



Clarence Hollow Crier

NEWSLETTER OF THE CLARENCE HOLLOW ASSOCIATION

To Promote, Improve, and Maintain the Quality of Life, Prosperity of Business, and Historic Charm of Clarence Hollow

Farmers' Market to Host Regional Market Meeting

The Clarence Hollow Farmers' Market Committee will sponsor the first regional meeting of Western New York farmers' market managers on Sunday, February 24, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Craftsmen Cafe.

The meeting will serve as a forum to share ideas, skills, resources, and solutions to common problems. Guest speakers and participants will address areas of interest including grants and funding, marketing the market, and special events and entertainment.

Managers and their assistants from more than a dozen area markets have been invited to attend. The idea for the meeting, expected to be the first of many, was proposed and developed by Erwin Rakoczy with help from Nancy McIver, market manager, and Cheryl Anthony, assistant manager.



PRESERVATION QUOTE

"Suburbs that are lucky enough to have anchors of their own should do all they can to preserve them. Once lost, they can never be reclaimed."

Editorial in The Buffalo News



WINTERFEST FEBRUARY 10

Winterfest 2008 is Sunday, February 10, at the Clarence Town Park Clubhouse, 10405 Main Street. We are expecting hundreds of people again this year. There are many indoor/outdoor activities for all ages including:

Magic shows, crafts, Star Wars presentations, ice sculpturing, sledding, skating, snowmobile demos, petting zoo, chili and soup cookoffs, and more.

The Clarence Hollow Association will have an information booth where we would appreciate your assistance, in shifts of two hours, from 12 to 6 p.m., or setup and teardown time slots. If you can assist, please email to flora_leamer@yahoo.com or phone 984-5235.

The Town of Clarence and Chamber of Commerce ask you to come and bring family and friends.

- Flora Leamer,
Winterfest Committee

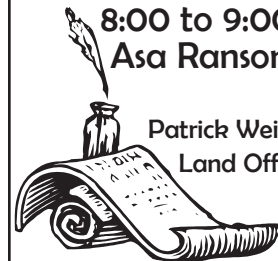
Board Elects Officers

As their first meeting on January 10, the 2008 board of directors of the Clarence Hollow Association elected officers for the year: Don Boyd, president; John Leamer, vice president; Elaine Wolfe, secretary; and Flora Leamer, treasurer.

Membership Meeting

Thursday, January 31, 2008

8:00 to 9:00 a.m.
Asa Ransom House



Patrick Weissend, Holland
Land Office Museum

"Holland Land Company
& Joseph Ellicott, Clarence
Hollow's Earliest Years"

Speaker to Describe Hollow's Early Years

In keeping with the 200th anniversary year of the Town of Clarence, the featured speaker at the January 31 meeting of the Clarence Hollow Association will talk about the earliest years of the Hollow. Patrick Weissend, curator of the Holland Land Office Museum in Batavia, will talk about the coming of the Holland Land Company to Western New York before 1800, its hiring of Joseph Ellicott to survey and sell its holdings, Ellicott's headquarters in Asa Ransom's tavern, and the Land Company's earliest buyers of lots in Clarence.

The meeting will take place between 8 and 9 a.m. at the Asa Ransom House. There is no charge. The meeting is the first of the association's 2008 monthly meetings, several of which will be devoted to the historical attractions of the Hollow.

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Mission Statement

The Clarence Hollow Association is a not-for-profit volunteer organization working to promote, improve, and maintain the quality of life, prosperity of business, and historic charm of Clarence Hollow.

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Welcome New Members



The Bavarian Nut Company, 9146 Main Street, Bruce Rifenburg & Mark Pfeil, partners, 983-8275, bnutsc@verizon.net. Recruited by Don Boyd, Flora Leamer, and John Leamer.

Beachy Cabinetmakers, 10255 Main Street #1, Ken Beachy, owner, 759-8647, beachycabinetmakers@verizon.net. Recruited by Don Boyd & Flora Leamer.

Berrafato's Catering, 4545 Transit Road, Williamsville 14221, 861-9980, transfer from Berrafato's Char-Pit. Recruited by John and Flora Leamer.

Brookfield Farms, 5315 Salt Road, Lynn Robinson, owner, 998-8200, gary@nexstarsales.com. Recruited by Flora Leamer and Tina Ames.

Buffalo Custom Closets, Inc., 10255 Main Street #10, Jeffrey D. Fancher, owner, 983-8006, jefffancher@buffalocustomclosets.com. Recruited by Flora Leamer and Don Boyd.

Clarence Country Doughnuts, 10446 Main Street, Jan Rosenberg, owner, 759-2850. Former member, reinstated by John Leamer.

Cold Stone Creamery, (locations in Williamsville, Amherst, Buffalo and Orchard Park), 39 Towhee Court, East Amherst 14051, Steven Van Vliet, owner, 688-1445, steve@coldstonebuffalo.com. Recruited by Cathy Buscaglia.

