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AUTUMN IN CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY



Editor-in-Chief
Katrina Fuller

There's nothing better, in my opinion, than the Autumn in Chautauqua County. From the cooler temperatures and pumpkins galore to simply taking a drive to see the changing leaves, it's the season my family and I look forward to most. Some folks travel great distances to see the Fall foliage, but we're lucky enough to live here and see it when we look out our windows. But if you're like me and you want to be more immersed in the experience, there are a few key places to visit around the county.

At the top of my personal list is **Chautauqua Institution**. The institution offers an idyllic walk through, from the Brick Walk down into the heart of the community to the woodsy trails near the South Gate and, let's not forget the iconic views near the Bell Tower on the shores of Chautauqua Lake. During the peak of the changing leaves, looking out over the lake, visitors can take in the veritable quilt of colors

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THE MOST WONDERFUL SEASON OF ALL



Contributing Writer
Jordan Nicholson



There are people in this world who claim to love summer. These people cannot be trusted. Summer is a sweaty, mosquito-infested conspiracy that demands you enjoy yourself simply because the sun remains visible until nine o'clock. It is a season of sunburns, warm beer, lawn maintenance, and the constant low-grade anxiety that you are somehow wasting a beautiful day. Then something wonderful happens. The air changes. The humidity breaks. The first cold night rolls down from Canada, the leaves begin turning, and suddenly Western New York becomes the

finest place on Earth. Autumn has arrived. And autumn, dear reader, is civilization at its absolute peak. There is something magnificent about a 55-degree afternoon in Chautauqua County. You can wear a jacket without needing a parka. You can mow the lawn without losing three pounds of water weight. Coffee tastes better. Beer tastes better. Chili becomes socially acceptable again. The trees explode into orange, red, and gold, and for about six glorious

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 5
THRU FRIDAY OCTOBER 9

Chautauqua County Legislature Budget Review Meetings
Chautauqua County Legislature Chambers
Gerace Office Building

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

Culinary Creations | 12 PM
Patterson Library | Westfield
For Info: pattersonlibrary.org
Makerspace Monday - Flipbooks | 3:30 PM-5:30 PM
Prendergast Library | Jamestown
For Info: prendergastlibrary.org

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

Pat Phi's Guided Autobiography Class | 10 AM-11 AM
Prendergast Library | Jamestown
For Info: prendergastlibrary.org
Basket Weaving with Joann Negro | 11 AM-3 PM
Patterson Library | Patterson
For Info: 716-326-2154
Curiosity Club: Simple Superstitions | 5:30 PM-6:30 PM
Prendergast Library | Jamestown
For Info: prendergastlibrary.org

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

Runnings Ladies Night | 4-7PM
Runnings | Jamestown
For Info: runnings.com

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

Cardio Drumming | 9 AM-9:45 AM
Dunkirk Senior Center | Dunkirk
For Info: (716) 366-7530
Alz. Association Class: Know the 10 Warning Signs 5:30 PM-6:30 PM
Mary E. Seymour Memorial Library - Stockton Branch
Stockton
For Info: alz.org or 800-277-3900
Spook Author Talk with Rebecca Cuthbert | 5 PM-7 PM
Dunkirk Public Library | Dunkirk
For Info: dunkirklibrary.org
The Marlow Murder Reading with Paul Leone | 5:30 PM
Patterson Library | Westfield
For Info: pattersonlib.org
CHQ Chamber Business Awards Banquet | 6 PM-9 PM
Williams Center | SUNY Fredonia | Fredonia
For Info: mychq.org/event/chamber-business-awards-banquet

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

Home School Tribe | 1 PM
Ahira Hall Memorial Library | Brocton
For Info: ahirahall.org

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

2026 Apple Butter Festival | 9 AM - 3PM
West Portland Baptist Church | Westfield
For Info: 716-326-3417

Turtle Time Story Hour | 11 AM
Mary E. Seymour Memorial Library - Cassadaga Branch
Cassadaga
For Info: stocktonlibraries.org
Fenton Saints & Sinners Cemetary Tours | Various Times
Lake View Cemetary | Jamestown
For Info: fentonhistorycenter.org/ss
Meet and Make 14+ | 2:15 PM-3:15 PM
Prendergast Library | Jamestown
For Info: prendergastlibrary.org
"Evil Never Dies" Murder Mystery Event | 6 PM
8630 Hardscrabble Road | Westfield
For Info: ripleylibrary.org
Sing-a-Long-a: The Greatest Showman | 7 PM-10 PM
116 E 3rd St | Jamestown
For Info: reglenna.com
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11
Fenton Saints & Sinners Mausoleum Tours
Various Times
Lake View Cemetary | Jamestown
For Info: fentonhistorycenter.org/ss
"Dance, Dance, Otherwise We Are Lost" with Sukanya Burman | 10:30 AM
Jamestown Unitarian Church | Jamestown
For Info: uujamestown.org/calendar

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Pat's Pen with Pat Locke



A LITTLE LOVE FOR FALL



Contributing Writer
Pat Locke

There is something about the month of October that makes us slow down and notice the little things. Perhaps it's the first chill in the morning air or the crunch of

leaves beneath our feet. It could be the appearance of chrysanthemums in assorted colors brightening doorsteps or trees putting on one last spectacular show while sipping a glass of cider with a freshly baked cider donut.

Fall has a way of making ordinary days feel special. A warm cup of coffee seems to taste a little better when enjoyed beside a window filled with autumn color. An evening walk becomes an opportunity to gather a few colorful leaves and remembering why this season has always held such a special place in our hearts.

Fall traditions can include visiting a pumpkin patch, baking an old family recipe such as grandma's apple pie, decorating the front porch with hand-

picked pumpkins, watching a football game or simply sitting outside for a few extra minutes before the evening chill settles in. October reminds us that change can be beautiful. The leaves let go gracefully, painting the landscape with color before they fall. And somehow, in their letting go, they leave us with something to remember.

So, let's give October a little love. Put on that favorite sweater and take that scenic route to a cider mill, a fall festival with a corn maze or an Octoberfest with freshly baked Concord grape pies.

Fall doesn't need to make a grand entrance. Sometimes all it takes is a cool breeze, a colorful tree and a little appreciation for the season right outside our door.



Photo by Sandra Shisler - Lake Erie

Editorial with Lori Cornell

This is not a local picture...?!?!



Publisher
Lori Cornell

Last week, we asked our readers to submit their best LOCAL fall foliage pictures on Facebook with the intention of publishing some of our favorites in this edition. Thank you for some beauties! Ironically enough, yours truly came up empty-handed. There's not a single Chautauqua County fall foliage picture on my phone to date this season.

Why's that you say?!

I'm stuck in Maine.

Well, not exactly stuck. I have willingly volunteered to remain here with my son, Zach, at school - much to his young-adult chagrin. The upside for Zach is that he will graduate from one of the country's premier prep schools for experiential learning as he snowboards competitively this winter in the Western Mountains of Maine! The downside is that he lives with the challenge of Type I Diabetes and seizure disorder and must work a little harder than most to achieve his dreams (and deal with his hang around-er mother).

The upside for me is that I get to spend senior year with both Zach, and his brother, Nick, who also is fortunate enough to have earned huge financial support to attend Gould Academy. The downside for me is that, of course, I will miss YOU, our loyal readers!

The purpose of sharing this personal information is twofold.

One: Please bear with me this school year. We will continue to publish the Chautauqua Gazette, but we appreciate your extra patience and support if possible. I'll be back with the boys on their school breaks, but I won't be as available to stop by your businesses, local events and community happenings as much as I normally like to do. This is just a temporary in-person sabbatical through next May, but rest assured that I will remain only a quick text, phone call or email away. Thanks to modern technology, and our incredibly talented Gazette team on the ground, we will continue to seamlessly publish your proud community newspaper every Monday.

Secondly: Being "stuck" in Maine - despite its own rightful beauty - continues to remind me of how much I truly do love Chautauqua County. While the scenery here is just as breathtaking as a Long Point State Park trail on a bright fall day, I do miss our community. It's the familiar, the comfortable and my lifelong, proud roots. It's our Main Street shops and restaurants; local libraries and schools; community-minded companies and people-centered politicos. I've felt kindly welcomed by the locals of Bethel, Maine - a rural town even smaller than Ellery, but for the first time as an adult in decades, I'm living very far away from "my people". I love to travel, and I love adventure. And, for my sons, I won't hesitate a second to temporarily trade our rolling hills for towering mountains and sparkling five lakes for the nearby ocean, but this extended visit has reaffirmed my focus: Chautauqua County is no doubt my forever home.



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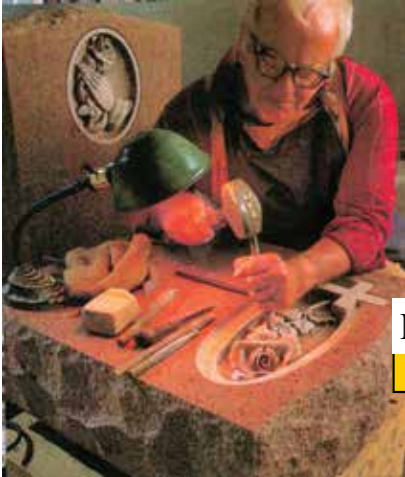
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Featured Writer

Rev. Tara L. Eastman

First Presbyterian Church of Warren

I took a ball of pizza dough out of the fridge and left it out on the counter to warm and soften. The last time I tried to make pizza with it, it hadn't warmed up enough to roll out fully and make a nice sized pizza. The label said it needed thirty minutes to warm up, but that hadn't worked. This time I left it out most of the day, sitting on parchment paper and covered in olive oil. Even still, the dough was resistant to rolling. So I changed my plan for the pizza dough, and made bread sticks instead.

