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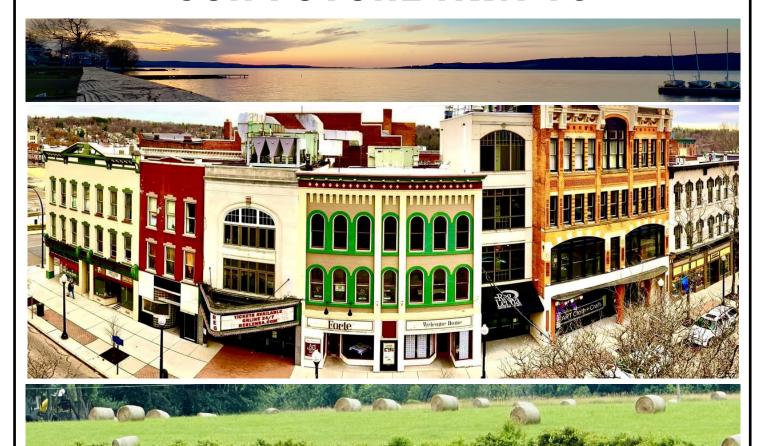
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## **OUR FUTURE AWAITS**



## Contributing Editor

## Katrina Fuller

In an exciting move for community news, the Jamestown Gazette will undergo a transformation this month. The beloved newspaper, serving the community for 14 years, will be changing its name to the Chautauqua Gazette, effective today. This change reflects the paper's aspiration to connect across the entire region and commitment to continue to thrive long into the future.

"We are thrilled to embrace a name that encompasses the breadth we endeavor to deliver," said Lori Cornell, publisher of the Chautauqua Gazette. "We are dedicated, as always, to covering the communities in which we live, work, and play. We hope this name change fully reflects that dedication, while at the same time ensures that we will remain at our core, the tried and true, beloved Gazette."

Cornell bought the Gazette from its founder and retired owner, Stacey Hannon, in February of this year and has thus far published twenty editions on its weekly Monday distribution day. She credits Hannon for her foresight and drive to build the special newspaper into the well-read and appreciated local asset that it is today.

"While we may ebb and flow with time, Stacey Hannon should always be regarded as the heart and soul of the Gazette," explained Cornell. "She deserves great respect and admiration as the original brainchild and tireless cheerleader of this proud community treasure."

The planned transformation doesn't stop at the name. The Chautauqua Gazette to be abbreviated CHQ Gazette - is also launching a brand-new website as well. Readers can expect a modern design and easy navigation to stay informed about what's happening in their communities. For those plugged in to social media, the CHQ Gazette is also launching new Facebook and Instagram pages this month reflecting the new name, providing residents with another avenue to connect.

As the Jamestown Gazette transforms into the Chautauqua Gazette, get ready to embrace a strong and exciting future ahead - both online and in print.

## **Exciting Updates Ahead**

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Contributing Writer

### Pat Locke

The Jamestown Gazette has become a familiar sight around town but has always incorporated the news from surrounding areas as more of a county-wide newspaper. Embracing the community at large with its new name, The Chautauqua Gazette, the paper is transforming its name, but not its mission. The Chautauqua Gazette strives to foster a sense of community by reporting on

celebrations, events and challenges that directly impact residents' lives. The Chautauqua Gazette staff reached out to various community members on what the paper means to the community and to the county at large to celebrate this milestone. The response was overwhelmingly positive!

Read the responses on page 16.

## Lori Cornell Owner/Publisher

Chautauqua Gazette

### Cornell brings over twenty-five year's experience in public service, marketing, and communications to become the Gazette's new owner/publisher and editor-in-chief. She holds her Bachelor of Arts from the University of Notre Dame and Master's in strategic leadership from St. Bonaventure's School of Business. She grew up in Dunkirk and spent her early career in Washington, DC. She is most passionate about her time as a locally elected official and the chance to make a difference in several other city, county and state-appointed posts. She now lives in Bemus Point with her husband, Chuck, and four teenage sons,

Benjamin, Nathaniel, Zachary and Nicholas.



## April Colburn

### Graphic Designer

April Colburn has extensive experience working as a graphic designer focused mainly in print & promotional design. She studied fine arts at Eastern New Mexico University and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in graphic design and media arts from SNHU. She has held several graphic design positions in addition to running her own freelance design business. She has worked as an ad and layout designer for the Jamestown Gazette since 2019. Colburn resides in Jamestown with her husband and

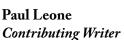


Shannon Nixon has been a freelance writer for over a decade and is thrilled to be a part of the Gazette team. With a background in marketing, she is eager to play a role in the continuous growth of Chautauqua County's staple publication. Shannon implements her experience as a non-profit fundraiser and marketer to contribute to the development of the Gazette. She is currently pursuing her psychology degree through Empire State College. In her spare time, Shannon teaches and practices Muay Thai, travels frequently, and enjoys spending quality time with loved ones.

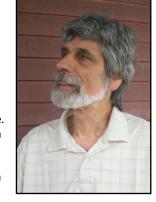


### Pat Locke Contributing Writer

Pat Locke realized her love of writing relatively late in life thanks to being urged to create a blog for the Chautauqua Lake Pops concert series. On occasion, she is a guest writer for the Westfield Republican. She attended Ripley Central School and graduated from Chamberlayne Junior College in Boston, MA. She later attended Adrian College in Adrian, MI and Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, FL. She has an online blog covering a variety of topics from A to Z and resides in Dewittville, NY with her husband, Bill.



Writer/ storyteller/poet Paul Leone has been a major figure in the literary life of Chautauqua County for many years. Paul has performed and conducted workshops in storytelling venues throughout western New York. He is especially fond of poetry recitation. His intent, says Paul, is to elevate such recitations to an art form. He is currently completing a volume of sonnets in homage to Shakespeare. He has been an artist in residence teaching writing through the former Arts Council. Paul is the author of seven books including the popular Chautauqua Ghosts. He is the sole proprietor of the regional Publishing company Chautauqua Region Press. He lives on Lakeview Avenue.



### Rev. Luke Fodor "Faith Matters" Lead Contributor

The Very Rev. Luke Fodor is Rector of St. Luke's, Jamestown, Vicar at Chapel of the Good Shepherd and the Dean of Chautauqua-Cattaraugus deanery. He has three graduate degrees from the University of Durham in England, New York University, and Bexley Hall Seminary in

Columbus, OH. He came to Jamestown with his wife Willow and their two boys (Aidan and Kieran) from Long Island in 2014 and since that time he has thrown himself into serving the community well beyond the walls of his church. When not engaged in ministry or leading in community initiatives, Luke is likely to be found swimming in Chautauqua Lake, in the saddle of his bike or pounding the pavement training for his next triathlon or race. He has completed two Ironman length triathlons—swimming 2.4 miles, biking 112 and running 26.1 miles.

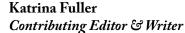


Stacey Hannon is a lifelong resident of Jamestown, with decades of experience in marketing, sales and information technology. She founded the Gazette in 2011 and led the publication until her retirement in December of 2023. She and her husband, Mark, are the loving parents to three grown children and ten grandchildren.



### Nick Trussalo Graphic Designer/Layout

Nick Trussalo was born and raised in Jamestown, NY. After graduating from Jamestown High School, he attended Kent State University where he received a Bachelor's degree in Computer Design and Engineering Technology. Since graduating college, he held many graphic design positions in addition to running his own web design business. Since 2013, Trussalo has acted as the layout artist for the Jamestown Gazette. Trussalo resides in Jamestown with his wife and two children.



