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By JESSICA SCHULTZ

If you've ever been in Ellicottville on a busy festival weekend, you know that finding a parking space can be a bit of a nightmare. (Here's looking at you Fall Fest.) Mayor John Burrell and the Village Board addressed this situation and put forth a solution. Following a year of planning and development, spearheaded by Village Board Trustee Doug Bush, the new parking lot on Mill Street is NOW open to the public.

Made possible through a joint grant with Cattaraugus County, the Mill Street Parking Lot is a result of many board meetings, lots of paperwork, and much dedication. Created in part to help ease the congestion experienced during busy weekends, the lot is designed with 125 parking spaces and 4 electric charging stations, and is just a 5-7 minute walk from the center of downtown.

The lights are on for night parking. A footpath is in process of development that will allow users to go from their vehicles directly to Martha Street, in front of where Good for the Spirit Gifts is located. So you'll be able to pop right

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LIMESTONE NEW HOME DAY TO BENEFIT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

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"KENDUCKY" DERBY RETURNS TO ELICOTTVILLE DISTILLERY

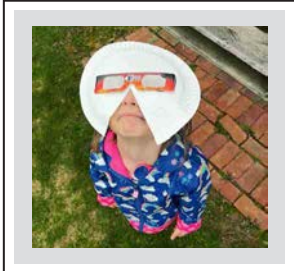
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Ellicottville Hires Deputy Clerk

Village Hall Welcomes Erica Linderman to its Staff

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ellicottvilleNOW Distribution Manager and former Museum Director, Evan Evans (right), was in attendance to show his support for the retirees.

LONGTIME ELDRED WWII MUSEUM DIRECTORS SAY FAREWELL

Last weekend, April 13th, the Eldred WWII Museum (Eldred, PA) held a well deserved retirement party for longtime Executive Director Jesse Case and Curator/Educational Program Director Steve Appleby. These gentlemen have been well loved by the community and many familiar folks. Jesse and Steve pass the torch on to newly appointed Director, Liz Treehouse, and Curator, Kyle Dunn, who are more than ready to take on their on their roles and see to it that this local treasure continues on as it always has ... page 11

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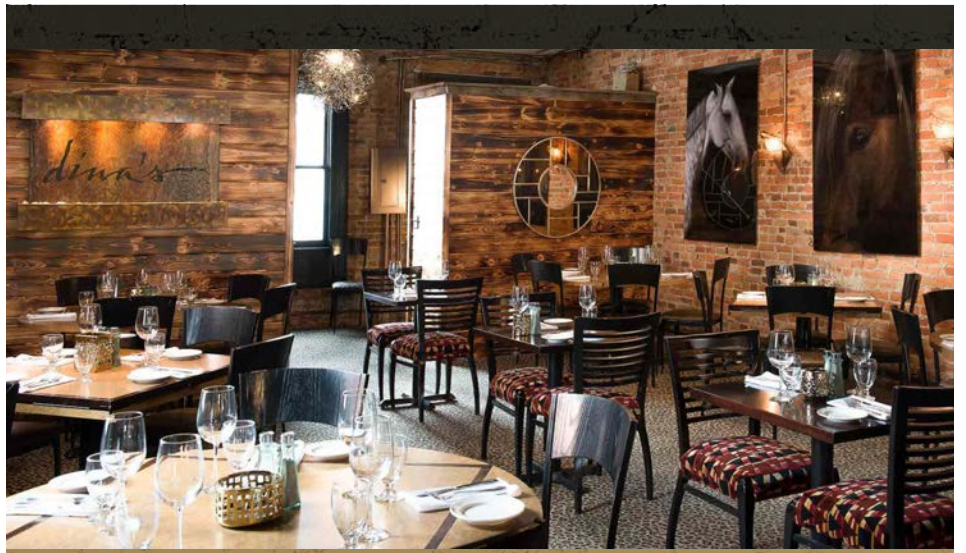
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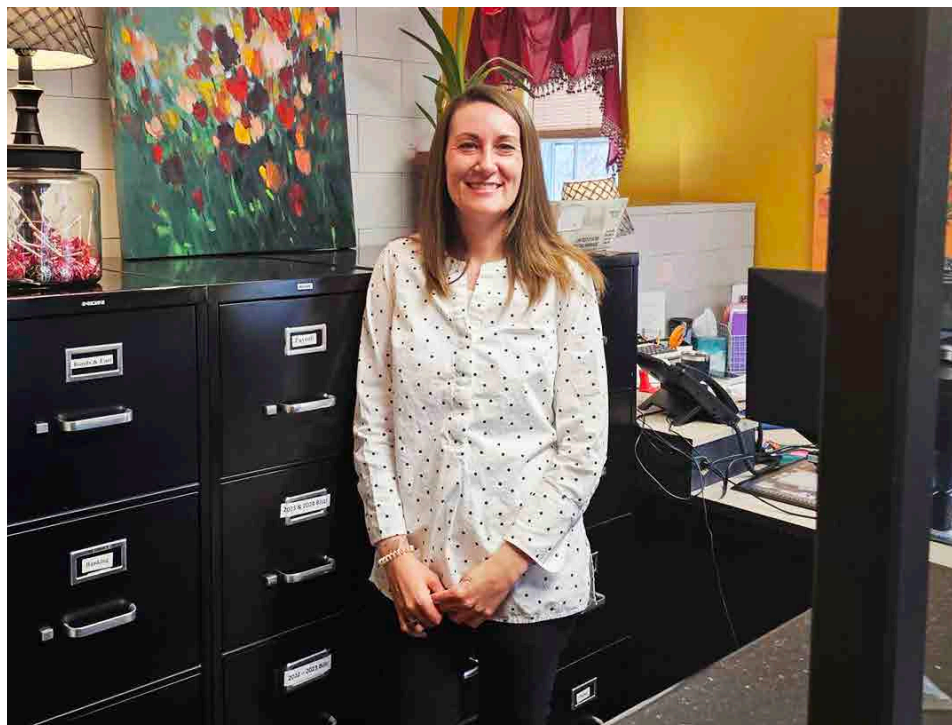
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Publisher's PICK

IT TAKES TWO!

