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A Tradition That Has Been Making Hearts Sing and Engines Roar for Over 20 Years Rolls Into Ellicottville This Weekend



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SENECA IROQUOIS MUSEUM HOSTS BEADWORK EXHIBIT

When I was younger, my mother's friend made me a beautiful pair of beaded earrings that I still keep in a case in my bedroom. They are delicate pieces of work that were painstakingly strung in a waterfall pattern with tiny little seed beads. I remember being in awe of the creation, and to this day, I still appreciate so much hard work for something that seems so small.

Beadwork is truly an art, and the Seneca-Iroquois National Museum (housed at the Onöhsagwé:de' Cultural Center, 82 W. Hetzel Street in Salamanca, NY) is planning an exhibition to celebrate just that. "Here, Now, and Always: Haudenosaunee Beadwork" will open on September 23rd from 10:00am-4:00pm. [ellicottvilleNOW](http://ellicottvilleNOW.com) took the opportunity to discuss the event with Cultural Center Director Hayden Haynes.

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RATCHET HATCHET SET TO OPEN NEW LOCATION THIS MONTH!

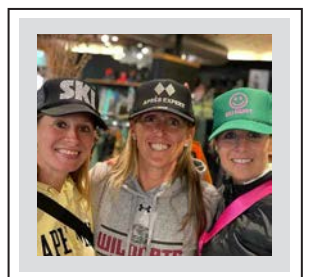
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By JESSICA SCHULTZ

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Suzy's vision: a holistic wellness community center, with on-site lodging, healthy menu chefs, seed-to-table farming, a self-contained ecosystem, a library/resource department, multiple offices for practitioners of varying disciplines and more.

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RESTORATION PROJECT: ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Publisher's PICK

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

G Wilbur Northrup Building Endowment Fund Supports Recent Restoration Efforts



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By COLLEEN EVANS

Saint John's Episcopal Church has been a long-standing staple of the historic Four Corners of Ellicottville, NY. A true testament of the commitment and faith a community holds, and in return it reminds us of the rich history held within its walls.

A congregation of settlers established the church in 1829, the first of their denomination in the area. It was then built in 1834 on one of the corners of Washington St. and Jefferson St., a Gothic Revival church unique to the area. Inside and out, you'll always find yourself something new to admire, from the fine detail in the pew doors, to the towering bell tower.

One of the most notable features of the church is "Gabriel", a bell, purchased for \$125 by subscription and cast in Malaga, Spain in 1708. The bell originally was part of a monastery until a fire where it switched hands, was sold, resold, then finally found its way to its final home at St. John's Episcopal Church by two oxen and wagon making the delivery in 1838.

Gabriel is said to be the oldest working church bell in New York and possibly the United States at 315 years old.

The church is true to its original state, without addition or tear down. The belfry, which is the bell tower that holds Gabriel, draws your eyes up to the exterior details throughout. A masterpiece in design and built entirely of wood, St. John's features detailed finials and spires on the rooftop. The classically white painted facade is an original characteristic of the church, almost as if it were a bright beacon of faith on a sunny day or a quiet reminder of a calm, snowy night.

Onlookers often stop and stare at the wonder the building holds. Within the interior of the church is where you'll find some interesting characteristics. An obviously uncommon feature is the double aisle, opposed to single centered. You'll also notice doors at the ends of the pews with fine detail of the generations before. As a member of the congregation, Amy DeTine had stated that "the historic nature of the church is truly something to be enjoyed, and rightfully so." She continues, "We still have an organist that plays for us and that's a piece of history in itself, along with another one that was originally used in the church and is still onsite." There prove to be plenty of relics to admire whether you're in a service or exploring the architecture.

The extensive history of St. John's Church has put it in favorable position, recognized and loved by members and the community alike. In the true fashion of the Village of Ellicottville, the church is regarded as a prized piece of history and thankfully many work diligently to keep it that way. The G Wilbur Northrup Building Endowment Fund for St. John's Episcopal Church was generously founded in January of 1978 after his passing, by his son John Northrup, and Dave Eldredge. With this funding they were just recently able to complete a costly renovation to keep up the integrity of the building, nearing \$100,000.



Under the direction and funding of The G Wilbur Northrup Building Endowment Fund, Aldrich Painting applied a fresh coat of paint to the entirety of the church. They worked with local companies including Fitzpatrick and Weller to repair, restore, and replace lumber where needed while matching the detail of the structure. Also included in the restoration was Mazza Sheet Metal of Olean, who added aluminum to the spires to better hold for future weathering. Additional projects by Carpentry by Gerry Musall and his crew were completed throughout the building to finish up some much-needed cosmetic touches.

John Northrup explained the need for restorations on a building having been built "in the early 1800s and try to restore it so that it'll continue to be a beautiful building on the four corners of Ellicottville" and a lot goes into that. Not often do you see wooden churches nearing their 200th year. Many have caught fire or have faced irreputable damage before

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LOCAL EVENTS

ROCK N' ROLL IN EVL

A Music and Car Extravaganza Hits the Streets of Ellicottville This Weekend!



