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Westfield for the Win

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Katrina Fuller

Westfield has undergone a significant period of rejuvenation over the past several years - as visitors and residents alike can attest. Efforts by local officials and community members have revitalized the area, making Westfield a vacation destination, a hub of creativity, and an engine for economic growth. With beautiful natural spaces to explore and enjoy, Westfield is a thriving village within a prosperous town.

The historic area survived difficult economic hits in the 1980's and early 1990s as key industrial and business entities moved to other states or closed, such as Welch's production and corporate offices.

However, starting in 1997, the village and town began making plans for lasting change, including creating a comprehensive plan and reorganizing the Westfield Development Corporation. The community itself also got involved, painting empty



Deputy Mayor Josh Freifeld, Mayor Dennis Lutes, and Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce Coordinator Staunzie Grady (*Mural Painting by: Wendy Gollnitz-Santilli, Shari Gollnitz, and Bill Rhodes; Sponsored by the Lake Shore Center for the Arts*)

storefronts and attending community visioning events. Over the years, community officials continued working together toward their vision of a revitalized Westfield - through grant-funded projects, the creation of the beloved Farmers Market, the establishment of the Concord Grape Belt Heritage Association, and streetscape improvements.

From the perspective of Don McCord, Executive Director of the Westfield

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Old Home Week in Westfield, NY, 1909 (Postcard Submitted by local historian, Vince Martonis)

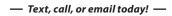


North Side Main St., Westfield, NY, 1908 (Postcard Submitted by local historian, Vince Martonis)

James McClurg and the Settlement of Westfield

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Article by

Michelle Henry Trustee, Chautauqua County Historical Society

The McClurg Museum, headquarters for the Chautauqua County Historical Society, is a 204 year old pioneer mansion situated in the center of the Village of Westfield. It's design, location, and significance to the history of the Village of Westfield can all be attributed to James McClurg, one of the county's



McClurg Museum

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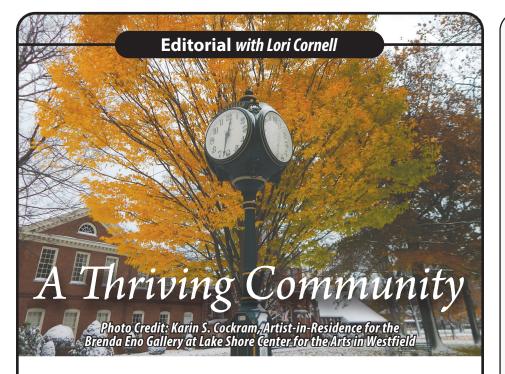
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Editorial







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f I'm being completely honest... the "Westfield Showcase" prep overwhelmed me.

Maybe it was coming off of spring break and leaving preferable office space (note my Gazette Facebook page!). Maybe it was the leftover twinkle in my eclipse-starry eyes. Maybe it was the incessant April showers last week that followed me through town.

But more than likely, I was overwhelmed compiling this Westfield Community Showcase edition, because, Wow! Westfield is an intensely dense collection of some of the most historic organizations and well-established strongholds in our county. It's bigger than it looks on a quick drive-by and is home to MANY successful business owners, some newer and rising quickly, others who have thrived for decades and generations. For the first time since I began this showcase series, I feared we may not do such an elaborate and accomplished village justice.

Allow us to make a humble attempt. As with every showcase, I am grateful for the support of the many contributing businesses and organizations that help depict the best of the best in each community. I am also grateful for the journalistic giants, Katrina Fuller and Michelle Henry, who have generously offered their talents toward making this issue

so special. Their cover pieces tell the beautiful story of a Westfield steeped in history, community tradition, and a rich agricultural heritage. They also tell the story of a thriving community with "every storefront full," where ingenious leaders work as hard on Main and Portage Streets as they do within the many local benefit organizations they serve, such as the Union Relief and Women of Westfield Organization.

Westfield is truly unique. Wellrecognized as the heart of the grape country and home to the Grape Discovery Center, Westfield also boasts an intertwined arts and antiques community and one of the biggest and best-rated Farmers Markets in Upstate New York! (Incidentally, I do plan to more thoroughly cover Chautauqua County's grape industry and the Lake Erie Wine Trail in a dedicated issue later this year. Stay posted.) There are scores of other community assets. No other community this size hosts its own development corporation and local benefit foundation; its own thriving YWCA; its very own, trusted community hospital and elder care facility ... and even its own community swimming pool! No other community this size has such a large and voluminous library, a large and impressive history museum, and such extensive offerings of medical, legal, and financial professionals within such a small square mileage.

In the days of yesteryear, it might have been said that at least a part of Westfield's success could be attributed to its historic wealth. But I would daresay, that Westfield's stature today is much more based upon the hard work and ingenuity of its dedicated community members than anything else. Its drive to thrive has outlasted any economic hiccups of the decades.



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TEN FREE ACTIVITIES TO DO IN WESTFIELD, NY

- 1. Roam the Saturday Farmer's Market in our town square Saturday mornings in the summer.
- 2. Attend our First Friday celebrations the first Friday evening of every month in the Summer 4-7pm.
- 3. Visit the Patterson Library, which is an architectural gem and contains a fantastic children's section and art gallery as well as gorgeous gardens and art installations.
- 4. Look around the various art and antique shops in the Village.
- 5. Watch sunsets at the lake Erie beaches or Ottaway Park.
- 6. Visit the McClurg Museum.
- 7. Visit the Barcelona Lighthouse on Sundays (will reopen following recent renovations).
- 8. Walk around the Village and look at many historic homes.

Come visit Westfield - strong, thriving, unstoppable!

9. Walk the Lake Erie beach from the Westfield Fisheries to the Chautauqua Creek.

10. Hike the Chautauqua Creek (with water shoes, of course!)





Absolut Care of Westfield Raises Funds for Northern Chautauqua Canine Rescue



Absolut Care of Westfield held a basket raffle for the month of March and raised \$130 for the Northern Chautauqua Canine Rescue. Pictured from left: Jean Gustafson, Inservice Educator; Dawn Frary, Human Resource Director; Elizabeth Bindics, Ward Clerk; Jami Allen, Business Office.

