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It's Wine O' Clock at the Marquette Vineyard

From Grape to Glass: Local Vineyard Owner Teams Up with Winery of Ellicottville



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By JESSICA SCHULTZ

At ellicottvilleNOW, we like to take field trips, and last Friday's adventure was not just fun but also informative. Sam Sheehy, owner of the Winery of Ellicottville guided our team on a tour of the Marquette Vineyard.

Vineyard owner Bob Maranto was excited to share his story with us after we told him we weren't even aware there was such a place here. He said, "Growing up, my family - and in particular my Uncle Dino who was born in Italy - made wine. I started making my own wine about 20 years ago with my father. I've always had an interest in, and a love for, red wine in particular. My love of red wine was further developed by my Uncle Ron Maranto, who is a sommelier. My wife and I purchased approximately 85 acres of land in Ellicottville so that we could build a home there and have a destination for our children and hopefully future grandchildren. In June of 2019 after speaking to a friend of mine, John Comerford who also grows grapes in the Ellicottville area, I decided to plant approximately 500 vines. During Covid I spent most of my time in Ellicottville, was isolated and bored, and decided to clear enough land to plant an additional 1,850 vines."

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RAISE OF HOPE - JOIN THE VISION

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Public Profile: Mary Elizabeth Dunbar - Town Historian

Mary has a love for all things history. She was a member of several historical associations in the area and was on the board of the Ellicottville Historical Society and the Cattaraugus County Museum. She served as both Ellicottville Town and Village Historian for decades. She worked with the Seneca Nation on resettlement issues, and she also served on the Arboretum Committee. She worked with several other county historians on the Advisory Council for the County Bicentennial History book. Her departure to a well-earned life of retirement leaves many empty spaces ... page 11

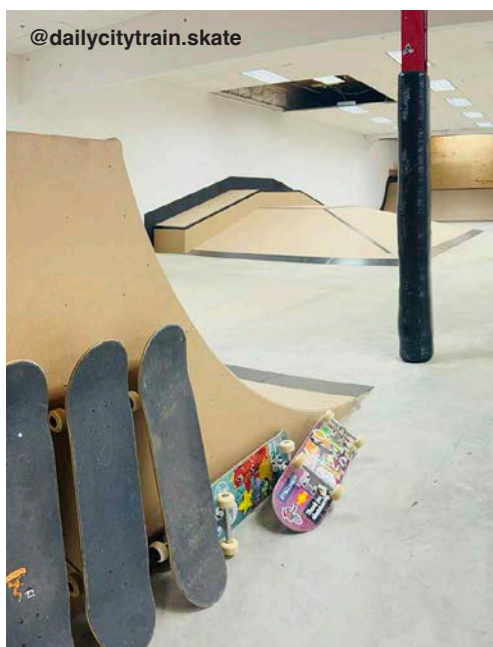
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Another delicious Taste is in the books! Take a look at some of the great shots from the weekend. Find on pages 08-09



New Businesses Ready For Launch!

Skateboards and Bikes Join Forces in Ellicottville's Former Bowling Alley



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By BRENDA PERKS

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"CRAM THE VANS" SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE RUNNING ALL MONTH

If you're a parent, you know the struggles of back-to-school season. From new clothes to all the little things required for the classroom... it gets expensive. Especially for families that might already find it challenging to make ends meet. (Life gets hard once in awhile; sometimes you need a little help and that's okay!) Directions in Independent Living of Olean, NY understands this situation perfectly. Which is why, for the 2nd year in a row, they are hosting their annual "Cram the Vans" School Supplies Drive ... page 11



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RAISE OF HOPE

Two Women with the Same Vision Team Up to Help Others in Need



BY CAROL FISHER-LINN

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Debbie was having coffee in Ray's restaurant one day when he mentioned selling it. She went home that evening and began thinking of the possibilities for that building. A flood of ideas came. She shared them with her husband, prayed over them with her pastor and decided that she needed to look into buying the building. One Sunday, she and fellow Sunday School teacher Nancy Hurst were alone in the room (very unusual) and Deb shared her thoughts about the building. Nancy's response: "I hope it's not the building I'm looking at."

It was, and it turns out they shared the same vision for the building. So they did the logical thing and joined forces. Fast forward to the two of them in the upstairs room, looking out of the windows. Suddenly a beautiful ray of light came through the glass and they both somehow knew that the name of their effort had to include a reference to the hope that such a sunbeam brings. They went to their bibles, found an appropriate verse - Romans 15:13 TPT - and came up with the name: Raise of Hope.

And so it begins. The building was purchased, the roof replaced, and clean-out is now in process. When completed, it will be the home of a nonprofit organization offering much needed, more easily accessible services and resources to the people in the Village of Cattaraugus and surrounding communities. Artists and entrepreneurs will find help or perhaps a home there; schools and churches and social services will have access to rooms for programs, projects or gathering; the elderly will be invited to gather to chat in a private room or in the restaurant/community kitchen they will be including in the building plans. In essence, they want this to function as a community center. Plans are for two offices for counselors to meet with kids or folks in need, either privately or in groups. Remember those upstairs windows? Raise of Hope will provide a 3-bedroom apartment in that space for transitional individuals as short-term housing for adults in need.

