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Jamestown Baseball, Since 1866

Featured Writer

Randy Anderson

Greg Peterson

Baseball has been an integral part of the fabric of the Jamestown community since at least 1866.

It may have begun with a local high school student, Clinton B. Winsor, pulling together a group of guys to play a relatively new, uniquely American game. The Civil War had ended just a year earlier when Winsor created a team he dubbed the Unknowns. People came to

watch them play. Other dedicated individuals would soon go on to organize teams and organizations throughout Chautauqua County.

The first professional baseball team appeared in Jamestown in 1890.

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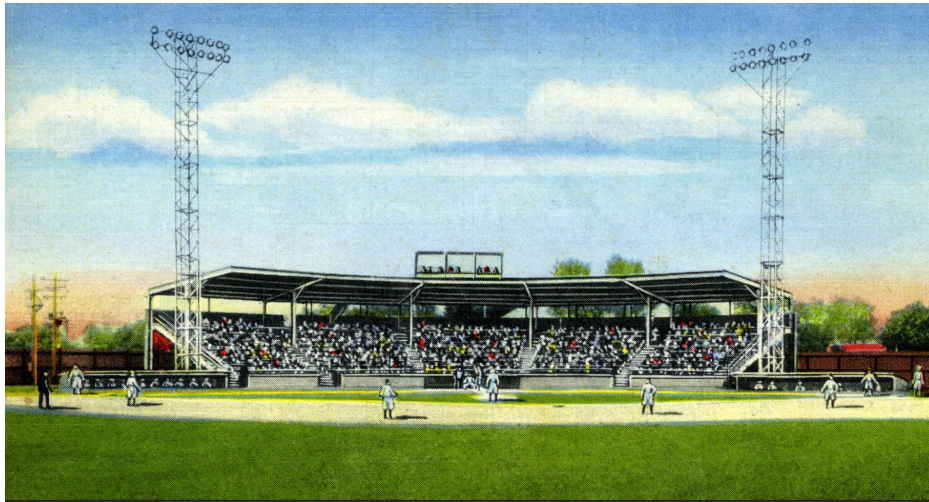
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LET'S GET...STINKY!

Featured Writer

Kameron Melendez

Jamestown Baseball has been significant to the community for many decades, with the Majestic Russell E. Diethrick Jr. Park established in 1941. Baseball in this city dates back to the 1890s, where it was played at Celeron Park and Allen Park before Diethrick Park was even conceived. Jamestown has been affiliated with professional baseball teams such as the Pittsburgh Pirates, Detroit Tigers, St.

Louis Cardinals, Los Angeles Dodgers, Atlanta Braves, Boston Red Sox, Montreal Expos, and Florida Marlins. This affiliation brought great talent to the city, including notable players who went on to play in the major leagues and even made it into the Hall of Fame. Players like "The Big Unit" Randy Johnson, Nellie Fox, Jim Leyland, Giancarlo Stanton, Marcell Ozuna, and Dave Roberts are among some of the greats to walk

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Foreground: Milo Peterson. Back row (l-r) Wren Galea, Nora Peterson, Greg Peterson, Piper Galea and Odin Luck.



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JULY

AUB Auburn Doubledays
BAT Batavia Muckdogs
BUF Buffalo Diesel
ELM Elmira Pioneers
GEN Geneva Redwings
NEW Newark Pilots
NF Niagara Falls Americans
OLN Olean Oilers
SAL Salamanca Lizards

★ June 14th

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First Responders Night by Live
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Editorial with Lori Cornell

Happy Father's Day!



Me and my dad!

Owner & Publisher

Lori Cornell

star lineup makes me stop and think "Wow! Could the Greater Jamestown Area truly be any more fun in June?!" And the rich heritage and traditions these regional staples offer help define and create who we are as a community.

Segway back to the day itself, I would be remiss if I didn't also personally wish my own father, Gary Mrowka, a Happy Father's Day. He's Dunkirk's very own pickleball king. At 71 years old, despite surviving a quintuple bypass, he is still an energizer bunny in body and soul. But most importantly, his loving kindness and ever-giving approach with his kids and community, make him the best dad ever to me.

Personal wishes also to my husband, Chuck, father to our four teenage sons, Ben, Nate, Zach, and Nick. He's the family's best chef, chicken farmer, camping guru, rummy-player, coach-of-everything, and more. But above all, he fights tirelessly for his kids and their health, happiness, opportunities, and character. Their futures are strong because of him.

Happy Father's Day, all!

Best wishes to all the fathers out there this week! Parenting is no doubt the toughest job you'll ever love. This Father's Day, take time to celebrate you, celebrate your kids, and soak up all the hugs, memories, and attention you deserve.

If you're looking for something special to do with Dad this Father's Day, our community sure isn't short on excitement. Have a picnic on our beautiful Chautauqua Lake, catch a Tarp Skunks game on Wednesday or Friday, or hit one of the summer season's most iconic festivals: The Yassou, Juneteenth, Randolph Arts & Crafts festivals, all taking place this coming weekend! (Details inside this edition!) This all-

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Getting Stinky

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through the gates at Diethrick Park.

Tucker Fenton, a right-handed pitcher for the Jamestown Tarp Skunks in his second season with the team, is a local talent who graduated from Maple Grove High School and has played baseball at St. Bonaventure University for the past two seasons. He stated in an interview, "Playing for the Skunks is very special to me. It feels like home; I grew up playing at Diethrick. The fans are the best part for me. Playing under the lights with the fans cheering you on is great. The history of the park is very notable, with Stanton and many other great players having played here."

In Jamestown, baseball is a passion shared by the entire city. From April, when high school teams play their sectional playoffs, to late May when the Tarp Skunks take the field to begin their collegiate summer season before returning to school in August, baseball remains a central focus of the community. Jamestown has also been home to many Babe Ruth World Series events. Dietrich Park hosted the first-ever Babe Ruth 13-year-old World Series in 1980 and continues to play a role, having hosted the event's most recent World Series in August 2023.

The Jamestown Tarp Skunks, who are currently in the four spots for the west division of the Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League, are thriving under their new coach and enjoying the historic atmosphere of their stadium. The first-year head coach, Ben Julian, shared in an interview, "The community has just been amazing. The ballpark is historic, beautiful, and well-maintained. The organization bringing the schools here today with the kids greatly supports our team and shows how much the community cares. Everyone, from the top to the bottom of the organization, has been amazing."

June 6 saw the biggest attendance on a kid's day for the Skunks, with 2,754 people in attendance. The kids were mostly watching the game and excited to see their favorite Skunks take the field. They lined up, waiting for their favorite snacks from the concession stand, hoping to catch a foul ball, or even purchase one from the fan shop to get it signed later after the game.

The Tarp Skunks have one of the best front offices in the Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League, creating innovative events like "Strike Out Cancer Night," where the team raffles off pink Tarp Skunks jerseys and donates the proceeds to cancer research. Other events include Fireworks Night, in collaboration with Children's Solutions, and First Responders Night, where all tickets are free, and first responders are honored, and presented by Live CHQ. Additionally, the Tarp Skunks organize an instructional kids camp and Library Night with a Wiffy bookmark giveaway.

Another Tarp Skunks player, Bobby Stang from Georgia Southern University, who is transferring to Dayton in the fall, is a utility player and fan favorite. He is currently on a four-game hit streak with one home run for the Skunks. Stang shared, "The fans are the part I love the most. Every night they bring great energy and make it fun to play the game. With their endless support, it makes it easier to play relaxed. Also, the group of guys I am surrounded with couldn't be any better. Every guy on our team plays 110% every game, which makes it much easier to win. Our goals as a team are to go out there and win every game we can. Every guy on our team has been working every day to be the best version of themselves. I think this year's team is something special, and we could make a great run."

Lastly, Brady Wright, a starting right-handed pitcher from Santa Fe CC, shared his thoughts: "It's been a great experience. We have the best fans in the country out here. I love to come out here and play in front of them every day we can and just try to win games. It's a special culture out here, man. I love it out here."

The Tarp Skunks are looking to bring home another championship to Jamestown, having last won the Collegiate Baseball League Championship in 2018. While they have come close in recent years, they have ultimately fallen just short. This season, they aim to bounce back with new coaching and some fresh faces on the roster. Be sure to check them out as they progress further into the season with new events at every ball game with great fan experience for kids and adults.

Kameron Melendez is an intern with the Jamestown Tarp Skunks and the Salamanca Lizards. He is a rising senior in the Sports Media program at St. Bonaventure University and serves as the editor and writer of Getting Stinky. A Jamestown native, Melendez has been around the ballpark his whole life, playing baseball for Jamestown Community College, Jamestown High School, The Northeast Twins Travel Organization, and the Babe Ruth League.

His love for sports and the game of baseball came from his grandfather, Tom Fisher, who was a coach for many years in Jamestown for the Southside Blue Devils football team and the Babe Ruth League, where he served as a commissioner for years. Melendez's goal is to help kids get the exposure they need to play at the next level and to create memories for everyone by sharing videos on social media or writing articles.

