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TOP FLIGHT AMERICAN CUTLERY

Ellicottville Mayor John Burrell Gives Family Cutlery Company New Life



According to Mayor John Burrell of Ellicottville, over the years, there were 60 cutlery companies within a 100-mile radius of Ellicottville, and 32 of these were either started by, owned by, or run by members of his ancestors, the Case family. Now the last living knife maker of the Case family, Burrell has recently founded a new cutlery company, Top Flight Early American Cutlery. From a long line of innovators, Burrell continues the Case legacy by reaching a whole new generation of knife enthusiasts and collectors through a "store-front" that his ancestors could have only dreamed of: the world wide web.

If the name "Case" in relation to knives sounds familiar, it should, as the famed W.R. Case & Sons Cutlery Co. is one of the biggest names in American knife manufacturing.

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FRANK PITILLO MEMORIAL LIGHTS FUND

Frank Pitillo, or "Frankie the Clam," as he was affectionately known, was a one-in-a-million combination of many things. Entrepreneur. Football player. Skier. Flaunter of a superb afro. Son. Brother. Taken far too soon. Frank's legacy lives on through the Pitillo family, and especially at Ellicottville Central School, where the lights on the football field are named in his honor. Those lights, however, need updating. And that's where this story continues ... page 07

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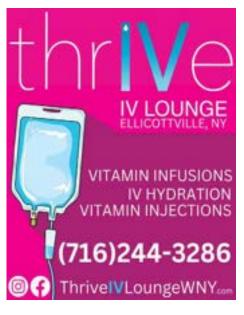
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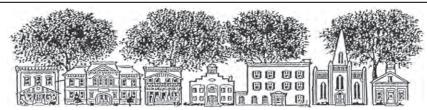












Ellicottville Fall Festival 2022

Village Events

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Saturday, 10/8			Sunday, 10/9	•			
10AM-10PM	Food Court	Jefferson St.	10AM - 10PM	Food Court	Jefferson St.		
10AM - 5PM	Poster & T-Shirt Sales	Washington St. & Monroe	10AM - 5PM	Poster & T-Shirt Sales	Washington St. & Monroe		
10AM - 5PM	Art Show & Sale	Washington St.	10AM - 5PM	Art Show & Sale	Washington St.		
10AM - 5PM	Craft Show & Sale	Washington St. & Jefferson St.	10AM - 5PM	Craft Show & Sale	Washington St. & Jefferson St.		
10AM - 5PM	Curb Market	Visitors Center/Monroe St.	10AM - 5PM	Curb Market	Visitors Center/Monroe St.		
11AM - 5PM	Chairlift Rides on Exhibition	HoliMont					

Holiday Valley Events

Kids age 6 and under ride chairlift free. No dogs, coolers or backpacks on chairlift.

GET PRESALE LIFT TICKETS AT holidayvalley.com

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Shuttle Service \$4 available from the Village to the Inn at Holiday Valley & Resort Services. Running from 10AM - 3AM on Saturday and from 10AM - 12AM on Sunday. A Taxi service is available by calling 716-375-TAXI. Lyft & Uber available. For more information, call 1-800-349-9099 or info@ellicottvilleny.com or www.ellicottvilleny.com

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LETTER

WORKING TOGETHER

... to Make Ellicottville Fall Festival Safe and Fun for Everyone!



As Ellicottville readies itself to host its largest festival of the year, we would like to let you know what we have been working on. The Special Events committee, Ellicottville Police Department, Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Department, NY State Police, Ellicottville Fire Department, Village and Town Boards, Code Enforcement, DPW, Chamber of Commerce, NYS DOT, along with input from local residents, and the state of t Commerce, NYS DOT, along with input from local residents, merchants and bar owners have been working diligently on ways to improve Fall Festival as we know it. Please note

ZERO TOLERANCE is the LAW and will be strictly enforced. This means absolutely no alcohol is allowed on village streets. You will not be allowed to leave an establishment or private property, walk to, from or within the village with open containers. Drink it or leave it. Public intoxication and disorderly conduct will not be tolerated.

NOISE LEVELS have been addressed with the local bars and beer tents. Outdoor live music will end at 11:00pm; quieter background music until midnight in accordance with the local sound level ordinance. Private homes are also obligated to obey this law.

PARKING: We strongly encourage carpooling, use of shuttles or walk! Space is limited and illegally parked vehicles (including motorcycles) will be ticketed and towed. Fire lanes, hydrants, and sidewalks are not to be blocked. Observe all temporary and regular no parking signs. Remember that flagmen for private lots are not allowed in the streets. Note that illegally parked vehicles on private property are the land owners' responsibility.

BUSES: Hired bus drop and pick-up site will be located at the DPW building on Mill & Martha Streets. Parking for buses is on Route 219 beyond Holiday Valley Road at the old driving range site. Buses will NOT be allowed to load or unload elsewhere. Bus lines will be notified of open container law and are expected to adhere.

SHUTTLE SERVICE: Daytime loading site is at Jefferson & Martha Streets, Saturday and Sunday from 10:00am-7:00pm. Evening site is at the New M&T Bank parking lot from 7:00pm-3:00am on Saturday, and 7:00pm-midnight on Sunday. The shuttle destinations are to most of the condos between the Village and Holiday Valley; all other destinations will require the taxi service, Uber, etc. Taxi: 716-375-TAXI, (Lyft & Uber); call in advance as they can be very busy. POLICE WILL NOT GIVE YOU A RIDE!

RESTROOMS: There will be plenty of port-o-johns provided throughout the festival area. They are cleaned routinely - use them! Public urination is against the law and violators will be prosecuted.

EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID STATIONS: Sheriff and First Aid trailers will be located on Washington Street across from Katy's Cafe and Madigan's.

CELL SERVICE: Have a plan if the towers go down. Know where to meet if you are separated from your group.

VENDORS: Must display vendor and health department permits on tents and must park in the designated lots provided to you by the Chamber. Sandwich boards, tables/chairs, and merchandise will not be allowed on sidewalks and tree lawns as to keep open to line of site for emergency personnel. Vendors are responsible for removal of their trash.

Help make Fall Festival safe and enjoyable. If you see something illegal, report it. If you see a mess, clean it up. Play by the rules ... the future of Fall Fest depends on it.

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FALL FEST AT HOLIDAY VALLEY

Making Your Way to the Bottom of Mardi Gras: A Lesson in Downloading



By Dash Hegeman, Holiday Valley

The temperature is dropping and the trees around Ellicottville are starting to make their annual transition to bright reds and yellows, which can only mean one thing ... Fall Festival is here! One of the best ways to take in the sights and festivities of Fall Festival is from atop Holiday Valley.

The Mardi Gras high speed quad will start running at 12:00pm to take people to the top. The ride itself generally takes less than 10 minutes from the time you load your chair to the time you unload at the top. Up to four people can be on a chair. (Dogs, backpacks/coolers are not permitted on the chairlift.)

On the summit you can hike around the tops of some of your favorite winter runs, take in the fall colors, capture those mandatory fall foliage selfies and enjoy the food and drinks while you enjoy the tunes of live music that will be playing all weekend from noon-4:00pm.

When the time comes to make your way back down to the base, there are two great options. You can take the lift down, which, at times, could result in having to wait in line at the top to get on the lift. The Mardi Gras quad downloading only allows for a 50% load capacity. That means four people can be loaded on every other chair or two people can be loaded on every chair. Either way, getting back to the bottom is a more time consuming process than getting to the top. This lift was designed to get skiers and riders to the top but not to take people on a round trip. There has to be less overall weight on the download than the upload.

The other option to get back down is to hike, which might actually get you back down faster than the chairlift. (And for those of you who might've had one drink too many or eaten an extra hot dog even though you knew you didn't need it, the mile-long trek down Mardi Gras will help get you prepared for the activities that you have planned later on that evening.)

Whether you ride the lift or hike, please be considerate and throw out any trash you have in the provided trash receptacles. Help keep our slopes litter free! We're looking forward to another fantastic Fall Festival here in Ellicottville and hope to see you at the top of Mardi Gras and at the Cabana Bar from 4:00-7:00pm as we enjoy the fall season. For more information and a complete schedule of this year's Fall Festival, head over to holidayvalley.com or ellicottvilleny.com.

