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Short-term rental permit moratorium could run through Feb.

Ellicottville Village Trustees hope to extend a temporary moratorium on new accessory apartments through February to allow time to finalize zoning amendments. The moratorium has been in effect for five months, freezing new permits for accessory apartments.

Board members, meeting Tuesday, Oct. 19th, voted in unison to hold a public hearing at 6:00pm on Nov. 16th to air a law extending the moratorium for three months. "This is our first moratorium in many years," said Mayor John Burrell, adding that the process is necessary to prevent legal problems.

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FINE FOOD AND MAGIC: AN EVENING AT THE SILVER FOX

An evening of fine cuisine and wine with a hint of spectacular is set to take center stage at The Silver Fox Steakhouse in Ellicottville next month. Four magicians will be the main course to a two-hour show accommodated by an exclusive dinner to take place on Saturday, November 13th. Jim O'Neill, who began fiddling with card decks from the age of six, will be leading the show. Partnering with him are three local magicians with experience in all departments of hocus-pocus. Their goal? To leave you pondering over what's better - what you ate or what you just saw ... page 08

Recapping Fall Festival

Chamber expresses appreciation to the local community and businesses for their support in hosting a successful event

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It's a great year to celebrate autumn, the winter season coming up, and life getting back to normal. This year's annual Fall Festival was faced with a lot of new challenges, but overall, it was a huge success. With staffing shortages across the board and our Canadian friends still not able to cross the border, the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce and the local community pulled off another large-scale event that was nothing short of outstanding.

Organizers reduced the number of vendors, and even though the footprint of the show remained the same, the additional space allowed our patrons more room to not only walk, social distance, and enjoy Ellicottville, but also created more visibility to our local businesses.

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NOW *this ...* by Caitlin



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THIS is Halloween ...

Halloween, All Hallows Eve, Samhain ... there are many names throughout history for this time of year and the stories and traditions have ever evolved with humanity. Rooted deeply in Druid folklore, most of our stories come from the Celtic versions of Samhain. One of my favorite traditions is pumpkin carving. There is something about sitting with friends and family, sipping cider as we gut and scrape the pumpkins, slowly bringing them to life with our carvings.

Carving into materials is one of the most primal forms of worship and communication. Countless civilizations spent hundreds of thousands of man hours perfecting their own styles, giving us modern societies a window into their world. (Something I feel we so needlessly take for granted in the tech era ... but that is a tangent for another day.)

The sense of anticipation that accompanies lighting the jack-o-lanterns for the first time makes my skin crawl unlike anything. Waiting to see how they come to life to me is otherworldly; maybe this is why so many cultures believe the veil between realms is thin and breachable during this time of the year. The lore behind carving pumpkins is rooted in one of my favorite Celtic stories ... the story of Stingy Jack, as recalled by my grandmother.

Stingy Jack invited the Devil to have a drink one day, and true to his name, did not want to pay. He then convinced the Devil to turn himself into a coin so they could pay and then once he was gone the Devil could materialize and walk away. Instead of paying for the drink though, Stingy Jack pocketed the coin along with a silver cross, ultimately imprisoning the devil in coin form.

Jack later freed the Devil with the condition that if he (Jack) died in the next year, the Devil would not claim his soul. A year passed by and Jack was walking at night through an apple orchard. (Think Wizard of Oz where Dorothy and her friends are in the haunted forest.) Jack comes toe-to-toe with the Devil again and this time convinces him to climb one of the trees to get an apple. Jack then carves a cross into the tree, again imprisoning the Devil. The devil is so mad he shakes the tree and the fruit falls to the ground. Jack asks the Devil to leave him alone for 10 more years and the Devil agrees, begrudgingly.

Not long after this encounter, Stingy Jack dies, and when it comes time for judgement, God would not allow him into heaven because he did not rebuke the Devil; he manipulated him. Such a dishonest person could not cross into the heavens. Yet, the Devil would not claim him either. Jack was sentenced to an eternity in purgatory with nothing but a flaming coal to light his way. Jack put this piece of coal into a hollowed out turnip and has been roaming the earth since. The Irish immigrants to the United States brought this folklore to North America with them and the tradition of carving pumpkins and cider-making along with it.

This Sunday, Oct. 24th, come celebrate Stingy Jack and everything Halloween with me at the Nannen Arboretum from 1:00-6:00pm. Despite moonlighting often as a writer, most days are taken up with the wonderful world of real estate. In an effort to give back to past clients, future clients and the community that supports me with no bound, I hope this event can become something Ellicottvillains look forward to. It is free to the public but there will be 50/50 raffles to support the Pink Pumpkin Project, a local non-profit that supports families while their loved ones are battling breast cancer. As a breast cancer survivor myself, I hope this can not only be fun but bring more awareness to the importance of early screening, establishing habits to keep cancer at bay and living a healthy lifestyle in survivorship.

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EVENTS

EA2EVL CHARITY RIDE

Inaugural East Aurora to Ellicottville bike ride raises \$50,000



EAST AURORA - On Saturday, October 2nd, the Erie Cattaraugus Rail Trail (ECRT) hosted its first annual charity bike ride from East Aurora to Ellicottville. The EA2EVL Fondo, presented by West Herr, netted \$50,000 that will be used to continue to build, enhance and maintain the 27-mile rail trail that runs along the former Buffalo & Pittsburgh rail line from Orchard Park to Ashford, NY.

“Thanks to our sponsors, the riders and all our volunteers, the EA2EVL Fondo was a stellar first time event,” reported Deb Fenn, ECRT Board Chair. “With 300 riders, not only did we sell out, we had 500+ donors supporting them - and our efforts to build the rail trail.”

The ride kicked off at 42-North Brewery in East Aurora under clear blue skies and 70 degree temps. Riders followed a police escort out of town to Route 240, and then headed west on Route 242 into the Village of Ellicottville. With water stops along with way, course signage, and tech support provided by Tom’s Pro Bikes, participants enjoyed a safe, social ride, along with the finish line party at Holiday Valley.

“The EA2EVL Fondo exceeded all my expectations, thanks to some hardworking volunteers - and Mother Nature,” said the Fondo’s top fundraiser Russ Kamis of Orchard Park. “I’ve lived in Chicago and was so impressed by the trail systems there that offer a safe place to ride and make the city accessible. I believe the ECRT trail can bring those same benefits to Western New York.”

In addition to presenting sponsor West Herr, National Fuel, Tom’s Pro Bikes, and 42 North Brewery were associate-level sponsors of the event.

About Erie Cattaraugus Rail Trail Inc.: Erie Cattaraugus Rail Trail, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that serves as trail manager for a 27-mile recreational trail on the Buffalo Pittsburgh Railroad rail line. In 2018, ECRT, Inc. and BPRR signed a long-term rail banking agreement to allow for trail use and improvements. In Orchard Park a 2-mile section of the trail is cleared and open, but unfinished, from Ellicott Road to Jewett Holmwood Road. Additionally, a 1.7-mile Pop Warner section in Springville is open, along with another 3.5 miles of unimproved trail in East Concord. ECRT, Inc. has over 6,500 friends and community supporters. Find more information at www.ecatrail.org.

City Garage & HV to Host Ski Movie

ELLICOTTVILLE - Celebrate the upcoming winter with the City Garage and Holiday Valley with a world-class, feature-length film by Faction Skis on Friday, Nov. 12th at 6:00pm. The film showcases some of the most stunning and creative big-mountain and freestyle skiing that took place in the past year, performed by Faction’s renowned athlete roster consisting of Olympic gold medalists, X Games champions, Freeride World Tour champions and backcountry skiing pioneers.

The movie, *Roots*, will be projected outdoors on the Champagne Sundeck at the Yodeler Lodge so be ready for the weather! Entry is free, but come prepared for buying tickets for the prize raffle and a 50/50. Proceeds will benefit the Holiday Valley Freestyle Team and a scholarship fund to help local kids get started in skiing. Check out the movie trailer at www.youtube.com/watch?v=U-8bMIVykO4

SKATE-OF-THE-ART

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With Ellicottville’s November 30th fundraising deadline quickly approaching, one final in-person event will give SK8EVL an opportunity to reach their goal, and it’s an event that combines skateboarding and art.

SKATE-of-the-ART, a skate deck art auction, is set to take place Saturday, November 6th from 2:00-5:00pm at Fathey Beer Co. in Ellicottville. Skate-of-the-Art invited 50 artists to create one-of-a-kind works of art on blank skateboard decks, which will be auctioned off to the public in both live and silent auction formats. All money raised will go to the Ellicottville Skatepark Fund at the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation.