Small Business Development Center Hosts Women in Networking Program June 13

Article Contributed by
**Small Business
Development Center**

For over a decade, the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Jamestown Community College has hosted the Women in Networking (WIN) Chautauqua program every month. This program is for female business owners and women working in the business sector. The program is also sponsored by Community Bank.

On June 13 we will be meeting in person to enable woman to exchange ideas, experiences, and address challenging issues. The SBDC has helped to build productive business relationships that benefit women throughout the region with this program. Cost to attend the lunch in person is \$18 with check or credit card. This event will take place at Jamestown Community College, Carnahan Building, Room 120. To make a reservation or for more information on this monthly program, contact the SBDC at 716-338-1024 or go to our website at www.sbdccjcc.org.

The next WIN program will take place on Thursday, June 13 at 12pm at JCC and will focus on tips for overcoming imposter syndrome and elevating female voices in the world of business.

Our speaker, Sarah Bray, is an Associate Professor of Business & Entrepreneurship at JCC and the director of the college's business program. Her hands-on instructional approach focuses on creative problem-solving techniques that prepare students to succeed in an ever-changing business environment. She earned her MBA from St. Bonaventure University and a graduate certificate in Business Economics from Harvard. She enjoys dogs, running, houseplants, and raising exceptional teenage daughters.

Administered by the US Small Business Administration, the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Jamestown Community College (JCC) vision is to create economic sustainability for all New Yorkers – one business at a time. The SBDC delivers high quality business counseling and training to clients looking to start a business or improve the performance of an existing business. Services are free and confidential and include a range of management and technical assistance from business plan development, accounting guidance, productivity enhancement and export assistance to loan information, marketing, and financial planning among other services.

Reminder of First Friday Street Closure in Westfield

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**Small Business
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Due to First Friday in Westfield Route 20 (East Main Street) will be temporarily closed to all traffic from Portage (Route 394) to Union Street, with limited traffic from Union to Pearl Street, from 4pm-8pm, Friday, June 7. Detours will be posted. First Fri-

day is coordinated by the Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by Brooks-TLC Hospital System, AHN Westfield Memorial Hospital, Westfield Boatworks, Community Bank, Wanderlust Custard, CJ's Pizza and California Dreamin'. The State Department of Transportation has granted the street closure permit in order to make the event safer for all participating.

SUDOKU

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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

CROSSWORD

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Native American people
- 5. Very long periods of time (Brit.)
- 10. Schoolboard accessory
- 12. Rods
- 14. One who renews
- 16. Sculpted body part
- 18. Chatter incessantly
- 19. ___ King Cole, musician
- 20. Plates on a turtle's shell
- 22. University of Utah athlete
- 23. The world of the dead
- 25. Singer Redding
- 26. Former Yankee great Mattingly
- 27. Prefix indicating wrongly
- 28. Unhappy
- 30. Anger
- 31. Dark brown or black
- 33. Restaurants have a lot of them
- 35. Made a mistake
- 37. Damp
- 38. Type of gasoline
- 40. Actor LeBlanc
- 41. Perform in a play
- 42. One's mother
- 44. Prohibit
- 45. Swiss river
- 48. Part of a banana
- 50. Indian hand clash cymbals
- 52. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- 53. Agave
- 55. Noted journalist Tarbell
- 56. Computer firm
- 57. Type of record
- 58. Bacterium that can cause infection
- 63. Sheaths enclosing the spinal cord
- 65. A narrow opening (as in a rock wall)
- 66. Pattern
- 67. Very eager to see something

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Witch
- 2. Utilize
- 3. Writing utensil
- 4. Places to perform
- 5. Subsidies
- 6. Consume
- 7. Athleisure clothing brand
- 8. California town
- 9. Atomic #50
- 10. The Muse of lyric and love poetry
- 11. Creates anew
- 13. Humorous commentaries
- 15. Cool!
- 17. Most ignoble
- 18. Soggy dirt
- 21. Designed to be useful
- 23. Hebrew unit of liquid capacity
- 24. High schoolers' test
- 27. One-time internet accessory
- 29. City in India
- 32. Furniture
- 34. You have likely chatted with one
- 35. Pass or go by
- 36. Proof of purchase
- 39. A digital tape recording of sound
- 40. More (Spanish)
- 43. Disfigured
- 44. White (Spanish)
- 46. Building occupied by monks
- 47. Georgia rock band
- 49. Device that generates intense beam of light
- 51. State of agitation
- 54. Make by braiding
- 59. Local area network
- 60. Unit of work or energy
- 61. Indigenous person of Thailand
- 62. Liquefied natural gas
- 64. Distance to top



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For over 30 years every Father's Day weekend, the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Jamestown, NY has put on our annual Yassou Festival. The event is a celebration of the Greek culture, especially with the cuisine and beverages offered, the authentic live Greek music, traditional dancing and most especially the hospitality. The word "Yassou" is a multi-purpose term with a literal translation of "your health" in English and is used to wish good health upon a person. Sometimes, in informal settings, "Yassou" may be used to make a toast in the same way Americans say "cheers".

The Yassou Festival is both an annual fundraiser for the St. Nicholas parish, as well as an invitation from all our parishioners to the surrounding community in opening the doors of our spiritual home to our neighbors in fellowship.

The St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church proclaims the Christian faith of the New Testament, drawing her beliefs and practices directly from the early Christian Church as taught by Jesus Christ and His apos-

ties to the world. Our humble parish was founded in 1922 largely by Greek and Albanian immigrants who brought their faith to the New World. Today, the parish is comprised of both cradle Orthodox Christians, as well as those who were received from other faith traditions. We have grown from Greek and Albanian families to include members from many backgrounds including Ukrainian, Russian, Romanian and American. One does not have to be Greek to be Orthodox, and our services are done almost entirely in English. The Orthodox faith is unified in doctrine meaning that Orthodox Christians have the same beliefs regardless of language or ethnicity.

People who visit an Orthodox church and learn about her teachings find that there is much in common with other Christian faith traditions. However, there are some significant differences. Regardless of these differences, the Church teaches that we are all to love one another, to have patience, kindness and forgiveness in our hearts.

The parish warmly invites all to come visit and experience our culture and hospitality. In addition to food, music, dancing, and a bazaar, the parish will be conducting tours of the church twice a day on Friday June 13th and Saturday June 14th.

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Episode 2: Billy, Baseball and Father's Day



Contributing Writer

Sam Teresi

Former Mayor of Jamestown

Ever since the release of his first charting hit, "Piano Man" in November 1973, I've been a huge Billy Joel fan. I first had the chance to see him live in concert at the "Aud" in Buffalo on November 7, 1979. Clearly, that was a night to remember. Together with my girlfriend Becky and more than 16,000 of our "closest friends," we provided the vocal back up as Billy performed his greatest tunes.

Fast forward more than four decades. After hundreds of hits, thousands of sold out concerts and a Hall of Fame career for Billy, (along with a pretty good life for me too), I had the chance to fulfill one of the items on my personal "bucket list." This one is ranked right up there with visiting all 50 states (DONE!) and watching all of the 30 major league baseball teams play games in their home parks (which I'm about two thirds of the way on that one).

While over the years, I've attended dozens of big name shows, including additional Billy Joel concerts, I never had the chance to see him and his world class band during his monthly, decade long, sold out residency at Madison Square Garden, the world's most famous arena. Well, that all changed last month when Becky, now my wife of 40 years, and I went to the Garden and were finally able to cross that one off my list.

To say the show was amazing and met my lofty expectations, would be one of life's all-time understatements. But what was also gratifying and heart-warming was the reaction and response from more than 20,000 of our "closest friends and family members" that filled the Garden that night. I still can't forget the young boy (who couldn't have been more

than 13 or 14 years old) sitting next to us, along with the older gentleman, in his late 70's or early 80's, who appeared to be his grandfather. Both of them seemed to know every word to every song and weren't bashful about demonstrating it, much to our delight. At the end of the show, arm in arm and swaying back and forth to the music, they celebrated an early Father's Day together, belting out the lyrics with Billy to "Piano Man."

That evening brought back a flood of memories about attending events as a boy with my father and then with my own sons during their younger years. Unlike our two friends at the Garden, however, my experiences centered around going to a variety of sporting events.

There were those trips with my Dad to see our Bills, first to the "Old Rockpile," War Memorial Stadium at Jefferson, Best and Dodge in Buffalo and then to the flashy new Rich Stadium in the suburbs. There were our visits to the "Aud" in Downtown Buffalo for Sabres hockey games and Braves basketball. Yes, Buffalo actually had an NBA team in the 70's (and a pretty good one at that,) before they broke my teenage heart and relocated to Southern California (now the Los Angeles Clippers.) And, then there were the annual treks to old Cleveland Municipal Stadium to see our Yankees play. If we were really lucky and the schedule gods complied, we would enjoy the ultimate father-son bonding experience, a Sunday Double Header. Yes, scheduled Sunday double-headers were still a thing, well into the 70's.

While those out of town events were all wonderful and memorable, what really stands out in my mind were our evenings together right here in JTOWN at College Stadium, (now Diethrick Park), taking in Falcons, Expos and Jammers minor league baseball games. For me, and I would suspect for my Dad as well, every moment we spent together at the "Falconer Street Ball Yard" was Father's Day.

