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Of course, it wouldn't be Summer Music Festival without the music. This year's Saturday night lineup at Holiday Valley includes opening act Caitlin Koch and headliner One Vision of Queen featuring Marc Martel. Sunday will bring us the Buffalo Philharmonic, joined by Jeans 'n Classics, performing the classic rocks songs of Led Zeppelin & The Who, followed by a fireworks show.

Find the full schedule on page 05.

LITTLE VALLEY VILLAGE OF KNIVES CELEBRATION

In "Case" you didn't know, there's a big shindig about to happen at the Cattaraugus County Fairgrounds in Little Valley which has been in the making for over 150 years. A CASE family knife show and Village tour is taking place July 12-14th. Entrance is free but bring your checkbook, cash, or plastic because you will be entering knife collector's heaven.

Ellicottville Mayor, John Burrell, will be in knife-making mode at this event, along with Springville native, business owner of Baranowski Knife and Tool, and December 2020 History Channel Show Forged In Fire Champion Walter Baranowski. Baranowski will be doing the metal work. and Burrell will be creating the handles of three knives, two of which will be auctioned off and the third being donated to the knife museum in Little Valley American Legion building.

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LINCOLN BOUTIQUE MOTEL WELCOMES NEW RESTAURANT PARTNER

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SOUTHERN TIER WOUNDED WARRIOR BENEFIT CONCERT

A hometown hero returns to his stomping grounds to welcome the 5th annual Wounded Warrior Benefit Concert. Colonel Patrick Miller, an Allegany native and event organizer, is happy to share that this year's event will take place at Bradner Stadium in Olean, NY on Saturday, July 20, 2024 beginning at 4:00pm. The summer event aims to not only raise donations but to also recognize and assist veteran support, locally and nationally. This year, the concert shifts its location to Bradner Stadium in Olean to welcome an increase in attendance. Each ticket sale benefits multiple veteran causes ... page 08

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Marvin "Joe" Curry Veterans Powwow

Annual Salamanca Event Moves to Casino Event Center for 2024



By Jessica Schultz

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This year the Marvin "Joe" Curry Veterans Powwow is taking place at the Seneca Allegany Resort & Casino Event Center. There will be many different activities, demos and entertainment planned for the weekend, with a vendor market with over 40 craft vendors, and a variety of food and beverages available.

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ELLICOTTVILLE CHAMPIONSHIP RODEO MOSEYS BACK INTO TOWN

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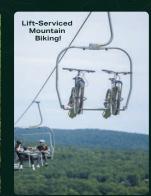
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POUR TAPROOM COMING TO EVL

Lincoln Boutique Motel Welcomes Restaurant Partner to Route 219 Location



By Mary Weiser

across from The Inn at Holiday Valley. They expect to open this fall.

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When Route Two Nineteen LLC purchased the property several months ago, they were eager to find a tenant to bring the former motel restaurant back to life. DiCenzo and Prime were familiar with the property and knew that it'd been for sale. "We always dreamed of opening a second location somewhere in the surrounding area," said Prime. "Being skiers, Ellicottville always piqued our interest. When we heard about the group that bought it, we reached out to them to see if they were willing to have a conversation with us about the restaurant. After several meetings and them checking out what we do downtown (in Buffalo), we were able to strike a deal!"

Hogan is looking forward to working with DiCenzo and Prime, who are from Springville and have been friends for many years, much like Hogan and the other members of Route Two Nineteen LLC, including her sister-in-law, Kathleen Hogan O'Neil. "We've known each other since we were three-years-old," said Prime of his friendship with DiCenzo. When the friends turned 30, they embarked on a week-long backpacking trip, which led them to a self-serve taproom in South Carolina. Prime recalled, "We spent a couple of hours there just observing and saying, 'Man, if we ever had a chance to do something on our own, this seems like something we could handle!""

The friends kept the conversation going, and their idea quickly gained momentum. They were fortunate to secure a downtown Buffalo location in January of 2020 and signed a lease... for April 1, 2020. "So we went from an opening of July 2020 to finally getting the doors open on July 2, 2021," said Prime. While there were many challenges that first year not the least of which was a global pandemic - the pair was thrilled to see the business grow.





Prime said that the new Ellicottville location will be like the Buffalo taproom. "We're planning on having 30 self-serve taps that will hold beer, and then we are going to keep a portion of the bar and have regular bar service as well," he explained. "We'll be able to provide cocktails and drinks involving liquor, which we don't have downtown, which we're pretty excited for." Prime noted that they will be offering a very similar food menu to their Buffalo location, which features American pub-style fare. Learn more about Pour Taproom and stay up-to-date on the new location by following Pour Taproom Buffalo on Facebook and visiting pourtaproombuffalo.godaddysites.com.

Pour Taproom is planning for a late September opening in Ellicottville, just in time for Fall Fest weekend. This aligns well with the motel's projected fall opening. Hogan said, "We're really going to try, by the Taste of Ellicottville weekend (August 10-11th), to have an open house. We'd love to have people come and walk through and see a couple rooms we will have finished by then.'

The motel will have seven king-size suites and five queen-size rooms. At this point, the owners are working on the finishing touches, including selecting the furnishing and light fixtures. "We're going to use a lot of natural wood in the decorating - that's all being

"Pour Taproom Coming to Ellicottville" continued page 14





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ELLICOTTVILLE RODEO

Make Time to Enjoy the Largest IPRA Sanctioned Rodeo in the Northeast!



By Patrick Ferrino

There are only a few things in life that are better than the Fourth of July. For some, it's the great appreciation and concentrated expression of patriotism that makes the holiday so special. For others, it's the summertime's vessel of an excuse to party and celebrate the warm weather. No matter how you celebrate, it is undeniable that there is nothing quite like the red, white, and blue all-American aesthetic that takes over on the fourth; It's always fun to do the most American thing you can think of.

