

## Have Fun, Be Safe, Bike Happy

Ellicottville Bike & Bean Owner Dennis Baldwin Shares All Things Bikes to Prepare Us for National Bike Safety Month



#### By JESSICA SCHULTZ

We've finally hit a spot of good warm weather and that means that people are out enjoying it whatever way they can. For a lot of locals, that means it's time to break out the bicycles and hit up the trails. Bicycling is good for your health, an inexpensive means of travel, and if you are competitive, it's an exciting way to get your cardio in.

Bicycling also comes with its own set of risks. Are you well informed and prepared? May is National Bicycle Safety Month and it's never a bad thing to recap basic rules/regulations. ellicottville-NOW sat down with Dennis Baldwin, owner of Bikes, Burritos & Brews (Bike & Bean as most of us know it by), to talk about bicycle safety and what his team can offer to promote safe riding.

"A spring tune-up is always recom-mended. The full tune checks all aspects of the bicycle including tire dry rot, cracked frames and broken cables as well as making all of the necessary adjustments to make sure your bicycle is running smooth and safe... Always wear a helmet! We know people roll their eyes when they hear that, but honestly, it's essential for safe riding.'

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#### BURDICK'S AWARDED FARM OF THE YEAR IN CATTARAUGUS

It's delicious, it's versatile, it's a berry... It's a SUPERFOOD! The cool thing about Burdick's Blueberries, a third-generation blueberry farm, is that it's been around forever. Well, maybe NOT forever, but since 1952 when Milton Burdick and his wife, Pauline, bought the 80-acre farm they had been leasing and potato farming on for 15 years prior, and planted some 30,000 blueberry bushes on the property on Thompson Road in Cattaraugus, NY. He started selling them at a roadside stand in 1958, then by 1961 he fulfilled his pick-your-own vision and let his patrons do the picking. In the 60's the second generation pitched in, and then their eldest daughter, artistic and creative Paula Jo Edwards was the first to bring in the pick-your-own flower garden ... page 07

#### **THE OLD** WEST CO. TO **OPEN THIS SATURDAY**

Like its Colorado counterparts, Ellicottville is a ski town with challenging slopes, beautiful resorts, and delicious dining options, but until recently, the village has been missing one particular experience that isn't hard to find out West: a western store, of course! In the words of co-owner Tammy Bess, "It's actually going to be what we call a western store with a modern kick: hats, boots, and fashion that are country western fashion forward."

While for Bess, owning and operating a retail store is a brand-new venture, her daughter, Ariel Clark, has several years of experience, as she also owns Clark's Market & Deli in Great Valley. "The funny this is, we went to a LongHorn Steakhouse to eat," Bess explained. "We saw the décor and thought it was really cool. My daughter said opening some kind of western store would be a big hit!"

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#### "The Village of Knives" Teaching History and Raising Funds

Long known as the epicenter of early American knife-making, Little Valley is celebrating its history while also raising needed funds for the town library, beautification committee, and other long-term projects. T-shirts made in Little Valley by Schubert Enterprises are now on sale at the Memorial Library of Little Valley for \$25, with all profits going to needy local groups. The fundraising campaign and t-shirts are the brainchild of Little Valley alumnus & author Brad Lockwood, who has documented his hometown's history ... page 11

#### **Eric Jones Studios: Sculpting For Smiles**

One-of-a-Kind Sculptures Bring Joy to the Children Who Need it Most











Nationally known caricature artist and pumpkin carver, Eric Jones has been in the business of making people smile for over 20 years. Now, he's taking that passion to a new level with his brand new non-profit organization, Sculpting for Smiles, to create one-of-a-kind sculptures for children with serious injuries or life-threatening illnesses.

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## Publisher's **PICK** SCULPTING FOR SMILES

A Multi-Talented Artist, Eric Jones is Bringing Joy to Children Who Need it Most in the Form of Life-Size Sculptures



**By Mary Weiser** 

Nationally known caricature artist and pumpkin carver, Eric Jones has been in the business of making people smile for over 20 years. Now, he's taking that passion to a new level with his brand new non-profit organization, Sculpting for Smiles, to create one-of-a-kind sculptures for children with serious injuries or life-threatening illnesses.

"My tagline is 'Laughter is the best medicine, and all laughter starts with a smile'," said Jones. "The emotional toll these illnesses take on these kids is huge. To make them something that will bring some joy to their life is what it's all about."

Many know Jones as the winner of the Food Network's third season of "Outrageous Pumpkins" and a Season 10 finalist on Food Network's "Halloween Wars," though he originally got his start as a caricature artist. "I did that for 20 years before I started to dabble in pumpkin carving," he explained. "I established a good social media following and got pretty good at it. When the pumpkins rotted, I started doing snow sculptures. Many of them went viral and were featured on Fox and ESPN during football season. Then I started with sand when the snow melted!"

Jones' non-profit organization grew out of a snow sculpture he was asked to create for congenital heart defect awareness week in February for the Golisano Children's Hospital in Rochester. "I created a sculpture of Mike and Sully from 'Monsters, Inc.' and put it in a spot where kids in longer-term residency could see it," he explained. "It brought so much joy and so many smiles."

Since then, Jones has carved Baby Yoda in the yard of "Sophia the Fierce," who is battling stage IV leukemia, a German shepherd pup for Gabby, who was hit by a car, and Thor for Colt, who is a leukemia survivor undergoing another round of treatment.









Depending on the medium, Jones' sculptures can last anywhere from two days to three weeks. He noted, "They are temporary, and I think it's fitting. It adds value to the sculpture." Like a beautiful bouquet of fresh flowers, "We appreciate the beauty because they're temporary, and that makes them more beautiful," he said.