Village of Ellicottville Adds Deputy Clerk to its Team



By CAROL FISHER-LINN

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Erica started taking courses at BOCES for medical assisting, then moved on to JCC to receive her Associate's degree. She went on to serve as a Medical Services Clerk for Cattaraugus County for eight years at The Pines in Machias and Olean. More recently, she worked for WellNow in their billing department with most of her experience in the health field.

A change was being considered when serendipity stepped in while she was having her hair cut by her childhood friend, Trina Phillippi, owner of EVL Hair Lounge in Ellicottville. While browsing through the local paper, Erica spotted an ad for a part-time Deputy Clerk for the Village of Ellicottville. The ad was for a part-time employee, but Erica reasoned that perhaps it might start that way and then grow into full-time because, after all, it's Ellicottville - where nothing stays still. Erica was chosen from a number of applicants and when she was contacted about being chosen for the position, the next good news was that the position was full-time. Win-win!

One of Erica's biggest responsibilities will be taking on the water and sewer billing and being an extra pair of hands and eyes for Amy as they both learn the ropes about their respective jobs, made easier by the orderly, color-coded manner Mary Klahn has left her position. Erica is very excited to learn all the ropes and to learn new ways of doing things. Erica and Amy will be a great team, as they share many of the same interests both in and out of the office.



When I called Erica, she was just returning from a long hike with her 10-year-old son, Maddox. Not much of a cold weather fan, she does not ski but they are both looking forward to spending some happy, fun times at the Holiday Valley Tubing Park next winter. Summertime will find her possibly fly fishing or kayaking at Case Lake or camping and four wheeling or riding her dirt bike.

The love of the outdoors sometimes has its downsides. In Erica's case, she got bitten by a tick four years ago and ended up with a serious case of Lyme Disease which she says changed the trajectory of her life. The experience and the lifestyle change has made her well-versed in the medicinal properties of herbs and natural healing foods.

Another of Erica's favorite things to do is to go to outdoor festivals. It was through this experience that she and her sister, Abby Linderman, realized that one can find a variety of foods to nosh on at these fairs, but they could rarely find a good cup of coffee to accompany their festival foods. This gave rise to a plan for the sisters to purchase a trailer and turn it into a food truck - or a coffee truck, to be more precise. The "Sip Sisters" will serve a variety of brews and teas, muffins, scones, and the like. Look for them in the future (spring '25) when they get it off the ground. There is obviously no grass growing under this ambitious lady's feet.

It's hard to miss the excitement in Erica's voice when she speaks about the fun working with Amy, Mary and John and about meeting the people in Ellicottville as they wander into the office. She admitted that she didn't know what kind of reception she would receive but, says Erica, "It's all been positive." Erica is looking forward to becoming acquainted with the good people of Ellicottville. Stop in and say hello and join our team here at ellicottvilleNOW in welcoming Erica to the Ellicottville family.

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The "KenDucky" Derby Returns to Ellicottville Distillery May 4th



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By JESSICA SCHULTZ

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If you come out to the Ellicottville Distillery, you can join in all the fun at their "Ken-Ducky" Derby event, from 12:00-6:00pm on Saturday, May 4th. Not only will you be able to view the Derby as it happens live from the Distillery's lovely tasting room, but staff are hosting their own ducky races in our local creek. With live music, drinks and snacks, this is a party you don't want to miss!

WHOSE GREAT IDEA WAS THIS?



Owners Bryan and Renee Scharf have always strived to bring great activities to their slice of Ellicottville, and like all great ideas, this one was created during a random late night conversation. Renee was bemused, "One night we were just sitting around considering world problems and the idea of a race down the creek somehow came up. Last year was the first year we did it and it turned out to be an event much bigger than we ever thought. It was so much fun and our turnout was HUGE, so we decided this was going to be a yearly event!"

Visitors are encouraged (but it's in no way mandatory) to wear their Derby best for the day - the hats of course, being the biggest draw, with their flamboyant regalia and over-the-top design to complement the more formal dress suits or cocktail dresses. (This year's trends according to kentuckyderby.com will see a lot of glacial blue, roses and more "preppy" styles.) But at Ellicottville Distillery, it's all about just having a good time, so you can come as you like. Renee did say that last year, "Everyone dressed up and wore big derby hats... it was such a great time!"

THE RACE IS ON: GO DUCK GO!

As for the Ducky Derby and how it works? Renee explained that they've been reserving spots for the races (of which there are as many as people want; last year there were seven) on their Facebook and on the day, all of the "horse ducks" are numbered and will be poured into the creek in the designated course area. There is a line at the end and whichever crosses the finish line first is the winner. The person who's duck takes the lead doesn't have to be present to win, so if you can't make it out and your duck clears the line, you're still a winner!

Of course you can't forget the live entertainment. Local favorites Porcelain Train will be playing live from 3:00-6:00pm. Porcelain Train is an acoustic Americana duo performing original music from singer/songwriter Tamala Fonda on acoustic guitar and vocals, and her husband Ralph Fonda on percussion and vocals. They play a unique blend of rhythm and harmony combined with thoughtful lyrics. "Porcelain Train are super great people; we really enjoy having them!"



UP NEXT AT ELLICOTTVILLE DISTILLERY

The Ellicottville Distillery's event season is just getting started. After the Ducky Derby you can look forward to their annual "Welcome to Summer" bonfire on May 25th starting at 12:00pm. This is one of the best ways to kick off the season, with a roaring fire and a party that will feature live music from long-time favorites Kody & Herren from 5:00-8:00pm. More details on this and other upcoming events can be found on the Distillery's Facebook page or at ellicottvilledistillery.com.

If you decide to come out for the Derby, they'll be ready to entertain you! As Renee stated, "We are just really looking forward to nicer weather and being able to get outside and do fun things! See you on May 4th!"

SHOWDOWN THROWDOWN

Unpack Your Snowboard Gear; Freestyle Event Coming to Downtown Ellicottville



Remaining snow from ski season will be transported from HoliMont to the event site, and a number of unique features are being custom-built for the course.

