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Kindergarten Here We Come

Featured Writer

Jen Goshgarian

Kindergarten Teacher, CC Ring Elementary School, Jamestown Public Schools

The sun is starting to set a little earlier, the weather is feeling chillier and all things fall are beginning to fill store shelves. We all know what that means, summer is coming to an end. For some this is a sad time, but for me this is my favorite time of the year. The excitement that September brings never gets old, even as I get ready to embark on my 17th year of teaching kindergarten. Nothing beats meeting new little faces, opening new boxes of crayons and setting up a freshly cleaned classroom! For others, this time of year brings a bit of trepidation as the thought of sending your little one to school for the very first time could cause some uneasiness or nervousness. Have no fear! I'm here to help alleviate some of the uncertainties that being a new-toschool parent can bring with a few tips

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Mrs. Goshqarian and her daughters, Sofia and Bella.

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YOUR TICKET FOR SUCCESS: MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

Featured Writer

Kelly Filkins

Guidance Counselor, Maple Grove Jr.-Sr. High School, Bemus Point Central School District

If one thing is certain, it's that the beginning of the school year brings with it a wide variety of emotions. One person can even feel opposite emotions at the same time - talk about confusing! Are you excited? Nervous? Overwhelmed? All of those, and more,

No matter what you feel, we know that between September and June, we're together on a journey that's likely to throw some curveballs at us. But the great news is that we can solve anything! Here are some tips that can help you work through whatever comes your way this year.

 Slow down! Before reacting to a situation, think through it. When we're hit with unexpected or unpleasant news, our initial reaction is one of anger or fear, and that's totally normal.



Mrs. Filkins with her sons, Gabe & Ollie.

Your brain is wired for survival and avoidance of pain, so it automatically goes to the worst-case scenario. But take a deep breath, step back, and look at it for what it is. Is it as devastating as your brain first made it out to be? Can you ask some questions to get it figured out? Who can you ask? And is that person someone who is going to help solve the problem, or make it

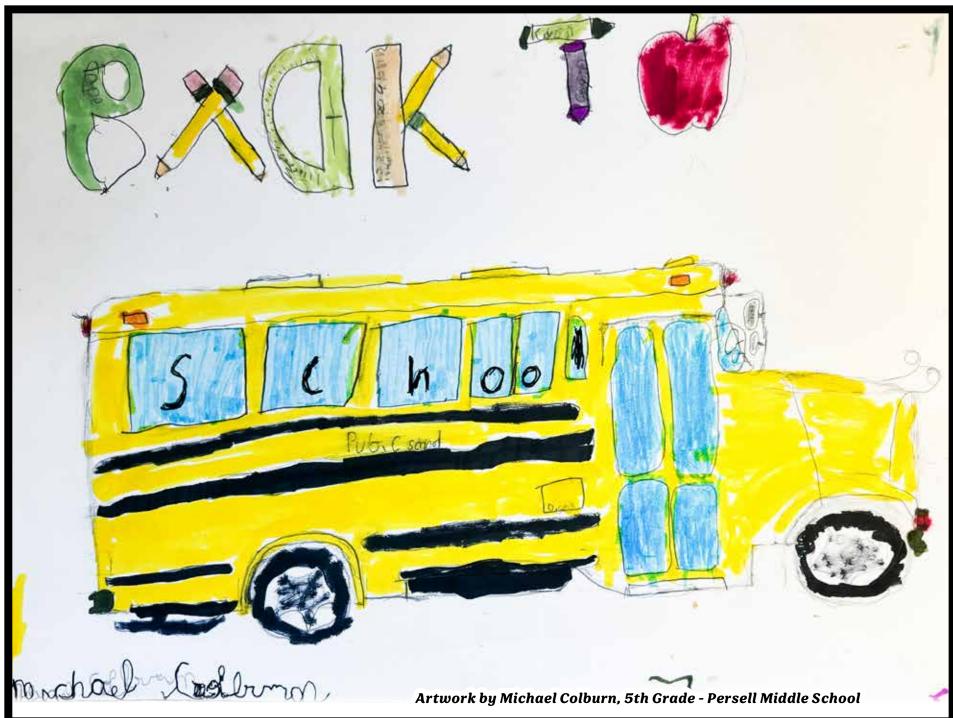
You can't control everything about

your life, but two things you can control are your attitude and your effort. Attitude doesn't mean that you're perky all of the time - it just means that you choose not to let things bother you more than they have to. People don't jump for joy that they get to pay their bills, but complaining about it doesn't make it go away, and the consequences for NOT doing

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Facts About Chautauqua Lake's **Aquatic Plants**



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- Chautauqua Lake is currently home to 26 species of aquatic
- The majority of the lake's plant species never grow to nuisance
- Chautauqua Lake's world renown fishery is dependent upon healthy aquatic plants
- Maintaining the lake's diverse plant communities keeps aggressive plants from taking

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- CLA harvests near-surface plants supporting recreational lake use while preserving the sub-surface plants needed for a healthy ecosystem
- CLA promotes healthy plant management techniques
- CLA monitors plant presence and density to be informed of changes to the plant community and how those differences impact the lake's ecology

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Editorial with Lori Cornell

Thank you, Teachers!



Owner & Publisher Lori Cornell Co-author Katrina Fuller

Summer is by far my favorite season, so I've always shared my children's angst that it's already over by this time of year. (Fingers crossed for a warm and sunny fall!) I like having my kids at home and the flexible schedule and opportune activities that the "time off" brings. The end of August always feels a little sad to me. Now, sending two of my four sons back to college, even more

But I am reminded by our two incredible feature writers - on the front cover of this edition how each new school year also brings a beautiful new beginning filled with dedicated education professional like them. Goshgarian will always be one

of our family's all-time favorite school teachers elementary and we are equally grateful to Kelly Filkins for her dedication to go above and beyond in providing middle and high school advisement.

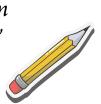
We are blessed in our community with talented and caring teachers, counselors, administrators and staff - too many to name. They are an essential part of our "village" of support and play a critical role in the lives of our community's children and their families. They are there on all of their first days, their last days, the hard days - and days of school-aged glory. They help our children to learn and grow; discover important things about their world, their history, their society and themselves.

Educators are not just educators they are mentors; trusted adults; lamplighters and guides on the path of wisdom, knowledge and discovery. We could never explain their true worth in these few pages and paragraphs - but nonetheless, we endeavor to try. So, in this edition, we say thank you to our teachers and our entire school community. And wish our children the best year ever - in their able care!



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- Joyce Meyer



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Near Me Dermatology Holds Ribbon Cutting in Dunkirk



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Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce

A ribbon cutting was held on July 25 for Near Me Dermatology in Dunkirk, NY, at 609 Central Ave. The office is open Monday-Friay, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Near Me Dermatology is a Their mission multi-location. is to provide quality, accessible, prompt, and individualized dermatological for care patients. The clinic delivers the best health services in a competent, compassionate, professional, multi-location environment; to meet shortage of essential dermatology care; to advance that care through collaborative research and interprofessional training; and to restore, improve and maintain the skin health and overall well-being of the diverse communities they

The medical treats conditions such as acne, eczema, rosacea, hive, seborrheric dermatisis, shingles, vitiligo, psoriasis, skin cancer screening, as well as skin cancer treatments. Surgery can include cyst removal, lipomas, cancerous skin lesions, cryosurgery, and melanoma. All insurances including Medicare Medicaid are accepted The clinic is led by a Nurse Practitioner.

Additionally, the clinic is looking to hire a nurse practitioner with no dermatology training, but 1-2 years of experience in any nurse practitioner field. The successful candidate must be willing to train at their other locations; six months of paid training in dermatology will be provided. The nurse practitioner will run the Dunkirk location. Please contact the office at 716-650-5720 if interested.

Central Hall: Transforming Our Community, One Step at a Time



Article Contributed by

Central Hall

Central Hall is undergoing an exciting transformation, and we invite the community to join us in celebrating its progress. As we convert Central Hall into a dynamic cultural and community hub, we reflect on the memories and voices that make it a

First Ward Councilwoman Natalie Luczkowiak shared her thoughts on Central Hall's importance:

cornerstone of Dunkirk, Fredonia,

and Chautauqua County.

"A thriving community centers around a dynamic cultural hub that fosters inclusivity, creativity,

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and connection. I am eager to experience a space where diverse voices are heard, ideas are exchanged, and collective growth thrives, building a stronger community for all."

We encourage you to share your reflections on what Central Hall means to you and our community. Together, we can build a vibrant, inclusive space for everyone.

For more information, please contact William Haskas at (917) 992-5318 or admin@centralhallcc. org.

Upcoming Movies at The Reg Lenna Center for the Arts



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Reg Lenna Center for the Arts

Upcoming Movies at The Reg include the summer action thriller Twisters (Sept. 13 at 7 p.m.), Susan Sarandon and Bette Midler in the romantic comedy The Fabulous Four (Sept. 18 at 7 p.m.), Despicable Me 4 (Sept. 20 at 7 p.m. & Sept. 21 - Sensory Friendly - at 2 p.m.) and a special engagement of The Rocky Horror Picture Show on Fri., Oct. 25 at

Tickets for most Movies at The Reg are \$8 in-person at the box office and \$10 online (reglenna. com) & by phone - 716.484.7070. Family showings are \$7 in-person at the box office and \$9 online & by phone. Special engagements are priced differently. The theater and box office at The Reg are located at 116 E. 3rd St. in Jamestown, NY. The box office is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 12 - 5 p.m. and one hour before movies and events.



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Grantmaking Makes Summer Extra Special



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Cornell Cooperative Extension

Summertime represents a season of swimming and sunshine, family gatherings, and backyard barbecues. It is also a challenging time for working parents of school-aged children seeking affordable childcare.