When it comes to raising awareness for a cause, such as congenital heart defect awareness month, Jones pointed out that the temporary nature of the carvings generates even more attention. "You're able to promote a cause so much easier than something that is permanent," he explained. "There's an urgency to come see it (the sculpture). Everyone wants a picture while it's still standing and looking good."

Jones is thrilled to share the news that Sculpting for Smiles has already raised enough funds for its first sculpture, which will be made for Wyatt, a child in Duke Center, Penn-sylvania. For this project, Jones will be creating a sand sculpture of the dog Marshall from "Paw Patrol." Anyone interested in supporting his registered 501c3 charity can visit www. sculptingforsmiles.com and donate through Venmo, PayPal or credit card.

Jones already has a very busy summer booked but is hoping to set up at some local events where people can see his work and donate. Those who know a child experiencing a life-threatening illness or injury who would like to contact Jones for a sculpture can use the contact form on his website or contact him directly through social media (@Eric Jones Studios).



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## LOCAL

#### A "SWEET" SUMMER

Ashford Junction Depot Back for its Second Season of Ice Cream Bliss



**By Jessica Schultz** 

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When ellicottvilleNOW spoke to Mike about the 2023 season, we asked him what they had in store. He said, "We are continuing to try and expand our product line. We currently have 24 flavors of Hershey's hard ice cream, chocolate and vanilla soft-serve, Root Beer floats, 8 flavors of smoothies as well as coffee drinks. We want to be able to offer something for everyone. Our most popular product last season was our milkshakes to where we started offering them on our event truck. We can make them out of any of our 24 flavors, plus we offer custom creations."

If you've got food allergies, don't fret. Out of those 24 options, they've got even more options. "As a family with food allergies, we want to be able to offer something for everyone," said Mike. "We have low sugar, low fat, gluten free, dairy free and dye free options. These are available in our hard ice cream, milkshakes, floats and smoothies." (That's great inclusion right there.)

The shop is all about family. It's just Mike, Melanie and their kids Aaliyah, Landen and Kallie running the show. And of course, we had to ask what creation is their favorite. Mike replied, "We are always experiment-ing with the milkshakes, mixing different flavors and toppings to create something new and delicious. The great thing about these is that you can easily take them with you. Last summer some of my nurse friends in Buffalo wanted milkshakes so I threw some ice in a cooler and took them to the Emergency Department for them.' (Milkshake delivery service?! Sign us up!)





But Ashford Junction Depot isn't just about tasty frozen treats. This summer they are adding the gift shop back in by offering space to local vendors who would like to promote their products. "We are continuing to add items from local crafters dail plained Mike. "Currently we have keychains, cups, mugs, tumblers, hats, towels, shirts, candles and pictures. This is only a small sample of what our vendors have to offer. We are more than happy to put customers in contact with creators for custom products.'



ELLICOTTVILLE - The Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the newest member of their team. Abigail Siebert (picture left, with Chamber Business Development Manager Jessica Wallace) fulfills the position of Administrative Assistant and has settled in quite comfortably since beginning her duties May 1st. Not only will she oversee general office duties and communications within the Chamber, but she will also assist in the marketing of 18 Chamber events and festivals annually, including the creative development of the Chamber's social media campaigns.

"Abigail is no stranger to Ellicottville. As a current resident and real estate agent with ERA Team VP Real Estate, Abigail is familiar with Ellicottville's tourism industry and will surely be an asset to our operations here at the Chamber," stated Brian McFadden. "Our village attracts over 1.7 million visitors annually and we're excited to implement Abigail's skillsets which will only help our area continue to grow in leaps and bounds."

Ms. Siebert is a graduate of Daemen University of Amherst, NY with a degree in Business Administration and specializing in Marketing. She looks forward to promoting all of the wonderful activities and businesses in the area.

"I'm honored to join the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce team," said Abigail. "I'm originally from Grand Island, NY but moved to Ellicottville my freshman year of high school, almost eight years ago. Even while attending college an hour away, I came to Ellicottville every weekend to work in town because I love the area so much. I even graduated college a semester early just to get back down here full-time! Needless to say, I'm thrilled at the opportunity to work with the Chamber, incorporate all the skills I learned at Daemen and market a town that I've grown to love and call home!"

An avid shopper, you can expect to see Ms. Siebert popping in and out of our local retailers regularly. When you see her, be sure to give her a warm welcome on her new position.

To learn more about the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce, upcoming festivals, membership benefits and more, head to ellicottvilleny.com, call 800-349-9099 or follow Ellicottville, NY on FB and @visitellicottville on IG.

THE SEASON'S BIGGEST PARTY Experience Ellicottville's Summer Music Festival





There are also plans in the works to go year-round and re-open the restaurant side of the business to incorporate a hot food menu. (Breakfast hours could make a comeback! Yes please!) As Mike explained, it's still a work in progress as they get all the necessary equipment, certifications and health department requirements in order. But eventually they would like to feature take-out pizza, wings and fried finger foods, as well as soup and baked goods... This is going to be one delicious spot to visit in the future!

And you can't forget their Ice Cream Truck. They can take their selections on the go to various events throughout the summer. Reach out to Mike at 716-699-1028 and see if the truck is available for your special occasion.

"We are looking forward to a great season in this beautiful town," Mike said. "We are located at the intersection of Routes 242 and 240, just five minutes outside the town center. We offer indoor and outdoor seating and have ample parking. We invite everyone in the community to come on out with your friends and make some new ones while you are here."

Thank you, Mike and family for bringing such a spectacular location back to life and offering the sweet taste of summer to our community. Greatly looking forward to the time you become a year-round destination. Make sure to check out both their Facebook page and ashfordjunctiondepot.com for new updates and info.

