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April 8, 2024: The Day the Sun went Missing

Location	Duration of Totality	Partial Eclipse Begins	Full Eclipse Begins	Full Eclipse Ends	Partial Eclipse Ends
Jamestown	2m 51s	2:03:38 pm	3:17:55 pm	3:20:46 pm	4:31:43 pm
Buffalo	3m 46s	2:04:56 pm	3:18:20 pm	3:22:06 pm	4:32:10 pm
Rochester	3m 39s	2:07:00 pm	3:20:08 pm	3:23:47 pm	4:33:26 pm
Syracuse	1m 27s	2:09:01 pm	3:23:03 pm	3:24:30 pm	4:34:49 pm
Watertown	3m 39s	2:10:05 pm	3:22:33 pm	3:26:12 pm	4:35:01 pm
Lake Placid	3m 21s	2:13:02 pm	3:25:07 pm	3:28:29 pm	4:36:43 pm
Plattsburgh	3m 34s	2:14:03 pm	3:25:44 pm	3:29:18 pm	4:37:07 pm

**Times shown in local time (EDT)*

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Michelle M. Swanson
Martz-Kohl Observatory

It's not every day that the sun momentarily disappears – but that is what you can expect on Monday, April 8, 2024 in Chautauqua County. We will be in the direct path of totality for the total solar eclipse, and no matter where you are in Chautauqua County as the 120-mile-wide band of totality passes over the region, you will be experiencing a natural celestial spectacle that has not happened here since 1806 and won't happen here again until 2144.

Each year, or every 365 days, the Earth orbits the Sun once as the Moon orbits the Earth 13 times. Because of this celestial dance, there is the potential for the alignment of the Sun, Moon and Earth, causing a total solar eclipse at least twice a year. However, between 1924 and 2023, only 13 total solar eclipses have been visible in the continental United States and Alaska. In the next 100 years, there will be 11 more visible in this same geographical location which makes the sun's momentary disappearance in Chautauqua County on April 8, 2024 a truly once-in-a-lifetime event.

The astronomical event of the total solar eclipse on April 8 which will be visible

in Chautauqua County is different from a partial eclipse and an annular eclipse. A partial eclipse occurs when the Moon only covers part of the Sun. It is visible over a large area. The amount of coverage depends on how far away from the path of totality you are. All solar eclipses begin and end with a period of partial eclipse. Safe, certified solar eclipse glasses are needed to view a partial eclipse.

An annular eclipse occurs when the Moon passes directly between the Earth and the Sun, but it is too far away from the Earth to block all of the Sun's rays. This leaves an annulus of sunlight, or "ring of fire" visible around the Moon. Safe, certified solar eclipse glasses are also needed to view this type of eclipse.

Those in Chautauqua County on April 8 will experience a twilight appearance 360 degrees around the horizon at approximately 3:18 pm which will last between 2 minutes and 18 seconds and 3 minutes and 22 seconds depending on your location in the county. Those closer to the shoreline of Lake Erie will experience the longest amount of totality as the centerline of the eclipse is centered on Lake Erie. The entire duration of the total solar eclipse event is just about 2 and a half hours, as the Moon will appear to start to cover the Sun from the bottom right at 2:03 pm. It

is at this time that you will need to begin to use safe, certified solar eclipse glasses, however, it is never safe to look directly at the Sun. The Sun will appear to return completely at 4:31 pm as the Moon will exit the eclipse phase on the upper left portion of the Sun. The use of certified solar eclipse glasses is essential during this period of the eclipse as looking directly at the sun can cause permanent damage to one's eyes. It should be noted that totality, which is at approximately 3:18 pm and lasts roughly 3 minutes, should be viewed without certified solar eclipse glasses for the optimum experience of a total solar eclipse.

Certified solar eclipse glasses are the only special instruments or tools needed to view the total solar eclipse as this celestial movement is visible with one's eyes. Since Chautauqua County has a front-row seat for this historic and scientific event, there are many events and locations throughout the county offering viewing opportunities for the residents of Chautauqua County and for the many visitors choosing to view the total solar eclipse in Chautauqua County.

One location that is not hosting an event during the total solar eclipse is the Martz Kohl Observatory. Located at 176

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Editorial with Lori Cornell Here Comes the Sun



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Lori Cornell

I gratefully opened up this week's "Faith Matters" column submission only to find that the fabulous Pastor Tara Eastman had "stolen" my planned editorial theme. Ha! I suppose I'm not the only human who's been humming "Total Eclipse of the Heart" for weeks now. (But, Tara, I challenge you this: was artist Bonnie Tyler top of your 1994 college freshman year mixtape playlist?! Only kidding.) Readers: Please see her beautiful inspiration on page 7.

I found my brain lacking ideas and scrolled the internet for something else to say about this astronomical wonder upon us: a Total Solar Eclipse. In my wanderings, I found several interesting tidbits. Did you know that the word "eclipse" has its root in the Greek word for "abandonment?" Neither did I, and I hope I now sound like Gus from my "Big Fat Greek Wedding!" Apparently, ancient Greeks considered an eclipse to signify that the sun was abandoning the earth, ie. them.

Indeed, April 8 might be called "the day the sun went missing," but maybe your "sun" was abandoned another day or week or year ago. One such great guiding light here in Chautauqua County was none other than Jay Gould, longtime county legislator and supporter of this great community. Gould was a member of the legislature for 23 years and offered guidance and leadership to many through his official role. However, he

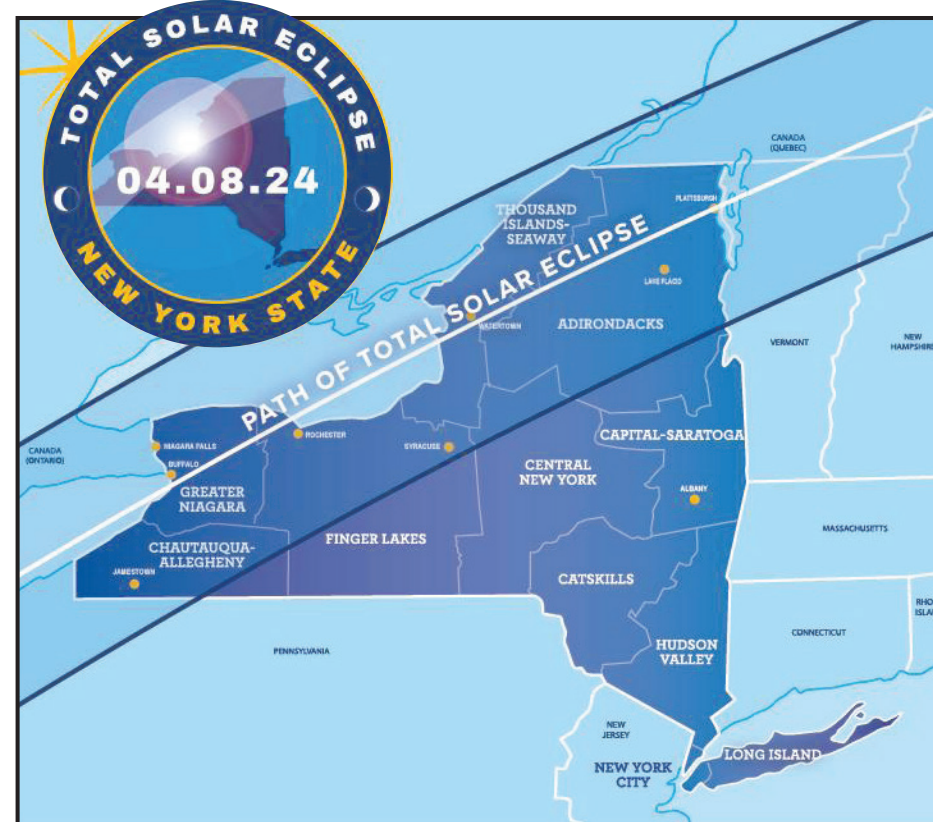
will also always be remembered as a mentor, a friend, and a community champion. While light might disappear for a short time, such as during the eclipse, it is never truly gone - we will remember your shining light, Jay, for decades to come. It was an honor to serve in the Legislature with you as my Chairman.

For me...the eclipse is undoubtedly an opportunity to educate oneself about, and experience firsthand, what will be for many a once-in-a-lifetime astronomical phenomenon. It is also a chance to celebrate what seems to have become a "bonus holiday" in our 2024 calendar. Many local organizations and businesses have worked hard to provide us with exciting eclipse events, eclipse music, eclipse drum circles, eclipse flyovers, eclipse souvenirs of every shape and size...and even special eclipse beer! Please support them! (See the Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce's featured eclipse destinations on page 18, and the Chautauqua County Visitors Bureau's special QR code for eclipse events on page 10.)

But maybe beyond the science and the celebrations, April 8 is a reminder that even in the darkest days, the sun will always return. We are not abandoned. We are not alone.

Maybe today is a great day to see your "sun" again and start anew. How will you embrace the new day?