I carefully rolled out the dough as flat as it would go, cut it into bread stick shapes with a sharp knife, and sprinkled the oil coated sticks with savory rosemary salt. I popped them into the oven at 400 degrees. I watched and waited as the aroma of rosemary, olive oil and bread swirled around the kitchen.

The rest of the meal was easy to prepare, sauteed' chicken in tomato sauce topped with cheese and a bag of string beans that were steamed in the microwave. To make the most of the green beans I took out some fresh garlic, chopped it up, melted Irish butter in a pan and cooked garlic till it was translucent. At last, I dumped the beans into the butter and garlic into the pan and finished them until glistening brown.

That evening, there were lots of other household tasks on our to-do list: mowing the lawn, paying some bills, and laundry that is always calling for attention. The smell of the food though, beckoned us to pause all the to dos. We set the table, we sat down, we filled our plates with cheesy chicken, garlic green beans and savory homemade bread sticks. The chicken was good. The beans were good. But the bread sticks? The bread sticks that were supposed to be pizza crust, turned out to be the stand-out favorite.

This simple meal, made complete with pizza-crust-rosemary-breadsticks, helped us to pause our to-dos and be nourished by good food and great company. We talked over the events of the day. We shared what went well and what had gone sideways. Over dinner in our little

kitchen we took a midday Sabbath and broke humble breadsticks in a kind of communion.

In Matthew 11:28-30, Jesus extended a powerful word of encouragement to his disciples he was sending on a mission to share God's message of love and forgiveness with the world: "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

With the help of that toss-it-together meal, and pizza crust bread sticks, these words of Jesus came to me and reminded me of the importance of taking pause to break bread with one another. Jesus' invitation to come-to-his-table communion broke through my long list of to dos and invited me to take a moment to be in communion with God and my family. That midweek dinner with my family remembering Jesus' words, was a rest stop and communion that would carry me through to Sunday.

Jesus' words offering rest for the weary, also point to the importance of sharing the yoke of our burdens. People are not built to carry the weight of life alone. No person is an island unto themselves. Remember the pizza-crust that was turned into breadsticks? The mere aroma of the bread baking was powerful enough to make my family take a pause, sit down for dinner, and shift from solitary living, to an experience of communion that we could literally consume.

On the first weekend of October, mainline churches gather together to celebrate World Communion Sunday. Special attention is made on how God connects people across the globe and across many denominations. In these ecumenical worship services, communion will be celebrated, remembering the open table that Jesus sets for all people. Our denominations, religious or non-religious backgrounds vary, but communion practices of rest, burden sharing and welcome - are essential for the wholeness of all people.

What good might come from people learning the value of taking a pause, sitting down for a meal, sharing caring conversation and looking into the eyes of our neighbor ? Burdens would be shared. Hearts will be filled. Rest would be lived out. Perhaps these gifts of hospitality can make the world smaller, friendlier and more connected?

Nurturing an authentic community can start small. Invite someone over. Make a simple meal. By all means, make the pizza-dough-rosemary breadsticks. I can already smell them baking, can you? World communion starts at our own kitchen tables.

National Coming Out Day

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Jamestown Pride

Jamestown Pride is celebrating National Coming Out Day with an event on October 10th, 2026. The event will feature a mix of community members sharing their experiences, as well as an open-mic period for others in our community who want to share a testimony, celebrate themselves or a loved one, or provide support for the LGBT+ community.

National Coming Out Day is observed on October 11th each year, commemorating the 1987 National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. The founders and activists of the event believed that silence and compliance to ignorance are where homophobia takes root. They sought to celebrate the act of living openly, while

using simple visibility as a powerful catalyst for equal rights and government action during the height of the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

The first few decades of the observed holiday were frequently marked by people “coming out,” identifying themselves as part of the LGBT+ community. These days were used both privately and publicly to raise awareness – the fact that you know more queer people than you think.

Today, the National Coming Out Project is sponsored and managed by the Human Rights Campaign and is celebrated in several other countries. By living authentically ourselves whenever possible, we let those around us know that we are a safe place, but we will not be silenced.

Jamestown Pride presents:
OUT LOUD.

Please join us for a night of unity, peace, and acceptance. There's a space for you here, and we will celebrate our lives and testimonies with those who need it most. This event is from and for both sides of the closet.

Robert H. Jackson Center,
October 10th 4PM-6PM

Refreshments will be available.



Robert H. Jackson Center to Host Statue Lighting Ceremony

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Robert H. Jackson Center

The Robert H. Jackson Center will mark the ceremonial first lighting of its Robert H. Jackson statue in October, shining new attention on history, justice and civic responsibility.

The public is invited to join the Center at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, for a brief ceremony, the first lighting of the statue and seasonal hot cider on the front porch.

The new lighting, made possible by support from the Gebbie Foundation, will illuminate the statue each evening and keep Justice Jackson's likeness visible to the community.

Sculpted by Dexter Benedict in 1996, the statue originally stood at nearby Samuel G. Love Elementary School, where it welcomed visitors entering



downtown Jamestown. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor presided over the unveiling.

The statue was relocated to the Center's front lawn in May 2016, when the Jackson Center assumed responsibility for its care. Today, it stands as a tribute to a Jamestown attorney whose service on the U.S. Supreme Court and work as chief U.S. prosecutor at Nuremberg helped shape modern justice worldwide.

Date: Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2026
Time: 7 p.m., with brief remarks at 7:15 p.m.
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Manufacturing Month Kicks Off Across Chautauqua County and Western New York

Region celebrates manufacturing's economic impact while connecting the next generation to high-demand careers



Representatives from the Manufacturers Association of the Southern Tier, DIDI WNY, County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency, and Chautauqua County Partnership for Economic Growth were in Lakewood, N.Y. on Oct. 1 to host and attend a luncheon focusing on the NY SMART I-Corridor and how local manufacturers can leverage the initiative to expand and grow their local operations. The event also provided an opportunity to kick off Manufacturing Month in Chautauqua County and the Southern Tier.

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Dream It Do It Western New York (DI-DIWNY), the Manufacturers Association of the Southern Tier (MAST), the Chautauqua County Industrial Development Agency (CCIDA), and the Chautauqua County Partnership for Economic Growth (CCPEG) are joining manufacturers, schools, workforce partners, and communities across the region in celebrating Manufacturing Month throughout October. The monthlong observance highlights the critical role manufacturing plays in Western New York's economy and the career opportunities available to the next generation.

In Chautauqua County alone, manufacturers generate approximately \$5.1 billion in annual shipments, and manufacturing represents approximately 18% of the county's workforce—more than twice the national share. New York State also identifies manufacturing as a foundational sector of Chautauqua County's economy.

The impact of manufacturing is significant across the Southern Tier. The three-county region of Allegany, Cattaraugus, and Chautauqua, served by MAST, employs more than 18,000 people in manufacturing and generates approximately \$7.5 billion in annual manufacturing shipments. Manufacturing represents approximately 15% of the three-county workforce, demonstrating the sector's outsized importance to the regional economy.

the economic foundations of Western New York. Across the five-county region of Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, and Niagara counties, more than 1,600 manufacturers employ approximately 70,000 people and generate \$26.8 billion in annual manufacturing shipments. Manufacturing accounts for approximately 12% of the region's workforce, compared with about 8% nationally.

"Manufacturing Month gives us an opportunity to recognize manufacturers of all sizes and the people who make things every day and contribute so much to the strength of our communities," stated Chase Churchill, President of the Manufacturers Association of the Southern Tier. "Manufacturers are investing in new technology, developing their people, and creating career opportunities right here in our region. As manufacturers, we also have a responsibility to open our doors and help students, parents, and educators understand the opportunities that exist within our industry. Building the next generation of our workforce starts by giving people the opportunity to see manufacturing firsthand."

The challenge facing manufacturers is not simply creating jobs; it is ensuring that young people understand the opportunities that already exist and have clear pathways to pursue them.

"The future of manufacturing depends on the young people in our region's classrooms today," stated Chris Lanski, Chair of Dream It Do It Western New York. "Manufacturing Month gives us an opportunity to introduce those students to careers they may never have

Manufacturing continues to be one of

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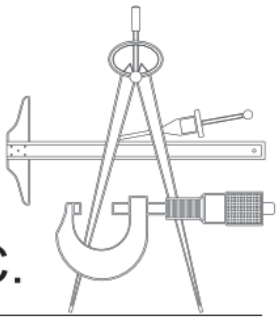


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Robbins to Retire from Jamestown Board of Public Utilities

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Rebecca Robbins

Rebecca Robbins, known as Becky, will retire in mid-November after twenty years as Jamestown Board of Public Utilities (BPU) Communications Coordinator.

"Becky has helped tell the BPU's story for 20 years, always keeping our customers and community at the heart of her work," said BPU General Manager Kristofor Sellstrom. "Her warmth, dedication and pride in her co-workers have strengthened the connection between the BPU and the people we serve. We are grateful for her many contributions and wish her a wonderful retirement with her husband Dale and their family."

Robbins came to the BPU after four years at the Robert H. Jackson Center, where she worked as the director of development and in public relations. In her years at home with children, she worked as part-time executive director of the WCA Foundation, Inc., and as a freelance grants writer.

Before and after her children were born, Robbins worked full and part-time in the Development Office of Chautauqua Institution from 1979-1993, in the succeeding roles of research associate, grants writer and development officer. She previously served as community relations assistant at Jamestown Community College, after working three years as a news editor and announcer at WKSJ/WHUG Radios, Jamestown.

She earlier worked at both WKSJ-WHUG and WFRA-WVEN Radios in Franklin, Pennsylvania, writing advertising, and announcing on weekend shifts. She wrote reviews for the Buffalo Courier Express newspaper.