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Lift tickets and season passes will now be on a reusable card (that can be utilized for more than one season). The card will have an RFID chip embedded in it and that chip will contain data about what kind of pass you have. You will take that card and stash it in a secure jacket pocket that is accessible to be scanned (more on that soon) and then you are good to hit the slopes. Gone are the days of taking your pass out to show to the ticket checker, making this system much easier to ensure that passes are not lost throughout the course of the season. There are two types of RFID access systems. The first are gates that are set up before you

BIKE PARK SEASON

HoliMont Gives Thanks for a Successful Season; Looking Ahead to Winter Events



By Jennah Bradley, HoliMont

As we roll into the fall and winter months, we are excited to see some frosty mornings and are so grateful for our HoliMont Family. It is hard to believe this coming weekend, Fall Festival, October 8-9, 2022 will be the final weekend for the HoliMont Bike Park this season. The feedback from our members and guests has been very positive and humbling. We are so thankful to all who have helped us make this a success. The amount of fun you can have at HoliMont has grown rapidly with the bike trails, paddleboard and kayak rentals, hiking, disc golf and more! There is something for the whole family! We are happy you are enjoying it as much as we are.

As we are preparing for the fall and winter months, we are also planning for next bike season, and we are energized by the growth we have seen this year. Our Trail Crew was able to complete and open 1.88 miles of new trails this summer in addition to maintenance and improvements on many of our current trails. The growing trail system has increased the traffic at the Bike Park and in response, we have increased the turnaround with twice as many bike carriers, allowing us to cycle more than 165 bikes per hour to the top. Look for the new jump trail we are planning to have on Opening Day 2023 next season!

Looking back on this season, with the addition of our Skills Area near the base of Sunset, we were able to add three 2-day Mountain Bike Camps for riders ages 7 and older to learn and grow their skills in mountain biking. For the more seasoned riders, we have hosted 3 DH Races and one XC Race. Over 200 athletes took part in these events, and we are looking forward to growing these events and programs for the upcoming season. Weekly race series, private lessons and additional events are all being considered. Save the dates for the following winter bike events:

- Winter FUNnel Fat Bike DH Race, February 19, 2023
- Over the Bars Dual SL Fat Tire Race, April 8, 2023

We cannot express enough how thankful we are to our staff, members, guests, supporters, and all who have helped us add a fun offering to the Ellicottville and Western NY mountain bike scene, and we hope you come and join us for some fun winter fun on two planks, one, or tires ... it doesn't matter! Get out there and have fun! To learn more about HoliMont - both summer and winter - head over to holimont.com or call 716-699-2320.

Support Our Troops Fall Fest Weekend

Local community members have partnered with Ellicottville Brewing Company to create a Fall Fest Fundraiser for the many service men and women in the National Guard (New York) that have been deployed to Somalia, Africa. Look for their tent at EBC on Monroe Street Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 8-9th from noon-9:00pm both days, where you can show your support for our troops by purchasing a "Support Our Troops" t-shirt, entering into the 50/50 raffle, or making a donation to receive a miniature toy soldier. (Set the toy soldier on your windowsill at home and say a prayer or good thought each time you walk by.)

100% of your donation will go towards purchasing and shipping supplies and comforts of home that the National Guard does not provide, such as hygiene products, clothing, special snacks, etc. Some of the troops currently stationed in Africa are from Ellicottville and Cattaraugus County!





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The Tamarack Club is located at the base of the ski slopes, just a short walk to the Holiday Valley Lodge, Mardi Gras or Cindy's chairlifts and Holiday Valley's Double Black Diamond Golf Course. The Ellicottville Oasis Spa and John Harvard's Brew House are located within the building.



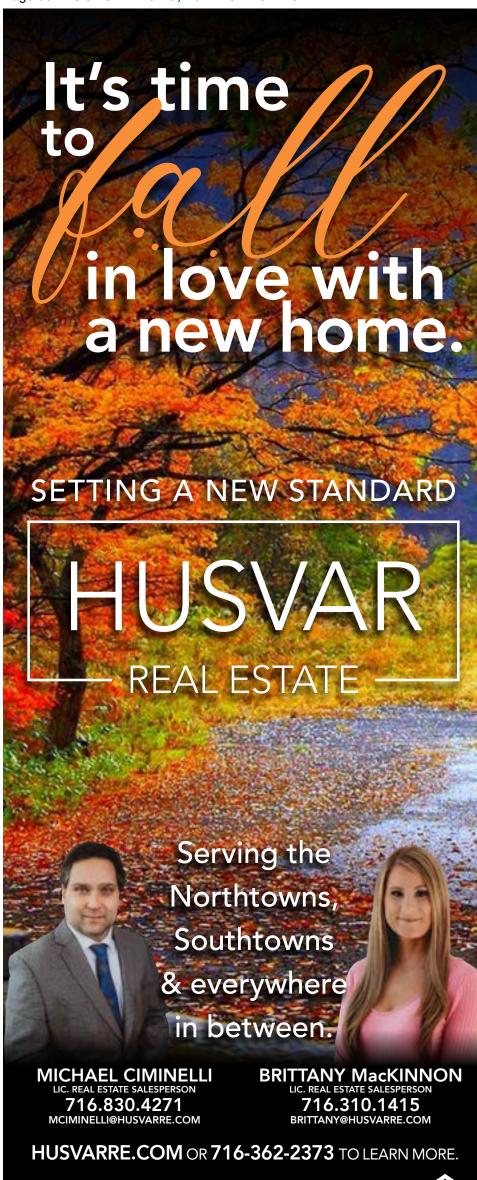
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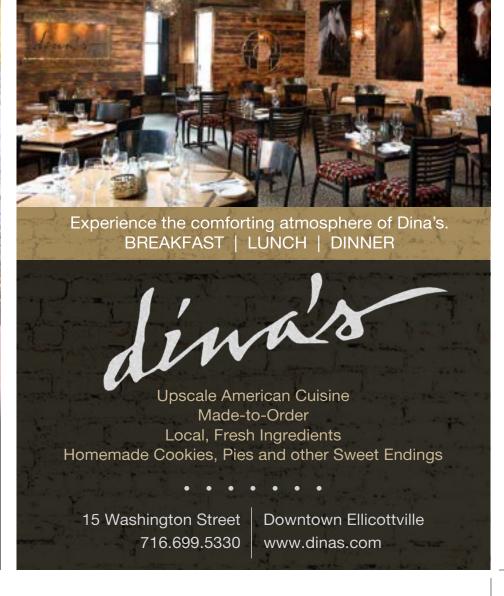


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Irish Christmas Fundraiser to Continue Under Newly Named Foundation





ELLICOTTVILLE - The Rotary Club of Ellicottville Foundation for Youth and its affiliate, Family Support for Ellicottville are excited to announce that they are changing their name to "The Bob McCarthy Foundation".

"As most of you know, this 501c3 charitable foundation is dedicated to acting as a bridge between families and supportive assistance while supporting youth in our community," said Greg Cappelli, Foundation member. "With input from the community, the Board of the Foundation felt that the time is right to transition these two entities into a single foundation to focus more precisely on our mandate."

This move to consolidate both under a single Foundation will not change their mandate, but will help streamline efforts and expand community involvement.

"The Foundation is not very old, but our roots come from two other support groups with a long history of assistance in Ellicottville," explained Cappelli. The Rotary Foundation for Youth was chartered in 2005 to help fund a Youth Center at the Ellicottville Memorial Library. This center in the Holiday Valley auditorium has hosted numerous Youth programs in a wide array of disciplines. In 2008 a critical local support group, The Family Support Center at ECS closed. Simultaneously, the local Salvation Army folded that year as well. The Salvation Army local chapter had been working with The Family Support center for years. They were dedicated to helping families in the ECS school district working with many Cattaraugus County agencies.

With the hole created here, a number of local volunteers stepped forward to fill the void. In early 2009 a small group met with the Foundation for Youth Board to decide how to fill the void. At that point, the Family Support Affiliate was established under the Rotary Foundation for Youth. This affiliate provided an outlet for those willing to donate time, goods and money to this 501c3 organization.

"Our mission is to provide help and guidance to those in need, confidentially, while trying to structure help to be self-sustaining," said Cappelli. "We commit to ensure that 100% of the donations that are made go back into the Ellicottville community without any administrative cost. As such ,we are a completely volunteer organization."

Over the years in conjunction with the local Rotary Club, numerous fundraisers were conducted, many created by the "Mad" genius of the Voice of Ellicottville, Bob McCarthy. Bob, a long-term teacher of Special Ed students in Buffalo and a ski coach in Ellicottville, moved to Ellicottville, his winter home, after retirement. Bob's fun fundraisers like Celtic Thunder, Americana Folk Art & Music Fair, Farm Fest, Snowboard Auction and many more continue to be that of local lore.

His most recognized event, Irish Christmas, was started to provide funding for Family Support's "Santa's Workshop", helping families at Christmas. After his passing in June of 2016, the Foundation renamed this wonderful evening "Bob McCarthy's Irish Christmas". This event now provides the bulk of the funding for Family Support and bridged the Covid years with an online replacement.

"We are excited to announce that we will go back to a Live event at Ellicottville Brewing Company on Friday, December 9," said Cappelli. "Some great changes are in the works to renew the event but the theme will remain the same in Bob's honor, so stay tuned."