By PATRICK FERRINO

Have you put away your snow gear yet? I have. I dread the boot bag clean-out every single year, but my dad (in true dad fashion) will not let me live in peace until everything is sorted. I wash those crusty face masks, throw out all of the candy wrapper carcasses stuffed into my coat pockets, snip the sculpture of lift tickets I have created from my snow pants zipper, and of course, put my boards to bed for the summer.

All that being said, I have an important announcement for the snowboarders of Western New York: refrain from cleanup! You have one more opportunity to shred!

Presented by Loud Performance, Loud Underground, and Daily City Train, the first annual Showdown Throwdown snowboard event is set for Saturday, April 27th. Using the last few mounds of snow from Holi-Mont, the Loud Underground/DCT parking lot at 2 Bristol Lane (next to Tim & Bonnie's Pizza) will be completely transformed for this jam-format snowboarding event! The \$35 registration fee will give you the chance to show off your skills and vie for some really cool prizes, including a new snowboard, skateboard, and cold hard cash! Tons of other prize packs will be awarded in a number of categories.



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Registration will open the morning of the Throwdown from 10:00am-noon, with the event kicking off promptly at noon. Chris Perks, owner of Daily City Train is excited about the upcoming jam and how it'll hopefully amalgamate the winter season into a summer of skateboarding. "We're trying to create a scene here in Ellicottville, something that's been missing in this resort town for many years," he said.

An Ellicottville native and lifelong snowboarder and skater, Chris is deeply passionate about the freestyle scene and understands it on multiple fronts, as he heads up Holi-Mont's Parks department and recently designed and opened his own indoor skatepark, Daily City Train. "I love giving back in that aspect; freestyle terrain built by someone who uses it," commented Chris.



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Chris, along with the event's co-host, owner of Loud Performance/Loud Underground, Dee Dippel, have been friends since the installation of HoliMont's Bike Park, which Chris and his Parks team have a strong hand in. Dee, being heavily involved in Ellicottville's local bike rental scene, was often around when Chris would work his magic on the bike trails. Following many conversations, the two decided to go in on some space together; two businesses that complement each other, housed under one roof. "We decided to split on the building here, and now we're hosting this sick rail jam together," said Chris.

Sick indeed, and Dee over at Loud Performance is just as excited about what the Showdown Throwdown will bring to the community. "I've always been a two-wheel person," said Dee, an avid mountain biker. He says Loud Underground's later addition of snowboards to their inventory supports a year-round season. "Our whole team here not only mountain bikes, but we're big into snowboarding as well, so it made sense to offer snowboards alongside fat bikes in the winter."

Getting a parking lot rail jam together at the end of April is certainly no easy feat, especially after the winter we had. All hands are on deck here, with HoliMont donating a feature along with real snow! "HoliMont actually saved us a little bit of snow, and we couldn't have done it without them," added Dee.

The folks over at DCT and Loud are certainly working hard to change up everything you think you know about Ellicottville, by blending the winter seamlessly into our summer with this one-of-a-kind event. You can check out more information by searching the event page, Showdown Throwdown, on Facebook. There, you'll also find ways to shop and check out both shops.

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COMMUNITY

NEW HOME DAY

Limestone's Re-Imagined Event to Benefit Volunteer Fire Department



photo / Limestone Volunteer Fire Dept.

By MARY WEISER

According to FEMA's National Fire Department Registry, a national database of over 27,000 fire departments, almost 91% of all registered fire departments in New York state are volunteer. That's right, in most communities, volunteer firefighters are the first line of defense in many different emergencies; including fires, natural disasters, vehicle accidents, and more. Volunteers invest a significant amount of time in serving their communities, and the costs to train and equip them can create challenges for small departments. Show your appreciation and support by coming out to Limestone's New Home Day event on Saturday, May 11th, which benefits the Limestone Volunteer Fire Department!



Limestone Volunteer Fire Department member, Meronica Deitz, and her boyfriend, Collin Rounsville, fourth assistant department chief, are organizing this brand new event, which is a re-imagining of Limestone's Old Home Days. While the Covid-19 pandemic put an end to the Old Home Days tradition, Deitz is looking forward to this new event, which is taking place at the Limestone Community Center at 616 Main Street.

The event includes a rubber duck race down the creek across from the fire department, which is next door to the community center. Ducks are \$5 each (just 120 ducks per race); races will be held at noon, 1:00pm and 2:00pm, and the winner splits the prize money with the fire department in this 50/50 style raffle.

Last year, Deitz organized a craft show to benefit the fire department, and the event was so popular that she decided to incorporate it into New Home Day. "Last year, there were around 20 vendors, and now I'm close to 40 vendors with over 55 booths," she said. The craft show begins at 11:00am and includes booths located inside the Community Center and outdoors. Booth items include sublimated crafts, such as tumblers, handmade candles, local honey, freeze dried candy, baked goods, resale items, nail decals, and more. Booth space is still available but limited. To sign up, contact Deitz at onegirlscustomcreation@gmail.com.

Make sure to bring your appetite for the chicken barbecue, which will be served starting at noon. The event also includes a kids' carnival, so bring the family! Deitz said she's been in contact with New York State Department of Corrections to be on-site to create child identification kits to provide parents in the case of missing children.



"There is also a silent auction," said Deitz. "There will be raffle baskets – each booth is donating one. And we also have donations from surrounding businesses, like Zippo." Deitz is also working on organizing a cornhole tournament as part of New Home Day. Forms to register a team are available at the Limestone Firemen's Club, and registration is \$20 per team. The single-elimination tournament will begin at 12:30pm, with a prize awarded to the top team.

All the proceeds from the New Home Day events, including the cornhole tournament, the duck races, the chicken barbecue, and the craft vendor booth fees, support the Limestone Volunteer Fire Department. Rounsville explained, "The department raises money to maintain our equipment, which is all of the equipment on the trucks, all the gear, fuel for our small engines, property maintenance for the station itself, and maintenance for the Community Center, which the fire department owns." He added that fundraisers like New Home Day help pay for volunteer training and equipment, which are vital to the future of the department.

To get involved, contact Deitz at onegirlscustomcreation@gmail.com or message her on Facebook. For news and updates, check out the Facebook event: Limestone's New Home Day.