Robbins was a high school valedictorian in Franklin and graduated Magna Cum Laude from Grove City College with a Bachelor of Arts in English and History. She attended classes at St. Bonaventure University, Jamestown Community College and the Institute for Philanthropy-University of Indiana.

In the community, Robbins is a

member of the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation Board of Directors and previously served on the Carnahan-Jackson, Gebbie and WCA Foundation boards. She was the Secretary of the Chautauqua Foundation. She is a member of the Chautauqua Cemetery Board and of the Greater Jamestown Noon Rotary Club.

St. Susan Center honored her this year by establishing the annual Rebecca Robbins Community Partner Award, presented "in recognition of exceptional dedication to community partnership, compassion and service." Robbins operated the yearly BPU's "Cents for St. Susan's" campaign to raise funds for the soup kitchen.

Robbins co-founded a Jamestown Communicators Group and trained in the Chautauqua Leadership Network. She formerly volunteered as president of the Jamestown Girls Club, public relations chair for both the Jamestown Concert Association and the Busti Historical Society and is a former vice president for public relations of the Southern Chautauqua County United Way. She is an associate member of The Creche, Inc.

"I've loved working with BPU customers and co-workers," said Robbins. "The BPU is 'the jewel of Jamestown,' with its reliable and affordable services. I'm proud to be part of the BPU, where I have been fortunate to work with wonderful employees and leadership. The employees truly care about our customers and work as a team to help the people in our community."

Robbins is married to Attorney Dale C. Robbins. The couple lives in Jamestown and has three grown children and five grandchildren.

Manufacturing Month Kicks Off Across Chautauqua County and Western New York

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considered and to show them that manufacturing today is about technology, creativity, problem-solving, and innovation. Dream It Do It is about creating those connections early and giving students meaningful experiences that can help them discover a pathway to a successful future right here in Western New York."

Modern manufacturing increasingly requires employees with skills in machining, welding and fabrication, industrial maintenance, automation, robotics, engineering, quality, advanced production, and other technical fields. Dream It Do It identifies welding, machining, electro-mechanical technology, mechanics, quality assurance, and production operations among the region's priority skilled occupations.

That is where Dream It Do It Western New York plays a critical role. DIDIWNY is building an early talent pipeline across Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, and Niagara counties by connecting middle and high school students with hands-on learning, manufacturing career exploration, employer experiences, industry-recognized credentials, and pathways into education, training, and employment.

"One of the most rewarding parts of Manufacturing Month is watching students experience manufacturing rather than simply hearing about it," stated Cindy Aronson, Director of Dream It Do It Western New York, Chautauqua County. "When students tour a company, operate equipment, build something with their own hands, and talk directly with people working in the industry, manufacturing becomes real to them. Those experiences build confidence, spark curiosity, and help students recognize talents they may not have known they had. Sometimes one experience is all it takes for a young person to begin imagining a completely different future for themselves."

Throughout the year, and with an intensified focus during Manufacturing Month, Dream It Do It works with schools and manufacturers to move students beyond simply hearing about manufacturing careers to actually experiencing them.

Through Manufacturing Technology Tours, Girls in Manufacturing, Create Your Future, Manufacturing Mayhem, STEM/TECH Wars, and other hands-on career exploration experiences, students have opportunities to meet people working in manufacturing, enter manufacturing facilities, experience technology firsthand, and understand the education and skills required for different career pathways.

"Manufacturing is part of the identity of Western New York," stated Todd

Tranum, Executive Director of MAST and President of DIDIWNY. "These companies provide good careers, support families, invest in our communities, and sell products throughout the country and around the world. Building the next generation manufacturing workforce is not simply a workforce development issue; it is an economic development priority for our entire region."

Manufacturing Month also provides an opportunity for manufacturers, educators, parents, and community organizations to consider the role they can play in strengthening Western New York's future workforce.

"Manufacturing has long been a cornerstone of Chautauqua County's economy, and the CCIDA has a long history of working alongside our manufacturers to help them invest, expand, modernize, and remain competitive," stated Mark Geise, Chautauqua County Deputy County Executive for Economic Development and CCIDA CEO. "These companies create good-paying jobs, make significant investments in our communities, and are essential to growing our local economy. Just as important, we need to make sure they have access to the skilled workforce they need to succeed. That means connecting young

people with the tremendous career opportunities that exist right here in Chautauqua County and building a strong talent pipeline for the future."

Manufacturers can open their doors to students, participate in career exploration activities, provide job-shadowing and work-based learning experiences, and help young people understand the wide range of careers available within their companies. Educators and counselors can help students connect classroom learning with career opportunities and expose young people to multiple pathways after high school, including college, technical education, apprenticeships, and direct entry into the workforce.

Throughout October, Dream It Do It Western New York and its partners will highlight manufacturers, manufacturing careers, and opportunities for students to experience the industry firsthand.

For information about Dream It Do It Western New York, Manufacturing Month activities, or opportunities for schools and manufacturers to participate, visit DIDIWNY.org, email info@didiwny.com, or call 716-483-1833.

To learn more about incentives and support provided to manufacturers looking to expand or relocate to Chautauqua County, visit ChooseCHQ.com or call the CCIDA at 716-661-8900



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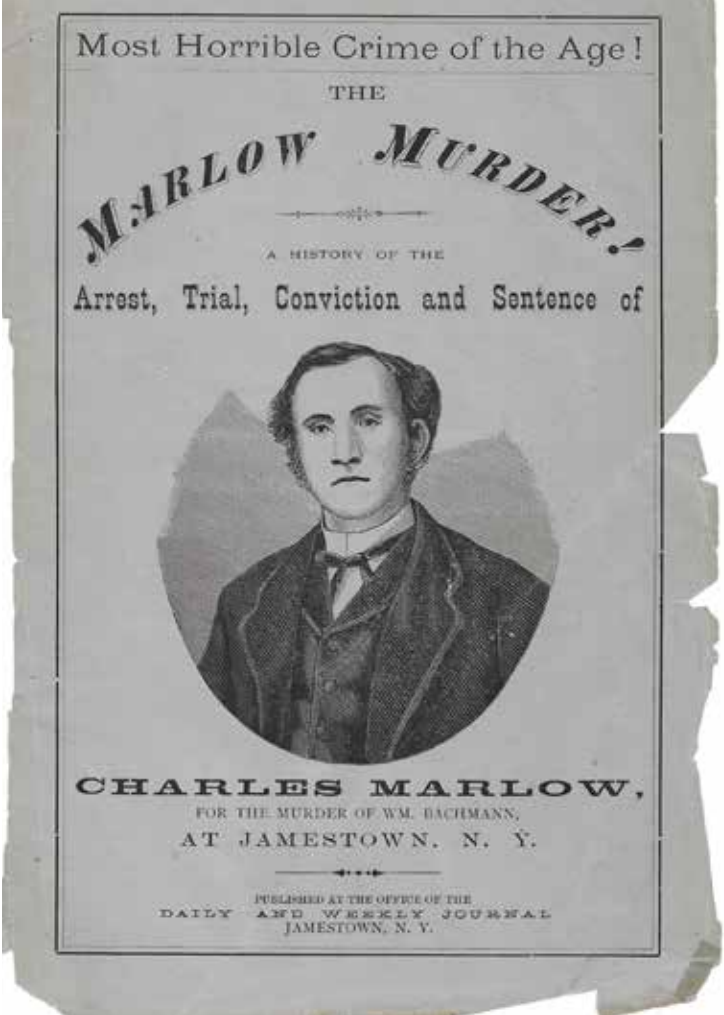
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THE MARLOW MURDER



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The latest publication from Chautauqua Region Press, *The Marlow Murder* reproduces the *Jamestown Journal's* detailed coverage of the arrest, trial, conviction and execution in 1872 of the *Jamestown Brewery* proprietor Charles Marlow. Marlow murdered German immigrant William Bachman on the brewery's premises in August 1871. The grisly murder included the burning of Bachman's body in the brewery's furnace. Celebrated *Jamestown* attorney Porter Sheldon defended Marlow through court proceedings. Sheldon postulated a farfetched defense implicating Marlow's mother-in-law, a non-English speaking German immigrant

who lived with him and her daughter. The murder and trial alarmed and infuriated the citizens of Victorian Jamestown. The *Journal's* reporters related in objective matter-of-fact prose the gruesome details of the murder and the impassioned arguments of both defense and prosecution. The testimony of the lengthy schedule of witnesses illuminates the demographics of the Chautauqua County community at the time. Local history enthusiasts will appreciate the description of the county's physical Victorian attributes. Author Paul Leone has included additional editorial and historical information beyond the scope of the *Journal's* reporting.

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Storytime: Tues. 11 am, Thurs. 11 am
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desserts and refreshments. The event takes place in the library’s Fireplace Room- decorated to transport you to Wonderland. Costumes are optional but encouraged. This program is recommended for guests ages 6 and over. Guests 15 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets are available for purchase on the Prendergast Library Website – prendergastlibrary.org and at the library’s front desk. Tickets are \$10. All proceeds benefit the library’s educational programming.