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HIGHLIGHT PERFORMANCES YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS:

- Saturday, 1:00pm - "Queen City" Tribute to Queen: Get ready to be transported back to the heyday of Freddie Mercury and Queen's legendary performances. The outdoor live show promises an unforgettable experience for music aficionados of all ages.
- Sunday, 12:00pm - Ms. EVL Rock n' Roll Pinup Contest at the Gazebo: A pageant where women show off their vintage style, hosted by Alicia Pearl of Ava Grace Fashions. It's designed to help women feel good about themselves and feel celebrated.
- Sunday, 1:30pm - Terry Buchwald's Elvis Show: It's time to put on your blue suede shoes and enjoy a blast from the past with Terry Buchwald's sensational Elvis tribute. From hip-swiveling classics to iconic ballads, this performance is bound to have the crowd all shaken up.



CLASSIC CARS AND TRUCKS: While the music is sure to get your heart pumping, Rock N' Roll Weekend offers more than just tunes. On Sunday, car enthusiasts will be treated to a gleaming display of over 250 vehicles during the annual car and truck show. The Village Streets will be transformed into a vibrant showcase of classic and custom automobiles, spanning eras and styles. From vintage classics to roaring trucks, every corner you turn will reveal a unique automotive gem.

COMMUNITY TRADITION: For over two decades, the Rock N' Roll Weekend has been etched into the cultural fabric of Ellicottville. Locals and visitors eagerly anticipate this event as the beginning of the autumn season, a time when families, friends, and music lovers unite for a weekend of unparalleled entertainment. As the music fills the air and the streets come alive with the energy of the crowd, it's easy to see why this event has stood the test of time.

IMMERSE YOURSELF IN ELLICOTTVILLE: As you enjoy the music and marvel at the automotive beauties on display, take a moment to soak in the unique charm of Ellicottville. With a four-block radius boasting an array of delightful dining experiences, charming boutiques and inviting shops, there's something for everyone. Whether you're indulging in gourmet treats, shopping for one-of-a-kind treasures, or simply strolling through the streets, the atmosphere is sure to captivate you. And why not make your visit an overnight stay? Ellicottville has a number of accommodations from cozy hotel rooms and airbnbs to spacious condominiums and roomy chalets.

So, mark your calendars and get ready for a rockin' good time at the Rock N' Roll Weekend in Ellicottville, NY. This perfect blend of music, classic cars, and community spirit promises a fall weekend you won't soon forget. Join the celebration and be part of the tradition that has been making hearts sing and engines roar for over 20 years. For additional information on this year's Rock N' Roll Weekend and other events produced by the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce, go to ellicottvillenyc.com.

LACROSSE FESTIVAL

Forty Teams Expected to Compete in Ellicottville Sept. 23-24



BY MARY WEISER

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President and owner of Powell Lacrosse Ryan Powell is eager to return to Ellicottville to host the weekend-long tournament, which is open to youth and adults. Powell is originally from Carthage, New York (near Watertown) and spent 10 years living in Oregon, where he played lacrosse professionally. Now, he's proud to call Syracuse "home" and has hosted many different tournaments throughout the region.

"After a youth tournament in Rochester, Mike Riordan and I sat down for a beer, and he said he wanted to do a tournament with me," Powell recalled. "Mike rides through Ellicottville on his bike all the time, and said it'd be a great place. As soon as I went there, I was sold on the location right away! The Chamber of Commerce has been great to work with!"

Now, six years later, the tournament is still an annual event that occupies the third weekend in September, and Powell is looking forward to welcoming teams to the Ellicottville Village Park and the Chamber Fields at Holiday Valley. "We're expecting 40 teams this year," Powell explained. "People travel from all over - Toronto, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and all over New York, including Buffalo, Rochester and Syracuse."

Interested in participating? Register a team in any of the following divisions: Boys Youth Grades 5/6, Boys Youth Grades 7/8, High School JV Grades 9/10, High School

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NATURE PRINTS ON DISPLAY

Ink and Watercolor Exhibit by Molly Magnotto Showcased at Ellicottville Library

ELLCOTTVILLE - Molly Magnotto is currently showcasing her ink and watercolor illustrations at the Ellicottville Memorial Library, 6499 Maples Road, through November. This delightful exhibition was inspired by the Autumn season in Ellicottville - a representation of the simple beauty of the area.

Molly finds her inspiration in nature and music. She is an avid observer of all things and open to many active endeavors. She is originally from Cleveland, lived many years in Chicago, and settled back in the WNY area in 2010 after starting a family. She has a BFA from the University of Dayton with a concentration in Illustration. Molly now resides in the city of Buffalo with her family and two black labradors. She has spent many winters in Ellicottville watching her girls grow into beautiful skiers.



Molly does ink and watercolor house portraits on a commission basis. She also has a growing assortment of illustrative pieces. Her work has been sold at a variety of art fairs and has been published by Watson's Chocolates on their seasonal candy boxes. While not making art, you can find Molly traveling, listening to live music, and enjoying her friends and family. Follow her on IG @mollygraydesign.

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READY TO THROW?