Small Town Shelter Received Big Time Help from 4-H Youth



A few of the Teen Ambassadors Madalyn Reading, Gavin LeBarron, Cassie Skal (club leader), and Everett LeBarron

Article Contributed by **Cornell Cooperative Extension**

The Chautauqua County 4-H Teen Ambassadors is made up of a handful of outstanding 13-18-yearold 4-H'ers who have a desire to dial in on their leadership skills and want to have more responsibility in the realm of Chautauqua County 4-H. Each teen is required to apply to become a Teen Ambassador and their applications are then evaluated and teens are selected.

This year we are working very hard to build a great team of teens while working on their leadership skills, community service goals, and their goals of being "the face of 4-H" at our upcoming county fair. In addition to these great goals and skills the Teen Ambassadors have also been given the great privilege of participating in college tours with our Lead 4-H Educator, Lindsey Crisanti Meeder.

at hand, leaving Small Town Shelter looking spic and span! They were pressure washing cages, kitty pans, and everything in between and then learned about the importance of sanitation and biosecurity while spraying all items with a special animal safe sanitary cleaner. The teens also learned about animal care laws and what is acceptable at a shelter and what is not no matter the size of the animal or organization. They even went above and beyond and raked all the leaves and sticks from the yard! The Teen Ambassador leaders are immensely proud of them for showing up and donating a beautiful Saturday to a small animal shelter that needed physical labor. A special thank you to the parents and siblings that stayed with us and helped make this impact in the community.

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Last weekend, the Teen Ambassadors planned a community service day at Small Town Shelter, in Sherman, NY. These teenagers gave up their Saturday to help Kelly do a week's worth of work in just a few hours! These fearless leaders were presented with a pile and a task. They were all able to jump right in and use each other's strengths to tackle the project

"The job they did would have taken me at least a week to complete on my own. Thankful is an understatement. You guys are literally the best!" Kelly of Small Town Shelter stated.

The Teen Ambassadors also have plans to volunteer at St. Susan's, The Chautauqua Safety Village, 4-H Foundation in Stockton, and the Audubon, as well as collaborating with the Master Gardener program for their upcoming plant sale and plant preparation at the fairgrounds.

Senior Scene with Dana Corwin

National Healthcare Decisions Day



Contributing Writer **Dana Corwin**

Office for Aging Services Deputy Director

There are certain things that we all need to plan for, be prepared for, and know where to find in case of an unforeseen emergency, illness, or accident. Our age does not determine the need to be prepared; everyone needs to think about these issues. I am referring to health directives, financial directives, and end-of-life issues. The National Institute for HealthCare Improvement tells us, "National Healthcare Decisions Day (sometimes referred to as NHDD) is an annual initiative celebrated on April 16th of every year to encourage and empower people to begin or continue conversations about their wishes for care through the end of life. NHDD is an initiative to educate people on the importance of advance care planning. It encourages individuals to express their wishes regarding healthcare and for providers and facilities to respect those wishes, whatever they may be. The ElderCare Locator publication "Let's Talk" suggests; "Prior to talking openly with loved ones, it may be useful to gather your thoughts. Remember to get yourself ready. Think about the conversation. It might be useful to write a letter-to yourself, your family or a friend. Consider having a practice conversation with a friend. These conversations may reveal that you and your loved ones disagree on some things. That is okay. It's important to simply know this, and to continue talking about it now-not during a crisis situation."

It is important to have discussions with friends and family about advance directives, which include who will take on specific responsibilities, your preferences, and where to locate important documents. In case of an emergency, you do not want to be unable to find necessary items like insurance cards, health care proxies, medications, and health lists. These items are crucial during an emergency, so it is important to be prepared. Planning will save time and ensure easy access to these documents when they are needed. to help have this conversation with your medical providers. AARP has a Prepare to Care: A Planning Guide for Families. https://learn.aarp.org/prepare-to-careguide There are many resources online and from different agencies.

APower of attorney is used to help manage property matters and financial directives. A will allows you to identify belongings that you will pass on to others. Advance directives clearly outline the type of care you wish to have if you get significantly ill and cannot speak for yourself. A healthcare proxy can make the medical decisions necessary if you cannot speak for yourself. Trusts are a way to manage resources like property. The MOLST form is used in nursing homes, hospitals, and Hospice care settings. A community Do Not Resuscitate is discussed and initiated by your primary care physician to prevent CPR by emergency personnel in your home.

Take the time to talk with family and friends about what is important to you! It is a conversation that should be revisited regularly as things can change and the conversation may need to continue. The Eldercare locator recommends reviewing your plan using the 5 "D's": every decade, after the death of a loved one, after a divorce, after a significant diagnosis, and after any significant decline. As tough as it may seem to initiate these types of conversations, your family and friends will thank you for sharing and caring and preparing them for what may come. These conversations bring people closer; just knowing that you can depend on someone is invaluable. Take the time to talk about emergencies!

You can call, drop in, or email NY Connects for more information on these types of needs. We can tell you about legal resources, and help to address your personal needs for health, legal, financial, and end-of-life concerns. Chautauqua County NY Connects program can provide Information and Assistance on available long-term services and support options to the older population, individuals of all ages with disabilities, and caregivers. Information and Assistance are available in various ways including telephone access, faceto-face meetings in the community, or email. NY Connects can accessed through its statewide telephone number (800-342-9871), which connects callers with local offices by county. If you need information about programs, services, benefits, or entitlements, you can call the Chautauqua County NY Connects program. There is an online resource tool called the NY Connects Resource Directory. Gotowww.nyconnects.ny.gov. to take a look. There are NY Connects programs located with the Office for Aging Services and the SouthWestern Independent Living Center. You can reach NY Connects by phone: at 716-753-4582, email: at ccnyc@chggov.com Southwestern Independent Living NY Connects at 716-661-3010 or 716-490-7561. The state NY Connects Resource Directory can be found at https://www. nyconnects.ny.gov/.

