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NEWSLETTER OF THE CLARENCE HOLLOW ASSOCIATION

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

From the New President

by John H. Leamer

Thank You, Mr. Boyd

As the incoming president, I applaud Don Boyd for his dedication to the Clarence Hollow Association. Don has been an active Board member for 11 years with the last decade being the Don Boyd era. (Only Penn State's Joe Paterno has a better record.) Since 2000, Don has been an officer of the CHA and President since 2002. At the January 7 board meeting Don officially stepped down from the position. Folks, it was his decision and we applaud his achievements. For eight years he was at the helm and many accomplishments were realized by the CHA in that period.

Don is dedicated and takes his role seriously and tirelessly. For me, he was a mentor. He frequently sends notes and letters, in which he asks questions, wanting to know why and how it will affect the organization. I look forward to continuing to work with him as he will continue to serve on the Board of Directors. As our Thank You for his service, the board presented to Don gift certificates from 15 CHA member restaurants. We also thank Winnie for sharing her husband with the Clarence Hollow Association.

The New Board of Directors for 2010

At the January Board meeting, the CHA Directors for 2010 got busy with business at hand. New to the Board are Debbie Kaczmariski (M&T Bank), Alan Baldo (Steve Baldo Car Care & ReSale Center), Mike Bolas (Campbell Bolas & Associates), and Bruce Fowler (The Family Chocolate Shoppe). That complements members already serving: Elaine Wolfe, David Passalugo, Simone Rowan, Tony Kutter, Tom Brady, Bill Henderson, Flora Leamer, Don Boyd, John Leamer and Gary Mong.

The first action to be taken was the election of officers. The new officers are: John Leamer, president; David Passalugo, vice president; Debbie Kaczmariski, secretary; and Flora Leamer, treasurer. Outgoing President Don Boyd will serve as corresponding secretary and newsletter editor.

The board will evaluate and consider undertaking a major project for 2010-2011, a community based fund raiser, enhancement of the Farmers' Market, and continued participation in many community projects and events. As incoming president, I look forward to working with the board and the CHA members. Ideas are welcome by emailing to ClarenceHollowAssociation@gmail.com

Membership Meeting

Thursday, January 28, 2010

8:00 to 9:00 a.m.

Clarence Youth Bureau
10510 Main Street



Speaker: George Grasser

"Smart Growth" - A Powerpoint Presentation

Smart Growth PowerPoint Program For January 28

By Elaine Wolfe

For our January Clarence Hollow Association meeting we have invited George Grasser, president and chief executive officer of Partners for a Livable Western New York, to present his Powerpoint program regarding Smart Growth. The meeting will be held January 28 at 8 a.m. in the Clarence Youth Bureau building, 10510 Main Street across from Asa Ransom House. The public is invited.

Grasser is a retired real estate attorney who has had a statewide practice in the creation of condominium and homeowners association developments. He is the developer of the Gardens at Oxbow, Western New York's first new traditional neighborhood or "new urbanist" development. Grasser is also a consultant to attorneys, developers and municipalities on real estate and zoning matters, and is responsible for the Partners' newsletters and advocacy participation in land use issues in Western New York.

On October 10, 2009, Grasser and seven other members of the Partners for a Livable Western New York, including a trustee from the Village of Hamburg, a planner for neighborhood development, the executive director of the Wellness Institute of Buffalo, an architect and preservationist, visited Clarence Hollow and led a Walk Through and evaluation session. They presented their ideas and recommendations on how to improve the Hollow. This group, founded in 1999 with the mission "to bring about more livable communities," has walked 20 other Western New York communities and offered their evaluations.

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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

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Bill Henderson, *Architect*

Tony Kutter, *Kutter's Cheese*

Gary Mong, *Bank of Akron*

Simone Rowan, *Clarence Community & Schools FCU*

Elaine Wolfe, *Resident Member*

Networking Event Dates Announced

Simone Rowan, chair of the Clarence Hollow Association Networking Events Committee, has announced dates and locations for the next five events.

The next After 5 Networking event will take place on Monday, January 25, 5:30-7 p.m. at M&T Bank, 10614 Main Street.

Additional events scheduled are:

February 22, Monday, 5:30 - 7 p.m. -- After 5 Networking, Cozy Fireplaces, 10626 Main Street.

March 15, Monday, 5:30-7 p.m. -- After 5 Networking, Clay Hands Pottery, 10086 Main Street.

April 12, Monday, 5:30-7 p.m. - - After 5 Networking, Merrill Lynch, 6245 Sheridan Drive.