A special thanks to the Martz-Kohl Observatory for their contributions and guidance in crafting these Gazette "Eclipse Editions" for April 1 and 8. We are so blessed in Chautauqua County with a great many national treasures situated right in our own backyard, and the Observatory is certainly among the top. Not only has the Observatory led the way in educating our citizenry about this solar eclipse, but they offer so many more opportunities to explore the wonders of space. If you've never been there, check out their website and visit soon: martzobservatory.org.



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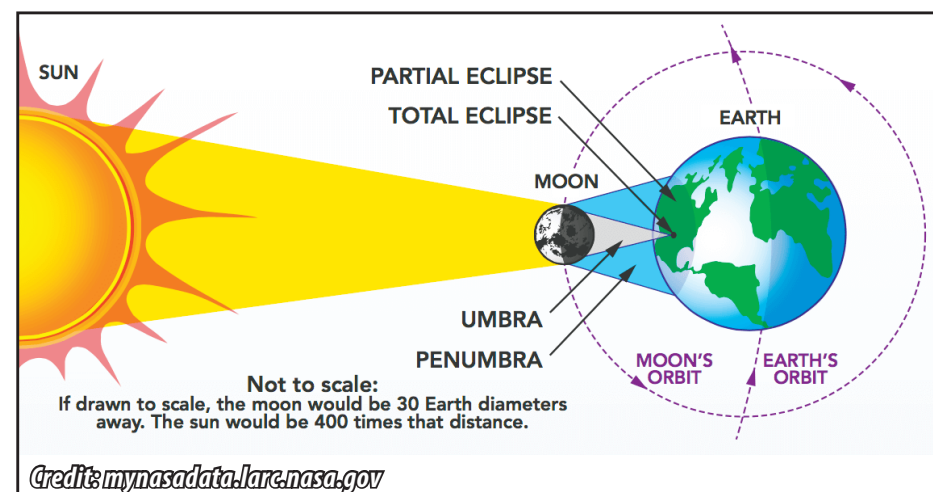
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Boutique & Bites FUNdraiser Tuesday, April 16, 4-8 pm



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Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy

In celebration of Earth Day, two local businesses with like-minded values come together to host a FUNdraiser event for an important local organization. On Tuesday, April 16, Brazil Craft Beer and Wine Lounge and Art Cloth & Craft Boutique will donate 25% of all sales from 4-8 pm to The Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy.

"As business owners and nature lovers, we wanted to do our small part in raising funds and awareness for this local non-profit that does so much thankless work to preserve and enhance the quality of our beautiful Chautauqua County," - Lauren Edwards (Co-Owner, Art Cloth & Craft)

In addition to boutique shopping, Art Cloth & Craft will host watershed themed crafts and activities presented by the knowledgeable reps of the organization. Dine or grab a beverage at Labyrinth or Brazil while enjoying music from local musician and Conservancy Board Member, Bill Ward. Be sure to visit both locations for a chance to win a prize package!

When: Tuesday, April 16, 4-8pm
Where: Labyrinth/Brazil (10-12 E. 4th St.) and Art Cloth & Craft (108 E. 3rd St.)

The Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy is a local non-profit and land trust recently awarded national accreditation through the Land Trust Accreditation Commission (an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance). Through land conservation, restoration projects, and educational programming, the Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy fosters and advocates for the care and protection of our natural areas to provide cleaner and healthier waters, safer fish and wildlife habitat, scenic beauty, climate resiliency, and economic prosperity here in the Chautauqua region now and for generations to come. Their 35 nature preserves are located throughout Chautauqua County, serving to protect a number of diverse ecosystems and provide year-round, nature-based recreational activities for our community such as hiking, kayaking, snowshoeing, bird and wildlife watching, nature study and photography, and geocaching. For more information visit their website at chautauquawatershed.org, and find them on Facebook and Instagram!

Bring your friends, family and fellow nature lovers to Shop, Sip, and Support Our Local Ecosystem!

If you have any questions about any aspect of the event please contact Frank Besse directly. He can be reached at frank@labpressco.com and (716) 450.8824.

"Pursuing Happiness: A Sequel for Trying Times"

Dr. Charles Walk to Speak at Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Jamestown on April 14



Submitted Photo

Dr. Charles Walker, St. Bonaventure University Professor Emeritus, speaks at the 10:30 a.m. April 14 Sunday service of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Jamestown, 1255 Prendergast Avenue. His message is "Pursuing Happiness: A Sequel for Trying Times." Walker spoke at the Global Summit on Human Well-Being in Washington, D.C. and was a panelist on Human Happiness and Well-Being at the United Nations. To join virtually, use the link at UUJamestown.org/calendar.

Agricultural Literacy Week Success Chautauqua County CCE Connects with over 3,000 Students

Article Contributed by

Cornell Cooperative Extension

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chautauqua County's Agriculture program is dedicated to giving the public the opportunity to learn about and interact with our food system. In celebration of National Ag Week (March 18-22nd), schools in the area were invited to participate in New York's Agriculture Literacy Week, organized statewide by New York Agriculture in the Classroom and coordinated locally by CCE Chautauqua.



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Westfield-Mayville Rotary Club member reads to students at Chautauqua Lake Elementary School.

This year, over 3,200 students at 20 different elementary schools enjoyed listening to volunteers read "I LOVE Strawberries," written by Shannon Anderson. The story is about a young girl who is determined to show her parents she is responsible enough to take care of the perennial plant. Each class was also given fresh strawberries to taste, and volunteers helped students learn about the growth of a strawberry from seed to mature fruit with a lifecycle activity.

Fruit production is a large industry in New York, with total berry sales at \$43,610,000 (2022 Agriculture Census). Connecting familiar foods to local and state agriculture helps develop youth to become more informed consumers. Josie Allen, Chautauqua County Agricultural Literacy Week Coordinator, expressed her appreciation for all who were involved with the program: "As this is my first-year coordinating Ag Literacy Week, I was blown away by the support our local community has for promoting agriculture and educating youth. I am so glad

this year's book was relatable to many students. Most kids do not have a direct connection with agriculture, and I think this book does a nice job of showing that even in your own front yard, you can be involved."

CCE Chautauqua puts out huge thanks to the 55 volunteers and 16 financial donors who made this year's program possible. Donors this year include Michael and Shannon Carpenter (Butternut Brook Livestock), Carlberg Farm Livestock and Produce, Chautauqua County Farm Bureau, Dan Smith, Dave Munch & Sara Toth, Farm Credit East ACA, Dan and Anna Crowell (Green Banks Farm), Jamestown Garden Club, Janet Forbes in memory of James Forbes, Jim and Rosie Joy (JM Joy Farms), John and Carol Hardenburg, John Hemmer, Olde Chautauqua Farms, Richard and Janice Jozwiak, and Sue Harper.

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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

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Island nation
7. Platforms
13. Project plan
14. French fishing port
16. South Dakota
17. Oakland's baseball team
19. Military policeman
20. Ornamental stone
22. Garland
23. Process that produces ammonia
25. Mousses
26. Music notation "dal _"
28. Fail to win
29. Peyton's little brother
30. Not near
31. Some cars still need it
33. Lizard genus
34. An idiot (Brit.)
36. Postponed
38. African country
40. Gazes unpleasantly
41. In a way, traveled
43. Ukraine's capital
44. Appropriate
45. Dash
47. Twitch
48. Swiss river
51. Data file with computer animations
53. City in S. Korea
55. Particular region
56. They have eyes and noses
58. Tear
59. Large Madagascan lemur
60. Not out
61. Ornamental saddle covering
64. A driver's license is one
65. Latin term for charity
67. Rechristens
69. Objects from an earlier time
70. Hindu male religious teachers

CLUES DOWN

1. Used as a weapon
2. Yukon Territory
3. Makes a map of
4. An established ceremony prescribed by a religion
5. Unnilhexium
6. Merchant
7. Playing the field
8. Folk singer DiFranco
9. Something to scratch
10. Mexican agave
11. Equal to one quintillion bytes
12. Session
13. North American people
15. Ranches
18. Electroencephalograph
21. A type of compound
24. Avenue
26. High schoolers' test
27. A type of meal
30. Gradually disappeared
32. Ancient Frankish law code
35. Popular pickup truck
37. Buzzing insect
38. Deal illegally
39. Lying in the same plane
42. Obstruct
43. Related
46. Challenge aggressively
47. Nocturnal hoofed animals
49. Bird's nests
50. Forays
52. ___ B. de Mille, filmmaker
54. Title of respect
55. One-time name of Vietnam
57. Self-immolation by fire ritual
59. Private school in New York
62. Political action committee
63. A way to fashion
66. Email reply
68. "The Great Lake State"

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James Edward Welling, 70
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March 26

LaJuana Bruno, 89
Tiona
Peterson-Blick Funeral Home

March 27

Karen Lee Seeley, 75
Ashville
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Clare M. Berg, 79
Jamestown
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March 28

James M. "Jim" Bigelow, 73
Gerry
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Thomas Francis Nupp, 77
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Susan E. Shafer, 65
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March 30

Darlene Elizabeth Nicklas, 76
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Chautauqua County Mourns Loss of Former Legislator Jay Gould

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With heavy hearts and profound sorrow, we mourn the loss of longtime Chautauqua County former Legislator Frank Jay Gould, whose enduring legacy of dedicated public service leaves an indelible mark on our community.