Seeing the Ellicottville Championship Rodeo certainly fits the 'All-American' bill and is a fantastic way to spend 4th of July weekend with the family! This year's Rodeo runs from July 4th through the 6th at 7:00pm, and July 7th beginning at 2:00pm. We can anticipate nine different events to be featured, including steer wrestling, cowgirls barrel racing, calf roping, and of course, BULL RIDING! Aside from the main events, there are plenty of local vendors to check out at the midway, as well as different flavors to snack on. Younger children will have tons of fun in the stick horse race, where they can pick on a cowboy their own size and join in the fun and competition!

The Ellicottville Championship Rodeo is the doing of one incredibly passionate and proud family, the Kents. Owner John Kent came across the very property on which the rodeo stands to this day, and had nothing more than an idea and a family who needed a new home.

"Well, I bought this property March 21st, 40 years ago, so I could build a house here," said John.

Forty years ago, John marveled at the 214-acre plot he had purchased, all to build his family home. Besides the house, 2 barns - one for John's wood shop, and the other for horses.

"I got the horses for my kids and I. We rode them all the time up on the hills," John said, smiling on the happy memory. "I said to them one day, 'We gotta open a riding stable'. Of course I had to get approval from the wife, but we did just that."

John's early customers were the ones who actually implanted the rodeo seed in his head. They loved riding out on his property so much they convinced him to do more. In its early years, John's rodeo volunteers were his early riding stable patrons. "That lasted a couple years until those friends moved on, but we're still here, 35 years later!" he exclaimed.

And John's rodeo has only grown in those 35 years. I was shocked to find out that the Ellicottville Championship Rodeo is the largest IPRA-sanctioned rodeo in the entire Northeast! Signifying the International Pro Rodeo Association, this program is huge across both the United States and Canada. For 60 years, IPRA has been sanctioning rodeo events and now handles around 300 of them. To have the biggest one in the entire Northeast region right in our backyard is a pretty huge deal.

But as they say, it takes a village. John has had the support of his wife, Karen, and children through everything throughout the course of the event's lifespan. And now, John says his sponsors are everything! "Oh, I couldn't do it without the sponsors. Period. I'm very grateful for them," commented John.

E-Ville Spirits Wine & Liquor, Pioneer Propane, and Whitetail Properties Real Estate are just some of this year's sponsors, but you'll see tons more local vendors represented there this weekend! As far as food vendors however, you won't see any of those. Ellicottville Rodeo does one better.

As if John and his incredible rodeo-starting family aren't superhuman enough, John and his wife make and sell all of the food themselves! For an event that can gross up to 3,000 people at one time, all of the food is done in-house. "I don't let any kind of food vendors in here, that's all me!" John exclaimed. You can expect hamburgers, hot dogs, ice cream, beer, popcorn, pizza, pretzels, and my wife does a hell of a taco salad," John added.

While you'd never know by meeting him or hearing his story, John does all of this at 72 years old! Not to mention, has been doing it for the past 35 years as well. What John and his family have built is truly remarkable. If you're looking for something extra American to do this 4th of July, or if you just want to support such a prominent piece of Ellicott-ville's culture (and the family behind it), you can find more information at ellicottvillerodeo.com. Here, you'll see ticketing information, parking info, and other important details. The Ellicottville Championship Rodeo is located on Sommerville Valley Road right here in Ellicottville. It's definitely a must-visit! "It's fun for the entire family!," said John. "Old, young... it don't matter! People come out and have a good time!"

ON TAP: HILLTAP FESTIVAL

Holiday Valley to Host a Full Day of Music and Outdoor Adventure July 27th



EAST AURORA - The 4th annual HillTAP Festival will return to Holiday Valley Resort in Ellicottville, NY on Saturday, July 27th. This popular event, at one of the most unique venues in the region, integrates a full day of outdoor activities and live music from three bands on two stages.

The HillTAP Festival begins with a chairlift ride up to Spruce Lake with live music, adventure activities, and craft food and beverages. The festival then heads back down the mountain for two additional bands to wrap up a full day of entertainment. "HillTAP is truly a one-of-a-kind event," said 42 North Brewery Founder, John Cimperman. "The opportunity to host something like this at the top of the mountain is truly unique. There is no better venue to merge great music, adventure, and craft beverages."

Niki Klein, Director of Resort Services at Holiday Valley added, "It's great to partner with 42 North on this event. Their adventurous spirit fits our DNA. We encourage attendees to spend the morning hiking and biking the trails and then spend the afternoon up at Spruce Lake."

The music line-up for this year's HillTAP Festival will feature three popular regional bands on two stages. Smilo & The Ghost will bring its folk-rock sounds to the top of the mountain beginning at 1:00pm. Smilo & The Ghost has opened for national acts across the country and its debut album, *Ghost Writers*, was voted as a 'top three album' by *Erie Reader* in 2018. The music then heads back down the mountain with two bands. Miller & The Other Sinners, from Buffalo, NY will deliver its southern soul sounds and debut songs from its recently released album, Thieves in the Breadline. The festival concludes with a special performance from Workingman's Dead with a respectful and enthusiastic tribute to The Grateful Dead.

The vendor line-up at HillTAP includes SUP Erie Adventures, Mud, Sweat, n' Gears, Tom's Pro Bikes, Holiday Valley E-Bikes, 716 Fly Fishing, and Hatchet & Hops. Each of the vendors will be offering product exhibitions and demonstrations so attendees are encouraged to bring their adventure gear to take part. Additionally, regional food trucks will be on-site during the festival.

Advanced tickets are now on sale for \$45 and include free parking, a lift ticket up to Spruce Lake, and a full-day of music and adventure sports demos and clinics. A twilight ticket will also be offered that provides admission to the base of the mountain only, for the final two musical performances. Tent camping and RV camping spots are available for an additional fee. The event runs from 12:00-9:00m. For tickets and more information on HillTAP, log onto www.hilltapfestival.com.