“Skateboarding in itself is an art form, and the artwork you find on skate decks is a great platform for creative freedom expressed by the skater culture. Skateboards and art just go hand-in-hand, so we thought what better opportunity to showcase local artists and raise money at the same time,” said Brenda Perks, SK8EVL lead advocate. “When we put a call-out for artists to participate, not only did we get interest from the immediate area, but we had artists from across the U.S. hop onboard. We’re absolutely amazed at the support - and the art - that’s coming out of all of this!”

Artists from western New York, northern PA, Illinois, Florida, and even California have answered the call to show their support for a good cause. Ellicottville’s own Barbara Fox, Carey Welch, Lynn Timon, among others, will have boards up for bid on Nov. 6th. Regional artists Sean Huntington, Michelle Capizzi, Chicago’s Katie Klimacek, La Mesa’s Zack Bryant, and former Buffalo Bills place kicker Steve Christie have all submitted knockout pieces as well.

“Kathleen Shay, an art teacher at Arch Bishop Walsh in Olean, did an amazing piece titled, ‘Scarlet Begonias by the Grateful Dead’ which is currently on display at Village,” said Perks. “The first night it was there, we had someone interested in buying it on the spot. The quality of art that’s coming out of these artists is astounding! We’re expecting quite a few of them to go high.”

Perhaps the most sought after deck making its way into the event is “The Birdman” by Comic-Con artist and Ellicottville resident Shad Nowicki, depicting skateboard legend and The Skatepark Project founder, Tony Hawk. After completing his art deck, Nowicki’s “The Birdman” was carefully packaged and shipped out to TSP headquarters in California, where Tony Hawk himself is expected to sign and send it back in time for Skate-of-the-Art.

But skate decks aren’t the only art you’ll find when you enter the venue on Nov. 6th. The SK8EVL committee has teamed up once again with Ellicottville Central School art instructor Debbie McGowan to include student participation.

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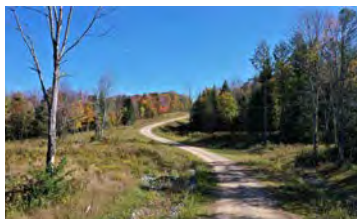
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Artisans Kari & James Roslund showcase "Filling the Void"



ELLICOTTVILLE - Collaborative Sculpture by Kari Roslund and her husband, James, is currently featured at the Ellicottville Memorial Library through December 2021, with an exhibit entitled, "Filling the Void: How We Kept Our Minds Occupied and Our Hands Busy During the 2020 COVID Pandemic". This is a fascinating display that honors the natural beauty of wood as well as the artisans' creative handling of it to make a work of art. The needle-felted elements emphasize the homage to making something beautiful and unique with one's own hands.

"This series came about from a discussion about the various tactilely engaging practices that many in our communities were learning about or revisiting to fill the void left by canceled social engagement," said Kari. "Practices such as baking, gardening, traditional arts and crafts were all making a resurgence, as society found or reestablished interests in exploring our own creativity. In renewing this interest, the populace discovered the emotional benefits found in meditative arts; an opportunity to relax and be creative without the pressure of performing.

"Using both wood and wool - our preferred mediums - James and I set out to create a small series of sculptures capturing the restorative power that these activities and practices have had on so many during the COVID Pandemic."

Kari Roslund discovered her love for fiber arts while raising a small herd of sheep in rural Pennsylvania. Although she received her BA in Studio Art from Lycoming College, she credits her education in fiber to other wool growers and fiber enthusiasts she has met as she moved throughout Pennsylvania and New York.

In 2020 and 2021, Kari was awarded the Individual Artist Decentralization Grant from the New York State Council of the Arts and the New York Foundation for the Arts for two projects that focused on examining regions and communities through sourcing her materials from a specific area. Over the past few years, she has shown in both New York and Pennsylvania, including The Gold Standard of Textile and Fiber Art at the Westbeth Gallery in New York, New York.

Come view Kari and James Roslund's exhibit now through December at the Ellicottville Memorial Library, 6499 Maples Road. For additional information and library hours, call 716-699-2842.

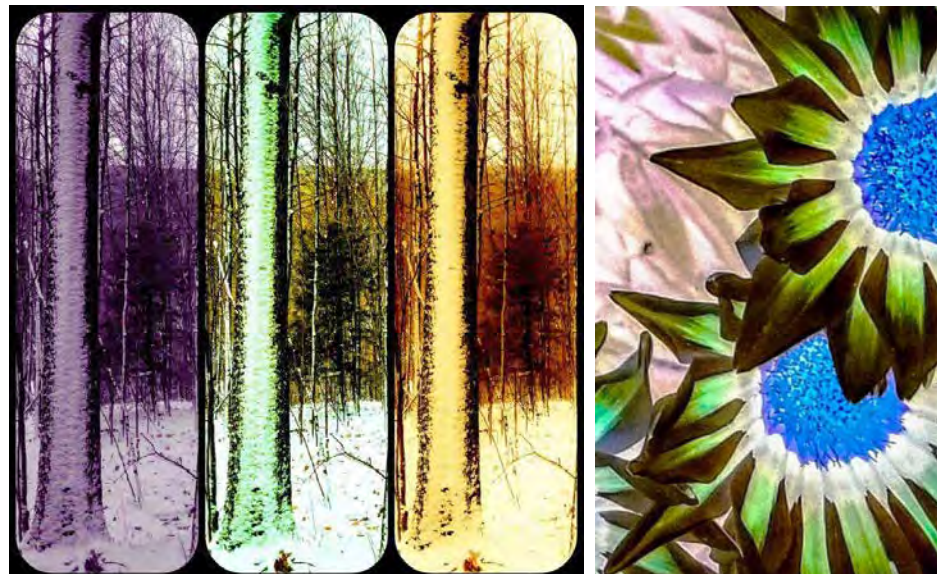
EVGV Trail Chicken BBQ Fundraiser

ELLICOTTVILLE - The Ellicottville Great Valley Recreational Trail committee will host a chicken BBQ on Saturday, Oct. 23rd from noon until gone at the Ellicottville Town/Village Hall, 1 W. Washington Street, downtown. Carson's BBQ & Catering will fire up the pit to offer 1/2 chicken, sides and a bottled water for \$15. Take-out only; all proceeds will benefit the EVGV Trail project.

The Ellicottville Great Valley Recreational Trail will be a recreational trail linking various areas in Ellicottville to Great Valley. The four-season trail will be perfect for safe strolling, hiking, biking and cross-country skiing. The 15-mile system will include a ground stone pathway and benches. If you cannot attend Saturday's chicken BBQ fundraiser, please consider making a tax-deductible donation. Donations can be made online at evgvtrail.org, or you can mail a check (payable to Ellicottville Great Valley Trail Fund), to PO Box 1183, Ellicottville, NY 14731.

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Joan Pingitore creates a connection to the natural world through art



Joan Pingitore lives in Allegany and has been an artist most of her life. She was recently awarded an "Artist in the Community" Grant from the Tri County Arts Council.

Her latest show, 'Organic Images Through the Eyes of an Artist', exhibits a colorful, abstract representation of images to demonstrate the beautiful compositions and patterns of nature. Her works are currently on display at the Olean Public Library Art Gallery. With this show she hopes to create a connection to the natural world through art, with a display of these dynamic and organic images.

The parameters to receive the grant included many different aspects including that the artist has to take on new challenges and learn new practices. The artist needs to involve and or benefit the community through such project, and also utilize the funding in a purposeful way to pay for materials and also to support the artist's endeavors.

Here is some of the narrative from Joan's grant description:

"My goal as an artist is to continually challenge myself to develop new skills. It is also to create an experience that is new to the viewer and one which is enlightening and enjoyable to behold.

"My art is more of a freeform, expounding the boundaries of our usual perceptions. The intent of this project is to bring that enlightenment to the audience through an abstract expression of natural subjects. I believe that God has created the most perfectly designed art in nature and I want to expose that to my viewers.

"I've become aware of the exciting patterns, designs, light, shadows and colors which universally sit upon and between living objects. I have started photographing these many varied characteristics of trees, leaves, stones, flowers, water and even sand ... and would like to present their grace and magnificence to others. I've started capturing portraits of these natural elements to expound on their perfect qualities. These portraits portray a very dynamic picture of the objects, which I believe is quite enchanting ... and rather breathtaking.

"I've manipulated these portraits to reveal a more close-up view of the patterns, colors and compositions and have enlarged them to enhance their beauty. I want to help the viewer perceive this as I have, and awaken their affection for nature through experiencing this art form."

The interactive art show is being presented at the Olean Public Library Art Gallery from October 2nd-30th. A portion of the proceeds from both of Joan's recent shows will go to support non-profit arts education programming.

All funds for the show are paid for by the New York State Council on the Arts.