Representing District 17, encompassing the towns of Clymer, Panama, Harmony, and Busti, Gould was a pillar of leadership and integrity throughout his 20+ consecutive years of service on the legislature, commencing in January 2000 until his retirement in 2022. His impact resonated far beyond his district, shaping policies and initiatives that propelled the county forward.

During his tenure, Gould, fondly referred to by his friends as Jay, was elected Chairman of the Legislature from 2012 to 2016. His dedication extended to various committees, including Human Services, Public Facilities, and Audit & Control, where his insights and expertise enriched deliberations and decisions.

Beyond legislative chambers, Gould's commitment to public service was evident through his involvement in numerous boards and authorities, including the Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board, Chautauqua County Soil and Water Conservation District Board, and the Southern Tier Railroad Authority, among others. His multifaceted engagement underscored his holistic approach to community development and stewardship.

"Jay Gould's passing leaves a profound void in our hearts and in the fabric of Chautauqua County. His dedication to public service, unwavering integrity, and steadfast commitment to our community set an exemplary standard for us all," said Chautauqua County Executive Paul M. Wendel Jr. "As a farmer himself, Jay understood the vital importance of agriculture to our county's economy and way of life. His advocacy for our agricultural community was unparalleled, reflecting his deep-rooted passion for sustaining and nurturing our rural heritage. We mourn his loss deeply, but his legacy of service, leadership, and dedication will endure as a guiding light for generations to come."



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Frank "Jay" Gould III
1942-2024

In his retirement speech in December 2022, Jay Gould imparted wisdom to his colleagues, reminding them of their fundamental responsibility to safeguard the interests of constituents. His words, "remember why you were sent up here. You were sent up here to watch your constituent's money. That's what you're here for," resonate as enduring principles guiding public service.

Even after retiring, Gould remained an active contributor to the community and government, notably serving on the 2023 Salary Review Commission.

"Throughout his incredible and exemplary service to the County over the past 22 years, Jay has proven to be a source of wisdom, understanding, and insight. He worked tirelessly to serve the residents of Chautauqua County, leaving an indelible mark on our community," said Chautauqua County Legislature Chairman Pierre Chagnon. "Jay's dedication to public service and his unwavering commitment to bettering our county's future will be remembered and cherished by all who had the privilege of working alongside him."

Our thoughts and prayers are with Jay Gould's family, friends, and loved ones during this difficult time. May his memory serve as a beacon of inspiration, guiding us as we strive to honor his legacy through continued dedication to the welfare of Chautauqua County and its residents.

As a tribute to Gould's remarkable life and enduring legacy, flags at all county properties will be respectfully flown at half-staff.

Faith Matters

No Eclipse of Love



Contributing Writer

Rev. Tara L. Eastman
Transitional Pastor at First Presbyterian
Church of Jamestown, NY

In our corner of the world in Chautauqua County, on April 8th we will experience a solar eclipse that is described as one of total occlusion, or a complete blockage of the light of the sun.

With the help of scientific research, we have advance warning about this fantastic natural event. We have made preparations. We have our eclipse glasses at the ready. We have plotted out the schedule of the eclipse in our region, and know that this total occlusion is temporary. This amazing display of midday total darkness will only last about four minutes.

However, it's important to remember that while the sun will be blocked by the moon in the middle of the day, this moment of darkness will not last. That the sun is still there even if we can't see it.

In all this talk and preparation for eclipse day I have been humming the tune from the singer Bonnie Tyler, "A Total Eclipse of the Heart" and it's sad story of love lost, eclipsed, and occluded. The chorus says...

*"Once upon a time there was light in my life
But now there's only love in the dark
Nothing I can say
A total eclipse of the heart."*

When it comes to eclipse's of the heart - and of the sun - it is important to remember that even in times where light and love are not visible, they are still present. That light and love can be under the surface and working behind the scenes, even when we least expect it. That we are to help be the presence of love in the world.

In the Old Testament and in the book Song of Songs (Song of Solomon) chapter eight speaks of the tenacity of love:

*"Many waters cannot quench love,
neither can floods drown it."*

That love, in its most sincere forms, is powerful and unstoppable. That even when it can't be seen - love is still there.

In 1st Corinthians 13, we learn more about the specific qualities of love.

Love is patient, kind, cares for others, cultivates beauty, is selfless, forgiving, gracious, righteous, speaks truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. That like the love described in the Song of Songs, love is tenacious. Love never fails.

On this day of the solar eclipse, it is important to remember the unseen power of love. To be reminded on this day and other days where love seems to be in short supply; that love is still there. That love is powerful, and present, even when we can't quite see it or feel it.

As you witness the solar eclipse, I invite you to remember the power of love. Remember that you are beloved by God and all of humanity is invited to be curators of love in the world.

We are called to love: to make more space for love than anything else, to make more time for love than anything else. This kind of love never ends. It never fails.

*"Many waters cannot quench love;
rivers cannot wash it away. Nor can fire destroy it..."*

Blessing: God help us to remember that every moment is a moment for love. That in times of confusion and grief, that God's love remains. There never can be a total eclipse of love.

Walking in grace,
Rev. Tara L. Eastman
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Host for Holy Shenanigans Podcast at: <https://holyshenanigans.buzzsprout.com>

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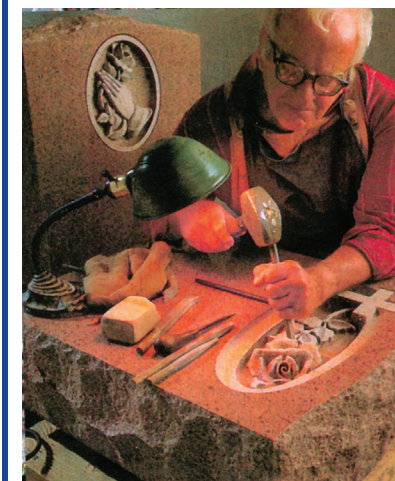
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Checking In with Paul Leone

Love and Death



Contributing Writer
Paul Leone

To Walt Whitman the scent of lilac ever returning with spring evoked the solemn profound grief he experienced upon the death of his beloved president. Whitman wrote his majestic elegy immediately upon learning of the assassination. At the moment he was on a sort of sabbatical away from the Washington D.C. hospitals where he had been visiting the wounded, holding their hands, reading to them and writing letters home to their families. He had traveled to New York to spend time with his family. Lee had surrendered at Appomatox courthouse six days before. The carnage of the Civil War appeared to be receding. Then, the assassination.

Whitman's poem—*When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd*—expresses his personal sorrow, at the edge of despair, a gloom that encompassed the entire country, with the image of a dark cloud, a long black trail, a black murk. The poet is solitary in a rural setting (Long Island) where he is receiving a measure of comfort from the scent of the lilac, the song of a hermit thrush and the light of the *Western Star*. Highly emotional, the poem moves in numerous rhythms

and visual imagery. This masterpiece is the realization of Whitman's most sublime theme—the mystical relation between Love and Death.

The scent of lilac and the sad beauty of the poem are for me, as for Whitman, the necessary markers of ever returning spring. I have delivered recitations of the poem, always in April, at numerous locations for many years. Reciting the poem immerses me in the rhythms of grief and the sublime healing power of love.

Whitman was enamoured of the burgeoning muscularity of nineteenth century America. I share through his words the same sense of the majesty of the American landscape, the energy of the cities and the capacity of the prairies:

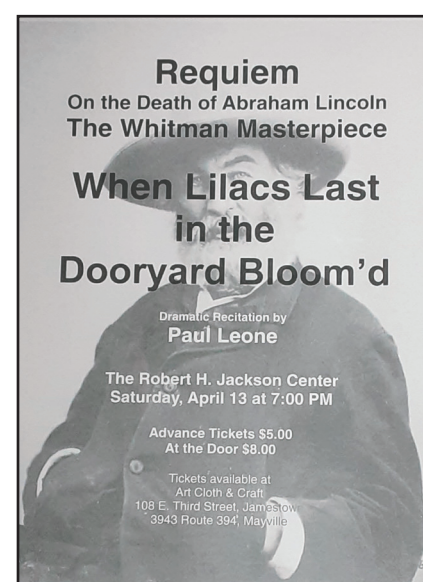
... *Mighty Manhattan with spires!*
The sparkling and hurrying tides,
And the ships,
The varied and ample land,
The South and the North in the light,
Ohio's shores and flashing Missouri.
And ever the far spreading prairies
Covered with grass and corn...