Although this community is blessed with good fortune, many families struggle providing ba-

FRANK PITILLO MEMORIAL FUND

Nick Pitillo Raising Funds to Replace Lights at ECS in Honor of His Late Brother





By Spencer Timkey

There's a shirt, somewhere, maybe tucked away in a forgotten closet or hidden on a rack in a thrift store. The relevance of the graphic on this particular shirt would be lost on almost everyone - a clam sporting a giant afro, a one-in-a-million combination of two things that would not necessarily make a whole lot of sense when put together.

It starts to make sense, however, when put in the same sentence as the late Frank Pitillo. "Frankie the Clam," as he was affectionately known, was a one-in-a-million combination of many things. Entrepreneur. Football player. Skier. Flaunter of a superb afro. Son. Brother. Taken far too soon. And the list goes on.

Frank's legacy lives on through the Pitillo family, and especially at Ellicottville Central School, where the lights on the football field are named in his honor. Those lights, however, need updating. And that's where this story continues.

"I wish I could find that shirt," laughed Nick Pitillo, Frank's brother and owner of Ellicottville's Villaggio and Buffalo's Osteria 166. "My brother was an entrepreneur and ran a clam stand outside of the Nail (The Rusty Nail, a former bar in town). He went out on his motorcycle and unfortunately never came home. So Frank had a couple grand in his bank account, and my old man asked what we should do with the money."

At that point, very few schools had lights for their football fields. Frank, a star on the football team, was doubling up his junior and senior years at Ellicottville Central to graduate early and go train with the United States Ski Team - as the #1 ranked junior skier in the country. The Pitillo family mobilized the local community to raise the rest of the money to light up the football field.

"We had this huge spaghetti dinner," Nick said. "A ton of heavies from that time came to help us raise money. Danny Gare and Terry Martin, legendary members of the Buffalo Sabres, and Paul Seymour from the Buffalo Bills, amongst others. After we had raised enough money, my dad and other members of the community installed them at no expense. They held me up in my little league football jersey and I turned them on for the first time."

As such things go, time passed and the lights stayed untouched. But when Nick moved back to Ellicottville, he realized at one of his daughter's softball games that the lights needed updating. Ever the idea man, the wheels in Nick's head starting spinning.

"Coincidentally, one of the assistant coaches found the original plaque and gave it to me," Nick said. "When I realized how dated the lights were, I knew that it was time to mobilize the community again and get these things updated."

After sifting through a myriad of bids, Pitillo came to the conclusion the lights can get done for \$200,000, plus another \$50,000 for plaques and maintenance.

"We're going to do a big 50-50 raffle outside of Villaggio at Fall Festival," he said. "Plus, we'll tie some of the kids in to help when they're parking cars at the Signore lot for that weekend as well. After that, we've got more fundraisers to follow to really get this thing moving. We have already received a few substantial contributions."

On Wednesday, October 12th, musician Jackson Stokes will be playing at Villaggio where \$5 of every ticket will be donated to the cause.

"Frank Pitillo Memorial Lights" continued page 29

DESTINATION: FUN!

Autumn in Ellicottville ... The Season is Full of Outdoor Excitement

DOWNTOWN ELLICOTTVILLE & HOLIDAY VALLEY 300-349-9099 www.ellicottvilleny.com



Take in a lively weekend of unique foods, fine arts, live entertainment and more. Fall Festival is Ellicottville's largest most anticipated event of the year! The village transforms into an walkable 4-block arts and crafts show accompanied by all the one-of-a-kind shops and flavorful culinary culture. In addition to the downtown excitement, Fall Festival extends to Holiday Valley with chairlift rides, an offroad trail run, sidewalk sales and season pass promotions. Be sure to find the official Fall Festival apparel booth and purchase your FF '22 t-shirt, sweatshirt or poster!

WEEKENDS THROUGH OCTOBER @ HOLIDAY VALLEY 716-699-2345 www.holidayvalley.com

Enjoy a relaxing ride up the Mardi Gras or Spruce Lake chairlifts on Saturdays and Sundays during the month of October to view the spectacular fall leaves on the hillsides of Holiday Valley. (Mardi Gras is open through Oct. 16th noon-4:00pm and Spruce is open through Oct. 30th noon-4:00pm, weather permitting.) \$12 per person, kids 6 and under are free. Purchase tickets online. Please note: dogs, backpacks and bags are not permitted on the lift. Visitors can also guess the weight of the giant pumpkin at the bottom of Mardi Gras Fall Fest weekend, with the winner receiving a \$20 HV gift card!

Griffis Sculpture Park, East Otto, NY www.griffissculpturepark.com THRU OCT.



Experience Griffis Sculpture Park at night! NIGHT LIGHTS invites guests to walk the park's trails and experience the interaction between lights, nature and art, as a portion of the park is illuminated with colorful and theatrical lighting. It is a truly unique experience the whole family will enjoy! Entry is \$14.00 adults, \$9 for children 7-12 years old, free for children 6 and under. A bonus night will take place Sunday, October 9th! Purchase your tickets at eventbrite.com. Be sure to dress for the weather and bring a flashlight for a few darker sections of the trail. Follow Griffis Sculpture Park on Facebook for updates and/or cancellations due to inclement weather.

FRI-SUN IN OCTOBER 7:30-9:30pm @ SOMMERVILLE VALLEY RD. 716-699-4839 www.nightmarehayride.com

Nightmare Hayride is known to be the scariest haunted attraction in Western New York. A 25-minute tractor drawn hayride will lead you down a creepy, haunted path with live scary creatures. Exit off into a haunted maze that twists and turns over one acre of land with more spooky, scary live creatures. Then enter into the haunted barn which features the vortex tunnel. \$25 per person; snack shack on-site serving up spooktacular food. Take a seat at the pavilion and tell all your haunting stories. "Come if you dare."

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Keller Williams real estate agent Caitlin Croft is planning a fun, festive, free Halloween-themed event to show her appreciation for both her clients and the community! Spend the afternoon at the Ellicottville Nannen Arboretum and enjoy pumpkin carving, hot cider and sweet treats. All supplies will be provided, all ages welcome! As a breast cancer survivor herself, Croft is using this opportunity to help raise money for The Pink Pumpkin Project, a non-profit dedicated to providing financial and emotional support to those in our local communities fighting breast cancer. Follow @RelaxedRealtorEVL on IG for additional event details.

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Who needs all the hustle and bustle and stress of spending Black Friday at the Mall when the whole family can enjoy Christmas in Ellicottville? The village sidewalks are lined with an abundance of eclectic shops that are packed full of unique holiday gift choices. Spend the weekend enjoying some of the best restaurants and finest accommodations in the area as the streets come to life with beautiful, festive lights, the official lighting ceremony of the Ellicottville Ski Tree, special guests (Hello, Santa!), children's activities and more. Get into the holiday spirit with your family! Check the Ellicottville Chamber's website for additional details as we get closer to the season.





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THE ARTS

E'VILLE LIBRARY EXHIBIT

Charcoal Drawings by Stacy Gertis on Display Through November







ELLICOTTVILLE - A collection of beautiful charcoal drawings is currently featured at the Ellicottville Memorial Library through November 2022. These captivating works, created by Arcade resident Stacy Gertis, include bucolic landscapes, intricately detailed barns and villages, and heart-warming portraits.

Stacy comments on her artistic journey: "I am a freelance charcoal artist, graphic designer, and author. I have always had a strong passion for art, even at a young age while attending summer schools through receiving my BA in college. Working with charcoal is my true passion. I take such joy in creating landscapes that surround us as well as custom portraits of loved ones and pets."

Stacy grew up in the rural farming town of Pawlet, Vermont. Showing interest in art at a young age, she took classes at the Southern Vermont Arts Center and another taught by the well-known artist Peter Huntoon in Rutland, Vermont. She developed a passion for art throughout her life and tested many different mediums, but charcoal was by far her

A graduate of Castleton University, Stacy holds a BA in Art with minors in Art History and Graphic Design. She has had multiple solo exhibits in Vermont and New York and has donated prints of her artwork to local churches for fundraisers and various auctions. Stacy is currently painting a mural in downtown Arcade.

Come view Stacy's works at the Ellicottville Memorial Library, 6499 Maples Road in Ellicottville, NY, just a short walk from downtown. Hours are 10:00am-5:00pm daily; closed Sunday. Evening hours are 5:00-8:00pm Tuesday and Wednesday.

Discover Feng Shui Workshop: Transforming the Energy in Your Home

ELLICOTTVILLE - Join others in the idyllic ski hills of Ellicottville to tap into the wisdom of the mountain Feng Shui energy. Founder and owner of Feng Shui Your World, Linda Ellson, alongside Suzy Woo, owner of Good For the Spirit Gifts, will host a Feng Shui workshop on Saturday, October 22 from noon-2:00pm at the Tamarack Club at Holiday Valley.