Thanks to several grants made by the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, summer programming services continue to support children and families across the county.

Meals

Summer meal programs ensure that children receive nutritious food and are crucial for combating childhood hunger. The team at Chautauqua Opportunities, Inc plays a key role in providing nutritious meals during the summer months. Support from the Foundation made meal delivery to summer youth sites possible.

Education

Libraries offer children a practical escape from less productive pastimes during the unstructured summer months. The Foundation continued its partnership with the Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System by supporting mini-grants to 17 member libraries to assist with the costs of supplies, materials and activities for summer reading programs.

Day Camp & Camperships

The Community Support Group of Southwestern NY's received support for their four-week summer recreation program for elementary aged youth. This program serves the communities of Mina, Clymer, and Findley Lake where childcare access is quite limited. The Relief Zone received support for their summer program, which offered full-day childcare and enrichment for schoolage youth in Frewsburg and the surrounding area.

Memories made at overnight or

"stay-away" camp last a lifetime. The cost of these experiences makes them challenging for many families to fit into a tight budget. The Todd A. Town Memorial Fund made its first award in 2024 to support campers at the YMCA's Camp Onyahsa. Other support for Camp Onyahsa came from the Spiro G. Bello Camp Scholarship Fund, Lyons Family Onyahsa Campership Fund, Chambers Family Campership Fund and Vincent R. Nalbone Memorial Fund.

Outdoor Recreation

Parks and playgrounds offer essential opportunities for children to stay active and socialize beyond the structured environment of summer camps. The Foundation was pleased to support improvements to the Eastside and Westside Overland Trails, which are seeing increased utilization. The Jackson Rohm Fund made its first award to Chautauqua Striders in support of their Youth Track & Field Development program. This support helps make the program more affordable for families. The Village of Celoron received a grant toward the cost of installation of the solid surface for its new playground at Lucille Ball Memorial Park.

A safe and healthy summer, filled with enrichments is a goal the Chautauqua region can achieve, thanks to the generosity of those who establish funds at the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation. To support an existing fund or to learn about starting your own, visit us online, at crcfonline.org/give.

The Chautauqua Region Community Foundation administers over 700 endowments in support of emerging community needs, charitable organizations and local students pursuing higher education. For more information visit www. crcfonline.org or contact Lisa Lynde, Donor Services Officer at 716-661-3390 or llynde@crcfonline.org.

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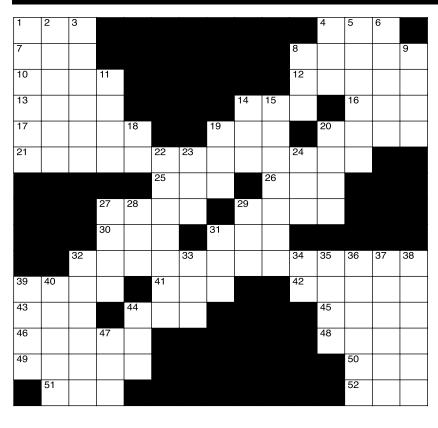
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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in 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: Intermediate

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Microgram
- 4. After B
- 7. Everything
- 8. An unfortunate development
- 10. Coat with sticky substance 12. Cylinder of tobacco for
- smoking 13. Minimum interval take off
- 14. Yuck!
- 16. NBA sensation Jeremy
- 17. Where some rockers work
- 19. Midway between northeast and east
- 20. Snake-like fishes
- 21. Groups of homes
- 25. Swiss river
- 26. Useful towel
- 27. "The Wire" character "Moreland"

- 29. Oafish creature
- 30. A major division of geological time
- 31. Bird-like Chinese dinosaur
- 32. Sporting events
- 39. Body part
- 41. Clerical vestment 42. Shows data
- 43. Some are "special"
- 44. Expression of disappointment
- 45. Students' rights document (abbr.)
- 46. Vacation locale Costa 48. Pop singer
- 49. Distract outside a city
- 50. Mark Wahlberg comedy
- 51. Coniferous tree
- 52. Midway between south and southeast

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Lunatic
- 2. Actress Danes
- 3. Buttock muscles
- 4. The 22nd letter of the Greek alphabet
- 5. Popular 70s rockers
- 6. Electronic communication
- 8. Trigraph
- 9. Sea eagles
- 11. Low-pitched, resonant sound 14. Northeastern US university
 - (abbr.)
- 15. Home of the Bulldogs 18. Exclamation of surprise
- 19. Make a mistake
- 20. Advantage
- 22. Monkeys love them

- 23. Wood
- 24. Paddle
- 27. Past participle of be
- 28. Tall, rounded vase
- 29. Device manufacturers
- 31. Financial institution (abbr.) 32. Paper product
- 33. A type
- 34. Atomic #43
- 35. Red Hot Chili Peppers' drummer
- 36. Behaviors
- 37. Decays
- 38. Walked confidently
- 39. Voice (Italian)
- 40. Class of adhesives
- 44. Bar bill
- 47. One-time aerospace firm





In Loving Memory

August 15

Brandi Renee Jimerson, 44 Jamestown Peterson Funeral Home

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August 16

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Back-to-School



Contributing Writer

The Rev. Rachel Erin Stuart Senior Pastor, Hurlbut Memorial Community United Methodist Church, Chautauqua, New York

"So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar." (Genesis 28:18)

't's time once again. Textbooks bought, uniforms donned, backpacks packed, and a new year begins, with all the hope and trepidation that brings.

School can be exciting. New teachers, new ideas, new friends, new activities. Maybe it's finally time to start that math class we've been looking forward to, or learn that musical instrument we've been wanting to try. Maybe this is the year we move up to the varsity team, join the school play, help make the yearbook. Maybe it's our very first day of school, ever—or maybe it's our last first day before we graduate.

There's an energy in the air. The joy of imagining what can be. The natural momentum of something new.

But school can also be scary. There are new teachers, and new ideas, and new friends, and new activities. The familiar is gone, at least in part, and we have to reckon with the unknown. Maybe we're in a new district or a new building this year. Maybe it's finally time for that math class we've been dreading. Maybe it's the year we have to choose between soccer and gymnastics because the practices have gotten too long. Maybe it's our first time at school all day, every day—or maybe all we can think about is college applications.

Imagination is in the air, but sometimes it's not so helpful.

Sometimes we struggle not to focus on imagining all the things that could go wrong.

A lot of churches these days are celebrating the beginning of the school year with a particular ritual called the "Blessing of the Backpacks." It's one of my favourite simple moments in church life. Even into seminary and doctoral work, I used to bring my backpack to worship to be blessed with all the others. The haphazard pile grew like a makeshift altar of leather duffles, canvas bags, and staples from Staples, all dotted with unicorns and sharks and meticulous monograms and glitter. Bound in that altar of found stones were all the hopes and dreams and fears of a new school year, gathered together and lifted to God to help us hold.

Throughout the world, gathered stones have served as ritual markers of significant moments and holy places. There is the cairn in Scotland, the ovoo in Mongolia, the standing stone in the ancient Near East. We gather whatever is to hand, and we make it holy.

When Jacob dreams of the angels of heaven, he wakes to make an altar with the stone he had used as a pillow. And today, churches across the country are gathering backpacks to make them holy.

May those of you beginning a new school year feel all the love and support and encouragement you need to dream.

Grace and peace,

The Rev. Rachel Erin Stuart Senior Pastor of Hurlbut Memorial Community UMC

The Chautauqua Gazette is proud to feature different faith leaders from throughout the Greater Jamestown area each week, in an effort to connect and inspire. We endeavor to provide a variety of religious and faith perspectives wellaligned with our diverse community and values. If you are a faith leaderand wish to contribute, please contact publisher Lori Cornell at cornell@CHQgazette.com.



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Popular Author Series Returns

Article Contributed by

Hazeltine Public Library

The Hazeltine Public Library is pleased to announce their popular 'Author Series' will kick off on August 26, 2024. This series features a local author each Monday evening, beginning at 6:30 in the Community Building at the HPL. These are free programs, open to anyone and books are available for sale and signing each

The featured author on Aug. 26 is Mindy Nichol Wendell. Ms. Wendell has authored the YA novel - 'Light and Air', inspired by stories about the J.N. Adam Hospital for Tuberculosis. She has taught writing at SUNY Fredonia for more than 30 years and served as Coordinator of English Concentration and the Director of the Composition Program. In 2019, she received the prestigious State University of New York's Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching. She lives in WNY with her husband Steve, a retired teacher.

Returning author Deb Madar will the Sept. 9 speaker. Her Merrill Conner Mystery series is set in the Westfield-Barcelona region features references to many wellknown places. The follow up to the first Merrill Conner mystery - 'A Deeper Dive' was recently released and is titled 'Boulder Point.' Madar is a retired English teacher now living in the Bemus Point area.

Dawn Swanson will be the Sept. 16 speaker. She has published a children's book titled 'Charlotte, the Very Good, Very Naughty Girl' This is a delightful story of little Charlotte who has learned how fun it is to use the word no! Dawn lives in Kennedy and is the library director at the Kennedy Free Library.

Well-known local storyteller Paul Leone will speak on Sept. 23. Leone has been telling stories for over 25 years and his popular 'Chautauqua Ghosts' is a regional cult favorite. He has published a satirical novel, 'The Gospel Truth' - set in Busti. His stories draw on local history and personality to describe the peculiar ambience of this area particularly in the nineteenth and early twentieth

Mary Zdrowski will be the September 30 speaker. She is a graduate of JCC and SUNY Fredonia with a Master of Library Science from the University of Buffalo. She is the middle school librarian at Southwestern. She has written a book of flash fantasy fiction and a picture book 'Wiser the Owl' that is used by school librarians across the state to help students learn the research process.

The author series will continue through October with the authors to be announced.