That tradition continued and only grew when my

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Juneteenth

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Juneteenth, or, Juneteenth National Independence Day, is the first new federal holiday since Martin Luther King, Jr. day was adopted in 1983. The holiday was recognized by act of Congress and signed into law by President Joe Biden on June 17, 2021. The holiday commemorates the day in June 1865 When Major General Gordon Granger issued his proclamation, known as General Order 3, officially declaring the end of slavery in Texas. Gordon had assumed command of the District of Texas after the Civil War. His responsibilities included enforcing the provisions of the Emancipation Proclamation and overseeing the federal government's Reconstruction program. He arrived in the city of Galveston on June 19 and, since, the day has been referred to appropriately as Juneteenth.

General Order 3 reads as follows:

The people of Texas are informed that, in accordance with a Procla-

mation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free. This involves an absolute equality of rights, and rights of property, between former master and slaves, and the connection heretofore existing between them becomes that of employer and free laborer.

The Freedmen in Texas celebrated the day one year later on June 19, 1866. Celebrations quickly spread throughout the South and, eventually, largely due to Northern migration, across the country.

Juneteenth celebrations today are generally local affairs. Festivals are characterized, much as in the early days, by music food, joy and historical pride. Jamestown Juneteenth is every bit a part of that tradition. The day has been celebrated in Jamestown for more than twenty-five years. The festival has evolved in recent years to become a major cultural event. The Juneteenth Planning Committee is delighted and wishes to express gratitude to the many individuals, businesses and foundations who make possible the annual event. Such support allows the committee to award scholarships to graduating seniors bound for

2024 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FREE ADMISSION ALL WEEKEND

Friday 6/14 (7pm - 9pm)

FRIDAY KICKOFF PARTY

Wintergarden Plaza / 313 Main St.

Special Event

- Live Performance by the Breeze Band, Erie, PA's Blues/Souls/Funk Band
- Juneteenth Merchandise Sale
- Concessions
- Raffles

Saturday 6/15 (11am - 6pm)

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

Jackson-Taylor Park / 10th & Washington St.

Opening Ceremony (11am)

- African Drumline Procession, Preach Freedom and Associates
- Welcome / Opening Prayer, Rev. Walker / Acknowledgments
- Love School Presentation
- Remarks by Historian, Paul Leone

Vendors and Raffles (11am)

- Concessions & Vendors Open
- Juneteenth Merchandise Sale
- 50/50 Drawing, Raffles & More

Kids Activities (11am)

- Pass, Punt and Kick
- Bounce House & Kids Games
- Meet the Jamestown Fire Department
- Juneteenth Education Table & Activities

Special Events (11am)

- Wild Creatures Live Animal Exhibit (12pm-0)
- African Drum Workshop, Preach Freedom & Associates (12pm)
- Basketball Clinic, Jamestown Jackals Basketball Team (1pm - 3pm)
- R&B Hip Hop Performance, Preach Freedom & Associates (2pm)
- Musical Performance, Marsha McWilson & Son Cameron McWilson (4pm)

Sunday 6/16 (9am - 6pm)

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL FEST

Jackson-Taylor Park / 10th & Washington St.

Morning Activities

- Continental Breakfast (8:30am)
- Morning Worship Service (9am)

Festival Activities (11am)

- Bounce House & Kids Games
- Juneteenth Education Table & Activities
- Concessions, 50/50 Drawing, Raffles & More

Scholarship Presentation & Raffle Winner Selections (2pm)

Carolyn Louise Pennamon-Faison Gospel Fest (3pm)

- Brothers in Christ (3pm)
- Local Performances (3:30pm)
- Performance by Songstress Marsha McWilson (4pm)
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Randolph's 50th Annual Arts and Crafts Festival

The Randolph Area Community Development Corporation (RACDC) is hosting the 50th Annual Arts and Crafts Festival on Saturday, June 15 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dozens of craft and food vendors will line Main Street with their handmade wares and tasty treats, and a day of entertainment, contests, and raffles is sure to keep visitors busy.

Eats and Drinks

Come get your taste of festival food. There will be food vendors set up, including new vendors and longtime favorites offering fresh squeezed lemonade, steak sandwiches, Italian sausage, hamburgers and hot dogs, brick oven pizza, fried dough and curly fries.

Entertainment

Entertainment is a big part of the Arts & Crafts Festival. This year's line-up includes a DJ who will be playing music throughout the day. Nick Mambretti's Super Hilarious Magic Show will entertain young and old alike at 11:30 and 1:30. The evening will end with a

performance by the duo Interstate Daydream from 6:00-8:00 in the Triangle. This performance is part of the summer music series.

There's a lot to do for families and children, too. Many vendors will have fun activities planned just for the kids all day long. Face Painting from 11:00 - 3:00; Balloon Artist from 12:00 - 3:00; and Airbrush Tattoos from 10:00 - 2:00. All thanks to the John McLaughlin Fund, RACDC will be providing these fun activities for the kids at NO CHARGE! Check out our facebook page as the date gets closer for more details.

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And don't forget all the permanent attractions we have to enjoy in Chautauqua County like our county parks and trails, several lakes, Chautauqua Gorge, Panama Rocks, Roger Tory Peterson Institute, the Audubon, the National Comedy Center, Lucy Desi Museum, Fredonia Opera House, and of course Chautauqua Institution. If cost is an issue look for the community days on their schedule. Chautauqua Institution has free Sunday admission, or ask if they honor the "Museums for All" discount for people who have a SNAP card. If a lack of transportation is holding you back from enjoying these call CHQ Transit formerly CARTS at (716) 665-6466. Many of these venues have special arrangements with CHQ Transit during special event for people who don't have their own transportation and ask about their senior discount.

Many places around the county are hosting free outdoor musical entertainment or movies, open to the public, like Friday night movies in Clymer Town Park, Thursday nights music on the Pier in Dunkirk, and Free Sunday admission at Chautauqua Institution which usually features musical entertainment at the amphitheater. It will be impossible for me to list all the opportunities in this article but your best resource for everything there is to see and do in Chautauqua County this summer is the Chautauqua County Visitors Bureau website at www.tourchautauqua.com. You can request a free travel guide at their website or by calling (716) 795-6178. Don't let the summer pass you by without experiences some of the wonderful attractions and events our county has to offer and call the Office for Aging Services if you need help at (716) 753-4582.

Stay Well!

Summer is here! What a beautiful time to get out and enjoy all the wonderful things our county has to offer. There are a number of annual festivals almost every weekend and these are a great way to experience food, music, traditions, and fun from different cultures. It's also a great way to meet new people as well as reconnect with old friends. Keeping socially connected is very important to our health. Researcher say it may be more important than diet and exercise! I think we all appreciate each other more when we learn about diverse cultures or gather together for fun and laughter. So, kick off the summer with the Yasou Festival at St Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Jamestown (14th and 15th) or Juneteenth in Celeron Park (14th & 15th) as well as Juneteenth in Dunkirk at Memorial Park on Lakeside Drive (15th & 16th). Festival Italia will be held at the Beaver Club in Fredonia (Jun 22), Great Blue Heron Festival in Sherman (July 5-7), St James Italian Festival (July 20th), Westfield Arts and Crafts Festivals in Westfield (July 26-27), and the Lucille Ball Comedy Festival (Aug 1-4.)

We live in farm country and there are so many ways we can enjoy and appreciate this part of our community. There are organized morning walks in vineyards along the lake, the Chautauqua County Fair (July 16-21) and farmers markets throughout the county starting in June. Jamestown Public Market (Sat 10-2), Dunkirk Farmer's Market (Weds 9-2), Fredonia Farmer's Market (Sat 9-1), Lakewood Farmers & Artisans' Market (Thurs 10-2), Forestville Farmers Market (Fri 2-6), Westfield Farmers & Artisan Market (Sat 9-2) and May-

"Silencing Stories: Resisting Censorship in Libraries" by Lakewood Memorial Library Executive Director Shannon Taylor at Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Jamestown on June 16



Submitted Photo

Lakewood Memorial Library Executive Director Shannon Taylor speaks at the 10:30 a.m. June 16 Sunday service of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Jamestown (UUCJ), 1255 Prendergast Avenue. Her message, "Silencing Stories: Resisting Censorship in Libraries," will be a discussion of the rise of book challenges in recent years and why librarians are fighting against them. Why are books being challenged, and who is initiating the challenges? What can we do to support the freedom to read and to access information? Everyone is welcome to the service at 1255 Prendergast Avenue. To participate virtually, use the link at UUJamestown.org/calendar.



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YASSOU FESTIVAL

WHAT YASSOU MEANS TO ME

*Article Contributed by
Melina Singleton*

During my twelve years of life, Father's Day weekend has always meant Yassou. The Yassou Festival at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Jamestown has been going strong every Father's Day weekend for 42 years. There's something special about the live Greek music and dancing, food, the awesome people, and thrill of being under the tent for those two exciting days. As a lifelong member of St. Nicholas, I cherish the bonds that Yassou helps build.