GAZEBO SERIES

Kick Off Summer Music Fest Weekend with Free Live Music by SON

The Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the return of the Gazebo Series, sponsored by Niagara Label Company, which invites the community out to the Village Gazebo every week for free, live entertainment. A popular celebration on the summer events list, the Ellicottville Gazebo Series attracts families and friends to gather together and enjoy a different musical act each week at no charge.

This week's Gazebo Series performance is a special treat, as it will kick off Ellicottville's lively Summer Music Festival weekend. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs, your frosty beverages and a snack, and enjoy the sounds of SON THE BAND Friday, July 5th from 7:00-9:00pm.

Sabrina GustafSON and Jed ThomSON have been playing together for 2 years as SON (deriving from their last names) at stages around Ellicottville, Chautauqua, Jamestown and Buffalo. Their soulful covers with jazz undertones set the scene for any occasion. As a duo, Sabrina's soulful voice melds perfectly with Jed on bass guitar, putting a new spin on the songs we all know and love. When they aren't playing as a duo, Sabrina is the front woman for SON THE BAND, with Jed on guitar, Elton Craig on drums and Alex Overton on bass - they are a force!

The Ellicottville Gazebo Series is sponsored by Niagara Label and will return to down-town Ellicottville each week. To the full schedule for this year's Gazebo Series, go to ellicottvilleny.com or call 800-349-9099. Follow the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce on Facebook (@Ellicottville, NY) and Instagram (@visitellicottville) to stay up-to-date on all the latest event information.



ELLICOTTVILLE SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL

It's no secret that Ellicottville is famous for its eclectic festival schedule, truly offering something for everyone. One of the biggest weekends of the summer is here! Summer Music Festival will take over the village and Holiday Valley Resort July 2-4. From a pet parade to some really big names in the music industry performing slopeside, this is definitely one weekend not to be missed. Check out the full weekend's schedule right here, and be sure to purchase your concert tickets online on the Chamber's website. Children 12 and under are free! This Independence Day holiday, come out and enjoy a sunny weekend in Ellicottville filled with great music and unique art, all nestled amongst our two neighboring ski areas!

JULY 5TH

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PET PARADE Saturday @ 11:00 AM Washington Street

One of the most entertaining (and crowd pleasing) events of the weekend is the annual Pet Parade, which will march down Ellicott-ville's main drag to the gazebo where awards will be given in

many different and fun categories. If you've never seen this, you're missing out! Pets range from the typical dogs to the more unusual marchers - baby calves, goats, hermit crabs ... everyone is invited!

CONCERT: ONE VISION OF QUEEN ft. MARC MARTEL Saturday @ 9:15 PM Slopes of Holiday Valley

Canadian vocalist, Marc Martel, was born in Montreal and formed his own band, Downhere, in 1999, having success for 13 years, winning five Juno Awards - the highest music award in his native Canada. Since then, Martel has become the lead singer



for the critically acclaimed Queen Tribute Band, One Vision of Queen, and tours the globe selling out venues full of die hard Queen and Freddie Mercury fans.

His association with the legendary band seemed like his destiny, as people everywhere said he sounded so much like Freddie Mercury that a friend in the industry and his wife prompted him to audition for The Queen Extravaganza, a tribute band formed by the surviving members. Handpicked by Roger Taylor and Brian May after seeing his audition video singing "Somebody To Love", finally convinced the singer there was something there that everyone else had been saying for years.

Opening for the band is Caitlin Koch, a Nashville-based artist from Buffalo. Caitlin's on stage debut was in front of 17,000, opening for Gavin DeGraw at age 15. The years that followed were well spent honing her craft on stage and in studio.

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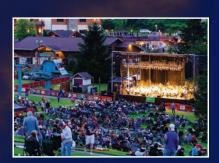


CONCERT: BUFFALO PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Sunday @ 8:00 PM Slopes of Holiday Valley

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By Jessica Schultz

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eNOW: The Powwow attracts visitors from near and far each year. What sparked the

change of location for this year's Powwow?

POWWOW: This year the Marvin "Joe" Curry Veterans Powwow is taking place at the Seneca Allegany Resort & Casino Event Center, 777 Seneca Allegany Blvd., Salamanca, NY. For many years the Powwow occurred on a natural grass football field at Veterans Park in Salamanca. During the COVID hiatus, the grass in the park was replaced with artificial turf. After the Powwow resumed in the park in 2022 and 2023, many dancers notified the Powwow Committee's Arena Director that the artificial turf is too hot to dance on comfortably in the month of July. The Powwow Committee listened to the dancers and took action by moving the venue to the Event Center where the dancers now will be dancing in a climate-controlled environment.

eNOW: What is the cost to attend?

POWWOW: This year the Powwow will occur on Saturday, July 20th with Gates Open at 10:00am and Grand Entry at 1:00pm, and on Sunday, July 21st with Gates Open at 10:00am and Grand Entry at noon. There are no online pre-sale tickets this year. Tickets will be available to purchase at the gate. Veterans and children ages 0-4 will receive free admission. A single-day pass for youth (ages 5-17) is \$5; elder (ages 60+) is \$5; and adult (ages 18-59) is \$10. Weekend (two-day) passes are: youth \$10; elder \$10; and adult \$15.

eNOW: Can you give us some insight on the activities, demonstrations and entertainment planned for this year?

POWWOW: A "Social" consisting of social songs and dances is scheduled for Friday evening, July 19th at 6:00pm at the vending area outside and adjacent to the Event Center. There will be no charge to attend the Social. During the Social many of the craft and food vendors will be open for business. During both days of the Powwow there will be an Artist Demonstration tent sponsored by the Onöhsagwë:de' Cultural Center where Seneca and other Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) artists and storytellers will offer presentations.