Meet Katrina Fuller, your friendly neighborhood Contributing Editor at the CHQ Gazette! By day, she juggles the exciting world of non-profit work, focusing on democracy and making sure everyone gets a say. But her nights are fueled by a love for storytelling, which she's been honing for more than 11 years as both a freelance writer and previously, as a local reporter.

Back in 2011, the CHQ Gazette (then known as the Jamestown Gazette) was where Katrina first cut her teeth in journalism. She is thrilled to be back and supporting this institution of community news.

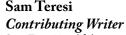
Now, when she's not chasing deadlines or wrangling democracy, you might find Katrina wrangling a different kind of crew: her husband, two amazing kids, and a mischievous cat named Holland. So, if you see her around town, don't be a stranger! She's always up for a good story, whether it's for the paper or just a chat



over coffee.

### Jordan Nicholson Contributing Writer

Jordan Nicholson was born and raised in Chautauqua County. After graduating from Chautauqua Lake High School, he received his undergraduate and graduate degrees at Fredonia. From 2014-2022 he was the Western New York Regional Director for Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer. Since 2022, he has served as Director of Community Relations at the University at Buffalo. He currently resides in Tonawanda with his girlfriend Sam and their dog Colden.



Sam Teresi is a lifelong resident of Jamestown. He graduated from Jamestown Community College, the University at Buffalo, Summa Cum Laude, with a Bachelor of Arts degree and obtained his Master of Arts in Public Administration and Policy, Summa Cum Laude, from the Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy at the University of Albany. Teresi was the Executive Director of the Downtown Jamestown Development Corporation (1985-1988), Jamestown Director of Development (1988-1999) and Mayor of Jamestown (2000-2020). He is the city's longest continuously serving CEO. He and his



wife, Becky, are the proud parents of two accomplished adult sons, Joe and John, adoring grandparents of Theo Anthony, and loving caretakers of their Labrador Retriever, Sadie.



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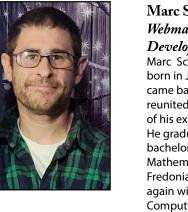
nearly three decades now. With loyal dedication, he hits the road at the "crack-of-dawn" each and every Monday, efficiently delivering the Gazette to over 200 newsstands across more than thirty zip codes in the region and managing the full distribution database. He is husband to Desiree and a dedicated father to three school-aged children.



born in Jamestown, then came back in 1990 to be reunited with the rest of his extended family. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in Mathematics from SUNY Fredonia in 2002 and then again with a bachelor's in



Computer Science in 2011. Marc is currently working as a web/app developer. He has also taught mathematics at Jamestown High School, Ellicottville BOCES, and Southwestern High School. On the side, he is a percussionist in a few local bands and does Reiki at his small wellness practice.





## **Editorial** with Lori Cornell

## Cheers to Our Team



Owner & Publisher Lori Cornell

Pat Locke, our newspaper's top feature writer, might just be one of our most enthusiastic and dedicated In her brilliance, advocates. she had the creative idea to collect quotes to highlight our amazing newspaper this week. (See this great display on page X.) I am so grateful for the generous comments from many community members and want to underscore the real reason for this paper's success: our incredibly exceptional team, found here on page two. It's often said, "It takes a village to raise a child." I've raised children - and I am well aware that it often does take a village! However, applying it to my more recent endeavors, I have also found it takes a village to "raise" a newspaper as well. The Jamestown Gazette, now undertaking its new name, the Chautauqua Gazette, has had a village tending to it over the past few months - and I couldn't be more grateful. Dear readers, please take a moment to recognize those members of our team that make this edition, and all others, possible.

Starting at the top with graphic artists, Nick Trussalo and April **Colburn**, we are fortunate to have such high-caliber contributors. Nick is one of the most experienced layout masters in the region, having worked for larger newspapers out of town before returning to Jamestown to share his talents with

his hometown. He has been laying out the Gazette since almost the paper's start. His sheer perfecting speed and professional knack and know-how are irreplaceable. He is both a creative artist and technology expert - an indispensable combination for the complicated craft of publishing.

April, meanwhile, is equally as talented as an artist. Local business supporters best know her for the beautiful ads she creates in seconds, but she also excels in layout design and has an eye for true beauty and creativity. Above all, April is the hardest-working person I've ever met. As the mother of four children and sole provider of her home, she seemingly never rests with nearly two full-time jobs and demanding

obligations. Her dedication, loyal and many, many late nights, the guarantee paper's completion week after week after week. She's a superwoman if ever there was.

A good friend recently surmised that, in his opinion, the most impressive part of the Gazette is the layout. That's all "Nick and April" and I couldn't agree more. Their shared talents are a boon to the Gazette that is irreplaceable, and I firmly believe they are the best in the business.

Another crucial member of the team is Matt Emmerling, an expert in his own right, often taking action one of the most indispensable newspaper delivery persons there ever was. You know when you were little and you wondered how Santa Claus could possibly deliver that many presents all over the world in one night!? That's how I feel about Matt. I truly don't know how he stays so impeccably organized, efficient and able to flawlessly push out 4,000 papers to more than 200 newsstands across 30 zip codes every single Monday morning. He never calls in sick. He never misses a stop, and he does it with true professional dedication - every week. I hope he knows how grateful we truly are.

Together, Nick, April, and Matt hands-down the greatest blessing that I "inherited" with the purchase of this new venture. Their willingness to stay on as I undertook ownership made a critical difference. Their longtime experience and shared consistency

> no doubt ensured the paper's smooth transition.

> Katrina Fuller came on board more recently, sharing her unparalleled talents since became publisher

last winter. She essentially replaces retired Gazette editor, Walt Pickut, in this position - well-known and widely respected in the community as the exceptional writer and editor that she is. She is about five times as fast and effective as I am in both realms and so generously accepts my desperate late-night pleas for help nearly every weekend with our looming print deadline. Truly, Katrina single-handedly elevates this newspaper's level of publishing caliber with journalistic perfection.

Next in our special team line-up is the marketing wizard and gifted writer, Shannon Nixon. I have known Shannon since she was little and have watched in awe how she

has developed into such a multitalented young professional. was thrilled when she moved back into the area recently and offered to share some guidance with us as we rebrand and move the Gazette forward into the next generation of its tenure. Do not miss her special articles when she has time to grace us with her freelancing - she's incredibly unique and entertaining. In addition to the writing prowess of Katrina, Pat and Shannon, readers are also treated to regular contributions from the deeply respected, powerhouse threesome of: Paul Leone, an accomplished local author; Sam Teresi, the longest serving, retired mayor of Jamestown; and Luke Fodor, dedicated activist and pastor at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. And the zany, educational, and yet entertaining approach of writer contributing Jordan Nicholson very well rounds out the regular writing team. We have also appreciated the contributions of several special guest writers and welcome them to keep coming!

Last but certainly not least, I must mention and thank Marc **Scapelitte.** Gazette fans will soon enjoy the fruits of his long labor with our new website and digital application! Not only is Marc an information technology master, but he is as talented as he is kind, patient, and generous with his time. (And, of course, he is one of the region's best drummers as a founding member of the original Porcelain Bus Drivers!)

To conclude this run-down: I have learned and loved that publishing is hard, high-pressure work. I've appreciated our loyal readers and advertising supporters. And I know in my heart that this "village" makes it all possible.











