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Ellicottville Revs Up for Rock n' Roll Weekend

Get Ready to Rock as Annual Event Rolls into Town September 13-15th



The roar of engines and a full bill of rock performances are about to collide in an electrifying fusion of vintage vibes and musical bliss. This year's Rock n' Roll Weekend in Ellicottville, September 13-15th, will not only showcase some of the best bands in the region but will also boast an extraordinary classic and custom car show that promises to take event-goers on a nostalgic ride into the past.

Taking place in Ellicottville's unique 4-block downtown business district, the festival will welcome over 20 live performances indoors and out, including headlining act, The Fleetwood Mac Experience, on Saturday, Sept. 14th at 1:00pm on the Winery of Ellicottville Main Stage, Monroe Street.

While the music will undoubtedly draw in crowds all on its own, Sunday's classic car show is perhaps the heart of the 3-day festival. This year's display promises to deliver an array of iconic automobiles that have their own stories to tell. Over 200 classic Cadillacs, vintage Mustangs, and sleek Corvettes - just to name a few - will line the village streets.

Scan the QR code to access the full article, including the performance schedule and important information regarding parking and detours.

ROTARY CLUB OF ELLICOTTVILLE PREPS FOR CHILI COOK-OFF

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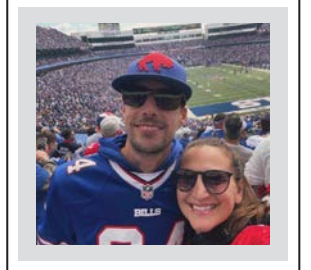
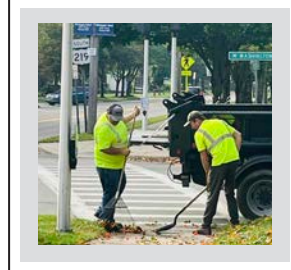
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BIGFOOT PARK GOLF TO HOST 1ST ANNUAL SASQUATCH CUP

Park golf. It's an entertaining game that originated in Japan back in 1983. Park golf enables people of all ages to enjoy the sport of golf, but with a few adjustments. Think of it as a cross between golf and croquet; the game is played with one club, one ball, and the cup at the end is a bit larger than typical golf. Now, what if I told you that you could play a game of park golf and support a good cause at the same time? Sign up for the Sasquatch Cup Tournament on September 21st at the newly created Bigfoot Park Golf, located at 5462 Robbins Road in Ellicottville, and be a part of something monumental! ... page 08

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Something Old, Something New

Christie's Boutique in Olean Offers Unique Finds for Everyone

By JESSICA SCHULTZ

Who couldn't use some new fall decor? Or maybe you want to spruce up your space with something whimsical, antique, or even dare I say it, Christmasy. If this sounds like you, maybe take a little trip out to Christie's Boutique in Olean, NY, where you'll find unique items both old and new at their upcoming "It's Fall Y'all" event.

Before we get into what that entails, owner Christie Brook shared with us how the shop came to be what it is now. "In 2016 my husband and I were exploring the possibility of moving back to Olean and we fell in love with this building ... I wanted something that would not only enhance the work being done to bring Union Street back to life but also support this wonderful community."

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'NIGHT LIGHTS' RETURNS AT GRIFFIS SCULPTURE PARK

NIGHT LIGHTS at Griffis Sculpture Park continues to be an annual autumn tradition in Western New York since 2013. The outdoor light experience will return for 15 select nights from mid-September to mid-October, beginning on Friday, September 20th. NIGHT LIGHTS blends creative lighting, sculpture, sound, and nature to deliver an unforgettable outdoor experience. At NIGHT LIGHTS, guests are able to venture on an unguided walk through a portion of the Mill Valley Road site of the sculpture park, where the trails and sculptures will interact with creative lighting - creating a truly unique experience ... page 08



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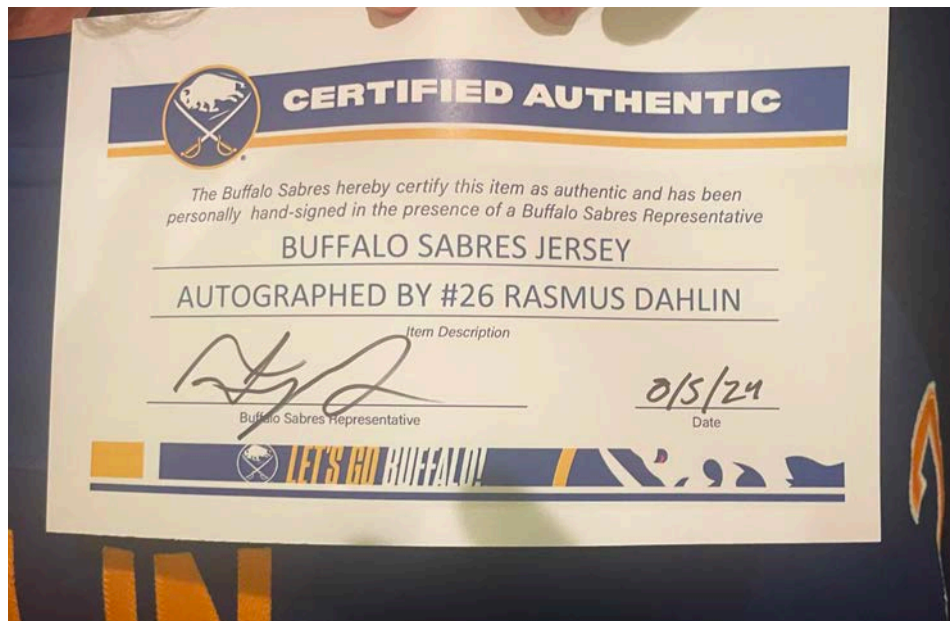


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Publisher's PICK

THE PERFECT SEASON FOR CHILI

See Your Rotary Club in Action for Cook-Off Competition



The Rotary Club of Ellicottville continues to receive items for the upcoming Chili Cook-off auction, including signed sport memorabilia, sculptures, and more.

BY CAROL FISHER-LINN

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Everyone in our community and pop-in guests from across the region are invited to join us for an evening of food and fun at Madigan's Restaurant Upstairs 4:00-7:00pm in Ellicottville. The leaf colors could be at peak, or darned close considering the colors in the hills already. So, a trip to Ellicottville for the entire day is like a double dip of good stuff happening. Fall colors and chili... What says fall more perfectly? Bonus: Our chili will be served with freshly baked corn bread generously supplied by the Ellicottville Bake Shop which distinguishes itself by sourcing produce and ingredients from local farms whenever possible. Want to taste? Again, get all the tastes you want for \$10 and put your vote in for the Best of Show trophy!