The 40th Anniversary of the Jim Thorpe Longest Run will be recognized with past participants of the run being honored during a portion of the Powwow. The Jim Thorpe Longest Run occurred in 1984 when a group of Native runners ran across the country from New York City to Los Angeles, site of the 1984 Summer Olympics, to bring attention to the restoration of Jim Thorpe's Olympic medals which previously had been stripped away. Another purpose of the run was to support the Iroquois Nationals lacrosse team that was playing in the World Games in Los Angeles in 1984.

eNOW: As this is a family friendly event, what will younger members of the family

POWWOW: The Powwow is family oriented and is a drug-free and alcohol-free event. Younger family members might particularly enjoy watching the Tiny Tots Dance Contest (dancers 4 years old and younger). Oftentimes, some of the vendors offer face paint-

eNOW: Who will be participating at this year's Vendor Market and what will they be

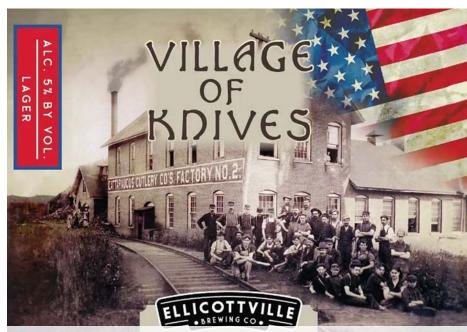
POWWOW: There will be approximately 40 craft vendors who primarily offer Native arts and crafts as well as crafting supplies. Some examples of items for sale include beaded jewelry, carvings (wood, antler, etc.), pottery, woven baskets, clothing such as ribbon skirts and moccasins, and more. All of the craft vendors are members of a federally recognized nation or tribe and only quality Native American goods may be sold (e.g., knock off goods from out of the country are not allowed).

eNOW: How about food and beverages?

POWWOW: A variety of food and beverage choices will be available. Some vendors will offer traditional Native food favorites such as frybread and corn soup, while other vendors will offer more modern fare such as is often found on a carnival or fair midway like pizza, nachos, etc. There will also be desserts offered such as ice cream and strawberry shortcake.

A CELEBRATION OF KNIVES

Bet You Didn't Know The U.S. Cutlery Industry Began in Little Valley, NY!



To help celebrate the occasion, Ellicottville Brewing Company will release a commemorative craft beer, which will be available at the event.

By Carol Fisher-Linn

In "Case" you didn't know, there's a big shindig about to happen at the Cattaraugus County Fairgrounds in Little Valley which has been in the making for over 150 years. A CASE family knife show and Village tour is taking place July 12-14th. Entrance is free but bring your checkbook, cash, or plastic because you will be entering knife collector's

Here's how it all came about: Two hundred and sixteen years ago, four intrepid pioneers created a small settlement in Little Valley and built a sawmill. Along came the War of 1812 and they were forced to flee, likely because some natives befriended the British and the frightening cannon shot could be heard all the way from the Battle of Buffalo (or Battle of Black Rock) which took place on December 30, 1813. The frontier warfare was a retaliation for American soldiers setting the Canadian Village of Newark (now Niagara-on-the-Lake) on fire. (Apologies, Canadian friends. No hard feelings?) By 1818 settlement continued and Little Valley was formed from the greater Perry region, eventually becoming the Cattaraugus county seat in 1868, bumping Ellicottville out of the designation because the railroads stopped in Little Valley, making it also the center of commerce in the county.

Things started happening and along came a cutlery salesman by the name of JBF Champlin, who married Teresa Case of Little Valley. He sold cutlery for a German company but recognized an opportunity to make knives in America, joining forces with one W.W. Wilson. At that time, the only decent cutlery available in the world was made in Germany and England. He became a "Jobber," and brought a new business to Little Valley, NY refining and selling knives. Things changed when Teresa Case's four brothers were invited to become involved in knife making, thus launching cutlery-making in earnest in America, not to mention a family dynasty. Brothers W,R., Jean, Andrew and John joined JBF Champlin and created Cattaraugus Cutlery and began selling their wares from the back of their wagons. They became Case Brothers Cutlery in 1898. That launched the greatest era in early American knife making in history. This launch resulted in at least twenty-four other Case family-owned cutlery companies including W.R. Case & Sons, Cutco, Ka-Bar, Kinfolks, etc. Can you just imagine the family reunions with these competing business owners playing touch football? Probably resembled today's Thanksgiving dinner with clearly drawn political lines.

During the 20th century, if you were within a 50-mile-radius of Little Valley NY, there were nearly seventy-five cutlery companies in operation. W.R. Case continues to operate under the ownership of Zippo in Bradford, PA with a Case family member still making knives there. Today, John Burrell, Mayor of Ellicottville, is the only remaining Case descendant who owns a knife-making business, TopFlight Early American Cutlery based in Ellicottville on Maybee Alley.

Burrell will be in knife-making mode at this event, along with Springville native, business owner of Baranowski Knife and Tool, and December 2020 History Channel Forged In Fire Champion Walter Baranowski. Baranski will be doing the metal work. and Burrell will be creating the handles of three knives, two of which will be auctioned off and the third being donated to the knife museum in the Little Valley American Legion building. Rumor has it that Baranowski will be bringing several (5?) of his Forged in Fire friends to the event. You'll want to be there. Incidentally, about 30% of the knives at this event will NOT be for sale. They are coveted vintage items on display for showand-tell. Lockwood says this: "Our event will be the largest gathering of early American knives in decades. Serious dealers and collectors are eager to bring these rare keepsakes back where they were made."