SPECIAL EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

- AHIRA HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY**
October 9th, 1 PM – Home School Tribe. Empower, Share, Connect, Learn, Create with other Homeschooling families in our community
October 19th, 6 PM – Crafty Diem. Join us for Adult Craft Day. We will be making Puzzle Piece Pumpkin Art Displays. Registration requested by calling 716-792-9418
October 19th & 21st, 9 AM- 12 PM AARP Smart Driving. Cost: AARP members \$25, non-members \$30. Space is limited, and registration is required. Call 716-792-4818
October 31st 4-7 PM – 17th Annual Book & Treat! Come to the library on Halloween and pick out a Free Book and Treat Bag.
- DUNKIRK PUBLIC LIBRARY**
October 8th 5-7 PM – Spook Author Talk with Rebecca Cuthbert (The Hauntings Back Home & Down in the Dark Deep Where Puddlers Dwell)

- October 13th and 27th, 5-7 PM Gaming at the Library with Geoff**
October 22nd 5-7 PM- Author Talk with Judy Shuler (Safe Harbor & The Nazi’s Daughter)

- October 31st 12-1:30 PM – Trick or Treat for Books!**
- KENNEDY FREE LIBRARY**
October 14th, 6 PM – Books and Banter
October 24th 9 AM- 12 PM – Free Safety Fest. Including many local organizations and safety professionals to provide community members with helpful, practical information about staying safe in everyday life. Come visit the Safety Squad: Santa Claus, the Easter Bunny, and Marshall from Paw Patrol! The

- community event also includes free car seat safety checks.
- MARY E. SEYMOUR MEMORIAL LIBRARY**
October 8, 4:30 PM – Stockton - Alz Assoc class. Know the 10 warning signs. Please RSVP to Alz.org or call 1-800-277-3900
Oct 10, 11 AM – Cassadaga - Turtle Time Story Hour! Hear the librarian read a story and meet some friendly turtles.
Oct 12,12-6 PM – Cassadaga - Closed
October 16 – Medicare Consultations RSVP 716-3822
October 19, 5 PM – Cassadaga - The Basics part 4. Caulking with teacher Biannca Riggles. Class is \$10. Please BYO caulking Gun. RSVP to 715-595-3822 or Info@stocktonlibrary.org
October 26, 12-6 PM – Cassadaga - Medicare Consultations RSVP 716-3822
- HAZELTINE PUBLIC LIBRARY**
October 5th, 1 PM – Free Card Making with Elanie Lampropoulos. Reservations appreciated but not required.
October 10th, 10 AM-1 PM – Game Day Saturday hosted by Deb Siggins. Free, bring your own game or use ones at the library. Reservations appreciated but not required.
- October 12th – Library Open**
- MYERS MEMORIAL LIBRARY**
October 23rd, 5:30 PM – Family Movie Night featuring a kid-friendly Halloween movie choice by the community.
October 30th 6:30-8:00 PM – Boo Bash! Join us for our Halloween Party! Theme: Ghosts, so wear something cute and ghosty or wear your Halloween costume!

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LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT

Myers Memorial Library

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In the early days of the Frewsburg Study Club, the need for a public library was discussed. In 1921, members of the club approached the Town of Carroll Board with a suggestion that a library be organized. They found an available room in the rear of the Town Hall, which had formerly been a jail and was heated by a small oil stove. The town was canvassed for donations of books, lumber and labor to build shelves. Residents were invited to join the library with membership dues set at one dollar a year. The Carroll

Free Library, as it was then called, was given a provisional charter by the Regents of the State University of New York on June 27, 1922. On February 25, 1923 the Regents gave the library a certificate of registration.

Local resident Miss Lydia Myers had a lifelong interest in the library. Upon her death in 1928, her Will provided for the construction of the present library building, which opened in July 1930 as a memorial to her brother, James J. Myers. A Frewsburg native, James became a prominent lawyer and served a term as Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives. Myers Memorial Library was officially chartered on September 18, 1930. Through generous donations from

patrons throughout the community, and grant funding, we have been able to remodel our beautiful building and make necessary improvements over the years.

In 2026, the Myers Memorial Library is the hub of Frewsburg. With our weekly newsletter the Frewsburg Front Porch and our community bulletin board, you can be informed about what is happening not just at the library, but in our community. The Myers Library is a safe and friendly place to borrow books, DVDs, puzzles and more. Providing patrons with services such as printing, faxing, copying and general access to computers.

Our community enjoys regular monthly programs, such as Thursday

morning story time for children 5 and under, Tuesday Morning Gamers for adults that appreciate a good card game, and Crochet and Knitting groups for crafty folks. For our readers, we have 3 book clubs for adults, depending on your interest, and we just started a youth Wings of Fire book club for ages 9 and up. We also have extra monthly programs, like drop in crafts, presentations, performances, teen nights and more. Check out our website or Facebook page for updates, or subscribe to our monthly newsletter. Whether you come in to relax and do a puzzle, attend a free program, print something important, or just hang out with us afterschool, the Meyers Memorial Library team is always excited to see you; so come visit us!

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SPECIAL EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER CONT.

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Tuesdays 1- 3 PM – Cozy Crafters. work on any handicraft

through October 30th – Octagon Gallery: VANM. works with/on paper

through October 16th – 13 Walls Gallery: Patrick Stokes – Faces of Ukraine

October 5th, 12 PM – Culinary Creations. Register/ choose a recipe from the selected cookbook

October 6th 11 AM - 3 PM – Basket Weaving with Joann Negro. All classes are free & supplies provided. RSVP with Nancy Nixon Ensign, 716-326-2154

October 8th 5:30 PM – The Marlow Murder - reading by author Paul Leone

October 15th 5:30 PM – Ekstasis 2.0 Concert

October 22nd 5:30 PM – David Seehausen Presents “Outsider Art in the South” for the 13 Walls Gallery

October 23rd 4-5 PM – 13 Walls Gallery Reception for Myriam Mayshark

October 27th 5:30 PM – Octagon Gallery “Art in the Age of AI” a panel discussion

Children’s Area:

October 8th 4 PM – Patterson Teen & Tween Advisory Board. Join us to plan library programs just for teens and tweens.

October 23rd 10:30 AM & 4 PM
Movie: Harry Potter & the Sorcerer’s Stone

October 24th 11 AM-1 PM – Halloween Party! Families are invited to join us for a Harry Potter- themed Halloween Party, and costumes are encouraged.

October 29th 4 PM – Teen & Tween Pumpkin Carving – sign-up required

Thursdays 10:15 AM – Zoom Room. Playtime for

Toddlers

Saturdays 10:30-11:30 AM – LEGO Club

Full list of events: www.pattersonlib.org or visit our FB page

PRENDERGAST LIBRARY

October 5th 3:30-5:30 PM – Makerspace Monday. Flipbooks. Drop-in for all ages, but younger children may need assistance.

October 6th 5:30-6:30 PM – Curiosity Club: Simple Superstitions. Popular Superstitions and their Origins

October 6th-November 10th, 10-11 AM (Tuesdays) – Pat Phi’s Guided Autobiography Class.
This program will provide participants with a structured introduction to writing about their lives. Each week, participants will receive thought-provoking themes and prompts to help inspire them. No cost, but registration is recommended

October 10th 2:15- 3:15 PM – Meet and Make for adults and teens 14+: Using leaves to make impressions in an air clay tray.

October 12th 2:15-3:45 PM – VR Play Day and Chomp Saw Demo. Spend the holiday experiencing games on our Virtual Reality (VR) headsets and creating cardboard cutouts with our Chomp Saw.

October 12th 3:30-5:30 PM – Makerspace Monday. Play Doh Play Day. Drop-in for all ages, but younger children may need assistance.

October 13th 5:30-6:30 PM – Curiosity Club Simple Superstitions. Folklore in Literature

October 16th 4:30-6:30 PM – All Ages Movie: Pooh’s Heffalump Halloween Movie. Everyone is invited to watch the movie and eat snacks in the Fireplace room.

October 19th 3:30-5:30 PM – Makerspace Monday. Cubelets, the mini robots. Drop-in for all ages, but younger children may need assistance.

BOARD MEETINGS:
All open to the public

Ahira Hall Memorial Library
3rd Friday of each month, 9:30 AM

Bemus Point Public Library
2nd Tuesday each month, 5:30 PM

Darwin R Barker Library Association
3rd Wednesday of each month, 4:00 PM

Dunkirk Public Library
4th Tuesday of odd months, 4:15 pm

Hazeltine Public Library
4th Tuesday of each month, 5:30 PM

Myers Memorial
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Ripley Public Library
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October 20th 5:30-6:30 PM – Curiosity Club Simple Superstitions. Symbols and Talismans

October 21st 2:15- 3:15 PM – Meet and Make for adults and teens 14+: Use Fall leaves to create mosaic bookmarks

October 22nd 4-6 PM – Teen Lounge Movie: The Nightmare Before Christmas. Teens 14-18 are invited to watch and enjoy snacks.

October 26th 3:30-5:30 PM – Makerspace Monday. Paint a watercolor spiderweb. Drop-in for all ages, but younger children may need assistance

October 26th 5:30 PM – Media Review Club for Adults: Don’t Be Tricked by AI

October 27th 5:30-6:30 PM – Curiosity Club Simple Superstitions. Brief History of Fortune Telling

October 29th 4-5 PM – Costume Storytime. Join a special storytime and show off your costumes while enjoying a costume-themed storytime and activities. The program will end with a parade through the library.

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Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce
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Throughout September, we held our Small Business Sit-Downs, open-format conversations with businesses throughout Chautauqua County around one central question: "What is one area of your business you wish you had more time, resources, or expertise to improve?" As always the answers varied, reflecting the nuanced challenges and priorities facing local businesses in any given area.

At our Falconer Sit-Down, the conversation focused on the hiring process and the time it takes to find the right employees while also managing a busy business. In Jamestown participants had a lively discussion about marketing, including how to identify the right channels and messaging to effectively reach their customers. The Westfield Sit-Down centered on using event programming as a way to increase customer traffic and sales.

While each community conversation was different, the discussions

highlighted a common theme: our small business owners are navigating many of the same challenges and there is value in coming together to share ideas, experiences, and solutions with one another.

That is the goal of our Small Business Sit-Downs, which take place throughout Chautauqua County to provide small business owners and employees an opportunity to connect with other local business people, learn from each other, and build relationships within our communities.

All local small business owners and employees are welcome to join the conversation. Check our newsletter, website, and social media for information about upcoming Small Business Sit-Downs each month.