It's festive. It's nostalgic. It's tradition. And this year it's set for June 30-July 2nd. From start to finish, Ellicottville's Summer Music Festival is an experience that keeps families coming back year after year. Why? Let's break it down...

LIVE IN CONCERT: It wouldn't be Summer Music Festival without the music. This year's Saturday night lineup at Holiday Valley includes The Players featuring former members of Chicago and Earth, Wind & Fire, with opening act Barracuda-A Heart Tribute Band. Sunday welcomes back the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra performing to an awe-inspiring fireworks display. With an iconic slopeside backdrop and wide open air venue, there's plenty of space to bring your whole family and all of your friends!

FIREWORKS: The best seat in the house is the one that comes with your Sunday concert ticket. You'll want to bring a blanket big enough to sprawl out on your back and enjoy the show. The BPO always delivers, performing the greatest songs honoring

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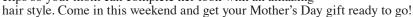
Bucket hat season is just around the corner. Get your moms (or yourself), the sweetest Buffalo bucket hat around, available in a bunch of cool colors. Done by artist Greg Culver, these are a truly unique gift in some amazing tie-dye mixes. He's also got a collection of other hats to purchase, like baseball hats, visors and beanies. Visit Greg's website to see how to go about picking one (or 8) of these babies up. And while

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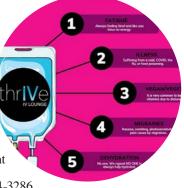
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## BUSINESS

#### **BLUEBERRY BLISS**

Burdick's Awarded Farm of the Year in Cattaraugus County



By CAROL FISHER-LINN

It's delicious, it's versatile, it's a berry... It's a SUPERFOOD! Let me tell you all about blueberries!

We have 8 blueberry bushes at our home on Bryant Hill. This time of year, I dream of them and the luscious blue plump fruits these bushes produce. We feed them, we pamper them, we trim them, and we stand and admire them, waiting for the day I can make our first batch of blueberry muffins with fresh berries from our own yard. There are never enough to squirrel away for the entire year so most summers I head to Burdick's to fill the freezer.

For well over forty years, my kiddoes and I took our canning kettle and an assortment of Tupperware containers to fill to the brim in what seemed like moments with four of us picking. I go alone now, more grateful than ever for the easy ride to the berries. Amazingly, the vintage bushes seem as lush and abundant as I remembered with blue, antioxidant rich goodness. They are almost too pretty to eat! Not! Every bush must have a taste test and then I observe in amazement at how quickly I harvest my fill.

Health benefits of blueberries are abundant. Here is a summary of those benefits found at Healthline.com:

- Blueberries are low in calories, and high in fiber and Vitamins C and K.
- They seem to have the highest antioxidant capacity of all our usual fruits and veggies with flavonoids, giving them the most impact.
- Studies show they reduce the DNA damage that causes quicker aging and cancer.

Studies show that when you eat lots of blueberries you can reduce your blood pressure.
Some evidence indicates that eating fruits rich in anthocyanins – such as blueberries – is associated with reduced risk of heart attack.

Antioxidants aid brain function and delay mental decline, they may have anti-diabetes effects, may help with UTI's, and may aid in muscle recovery after exercise. Bottom line: blueberries are awesome, sweet, colorful and can be enjoyed fresh or frozen. Refer here for fresh vs. frozen information: https://www.livestrong.com/article/530382-the-nu-tritional-value-of-fresh-vs-frozen-blueberries/.

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#### WELCOME TO THE OLD WEST CO.

Mother/Daughter Duo Celebrate Opening of New Store in Ellicottville



By MARY WEISER

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While for Bess, owning and operating a retail store is a brand-new venture, her daughter, Ariel Clark, has several years of experience, as she also owns Clark's Market & Deli in Great Valley. "The funny thing was we'd been Christmas shopping in Buffalo and went to a LongHorn Steakhouse to eat," Bess explained. "We saw the décor and thought it was really cool. My daughter said opening some kind of western store would be a big hit!"

Clark began exploring ideas, including hats, clothing and fashion boots, and the next step was finding the perfect location. Both women believed a store in downtown Ellicottville would be an ideal spot, and when Bess heard that the former location of Chiba Chiba was available, she knew their dream was meant to be. "We first began talking about our business idea this past December, and by the middle of January, we were offered this space," Bess recalled. "I'm definitely a believer that things happen for a reason!"



Flip the calendar pages over to today and you'll find that Burdick Blueberries is owned and managed by Paula Jo's sister, Amy Edwards, with her partner, Beth (pictured). Their website informs us that "they made a career u-turn and moved from California in 2015 to keep the family farm and dream alive. While Amy oversees every detail of the farm operation, Beth manages the retail side and the flower production called Bluems. They started hosting guests in The Guest House in 2019."

The great thing about the guest house rented through Airbnb and Vrbo (see their website for full details – burdickblueberries.net) is that visitors have the entire property (now around 40 acres), the flower and vegetable gardens and the pool to themselves all year-round except during blueberry picking season – mid-July to mid-August. This well-kept Cattaraugus County Farm of the Year for 2023 award winner is so worth a visit, a picking, and even a weekend stay-cation!

With their store location secured, Bess and Clark began looking at similar stores in Aspen, Colorado and other western cities for inspiration. The Old West Co. will feature a hat bar that will allow customers to personalize their own cowboy hat with different bands, feathers, dried flowers, and branding irons to imprint their initials or different symbol brands. "In the coming months, we want to add custom shaping to cowboy hats as well," Bess added. Their inventory, geared specifically for the modern-day western look, will also include fashion cowboy boots for women, some men's cowboy boots, and western-style shorts, skirts, dresses and more. "Right now, we're really more aimed at women's fashions and will be getting a little bit of jewelry," Bess explained. "We'll have belts and wallets for men now and more men's clothing and boots soon."