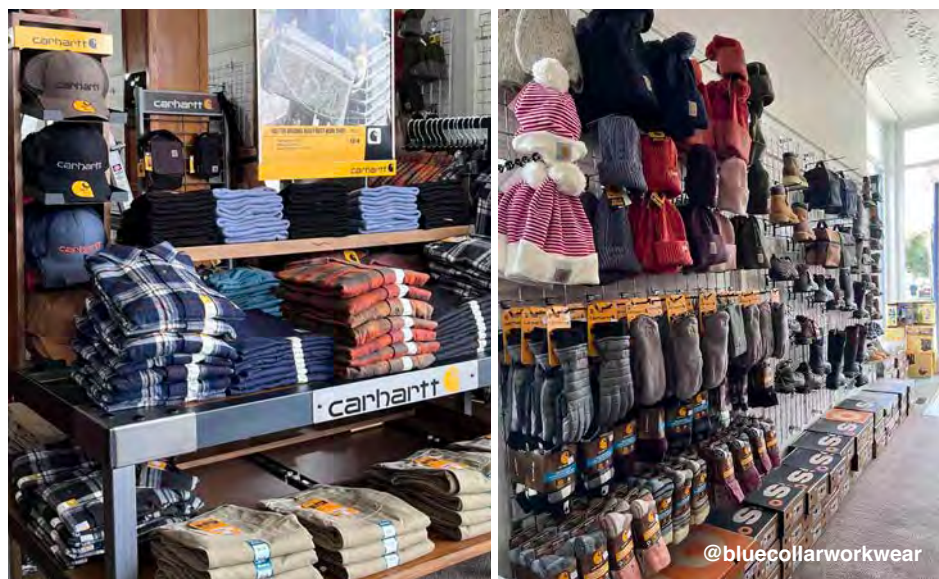
The Olean Public Library is located at 134 N. 2nd Street, Olean, NY. For hours and more information on Joan Pingitore's show, call 716-0200.

About the Olean Public Library: The mission of the Olean Public Library is to provide equal access to materials in various formats, programs, services, and professional staff to assist all people with their educational, informational and leisure needs. The Olean Public Library offers special programming, clubs and groups, as well as a crafts program, sponsored by the Frances Bean O'Connell Grant. Find a list of new releases, programs and activities at oleanlibrary.org.

DOWNTOWN

BLUE COLLAR WORKWEAR

Family-owned business adds its fourth Location, planting roots in Ellicottville



By DASH HEGEMAN

Family run businesses have been the heart and soul of Ellicottville for generations. Drive, determination and a commitment to the guest experience has proven to be a winning formula for many families in this town. Locals in the area want to support their friends and neighbors. And guests visiting from out of town appreciate the dedication and service that these businesses provide them. So it came as no surprise when the team at Blue Collar Workwear announced that it would be opening a location in Ellicottville.

For those of you not familiar with the brand, this will be Blue Collar Workwear's fourth location. The headquarters of the operation is in Olean, NY and there are also locations in Jamestown and Rochester, NY. Now, with a new location at 24 Washington St. (on the corner of Washington and Monroe) in Ellicottville, the family behind Blue Collar Workwear is excited to bring their blue collar mentality to Ellicottville.

Mike Earley started the company in 1989 after spending 17 years as a member of the railroad Union in Western New York. Mike knew that the key to success with his new endeavor would be to rely on the help of his family, specifically his wife Kathleen in the early years, and prioritize a customer first mentality in order to make a long lasting impression with clients.

Dan Earley, one of Mike's sons, is the VP of Industrial Accounts and is the operations manager and operator of the company's Mobile Shoe Truck, which is a 53-foot trailer that is used to bring the store to your company in order to outfit people with the best work footwear possible. Mike has also been tasked with getting the Ellicottville store up and running - an endeavor that he has taken on with great enthusiasm. Given the fact that they already had a store in Olean, Mike credits the overall growth that Ellicottville has accomplished over the years as one of the primary reasons for opening a store in the village, and the family now views Ellicottville as an integral component for the overall growth of Blue Collar Workwear. They purchased the building at 24 Washington St. about a year ago and immediately got to work at getting established in Ellicottville.

"There is a lot of pride in our family to make sure that this company survives for many years to come," Dan stated. "My parents devoted endless hours to get this company off the ground. And I have never wavered with my expectations for the business. About seven years ago my parents wanted to scale back. That is when my brother Bradley moved home from Pittsburgh and joined the company. He has brought so much knowledge on the backend of the business that it has allowed us the ability to go out and grow the business tremendously. When you talk family businesses every single person down to the children are a factor and involved to some degree."

When you visit the new location in Ellicottville, you will find Carhartt clothing and footwear selections from Timberland, Keen, Boggs, Muck, and Merrill. And while the new store hasn't been open that long yet, Dan is very pleased with the reception that he and his team have received in a short amount of time.

"We have had a tremendous turnout so far and we are truly blessed that the community has come out to support us," said Earley. "We will continue to bring the community great products at affordable pricing ... hopefully for many years to come. Our customers are what makes this all possible and we will never forget that."

If you have specific questions about the Blue Collar Workwear Ellicottville location, you can email Dan at danearyley@bluecollarworkwear.com. To find out more about the company, visit www.bluecollarworkwear.com.

FINE FOOD AND MAGIC

The Silver Fox offering special dinner and a show; make your reservations



By PANOS ARGITIS

An evening of fine cuisine and wine with a hint of spectacular is set to take center stage at The Silver Fox Steakhouse in Ellicottville next month. Four magicians will be the main course to a two-hour show accommodated by an exclusive dinner to take place on Saturday, November 13th.

Jim O'Neill, who began fiddling with card decks from the age of six, will be leading the show. Partnering with him are three local magicians with experience in all departments of hocus-pocus. Their goal? To leave you pondering over what's better - what you ate or what you just saw.

"I'm very excited to entertain the folks over in Ellicottville," O'Neill said. "I learned magic at the forks hotel in Cheektowaga, NY from Eddie Fechter and Karl Norman where I spent most of my weekends. I performed magic over the years while bartending at numerous restaurants and bars. You can expect fantastic close-up magic from some of western New York's top magicians."

Close-up magic is an intimate setting type of magic where performers cater to a guest table to pull-off a variety of different tricks, all in proximity from where you're seated.

Followed by cocktail hour, each guest table will have a chance to interact with the magicians for an extended period of time while they rotate to and perform from all angles of the restaurant.

To compliment the mystical acts, The Silver Fox has laid out three different main courses to choose from. Lombardian-inspired 'Pork Osso Bucco,' a rich yet succulent 'Chicken Cordon Bleu' and 'Fresh Grouper' covered in finely crusted pistachio. All flattered by a bottle of house-made wine.

While it hosted several themed events in the past, The Silver Fox has never dealt with magic before. Nevertheless, the steakhouse's owner, Michael Nickolson, is excited to bring O'Neill's expertise to Ellicottville.

"This is a completely new and different adventure for us," Nickolson said. "The show should be top notch; I don't think anyone in the village has done something like this before. It's unique. It's not every day you get to chat and mingle with magicians over a plate of food."

Without spoiling the whole show, guests should expect to experience an array of different magic acts such as coin illusions, card deck tricks, rope magic, along with stand-up performances.

"I hope they can come here with the intention that they will be amazed," O'Neill said. "I can't divulge every trick, but I can promise it will be an extremely pleasant night of top-shelf magic."

Reservations for this special dinner is \$95 per person and are available now by calling The Silver Fox at 716-699-4672. Included in the price is dinner from the aforementioned selection, a single bottle of in-house wine per four guests, and an evening full of surprises. Tax and tip are both included in the reservation price. The event will begin with drinks at 6:00pm.

The Silver Fox Steakhouse is located at 23 Hughey Alley. View their menu and other amenities at thesilverfoxrestaurant.com.

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MEETING NOTES

Village Board: Short-term Rental Permit Moratorium Could Run Through February

By KATHLEEN KELLOGG

Ellicottville Village Trustees hope to extend a temporary moratorium on new accessory apartments through February to allow time to finalize zoning amendments.

The moratorium has been in effect for five months, freezing new permits for accessory apartments.

Board members, meeting Tuesday, Oct. 19th, voted in unison to hold a public hearing at 6:00pm on Nov. 16th to air a law extending the moratorium for three months.

“This is our first moratorium in many years,” said Mayor John Burrell, adding that the process is necessary to prevent legal problems.

Village Planner Gary Palumbo provided a 10-page set of proposed changes to the Board. The proposal would affect open space and lot size provisions, limit short-term rentals in certain areas and restrict accessory apartments in secondary buildings or guest houses in certain zoning districts, among a list of other changes. The amendments were drafted by a Moratorium Committee formed in June. Committee members are representatives of the Village Board and Planning Board; they last met to review the draft in a meeting on Monday, October 18th.

“We’ve got the guts done, now we have to go through the review,” Palumbo said.

The Village Planning Board, according to Palumbo, will review the amendments in November and the final wording should be completed in December at the latest - to begin the Village Board’s review and adoption process.