This building in an historic part of town has well-served the people of Cattaraugus for many years. Its age requires major renovations which are needed in order to comply with 2023 health and safety codes. Everything needs to be updated including electrical, plumbing, accessibility, floors, bathrooms and kitchen.

Here's how you can help: You can attend and also give donations for a basket raffle at the Ribapalooza Cookoff on September 2nd at Cattaraugus Firemen's Club (34 Memorial Drive) as part of Cattaraugus Labor Day Celebration. Point-person Mark Reid can be reached at 716-229-1731. Or call 716-560-8772 and ask what they need, where to bring basket raffle donations, volunteer to help, offer much needed construction work, equipment, fixtures, or plain old money. Every little bit helps. As they tell us on their Facebook page, "Our hearts are full, and our pockets have holes. Finishing this project will require community assistance. Catch the Vision! Unite and help us Raise the Hope in our community."

PINE CONE DONATIONS WANTED

PORTVILLE - Pfeiffer Nature Center is beginning to prepare for their 2023 Pfeiffer Nature Wreath sale. They are asking the public for help gathering natural materials that will be used to decorate the 2023 wreaths. They are looking for donations of lots and lots of different pine cones and/or dried materials - nuts, dried flowers, dried hydrangea, dried apple and orange slices. Anyone wishing to make a donation may drop off items at the Pfeiffer Nature Center office located at 14 S. Main Street in Portville, NY. (Please call the office at 716-933-0187 prior to your visit to ensure that someone will be in the office when you arrive.) If you love to decorate wreaths, Pfeiffer Nature Center is also looking for volunteers to help assemble wreaths November 15-17th at Pleasant Valley Greenhouse beginning at 9:00am for as long as you can stay!

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BY BRENDA PERKS

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Enter Daily City Train. Setting up shop at 2 Bristol Lane (the former bowling alley next to Tim & Bonnie's), DCT offers a store full of decks, trucks and wheels, protective gear, branded t-shirts and accessories. Owned and operated by longtime skater and Ellicottville native Chris Perks, DCT's focus is on growing the scene and bringing the sport back to its roots.

"Growing up in a small town is very different today," says Chris. "Having all these concrete parks going in, as well as some indoor parks has really opened up small town living, allowing more opportunities for skaters to have a place nearby and not have to travel so far just to skate. The ease of getting out of work or getting out of school and heading to your local skatepark is now the norm."

SKATE RETAIL

Inside the shop, you'll find skate brands including Anti-Hero, Baker, Birdhouse, Deathwish, Girl, GX1000, Krooked, Meow, Powell Peralta, Thrasher, Thunder, Spitfire and more. Plus a full line of 187 Killer Pads protective gear (knee, elbow, wrist guards and helmets), as well as hats, socks, belts, jewelry, wallets and stickers.

Chris was quick to note that the shop is committed to working with as many local vendors and small businesses as possible. For example: The first run of shop branded t-shirts were made at Studio 4 East in Allegany, shop branded stickers are being produced by Hot Wing Designs of Springville, custom handcrafted leather wallets by Grigs Leather Co. of Olean, and the shop is anxious to receive their first stock of DCT branded skate decks, manufactured by longtime friend Pete Scheira, owner of Jamestown Skate Products.

"My wife's niece is in the jewelry business, and we've commissioned her to create skate-inspired necklaces made out of recycled bearings," Chris said. "We're excited to expand our offerings through local artisans and small businesses, and we invite those who think their products would be a good fit in our shop to contact us."

The service area inside the shop is staffed with a knowledgeable skateboard technician who can assemble your new complete (deck, trucks and wheels purchased separately that need to be put together) or for simpler needs such as tightening or loosening of trucks, hardware replacement, grip tape, etc. DCT shop manager Jake Bellamy can help you choose the right setup based on your skate style and skill level.

"Jake's in the know when it comes to skateboarding," said Chris. "He's a longtime skater with experience. He can help you with just about everything!"

INDOOR PARK

The retail space housed in the front section is only a piece of the puzzle. Walk beyond the racks of clothing and wall of skate decks until you come to a sliding barn-style door (outfitted with skate trucks and wheels for a handle) and you'll find yourself surrounded by quarterpipes, pyramids and rails. DCT's indoor skatepark invites all ages and skill levels to skate, learn and come together. The beginner friendly features are also fun and challenging for experienced skaters, as expressed by many who have already come through the DCT door.