#### ROOTED IN ELLICOTTVILLE

Though not from the western part of the U.S., both Bess and her daughter are proud to call western New York home, as both were born and raised in Great Valley and attended Ellicottville Central School. Being a part of the Ellicottville business community and opening a store that reflects the rural beauty of western New York is the fulfillment of a dream for both, to say nothing of the opportunity to work side by side as mother and daughter.

Whether you're planning a special outfit to wear to a country concert or a fun trip to Nashville, head to The Old West Co., where you'll find everything you need to complete your country look! To learn more about The Old West Co., follow them on Facebook and Instagram and be sure to stop by their brand-new store at 18 Washington Street. Store hours are 11:00am-5:00pm seven days a week.

## RECREATION

#### THE MACKER IS BACK!

3-on-3 Basketball Tournament Will Return to Olean Next Month



OLEAN - The Macker is on the schedule in Olean! Entries are now being accepted for the Gus Macker 3-on-3 basketball tournament, to be played June 2-4 on Delaware Avenue in downtown Olean. The Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce and its 46 corporate sponsors are co-sponsoring this year's event.

More than 4,000 registration postcards were mailed out two weeks ago to team captains from tournaments held in Norwich, Hornell, Cicero, Ithaca, Rochester, and Olean last year. An additional 5,000 are being sent this month to schools in Allegany, Chautauqua, McKean and Cattaraugus Counties. Entry deadlines for teams interested in this year's tournament are Friday, May 12 for applications that are submitted by mail, and Monday, May 15 for internet entries. The entry fee for a four player team is \$160.

The three-day festival of basketball begins on Friday, June 2 with a Corporate Cup Basketball Contest and early registration, and continues through the division championships on Sunday, June 4. The tournament is open to players of all ages and experience levels who are computer-matched by age, height and experience so that all participants can be competitive.

"This is our second time hosting in June," said Meme K. Yanetsko, GOACC COO. "We anticipate an increase over the 120 teams that played last year; we are hoping to hit 190 teams! Regents were held locally in 2022 as well as the first round of spring sports play-offs. With the first weekend in June, those problems shouldn't affect us as much this year."

The tournament, based on basketball played in driveways throughout the U.S., will include players who have no experience to those who have played college and semi-professional basketball. Primarily based on age and level of experience, players will be placed in divisions where they will be most evenly matched. Depending on the number of teams placed in a specific division, players and the teams they're on will play for first, second, and third place. Also, teams that finish last in their divisions could receive "Toilet Bowl" trophies.

"For those student athletes that cannot forecast their high school team's regular schedule/rainouts, we want to remind all that there is a substitution policy," explained Yanetsko. After the original entry deadlines, teams are allowed to make a maximum of two (2) player substitutions after the following guidelines:

1. The substitution must be received in the Macker office in Belding, MI no later than 5:00pm (EST) on Wednesday, May 31.

2. The 'new' player(s) added to the roster must be the same age, same height or shorter, and have the same or less playing experience as the replaced player.



#### BE SAFE, BIKE HAPPY

May is National Bike Safety Month; Tips From Our Local Bicycle Outfitter



BY JESSICA SCHULTZ

We've finally hit a spot of good warm weather and that means that people are out enjoying it in whatever way they can. For a lot of locals, that means it's time to break out the bicycles and hit up the trails. Bicycling is good for your health, an inexpensive means of travel, and if you are competitive, it's an exciting way to get your cardio in.

Bicycling also comes with its own set of risks. Are you well informed and prepared? May is National Bicycle Safety Month and it's never a bad thing to recap basic rules/ regulations. ellicottvilleNOW sat down with Dennis Baldwin, owner of Bikes, Burritos & Brews (Bike & Bean as most of us know it by), to talk about bicycle safety and what his team can offer to promote safe riding.

**eNOW:** Bike safety is important; what services does Bike & Bean recommend for all cyclists to have done?

**DENNIS:** A spring tune-up is always recommended. The full tune checks all aspects of the bicycle including tire dry rot, cracked frames and broken cables as well as making all of the necessary adjustments to make sure your bicycle is running smooth and safe.



**eNOW:** What safety routine do some of your staff members or yourself follow? **DENNIS:** Keeping proper tire pressure is essential for handling and efficiency. We check our tire pressure before each ride.

**eNOW:** What tips/tricks would you recommend for amateur and experienced riders to follow?

**DENNIS:** Ride within your abilities, especially at the beginning of the season when you don't have your cycling legs back quite yet. Ride at least a couple times a week to increase your endurance and gain comfort on your bicycle.

3. A processing fee of \$25.00 is to be paid only by credit card when submitting the substitution form (no other form of payment will be accepted). Please call the Greater Olean Area Chamber office at 716-372-4433 for questions or more information.

In addition to the Chamber's 46 corporate sponsors, other major support for the event is being provided by Olean Rotary Club, A Jason Clemons Salon, Nick Shembeda Plumbing, Adam Service, and Cayas Canopies. Additionally, the important roles of media sponsorships are being provided by Olean Times Herald, WXMT, WMXO-FM and WPIG-FM.

Every player in the Macker is guaranteed at least three games, so no matter how you fare the first time on the court, you're not out by any means. Those who do make it on to the championship rounds can look forward to trophy presentations for first through third places. All registered players also receive a t-shirt for participating in the event, which is made possible by area sponsors.

Registration forms are available online at www.macker.com. Offline forms for registration via U.S. mail can be picked up at the GOACC office. For more information on the Gus Macker tournament, referees, sponsorships and volunteer opportunities, please contact the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce at 716-372-4433 or email info@oleanny.com.