More history: The Legion property and building, known as Robin's Roost, were the late nineteenth to early twentieth-century estate of Andrew Jackson Case and his wife, Sarah, and their family. It was converted into the Legion in 1951. For all the greenery we see around us today, the hills of the 1890-1900s were totally logged off. No forests meant no deer, so Case fenced in 40 of his acres and brought in white-tailed deer to be cared for on his property. In the spring, when they shed their antlers, they were harvested and used for knife handles.

This three-day event is a dream-come-true for Case descendants Brad Lockwood and his cousin, John Burrell, who masterminded and developed the entire affair. It opens to the public on Friday, July 12th from 1:00-6:00pm, Saturday, July 13th from 9:00am-6:00pm, and Sunday July 14th from 9:00am-3:00pm. Please go online to www.VillageofKnives.com for more information.

IN CONCERT

GET READY FOR A PARTY!

Great Valley Band Jam Arrives Later This Month



By Jessica Schultz

Summer is officially here and the weather has been (mostly) fabulous. That means it's time to get outside and have a little fun. Picnics, drive-ins, and cookouts are top-of-theline entertainment, but let's not forget the live outdoor performances. In that vein, the Great Valley Fire Department is proud to preset The Great Valley Band Jam. Happening at the Great Valley Fire Company (6035 Depot Street, Great Valley, NY) on July 19th and 20th, this is an event you don't want to miss.

The large scale family-friendly event will feature performances from 10 bands over the course of two days. Cost of admission on Friday is \$5 for those ages 13 and up, on Saturday its \$10 for ages 13 and up, and kids under 12 have FREE admission both days. Gates open at 5:00pm on Friday and 10:00am on Saturday. Admission includes all the live music and activities (except face painting, which is an extra charge).

Let's talk about activities. First there is the Mega Truck Bounce House, shaped like a big red fire truck. Kids will love it. Then there is Inflatable Axe Throwing - all the fun without the danger of losing a limb. And Hotshotz N' Heroes will be set up with one of their awesome GellyBall (think a nicer, less painful version of paintball) courses. And everyone who loves a good vintage ride can scope out all the wheels at the on-site car show. For an extra charge, you can have your face painted or a temporary tattoo put on by Fantasia Fantasy Faces.







No event is complete without some tasty food offerings, and there will be a variety of food trucks in attendance. Bonus: Food vendors are open to the public; no ticket is required to visit them! Try KB Foods for one of their famous hot dogs, indulge in some good bbq at Hoptoads Real BBQ or Bit Tasty's BBQ, get something a little different at the Wanderer Hut, which slings some truly fantastic Polish food (yay pierogis!), and end the tour with a sweet treat from the Sweet Ride Donut Truck (which also serves up some wonderful icy drinks).

THE MAIN EVENT

Who is playing, when are they playing and what do they play. Let's kick it off with Friday's lineup:

- The Chillybillys, 6:00pm acoustic Classic Rock, Southern Rock, Country and Blues
- Interstate Daydream, 8:00pm the duo of Rick Emley and Marge Tucker can get the crowd moving with their classic rock jams
- Spoiled Leftovers, 10:00pm known as "that party band you see at the shows"

You'll want to get a good night's sleep if you plan to make it through Saturday's high-energy music schedule:

- Squish Kitty, 1:00pm 3-piece ensemble
- The Hickups, 3:00pm mix of Blues/bluegrass/acoustic and classic rock
- Fox Creek, 4:00pm this female fronted band has been performing for decades, with an acoustic mix of Americana, folk, country, blues, and rock n' roll
- Jon & Sandy, 6:00pm classic country and rock duets
- West, 7:00pm well known in our area for brining the best of Rock & Roll to the stage.
- Roger Keifer, 9:00pm a five-piece group that will keep the party moving
- Mo Porter Band, 10:00pm music from the 60s, 70s, and 80s

Weekend camping is available for Friday through Sunday with two designated sites this year. Cost is \$50 per site for the event camp area, and the overflow sites are FREE. Purchase a Camping pass and have access to the campgrounds starting at 3:00pm on July 19th. Only one vehicle is allowed per campsite (20' x 50') with a max of 6 people at each site. You can reserve a spot and review venue rules at gv.fire.ticketleap.com. Proceeds from the events will go to supporting the Great Valley Volunteer Fire Department.

SUPPORT FOR OUR VETERANS

Wounded Warrior Benefit Concert Aims to Assist Those Who Protect Us



By Colleen Evans

A hometown hero returns to his stomping grounds to welcome the 5th annual Wounded Warrior Benefit Concert. Colonel Patrick Miller, an Allegany native and event organizer, is happy to share that this year's event will take place at Bradner Stadium in Olean, NY on Saturday, July 20, 2024 beginning at 4:00pm. The summer event aims to not only raise donations but to also recognize and assist veteran support, locally and nationally.

Col. Patrick Miller knows firsthand the importance and sacrifice each solider makes in the line of duty. Having served multiple tours across seas in Iraq and suffering a serious gunshot wound during the Fort Hood mass shooting of 2014, he shares his positivity and gratitude to be here another day. In his good nature he recognizes the support he was given in times of healing and wants to return that appreciation back to his fellow service members. The Wounded Warrior Benefit Concert reflects on how one positive action and idea can grow into something with such meaning and celebration.

This year, the concert shifts its location to Bradner Stadium in Olean to welcome an increase in attendance. Organizers anticipate around 1,500 people to join in this year's event. Each ticket sale benefits multiple veteran causes including Fisher House, Homes for Our Troops, WNY Heroes, and St. Bonaventure's Veteran Services. These organizations allow for local and national assistance to soldiers and veterans in need and each has become a special partner to Col. Miller. Fisher House, an organization which provides free housing to veteran families while their loved ones are in the hospital, took Col. Miller's family in and provided housing and support while he recovered in the ICU after the Fort Hood shooting. They have now built a relationship of ten years assisting veterans in need together through benefit proceeds. Homes for our Troops offer remodeled and refurnishing services to wounded service members. They are recognized as one of America's top rated veterans and military charities with the mission of "building homes, rebuilding lives". More locally, WNY Heroes, founded in 2007, offers financial assistance to veterans in need and have continued to grow in their support thanks to local events such as the Wounded Warrior Benefit Concert. The St. Bonaventure Veteran Services will also be included in event proceeds to assist and aid active and veteran military personnel.