The Village Board will need to accept the proposal and authorize public hearings before a vote.

In other matters, work continues on planning for several major projects.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT: Board members agreed to schedule a familiarization tour of the wastewater treatment plant in anticipation of potential budgetary needs in 2022 to address some challenges. Problems were identified in a report from Reliant Water Technologies summarizing results of a recent survey of the facility’s two

lagoons. Some issues were identified with aeration equipment, sludge buildup and past maintenance decisions.

“It’s an amazing facility,” said Burrell, pointing to a major upgrade costing \$5.1 million six or seven years ago, which did not include sludge removal.

He said a recent project that was aimed at removing sludge may need to be revisited, adding that more money has been spent on the plant than any other infrastructure item, and he hopes to be proactive in addressing future problems.

Village Engineer Ben Slotman outlined plans to begin looking into the problem and will perform die tests and air monitoring now that some portions of the plant have been taken off-line for the summer. He also suggested enlisting BOCES students to do some small projects at the plant with the goal of encouraging them to seek training in public works jobs.

EVG V TRAIL: Burrell reported he wrote a letter in support of the Town of Ellicottville’s application for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding for development of the Ellicottville/Great Valley Trail (EVGV) as part of the Southern Tier Trail, linking other regional trail initiatives.

SKATEPARK: Palumbo and Slotman are expected to issue a request for proposals, to begin seeking bidders in a full-service design/build contract for the proposed Skatepark. Groundbreaking is expected in April with construction to be completed by November 2022. Burrell asked Trustees Sean Lowes and Caitlin Croft to serve on a bid selection committee, along with representatives of the Skatepark Committee.

TENNIS COURTS: Burrell and Slotman urged a pause on reconstruction plans at the tennis court until a more detailed plan involving the trail project and other recreation facilities is completed. Costs are unknown and funding would be determined during the 2022 budget process.

SPECTRUM CONTRACT: The Board unanimously voted to approve a renewed 15-

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Ellicottville Chamber Expresses Appreciation for Support of a Successful Fall Festival

By JESSICA WALLACE, EL LICOTTVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

It’s a great year to celebrate autumn, the winter season coming up, and life getting back to normal. This year’s annual Fall Festival was faced with a lot of new challenges, but overall, it was a huge success. With staffing shortages across the board and our Canadian friends still not able to cross the border, the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce and the local community pulled off another large-scale event that was nothing short of outstanding.

We reduced the number of vendors significantly over the past five years and hosted 20% less vendors than in 2019. Even though the footprint of the show remained the same, the additional space allowed our patrons more room to not only walk, social distance, and enjoy Ellicottville, but also created more visibility to our local businesses.

With the elimination of our kid’s carnival, we had room to get creative and bring a new concept into the event. This year we invited the PUNT foundation to host a Kid’s Fun Zone. They had a 9-hole mini golf game, kids’ crafts, planks, spin the wheel and more fun interactive activities to offer families who attended.

We chatted with Madison Szpaicher, assistant director of The P.U.N.T. Foundation and Ellicottville native, who said they had a lot of fun even during the rainfall Saturday early afternoon. “The opportunity to bring awareness to the southern tier was something we simply couldn’t pass up.”

The P.U.N.T. Pediatric Cancer Collaborative is a non-for-profit that provides families in WNY facing pediatric cancer with critical programs that offer assistance in all aspects - from financial assistance to emotional support, and even bereavement. This organization was founded by former NFL Pro Bowl Punter, Brian Moorman. Brian and his wife, Amber both had a hunger to make a difference for kids in WNY who were fighting cancer in addition to giving back to the community.

A few other new attractions to this year’s event included a COVID-19 vaccination clinic organized by the Cattaraugus County Health Department, and Turf for Tots came with crafts made from the Buffalo Bills’ old turf. Corey Lee, founder of Turf for Tots has been raising money to support cancer research and programs to help children fighting cancer and blood disorders at Roswell Park.

From an organizer’s standpoint, there’s a fine line that we have to be cautious of when it comes to planning such a large event. Of course, we want to keep the tradition of the event, but more importantly we want to make sure it’s enjoyable for everyone, including our local businesses and homeowners. Pulling off an event of this magnitude takes a lot of manpower and time. If we take a step behind the scenes and look at what organizing Fall Festival is like, you would find our office, a total of 2 full-time staff and one part-time, processing hundreds of applications, making up maps, preparing mailings, permit applications, making and hanging no parking signs, measuring and numbering the streets for vendor booths, creating content for social media, organizing flaggers, ordering detour signs, committee meetings ... the list continues to even the little things such as ordering garbage can liners. A lot of what we do is not glamorous, but the return on our efforts, including the small mundane things, makes it all worthwhile, especially when we see our village thriving.

We can’t thank our support team enough for helping us bring back Ellicottville’s Fall Festival. Various groups of people, businesses and organizations helped us make the 2021 Fall Festival one for the books. There were hundreds of hours put into planning and organizing this event and the hard work certainly doesn’t go unnoticed.

Keeping the community clean is one of the things we pride ourselves with and has been for many, many years, a critical part of the event not only to us, but to our community and those who come to enjoy our village. Ellicottville is known for a lot of great attributes - one of the biggest being how beautiful and clean our village is. Although our office staff, Brian and myself look after the cleanup in the business district (as some may recall seeing us out there as early as 4:00am taking care of the streets), there simply isn’t enough time for us to look after the residential area of the village, too. After making a call to my husband, Travis Wallace, and Samuel Schwartz, local ECS student, we were able to organize a small group of local ECS students and residents to help us with keeping our village clean. Travis Wallace, Samuel Schwartz, Maddox Bush, Ignacio DeOrbe, and Adrian DeOrbe all dedicated several hours and were a tremendous help to us this past Fall Festival ... thank you!

Overall, it was a great weekend! Hats off to everyone as this is a Fall Festival to be remembered.

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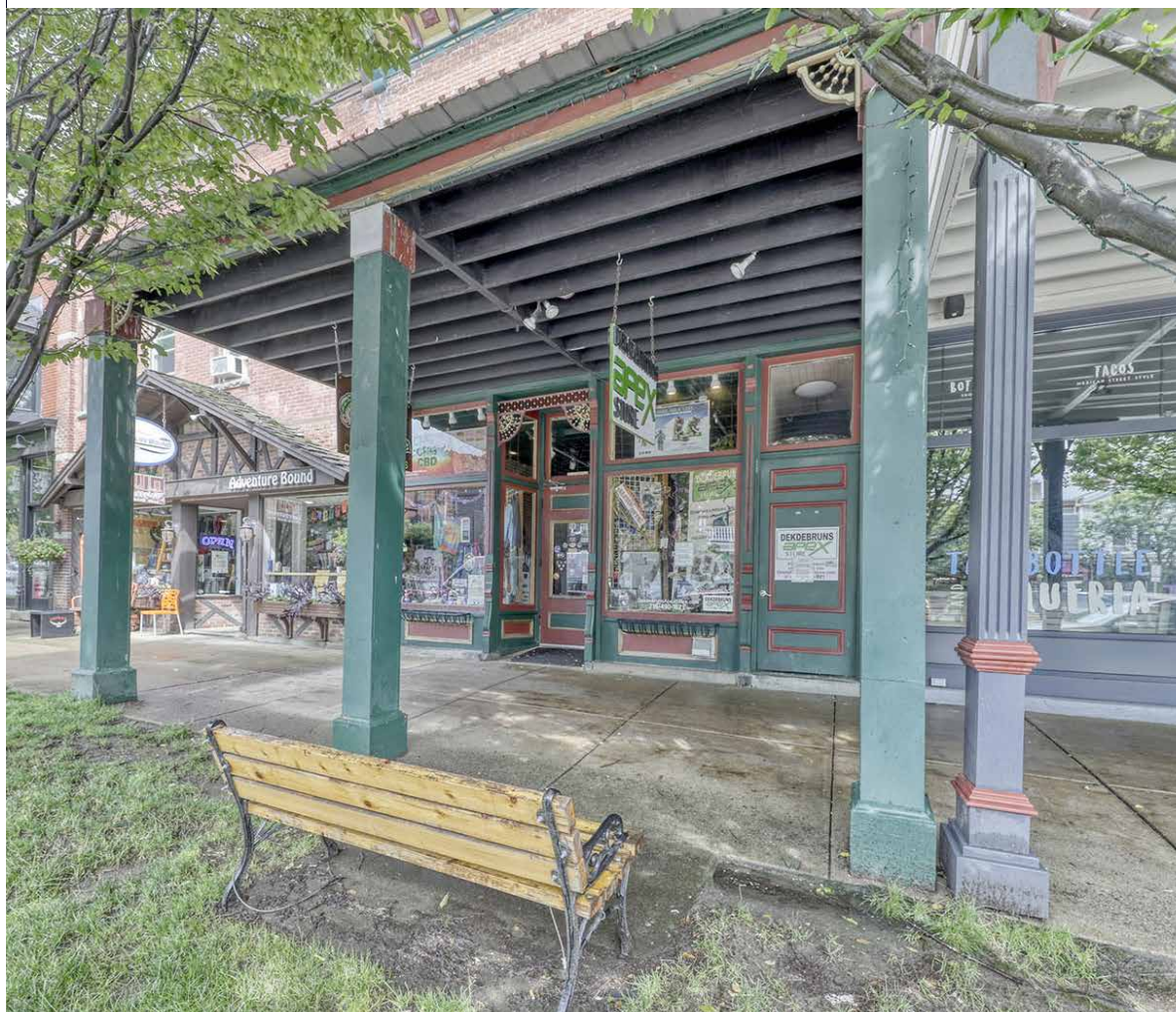