"I'm lucky to have been able to recruit some of the guys that helped build Ellicottville's outdoor park to come and build the indoor here," said Chris. "Ferrari, Melon and Jared busted hump to get the park up and running in record time. They put in a lot of late nights (and screws!) and a lot of custom details including the DCT letter plaque made of pool tiles to tie into the bank-to-wallride with pool coping... and keep a lookout for the puzzle piece as you enter the park."

"Daily City Train" continued page 14

MEET THE ARTISTS

Tri-County Arts Council and Local Rotary Clubs Plan Art Market in Ellicottville



BY MARY WEISER

For some, Labor Day weekend is the unofficial end of summer; the last chance to have a big get-together with family and friends. For others, Labor Day weekend means "new school year eve," a feeling that typically brings more joy to parents than their school-aged children. The first Labor Day came about due to the effort of trade unions and the labor movements around the turn of the 20th century. While the American workforce may look much different today, we still set aside this day to recognize the efforts of hardworking Americans across every industry and trade. This Labor Day weekend, make plans to visit the 1st annual Ellicottville Fine Art and Craft Market to meet local artists and fine craftspeople whose work plays a crucial role in promoting creativity, diversity, and economic growth in their communities.

On Saturday and Sunday, September 2nd and 3rd from 11:00am-5:00pm, the Ellicottville Fine Art and Craft Market will be set up on the lawn of the 1887 Building on the corner of Washington and Jefferson Streets. Tri-County Arts Council Executive Director Paula Bernstein said, "We wanted to try something new in Ellicottville," though the event does have some history in the village. "Fall Festival was originally put together as an art festival. We wanted to bring that back and have this be a juried art festival." All participating artists and craftspeople have been selected for this event, as their work was carefully reviewed by the TCAC. While some artists are TCAC members, others are people in the community whose work the TCAC has come to know and love.

Participating artists and genres include the following:

- Painting – Jud Brown, Robin Zefers Clark, Denise Drummond, Theresa Heinz, Sean Huntington, and Mikel Wintermantel
- Photography – Michael Weishan
- Fiber – Eileen Weishan
- Sculpture – Lisa Conn
- Jewelry – Bonnie Hedden and Kaylee Taylor
- Wood/sculpture – Keith McKale
- Mosaic/Glass – Michelle Hoff
- Pottery – Pam Gifford, Ed Green, and Peter Midgley

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ALLEGANY BEACH PARTY

State Park Invites Families to Celebrate with Live Music and Fun Games



ALLEGANY STATE PARK - Put on your festive Hawaiian shirt, tie up your dancing shoes and practice the limbo because it's time for the Beach Party at Allegany State Park, August 18th. The day kicks off at 3:00pm at the Red House Beach area where Park Naturalists will host an "Ask the Naturalist" program. This family fun event will also offer a variety of fun games and activities like spike ball, kickball, crafts, a sandcastle building contest and limbo.

Music begins at 6:30pm with The Beard & The Bird. Hailing from Ramona, California while part-timing in East Otto, NY, The Beard & The Bird describe their unique sound as a blend of Western Swing, Folk, Jazz and Rockabilly. This talented duo will serenade you with their sweet melodies and captivating harmonies.

At 7:00pm the headlining group, Kody and Herren, will perform. Based in Springville, NY, Kody & Herren are multi-instrumentalists performing on guitar, violin, harmonica, mandolin and more. Nick and Lydia's original material is inspired heavily by roots music and their duets provide a strong chemistry on stage. Vocal harmonies and the overall dynamics of a song are very important to them and they aim to entertain an audience. Enjoy their full band experience for the Beach Party!

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FROM GRAPE TO GLASS

Marquette Vineyard Brings Locally Grown Grapes to Ellicottville; Sample 2021's Harvest at the Winery of Ellicottville

By JESSICA SCHULTZ

At ellicottvilleNOW, we like to take field trips, and last Friday's adventure was not just fun but also informative. Sam Sheehy, owner of the Winery of Ellicottville, along with his son Neven, guided our team on a tour of the Marquette Vineyard. Did you know that there was a vineyard in Ellicottville? We didn't. Let us tell you about it!

Vineyard owner Bob Maranto was excited to share his story with us after we told him we weren't even aware there was such a place here. He said, "Growing up, my family - and in particular my Uncle Dino who was born in Italy - made wine. I started making my own wine about 20 years ago with my father. I've always had an interest in, and a love for, red wine in particular. My love of red wine was further developed by my Uncle Ron Maranto, who is a sommelier. My wife and I purchased approximately 85 acres of land in Ellicottville so that we could build a home there and have a destination for our children and hopefully future grandchildren. (I have one on the way now!) In June of 2019 after speaking to a friend of mine, John Comerford who also grows grapes in the Ellicottville area, I decided to plant approximately 500 vines. During Covid I spent most of my time in Ellicottville, was isolated and bored, and decided to clear enough land to plant an additional 1,850 vines."