The Ratchet Hatchet Sets Date to Re-open in New Location



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By JESSICA SCHULTZ

Hope you've been working on your arm strength over the summer... you're going to need it for axe throwing. The Ratchet Hatchet is making a comeback in Ellicottville - bigger and better than ever with their brand new location! Everyone is invited to attend their Grand Re-Opening Celebration on Friday, September 29th at 5 E. Washington Street (in the plaza next to Kwik Fill). Doors will open at 5:00pm.

Owner Nate Woodruff gave ellicottvilleNOW the scoop on the situation, why they chose to move, what the food menu will look like and what the larger size venue means for the business.

"With not having the option to renew the lease on short notice and the continued business from our patrons, it was the perfect time to grow into a larger space that was more functional for The Ratchet Hatchet," Nate said about their move. "The new location will allow us to now be able to offer a more unique experience to patrons, both locals and those that are visiting Ellicottville. The location is separated into two areas: one that features the bar with small table side seating, and the other offering axe throwing ranges. In addition, there are a few things that we will be gaining at the new location that we are pretty excited about. The new location will feature an outdoor patio and customer parking that we feel will enhance our customers' experiences."

Does this mean the range itself will be larger? Indeed it does. "The new location will offer a total of 4 ranges - three of those ranges will be double targets and the other being a single target. Two of those double ranges will have more of a private feel to the axe throwing experience," explained Nate.

Cost of axe throwing will vary depending on group size. Customers will have the choice between a 30-minute session, 60-minute session, or a 90-minute session depending on the size of the group. The 30-minute session will be \$25/person, the 60-minute will be \$45/person, and the 90-minute will be \$65/person. The Ratchet Hatchet also plans to offer special packages for both small and large groups that feature items that are included with the axe throwing experience.

"Also, with having a larger space that's more unique to our business, we will be able to showcase a menu that's catered to The Ratchet Hatchet," said Nate. "We will be offering

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PULSE OF THE COMMUNITY

Rotary Clubs Team Up with UAHS to Plan Gala Fundraiser

ELLICOTTVILLE - In times like this, "Service Above Self" is more important than ever. To further help them achieve that motto, the Rotary Clubs of Ellicottville and Olean are hosting an online and live silent basket auction in conjunction with the Upper Allegheny Health System. "Pulse of the Community Gala" will take place later this month, and all are encouraged to participate.

The basket auction will begin online Tuesday, September 19th and will end with a live silent auction on Friday evening, September 22nd in the Main Lodge at the base of Holiday Valley. Keep an eye out on social media for the link!

Baskets to be auctioned include high-ticket items such as Buffalo Sabres tickets with hotel accommodations and dinner at a Buffalo restaurant, an Alex Tuch autographed hockey stick, golf passes for Springville Country Club, Pennhills Country Club and Holiday Valley Double Black Diamond Golf Course.

Additionally, VIP Passes for the Ellicottville Summer Music Festival 2024, Delta round trip airfare in Comfort Plus, spa, hairstyling, restaurant and other business gift card packages from the many generous local establishments will be auctioned off. There will be overnight accommodations packages to several of the beautiful establishments in the village, a membership to the new Cygaro Cigar Club and Lounge and much more. This is a great opportunity to get some holiday shopping done while supporting such a worthy organization as the Rotary and the many causes it supports. Proceeds from this event will be used by the Rotary Clubs in furtherance of their missions of service to the local community.

A VISION OF WELLNESS

Good for the Spirit Gifts Celebrates 2nd Year in Ellicottville; Announces Expansion



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By JESSICA SCHULTZ

Ellicottville is full of wonderful, eclectic shops, unique decor and lovely clothing, but it was missing a metaphysical touch. That is, until Good for the Spirit Gifts opened their doors in 2021 at 11 Martha Street. They brought with them crystals of all kinds, for all purposes, sound bathing, ornate jewelry, dreamcatchers and so much more. Owner Rev. Suzy Woo, B.Msc and her team are proud of what they've accomplished thus far and have big plans for the future.

Suzy feels that the strongest accomplishment they've made over the time they've been open is getting on the map. "People search for crystal shops and the shop shows up. People search for a healer or a psychic and I show up. We don't have the budget for billboards; we are growing organically and it's been slow and but steady."

Over their time in Ellicottville, their team has become solid. "I love my team," said Suzy. "Both of my girls have been with me over a year now. Dawn very quickly moved up and has moved into the role of store manager. She handles most of the day-to-day operations, which gives me the freedom to conduct my off-site events like the Lion's Gate retreat, festivals and so forth. Renee is our social media manager. She crushes it with gorgeous, colorful, creative, visually appealing and wonderfully inviting posts. Both are terrific at helping our customers find just what they are looking for. They are both Virgos; they keep everything nice and organized, clean and tidy. I love them."

And it's a good thing Dawn and Renee can handle the shop on a day-to-day basis because Suzy herself has been very busy. "September 1, 2023 brought me one of the biggest business milestones to date. I received a double M/WBE Certification from New York State. I'm listed in a state directory qualifying me to land contracts with various levels of the government for holistic counseling, individual and family social services, self-help and religious services. It's a really big deal because I want to educate the world about consciousness medicine and quantum mechanics, which is what I practice as an energy medicine practitioner."