Learn to create balance and harmony in your surroundings with Feng Shui, the ancient art and science of placement. Ellson will discuss the fundamentals and how you can apply some basic techniques to your home and life. Hear about the origins and history of Classical Feng Shui, gain insight into Landform Feng Shui and how it works with the location of your home (including furniture arrangement), and delve into the Five Element Theory, the Pa Qua map, and 8 Mansions Formula.

Ellson and Woo will also introduce participants to Symbolic Feng Shui Enhancers and how to work with them in your home or office, with special recommendations in the current Year of the Tiger. Find your personal power directions for wealth, health, love and advancement, and take home some helpful tips.

Cost for the October 22 workshop is \$40 if registered by October 15; \$48 after Oct. 15 or at the door. The fee includes class folder and handouts. Feng Shui products will be of-

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INTERVIEW

CALLING ALL NERDS! Nerds Gone Wild to Perform at Ellicottville Brewing Co.



OCTOBER 8th • 4:00PM

By Melanie Hulick

It's fall in Western New York and that brings beautiful changing leaves, fresh apples and apple cider, crisp air and many festivals. One of the most popular festivals takes place in Ellicottville with their Fall Festival full of food, vendors, arts & crafts and of course, music.

Hitting the stage at Ellicottville Brewing Company on Saturday, October 8th at 4:00pm is a band that has won the "716 Award" for Best Band two years in a row. Nerds Gone Wild has become one of the most popular bands in the area with their signature style of dress, "choreography", a 1980's playlist and of course those nerd glasses with tape across the bridge.

"We're celebrating our 10th Anniversary next year and we have a lot of special plans," said Eddy Tabone aka "Eugene", during our interview with him earlier this week. "One day I thought to myself that WNY needs an him earlier this week." 80's band and now we're going into our 10th year, having a blast with our fans of 'Nerd Nation'.'

With each member of the band creating their alter ego character, complete with a "nerdy" name, these guys have come up with a show that is big on crowd participation with trivia, contests, prizes, dance moves and just plain fun to the best tracks of the 1980's.

The drummer, Eddy Tabone, recently retired after 36 years in the beer business and has Nerds Gone Wild and another band called Route 66, which is ironically celebrating their 36th Anniversary.

Tabone and I had a fun conversation about Nerds Gone Wild - where the name came from, their connection to the Sabres, a couple of beyond crazy fans, the music and his message to the fans. I think the musician summed it up best when he told me why you need to make plans to see this band, saying, "It's contagious fun and it's a contagious family of nerds."

For more information on the band visit www.nerdsgonewildwny.com. Follow them on FB/IG @nerdsgonewild #nerdsgonewild #nerdsgonewildwny.

For more information about Ellicottville's Fall Festival, visit www.ellicottville nv.com.

A Conversation with Eddy Tabone

HULICK: How long have you guys been together? **TABONE:** Around 2010 I thought WNY needs an 80's band. So after a couple years of just talking to people and procrastinating a bit, in 2012 I thought I gotta put this band together. I started putting the effort into it and in February of 2013 we had our first rehearsal and debuted in August 2013. It will be our 10th year next year and we have a lot of special things coming and a lot of good shows ... so stay tuned, it's gonna be great!

HULICK: Did you guys know each other or was the band created by auditions? **TABONE:** Well, the members have changed over the years because of job changes, priority changes and things like that. When we brought in new people it was more like I knew a guitar player and I knew the keyboard player, that kind of stuff. So no auditions. You know who's around WNY and you kind of do this behind the scenes where you contact them and ask if they were interested ... and so on.

HULICK: Who thought of the name of the band? **TABONE:** It was a combination of my wife and me. Originally it was the idea of the music. I actually have another band called Route 66; it's a party band and we've been going strong for 36 years now. The whole nerd idea came about because of the music I wanted to do but I was one that didn't know what to do with the clothes. I just knew that I didn't want to be the guy that was dressed like Don Johnson or something from the 80's.

HULICK: (laughs) How funny. **TABONE:** There were Elvis bands, Kiss bands, Beatle bands throughout the whole country, so it's safe to say I borrowed a couple pieces of clothing out of their closets, so to speak, and we did our own spin on geeks and nerds and came up with the old Girls Gone Wild reference and changed it to Nerds Gone Wild.

HULICK: How about the "aka" names of each member? Did you each pick the name

you were going to use? **TABONE:** We all picked our own stage name. We ended up with "Eugene", which is me, and the other members' stage names are Milton, Gilbert, Irwin, Vidman and Shamus.

HULICK: You have such a great list of songs from the 80's to choose from. Which is your favorite to do live? **TABONE:** They're all good but my favorite is "You Spin Me Round" by ... I can't think

of the band ...

HULICK: (laughs) Neither can I. I'm singing it in my head right now and I can see them performing the song back when ...

TABONE: Yeah, (singing the song over the phone) but I'm drawing a blank right now. But when we do that song there's a lot of interaction with the crowd.

HULICK: The whole experience of your show sounds like so much fun. You have the interaction with the audience, you're giving people those awesome memories from the 80's as you go through the list of those iconic songs ...

TABONE: One thing I can tell you is that we've beaten any expectations beyond what this band has done. I knew there was a niche for this in WNY. I knew it would be big, but not as big as it's gotten. This is a nerd family, and so many relationships and friendships still exist today that were made at Nerd's show. One thing I'm so proud of is - and it makes me emotional sometimes - but when I see these people that are still coming in the short and pour their being seen as the still coming it is the short and pour their being seen as the still coming it is the short and pour their being seen as the still coming it is the short and seen as the still coming it is the short and seen as the still coming it is the short and seen as the still coming it is the short and seen as the still coming it is the short and seen as the still coming it is short as the still coming it is short as the short and seen as the still coming it is short as the short out to the shows and now their kids are coming out ... the 21 to 24 year olds ... it's just a bunch of people who worship the music of the eighties.

HULICK: That is one of the greatest things about music today. In years and decades of the past if your parents went to a concert, you wouldn't be caught dead going to the same concert. Now it seems music is so inclusive of every genre and every age group. **TABONE:** I'm gonna steal that from you. That's exactly what I want you to put in this article ... one thing the Nerds have done is to create exactly what you just said ... a show that you can get two or three generations coming out to see us. Incidentally it was "Dead or Alive" is the band that sang "Spin Me Right Round".

HULICK: (laughs) I know. I just pulled it up on my computer too. That was obviously bugging both of us a lot! (laughs)

TABONE: (laughs) It was driving me crazy!

HULICK: You play at the Sabres games a lot.

TABONE: Yeah, we've become like an unofficial house band for them. They started having music before the game and in-between the two periods. I don't have the dates all locked in yet for this season, but that will be happening soon.

HULICK: You likely have some crazy fans. Is there anyone who is really crazy and stands right out in your mind?

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VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Greater Olean Area Chamber Recognizes Ginger Moser



Pictured L-R: Meme Yanetsko, COO of the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce, with Volunteer of the Year Ginger Moser and GOACC Board President Jason Crisafulli.

OLEAN - Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce is celebrating Chamber Week this week, September 25-October 1. Chamber Week provides the Chamber an opportunity to celebrate its many accomplishments and achievements, and is an excellent time to thank the many people who make them happen.

Each one of GOACC's programs and activities is an orchestrated effort of numerous volunteers. Many of them have been serving on their committees or working on an event for a long time. Their efforts and dedication make each happening a reality. During Chamber Week, GOACC presents the Eric Garvin Volunteer of the Year Award to a volunteer who has shown extraordinary involvement in the Chamber and who supports the chamber to its fullest. This person, selected by the GOACC staff, must be a volunteer for the entire fiscal year; must be active on one or more committees; and must be a member of the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce.

"Each year, we keep the Volunteer of the Year a secret until the reception," said Meme Krahe Yanetsko, COO of the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce. Included in Yanetsko's speech which she presented at the reception held earlier this week, she stated, "This person has been volunteering for the Chamber for years. Corporate Challenge, Home Show, Clambake, Santa Claus Lane. Yes, she was actually a part of the Chamber as paid staff, but she helped out immediately after moving off the staff and continues to do so today. We are also extremely grateful for all the volunteer time she has done with us back in the office since April of this year. Even after she goes south to winter for a few months, she is zooming on the parade committee meetings."

Ginger Moser was named the GOACC's Volunteer of the Year 2022. "It's great that all of our volunteers give to our office and to these events - with their volunteering our events (the Chamber) succeed!" added Yanetsko. "Without the dedication, drive and true spirit of volunteerism in this community and surrounding area, GOACC would not be able to do all that we do. This event is to honor those who work so diligently to provide opportunities and growth to our events and activities."