All that effort has definitely been fruitful. (See what I did there?) Bob's Marquette strain of grapes are used to create wine (which also goes by the same name) for the Winery of Ellicottville. According to Sam, this will be the third batch of wine he creates from the vineyard's yield since its beginning.

Bob told us, "The initial vineyard was planted on June 23, 2019. John Rosier, the owner of Forevergreens in Springville, was instrumental in getting this project going. We planted the vineyard while my wife was away on a spiritual pilgrimage in Italy. She unfortunately and unexpectedly passed away the next day (June 24, 2019), so she never saw the vineyard. What I call the "old vineyard" is very special to me for that reason. The "new vineyard" was planted in 2020 during Covid. The land was cleared and prepared for planting by Asa Moss, from Moss Construction in Ellicottville. Friends and family helped plant all 1,850 vines while social distancing during a really uncertain time. It is also special to me - just for different reasons. At the present time, all of the grapes that are made into wine, and sold, are done so through the Winery of Ellicottville."

That's a lot of grape vines, but it isn't just the one variety. Bob grows five different grapes. The primary is of course the Marquette, which was first introduced to colder climate vineyards in 2006. It was produced by the University of Minnesota and is the grandchild of Pinot Noir. It was created to withstand up to -30 degrees. He also grows Somerset, Frontenac, Frontenac Gris, and Leon Millot grapes. (The Somerset are very tasty table grapes, meant for eating and not for wine making.)

While Sam walked us through the vineyard to show us each section - from the lowest part (which was the original) all the way to the top of the hill, we soaked in all the information he threw at us and learned what working a vineyard entails.

A typical day at the vineyard starts with a visual inspection to determine if tying or pruning of the vines is necessary. Visual inspection is also performed to determine if there is any type of insect or disease concerns. Grassy areas between the vines are cared for. Insect, weed and/or disease maintenance is performed as necessary. (Bob does much of this work himself with the assistance of Joe Nusbich, who lives full-time here in Ellicottville.)

Since there are multiple varieties of grapes, there are 3 different harvests which are dependent on weather conditions. The first harvest can be as early as late August, and the last harvest as late as mid-October. Harvest time is a party at the house with friends and family. During the winter, winter pruning is performed in order to prepare the vines for the following season. (Bob hires a great team of professional trimmers to trim and balance the vines for the next season.)

The vineyard is beautiful and though it currently is not open to the public, Bob has a lot of plans in mind for its future. He says, "Although not completely solidified as of yet, my hope is to turn the property into a winery. A destination of sorts for people traveling to the Ellicottville area. The winery would have a tasting room, some production on site, outdoor areas to enjoy the beautiful Enchanted Mountains and scenery, and access to the walking trails and wooded areas on the property. Some time ago, I had a wonderful meeting with the Executive Director of the CCIDA, Corey Wiktor, and discussed this plan. I will be submitting some thoughts to the IDA in the next couple of weeks. We will see!"

Bob went on to explain, "When the original vineyard was planted, it was for fun. A hobby. After Covid and the quadrupling of its size, this whole endeavor took an entirely different path. I had no plan and no idea what I would do with all of the grapes. The leap of faith was the hope that something - or someone - would come along at some point to guide me. That happened. I can't stress enough how a chance introduction to Sam Sheehy from the Winery of Ellicottville changed everything for me. Sam's experience working in vineyards, and the advice that he provides, has been invaluable to me. Sam is also an extremely gifted vintner whose expertise in making wine seems to be expanding daily. I am so grateful to have met him and his beautiful family. This relationship has changed everything for me and the vineyard, and I am excited to see what the future will bring."

Sam is most certainly a talented individual. He explained the process of harvesting, pressing and winemaking said vineyard grapes. (Did you know that the sanitization in their winemaking process is achieved using alcohol? Or that most of the wines offered at the Winery are crafted for balance and drinkability, often resulting in wines with a lower alcohol content? Perfect for an afternoon glass... or two.)

As a matter of fact, we ended our day downtown at the Winery of Ellicottville with a sampling of 2021's Marquette Vintage, and it was a delightfully dry, fruit forward wine. It was amazing to learn the story of grape to glass. Sam is full of information on all the processes of winemaking, variety of wine, and what best to pair certain wines with. Fun fact: The color of wine is achieved from the grape skins!

So keep your eye out for news on the Marquette Vineyard; we're sure you'll be hearing more about it soon! In the meantime, stop into the Winery of Ellicottville and enjoy yourself a glass of your preferred flavor. Order up a charcuterie board, sit out on their upstairs patio and have a delightful afternoon!

More information on the Winery of Ellicottville can be found on their Facebook page or website, www.wineryofellicottville.com.



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PHOTO REWIND

Another Delicious Taste of Ellicottville in the Books!

