

GVCC monthly newsletter



January

2025

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE GVCC JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Our 12 Junior Chamber of Commerce students have been busy making plans for our Annual Banquet which will be held on March 26th. **Sponsorship/reservation forms are being mailed at the end of this week. Watch for yours!!!**

They have also been working hard on their contributions to the **2025 Valley Guide**, including photos of their communities and information on their school districts. The Guide is now in the hands of CLARE PRINTING. **Thank you, Alicia!**

We will be visiting Leprino Foods on the 17th of this month, and we had a great visit at the Tioga Point Museum in December. Thank you to our local businesses for welcoming us and for the enlightening tours!

Athens

Advisor, Brady Liechty

Hayden Bartlow

Keaton Wiles

Kara Schultz

Addyson Wheeler

Sayre

Advisor, Cambria Ely

Brooke Romig

Liam Barry

Rose Shikanga

Logan Richman

Waverly

Advisor, Mary Cole

Maddy Olmsted

Cody Weaver

Grace Spaulding

Hayden Howe

2025 Valley Guide ~ a GVCC Member Directory

is now in the very capable and creative hands of Clare Printing.

Again, a huge THANK YOU to Alicia!!!

Many thanks to all of our advertisers!

Without your support, this important publication would not be possible.

Many thanks also goes out to the

BRADFORD COUNTY TOURISM PROMOTION AGENCY

for helping us bring this Guide to life!!

This is sure to be our very BEST Valley Guide yet, with a bit of a new look!!

Distribution will begin mid February!



Upcoming
mark your calendars

Grow - Expand - Flourish



We look forward to seeing you!

Wednesday, March 26th GVCC ANNUAL Banquet

Sponsorship
&
Reservation
Forms
are ready
to be mailed
to all of you &
will go out this
Friday!!

Keep your eyes
open!!



The Best Western
Grand Victorian Inn, Sayre

GVCC Awards will be
presented:

- * BUSINESS Member of the
Year
- * Community Connected
- * Small Business Hero
- * Great Beginnings
- * Caring for our Community
&

Business Persons of the year:

Athens Business Association
Sayre Business Association
Waverly Business Association

Join us for.....

THE LUNCH BUNCH

"An opportunity to share information about your business!"

WHEN: Tuesday, JANUARY 14th at 12:30pm

WHERE: BETHIE'S PLACE (at DJ's Golf Center) , County Road 60, Waverly

~ PLEASE RSVP ~

Joel & Brandy will be providing a lunch buffet for us with meatballs, chicken, pasta and salad, lemonade & water!

Just \$10 per person payable to Bethie's the day of our luncheon

Feature presenter this month:

JAMES HARDER ~ GANNON ASSOCIATES INSURANCE

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

"A time for sharing common issues and brainstorming possible solutions with fellow GVCC members"

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22ND 8AM – 9AM

@ GVCC OFFICE: 109 Chemung Street, Waverly, NY

MEMBERSHIP!!

2025 membership Renewal invoices have been sent.

We truly appreciate all of your continued support.
Without you, our Chamber of Commerce could not exist,
nor thrive as we are.

We strive to add more & more value for you
each & every year.

THANK YOU!

Welcome to the GVCC, Aman & Gary, the new owners of the **Microtel Inn & Suites**, Elmira Street, Sayre



ALL GVCC members get
10% discount
on their stays.



Affordable Pricing



Free Cold Continental Breakfast



Clean & Comfortable rooms

And many many more amenities!



1775 Elmira Street, Sayre, PA, 18840. Phone: 570 888 0001





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TASTES of the VALLEY

Friday, May 16th

Waverly Glen

Featuring many amazing restaurants from the Valley
& The 5 Man Trio



ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

in support of our High School Scholarships!



August 14th

Shepard Hills

* Two flight times

Great prizes, food & tons of FUN

NEWS & INFO. FROM OUR MEMBERS!