The series is FREE, open to everyone and is held in the Community Building on the campus of the Hazeltine Public Library. The library is located at 891 Busti Sugargrove Rd., Jamestown, NY. There is off street parking and the Community Building is accessible. More information is available by contacting the library at 716.487.1281.

Hazeltine Public Library is a member of the Chautauqua Cattaraugus Library System.

Senior Scene with Dana Corwin

Christmas is Coming for Seniors



Contributing Writer

Dana Corwin BSN

Office for Aging Services Deputy Director

Te know Christmas comes in December. We are getting ready now! Join us in spreading holiday cheer to older adults in our community through the "Santa for Seniors" project. This initiative, led by the Chautauqua County Office for Aging Services, The First Baptist Church of Mayville, and the Reverend J. Paul Womack Christmas Basket Fund at Hurlbut Memorial Community UM Church in Chautauqua, along with our dedicated community partners, aims to deliver gifts and a festive meal to older adults during the 2024 holiday

The "Santa for Seniors" team has been tirelessly working all year to prepare for the 2024 holiday season.

Contributions from the community make it possible to provide each recipient with a heartwarming holiday experience. We need your support and generosity to make this initiative even more impactful. Your donations of the following items are greatly appreciated:

- Laundry soap 8-10 oz.
- Winter hats
- Band-Aids
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Boxed tissues (cubes)
- Lotion
- Shampoo
- Shaving cream
- Body wash
- Hot/code packs
- Compact umbrella
- Puzzle books
- Magnifying sheet/glass • Lip balm
- Liquid hand soaps
- Dish soaps
- Bar soaps
- Deodorant
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Long handled shoe horn

To participate in this meaningful community project, please contact the Santa for Seniors coordinator ccsantaforseniors@gmail.com or call the Chautauqua County Office for Aging Services NY Connects program at 716-753-4582. Additionally, if you know of an older adult over 60 years old who will be alone during the holiday season, you can nominate them by contacting the Chautauqua County NY Connects program at 716-753-4582 or by emailing at ccnyc@chqgov.com Your involvement will bring joy and companionship to seniors in need during this special time of year. Happy holidays!

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The Real Story About Chautauqua Lake's Nuisance Aquatic Plants

- Elodea, not Eurasian Watermilfoil, is the main plant species that grows to nuisance levels throughout Chautauqua Lake and is not a plant that herbicide is used to target
- Although Eurasian Watermilfoil is prevalent, it is generally not present in nuisance densities that require special management
- Aquatic herbivore insects are keeping Eurasian watermilfoil under control and stopping it from growing to the surface
- Curly leaf pondweed is only present in nuisance densities generally during late May/early June then dies off naturally



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- · CLA harvests surface growth while leaving sub-surface plant stems in support of a healthy lake
- When possible, CLA avoids use of herbicide, as it destroys whole • CLA assists lakeside property plant stem causing detrimental impacts to the lake's water quality and ecology
- Harvesting is targeted to dock areas and navigational lanes, whereas herbicide drift can affect
 - owners in removing accumulations of floating plant fragments
- CLA recognizes the importance of aquatic vegetation to the fishery

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Office for Aging Services Deputy Director

Te know Christmas comes in December. We are getting ready now! Join us in spreading holiday cheer to older adults in our community through the "Santa for Seniors" project. This initiative, led by the Chautauqua County Office for Aging Services, The First Baptist Church of Mayville, and the Reverend I. Paul Womack Christmas Basket Fund at Hurlbut Memorial Community UM Church in Chautauqua, along with our dedicated community partners, aims to deliver gifts and a festive meal to older adults during the 2024 holiday

The "Santa for Seniors" team has been tirelessly working all year to prepare for the 2024 holiday season.

Contributions from the community make it possible to provide each recipient with a heartwarming holiday experience. We need your support and generosity to make this initiative even more impactful. Your donations of the following items are

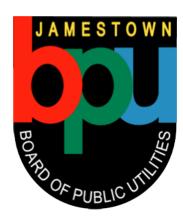
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To participate in this meaningful community project, please contact the Santa for Seniors coordinator ccsantaforseniors@gmail.com or call the Chautauqua County Office for Aging Services NY Connects program at 716-753-4582. Additionally, if you know of an older adult over 60 years old who will be alone during the holiday season, you can nominate them by contacting the Chautauqua County NY Connects program at 716-753-4582 or by emailing at ccnyc@chqgov.com Your involvement will bring joy and companionship to seniors in need during this special time of year. Happy holidays!

Jamestown BPU Changes Customer Service Office Schedule



The Jamestown Board of Public Utilities (BPU) Customer Service Office hours have changed. The BPU Customer Service Office remains open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Friday. As of Monday, August 19, the Office will close from 1-2 p.m. daily.











International Observe the Moon Night



Contributing Writer

Andy Felong Public and Media Relations Martz-Kohl Observatory

That is a Super Moon? What are the names for the Moon's phases and what causes them? What are some of the prominent features on the Moon? How did the Moon evolve? How are we learning more about the Moon?

For answers to these questions and more, the public is invited to join us for International Observe the Moon Night on Saturday, September 14 at 7 PM. This free event will be live at the Martz-Kohl Observatory and will not be Zoom streamed. It should be entertaining and educational for all ages. There will be opportunities for questions and answers during the demos and presentations as well as after. Door prizes include observatory

swag and graphic novels from NASA, First Woman on the Moon. If the weather permits, viewing opportunities through our various telescopes will be available.

International Observe the Moon *Night* is a worldwide public event that encourages observation, appreciation and understanding of our Moon and its connection to space science, exploration, and human culture. This annual event connects scientists, educators and lunar enthusiasts from around the world. 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, wellrooted in education outreach and enjoyment of the starry skies.

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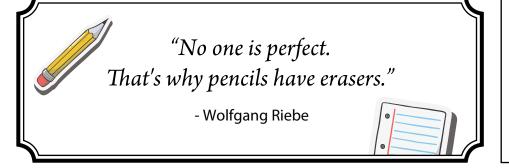
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Second Round of Springboard Prize Competition Awards \$186,545 to Eight Organizations Supporting the **Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Across Western New York**

New Rapid Prize Competition Will Award a Total \$600,000 in 2024

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Springboard

Eight organizations were announced as winners in round two of funding through Springboard, a regional, innovative rapid prize competition launched this year that aims to support those contributing to and expanding the entrepreneurial ecosystem in Buffalo, Rochester and Southern Tier communities. A total of \$186,545 was awarded in the second of three rounds and included a diverse group of organizations, individuals, and projects.

The round two winners and their associated funding were announced at an event held at the Northland Workforce Training Center in Buffalo on Thursday after a competitive process attracted 120 applicants for this round. Winners were awarded prize money ranging from \$15,000 \$25,000. Funding through Springboard in three rounds will total up to \$600,000. While diverse in approach, all winning organizations are working toward the shared goal of strengthening entrepreneurs through various support and promotion to bolster the entrepreneurial ecosystem across the region. Financial awards were based on the amount requested by applicants and the project's merit as determined by judges for specific projects. Ten round one winners were announced in June and \$222,500 was awarded. Videos of round one winners were created to share their stories and may be viewed here.

Second round winners are:

Stitch Buffalo - \$15,000/Arts Entrepreneurship Training for Refugee Women to expand training in the textile arts. Stitch Buffalo empowers refugee and immigrant women through the sale of their handcrafted goods, inspiring creativity and inclusion through community education.

Go Getta Enterprises/Adriana **Viverett**e - \$22,000/The Go Getta Academy, an immersive eight-week media training program designed to prepare entrepreneurs and young adults to become confident speakers and effective communicators through mass media platforms.

Cooperation Buffalo

Inc. - \$25,000/Cooperative Changemakers Fellowship for Cooperative Entrepreneurs, an intensive 10-week training program that is designed to help individuals or teams determine their place in the cooperative economy (businesses owned and controlled by memberowners).

Western New York Venture Association, Inc. - \$25,000/Angel Investor Education Workshops, two half-day in-person "Fundamentals of Angel Investing" workshops, one in



Buffalo and one in Rochester.

Hate Your Deck - \$25,000/ (Don't) Hate Your Deck – a course on building a strong pitch deck by teaching entrepreneurs how investors think, how storytelling works, and a simple way to tell a company's story. The course is specifically for entrepreneurs working with LaunchNY, BootSector, UB Cultivator, The Good Neighbor Fund, and Beverly Gray that could best benefit from the program.

Alive + Well - \$25,000/WebBiz Launchpad, a comprehensive 10week training program designed for young adults aged 17-24 from low socioeconomic backgrounds to equip them with the dual skills of website creation using Squarespace and fundamental business development strategies.

Ellis K Consulting - \$25,000/ **Business Etiquette Course** for Women Entrepreneurs specifically designed for new female entrepreneurs, merges critical business knowledge with advanced professional interaction skills, facilitating the avoidance of common entrepreneurial challenges and promoting the development of successful, enduring businesses.

Incubator Works - \$24,545/ Business accelerator classes for entrepreneurs in Allegany and Cattaraugus Counties for two cohorts that will include six to eight entrepreneurs.

"The response to Springboard has been phenomenal and has uncovered a deep and varied ecosystem of organizations and individuals who are supporting entrepreneurs in traditional and creative ways," commented Derrick Executive Director of The Exchange at Beverly Gray and a second-round judge. "We are delighted to be able to bolster their efforts that contribute to further growth and expansion of the entrepreneurial landscape throughout WNY."

The Judging Process

Judges from around the region evaluated applications via a rigorous review process. They include the following for round two:

- Derrick Parson, The Exchange at **Beverly Gray**
- Meaghan Phelps, 43North
- Theresa Mazzullo, Excell
- Javier Zapata, The Enterprise Center at PathStone

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

Welcome to **Chautauqua County!**

The CHQ Chamber was on hand last week as newly enrolled students moved in on the SUNY Fredonia campus. As they get settled into their new community, our objective is to make sure they and their families – know about all that's available for them right here in Chautauqua County.

