guy Davis to our stage in April."

The most anticipated event every year in Springville is the Downtown Art Crawl and Community Parade, when businesses on Main Street join together to become one big art gallery. On Saturday, June 3 from 4:30-11:00pm, there will not only be art to see, but live music to hear, demonstrations to participate in, and surprises galore! Art can be submitted for consideration through April 30.

On Friday, April 7 from 7:00-9:00pm, the musical event, "Arts Unvarnished" takes place. (\$15 in advance; \$20 at the door.) This event will showcase original local music, with each local act playing a short set and talking about its creation. The first performer, Kathryn Koch, is a singer and songwriter, a multi-instrumentalist and a vocalist. She'll

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# HEALTH & FITNESS

## Core Performance: Superset Workouts

BY KIM DUKE, CERTIFIED PERSONAL TRAINER

Even if you're not a self-professed gym rat, there's a certain allure to knowing your stuff at the gym. Yeah, you can pop in, jog on a treadmill, throw around some dumbbells, and #doyoursquats, but there's something empowering about designing your own workout and knowing exactly why you're doing every single exercise.

Chances are, if you've ever hit up a circuit-style workout class or had a personal training session, you've seen the word "superset" as part of the usual strength training routine. But as common as superset workouts might be, there's still a lot of confusion about what they are and how to do them right.

Conventional weight training is done using "straight sets" - this consists of a series of nonstop repetitions, usually between 6-12, followed by a rest interval of one to three minutes. A superset is an advanced training technique where you perform two exercises in a row with virtually no rest in between exercises. Supersets are an excellent technique for muscular hypertrophy, especially if you are short on time.

For your basic gym-goer, calling these things the broad term of "supersets" will do the job. But if you really want to know what you're talking about, learn the different types of superset workouts and how they can help you achieve even more strength gains.

If you go by the super-specific definition, a **true superset (antagonist superset)** is when you're doing two exercises that target opposing muscles groups. Think: a biceps curl and a triceps extension. The main perk of adding these to your workout is that your muscles will recover faster in between sets. When one muscle group is being contracted, its functional opposite relaxes, reducing the need of a break or rest time between exercises.

Then there's the **compound set (agonist superset)** where both exercises work the same muscle groups. Think: a push-up and a dumbbell bench press. These babies are the ones that will target one zone and get it burning, stat. They're particularly useful for adding intensity and volume to a workout as well as focusing on particular muscle groups and is the most demanding type of superset. Some trainers even argue that you shouldn't call these superset workouts at all - just compound sets.

And there are also **unrelated supersets**, which is where the two exercises use totally different muscles groups. Think: lunges and biceps curls. The primary advantage of this type of superset is that there is no loss of strength in going from one exercise to the other, meaning you can hammer out quality reps of both without feeling super fatigued.

As you can see, many benefits can be gained from including supersets in your training



program. Supersets are a proven technique for increasing intensity and bringing up lagging body parts. They also allow you to continue gaining muscle while working around injuries that might be aggravated with heavy weights. And best of all, super setting is a legitimate way to get more results in less time.

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## BASECAMP TINY HOMES

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building was thoughtfully placed on the site and separated from the others with paved and well-lit pathways to get around on.

### WEDDING PARTIES AND OTHER GROUPS

Thanks to the natural beauty of Ellicottville and the unparalleled success of the Holiday Valley and HoliMont matrimony machines, this community provides the venue for 80-plus weddings each season and Pozantidis sees his new property as the perfect match for large(r) groups of people who are looking for lodging close to one another, but also might like the idea that each cabin is its own residence. In fact, he was excited to share the news that Basecamp Village had recently booked its first wedding party for an event that'll be happening in October. The happy couple and their friends and family will enjoy the use of the entire village of all 11 cabins during their stay.

"We would like to cater to that type of demographic," Pozantidis said. "We feel like we offer something unique because we give you your own place to stay in."

He went on to explain how folks could come together to Ellicottville and have fun - whether it be skiing, golfing, mountain biking or to a wedding, and at the end of the day, if you wanted to go take a rest, everyone has their own cabin. "We offer that kind of privacy - different than a hotel - where you don't necessarily have to walk down the same hallway," Pozantidis said.

Acknowledging the dispiriting lack of snow this ski season, Pozantidis predicted a strong rebound in activity for the upcoming "off"-season.