GOACC Board of Directors renamed the previously named "Volunteer of the Year" to the Eric Garvin Volunteer of the Year beginning in 2021. Eric Garvin was a long-time Chamber board director, volunteer and overall supporter of all things Chamber. Eric received the award posthumously in 2021 with the renaming to occur for 2022 and beyond volunteers. For more information on the Chamber, call 716-372-4433 or email info@oleanny.com.

GOACC Wants Your Squirrel Selfies!

OLEAN - What is a SQUIRREL SELFIE? The definition of a selfie is a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically one taken with a smartphone or webcam and shared via social media. Instead of sharing via social media, please share your selfie with Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce.

"GOACC wants you to take a selfie with one of the more than 20 four-foot squirrels throughout Olean - pictures of families, children, teenagers and seniors enjoying the Woodland in the City Squirrels," stated Meme K. Yanetsko, GOACC COO. Area residents and visitors are invited once again to send in their photos of the Woodland in the City Squirrels to be chosen and placed in the 2023 squirrel calendar. The Woodland in the City (Woodland) committee and the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce (GOACC) are sponsoring the Photo Contest.

SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Department of Aging, CCA Receive Mental Wellness Grants



Bonnie Saunders, Dept. of Aging; Cathy Mackay, Dept. of Aging; Karen Niemic Buchheit, CRCF; and Wendy Brand, CRCF, display technology devices purchased with a CRCF Mental Wellness Fund grant.

OLEAN - Two community agencies - the Cattaraugus County Department of Aging and Connecting Communities in Action - recently received grants, together totaling \$4,100, from the Mental Wellness in Cattaraugus Fund to support the mental health and wellbeing of Cattaraugus County residents in need.

Former board members of the dissolved Mental Health Association of Cattaraugus County established the Mental Wellness in Cattaraugus County Fund to continue support programs and activities that promote mental wellness in Cattaraugus County, in the spirit of the original Mental Health Association.

The Cattaraugus County Department of Aging received \$2,100 to support the purchase of electronic tablets for elderly clients, allowing them access to telehealth services for medical and mental health appointments and counseling and to help bridge barriers that create social isolation and loneliness to support client mental wellbeing.

"The pandemic brought even more challenges [for elderly populations] due to health considerations and the need to practice physical distancing," said Bonnie Saunders, a NY Connects administrator and supervisor of services at the Department of Aging. "We would like to make an impact on improving age and disability friendly communities by improving access to technology to reduce social isolation, loneliness and access to telehealth.

"Technology can help lessen many risk factors associated with aging, particularly with mental health," she added. "It is important to make sure older adults have access to technology that may help them stay more connected and engaged."

The grant is part of a greater effort led by the department to provide technology, such as Amazon Echo Show, Blink video camera and more, that helps keep elderly clients safe, healthy and connected. This technology not only helps provide access to telehealth, but it allows elderly clients to stay connected with family members by way of video chats and calls, reminds them to take their medication, allows them access to education and activities to keep their mind active, and more.

Additionally, the purchase of such technology will help overcome the challenge of transportation to counseling and medical appointments, a predominant struggle in elderly populations, especially in rural communities, said Saunders. Individuals who are provided devices will also be directed to the GetSetUp program, sponsored by the New York State Office for the Aging, an online platform and community that helps older adults enjoy more fulfilling independent and socially connected lives through learning.

Connecting Communities in Action (CCA) received \$2,000 to support the agency's Trauma Informed Care Toolkit Outreach. Over the last year, CCA has been leading a pilot project with the University of Buffalo School of Social Work's institute for Trauma and Trauma Informed Care to form a coalition of trauma informed care providers, including Cattaraugus County Department of Social Services, Probation and Department of Community Services.

Studies show that trauma and traumatic stress can be the root of many poor health outcomes in areas of physical, emotional and behavioral health, said Tina Zerbian, CEO of CCA. In fact, more than 84% of adult mental health clients have a history of trauma.

The grant will provide funding to create the toolkit and to provide training to coalition members at seminars to be held in 2023.

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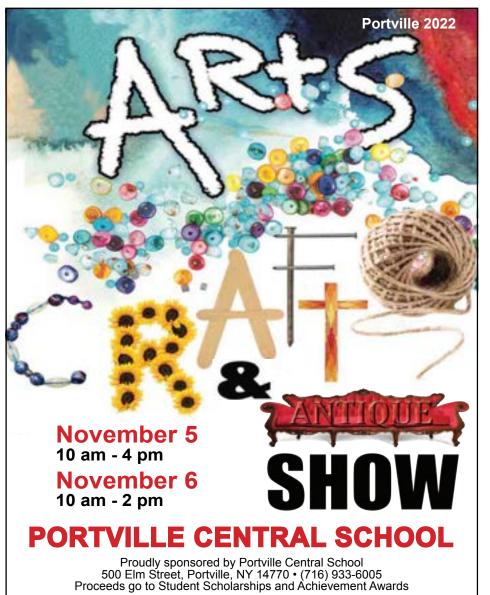


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By Mary Heyl



According to Mayor John Burrell of Ellicottville, over the years, there were 60 cutlery companies within a 100-mile radius of Ellicottville, and 32 of these were either started by, owned by, or run by members of his ancestors, the Case family. Now the last living knife maker of the Case family, Burrell has recently founded a new cutlery company, Top Flight Early American Cutlery. From a long line of innovators, Burrell continues the Case legacy by reaching a whole new generation of knife enthusiasts and collectors through a "store-front" that his ancestors could have only dreamed of: the world wide web.

If the name "Case" in relation to knives sounds familiar, it should, as the famed W.R. Case & Sons Cutlery Co. is one of the biggest names in American knife manufacturing. Now headquartered in Bradford, PA, W.R. Case & Sons is actually just one of many Case companies that can trace its roots just nine miles west of Ellicottville to Little Valley. "J.B.F. Champlin started a cutlery company in Little Valley," Burrell explained. "He was married to Theresa Case. Her four brothers joined his company, including my great grandfather, Jean Case." While the four brothers left Little Valley to homestead in Nebraska for a few years, they returned to Little Valley, and in 1896, three of the brothers, including Jean, started Case Brothers Cutlery Co. As a teen, Burrell's grandmother, Addy Case Burrell, ran the office, a building that can still be seen at 410 Fair Oak Street. Although the Little Valley factory burned down in 1912, the village of Springville built them a new factory, part of which is now Steelbound Brewery.

Unfortunately, the company was never able to fully recovery from the devastating fire, and Case Brothers Cutlery went out of business in 1915. "The members of the Case family that were still part of Case Brothers went to work at W.R. Case & Sons in Bradford," said Burrell. This group included Burrell's great grandfather, grandfather, and great uncle Jean Case, who went on to found Kinfolks Cutlery, a new company in Little Valley, with two of his cousins, both sons of the original Case brothers, W.R. Case and J.B.F. Champlin. Eventually, Burrell's grandfather, Harold Burrell, became plant manager of Kinfolks and in 1940, decided to open his own company with his wife, Addy, and Burrell Cutlery Company was born!

Their niche was barber straight razors, which were in high demand as German and English production of these sought-after blades slowed during the war years. In 1950, Harold passed away and Burrell's father took over the company. At that point in time, straight razors fell in popularity to safety razors, so the cutlery company decided to switch production to household kitchen knives. "Our niche was primarily supermarkets - large chains like First National, A&P, and Safeway - across the country," said Burrell. Having grown up in the company, it's no surprise that Burrell learned to do most operations on most machines in the factory. Upon returning home from the army in 1967, he began working for the company full-time and became president.

In the 1970s, Burrell took production in a new direction as business was impacted by Pacific Rim manufacturers. He explained, "During the 1970s through the early 2000s, we made all of W.R. Case & Sons' household cutlery and did a tremendous amount of work for Cutco in Olean and Sog in Seattle." One of their most popular products was a small give-away knife





- a tomato slicer with a plastic handle - made for Rena-ware of Seattle. "We manufactured over 22.5 million knives for them that were sold in 29 different countries around the world."

Burrell Cutlery lasted 66 years until international competition forced them to close their doors in 2006. Hardly one to slow down, Burrell went on to work for a construction company and served as town supervisor. Now Ellicottville's mayor, Burrell is a three-year survivor of a rare form of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma - a condition that led to a bone marrow transplant that left him in bed for 21 days. During that time, Burrell considered the large accumulation of his family memorabilia, cutlery items, and his brother's large knife collection. Though not a collector himself, Burrell joined a private Facebook group for purveyors of collectible Case knives and discovered a global community of Case enthusiasts.

When this group dissolved due to a member dispute, Burrell decided to begin his own private group: Top Flight Early American Cutlery by John Burrell of the Case family. Now over 700 members strong, this first phase of Burrell's business has allowed him to share and sell knives and razors from his collection that he is able to authenticate with the kind of knowledge only a family insider could have. Although he is still selling items from his own collection, Burrell now sells knives for other collectors in this group - Phase II - which has been very popular.