Last weekend (August 12-13th) the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce hosted its tastiest event of the year! Twenty restaurants set up cafe-style on the streets and sidewalks to serve up close to 100 unique and delicious small bites with big flavors. From pizza at Monroe Street Brick & Brew to Shepherd's Pie at Ellicottville Brewing Co., there was something to tantalize anyone's taste buds. Newcomers Hidalgo Grill featured chicken flautas and 12 Gates offered a brisket slider with bacon jam. So many excellent items that we just can't list them all, but we can say the weather was lovely, the food was astonishing and the crowds were happy and full!

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PROFILE

MARY ELIZABETH DUNBAR

Town Historian, Now a Georgia Peach of a Gal

By CAROL FISHER-LINN



Ellicottville has a way of attracting people of all walks of life. Back in our formative years we were host to many individuals who went on to make their mark in the larger world. Curious, I Googled to find information about our community ancestors and came across this bit from a website of a chalet rental site in Ellicottville: "Have you heard about Chat GPT? If not, it's an AI (artificial intelligence) app. It writes content. We thought we'd give it a try. We asked it who are the most famous people from Ellicottville..." Take it from me, Chat GPT is not worth its salt. It mentions 4 people - 3 of whom are not even remotely connected, and John Elliot who surveyed the area and for whom the town is named. Mary Elizabeth Dunbar would have felt supremely vindicated since she was famously known for her resistance to computers and all things technical.

Not a native Ellicottvillian, Mary Elizabeth grew up in Little Valley on 8th Street, then 4th, the oldest of four sisters, Susan and Sally (both deceased), and Betsy who lives with her husband, Carl on Jekyll Island, Georgia. She often spoke about memories of the now Gramco Mill in Little Valley. In her era, it was the James H. Gray Milling Company where both her grandfather, Emmons Burdette Dunbar and father, William Henry Dunbar were employed as managers. In high school and one summer on college break, Mary worked at the mill. That mill was partially burned, then rebuilt and eventually became Gramco, where her father worked until his retirement. Her mom was a schoolteacher, which likely imbedded in Mary her unique inquisitiveness about people and places from years gone by. That, and her great-grandfather, William Dunbar, fought in the Shenandoah Campaign of the Civil War and mustered out in 1865, living out his years in Cattaraugus County until his passing in 1914.

Mary got her education at the University of Maryland at College Park (Bachelor's Degree) and North Carolina State in Raleigh (Master's). She never married; she lived at home for a while after getting her Ellicottville job, then moved first to an apartment on Elizabeth Street then finally bought her home on Donlen Drive, where she resided ever since until her recent move to Georgia. Her work at the Cooperative Extension in the 4-H department gave her great satisfaction and touched many lives. She served as Training

Leader for Youth Development and influenced the development of many young people in our community. In 1994, Mary was honored with the 4-H distinguished service award in recognition of outstanding contributions to 4-H. In fact, if you visited the Cattaraugus County Fair this year and browsed through the poultry building, you were actually in the building named for Mary Elizabeth Dunbar.

Mary has a love for all things history. She was a member of several historical associations in the area and was on the board of the Ellicottville Historical Society and the Cattaraugus County Museum in Machias. She served as both Town and Village Historian for Ellicottville for decades. Along with those affiliations, she worked with the Seneca Nation on resettlement issues, and she also served on the Arboretum Committee. Another of her lasting contributions was her work with several other county historians on the Advisory Council for the County Bicentennial History book. Her departure to a well-earned life of retirement leaves many empty spaces. And likely many families who thought they might still count on the generosity of her time when asked to help research their own family genealogies, which she did willingly, for many.

In her spare time, Mary liked to travel across America and the world. She has visited places like Alaska, China, Russia, and Egypt. On her last big trip to Peru, she unfortunately fell and had to fly a circuitous route home to receive needed medical care and to rehabilitate. Fortunately, she was able to enjoy Peru vicariously through Judy Brown who shared her photos of her own trip to Peru.

Now at 85, Mary is one tough lady. She has battled several times with cancer and always had the lifelong struggle with osteoporosis that somehow never kept her down or held her back. Her vitality, her love of Ellicottville and the rich history of our county and surrounding communities, her love of sharing all she knew with everyone, particularly children, was a gift to this community for as long as she was able to share it with us. Mary, if you are reading this, you are truly missed.

This article would not have been possible without the information this writer was given by Otto Reinhart who instigated it, and Judy Brown who did some of the research on the life of Mary Elizabeth Dunbar. Sincere thanks go out to Judy and Otto.

Mary Elizabeth enjoys cards and notes from people she has known over the years. Why not drop her a note? Mary Elizabeth Dunbar, Magnolia Manor, 2255 Frederica Rd., St. Simons Island, Ga 31523.



ARTS & CRAFTS MARKET

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Bernstein said that interested artists and craftspeople can still apply to be part of the event. Contact Sean Huntington, TCAC Exhibitions Coordinator & Media Development, at sdhuntingtonartscouncil@gmail.com.