Why are we doing this event? Rotary members (that includes this writer) believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues. Our more than 45,000 clubs worldwide work together to promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water, sanitation and hygiene, save mothers and children, support education, grow local economies and protect and preserve the environment. We also support local endeavors, such as the Inclusive Playground that is slowly taking shape in the Ellicottville Village Park. The project is in its infancy yet it is already on a roll. Five local moms have recognized the need for a modern, INCLUSIVE playground in the Village of Ellicottville and have banded together to initiate a playground for ALL kids to play on. The project, when completed, will probably cost in the range of 1.5 to 2 million dollars. These feisty young moms with infants and preschoolers are undaunted. They believe in the cause, themselves, and the kindness and generosity of the people of Ellicottville and our supporters.

The Rotary Club of Ellicottville believes in this project. The chili cook-off will serve as our main Rotary fundraiser for the year. It's going to be a win-win, with music by Tom Dietrick, an on-site basket raffle, 50/50, and an online auction for top shelf items. For example, we have a Sabres jersey signed by Rasmus Dahlin, a two-hour paint party for up to 4 people who corroborate to create one 36" x 28" x 1.5" artwork to share, a limited edition knife from John Burrell's custom knife maker's shop, Top Flight Early American Cutlery, and a round of golf and cart for four from Springville Country Club and Penn Hills Country Club, Cutco knife set, etc.



We are always grateful for any contribution for our basket raffle or top-shelf item for the online auction. If you feel the desire to donate or support Rotary for this event, reach out through our Facebook page, contact anyone you know in Rotary, or call or text our President, John Weismantel at 716-228-7288. You can also enter the chili contest using the same connections. Don't miss this fun event this fall.

PS: Rotary Club of Ellicottville is always looking for generous, spirited, like-minded individuals who are interested in joining our club and joining in our endeavors. As you can tell from this article, we have a lot of fun while making this world a better place. Join us! Stop in on the 28th and check us out!



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ADVENTURES AT THE LIBRARY

Another Successful Summer Reading Program Comes to a Close



photo / Ellicottville Memorial Library

ELLICOTTVILLE - The Ellicottville Memorial Library's Summer Reading Program has come to a close, but hopefully the fun memories will remain. We had 96 kids who participated in the program; the theme this year was "Adventure Begins at Your Library".

A special thanks to the Bob McCarthy Foundation for providing funding to the library to hire a summer intern for the past 13 years. This year's intern, Cameron Kaleta, did an amazing job for us this summer creating programs and activities, as well as contests, puzzles and minute-to-win-it games for the kids.

Each year the kids are asked to read a minimum of 15 minutes a day for five weeks. Each week, depending on the minutes read, the kids get tickets to try and win some awesome prizes. This year's prizes included a tent, a fishing pole, Legos, a soccer ball, Sky High passes, a stomp rocket, a sand kit and more. We also had weekly programs based on the week's individual themes such as make your own terrarium made possible by the Elisa B. Hughey Foundation, wilderness survival instruction, sand art and a yoga class, to name a few. All the kids who completed the entire five weeks got to select a book of their choice which they could take home and keep.

This summer at the library was definitely full of adventure and we are so grateful to everyone who helped to make it a success. Can't wait for next year and a new theme - "Color Our World"!

ARBORETUM IMPROVEMENTS

Visit Ellicottville's Cherished Tree Garden and Enjoy All That is New



photos / Nannen Arboretum

ELLICOTTVILLE - The Nannen Arboretum at 28 Parkside has seen many improvements and opportunities this summer. New trees, new vine trellises, new paint, and new public art await visitors.

A yellowwood, red maple, black gum, and sycamore will be providing beautiful shapes, colors, and textures as they mature. Four wisteria vines have new homes on beautifully designed and structurally sound fences. The equipment shed has been repaired and repainted barn red. The Pollinator Garden grows in front of the shed and provides nectar and homes for our area butterflies, bees, and other pollinating creatures.

Oversized wings painted on exterior walls in Nashville, Tennessee provided inspiration for a public art piece. It is located on the red shed. Monarch wings, bees, and plants have been painted as a mural. Children can easily stand in front of the wings and become a butterfly. What a perfect photo opportunity!

Education has always been a top priority at the Arboretum. At the Pollinator Garden, visitors will see the plants that provide nectar for butterflies. Many milkweed plants can also be found there. It is the ONLY plant on which monarchs will lay their eggs, and the developing caterpillars will eat! Their black, white, and yellow striped caterpillars then form a chrysalis. Finally, a beautiful monarch is born.

Please visit the Nannen Arboretum daily dawn to dusk, all free of charge. A quarter mile paved path provides easy access to the trees and specialized areas. Enjoy!

LIVE, LOVE, LAX

Lacrosse Festival Set to Bring Team Spirit to Ellicottville



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ELLICOTTVILLE - A full weekend of exhilarating sportsmanship is set to take place September 21st and 22nd when Ellicottville hosts the highly anticipated Lacrosse Festival. This two-day event promises to bring together lacrosse players of all ages and skill levels from across the Northeast region for a series of friendly competition and lots of fun.

Organized by Ryan Powell of Powell Lacrosse, Summit Lacrosse Ventures, and the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce, the Ellicottville Lacrosse Festival is more than just a series of games - it's a celebration of the sport and a unique opportunity for families to experience everything our town has to offer. From the youngest novices to seasoned veterans, players will have the chance to showcase their skills, make new friends, and enjoy the thrill of the game, then saunter into town to take in the vibe of our bustling business district.

"Families accompanying players will find plenty to keep them entertained throughout the weekend," said Brian McFadden, Executive Director of the Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce. "Our town is ready to roll out the red carpet with an array of activities, dining options, and shopping experiences. Whether you're interested in exploring our many boutiques, sipping on craft beer or wine, or simply enjoying the local sights, there's something for everyone. And with Pumpkinville opening, HoliMont's Mountain Bike Park, Holiday Valley's Sky High Adventure Park and the chairlift rides still running, plus golfing, hiking and biking all around us, families may find it challenging to fit in all that there is to discover!"

Up to 40 teams are expected to travel to Ellicottville to play on fields that are located in Ellicottville's Village Park (Parkside Drive) and the Chamber fields across from the Inn at Holiday Valley (Route 219 & Holiday Valley Road). The event schedule offers not only competitive matches for athletes, but also a high-energy showcase for spectators. The community is encouraged to venture out to the playing fields, take in the action, and show their support.