College living is about so much more than just a dorm room and a campus. It's about the local businesses they will frequent while they're in school, and the additional regional recreational and arts opportunities they will discover. Chautauqua County is always poised to show off its best assets, and this welcome day for students and parents is a great moment to show them how to make the most of their college years, and beyond.

The CHQ Chamber provided welcome bags organized by our coordinator Denise Szalkowski, featuring coupons, special offers, and items from local businesses and organizations. The bags were supplied by DFT Communications. A 2023 Chautauqua County Travel Guide from the Chautauqua County Visitors Bureau was inserted in each bag, along with a Shop-Dine-Explore Fredonia brochure from the Chamber of Commerce, listing local retailers, restaurants, recreational sites, and services that students or their families may want and need during the school year. The brochure also includes a QR code that leads students directly to our website where they can find even more exciting places to shop, dine, and visit throughout Chautauqua County. Giveaways, coupons, and information in the bags was provided by 3 Lakes Čafé, The Barn 3521 and The Daisy Farm, The Cakery, CHQTrails.org, Community Bank, DFT Communications, Edwards Waterhouse Fredonia, Fredonia Festivals Cycle, Fredonia Farmers Market, HBKS Wealth Management, Hideaway Bay Resort, Lake Shore Savings Bank, Next Chapter Bookstore, and TCC Health.

The annual school year bump in population in Chautauqua County, both at SUNY Fredonia and at Jamestown Community College, represents economic opportunity for all businesses countywide. Students often come to a college campus and find a long-term home, and as their

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families visit during their college tenure, they spend money at local lodging, dining, tourism, and retail establishments.

For the first time this year, the CHQ Chamber also created an opportunity for families to purchase ShopLocalCHQ Gift Cards for their students. These are the same gift cards available year-round for county residents, now being offered to in-coming students as an easy-to-use gift that will allow them to sample local businesses. The ShopLocalCHQ Gift Card can be purchased in any amount between \$5 and \$500 and may be redeemed at over 170 participating businesses in Chautauqua County. It's not just a nice gift for a new student, it helps to support our local merchants and local economy.

First Friday to Close the **Season September 6**

First Friday in Westfield offers something for everyone! You can enjoy open businesses along Main Street, as well as street vendors, live music, and much more! Main Street in Westfield is closed from Portage to Pearl to make the event safer for all attendees.

The September 6 First Friday will be the final one this season. It is proudly sponsored by Blue June Blooms, AHN Westfield Memorial Hospital, and Westfield Boatworks.

Vendors can still register for this event. The price for business vendors is \$20 and it helps to cover the costs of street closure as well as marketing and promotion for the event. A certificate of liability insurance is required for all vendors. Find the vendor requirements and sign up online through the Chamber's web calendar at www.chqchamber.org.

Business After Hours at Hideaway Bay Resort September 19

Join us at a brand new and spectacular venue for Business After Hours! Our hosts September 19 will be Hideaway Bay Resort, 42 Lake Avenue, Silver Creek. Drift Restaurant at Hideaway Bay Resort offers a unique experience with expansive views of Lake Erie. At this Business After Hours you'll enjoy complimentary appetizers, a cash bar, and a chance to mingle with a wide variety of local businesspeople in a tremendous

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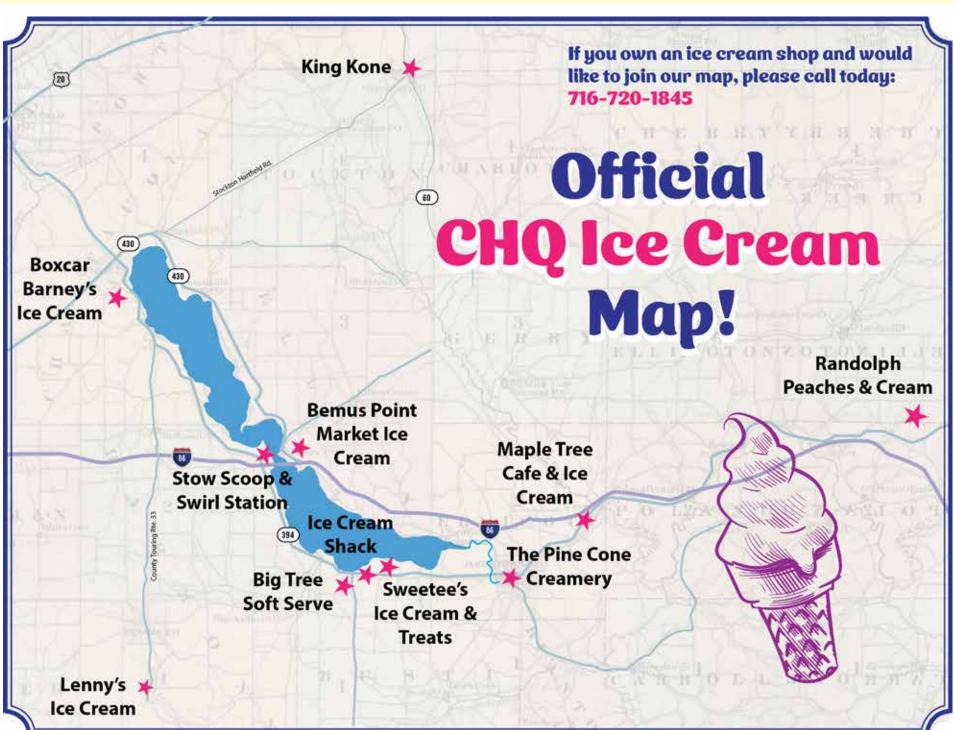






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JHS Welcomes New Assistant Principal

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Jamestown Public Schools

The Jamestown Public Schools Board of Education has approved the appointment of Julia Kinney to serve as an assistant principal at Jamestown High School. Kinney succeeds Allyson Smith, who was appointed to serve as the building's principal in January.

"We are excited to welcome Julia Kinney to Jamestown High School," said Tina Sandstrom, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and School Improvement. "With proven dedication to student success, Ms. Kinney's strong instructional background and administrative experience will be an asset to the great faculty and staff at JHS."

A Randolph native, Kinney joins JHS after serving as Assistant Principal Southwestern Elementary School since April 2023. Prior to joining Southwestern, she spent five years serving Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus BOCES as both a social studies teacher at the Western New York P-TECH and



Julia Kinney

as a Staff Development Specialist. She earned her bachelor's in history with high distinction from the University of Buffalo, her master's in adolescence education from St. Bonaventure University, and her administrative certificates from SUNY Brockport.

"I am so looking forward to getting started in this role," said Kinney. "I can't wait to get to know the students and staff at Jamestown High School so that we can continue building a space where every student is learning every day."

The Top Ice Cream Flavors

Article by

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Metro Creative Connection

Few treats are more popular on a warm day than ice cream. With its rich flavor and cooling nature, ice cream is perfect in a cone, cup, cake, or even as a sidekick to a brownie or piece of pie. Summer may be the season when ice cream is enjoyed the most N and many people have fond memories of chasing down the neighborhood ice cream truck on summer afternoons - but ice cream is a favorite all year long.

The number of ice cream flavors is only limited by the imaginations of ice cream shop owners. New small-batch offerings come out each week at privately owned shops. However, despite the infinite number of flavor combinations, certain ice cream flavors are more popular than others. According to the International Dairy Foods Association 2022 Ice Cream & Frozen Novelty Trends Survey, these flavors are tops in the eyes of Americans.

- 1. Chocolate
- Cookies N' Cream
- 3. Vanilla
- 4. Strawberry
- Chocolate Chip
- 6. Cookie Dough

- Butter Pecan
- Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough
- Caramel
- 10. Salted Caramel

According to a 2022 survey of 1,239 Canadians conducted by Narrative Research, these are the favored flavors among Canadian ice cream afficionados.

- 1. Chocolate
- Vanilla
- 3. Mint chocolate (with no chip)
- 4. Maple walnut
- Butterscotch
- Cookie Dough
- 7. Cookies N' Cream
- Strawberry
- 9. Moose Tracks
- 10. Neapolitan

Vanilla stands as the global ice cream favorite, but some key flavors also stand out in countries around the world. In Japan, Green Tea is a popular flavor, Venezuelans prefer Banana, and in Thailand Coconut reigns supreme.

Ice cream preferences vary across the globe. However, ice cream in all flavors and forms is a beloved dessert few can resist.

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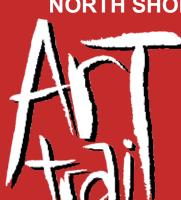
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The Chautauqua Lake Erie Art Trail Open Studio and Gallery Tour is Back!

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North Shore Arts Alliance

The 16th annual Art Trail will take place on Saturday and Sunday August 31st and September 1st from 10a-5pm both days over Labor Day weekend. Creating a driving Art Trail is a unique and engaging way to experience a diverse range of artworks while enjoying a scenic drive. There are 13 hubs, with new stops in Jamestown, Portland, Fredonia and on NY Rt 394. This year's Trail features 29 North Shore Arts Alliance artist members showcasing art that ranges from paintings to textiles, pottery to sculptures, and photography to jewelry.

"We as artists do work that is personal. The annual Chautauqua Lake Erie Art Trail Open Studio and Gallery Tour is an opportunity to visit places where we live and create. We find inspiration in one of the most beautiful, picturesque regions of New York State. As you travel to visit us, see what we see every day — verdant vineyards and fields, lush forests, rolling hills, and spectacular shorelines along Lake Erie and Chautauqua Lake." Says Marcia Merrins, NSAA President.