"Ellicottville has now turned into a four-season destination for people," he said. "Sometimes, it's busier here in the summer than it is in the winter - I actually think this summer's going to be huge because the winter was so bad."

Although they would prefer bookings of two nights or more, the cabins are available for as little as one night and for as long as the entire season. With only a limited number of cabins available on the whole site, Pozantidis admits he and his partners are still trying to navigate their way toward a healthy balance between seasonal rentals, and multiple and one-night stays.

"We might leave a couple (cabins) open for single-night rentals because we're seeing a demand from people who are in town for only a night and maybe are private and don't want to go to a hotel," Pozantidis said. He went on to explain, "Usually on the weekend, it's a two-night minimum but we're trying to work through that because we want to get people here; we want to be able to accommodate every little thing we can."

### BUILDING A BRAND

He also admits the challenges of spreading the news to the world that his stylish and unique cabins are now available for hire in the heart of the Enchanted Mountains in Ellicottville, NY. "We're still in the beginning stages of getting the word out there. We've got ideas for improving the place down the road, but for right now, it's all about getting (the cabins) filled up and getting exposure."

As of the time of our interview, Basecamp Village was still working to be listed with the online booking service, airbnb, though they can be found through Lodgify by going to



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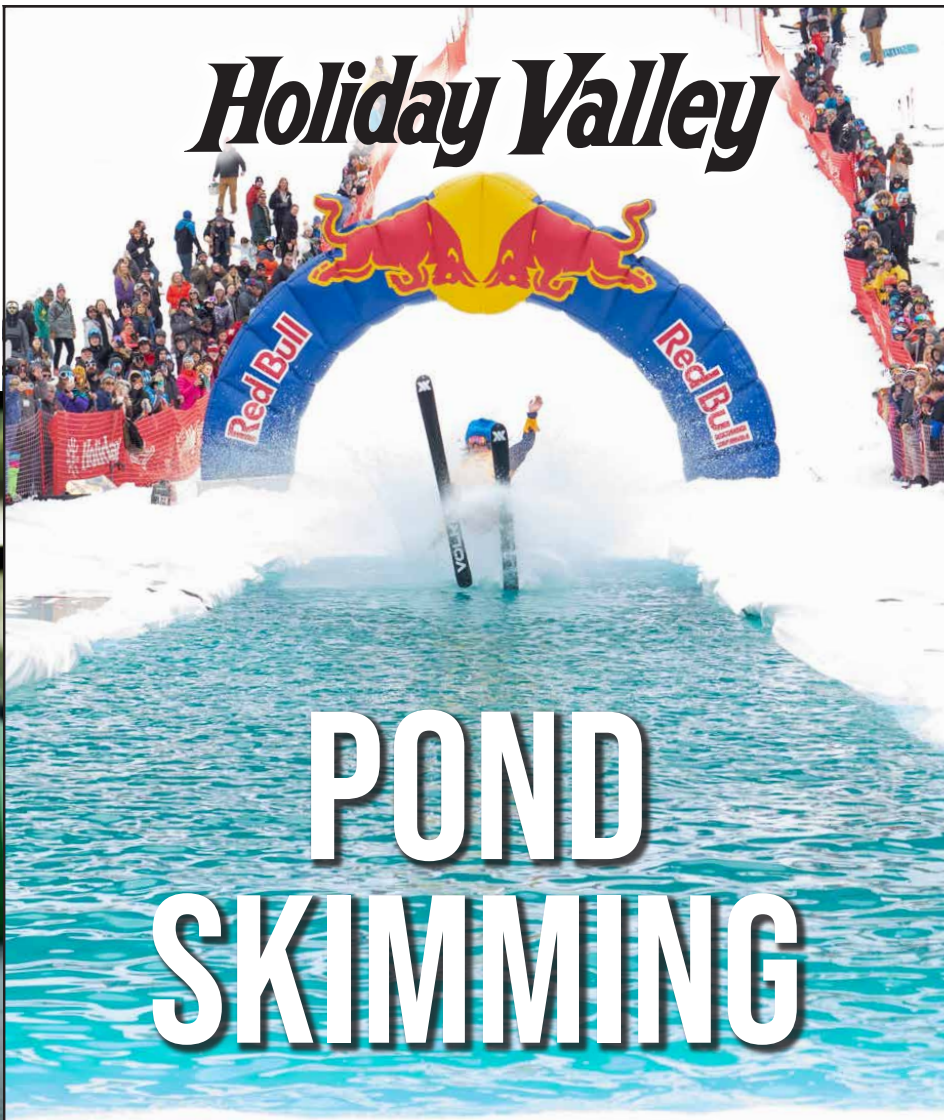
[basecamp.ski](http://basecamp.ski), where you'll find information about each of the cabins.