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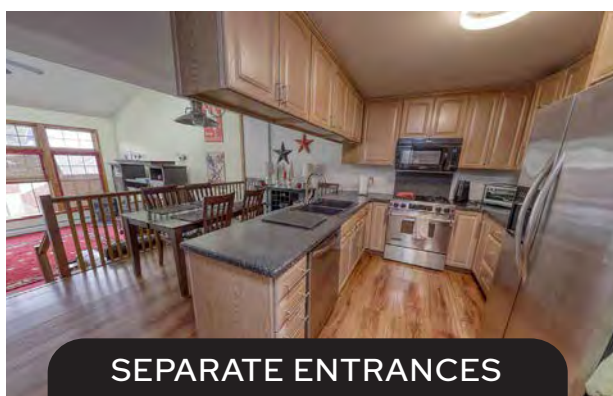
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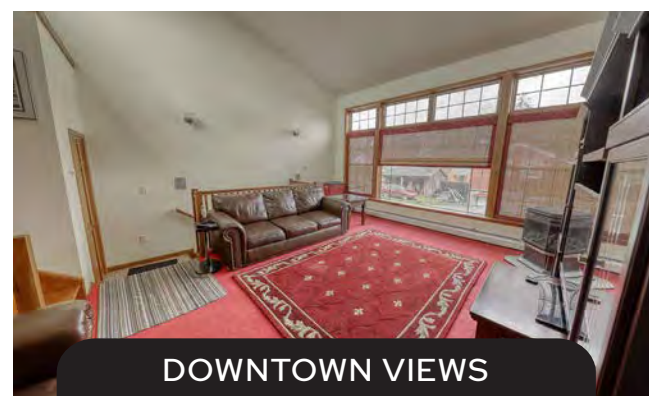
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NEW SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED

Holcomb Memorial Scholarship to support aspiring agriculturalists, conservationists



OLEAN - For the Holcomb family, life and work on their family farm in Portville was everything.

Donald Holcomb and his wife, Bern (Clayson), operated Butternut Farms, a 600-acre farm that spanned the border of Cattaraugus County and Allegany County. Don and Bern raised three children: Risa Michienzi, Suzanne Pedretti and Ted Holcomb on the farm.

Risa Michienzi remembered that there were always local kids around, helping with the work on the farm and learning more about agriculture. But for Don, farming extended well beyond those 600 acres, as he was heavily involved with helping area kids learn more about agriculture through 4H, by helping to establish the Swine Project and more.

A new scholarship recently established at the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation in memory of Don and Bern Holcomb will support the next generation of aspiring agriculturalists and conservationists in Allegany and Cattaraugus Counties.

The Don and Bern Holcomb Memorial Scholarship, which will be first awarded in 2022, will be for high school students from any high school in Cattaraugus or Allegany Counties who attend an accredited post-secondary institution (can be 1-, 2- or 4-year school/college). The student should be in good academic standing. Financial need will be considered. Preference is for a student majoring in an agricultural- or conservation-related field, a vocational/technical field or a female pursuing an engineering degree.

For the Holcomb's children, Risa, Suzanne and Ted, the scholarship is a way to remember their parents and give them the recognition they always deserved for their service to the community through agriculture, community involvement and volunteerism.

"Dad always wanted to be known for something, and for him farming was everything," said Risa Michienzi. "So for us this is a way to pay it forward to students who are interested in agriculture and conservation."

In the way that Don and his family loved farming – he was a third generation auctioneer, served as previous director of the Cattaraugus County Fair and helped establish the Market Pig Program for the Cattaraugus County 4-H club, just to name a few things – it is fitting that the scholarship can help pass that love on to a new generation.

He also loved to spend time in the woods and was a dedicated conservationist, according to Risa Michienzi.

The scholarship also honors Bern's skillset by giving preference to a female student interested in pursuing a degree in engineering.

"My mother and her family were very mechanically inclined, and she could do more (mechanically minded) things than my father could," said Risa Michienzi. "She always said that had she grown up in a different time she would have been an engineer."

Bern worked at AVX in Olean for 28 years before her retirement. In her spirit, the scholarship will also honor the mechanically inclined students of the area pursuing a career in a vocational/technical field.

"Kids now a days are so often pushed towards academics, but the world needs vocational people like electricians," said Michienzi.

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KIDS AND CANCER FUND

Over \$29,000 distributed in support for pediatric oncology care



OLEAN - Throughout the year, the Kids and Cancer Fund at the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation provides financial support to patients, especially children and their families, facing medical treatment for cancer and other life-threatening illnesses. So far this year, Kids and Cancer has made over \$18,000 in grants to provide financial support to children and families undergoing treatment.

The fund also makes possible annual grants to organizations that treat or provide resources to children and their families as they face treatment and care. Recently, Kids and Cancer supported \$29,300 to 13 organizations that support those impacted by cancer and life-threatening illnesses.

The Bradford Hospital Foundation received \$5,900 to assist with the needs of children and their families as they receive care at the hospital. The Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, Roswell Park Alliance Foundation, Shriners Hospital for Children (Erie, PA), and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital each received \$3,000. The Olean General Hospital Foundation received \$1,200.

According to William Black, Kids and Cancer president, the Kids and Cancer committee views these grants as essential as many of the child patients and families the committee supports have to travel to receive treatment from these hospitals.

The fund also made a number of grants to organizations that provide support outside of medical treatment, whether it be housing, support groups and more.

The Pink Pumpkin Project, also a fund at CRCF, received \$1,000 to support breast cancer fighters and survivors. The Laurie Anzvine Memorial Scholarship, a scholarship arm of the Pink Pumpkin Project that supports students who have had family members undergo cancer treatment, also received \$1,000.

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Pittsburgh received a grant of \$1,500 to help provide low-cost housing to families while their loved ones undergo treatment. Special Spaces, a nonprofit that provides bedroom makeovers for children undergoing cancer treatment, received \$1,000.

Thon, a student-led philanthropic organization of Penn State that provides emotional and financial support for children facing cancer, received \$2,000. Care for Children, a McKean (PA) County-based nonprofit whose mission is to improve quality of life for children of all abilities, received \$700.

"All of these grants are made in honor of the children and families we support during the year," added Black. "We cannot help every organization, but these in particular are important to us.

"These grants come at an important time," Black continued. "Throughout the [COVID-19 pandemic] many cancer patients did not get the help they need, and now their cancer is more advanced than it would be under normal circumstances. Cancer does not stop during a pandemic, so neither will we."

Donations and memorials can be made to the Kids and Cancer Fund at CRCF, 301 North Union St., Suite 203, Olean, NY 14760 or online at cattfoundation.org.

Pictured above: Kids and Cancer President Bill Black with winners of the Kids and Cancer Bike Show, part of their annual benefit run which raises funds for the grants distributed by Kids and Cancer throughout the year.

GREATER OLEAN

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OLEAN - Parents of the 12U Twin Tiers Pride invite you to a Spooktacular Adult Only 'Boo'ze Bash and Costume Party Saturday, October 30th at the Good Times of Olean Event Center from 7:00-11:00pm. Each year (with the exception of COVID-19 2020) a team or two of little league players from the Olean area take the annual trip northeast to play at the Cooperstown Dreams Park. This Bash will raise funds for the Twin Tiers Pride to take their team and play at the park summer 2022.

The Bash will feature monster mash music all night from 716Sound, chances to win Cutco Cutlery sets, Buffalo Bills tickets and a two-night stay on Lime Lake. Tickets are \$50 per person with price of \$80 for couple. Ticket includes admission into the bash, heavy appetizers and bottled beer. A cash bar will also be available. Costumes are encouraged for bash goers with prizes awarded to the best costumes.

Molly Brown, parent of Tyler Sullivan, player on Twin Tiers Pride reported, "The year that most youth baseball players wait for is quickly approaching. The 12U season is when teams can go to Cooperstown Dreams Park to play against teams from all over the country in a week-long tournament. These memories will last a lifetime. Our team is holding fundraisers to help with the cost. Go Pride!"