A Night of Celebration and Achievement at the Annual Awards Banquet to be Held October 8th

Join us for an evening of celebration as we honor this year's awardees and milestone recipients and recognize their outstanding contributions and achievements. Guests will enjoy a delicious buffet dinner featuring a carving

Small Business Sit-Downs: Local Businesses, Shared Challenges, Practical Conversations

station with roasted turkey breast and Virginia baked ham, penne pasta primavera with Alfredo sauce, seasonal grilled vegetables, garlic mashed potatoes, seasoned bread stuffing, mixed green salad, and assorted desserts. The evening will also feature local beverage tastings and a cash bar, with a complimentary bottle of local wine provided at each table.

Awards will be presented in the following categories:

- Business of the Year - **DFT Communications**
- Business Champion Award - **Chautauqua Lake Dental**
- Emerging Business of the Year - **Westfield Makerspace**
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Milestone recognition will go to Chamber members celebrating significant milestones including: 200 years- State

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3:00 PM, 3:20 PM, 3:40 PM, 4:00 PM, 4:20 PM, 4:40 PM

SAT., OCTOBER 10, 2026

5:00 PM, 5:20 PM, 5:40 PM, 6:00 PM, 6:20 PM, 6:40 PM

7:00 PM, 7:20 PM, 7:40 PM, 8:00 PM, 8:20 PM, 8:40 PM

The Saints & Sinners Cemetery Tours are held at Lake View Cemetery in Jamestown. Tours begin at the corner of Buffalo Street and Lakeview Avenue. Hear costumed actors tell revealing stories about Jamestown's famous and infamous former residents. Tickets sell out fast. Get your tickets at the Fenton History Center's website at www.FentonHistoryCenter.org/ss or you can register in person at 67 Washington Street, Jamestown, NY 14701 or call (716) 664-6256.

NELSON ANNOUNCES RE-ELECTION BID

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County Legislator
Tom Nelson

County Legislator Tom Nelson is seeking a third term on the Chautauqua County Legislature. Nelson has served on the legislature representing district 13 since 2023.

Nelson served on the Jamestown City Council from 2015-2020 as the Ward Six representative. During that time, he served on the Public Works Committee, the Jamestown Local Development Corporation, and as the liaison to the Planning Commission. From 2022-2024 he served on the Jamestown Board of Public Utilities.

Currently, he serves on the Audit and Control Committee, the Public Facilities Committee, the Jamestown Planning Commission, and the Cornell Cooperative Extension Board of Directors.

Nelson has lived in Jamestown for the past 36 years. He is a graduate of



SUNY Fredonia and St. Bonaventure University. He taught US History and Participation In Government at Frewsburg before retiring in 2024. He has been married to Dee for 36 years and has four adult children. He is an active member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, where he serves on the Vestry.

"I'm eager to continue serving as your county legislator," Nelson said. "Together, we can build a stronger future and ensure that Chautauqua County remains a great place to live, work, and raise a family."

FAMILY COURT JUDGE MICHAEL SULLIVAN SEEKING RE-ELECTION

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Chautauqua County Family
Court Judge Michael Sullivan

Chautauqua County Family Court Judge Michael Sullivan announced that he is seeking re-election to continue serving the families and children of Chautauqua County.

Judge Sullivan said his decision to seek another term is rooted in his commitment to the people who come before Family Court and to ensuring that every person who enters the courtroom is treated with fairness, dignity, and respect.

"As a Family Court Judge, I have the responsibility to apply my experience and knowledge to impact the lives of children, parents, and families at the most difficult moments of their lives. I take that responsibility very seriously, and I am asking the voters of Chautauqua County for the opportunity to continue that work," Sullivan said.

Sullivan emphasized that Family Court requires more than knowledge of the law. It requires patience, compassion, careful listening, and the ability to make tough decisions while keeping the best interests of children and the needs of families at the center of the process.

"Family Court is about people," Sullivan said. "It is about protecting children, supporting families, and making sure that everyone who appears before the court has an opportunity to be heard. I believe my experience and commitment to public service have prepared me to continue meeting those responsibilities, experience matters."

During his time on the bench, Sullivan has continued his work with the New York State Court Improvement Project, an initiative focused on strengthening the child welfare and Family Court systems and improving outcomes for children and families. These efforts bring together attorneys, court personnel, social-service professionals, and community organizations to address complex issues that regularly come before Family Court.

"During my term we implemented the Better for Families Program which replaced the drug treatment court. We have implemented the Federal Government's Family First legislation and we worked through the COVID Pandemic," Judge Sullivan said.

Judge Sullivan has been assigned 16,000 petitions filed in Chautauqua County Family Court and 850 more in Cattaraugus County. He also serves as an acting Supreme Court and County Court Judge, handling conflict cases from those Chautauqua County Courts.

"I am proud of the work we have ac-



complished, we have worked to be a trauma informed court, but there is still important work to be done," Sullivan said. "I look forward to continuing to serve the families of Chautauqua County with fairness, independence, and dedication that they deserve."

His involvement with other courts in the Court Improvement Project has provided him with a broader perspective on the challenges facing Family Courts and the importance of collaboration among judges, attorneys, social-service agencies, and other professionals. "Solving family issues require more than simply applying the law," Sullivan said. "It requires listening, understanding the circumstances before the court, dealing with parties where they are at and recognizing that the decisions we make can affect a child and the family for years to come. My work with the Court Improvement Program has reinforced for me the importance of continually looking for ways to make our system better."

Sullivan is asking voters to support his re-election so that he can continue serving Chautauqua County Family Court and its families.

Judge Sullivan was first elected Family Court Judge in 2016. Before becoming Judge, Sullivan had 30 years of experience as an attorney, his last twenty years focused on Family Law. He served as the Liaison from Chautauqua County to the Attorney for the Child program and a member of the New York State Child Welfare Court Improvement Project steering committee. In addition, he assisted with the development of the Family Court Drug treatment program twenty-five years ago and upon taking office began implementing the Better for Families court calendar to address substance issues in families and seeking appropriate treatment in a timely fashion.

Judge Sullivan is a graduate of the Syracuse University College of Law and received an undergraduate degree from the University of Dayton and Dayton, OH. He remains a member of the Northern Chautauqua County Bar Association.

Chautauqua County Legislature Budget Review Meetings Set for Oct. 5 – 9

The Chautauqua County Legislature will hold its annual Budget Review Meetings from Monday, Oct. 5 through Friday, Oct. 9 in the Chautauqua County Legislature Chambers, Gerace Office Building, 3 N. Erie St., Mayville, N.Y.

During the week, Legislative Committees will review the

proposed county budget with county departments and agencies.

The public is invited to attend the meetings in person. The meetings will also be streamed live on the Chautauqua County YouTube channel for those who are unable to attend in person: <https://www.youtube.com/@ChautauquaCounty>

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Alexandria Moss, Esq. Announces Candidacy for Chautauqua County Family Court Judge

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Alexandria Moss, Esq

Candidate for Chautauqua County Family Court Judge

Alexandria Moss, Esq., a longtime Chautauqua County resident and experienced family law attorney, has announced her candidacy for Chautauqua County Family Court Judge.

With more than a decade of experience in family law and nearly a decade representing children in Family Court proceedings, Moss is seeking the opportunity to bring her legal experience, commitment to children and families, and understanding of the local community to the Family Court bench.

Moss is a 2007 graduate of Fredonia High School. She earned her Bachelor's Degree from SUNY Fredonia in 2011 before attending Syracuse University College of Law, where she received her Juris Doctor in 2014. She was admitted to the New York State Bar in 2015.

Since 2017, Moss has served as an Attorney for the Child, representing and advocating for the interests of children involved in Family Court proceedings. Throughout her career, she has worked closely with children and families navigating difficult and often emotional circumstances.

Her experience has provided her with firsthand insight into the complexities of Family Court and the importance of ensuring that every individual who comes before the court is heard and treated with dignity and respect.

"Family Court has a profound impact on the lives of children and families," said Moss. "I believe that everyone who enters the courtroom deserves to be treated with fairness, dignity, and respect. My years of experience representing children and working with families have given me a deep understanding of the responsibility that comes with serving in Family Court."

Moss continues to call Dunkirk home,



where she lives with her son, Owen. As someone who was raised and educated in Chautauqua County, she is proud to seek the opportunity to serve the community that has shaped her life.

If elected, Moss would bring her extensive family law experience, commitment to the interests of children, and dedication to the fair and impartial administration of justice to the Chautauqua County Family Court bench.

"I am honored to be running for Chautauqua County Family Court Judge and to have the opportunity to serve the families of the community I have called home for so many years," Moss said. "I look forward to meeting with members of our community, listening to their concerns, and sharing my vision for a Family Court that serves children and families with fairness, compassion, and integrity."

Alexandria's Campaign will be holding their second fundraiser on Saturday October 10, 2026 at Farrington Hollow. This "Fall Fest" Fundraiser will have everything for the whole family! Tickets can be purchased here: <https://www.farringtonhollow.com/event-details-registration/campaign-fundraiser-for-alexandria-moss>. Tickets must be purchased in advance by October 1.

The Campaign can also be found on Facebook at "Alexandria Moss for Chautauqua County Family Court Judge".



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Family Court Judge Michael Sullivan Seeking Re-Election

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Judge Sullivan has served 43 years as a volunteer firefighter and continues to respond with the Fredonia Fire Department. He served 25 years as a member of the Dunkirk Fredonia Salvation Army Advisory Board. He was 14 years as a member of the SUNY Fredonia College Council from 1997 until 2011. He is a former mayor of the village of Fredonia.

"I am proud of the opportunity the voters gave me in 2016 to serve as their Family Court Judge," Sullivan said. "After decades of practicing law and a de-

cade on the bench, I remain committed to serving the people of Chautauqua County. I am asking voters for the opportunity to continue that service."