The event is a collaboration between the TCAC, the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce, and the Rotary Club of Ellicottville. Bernstein, who is president of the Olean Rotary Club and the new assistant area governor of the Olean and Ellicottville Rotary clubs, was inspired to bring the three organizations together for this new event. "When we came up with this idea at the TCAC, I just thought it would be so wonderful to have the Rotary onboard," she said. "It's important to have the community behind the event, and it's always nice to have 'boots on the ground,' in the Rotarians."

John Weismantel, Rotary Club of Ellicottville president, was thrilled with the idea and very receptive to Bernstein's proposal that the organizations work together. "We work really closely with the Rotary Club of Olean," he said. "They've been really supportive of the events we've done, like the Tuscan Moon event, and we support their annual golf outing. We're the only rotary clubs in Cattaraugus County, so we work together quite a bit."



Weismantel, former assistant area governor, explained that Rotarians will be providing overnight security for all of the vendor booths from Saturday night into Sunday morning. Throughout the weekend, the Rotary Club will also have an informational booth set up and will be selling concessions, including hot dogs, soda, water and more. "With this being a first-time event, we're hopeful to build on this," he said. "Ellicottville is the perfect venue for an event like this. I encourage everyone to come out and give their support to the arts council and the participating artists."

Bernstein is excited for the event to showcase the range of talent in the tri-county region (Allegany, Cattaraugus, and Chautauqua counties). "We have so many talented artists and craftspeople, and this event gives us that 100% visibility to every person who will be there that weekend so we can showcase the absolute creative beauty that we have in this region," she said. "I'm hoping to have this become a stand-alone event in Ellicottville, just like Ellicottville has so many other weekends of annual events, like Jazz & Blues and The Taste, which just finished. We would like to grow into something like that for Labor Day weekend to become part of the community of Ellicottville."

There is no charge to attend the Ellicottville Fine Art and Craft Market, and the event will be held rain or shine, as participants will be prepared with tents. To participate, become a sponsor, or learn more about the event, visit <https://www.tricountyartscouncil.org/ellicottville-fine-arts/>.

CRAM THE VANS

Directions in Independent Living School Supplies Drive Running Through August



By JESSICA SCHULTZ

If you're a parent, you know the struggles of back-to-school season. From new clothes to all the little things required for the classroom... it gets expensive. Especially for families that might already find it challenging to make ends meet. Directions in Independent Living of Olean, NY understands this situation perfectly. Which is why, for the 2nd year in a row, they are hosting their annual "Cram the Vans" School Supplies Drive.

From August 8th-30th, anyone feeling generous can stop in at 512 West State Street or 2626 West State Street (Suite 202 or 208) between 9:00am-3:00pm and donate backpacks, crayons, pencils, colored pencils, notebooks, tissues, hand sanitizer, etc. Even snacks like granola bars, gummies and the like are also appreciated.

Speaking with Keith Adkins, Agency Development Director of DIL, he said, "When we started this drive three years ago, the goal was really to help the people in our community who were struggling during a very difficult time make sure that their kids had everything they needed to succeed in school. I'm a father of nine kids myself and I know that the expenses for education can be high."

The event has been an amazing success each year. Last year there were so many items donated that every school on the list was amply supplied. They also received quite a few monetary donations which were applied towards snacks for students on field trips.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: PLANNING BOARD: VILLAGE OF ELLICOTTVILLE, NEW YORK: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Board for the Village of Ellicottville will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 5:30 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at the Ellicottville Town Center, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731, to consider an application by Jolie and Damon Newpher for the expansion of a residential building. The subject property is located at 2 Jefferson Street, designated as tax map section 55.034-1-4.10. Application materials are available for review on the Village website: <https://www.ellicottvillegov.com/village-planning-board-meetings.html>. Hard copies of the application materials are available for review in the Engineering Department, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731. The Planning Board will take statements at the meeting from all persons interested in the project. Written comments can be mailed to the Village of Ellicottville Planning Board, 1 West Washington Street, P.O. Box 475, Ellicottville, New York 14731, dropped off in person to the same address, or emailed to the Village Planner, greg.keyser@evlengineering.com. Written comments must be received by Tuesday, September 12, 2023 to be included in the public record.

LLC NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Courtney Ingham LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/21/23. Office: Catt County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 4457 Pumpkin Hollow Rd., Great Valley, NY 14741. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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GRIFFIS SCULPTURE PARK FESTIVAL

EAST OTTO - Griffis Sculpture Park will host their 10th annual Summer Festival on Sunday, August 20 from noon-6:00pm. It's a day filled with music, creativity, exploration, food, beer & wine, and much more, all in a beautiful, natural setting filled with larger-than-life art!

Headlining this year's event is Jim Donovan & Sun King Warriors from Pittsburgh. The band is best described as a blend of rhythm heavy roots rock with a strong dose of big barreling drums. Jim is an original member of Rusted Root and co-author of their mega hit, "Send Me on My Way." Other bands on the bill include Buffalo's beloved PA Line, Griffin Brady and Sly Boots Circus, and Olean's Isaac Spaeth & Friends. Solo artists Ruby from Buffalo and Mikee Strongmen from Silver Creek will open the festival with separate performances.