Starting at the north end of the map, we suggest beginning in Fredonia as you work your way through beautiful countryside, quaint villages and historic towns as far west as Sherman, east to Kennedy and south to Jamestown where you will find 4 locations this year.

Showing their art this year is Tom Annear with Tom Janik in the Annear Studio located at 43 Central Ave in Fredonia. Tom Annear is featuring his oil paintings, while Tom Janik will showcase his beautiful photography. Not too far away in his studio at 165 Cushing Street will be Wally Latimer, a longtime area wood artist with stunning handmade designs. Also in Fredonia is Marcia Merrins studio, Kniti Griti Works, at 42 Rosalyn Court and she will be hosting Nancy Nixon Ensign and Susan Forrester-Mackay. Nancy and Susan are painters with unique styles, while Marcia shows off her clever pottery from jewelry to animals to fairy houses and so much more.

Down the road on Route 20 in Portland, you will find 21 Brix Winery hosting inside the building Patrick Stokes with his photography, Tony & June Burns with their ever popular wooden art puzzles, and Karen Taverna with uniquely gorgeous jewelry.

Continue west on Rt 20, turn south onto Rt. 394 in Westfield and you will come to Portage Hill Art Gallery, 6439 Portage Road, Westfield. It features the art of Audrey Kay Dowling, Karen Glosser, and Tim Sivertsen. Karen and Tim will be under tents on the property, while Audrey will feature her work inside in the gallery. Karen's photography explores the wonder of nature, and Tim's art is in charcoal, pastel and acrylics. Audrey will feature her ceramics and paintings.

Stop #7 is at Reno Pottery, 6007 Centralia-Hartfield Road, Dewittville. It features the pottery of Jim and Pat Reno in their studio. They have been making pottery for over 40 years at their location at 6007 Centralia-Hartfield Rd., Dewittville,

Stop #8 is outside of Truffle Honey Eatery, 3943 NY-Rt 394 in Mayville. This new location features the art of Seri Beeson, Ellen Paquette, Sarah Brown Millspaw, and Cynthia Norton under tents out front. Seri Beeson, is a fabric artist and also crochets beaded jewelry. Ellen Paquette will feature her very unique whimsical paintings. Sarah Millspaw is a watercolor illustration artist and will have many of her paintings, notecards and her book featured this

The LMNOP Gallery at 108 W. Main Street in Sherman, featuring the works of Peter Hamilton. Peter is a skilled wood craftsman, whose unique designs include wall hanging wooden art and stylized creative furniture with great form and function.

Down in Jamestown, there are 4 locations to delight the senses all featuring highly skilled artists with works of a wide variety. Stop #10 is Chautauqua Art Gallery, located at 318 N Main Street in Jamestown, showing the works of owner Leslie Calimeri and local artist Katherine Kepner. Both artists will feature their paintings that are as unique and creative as the artists themselves.

Stop #11 is Joe Grice Art Studio at 515 Pine Street. Joseph is a detail oriented artist with a deep love of nature and birds. His paintings are featured all around the area, and here a visitor to the Trail will see many more pictures featuring his mastery with oils and be able to talk with him in person.

Stop #12 at Pearl City Clayhouse 220 E. Second Street, Jamestown will have their gallery space showing 4 artists: Jackie Damore, Susan Simmons, Chris Videll, and Terry Lair. These artists work range from oil and acrylic paintings to mixed media and drawings and some exceptional modern art.

Stop #13 is at Roger Tory Peterson Institute and will have Susan Gutierrez, Debbie Penley, and Carrie Tredo Sheffield under tents on the grounds in front of the building. Debbie is a fiber artist with bold creative creatures and pictures, while Susan works in acrylics creating works of nature and area buildings in her unique style. Carrie is a mixed media artist who also creates eco dyed clothing.

Stop #14 is in Kennedy, at the Studio of Janet Mandellocated at 747 Abbey Road in Kennedy. Janet's unique style features songbirds and wildlife paintings.

The event is a distinctive occasion to get an amazing look into the creative processes of highly talented and skilled artists, all located in Chautauqua County. Returning this year, is a chance to win one of 8 gift certificates, redeemable with any of the artists on this year's trail. They vary in value from \$25 to \$100. In order to win, when you visit any location pick up a passport card at the first stop. Go to each stop on the trail for a unique stamp on your passport. When all hubs have been visited, simply drop the card at the last stop. If you can't get to all stops, simply drop the card at your last stop. A completed passport will enter you into a drawing for a \$100 gift certificate. If you

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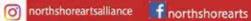
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December 23-January 3	Winter Recess
February 17-21	Mid-Winter Recess
April 14-21	Spring Recess

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Superintendent: Dr. Katie Ralston

District Calendar

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Silver Creek Elementary School

Principal: Heather Krystofiak (716) 934-2603

Chautauqua Lake Central School District

Superintendent: Dr. Joshua Liddell

Chautauqua Lake Secondary School

Principal: Rachel Curtin (716) 753-5800

Chautauqua Lake Elementary School

Principal: Megan Lundgren (716) 753-5800



Forestville Central School District

Superintendent: Dr. John O'Connor

Forestville Secondary School

Principal: Daniel Grande (716) 965-6522

Forestville Elementary School

Principal: Shauna McMahon (716) 965-6535





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Ripley Central School District

Superintendent: William Caldwell

District Calendar

September 3	1st Day of School
November 26-29	Thanksgiving Recess
December 23-January 3	Winter Recess
February 17-21	Mid-Winter Recess
April 14-18	Spring Recess

Ripley Elementary School

Principal: Micah Oldham (716) 736-2631



Westfield Central School District

Superintendent: Michael Cipolla

District Calendar

September 3	1st Day of School
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Recess
December 23-January 3	Winter Recess
February 17-21	Mid-Winter Recess
April 14-21	Spring Recess

Westfield Secondary School

Principal: Corey Markham (716) 326-2151

Westfield Elementary School

Principal: Molly Anderson (716) 326-2151



Frewsburg Central School District

Superintendent: Danielle J. Cook, Ph.D.

District Calendar

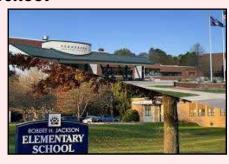
September 3	1st Day of School
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Recess
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April 14-18	Spring Recess

Frewsburg Middle-High School

Principal: Sarah Olson (716) 569-7013

Robert H. Jackson Elementary School

Principal: Tami McKotch (716) 569-7031



Dunkirk City School District

Superintendent: Michael Mansfield

District Calendar

September 5	1st Day of School
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Recess
December 23-January 1	Winter Recess
April 14-25	Spring Recess

Dunkirk City Middle-High School

Principal: Elena Kemper

Dunkirk City Elementary School

Principal: Angie Penhollow



Clymer Central School District

 ${\it Superintendent: Beth Olson}$

Clymer Middle-High School

Principal: Brianne Fadale (716) 355-4444

Clymer Elementary School

Principal: Sonja DuBois (716) 355-4444



Pine Valley Central School District

Superintendent: Shanda DuClon



Pine Valley Middle-High School

Principal: Kourtney Almeida (716) 988-3276

Pine Valley Elementary School

Principal: Brandi Meacham (716) 988-3291





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Cassadaga Valley Central School District

Superintendent: Tammy Mangus

District Calendar

September 3	1st Day of School		
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Recess		
December 23-January 3	Winter Recess		
February 17-21	Mid-Winter Recess		
April 14-21	Spring Recess		

Cassadaga Valley Middle-High School

Principal: Ron Tonelli (716) 962-8581

Sinclairville Elementary School

Principal: Kelly Sedlak (716) 962-5195



Fredonia Central School District

Superintendent: Brad Zilliox, Ed. D.

District Calendar

September 3	1st Day of School
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Recess
December 23-January 3	Winter Recess
April 14-25	Spring Recess

Fredonia High School

Principal: Darrin Paschke (716) 679-1581

Fredonia Middle School

Principal: Jamie Polhamus (716) 679-1581

Fredonia Elementary School

Principal: Mark Drollinger (716) 679-1581



Brocton Central School District

Superintendent: Jason Delcamp

District Calendar

September 3	1st Day of School
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Recess
December 23-January 3	Winter Recess
February 17-21	Mid-Winter Recess
April 14-21	Spring Recess

Brocton Middle-High School

Principal: Elizabeth Antolina (716) 792-2190

Brocton Elementary

Principal: Sandra Kopiczak (716) 792-2100





BACK TO SCHOOL

Trivia

- 1. What is the name of the first public school in the United States, established in 1635?
- 2. What is the longest word in the English language that is commonly used in schools?
- 3. What is the name of the vocational school in Chautauqua County that offers technical education to high school students?
- 4. In which country did the concept of kindergarten originate?
- 5. Which historical figure is known for saying, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world"?
- 6. What is the largest school district in Chautauqua County?
- 7. In what year was the first iPad released, changing the way students access information?
- 8. In what year was the National Education Association (NEA) founded?
- 9. What is the mascot of Falconer High School?
- 10. Which ancient civilization is credited with establishing the first known formal schools around 4000 BC?

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Stepwise Co-Founders Detail Products for Jamestown BPU Electrical Staff



Jane Chen, Co-Founder and CEO, Stepwise

Article Contributed by Jamestown Board of Public Utilities

The Jamestown Board of Public Utilities (BPU) Electrical Division staff recently met with the cofounders of Stepwise, Jane Chen, CEO, and Ethan Brewer, chief electrician. Stepwise was founded in 2022 and this year established its headquarters in Buffalo after winning a \$1 million award last October through the 43 North competition for startup companies.

Brewer was a featured speaker at Retool'24 in June at the Chautauqua Harbor Hotel and the team's visit was a follow-up to Brewer's appearance there.