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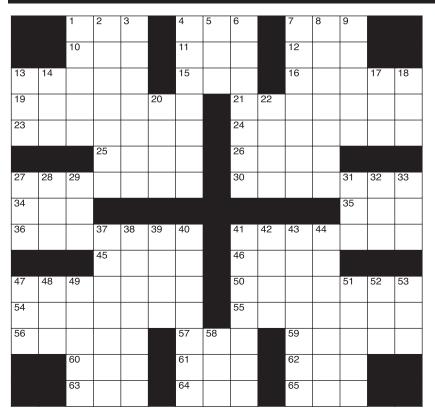
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Midway between south

- and southeast
- 4. For each
- 7. Airborne (abbr.)
- 10. Photographs
- 11. They ____
- 12. It's important in
- respiration (abbr.)
- 13. Monetary unit
- 15. Cool!
- 16. A son of Jacob
- 19. Cut off
- 21. Devour
- 23. Agent of one's downfall
- 24. Best
- 25. Network of nerves
 - 26. Partner to "oohs" 27. Origins
 - 30. Sewing utensil

CLUES DOWN

An involuntary muscular

- 34. Alias
- 35. Swiss river
- 36. Greek mythological figure
- 41. Type of whiskey
- 45. Lay to rest
- 46. "Rule, Britannia" composer
- 47. Select jury
- 50. Feeling
- 54. Action regarded as morally wrong
- 55. Makes angry
- 56. Act incorrectly
- 57. Defensive nuclear weapon
- 59. Class of escort aircraft carrier
- 60. To what degree
- 61. Buzzing insect
- 62. The human foot
- 63. "The Leftovers" actress Dowd
- 64. A place to stay65. Sun up in New York
- 29. Annoy constantly

The Eldercare Locator has a helpful publication called "Let's Talk" that covers health, finances, legal matters, and endof-life issues. You can find it on their website at https://eldercare.acl.gov/ Public/Resources/Brochures/docs/ Conversations.pdf

This resource helps to guide families and friends through a conversation and start to identify what is important to and important for their loved ones. It reminds us to share where documents are kept like health records, health care proxies, insurance information, medication lists, and powers of attorney. It also recommends other publications

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Linda Lou (Tower) Lucas, 73 Warren Peterson-Blick Funeral Home

> Clara E. Madden, 92, Jamestown Peterson Funeral Home

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Terry L Walker, 61 Kennedy Falconer Funeral Home

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Armando "Mike" Michele Calimeri. 65 Jamestown *Lind Funeral Home*

> Martha H. Kennedy, 85 Jamestown *Lind Funeral Home*

Genevieve F. Stone, 73 Sinclairville Hubert Funeral Home

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Sally A. DePetro, 94 Jamestown Lind Funeral Home

Joyce L. Marucci, 59 Jamestown Peterson Funeral Home

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Jennifer Brentley, 43 Jamestown Hubert Funeral Home

April 9

Wendy Louise Young, 67 Lakewood Lind Funeral Home **Paith** Matters

Westfield Community Food Pantry



Contributing Writer

LeAnn Childs First United Methodist Church Westfield, NY

knew nothing about the commitment of the Westfield knew community to helping those less fortunate when I started working as the Administrative Assistant at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield (FUMC Westfield) in 2011. Part of my job was checking in food pantry clients. Even though I had been in many churches and lived in different communities (my husband is a pastor), I had heard about needs and made donations, but I had never actually gotten to know those that that needed the help. Through my work, I have gotten to know these individuals and families. I have worked with them to get as much help as possible, been there to support and cheer them on as they/ their families changed, grew and shifted.

The FUMC Westfield has hosted the Westfield Community Food Pantry for over 25 years. This has been an area wide endeavor and relies on help from the community and Feed More of Western New York. The community has stepped up to help this be a thriving and much needed (and appreciated) program in the Westfield area.

In 2023, the Food Pantry logged in well over 700 hours in volunteer time. (from food ordering; to food deliveries; to packing food; to check ins; to food distribution; to paperwork) These volunteers come from all over the village and surrounding areas. We served over 650 families (averaging about 56 families a month). We served 1525 127 per individuals (averaging month). We provided 13,725 meals (averaging 1144 meals per month). We have received donations from every church in Westfield at least 2 times a year. We received food donations from individuals and organizations (including some special treats from local Girl Scouts). We received monetary donations as memorials, in honor of someone's birthday and "just because" donations. Our Reverse Advent (sponsored by the FUMC Westfield) brought in over 750 items! The nice part of the reverse advent is that people will gift the food pantry an item every day of the advent season that are needed to help fill the food

pantry shelves. We have added a bonus day for December 25 – and encourage people to bring items for Mary and/or baby Jesus.

Over time, we discovered there were needs that were not being met with the Food Pantry including cleaning supplies and personal hygiene products. These are items most of us take granted. With the help of the Westfield Ministerium (made up of clergy from the village of Westfield), we were able to gift families with a cleaning bucket filled with items like dish soap, laundry soap, dish cloth, household cleaner, bar soap, shampoo, tooth brushes, toothpaste and much more. This started as a one-time thing but was very well received (and needed) and we began to explore options that would allow us to give these items out more frequently. We have been fortunate that many individuals, churches, and organizations have helped us be able to offer these items multiple times a year! This project has turned into our "Blue Bag Fund".

About 6 years ago, we discovered that many households did not have the funds for menstrual products and baby care items. We started what is known as our "Pink Envelope Fund". This fund is used to provide diapers, wipes, formula, menstrual pads, tampons, menstrual cups and incontinence products. With of the generosity of the Westfield Community, we are able to offer these products for free to those that are in need in the Westfield area year round.

So if you ask me about Westfield, I would tell you that there are many individuals, organizations and churches that truly care about all individuals in the Westfield Community. There are many opportunities to help others and many organizations that do help out - just ask anyone in town about Union Relief and the Women of Westfield to name a few. I know that each community has opportunities out there to help others if you take the time to look for it. I know that when you take the opportunity to reach out to give, you get back so much more than you ever give. Your opportunities can be something small that others won't notice but if it comes from your heart, you will be blessed. I know I have been blessed when receiving something as small as a heartfelt smile.

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Article by Shannon Reber Seachrist

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Chicken & Biscuits Dinner at Brookdale to Benefit Jamestown Kiwanis Club



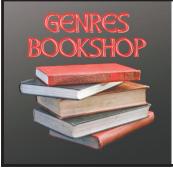
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Jamestown Kiwanis Club

Brookdale Lakewood and the Jamestown Kiwanis Club will hold a Chicken and Biscuits Dinner on Sunday April 28, 2024 from 12:30 to 2:30 PM for Dine-in or Take out

1:30 PM. For Dine-in meals only, reservations for seating are required and it is recommended to call early to ensure availability. To order tickets and reserve seating time, please call Brookdale at 716-665-2414. The proceeds will benefit the Kiwanis Youth Projects.