If you have something you would like to share in our monthly newsletters, please just send me a flyer, promo, etc by the 2nd of the month

Join Us For CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK OPEN HOUSE

Tour
Epiphany School

Grades:
Pre-K 3 (waitlist)
Pre-K 4 (limited seats left)
Kindergarten to Grade 6

Book Fair
Tuition Discount
Information




Sunday, January 26th


Mass at 11 am
at Epiphany Church

OPEN HOUSE
from 12:15 - 2:00 PM
at Epiphany School

Contact Us:

 epiphany-school.net

 570-888-5802

 627 Stevenson Street
Sayre, PA





FREEDOM
FINANCIAL INSURANCE



Freedom Financial
Tax, LLC

119 West Packer Ave. Ste. 3, Sayre

Invite all GVCC
members
to a MIXER

Tuesday, February 4th!

Time and further details to be
announced asap!



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DANIEL REINHART, AIA, NCARB
 CANDOR, NY
 607-283-4434



Just a few examples of the amazing work of S R Architecture Studio ~ Daniel Reinhart, AIA, NCARB

We're proud to have such talent in the GVCC!

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 NEW JERSEY - OHIO - FLORIDA



2025

February 1 - The Great American Outdoor Show

March 1 - Philadelphia Flower Show

March 2 - RIVERDANCE at the American Music Theatre In Lancaster. Uplifting, high energy show! We will be dining at Miller's Smorgasbord immediately after the show. (32 seats left)

March 29-30 - Washington, DC overnight (Sold out, Wait List Available)

April 5 - Sight and Sound to see **NOAH!** Very popular show, returning for ONE season. I have two bus loads of tickets and reservations at the newly built Hershey Farms immediately following the show. (Sold out, wait list available)

April 26 - NYC Leisure Day coming soon (available to book but not on website yet)

May 3 - Lahaska Strawberry festival at Peddler's Village with New Hope Railroad after!

May 11 - Jim Thorpe for train ride, and Asa Packer mansion tour. Tickets aren't available yet, but I have been put on the books for a dome car for optimal viewing on the train. (details at a later date)

May 17 - Wicked on Broadway **2nd bus added! (22 seats left)** a portion of all proceeds will be donated to the **Bradford County Regional Arts Council!**

June 9-13 - Virginia Beach

June 16-17 - Lancaster Overnight - includes Kitchen Kettle Village, Strasburg Railroad, dinner at Miller's Smorgasbord, lodging at Hershey Farm Resort, Breakfast at Hershey Farm Resort and **NOAH!** (14 seats left!)

June 18 - Sight and Sound to see **NOAH!**

June 22-27 - Cape Cod including Provincetown, Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, Plymouth, and Newport! (sold out, wait list available)

July 28 - Aug 2 - Magnificent Michigan featuring Mackinac Island (26 seats left)

Sept 26-28 - Haunted Happenings in Salem (Concord, Salem, and Boston) - exact same trip as October but with smaller crowds. This trip will offer the same experience! (18 seats left)

Oct 24-26 - Haunted Happenings in Salem (Concord, Salem, and Boston)

(sold out, wait list available) - This trip sold out in less than 16 hours from when it was posted.

Nov 1-2 - Gettysburg overnight - this trip was such a fun time! I secured hotel rooms again for 2025. The trip will be similar. However, I am going to try to visit the Eisenhower farm instead of doing the Gettysburg Heritage Museum. I have also secured Tom, our ghost story teller, and Eric, our amazing Battlefield guide. I'm already looking forward to visiting Gettysburg again. And how could I forget Abe Lincoln (James Hayney) popping in for a visit at the Dobbin House to give us a talk. I will be hiring him again as well!

Nov 15 - American Music Theatre - Christmas Show! - I think I can speak for everyone when I say how impressed we were with the show last Saturday. I've secured seats for next year's show already! The set was just beautiful!

All trip information including pricing and itineraries can be found on my website www.rollinwithrogers.com

I have recently obtained the ability to take credit cards. Unfortunately, there comes a 4% fee if choosing this option.

As always, I thank YOU for YOUR support on this new endeavor of mine. So many great opportunities for people in the valley and surrounding areas to enjoy. All trips will depart from Sayre. Some offerings will offer Monroeton Dandy pick up if headed directly south. (Lancaster/Gettysburg/Harrisburg Destinations)

To book: Call or Text: (570) 886-1544

Email: rollinwithrogers@gmail.com Any questions? Please reach out. I'm only a text, call, or email away. Have a great week!