#### eNOW: What products do you have in the shop that promote safe riding?

**DENNIS:** Always wear a helmet! We know people roll their eyes when they hear that, but honestly, it's essential for safe riding. Gloves, elbow and knee pads are nice to have too. A basic blinking rear and front light helps motorists and other cyclist see you. If you like to ride on the road, remember to stay TIGHT TO THE RIGHT of the road and ride single file, especially when there is not a shoulder.

#### eNOW: Anything else you can think of to add?

**DENNIS:** When you head out to ride, remember to bring water, a snack and your cell phone. Bicycle jerseys have pockets in the back, making it easy to carry a few essentials. We also recommend carrying a small pump, tube and flat repair kit because you just never know. A seat-bag or hydration pack is a nice way to carry some of these items and they are always good to have on hand.

Thank you, Dennis, for taking the time to share such great safety info with us. Some other good things to note: Never ride distracted. (Always pay attention) Expect the un-expected. (Just because you're focused on safety doesn't mean everyone around you is as well.) Know the rules of riding on the road. You can find more info on bicycle safety month by visiting trafficsafetymarketing.gov. And you can always visit Bike and Bean's Facebook, call 716-699-2453 or just pop on into the shop at 11 Martha Street. Dennis says, "Happy Trails! Make sure to stop by the shop for a burrito, trail advice and road routes... We know the local ride scene very well!"

## PHOTO REWIND

#### "Spring for the Arts" Fundraiser Showcases Local Talent

Last Friday (May 5th) ellicottvilleNOW sponsored the opening event to benefit Ellicottville Central School's art program. Working closely with ECS senior art instructor Deborah McGowan, a dozen oversized wooden palettes were distributed to local artists who created their masterpiece and submitted them for Opening Night. Finished palettes have been placed on display at the Ellicottville Memorial Library to be silent auctioned, with all monies raised donated to the ECS art program. If you missed the Open House, you still have a chance to get your hands on some of the beautifully created pieces. You can stop into the Library during normal business hours through May 11th to place your bids or purchase any of the remaining student created canvases. Come May 12th, palettes will be relocated to various local businesses for bids until May 29th.















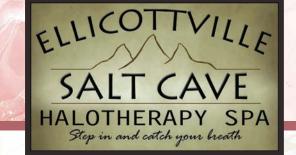




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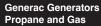
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## COMMUNITY

#### BRADY'S CAUSE

New Fund Established at CRCF Supports Animal Welfare Causes



OLEAN - Frank Higgins has been an ardent supporter of animal rescues and nonprofit organizations supporting the welfare of animals in Cattaraugus County for many years. After the recent passing of his beloved husky, Brady, he decided to further that support by establishing an endowment fund at the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation in Brady's name and memory.

Brady's Cause will support animal welfare in the Cattaraugus County region through grants to agencies including Empire Animal Rescue Society (EARS) and the SPCA in Cattaraugus County.

Higgins's relationship with EARS began when he adopted Brady with the help of Courtney Valent, EARS president, in 2011, and that relationship has deepened in the years since. In the years since, the Higgins Memorial Golf Tournament Fund at CRCF has provided annual support to EARS, totaling \$22,000. EARS garnered additional donations as Higgins provided volunteers the opportunity to operate an auction at the Higgins Memorial Golf Tournament each year.

For Higgins, the opportunity to honor Brady by supporting organizations that rescue and facilitate adoption of animals in need is a fitting tribute to his best friend and walking partner of many years.

"Brady was my best friend, and he became almost like a mascot for my whole neighborhood," said Higgins. "Animals become a part of your family, so it feels good to support organizations that help pair people with animals that become important to them, just like Brady was for me."

The SPCA in Cattaraugus County has also received grant support from the Higgins Memorial in recent years.

As an endowment, the fund will last in perpetuity to support animal rescues and animal welfare organizations in the region in Brady's memory for many years to come, said CRCF Executive Director Karen Niemic Buchheit.

"Often times, our donors are very intentional in honoring loved ones through their philanthropy," said Buchheit. "Brady was just that for Frank, and it's an honor to manage this fund that will do so much good for animal welfare causes in our region in Brady's memory."

Donations can be made to Brady's Cause at the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation, 301 N. Union St., Suite 203, Olean, NY 14760 or online at cattfoundation.org.

The Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation is the area's supportive, responsive, and trusted community foundation. Established in 1994, CRCF is growing good by connecting donors to the causes they care about most in the region. Grants from the foundation support many areas, including education, scholarships, health care, the arts,

#### THE VILLAGE OF KNIVES

Sale of T-shirts Depicting Local Knife-Making to Raise Funds for Little Valley



LITTLE VALLEY - Long known as the epicenter of early American knife-making, Little Valley is celebrating its history while also raising needed funds for the town library, beautification committee, and other long-term projects. High-quality t-shirts made in Little Valley by Schubert Enterprises are now on sale at the Memorial Library of Little Valley for \$25, with all profits going to needy local groups.

"This is a wonderful local effort to highlight our history while bringing people into our library," said Memorial Library of Little Valley Director Linda McCubbin. "Little Valley's knife-making history is unparalleled, and our library offers rare items from our 200-year history, as well as many programs, top-rate collections, and a safe place for kids to learn."

The fundraising campaign and t-shirts are the brainchild of Little Valley alumnus and author Brad Lockwood, who has documented his hometown's history. "The Village of Knives' was the calling-card for Little Valley a century ago, when more cutlery companies operated here than anywhere in the world. We wanted to compile and list all of those companies, jobbers and masters included, for posterity. On the back of the t-shirt you will find some interesting facts, like W.R. Case & Son appearing without the 's' in Sons, which was only added when the company moved to Bradford, Pennsylvania. Union Cutlery/Ka-Bar are also listed, because they originated by the Brown brothers in a small home on Erie Street, Little Valley."