Yassou brings people together and that's why I feel that the event is important to the whole community. People tell me how much they cherish the memories they have made at the festival. I hear about how they met their life partner at Yassou, how they bring their

grandkids there, how they grew up going there, or even how memorable it was to be there for the first time. All my life I have heard about how much people love the baklava, the lamb my dad so deliciously prepares, the music, the dancing, and the enthusiastic crowd that stays for hours living like Greeks for the day.

Even my own parents have a Yassou story – their relationship started there! My dad is now Greek by marriage. He met my mom at the festival in 2003, and has been cooking for it ever since. He loves it! I love that everyone tells me how much they appreciate my dad's cooking, and how much they look forward to it.

My mom has been a part of Yassou since the very first one back in 1982. She grew up dancing and wearing a homemade costume

made by her grandmother (Politi-mi), who was in charge of the festival bakery. Now, my grandmother (Yiayia Kathy) and I work side-by-side in the bakery, along with my aunts, uncles, cousins, and brothers.

My Yiayia (grandmother) is very important to our family and our church family. She is always there to bake and serve at the festival bakery, and she has taught me to provide great customer service. She loves to greet all the visitors and catch up with friends who she's seen there for decades.

My grandparents, George and Kathy Theofilactidis, have shown their children and grandchildren how much they love St. Nicholas Church. In so many ways, they have supported the church and its community. George, my Pappou (grandfather), used his wood-

working talents to care for and beautify our church, and he even contributed to the Yassou décor by cutting all the wooden Greek dancers that hang throughout the tent. He was chairman of the festival in the early years, too. He passed away in December of 2023, but his memory will live on in our Father's Day Weekend celebration, particularly on the dance floor where he loved to be.

Dancing is one of my favorite parts of the festival, too! I take pride in wearing the traditional Amalia costume, and performing the dances alongside my two brothers and all of my cousins. Being a part of the festival is truly one of the most amazing experiences ever! It brings people together and provides a chance to make lifelong memories with friends and family. Yassou is such a big part of my life, and I hope it always will be!





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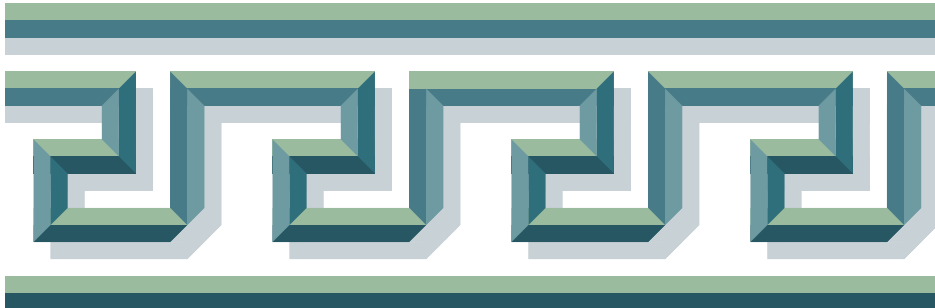


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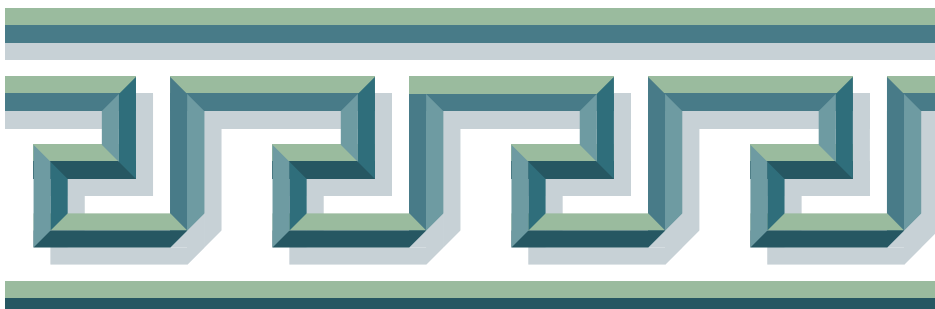
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Hellenic Culture & History Exhibit



This year's Yassou Festival will feature a 29-panel pictorial display titled "HELLENIC The Glory, Tragedy & Resurrection of Greece, An Enduring Contribution to Mankind". The exhibit covers 5,000 years of Hellenic culture and history. On loan from the Demakos Foundation, the exhibit will be set up inside St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, where festival attendees can view it on Friday and Saturday between 12 and 5pm.



Lily's Hope Wig Boutique



Submitted Photo

Recently Athlene Vesotski of Jamestown heard about Lily's Hope from her hairdresser. After meeting with Zonta volunteer Kathy Stedman, Althene was pleased with her new look

Article Contributed by
Zonta Club of Jamestown

Lily Olson, a past President of the Zonta Club of Jamestown, developed the idea of a wig boutique for women who need a wig due to loss of hair as a result of a medical condition. A friend of hers was a nurse who drove patients to cancer treatment appointments and remarked to Lily that on top of all they are dealing with, they have to drive to Buffalo or Erie to get a wig so they could feel better about how they looked. Lily came up with a great idea to help those women so they wouldn't have to do that extra drive. A place, locally, where women could get a wig or hat. She asked the Zonta Club what could be done. The club set to work. In November 2010 in collaboration with WCA Hospital's wellness program, Lily's Hope was established.

Many women continue to be served by the volunteers from the Zonta Club of Jamestown at

Lily's Hope. A core of volunteers assists women who need a wig and also offer them scarves, turbans, tote bags and most importantly, a compassionate ear to listen. Women may try on wigs at Lily's Hope. If needed, a wig may be special ordered for her.

The Zonta Club of Jamestown is grateful for the continued support from a group of ladies from Randolph, NY. Under the leadership of Sylvia Salvaggio, they make quilted tote bags which are given to each woman. These services are free and confidential. All is made possible through the generous donations from the community.

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Her commitment to justice is evident as she has consistently provided legal assistance without regard to political affiliation, emphasizing that the welfare of families transcend partisan consideration.

As an Ellicott Town Justice for 15 years, she has proven her ability to manage one of the busiest and most efficient courts in the county. Judge Jaroszynski has been a Family Law Practitioner since she was admitted to the New York State Bar in January of 1993. She served as the Legal Director/Attorney for Legal Aid of Chautauqua Region from September 2002 through November 2018, and she worked for the Chautauqua County Public Defender's Office from August 1998 through August 2002.

- Judge Jaroszynski has been active in her community and with various service organizations. She is a current member of the Jamestown Bar Association and New York State Magistrates Association. She has served on the Chautauqua County Attorney for the Child Panel for over 30 years representing children through the Family Court process. Judge Jaroszynski has served as the Chautauqua County member of the Pro Bono Committee for the 8th Judicial District. As an active attorney in family court, Judge Jaroszynski received special congressional recognition from Former U.S. Representative Tom Reed for her pro bono work, from New York State's "Access to Justice" for her pro bono work and recognition for her outstanding representation of victims of domestic violence from the Salvation Army.

- Judge Jaroszynski has served as a

Judge Sally A. Jaroszynski announces her candidacy for the Chautauqua County Family Court Judge position being vacated by Judge Jeffrey A. Piazza at the end of the year. Judge Jaroszynski is a registered Republican seeking the endorsement of the Conservative Party which will be holding a primary election on June 25, 2024. Not only is Judge Jaroszynski a registered Republican and seeking the Conservative Party endorsement, Judge Jaroszynski has also been endorsed by the Chautauqua County Democratic Committee and will appear on the Working Families Party line. Judge Jaroszynski is making it clear to all the residents of Chautauqua County, that when it comes to our families' wellbeing and success, party politics plays no role.

Judge Jaroszynski is a lifelong resident of Chautauqua County and has been practicing law in Chautauqua County Family Court for over 30 years. She has been elected as the Ellicott Town Justice as has been serving in that position for 15 years.

Judge Jaroszynski lives in the Village of Falconer with her husband of 28 years, James Jaroszynski. James is a retired police officer with the Town of Ellicott Police Department. They have two grown daughters Hannah and Kathryn. Hannah is employed with Chautauqua County with a master's degree in Mental Health Counseling. Hannah resides in Jamestown. Kathryn has a bachelor's degree in biomedical engineering and is working on her PhD at the University of Pennsylvania. She currently resides in Philadelphia, PA.

Judge Jaroszynski received her bachelor's degree from St. Bonaventure University in 1989 and her Juris Doctorate from Ohio Northern University in 1992. She has dedicated over three decades to serving families of Chautauqua County with unparalleled expertise and compassion in Family Law. Throughout her esteemed career she has represented a diverse clientele, including mothers, fathers, grandparents, children and victims of abuse and domestic violence.

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Pat's Pen with Pat Locke

Take Me Out to the Ball Game



Contributing Writer

Pat Locke

Take me out to the ball game are familiar words set to an original Tin Pan Alley song, by that title, heard in baseball stadiums across America. The words are as familiar as "baseball, hot dogs, apple pie and Chevrolet". In 1974, James Hartzell conceived the quoted phrase which became the basis of one of the most iconic car ads of all time. The term, Tin Pan Alley, was a collection of music publishers and songwriters in New York City who dominated the popular music of the United States in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. These publishers and songwriters paved the way for what would become the Great American Songbook.