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### July 2

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### **July 1**

Judith L. Brentley, 71 of Jamestown Lind Funeral Home

### June 29

Christy Baglia, Jr., 78 of Jamestown *Lind Funeral Home* 

### June 28

Jeffrey M. FitzPatrick, 60 of Falconer Falconer Funeral Home

### June 26

Todd F. Kent, 63 of Jamestown Falconer Funeral Home

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The Gazette is proud to feature different faith leaders from throughout the region each week, in an effort to connect and inspire. We endeavor to provide a variety of religious and faith perspectives well-aligned with our diverse community and values.

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Article Contributed by **Grape Discovery Center** 

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This is a family friendly event featuring music and food, so bring your lawn chairs, sit, relax and enjoy the afternoon. There will be lawn and patio games along with a 50/50 drawing and door prizes.

Upon arrival, visit the registration tent near the main entrance to the Grape Discovery Center. That's where participants will receive a registration number and a dash plaque. There is a nominal fee of \$5 to register a vehicle, and this donation supports the Center.

When the hungries hit, purchase food tickets at the registration table and head to the food tent. Also available at this table are 50/50 tickets and door prize entry tickets.

Don't forget to visit the tasting room where wine slush and non-alcoholic grape slush is available for purchase along with wine tastings, glasses of wine and bottled craft beer. The gift shop offers a variety of grape themed items including an exclusive line of specialty food products created specifically for the Grape Discovery Center. Many local artisans are featured along with a very large selection of unique gift items you won't find elsewhere.

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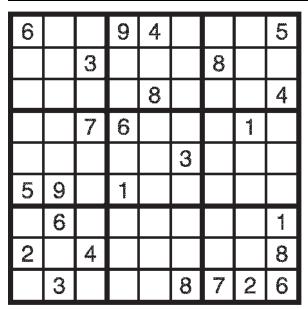
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Level: Intermediate

### **CROSSWORD**

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### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Book size
- 8. Indonesian Island
- 13. "The Sopranos" character
- 14. Plants often found in stews
- 15. Stern
- 19. Atomic #52
- 20. Often seen after a company name
- 21. Silk garments
- 22. Inhibiting hormone (abbr.)
- 23. Type of beer
- 24. Margarine
- 25. Throw lightly
- 26. Explains again
- 30. Raccoon-like animal
- 31. Sneaker parts
- 32. Platforms
- 33. Scored perfectly

- 34. One's essence
- 35. Strikes with a firm blow
- 38. Makes tractors
- 39. Music term
- 40. Lack of energy 44. Vestments
- and feathers
- 46. Total
- 47. Gobbler
- 48. One with Japanese immigrant parents
- 49. Type of braking system (abbr.)
- 50. Home of Rudy Flyer
- 51. Manageable
- 55. Lugged
- 57. Irritated 58. Sea eagles
- 59. Warm seasons

### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. About visual sense
- Part of a horse's saddle 3. In a way, interchanged
- 4. Rocker's accessory
- 5. Very important person 6. It precedes two
- 7. Flavored
- 8. Musical notes
- 9. String instrument (slang)
- 10. Mister
- 11. Fine, light linen fabric
- 12. Absence of bacteria
- 16. Discounts
- 17. Area units 18. A description of one's life
- 22. Gazelles
- 25. Plumbing fixture
- 28. One side of something
- 27. Makes especially happy
- many-sided

- 29. Frosts
- Defunct monetary unit of Guinea
- 32. Female animal species
- 34. School terms
- 35. Written law
- 36. Unpleasant aroma
- 37. Nuclear weapon
- 38. One who challenges 40. Opposite of first
- 41. Able to be utilized
- 42. Less interesting
- 43. Implants
- 45. Canister
- 48. Gestures
- 51. After B
- 52. Romanian monetary unit
- 53. Long-term memory
- 54. Cash machine
- 56. The Volunteer State





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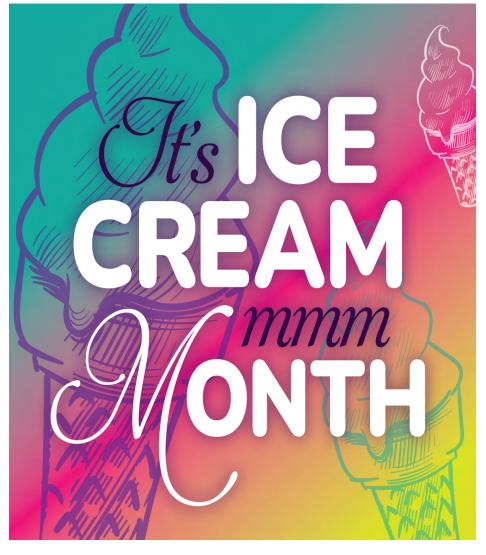














Contributing Writer

## Pat Locke

ational Ice Cream Month is celebrated in the United States every July and National Ice Cream Day is celebrated on the third Sunday of the month. President Ronald Reagan designated July as National Ice Cream Month in 1984.

The origins of ice cream are unclear with multiple countries and individuals claiming to have invented it. Historians estimate a recipe similar to sherbet evolved into ice cream sometime in the 16th century and England may have discovered it around the same time as Italy. The first official record of ice cream in the New World comes from a letter written in 1744 by a guest of Maryland Governor, William Bladen. The first advertisement for ice cream in this country appeared in the New York Gazette on May 12, 1777 when confectioner, Philip Lenzi announced ice cream was available "almost every day".

Records kept by a Chatham Street merchant in New York City show Washington President George spent approximately \$200 for ice cream during the summer of 1790. Inventory records of Mount Vernon taken after Washington's passing revealed "two pewter ice cream pots". President Thomas Jefferson was said to have a favorite 18-step recipe for an ice cream delicacy resembling a modern-day Baked Alaska. In 1813, Dolley Madison served a magnificent strawberry ice cream creation at President James Madison's second inaugural banquet at the White House.

Until 1800, ice cream remained a rare and exotic dessert enjoyed mostly by the elite. Around 1800, insulated ice houses were invented. Manufacturing ice cream soon became an industry in America, pioneered in 1851 by a Baltimore milk dealer named Jacob Fussell. Like other American industries, ice cream production increased because of technological innovations including steam power, mechanical refrigeration, the

homogenizer, electric power and motors, packing machines plus new freezing processes and equipment. In addition, motorized delivery vehicles dramatically changed the industry.

Wide availability of ice cream in the late 19th century led to new creations. In 1874, the American soda fountain shop and the profession of the "soda jerk" emerged with the creation of the ice cream soda. The practice of operating a soda fountain in a drugstore reached its peak popularity in the 1940s, but was popular from the 1920s through the 1950s. The soda drink was made by mixing flavored syrup, carbonated water and occasionally malt powder over either ice or a few scoops of ice cream. The drink would then be served in a tall glass with a long-handled spoon most commonly known as a "soda spoon" and drinking straws.

Soda jerks were known for having their own lingo for how their drinks were made. They created nicknames for different drinks calling a glass of milk "baby" and a strawberry milkshake "in the hay". A Coca-Cola with ice was called "scratch one". If a drink was ordered with extra ice it was "heavy on the hail". A popular soda fountain concoction was referred to as an egg cream. Eggs creams were especially popular in New York City where they were originated. An egg cream is a cold beverage consisting of milk, carbonated water and flavored chocolate or vanilla syrup. Ideally, the glass is left with 2/3 liquid and 1/3 foam. Despite the name, the drink contains neither eggs nor cream. The egg cream is almost exclusively a fountain drink. Although there have been several attempts to bottle it none have been wholly successful as its refreshing taste and characteristic foam require mixing of the ingredients just before serving and drinking.