ANNUAL TRAIL SALE

Support Pfeiffer Nature Center During One of Its Largest Fundraisers of the Year



pfeiffernaturecenter.org

By CAROL FISHER-LINN

Everyone loves a spring event, especially when it involves food and music and shopping with various vendors (including a brewery) and a ginormous basket raffle, and did I mention acoustic music and sunshine and fun? All this for an entrance donation of \$1 per person!!!! Mark May 11th on your calendar and put the address 1420 Yubadam Road Portville, NY into your GPS. From Ellicottville it will take about 40-45 minutes.

Hint: If you are familiar with Sprague's Maple Farms, you are right smack in the neighborhood. While we are learning about new locales with odd names, check out Tynnada Mountain, which is where all this fun takes place in the heart of the Enchanted Mountains. Bonus for you if you have ever heard of it! Pfeiffer Nature Center's Trail Sale is one of the largest fundraisers for the Center, and once you see it, you will see why it's so important to have a hand (or a dollar) in keeping it open for all to enjoy. Incidentally, since a raffle is involved, and there will likely be small business vendors, you would do well to tuck a bunch of \$10s and \$20s in your pocket so you don't miss out on the fabulous raffle items. The Trail Sale will run from 10:00am-6:00pm.



THE HISTORY OF PFEIFFER NATURE CENTER

The 188-acre Pfeiffer Nature Center was established in 1998 by Wendy Pfeiffer Lawrence to honor her father, Timothy N. Pfeiffer. It is located in the Portville community where her mother, Eleanor Knox Wheeler, was born and raised. Wendy wanted to keep alive the wonderful environment that created some of her fondest memories of growing up as a youngster on the property and made clear in her donation that the environment would be preserved, as is, for future generations.

In 2002, the Center's initial holdings were tripled by a generous gift of 460 acres from a friend of Wendy Pfeiffer Lawrence, Col. Charles Eshelman. Unlike Wendy's goals for the land, Col. Eshelman had a strong desire that an active management style be used, and that the property be returned to its farming roots if possible. Thus, they found a young family with a desire to caretake and to renovate and move into the original homestead and establish a small farm. There is also a woodlot that is managed, maple trees that are rented during sugaring season, meadows remain open, and they remain on alert to combat invasive species as they appear. In 2006 trails began being built on the east side of Yubadam Road. A year later, 31 trail markers were added made from 100-year-old staves out of a silo from the old farming operations in the past, thus incorporating their historical roots into even the ordinary. Trail maps following these trails can be picked up at the Pfeiffer Visitor Center.

This, from their website: The forests, fields, streams, and ponds on this property are a combination of nature's handiwork and human influence. The original farmers needed the diversity of landscape for their livelihood, and the Nature Center continues to actively manage the property to retain its character for human and non-human visitors alike. With plenty of transitional zones (the edges of fields and forests, streams, and meadows), wildlife abounds. These edge areas are alive with bird populations spring through fall. Quiet visitors are likely to encounter deer, turkey, bears, raccoons, beavers, otters, muskrats, and a wealth of reptiles, amphibians, and insects.

Pfeiffer Nature Center is a tax-exempt, not-for-profit organization committed to building a foundation of knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the intrinsic values and aesthetic qualities of the natural world while instilling a sense of responsibility and stewardship for the natural world within the global community. The Center is run primarily by three paid individuals, a volunteer board of directors and a score of other volunteers. More than 4,000 individuals attend their programs and over 5,000 hike their trails on their own. For more information go to pfeiffernaturecenter.org.

Side note: While you are in the neighborhood, head back on Route 417 toward Weston's Mills and take a right turn up Promised Land Road in Portville for an optical illusion that makes you shake your head. Head up the road, go past the 1015 address marker. Turn around and put the car in neutral. If you do it right, the car will travel backward instead of forward, as if you are going up hill. Google it, then try it. Enjoy your Southern Tier adventures!

Destination FUN

Upcoming Events to Mark On Your Calendar

APRIL 19 & 20

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APRIL 20

@ HOLIDAY VALLEY RESORT
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APRIL 27

@ NANNEN ARBORETUM
www.nannenarboretum.com



Join us to help clean up your community on April 27th from 9:00am-12:00pm, starting at the Nannen Arboretum. Volunteers are needed to pick up down branches, rake leaves, take down deer fencing, reunite with old friends and make new ones. Let's get the Arboretum grounds ready for the season and warm weather! Refreshments will be available. Please be sure to bring your own rakes, rubber footwear and gloves, and weather appropriate outerwear. With over 8 acres of trees and gardens, this task would be insurmountable without the support of our community.

APRIL 27

@ TOWN OF FRANKLINVILLE, NY
716-244-7712 | www.wnymaplefestival.com



The WNY Maple Festival celebrates the rich history of maple producing in our community. This event was formed by the Franklinville Jaycee's in 1963 to highlight local producers, their maple syrup, and maple products. This year there will be vendors, a chicken BBQ, pancake breakfasts, live entertainment and so much more! So if you've never been to the Annual WNY Maple Festival, this is the year to visit. You can find a full schedule of events for both Saturday and Sunday on their website, wnymaplefestival.com, and remember to keep an eye on the Facebook page for any updates.

APRIL 27

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MAY 5

@ HOLIMONT RESORT
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Grab your trail running shoes, friends, and family, to celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the 1st Annual 5k de Mayo Trailsquatch Trail Run at Holimont Resort in Ellicottville, New York! Explore the beautiful running trails and stunning mountain-top views for a 5k run that everyone will enjoy. But look out! You never know when you may run into the legendary Trailsquatch roaming the trails too. This is a race for all levels and ages. Competitors will enjoy a ride to the top on the Expo chairlift, receive a 5k de Mayo t-shirt, medal, and post-race Taco Party! All proceeds benefit the Ellicottville Great Valley (EVGV) Trail.