Anyone who has been around the ski industry would tell you that it is often difficult to find lodging that is a close drive to dining, shopping and the local ski area, so it seems this concept of a 'village' of individual residences within walking distance of all the places you want to be would be very appealing to travelers and therefore successful for developers.

"We don't want to put the cart before the horse, but our ultimate goal is to expand and build a brand," Pozantidis explained. "We have faith in the idea and we're hoping it takes off to the point where we can do this elsewhere."

The next time you're heading over the hill, take a look to your left at the beautiful new Basecamp Village of mini condos and try (if you can) to imagine what that lot looked like when nothing was there but weeds and a family of woodchucks.





# Holiday Valley

## POND SKIMMING

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2023 beginning at approximately 6:00 P.M. at the Ellicottville Town Center, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public input and comments on: Zoning Permit 2022-230 - an application by Jeff Hayes for an area variance to allow the expansion of a non-conforming building. The project site is located at 29 Elizabeth Street, identified as tax map parcel 47.004-1-10.17.

Plans for this project are on file and available for review at the Engineering Department Office located at the Ellicottville Town Center, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731. Prior to the meeting, documents may also be viewed on the Village website at www.ellicottvillegov.com. The Zoning Board of Appeals will take statements at the public hearing from all persons interested in the project. Persons wishing to do so, may submit comments prior to the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Village of Ellicottville Zoning Board of Appeals, 1 Washington Street, P.O. Box 475, Ellicottville, New York 14731, dropped off in person to the same address, or emailed to greg.keyser@evlengineering.com.

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## THIS WEEK'S QUICK PICKS

Unique Items From Our Local Retailers #SHOPLOCAL



ellicottvilleNOW is taking a spin around the town to check out local places and some unique items they carry. This week's quick picks include...

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And those were this week's quick picks. Keep an eye out on ellicottvilleNOW's Facebook and Instagram for more interesting items in the future.

## INTERNATIONAL WHISKEY DAY

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Irish, Japanese and Scottish. We have a wide variety for each area. You can pretty much get anything from Evan Williams to an 18-year Balvenie Scotch now.

**eNOW:** That's a lot of options. Which is your personal favorite?  
**SHANNON:** From experience, I enjoy a good bourbon or scotch in their own ways. I'd have to say that one of my favorite bourbons is Bib and Tucker. It just brings something different to the usual bourbon. No two barrels are the same, but they are all fantastic. It's a small batch, 6-year, a little earthier with all the traditional notes of the classic. I also appreciate a nice Highland area Scotch from time to time. Every whiskey/whisky has its own story and therefore each are good in its own way.

Thank you Shannon and Bryan for taking the time to share all this great info with us. For all you scotch and whiskey fans, make sure you stop into E-Ville Spirits & Wine or Ellicottville Distillery to pick up the perfect bottle (or 2 or 3...) to help celebrate International Whiskey Day on March 27 with a bit of local fare.

## ART'S CAFE IN SPRINGVILLE

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perform a mixture of traditional, reimagined covers and original blues, folk and soul tunes. The second, the Yellow Jack folk band, will perform classic regional folk songs about interesting historical events and people, performed in a traditional style. The third act will be Captain Tom and the Hooligans, who will play both accordions and electric guitars. They perform original materials and put their special spin on traditional and contemporary songs. During the performances, Art's Cafe will be offering its full menu as well as wine and beer.

The Arts Cafe is open Wednesday through Friday from 9:00am-8:00pm and on Saturday from 9:00am-4:00pm. The Arts Cafe is located at 5 East Main Street, Springville, NY, phone 716-592-9036, ArtsCafeSpringville.com. Search them on Facebook and Instagram: @artscafespringville.

## NATIONAL COMEDY CENTER

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has been a writer on projects for CBS and FOX, and has appeared in Nike commercials with NBA star Chris Paul. Morrissey's latest comedy special, "A Real Humdinger," now has over 15 million views on YouTube and Facebook.