Ice cream became an edible symbol during WWII. Each branch of the military tried to outdo the others in serving ice cream to its troops. In 1945, the first "floating ice cream parlor" was built for sailors in the western Pacific. When the war ended and dairy product rationing was lifted, America celebrated its victory with ice cream. Americans consumed over 20 quarts of ice cream per person in 1946.

Today's frozen dairy annual production in the United States is more than 6.4 billion pounds of ice cream! So July is the perfect time to cool off with your favorite flavor of ice cream.

## **Chamber Corner**

Article Contributed by

**Daniel J. Heitzenrater**President and CEO of the Chautauqua County
Chamber of Commerce

## America's Entrepreneurial Spirit is Alive and Well

As we celebrated Independence Day this week it caused us to think about independent businesses and the people who run them. Starting, and maintaining, a small business is both a major undertaking and a labor of love for many entrepreneurs. From their original concept for a business to the time they cut the ribbon to celebrating milestones like an anniversary or an expansion, the people who own and operate small businesses are pouring time, effort, and money into their company. They make choices every day about products and services to offer, items on a store shelf or restaurant menu, where to locate their business, who to hire, equipment to buy, and much more. These individuals have provided capital and secured loans. They have to be savvy about both their chosen profession and their finances. It's a lot of work, and we are fortunate to have help available for small business owners.

US Small The **Business** Administration was formed over 70 years ago as an independent agency of the federal government to aid, counsel, assist and protect the interests of small business to strengthen the nation's economy. Through the SBA help has been made available in a variety of forms for small businesses, including formation of the Small Business Development Center. We are fortunate to have an SBDC office right here in Chautauqua County with a capable staff of advisors to help answer questions, get entrepreneurs on the right track, and help keep them there. Whenever we are asked about how to start a business, we recommend people talk with the SBDC staff at JCC.

For federal government purposes, small businesses are defined as those with fewer than 500 employee. But we have hundreds of businesses here in Chautauqua County that get by with far fewer and many of them are true "mom and pop" operations where their business represents their family's livelihood. Many have created a family legacy in our communities through the operation of their family businesses.

Freedom is a word we love to use as Americans. We hold up the Bill of Rights as a beacon for how to maintain our independence. The freedom that allows us to go into business for ourselves may not be listed in the US Constitution, but its underpinnings are clearly stated in the Declaration of Independence with a focus on "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." Today, we proudly salute all the men and women in this country who have taken those words to heart. Entrepreneurs are the backbone of our economy. Please support local businesses.

### Join us for the Chamber's Brand Launch Party

The Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce is rebranding, and we hope you'll join us to get a first look at our new look! We will hold a Brand Launch Party Thursday, July 18 from 4-6pm at the Roger Tory Peterson Institute, 311 Curtis Street, Jamestown. Everyone's invited!

For the past several months our Board of Directors and staff have had the privilege of working with the Mr. Smith Agency in Buffalo on a new brand. This work included an in-person discovery session with lots of time for discussion about our values and goals, and several follow-ups to review how we can visually represent our mission: to build vital connections, provide professional resources, and champion our local businesses in Chautauqua County.

This rebranding process is a direct result of our strategic planning process last year. Strategic directions highlighted in the plan were to facilitate collaborative relationships between businesses to promote economic activity for our county, unify and streamline Chautaugua Chamber of Commerce through utilization of a consistent brand structure, clarify who we are and what we do, and lead the way and excel at boosterism and serve as the spokespeople for business. We began the process last year by adopting new mission and vision statements and are refocusing our work around that mission. The new brand is a visual representation of our mission, and we are excited to show it off!

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## 6th Annual Dragon Boat Festival and **Greater Chautauqua Federal Credit Union Rubber Ducky Race**



Article Contributed by Greater Chautauqua Federal Credit Union

The Chautauqua Dragon Boat Committee is excited to announce the Dragon Boat and Rubber Ducky Races are coming back to Chautauqua Lake on Saturday, August 10th at the Lucille Ball Memorial Park in Celoron, NY!

JOIN US! Morning festivities start off with an all-you-can-eat Pancake Breakfast to support Meals on Wheels of the Jamestown Area and the traditional Opening Ceremony to "Wake the Dragon". Enjoy local craft vendors, face painting, great food from the Taco Hut Food Truck, Ace Kettle Corn, Yakisoba's, and more, while enjoying furious bursts of paddling entertainment. Rubber Ducky's for GCFCU's Rubber Ducky Race Fundraiser will be sold in the morning until 12pm and dumped in the lake by 2pm. The day wraps up with the Dragon Boat Award Ceremony by presenting the winners with handmade medals made by the Resource Center Creative Art and Pickin' Club!

The Chautauqua Lake Dragon Boat Festival is an exciting familyfriendly festival that promotes active, healthy lifestyles, team building and opportunities for the community



to come together to raise awareness and funds to benefit Chautauqua Lake and the Community. The event planning committee is excited to have so many participants returning this year and expects each year to grow bigger! Kelly Haaksma, CEO of Greater Chautauqua Federal Credit Union, loves what the festival brings to our hometown, stating "It just warms my heart to see how many people come out and enjoy the Dragon Boat Festival; it is such an incredibly unique event that we couldn't be prouder to be a part of! So much work goes into making this event happen and I couldn't be more thankful to the dragon boat committee and the organizations they represent for all their effort and commitment, and our credit union team, members and the support of our community!"

SAVE THE DATE!! The 2024 event has been scheduled for Saturday, August 10th. For more information, visit us on facebook www.facebook. com/chqdragonrace



## **Audubon Happenings This Week:** Green Play Days, Water Chestnut Pull, and Little Explorers



Mondays all summer 2-6-year-olds and their favorite adult(s) can drop in any time 10 a.m.-3 p.m. for Audubon Community Nature Center's Green Play Days. With a mud kitchen, water wall and more, the Green Play Area is a safe outdoor space for play that inspires kids and adults to make discoveries and feel more comfortable about the natural world. An educator or volunteer will be available throughout the day to assist, but adults must supervise their children. For details, go to AudubonCNC.org and click through Programs and Events.



This Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon, Audubon Community Nature Center needs your help for its annual attack on the invasive European Water Chestnut. Bring your own hat, heavy socks, waders (if you have them), life jacket, sunscreen, and bug spray. Audubon has some waders to borrow; call (716) 569-2345 to reserve. Registering ahead of time at AudubonCNC.org helps with planning.



You and your 3-8-year-old(s) can join Audubon Community Nature Center Little Explorers and their adults this Saturday, 10-11:30 a.m., to learn about the plants and animals that live in Audubon's ponds. Reserve your space by Thursday: Visit AudubonCNC.org and click through Programs and Events.







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## **Support the Historic Partridge-Sheldon House**

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The Partridge-Sheldon House is one of Jamestown's beautiful historic homes. In the late 1800s, the home was purchased and substantially renovated by Porter Sheldon, one of the city's most prominent citizens. It is a lovely example of popular 18th

Since the 1970s, the Partridge-Sheldon House has been maintained by the Jamestown Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, and in March 2000, the house was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

century architecture.