From W.R. Case & Sons to Cattaraugus Cutlery, Kinfolks and independent masters like Max Krug, Little Valley's history is at last being acknowledged. Historic status and official markers were recently earned and placed for Case Brothers Cutlery, as well as the Cattaraugus County Fairgrounds and Civil War Memorial, by the Pomeroy Foundation. More markers and annual events are also in the works, as knife collectors around the world want to visit the town where their favorite items were handcrafted.

"It's truly an honor to be part of the Case family and such amazing American history," offered John Burrell, who is a fourth-generation Case knife-maker, as well as Ellicottville Village Mayor. John runs "TopFlight Early American Cutlery" which issues limited edition, custom-made knives to honor his family. "We all started in Little Valley, so keeping these famous names alive is everything."

The Village of Knives t-shirts are now on sale at the Memorial Library of Little Valley for \$25 each. Sizes XXL and above cost a little bit more and, due to demand from knife collectors around the world, shipping may be arranged.

#### MEMBER MARKET

Greater Olean Area Chamber to Host Final Business After Hours in Lincoln Park

community development, human service, and youth development. To learn more, call 716-301-CRCF (2723), email foundation@cattfoundation.org, or visit online at www. cattfoundation.org. CRCF is also on Facebook (facebook.com/cattfoundation) and Twitter (@CattFoundation).

#### BIRDING AT PFEIFFER

#### Connect with Nature During Annual Spring Bird Walk at Pfeiffer Nature Center

PORTVILLE - Bird watching is a quiet and relaxing way to connect with nature. Join Pfeiffer Nature Center for their annual spring bird walk through the wetland and scrub areas of the nature center's Eshelman Property. A well-known location for regional birders, Eshelman hosts a multitude of migratory and resident birds and other wildlife. Mid-May is a great time to see our returning summer birds and catch spring migrants heading north. Visitors may see and/or hear dozens of species that frequent the area as they slowly walk along grassy, gentle trails.

The guided walk starts in the parking lot off Yubadam Road and will be led by Tim Baird, President of the Cattaraugus County Bird Study Club. Please bring binoculars if you have them. This activity is free and open to the public, and registration is not required. Minors must be accompanied by an adult. Location: Pfeiffer Nature Center, Eshelman Preserve, 1420 Yubadam Road, Portville NY. OLEAN - Join the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, May 17 for their final Business After Hours of the 2022-23 season from 5:00-7:00pm at the Lincoln Park Pavilion, South Street in Olean.

Business After Hours is a business social gathering of Chamber members and their guests to help showcase their business. Members are encouraged to host these events to introduce Chamber members to their business, publicize their business products or services within the local community, and generate possible leads and sales from attendees and those who heard about it.

For the last BAH event, GOACC wanted to open it up to all members for a member market. Any member can participate and will have the chance to sell their merchandise or simply pass out information to spread awareness about their organization or an upcoming event they may be holding.

"The Member Market is a perfect way to end our Business After Hours series and a great opportunity for members to network with other local businesses. We are encouraging everyone to come out, mingle, make connections, and learn more about what your fellow members are offering" stated Sarah Blovsky, GOACC Member Services Manager.

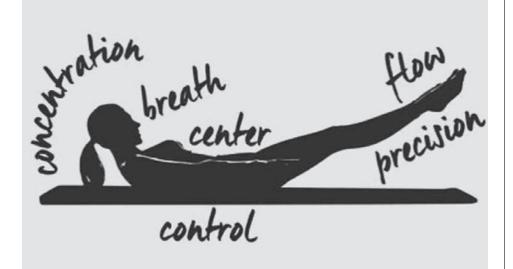
Chamber members can participate in this Member Market for a small fee of only \$10. Members are encouraged to bring a table and set it up under the pavilion. GOACC would like to thank the City of Olean for co-sponsoring this event. For more information regarding the Member Market or if you are a member who wishes to participate, please call the GOACC office at 716-372-4433.

## HEALTH & FITNESS

#### INTRODUCTION TO PILATES

Sunshine Pilates Owner Rachele Dove Breaks Down the Fundamentals

### PILATES PRINCIPLES



#### BY RACHELE DOVE

Pilates is a form of exercise that focuses on strengthening the core muscles of the body while improving flexibility and balance. Originally developed by Joseph Pilates in the early 20th century, Pilates has become increasingly popular in recent years for its effectiveness in relieving pain, strengthening the body, and promoting overall health and wellness.

If you're new to Pilates, attending an introductory session can be a great way to get started and learn the fundamentals of the practice. Here is what you can expect from an introductory Pilates session.

The session will focus on breathing, being centered, flow, precision, control, and concentration. It will include an introduction to the 5 basic principles of Pilates: breathing, pelvic placement, rib cage placement, scapular movement & stabilization, and head & cervical placement. The exercises will focus on target muscles, stability, mobility, sequencing, endurance, and balance control.

Pilates can be a great way to improve your overall health and wellness, and an introductory session can be a great way to get started. By learning the basics of proper technique and form, you can begin practicing Pilates safely and effectively, whether in a class setting or on your own.

Pilates is focused on improving muscle tone through proper posture, breathing, control and precision. Over the next few weeks, I will provide tips on how to improve your overall mobility, flexibility, and strength by becoming more aware of your body and space. I will explain fundamental exercises focusing on proper positioning to help increase your skill and control to maximize the full benefits of Pilates.

Here is a simple exercise to become more aware of your body and space:

Standing tall, visualize a string being pulled from the top of your head, your eyes sit above your shoulders and your back straight. Your body should feel light over your hips. Focus on grounding your feet on the floor. Take a few moments to familiarize yourself with this technique. Proper breathing will help you to relax your muscles and relieve tension.