"I'm ecstatic to be coming back to Jamestown! As a small town kid from upstate New York, following my dream for a career as a comedian felt like a long shot. I'm very passionate about standup, and also a huge student of comedy and its history. Being a part of the Lucille Ball Comedy Festival several times was an important part of my development and success," stated Paul Morrissey. "The National Comedy Center was still under construction during those years. I'm flattered and excited to get this opportunity to perform in Jamestown once again, now that the Center is completed - and to record an album in such a unique and historic place. I hope the comedy fans there are excited to see the shows and share this special weekend with me."

Morrissey will perform four shows at the Lucy Desi Museum's Tropicana Room, Friday, March 24 and Saturday, March 25 at 7:00pm and 9:00pm. Tickets are available for purchase at ComedyCenter.org/events.



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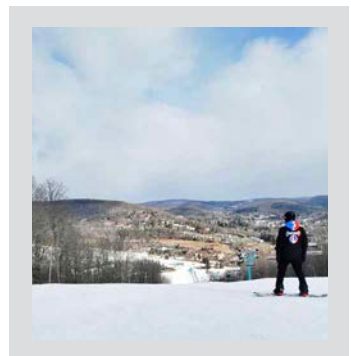
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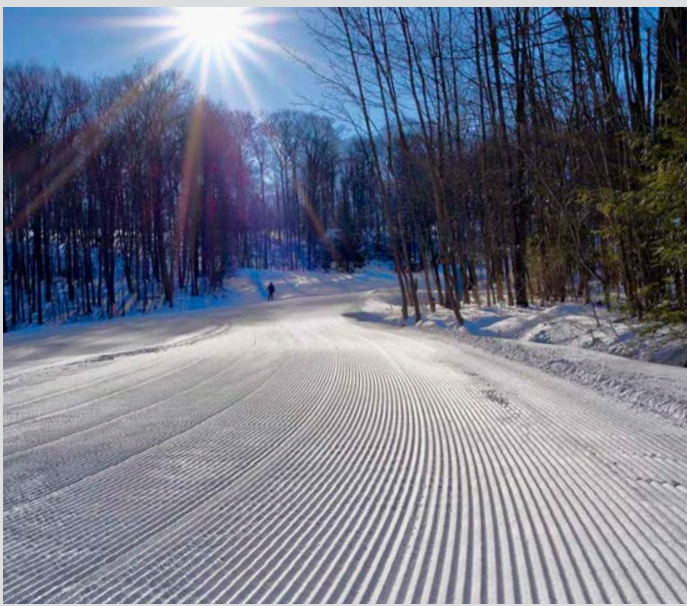
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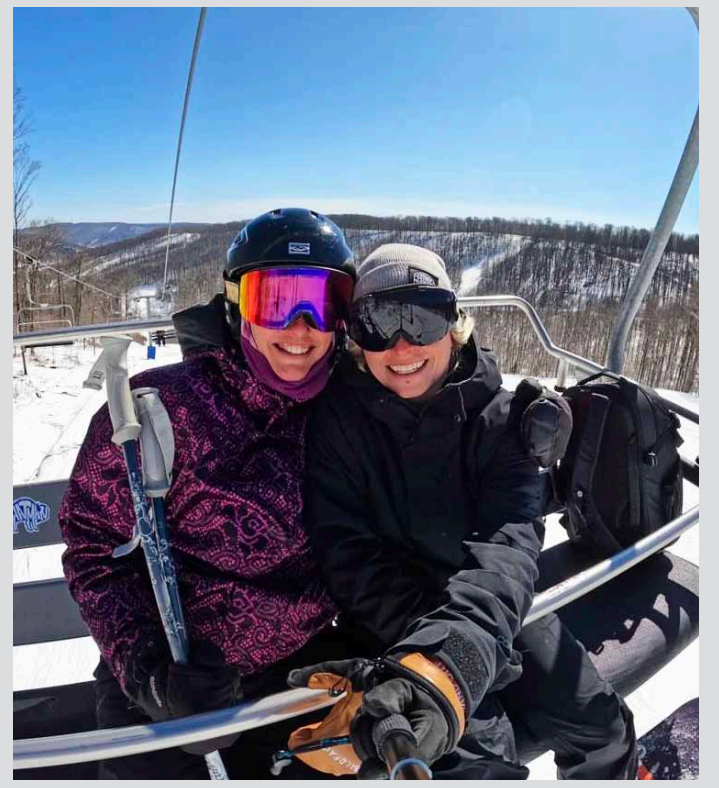
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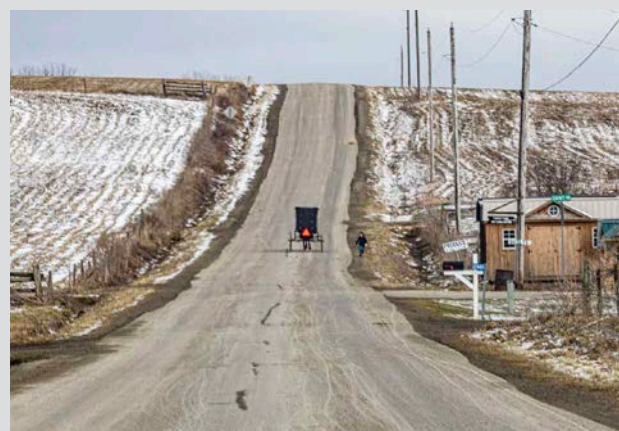
picklesandpepto: Can't wait to tap these gems #maplesyrup