"We are thrilled to bring the Lacrosse Festival back to Ellicottville for its seventh year," said McFadden. "It's a wonderful chance for our town to come together and celebrate the sport of lacrosse while welcoming visitors from near and far."

Interested in participating in this year's tournament? Register a team in any of the following divisions: Boys Youth Grades 5/6, Boys Youth Grades 7/8, High School JV Grades 9/10, High School Varsity Grades 9-12, Men's Open 21+, and Men's Grand Masters 45+. Team registrations will be capped at 12 teams per division and filled on a first come, first served basis.

For more information about this year's Ellicottville Lacrosse Festival including registration, event schedules and accommodation options, visit ellicottvillenyc.com or call 800-349-9099.

ERIE CATTARAUGUS RAIL TRAIL

Community Engagement Requested to Help Building Plans for the Future

ORCHARD PARK - Erie Cattaraugus Rail Trail (ECRT) plans to bring a multi-use recreational trail to the Southtowns and is specifically targeting input from residents in Orchard Park and Colden for their viewpoints on trail development. "It has been some years since we sat down with residents and formally collected their thoughts on the project. As we consider developing the next sections of trail, we will be guided by the visions of each community," said ECRT President Mary Brummer.

State University of New York at Buffalo School of Architecture and Planning has structured a fall semester graduate course around the process of community engagement. Two free workshop-style meetings will be facilitated by the UB Planning graduate students to gather ideas, dreams, visions, and concerns from residents. UB faculty, Dr. Kelly Gregg, advised, "Engaging community stakeholders will be a critical part of the design process and project development for the ECRT. The students are looking forward to meeting with residents and helping to understand all viewpoints and ultimately assist the ECRT in project development."

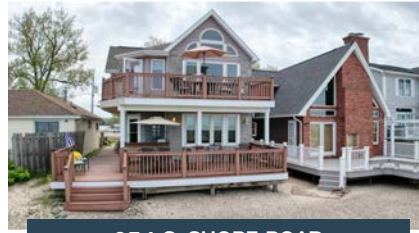
Meetings will be held in two locations and will build on each other, so interested residents are asked to attend both sessions for the full duration. The first meeting will take place at the Orchard Park Community Activity Center on September 25th from 6:30-8:30pm. The second meeting will take place at the Colden Fire Company on October 30th from 6:30-8:30pm. Pre-registration is required and may be found at www.ecatrail.org. Following the two engagement meetings, the UB students will synthesize the community feedback into future visions for building the trail. These visions will be presented at a summary meeting and public celebration held on December 10th at 6:30pm at the Orchard Park Community Activity Center.

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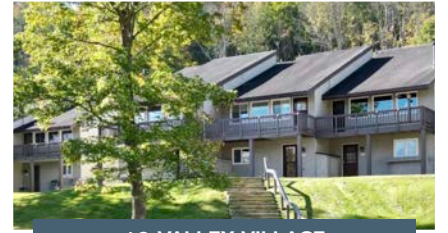
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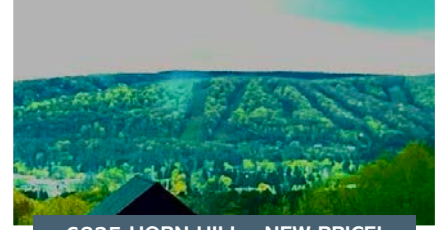
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PHOTO REWIND

New School Year, New Adventures

A few of our readers shared their photos from last week as their kids geared up and headed off to start the 2024-2025 school year. New book bags, new outfits and smiling faces marked the occasion. Good luck to all of our community's students. We hope you have an excellent year!



A Visit from Our Local Congressman

Last Thursday, Congressman Nick Langworthy made a trip out to Ellicottville and took a stroll through town with Mayor John Burrell, HoliMont's Ed Youmans, Holiday Valley's Dennis Eshbaugh, Fitzpatrick & Weller's Greg Fitzpatrick, and Village Clerk Amy Hayward. They all took some time to check out a couple local businesses, making stops at Cupcaked and Good Vibez CBD after visiting the Tracy Caldwell Dyson statue in front of the Village offices.



A Field Trip a Day Keeps the Blues Away

The ellicottvilleNOW team took a drive out to The Reserve Farm Shop in Great Valley, NY this week to scope out their selection of local produce, gluten-free, organic and healthy grocery selections, and of course to try out their much beloved smoothie menu. Manager Ices Decker let us know they also make delightful pizzas and toasts, have nitro apple cider on-tap, and carry an ever-changing selection of on-tap kombucha as well. Stop by, grab a drink, and take a break on their comfy couches! Find The Resreve Farm Shop at 4795 Route 219, across from the Great Valley Town Hall.



EVENTS

NIGHT LIGHTS

Griffis Sculpture Park Blends Creative Lighting with Nature



BY ELLICOTTVILLENOW

NIGHT LIGHTS at Griffis Sculpture Park continues to be an annual autumn tradition in Western New York since 2013. The outdoor light experience will return for 15 select nights from mid-September to mid-October, beginning on Friday, September 20th.

Located just outside of Ellicottville, NIGHT LIGHTS blends creative lighting, sculpture, sound, and nature to deliver an unforgettable outdoor experience at one of the United States' largest sculpture parks. At NIGHT LIGHTS, guests are able to venture on an unguided walk through a portion of the Mill Valley Road site of the sculpture park, where the trails and sculptures will interact with creative lighting – creating a truly unique experience.

To get an inside look at the workings of NIGHT LIGHTS, we asked creator Doug Sitler numerical questions about 12 years of lighting up the sculpture park.

eNOW: So, 12 years of NIGHT LIGHTS!

SITLER: We have been lighting up Griffis Sculpture Park for 12 consecutive autumns. It has been wildly successful and has brought a lot of new faces, attention and fundraising to the park. During our first year in 2013, we didn't set up the lights until the last week of October. We kept it open into the middle of November, where it actually snowed a few nights.

eNOW: How many people have attended a NIGHT LIGHTS event at Griffis Sculpture Park?

SITLER: In the dozen years of installing NIGHT LIGHTS, we have attracted 35,000 paid guests to the park. The event has raised over \$150,000 for the park.

eNOW: What does it take to light up a part of the sculpture park?

SITLER: To pull off NIGHT LIGHTS, it requires over 1.5 miles of power lines and cords, to provide electric to roughly 150 lights. All our lights are LED. There is a crew of three or four people that take about three weeks to set it all up.

eNOW: Do some nights sell out of tickets?