Eastern Hills Mall, 4545 Transit Road, Williamsville 14221, Judy Sirianni, general manager, 633-1600, jsirianni@shopeasternhills.com. Recruited by Flora Leamer.

Epic Center, Inc., 2793 Wehrle Drive, Williamsville 14221, Mike Weiss, president, 565-3742, epic-center.com. Recruited by Cathy Buscaglia.

Famous Dukes Bar and Grill, The Links at Ivy Ridge Golf Course, 12221 Main Road (Route 5), Akron 14001, James A. Fisk, general manager, 542-4214, thelinksativyridge.com. Recruited by Tom Brady, John Leamer, and JoAnn Barnes.

Main Mobility Inc., 9580 Main Street, Tom Lorentz, president, 759-6811, tlorentz@mainmobility.com. Recruited by Don Boyd.

Gordon & Sandy Munro, resident members, 10685 S. Park Avenue, 863-5998, bonards@sprynet.com. Former members, reinstated by Don Boyd.

Museum of European Art, 10545 Main Street, John Zavrel, director, 759-6078, info@meaus.com. Recruited by Don Boyd.

Roy Olsen, resident member, 4888 Sawmill Road, 759-7192, olsenroy@roadrunner.com. Recruited by Bruce Kloc and Ian McPherson.

Pony's Restaurant, 9980 Main Street, Tom & Jane Burns, owners, 759-7700, tomburns@qsg.bz. Recruited by Flora Leamer and Don Boyd.

Ranaiah Sunstar Realty USA, 10705 Keller Road, Ranaiah Sunstar, associate broker, 390-8588, ranaiah@aol.com. Former member, reinstated by Bob Lenz.

Teso's Pizza Cafe, 10325 Main Street, Richard Teso, owner, 759-8367. Former member, reinstated by Bob Lenz.

Town & Country Gifts, 10440 Main Street, Amy McGillicuddy, buyer, 759-7485. Former member, transfer from Akron Pharmacy & Gifts. Recruited by JoAnn Barnes and Don Boyd.

Jon & Linda Weiss, resident members, 9675 Rocky Point, 759-0818, lweiss@newbuffaloshirt.com. Former members, reinstated by Don Boyd.

Zavrel & O'Donnell, P.C., CPAs, 10545 Main Street, John Zavrel, president, 759-6078, zavrel@meaus.com. Recruited by Don Boyd.

Three Members Added To Bronze Sponsors

Three members this year voluntarily increased their dues payments to \$250 qualifying them to be listed as Bronze Corporate Sponsors of the Clarence Hollow Association. They are Campbell, Bolas & Moran, LLP; Greatbatch, Inc.; and Sisters of St. Joseph.

The association initiated the Sponsor Member Program in 2002. It now has three levels: Gold, \$1000 or more; Silver, \$500-999; and Bronze, \$250-499. Donations may be made by check or in products or services, directly to the association or to one of its events and projects. Benefits to supporting members vary by level and type of donation.

Corporate sponsors are listed in the association's annual brochure, most issues of this newsletter, and often in the Clarence Bee throughout the year.

Donations Support Farmers' Market

Twenty-two Friends of the Market contributed a total of more than \$1000 to the Clarence Hollow Farmers' Market in 2007. The annual "Friends" campaign seeks donations from Clarence Hollow Association members, market patrons, and other market supporters; most donations are in the \$20 to \$75 range.

The market is an all-volunteer project of the Clarence Hollow Association which aims to be self-supporting from vendor fees, sponsorships, Country Store profits, grants, donations, and fundraisers (chicken barbecues and wine raffles.)

Major donors in 2007 were Bank of Akron and Kreher's Farm Fresh Eggs, Country Store sponsors; Asa Ransom House, entertainment sponsor; Flying Bison Brewing Company and County Line Stone Company.

Costs of operating the market include printing, media advertising, entertainment, accounting fees, postage, equipment, maintenance/repairs, site improvement, and education and dues.

The market was founded in 2003 by the Clarence Hollow Association which supplied seed money. In 2005, the association-sponsored Harvest Auction Gala provided several thousand dollars enabling the market to establish an operating bank balance to assist cash flow.

Thank You to these 2007 Friends of the Market:

Cheryl & Bryan Anthony
Don & Winnie Boyd
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New Visitor Guide Being Distributed



An audience of more than 40 members, and guests of the Clarence Hollow Association turned out at the Asa Ransom House on December 27 to see the unveiling of the Clarence visitors' guide/business development magazine published by The Buffalo News for the association.

All who attended received a copy of the 48-page publication. The association received 9,500 copies which it is in the process of distributing. First, copies are going to the advertisers, real estate relocation specialists, commercial developers, and tour operators.

The association, through Elaine Wolfe and members of the Renaissance & Revitalization Committee, furnished considerable editorial and advertising assistance to The Buffalo News which published the magazine at no cost to the association. Representatives of the News at the meeting strongly praised the association for its help.

The Clarence Hollow Association thanks these corporate sponsors whose financial support provides expanded services to members.

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