Prior to that, at the end of June Suzy received her Mindvalley Life Coaching Certification. "I'm getting ready to release a 'Breakthrough Bundle' - a package deal which combines coaching and energy work," she said. "I've been testing it out with clients and it is producing mind-blowing, life-changing results. For example, these clients are having epiphanies revealing purpose, getting out of long-term, unhealthy relationships, creating healthy boundaries, and experiencing breakthroughs of a lifetime. Even chronic health conditions are greatly minimized or dissolved completely!

GROWING THE HOLISTIC COMMUNITY

Good for the Spirit Gifts is an amazing place, not just as a shop but as a destination for peace of mind. Things are looking bright and Suzy and her team are looking to make big changes in the near future. As she explains, growth has been something that is a constant, but she does have an end goal. Her vision: a holistic wellness community center, with on-site lodging, healthy menu chefs, seed-to-table farming, a self-contained ecosystem, a library/resource department, an observatory, labyrinth, chapel (she is a wedding officiant), with multiple offices for practitioners of varying disciplines.

"This would give the healers that just graduated my certification course their own office to practice and grow their own business," Suzy said. "We will have practitioners and classes to include yoga, exercise, physique training, creative arts, therapy art, self-development, family holistic counseling, intuitive training, coaching, nutrition, and self-care, with a strong focus on self-value, community and contribution.

"It is the next logical step in our growth. I have hit my ceiling as far as my square footage goes. It's heartbreaking to know there are tens of thousands of dollars of therapy equipment that is sitting, unable to be used, because I've run out of space in my current location. Now that I have the M/WBE Certification, I intend to complete the business plan and impact statement so all this wonderful equipment and resources can be utilized; and work with the three counties to see what kinds of incentives and possible grants we might be eligible for. I would love to add an education component and partner with a college to measure the impact of consciousness medicine, quantum medicine, and the importance of grounding, eating natural foods, consuming living water, having a sense of purpose as well as community/oneness."

Suzy has been holding retreats since 2019 and as she describes, "it's exhaustive in every

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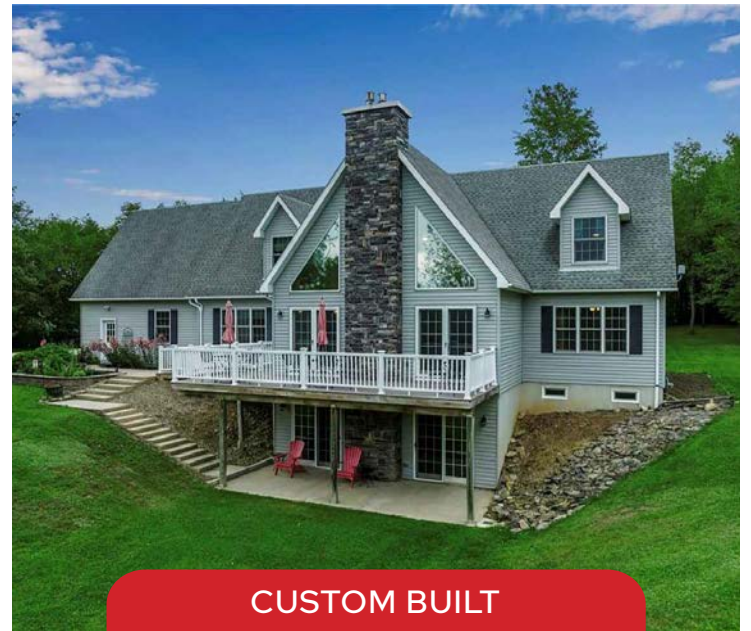
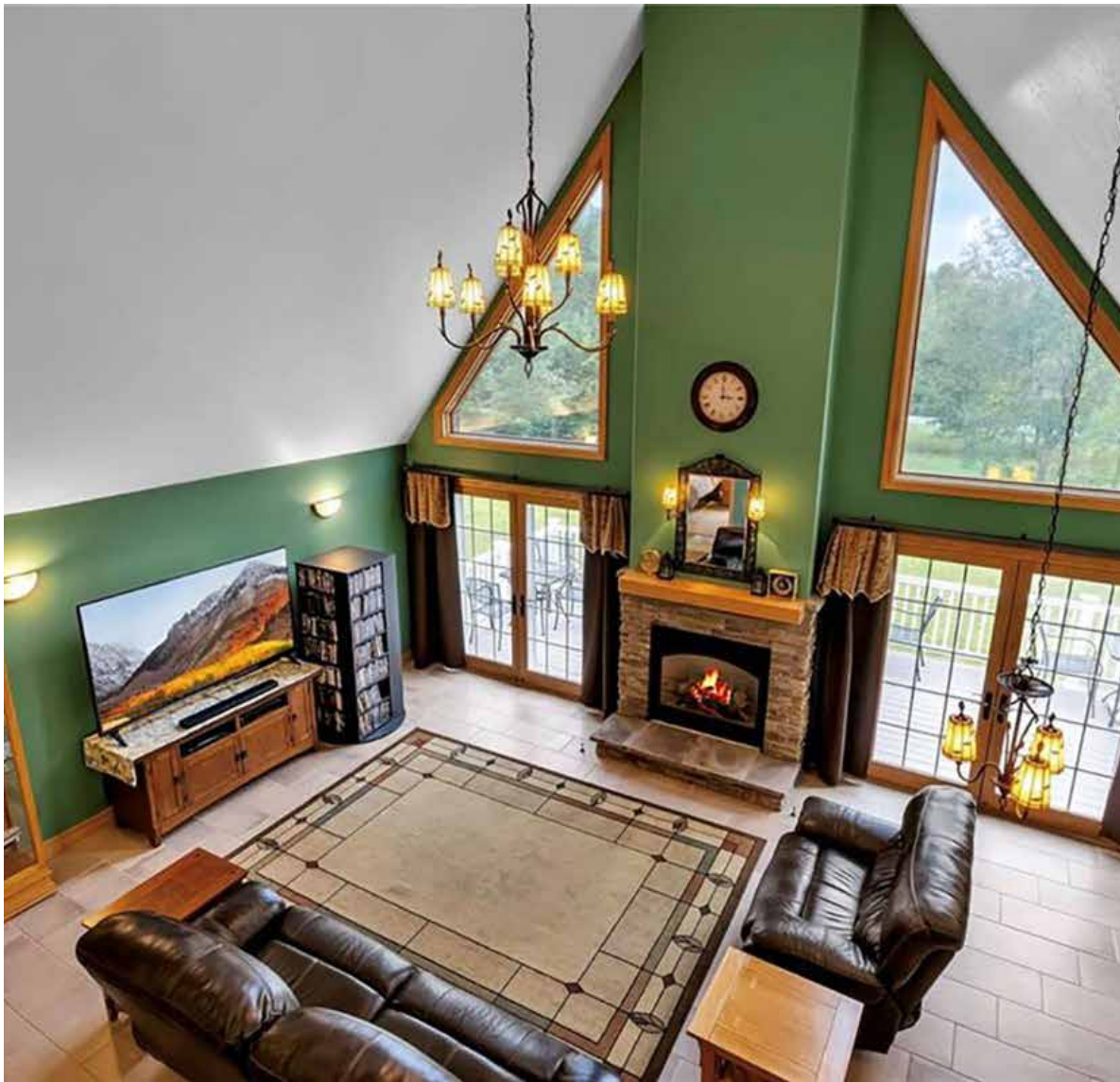
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Onóhsagwé:de' Center to Host Opening Exhibit of Haudenosaunee Beadwork