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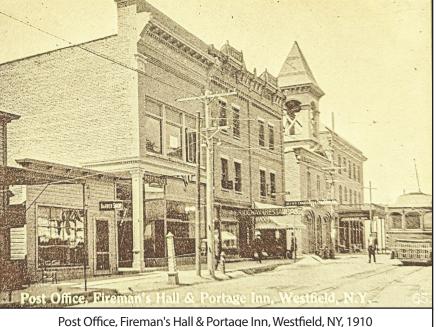
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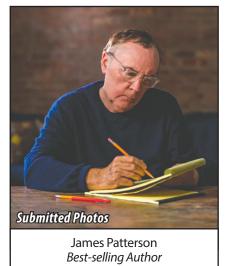
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The pub, located at 14 North Portage Street in Westfield, offers a variety of mouthwatering pub foods and an equally interesting backstory. The pub's name highlights an historic encounter between 11-year-old Grace Bedell and then-presidential candidate, Abraham Lincoln. Bedell urged Lincoln to grow a beard to help him get elected. In 1861, Lincoln stopped in Westfield to meet the girl, and history was made.

Other community staples who have been instrumental in Westfield's development include special shops featuring the Arts, like Living Glass Gallery, Peaceful Designs, Genres Overall, the development of Westfield has been a major success, helping to revitalize and enhance the downtown and providing new opportunities for local businesses, visitors, and residents, thanks to dedicated grassroots efforts of governmental officials and community members alike. These efforts serve as an excellent example of the power of community-driven initiatives to drive positive change and create a brighter future for all.

JAMESTOWN GAZETTE

Good Neighbor Bookstore Awarded Bonus by Best-selling Author James Patterson

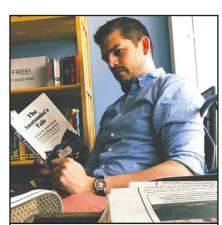


Article Contributed by Good Neighbor Bookstore

In celebration of his new title, *The Secret Lives of Booksellers and Librarians*, best-selling author James Patterson has selected 500 booksellers across the country to award a \$500 bonus to. One of those booksellers is, Bob Lingle, owner and operator of Good Neighbor Bookstore in Lakewood, NY.

"Patterson has been a great ally to independent bookstores." Lingle said. "I've been fortunate to receive a Christmas bonus from James Patterson for the last 5 years."

Booksellers were able to selfnominate to be considered for a bonus, or they could be nominated by bookstore customers, owners, employees, managers, fellow booksellers, publishing professionals, or authors. "I made my customers aware of the ability to nominate me for this

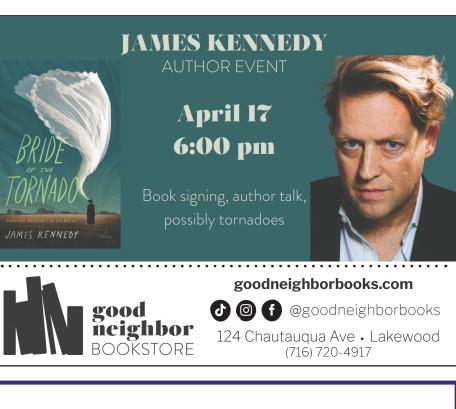


Bob Lingle Owner & Operator of Good Neighbor Bookstore in Lakewood, NY

bonus, I opted to not selfnominate. Receiving the bonus feels more meaningful knowing that it was based on the words of the members of our community." Lingle said.

American Bookseller Association's CEO, Allison Hill said, "We are all so grateful for Mr. Patterson's ongoing support of independent booksellers. His generosity is incredible, and his recognition of booksellers and the valuable role they play in the industry is especially meaningful to us."

Bob Lingle recently celebrated his sixth year owning Good Neighbor Bookstore (124 Chautauqua Ave. Lakewood, NY 14750) and just recently completed a term serving on the Bookseller Advisory Council for the American Bookseller Association. On Saturday, April 27th bookstores around the country will celebrate Independent Bookstore Day.







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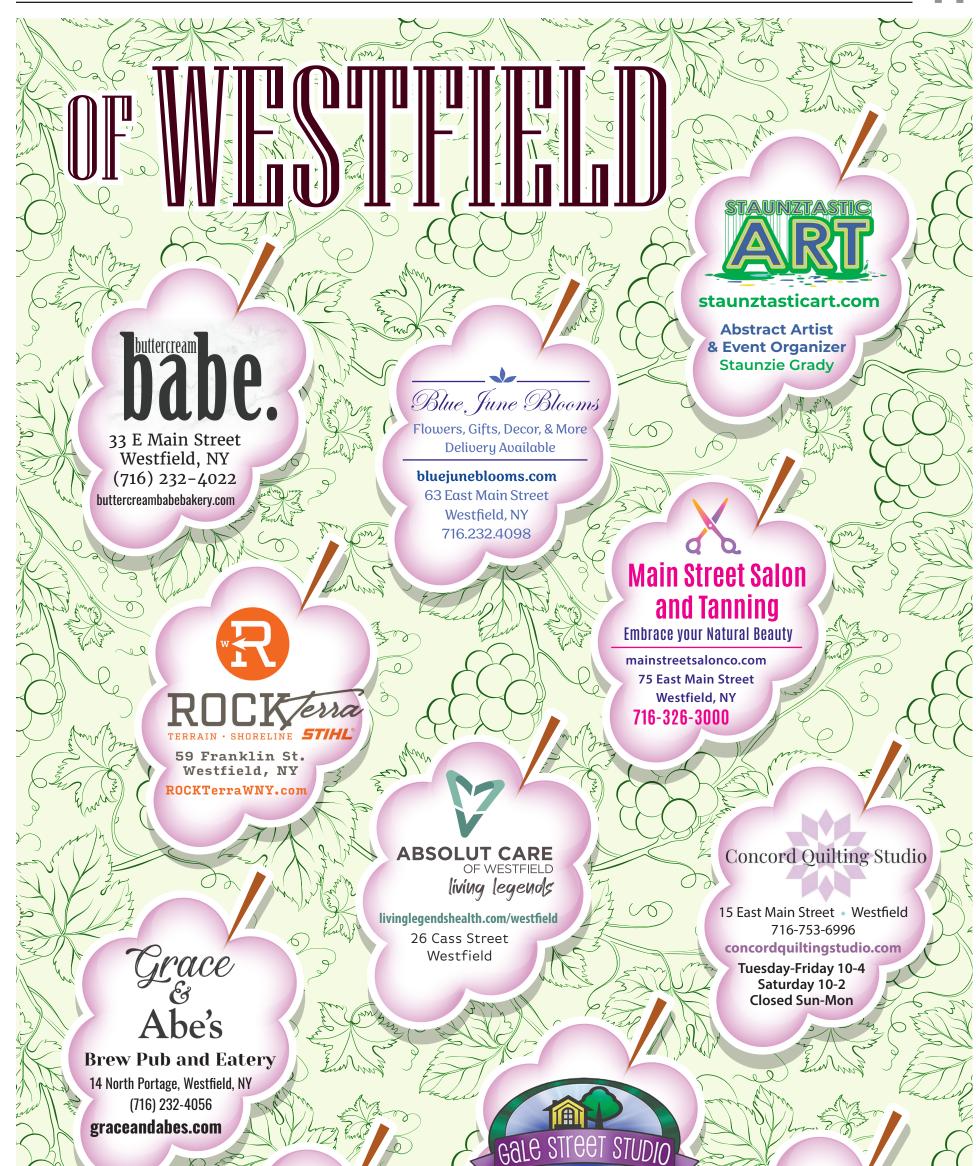
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Final Year for the Vineyard Improvement Program