When baseball season arrives whether cheering on our favorite major league team or minor league team we are encouraged to take a break and sing along to the words of a song that has become baseball's anthem during the game's seventh-inning stretch. Some ballparks replace the words, home team, with their hometown team. The song includes the words, "cracker jack" which was a molasses-flavored, caramel-coated popcorn and peanuts treat with a small prize inside each 1 oz. box. It became an instant hit when introduced at the 1893 Chicago World's Fair by a local popcorn company. They were first sold at some ballparks in 1907. Once the product was inexplicably linked with baseball in the song lyrics, sales of the crunchy concoction skyrocketed. The Cracker Jack name and



slogan, "The More You Eat The More You Want" were registered in 1896.

In every sense, Take Me Out to the Ball Game is in the words of the late Chicago Cubs Hall of Fame broadcaster, Harry Caray "a song that reflects the charisma of baseball". The song written in 1908 by Jack Norworth and Albert Von Tilzer makes the game even more magical by raising your voice and becoming part of it. This musical work, affectionately referred to over the years as the "other" national anthem has become baseball's grand-slam! It has been ranked in survey polls as one of the top ten songs of the twentieth century and is second only to "Happy Birthday".

Baseball has deep roots in Jamestown with the Jamestown Falcons dating back to the late 1930s. Teams such as the Detroit Tigers, the Atlanta Braves, the Montreal Expos, the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Miami Marlins have all developed professional ball

players in Jamestown at the Jamestown Municipal Stadium. Today, the history of Jamestown baseball continues at Russell E. Diethrick, Jr. Park.

The Tarp Skunks, a proud member of the Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League began their 2024 season on Thursday, May 30th. Since the inception of the Tarp Skunks in 2020 the organization has had almost 30 interns walk through the front office. The role of these interns is vital to the overall success of the game-day operations.

The summer is jam-packed with both home and away games. Be sure to mark your calendar to see our home team, the Jamestown Tarp Skunks, in action! There are many sponsored games at Diethrick Park including a game on Father's Day so come on out and experience "America's Favorite Pastime"!

Baseball was, is and always will be to me the best game in the world.

- Babe Ruth



1. What baseball team was the home team at Diethrick Park before the Tarp Skunks?
2. What MLB baseball team won the most games in a single season?
3. Which New York Yankee played at Diethrick Park?
4. What MLB team holds the record for the most World Series Championships?
5. Which National Baseball Hall of Famer played at Diethrick Park?
6. What was the first professional baseball team to play in Jamestown?
7. What was the original name of the stadium at Diethrick Park?
8. Who was the Jamestown Jammers' first official mascot?
9. Who was the first MLB player to hit four home runs in a single game?
10. When was the first Major League Baseball game played?

1. The Jamestown Jammers 2. The 1906 Chicago Cubs 3. Giancarlo Stanton 4. College Stadium 8. Bubba Grape, the Baseball Ape 9. Lou Gehrig 10. May 4, 1871
 The New York Yankees 5. Randy Johnson 6. The Jamestown Jaguars (1939) 7.

WHY THE SKUNKS?

Russ Diethrick said it best at a video conference with Brandiose, "Jamestown highlights the four seasons."

All over Jamestown, there are skunks! Just like true Jamestowners, they do everything they can to survive those four seasons – from the heat and burning sunshine of summer, to the bitter lakefront wet snow and cold. Crafty Skunks will take refuge in all sorts of places, like sheds, decks, and tarps. Especially on city property, and at Diethrick Park... ask the grounds crew...

Ever tarped your back woodpile, or outdoor furniture, and seen a smelly uninvited guest show up for cover?

Well, good news. The skunk is kindhearted, unless it is messed with. And, like a great baseball club, the Skunk believes that a great offense is having a great defense. Hence the "scent glands"...

Jamestown is well represented by a skunk. The skunk is a small, underdog animal fighting to survive – blue collar at its best. Just like a Jamestown, the Skunk is trying to make a name for itself

by being crafty, creative, and a quick thinker! Like Jamestown, a small town that you can't ignore – a town that has produced top quality thinkers, doers, and amazing personalities over its long history!

Skunks work hard all day, and really don't want to spray. They just want to be given the freedom to do their own thing, and try to succeed at their chosen path – just like a Jamestown! They only carry enough spray to shoot 5 or 6 times anyway... and then it takes 10 days to "reload". They really just want to co-exist in harmony with everyone else... just give them a chance! Wolves, foxes, and badgers are all afraid of skunks and won't attack – because, just like Jamestown, a Skunk can fend for itself against bigger opponents! Those bigger animals know all about Skunks from their parents and grandparents... the same way our rivals know about the Jamestown Tarp Skunks!

In the cold months, like many

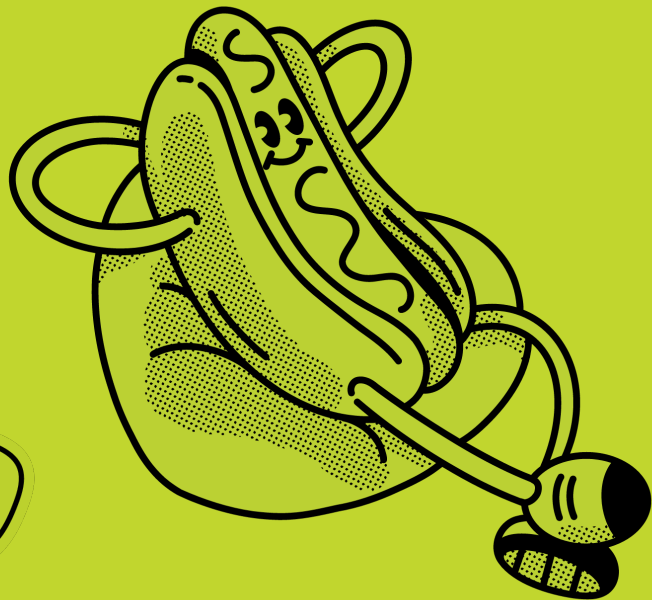
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Jamestowners, skunks will get together and huddle in their reliable home-made nests for warmth. In Jamestown, some of the best partying happens in the wintertime – when everyone fills a room together! One wonders if there is a Skunk version of The

Pub on North Main... Whenever someone walks or drives through Jamestown and sees a familiar black and white friend, they will think of one thing... The baseball team – The Jamestown Tarp Skunks!



Jamestown Baseball, Since 1866

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Over the succeeding years about 275 future Major League Baseball players began their journey to “The Show” in our city including Cooperstown Hall of Famers Nellie Fox, Randy Johnson and Jim Leyland.

But baseball is more than gifted athletes and sports legends.

Baseball means recreation teams, Little League teams, Babe Ruth League teams, MUNY league teams, industrial league teams, social league teams, American Legion teams, high school teams, travel league teams and countless other iterations.

Baseball means players, coaches, sponsors, umpires, administrators, vendors, suppliers friends and fans.

Distilled down to its purest form, baseball means fathers, mothers, sons, daughters, grandparents and other relatives. Baseball is family.

The Jamestown Tarp Skunks

were established in 2020. Underlying the interest of many extraordinary community leaders was the desire to maintain a continuum of baseball legacy at Diethrick Park. These men and women of Jamestown Baseball LLC are examples of what journalist David Brooks calls “weavers.” They are people with a commitment to the common good and who put relationships in the center of their actions. They are called “weavers” because they desire to knit the social fabric of this community.

It’s the goal of the current custodians of that baseball legacy that the arc of baseball enjoyment will continue, and that the play of today will be the memories of tomorrow.

On this Fathers’ Day, let us give thanks to the freedoms we enjoy in America that allow us to sit with our families and enjoy a game of baseball, no matter the level being played. Play ball!