SITLER: One of the main reason why we went to internet ticketing is so that we have a good handle on how many people are going to show up on any particular evening. We limit each night to 450 tickets sold. Guests can still purchase tickets at the gate too. However, we do sell out a few times a year, so purchasing the tickets in advance is the safe bet.

eNOW: Speaking of tickets, how much do they cost?

SITLER: Tickets are \$14 adults and \$11 for kids. They can be purchased online at Eventbrite.

eNOW: Anything new added to NIGHT LIGHTS this year?

SITLER: We are featuring local artists and performers each evening of NIGHT LIGHTS. Over the course of five weeks, we will have hired 30 artists from our community. The hiring of the artists was made possible through a grant by the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation. We have also added some new lighting schemes on the trail.

Griffis Sculpture Park is located at 6902 Mill Valley Rd, East Otto, NY. The park features over 250 large scale sculptures dispersed through miles of hiking trails. Each sculpture was placed with the natural setting in mind, creating a truly unique experience between art and nature. For more information about the park, NIGHT LIGHTS and other news, go to griffissculpturepark.org or call 716-667-2808

PUMPKIN CARVING CLASSES

Join Sculptor Eric Jones at Pumpkinville for Exclusive Lessons & Demonstrations



Come out to Pumpkinville on either September 20th or October 4th for an exclusive Pumpkin Carving class with the one and only, Eric Jones! Eric Jones is an Olean, NY native and celebrated sculptor and caricature artist. He has been featured on The Food Network's *Haloween Wars*, holds the 2023 Guinness World Record for carving the largest jack-o-lantern, and won Season 3 of The Food Network's *Outrageous Pumpkins!* Classes start at 5:00pm and run about 90 minutes. Learn some extravagant pumpkin carving skills and bring home a masterpiece of your own! Pumpkins and tools are included. Tickets are required, get yours online at <https://pumpkinville.com/eric-jones-tickets/>.

PLAY FOR THE PLAYGROUND

Bigfoot Park Golf to Host 1st Annual Sasquatch Cup For a Cause



Left: The coveted Sasquatch Cup. Right: New course map depicting both 9-hole courses. Graphic work by Nadine Saviano Photography.

BY JESSICA SCHULTZ

Park golf. It's an entertaining game that originated in Japan back in 1983. Park golf enables people of all ages to enjoy the sport of golf, but with a few adjustments. Think of it as a cross between golf and croquet; the game is played with one club, one ball, and the cup at the end is a bit larger than typical golf. Other than these small differences, the game is played the same, with the same mission in mind: get the ball in the hole with the fewest number of strokes.

Now, what if I told you that you could play a game of park golf and support a good cause at the same time? Sign up for the Sasquatch Cup Tournament on September 21st at the newly created Bigfoot Park Golf, located at 5462 Robbins Road in Ellicottville, and be a part of something monumental! Proceeds will benefit the Ellicottville Playground Project.

EllicottvilleNOW spoke with course owner, Chad Neal, about how he came up with the idea and what everyone can expect at the one-of-a-kind fundraiser.

"I knew I wanted to host a tournament and make it special," Chad said. "I did a charity event with my grand opening as well, so I decided to do it again with another community project. The playground was being talked about a lot so I chose that. It would be great to have an inclusive playground for all of the local and visiting kids to enjoy and I'm happy to help make that happen."

Sasquatch Cup competitors will take to the course starting at noon with the coveted trophy (yep, a Sasquatch Cup) up for grabs. Cost to enter is \$50 and includes club and ball rental, soft drink and sandwich bar. Part of the entry fee will be donated to the Ellicottville Playground, with the other part going towards a cash prize for the winner. Flights will consist of four people playing two rounds of 18, however, make note that this will be a single-player competition.

Prizes will be awarded to the top three golfers. Second and third place will each receive a brand new park golf club and ball, and the top spot winner will receive, as mentioned, the custom-made Sasquatch Cup trophy and a cash prize!



Don't worry about losing your edge due to thirst or hunger. There will be refreshments available for all players (water, soft drinks, and Gatorade), and a sandwich bar with cold cut selections, cheese selections, lettuce, onion, tomato, and rolls. Plus sides of potato or macaroni salad and chips.

And the fun doesn't stop after the tournament. Once you finish up on the green, you can test your vocal prowess on the stage at the karaoke contest, hosted by Gerald Jimerson. "The details aren't quite nailed down yet," said Chad, "but the winner will be determined by the crowd, and bragging rights is the prize as of now. We'll also be doing a 50/50 raffle and a hole-in-one contest. It's going to be a big day!"

Chad went on to explain that though the tournament is all in good fun, the cause it supports is the most important. "The Playground is a community-involved deal and it popped into my head as I thought about a charity. I'm all about our community. This is the second event and definitely not the last that I plan to have that involves helping out."

Bigfoot Park Golf is in its first season of operation and will continue to welcome golfers through October, weather permitting. "We're hoping to get some leaf lookers playing as the scenery here is amazing," said Chad. "My first season has been great. Word of mouth always helps in our bubble of awesomeness! I am full of ideas and I know Bigfoot Park Golf will only get better and better!"

Sign yourself up to join the Bigfoot Park Golf Sasquatch Cup Tournament through their Facebook or call/text 716-541-4059. For additional information, search Bigfoot Park Golf on Facebook. Venmo, Cash app and Zelle accepted. (Everyone who signs up gets a discount every time they play a practice round.) Come out and support a small local business along with a great community cause!

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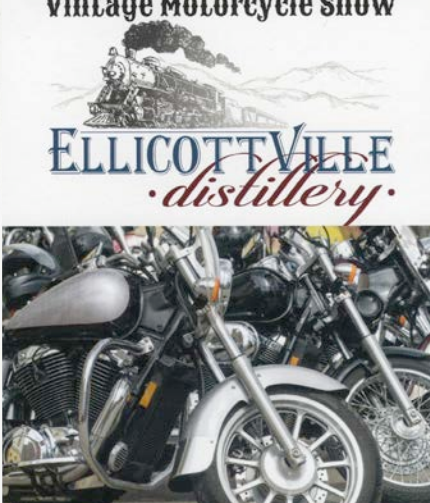
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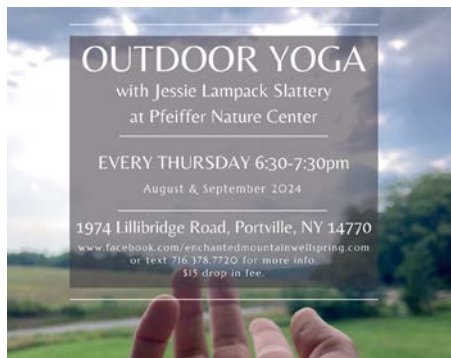
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SEPTEMBER 12

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It's time to get outside and give your mind a little bit of peace. Head out to Portville NY to join Jessie Lampack Slattery at Pfeiffer Nature Center every Thursday in September from 6:30-7:30pm for an outdoor yoga and forest bathing session. Yoga is a mind and body practice that can build strength and flexibility. It may also help manage pain and reduce stress. So if that sounds like something you could use, head on over, located at 1974 Lillibridge Road in Portville, NY. More information can be found by calling 716-378-7720 or on the website: pfeiffernaturecenter.org.