The death of Abraham Lincoln was so cataclysmic an event in American history that its anniversary on April 15 ought always to be recognized. To Whitman Lincoln was ... *the sweetest wisest soul in all my days and lands...* I revere the poem and the person of Walt Whitman and the sweet wise assassinated president. I can think of no better way to both mourn his death and celebrate America's revered poet than by a public rendering of the poet's masterpiece.

REQUIEM

When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd

Jamestown storyteller/writer Paul Leone will perform the famous Walt Whitman elegy on the death of Abraham Lincoln at 7:00 PM April 13 at the Robert H. Jackson Center, 305 East Fourth Street, Jamestown. This year marks the 159th anniversary of Lincoln's death April 15, 1865. Whitman wrote his masterpiece immediately upon hearing of the assassination. The poem is a highly emotional expression blending the poet's profound grief with his love for the dead president. Leone's recitation will include remarks to place the poem both in historical and literary context. Advance sale tickets may be purchased at Art Cloth and Craft's outlets, 108 3rd



Street, Jamestown and 3943 Rte, 394, Mayville. Price: \$5.00. At the door: \$8.00. Cookies and coffee to follow.

County Urges Eclipse Safety



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Article Contributed by
Chautauqua County Office
of Emergency Services

Chautauqua County is ramping up preparations to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all residents and visitors.

Building on previous announcements and initiatives, officials are emphasizing the importance of being adequately prepared for the celestial event.

"We are under a week away from the eclipse event, and being prepared is absolutely crucial. Whether you're planning to view the eclipse from your backyard or venture out to one of the designated viewing locations, taking necessary safety precautions is paramount," said Chautauqua County Emergency Services Director Noel Guttman.

Residents are urged to ensure that essential items such as food, water, gas, and prescription medications are readily available. Ahead of Monday, April 8, 2024 emergency response assets will be staged countywide and at the ready ahead of increased traffic from visitors.

"We understand the challenges that come with increased traffic during events like the eclipse. That's why Chautauqua County is working closely with law enforcement and transportation authorities to implement traffic control measures and offer alternative routes to ease congestion. Our advice to visitors is simple: 'come early and stay late.' By staggering arrivals, we hope to minimize traffic bottlenecks and ensure a smoother experience for everyone. And for our local residents, remember that you can enjoy the eclipse right from your

backyard, eliminating the need for extensive travel," said Guttman.

Additionally, the County is distributing free eclipse glasses to residents and visitors, available for pickup at various locations across the county. These certified glasses provide essential eye protection during the eclipse, ensuring a safe viewing experience for all.

In light of the eclipse's potential impact on boating activities, Chautauqua County Emergency Services is reminding boaters to adhere to safety protocols.

"For those few minutes of darkness, boaters need to exercise caution and ensure they have proper lighting, life jackets, and navigational aids onboard," emphasizes Guttman.

Moreover, residents and visitors are encouraged to visit the official Chautauqua County website: chgov.com/eclipse for comprehensive eclipse safety guidelines, including tips on traffic management, emergency preparedness, and viewing etiquette.

As Chautauqua County enters the final stretch before the 2024 Solar Eclipse, County Executive Paul M. Wendel Jr. expresses confidence in the community's readiness.

"Our collective efforts in preparing for this celestial event have been commendable. With just days remaining, let's continue to prioritize safety and cooperation to ensure a memorable and incident-free experience for everyone," said Wendel.

Last month it was announced that County Offices and services, except emergency and essential services, will close starting at noon on April 8, 2024.

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Solar Eclipse Trivia

contributed by Corey Swanson - Martz-Kohl Observatory

- Which is NOT a type of solar eclipse?
a. Total b. Partial c. Annular d. Stationary
- The temperature can drop ___ degrees or more during a total solar eclipse?
a. 10 b. 20 c. 30 d. 50
- On average, a total solar eclipse can be seen from the same place every ___ years.
a. 100 b. 375 c. 500 d. 1000
- A totally eclipsed sun is about as bright as a full moon.
a. True b. False
- During a total solar eclipse, you will experience twilight and sunset 360 degrees around the horizon.
a. True b. False
- During the solar eclipse, when viewed from the northern hemisphere, the moon makes first contact with which side of the sun?
a. Right b. Left c. Top d. Bottom
- A solar eclipse can only occur during a new moon.
a. True b. False
- The sun is 400 times larger than the moon, and 400 times farther away.
a. True b. False
- A solar eclipse can occur on every planet in our solar system except Mercury and Venus.
a. True b. False
- People who travel around the world to observe total solar eclipses are called "umbraphiles".
a. True b. False

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Safely Take Photos of the Eclipse with your Phone's Camera

Andy Ferlong
Martz-Kohl Observatory

You can look at the sun and partial eclipse only when using ISO 12312-2 certified solar glasses. The same goes for your phone's camera! You can damage your phone's sensor if pointing at the sun for too long. During the total eclipse you can remove the glasses UNTIL you see any part of the sun, then quickly replace.



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For your camera:

- Place one eye section of a pair of solar glasses completely over the camera lens. Cover all lenses, if possible, as there may be more than one. You probably want to use your most powerful telephoto lens for taking eclipse photos. Ensure that lens is completely covered. You can use tape to hold the glasses to the camera. It's OK to bend the glasses - just not the lens portion.
- Turn on camera to "auto" (normal) mode.
- Point the camera at the sun. Do not have one of your unprotected eyes looking!
- You will see the small yellow ball of the sun. Try to center.
- You can use the digital zoom, if your camera has that, to enlarge the image but, you will need to be steady - or brace the camera.
- Take lots of photos as the sun is partially eclipsed - before and after totality
- Take the glasses off the camera when in totality - take photos but remember to view this awesome spectacle with YOUR eyes as well!
- Place glasses back on as soon as any portion of the sun shows. Take more partial eclipse images :)
- Later, brag that you were THERE - and show off images to friends and family!

What About Pets During the Eclipse?

Andy Ferlong
Martz-Kohl Observatory

Animal experts agree that pets, cats, dogs, even birds, do NOT look at the sun. Have you ever seen them looking up? It is not very likely that they will EVER look up at the sun. You should not need to leave pets inside while you and others view the eclipse. People get excited as it will get dark, though. You may want to keep your pet away from too much stimulation. Keeping your pets in familiar surroundings is a good idea to keep them in their soothing environment. You probably don't want to take them to the Jamestown Airport or other places where many people will be!



Submitted Photo

it's unlikely they'll even glance up just because the moon is crossing part of it. So, no, your dog does not need to stay indoors and doesn't need eclipse glasses. However, there are some things to think about if you're in the path of totality—when sudden darkness and excited humans are par for the course.

Does a solar eclipse affect dogs? It's an oddly perennial question when a major solar eclipse occurs, as it will on April 8. Since humans need eclipse glasses, many question whether their are pets safe.

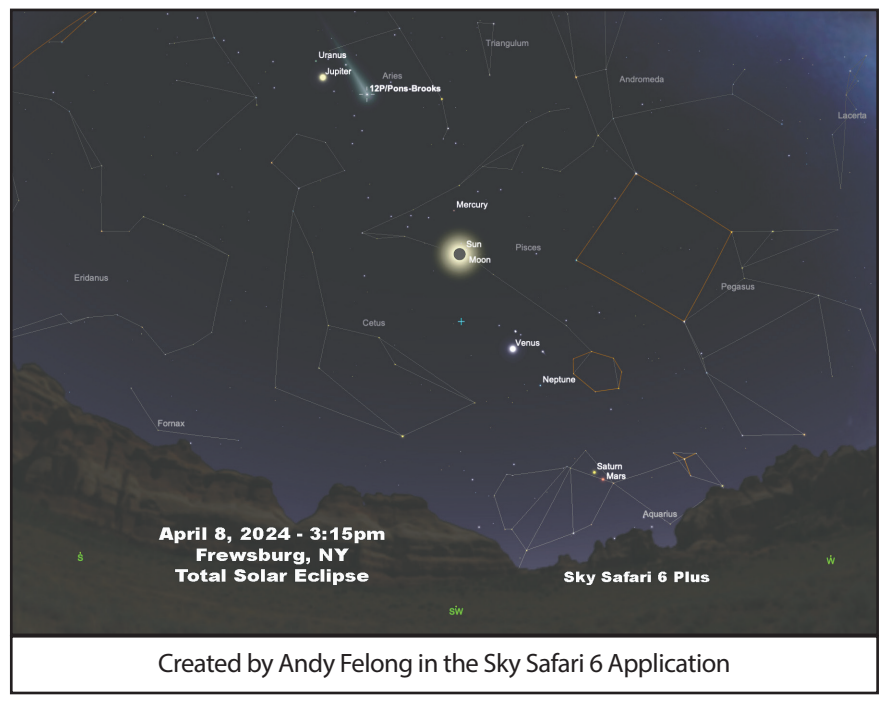
Glasses Not Required for Pets

Do not get eclipse glasses for your dog. That would be silly. Dogs may behave differently during an eclipse, but it's got nothing to do with exposure to the actual event.