Stepwise is focused on helping residential customers electrify intelligently without having to make expensive upgrades to electrical



Ethan Brewer, Co-Founder and Chief Electrician, Stepwise

panels. The company has developed an EV Tap Energy Management System that is being tested in a number of markets. This product is used for dynamic EV charging and is targeted a single-family and small multi-family homes.

A second product line, called the "Tap Series," is a group of modules that can dynamically load balance select 240-volt appliances within a home.

Chen and Brewer provided an overview of these products to the BPU electrical staff and got feedback on how their products could work in the local market.

The Stepwise team is seeking suppliers for parts for its product line as it plans to scale up its production in the coming year.

The company's website is https://www.getstepwise.com.

CALL FOR VENDORS: Infinity's Holiday Art Market 2024



Article Contributed by
Infinity Visual and
Performing Arts, Inc.

Infinity Visual and Performing Arts, Inc. is excited to announce a Call for Vendors for its annual Holiday Art Market, set to take place on Saturday, December 7, 2024. This festive event celebrates the creativity and talent of local visual artists and hand-crafters, offering a unique opportunity to showcase and sell handmade items and fine art just in time for the holiday season.

Event Details:

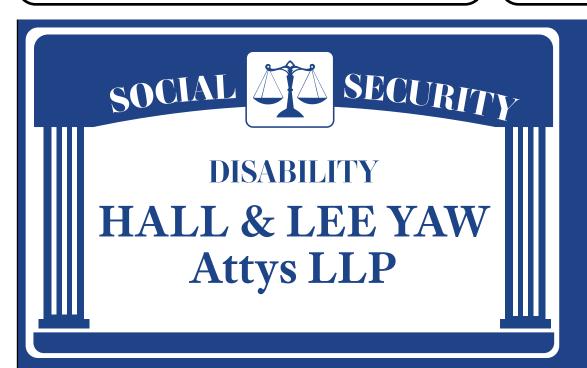
- Date: Saturday, December 7, 2024
- Time: 10:00 AM 4:00 PM
- Locations: Infinity Center (301
 East 2nd St, Suite 101, Jamestown,
 NY 14701) and Pearl City
 Clay House (220 East 2nd St,
 Jamestown, NY 14701)

Infinity's Holiday Art Market is more than just a shopping experience; it's a celebration of the vibrant arts community in Jamestown. In addition to vendor booths, the event will feature make-and-take crafts and other arts experiences for children and families, making it a fun and engaging day for all ages.

Interested vendors in hand-made arts and crafts are invited to apply as soon as possible. Registrations will be accepted until all spaces are full. To secure a booth or get more information about the event, please visit https://bit.ly/holidayartmarket.

Booth spaces are limited, so early registration is encouraged.

Infinity's Holiday Art Market also serves as a vital fundraising event for Infinity Visual and Performing Arts, Inc. All proceeds from the event will directly support youth arts education classes and experiences at the Infinity Center. By participating, vendors and shoppers alike contribute to the continuation of high-quality music and arts programming that empowers and inspires young people throughout our community.



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Dilapidated Silver Creek Moose Lodge Property Demolished

Recent Demolition Removes Eyesore from Community, **Assists Operations at Local Business**



Article Contributed by

Chautauqua County Land **Bank Corporation**

A long abandoned and unsafe structure in downtown Silver Creek was finally demolished last week with the assistance of the Chautauqua County Land Bank Corporation (CCLBC), the County Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency (CCIDA), and Chautauqua County.

The demolition is the final stage of a two-part strategy. The first stage occurred in June 2022, when the CCIDA approved sales tax abatement incentives for Xmas Dave, LLC to make renovations to the former 130,000 square-foot Petri Baking Products building, located at 18 Main Street in the village. Xmas Dave is owned by Dave Gordon of Erie County, New York. Gordon made improvements at the location to operate a warehouse and distribution center for his internet fulfillment operations business, Christmas. com. The facility also works with other major retailers, selling seasonal holiday decorations, patio furniture, pool accessories, and more. A ribbon cutting was held in January 2023 at the facility following the extensive renovations. PILOT incentives were applicable for this project.

The former Silver Creek Moose Lodge building was located at 259 Central Avenue, adjacent to the Xmas Dave warehouse. A fixture in the community since the early 1900s, the lodge sat vacant and abandoned for over a decade and was deemed unsafe and beyond repair by professional inspectors. In recent years, it had also been gutted and vandalized. The building was conveyed to the CCIDA in 2022 via the County's tax foreclosure process, with approval from the Chautauqua County Legislature. The CCIDA then conveyed the property to Xmas Dave soon thereafter with plans to demolish the building and expand his operations.

Following extensive abatement in the large building, work stalled due to complications that significantly increased the cost of the demolition project. The CCLBC and the CCIDA then stepped in to assist. The CCLBC was able to secure funding from Chautauqua County grant funds designated for this purpose, and used the funding to cover a majority of the cost to demolish the building and remove the debris pile, with the remaining cost covered by Xmas Dave.

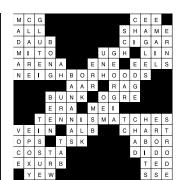
The additional property will significantly help with shipping operations for the Xmas Dave facility, with tractor trailers now having direct access into and out of the warehouse facility. Additionally, Gordon intends to use the parcel to expand his parking

"The structure was a public hazard that simply could not be left in the condition that it was in. The community was suffering by the impasse; so we needed to step in," said Gina Paradis, CCLBC Executive Director.

Mark Geise, Chairman of the Land Bank and CEO of the CCIDA, echoed the sentiment.

"The CCIDA was happy to facilitate the expansion of Mr. Gordon's business into Silver Creek in 2022. We were equally pleased to help facilitate the transfer and demolition of the neighboring unsafe and unsightly Moose Lodge building since that time. Additionally, no property taxes were being paid on the building, and the additional real property tax revenue will benefit all of the taxing jurisdictions for many years," said Geise. "I am proud of the work we did to overcome the complications of the demolition situation, thereby alleviating a safety hazard and assisting a key downtown business in Silver Creek. We are grateful to the Land Bank and the County for their assistance in bringing this project to fruition."

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Sep. 17 - Nov. 21, 2024

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Thursdays: Virtual via ZOOM

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The cost of this program will be free for residents or business owners within the City of Jamestown and cost \$125 for all others. All participants are expected to attend all sessions.

Register: SBDCJCC.ORG/FASTTRAC



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Back-to-School Edition

August 26, 2024 **23**

Kindergarten Here We Come

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and suggestions to help make the start of a new school year the best

Share Excitement

Children feed off of the emotions of the adults around them. Your children will become excited for school if you show them how excited you are! Share their joy with them, even when I know inside you are feeling all the feels! Talk to your child about all the fun things they will be doing in school (learning, playing, meeting new friends, exploring, eating lunch, etc.). The opportunities are endless and you can help your child become excited for what is coming next! If you are excited, he or she will be excited too!

Build Consistent Routines

We all thrive on consistency and routines! Having a solid before and after school routine will help your child all day. Allowing them to let loose a little after school will help manage the energy they will bring home daily! Playing outside and running around is a great way to get that energy out! Sharing a consistent dinner time, allowing some quiet time or downtime and implementing a solid bedtime routine is a great way to end the day!

Sleep, Sleep, Sleep

School is going to make for sleepy kids! Set a bedtime and stick to it. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, a typical 3-5 year old needs approximately 10-13 hours of sleep over a 24 hour period. School days are chalk full of activities. LIttle bodies need plenty of sleep to recharge and get ready for the next

Talk, Talk, Talk

Conversations are a great way to prepare your child for school. Little brains are like sponges. They absorb everything going on around them. Hearing language is how they prepare for reading language later on. Share experiences with your child and talk to them about the world around them! Make sure to ask what your child did at school, but don't be surprised if they "forgot" or "did nothing". Sometimes they will be excited to share EVERYTHING and other times they will be content to let

school be over for the day and ready to move on to the fun after school activities and family time you have planned!

Read Alouds Rule

Reading books to your child is a great way to get your child ready to start school! Listening to stories will help your child get ready to read books on his or her own very soon! Have conversations with your child about character, plot and setting. These conversations will continue in the classroom.

Attendance Matters

Did you know that missing just two days of school a month means a child is considered chronically absent? Absences add up quicker than you'd think! We know that kids will get sick and have to miss school occasionally, but it really is important to be mindful of the number of days your child is missing! According attendanceworks.org, research shows that chronic absences as early as prekindergarten and kindergarten are associated with lower third grade reading scores. You are setting your children up for success simply by getting them to school daily!

Communication Makes a World of Difference

If you have concerns or questions, make sure to reach out to your child's teacher. We are here to work with you and look forward to communicating with you! Ultimately, you are your child's first and most important teacher. We promise to fill the school days with an abundance of love and learning, but we can't do it without

Above all else, enjoy this time with your children. It will be a year filled with emotional, social, intellectual, and physical growth. You will be amazed at the things your little one will be able to do in a year's time. Take it all in and find the joy in the beauty that is childhood and school! Good luck as the new school year begins and congratulations on this new milestone in your child's life!

Audubon Community Nature Center's First Sunday Story Time and 2024 T-Shirt Fundraiser



Bring your own 2–8-year-old(s) – or a niece, nephew, grandchild, or the youngster next door – and go on a literary adventure with animals at Audubon Community Nature Center's First Sunday Story Time, 12:30–1 p.m., September 1. Then, indoors and out, visit Audubon's live animals and enjoy the Nature Play Areas. Story Time and Sunday building admission are both free. To reserve your space, click through Programs and Events at AudubonCNC.org.



Monday, September 2 is the deadline for supporting nature education with your order from **Audubon Community Nature** Center's 2024 t-shirt fundraiser. Audubon's indoor and outdoor turtles inspired the turtle tower design on the adult and youth hooded sweatshirts and t-shirts that come in a variety of sizes and styles. For the details and to order, click through Programs and Events at AudubonCNC.org.