SEPTEMBER 12

@ VILLAGE OF ELLICOTTVILLE
716-699-5046 | ellicottvillenyc.com



Join The Ellicottville Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing, sponsored by Labatt, and get in 9 holes before the season ends. It's the most fun you can ever have in a golf scramble. Come as a group, a single or whatever, we'll match you up in a memorable foursome. Chamber members and non-members are all invited. It is a fun-filled afternoon on the course as well as dinner at Holiday Valley. Golf starts with a 4:00pm shotgun. It doesn't matter if you are good or not so good, all skill levels are welcome to participate.

SEPTEMBER 13

@ THE HAUNTED HINSDALE HOUSE
716-578-4586



The Haunted Hinsdale House presents this exclusive Overnight Ghost Hunt at 8:00pm and will run until 9:00am the next day. Your all-inclusive experience will include a tour of the grounds and inside the historic building. You will get history and stories from your guide, as well as use of some ghost hunting equipment to see if we can connect with the other side. If you have your own ghost hunting equipment they highly recommend that you bring it. Get your exclusive limited tickets for only \$109. Snacks, water and soda provided. Please bring a flash light and wear appropriate clothing for ghost hunting.

SEPTEMBER 13

@ GRIFFIS SCULPTURE PARK
716-697-2808 | griffissculpturepark.org



Join in for an enchanting experience at Griffis Sculpture Park as the Night Lights program returns for its 12th consecutive autumn! See the park in a whole new light with colorful theatrical lighting illuminating a portion of our legendary landscape and sculptures. Experience the blend of creative lighting, sculpture, sound, and nature as you take an unguided walk through our trails. Evening Admission: \$14 for adults, \$9 for children aged 7-12, free for children six and under. Note: Night Lights may be canceled in case of heavy rain.

SEPTEMBER 13-14

@ FREEDOM SPEEDWAY
freedommotorsportspark.com



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SEPTEMBER 13-15

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This is a fan favorite event among Ellicottville locals. Over 15 regional bands will perform throughout our legendary bars and restaurants, all free of charge. On Saturday, there will be a live outdoor performance by The Fleetwood Mac Experience, at 1:00pm; and Sunday is Terry Buchwald's Elvis show at 1:30pm. On Sunday, the annual car and truck show will take place on the Village Streets from noon until 5:00pm. Rock N' Roll weekend has been an annual event in our community for over 20 years.

SEPTEMBER 14

@ PUMPKINVILLE
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Voted Western New York's Best Pumpkin Patch for Family Fun, Pumpkinville is a fantastic fall tradition for most families in WNY and beyond. They are open for the 2024 season from September 14th-October 31st. Pumpkinville offers a variety of fun for kids: the carousel, jumpin' pillows, cow train, fun zone, corn maze, and hay ride. Your kids will have a blast! Enjoy the famous pumpkin donuts and apple cider while you pick out the perfect pumpkin from the hundreds of pumpkins available. Multiple vendor shops are available as well!

SEPTEMBER 14

@ LITTLE VALLEY RIDER'S CLUB
716-799-2630



On September 14th from 9:30am to 4:00pm, you can visit the Little Valley Riders Club Craft Vendor Farm & Flea Market. In the vein of community fun, the event is FREE and ALL of the public is welcome. This event is very family-friendly and there will be lots of activities for all ages, including face painting, basket raffle, 50/50 (drawn live at 3:30pm), a petting zoo, and pony rides. The Little Valley Fire Department will also be attending with a fire truck for kids to visit. You can expect a wide variety of local vendors displaying their wares as well.

SEPTEMBER 19

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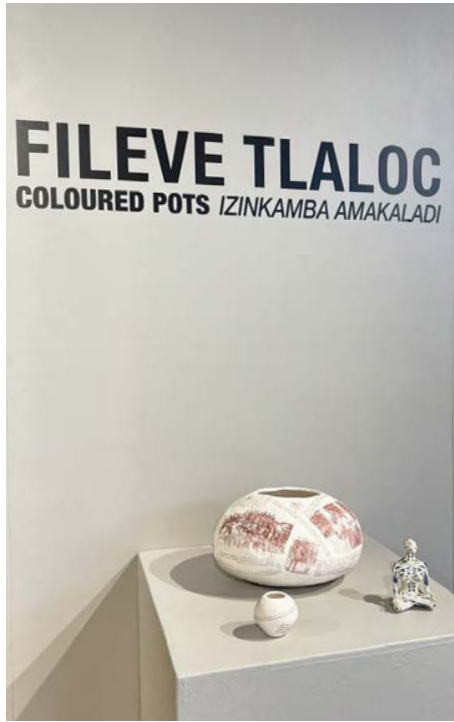


The City of Olean Music Series is back! Concerts will run every Thursday from 6:00-8:00pm at Olean's Lincoln Park, located at 100 East State Street, Olean, NY. The last September performance and last Music in the Park series performance will be on Thursday, September 19th by Red Gray performing their infamous Outlaw Country. This is a FREE community event that takes place at 100 East State Street. Please dress accordingly for the weather and bring your own comfy lawn chairs or blankets.

REGIONAL

ARTIST PROFILE: FILEVE TLALOC

Meet One of Olean's First National Bank Art Studios & Lobby Gallery's Artists



By CAROL FISHER-LINN

If the walls of First National Bank in Olean, NY (circa 1914) could tell tales, one can only imagine the stories we would hear. One hundred and ten years is a long time for a building to absorb stories, even when it lay empty for twenty years. The good news is, thanks to the tenacity of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Olean, funds were found to at least keep the building standing by repairing damaged terra-cotta cornices of the seven-story building while seeking a developer to invest in this Olean landmark. Samuel Savarino came in to develop the building into 22 market-rate apartments and commercial space. Had it not been for these actions, the building may have been razed. Imagine that important corner in Olean with a big empty space, or a modern condominium or mall.