MAY 5

@ ELLICOTTVILLE BREWING LITTLE VALLEY
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A community event that welcomes all to the area, race enthusiasts of all ages should lace up and take part in their first annual 5k event. Run or walk during this Cinco De Mayo 5k that will start and end at Ellicottville Brewing in Little Valley! Registration includes a t-shirt, race entry, 1 pint of beer at EBC LV, and a raffle ticket for a chance to win a gift card to The Bear Brick or Hughes! Registration Begins at 11:00am, with the race starting 12:15pm. This race is organized to raise money to continue putting on community events as well as proceeds to go to Saving Grace Outreach.

MAY 11

@ HOLIDAY VALLEY RESORT
716-699-2345 | www.holidayvalley.com



Sometimes it is not just about the distance, it's how you get there, and these races are all about the journey! Brought to you by Endurancefactor Events, The day will feature a Half Marathon, 5k, and a Beer Mile, for those with iron stomachs. There will be a few surprises out on the course that we're sure will make you enjoy your run. The races will start and end at Holiday Valley Resort, with food and beer as part of a great after-party. Southern Tier Brewing will be providing the refreshments - how can you go wrong? Sign up now, and make sure to bring your smiles to run the miles!

MAY 20

@ HOLIDAY VALLEY RESORT
800-349-9099 | ellicottvillenyc.com



The Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce and Labatt are partnering up to bring you a golf tournament at the Double Black Diamond at Holiday Valley that benefits a great cause - the 11 Day Power Play and its fight against cancer. It begins with a 1:00pm shotgun start and the tournament is open to the first 144 players to sign up. Registration is \$180 and includes a boxed lunch, dinner, two drink tickets, greens fee, cart and prizes. Learn more about the 11 Day Power Play fundraiser at 11daypowerplay.com. Show your support, find your foursome, and register at ellicottvillenyc.com.



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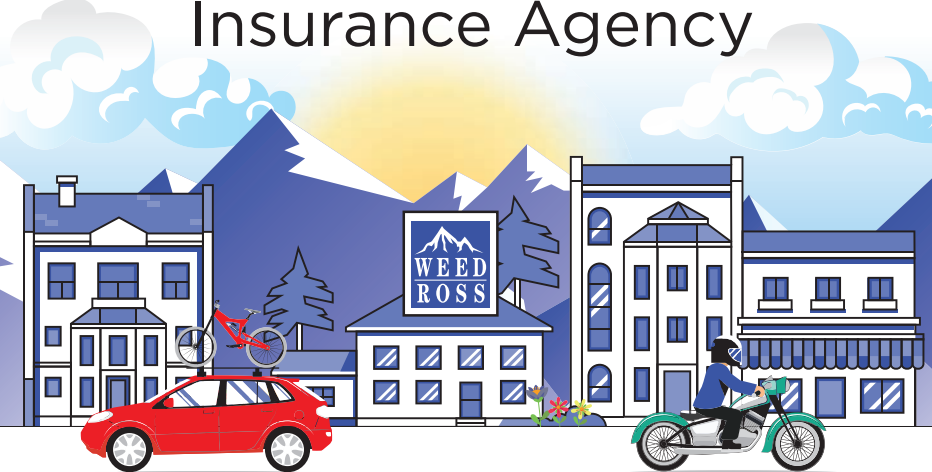
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SAYING FAREWELL

Eldred WWII Museum Celebrates the Retirements of Longtime Directors



photo / Eldred WWII Museum

BY JESSICA SCHULTZ

“Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.” - George Santayana, *The Life of Reason*.

This motto can be found behind the front desk of the Eldred World War II Museum. Located at 201 Main Street in Eldred, PA, the museum is just a hop, skip and stone's throw away from Ellicottville, NY. It's mission: to commemorate the contribution of the 40 million Americans that supported the 16 million fighting soldiers during the epic struggle to defend freedom and democracy and to help shape a stronger future by teaching both present and future generations to understand the lessons of the 20th century.

The museum has upheld this mission since their opening in 1996. What began as Tim Roudebush's dream to enlighten the youth of that day regarding WWII has become a 15,000 square foot memorial to that period of history. All directors and curators who've held the role since Tim's passing in 2013 have risen to the occasion and shared their wealth of knowledge with visitors from near and far.

And the mission continues as the torch at the museum will pass again. Longtime Executive Director, Jesse Case, and Curator/Educational Program, Director Steve Appleby, celebrated their well deserved retirement this past Saturday, April 13th with a small gathering at the museum. These gentlemen have been well loved by the community, and many familiar folks, including ellicottvilleNOW's own Evan Evans (once a director at the museum himself), were in attendance to wish them well in their future endeavors.

Newly appointed Director, Liz Treehouse, and Curator, Kyle Dunn, are more than ready to take on their roles and see to it that this local treasure continues on as it always has. They look forward to welcoming both regular and new faces to learn the history of World War II.

The museum offers a variety of educational opportunities and they do not charge admission fees for educational visits to the museum or for staff members' participation in events outside of it. Donations are always appreciated but not mandatory for adults, and kids under 18 are always free when they visit. In addition to the research that is done by visiting the museum, the museum's website and Facebook page are great tools where people can find information and contact museum staff with questions. Current hours of operation are Tuesday through Saturday 10:00am-4:00pm and Sunday 1:00-4:00pm. Hours differ in the winter months. Contact the Eldred World War II Museum toll-free at 1-866-686-WWII (9944) to plan a group visit today.

OHS BOOSTER RAFFLE PARTY

You Still Have Time to Get In It to Win It!

OLEAN - The Olean High School Sports Boosters are hosting their 40th Annual Endowment Raffle this month. In honor of the 40th anniversary of hosting the raffle, the Booster Club increased the winning amounts all by \$40. The raffle is \$100 for a ticket with 22 chances to win: (1) \$10,040; (1) \$5,040; (1) \$3,040; (1) \$2,040; (1) \$1,040; (2) \$540; (5) \$340; and (10) \$140. Tickets admit four people to the drawing party to be held Saturday, April 27th at the Pulaski Club, 1104 North Union Street, Olean.

Jeff Spears, Club President, stated, “All proceeds will go to the Olean Sports Boosters Club for the benefit of the sports program at the Olean School District.” The purpose of the Booster Club is to promote, sponsor, and carry out projects to aid and assist in the Olean High School athletic program. “The Olean High School Sports Boosters was created to help out our student athletes in areas where the annual school budget falls short or needs assistance,” said Spears. “Each year, the boosters purchase equipment needed by the sports teams that cannot be covered in their budget.”