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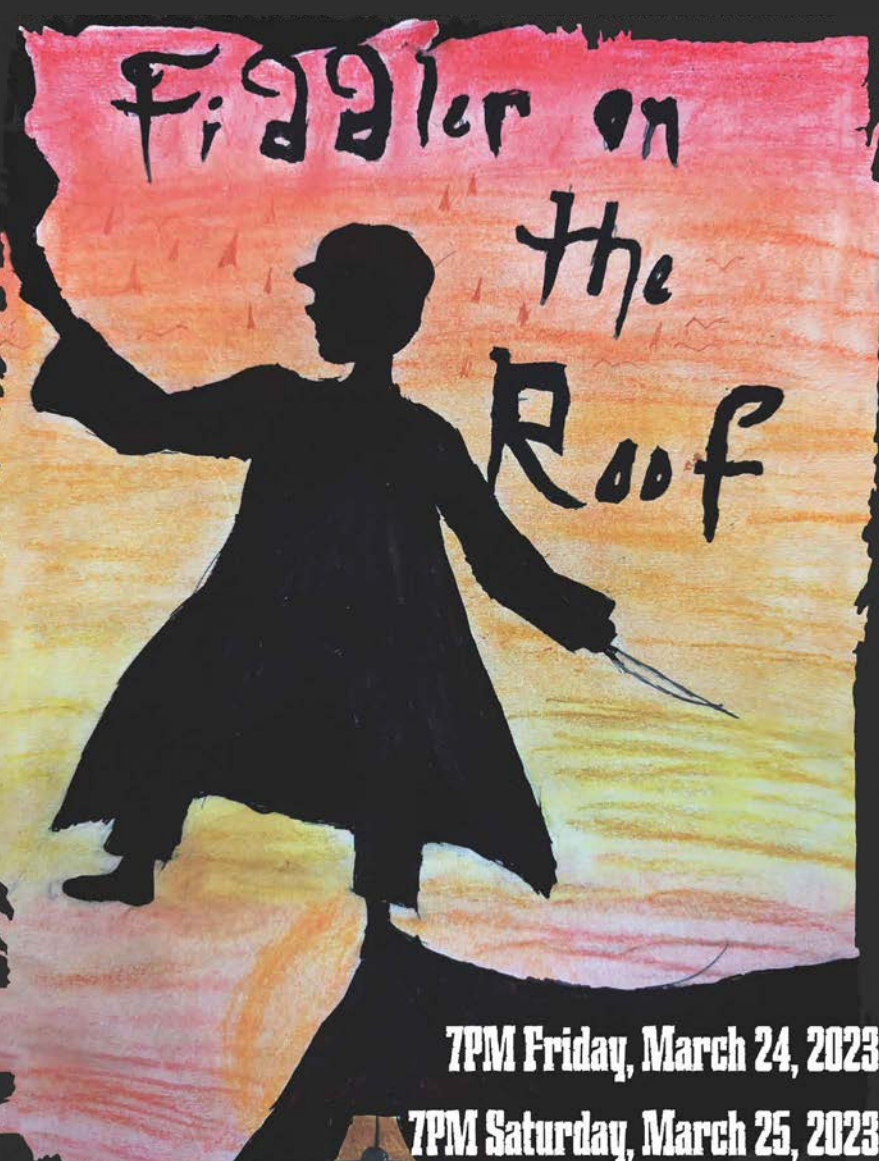
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