Stay tuned for my next article, where we'll focus on breathing.

#### WALK YOUR DOG FOR A GOOD CAUSE

Celebration of Canine Lives Sanctuary Hosts Their First Virtual Dog Walk

I'm sure all of us have those days where

#### SKI 4 A CURE

Ski Club of Lockport and HoliMont Raise Funds for Roswell Park



The inaugural Ski 4 A Cure, presented by SCOL (Ski Club of Lockport) and hosted by HoliMont on February 16, 2023 was an amazing experience that benefited Roswell Park's Comprehensive Cancer Center's most pressing needs. Through HoliMont event ticket sales, online, offline donations, basket and 50/50 sales, SCOL and HoliMont raised \$7, 245.00, despite a forecast that called for rain.

The fun-filled day of events included a complimentary demo day from City Garage, who did a phenomenal job of quickly fitting participants with an extensive selection of skis.

Events included a cancer survivors parade that snaked down Expo slope, which honored cancer survivors and their families, a scavenger hunt, the bombardier game (a tennis ball dropped into a large trash can on the hill from the chairlift), and a matched timed race, with the the most consistent time between two runs. Prizes were awarded to the winners of each event.

SCOL would like to thank all of the donors, including the following businesses for their contributions or services: HoliMont Ski Resort, Snowflake Ski Shop, Bradley's Auto Detailing, Covell Chiropractic, Lockport's Palace Theater, City Garage, Davison Road Inn, Village Restaurant, Silver Fox Restaurant, Western New York Dental, Dina's at HoliMont Catering and the Roswell Park Alliance Foundation.

The second annual Ski 4 A Cure event will take place at HoliMont on Friday, February 16, 2024.

#### OLEAN IS THINKING CHRISTMAS

OLEAN - Although the calendar says May, the weather outside sometimes is FRIGHTFUL! (Frightful is a part of the song, Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow! by Frank Sinatra.) Right now, the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce is thinking of Christmas! The Santa Claus Lane committee met last week and one of its long standing committee members, Laurie McCarthy wants to fundraise for an additional panel tree for the Sullivan roundabout, similar to the one that sits at the mall entrance roundabout.

"The last two years, GOACC has held a holiday time raffle awarding out Shop Olean gift certificates as a fundraiser for this panel tree," stated Meme K. Yanetsko, GOACC COO. However, each year, the raffles raised enough money to pay out the prizes and not contribute to the tree fundraising.

"I approached Meme at the meeting to host these fundraising basket auctions for the purpose of raising money to buy the artificial Christmas tree," said McCarthy, owner of McCarthy's Emporium and Chamber member.



we just don't feel like getting up and going for a walk with our dog. If it were up to our four-legged friends, I'm sure we'd be going for walks five times a day. But, what if there was an added incentive (besides the part about walking being good for your health) with a prize thrown in too?

The Celebration of Canine Lives Sanctuary is hosting their first ever Virtual Dog Walk to help raise funds to complete the first dog room in their barn called "Gee's Home," named in memory of the handsome guy pictured in the photo.

The registration fee for the walk is

\$20.00 and participants will record the mileage they and their dog(s) have walked from June 1st-August 31st. The person who walks the most miles will be named winner of the walk and will receive a prize. Other prizes will be awarded as well.

If you are interested in helping CCLS complete the first dog room, please email them at: mahonemt@bonaventure.edu and they will send you more details and registration info. The Sanctuary would like to say thanks in advance for your support!

The basket auctions will run every month from May to October with different baskets for each month. There will be ten baskets with tickets sold for \$5 for 10 chances.

The panel tree, which stands 14' tall with a 3' star, will hopefully be purchased in January 2024 at the sale price of \$4,400. The fundraising goal is to raise \$500 each month- that's 100 tickets sold each month with the balance being contributed by the holiday raffle proceeds.

The baskets will be on display at the GOACC office. Tickets will be sold at Pleasant Valley Greenhouse, McCarthy's Emporium and the Chamber office. A flyer will be created for the locations showcasing the baskets available to choose.

This month's baskets were graciously donated from Toad's Butcher Shop, McCarthy's Emporium, Pleasant Valley Greenhouse, AnnMarie Sitter Tompkins, Ann Marie Wright, the Chamber, Laurie McCarthy and City of Olean alderwoman Sonya McCall.

"We are challenging individuals, organizations and businesses in the area to donate items for a basket for a future month, to buy tickets and to also send in small donations," stated McCarthy. The Chamber will also ask those vendors participating in its events to also donate a basket.

For more information on the baskets and the raffles, please contact Laurie McCarthy at 716- 373-7407 or Meme Yanetsko at the Greater Olean Area Chamber at 716-372-4433.

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#### **MEETING UPDATE**

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** The Town ZBA meeting originally scheduled for June 1st has been rescheduled for May 25th. Please call Greg Keyser (Town Planner) at 716-801-3016 if you have questions/concerns.

#### COMMUNITY

**HOT DOG SALE:** The ECS Student Council will serve up hot dogs, chips, drink and dessert for a \$5 donation on May 16 from 11:00am-6:00pm as part of Ellicottville Central School's Annual Budget Day.