Reimbursement Grant for Concord Removals to be Wrapped Up



Before replant

Article Contributed by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chautauqua County

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chautauqua County's Lake Erie Regional Grape Program is preparing to wrap up the Vineyard Improvement Program at the end of this year. The Vineyard Improvement Program is provided by New York Ag and Markets and is funded by the Southern Tier Agricultural Industry Enhancement Program. It is available to the Southern Tier of New York which for this program includes the following counties: Chautauqua, Erie (NY), Niagara, Allegany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Chemung, Chenango, Delaware, Steuben, Schuyler, Tompkins, and Tioga.

This was a proposal from the Concord Grape Summit held in April 2018 aimed at assisting Concord grape growers in their efforts to respond to the challenges they faced through processor closings, contract reductions and overall reduction in demand for grapes. These challenges initially led to a significant number of acres that had essentially been abandoned due to the cost prohibitive nature of removal. Since then there have been improvements in the industry which have led to a slower use of the available funding. An extension had been granted due to that fact, as well as the decreased activity during the height of the COVID pandemic, so the money is still available for abandoned/underproducing/ unwanted Concord vineyards until the end of 2024.

VIP is a reimbursement program that offers 50% of removal costs up to \$1,500 per acre and 25% of replant costs up to \$1,500 per acre, with a maximum reimbursement of \$50,000 per applicant. Ultimately the goal of the program is to improve the economic viability of the



applicants' production operations and to decrease pest pressure to the surrounding commercial vineyards.

Applicants are able to hire someone to do the work and then submit invoices for reimbursement or complete the removals/replants themselves as long as an accurate record is kept of the work done. The process would begin by submitting an application to the program via the form found at https://lergp. com/vip-application. Once that is completed, verification is required that it is a Concord vineyard through existing maps or contracts provided by the applicant, and the application and documents are reviewed. An initial site visit is made to verify the vineyard is still there and pictures taken for documentation. After that the applicant is free to begin the removal process which includes removing the vines along with the roots, posts, wire, and anchors. After some ground prep, the replant will need to be established. This can be as simple as a hayfield, field crops, or even an orchard or vineyard. The land is required to remain agricultural in order to participate in the project, and if you have an idea that hasn't been listed please contact us to see if it is reimbursable. A final site visit will be completed once the crop and appropriate trellis are established without the presence of grapevines from the removed Concords, as well as having sufficient weed control. After that the invoices, receipts and work logs are turned in to determine the reimbursement amount. Once all parties are content with that number it is submitted to be reimbursed.

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If you have any questions about this project please contact Kim at ksk76@ cornell.edu or visit our website at https://lergp.com/about-vip. Time is running out for this grant, so it you have been considering using it to help with your project please act soon!



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Honoring Those Who Have Touched **Our Lives Gifts to WMH Foundation**

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Tribute Gifts

Tribute Gifts offer a unique opportunity to recognize someone who has memorably touched your life. Remembering a family member, a dear friend, or a colleague (in life or in death) is something that many members in our community customarily do at the Westfield Memorial Hospital Foundation (WMHF).

Many are familiar with the hospital foundation's mission and how it helps the hospital remain on the cutting edge of patient care. Having celebrated its 45th Anniversary year, the WMHF, via its donors, continues its philanthropy by promoting outstanding healthcare.

Donating a Memorial Gift to honor the memory of a friend or loved one who is no longer with us or recognizing a dear friend or loved one with an Honorarium is an appropriate expression of thoughtfulness and always appreciated.

Following are those remembered in 2023:

Memorials:

- Barbara Boltz from Westfield Memorial Hospital Auxiliary
- Brenda Eno from Lorraine, John, and David Dickinson
- David Gembala from Beth Patri and Westfield Memorial Hospital Auxiliary
- Wilmer and Ethel McDonald from the McDonald Family
- Elizabeth Peters from Jim and Rose Van Volkenburg
- Cindy Scott from Helen Baran
- Dan Snow from Tracy and Linda Bennett and Alan and Lisa Holbrook

Honorariums:

In Honor of Dr. Russell and Fran Elwell's Birthdays from Helen Baran



Tribute gifts extend the positive impact made by extraordinary people in our lives, observed WMHF Treasurer Christine Adams, CPA, who looks over a list of memorials and honorariums given to the Westfield Memorial Hospital Foundation in support of our community hospital with Foundation Executive Director,

acknowledge or recognize for any reason, such as a friend, relative, neighbor, co-worker, pastor or caregiver.

Patricia Gaughan DiPalma.

- Honoring an essential healthcare worker. Your gift will show the dedicated doctors and nurses and support staff that we deeply value the sacrifices they have made daily in continuing to help us fight against on-going Covid-19 cases, Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) and the flu in particular.
- Becoming a member of the Spencer Legacy Society - by leaving a portion of one's estate to the Foundation is also an altruistic way to influence the future, forever.

Whether your gift commemorates an event, honors an individual or memorializes a friend or loved one, the individual or family named by the donor receives a special acknowledgment that a gift has been made in their name.

Our community hospital can continue to provide high quality

Home Repair and Energy Fair to be Held in Chautauqua County

Western NY Cornell Cooperative Extension Collaboration brings **Energy Education to Chautauqua and Cattarauqus Counties**

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Cornell Cooperative Extension

Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) and the Village of Sherman will be hosting the Home Repair & Energy Fair Event on Thursday, April 18th at the Stanley Hose Company Fire Hall, 122 Park St, Sherman, NY 14781 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Is your home in need of energy repairs? Is your home energy efficient? Have high heating bill? Join representatives from Chautauqua Home Rehabilitation and Improvement Corp. (CHRIC), Cornell Cooperative Extension, United States Department of Agriculture-Rural Development, Sanfilippo Solutions Contractors, Chautauqua Opportunities and FeedMore WNY, at the Home Repair and Energy Fair in Sherman on Thursday, April 18th.