Today, thanks to the combined efforts of the Tri-County Arts Council, New York based Cha-ShaMa (it provides free and subsidized space for artists to live, work, and present, partnering with developers and property owners to transform their vacant buildings into centers of creativity with the added benefit of increasing local foot traffic and supporting area businesses) and Savarino Properties, things are happening on that intersection in Olean.

One day, Paula Bernstein from TCAC, Luke Cusack, VP, Savarino and ChaShaMa shared an email, and as so many of these miraculous things that happen, this partnership co-created the First National Bank Art Studios and Lobby Gallery which provides five local artists studio and gallery space until the end of this year. The first one-person exhibit will feature the work of resident artist Theresa Heinz of Cuba beginning Friday, September 13th (6:00-8:00pm) through October 5th. You are invited to attend the opening of her show, named "Expansion. How a Space Alters the Creative Process." Her bio can be found in last week's issue of ellicottvilleNOW. (Editor's note: Last week's article gave the incorrect date for the opening of Theresa's show. The correct date is confirmed for Friday, September 13th.)

From October 12th through November 9th (mark your calendars) three artists will be sharing a display of their work. They are Fileve Tlaloc, Eva Potter and Tara Walker. This week, let me introduce you to Fileve Tlaloc and her work. Tlaloc, from Great Valley, holds a day job with Southern Tier West as Project Program Coordinator for Appalachian Regional Commission Area Development grant which helps the Cattaraugus/Allegany region develop economically. An example of that work is a grant for St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Olean to create more office space for counselors, thereby creating more opportunities for access to mental health services in the area.

A multi-generational, creole South African American artist born and raised in NYC, Tlaloc has lived and worked in China, South Africa, and Latin America. Throughout her artistic journey, she has studied photography, painting, and ceramics, enjoying experimenting and engaging in new media. She earned a doctorate in anthropology from Indiana University-Bloomington while continuing to create art. Inspired by a visit to the Wanamaker archive on Native American photographs, she and her partner were inspired to reunite those images with their living descendants at the Tuscarora Nation in the Niagara Falls region. The resulting exhibition, "Stirring the Pot" is a series of 25 photographs (displayed throughout Indiana and NYS) depicting the original image with their descendant(s) in sites of their choosing. In the Olean studio, you will find several pieces of this thought-provoking collection which unpacks race and government policy as related to her family histories.



Moving back to NYS, Tlaloc discovered that "new places force people to redefine and find themselves." Tlaloc has had the privilege of displaying her work in Art Centers across the U.S., the latest of which was at the Burchfield Penney Art Center in Buffalo this past year. She states that she was delighted to learn that three of her works were purchased by Burchfield to rotate in their permanent collection. Kudos!

Tlaloc is delighted to be part of this First National Bank Art Studios and Lobby Gallery project. Said she, "Last week, I visited and worked in the studio 3 times and one time on Sunday (the ambiguous day that can be considered part of either week). The point is though that I am going, I am working, and I am channeling my energy in positive and creative ways."

Aside from the scheduled showings, the studios are open to the public Tuesday 10:00am-4:00pm, Thursday 3:00-7:00pm, and Saturday 10:00am-4:00pm. They are located on the first floor of the First National Bank Building, 108 N. Union St. in Olean, NY. Be sure to visit his delightful addition to the Olean Arts scene!

SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW

Christie's Boutique in Olean Offers Unique Finds for Everyone



By JESSICA SCHULTZ

Who couldn't use some new fall decor? (I say to myself as I buy my 1,700th spooky pumpkin). Or maybe you want to spruce up your space with something whimsical, antique, or even dare I say it, Christmasy. If this sounds like you, maybe take a little trip out to Christie's Boutique in Olean, NY at 119 North Union Street, where you'll find unique items both old and new just for you at their upcoming "It's Fall Y'all" event.



Before we get into what that entails, owner Christie Brook shared with us how the shop came to be what it is now. "In 2016 my husband and I were exploring the possibility of moving back to Olean and we fell in love with this building. It was built in 1864 and much of the original interior remained intact. It is a one-of-a-kind historic building well known as the FR Brothers Pharmacy for most of its existence (although many people who shopped here in the 90s also remember it fondly as The Country Christmas Shoppe). After buying the building, we needed to find a business for the empty shop. I wanted something that would not only enhance the work being done to bring Union Street back to life but also support this wonderful community. I wanted it to be an asset and to be able to advocate for this beautiful area that I just love. After many iterations, lots of help from great

friends, traveling all over to find the treasures to fill the store, and a handful of collaborations with our first amazing consignors, Christie's Boutique officially opened December 2017."

When Christie's was first developed, she wanted it to be a place with a mission to support local business and community, where you can find unique items both old and new! Christie believes in building up the community and giving back, and that is exactly why she is devoted to supporting this area. It's a great place to live with awesome people, history and architecture. Her hope is that 119 Unique Things will encourage more people to come see all the amazing things Cattaraugus County has to offer.

She went on to say that, "I was born and raised in Allegany, New York and developed a true love for the area and its surrounding communities. I chose to live here because I know this community for its beauty in all seasons, its strength and resilience in times of trouble, and its generosity to those in need. We are UNIQUE and I am excited to be a business in the walkable Olean district. I love bringing beautiful pieces of furniture, art and fun, to your home, and delight in sharing our wonderful space with people yet to experience this crazy beautiful city."

So what is the upcoming event about? "It's Fall Y'all" is their seventh annual Open House event featuring exclusive handmade original items along with their always available unique treasures. It's a celebration of newfound friends, awesome treats, and giveaways! There will be cupcakes from the Baking Witch, cookies, wine from Allen's Wine & Liquor, and cider from Miller's Farm Market. You can also sign up for a chance to win one of several very cool door prizes.

They've also got some great things lined up for after the Open House. Christie said, "Our Winter Open House will be November 9th from 11:00am-4:00pm, and much like the Fall Open House we will be celebrating exclusive handmade original items! We love the magic of the winter season, and the shop is completely transformed into a winter wonderland!"

They will also have their Santa in the Window event in the weeks before Christmas. This is a fun nighttime event that brings Santa to their storefront windows. Last year they had dancing sugar plum fairies and Christmas carolers, along with hot chocolate and candy canes. Life is all about finding your own kind of crazy and the kind of crazy at 119 Unique Things is the best kind!