Animals do not look at the sun, so

April 8, 2024: The Day the Sun went Missing

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April 8, 2024 - 3:15pm
Frewsburg, NY
Total Solar Eclipse

Created by Andy Felong in the Sky Safari 6 Application

Robbin Hill Road in Frewsburg, New York, the Martz Kohl Observatory is operated by the Marshal Martz Memorial Astronomical Association, Inc. Corey Swanson, President of The Marshal Martz Memorial Astronomical Association, Inc. stated "The decision was made by the Board of Directors at The MMMAA, Inc. to 'officially' state that the Observatory will be closed to the public during the total solar eclipse on April 8, 2024." Swanson said this is due to "traffic, parking and safety concerns, as the Observatory cannot safely handle a large influx of people." Swanson said "Since the total solar eclipse is viewable from everywhere in Chautauqua County, it is recommended that the residents of Chautauqua County view it safely from their own homes using certified solar eclipse glasses."

Swanson commented that residents of and visitors to Chautauqua County are always welcome to visit the Martz Kohl Observatory during open public hours or by contacting the Martz Kohl Observatory to schedule a private tour and viewing session. According to the official Martz Kohl Observatory website, "The Marshal Martz Memorial Astronomical Association, Inc. is a non-profit organization devoted to the amateur astronomer. The emphasis of our Association is observational astronomy, well-rooted in public education and enjoyment of the starry skies. The Martz Kohl Observatory is the base of operations for our organization and is key to our public education efforts. Public nights are open for all to enjoy and find out what our organization is all about." Public nights are Wednesdays after 7:30 pm with a suggested donation of \$2 for students and \$5 for adults. Even though the Martz Kohl Observatory is not officially open during the total solar eclipse on April 8, the members of The Marshal Martz Memorial Astronomical Association, Inc. have demonstrated commitment to the mission statement of public education and the enjoyment of the starry skies.

"Our NASA Eclipse Ambassador and The MMMAA, Inc Vice President Tom Traub as well as several other volunteer members have been very busy the last couple of months doing presentations on the eclipse to numerous schools and community organizations so that people will have an understanding of how eclipses occur and how to safely view them," MMMAA, Inc. President Corey Swanson said. "This once in a lifetime opportunity to see this natural celestial phenomenon from the safety of our own homes here in Chautauqua County is an exciting one, and I hope that all the planning that has occurred throughout Chautauqua County to view the total solar eclipse will allow many residents and visitors to the area to enjoy it."

Swanson commented that he does not yet consider himself an umbraphile, someone who travels around the world to observe total solar eclipses. "April 8, 2024 will be the second total solar eclipse I have witnessed," he said. "The first being in Franklin, Kentucky on August 21, 2017, when I traveled there with my family. I still remember what it felt like that afternoon, watching the moon's black disc move slowly across the face of the sun until totality arrived and I was able to see it with my own eyes. I know I will, and hope that you do too, cherish the memory of this eclipse as you share it with friends and family."

Swanson said, like many others, he is hoping for "clear skies" for this once-in-a-lifetime event in Chautauqua County as the Sun will momentarily disappear.

For more information about The Marshal Martz Memorial Astronomical Association, Inc. and the Martz Kohl Observatory, visit <https://martzobservatory.org/> or like and follow Martz Kohl Observatory on Facebook.

It's Cloudy! Will We Miss the Eclipse?

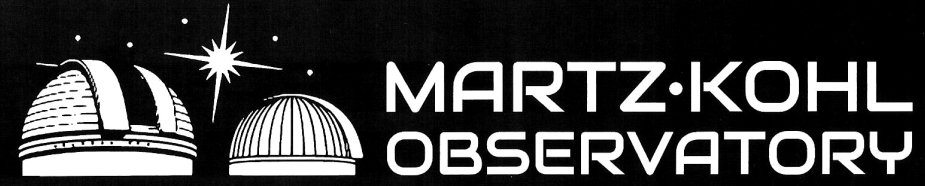


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Andy Ferlong
Martz-Kohl Observatory

Even if its partially cloudy or heavily cloudy the sun can damage your eyes! Do not try to catch the sun between clouds without ISO certified solar eyeglasses. If its cloudy, you will not be able to see much, if any of the partial eclipse. Your eyes adjust so you probably will not even notice that it might be getting slightly darker - UNTIL 30 seconds before the total eclipse. It will then quickly become completely dark, like night.

Some people call this changing light, "spooky." Be prepared to note your surroundings and any nature activity. Are animals or birds acting strangely? Do you hear any night-type noises? The temperature may noticeably become colder. Take souvenir photos of your companions and anything that catches your eye. You can use these as talking points when you brag about "being there." The light returns to normal after totality in only a few seconds. It's like nothing happened, but it did! You were THERE!



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Jim Kelly-Autographed Football at MHA Brocton Fundraiser, Friday April 12



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A football autographed by Buffalo Bills legend Jim Kelly is the big prize at the Friday, April 12 basket raffle fundraiser for the Mental Health Association in Chautauqua County. Donations toward the football drawing can be made before or during the event at the Brocton American Legion.

Article Contributed by Mental Health Association in Chautauqua County

Over 35 baskets, prizes, and gift cards donated by local businesses and Mental Health Association in Chautauqua County (MHA) supporters will be at their basket raffle fundraiser Friday, April 12. The 4-8 p.m. event is at the Brocton American Legion, 110 West Main Street in Brocton.

Donations can be sent in advance through the MHA's Venmo, @mha-in-chq. Through Thursday, April 11, cash and checks are accepted at the MHA's Jamestown center, 31 Water Street.

Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

Resources for mental health and substance use supports in Chautauqua County will be at the event, including Naloxone (NARCAN) training.

To donate a raffle item or for more information, contact event organizer Jena Vacanti at (716) 467-3294 or Raffle@MHACHautauqua.org.

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You need not be present to win.

Infinity's Annual Spring Showcase

Article Contributed by Infinity Visual and Performing Arts



Infinity's Annual Spring Showcase, presented by Merrill Lynch, will be taking place at the Washington Middle School Auditorium on Saturday, April 27, 2024 at 7:00pm. The performance will feature an array of dynamic performances by students who study at Infinity Visual and Performing Arts Center.

For more information call the Infinity Center at 716.664.0991 or go online to www.infinityperformingarts.org

Pre-sale event tickets are on sale now at the Infinity Center, or online at www.infinityperformingarts.org/shop for \$8. Tickets will also be available on the day of the event for \$10. All children under 18 will be admitted free of charge.

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Chautauqua Farmer-Neighbor Committee Call for Sponsors



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Guests will enjoy a local-foods buffet, visit with agricultural producers to learn more about agriculture in Chautauqua County, and win local products as door prizes.

Article Contributed by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chautauqua County



The Chautauqua Farmer-Neighbor Committee will host the 7th annual Chautauqua Farmer-Neighbor Dinner on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at The Grandview of Ellington, 1116 West Hill Road, Ellington, NY.

Chautauqua County is rich in agriculture and home to over 1,275 farms. With such prominence in our County, the tie to farming is something many have come to know and love. Our community is fortunate to enjoy rural landscapes that are preserved by our farming operations, along with access to wholesome, locally produced foods. This event is an opportunity to celebrate our community's farmers that work tirelessly to produce safe, wholesome food for all to consume.

This farm-to-table dinner will showcase a variety of delicious food products. While each year's dinner is different and dependent on the donations provided, it is sure to include a beautiful array of fruits, vegetables, lamb, turkey, beef, pork, maple syrup, and honey, all grown and harvested by nearby farmers and prepared by 3C's Catering of Kennedy, NY. No farm-to-table dinner would be complete without locally produced beverages, including beer, wine, milk, and grape juice. The event regularly sells out, with over 230 people gathering to celebrate farmers and food.

Individual dinner tickets are now available for \$20 per person, or \$10 for children ages 12 and under. Agricultural Advocate tables are available to purchase for \$175, and include a full table reserved for 8 diners and your name in the event program. Tickets, including the Agricultural Advocate package, can be purchased online at: bit.ly/CHQFND or by calling the Cornell Cooperative Extension office at (716) 664-9502.

This event is hosted by the Chautauqua Farmer-Neighbor Committee, a collaboration between public and private businesses supporting agriculture and local producers. A big thank you goes out to our current Barnraiser Sponsor, Farm Credit East, a financial cooperative providing credit and financial services to farmers and agribusinesses.

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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SNAP-ED, CCE and TCC Health Partner to Install Wellness Trails in Waiting Rooms

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SNAP-Ed NY, Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) of Allegany, Cattaraugus and Chautauqua have announced a partnership with The Waterfront Foundation's (TWF) Waterfront Health and Wellness Program with the installation of "wellness trails" in the waiting rooms of all practices under TCC Health. The trails include signs with nutrition and wellness tips and sensory floor stickers with fun activities. They have also incorporated QR codes on the wellness signs for additional online resources and nutrition information related to the program.

"We are excited to partner with SNAP-Ed NY and the three CCEs to bring these wellness trails to our patients," said Alicia Ekstrom, Director of TWF's Health and Wellness program. "We believe that these trails will help to promote healthy habits and make waiting rooms a more enjoyable experience for our patients."