Sullivan said his campaign will focus on his experience, his record of service, and his commitment to ensuring that Chautauqua County Family Court remains a place where children and families are treated with fairness, dignity, and respect.

Judge Sullivan is endorsed by the Republican and Conservative Parties.

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A special recognition to local advocate Anne Sischo

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Ann Sischo with husband Steve

Anne and her husband, Steve, created Shades of Pink, a WCA Foundation endowed fund that supports breast imaging navigation and helps patients fighting breast cancer receive support close to home, and other important breast cancer patient initiatives.

After 10 years of fundraising, Anne and Steve held their final Shades of Pink Golf Tournament this past August. With the WCA Foundation investing event contributions, the endowed fund has grown to \$100,000. The funds will help support the Mammography Expansion at UPMC Chautauqua, a project that is now underway. Their support, along with gifts from other donors, has helped make the expansion possible.

Turning Experience into Support for Others

For Anne Sischo, a retired kindergarten teacher, it all started in the summer of 2015 when she discovered a lump in her breast. “I felt like something was not right,” Anne said. “I scheduled a doctor’s appointment, and my physician immediately ordered a mammogram.”

Anne was later diagnosed with Stage 2 breast cancer. “It was terrifying to hear the words,” ‘you have breast cancer,’” Anne said. “I was scared and did not know where to turn.”

Anne completed chemotherapy, followed by a bilateral mastectomy and reconstructive surgery. “One of the toughest parts was navigating a maze of tests, appointments, results, and questions,” Anne said. “My clinical navigators helped me move from one step to the next.”

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Today, Anne is 11 years into survivorship and feeling great. “It was not an easy road, but I got through it with the love and support of wonderful nurses, doctors, staff, family, and caregivers,” Anne said.

A Message That Can Save Lives

“If I leave one important message with readers, it is to pay attention to your body and get screened,” Anne said. “It saved my life, and it can save yours too.”

Helpful Screening Guidance
Breast cancer remains one of the most common cancers among women. According to the American Cancer Society, the average risk of a woman in the United States developing breast cancer during her lifetime is about 13 percent, or roughly 1 in 8. The American Cancer Society recommends regular mammograms for women at average risk for breast cancer. Women ages 40 to 44 have the option to begin yearly screening; women ages 45 to 54 should have a mammogram every year; and women 55 and older may switch to every other year or continue yearly screening. Women at higher risk should talk with their health care provider about whether they need earlier or additional screening, such as breast MRI. Finding breast cancer early, when it is small and has not spread, makes treatment more likely to be successful.

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The Most Wonderful Season of All

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weeks, even the most ordinary drive through our county looks like something that puts AI slop to shame. But weather alone does not make autumn great.

Sports do.

October is the only month when the great American sporting calendar achieves total alignment. Football is roaring. Hockey is awakening. Basketball is coming. But most importantly, baseball is reaching its magnificent conclusion.

October baseball is different from baseball played at any other time.

A Tuesday night game in June can disappear into the background while you grill hamburgers or fold laundry. An October game demands attention. Every pitch becomes an event. A foul ball is a crisis. A two-out walk feels like the beginning of a national emergency. Managers begin staring into the distance with the haunted expressions of men who have been informed that the nuclear codes are missing.

That is beautiful. By the way, just two hours to our southwest can be found playoff baseball of the highest caliber (Go Guards!).

Meanwhile, the Bills. The best team in the NFL and that's not hyperbole. The rituals remain familiar. Sunday mornings are planned around kickoff. Grocery stores fill with people wearing jerseys. Crockpots begin bubbling before noon. Somewhere, at this very moment, a Western New Yorker is explaining with absolute confidence how the Bills should manage their defensive personnel despite having no professional football experience whatsoever.

This is our heritage.

And now the Sabres are back, too. Hockey season has arrived, bringing with it the annual migration toward downtown Buffalo and the hopeful optimism that last season's success brings. Baseball in October. Football on Sunday. Hockey at night.

What more could a reasonable society require?

Well, politics, apparently.

Because autumn is also political season.

The lawn signs have sprouted. The television commercials are multiplying. Mailboxes are being assaulted by glossy photographs of candidates standing beside firefighters, farmers, small-business owners, and pieces of heavy machinery.

By Halloween, every candidate in America will have been photographed inside a diner.

Here in Chautauqua County, there is plenty to watch before Election Day on November 3.

The race for Governor already gets top billing. Hochul vs. Blakeman will dominate the discussion for the next five weeks. Republican incumbent Nick

Langworthy seeks reelection against Democratic challenger Aaron Gies, who is hoping to contribute to the battle to retake the House. There are contests farther down the ballot, too, including state legislative and judicial races, and local races and referendums. Those races may generate fewer national headlines, but they often involve decisions much closer to daily life.

For a political junkie, it is wonderful.

For everyone else, there is always baseball.

And beneath all of this autumn noise, there is another sound that belongs to Western New York: machinery.

Manufacturing belongs in the fall. It's Manufacturing Month!

Maybe it is the smell of cold air mixing with exhaust. Maybe it is the image of sparks flying against an early sunset. Maybe it is because Western New York itself seems built for the season. This is a region of brick factories, machine shops, tool-and-die operations, steel, engines, railroads, grape farms, dairy farms, and people who understand that things do not magically appear because somebody clicked a button on a phone. Somebody has to make them. There is tremendous dignity in that.

For generations, manufacturing helped build the communities scattered across Chautauqua County and Western New York. Factories did more than produce goods. They produced paychecks, Little League coaches, volunteer firefighters, homeowners, union members, taxpayers, and families who could reasonably expect that their children might build a life somewhere nearby.

The economic world has changed, sometimes brutally, but making things still matters. Maybe that is another reason autumn feels so natural here.

Fall is a working season.

Summer lounges. Winter survives. Spring promises. Autumn works.

And everywhere around us, nature is putting on the most spectacular show of the year while simultaneously warning us that winter is coming.

There is urgency to autumn. You know it cannot last.

Soon the leaves will be gone. The clocks will change. The first lake-effect snow warning will crawl across the bottom of the television screen, and thousands of Western New Yorkers will suddenly discover they have forgotten how to drive in snow despite having done it every year of their adult lives.

But not yet. Right now, we have October.

So put on a jacket, turn on the ballgame, pour something appropriate, cut a slice of that harvest-fresh Concord grape pie, read up on the candidates.

Take the long way home. Because autumn never stays long enough. That is probably why it is the best season we have.

Jamestown's Art in the Alleys Gets an Update



Contributed by
Jamestown Renaissance Corporation

Jamestown NY's Art In the Alleys will have new artwork arriving this Spring.

The Jamestown Renaissance Corporation is collaborating with Stephanie Baker at South Western Central High School and Chautauqua Art Gallery to update the public artwork currently displayed on Potters Alley, Chautauqua Art Gallery and Winter Garden Plaza in downtown Jamestown.

With the help of Stephanie Baker, a call for art has gone out to all Chautauqua County High Schools. Art Teachers have been asked to submit work from their senior class artists for an annual show at Chautauqua Art Gallery in May of 2027. Pieces from that show will be selected and reproduced for display in Art in the Alleys.

This year's selections will replace works displayed on the side of Chautauqua Art Gallery. Artwork in each section of the project will be replaced on a rotating basis. Next year's selections will be hung in Winter Garden Plaza, then Potters Alley. This will allow each artist's work to be displayed for about three years.

The Jamestown Renaissance Corporation first developed the Potters Alley Gallery in 2010. For the initial project, the Renaissance Corporation collaborated with Jamestown High School, Jamestown Community College and the Active Artist Alliance to bring work by young artists to the walls surrounding Potters's Alley, the current Chautauqua Art Gallery and Winter Garden Plaza. While several pieces have been replaced over the years, many works

have been up since 2010 and are deteriorating.

"As I begin my tenure at the Renaissance Corporation, I've seen the wonderful public response to the Art in the Alleys," said Michael Edwards, Director of Downtown Revitalization at the JRC.

"Public artwork helps create a warm and welcoming community. The JRC is very pleased to invite talented students from throughout Chautauqua County to rejuvenate this project and share their work with everyone who lives in and visits Jamestown."

"I am thrilled to have the Alley Gallery, now Art in the Alleys, updated to show off our most current talented Senior art students," said Stephanie Baker, Art Teacher at South Western High School. "Opening this project up to all Chautauqua County Senior art students provides a great opportunity for our neighboring districts to also be showcased."

Details about Art in the Alleys can be found on the Renaissance Corporation's website, www.jamestownrenaissance.org

About Jamestown Renaissance Corporation (JRC): The Jamestown Renaissance Corporation is a non-profit and public-private partnership dedicated to revitalizing and enhancing Jamestown, New York. Through collaborative partnerships and innovative programs, the JRC creates a vibrant, thriving community that fosters economic growth, and improves the quality of life for all residents. Information about the Jamestown Renaissance Corporation is available at <https://www.jamestownrenaissance.org/>

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Portage Pie, 5 Years - Art Cloth & Craft, Ballgame Heroes & Buddy Brewsters - Lakewood.

The social hour will begin at 6 pm, with a buffet dinner starting at 6:45 and the program beginning at 7:15 pm. This is the largest gathering of businesspeople in Chautauqua County each year. We hope you'll join us in celebrating all of the awardees and milestone recipients.

The Awards Banquet is sponsored by: AHN Westfield Memorial Hospital, Brooks TLC Hospital, the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency, Glenora Radio Network, Lake Shore Bank and SUNY Fredonia.