This event will provide the participants the opportunity to learn more about their energy options, savings, and efficiencies. The CCE Home Repair and Energy Fair is open



homeowners, renters, landlords, senior citizens, and small businesses. Everyone is encouraged to attend and learn how area programs and opportunities for increased energy efficiencies. This event may be especially beneficial to individuals of low to moderate income. Information about grants, loans, rebates, and incentives will be shared. Also, those attending will have opportunities to explore heating and cooling system options, solar energy, home repairs, air sealing and much more.

For more information, call 716-664-9502 or visit our website at www. cce.cornell.edu/chautauqua. Cornell University Cooperative Extension provides equal program and employment opportunities.



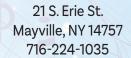
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- Saying thank you to someone who has made a difference in your life. Gifts may be made in honor of another that you wish to

healthcare to all the residents throughout our community and beyond. AHN Westfield Hospital is a member of the Allegheny Health Network.

For those who would like to learn more about the hospital foundation or to give a memorial gift or honorarium to the hospital foundation, contact Patty DiPalma at patricia.dipalma@ ahn.org; call: 716-793-2338 or visit the foundation's website at: www. westfieldhospitalfoundation.org where you will find a memorial/ honorarium form on the home page.



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3rd Street Garage to Celebrate 500th Show on WRFA



Article Contributed by **WRFA**

The 3rd Street Garage radio show on WRFA-LP 107.9 FM has been a staple of the station's programming almost since its inception, showcasing timeless 'garage rock' music to its audience. The broadcast on Friday, April 12, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. marks a significant milestone as it will be the show's 500th original episode.

Named after the station's downtown Jamestown location, the 3rd Street Garage was conceived by DJ/producer/ creator Robb Jones in 2005 to spotlight both the station's locale and the energetic spirit of garage rock music. Jones, a volunteer, and board member of the radio station, saw the show as an opportunity to contribute to the arts and music coverage while sharing his passion for the genre. Despite limited radio experience at the outset, Jones embarked on this adventure with enthusiasm and has continued to produce the show for 19 years, reflecting on the opportunity with gratitude.

"Twenty plus years ago, I was on the Arts Council of Chautauqua County. Dennis Drew, who would become the founder and original station general manager, presented the idea of a low-power, notfor-profit, community-oriented radio station to the Council. As a Council board member and enthusiast of radio production, I saw this as a unique opportunity for Jamestown and supported the radio station's creation. Inspired by the music I loved in the new garage rock revival taking place in the early 00s, the elements came together. I went into this with a sense of adventure, having no real radio experience, but with a love for music and a community spirit of wanting to contribute as a volunteer. Eventually, I talked to Dennis and pitched the garage show idea, and he showed me the ropes of show production in the studio, and 19 years later, I am still producing it. I am forever grateful for that opportunity."

The 3rd Street Garage airs every Friday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., offering listeners a musical detour at the end of the week with a diverse selection of garage rock. Jones deliberately curates the playlist to encompass not only classic 'nugget' bands from the 1960s but every decade's incarnation of the genre including modern acts like the Black Keys, Jack White, the Clockwork Flowers, along with regional and lesser-known artists. His approach eschews mainstream hits in favor of deeper cuts and fresh discoveries, contributing to the show's timeless appeal.

WRFA-LP exemplifies community engagement and public service. WRFA is a listener-supported, non-commercial, low-power FM radio station that is provided as a public service by the Reg Lenna Center for the Arts (Formerly known as Arts Council for Chautauqua County). WRFA-LP streams on www.wrfalp.com and broadcast on 107.9 FM from Jamestown, NY.



CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY PETS OF THE WEEK

Weasley is a true testament to resilience and love. Despite a rough start in life, this sweet pup is now on the lookout for his forever home. Weasley's spirit is as bright as his eyes, always eager to learn and play. His playful antics and loving nature make him a joy to be around. Are you ready to give this adorable pup the loving home he deserves? Meet him soon at CCHS. Shelter No. RR179.

Reggie is the epitome of a gentle, loving, snuggly kitten! This dashing gentleman will melt your heart and leave you smitten. ADORABLE does not begin to describe his darling young self. He would love to go home with his sister Jewel - or another playmate! Meet Reggie soon at CCHS. Shelter No. RR179.



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JAMESTOWN GAZETTE

SUNY JCC Occupational Therapy Assistant Program Opens Pediatric Sensory Clinic



Article Contributed by SUNY Jamestown Community College

The Occupational Therapy Assistant program at SUNY Jamestown Community College held a ribboncutting ceremony Wednesday for its Explore and Soar pediatric sensory clinic located on the first floor of the Sheldon Center on the Jamestown Campus.

Sarah Tranum, director of the OTA program, gave an overview of the clinic and its goals.

"We want to provide the best educational experience possible for our students. They get hands-on learning experiences by working here," she said. "But really we wanted to focus on children and families. We know that we have something special here that we can give to the community."

Explore and Soar uses JCC's OTA program to provide free occupational therapy interventions to children, support and information for their families. The clinic offers students enrolled in the OTA program their first opportunity to observe skills they are learning about in the classroom in a practical setting. As students progress through their coursework, they begin to work in the clinic, giving them hands-on experience with clients and their families while they work toward their degree.

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James McClurg and the Settlement of Westfield

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early settlers, and a consummate businessman and entrepreneur.

James McClurg was born in Pittsburgh, PA to a family of means, his father having started the first iron foundry in the city. As the second son, it was James' older brother who stood to inherit the family business. So James headed north, attracted to the newly settled communities along Lake Erie in Western New York. He arrived in Westfield by 1810 and purchased large tracts of land along Chautauqua Creek and the Lake Erie shoreline. He built a general store of logs and began trading with the settlers arriving in, and traveling through "The Crossroads," the community at the vital intersection of the Buffalo and Erie Road and the Portage Road.

McClurg established today's village business center by building a large hotel and a three-story brick block of buildings at what is today the intersection of Main and Portage Streets. He invested in a mill along Chautauqua Creek and sold lots along Main Street as the number of businesses grew. It was McClurg's vision that lead to Westfield's downtown developing on the east side of Chautauqua Creek.