The wellness trails are designed to be used by patients of all ages. The signs include tips on nutrition, physical activity, stress management, and how to shop for and cook healthy meals when life is tight. The floor stickers

feature fun activities that improve health and coordination, like balance challenges, hopscotch, and jumping games.

"We are committed to helping our community members live healthier lives," said Patty Amidon, MSEd, SNAP-Ed New York Project Manager. "These wellness trails are a great way to promote physical activity and healthy habits in a fun and engaging way."

The CCE Wellness trails were made possible through a grant from the Office of Temporary Assistance Disability (OTDA). SNAP-Ed NY is to help individuals, families with children, older adults and all those in between learn to save time, save money, and eat healthy. Providing tools, tips, and tricks to make nutritious food choices and choose a physically-active lifestyle.

Wellness trails have been placed at six of the TCC Health locations in Jamestown, Dunkirk, Gowanda, Forestville, Mayville and Jamestown PT/OT locations. The CCE team plans to change out the wellness information and review the existing activities every quarter.

Congressman Langworthy Secures Federal Funding for the Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office to Bring Justice in Unsolved Cases



Submitted Photo

Article Contributed by
The Office of Congressman Nick Langworthy

Congressman Nick Langworthy (NY-23) hosted a press conference to announce that the Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office will receive \$100,000 in new federal funding for their Abducted, Missing, Murdered, and Unidentified Women's Initiative. This funding passed the House as part of H. Res. 4366, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024, in a vote of 339 to 85.

"I'm proud to secure \$100,000 to help the Chautauqua County's Sheriff's Office access more resources to solve 21 cold cases involving missing, murdered, or unidentified women," said Congressman Langworthy. "The ultimate objective here is to honor the memory of those we have lost by ensuring that their stories are heard, their cases are pursued with diligence, and their families are provided with the closure they so desperately deserve. I want to thank Sheriff Quattrone for his attention to this important issue and the law enforcement officers who have spent countless hours pursuing these cold cases."

Congressman Langworthy was at the press conference by Chautauqua

County Sheriff James B. Quattrone, Unsolved Crime Unit Senior Investigators Tom Tarpley and Tom Di Zinno, Lieutenant Alex Nutt, Captain Josh Ostrander, and other officials from the Sheriff's office. They were also joined by Kaitlin Bush, a family member of one of the victims.

"This is truly a team effort," Sheriff Quattrone said, thanking the investigators and Congressman Langworthy. "I think it's important to realize that in these cases, while sometimes it's difficult to find evidence and they may lay stagnant, our officers, our investigators, our office continually work on these, look for leads, look for evidence that we can move forward. Some are more difficult than others, but with their persistence, we've seen successes. We're looking forward to the day when we can make announcements where we're able to see some prosecutions on cases."

Congressman Nick Langworthy represents the 23rd Congressional District of New York, including Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Chemung, Schuyler, and Steuben Counties and parts of Erie County. Visit langworthy.house.gov.

Name a Star Expensive Make Believe

Article Contributed by
Norman Carlson
Former Collections Manager,
Fenton History Center

The idea that making a wish when you see a "falling star" or "shooting star" is magically effective goes back to the Greeks. Falling stars, of course, are meteors, very unlike actual stars. In 1940, Disney expanded the magical wish granting power to actual stars with the song "When You Wish Upon a Star." For the last 45 years, a few people have grown rich selling the idea, the wish actually, that you can NAME a star.

I bring this up because this company is now advertising heavily on local radio. For \$59 International Star Registry will "name a star" for you and send you a pretty piece of paper, signed by one of its employees, to prove it. It will also list your name and the location of "your" star in volume twelve of a book that will be placed "in the U. S. Copyright Office." You can buy volume eleven on Amazon for the same price you pay to name your star. There is something deliciously ironic in that symmetry.

This book will not be found in observatories or planetariums and it will not be found in university astronomy libraries. Nobody will look at it or refer to it or use it in any way. I tell people that I will name an entire galaxy for half the price. I will even name your car, your dog, or your mother-in-law because I have just as much authority to do so as this company has. But I will laugh all the way to a LOCAL bank. Of course any living, sentient citizen can do the same thing free of charge in the sanctity of his own imagination.

So while the eclipse has set us all to thinking about our own closest star, named sonne by the Anglo Saxons and derived from sawel (or seahuo depending on what authority you consult) in the Proto-Indo European language thousands of years ago, we should ponder that the same money we could send to fairy spinners might better be spent on a subscription to an astronomy magazine for ourselves, a loved one, or a library. The money could also buy a two year membership at the Martz Kohl Observatory.

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

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Cash Rents and Custom Harvest Rates Survey – Responses Needed Cornell Cooperative Extension Collects Survey Data to Help NY Farmers

Article Contributed by
Cornell Cooperative Extension

Having solid data and helpful resources is important for any business owner – but this information is critical for farmers looking to diversify and adjust to meet the unique challenges that face the agricultural industry. Regionally specific, and up-to-date, information is necessary to make informed decisions.

A team of Cornell Cooperative Extension Farm Business Management Specialists are working to fill in some missing information gaps with a new project – the 2024 Cash Rents and Custom Harvest Survey, funded by New York Farm Viability. This is survey, and accompanying resources, is available by visiting <https://farmbusiness.cornell.edu/cashrates/>.

The survey collects information on average rental rates for facilities and land, as well as ranges of custom service fees for things like hay harvesting activities, equipment use, and custom labor. All this information is collected anonymously and will be compiled to provide regional averages for areas across New York State. This will create a better understanding and starting point for farm owners to improve their negotiations and farm sustainability.

Project Leader, Katelyn Walley, is the Farm Business Management Specialist with Cornell Cooperative Extension's Southwest New York Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program. For her, this information will provide a helpful starting point for farms looking to make informed decisions. "I'm working with a lot of farms right now who are struggling to make ends meet. Sometimes," says Walley, "the conversation gets to a point where we're looking at ways to save money, be more efficient, or possibly change what we're

producing or managing". Walley states that, "The data from this survey will help farms decide what works best for them and what their options might be to continue forward".

Nicole Tommell, Project Co-Leader, is the Farm Business Management Specialist with Cornell Cooperative Extension's Central New York Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program. She states that, "Landowners and farmers often reach out to CCE Specialists across the state to understand what a fair price might be for land rental and custom cropping services". She continues, "For years, the answer has been to check information from other states' websites and make educated guesses. Our project will help provide a more helpful, and specific, answer".

Farm owners, land owners, and agribusiness specialists are encouraged to fill out the anonymous survey by visiting: <https://farmbusiness.cornell.edu/cashrates/>. For folks who need a paper copy, call Katelyn (716-640-0522) or Nicole (315-867-6001) to have one mailed for your convenience.

This project is funded through a grant from New York Farm Viability Institute: <https://nyfvi.org/>.

SWNYDLFC is a partnership between Cornell University and the CCE Associations of Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, and Steuben counties. Their team includes Katelyn Walley, Farm Business Management and Team Leader (716-640-0522); Camila Lage, Dairy Management (607-422-6788); Katelyn Miller, Field Crops (716-640-2047) and Amy Barkley, Livestock Management (716-640-0844). CCE is an employer and educator recognized for valuing AA/EEO, Protected Veterans, and Individuals with Disabilities and provides equal program and employment opportunities.

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Genealogy: Finding Your Family with Janet Wahlberg

Genealogy Conference & History Fair



Contributing Writer
Janet Wahlberg

The Fenton History Center will present a Genealogy Conference and History Fair at the Fluvanna Community Church on Saturday April 27th from 9AM to 4PM. Our Keynote Speaker Caleb Abrams is a Seneca Film Maker and Multimedia Artist from Brantford, Ontario and Buffalo, New York. He will speak at 9AM prior to the start

of the Conference. There is no cost to attend his presentation.

The cost of the Genealogy Conference is \$75.00 and there is a selection of 16 classes. Registration includes your lunch.

The History Fair will be a collection of Regional Historical Societies and Museums. It is Free to either set-up at or attend the History Fair.

To register for the conference or to set-up at the History Fair go to <https://fentonhistorycenter.org/crcg> or call the Fenton at 716-664-6256.

This event is sponsored by: the Jean VanDerwark Stowell Olson Genealogy Research and Education Fund, Rodgers Land Surveying, and Media One.

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Petitions for JPS School Board Election Available

Voter Registration & Absentee Voting Information

Article Contributed by
Jamestown Public Schools

Petitions for the Jamestown Public Schools Board of Education Election on May 21, 2024 are available beginning Thursday, March 28.

At the May 21 Annual School Budget Vote and School Board Election, there will be two vacancies created by the expiration, on June 30, 2024, of the terms of Frank Galeazzo and Nina Karbacka. There will also be an additional vacancy created by the recent resignation of former Board Vice President Patrick Slagle, with the two candidates receiving the



highest vote totals each to be elected to a full three-year term to commence on July 1, 2024 and expire on June 30, 2027, and the candidate receiving the third highest vote total to be elected to a one-year term to commence on May 22, 2024 and expire on June 30, 2025.