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By JESSICA SCHULTZ

When I was younger, my mother's friend made me a beautiful pair of beaded earrings that I still keep in a case in my bedroom. They are delicate pieces of work that were painstakingly strung in a waterfall pattern with tiny little seed beads. I remember being in awe of the creation, and to this day, I still appreciate so much hard work for something that seems so small.

Beadwork is truly an art, and the Seneca-Iroquois National Museum (housed at the Onóhsagwé:de' Cultural Center, 82 W. Hetzel Street in Salamanca, NY) is planning an exhibition to celebrate just that. “Here, Now, and Always: Haudenosaunee Beadwork” will open on September 23rd from 10:00am-4:00pm. ellicottvilleNOW took the opportunity to discuss the event with Cultural Center Director Hayden Haynes.

eNOW: The newest exhibition really details the traditional art of beadwork. What prompted this exhibit's creation?

HAYDEN: Since the beginning of this year, our vision of the Center is to put more emphasis on highlighting our collections. Beadwork has become a traditional art that we have a large amount of and it also made sense to highlight it now as the International Iroquois Beadwork Conference is being held at the Allegany Administrative building right next door, on the same weekend.

eNOW: Could you give us a little history on the art of Haudenosaunee beadwork?

HAYDEN: It's a form of self-expression at heart - the forms and motifs speak to our cultural stories, beliefs and identity. European people brought over seed beads and our People began to integrate them into our art, clothing and jewelry. But the forms, designs and motifs are really a continuation of earlier design found on our pottery, then on antler combs to quillwork to animal hair embroidery, and then to beadwork, which is now just showcasing our People's continuing creativity.

eNOW: Is there a cost to attend the opening? What will be happening?

HAYDEN: This is a FREE event, no cost of admission. There will be food trucks and traditional foods offered, beadwork demonstrators/vendors and the biggest highlight of the day will be our two guest speakers. Ken Williams Jr. (Northern Arapaho/Seneca), the world renowned bead artist originally from Cattaraugus (now lives in Santa Fe) is coming out to talk about the traditional art and how the modern design is integrated in his works today. Grant Jonathan (Tuscarora) will be speaking about historical beadwork methods and pieces. Having these two gentlemen travel so far to come speak at the exhibit opening is greatly humbling and appreciated.

eNOW: This collection features works from across Turtle Island and the event is hosting demonstrators. Can you tell us about them?