The County was a sparsely populated wilderness with log cabin homesteaders when McClurg began construction of his mansion. The brick structure was an anomaly on the frontier. Local folks referred to it as "McClurg's Folly" because of its size and the fact that the property was enhanced with exotic trees and shrubbery, and even boasted a fountain with goldfish in the front yard! Built by skilled laborers from Pittsburgh, the mansion was completed in 1820 and has 16 foot ceilings on the first floor, a grand central stairway to the second floor, and six fireplaces. Although gone now, the house originally had a

stairway to a widow's walk on the roof, making it possible for James to see Lake Erie from his house.

When the Village of Westfield was established in 1833, McClurg donated a parcel of land to be used as a village common, which is today's Village Park. On either side of his mansion, McClurg donated land to the Presbyterian and Episcopal churches.

Where McClurg's large hotel once stood there is now a bronze statue dedicated to Westfield's own Grace Bedell, the little girl who encouraged Abraham Lincoln to grow whiskers. In 1860, Abraham Lincoln's inaugural train stopped in Westfield, and he had an opportunity to thank Grace in person for her suggestion. The statue commemorates the meeting between Lincoln and Bedell.

Speaking of Abraham Lincoln, the man who would become his Secretary of State, William Seward, came to Westfield in 1836 to serve as the Holland Land Company's land agent. Seward rented the McClurg mansion for two years. The historical society's collection includes the land company's desk, safe, and surveying equipment.

The introduction of the Concord grape changed Westfield's agricultural history. Dr. Charles Welch built the world's first large grape juice plant here in 1897, leading to Chautauqua County becoming the largest grape producing county in the United States outside of California. Today, Westfield is located in the heart of the Lake Erie Grape and Wine Belt.

To learn more about James McClurg and his influence on Westfield, the public is welcome to attend a program by Michelle Henry, historical society trustee, on Saturday, April 20 at 11 AM at the Episcopal Church on Elm Street. The program is free to attend.

Celebrate Earth Day and Volunteer Month at Audubon Saturday, April 20

Article Contributed by Audubon Community Nature Center

April is National Volunteer month, dedicated to honoring all of the volunteers in our communities as well as encouraging volunteerism throughout the month.

You are invited to celebrate National Volunteer Month and Earth Day 2024 by joining Audubon Community Nature Center (ACNC) staff and volunteers Saturday morning, April 20, as they work on projects to maintain and improve the Nature Center building and grounds.



With tasks for all ages and abilities, volunteering at Audubon Community Nature Center on Saturday, April 20, is a great way to celebrate Volunteer Month and the upcoming Earth Day.

during business hours or go to AudubonCNC.org and click through Programs and Events. Even though the program is free, you will need to click through check-out to complete your registration.

"Put simply," Audubon says Volunteer Coordinator Emily Nelson, "Audubon could not exist without our volunteers. Last year 267 volunteers donated 8,238 hours to the Nature Center buildings, grounds, education, animals, and more. Of those volunteers, 110 were new or came back after years away. Auditors value ACNC's volunteer force at approximately \$260,000 yearly."

To learn more about Audubon and its many programs, call (716) 569-2345, find Audubon Community Nature Center on Facebook, or visit AudubonCNC.org. Check out AudubonCNC.org/about for a quick fly-by visit. Sunday, July 7 is the deadline for submitting or voting on entries in the 2024 Nature Photography Contest at GoGoPhotoContest.com/



Walk-ins are welcome, but Nature Photography registration ahead of time is at GoGoPhotoCon appreciated: Call (716) 569-2345 ACNCPhotoContest2024.

Animal Rabies Immunization Clinic April 20

Article Contributed by

Chautauqua County Health Department

The Chautauqua County Health Department has announced a free rabies vaccination clinic. Animals must be pre-registered to receive vaccinations, free of

charge to all dogs, cats, and domesticated ferrets three months of age and older. While supplies last, distemper shots and/or microchips will



also be available through the Chautauqua County Humane Society.

The clinic will take place on Saturday, April 20, 2024 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Village of Falconer Highway Department at 1 Coleson Drive. To pre-register

> online visit rb.gy/tbh4cg or scan the QR code. For more information, visit the Chautauqua County Humane Society 716-665-2209.



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This Week Around Town

APRIL 16

Live CHQ Campaign Kick-Off – 2pm Robert H Jackson Center To RSVP: lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/ reg/8wsnjnk

Boutique & Bites FUNdraiser – 4-8pm Labrynth/Brazil and Art Cloth & Craft For info: chautauquawatershed.org

Sassy Baggs & Beyond Blingo – doors open 6pm, games begin 7pm organized by Filling the Gap, Inc. to benefit Mark Pacheco WOW (Working on Wonders) Fund Admission: \$20 – light refreshments

For tickets/info: fillingthegap.net/events Free Classic Movie Night: The Maltese Falcon-John Huston-1941 – 7pm Lakeshore Center for the Arts

APRIL 17

Weekly Bird Walks at RTPI – 9am Roger Tory Peterson Institute, Jamestown Register: 716-665-2473

Chautauqua County Genealogical Society 6:30PM meeting and speaker at 7 PM Sam Crisanti, member of the local CIAO free & open to the public Cassadaga American Legion

Lecture: Are We Really Alone? The Search Has Only Begun! – 7pm Martz-Kohl Observatory, Frewsburg For info: martzobservatory.org **48th Annual Banff Centre Mountain Film Festival World Tour – April 19-20 – 7pm** The Reg Lenna Center for the Arts For info/tickets: reglenna.com/events/ movies-the-reg-banff-2024-Friday

The Seven Wonders Fleetwood Mac Tribute

8pm Spire Theater, Jamestown For info/tickets: inspirejamestown.com

APRIL 20

1-Day Perch Derby on Lake Erie For info: 716-796-5372

Westfield Community Yard Sale – 9am-2pm YMCA Westfield

Volunteer Day 2024 – 9am-1pm Audubon Community Nature Center Family-friendly and free, includes lunch Reservations welcomed: AudubonCNC.org

Quick Clay: Mini Mugs – 10am For info: pearlcityclayhouse.org/event/quickclay-mini-mugs-2

QUICK CLAY: Critter Plates – 11:30am For info: pearlcityclayhouse.org/event/quickclay-critter-plates-2/