To assist with maintenance and repairs, the Jamestown DAR is holding a fundraiser for the Partridge-Sheldon House on Saturday, July

20th. The 2nd annual Royal Tea will be held from 2:00 to 3:30 PM at the Partridge Sheldon House. Children with their parents/guardians are invited to come in costume, if desired, to mingle with our princesses and enjoy a special High Tea. In addition to the delicious refreshments, there will be activities, story time, and plenty of photo opportunities with the princesses!

Tickets are \$20/person and must be purchased in advance through Venmo @jamestownDAR or by mailing a check payable to Jamestown DAR to Jamestown DAR, 70 Prospect Street, Jamestown, New York 14701. Tickets are on sale until July 17th.

For more information, contact Dawn Durow at 716-969-0329 or Sara Johnson at sarajohnson1179@ yahoo.com.



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## WEEK 3 SCHEDULE

| MONDAY   | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY  | SUNDAY   |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|--|
| Art in the Park 11am-4pm   |  |   |  | BTG House Tour Noon-<br>5pm  | The Craft Shows at<br>Chautauqua  | The Craft Shows at Chautauqua  |
| The Rev. Richard Kanmwishcher sr. pastor, Peachtree Presbyterian Church, Atlanta 2:30 CSO: "Carnival of the Animals" Rossan Milanov Featuring students from the Chautauqua Piano Program 2:30 Theater 3:30 WCR Jimian Han (prose), Van Garret (poetry) 7:30 Theater 8:00 Sacred Song Service | 9:15 The Rev. Richard Kanmwishcher 10:45 Kori Schake, dir. Foreign and Defense Policy studies, senior fellow, Am. Enterprise Institute 2:00 Tara Isabella Burton, author visiting fellow, George Mason University's Mercatus Center 3:15 Pillar Talk 4:15 Chamber Music: Miami String Quartet 8:15 An Evening Piano Recital with Alexander Gavrylyuk | 9:15 The Rev. Richard Kanmwishcher 10:45 Donovan X. Ramsey, Author 2:00 Lynn Underwood, senior research associate, Inamori International Center for Ethics, Case Western Reserve Univ. 3:30 HLS Jon Schmitz 6:30 Theater (Opening) 8:15 CSO Carl St. Clair, Conductor | 9:15 The Rev. Richard Kanmwishcher 10:45 Kai Bird, Pulitzer Prize winning biographer; co- author. 2:00 Greg Epstein, humanist chaplain, Harvard Univ. a MIT 3:30 AAHH, The Rev. Traci Blackman, for assoc. general minister o f justice and local church ministries, UCC 4:00 Theater 8:15 Paul Taylor Dance Company | 9:15 The Rev. Richard Kanmwishcher 10:45 Bethany McLean, co-author 2:00 Deborah Egerton, psycholtherapist; author; certified Enneagram teacher 2:30 Theater 3:30 C.L.S.C. Dan Egan 7:30 Theater 8:15 CSO Stuart Chaufetz Cond. Stephen Osgood, Chaut Opera Co. | 9:15 The Rev. Richard Kanmwishcher 10:45 Amy C. Edmondson, author 2:00 Ryan Burge, associate professor of poliyical science, Eastern Illinois University 6:00 Opera 8:15 An Evening with Shawn Colvin & KT Tunstall Together on Stage | 3:00 CIF Sylvi Farbstein, speaker; writer; advocate 4:00 Theater 4:15 Chamber Music: Almita Vamos, violin; Jolyon Pegis, cello; Winston Choi, piano 8:15 Paul Taylor Dance Company with the Chautauqua Symphony Orchestra. Rossen Milanov, conductor |

## WEEK THREE THEME: WHAT WE GOT WRONG: LEARNING FROM OUR MISTAKES

The earth isn't flat, nor is it the center of the universe. Diseases aren't caused by an imbalance of humors. Asbestos, as it turns out, isn't the best building material. And maybe, just maybe, there's a whole lot more we've gotten wrong throughout our history. In this week, we turn with both candor and curiosity to our past, pinpointing the moments and ideas we can now say emphatically and categorically were misguided, incorrect, or flawed. We look at the psychology of personal decision-making, and the reflective introspection and humility that happens when we change our minds. Finally, we take the same lens of hindsight and apply it to our present, considering the thought experiment: What will future generations say we're getting wrong now?

## WEEK THREE: FEATURED LECTURES

Kori Schake, American Enterprise Institute's director of foreign and defense policy studies, returns to the Chautauqua Lecture Series on Monday, July 8, 2024, to examine the contemporary legacy of American warfare — from Vietnam through Afghanistan to the current day — asking what mistakes we've learned from and those we've not, and how this can inform American military strategy as we engage in a new era of diplomacy and defense.

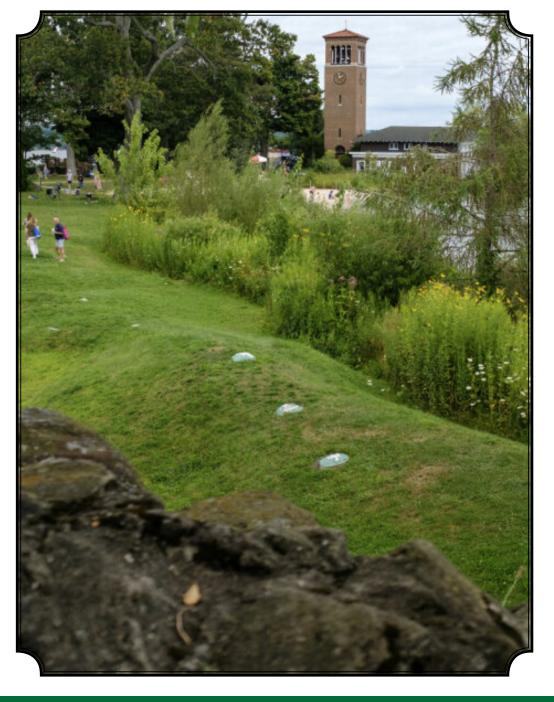
On Tuesday, July 9, 2024, journalist and author of When Crack Was King: A People's History of a Misunderstood Era **Donovan X. Ramsey** will reflect on the failures of the United States' decades-long "war on drugs"

and generally on the systemic mistreatment and oppression of marginalized populations throughout American history.

Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer, historian and journalist Kai Bird takes the stage Wednesday, July 10, 2024, to discuss the legacy of J. Robert Oppenheimer, whose groundbreaking work altered the course of history. Bird will draw on American Prometheus: The Triumph and Tragedy of J. Robert Oppenheimer, which he co-authored and which served as the inspiration for the 2023 film "Oppenheimer."

On Thursday, July 11, 2024, co-author of The Big Fail: What the Pandemic Revealed About Who America Helps and Who it Leaves Behind, **Bethany McLean**, returns to the Chautauqua Lecture Series to offer a perspective on the mistakes that led to, and in some cases perpetuated or deepened, recent world and American financial crises — and what we've learned from those experiences to prevent or soften future downturns.

Finally, the Novartis Professor of Leadership and Management at the Harvard Business School and author of Right Kind of Wrong: The Science of Failing Well, Amy **C. Edmonson**, closes the week on Friday, July 12, 2024.