Established in 1996 by the late Olean resident Lou "Coach" Presutti, Cooperstown Dreams Park's mission is to provide a cultural and life-enriching experience for young boys and girls who love the game of baseball. Cooperstown Dreams Park is a family baseball park featuring fun and excitement; friends and families spend their vacations here, watching teams from around the country play baseball.

Tickets can be purchased at the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce office, parents of Twin Tiers Pride, and at Good Times. For more information or questions, please call or text 716-208-5221.

New Event at HV: Rail Rider Jamboree

ELLCOTTVILLE - The promoters of Borderland Music + Arts Festival have teamed up with Holiday Valley Resort to bring you the inaugural Rail Rider Jamboree, March 19, 2022 at Holiday Valley Resort. It will be a weekend filled with music, skiing, snowboarding competitions, brews and so much more.

Spend your day on the mountain at Holiday Valley and end it with the ultimate "apres" party at the Rail Rider Jamboree. There will be live bands all day on two stages, food vendors, craft vendors and more! The Jamboree takes place outdoors with music starting around 2:00pm on Saturday. Fans can expect to see regional, local and national bands performing throughout the day. Rail Rider Jamboree will kick off on Friday, March 18th at Holiday Valley with rail jam contests and live music, slopeside, at the base of the mountain at the Rail Park.

"I produced winter festivals on the west coast for 8 years, so it's great to be able to bring this together at Holiday Valley in my backyard," says Ginger Root Productions and Borderland Festival owner Jennifer Brazill. "I am really excited about merging music and mountains and curating a 1 day, boutique event ... It's always such a good time."

Lodging with options to add on lift tickets and other resort activities is available to book with the resort today, with package Jamboree tickets to be announced. The event is for all ages. Details will be available soon at www.holidayvalley.com/Railrider.

GET READY TO GET MESSY!

Tacos in June; Wings in November ... GOACC plans Wing Crawl event



OLEAN — The Olean Sports and Social Club (OSSC) and the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce are once again teaming up to present the next segment of a food crawl – the 'chicken' Wing Crawl event. It is a fundraiser to raise funds for service dogs through the WNY Heroes/Pawsitive for Heroes.

Ready to get messy? Wing-lovers unite to explore the best of the Olean area's chicken wing establishments on Saturday, November 13th. The fee to partake in the testing of wings in their finger-licking secret sauces is \$35 per person if purchased by November 5th.

Join area wing enthusiasts as they crawl the restaurants of the area searching for the answer to the eternal question of who has the best wings at 9 participating locations. Votes will be tallied at the end of the crawl with the BEST WING named. Also, one lucky participant will be taking away \$500 in Shop Olean gift certificates.

"We have chosen to fun'raise again for the Western New York Heroes program called 'Pawsitive for Heroes.' The program will pay for service dog training as a result of the funds raised from the event. The dogs and their owners go through various courses together, properly preparing the dogs to serve those who've served," reported Aaron Tierson, member of the crawl committee.

The time frame of the crawl is noon-5:00pm that Saturday. Participants need to call the Chamber to sign up for the crawl for \$35 which includes 9 wing vouchers, judging card, and a wing bling drinking vessel (where you will be able to get drink specials at each of the locations).

"Tyler (Booth) and Aaron approached the Chamber back in March to help organize the taco event. Although we were short of our goal of 200 participants for the taco crawl (144), the feedback was to continue this in the area with other food items," Meme K. Yanetsko, GOACC COO said. Tyler's OSSG is the Southern Tier's organizer of recreational sports, social fun, and charity events - kickball, beach volleyball and a fabulous scavenger hunt.

The list of tentative locations includes Third Base, Randy's Up the River, House's Parkwood, Mickey's Restaurant, Mangia, Napoli Pizza, Tasta Pizza, Talty's Irish Pub, Union Whisk(e)y and Village Green. Restaurants will be paying a vendor fee to cover costs.

Please call or stop in the Chamber to make reservations - your wing packet will be available for pick-up Monday, November 8th. The Greater Olean Area Chamber is located at 301 North Union Street, phone 716-372-4433. You can also go online to shop.oleanny.com to purchase your ticket.

SANTA CLAUS LANE PARADE

Applications to participate in this year's parade now available at the GOACC office

OLEAN – Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus, Right down Santa Claus Lane!!! The Santa Claus Lane Parade is always the highlight of the holiday season, attracting loads of people of all ages to downtown Olean. The parade will be held on Friday, November 26th in downtown Olean, with a new start time of 6:30pm. The Santa Claus Lane committee encourages area organizations and businesses to participate in the parade with a float, send in a musical unit, or display historical/public vehicles in the parade.

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HEALTH & FITNESS

Core Performance: Spinal Alignment

By **KIM DUKE, CERTIFIED PERSONAL TRAINER**

When it comes to our health and fitness routines, finding balance (whether in our workouts or in our diets) is top of mind. But something we pay little attention to: how our bodies can slowly but surely shift out of balance just from reacting to daily events. Whether it's tensing your back when you're stressed, hunching your shoulders at your desk while you work, or even subconsciously adjusting the way you walk because of an injury, these little things can all cause your body to fall out of its natural alignment. Although these dysfunctions may start to feel "normal" to you, they can prevent your muscles from functioning as they're intended to.

It's also a big problem for fitness lovers since working out can make these imbalances even stronger by unintentionally perpetuating bad form or movement patterns. While every part of your body from your head to your feet can be misaligned, your spine can be the most debilitating and can decrease productivity in all aspects of your daily life.

Before trying to correct your spinal alignment on your own, check with your doctor to make sure you don't have a more serious, underlying problem. Some spinal imbalances won't need a chiropractor. If you don't have any serious medical issues, stretching, strengthening and relaxation techniques can help you improve your posture and your spinal alignment. Incorporate exercise into your daily routine in order to increase strength and offset muscle imbalances that could contribute to incorrect spine alignment.

Follow the steps below to properly regain your spinal alignment.

Step 1: Identify things in your daily lifestyle that you may do to hinder proper spinal alignment. For instance, if you spend long hours slouching in an office chair, you regularly wear shoes without support or you sleep on your stomach, you may need to make changes in those areas of your life to improve spine alignment.

Step 2: Rest your back while at work. According to Spine-Health, you place more pressure on your back while sitting than while standing. Make sure you sit up straight, with your legs uncrossed and at a 90-degree angle in order to decrease unnecessary pressure. If you find yourself crossing your legs regularly, this could throw your spine out of alignment.

Step 3: Use a stability ball as an office chair for short periods of time during the day. According to the American Council on Exercise, sitting or performing exercises on a stability

ball will help strengthen your core muscles of the abs, hips and back, which contribute to improved posture. You don't have to ditch your comfy office chair, just use a stability ball for 20 minutes at the beginning of the day, then again for 20 minutes after lunch.

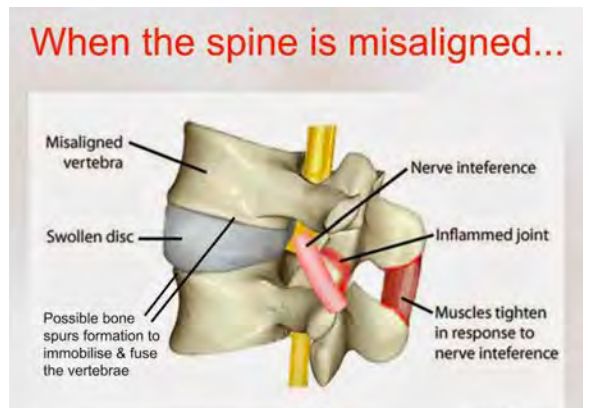
Step 4: Walk around and stretch regularly. Movement enhances the blood flow to the spine and encourages mobility and range of motion, making proper spinal alignment easier to maintain.

Step 5: Exercise daily, including both low-impact cardio and weight training to your workout. Improving strength, particularly in your back and abs, can help you improve your posture and align the spine.

Step 6: Add yoga to your exercise routine. Yoga takes you through a series of exercises that stretch and strengthen both the front and back of your body, helping even out muscle imbalances. Spine-Health notes that yoga can improve posture and spine alignment.

Step 7: Sleep in a way that supports your spine. Your spine should have the opportunity to rest, relax and readjust itself as you sleep; if you wake up stiff, you may want to address potential problems. If you sleep on your side, consider placing a thin pillow behind your knees. If you sleep on your back, place a pillow under your knees and a towel beneath your neck. Avoid sleeping on your stomach if you can.