Business After Hours at Raven & Thorn

Our next Business After Hours will take place Wednesday, October 21, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Raven & Thorn, located at 26 Water Street in Fredonia. Guests will enjoy complimentary appetizers and a cash bar while connect-

ing with fellow Chamber members and members of the local business community. As a benefit of Chamber membership, members may bring up to two guests free of charge. Additional members and non-members are welcome to attend for \$10 per person.

This Business After Hours will coincide with National Support Your Local Chamber Day, making it a great opportunity to connect, celebrate the role of the Chamber in our local business community, and learn more about the work happening throughout Chautauqua County. Be sure to follow the CHQ Chamber website and social media as we celebrate all things Chamber!

This Business After Hours is sponsored by Raven & Thorn, LaBella Associates, Southern Chautauqua Federal Credit Union, and State University of New York at Fredonia.

Registration is open through the CHQ Chamber's online calendar.

Autumn in Chautauqua County

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across the lake and beyond.

The Chautauqua County Visitors Bureau has chimed in this year with a few suggestions for visitors and residents alike that I also know and love. Another South County recommendation, the bureau notes visitors shouldn't skip **Long Point State Park**. There, too, visitors can get their lakeshore views in, but the park also boasts beautiful wooded areas and trails that are gorgeous in the Fall.

A bit further north, **Luensman Overview Park** is another recommendation from the bureau, boasting leafy views and the opportunity to gaze across Lake Erie to see the shore in Canada. If you're looking for international fall leaves, this is the spot to visit! The park also offers picnic pavilions and a mile-long trail through the woods.

While it may not be a first thought, **Lake Erie Wine Country** is also beautiful this time of year. For those looking for both scenic views and opportunities to stop and enjoy local wines, this is a great option. Take a drive through the small towns and villages that cluster along the trail, find your favorite wines and enjoy the seasonal scenery while it's still here.

While these are just a few suggestions of where to go for unique fall-time trips, I am certain if you get in your car during these October days, you will run into a patchwork of spectacular colors no matter where you turn. Remember, the season is short: get out into our beautiful county and catch the sights before they're gone! To keep up with the changing leaves, visit <https://www.iloveny.com/things-to-do/fall/foilage-report/> for their weekly report.

SUDOKU

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Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

Level: Beginner

CROSSWORD

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Difficult

5. Coarsely ground corn

9. A group of similar things ordered one after another

11. Loved Romeo

13. Something to solve

15. Pelvic areas

16. Informal debt instrument

17. Ineffective

19. A device attached to a workbench

21. Related on the mother's side

22. "Fresh Prince of __ Air"

23. Astronomer Sagan

25. C. Utah city

26. Turkey

27. Informal terms for money

29. Awakens

31. Those who favored Prohibition
33. Blabbed

34. Looked through

36. Rhode Island rebellion

38. A type of "cast"

39. One's duty

41. Where golfers begin

43. Make a mistake

44. Semitic Sun god

46. Ancient Greek City

48. Removed someone's head

52. A place to stay

53. Unwise

54. Most unnatural

56. "Dennis" is a notable one

57. Ointments

58. Examination

59. Leaked fluid

CLUES DOWN

1. Brave

2. A state of excitement

3. Jest at

4. Sandwich store

5. Chapter of the Koran

6. Dismounted from a horse

7. Small vehicle

8. Irked

9. A disreputable man

10. Monetary unit of Samoa

11. A list of woes

12. Weight unit

14. Alone, single

15. Broadway legend Bernadette

18. Monetary unit of Serbia

20. Worn by exposure to the weather

24. A body of traditions

26. Students seek one
28. Hydrophilic amino acid

30. Nasal mucus

32. Branch of U.S. Congress

34. Swinish

35. Russian assembly

37. Grant an exemption to

38. Set up in advance

40. Satisfy

42. Felt

43. Mild yellow Dutch cheese made in balls

45. Witnesses

47. Strong insects

49. Gasteyer and de Armas are two

50. One of an ancient people inhabiti Scotland

51. Cheerless

55. Unhealthy





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Chautauqua County Health Department Alerts Community of Potential Measles Exposures

People with confirmed measles were at UPMC Chautauqua Hospital on September 26, 27 and 29

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Chautauqua County
Health Department

The Chautauqua County Health Department is notifying the community about possible measles exposures at the UPMC Chautauqua Emergency Department, 207 Foote Ave., Jamestown.

People who tested positive for measles were at the hospital during these times:

- Saturday, September 26, from 9:00 p.m. through Sunday, September 27, at 1:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, September 29, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The people who tested positive for measles do not live in Chautauqua County.

The Chautauqua County Health Department is working with UPMC Chautauqua Hospital to identify and notify people who may have been exposed. People who are known to have been at the hospital during these times are being contacted by the Chautauqua County Health Department or the local health department where they live.

The risk of developing measles from these potential exposures is considered low. Many people in our community are protected against measles because they have been vaccinated or have measles immunity.

What You Should Do

If you were at UPMC Chautauqua Emergency Department during either of these times:

- Find out if you are immune to measles. If you are not sure about your vaccination history, contact your healthcare provider or the Chautauqua County Health Department at 716-753-4491.
- Watch for signs and symptoms of measles.
- If you become sick, call your healthcare provider or emergency department before going for care. Tell them that you may have been exposed to measles. This will help them protect other patients and healthcare workers.
- Do not go to work, school or other public places if you are sick.
- If you develop symptoms or are diagnosed with measles, contact your

local health department. Chautauqua County residents should call 716-753-4491. People who live in another county should contact the health department where they live.

People who may have been exposed on September 26 or 27 should watch for symptoms through Saturday, October 17. People who may have been exposed on September 29 should watch for symptoms through Tuesday, October 20.

Who Is Considered Immune to Measles?

A person is generally considered immune to measles if they:

- Have records showing they received two doses of a measles vaccine, such as the MMR vaccine;
- Have a blood test showing they are immune to measles or have laboratory confirmation that they had measles in the past; or
- Were born before 1957. Being born before 1957 is generally considered evidence of immunity for most people.

If you are not sure whether you are immune, contact your healthcare provider or the Chautauqua County Health Department at 716-753-4491. They can help you determine whether you need any additional steps.

About Measles

Measles is one of the most contagious diseases. It spreads through the air when an infected person coughs, sneezes or breathes. The virus can remain in the air for up to two hours after an infected person has left an area.

A person with measles can spread the virus from four days before the rash appears through four days after the rash begins.

- Common symptoms include:
- Fever • Cough • Runny nose
 - Red or watery eyes • Rash

The rash usually starts on the face and then spreads to the rest of the body.

Measles can cause serious health problems, including pneumonia and encephalitis, which is swelling of the brain. Serious complications are more common in young children, pregnant people and people with weakened immune systems. In rare cases, measles can be fatal.

Vaccination is the Best Protection

Measles

Chautauqua County Alerts Community of Potential Measles Exposures

The best way to prevent measles is to get vaccinated. Two doses of the MMR vaccine are about 97% effective at preventing measles in people who are exposed to the virus.

The Chautauqua County Health Department encourages parents and caregivers to make sure children are up to date on their recommended vaccines. Adults who are not sure if they are up to date on their MMR vaccine should talk with their healthcare provider.

According to New York State Department of Health data, 85.6% of Chautauqua County children had received one MMR dose by age 2 as of January 1, 2026. This number is based on children ages 24–35 months who received one MMR dose before their second birthday.

FREE MMR Vaccine Available

The Chautauqua County Health Department offers free MMR vaccinations Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at its Mayville office. MMR vaccine is also available at Mobile Health Clinics held throughout the county.

Fri. Oct. 2 | 9am–1pm
Trinity Church 1230 Wigren Road, Frewsburg, NY 14738

Mon. Oct. 5 | 9am–1pm
Cherry Creek County Church 6813 North Main Street, Cherry Creek, NY 14723

Fri. Oct. 9 | 9am–1pm
Troyer Greenhouse 1669 Weeks Road, Panama, NY 14767

Wed. Oct. 14 | 9:30am–12pm
Abbe Reformed Church 595 Clymer-Sherman Road, Clymer, NY 14724

Thurs. Oct. 15 | 9:30am–12pm

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Wed. Oct. 21 | 12:30–3:30pm
Fredonia Presbyterian Church 219 Central Avenue, Fredonia, NY 14036

Wed. Oct. 28 | 10am–3:30pm
Salvation Army Food Distribution Center 83 S. Main Street, Jamestown, NY 14701

Thurs. Oct. 29 | 11:30am–2:30pm
West Portland Baptist Church 7081 US 20, Westfield, NY 14787

Visit [HealthyCHQ.com](https://www.healthychq.com) for more Mobile Health Clinic dates or call 716-753-4491 to schedule an appointment.

Measles Cases in Chautauqua County

Chautauqua County has had three laboratory-confirmed measles cases in 2026.

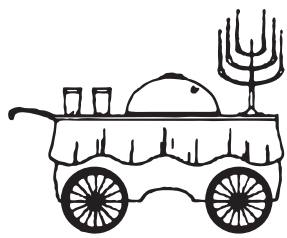
The number of laboratory-confirmed cases does not necessarily include everyone who may have measles in the community. A laboratory-confirmed case means that a person's illness was confirmed through testing. People who do not seek medical care or are not tested may not be included in the reported case count.

The public can view reported measles cases on the New York State Department of Health Measles Dashboard. The dashboard is updated weekly, and the information is preliminary and may change as case investigations continue.

NYSDOH Measles Dashboard: <https://health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/measles/data.htm>.

For questions about measles or vaccination, contact your health care provider or the Chautauqua County Health Department at (716) 753-4491.

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Let's Warm Hearts and Toes This October

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SOCKTOBER is a month-long sock drive that collects warm NEW socks for distribution to individuals and families in need. This year, the need is more significant than ever, as rising costs and increased homelessness have left many without these basic necessities.