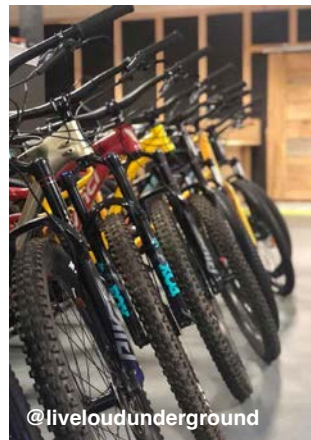
The event also features a vendor village, kid's crafts area, food stands, and beer & wine service. This event is a major fundraiser for the park. The Griffis Sculpture Park stage is located at the top of the Mill Valley Road section of the park. Patrons are allowed to bring chairs and coolers. There will be a shuttle available to take you to the top. Griffis Sculpture Park is owned and operated by the Ashford Hollow Foundation, which also owns the Essex Arts Center in Buffalo, NY. The mission of the Ashford Hollow Foundation is to promote the visual and performing arts as well as construct a dynamic relationship between the arts and education in Western New York to better its young people and the greater community. For more information on the park and their upcoming Summer Festival, go to griffissculpturepark.org.

DAILY CITY TRAIN

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Admission to DCT's indoor park is \$10 all day, and a lounge area complete with couches and TV streaming skate videos welcomes park users when they need a break.

Chris expressed his excitement to introduce annual and seasonal membership options, skate lessons, and after-school programming in the near future. "We're finalizing our membership and program details this week, and we're looking forward to offering one-on-one coaching and group lessons soon. We're also planning to offer skateboard rentals, as we've had a handful of requests already from visitors who, for example, traveled up here from out-of-state but didn't want to pack their skateboard on a plane. Or for the kid that's interested in trying skateboarding for the first time but mom or dad doesn't want to invest in a complete right away."

MOUNTAIN BIKES, TOO?

Yes, Daily City Train is a skateshop. But customers entering the 2 Bristol Lane location will also notice a line of mountain bikes, snowboards and bike/board apparel in the shop as well. That's because the space also houses another business, Loud Underground. Previously located in the basement of Adventure Bound on Ellicottville's main drag, Loud Underground owner Dee Dippel jumped at the opportunity to move 'above ground' when Chris was looking for a way to help fill the space.

"As the Parks manager at HoliMont, I've worked alongside Dee over the past couple summers at HoliMont's Bike Park, where his team sets up their bike service trailer each weekend for mountain bikers," said Chris. "DCT's location is a really big space, and he was looking to move, so everything just lined up. Plus, it makes sense to team up. We both have a similar vision when it comes to pushing for action sports in our area. It just works!"

Loud Underground carries full suspension mountain bikes, gravel grinders, BMX and E-bikes for sale plus parts and accessories, and their service department can handle any bike repair or tune-up. Known as the area's Kona, Specialized and Rocky Mountain dealer, Loud recently announced the addition of Santa Cruz, Juliana and Reserve to their fleet.

GRAND OPENING EVENT

This Saturday, August 19th, Daily City Train and Loud Underground invite everyone to help them celebrate their new space during a special ALL-DAY Grand Opening event, complete with skateboarding, biking, contests, prizes, raffles, giveaways and free food - including cake! The DCT Team and the Loud Crew have rallied together to make the celebration an exciting showcase of boards and bikes. All are welcome.

"We've organized some really fun contests and special park sessions throughout the day so that everyone that wants to, has a chance to skate or bike without feeling intimidated or overcrowded," explained Chris. "We'll kick everything off at noon and will keep it going all day and into the night!"

A Kids park session will run from 1:00-2:00pm, a Roller (Quad) Skate session and demo will run from 3:00-4:00pm followed by a number of skate contests, and Bike Power Hour will go from 6:00-7:00pm. Quad skating, which continues to grow in popularity, will have a strong presence at the Grand Opening, thanks to special guest Kid Ace, who will be on-site repping her business, Rustbelt Roller Skates.

"Ace has a really strong following in the roller skating community, and we're excited to bring her to DCT to showcase how rad roller skating is," said Chris.

Kid Ace, the creator of Yoga for Skaters, has over 12 years of experience in the fields of yoga, personal training, and health coaching. She's taken these passions and combined them with the sport of roller skating to create a unique vibe that feels good, is good for you, and is attracting women, girls and boys of all ages. Her shop, Rustbelt Roller Skates, is based out of Jamestown Skate Products, Jamestown, NY. Follow @rustbelt_rollerskates and @kid_ace on IG, then come to the Grand Opening and meet the roller skating yoga queen herself... and maybe even find the perfect pair of skates for your feet!