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#### PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: TOWN OF ELLICOTTVILLE, NEW YORK:** PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held Monday May 25, 2023, 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 2022-151 – an application by Kenneth Walter for an Area Variance to allow the construction of a 24' x 36' pole barn less than the minimum 30-foot setback from the side property line. The project is proposed for property in the Town of Ellicottville located at 8151 Irish Hill Road; identified as tax map parcel 38.001-1-26.7. Plans for this project are on file and available for review at the Engineering Department Office in the Ellicottville Town Center, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731. Prior to the meeting, documents may also be viewed on the Town 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 Town of Ellicottville Zoning Board of Appeals, 1 Washington Street, P.O. Box 600, Ellicottville, New York 14731, dropped off in person to the same address, or emailed to greg.keyser@evlengineering.com.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: PLANNING BOARD: TOWN OF ELLICOTT-VILLE, NEW YORK:** PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held Monday May 22, 2023, 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 2023-144 – an application by Chad Neal for a Special Use Permit and Site Plan Review to allow a Park Golf business. The project is proposed for property in the Town of Ellicottville on Robbins Road, identified as tax map parcel 47.001-1-35.5. Plans for this project are on file and available for review at the Engineering Department Office in the Ellicottville Town Center, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731. Prior to the meeting, documents may also be viewed on the Town website at www. ellicottvillegov.com. The Planning Board 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 Town of Ellicottville Planning Board, 1 Washington Street, P.O. Box 600, Ellicottville, New York 14731, dropped off in person to the same address, or emailed to greg.keyser@evlengineering.com.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: PLANNING BOARD: TOWN OF ELLICOTT-VILLE, NEW YORK: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held Monday May 22, 2023, 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 2022-092 - a revised application by New Leaf Energy for a Special Use Permit and Site Plan Review to allow the construction of a 5 MW Community Solar Energy System. The project is proposed for property in the Town of Ellicottville located at 6902 Simmons Road. Tax map parcel 47.004-1-10.10. Plans for this project are on file and available for review at the Engineering Department Office in the Ellicottville Town Center, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731. Prior to the meeting, documents may also be viewed on the Town website at www.ellicottvillegov.com. The Planning Board 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 Town of Ellicottville Planning Board, 1 Washington Street, P.O. Box 600, Ellicottville, New York 14731, dropped off in person to the same address, or emailed to greg. keyser@evlengineering.com.

#### SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL

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America's birthday while the most spectacular colors explode in the night sky. The anticipation runs high, the booms are loud, and the finale will have you mesmerized. It's a heart-pounding experience that the kiddos, especially, won't soon forget.

**BYOB:** What sets this venue apart from the rest? While most concert halls and stadiums don't allow you to bring in your own bevies, Ellicottville's Summer Music Festival ENCOURAGES you to pack a cooler with all your favorite drinks and snacks. Did someone say charcuterie? Bring the collapsable camping table, your chairs, a tablecloth and a set of fancy non-breakable wine glasses. This is an outdoor music festival, in style!

**THEATER:** Who could ever forget John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John in the 1978 musical, Grease. Taking place in the summer of 1958, local boy Danny Zuko and vacationing Australian Sandy Olsson meet at the beach and fall in love. When the summer comes to an end, Sandy frets that they may never meet again, but Danny tells her that their love is "only the beginning". It's one thing to watch Grease on the screen; it's a whole different experience to see it played out live! Kick off your Summer Music Fest weekend with a live performance of Grease at the Gazebo downtown, Friday, June 30th at 7:00pm. Blankets, chairs, picnic baskets and the whole family are welcome, FREE! Heck, bring the family pet with you!



OLEAN - Lewis & Clark Circus-A Great American Circus, is coming to Olean's Gargoyle Park. It's sure to be 90 minutes of circus fun for the whole family! This is your chance to witness one of the last traditional tent shows left in America. Show times are Saturday, May 20 at 5:00pm and 7:30pm and Sunday, May 21 at 2:00pm and 5:00pm.

Combining old time circus traditions with modern innovations, Lewis & Clark Circus-A Great American Circus provides children of all ages with the opportunity to experience the magic of the circus. Their performance will leave you on the edge of your seat! Witness world-class aerialists, acrobats, magicians and more under a custom built Big Top!

Don't miss out on their online exclusive discounts at lewisclarkcircus.com/tour-dates. For ticket pricing and FAQ's, go to lewisclarkcircus.com/faq.

**PET PARADE:** Speaking of pets, perhaps the most adorable feature of Summer Music Fest is the parade of animals down Ellicottville's main drag, dressed in their festive best. Dogs, goats, ponies, ducks, guinea pigs, lizards... all types of pets are invited! It's quite a show for spectators! No registration required; everyone can participate! Watch for details as we get closer.

**SHOPPING AND DINING:** Of course, you'll want to carve out some time to saunter the sidewalks of the downtown business district. Ellicottville has an eclectic variety of shopping opportunities - from artisan pottery at Alexandra to western inspired apparel at Daff to Ellicottville logo'd souvenirs at The Tee Bar to remember your visit (grab a soft serve ice cream while you're there). Fill up the old gas tank with a fresh chicken or steak burrito from Bike & Bean, a hearty bacon tomato jam burger from Steelbound Brewery, or opt for a healthy poached pear and gorgonzola salad on the patio of Dina's Restaurant.

**OUTDOOR ADVENTURE:** How much excitement can you pack in one weekend? Besides high energy concerts and theater performances, a pet extravaganza and all the shopping and dining you could ask for, Ellicottville boasts a menu full of other activities to fill your schedule - wine tastings, brewery tours, mountain coaster rides, ziplining, mountain biking, historical walking tours or just simply sitting under a shade tree and taking it all in... what are you waiting for! Head to ellicottvilleny. com to plan your Ellicottville adventure during our biggest festival of the summer!

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☐luckydayhomestead: A perfect morning spent with like-minded individuals at Our Raised Bed Garden workshop. #gardenforlife



Scharleschamberlain: Gardening progress. #plantingtime



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Sholimont: Find your happy place this summer! #evlnow



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**CellicottvilleNOW:** #artauction #fundraiser #ECSarts #library







@ellicottvilletapbottle: #evlnow
 #cincodemayo #daytrip

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