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This Week Around Town

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For Info: 716-664-2166

Tuesday, August 27 Trivia Night | 7 PM

4 Below | Jamestown For Info: 716-720-4099

Wednesday, August 28

Movies at The Reg: Inside Out 2 2 PM

Reg Lenna Civic Center for The Arts | Jamestown

For Info: reglenna.com/events

Summer Music Series

The Empty Pint at Southern Tier Brewing Co | Lakewood For Info: 716-763-5479

Thursday, August 29

Family Art Club: Peace Catcher 10 AM - 12 PM

Pearl City Clay House | Jamestown For Info: pearlcityclayhouse.org/ programming

Jazz Night | 5:30 PM

Big Inlet Brewing | Mayville For Info: 716-224-4200

Friday, August 30

Movie Night: Abba | 6:30 PM

St. Timothy Lutheran Church Bemus Point

For Info: sttimothybemus.com

Friday, August 30 & Saturday, August 31

Whirlybird Block Party

Downtown Jamestown For Info: whirlybirdfest.com

Friday, August 30 to Sunday, September 1

Findley Lake Harvest Festival

Route 426 & Route 430 | Findley Lake For Info: visitfindleylake.com

Friday, August 30 to Sunday, September 1

Basil & Bones Outdoor Flea

Market

12 PM - 6 PM

Basil & Bones | Jamestown For Info: 716.488.7590

Friday, August 31 to Sunday, September 1

Art Trail Hub Crawl

Lake Erie & Chautauqua Lake For Info: nsaachautauqua.org/art-trail

Sunday, September 1

First Sunday Story Time: Ages 2-8 (with adult) 12:30 PM - 1 PM

Audubon Community Nature Center Jamestown

For Info: AudubonCNC.org

SAVE THE DATES

Sunday, September 1

Jamestown Labor Day Festival

For info: mychq.org/event/44th-annual-jamestown-labor-day-festival/

Friday, September 6 & Saturday, September 7

Red, White & Blues Festival

For info: festivalsfredoniany.org/red-white-blues

Saturday, September 7 & Sunday, September 8

44th Annual Wild Wind Folk Art & Craft Festival | 10 AM - 5 PM

Warren County Fairgrounds Route 6, Pittsfield, PA For info: wildwindfestival.com





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Ask The Children



Featured Writer

Stephen N. Anderson "Serve To Lead" - James Strock Future, Positive, Commit Lions Gate

he ability of children to engage in direct first-hand detective work on what they like to read and do and their ability to learn from other people enables them to learn a great deal about their world.

But there is very little, if any, turning to primary school students and asking them what they like to read, know about, and learn more about to determine a school curriculum.

(I can almost hear the retort from mothers and fathers; "I always take my children to select books in the library and bookstore"

Children and adults each develop a question-based compass on a broad, high-level, almost generic idea.

Does it seem strange that there is information about the most popular children's books? Does it seem strange that the popularity of children's books is based on the number of books sold, not on research of the children's own choices?

Would we prefer to have the sale of books determine who is our next president?

Not every young person or adult has the same learning method. Visual learners prefer images and charts. Aural learners learn by listening. Those who write and read learn best through reading. Then some Kinesthetic students learn by doing.

Chautauqua County public schools have about 16,860 students, almost evenly divided between boys and girls.

Eighty-three percent of our high school students graduate, which is about the same for all of New York State.

There is a significant advantage for students living and growing up in Chautauqua County, although they may not be obvious either to parents or students.

It is a combination of influences that I did not recognize while growing up on Chestnut Street in Jamestown.

Reflection and recognition are helpful. After my education at St. Lawrence University in Canton, N.Y. I sought a journalism career in New York City. I had worked on the Chautauqua Daily that whet my appetite, that was encouraged, but not forced on me, by my great uncle, Ernest Cawcroft who lived in Jamestown. In his youth, he had been a journalist and entertained my mind with his experiences. He supported my interest by sending me Foreign Affairs magazine and others while I was in college.

In New York City in September I went to every newspaper and magazine publisher office I could find. But was finding difficulty of immediate employment. So, I inquired at a bookstore across the street from the NY Public Library, and they hired me. As I left the store I saw The New York Times office and walked over to it. The doorman guided me to the elevator and the floor of potential employee's office.

At Christmas time, after enjoying working at the book store, I went home to spend a few days with my parents. And while there I received a Western Union telegraph from The New York Times asking me to join them to work on January 5th. After about 6 months of working in their daily and Sunday departments, I finally asked department heads why they selected me, along with five other young men about my age.

They quickly answered; Because you were educated and lived way outside of New York City, your experience at the Chautauqua Daily, and your university newspaper position, all added up as valuable to us.

The Book Review section was my longest position. It was there that I gained a significant insight into the book publishing business and participated in the addition of children's book reviews to the weekly.

As a father of three children, with my New York native wife, our insight on this subject has been enhanced. We raised our children in Haddonfield, N.J. because of its excellent school system and it was easy access to Philadelphia where I worked for three firms, managing their future strategy. Interestingly, the Quaker School in Haddonfield was recognized as having the Best school in the town. Barbara and I moved and worked in San Francisco for 27 years after our children completed their education and were stable.

Chautauqua County remains my focus for renewing and improving with my time focused on Chautauqua Institution and the Roger Tory Peterson Institute.





Popular Author Series Returns

Article Contributed by

Hazeltine Public Library

The Hazeltine Public Library is pleased to announce their popular 'Author Series' will kicked off on August 26, 2024. This series features a local author each Monday evening, beginning at 6:30 in the Community Building at the HPL. These are free programs, open to anyone and books are available for sale and signing each time.

Returning author Deb Madar will the Sept. 9 speaker. Her Merrill Conner Mystery series is set in the Westfield-Barcelona region and features references to many well-known places. The follow up to the first Merrill Conner mystery - 'A Deeper Dive' was recently released and is titled 'Boulder Point.' Madar is a retired English teacher now living in the Bemus Point area.

Dawn Swanson will be the Sept. 16 speaker. She has published a children's book titled 'Charlotte, the Very Good, Very Naughty Girl' This is a delightful story of little Charlotte who has learned how fun it is to use the word no! Dawn lives in Kennedy and is the library director at the Kennedy Free Library.

Well-known local storyteller Paul Leone will speak on Sept. 23. Leone has been telling stories for over 25 years and his popular 'Chautauqua Ghosts' is a regional cult favorite. He has published a satirical novel, 'The Gospel Truth' – set in Busti. His

stories draw on local history and personality to describe the peculiar ambience of this area particularly in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

Mary Zdrowski will be the September 30 speaker. She is a graduate of JCC and SUNY Fredonia with a Master of Library Science from the University of Buffalo. She is the middle school librarian at Southwestern. She has written a book of flash fantasy fiction and a picture book 'Wiser the Owl' that is used by school librarians across the state to help students learn the research process.

The author series will continue through October with authors to be announced.

The series is FREE, open to everyone and is held in the Community Building the campus of the Hazeltine Public Library. The library is located at 891 Busti Sugargrove Rd., Jamestown, NY. is off street parking and the Building Community accessible. More information is available by contacting the library at 716.487.1281.

Hazeltine Public Library is a member of the Chautauqua Cattaraugus Library System.

Your Ticket for Success: Middle & High School

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Back-to-School Edition

it are worse. Choose your attitude - life is what you make it!

- Your effort helps determine your **outcome.** The more you put into whatever you're doing, the more you get out of it. If you push harder at the gym, you get stronger. If you practice your sport, you get better. If you complete your homework and study, you get better grades. You don't grow by watching someone else do the work, YOU have to do it. What you focus on, grows -- decide what parts of your life you want to make better this year, and put the effort in. Looking back on your year and realizing how much you've improved at something is incredibly satisfying!
- Know your support system and ask questions. There's a good chance that you've never encountered what you're going through right now. And even if you have, you might still have questions. That's ok! The worst thing you can do is expect someone to read your mind or anticipate your questions. Nothing gets solved that way. Instead, reach out and start a conversation. Your school is full of people who want to see you succeed in reaching the goals you set for yourself.
- Find an organizing system that works for you. Everyone's brain works a little differently, so there is no one-size-fits-all solution for staying organized. Some people live by their pen-and-paper planner, while others rely solely

on the calendar on their phone or computer. If you use a planner, will you write in it with colored pens and highlighters, or a pencil? Do you like a big binder for all of your papers, or a sleek folder? It takes some trial and error, but if you're having trouble knowing where to start, try talking with your school counselor. They'll sit down with you and work on a plan for success.

Seize opportunities! Don't just stick with classes that are comfortable or easy. High school is a time to explore different topics and find out what suits you and what doesn't. Taking a class you "know" you're going to hate might actually introduce you to something you end up being interested in. Maybe you'll become friends with someone you don't usually get to talk to. Perhaps you'll connect with a teacher who will inspire you. Your willingness to try new things will make you a more interesting and well-rounded person, which colleges and employers love to see. And even if the class you take does end up being, let's just say "not your favorite," you can write a college essay about how you stuck with something that wasn't quite your cup of tea.

You are learning and growing every day of your life. Slow down, have a good attitude, put in the effort, communicate, get organized, and seize opportunities, and make it a great year!

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Why is Traffic Crawling?

Cornell Cooperative Extension Remind You to be **Cautious with Slow-Moving Vehicle Traffic**

Article Contributed by

Cornell Cooperative Extension

Farmers have worked tirelessly this summer to plant and grow the food that we all enjoy while sustainably using the natural resources that make our region's picturesque landscape remarkable. As a result, you've likely found your commute slowed down by a Slow-Moving Vehicle (SMV) this summer including tractors hauling key farming implements, construction equipment traveling to their next job, and animal drawn vehicles. With summer beginning to fade into fall, corn silage harvest is about to begin for many farms to feed livestock for the winter. This harvest results in increased SMV traffic on the road, making it a good time to think about how to share the road to keep everyone safe.