Another big draw for Saturday's Grand Opening event is the list of raffle items up for grabs. Daily City Train will give away a skateboard complete and a one-year membership to the DCT park. Loud Underground is ready to raffle off a brand new Kink Kurb BMX bike. And remember the Grand Opening event for Ellicottville's outdoor skatepark that was held June 30th? Special guests from The Skatepark Project (aka Tony Hawk Foundation) signed a number of SK8EVL produced skatedecks, including Tony Hawk's brother, Steve, and Mary Wilson herself. The DCT Team will be raffling off one of those decks as well!

"Raffle tickets for these items will only be available for purchase at the shop on the day of our Grand Opening party," said Chris. "So it's important that you come down and get your tickets for your chance to win! You don't have to be present to win, but you have to be present to purchase your tickets to win. And we're excited to announce that a portion of the proceeds from the raffles will be donated to Phase II construction of Ellicottville's outdoor skatepark."

The raffle drawing is expected to take place live on IG at 8:30pm, with the event ending at 9:00pm.

For additional information about Daily City Train and Loud Underground, follow them on IG: @dailycitytrain.skate @liveloudunderground.

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Itvwithnavydude: The Taste of Ellicottville is another great street fest in our small village. Had to make sure we got Watson's Rice Pudding. (They always sell out fast.) #evlnow #tasteofevl #ellicottvillenow



holidayvalley: The smiles say it all. Getting ready for a weekend of fun out on the Double Black Diamond. #getoutside #golfing #evlnow



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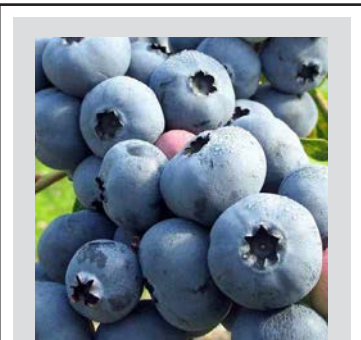
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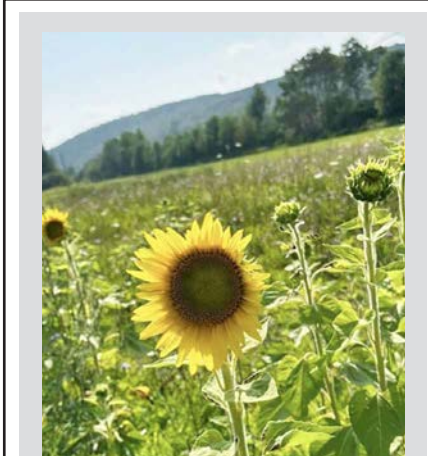
theteebar: What good taste we have! We celebrated the Taste of Ellicottville here last weekend, with some seriously cool treats!



hiyfarm: Moody skies at Hi-Y Farm to kick off the 2023 Hemp Fiber Harvest. #westernny #newyorkhemp #ellicottvillenow #familyfarm



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Grand Opening

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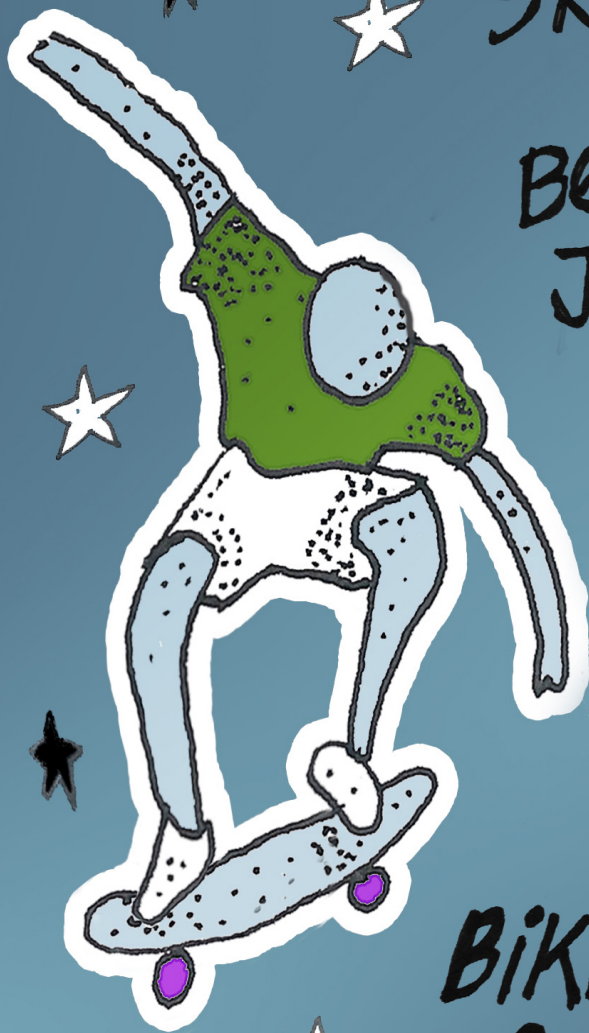
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