The Wounded Warriors Benefit Concert offers not only a good cause but a good time. As a family friendly event, you can expect music that blends country, rock, and a little bit in between. National and local artists will take the stage to offer a night that won't soon be forgotten. Col. Patrick Miller, organizer of the event, has secured the headlining act, Tyler Farr, dubbed "one of the best male vocalists in country music today". The country artist is known for his love toward the military, making him a perfect fit.

Each year Col. Miller also enjoys involving local artists, and as an Allegany native, he was excited to share with us that, "The very opening act or band, I like it to be super local, like as local as homegrown straight out of Olean or Ellicottville!" This year they welcome Ade Adu as the starting act, one of western New York's favorite solo acoustic musicians.

The all-day event not only offers their live music line-up, but plenty of other activities for all guests to enjoy. Sticking to their commitment to community, you can expect to see a wide range of local food trucks and vendors, along with dessert trucks and beer stands. Over one hundred businesses have donated gift baskets for silent auctions and raffles. You'll also be able to find autographed sporting merchandise by the Buffalo Bills and Buffalo Sabres. Let's not forget to mention a celebrity appearance will be among the crowds, but you'll have to wait for the day of to find out who! Another great addition this year will be the giant inflatables for younger guests to enjoy. From soaring high slides, bounce houses, to even a 30-foot-long obstacle course, the event aims to offer families a fun outlet for kids to enjoy beyond the musical acts.

Celebrating their 5th annual event, Col. Patrick Miller shared with us just how special this milestone year has become. "It's exciting! This is an endeavor that I started back in 2017 again with the intent of doing something to raise money and awareness to support veterans and wounded and disabled veterans, both locally and nationally and give back to the organizations and folks that helped me and my family, specifically after I was hurt in the Fort Hood shooting in 2014.

As a community, to watch this event grow in support, we should all share in the positivity it provides. A memory to enjoy with friends and families, a summertime tradition, singing, dancing, and laughing together, while supporting the service members that provide us this safety and comfort of home. Tickets are available online at www.eventbrite.com under Southern Tier Wounded Warrior Benefit Concert. You can also purchase tickets at the door the day of the event. To find out more on the event, check out the Facebook page for the Southern Tier Wounded Warrior Benefit Concert.







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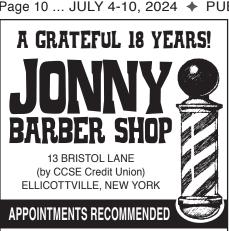
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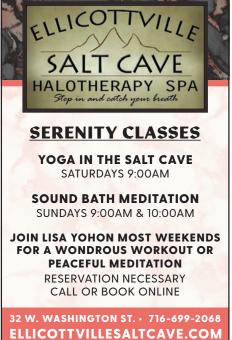
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Little Valley, Mansfield, New Albion and ends just outside of the Village of Cattaraugus, welcoming all for hiking, bicycling and horseback riding. It also features a 1.8-acre community park with pavilion and two gazebos in Little Valley. There are 5 trail heads each with its own parking area.



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and two national wild and scenic rivers (one of those being the Alleghenv). The Allegheny National Forest offers a wide variety of recreational activities including hiking, mountain biking, boating, camping, hunting, fishing, ATV riding and snowmobiling that result in about 4 million visitors annually. No wonder it's called "Land of Many Uses"!



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LIFESTYLE

Breakaway Classic Adventures: Forefathers Responsible for Modern Day Sportfishing?

By Indrek Kongats

Maybe that's stretching it a bit, but what we do know is that the main character in the penning of the Declaration of Independence and the discovery and taxonomy of multiple species of fish shortly thereafter was the 3rd president of the United States, Thomas Jefferson!

Jefferson's vision as a scientist and the leader of the country was to explore the continent that up until then consisted of the 13 colonies reaching from the Atlantic Ocean to the Appalachian Mountains with most Americans living within 50 miles of the coast. The rest of America was little explored by Americans.

Step one was the Louisiana Purchase in 1803, just two years after he became president and only 27 years after July 4, 1776. Jefferson purchased the Louisiana Territory from France on April 30, 1803; the French territory extended from the Gulf of Mexico all the way up to the Canadian Border. It encompassed the entire Mississippi and Missouri River Drainage Systems and reached west to the Rockies.

Step two was the forming of The Corps of Discovery more familiar to us as the Lewis and Clark Expedition, the greatest Adventure in American History! On August 31, 1803 the expedition set off with instructions from President Jefferson to find a passage through to the Pacific Ocean, map and record all animal and plant life. Most importantly, they were to negotiate peace treaties and work closely with all Native American Nations encountered along the way.

As we all know, Lewis and Clark were successful on their mission, reaching the Pacific Ocean on November 7, 1805 after 18 months of struggle and hardship, returning by September 1806. What few of us know was what Lewis and Clark learned along the way. Lewis and Clark discovered 178 different plants, 122 different animals and most importantly to the sportfishing world, 14 different fish species. A permanent exhibit of these scientific discoveries is on display at the Missouri River Basin Lewis and Clark Interpretive Trail and Visitors Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska.