## 10 GREAT THINGS TO DO IN **WEEK THREE:**

- **Learn** about the legacy of J. Robert Oppenheimer, whose groundbreaking work altered the course of history, and help us navigate the tremendous ethical and moral ramifications of that work.through Kai Bird's 10:45 a.m. lecture on July 10.
- Be inspired by a fantastic performance by Kt Tunstall and Shawn Colvin on July 12 at the Chautauqua Amphitheater.
- Catch a captivating performance of Birthday Candles at Bratton Theater (July 9-21)
- Enjoy a group fitness class at Turner Fitness Center. Increase your flexibility, reduce your stress or just sweat it out with a group of likeminded individuals.
- Discover how to sail at our Chautauqua Sailing Center and take a guided sailing excursion offered for families or small groups.
- Explore the literary arts and listen to two resident faulty writers read their works in the hall of Philosophy every Sunday at 3:30 p.m.
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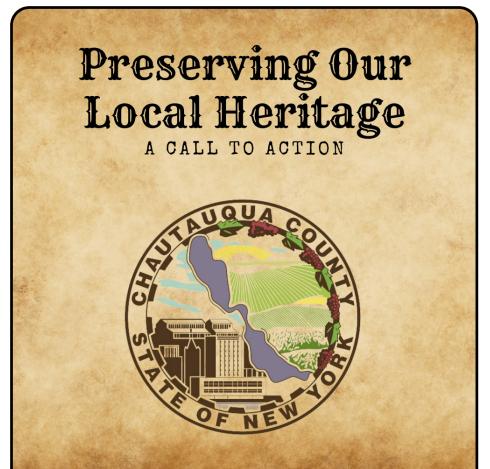
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### Norman Carlson

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s the Chautauqua County Historian, I've dedicated my life to working in historical societies and museums, striving to preserve our local history. Over the years, I've witnessed the loss of many friends and the profound changes in how families handle the legacies left by their deceased loved ones. The customs and conventions that once provided continuity and a sense of belonging have dramatically shifted. My parents' generation built homes, institutions, and collected items meant to last generations. Today, that sense of permanence is vanishing.

The passing of family members now often leads to actions that would have been unthinkable to their ancestors. The younger generation no longer sees the value—sentimental or practical—in the homes, farms, and possessions of their parents and grandparents. Items once cherished as multi-generational treasures are now seen as burdens or even trash. Real estate, furniture, china, silverware, clothes, photos, documents, trophies, and hobby collections are rapidly losing their familial significance.

Younger people, adept with internet sales, often disperse these items without regard for their provenance, reducing them to mere commodities. Many survivors may not even recognize the monetary potential of these items, and often, they simply do not care.

While some young people do harbor a sense of nostalgia or heritage, their efforts to preserve it often fall short. In larger families, siblings may be encouraged to "take what they want," leading to the arbitrary division of family photos, heirlooms, and documents. This practice often results in the loss of crucial context

and the eventual neglect or discard of these items.

Most people, regardless of their generation, fail to consider their local museums and historical societies when faced with these situations. When they do, they often misunderstand what these institutions seek. Local history museums are not interested in items just because they are old, valuable, rare, or beautiful. They seek artifacts that tell the story of the community's past and how it shaped the present. Unfortunately, people discard invaluable local recordsbusiness ledgers, personal diaries, or organizational documents assuming no one would be interested in them. This shortsightedness is a disservice to both past and future generations.

To preserve our heritage, consider offering items to historical museums and societies in their entirety. Avoid sorting, cleaning, repairing, or framing items before donation. Museums care about the artifacts themselves, not the donors, and only a fraction of the collection will be on display at any given time. When donating items like wedding dresses or military uniforms, include related photos, documents, and any available biographical information. military items, provide details such as branch and unit, service times and locations. For organizational records, include dates of origin and names of key individuals.

Historical societies particularly value diaries, autobiographies (whether handwritten, typed, or digital), genealogical research, war letters, and identified family photos. For instance, a lengthy biography of a prominent Lakewood man, produced in only six copies, was found at a yard sale and brought to the Fenton History Center. Similarly, original Civil

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## Community Welcomes the Gazette's Exciting Future

Compiled by Pat Locke, Gazette Contributing Writer

- I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Jamestown Gazette on its rebranding to Chautauqua Gazette. Your unwavering dedication to serving the residents of Chautauqua County is truly appreciated. By highlighting our vibrant communities each week, you play an essential role in keeping our county connected and informed. Thank you for your commitment to excellence in local journalism, and I look forward to your continued success."
  - ~ PJ Wendel, County Executive
- Gazette on your rebranding to CHQ Gazette," "Local news is the lifeblood of rural communities like ours in Chautauqua County. Your unwavering commitment to delivering weekly print editions is invaluable. Lori Cornell and the entire Chautauqua Gazette team, thank you for your tireless dedication. Your efforts are vital to keeping our community informed and connected."
  - ~ Justin Gould, Chautauqua County Media Information officer
- The Gazette has been a great asset in helping the community stay informed in what's happening throughout the greater Jamestown area, I especially appreciate the focus on positive news and also original articles and columns not found anywhere else. It's wonderful to learn the paper is rebranding itself to 'Chautauqua Gazette' and shifting focus to the entire Chautauqua Region. Congratulations to Lori and the entire Gazette team!"
- ~ Jason Sample, CCIDA Marketing and Communications Coordinator
- **C**I appreciate the CHQ Gazette as it promotes a positive outlook and features everyday people."
- ~ Marybelle Beigh, Westfield Town and Village Historian in
- - ~ Bill Locke of Dewittville
- ✓ I read the Jamestown Gazette weekly because it is an excellent paper. I find the topics very timely and the articles well written; at a time when newspapers are disappearing, it is wonderful Lori Cornell, editor-in-chief is keeping newspapers alive and well."
- ~ David Rice, Westfield Republican Columnist
- "My father and I make sure we get the Gazette every week! It is part of our weekly routine."
  - ~ Teri Vinciguerra of Mayville

- The Gazette is a great resource to our community, Lori and her staff do a phenomenal job of highlighting different events, communities and places in our county. By doing so, the Gazette shows how much they care about their readers featuring insightful editions each and every week."
  - ~ Christian Dolce, Tarp Skunks General Manager
- readers of the Gazette. We enjoy the informative articles spotlighting the events and people who make our area such a special place to live. A tip of our cap to Lori Cornell for her entrepreneurial spirit in publishing such a valuable community resource."
  - ~ Randy Anderson, Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame President
- Congratulations to Lori and to her team for the decision to re-brand the new Gazette name, Chautauqua Gazette, It is the "perfect fit", going forward. I am pleased the new Gazette ownership has continued to be family-owned. Lori has been a cheerleader for the county and through the Gazette continues to give back to the county allowing the Gazette legacy to continue."
  - ~ Chuck Deanelo of Fessenden, Laumer & DeAngelo, PLLC
- The CHQ Gazette is a resource that helps to build community, That's what I love best about the paper. It's an avenue for all of us to stay connected and to remain actively engaged with community activities. I especially love the Around Town section. It's fun to see everyone enjoying themselves throughout the region. There's always something to do in CHQ County."
- ~ David Niles, Roger Tory Peterson Institute Advancement Director
- The Gazette focuses on the good things happening in our communities, It's a pleasure to turn the pages and read about the places where new ideas are enlivening our cities towns and villages. It is a pleasure to read about people doing innovative and important work in communities across Chautauqua County."
  - ~ Judy Einach, Westfield Village Trustee
- - ~ State Sen. George Borrello