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In Balance: How We Show Up In Our Circles and For Ourselves

By **TREVOR BRACHMANN**



Being present throughout the experience of our life is an everyday practice. Many times a day I have to remind myself that it is unnecessary to stress about the future to-do's or build an expectation around thinking something is going to go a certain way. Oftentimes I find myself going back to the past and digging up old hurts, or holding someone to who they were in days before. Doing this creates a lens that alters our reality, and sometimes can throw up blinders that keep us from truly experiencing the here and now. Breathing deep, staying open

and accepting people with an open heart is something we can all work towards bringing to our world a little more in the day-to-day. This practice can show up in so many ways. Seeing when someone could be lent a hand, or accepting the fact that you could use some help and asking for it. Picking up that piece of litter to help purify your surroundings instead of walking past it and thinking disdainfully about the person who littered or the area itself. Being soft and kind when needed, as well as being hard or aggressive when the situation calls for it. Balancing our lives and our communal connections is an ever-evolving relationship.

We all have folks in our world who we see as self-serving and uncaring, as well as people on the other side of that spectrum who give of themselves until they're worn thin and don't have enough left for themselves. It may be easy for us to think "that person is selfish" or "they are so kind and wonderful". However, sometimes that uncaring person could be doing their own work because they didn't have or weren't given anything in their formative years. Maybe they seem like they don't care or don't want to help because they believe

what you're going through is yours to go through; that the task ahead of you is your challenge to accomplish and best accomplished on your own. That doing that work on your own is going to give you a sense of achievement and realization that you are strong and capable. On the other side, that giving person may be giving so much of themselves so that they can get praised, or be seen a certain way. Which in its own way is selfish. Perhaps they're giving so much of themselves because they feel like they have to, to prove their worth or they feel that they aren't worthy of love and appreciation without going the extra mile or giving everything they've got. This brings us back to how important it is to remember to care for and be kind to the most important person in our lives. Ourselves.

We can say our partners, our children or someone else is way more important to us than ourselves. It's easy to understand why one would feel that way. But here's the deal - without you, that relationship wouldn't exist. Without you, that partner wouldn't have a partner. That child wouldn't have one of their parents. To a degree, it is very important to be self-serving. To remember to serve yourself love, happiness, and healthful things. To be soft with yourself when you need a gentle touch, and to push yourself and put the nose to the grindstone when you need that push. Showing up for yourself, giving your mind, body and spirit what it needs, enables you to continue growing and to be present, emotionally stable, and enjoyable to be around. It gives you the tools to fix what is necessary to fix in your surrounding environment.

Throughout the process, let's try to remember to keep envy and negative judgement of others on a short leash, if not eradicated. The person who has it all, doesn't. With all their blessings, they carry a weight as well. That mean or aggravating person? They likely display that way because of the love they didn't receive or how they have been hurt and haven't been able to let it go. We can't do the work for people. We can possibly lead them to the path, but the person has to want to change. So in ourselves, let us embrace change. Let's embrace evolution. Let's take the steps forward to better ourselves, and keep our eyes open and ready to receive the messages of when a change could be made that will enable us to show up clearer for ourselves and for the whole, in a manner our hearts tell us is beneficial to the greater good.

You're a gift. It's time to start seeing that, so that you can give that gift generously and in the right avenues.

NOW THIS...

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As we head into the end of October, Ellicottville transforms into a spooky scene-scape with events for all ages. There is the Nightmare Hayrides in Great Valley (check out their website for hours - nightmarehayride.com), and a visit to Pumpkinville is a must (discover all the attractions at pumpkinville.com). Other spooktacular events planned include:

- EVL Halloween Half Marathon & 5K, downtown Ellicottville: Saturday, Oct. 23rd @ 10:00am
- Kids Pumpkin Painting Party at Villaggio: Saturday, Oct. 23rd @ 11:00am-1:00pm
- “Thriller Dancers” in the street in front of Villaggio: Saturday, Oct. 23rd @ 6:30pm and 9:30pm
- The Relaxed Realtor Client & Community Party at the Nannen Arboretum: Sunday, Oct. 24th @ 1:00-6:00pm
- Rock City Chrysler’s Trunk or Treat at the Cattaraugus County Fairgrounds: Friday, Oct. 29th @ 6:00-8:00pm
- S. Paul’s Trunk or Treat in the parking lot of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Ellicottville: Sunday, Oct. 31st @ 6:00-8:00pm

Leaving you with one of my favorite Halloween jokes: Why do demons and ghouls hang out together? ... Because demons are a ghouls best friend! Hope to see you at the local haunts this season!

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VILLAGE BOARD NOTES

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year cable franchise agreement with Spectrum, a subsidiary of Charter Communications. Burrell said the arrangement consistently brings about \$17,000 in income to the village, an amount that represents 5% of Spectrum’s gross annual revenue.

DRI GRANT: The Downtown Revitalization Initiative grant application was submitted in early October and Burrell shared his letter to the New York Regional Economic Development Council, expressing thanks for the opportunity to seek the \$10 million funding package. He told the EDC the effort united part- and full-time residents, elected leaders, prominent organizations, while attracting developers to work on a “transformative” plan for projects to bridge the resorts and business district. The letter was signed by DRI Committee members Burrell, Town Supervisor Matt McAndrew and Chairman Barry Goodin.

FALL FEST: Several Board members commented that the 2021 Fall Festival was visibly scaled down and a success, and there was general discussion about getting more involved in planning portions of the event that cost the village money.

“There is a significant cost. I want us to be good with it so there’s an answer if people complain,” said Burrell, suggesting the Board get more involved early to be prepared when Village resources are required. “We want to be sure the law and our insurance are okay with the exposure if someone gets hurt,” he added.

WEBSITE: Officials reported that the longstanding official Town and Village website, at ellicottvillegov.com, will absorb the Engineering Department’s website (evl-engineering.com). An official announcement is anticipated when the change occurs.

The Ellicottville Village Board will next meet in regular session at 6:00pm on Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2021 in the Village/Town Hall, 1 W. Washington Street. For questions or more information, including an agenda, please contact the Village Clerk, Mary Klahn, at 716-699-4636.

SKATE-OF-THE-ART

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“Deb and her students helped us out last year for our soup bowl fundraiser. It was such a great partnership and a wonderful way to get students involved, that we wanted to work with them again. This time, students are creating their own mini masterpieces on 8”x8” canvases, which will be displayed on a wall at the event. All ticket holders will be entered into the mini-canvas raffle; if your number is called, you get to go up to the canvas wall and choose the student art you want to take home.” McGowan and her students are anticipating 60+ mini canvases to be available for the taking.

Other highlights of Skate-of-the-Art:

- All ticket holders will be treated to complimentary appetizers donated by local restaurants Villaggio, Dina’s, Katy’s Cafe, EBC, Finnerty’s, and Tim & Bonnie’s.
- All ticket holders 21 and older will receive a “one free beer” coupon, compliments of Fattey Beer Co.
- All ticket holders will be entered into the Door Prize raffle, which includes a Salomon Huck Knife Pro 155 snowboard donated by Snowflake/245 Board Shop, and a signed Tony Hawk poster, among other things.

“Once again, this community (and beyond) has stepped up to the plate to show their dedication to Ellicottville and to the youth of our area,” said Perks. “Skateboarding provides a lot of benefits both physically and mentally, and it has a way of bringing people together, as is apparent with this fundraiser. We are so thankful for the businesses, the artists, and our school for their willingness to be a part of this event. It’s our last live event before our deadline, and we want it to be great!”

Not only will the Ellicottville Skatepark project benefit from this event, but quite a few artists have expressed the benefits to them as a result of participating. Darcie Rosinski of Buffalo, shared that she hasn’t picked up a paint brush or marker in quite some time, and this opportunity has renewed her love for art. She also expressed her enthusiasm for Ellicottville’s skatepark.

“I’m so excited that the skate community is growing and that parks are starting to pop up all over!” Rosinski said. “Growing up skating really shaped who I am today and it excites me to know kids will have fun places to skate!”

Skate-of-the-Art will include both live and silent auctions, and will feature the tag team duo of Brooks LeFeber Auctions and emcee Pat Morgan - two names that are no strangers to the Ellicottville scene.

“Despite not living locally any longer, the dream of having a skatepark in Ellicottville has felt like a lifetime of ‘what if,’” said Morgan. “Now, with Chris, Brenda and team getting this dream across the finish line, I’m thrilled to be able to lend assistance as needed with this event and future projects SK8EVL has in store leading up to the ground breaking event.”

Tickets to Skate-of-the-Art are \$10 each and can be purchased in advance at the office of [ellicottvilleNOW/PandaGoat Media](http://ellicottvilleNOW.com), 9 W. Washington Street (across the hall from the Chamber), through any SK8EVL committee member, or Venmo (@Ellicottville-Skatepark). Additional questions can be directed to Brenda Perks at 716-244-7573. Follow @sk8evl on IG/FB for a sneak peek at art decks that will be available for bid.