Cornell Cooperative Extension's York Dairy, Southwest New Livestock, and Field Crops Team work with agricultural producers who use a wide variety of SMV's to operative their farms. We'd like to offer a few key reminders as you travel:



- Slow Down. When approaching slow-moving vehicles, reduce your speed to match theirs. Take a moment to enjoy the picturesque landscape around you!
- **Follow at a distance.** Keep in mind that some SMV operators may have poor visibility because of the equipment they are towing and may not be able to see you.
- Pass with care. SMV's often turn into hidden field driveways or unexpected places. Pass with caution and only when it's safe to do so. Expect unanticipated movements like equipment turning into driveways or the swaying of towed equipment.
- **Be vigilant!** Keep your eyes on the road and look out for SMV's.

Poems with Paul Leone

The poet's muse is often flighty. She'll move the poet to unwarranted flights of fancy. Of the many muses that trouble me this red-lipped muse holds a special place in my desire.

I Am Enamoured

I am enamoured of my Muse, Who both delights and torments me, And oft times doth my brain confuse With naughty whim and wanton fancy. She's more sophisticate than I, More self-assured and worldly wise; Upon her whimsy I rely, For truant thoughts my self belies. I spied my Muse across a room, One evening late when I was tipsy; I knew she was my Muse because My heart beat at Fancy's beauty. O now I fear her dark lips painted, Might leave my suspect honor tainted.



Contributing Poet Paul Leone

Gazette contributor and poet Paul Leone has agreed to provide an occasional poem to the Gazette. Paul is completing a volume of sonnets in the Shakespearean style. He has committed to writing 154 sonnets, equal to Shakespeare's number. The Shakespearean sonnet is composed of fourteen lines--three quatrains followed by a rhyming couplet. Paul hopes to have the volume in print by the end of the year.

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Back-to-School Supplies Checklist

Article by

Metro Creative Connection

As summer draws to a close, millions of students are preparing to return to school. Some may be excited to return so they can see their friends again each day, while others may lament the loss of carefree days under the warm summer sun. Regardless of which category students fall into, all will need the right supplies to begin the new school year on the right foot.

Some teachers now contact students' parents prior to the start of a new school year to let them know which supplies kids will need during the year. But the following grade-based rundown of supplies can help families get a head-start on back to school shopping.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten marks most students' initial introduction to formal schooling, and this exciting year of school is filled with lots of fun and new experiences. Some of the more common supplies kids need for kindergarten include:

- Pencils
- Colored pencils and crayons
- Washable markers
- Erasers
- Pencil case
- Pencil sharpener
- Glue sticks
- Children's scissors with a blunt tip
- Tissues
- Backpack
- Lunchbox/bag
- Headphones

Elementary School

Elementary school students typically need different supplies based on which grade they're in. Children between first and third grade may be asked to bring many of the same supplies as students in kindergarten, including pencils,

washable markers, colored pencils, glue sticks, and children's scissors. But first, second and third grade students also may be asked to bring some additional supplies, including:

- Ruler
- Pencil grips
- Index cards
- Wide-ruled notebooks
- A box for supplies, including pencils

Fourth and fifth graders will likely be asked to bring supplies that align more with academics than arts and crafts. Such supplies may include:

- Calendar
- Personal organizer
- Binders
- Loose-leaf paper
- Spiral notebooks
- Calculator
- Pens
- Plastic folders
- Highlighters
- Book covers

Middle School and High School

By the time children reach middle school and high school, parents are well-versed in back-to-school shopping and likely know what is required. But some of the more unique items parents may be asked to provide for students in these grades include:

- Graphic calculator
- Graph paper
- Permanent markers
- Combination lock
- Protractor
- White-out
- Three-ring binders

Teachers are a great resource that can help students and their parents as they begin back-to-school shopping. Families are urged to reach out to educators or visit school websites to determine if there are any specific items kids will need during the school year.

Rayven Sample at the Paris Paralympics!

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New Fund Aims to Bring Medical Professionals Back to the Region

Article Contributed by

Chautauqua Region **Community Foundation**

Sean Cirbus grew up in Chautauqua County, attending Maple Grove High School. Active in all sports from a young age, the game of hockey quickly became a passion. Competitive play with Lakers Youth Hockey and the Jamestown Jets Jr. Hockey teams would follow, opening the door for Sean to attend the university of Michigan, where he'd continue playing the sport en route to earning his Bachelor of Science degree in neuroscience. Having been surrounded by the healthcare sector all his life, work for Boston-Scientific was a natural next step, where he specialized in cardiac device management.

Sean's sudden passing at the age of 31 left his family wanting to do something significant to serve as the young man's legacy. "We were obviously very saddened by losing him at such a young age, but we're hopeful we can take this terrible tragedy and turn it into something positive. We're hoping to create a project that attracts local medical students back to the community Sean cared so much about," said his father, Dr. Jim Cirbus. "Some of his favorite ways to spend time were visiting friends and family on Chautauqua Lake each summer, and something that encourages others to do the same would have meant the world to him."

Sean's family did just that, and created a unique scholarship fund to serve as Sean's legacy for the Chautauqua region. The Sean Cirbus Scholarship Fund will award loan repayment



Sean Cirbus

stipends to physicians who grew up in the area and return back to the region to practice medicine. The goal is to improve the community's ability to compete for these talented professionals and reduce the shortage of healthcare providers locally. This is a unique and strategic approach that honors Sean by supporting the community he cared about.

Gifts to the Sean Cirbus Scholarship Fund honor the man it remembers, while helping incentivize healthcare professionals to return to and practice medicine in the region. To make a contribution to the fund, visit crcf.me/Cirbus today, call the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation office at 716-661-3390, or mail a check to 418 Spring St., Jamestown, NY 14701.

Chautauqua Region Community Foundation administers over 700 endowments in support of emerging community needs, charitable organizations and local students pursuing higher education. For more information visit www. crcfonline.org or contact Lisa Lynde, Donor Services Officer at 716-661-3390 or llynde@crcfonline.org.

Second Round of Springboard Prize Competition Awards \$186,545 to Eight Organizations Supporting the **Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Across Western New York**

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The judging committee considered a variety of factors to determine awardees, including product or service design; ability to address current gaps in the marketplace or ecosystem; clearly defined target market; funding needs to test an idea that otherwise wouldn't be able to launch. Judging criteria also included whether the idea, program, product, or service ultimately benefits entrepreneurs or strengthens the chances for entrepreneurs to start and grow businesses successfully.

Program Eligibility

The program was open to for-profit or non-profit applicants with an Employer Identification Number (EIN) that operate in the nine counties of Western New York including Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Monroe, Niagara, Orleans or Wyoming County.

Funding through Springboard is designed to help fund activities that benefit entrepreneurs or promote business growth, such as pilot programs or new initiatives that are focused on entrepreneurship support, education, or ecosystem building; networking, mentoring, match-making activities; entrepreneurship competitions such as hackathons or startup weekends; activities designed to support a target demographic; and innovation that helps facilitate the growth of many other companies.

Eligible applicants included a variety of entrepreneur support organizations; high schools, colleges and universities that support upand-coming entrepreneurs; capital providers such as seed-stage funders, angel groups, venture capital funds and Community Development Financial Institutions. Additionally, organizations that support diverse ownership or entrepreneurs from underserved communities, innovative businesses with less than \$2,000,000 in gross revenue, and entrepreneurs with existing companies that support entrepreneurship, including sole proprietorships, are eligible to apply.

Program Collaborators

The Center for Regional Strategies, Main Light Strategies, Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation, Victor & Company and several community partners collaborated to lead the development of the pilot program that seeks to provide incentives for events, initiatives, and programs that connect entrepreneurs with resources, information, and other organizations. The Center for Regional Strategies is leading the implementation of Springboard, along with Main Light Strategies and an extensive team of local partners across the region.

Application + Funding Next Steps.

The final round of applications closes on August 23 and will be announced at an event in Olean in October. As in the previous two rounds, prizes range between \$5,000 and \$25,000 per winner with the expectation that up to \$600,000 will be awarded throughout the program. Interested organizations should apply springboardny.org

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Communications, Jamestown Community College, Media One Radio Group, OBSERVER, and The Post-Journal.

Registration is not required but is appreciated for our planning purposes and to get you on our Who's Who in the Room list. Chamber member businesses may send two people for free. After that the cost is just \$10 per person, or it's \$10 if you're a non-member. Register now through our web calendar at www.chqchamber.org.

Chamber Congressional Luncheon is October 3

Save the date now and get ready to sign up soon for the annual CHQ Chamber Congressional Luncheon Thursday, October at Shorewood Country Club, 4958 West Lake Road, Dunkirk. Each year the Chamber provide an opportunity for local businesspeople to hear directly from their local elected representatives at the county, state, and federal levels. This event is part of that legislative series. We always encourage attendees to come with questions for Congressman Nick Langworthy.

The CHQ Chamber Congressional Lunch is sponsored by Advanced Manufacturing Technology, Brooks-TLC Hospital System, Chautauqua Institution, County Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency, Jamestown Community College, Jamestown Mattress Company, Media One Radio Group, National Grid, Observer, The Post-Journal, Shorewood Country Club, and UPMC Chautauqua.









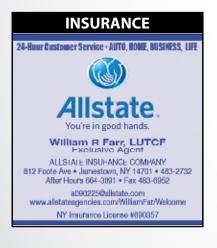












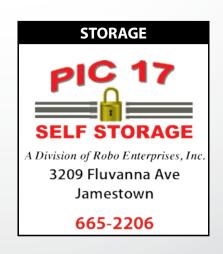


















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