"We are unique because it's not just about shopping, I have always wanted Christie's to be an experience. Our customers come in because they say it just feels good to be here! We are all about community unique gifts and awesome finds for your home. We offer treasures from far and near and the best part about us is a portion of all sales go to local organizations such as the Olean Food Pantry" Christie finished proudly.

Make plans to stop by this Saturday from 11:00am-4:00pm, take a look at all the awesome items, have some snacks and experience the magic of fall with a fantastic local business. You'll thank yourself later. "Devote yourself to your community around you and devote yourself to creating something that gave you purpose and meaning" – Mitch Albom.

LIFESTYLE

Breakaway Classic Adventures: Happy Trails to You

BY INDREK KONGATS

Roy Rogers and Dale Evans summed it all up with their 1952 signature song "Happy Trails," a song about getting together and sadly departing and meeting up again. A song covered by not only country and western singers, but rock artists like Van Halen and even Jimi Hendrix supposedly he closed Woodstock with it!

Life is about movement, about comings and goings, meetings and departures. As humans we give life and life has to run its course like a river, usually down a path of less resistance, until an obstacle makes it change direction. There is no stopping life because it's a relay, not a sprint, nor even a marathon. We pass life on like a baton - death may be an obstacle but it's not the finish line!

Adventure is the definition of life. Nothing is for certain, maybe predictable, but not definite. Adventures creates memories and memories live forever. Even when they are forgotten, they still prevail somewhere in space and time. A modern-day analogy could be your computer's hard drive: if it gets erased there is someone out there that can retrieve it. When memories are forgotten and seemingly erased, they are simply resurrected and reinvented unknowingly by someone else. We have all experienced it - a phenomenon called déjà vu!

Adventure is everyone's occupation, and memories are the form of currency paid out. The more you accumulate, the wealthier you become. You deposit them in the Bank called Experience. However well you do your job, exceptionally or poorly, you'll never be fired or promoted, you'll have no choice but to accumulate memories. Sometimes these memories include others and get compounded; this is called Interest. The Interest will get compounded again and again as your memories are shared, utilized and passed on. Your Bank of Experience will constantly be accumulating wealth, wealth that can be positive or negative in nature, but there is no such thing as a negative balance in your account.

Your occupation starts at day one. You'll be an apprentice for a time, never to be fired, until you can actually start forming your own memories. Yes, you'll have to learn to remember! Your initial years are sometimes difficult to remember but rest assured others will remember them for you, and sometimes you'll wish that wasn't the case! As you get older you'll reach a point when your hard earned memories will start disappearing from your account. This is called the cost of living and it's steeper for some than others, but we'll all feel the bite sooner or later. Before this happens, we must create a will to pass our memories unto as many people as possible. Your will can be backed up on a computer hard drive, in a book or in an album so that your wealth can be disbursed to worthy beneficiaries.

The people that will inherit our wealth will be thankful for it as it will contribute to their own, giving them important lessons, guidance and foresight into doing their own job and hopefully helpings others do theirs as well. Sometimes a very wealthy individual will pass on so much that a whole community will benefit from, and this is called an endowment. If the endowment is significant it is called a legacy - the pinnacle of doing your job well. Our community has been endowed many times over and everyone that is still banking memories appreciates the wealth that has been left behind compounding our own interest. Our Bank of Experience has to be shared so it can't be robbed. That's all the security it needs and none other. The more we share the safer are memories will be, so as a commu-



nity of shareholders, we must protect one another, just as we protect our own.

The Brown family from Ellicottville has been responsible for the accumulation of substantial wealth in my personal Bank of Experience. The memories that were directly connected with the Browns date back close to a half a century. Since then, I have compounded that interest many times over so that I now create many similar memories for others. Ken Brown, who passed away 12 years ago, left a legacy that to this day influences everything I do.

With great sadness, his son Moose (Christopher) passed away Thursday, Sept 5, 2024. Many of you know Moose and his wife Vicky as the owners of the Depot Restaurant in Ellicottville. Moose wasn't just a restaurateur, he was a true adventurer. It was Moose's dad Ken that got me started in taking expeditions to the Canadian Arctic, a place of awe-inspiring tranquility, the top of the world and a land full of life and beauty! Moose and Vicky have been there as well, and as with my wealth it was also the foundation of their wealth, passed onto them by Ken and his many adventures there!

Many Happy Trails to Moose and all of the Browns! May we someday cross paths on the Tundra again!

Indrek Kongats is an artist, traveler, outdoorsman, and business owner residing in Ellicottville. He operates River Dog Art Gallery in Houghton, NY, and his Breakaway Classic Adventures specializes in adventure travel destinations. Learn more about him at breakawayclassicadventures.com.

SPECIAL CONDOLENCES

Cathleen Ann Haar: July 8, 1953 - September 2, 2024



The world became brighter on July 8, 1953 when Cathleen Ann Haar was born. On September 2, 2024 at 71, Cathleen of Randolph, NY entered into peaceful rest surrounded in love.

After graduating from Buffalo State College, Cathy explored many endeavors. From respected stained glass artist to fearless horsewoman, social worker to mortgage banker, chef, and everything in between, Cathy was led by an adventurous & free spirit. With an untamed & resilient soul, she could seemingly move mountains. Never with idle hands, the definition of "hard-working" and yet, she always found time to create magic and whimsy for her children. Instilling perseverance, resiliency, and an unwavering work ethic, her legacy will live on in the hearts of many.

Known by her grandson as "Grandma Horsey," she was overwhelmed with pride bearing witness as Gabriel embarked on his college study abroad. She beamed with light while teaching her son, Mat, the family trade of stained glass, and stood by his side as a warrior through his cancer journey. Through tough love and faith, Cathy saw her son Richard through his darkest challenges. She full-heartedly contented in his endeavor to build his own general contracting business from the bottom up. Years prior, Cathy saw her daughter, Amanda, off in pursuit of a career far from home in Hollywood, and later helped ground her to her country roots in New Mexico, sharing belly laughs over their mutual passion for all of God's furred, hooved, and 4-legged creatures.

In 2000, Cathy's dream to visit Ireland came true. Accompanied by her oldest sister, Martha,

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Christopher "Moose" Brown: August 7, 1960 - September 5, 2024



Christopher "Moose" Brown, 64, of Great Valley, New York passed away Thursday morning, September 5, 2024, at home with his family by his side.

Born August 7, 1960 in Oakville, Ontario, Canada, he was the son of the late and great Kenneth and Betty Brown. Moose was by the side of his wife Victoria Eckley for 44 years, who survives, along with his twin daughters Isabella & Gwendolyn Brown, and his sister Kimberley Brown.