The drawing party will start at 6:00pm and will feature complimentary food and drink for ticket holders, a Chinese auction, 50/50 raffle, and music. Tickets are available to purchase before the event at the Olean High School Sports Boosters office (at the high school) and various booster committee members. Booster members will also be at the club Saturday at 1:00pm for those interested in purchasing a ticket or dropping off a basket raffle.

“Thanks to Walmart of Olean who donated a great door prize, we are able to offer raffle

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TICK BLITZ: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Community Asked to Collect Tick Specimens for Study

ELLICOTTVILLE - This spring, volunteers representing NYFOA, Allegheny Foothills Chapter (AFC) and Master Gardener Volunteers from CCE Cattaraugus/Chautauqua will team up to get the word out about the New York State Tick Blitz and to collect tick specimens from our region for identification and testing.

The NYS Tick Blitz is a community-engaged project that works with volunteer participants to help determine the presence and distribution of newly invasive tick species. The project is a partnership between Cornell University Department of Entomology, the Northeast Regional Center for Excellence in Vector-Borne Diseases (NEVBD) program and the NYS Integrated Pest Management Program. The goal of the NYS Tick Blitz is to understand the presence and range expansion of two invasive tick species that are not monitored through the NYS Department of Health's extensive monitoring program. These two tick species are the Asian Longhorned Tick (*Haemophysalis longicornis*) and the Lone Star Tick (*Amblyomma americanum*). More information on these species can be found on the NEVBD website: www.neregionalvectorcenter.com/ticks.

It's a great educational opportunity for volunteers. It's free to participate, training will

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LIFESTYLE

Core Performance: Beets are a Superfood

BY KIM DUKE, CERTIFIED PERSONAL TRAINER

During the summer of 2023, I started purchasing beetroot from local vegetable stands. I typically boil the beets until I can pierce them with a knife and peel them; I also save the juices from the beets to add to my protein shakes. I started putting them on my salads but added them as a snack when I noticed some unexpected changes.

While I knew the dark-colored root vegetable was a healthy choice, I didn't realize all of the benefits beetroots had to offer until I made them a part of my daily routine. Packed with nutrition, beets have antioxidants like betalains that fight cell damage and inflammation, potentially offering protection against cancer and heart disease. Health benefits of beets include more stamina during exercise, heart disease and stroke prevention, and lower blood pressure.

Right off the bat, I noticed how beets were good for your colon. Beets are rich in antioxidants and high in fiber that can pull toxins into the colon where they can be evacuated. And because fiber isn't digested by your body like other food components, such as fats, proteins, and carbohydrates, it feeds friendly gut bacteria. Because beets are high in fiber and low in calories, they may help increase weight loss when added to a healthy diet. Each cup of beets will fill you up with 3.8 grams of fiber and only 59 calories. Once you learn how to cook beets, you can throw these tasty treats into any meal.

Beetroot juice is a great way to detox your liver and improve its function. And because it's a detox agent, beetroot juice will make your skin glow. Beets are high in nitrates which research suggests improves cardiovascular health in several ways. Some studies show beetroot juice supplementation may lower blood pressure and increase blood flow. It increases your oxygen uptake, lengthening the time it takes to become fatigued. This allows people to stay active longer.

The benefits are truly endless.

If you are interested in adding beets to your diet but do not want to go through the hassle of finding and cooking them (they will leave your fingers a dark shade of purple), you can purchase them at your local grocery store already cooked. You can also purchase Gefen Organic Red Beets, whole, peeled, and ready to eat in a 3-pack. One package of beets will



last the whole week!

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ELLICOTTVILLE HEALING CENTER

Good for the Spirit Gifts Closing Retail Store; Healing Center to Take its Place



@goodforthespiritgifts

ELLICOTTVILLE - Things are changing at 11 Martha Street. An EVL foodie staple, Bike and Bean, recently closed its doors there, and now the crystals shop across the hall is converting their sales platform to online. Good for the Spirit Gifts is reducing their footprint in the space by 80%, to make way for a new business venture, Ellicottville Healing Center.

Holistic Therapist Suzy Woo operates her healing and consulting practice from the office adjacent to the retail space. "I have a \$12,000 light and sound therapy bed, a redlight sauna, and PEMF (pulsed electro magnetic field) biomats that are all sitting in a closet unable to be utilized because I didn't have a space to set them up. The original plan was after one year, we would move into the full rear of the building with plenty of extra space, but that project fell further and further behind. It's been almost three years in our current setup. The retail side never got the foot traffic to sustain its overhead. A reallocation of the floor space in this manner allows us to provide the services that people are in dire need of such as ways to heal, ways to reduce stress, ways to relax and ground their energy. People will still be able to buy crystals and healing tools before or after a session and our full inventory will be online as well."

She continued, "We need to put the unity back into the community. My intention is to host something special one day each week, in person, which will be open to the public - things like yoga, breathwork, ways to manage stress, intuitive development, how to make home remedies, making your own tea, homesteading, sound baths, holistic education, up-cycling, henna art, and monthly vendor fairs. We will have guests from all over come in to present on their specialty. During those events, the store will be open."

"In addition, those who have or are taking my 16-week healer's course are trained to do high-level energy healing, and this will be their space to see clients. People will be able to go to our new website, choose what type of session they want, or they can choose a particular practitioner if they want to, and can book various types of services for their needs."

Suzy's goal: to increase mind/body/spirit awareness, and improve overall quality of life through education and services, featuring local and national experts. "We anticipate going live on June 1st, but we will confirm that as we get closer."

Stay up-to-date with Good for the Spirit Gifts' transformation into Ellicottville Healing Center by following Suzy Woo on FB (@suzywoohelator) and Good for the Spirit Gifts on FB/IG.

LET YOUR CREATIVITY RUN WILD

Time to Spring Into New Art Classes at Tri-County Arts Council



The Tri-County Arts Council, 110 W. State St., Olean, is always adding artists to Artist Market, and is open to the public noon-6:00pm Tuesday to Friday, and noon-5:00pm Saturday.