- Advertising with the Gazette has been delightful, Lori and her staff always give enthusiastic willingness to assist and don't mind repeated questions. The Gazette is found everywhere in the county and is full of unique articles professionally written."
  - ~ Denise Williams-Stebbins of Living Glass Gallery
- We, here, at Shults Chevrolet Subaru
  Nissan have partnered with Lori
  Cornell and her team to advertise in
  the Gazette as we feel they connect well
  with our customers,"
- ~ Jason Higbee of Shults Chevrolet
- Gazette has committed to positive, solution-focused story writing, which aligns perfectly with our mission to empower the community with health and wellness resources, we're thrilled to see them expand their reach across the county, bringing their unique brand of positive writing and valuable information to an even wider audience. It makes sense for the Gazette to bring the entire county together."
  - ~ Matt Hanley, The Waterfront Foundation Marketing Director
- The Gazette is a community treasure and a vital part of the fabric of Jamestown and Chautauqua County, It's also one of the most important ways for the National Comedy Center to connect with local residents on a weekly basis. Lori is taking the Gazette to a new level now, and its been exciting to watch that happen and help support it."
  - ~ Gary Hahn, National Comedy Center Marketing and Communications Vice President
- After the formula of the community. I'm proud to contribute to its mission."
- ~ Nick Trussalo, Chautauqua Gazette Graphics and Layout Artist
- favorite periodicals to advertise since we opened in 2019, It has always kept a positive and informative vibe that covers events in our entire community and reaches so many readers."
- ~ Julie Wootten of DOT's Boutique



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## Preserving Our Local Heritage: A Call to Action

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Civil War letters, long thought lost, were eventually returned to us.

Tragically, the story of a dedicated researcher who frequently visited Fenton to work on Scandinavian genealogies in Warren County ends with his vast digital collection being discarded after his death. Such losses are heartbreaking and all too common.

Anyone involved in historical preservation has stories of treasures rescued or lost to dumpsters. To many, a

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lifetime of local history or family heritage research is less valuable than a game of golf, with little regard for the lasting consequences of such indifference.

It is crucial for us to honor our past and ensure that future generations understand their heritage. By thoughtfully preserving and donating items of local historical significance, we can maintain the continuity and richness of our shared history.

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## The Study of Stars

Article by

Andy Felong

Public and Media Relations, Martz-Kohl Observatory

sizes: Big powerful blue stars, small yet feisty red stars, strange pulsating yellow stars, and more. How do we know so much about stars? How did we go from seeing tiny points of light in the sky to knowing about red giants and supernovae? In this talk, intended for a general audience, Dr. Alexandra Yep will help us learn all about stars and the tools astronomers use to understand them.

Alex Yep is a poet turned astronomer. After earning her BFA in creative writing from Emerson College in Boston, MA, she jumped into the sciences, earning her MS in physics from California State University, Northridge, in 2016 and her Ph.D. in astronomy from Georgia State University in 2021. Dr. Yep now works as a visiting professor at Agnes Scott College in Decatur, GA, where she teaches physics and astronomy, researches young star clusters, and directs the Bradley Observatory.

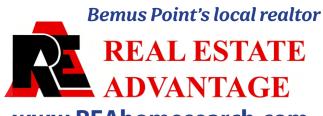
This presentation will be live at Martz-Kohl Observatory and available online via Zoom on



Dr. Alexandra Yep

Wednesday, July 17, 2024 at 7:30pm, EDT. You are encouraged to come to the observatory to meet Alex and the astronomy team at MKO and join in Q&As after her 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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## Higginbotham featured at Living Glass Gallery in Westfield this Month

Article by **DW Stebbins** 

Ivelisse (Matos) Higginbotham will exhibit her current work at Living Glass Gallery in Westfield for the remainder of July. "Ivy" works in acrylic creating large expressive abstract paintings which voice her personal transformation back into art. Ivy's opening reception to her exhibit titled "Breaking Out: A Personal Journey to Get Unstuck", will correlate with the annual Westfield Academy & Central School Alumni Weekend, her alma mater. The public is invited to the Gallery at 50 Main Street on Friday July 12, 6-8pm. Ivy's artwork creates an emotional resonance, connecting the viewer to not only its aesthetic value, but an understanding and perhaps a familiar feeling of becoming caught up in life so deeply that one puts aside their own personal dreams. Balance and harmony prevail, leaving a sense of completeness, satisfaction, renewal.

### A message from the Artist...

I have always loved art, as a child I enjoyed making things, creating things is in my DNA. I majored in art and pursued fashion design in college. Fear got the better of me, and I quit and came home. My dreams were put away. Life morphed into marriage, children, work, and eventually becoming empty-nesters. Through it all, I dabbled with painting, sewing, crafting—until one day I stopped. When I think back, I am not sure why I stopped. It could have been one thing or many things in life. That part of me was put on the back-burner as work took over more of my life, and then grandchildren came into the picture. Ever so slowly, I became everything I needed to be for everyone else. As women, we often put ourselves last, and I did that for many years, marching on like a good little soldier.

In 2020, the world seemed to come to a standstill when Covid changed almost every aspect of life. "As a way to deal with all the stress and craziness that took over the world, I started painting again. The more I painted the more balanced I became. The stress disappeared as I painted for hours, reminding me why I used to call art class therapy. The deeper I got into it, the more I found me again. The year 2023 held many challenges both personally and professionally.



Ivelisse (Matos) Higginbotham

The challenges kept chasing me wherever I went. My art became even more important. Within a six-week period, our family lost two incredible women, my lovely mother-in-law and my beautiful niece. I dealt with my grief by painting and encouraged my sister to join me as she dealt with the pain of losing her daughter.

I began taking classes in whatever medium and technique felt right at the moment including abstract art. Last summer, I stopped in to see Denise at "Living Glass Art Gallery" to inquire about some watercolor classes. I left there with an appointment to show her my portfolio. She invited me to show my work in her gallery and booked me as the featured artist during Alumni weekend. She encouraged me to pursue abstract painting. I really enjoy abstract, it's so freeing. I lean toward my intuitions so I never know when I start painting what it will become. I just know what I am feeling shows on the canvas.

Many things are not within our control but I decided that I wanted to break out and become unstuck. I still work every day, I am still a wife, mother and grandmother and not much has really changed except my mindset. I am pursuing art like I wanted as a young girl. At age 63 I am no longer going to fear failure. I will no longer look in the mirror and wonder. I want others to see and appreciate my paintings. I feel I have something to say and I am expressing it through my art.





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## **Frewsburg Lions Club Announces New Officers**



Picture names: Don Dove, Greg Davis and President Martha Dove

Recently inducted: Toni Stone-President, Don Dove-1st Vice President, Service Chairman and Membership Chairman, Colleen Holsinger-2nd Vice President, Gary Wells- Secretary, Dennis Williams-Treasurer, Nancy Nelson-Marketing Chairman and Tail Twister, Dave Miller-Lion Tamer, Directors-Bob Johnson, Wendy Berg, Jerry Eklund and Randy Wiltsie. President Martha Dove - awarded the Key Award for recruiting the most new members to the club. Gregg Davis - inducted as a new member. For more information about the Frewsburg Lions Club, call 716-969-6488.

## Chamber Corner

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This Brand Launch Party will also provide a summer networking opportunity with the Chamber. You can enjoy complimentary appetizers and a cash bar from 4-5pm. We will have a brief presentation at 5pm with our special guests from the Mr. Smith Agency, and then there will be more time to mingle, and courtesy of the Roger Tory Peterson Institute you can see the incredible artwork on display including the extraordinary exhibit Five Minutes in Nature from Kevin Ebi and Amy Tan's Backyard Birds. Advanced registration is not required for this event but is appreciated for our planning purposes. Feel free to bring friends and colleagues! Registration is open now through the Chamber's web calendar. We look forward to seeing you there!