Throughout October, the Northern Chautauqua Community Foundation, in collaboration with **Cattaraugus County Bank** (Dunkirk location) and **Lake Shore Savings Bank** (Dunkirk, Fredonia, and Westfield branches), will accept sock donations. In addition, other drop-off locations, including individual classrooms, clubs, businesses, and congregations, continue to participate in SOCKTOBER sock collections throughout the county.



You Can Help:

Donate New Socks: Drop off new socks at designated collection points throughout Chautauqua County. Look for SOCKTOBER collection bins at partnering businesses and organizations.

Host a Sock Drive: Encourage your workplace, book club, school, or organization to host a sock drive!

Spread the Word: Share the news about SOCKTOBER on social media using the hashtag #SOCKTOBER and encourage your friends, family, and followers to get involved.

In 2025, thousands of socks were distributed through Chautauqua County Rural Ministry, the Homeless Coalition, Meals on Wheels, Jamestown YWCA, Boys and Girls Club, St. Gianna Molla, Mental Health Assoc., St. Susan's Center, and other helping organizations.

Join us in making SOCKTOBER a season of hope, compassion, and warmth. Together, we can make a significant difference in the lives of those in need. For more information, contact Eileen Ardillo at 716-366-4892 or eardillo@nccfoundation.org.

Audubon Little Explorers Saturday, Day Camp and Free Admission Next Monday



From learning about changing trees to autumn insects and migrating birds, children ages 4–12 will enjoy a day of activities at Audubon Community Nature Center's October Camp, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday, October 12. "Falling Leaves" are under investigation for 3–8-year-olds and their adults at Little Explorers this Saturday morning. Thursday is reservation deadline for both; make yours by calling (716) 569-2345 or through AudubonCNC.org/events. Nature Center building admission is free on Monday, October 12 in celebration of Indigenous Peoples' Day, to honor and commemorate their histories and cultures; enjoy the Nature Play Area, interactive displays, live animals, and the Blue Heron Gift Shop. Audubon is located at 1600 Riverside Road, one-quarter mile east of Route 62 between Jamestown, N.Y., and Warren, Pa.

“If a year was tucked inside of a clock, then Autumn would be the magic hour.”

~ Victoria Erickson

Sing along edition of The Greatest Showman to show at Reg Lenna Center for The Arts on October 10



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The 2017 movie-musical was inspired by the legend and ambitions of America's original pop-culture impresario, P.T. Barnum, played by Hugh Jackman.

The inspirational rags-to-riches tale proves that anything you can envision is possible and that everyone, no matter how invisible, has a stupendous story worthy of a world-class spectacle. Popular songs from Broadway veterans Pasek and Paul, populate the soundtrack including "From Now On", "A Million Dreams", and the Oscar-nominated "This is Me."

In this version of the film, lyrics will be shown on the screen for audience members to sing along to. A host will warm up the audience with songs and

a few dance moves. Each audience member will be given an interactive prop bag with items that can be used throughout the night. The first 200 ticket holders will receive prop bags. Patrons are encouraged to dress up as characters from the movie or in fancy dress for a night out on the town! A costume contest will be part of the evening.

Tickets for this event are on sale now. The Reg Lenna Center for The Arts box office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 12-5 p.m. and one hour before movies and events. Tickets may also be purchased by calling 716.484.7070 or at reglenna.com. Reg Lenna Center for The Arts is located at 116 E. 3rd St. in Jamestown, NY.

The Reg Lenna Center for The Arts' programs are made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the governor and the New York State Legislature.

Sukanya Burman Dance Founder Speaking Sunday October 11

Dance, Dance, Otherwise We Are Lost" is Sukanya Burman's message when she speaks this Sunday, October 11 at the Jamestown Unitarian church. The curator of the recent Jamestown Dance Festival that had sold-out events is an Indian American dancer, choreographer, educator, and cultural producer currently based in Jamestown.



An adjunct professor at Alfred University, she is a recipient of multiple NYS Council on the Arts Artist Awards and other recognitions. Burman says that while dance is often seen primarily as entertainment or celebration, it has also helped communities preserve memory, navigate change, and find connection during difficult times. Drawing from her broad dance experiences, she invites her audience to consider how movement can deepen understanding of one another and remind them of our shared humanity, interdependence, and responsibility to remain present to the world around us.

All are welcome to the 10:30 service and coffee hour that follows at 1255 Prendergast Avenue. To participate virtually, use the link at UJamestown.org/calendar.

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~ Unknown

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Local Officials Explore Nuclear Energy Opportunities for Former NRG Site at National Summit



Mark Geise, Chautauqua County Deputy County Executive for Economic Development and Chief Executive Officer of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (CCIDA), and Vince DeJoy, City of Dunkirk Director of Planning and Development, recently attended the 2026 Nuclear Energy Policy Summit on September 22 and 23 in New York City. Pictured (from left to right) are: Francis Dinh of Genover; Scott Cicora, Executive Director of Nuclear New York, Mark Geise, Jared Rossi of Genover, and Vince DeJoy.

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As efforts continue to identify a productive new future for the former NRG Generating Station in Dunkirk, local economic development officials recently traveled to New York City to learn more about the rapidly evolving nuclear energy industry and its potential application to the site.

Mark Geise, Chautauqua County Deputy County Executive for Economic Development and Chief Executive Officer of the County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (CCIDA), and Vince DeJoy, City of Dunkirk Director of Planning and Development, attended the 2026 Nuclear Energy Policy Summit on September 22 and 23. Representatives from Genover LLC, the current owner of the former NRG property, also participated in the summit.

Hosted by the Atlantic Council's Nuclear Energy Policy Initiative, the two-day event brought together leaders from government, industry, finance, and the energy sector to discuss the future of nuclear energy and the deployment of next-generation technologies.

For Geise and DeJoy, the summit provided an opportunity to better understand emerging nuclear technologies, financing models, regulatory considerations, public-private partnerships, and other factors that could influence whether nuclear energy could play a role in the future reuse of the Dunkirk property.

"The summit gave us an opportunity to hear directly from industry leaders about where nuclear energy is headed, the technologies that are emerging, and what it takes to move a project from an idea to actual deployment," said Geise. "As we continue working with the City of Dunkirk and our partners at Genover to find the best path forward for the former NRG site, we want to understand every viable opportunity available to us. Nuclear energy is one option worth exploring, and the information and connections we gained through this summit will help inform those conversations moving forward."

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"The 2026 Nuclear Symposium provided our Dunkirk/Chautauqua team, as well as Genover, with the opportunity to learn from, meet, and network with experts in the nuclear power generation space including the NRC Commissioner, and have a better understanding of the financing challenges for these nuclear projects," DeJoy said. "We also have come away with the importance of bringing the community along with us every step of the way to provide the best scientific information available on safety, but also the significant economic benefits."

The former Dunkirk Generating Station operated for more than six decades before being retired in 2016. In May 2026, NRG Energy transferred ownership of the property and associated assets to Genover, which is now leading planning, preparation, and redevelopment efforts for the site in collaboration with local officials.

Returning the former NRG property to productive use has been a longstanding economic development priority for Chautauqua County, the CCIDA, and the City of Dunkirk. The site's existing energy infrastructure, industrial history, available acreage, and location along Lake Erie make it a significant redevelopment opportunity for the city and broader region.

Local officials and Genover will continue evaluating potential uses for the property, with a focus on opportunities that can generate private investment, create jobs, strengthen the local tax base, and return the strategically important site to productive use.

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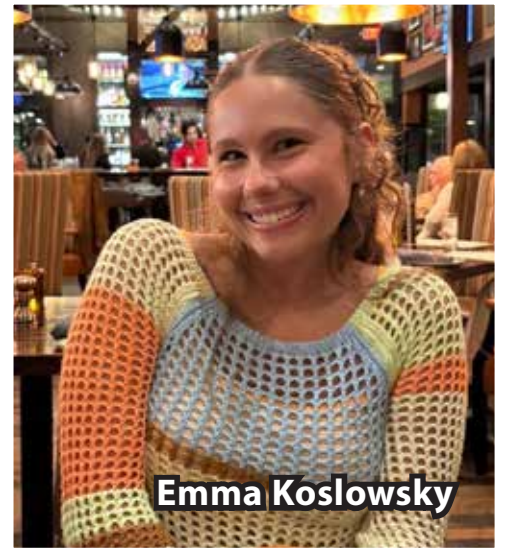
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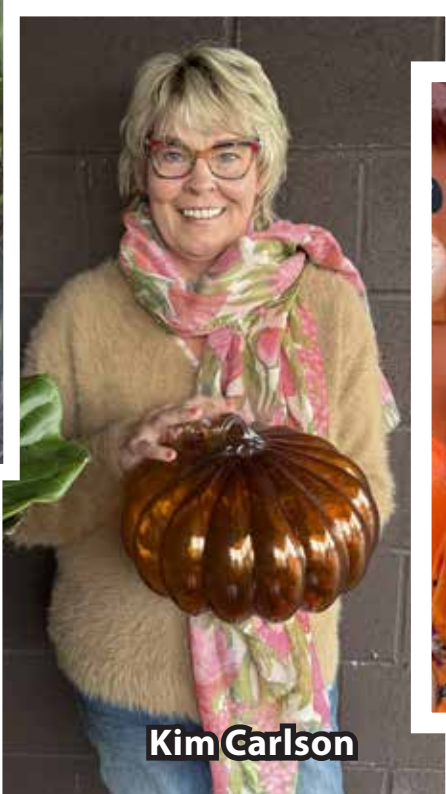
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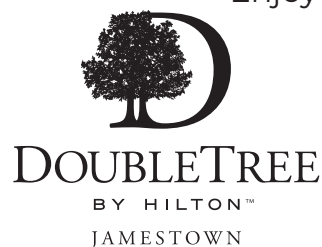


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