Live Drawing: April 16th from 6:00-8:00PM; \$10 Artisan Members and Above; \$15 Basic/Family Members and Non-Members; student scholarships available; age 12+. Join in a live drawing session with a costumed model. The class will start with some gesture drawing and move to a longer pose. Please note this is not a class with a teacher, but an opportunity to practice your drawing.

Wire Bending - Rainbow Casting Heart Catcher: April 20, 2024 from 1:00-3:00pm. Cost: \$25 Artisan Members & Above; \$35 Basic/Family Members & Non-Members. Materials Fee: \$5. Age: 16+. SerenHippity is excited to invite the community and crafty artists alike out for a unique craft class at Tri-County Arts Council to create a one-of-a-kind wire bent hanging Heart Catcher that casts beautiful rainbow scattering colors in your home or spaces alike. Experience the fun and creativity behind creating a unique catcher for your home, garden, or outside in a tree. Just add direct sunlight and watch it shine stunning rainbow casting reflections that create a play of colors and lights all around you. Join us as we help guide your creativity into something beautiful and special for you or that special someone in your life for a fun and unique class together.

SBDC: Business Plan Writing for the Entrepreneurial Artist: April 23, 2024 with Scott Miller from 6:00-7:30pm. Cost: FREE Artisan Members & Above; \$10 Basic/Family Members & Non-Members. Age: 18+. The business training class for artists is a crucial resource for creatives venturing into the entrepreneurial realm. This comprehensive program addresses the unique challenges artists face when starting a business. Participants learn to articulate their artistic vision, define their target market, and assess potential revenue streams. The curriculum delves into the significance of building a strong presence and effective marketing strategies tailored to the art industry. The course also guides participants in setting realistic goals, planning for the future, and developing strategies to adapt to the evolving art market.

Artist's Creative Corner: April 18, 2024 from 6:00-8:00pm. Cost: FREE Artisan Members & Above; \$10 Basic/Family Members & Non-Members. If you are a member, please contact us to be added to the list. Age: 12+. Welcome to "Artist's Creative Corner" - a vibrant community where artists gather to engage in meaningful conversations, share insights,

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Due to cannabis still being federally illegal, entrepreneurs of the industry face many challenges accessing capital including not being able to take out traditional business loans through banks. "This campaign will be a huge help in us being able to get up and going as quickly as possible. Through this investment crowdfunding platform, we are providing our friends and the local community an opportunity to invest in our business. You, our friends and customers make our growth possible, and you (rather than a bank) should be able to benefit financially and share in our expansion and success. Through Mainvest, you're not just an investor... you're part of the business's journey."

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PLACE YOUR AD: Classified ads appear in both print and online! Cost: \$10 per issue up to 40 words, 25¢ each additional word. To place your ad, please call 716-699-9816, stop by our office at 9 W. Washington St. in downtown Ellicottville, or email us at info@ellicottvilleNOW.com.

EMPLOYMENT

NOW HIRING: The Gado-Gado team is looking for a hard-working and motivated individual. Must be available on week-ends and festivals! Please email resume to gadogado98@hotmail.com.

HELP WANTED: The Silver Fox Steakhouse is looking for experienced cooks. Email resume to silverfoxeville@aol.com.

FOR RENT

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.

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LLC NOTICES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of QSKI, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/20/2023. Office location: Cattaraugus County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 630 Chairfactory Rd, Elma, NY 14059. Purpose: all lawful activities.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of ELEXCO PROPERTIES LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/25/2024. Office location: Cattaraugus County. Princ. office of LLC: 505 West Henley Street, Olean, NY 14760. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 505 West Henley Street, Olean, NY 14760. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

COMMUNITY

VISIT ST. JOHN'S FOR SATURDAY SERVICE: St. John's Episcopal Church is located at the village of Ellicottville's historic four corners. We host a visitor-friendly service every Saturday beginning at 5:00pm. Any and all are welcome to attend!

DEAR FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: The Ellicottville Memorial Library is now recycling used/empty and new/unused printer cartridges, cell phones/smartphones, old laptop computers and tablets. Please remove user info, passwords and unlock all phones and tablets before you donate. Computer hard drives will be cleaned of all personal information by CGRP. The library makes a profit on the sale of these items. Please include AC adapters and cords when possible. Just drop the items in our collection box. Thank you for helping us recycle! The Ellicottville Memorial Library is located at 6499 Maples Road. For questions, call 716-699-2842.

SPAGHETTI DINNER on Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 4:00 – 7 PM at the Little Valley Bridge of Hope Church (formerly the United Methodist Church), 109 Court Street, Little Valley. Dinner includes spaghetti and meatballs, salad, bread and desert. Dine In or Take Out. Cost is a free will donation. Proceeds will go towards repairing our Sanctuary. For questions or further information call 716-938-6150.

PUBLIC NOTICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: The Town of Ellicottville is accepting proposals for the landscape maintenance of the town cemeteries. Specifications and information can be obtained from the Town Engineering Department by calling 716-699-9005, Ext. 3 or by email greg.keyser@evlengineering.com. Sealed bids will be received by the Town of Ellicottville Engineering Department located at 28 Parkside Drive, P.O. Box 600, Ellicottville, NY 14731, until 10:00 a.m. Thursday May 2, 2024, and then at that time and place opened and read aloud. The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, and to accept the bid, which, in their opinion, meets the intent of the specifications and deemed most advantageous to the Town. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN OF ELLICOTTVILLE TOWN BOARD

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OHS BOOSTER RAFFLE PARTY

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tickets on a 28" Blackstone Griddle with hood and counter height shelves," added Char Cobb, Raffle Chairperson. Tickets are \$5 a chance with the drawing, also held that night of the party.

The Sports Boosters also host three sports banquets - Fall, Winter, Spring. All varsity athletes and coaches receive free admission with all spirit items/plaques given to these student athletes funded through the Boosters.