May 18, Monday, 5:30-7 p.m. - - After 5 Networking, Evans Bank, 84111 Main Street.

After 5 Networking events are designed to inform members of member businesses and afford an opportunity to exchange business information. There is no charge for members and refreshments are served courtesy of the host.

For information, call Simone Rowan at 630-0888.

Winterfest Invites You, CHA Seeks Volunteers

Winterfest will be held on Saturday, February 6, at Town Park Clubhouse and Pavilion at 10405 Main Street from noon to 5:00 p.m.

Come and bring your families and friends to enjoy indoor and outdoor activities for all ages. There is a chili and chowder cook off and Clarence Hollow will be looking for you to come and place your vote for the best.

Clarence Hollow Association is sponsoring two Star Wars presentations and will have a community table set up to pass out information. If you would like to help by working at the table in the afternoon please contact Flora Leamer at 984-5235 or flora_leamer@yahoo.com.



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A Frame In Time, 9140 Main Street, Ed Byreiter, owner, 810-0123, aframeintime@hotmail.com. Recruited by Flora Leamer.

Allstate-Herm Clouse Agency, 68 Main Street, Akron 14001, Herm Clouse, exclusive agent, 542-1277, hermclouse@allstate.com. Recruited by John Leamer.

Arthur's Executive Cleaners, 9450 Main Street, Arthur Fuerst, president, 759-1916, arthurfuerst@yahoo.com. Recruited by John and Flora Leamer.

Aurora Sewing Center, 8575 Main Street, Williamsville 14221, Barbara Perry, president, 204-8350, ascarb@aol.com. Former member, rejoined.

Backyard Retreats by Larry Booth, 10189 Main Street, Larry Booth, sole proprietor, 885-8205, info@larrybooth.com. Sponsored by George T. Booth III.

Brentwood Technical Services, 4750 Brentwood Drive, Williamsville 14221, David Sherman, president, 633-9141, david@brentwood.com. Recruited by John and Flora Leamer.

Christian Counseling Ministries of WNY, 9070 Main Street, Dr. Tim Chambers, executive director, 632-3200, ctchambers@aol.com. Recruited by John and Flora Leamer.

Clarence Community Association, Inc., PO Box 295, Clarence Center 14032, clarence@roadrunner.com. Recruited by John and Flora Leamer.

Cozy Fireplaces, 10626 Main Street, Mark Nealen, owner, 759-2699, mark@cozyfps.com. Recruited by John and Flora Leamer.

Mary Beth Dunn, DDS, Pediatric Dentistry, 9650 Main Street, Dr. Mary Beth Dunn, owner, 759-8170, dunn@buffalo.edu. Recruited by Flora Leamer.

Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary Club, PO Box 426, Clarence Center 14032, John Leamer, treasurer, 984-5164.

Get Heeled, 6000 Goodrich Road, Clarence Center 14032, Deb Tangelder, owner, 741-1310, info@getheeled.com. Former member, reinstated by John and Flora Leamer.

Jeffrey I. Goldberg, DDS, PLLC, 5245 Transit Road, Clarence 14221, Jeffrey Goldberg, owner, 636-2222, goldbergdsp LLC@gmail.com. Recruited by John and Flora Leamer.

McDuffies of Scotland Inc. (McDuffies Bakery), 9920 Main Street, PO Box 427, David B. Thomas, general manager, 759-8510, info@mcduffies.com. Recruited by John and Flora Leamer.

The Perfect Gift, 6000 Goodrich Road, Clarence Center 14032, Deb Tangelder, owner, 741-0722, info@thepperfectgiftnewyork.com. Former member, reinstated by John and Flora Leamer.

The Podge, 10205 Main Street, Roger Bickert, president, 759-2080, rbickert@msn.com. Former member, reinstated by John and Flora Leamer.

Print King Inc., 8171 Main Street, Williamsville 14221, Donald Troyer, owner, 633-8040, don@printking.us. Recruited by Flora Leamer.

SEFCU, 4375 Transit Road, Williamsville 14221, Susan A. Klepadlo, branch Manager, 632-2389, skepadlo@sefcu.com. Recruited by John & Flora Leamer.

Sammi's Ice Cream Parlor, 51 Main Street, Akron 14001, Darlene Clouse, proprietor, 542-1500, hermclouse@allstate.com. Recruited by John Leamer.