TARP SKUNKS CURRENT ROSTER

PITCHERS						
Player	B/T	Ht	Wt	College	Class	Hometown
Peyton Ahlstrom	R/R	5-9	165	SUNY Fredonia	Senior	Dunkirk, NY
Simon Aluko	L/L	6-3	220	Shorter Uni	Sophomore	Acworth, Ga
Rob Dorn	R/R	6-2	225	UMBC	Junior	
Leo Doyle	R/R	5-11	181	Wagner College	Sophomore	Staten Island, NY
Benjamin Escobar	R/R	6-4	180	Xavier Uni.	Freshman	Santa Margarita, CA
Tucker Fenton	R/R	6-4	205	St. Bonaventure	Junior	Bemus Point, NY
Hayden Givens-Craig	R/R	5-11	180	Uni. of Tampa	Junior	North Little Rock, Ark.
Gage Hayes	R/R	6-2	185	Drury Uni.	Junior	Lake Winnebago, MO
Sam Hough	R/R	6-3	195	Bates College	Senior	
Austin Kalsek	R/R	6-2	150	Grand Canyon Uni.	Senior	Goodyear, AZ
Shaniel Maldonado	R/R	6-2	210	Mercer CC	Freshman	Newark, NJ
Will Saxenmeyer	R/R	6-5	208	Wagner College	Junior	
Eli Shedd	S/L	6-1	155	Wagner College	Senior	Pittsburgh, PA
Griffin Snyder	R/R	6-3	220	Clarion Uni.	Senior	Camp Hill, PA
Gabe Wheeler	R/R	6-1	160	Uni. of Tampa	Sophomore	Clearwater, Fla
Brady Wright	R/R	5-6	125	Santa Fe CC	Freshman	Denver, CO
Catchers						
Player	B/T	Ht	Wt	College	Class	Hometown
Noah Brooks	R/R	5-10	185	Sienna College	Sophomore	Palmyra, NY
Henry Juan	R/R	5-10	210	Williams College	Senio	Big Flats, NY
Julian Sauger	R/R	5-10	215	Shorter Uni.	Senior	Trussville, AL
Infielders						
Player	B/T	Ht	Wt	College	Class	Hometown
Timmy Burns	R/R	6-3	240	Uni. Maine Presque Isle	Senior	Florida
Austin Matranga	L/R	5-7	150	Grand Canyon Uni.	Sophomore	Surprise, AZ
Brandon McLain-Banks	R/R	5-8	170	Youngstown State Uni.	Sophomore	Pittsburgh, Pa
Tommy Schroeder	R/R	5-11	185	Shorter Uni.	Senior	St. Charles, Ill
Nigel Sebastianelli	L/R					
Bobby Stang	R/R	6-4	215	Georgia Southern Uni.	Sophomore	Massapequa, NY
Aidan Wallace	R/R	6-0	190	Uni. of Tampa	University of Tampa	Buffalo, NY
Outfielders						
Player	B/T	Ht	Wt	College	Class	Hometown
Kobe Jones	R/R	5-10	180	Shorter Uni.	Senior	Marietta, Ga
Connor Kiefer	R/R	5-9	180	Alfred State College	Senior	Buffalo, NY
Klayton Kiser	L/L	6-3	210	Drury Uni.	Sophomore	Willard, MO
Steven Scarfone	R/R	6-4	210	Clarion Uni.	Sophomore	Staten Island, NY
DJ Stoianovich	R/R	6-3	200			
Griffin White	L/R	6-5	215	Wagner College	Sophomore	Columbus, OH
Other						
Player	B/T	Ht	Wt	College	Class	Hometown
Eli Harpalani	R/R	5-9	185	Catawba Valley CC	Junior	Wexford, PA



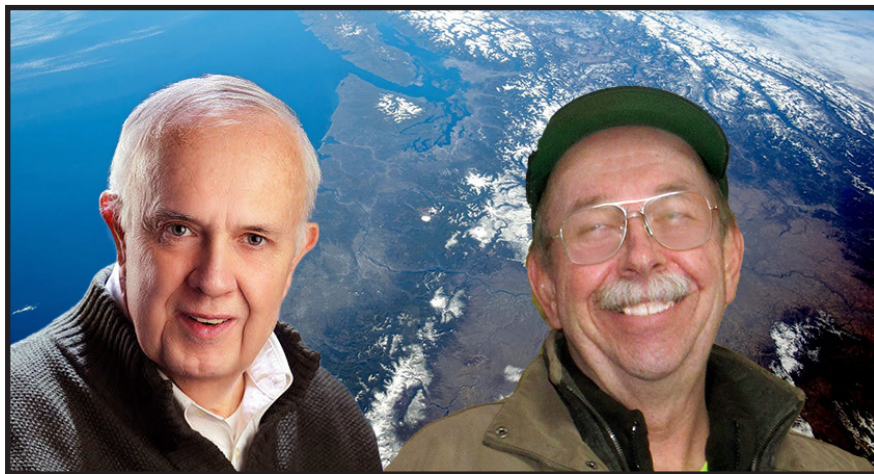
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The Onslaught of Extraterrestrial Objects



Walt Pickut, left, and Tom Traub of the Martz-Kohl Observatory.

*Article Contributed by
Martz-Kohl Observatory*

There has been a lot of activity in our solar system with recent solar flares and visits of Near-Earth Objects (NEOs). Martz-Kohl Observatory board members, Walt Pickut and Tom Traub will join forces to talk about these recent events in the context of the Earth being a "target."

Solar activity has been high. We've had recent sunspots that produced a solar storm resulting in the spectacular aurora of May 10. Continued sunspot activity has produced more flares and storms causing partial radio disruptions around the world. Tom Traub will discuss the Sun, recent solar events and possible implications.

NEOs such as comets, asteroids, and meteors are objects that have been nudged by the gravitational attraction of nearby planets into orbits that allow them to enter the Earth's neighborhood. Every once in an eon, though, an asteroid or big meteor comes along that could wipe out a city or a

million dinosaurs! Walt Pickut will talk about the different types of NEOs, where they come from, how they've impacted the Earth, and possible future dangers.

This presentation will be live at Martz-Kohl Observatory and available online via Zoom on Wednesday, June 19, 2024, at 7:30pm, EDT. You are encouraged to come to the observatory to meet Tom and Walt and the astronomy team at MKO and join in Q&As after the talk. Tours will follow. Dress appropriately for the weather as if you were outside. If the weather permits, there will be public viewing opportunities. More info: <https://martzobservatory.org>

The Martz-Kohl Observatory, located at 176 Robbin Hill Rd, Frewsburg, NY, is operated by the Marshal Martz Memorial Astronomical Association, Inc. a non-profit organization devoted to the amateur astronomer. The emphasis of the association is observational astronomy, well-rooted in education outreach and enjoyment of the starry skies.



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own two boys came along. Three generations of Teresis talking, laughing, eating and bonding over baseball and all of the other "good stuff" happening at that ballpark. And now, with the recent addition of my grandson Theo, who has already been with us to International League games in both Syracuse and Norfolk, I can't wait to introduce him to Tarp Skunks baseball, right here in Our Town.

Now don't get me wrong. I love attending all types of sporting events, at every level. But there is something truly unique and special about baseball and the venues in which the game is played.

The more relaxed and leisurely pace of the sport allows and actually promotes interaction with and conversation between folks in the stands. Getting lost in total silence and good old fashion daydreaming is also perfectly OK, without any fear of missing something life altering and game changing on the field.

Then, there's the food. I firmly believe and can scientifically prove that a hot dog, peanuts, popcorn and a cold one ALWAYS taste better at a ballpark. Don't get me started on the entertainment value of ballpark theater in the stands. In my book, watching people interact during a baseball game beats anything else you're going to catch on TV, the

big screen or a Broadway stage. Think about it. Two shows, one on the field and one in the seats, all for the price of one! And, you can't beat that during these times of inflation and rising prices. Baseball, like other sports, is great on TV. But to fully enjoy and appreciate its value, it really needs to be experienced live, preferably, in a classic and historic place like Diethrick Park.

To better understand all of this, I would urge everyone to Google and enjoy George Carlin's iconic bit comparing baseball with another favorite great sport, football. It's spot on, masterful and priceless!

So, even if you're not a dedicated fan of our national pastime, I urge you to take in a ballgame with your Dad, Mom, spouse, partner, kids, grandparents, etc. Enjoy the magic of this game, the place in which it's played and some quality, relaxing downtime with those most important in your life.

Happy Father's Day

Sam Teresi is Tony's son, Joe and John's Dad and Theo's Nanu. He was also Jamestown's mayor from January 1, 2000 to January 1, 2020 and is the city's longest, continuously serving CEO.

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Chamber Corner

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Daniel J. Heitzenrater

President and CEO of the Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce

Find the Businesses and Resources You Need with the Chamber

Whether you're looking for a great place to eat, a local service industry, or some other type of local business, you can generally find it in the Chamber's online Business Directory. The Business Directory is one of the main ways the Chamber promotes support for local businesses, as we provide an easy to access and searchable list online database.

Each day the Chamber's Business Directory refers people more than 5,470 times to local businesses and organizations. Here's an example of how it works. A person searching the category of "restaurants" in our online database will find a list of dozens of restaurants from all over Chautauqua County. From there it's easy to access each businesses information directly, including their address, website, phone number, and social media links. There's also a Google map embedded in the web page that shows where all those restaurants are located, and you can zoom in on a particular community to find some options.

Our database features some standard topical groups such as Community & Non-Profit, Finance & Insurance, Shopping & Specialty Retail, and more, that can help you drill down into a more specific search. It also includes a robust list of more detailed categories. Or if you don't know what category to look for, you can enter your own keyword into the search box and see what comes up. With so much information in the system, you are certain to find something that will fit your needs or interests.

This easy-to-use online tool is not just designed for customers seeking a particular type of business or organization. It can also be used by businesses that may be looking for a particular type of

vendor. Looking for educational or training organizations? We have those. Looking for internet providers? We've got them in our database. Looking for manufacturers? They're listed in the Chamber's Business Directory. With information about more than 900 businesses throughout Chautauqua County, the Chamber is one of the best resources for finding local organizations of all types.

If your business or organization is not a member of the Chamber and you want to be included, just call us to find out more about membership. If you are already a Chamber member and haven't updated your online categories or business description recently, just login to our Members Only portal and make your changes. The Chamber's Business Directory is one of the best ways for others to find your business.