Everlasting Ceramic Flowers – 1pm For info: pearlcityclayhouse.org/event/ everlasting-ceramic-flowers-2 Pearl City Clay House

Spring Fest at Midway State Park

10am - 2pm Midway State Park, Bemus Point For info: facebook.com/midwaystatepark

Culture Care Senior Living / The Tanglewood Group Celebrates National Pillow Fight Day

Article Contributed by Culture Care Senior Living

In a heartwarming yet wild celebration of National Pillow Fight Day, Culture Care Senior Living transformed the hallways of their local senior living communities - Tanglewood Manor, Memory Garden, and The Magnolia - into lively battlegrounds for a day filled with laughter, smiles, and pillow fights. Residents and their team members alike took part in the fun, showcasing that age is merely a number when it comes to having a good time. Zac Hnatyszyn, VP of Community Outreach at Culture Care, expressed his delight, saying, "Seeing the joy and excitement on everyone's faces was truly special. It's moments like these that remind us of the vibrant community spirit that thrives in our homes." Echoing the sentiment, Gary Rohinsky, Owner and CEO of Culture Care, remarked, "We love to engage in these fun, and out-of-the-box activities. While we all inevitably grow older, maintaining a youthful heart is crucial for our seniors to live life to the fullest. Activities like this not only bring so much joy to our residents but also foster a positive culture among our team, aligning perfectly with our mission." For those who missed the fun or wish to relive the battle ground moments, Culture Care Senior Living invites everyone to view highlights on their social media platforms. Check out their social media for exclusive pillow fight footage, they invite all not only follow all their senior living community's social media platforms but with nearly 3,000 followers on TikTok, they urge all to follow them at @culturecare to help support their organizations mission.

About Culture Care

Culture Care is in the top 1-2% of leading and award-winning providers of senior living services in the nation, supporting seniors in living life to the fullest and truly keeping their golden years, golden. Their 3 main focuses are their residents, their team and the communities that they serve in hopes to make a difference in every life they touch

WESTFIELD TRIVIA

- 1. What store is owned by a former high school art teacher and features both her own work as well as a rotating gallery of other local artists?
- 2. Two dedicated Westfield attorneys with the initials JS and CR?
- 3. This shop is run by a local author and features work from other local writers and artists?
- 4. The store title of this special new edition to Westfield means "donkey" in German.
- 5. Get a cold one here or a glass of fine wine at one of Kevin and Kim's other two locally-owned businesses.
- 6. This destination tells the story of the 150-year-plus tradition of grape-growing and

APRIL 18

Travel the World with Music for Your Mouth:10amPeru – 6pmSt. PetReservations RequiredFor inf

For info: music4yourmouth.com/events

APRIL 19

Genealogy Workshop & Memory Lab 2-4pm Every Friday James Prendergast Library For info: prendergastlibrary.org/genealogy/

Free Movie Night: Paddington 2 – 4:30 pm Fireplace Room, James Prendergast Library

Marcia Merrins Soulful Sculpture: Opening Reception – 5pm

Octagon Gallery - Patterson Library, Westfield For info: www.pattersonlib.org

Emerging Artists Series – 7pm Scharmann Theatre, JCC For tickets/info: sunyjcc.edu/

James McClurg's Influence On The Region

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Westfield For info: cchsmcclurg.org

Grapes & Hops Festival – 2-5pm Northwest Arena, Jamestown For info/tickets: northwestarena.com/grapesand-hops-festival

Emerging Artists Series – 7pm JCC Scharmann Theatre For tickets/info: sunyjcc.edu/ ScharmannTheatre

Animal Rabies Immunization Clinics 10am-12pm

Village Of Falconer Highway Dept. Pre-Registration for Clinic is Required Register at: tinyurl.com/bddcf6zd wine-making in the region.

- 7. This Westfield location provides "absolutely" compassionate care for your loved one.
- 8. Your pizza is made by Nick and Grace here, not by the restaurant's namesake.
- 9. Get your vehicle repaired here by next generation owner, Tyler Wright.
- 10. Find your "peace of mind," wares by this owner-artist, and other unique gifts here.
- 11. You may find a wonderous "patchwork" here.

1. Living Glass Gallery 2. James Spann, Cheryl Reed 3. Genres Bookshop
4. Mumpsimus Books 5. Grace & Abe's Brew Pub & Eatery 6. Grape
Discovery Center 7. Absolut Care of Westfield 8. CJ's Pizza 9. Westfield
Auto Body 10. Peaceful Designs 11. Concord Quilting Studio

Jamestown Board of Public Utilities (BPU) Electric Division Earns National Safety Award



Employees of the BPU Electric Division Transmission and Distribution Department are pictured in front of a line truck.

Article Contributed by

Jamestown Board of Public Utilities

The Jamestown Board of Public Utilities (BPU) Electric Division has earned the American Public Power Association's (APPA) Gold Status Safety Award of Excellence for safe operating practices in 2023. The BPU earned the award in the E category for utilities with 150,897 worker hours of annual employee exposure.

More than 160 utilities entered the annual Safety Awards for 2023. Entrants were placed in categories according to their number of worker hours and ranked based on the most incident-free records and the overall state of their safety programs and culture during 2023. The incidence rate is based on the number of work-related reportable injuries or illnesses and the number of worker hours during 2023, as defined by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). "The BPU is proud of our safety record," said David L. Leathers, General Manager of the local utility. "This award is a testament to the hard work that goes into ensuring that our employees go home safe to their families every day, a goal that is number one on our priority list at the BPU."

"In our industry, safety has to be top of mind all day, every day," said Scott McKenzie, Chair of APPA's Engineering and Operations Conference safety track and Senior Director of Member Training & Safety at AMP Inc. "These honored utilities have demonstrated a commitment to safety that runs through every aspect of their organizations."

The Safety Awards have been held annually for more than 65 years. The American Public Power Association is the voice of not-forprofit, community-owned utilities that power 2,000 towns and cities nationwide.

Carol Markham, Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy Conservationist, to Speak at Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Jamestown on April 21



For Earth Day, Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy Conservationist Carol Markham speaks at the 10:30 a.m., April 21 Sunday service of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Jamestown, 1255 Prendergast Avenue. She will talk about how Chautauqua County homeowners can take advantage of the Conservancy's LakeScapes program and FREE yard consultation and their benefits. To join virtually, use the link at UUJamestown.org/calendar.

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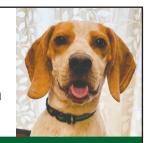
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