"As I've gone through and cleaned up all the different things I have, like parts and pieces of knife blades, elk antler, brass, blade guards, I realized I have enough to start making quite a large number of custom-made knives," said Burrell. Indeed, the third phase of Burrell's company now involves him building a shop in Ellicottville inside an old barn. With a brick floor and steel on the walls, Burrell will soon be buying machinery to make his custom knives. "Hopefully, I'll be in production later this fall," he said. "I'll start with six patterns designed by me to be done to commemorate the six members of my family that were in Burrell Cutlery."

Each blade will include a serial number, as a limited quantity will be made. "My grand-father's brand when he started Burrell Cutlery was Top Flight," Burrell noted. "He had a high school student design the logo that he would use, and I'm still using it today. Part of the reason why is that the young high school artist eventually became my father-in-law, Bill Lowry!"

"I think the future of knives is good," said Burrell. "Cutco, Ka-Bar, and W.R. Case (the last remaining Case family companies) are the leaders, in my opinion, and there are a lot of great custom knife makers as well. Like fire and the wheel, the knife is one of the oldest tools there is."

And so, the Case family legacy continues! Search for Burrell's private group, "Top Flight Early American Cutlery by John Burrell" on Facebook to join the growing community of Case collectors. To learn more about the Case family's history in the cutlery industry, read "The Case Cutlery Dynasty: Tested XX" by Brad Lockwood, great-great-grandson of Andrew Case, one of the founding brothers.

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Stop into the Crystal Shop at Good for the Spirit Gifts any day during Fall Festival for their weekend specials! There will be walk-in psychic readings with Suzy Woo - 15 minutes for \$40; aura readings that come with your own personalized aura photo and report for \$30; and simple energy healings that will help you will feel a new sense of inner calm and deeply refreshed for \$50. Crystal skulls will also be 20% off all weekend!



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EXPLORE McKEAN COUNTY

Allegheny National Forest Named One of the Best in the U.S. for Fall Foliage



By Linda Devlin, ANF Visitors Bureau

Leaf-Peeper Alert! The amazing colors of fall are starting to appear in the Allegheny National Forest and at the Kinzua Sky Walk, both located in northwestern Pennsylvania. Prime color is expected to be the first two weeks of October at the Kinzua Sky Walk, with full color around the Allegheny Reservoir expected to peak the last two weeks of October.

Outsidenonline.com has put together a list of the 12 best national forests in the U.S. to see fall foliage. The Allegheny National Forest (ANF), in nearby Pennsylvania, made the list as one of the best 12 national forests for fall foliage viewing. According to their article, "Sure, you could soak up the seasonal splendor with other leaf peepers in a national park. But, given that thick woodlands provide the best fall foliage scenery - the more trees, the better - why not head to one of the U.S. Forest Services' more than 150 national forests? As a bonus, skipping national parks could help you enjoy the autumn hues amid fewer crowds.

"More than 500,000 acres of crimson and gold hardwoods make Pennsylvania's Allegheny National Forest a top leaf-peeping destination. Located in northwest Pennsylvania and open for free public access year-round, the forest contains 87 miles of the multi-state North Country Trail that runs from North Dakota to Vermont. It's also a haven for paddlers and anglers, in the 30-mile-long Allegheny Reservoir."

To help plan for the best fall foliage scenic drives for viewing the rich reds, brilliant yellows, and vibrant orange leaves blanketing the hillsides in the ANF, the Allegheny National Forest Visitors Bureau has created the Scenic Driving Tours Map which highlights seven scenic drives in and around the Allegheny National Forest. This brochure may be downloaded at visitanf.com or a free print copy may be ordered by calling 800-473-9370.

One of the best scenic drives in the Allegheny National Forest is the Longhouse National Scenic Byway. Drive Route 219 South past Bradford, exiting onto Route 59 west. Stop for information and maps at the ANF Bradford Ranger Station, then continue west. Watch for the Rimrock Overlook sign and drive this access road to the Rimrock Overlook recreation area. Here you will find a picnic area and a small hiking trail through massive rock formations, which leads to the overlook, offering views of the southern end of the Allegheny Reservoir. Hikers can traverse through the rocks on a short trail to the shoreline of the reservoir. The trail does have serious elevation changes, so dress appropriately; hiking boots or sturdy shoes are recommended.

Back to the byway, continue west across Morrison Bridge to Kinzua Point. Here you will have a wonderful view of the colors of fall blanketing the hillsides around the reservoir. Returning to the byway, turn to drive south to Jakes Rocks. Jakes Rocks offers another view of the Allegheny Reservoir. Here the vista is of the western area of the reservoir and Kinzua Dam. The trailhead for the best mountain biking trail on the Allegheny National Forest is also located here.

Back to the byway, continue south. At the junction of Rt. 321 you can take a short side trip to Kane to dine at a locally owned restaurant, winery, brewery, or distillery. Or you can turn onto Rt. 321 and head north to drive the balance of the byway to the ranger station. At the ranger station, turn onto Rt. 59 east to Rt. 219 north. Plan a stop to explore Bradford's National Historic District - shop Main Street, visit the Zippo/Case Museum, dine at a local restaurant, or enjoy a local brew at the Bradford Brew Station.

It's more fun if you stay over! Make your lodging reservations now, as fall weekends fill up fast! For the full list of where to stay, an attraction map, plus detailed food and beverage information, go to www.visitANF.com or call 800-473-9370 for personalized assistance.

TOUR CHAUTAUQUA

Discover More Fall Fun in the Chautauqua-Lake Erie Region



The Chautauqua-Lake Erie region of Western New York comes alive with color and fun fall activities each autumn. Explore the changing leaves along five miles of trails at the Audubon Community Nature Center. Located in Jamestown, the Audubon Community Nature Center aims to connect people and the natural world. Stroll through the lakeside grounds of Chautauqua Institution to see expressions of American architecture dating back to the late 1800s highlighted by a picturesque backdrop of fall foliage. Get a spectacular panoramic view from Erlandson Overview Park. Or venture to Luensman Park - this stunning 70-acre overlook near Brocton provides a vista of Lake Erie and the surrounding wine country. Hike the mile-long interpretive trail or just take in the landscape from the multiple viewing platforms. If conditions are just right, it's possible to see across Lake Erie to Long Point, Ontario, Canada. Half the reward is the drive up Thayer Road, which is a winding, climbing, trek through bucolic Amish country. You can also take in a great view of Lake Erie and the surrounding area atop the tower of the Dunkirk Lighthouse.

For adventure seekers, get a closer look at the vibrant fall foliage while climbing among the treetops on Peek'n Peak Resort's Mountain Adventures Aerial Park, which features 69 obstacles and 8 courses of varying difficulty. Climb up cargo nets and ladders while navigating various elements including ziplines in this treetop challenge. You seriously can't get any closer to the vibrant fall foliage in New York than this! During the second and third weekends in October, Peek'n Peak Resort hosts their Fall Fest. Both weekends offer free family entertainment, craft vendors, live performances and much more. In addition, scenic chairlift rides, miniature golf, and of course, an aerial adventure will be available to enjoy.

Surround yourself with fall foliage on a peaceful horseback ride by Double D.A.B. Riding Stables through miles of trails along the Lake Erie escarpment. Take in the colorful landscape while playing a round of golf on over a dozen public golf courses. Relax with a glass (or two) of local wine from over 23 wineries collectively known as Lake Erie Wine Country while admiring the fall foliage.

Another beloved fall tradition throughout the State of New York is apple and pumpkin picking. Browse Whitter Apple Farm for fresh apples perfect for pie, applesauce, and as a healthy snack. During your visit, don't miss the chance to try their fresh pressed cider. Pumpkintown is the epitome of fall fun where you and the whole family can partake in traditional fall activities including hayrides, a pumpkin jump pad, corn pit, and apple cannons, to name a few. Worked up an appetite after all that fun? Enjoy fall snacks including doughnuts, apple cider slushies, kettle corn and more. Before you head out, pick out some pumpkins grown right on the farm.

Hike among the colorful trees in an ancient forest and climb gigantic rock formations at Panama Rocks. Visit Panama Rocks on October 22-23 to experience their Foliage Festival, back for 2022. Partake in fall themed activities for all ages, feast your eyes on craft demonstrators including chainsaw carving and blacksmithing, browse the arts and crafts show and more.

Get into the spirit of Halloween with a number of spooky events including the Harvest Moon Cemetery Tours in Fredonia or Saints and Sinner Cemetery tours hosted by the Fenton History Center in Jamestown. Celebrate the end of fall and the end of grape harvest at Lake Erie Wine Country's Harvest Weekends in November.

No matter where you are or what you do in the Chautauqua-Lake Erie Region, you're sure to fall in love with autumn in WNY. Check out the Chautauqua County Visitors Bureau's website, www.tourchautauqua.com, for a full list of upcoming events.