The Chamber's online Business Directory helps us fulfill our mission to build vital connections, provide professional resources, and champion our local businesses in Chautauqua County. will focus on Branding Through Storytelling and Images and promises to be an engaging session for all local businesspeople. It will be held Monday, July 22 from 1-3pm in the Key Auditorium at the SUNY Fredonia Science Center. There will be plenty of time for a question-and-answer session with Travis at the end of the event.

Chamber Business Builder Workshops are free for all to attend, but we do request advance registration for planning purposes. These workshops are designed to provide growth opportunities for local businesspeople as they work to navigate the challenges of operations, marketing, and learning about resources and emerging technologies that can help them work smarter, not harder. As with most Chamber events, there will be networking opportunities built into the occasion. Save the date now or register online through the Chamber's web calendar at www.chautauquachamber.org.

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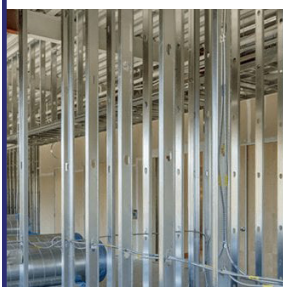
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Randolph Arts & Crafts Festival

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Baby Contest

This year we are bringing back a festival favorite... the Cutest Baby Contest! New for this contest, we will be crowning an overall Prince and Princess of the Festival. Prizes will also be awarded in other categories such as Prettiest Eyes, Cutest Giggle and Best Hair, just to name a few. Judging will take place at 10:30 with registration starting at 10:00 at the RACDC information booth.

Dog Show

The Dog Show, sponsored by Julie's Groom and Board, in which visitors can enter their dogs in one of the various categories for judging, is taking place at 2:30 pm. All dog show entrants must register at the RACDC information booth, beginning at 2:00 pm. Prizes will be awarded in the following categories: Largest; Fluffiest; Smallest; Nosiest; Best Looking; Most Well Behaved; Most Talented; Looks Most Like Their Owner; Prettiest Eyes; and Best Dressed.

Raffle

Don't forget to enter for your chance to win one of the great prizes that are being raffled off this year: Amish-made Polywood Double Adirondack Chair; Large Amish-made Polywood Flower; or an Amish-made Polywood Buffalo Bills Welcome Sign. Proceeds will be used towards future Randolph events. Tickets will be for sale at various businesses downtown (Raw, Randolph Retail, Randolph Auto and Randolph Clerk's Office) prior to the Festival and at the RACDC Booth during the festival. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20, drawing to be held at 4:30 pm on June 15th.

To get the latest information on the Festival, check out our facebook page "Enjoy Randolph".





Christian Dolce
 DIRECTOR BASEBALL OPERATIONS

This Week Around Town

JUNE 12

Fenton History Center Lecture Series: Chautauqua Obscura
Fenton History Center | Jamestown
For Info: fentonhistorycenter.org

Sunset Sounds on the Lake 6pm-7:30pm
Findley Lake Gazebo
For Info: Music by Jesse Taylor Smith. Bring a lawn chair!

Jamestown Tarp Skunks Baseball - 6:30pm
Diethrick Park | Jamestown
For Info: tarpskunks.com

Summer Fashion Show
Truffle Honey | Mayville
For Info: trufflehoneychq.com

JUNE 13

Women In Networking
JCC - Carnahan Building, Room 120
For Info: 716.338.1024 or website at www.sbdccjcc.org

National Comedy Center Presents Tom Segura
Northwest Arena | Jamestown
For Info: comedycenter.org

Bach & Beyond Baroque Music Festival
Fredonia Opera House | Fredonia
For Info: fredopera.org

JUNE 14-16

Jamestown Juneteenth Festival
Downtown Jamestown
For Info: facebook.com/JTownJTeenth

JUNE 14

Jamestown Tarp Skunks Baseball - 6:30pm
Diethrick Park | Jamestown
For Info: tarpskunks.com

Yassou Festival
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church
Jamestown
For Info: 716.483.0022 or stnicholasjamestown.org

Jamestown Public Market 10am-2pm
3rd St. | Jamestown
For Info: 716.664.2477 or jtowpublicmarket.org

Village Wide Yard Sales
Cassadaga
For Info: 716-595-3007

JUNE 15

Buns on the Run 5K
Village Park | Bemus Point
For Info: runsignup.com

Yoga with the Birds
Roger Tory Peterson Institute
Jamestown
For Info: 716.665.2473 or rtpi.org

Jamestown Public Market
Downtown Jamestown | Jamestown
For Info: 716.664.2477 or jtowpublicmarket.org

Dragons and Fairies Festival
The Audobon | Jamestown
For Info: 716.569.2345 or auduboncn.org

JUNE 16

YMCA Camp Onyahsa Overnight Camp
YMCA | Dewittville
For Info 716.664.2802 (ext. 238) or onyahsa.org

Father's Day Car Show
Chautauqua County Fairgrounds
Dunkirk



Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program 2024

Article Contributed by
Chautauqua County Office for the Aging

Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) is a program to increase access to fresh affordable produce to older adults in Chautauqua County. The SFMNP is a USDA Ag & Markets program in coordination with Office for Aging Services (OFAS) that provides a coupon booklet of a \$25 value to low-income older adults. These coupon booklets can be used at participating local farm stands and farmers markets.

Older Adults who are 60 years of age or older are income eligible if:

- Household Size of 1 = income less than \$2,322/month
- Household Size of 2 = income less than \$3,152/month
- Household Size of 3 = income less than \$3,981/month

These coupon booklets are distributed through OFAS between July 1st and September 30th, or until the limited number of booklets are gone. This is a "First Come, First Serve" program with coupon booklets limited to 1 per person. OFAS has planned distribution locations coordinated with housing units, senior groups, food pantries, churches, and at various summer resource fairs. Call our main line at NY Connects 716-753-4582 to find get more information on where and when these distributions are occurring.

You can also look for an OFAS table at Farmers Markets on:

- Wednesday July 17th at Dunkirk Farmers Market
- Thursday July 18th at Forestville, Mayville, and Lakewood Farmers Markets
- Saturday July 20th at Jamestown, Fredonia, and Westfield Farmers Markets

If you would like to host a distribution location at your church or organization where older adults meet, call 716-661-8940 and ask for our Nutrition Coordinator, Carey Skelton in order to set up a date and time to reach income eligible older adults with this program.

By making simple and healthy choices on a daily basis, you will be well on your way towards achieving optimal wellness. We know the healthy choice is not always the easiest choice, but small changes can make a big difference. Chautauqua County Office for Aging Services offers Nutrition & Wellness programs to help you in your journey toward total wellness. Please remember to contribute toward your OFAS Nutrition & Wellness programs if you can. These programs are not sustainable without the support of participant and community contributions. Be aware that SNAP benefits can be used toward your contribution. Call NY Connects at 716-453-4582 for more details and information about any of these Nutrition and Wellness programs provided by Chautauqua County Office for Aging Services.

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Judge Sally A. Jaroszynski Announce Candidacy

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permanency mediator for the 8th Judicial District, Vice President of the Falconer Central School Board of Education, and board member of the Lucille Ball Little Theater. She currently serves as a Board Member for the Chautauqua County Child Advocacy Program (CAP).

- Judge Jaroszynski is a devout lifetime member of Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church in Falconer, NY, where she has been a

catechism teacher and lecturer.

- Judge Jaroszynski is committed to serving the families of Chautauqua County with experience, integrity, fairness, and compassion. This is the service that all families deserve.
- To learn more about Sally, please visit electjudgesally.com or visit her Facebook Page: Elect Judge Sally Jaroszynski for Family Court Judge.

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CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY PETS OF THE WEEK



Crystal

Crystal is a friendly three year old who would love to make you her family. She lives in the Serenity room at the Chautauqua County Humane Society with other cats and is happy with their company. Please come to meet her soon. All animals that are adopted out of CCHS have been spayed or neutered, are up to date for vaccinations, and have a microchip. Shelter No. RR179.



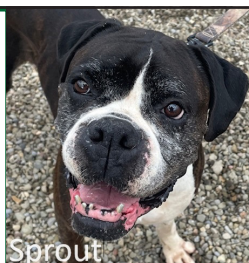
Leonidas

Leonidas is a brave boy with a playful spirit. He loves adventuring with his people and has a real passion for playing with tennis balls. Come meet Leonidas at the Chautauqua County Humane Society and he will enchant you with his amazing personality and striking good looks.