HAYDEN: The collection has pieces that are both old and modern. Some of the past pieces are so old we do not have their origin information but are well deserving of display. The event will not just be featuring the collected works but there will also be several demonstrators from throughout the territories. Courtney Regis (Seneca), Lexi Sickles (Oneida) and Lakorihwato:ken Hemlock (Mohawk) will be on hand to show how beadwork design is done in each of their own styles and each of those demonstrators will be vending their works for purchase.

eNOW: Why is this exhibit important for not just the museum but for the community?

HAYDEN: First and foremost, there are some pieces in our collection that are from people in our communities that have passed away. For people to see things their grandparents might have made, showcased for everyone to view, is very meaningful. It is also a way to honor the creativeness of our ancestors. Family is important to our culture. Beadwork is something that the People still use on their regalia and jewelry today. It's a chance to show the early work of our ancestors and relatives, the full evolution of beadwork from the past til now, and as we look towards the future.

eNOW: What else is in the works at the museum for the duration of 2023?

HAYDEN: We are busy planning our November Winter Art Market, which is always well attended. We have traditional and non-native vendors showcasing amazing works of art, jewelry and home decor. Then we have our Annual Spring Art Show for 2024, which is one of our most popular events.

eNOW: Anything else you would like to add?

HAYDEN: We would like to invite everyone in our surrounding communities to come out to the Cultural Center to see the museum's new exhibit. Young and old alike are welcome to come and view the pieces, learn about their origins and what they mean to our culture and enjoy a nice educational but entertaining family day out.

A FIGHT FOR FLAVOR

2023 Meatball Street Brawl to Pack a Tasty Punch September 24th



By JESSICA SCHULTZ

Who doesn't love a good meatball? Those little round bundles of deliciousness are a staple in most households and restaurants, each claiming their own “special” recipe passed down from generation to generation. But who makes the best meatball in the area? (Besides your nana, of course.) Well, that's a loaded question, and Osteria 166 is ready to help you find the answer when they host the ultimate meatball showdown. Meatball Street Brawl VII is coming to the Buffalo location on Sunday, September 24th from 11:00am-5:00pm.

Osteria 166 (and Villaggio EVL) owner Nick Pitillo was more than happy to share details about this year's event. He let us know that there are many great competitors coming out to show off their balls (Oooh, a pun!) and as far as attendance goes, they typically cater to approximately 2,000 guests. “It's a lot of fun,” Pitillo said. “Besides eating some great food, we tie in Buffalo's favorite fall pastime. There are two huge TVs and we watch the Bills game during the event. All voting on the meatballs needs to be done by the end of the first quarter and we present the awards at halftime.”

Now there really isn't any theme besides making a traditional tasty meatball, but a few years ago Nick said they added a “freestyle” category for more eclectic entries, in an effort to include many additional restaurants.

The competitors registered for this year's MBSB VII so far are:

- Osteria 166
- Lock 34 Bar & Grill
- Artigiana
- Kaydara Noodle Bar
- Ilio DiPaolo's (last year's Judge's Choice Freestyle winner)
- Frankie Primos +39
- Marco's
- Bada Bing Sports Bar & Grill
- Amici Ristorante (last year's People's Choice Traditional winner)
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- This Little Pig
- East Eden Tavern & Smoke House
- Jocko's Pizza & Pasta
- Arriba Tortilla (last year's People's Choice Freestyle winner)
- Ristorante Lombardo (last year's Judge's Choice Traditional winner)



That's a powerful line-up and a lot of meatballs to ingest! Don't worry though, your tastebuds can get a meat break by enjoying some beer, wine, bread, or dessert provided by Ellicottville Brewing Company, The Bubble Bar, Clarksburg Cider Co., Hamburg Brewing Company, 42 North Brewing Company and Artigiana.

Big point to note: This isn't just about stuffing your face full of delicious balls. (Ha, again!) It's about supporting a number of great causes. Nick said, “We typically raise around \$15k to \$20k for local charities each year.” This year's event will benefit the Response to Love Center, P.U.N.T Foundation, FEEDMORE WNY Foundation, Frank Pitillo Memorial Lighting Fund, The Buffalo Police Athletic League Lt. Craig Lehner Scholarship, and Little Smiles Hospitality Scholarship Fund for the NYS Restaurant Association Educational Foundation. All great causes that deserve as much support as they can get.


Now for the particulars. The event will take place on W. Mohawk Street in Buffalo, between Franklin Street and Delaware Avenue. Advance tickets are available for \$25; or \$30 on the day of the brawl. You can snag a VIP ticket for \$125. (VIP gets you an open bar till 5:00pm, private seating, additional TV for the game and all meatball sampling on a private buffet.) Tickets can be purchased at meatballstreetbrawl.com or stop into either Osteria or Villaggio to purchase tickets in-person.

All ball jokes aside, this is an amazing event that supports a lot of great organizations and is a super fun way to spend a Sunday. Nick concluded by saying, “We love to come out, show off our skills and party with a lot of awesome local establishments and members of our communities. The competition aspect is really just for fun and we can't wait to brawl with everyone on the 24th.”