According to the extensive journals kept by Captains Lewis and Clark, on August 13, 1805 Lewis was given some fresh salmon roasted by a hospitable member of the Shoshones tribe. This was the first salmon the party had seen. Several months earlier on June 10, 1805 the expedition, while searching for the Great Falls of the Missouri, a new species of trout was discovered which now bears the scientific name of Oncorhynchus clarkii lewisi, after Lewis and Clark. The common name today is Westslope cutthroat trout or black spotted trout which is a cutthroat trout subspecies!

Sacagawea, a Lemhi Shoshone woman whom Lewis and Clark hired as a guide and interpreter, was also mentioned during this discovery as participating in the fishing. On June12, 1805 Lewis wrote, "This evening I ate very heartily and after penning the transactions of the day, amused myself catching those whitefish (Mountain Whitefish, a salmonid fish) mentioned yesterday... I caught upwards to a dozen in a few minutes; they bit most freely."

The Cutthroat Trout (main species), Oncorhynchus clarkii and the Coastal Cutthroat Trout (another subspecies), Oncorhynchus clarkia clarkii are all in the Salmonidae family, discovered by Lewis and Clark. The cutthroat trout is now the State Fish of Montana.



Upon reaching the West Coast in the late fall of 1805 and having traveled down the Columbia River, Lewis and Clark had unknowing witness the greatest natural event of their journey. The river was full of salmon, some dead and many still alive. This was the annual spawning cycle of the Pacific Salmon. Clark wrote, "I observe... great numbers of salmon dead on the shores, floating on the water and in the bottom which can be seen at the depth of 20 feet. The cause of the immense numbers of dead salmon I can't account for... I must have seen 3 or 400 dead and many living."

The native people along the river depended on this natural life cycle of salmon, returning to their birth place, for their own subsistent living. Lewis and Clark observed "large drying scaffolds strung with fish, piles of salmon lying all about, and many women splitting and drying the crop."

Despite the river being full of salmon, the dying salmon concerned the explorers with Clark writing, "The fish being out of season and dying in great numbers in the river, we did not think proper to use them." Instead they resorted to purchasing dried fish from the native tribes while traveling along the river.

Lewis and Clark witnessed firsthand how the life of the salmon, returning to the river from the ocean, governed the subsistence of the native west coast tribes as the buffalo did so east of the Rockies on the vast plains. This was also the first examples of commercial fishing as trade developed from the sale of dried fish to the Corps.

The salmon varied in size, shape and color with the largest of these being the Chinook, King or Pacific salmon, followed by silver or coho salmon and the deeply colorful red sockeye salmon. Also included in their discovery was the ultimate sportfish of the West Coast and now also of the Great Lake tributaries - the steelhead, a sea-going rainbow trout. What the Corps did not realize is that not all of the salmon and steelhead died upon returning to their spawning grounds. The silver salmon and the steelhead would feed upon the salmon eggs and return back to the ocean after they themselves had spawned. Eventually they, too, would die in the river after successive returns.

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Just Riding Along: Exploring the Tuna Valley Trail System

By Pete Dzirkalis



Many of us cross between the "Twin Tiers" (the Southern Tier of New York and the Northern Tier of Pennsylvania) and often and think nothing of it. The state line and the 42nd Parallel are just lines on the map, but consequently, our state and national forests, state parks, and other public lands get chopped off at the border and many trails don't extend over state lines. So, what is on the other side of the line?

If you are from New York, you may have never heard of the Tuna Valley in northwest Pennsylvania and you might wonder if there is an anomaly of saltwater fish miles from the ocean. "Tuna" is simply the nickname for the Tunungwant creek. Tunungwant is the Seneca name for the creek, and depending on translation, is said to mean: big cove with large mouth, beautiful fish, or crooked creek. The West and East Branch of the "The Tuna" converge in downtown Bradford, PA and flow north, joining the Allegheny River near Seneca Junction.

Exploring the Tuna Valley has become easier thanks to the Tuna Valley Trail Association. The TVTA was founded in 1998 and has built and maintained over 50 miles of trail in the Bradford area. The organization is a non-profit, volunteer-based group with the goal of increasing community access to our natural and historic resources through multi-use trails.

The TVTA trails in Bradford include the Community Parks Trail, Richard E. McDowell Trail, and Crook Farm Trail which are wide, smooth trails linking the historic downtown with Callahan Park, Hanley Park, School Street Elementary, Bradford Area High School, and the Uni-

versity of Pittsburgh at Bradford. Also under development are the Quintuple Mountain Trails, which will connect UPB land with the Blaisdell-Emery Trail. The Quintuple Mountain Trails will offer a more challenging trail excursion easily accessible from downtown and Pitt Campus.

Just south of Bradford, The Blaisdell-Emery Trail currently runs from Owens Way (near Zippo and Case Cutlery) to Lewis Run. This rail trail will eventually extend toward Kinzua Bridge State Park via the old Erie railroad grade. The TVTA currently holds easements that reach close to Route 59 and the Bradford Airport. The former rail line features stone culverts and bridge abutments built by master masons dating back to the Civil War era. Plans are in the works for a 90-foot steel truss span over the East Branch of Tuna Creek just south of Lewis Run. The span will utilize the original cut stone abutments and offer stunning views of the creek.

Perhaps the crown jewel of the TVTA system is the Watershed Trail System near Marilla Reservoir. This popular fishing spot just west of Bradford along route 346 has a variety of trails for all abilities. Take a quick hike around the Marilla Bridges Trail to experience the full beauty of the reservoir. A Bald Eagle nest is visible across the water from the Erik Benjamin covered bridge and breastworks of the dam. A new pavilion is also under construction at Marilla. This site will offer additional parking, electric, restroom, and sheltered facilities for seasonal TVTA events such as Marilla Trail Race, and Marilla Winter Trek. The pavilion may also become a venue for weddings, parties, and live music in the coming years.