Scheff Investments, 9505 Main Street, Robert H. Cole, partner, 759-0800, bob.cole@raymond-james.com/scheffgroup. Recruited by Flora Leamer.

Send Out Cards, 4750 Brentwood Drive, Williamsville 14221, Joan Dobrin, independent distributor, 633-9141, joan@joandobrin.com. Recruited by John and Flora Leamer.

Spruce Meadow Farm, 10333 Keller Road, Alan Deacon, owner, 741-2346. Recruited by John and Flora Leamer.

Sunbridge Management Inc., 8899 Main Street, Williamsville 14221, Gerald R. Dewes, chairman/president, 626-0307, servicedesk@sunbridge.biz. Recruited by Don Boyd.

Town & Country Gifts, 10440 Main Street, Amy McGillicuddy, manager, 759-7485. Former member, rejoined.

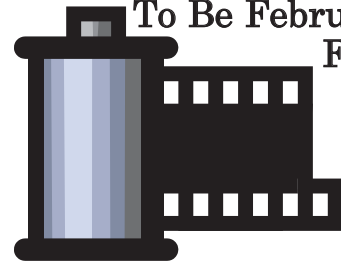
USA Bird Supply, 11163 Main Street, Sue Denning, product manager, 407-3115, sdenning@seedcake.com. Recruited by Flora Leamer.

Unfinished Art Studio, 10069 Main Street, Kathy Ward-Lovejoy, owner/artist/art teacher, 759-3153, upwithart@roadrunner.com. Recruited by Flora Leamer.



CHA 2010 Board of Directors: (Seated left to right) John Leamer, David Passalugo, Debbie Kaczmariski, Flora Leamer. (Standing left to right) Bill Henderson, Alan Baldo, Councilman Pat Casilio, Mike Bolas, Simone Rowan, Gary Mong, Elaine Wolfe, Tom Brady, Don Boyd, Bruce Fowler, and Tony Kutter.

Historic Photos of Hollow To Be February 25 Feature



A color slide presentation from the early 1970s to the present in Clarence Hollow will be the feature of the Thursday, February 25, membership meeting of the Clarence Hollow Association at the Youth Bureau Building, 10510 Main Street.

The presentation depicts the four seasons of the Hollow and includes many changes that have taken place along Main Street. Pictures include the early railroad, Rothenmeyer's hardware store, and other businesses.

Presenter will be Jon Rothenmeyer, resident member and life-long resident of the Hollow.

The meeting, from 8 to 9 a.m., is open to all interested without charge.



Calendar of Events

JANUARY 28, Thursday
Membership Meeting, Clarence Hollow Association, Clarence Youth Bureau, 10510 Main Street, 8 to 9 a.m. Speaker: George Grasser, president, Partners for a Livable Western New York, Powerpoint presentation on "Smart Growth." For information, 759-2345.

FEBRUARY 6, Saturday
Winterfest, Clarence Youth Bureau and Clarence Chamber of Commerce, Clarence Town Park, 10405 Main Street, noon to 5 p.m. For information, 407-2162 or 631-3888.

FEBRUARY 22, Monday
After 5 Networking, Clarence Hollow Association, Cozy Fireplaces, 10626 Main Street, 5:30-7 p.m. For information, 759-2345.

FEBRUARY 25, Thursday
Annual Awards Dinner and Mardi Gras Ball, Clarence Chamber of Commerce, Samuel's Grande Manor, 8750 Main Street, 6 p.m. For information, 631-3888.

FEBRUARY 25, Thursday
Membership Meeting, Clarence Hollow Association, Clarence Youth Bureau, 10510 Main Street, 8 to 9 a.m. Speaker: Jon Rothenmeyer with a slide presentation of photos of the Hollow from 1970s to present day. For information, 759-2345.

MARCH 28, Sunday
Antique Show and Sale, 50th annual, Clarence Jaycees, Clarence Town Park Clubhouse, 10405 Main Street, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information, 759-2315.

Chamber Dinner On February 25

The annual Awards Dinner of the Clarence Chamber of Commerce, this year a "Mardi Gras Ball," will be held on Thursday, February 25 at Samuel's Grande Manor, 8750 Main Street, Clarence, starting at 6:00 p.m.



This year the honorees are: Citizen of the Year, David Bissonette; Business of the Year, Erie Niagara Insurance Co.; Organization of the Year, Clarence Newstead Meals on Wheels Task Force; Lifetime Achiever of the Year, Thomas Yaiko. The First Responders will also be honored.

Please Call the Chamber office for reservations at 631-3888.