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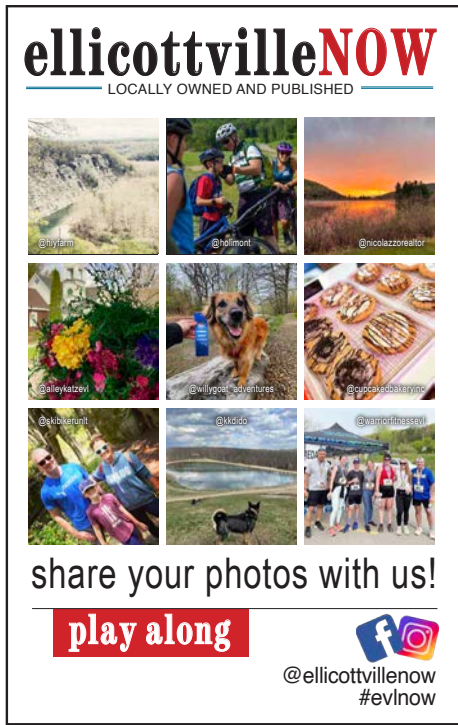
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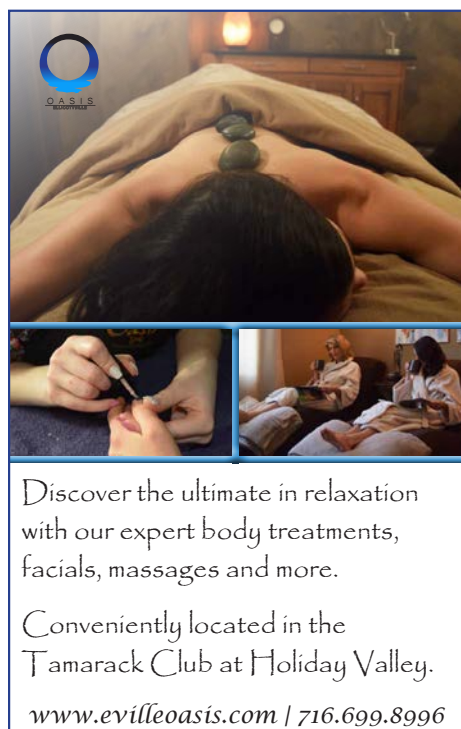
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ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR

The Four Corners of The Village of Ellicottville are a piece of history, and each corner serves its story to that. Across from St. John's Church you can extend your knowledge at the Ellicottville Historical Society, joining them for their upcoming Historical Walk. The guided tour will stop at St. John's Church so you can see and hear for yourself the importance it has served.

The Tour is set for Saturday, September 16th at 1:00pm and costs \$10 cash per person. Led by Historical Society VP Ellen Frank, she states how "we talk about the Four Corners and how that was part of Joseph Ellicott's vision." If you can't make the tour, try to stop by the museum before they close at the end of September and ask Sue Parson for a tour of the church where you'll even be able to hear Gabriel, the bell, ring.

There are many ways to become more involved in the history and faith of St John's Episcopal Church. The congregation welcomes visitors to attend their Saturday evening service at 5:00pm lead by Pastor Kim Rossi.

The intimate feel of the church is the perfect fit to Ellicottville's small size but big character. "We do a 5:00pm service every Saturday evening, which is great for a ski town, you know, so people can ski all day on Saturday, go to church, and then still be able to go out to dinner and socialize with friends and then they're back on the slopes Sunday morning. So it's been a welcome tradition for many skiing families that come and go," Amy DeTine explains. You're encouraged to check it out for yourself. Whether you're locally rooted or just passing through, they expend their hand to all.

You can find St. John's Episcopal Church at 2 W. Washington St., downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731.

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Varsity Grades 9-12, Men's Open 21+, and Men's Grand Masters 45+. To register online, visit www.ellicottvilleny.com or call 720-609-2234. Team registrations will be capped at 12 teams per division and filled on a first come, first served basis. This year's kick-off party will take place at 7:00pm on Friday, September 22nd at the Ellicottville Depot Restaurant. Powell said, "We're excited that Rex Lyons and The Ripcords will be performing that night."

While the Men's Open Division and the Men's Grand Masters divisions will be competing on both Saturday and Sunday, Powell noted that all four youth divisions will compete on Sunday only. The games will be a 10 versus 10 format with two 22-minute halves, including a five-minute halftime. Two U.S. Lacrosse Certified Officials will be managing each game. The festival will take place rain or shine, as long as there is no thunder or lightning.

"I'm excited for a great weekend for lacrosse and to have the community come out and support the teams, especially the kids," said Powell. For the latest updates, follow Ellicottville Fall Lacrosse Festival on Facebook or visit www.powelllacrosse.com.

THE RATCHET HATCHET

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an expanded menu that will feature some of our favorites from the last location along with some new ones. We will feature seasonal craft cocktails, flatbreads, and other items that will give guests a wide range of options. Beer selection and a wider range of spirits will be available. We additionally are excited to offer Sunday brunch."

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It sounds like The Ratchet Hatchet has a lot of big plans in the works! Have they been giving any thoughts to what else they'd like to accomplish after their opening? Of course they have! "Moving forward into the rest of 2023, we're really excited to grow into our new location," said Nate. "Having the new axe throwing area separated from the bar seating and tables, we will be able to offer both of the experiences simultaneously. Whether you're coming in to throw axes or just want to come in for something to eat or drink, we'll have the availability and space for both. Although we have run into a few bumps along the way delaying the process almost a year, we can't express our eagerness to get back open!"