Chautauqua County Humane Society • 2825 Strunk Rd., Jamestown, NY • (716) 665-2209 • www.chqhumane.org • cchs@chqhumane.org



PET OF THE WEEK



Sprout

Meet Sprout. Good with most dogs
Good with cats. Good with kids.
Will need help with housetraining
Moderate Energy - Enjoys going for walks
Heartworm Negative

Meet Lizzie. Good with dogs. Not good with cats.
Good with kids. Will need housetrained.
An obedience class is recommended.
High Energy - Will need exercised.
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Lizzie

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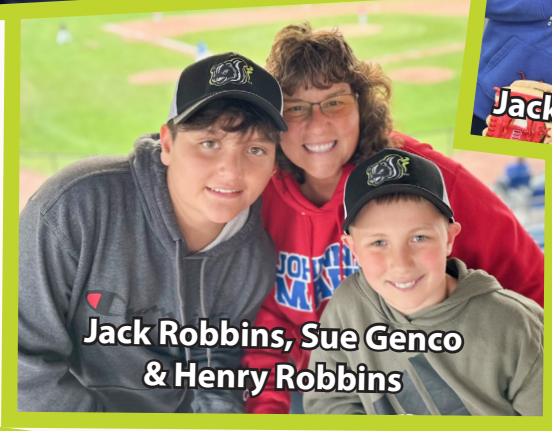
Scotty James & Bob Goold



Jackson Chris & Evan John



Katelyn Bean & Ryan Mroczka



Jack Robbins, Sue Genco & Henry Robbins



Lucas & Isaac Kasper



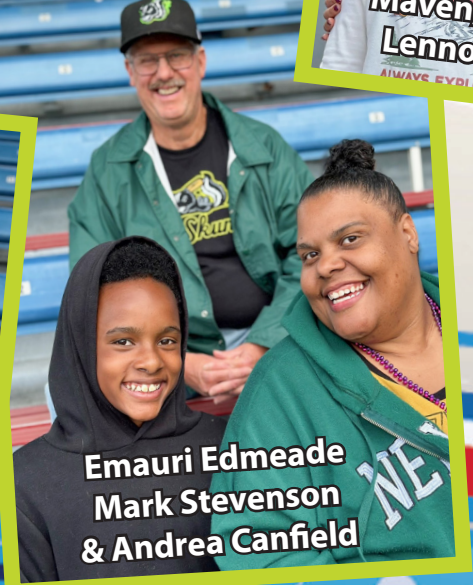
Maven, Jamie & Lennon Faulk



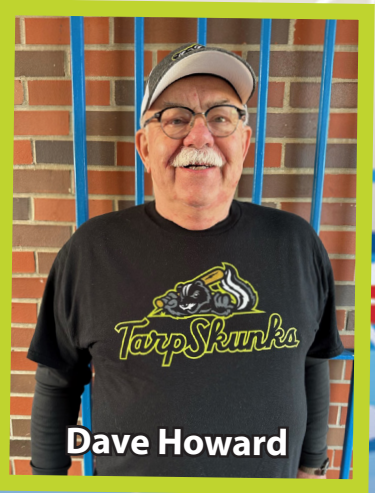
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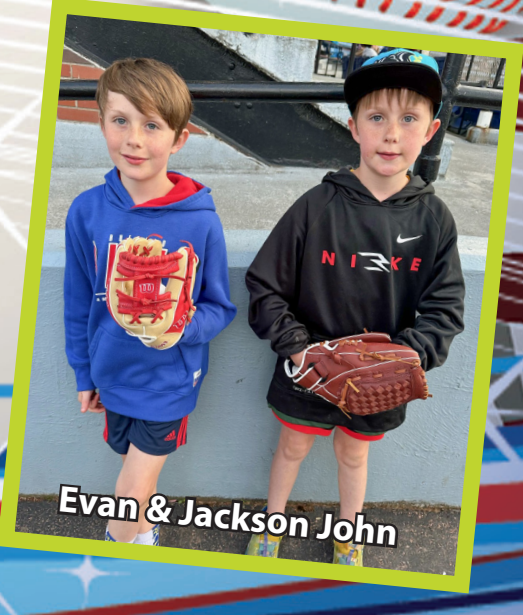
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 Boys & Girls Club of Northern Chautauqua County
 BPMC Royal Family Kids' Camp
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 Chautauqua Lake Child Care Center
 Chautauqua Lake Community Sailing Foundation
 Chautauqua Lake Partnership
 Chautauqua Lake Rowing Association
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 Chautauqua Opportunities
 Chautauqua Rails to Trails
 Chautauqua Region Community Foundation
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 Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame
 Chautauqua Striders
 Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy
 Chautauqua Youth Symphony
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 Child Advocacy Program
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 Community Connections at Findley Lake
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 Creche
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 Dunkirk Public Library
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 Jamestown Community College Foundation
 Jamestown Community Learning Council
 Jamestown Pride
 Jamestown Public Market
 Jamestown Skating Club
 Jamestown YMCA
 Junior Achievement of WNY
 Kennedy Free Library
 Labyrinthine Ways Peace Park
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Older Adults who are 60 years of age or older are income eligible if:

- Household Size of 1 = income less than \$2,322/month
- Household Size of 2 = income less than \$3,152/month
- Household Size of 3 = income less than \$3,981/month

These coupon booklets are distributed through OFAS between July 1st and September 30th, or until the limited number of booklets are gone. This is a "First Come, First Serve" program with coupon booklets limited to 1 per person. OFAS has planned distribution locations coordinated with housing units, senior groups, food pantries, churches, and at various summer resource fairs. Call our main line at NY Connects 716-753-4582 to find get more information on where and when these distributions are occurring.

You can also look for an OFAS table at Farmers Markets on:

- Wednesday July 17th at Dunkirk Farmers Market
- Thursday July 18th at Forestville, Mayville, and Lakewood Farmers Markets
- Saturday July 20th at Jamestown, Fredonia, and Westfield Farmers Markets

If you would like to host a distribution location at your church or organization where older adults meet, call 716-661-8940 and ask for our Nutrition Coordinator, Carey Skelton in order to set up a date and time to reach income eligible older adults with this program.

By making simple and healthy choices on a daily basis, you will be well on your way towards achieving optimal wellness. We know the healthy choice is not always the easiest choice, but small changes can make a big difference. Chautauqua County Office for Aging Services offers Nutrition & Wellness programs to help you in your journey toward total wellness. Please remember to contribute toward your OFAS Nutrition & Wellness programs if you can. These programs are not sustainable without the support of participant and community contributions. Be aware that SNAP benefits can be used toward your contribution. Call NY Connects at 716-453-4582 for more details and information about any of these Nutrition and Wellness programs provided by Chautauqua County Office for Aging Services.

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Braw Caddie Clan Awards Carsen Bane the 2024 Stanley A. Weeks BCC Award for Excellence

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Braw Caddie Clan

The Braw Caddie Clan (BCC) scholarship selection committee, in collaboration with the Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame, is delighted to announce that Carsen Bane, son of David and Heidi Bane, has been awarded the esteemed Stanley A. Weeks BCC Award for Excellence 2024. BCC welcomes brothers, honorary brothers, and community members to the award ceremony at Moonbrook Country Club on Thursday, June 13, 2024. Brothers and guests will assemble at 5 pm and the presentation begins at 5:30 pm.

Carsen embodies the award's spirit, uniquely blending academic brilliance and athletic prowess. His commitment to hard work and service to the community is commendable and inspirational. His positive energy and accomplishments will serve him well as he moves on with his education and career. He plans to study civil engineering at Alfred State University.

Carsen's academic accomplishments are reflected by being JHS Valedictorian, a member of the JHS Honor Society, receiving the Rhetoric Award in English, and being on JCC Dean's list. As an athlete, he participated in wrestling, tennis, and soccer. He excelled in football! The Buffalo News recognized him as the Section 6 Class AA First-Team All-Star running back, and the JHS Football coaches recognized him as the Most Valuable Player. Bane, a Section 6 All-Western New York and a New York State Public High School Scholar-Athlete, was also active on defense, making 71 tackles with 12 for loses.

He volunteered for various programs, including the Soap Box Derby, Babe Ruth Little League World Series, Read Across America, and the Gus Macker. As a member of the Key Club, he volunteered for two JHS graduation ceremonies and baccalaureate services and lent a helping hand at the Red and Green Football Camp for kids. His dedication to service is a testament to his desire to make a positive impact at

Recommendations acknowledge his character and tenacity. "Carsen's work ethic, grit, and humility are demonstrated by his academic and athletic performance," wrote Tom Langworthy, JHS Varsity Football Coach and Assistant Principal. When interviewed after games, Carsen consistently deflected praise to his teammates and coaches." Stephen Propheter, JHS physics teacher and Assistant Varsity Football Coach, said, "Carson was always prepared for class and his participation in classwork and discussions helped foster an ideal learning environment."

Braw Caddie Clan is pleased to add to Jamestown's positive energy by illuminating the ideals of Mr. Weeks. Awardees become honorary members, and several serve on the scholarship selection committee. Each year, the BCC brothers shed light on student brilliance and how JHS teachers, coaches, and administrators provide guidance and opportunity for achievement deserving of recognition in New York State.

As the 100th Anniversary of the Braw Caddie Clan approaches in 2030, the brothers envision a legacy goal to create one of the most distinguished Scholar-Athlete Awards in Western New York. In collaboration with community members committed to excellence, BCC brothers and past recipients and their parents have generously contributed to the Stanley A. Weeks Braw Caddie Clan Scholarship Fund, Chautauqua Region Community Foundation (CRCF), 418 Spring Street, Jamestown, New York, or visit https://crcfonline.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit_id=1134 to provide easy online donations. The collection of various CRCF scholarships allows our best young men to attend some of the finest colleges and universities in the nation.

Excitement grows as the Weeks BCC Scholarship is gaining recognition as one of the most prestigious within the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation and in Western New York.