The Ellicottville Skatepark, to be located inside Ellicottville’s Village Park, will be available to the public at no charge upon completion. Construction is expected to begin next spring. Learn more about the Ellicottville Skatepark project and how you can contribute at sk8evl.com.

SCHOLARSHIP

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CRCF Executive Director Karen Niemic Buchheit applauded the Holcombs’ children’s work in preserving and perpetuating their parents’ legacies.

“What Risa, Suzanne and Ted have done by establishing this scholarship and designing the award criteria this way is really beautiful,” said Buchheit. “Every piece of this scholarship and its criteria honors their parents in a special way. People like Don and Bern might not have been as widely known as they could have been in the community for their work, but they did so much in the fields they love and deserve to be recognized and remembered for it.”

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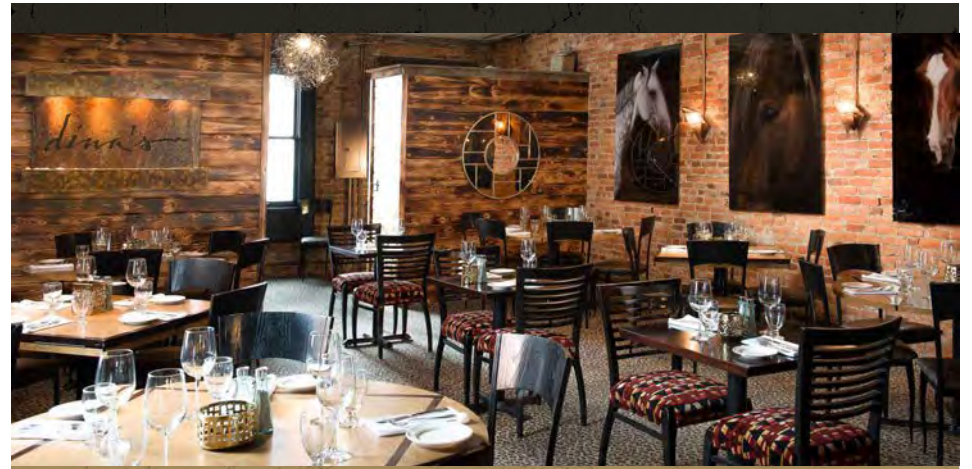
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SILVER FOX STEAKHOUSE is looking for Kitchen Staff. Stop in at the restaurant, 23 Hughey Alley, to fill out an application, or mail resume to P.O. Box 146, Ellicottville, NY 14731, fax resume to 716-699-4691 or email silverfoxeville@aol.com.

HELP WANTED: Experienced carpenters needed. Please apply to G.M. Nickolson Construction, Inc., located at 42 Mill Street, Ellicottville, NY 14731 or email gmnickolson@aol.com.

COMMUNITY

ST. PAUL'S TRUNK OR TREAT: St. Paul's Lutheran Church will host their annual Trunk or Treat this year on Sunday, October 31st from 6:00-8:00pm. The church is looking for volunteers to decorate their cars and pass out candy. More than ever, our kids (community) need something fun and safe to do. So join in on the fun! Please contact Glenda Jackson, church secretary, and let her know if you are coming so she can keep track of how many cars are participating. Glenda can be reached at 716-699-2265.

SANTA CLAUS LANE

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The parade will begin at Delaware Avenue and North Union Street, will use both sides of the street as it did in 2018, and proceed south on North Union. Santa and Mrs. Claus will have their traditional countdown of the lights coming on at the intersection of State and Union.

"Why the change in start time? GOACC hosted two polls to gauge interest in changing the time to either 6:00pm or 7:00pm. As there was no weight on either time, GOACC has decided to meet in the middle and change it to 6:30pm," reported Meme Yanetsko, GOACC COO.

She added, "Committee members were worried about out of town folks getting out of work and in to town on time. Some felt the earlier time would help people to get back out shopping, hanging with family or out to restaurants at a little earlier time."

The process is simple: it's FREE to participate, and the enjoyment is plentiful, so why not enter? In order to participate in the parade, you'll simply need to print and fill out an application form that can be found on the Chamber's website, www.oleanny.com or by calling the Chamber office. Parade trophies will be presented in eight categories.

The parade rules and guidelines include: floats may be no taller than 13 feet and they MAY NOT contain a Santa or Mrs. Claus as they make their entrance at the end of the parade to light the lights; NO CANDY, small toys, light up wands, etc. should be thrown from the float, and any children on the float should be supervised. Adults must accompany small children if walking; if you would like to hand out candy/coupons, please have volunteers walk along the sidewalk and hand out; and if you have animals in the parade (dogs and horses are allowed), you must provide scoopers to clean up droppings.

To participate in the parade, a float or unit must be decorated in holiday fashion. There is no theme – the holidays and all the celebrations can be the theme if needed. A Safety Committee will review all floats before they enter the parade route. Although there is no official deadline for parade applications, GOACC urges all participants to get the information into the Chamber by November 25th. All parade participants must have a waiver signed and Chamber officials ask that all waivers be handed in by November 26th to the office at 301 North Union Street. For more information regarding Santa Claus Lane or other GOACC events and activities, call 716-372-4433 or email santa@oleanny.com.

Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce, located at 301 North Union Street in downtown Olean, has been the leading business organization in the greater Olean area since 1906. Their business plan reflects activities related to lobbying local and state leaders and developing programs to supporting workforce development, small business owners, large corporate entities, non-profit organizations, manufacturers, and area residents. For more information, please call 716-372-4433 or email member@oleanny.com.

SERVICES

ROVER MAKEOVERS: Professional pet grooming. Owned and operated locally by mother & daughter, Teresa Mercer and Calla Wagner. Call 716-364-2302 for an appointment. 16 Elizabeth St., Ellicottville. "YOUR DOG IS OUR DOG."

MARTENS CLEANING SERVICE: Local, professional carpet cleaning, deep cleans, construction clean-up, grout and tile cleaning, residential and business cleaning, rental property flips. Now booking ski seasonal rental cleanings. Call Christina Martens, 585-435-7158.

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PLACE YOUR AD: Classified ads appear in both print and online! \$10 per issue up to 40 words, 25¢ each additional word. Call 716-699-9816, stop by 9 W. Washington St. or email info@ellicottvilleNOW.com

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EVL Halloween Half Marathon & 5k

October 23, 2021 • Traffic and Detour Information

On Saturday, October 23rd a 13.1 and a 3.1 mile running race will take place on the roads through the towns of Ellicottville and Mansfield. Every effort has been made to minimize disruption to the residents of these communities with the help of the Cattaraugus County Sheriff Department and The Town of Ellicottville Police Department. The races will start at 11:00am and 11:15am on Monroe St. in Ellicottville and travel North out of the village on Maples, Kent, Hinman, and Hencoop roads, finishing back on Monroe St. On various sections of the course, the road will briefly be restricted to cars except for local residents:

- Maples Rd. Northbound - Lane restricted from Poverty Hill Rd. to Kent Rd. from 11:20-11:45 am.
- Maples Rd. Southbound - Maples Rd. southbound lane from Hinman Hollow to Ellicottville will be closed from 11:10am-2:15pm. Traffic at the intersections of Hinman Hollow, Cross Rd., and Hollister Hill will be redirected to follow detour route signage. The detour will route traffic north on Maples Rd. to Hinman Hollow/Lindberg Rd., connecting to Route 219 and the Village of Ellicottville.
- Poverty Hill - Closed from 11:15-11:45am from Maples Rd. in both directions to 1/2 mile north of the Maples/Poverty Hill intersection.
- Kent Rd. - Northbound lane closed from 11:30am-12:15pm from the intersection of Maples Rd. to Hinman Hollow. Southbound lane traffic not affected.
- Hencoop Hollow Rd. - Local traffic only from Mountain Gate Rd. (0.8 mi south of Maples Rd.) to Maples Rd. from 11:45am-1:20pm.
- Elizabeth St. 11:00am-2:15pm local residents only from Washington to Jefferson/Elk St.
- Mechanic St. 11:00am-2:15pm local residents only from Maples Rd. to Elizabeth St.

For questions, please email info@evlhalf.com or call 716-941-4330. For the safety of pets and runners, homeowners are asked to keep their dogs inside during the races. Thank you for the patience and understanding of residents along the route and ask drivers to exercise caution around the runners.

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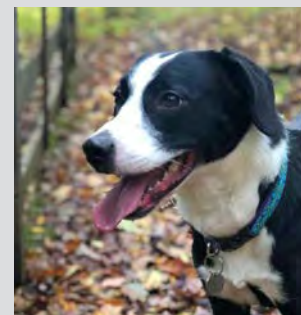
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evillebikeandbean: How about those @buffalobills!! Maggie and Moe asked for a short shift on this #victorymonday #evlnow



debbiegeorgesf: #ellicottvillenow #flowersoffthefarm #officeflowers



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