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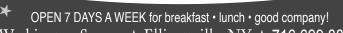
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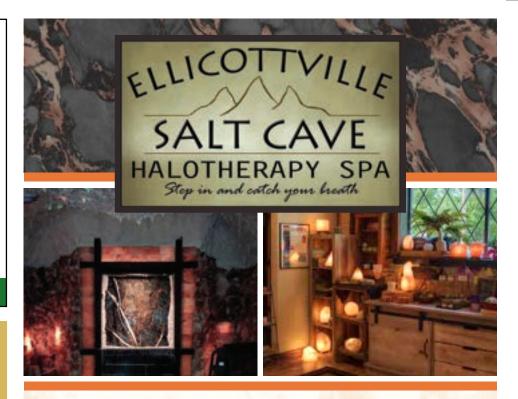


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SLOW DOWN THE PACE: NEW YORK'S AMISH TRAIL

One of the reasons our region is so special is the fall foliage. Many people in these parts call autumn their favorite season and you will see why as you drive through the countryside. For the ultimate viewing, travel through our Old Order Amish community on New York's Amish Trail, in a rural setting with open landscapes. You will come upon Amish buggies that go a comfortable speed of 10mph - don't be in a hurry; slow down and appreciate the golden days of the year. Relax in the lazy, hazy days of autumn as you make stops at the different Amish owned shops. Fill up on delicious

baked goods, buy a handmade quilt and stock up on wonderful gifts all before going home, gearing you up for the forthcoming colder season. Not sure where to go? Visit AmishTrail.com to request the newly updated, free brochure and map be mailed directly to you.

EXPLORE BY FOOT, BY TRAIN, OR BY CHAIRLIFT

Night Lights is an annual tradition where bright lights decorate the paths and sculptures at Griffis Sculpture Park, creating a fun experience for the whole family. Take a fall foliage train ride from the Gowanda Train Station, or view the colors from above on a weekend chairlift ride at Holiday Valley. If you prefer a scarier venture, visit Nightmare Hayrides on Sommerville Street on weekends in October.

HIKE AMONGST THE ROCKS

Rock City Park will lead you on hiking trails through gigantic rock formations left over from the glacial period and over the falling leaves of the trees surrounding these rocks. Experience the view from the tree tops as you make your way to the trail via a route on the top of one of those large

rocks. Relax on the double swing, pose for photos under the arbor, or hold hands with Big Foot. Once you know what the tree tops look like, then follow the trail down to the lower level, where you can then walk through the leaves fallen on the ground beside huge rocks rock formations, up to three stories high!

ALLEGANY STATE PARK

Last but not least is Allegany State Park. Fall is one of the most popular times at the park and the campsites are buzzing with families looking to hike, ride bikes, and enjoy a warm campfire. If you plan on camping, plan ahead as families have made this an annual tradition and sites book quickly. Or come for the day to get some fall fishing in, take your horse out for a ride or explore Thunder Rocks and the Stone Tower. The sights at this Historic NYS Park can be breathtaking any time,

but they are especially awesome in full color.

Fall whole-heartedly into autumn here in the Enchanted Mountains of Western New York.

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HEALTH & FITNESS

Core Performance: Stand Up Straight!

By Kim Duke, Certified Personal Trainer

There is a physical deformity crisis that has been developing for years. I see it on a daily basis on the streets, in restaurants and even in my studio. I refer to it as 'Schlumpiness'. That's right, schlumpiness, which means posture befitting our prehistoric predecessors. Just picture the prehistoric man with rounded shoulders, slouching necks, dragging their knuckles, only, in today's version, they walk slower so they can still look at their phones and view their Facebook/Instagram/Snap Chat feeds.

Industrialization brought an increase in sitting to the modern world. And modern technology has given us devices that we hold and view while hunched over. Yet these advancements are ironically devolving our species a bit; part of what makes us human is our ability to walk upright, and yet here we are creeping around where we once stood tall.

"Stand up straight." That's timeless advice we've probably all heard at one time or another. It's worth heeding. Good posture is important to balance: by standing up straight, you center your weight over your feet. This also helps you maintain correct form while exercising, which results in fewer injuries and greater gains. And working on balance can even strengthen your abilities in tennis, golf, running, skiing - and just about any other sport or activity.

Not an athlete? It still pays to have good balance. Just walking across the floor or down the block requires good balance. So do rising from a chair, going up and down stairs, toting packages, and even turning to look behind you.

I've spent many hours researching the benefits and mechanics of good posture. Here are some of the interesting things I found out:

Improves bodily alignment. When you stand and sit with your body properly aligned, all your organs can function as intended. This includes your stomach, which is why good posture may improve digestion.

Eliminates back and neck pain. When you have proper posture, your bones and spine can easily and efficiently balance and support your body's weight. When you have improper posture, muscles, tendons, and ligaments have to constantly work to support that same weight. This extra, inefficient effort can lead to back and neck pain that can often lead to headaches. Focusing on improving your posture can go a long way to remedying these problems.

Improves breathing. To work efficiently, your lungs need room to expand in your chest.

When you're slumped over, your rib cage collapses a bit, leaving less room for your lungs to open, which in turn causes inefficient breathing.

Makes you look taller and slimmer. Some poor posture positions cause your belly to protrude. And slumping over makes you appear shorter than you are. Standing up straight will correct these issues and improve your appearance. Celebrities have mastered this for their photo ops.

Makes you feel confident and powerful. There's a reason militaries have focused for more than a century on giving their soldiers posture training. They've seen that standing straight improves troops' bearing and morale, and now modern researchers have started to prove this intuitive observation. Studies have emerged that illuminate the power of the mind/body connection and particularly how physical posture and body language affects how we feel mentally and emotionally. What researchers are finding is not only does having good posture make you seem powerful to others, it makes you feel powerful yourself.

Improves mood. Have you ever tried interacting with your child while they are in their typical slouched position scrolling through their phone? Not only will they ignore you but they will also become angrier than a cat thrown into a pool if you make them put that phone down and look up. One study found that when people assumed slouched or slumped postures while asked to recall memories, they were more likely to remember sad and depressive episodes. Individuals in upright positions, on the other hand, were more likely to recall happy and positive memories.

The good news: You can improve your posture with a few simple exercises. Balance-specific workouts address posture and balance problems with exercises that build strength where it counts and stretches that loosen tight muscles. Quick posture checks in the mirror before and during balance exercises can also help you get the most from your regular workout. And increasing your core strength and flexibility can help you improve your posture noticeably in just a few weeks.

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Inner Peace & Strength: How Travel & Exploration are Good for the Soul

By Laura Widger, LCSW

Adventure, travel, movement, and exploration can enrich your own life story in so many beautiful ways. Following pandemic years of stagnation, isolation, fear, and complacency, the welcoming of wanderlust feels and is so medicinal for the soul. A southern California native, Adam Joseph Wesley, has found his way to Ellicottville on a journey for meaning and self-awareness. Adam is here to share a few discoveries he has learned:

LAURA: What have you learned on your travels?

ADAM: An overarching lesson I have learned is that people have goodness in their hearts. All across the U.S. I have found people show love towards me when I meet and sit with them in person. The media or internet spirals can depict such hatred and hostility within the human race. However, I have found that people are much more similar to one another than they are different. I have found that "the other" doesn't exist as much as we think. It is much more of a challenge to be hateful towards another when you are sitting, standing, and looking at someone.

LAURA: How has travel been good for your soul?

ADAM: There is hope for this country. Some have said that the U.S. is in a declining state. However, on my travels across the country, I am walking away with a sense of hope and aspiration for our futures. There are a lot of opportunities that are alive and building. I have been blessed with the gift of witnessing the meaning of life across various people's perspectives and spectrum views. There isn't an objective way to live life. There are lush and abundant pockets all over the U.S. This trip has enabled me to sit with my own anxieties and fears. I have been in several situations where I had to rely on others or where I had to figure a situation out all alone, or where I had to survive. I am approaching the mindset that life will throw curve balls and that no matter what I have coming my way, I can approach it with a level of calmness and surety. I am truly learning to roll with the punches.

LAURA: What have you learned about people on your journey?

ADAM: I have learned that people innately are filled with goodness; darkness presents when trauma has occurred. Areas of the country that resemble elements of darkness have experienced collective traumas. Those areas, at times, resemble a certain energy, elements of resentfulness, and perhaps subconscious distrust. I felt moments of sadness for those who live and have experienced hardships, disasters, suffering, and traumas. I grappled with the concept of leaning in and approaching others with curiosity, particularly in mo-

ments of misunderstandings.

LAURA: What advice do you have for others preparing for a trip?