Nate's excitement is contagious. We're ready to throw down some drinks and toss some axes once the doors re-open in September. How about you?

GOOD FOR THE SPIRIT GIFTS

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sense to sub out every single need. The conference room space, meals, lodging, taxes and gratuity adds up fast. Being charged over \$120 to rent a projection screen is ludicrous. I own all my own equipment already. To put on my retreat, I have to hoist over \$20,000 of gear, tools and equipment, much of which is fragile and/or heavy, for a weekend. This last event I did, one of my large quartz singing bowls in a tuned set became cracked overnight and I was unable to use it. It's a \$900 set of bowls that I can't just replace the (broken) one, because they are all tuned to one another. Last year, a designer \$3,700 Leandro deSouza "One Love" crystal carving fell over and broke. Things get damaged in the setup - it's never during the event. What I need to do is painfully clear. Stop going external and create the center so everything can stay on-site under one roof and it can all be managed from one single point. This will be a dream come true, and I will make it happen."

While we are waiting for this impressive expansion, the shop will continue on as always. You can stop in and visit Suzy, Dawn and Renee (or come in to take a break in the CHI Chair - Crystal Healing Immersion - which is surrounded by over 200 lbs. of aura cleansing crystals) seven days a week, starting each day at 11:00am. Closing time is 6:00pm every day but Sunday, when lights go down at 5:00pm. If you are looking for something specific or have any questions on healing services, you can call 716-699-2871. And don't forget to check out the website at goodforthespiritgifts.com for all your metaphysical needs. For Suzy's offerings, please visit www.suzy-woo.com.

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VILLAGE OF ELLICOTTVILLE: ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS: Bid Proposal; Bid opening September 25th at Village of Ellicottville Clerk's office, One West Washington Street, Ellicottville, NY 14731 at 11:00am. Delivery date 30 days from bid opening. 2024 Silverado 2500 Crew Custom 4WD - Summit White, Battery, Auxiliary, 730 Cold, Engine; 6.6L V8 Gasoline, Trans; Allison 10-Speed Auto, PDB Dark Essentials Package, PDX Custom Value Package, Q86 20" Machined Alum Wheels, U01 Led Roof Marker Lamps and Z71 Off-Road Package. Snowplow prep - Conscience package - Back rack for 2024 Chevy 2500HD. Crew Cab with toolbox brackets, Center Light Brackets. Western Ultra Mount, Complete Wiring, Controller, Installed.

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ELLICOTTVILLE - Local resident Tito Sanchez hosted an online pop-up store earlier this summer. Many customers shopped an assortment of shirts, hats and other items all featuring Tito's saying, "Ellicottville is Good People." With fundraising proceeds from the online store, Mr. Sanchez was able to donate over \$300 to the Ellicottville Volunteer Fire Department. Tito is shown (left) with Sean Lowes of the fire department.



With suggestions from the community, more items have been added and Tito's Store 2.0 is now open until Sunday, Sept. 17th. Mr. Sanchez would like to support the Alley Katz of Ellicottville with the fundraising proceeds from this store. Visit Tito's online pop-up store today at <https://titosstore2.itemorder.com/>.

LLC NOTICES

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Maple Ridge Bounce LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/22/23. 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, 8269 Route 16, Franklinville, NY, 14737. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of ODY Brew Wagon LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/28/2023. Office location: Cattaraugus County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: P.O. Box 194, Franklinville, NY 14737. Purpose: all lawful activities.

COMMUNITY

The NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation is hosting a FREE fishing day this Saturday, September 23rd. No fishing license is required on that day for the fresh or marine waters of New York State, making it an opportune time for people of all ages to learn and enjoy the sport of fishing and the exhilaration of the catch! For places to fish in the Enchanted Mountains go to Emfun.us/Fishing. For more information on Free NYS Fishing Day visit <http://www.dec.ny.gov/>.

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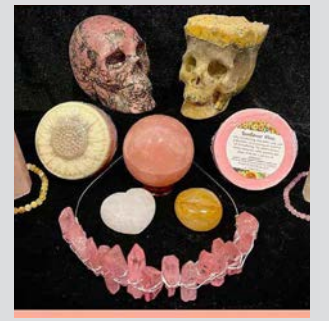
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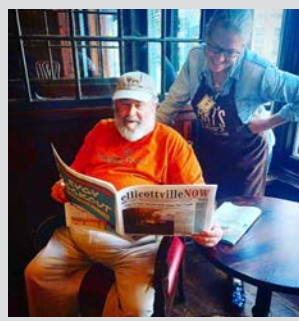
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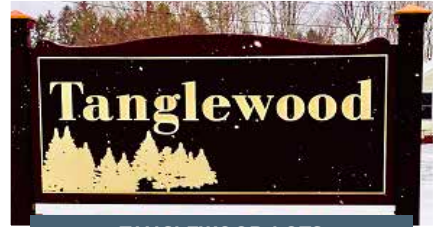
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