"Last year was our first live and in-person raffle event since Covid. Attendance was great and we are anticipating 250+ people to be in-person at the Pulaski this year," reported Meme K. Yanetsko, OHS Sports Boosters Treasurer. "Our top priority remains in the health and safety of our guests, club staff, volunteers and all involved," she added. For more information on the Boosters or the raffle, please contact Char Cobb, 716-307-3678; Jeff Spears, 585-981-0668; or Meme Yanetsko, 716-378-6951.

TCAC ART CLASSES

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and provide constructive critiques. Whether you're a seasoned artist or just starting on your creative journey, this group is a supportive space for discussing techniques, exploring new ideas, and offering feedback on each other's work. Join us in fostering a collaborative environment that encourages growth, inspiration, and the celebration of diverse artistic expressions. Let your creativity thrive as we embark on this collective journey of artistic exploration and dialogue. All art levels, styles and mediums are welcome!

Coil Pots with Peter Jones: April 24, May 1 & 8, 2024 from: 6:00-8:00pm. Cost: \$120 Artisan Members & Above; \$140 Basic/Family Members & Non-Members. Age: 16+. Peter Jones is a renowned potter, who studied under Hopi artist, Otellie Loloma, while attending the Institute of American Indian Art in New Mexico. His pottery is admired and collected by community members, Native American art collectors, and museums across the country and internationally. Don't miss this awesome opportunity to learn ins and outs of make a coil pot from the wonderful Peter Jones.

Writing Poetry with Tara Walker: April 27, 2024 from 1:00-3:00pm. Cost: \$25 Artisan Members & Above; \$35 Basic/Family Members & Non-Members. Age: 12+. A poem can be found anywhere. In this class, we'll go looking for them. In headlines, in crossword puzzles, in paintings, under tables, and through doors. It's a myth to think that you have to be "inspired" to write poetry. All you have to do is pay attention. Bring an open mind and your favorite notebook, a pen or pencil. We can supply you with paper or writing supplies if you need.

Wildlife Photography at Pfeiffer Nature Center: April 28, 2024 with Dan Jordan from 10:00am-12:00pm. Cost: \$25 Artisan Members & Above; \$35 Basic/Family Members & Non-Members. Host: Pfeiffer Nature Center, 1974 Lillibridge Road Portville, NY 14770. Two-hour instruction covering wildlife photography for beginners. The class covers the basics of photography, camera settings for wildlife photos, and tips and tricks from a professional. The instructor is Dan Jordan, local professional photographer, who specializes in wildlife photography. Dan's award-winning images are frequently published in the Olean Times Herald, Bradford Era, and Wellsville Sun newspapers. His works have been used in marketing materials by the National Eagle Center and other wildlife refuges and parks. Bring your cameras to the session!

Writers Room: April 30, 2024 from 6:00-8:00pm. Cost: FREE Artisan Members & Above; \$10 Basic/Family Members & Non-Members. Age: 15+. TCAC is thrilled to announce the newly established Writer's Room, a forum for all writers such as poets, fiction writers, playwrights, and screenplay writers to commune, share work, teach, and learn. Whether you are a seasoned writer or just starting on your writing journey, you are welcome. Ages 15 and up. Sign up for any of these classes online at: <https://www.tricountyartscouncil.org/classes/>.

MILL STREET PARKING LOT

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over to Monroe Street or take the route towards the Wingate and FTR.

The Village is also working to get the lot up on a geo map to make locating it easier. If you are coming from Kwik Fill, the entrance is located across from Fitzpatrick and Weller, just past the Martha Street turn-off and one house on the right. More visible signage will soon be installed to make the parking lot entrance distinctive. And let's not forget the best part of this new addition to our village: it's totally FREE to use!

TICK BLITZ

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be offered, and participants will learn about tick habitat, tick bite prevention, and get hands-on experience in entomological research.

How does the Tick Blitz work? Volunteers will be trained to collect ticks properly and safely in their community. Ticks will be collected during the Tick Blitz and the specimens will be mailed to Cornell University where they will be identified by a team of entomologists and results will be made available through a public website and shared with volunteers.

Training will take place in-person and virtually in early June. CCE Cattaraugus is hosting in-person training on June 4th from 12:00-1:30pm in Ellicottville. You can register to participate before May 24th through the Tick Blitz registration: bit.ly/2024TickBlitz. Additional virtual training will be held on June 6th from 12:00-1:00pm which will be recorded so more can watch and participate in the Tick Blitz Events.

Dick Brennan, NFOA Member and Master Forest owner says, "NY Tick Blitz provides important information on tick identification and management for anyone who is active in the outdoors including Master Forest Owner (MFO) volunteers and woodland owners. Participation in the program also provides the opportunity to gather needed information and brings a sense of satisfaction in serving your community. It's well worth the effort."

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👤pandagoatmedia: Grateful to have experienced a total solar eclipse! While it was cloudy during totality, it was still a day I won't forget. @baroness_abcinema #evlnow #astronomylover #solareclipse2024 #iloveny



👤nyshelly: Well, I did get a wind warning last night from The Weather Channel! I guess they weren't kidding! #windy #mandown



👤taxicab077: Great first night of the Spring League at Ratchet Hatchet.



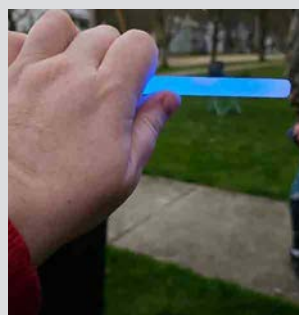
👤j_kruzin: Hike at HoliMont. @ellicottvillenow



👤hiyfarm: The campfire views from Fieldview Cabin at Hi-Y Farm. Great views from the decks. #hiyfarm #visittellicottville #ellicottvillenew



👤charlesbchamberlain: Spring has sprung! #evlnow



👤bloodunderrazor: #eclipsejam #bestwaytospendamonday



👤leahjay17: An Ellicottville eclipse story. #wheresthesun #alltheclouds #evlnow



👤griffissculpturepark: An early springtime view frm the top of the Mill Valley Road section of the park. #evlno #outdoorart #wnyhike



👤team_pritchard: Good morning, Cattaraugus County! I-86, near Randolph. #iloveny #placetolove #evlnow



👤reillylala: Lunch with my favorite guys in Ellicottville, NY.

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