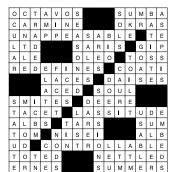
## **Branding Through** Storytelling and Images **Workshop July 22**

The Chamber of Commerce is proud to host award-winning writer and filmmaker Travis Carlson for a Business Builder Workshop July 22 on Branding Through Storytelling an Images.

Carlson is a Chautauqua County native. He worked for five years with the Buffalo Bills and Sabres as a cinematographer before co-founding Pan-American Film Division in Buffalo. Pan-Am partners with local and national businesses to them communicate with their customers or other businesses. Their original work includes the one-shot feature film Mother's Day, as well as dozens of short films, three of which earned screenings at the Cannes Film Festival SFC. Pan American's latest project is the book Mafia: Buffalo -vs- the Multiverse. It's a true fantasy adventure that incorporates AI-developed images into the ultimate Buffalo Bill's Mafia fan journey in a graphic novel style.

This Business Builder Workshop 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. Register online through the Chamber's web calendar at www.chautauquachamber.org.

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## **Chautauqua Rails to Trails Partners with Vacation Host**



Ron Mavity and Wendy Lewellen

Chautauqua Rails to Trails is thrilled to announce a generous initiative by Ron Mavity, the host of a vacation rental house in Bemus Point. Mr. Mavity is offering a complimentary copy of Wendy Lewellen's fundraising book, *Good Soles:* Chautauqua Rails to Rails Namesakes and Trailblazers, to every party visiting his property, entirely at his own expense.

Pictured with the author at his rental house on South Nesmith Avenue, Mr. Mavity welcomes reservations through ERA Team VP, a local vacation rental property management company.

For those interested in purchasing the book, it is available online at chaurtt.org on the Donate page, or by calling 716485-6677. Donations can also be made at several local businesses, including Ashville General Store, Bemus Point Library, Bemus Point Pottery, Cadwell Cheese House, Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame, CHQ Marketplace, Fenton History Center, Full Strength Coffee in Westfield, the Lawson Center, Loud Performance, Portage Hill gallery, and Webb's Candies and Gifts. Proceeds from the books sales go entirely to supporting the trail organization. Chautauqua Rails to Trails deeply appreciates this collaboration with Mr. Mavity. For information on renting his Bemus Point property contact ERA Team VP Vacation Rentals at 716-413-0201 or visit them at www.myteamvp.com.





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- 1. When was the very first edition of the Gazette?
- 2. Who was the founder of the Gazette?
- 3. Who was the first Gazette editor?
- 4. Which Jamestown-born twins wrote the first ever Faith Matters columns?
- 5. Where was the first Gazette office located and in what well-known downtown building?
- 6. Who was the Gazette's first paper boy?
- 7. What was the Gazette's longtime, signature color?
- 8. What was the Gazette's longtime, proud slogan?
- 9. What year did the Gazette go online?
- 10. How many zip codes did the original Gazette grow to cover?

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# The Roe Green Foundation Makes Transformational \$4.5 Million Commitment to Chautauqua Theater Company

Institution Chautauqua today announced Roe Green Foundation has made transformational \$4.5 million commitment to advance completion of the new Roe Green Theater Center, a state-of-the-art, centralized facility for Chautauqua Theater Company (CTC). This gift, which consists of a \$3 million outright contribution and a \$1.5 million matching challenge gift, comes after a long history of supporting theater arts at Chautauqua, including the New Play Workshop series.

The new Roe Green Theater Center will complement Chautauqua's beloved Bratton Theater, adding a black box/flexible space, rehearsal studios, offices for CTC leadership and other support spaces to ensure that CTC remains one of the nation's leading accelerators of theater artists in the nation. It will replace the former Brawdy complex on the Chautauqua grounds and return CTC artists to a centralized space for theater creation versus the dispersed conditions that currently have Chautauqua's artists rehearsing off the grounds and other areas not on its main campus.

"Chautauqua Theater Company is extremely lucky to be among the many performing arts organizations Roe has supported," Institution President Michael E. Hill, Ed.D. said. "Her commitment to supporting new work incubation is not only elevating the work we are doing here for Chautauqua's audiences to enjoy, but it is also advancing the artform across the country and world. I am thankful for Roe's friendship and know that our entire community is grateful for her astounding commitment and contributions to Chautauqua."

Chautauquan Roe Green is the CEO of The Roe Green Foundation, which she founded after her mother's passing in 2003. Since then, she has used her philanthropic passion to make remarkable improvements to the cultural arts scenes in Cleveland and Kent, Ohio; Jupiter, Florida; and at Chautauqua.

With bachelor's degrees in theater and communications from the University of Colorado (CU), a master's in theater and an honorary doctor of humane letters degrees from Kent State University, her experience in stage and business management includes Cain Park, the Cleveland Opera, and the Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park. She is responsible for the Roe Green Visiting Director Series for the School of Theatre and Dance at Kent State and the University of Colorado, the Roe Green Theater at CU, and Green House, a domestic violence shelter in Geauga, Ohio. She is also sponsoring the construction of the new Case Western Reserve University and University Hospitals Roe Green Medical Education and Research Building in Kampala, Uganda. Green, an avid theatergoer and traveler to more than 160

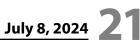
countries, was a competitive ballroom dancer for more than 12 years. She believes that "art is what makes us human. Art gives us our humanity — if people can't create any longer, we're in trouble."

She is the president emeritus of CAVORT, Inc., the Conference About Volunteers of Regional Theatres; a member of Kent State University School of Theatre and Dance Advisory Board; the foundation board of Kent State University; the board of Porthouse Theatre; the board of the Cleveland Play House; and the Governor's International Council of the Shaw Festival in Canada.

In November 2012, Green was recognized with the University of Colorado Alumni Recognition Award for, "her generosity of spirit, her allegiance to learning and her passionate advocacy for the arts." In 2004, she established the Roe Green Visiting Theatre Artist Residency, which provides funds to annually bring to campus an accomplished theater professional to work alongside CU students. Green has also pledged \$2 million to establish the Roe Green Endowed Chair in Theatre, the first endowed faculty position in the arts at CU Boulder.

"What an honor it will be to have CTC's artistic and creative home housed in the Roe Green Theater Center," said CTC Producing Artistic Director Jade King Carroll. "While CTC will continue to have our beautiful and large performance space in Bratton Theater, we have not had our own usable rehearsal spaces since 2019, and we have never had the flexibility of an intimate black box theater. This gift and the new theater center will allow us to create deeper roots and to be an even more integral part of the American Theater. This new center will offer an artistic home for our conservatory and young theater makers learning and working alongside professionals and create a hub for audiences to see plays at every stage of development. Roe Green's philanthropy inspires us all, and her matching gift doubles the impact of future donations, encouraging community support. The Foundation's visionary gift sets a strong foundation for building future growth and forging new memories. My colleagues and I are elated for how this gift will allow CTC to grow and cannot thank Roe and the directors of the Foundation enough for this transformative gift!"

Those interested in helping Chautauqua meet the dollar-for-dollar match to realize the \$1.5 million challenge should contact Amy Gardner at agardner@chq.org or 716-357-6393.





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