Moose was a graduate of Perdue High School, Class of 1979, which "Started Him Up" on the path of living a life as sweet as "Brown Sugar" and as lively as "Wild Horses". The devoted husband and father, along with his wife, owned and operated The Ski Depot and the Ellicottville Depot Restaurant, the latter of which continues to be a beloved staple of our tight-knit ski and snowboard town. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, in tandem with being an avid skier, a devoted Rolling Stones fan, a passionate fisherman, and a local comedian who effortlessly grasped the role of being the life of the party.

Moose will be deeply missed by his friends, family, and all who knew him, but those who love him will forever remember and cherish the moments that were shared and the memories that will last a lifetime.

If you'd like to share a favorite Moose story, of which we know there are many, please write to his daughters, izzyebrown@gmail.com & gwenbrown@gmail.com. There will be no visitation. A Celebration Of Life will be held at the convenience of the family and will be announced in due time.



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JOB OPENING: Town of Ellicottville Highway Department Laborer, Commercial Driver, & Heavy Equipment Operator. The Town of Ellicottville, NY is seeking to hire a Highway Department Laborer, Commercial Driver, Heavy Equipment Operator to fill a full-time position with the Highway Department. The position involves operating equipment and performing manual labor with regard to maintenance and oversight of the town roads. Applicants with a High School Diploma (or GED) and a NYS Commercial Driver License (Class B) will be considered. The Town is accepting cover letters and resumes. Send to the attention of Scot Brumagin, PO Box 600, Ellicottville, NY 14731 or by email Scot.brumagin@evl-engineering.com. The full job description is available at: www.ellicottvillegov.com.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

MUSEUM REPAIR: The Town of East Otto is accepting bids for repairs need at the Town Museum Building located at 8982 Reed Hill Rd., East Otto. Repairs to include: Replace Rotted Beam and Floor Framing Under Front of Building. Replace 11 Stone Piers with Concrete. Replace 6 Windows with Similar Wood Frame Single Glazed Windows. Repair Rotted Framing Around Windows as Needed. Remove and Replace Wood Clap Board Siding on Right Side of Building and Replace with Similar. Repair, Secure and Replace Bad Siding around Building. Remove and Replace Rotted Soffit on Left Side of Building. Scape all Loose Paint, Prime and Paint Building. An estimated start and completion date must also be included in the bid. Sealed bids must be received by the Town Clerk at 9393 Bowen Rd., East Otto no later than Monday, September 23, 2024. Work to be completed by June 30, 2025. Please contact Supervisor Ann Rugg with any questions at (716) 923-3690. The Town of East Otto has the right to accept and/or reject any or all bids based on the best interest of the Town of East Otto. Deanna Bowen, East Otto Town Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: TOWN OF ELLICOTTVILLE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Article 9 of the Town of Ellicottville Zoning Local Law, and pursuant to a resolution of the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Ellicottville, adopted September 5, 2024, the said Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at the Ellicottville Town Center, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, NY 14731 on the 3 day of October, 2024 at 6:00 P.M., to hear all interested parties regarding an appeal by Daniel and Angela Hamister, requesting a variance to allow the construction of a residential addition less than required distance from the side property line, located at 6225 Sunset Road (SBL 55.041-1-38). Further information is available for review at the Engineering Department, 28 Parkside Drive, Ellicottville, New York 14731. Prior to the meeting, documents may also be viewed on the Town website at www.ellicottvillegov.com. Persons wishing to do so may submit comments prior to the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Town of Ellicottville Zoning Board of Appeals, 1 Washington Street, P.O. Box 600, Ellicottville, New York 14731, delivered in person to the same address, or emailed to greg.keyser@evlengineering.com. BY ORDER OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE TOWN OF ELLICOTTVILLE.

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ROTARY CHILI COOK-OFF: The Rotary Club of Ellicottville invites everyone in our community to join us for an evening of food and fun on Saturday, September 28th at Madigan's Restaurant Upstairs 4:00-7:00pm in Ellicottville. This fundraising event will feature an online auction of one-of-a-kind items, on-site basket raffle, 50/50, music, chili tasting and good times. Pay \$10 to taste as many as you wish, and freshly made bread donated by the Ellicottville Bake Shop. Want to enter your famous family recipe? Contact the Rotary Club of Ellicottville through their FB page, or call Rotary President, John Weismantel at 716-228-7288.

EMPLOYMENT

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ERIE CATTARAUGUS RAIL TRAIL

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In addition to the community engagement sessions for Orchard Park and Colden, a community-wide survey is underway to better understand residents' perspectives of existing and future use of the trail. The survey may be found at www.ecatrail.org.

CATHLEEN HAAR

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and her parents, George "Bud" and Barb, they inhaled crisp, lush countrysides, prayed in St. Brendan's Cathedral, explored Japanese Gardens in Tully and warmed their hearts, sharing breath with donkeys at a sanctuary in Liscarroll. This trip further strengthened a family bond that was woven together by their strong Irish heritage in respect of those who paved the cobblestone before them.

Irish Blessing: "May God give you, for every storm, a rainbow, for every tear, a smile, for every care, a promise and a blessing in each trial. For every problem life sends, a faithful friend to share, for every sign a sweet song, and an answer for each prayer."

As a devoted prayer warrior and faithful child of God, Cathleen believed in miracles and instilled hope in all who crossed her path. Despite many health obstacles, she always found reason to rejoice. In her last prayer journal entry, she reflected upon James 1:2-4 "Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy, for you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing."

Preceded in death by her parents George and Barbara Haar, and leaving a legacy through her children Mathew (Carrie) Snyder, Amanda (Steven) Pecora-Sutphen, Richard (Cassandra) Preston, & chosen son, Clifton Krotz; cherished grandson, Gabriel Snyder (and chosen granddaughters, Alaina & Lyvinea); her siblings Martha (Pierce) Ryan, George Haar & Margaret Claire Haar; several nieces, nephews, grand nieces & nephews, cousins, chosen family, & all of those she loved and touched deeply along the way, Cathy's memory will be a guiding star for all who knew her. In remembrance, a celebration of Cathy's life will be held at Allegany State Park. Particulars will be announced at a later time.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to help orphaned foals throughout New Mexico and the Navajo Nation at <https://www.pennylanefoals.com/>. Condolences can be sent to ourourke.ouroukefh@gmail.com or posted to facebook.com/onofh.

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👤holimont: So much fun with the next generation of rippers this past weekend. @holimont #mtb #getoutside



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