Other TVTA Watershed trails include White Pine Trail, Marilla Rocks, Hidden Valley, and Cornelius Connection - more challenging trails that pass towering old-growth White Pine and Hemlock trees, Sandstone Conglomerate boulders, forgotten narrow-gauge railroad grades, and Native trout streams.

By connecting to the Allegheny National Forest in Pennsylvania and Allegany State Park in New York, the TVTA has given more options to trail users in the Twin Tiers. Marilla Springs Trail follows Marilla Brook through open, shaded woods carpeted with ferns. The Watershed Trails connect to the New York border via Blacksnake Mountain Trail on the Quaker side of Allegany State Park.

So, no matter which Tier you call home, adventure doesn't have to end at the state line! To find out more about the Tuna Valley Trail Association, see detailed maps, or to become a member, please visit www.tunavalleytrail.com.

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PUBLIC NOTICE: Special Joint Meeting: The Town & Village of Ellicottville Board: Please take notice that the Town & Village Boards will conduct a Special Meeting on July 9, 2024 at 4:00 PM. Local Police and Sheriff Representatives will also be in attendance. The meeting is to discuss quality of life issues within the Village/Town and enforcement of Local and State Laws. Date: Tuesday: July 9, 2024. Time: 4:00 PM. Location: 1 W. Washington Street, 2nd Floor, Ellicottville, NY 14731.

COMMUNITY

VISIT ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH located at the historic four corners in the Village of Ellicottville. St. John's hosts a visitor-friendly service every Saturday at 5:00pm. Any and all are welcome to attend!

MUSEUM OPEN: The East Otto Historical Museum, housed in the town's oldest building (1833-34), will be open from 1:00 to 3:00pm every Sunday during the months of July and August. Appointments for other days can be arranged by calling 716-257-0654. Items in the museum tell the story of people and businesses that once were part of East Otto. See baskets, milk pans and cheese boxes made in town. Look through books tracing births, marriages, and deaths. Other displays include a tandem bike, butter churn, apple press, pump organ, small farm tools, kitchen items, wooden voting booths, family scrap books and much more. The museum is located next to the Fire Hall at 8982 Reed Hill Road, East Otto, NY. Come for a visit soon!

VETERANS POWWOW

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eNOW: What do you feel makes the Powwow as special as it is?

POWWOW: It is a chance to reunite and reconnect with friends and family from across North America who annually converge on Allegany Territory for the Powwow. Also, it is a chance for us to share aspects of our Native culture with our Western New York neighbors who attend.

eNOW: Perhaps the most anticipated event at the Powwow that draws in spectators are the smoke dances

POWWOW: The Powwow puts on one of the biggest smoke dance contests in North America. The smoke dance is a traditional dance of the Haudenosaunee (the Iroquois) and is very popular at the Powwow. The fast spins that are part of the dance resemble curlicues of smoke, hence the name.

Take some time to experience and learn about another culture while also having fun. The Annual Marvin "Joe" Curry Veteran Powwow is a great opportunity that the whole family can enjoy and appreciate. It may be in a new location but it's still the same phenomenal cultural celebration it has always been. Learn more at senecapowwow.org.

POUR TAPROOM COMING TO ELLICOTTVILLE

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made," she explained. "My husband's a carpenter, so he's planing all the boards. It's a labor of love!"

For those who can't wait to book their rental, Hogan recommends checking out the property's two Airbnb rental units, which have been operational since January. The "Honest Abe-Frame" (A-frame chalet) sleeps two, and the "Six Pack Suite," a two-bedroom suite, accommodates up to six guests. Both units are a short distance from Holiday Valley and can be booked on Airbnb; links are available on The Lincoln Boutique Motel's Facebook page, and direct booking will soon be available online at www.thelincolnevl.com.

VILLAGE OF KNIVES

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In speaking to Lockwood, he remarked that this has turned into a huge community effort. He especially wants to acknowledge and thank the Cattaraugus County Agricultural Society, Case, the American Legion, Ellicottville Brewing Company which has developed a Village of Knives lager for this event, Little Valley's Hughes Hotel (one of the oldest public buildings in the area with the original deed dating back to 1834), and especially the Little Valley Fire Department who are providing security for the event.

This writer wishes to acknowledge with gratitude the long conversations and generous storytelling by both Burrell and Lockwood who provided facts and anecdotes for this article. Learn more about the upcoming celebration at www.villageofknives.com.

BREAKAWAY CLASSIC ADVENTURES

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The life of the salmon and steelhead now represent the most important sport fishery here in western New York - both on the Great Lakes and in local tributaries like Cattaraugus Creek. Without Lewis and Clark's discoveries, the significance of the importance of the salmon and the trout may have been never documented.

This is all came about because Thomas Jefferson, the founding Father of the Declaration of Independence signed by fifty-five others on July 4, 1876, had the foresight to make this nation bigger and better!

Actually, the signing was not completed until a month later on August 2, 1776, therefore the national holiday should be more than just for one day; it should be a monthlong holiday! All for this... please call your local representative!

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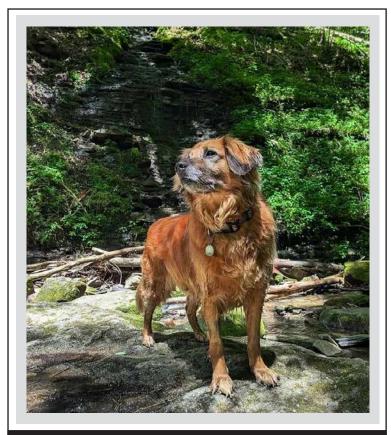
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RellicottvilleNOW: Tracy Caldwell Dyson sculpture dedication. #evlnow #community #visitellicottville @alleykatzevl @griffissculpturepark



Seneca_nation: Nya:wëh to all who came out to support our LGBTQIA2S+ relatives at the annual Native Connections 5K!



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