ADAM: My biggest piece of advice is to drop any and all expectations. Do not go with the agenda of finding a southern bell, do not pick up and go with a magnifying glass. Step into the community you are entering. Breath in with intention. Do no not go looking for things and have any hidden agendas. "Abandon all hopes of fruition."

LAURA: What about if the cost and time to travel across the country isn't feasible? Do you have any advice for people seeking wanderlust closer to home?

ADAM: You can take little steps forward to view life outside of your own lens. Find community members who you look up to or who inspire you and connect with them. There is a theory called "Matthew's Principle"; its premise is that the more opportunities you take, the more opportunities you will receive. Just say yes! Say yes to invitations. Just go to events you are invited to. Go to festivals. Join a group. Chit-chat with the table next to you at a restaurant or turn to the person in line behind you.

Develop the self-reflective ability to catch yourself living on autopilot. Recognize when you are not living life in the present and steer yourself back to mindfulness. Have great conversations. Ask the questions that are on your mind, without your inner critic holding your tongue. Come to the table with genuine intentions and ease into the flow when clarifying your perspective. Do not be afraid to just speak and ask questions. Find people that you love and love them deeply.

T. S. Eliot states, "Every moment is a new and shocking transvaluation of all we have ever been."

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HOLIDAY VALLEY RFID CARDS

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One of the substantial benefits of the RFID system that both ticket holders and season passholders will see is that once you log into your Holiday Valley account online and make your purchase, your pass will be automatically updated with your purchase. For ticket holders that means when you arrive at the resort, you can go to one of our Pick Up Box (PUB) machines to scan your purchase code, thus bypassing the ticket window line entirely, and the PUB will dispense your RFID ticket so you can go directly to the lift.

This winter, season passholders will have a different experience than they are accustomed to. Rather than coming into Customer Service to pick up their pass, as many passholders were accustomed to doing, passholders will have two options:

1. Email info@holidayvalley.com with the subject 22-23 Season Pass and request that we mail you your pass(es). Please make sure to include your mailing address and the names of each person in your family who is getting a pass.

2. Pick your pass up in person starting November 5. The Customer Service building will be open from 10:00am-2:00pm on weekends, and 8:00am-4:30pm weekdays, until the start

Regardless of how you want to get your pass, please make sure to log into your Holiday Valley account and make sure that your information is up to date and that you've uploaded a recent photo of yourself to your account, which is a necessary step for the RFID scanning process. If you are an Ultimate passholder, your pass will still be mailed to you. The goal is to start mailing those passes after November 5. Ultimate passholders should also log into their Holiday Valley account to ensure that information is correct and to upload a current photo for the system.

It is important to keep in mind that regardless of if you are a season passholder, an Ultimate passholder or a single day guest, the RFID cards are reusable. So please do not throw them out! This new system will allow Holiday Valley to significantly cut down on its ticket printing, eliminating a substantial amount of waste on an annual basis.

For more information about Holiday Valley passes and the upcoming winter, head over to holidayvalley.com or call 716-699-2345.

FENG SHUI WORKSHOP

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fered for sale. For more information or to register, go to suzy-woo.com/event-calendar.

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MENTAL HEALTH GRANTS

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Throughout 2023, the goal, Zerbian said, is for the original four members of the coalition to expand the pilot program to begin training other organizations and welcoming other member agencies into the Trauma Informed Care Coalition.

"As member organizations begin the implementation process, they will increase their capacity to identify and address trauma, approach their clients through the lens of trauma informed care, assist their staff to increase their own understanding of trauma informed practices, and build resilience in their consumers," said Zerbian. "Over time, as trauma informed care practices are infused among more and more provider agencies, we will have a greater opportunity to collectively address trauma in our community and increase mental wellness.'

"We feel that these grants will reach large sectors of Cattaraugus County and particularly at risk and needy populations to help provide better access to mental health services," said CRCF Executive Director Karen Niemic Buchheit. "It is important to our board that we are responsive to the needs of Cattaraugus County residents, and mental health care continues to be a great area of need in our area.'

Donations can be made to the Mental Wellness in Cattaraugus County Fund at CRCF, 301 North Union St., Suite 203, Olean, NY 14760 or online at cattfoundation.org.

FRANK PITILLO MEMORIAL LIGHTS

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Pitillo has grant writers sourcing different options, plus has the full backing of the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation. Since the Foundation is full 501(c)(3), all of the money donated can be tax deductible. Scan the QR code on this page to donate directly or head to the official Facebook Page (The Frank Pitillo Memorial Lighting Fund) for more informa-

"This is one way that I can keep honoring the memory of my brother, plus help out the kids at Ellicottville Central now," Pitillo said. "With this community, I know we can get it done."

BOB McCARTHY FOUNDATION

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sic needs in the home. These difficulties put a strain on family finances, emotions, health and schedules. Therefore, families may require some extra patience and understanding while certain issues are worked through and hopefully healed. The Foundation focuses on identifying the needs through the school and other agencies in tune with the issues that families face. From this many varied programs are supported, including:

- The local Ellicottville food pantry
- Support for individual students to help level the playing field financially
- Help for broken families
- Support for families who cannot pay for heat, food or clothing Support for seasonal workers to bridge the gap between jobs
- Help for victims of acts of God and ongoing health issues
- And many more

"Our only means of finance are from fundraisers, donation boxes in local businesses and individual donations," explained Cappelli. "Your participation and donations at Irish Christmas make this happen.

"We are excited about this change and look forward to continued work in the community, and we stress the we want to reach out and invite your input and invite you to join us in our mission. We will provide further information once our transition is completed, but in the meantime, please feel free to contact anyone on our Board."

To learn more about the Bob McCarthy Foundation and Bob McCarthy's Irish Christmas, contact Greg Cappelli at 716-474-7832.

NERDS GONE WILD INTERVIEW

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TABONE: We have a gentleman (laughs) - we have two actually - but we don't really want to single anyone out because all our fans are really important to us, but we have two. We've named this one gentleman "Mr. Bean". He looks like him and he comes up and he has his own signature dance move. (laughs) He does it to the song, "Fight For Your Right"... (laughs) then we have another gentleman that we call "Nate Dog" and he does a little skit to the song, "Sunglasses At Night". So we got Mr. Bean who comes up with his dance that he does (laughs) and Nate just comes up on stage and combs his hair for the entire song. (laughs)

HULICK: (laughs) That's hysterical! I am going to have to make it to one of your shows. TABONE: (laughs) We don't know why Nate does that, but he came up on stage one time and stood there and combed his hair for the entire song ... sometimes he will spin around while he's doing it.

HULICK: You do cruises with a large group of fans from Buffalo.

TABONE: Yep! I gotta tell you this story ... the last cruise we did was out of New Orleans and it was right when the pandemic was starting and people were getting sick and you'd hear people saying, "You're going on a cruise ship"? We ended up sailing ... our cruise was booked for March 1st through the 8th. We took off out of New Orleans and the following Sunday the country was shut down. So we got that cruise in by one week. We're hoping to get one going for late 2023 or early 2024, so stay tuned.

HULICK: Do you have a message for your fans that are coming out to see you at EBC during Ellicottville's Fall Festival?

TABONE: You know it's gonna be a great time! Make sure you make this a priority to be there. Throw on your Nerds glasses and come and enjoy the concert and all that Ellicottville has to offer, because you don't know what's gonna happen tomorrow.

SQUIRREL CALENDAR

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The calendar will feature the local community in photos with the squirrels. The photos should feature one of the Woodland Squirrels ... (maybe your youngster dressed up like an elf with the Santa squirrel, or dressed up like a fair maiden with the Knight in Shining Armor squirrel). GOACC asks that you DO NOT sit on the squirrel for the photos.

Photos can be dropped off at the GOACC office Monday-Friday from 8:30am-4:30pm, mailed to: Squirrel Photo Contest, c/o GOACC, 301 North Union St., Olean, NY 14760, or emailed to tourism@oleanny.com. Include your name, address and phone number. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED by 4:30pm on Tuesday, November 1st. For more information on the photo contest, please contact GOACC at 716-372-4433.

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granting a cable television franchise agreement by and between the Village of Ellicottville and Spectrum Northeast, LLC, an indirect subsidiary of Charter Communications. A copy of the agreement is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Village of Ellicottville Clerk's office located at One

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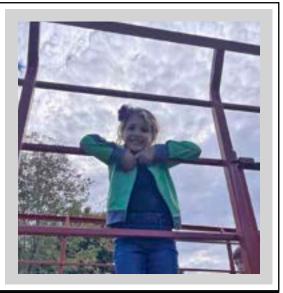
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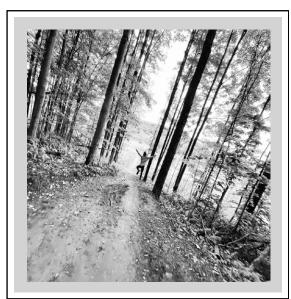
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