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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

WINTERFEST FEBRUARY 8



Once again, the Clarence Hollow Association will participate in the annual Clarence Winterfest, sponsored by the Town of Clarence Youth Bureau. The year's family event is from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, February 8, outdoors in the Main Street Town Park and inside the Club House.

The association will again sponsor Star Wars presentations and staff an information table, both in the Club House.

Other activities will include ice skating, sledding, ice sculpturing, hayrides, husky rides, petting zoo, crafts, and food.



To volunteer to staff the C.H.A. table, call Flora Leamer at 984-5235.

Membership Meeting

Thursday,
January 29, 2009

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

Speakers: Bob Lenz & Bill
Henderson "Tourism" &
"Commercial Development"



Tourism and Development To be Topics January 29

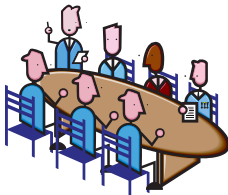
Business development and tourism will be two of the topics discussed at the Thursday, January 29, membership meeting of the Clarence Hollow Association from 8 to 9 a.m. at the Asa Ransom House.

Bob Lenz, chair of the association's Tourism Committee, will report on the NY Rural Tourism Conference which he attended on January 15-16 in Batavia. The conference was sponsored by the New York State Travel & Vacation Association. Among the topics presented were heritage tourism, marketing, and festivals.

The second speaker will be William Henderson, as a member of the association's Renaissance & Revitalization Committee. He and Committee Chair Elaine Wolfe recently spoke to the Clarence Industrial Development Agency about the C.H.A. four-session program to bring new businesses to Clarence Hollow.

The meeting is open to all interested persons without charge. Coffee and muffins will be served.

Members Choose Directors; Directors Reelect Officers



Clarence Hollow Association members at the December 18 monthly meeting chose five directors to serve for three years, and on January 8 at their first meeting, the 2009 board of directors reelected the four officers for another year.

Directors elected to serve until December 31, 2011 are: Mark A. Casell, resident member; Tony Kutter, Kutter's Cheese Factory; Flora B. Leamer, resident member; Gary F. Mong, Bank of Akron; and Simone Rowan, Clarence Community & Schools Federal Credit Union.

Officers reelected were: Donald W. Boyd Jr., president; John H. Leamer, vice president; Flora B. Leamer, treasurer; and Elaine Wolfe, secretary. All four hold resident memberships.

Also, on January 8, directors elected Carol A. Conwall to complete the one-year term of Katy Toth, who resigned from the board. A total of 32 ballots were cast in the December 18 contest for director.

Welcome New Members



3 Old Dogs Antiques, 11079 Main Street, Martin Helowicz, president, 479-7752, mjhelow@yahoo.com. Recruited by Flora Leamer.

Goodrich Coffee & Tea, 9450 Main Street, Richard Budde, general manager, 759-1791, rbudde86@hotmail.com.

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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.

Officers and Directors

President & Editor

Don Boyd, *Resident Member*

Vice President

John Leamer, *Resident Member*

Treasurer

Flora Leamer, *Resident Member*

Secretary

Elaine Wolfe, *Resident Member*

Directors

Tom Brady, *Brady Insurance Agency*
Cathy Buscaglia, *Resident Member*
Mark Casell, *Resident Member*
Carol Conwall, *Resident Member*
Bill Henderson, *Hen House Antiques*
Tony Kutter, *Kutter's Cheese*
Ian McPherson, *Resident Member*
Gary Mong, *Bank of Akron*
David Passalugo, *Bee Group Newspapers*
Simone Rowan, *Clarence Community & Schools FCU*
Edna Scherf, *Resident Member*

Street Banner Project Looking for Sponsors

A new historical street banner project, to replace the Bicentennial banners, is underway, sponsored by the Clarence Center Community Association and Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary Foundation.

The two organizations are encouraging businesses, individuals, organizations, and families to sponsor a banner to enhance the town.

The new vinyl banners will be installed on county and town roads of the sponsors' choosing and will remain on display for approximately one year. There is a space for the name of the banner's sponsor. Proceeds will help fund the purchase of a community street clock.

To sponsor a banner at the tax deductible cost of \$225, call John Leamer at 984-5164, or Tim Padza at 984-3245.

B&B Directory Promotes Town

The directory of New York State Bed & Breakfast Inns is promoting Clarence with a 3-1/2-inch-square ad adjacent to the ad for Asa Ransom House. The publisher, the Empire State Bed & Breakfast Association, distributes 30,000 copies. More than 120 inns are listed. The 2009-2010 edition is due soon.

PRESERVATION QUOTE

"We need to stop building cities for cars. Walkable communities are more livable communities and lead to whole, happy, healthy lives for the people who live in them."

Dan Burden
Walkable Communities, Inc.

This issue sponsored by:

WNY Event Centre

We Get Letters



Participating Merchants:

Thank you to all the merchants who donated items to put in Welcome Baskets. We were able to deliver five Welcome Baskets to new businesses that moved into the Clarence area.

Each one of them was very impressed and thankful for the samples of your business products that you donated. Thank you for being a part of welcoming new businesses to Clarence. If any members have other items you wish to donate for future Welcome Baskets, please call Flora Leamer at 984-5235 or drop them off at Craftsmen Cafe at 10622 Main Street.

Flora Leamer

Friends at the Clarence Hollow Association:

On behalf of the Clarence Town Park Club House Restoration Committee, I would like to thank you for your generous donation of \$2000, which will cover the cost for 10 light fixtures.

Your contribution will help ensure the continued restoration of our beautiful 1911 landmark to its original beauty.

Linda Dugan, Treasurer

Dear CHA Board:

Thank you for your generous donation to Harvest House and New Ministries in memory of my mother (Vivian Kreitner). Also thank you for the gift certificate (at the December board meeting). That was very nice of you all!

It has been a great pleasure to get to know and work and volunteer with each one of you in this great Clarence area! Keep up the hard work and exciting times you have with each other.

Nancy McIvor