Candidates must submit a completed petition containing the names of 100 or more qualified voters within the school district to be eligible for the May 21 ballot. Petitions are due back to the Superintendent's Office, 197 Martin Road, Jamestown, N.Y., by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1.

This Week Around Town

APRIL 9

CCE Spring Lunch & Learn Series - Botany and Parts of the Plants - 12pm-12:30

Cornell Cooperative Ext. Offices or via Zoom
For info & to register: <https://chautauqua.cce.cornell.edu/gardening> or 716-664-9502 x224

Lecture Series: Roger Tory Peterson 1-2pm

Fenton History Center
Free & open to the public
For info: fentonhistorycenter.org

Mayville Adult Co-ed Volleyball 6:30-8:30pm

Town of Chautauqua Offices - gym
For info: 716-269-4129

APRIL 10

Living Voices: Within the Silence (Japanese Internment in America) - 10am, 1pm & 7pm

Cappa Theater, Robert H. Jackson Center
For info/register: roberthjackson.org/events

Quick Clay: Mini Mugs - 5:30pm

For info: pearlcityclayhouse.org/event/quick-clay-mini-mug

Quick Clay: Mini planter - 7pm

For info: pearlcityclayhouse.org/event/quick-clay-mini-planter/

Pearl City Clay House, Jamestown

Winemaker's Dinner at Truffle Honey - 6pm

Truffle Honey at CHQ Marketplace, Mayville
For Reservations: johnsonwinery.com/events/JE---Winemaker-s-Dinner---TruffleHoney

Movies at the Reg: One Life - 7pm

Reg Lenna Center for the Arts, Jamestown
For info/tickets: reglenna.com/events/movies-the-reg-one-life

APRIL 11

Living Voices: Within the Silence (Japanese Internment in America) - 1pm

Cappa Theater, Robert H. Jackson Center
For info/register: roberthjackson.org/events

Swans & Other Spring Waterfowl - 1pm

Community Connections at Findley Lake
To reserve: 716.769.2473

Road Trippin' with Music for Your Mouth: Southwest - 6pm

Music for Your Mouth, Mayville
For Reservation: 716-224-1035

Comedy Open Mic at The Lab - 7-9pm

Every 2nd & 4th Thursday
Labyrinth Press Co, Jamestown

APRIL 12

RTPI Guided Gallery Walk - 2pm

Every Friday - Call for Reservation
For info/reservations: 716.665.2473

Roger Tory Peterson Institute, Jamestown

MHA Basket & Jim Kelly Football Raffle 4-8pm

Brocton American Legion
For info: mhachautauqua.org

Beginning Bird ID Workshop - 5pm

Hosted by the Chautauqua-Warren Birding Association
Reservations appreciated, walk-ins welcome
Audubon Community Nature Center, Jamestown
For info/register: auduboncnc.org

Clay with Renee - 6pm

For info: pearlcityclayhouse.org/event/clay-with-renee-14/

Ceramic Butter Dish - 6pm

pearlcityclayhouse.org/event/butter-dish/
Pearl City Clay House, Jamestown

APRIL 13

Little Explorers: Nature Sounds and Songs 10am - ages 3-8

Paid reservations required by April 11
For info/reservation: AudubonCNC.org

Can-Am Sea-Doo Off Road Show 8am-2pm

Can-Am Sea-Doo of Jamestown
For info: facebook.com/events/384315610666960

The Barn at Farrington Hollow Bridal Show 11am-2pm

The Barn at Farrington Hollow, Cherry Creek
For info/register: farringtonhollow.com/event-details-registration/the-barn-at-farrington-hollow-bridal

Quick Clay: Bird Feeders - 2pm

For info: pearlcityclayhouse.org/event/quick-clay-bird-feeder

Family Wheel Experience - 3pm

For info: pearlcityclayhouse.org/event/family-wheel-experience-6

Movies at The Reg - Dune: Part Two - 4pm

For info/tickets: reglenna.com/events/movies-the-reg-dune-two

— CALL FOR VENDORS — The 50th Busti Apple Festival

Article Contributed by
Joni Blackman

The Busti Apple Festival will once again fill the Busti Historical Society's 1850 campus. "We were excited to expand the festival to two days last year. It went so well we are keeping it the same this year," said Carl Schultz, Board President, "the Apple Festival will be Saturday and Sunday, September 28 and 29, from 11 AM to 5 PM each day. We have our new free parking area just south of the Busti 5-point intersection, and admission is still only \$5 for adults, children under 12 are free." The Busti Apple Festival is holding its 50th event, rain or shine. No pets are allowed on the grounds.

Vendors will fill the campus from the 1836 grist mill to the new parking area. Over 125 vendor spaces are available with an added area for commercial and non-profit vendors. To receive a vendor application, please email bustihistorical@gmail.com with your name, address and business. "We ask that vendors keep their offerings family friendly. The vendor committee reviews each application to make sure they will fit in with our mission to showcase handcrafted items," said Mr. Schultz, "the commercial vendor area is for those businesses that want to market their products and services which are not handcrafted."

The festival features many volunteers who will be demonstrating old-time everyday activities that are no longer done by hand. To be a demonstrator, please email bustihistorical@gmail.com. "We welcome anyone that is interested in everyday tasks

from the mid-nineteenth century. If you would like to learn any of the tasks, please let us know," said Victoria Parker, Demonstrator Committee.

Of course, most visitors come for the apples, cider and homemade fruit pies. All sales benefit the Society as do The Country Store which is filled with handmade items.

The event features the restored 1836 grist mill. The mill is one of only a few working mills left in the northeast. Along with the mill is the miller's house which is being lovingly restored to its 1846 elegance. Flour, corn meal, and buckwheat flour, all ground at the mill will be available for purchase. The mill will be running throughout the festival with educational tours available. "The campus also has a museum about Busti history with several hands-on exhibits for children. With a grant award last year from the Lenna Foundation the Society hired an exhibit and collections consultant to update the exhibits," said Joni Blackman, board of directors' secretary and grant writer, "even if you have been to the museum every year - this year will be different."

The Busti Historical Society volunteers have worked on the twenty-acre campus over the past four years, with support from the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, to provide a safer place for vendors and guests to enjoy the event. Additional information can be found on the Busti Historical Society's Facebook page, facebook.com/bustihistoricalsociety and the website, www.busti-historical-society.weebly.com.

Vietnam Veterans Donate \$500 To Washington Garden Club



Submitted Photo

Local Vietnam Veterans organizations recently donated a total of \$500 to the Washington Middle School Garden Club. The Vietnam Veterans of America donated \$200, while the Jamestown Vietnam Veterans Association, Inc. donated \$300. Kellie Sims, a social worker at Washington through Chautauqua County Mental Health helped to facilitate the connection. Presenting the checks on behalf of the organizations was Mike Pacitti, president of the Vietnam Veterans Association Chapter 865.

"Rooted in Western NY" Southern Tier Brewing Company Partners with FeedMore WNY to Combat Food Insecurity

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Southern Tier Brewing Company



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through donations, with consumers being awarded with monthly prizes. They may also stop by our Buffalo Taproom on Saturdays in November, where a portion of profits from all IPA sold will be donated to FeedMore WNY. This partnership will help FeedMore WNY continue its mission of offering dignity, hope and brighter futures to Western New York neighbors in need by providing nutritious food, friendship, and skills training.