Tioga County Work-Based Learning Experiences



Help Prepare Tomorrow's Workforce

By filling out our survey, you can help Tioga County compile a list of work-based learning and workforce opportunities that will be shared with the following high schools and BOCES partners:

- Candor CSD
- Newark Valley CSD
- Owego Apalachin CSD
- Tioga CSD
- Spencer-Van Etten CSD
- Waverly CSD
- Broome-Tioga BOCES (Binghamton)
- Greater Southern Tier BOCES (Elmira)
- Tompkins-Seneca-Tioga BOCES (Ithaca)

Details from this survey will be used to build an interactive GIS map of work-based learning opportunities. This map will be made available to school staff, students, and the public.

To Participate, Fill Out This
Google Forms Survey:



For more information:

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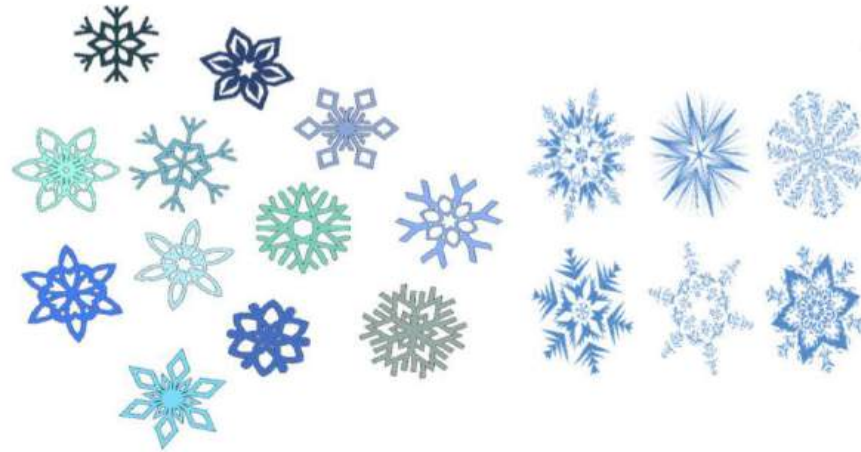
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE • FARM SERVICE AGENCY

109 Chemung St.
Waverly, NY

Thank you for
the
interesting
info on
snowflakes,
Colleen!!!!

Did you know:

- All snowflakes have 6 sides or arms
- A cubic foot of snow can weight between 1 to 20 pounds
- Most snowflakes fall at a rate of 2 to 5 feet per second
- The larges snowflake might have been 15 inches wide
- Snow is translucent, not white
- Each winter, in the U.S., at least 1 septillion ice crystals fall from the sky. That's 1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000—24 zeros!
- Snow has never been reported in Key West
- Colorado holds the record for the most snow fall in a single calendar day
- The most snow to fall in a 24-hour period in Colorado is 75.8 inches in 1921
- North Dakota holds the record for most snow angels made simultaneously in one place, 2007
- The larges snowball fight on record took place in Seattle, 2013



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A FEW IMPORTANT REMINDERS FROM THE



GREATER VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

VALLEY GIFT CERTIFICATES:

Valley Gift Certificates (VGC) are redeemable at over 100 businesses (List is updated monthly)

- VGC can be purchased in denominations of \$10, \$25 & \$50
 - They can be purchased at:
GVCC office, USDA/Farm Svc. office next to the GVCC office,
Birdsall's Auto Works, Athens, Urban Floral, Sayre and
Jayne's Flowers & Gifts, Waverly
- Each establishment decides how they will accept/process VGC in their own POS system. Many tender as gift certificate.
 - Once VGC are redeemed at the store, just simply send the actual VGC to the GVCC office
 - (or drop them in office mailbox) &
you will receive a check as reimbursement for the total amount.
DO NOT SEND TO C&N BANK!
 - NO FEES for ANYONE - not the consumer, not the place of business! WIN ~ WIN for ALL!
Contact Jan with any questions.

IF YOU HAVE A LARGE ORDER, please give 10 days notice.

DID YOU KNOW..
THERE IS A
**** JOB BOARD ** ON OUR WEBSITE**

Simply send an email to Jan with your complete job posting.
Please include how & where to apply.
Please also provide a start & end date for the posting.

Additionally, we are happy to share your
job postings on our fb page!

You asked for it – we LISTENED!!