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1600 Riverside Road, Jamestown
April 5-7, Audubon Lights, Creature Feature, and Springtime Adventure
April 8, Eclipse Watch Event
- Chautauqua Institution**
Route 394, Chautauqua, NY 14722
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- Dunkirk Lighthouse Park and Veterans Museum**
1 Lighthouse Point Drive, Dunkirk
Open for Eclipse Viewing on April 8
- Fenton History Center**
67 Washington Street, Jamestown
April 6, 10am-2pm (Closed April 7); Solar Eclipse Watch Party on April 8, 10am-5pm featuring free parking, \$3 admission, food and music, eclipse glasses \$3
- Grape Discovery Center**
8305 West Main Road, Westfield
Open April 4-8 from 11am-5pm with eclipse viewing
- The Heron Farm & Event Center**
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- Lake Erie Wine Country Lights Out Event**
April 5-8 includes these wineries:
21 Brix Winery, 6654 West Main Road, Portland
Johnston Estate Winery, 8419 West Main Road, Westfield
Liberty Vineyards and Winery, 2861 Route 20, Sheridan - Eclipse & Sips April 8
Mazzo Chautauqua Cellars / Five & 20 Spirits & Brewing, 8398 West Main Road (Rt. 20), Westfield
Noble Winery, 8630 Hardscrabble Road
- Lily Dale Assembly**
5 Melrose Park, Lily Dale
Events throughout eclipse weekend, including Arts and Crafts Fair/Funfest April 7-8
- Lucille Ball & Desi Arnaz Museum**
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- Merritt Estate Winery**
2264 King Rd., Forestville
Totality in the Vineyard event April 8
- National Comedy Center**
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- New York State Parks**
Barcelona Lighthouse State Park, Route 5, Westfield
Lake Erie State Park, Route 5, Brocton
Long Point State Park on Lake Chautauqua, Route 430, Bemus Point
Midway State Park, Route 430, Bemus Point
- Northwest Arena**
319 West Third Street, Jamestown
Cosmic Public State & Lights Out Ice Bumper Cars April 6-8th
- Panama Rocks Scenic Park**
11 Rock Hill Road, Panama
Open 10am-5pm April 6, 7 & 8 for hiking and eclipse observation on Monday 4/8. Park admission at the normal rate. Overnight campsites available (bring your own tent.)
- Patterson Library**
40 South Portage Street, Westfield
April 6, 10am-2pm; (Closed April 7); April 8, 10am-8pm. Eclipse Open House: April 2, 5:30-7:30pm handing out free eclipse glasses, 2 per person while supplies last
- Peek'n Peak Resort**
1457 Old Road, Clymer
Total Eclipse Party April 8, noon-4pm
- Roger Tory Peterson Institute**
311 Curtis St., Jamestown
Open for normal museum hours the entire weekend, and Monday, April 8, 10am-4pm. Normal admission rates apply; also open Tuesday April 9, 10am-4pm. Turn in your solar eclipse glasses on Tuesday and get \$2 off admission
- Sunset Bay Beach Club**
Eclipse weekend events with live bands: April 5, 4-9pm, Solar Gift Gathering Carnival; Saturday April 6, Happy Hour 5-7pm; Sunday, April 7, Solar Sunday Funday 2pm-4pm and Eclipse Pre-Party from 7-9pm. April 8, 11am-7pm, Blackout Day in Sunset Bay. Packages include viewing glasses, concessions, beach games, DJ, restrooms
- DINING**
- 3 C's Catering**
• At the Jamestown Airport Eclipse Watch event April 7 & 8, pancake breakfast 7am-noon and food truck 10am-5pm
• At Mazzo Chautauqua Cellars, April 8, food truck 11am-6pm
- 4 Below Haggy's Bar and Grill**
104 East 2nd St, Jamestown
Red Moon Rising drink; \$4 Lobster Ravioli 11am-6pm
- Andriacchi's Restaurant**
4837 West Lake Road, Mayville
Regular hours April 6 & 7, Special hours Monday April 8, 11am-8pm featuring eclipse watching on the patio with specials and eclipse glasses
- Bemus Point Golf Club & Tap House**
72 Main Street, Bemus Point
April 8, 10am-9pm. Viewing party, brunch, lunch, dinner, live music.
- Calarco's Italian Restaurant**
15 Market Street, Westfield
Open April 5, noon-10pm; April 6, 4-10pm; April 7, 4-8:30pm; April 8, noon-10pm
- Camp Merz**
Route 394, Mayville
April 7, noon-4pm, Weidner Chicken Barbecue for pickup only. Proceeds benefit youth summer programs
- Central Station Restaurant**
332 Central Avenue, Dunkirk
Open April 5-8, 7am-7:30pm for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Eclipse watch party April 8, 2-4pm for \$25 per person includes drinks, appetizers, viewing glasses.
- Truffie Honey at CHQ Marketplace**
3943 Route 394, Mayville
Extended hours April 6, noon-9pm; April 7, 11am-9pm; April 8, 5pm-9pm. Please make reservations
- Falcons Nest**
2001 East Main Street, Falconer
April 7, 4:30-7pm, Lasagna Dinner
- Full Strength Coffee Company**
53 East Main Street, Westfield
Open April 6, 7am-3pm; April 7, 8am-3pm; April 8, 7am-4pm. Bring your own chair April 8, 2-4pm and watch the eclipse from Main Street in small town USA. Food and drink specials and eclipse merch available.
- The Green Door Tavern**
4739 Route 430, Bemus Point
Solar Eclipse Party on April 8
- Guppy's Restaurant & Tavern**
4663 NY-430, Bemus Point
Open all weekend for dinner, plus Monday, April 8
- Lily Dale Assembly**
5 Melrose Park, Lily Dale
Sacred Grounds Coffee House and The Lily Cafe and Restaurant will be open for the eclipse weekend
- Music for Your Mouth**
21 South Erie Street, Mayville
Celebrating the Total Solar Eclipse April 5-8: Live music, food and drink specials, specialty cocktails, free safety glasses, variety of food stations, fun and games
- One World Catering**
53 Houghton Street, Fredonia
April 8, 8am-7pm takeout breakfast items, hotdogs, barbecue and sides
- Parkview Cafe**
3 East Main Street, Westfield
Open April 6 & 7, 9:30am-2pm; April 8, 11am-7pm
Open extra hours for eclipse weekend. Specials will be posted on Facebook or the Parkview website
- She Sings Cafe**
95 West Lake Road, Mayville
Open daily with farm to table cuisine, a full bar, and entertainment
- Southern Tier Brewing Co.**
2072 Staneman Circle, Lakewood
Eclipse Party on April 8, noon-9pm
- Spencer Hotel**
25 Palestine Avenue, Chautauqua
Literary themed hotel open year-round. Room rate includes a monogrammed blanket for the eclipse, eclipse beverages and appetizers, viewing glasses. Sunday April 7 is a fondue party.
- Splash**
60 Lakeside Drive, Bemus Point
April 6 & 7, 5pm-9pm; April 8, noon-9pm, lunch and dinner after party. This is a Splash pre-season pop-up for total eclipse weekend, serving food, craft cocktails, fine wine, and live music. Lunch on April 8 includes viewing glasses.
- Steelbound Brewing at the Clarion Hotel, Dunkirk**
30 Lake Shore Drive East, Dunkirk, NY 14048
Eclipse Fest April 8, 11am-7pm
- SHOPPING**
- Art Cloth & Craft**
108 E 3rd Street, Jamestown
Open April 6 & 7, 10am-4pm; (Closed April 8); open April 9, 11am-6pm; Locally made eclipse shirts & merchandise
- Art Cloth & Craft at CHQ Marketplace**
3943 Route 394, Mayville
Open April 6 & 7, 10am-4pm; (Closed April 8); Open April 9 11am-6pm; Locally made eclipse shirts & merchandise
- The Barn 3521**
3521 East Main Road, Fredonia
Open 10am-5pm all days featuring antiques and plenty of open space to view the eclipse
- The Beer Bank**
17 Main Street, Sugar Grove, PA
Open April 6, 9am-5pm; April 7, noon-6pm; April 8, 9am-5pm; Tee shirt giveaways and eclipse glasses giveaways
- Country Woods LLC**
1771 Foote Avenue Ext, Jamestown
April 6, 10am-6pm; April 7, 1-6pm; April 8, 10am-6pm (longer hours). A local favorite gift and home decor shop. Serving FREE homemade eclipse cookies and coffee. Unique eclipse items for sale including locally made items and Travel Eclipse Survival Kits.
- Dave's Outlet Store**
18 Main Street, Silver Creek
Open April 6 & 7, 9am-6pm; (Closed April 8); Open April 8, 9am-6pm. Seasonal home, beach, and patriotic décor
- Dot's Gift Boutique**
111 West Third Street, Jamestown
April 5-7 open 11am-5pm; Open April 8, 9am-12:30pm
Gift shop with eclipse items for sale
- Geer Dunn**
309 Prendergast Avenue, Jamestown
Open April 8, 8am-5pm
- Peapod & Juniper**
141 Chautauqua Avenue, Lakewood
Open April 6, 7 & 8 with eclipse tee shirts, sweatshirts, stickers & mugs
- Portage Hill Art Gallery**
6439 Portage Road, Route 394, Westfield
Open April 5, noon-4pm; April 6 11am-5pm; April 7, noon-4pm; April 8, noon-4pm
Discover fine original art created locally
- RCS Antiques Co-Op**
212 Lake Shore Drive East, Dunkirk
Open 10am-6pm
- Suzanne's at Overton**
39 East Main Street, Westfield
Open April 6-8, 9am-6pm, shopping totes, wine and casserole carriers, bowl cozies, aprons, stuffed animals
- Sweet Repeats Boutique**
1739 Foote Ave Ext., Jamestown
Open April 6, 10am-5pm; April 7, 11am-5pm; and April 8, 10am-5pm. Collectible eclipse stickers and tee shirts, up to 20% off all three days
- Sweeterson Farms**
Pop-Up Shop at 390 Mohawk Avenue, Clymer
April 6 & 7, 10am-4pm; Kitchen boutique with one-of-a-kind gadgets, entertainment items, cookware and more. Enjoy 15% off Eclipse Weekend.

Local Attractions, Dining, and Shopping venues are offering extended hours, special events, and unique merchandise during Eclipse Weekend 2024. Here's a list to help you get started. Find more local businesses and attractions at www.chqchamber.org and www.tourchautauqua.com



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