

HURLEYVILLE ARTS CENTRE NEARING COMPLETION

TO MEMORIALIZE 1907 TRAIN WRECK

Late in the afternoon on February 13, 1907 the boiler exploded on an O&W passenger train just before it reached Luzon Station in Hurleyville. Two railroad men were killed instantly in the explosion, the train's engineer was severely injured and would die a few days later, and twelve passengers were hurt when the train careened off the tracks.

The force of the blast sent pieces of the train and the bodies of the dead crew members hurtling through the air, landing hundreds of feet from the scene.

Now there is an effort underway to memorialize that deadly train wreck with an interpretive sign not far from the scene of the explosion.

The effort is being spearheaded by new Fallsburg Town Historian Isaac "Yits" Kantrowitz.

Kantrowitz says that now that the old railroad bed where the explosion and wreck occurred is part of the Milk Train RailTrail and will be regularly visited by hikers and bikers, there is an opportunity to chronicle a bit of history.

"This was an important event at the time it occurred," Kantrowitz says. "It is something that should be memorialized, and a small group of us are working on getting a sign erected on the rail trail that tells the story of the explosion and something of the men who died in it."

According to contemporary newspaper accounts, the engine was drawing the No. 3 train, "one of the finest on the road" and was doing about forty miles per hour when "suddenly there was a terrible roar and the sound of ripping and tearing of iron. The train of cars crumpled the wreck and four of them left the rails. When the steam cleared, there was nothing but scrap iron left of the locomotive."

The train had originated in Weehawken, N.J. around noon, heading for the mountains with about fifty passengers. It had pulled out of Middletown about 3 P.M. and had just emerged from the rock cut known as Smith's Cut when the explosion occurred. The train was within sight of the station at

the time, and some accounts of the day noted that passengers waiting for the train had seen it approaching in the distance and then watched in horror as it was engulfed in smoke and steam.

Some had initially suspected that dynamite had caused the explosion, and stories circulated that either intentionally or by accident the dynamite had been mixed in with the coal that was being used to feed the boiler. The railroad eventually debunked that theory and suggested instead that the water lines feeding the boiler had frozen, causing the boiler to run low on water and to overheat. That overheating then thawed the lines, allowing cold water into the boiler and causing the explosion.

The body of the train's engineer, William Gadwood of Walton, NY, was discovered more than 100 feet from the wreck. Gadwood was alive but severely injured when found, his skull fractured in several places, and he died shortly afterward. The mangled body of fireman Martin Mullen, who was believed to have been killed instantly in the explosion, was found 100 feet in the opposite direction. A third man, later identified as O&W employee J.D. Vulquette, was also killed in the explosion.

Kantrowitz and others have been studying newspaper stories and photographs in an attempt to get an accurate idea of where the wreck took place. The interpretive sign will be placed at the trail head just off Main Street and will indicate the distance down the trail to the spot of the wreck. A smaller marker will designate the actual location.

"We are envisioning a substantial sign on the trail near Main Street that will describe the incident and point out the location of the explosion down the tracks," Kantrowitz said. "We are currently in the process of locating appropriate photographs to go with the text."

It is hoped that the sign can be designed, fabricated and erected before the end of this summer, and that an official dedication can be held on the anniversary of the wreck next February.



The striking façade of the soon to open Hurleyville Arts Centre on the corner of Main Street and Railroad Avenue.

Opening Will Energize Community

The long awaited Hurleyville Arts Centre, its impressive façade already defining Main Street's new look for months now, is expected to officially open this summer.

The Arts Centre itself is basically finished, with the official opening awaiting completion of the parking area and other site work and landscaping. The building features a fully modern cinema and screening room that seats 130, rehearsal studios, and performance spaces as well as a magnificent grand ballroom capable of hosting international dance competitions. There are also other educational and training spaces devoted to music, dance, cinema and the performing arts. The first floor retail spaces are

already partially filled, as a well-established dance teacher will be occupying at least one of the storefronts with her classes. There is also an outdoor amphitheater planned to complement the indoor facility.

The Arts Centre has been built and furnished through the generous funding of The Gerald and Janet Carrus Foundation.

It is fully wheelchair accessible and universally designed to be welcoming to people of all abilities and needs.

Look for a profile of Janet Carrus and her passion for the revitalization of Hurleyville as a community for everyone, as well as more on the opening of the Arts Centre, in the next issue of The Hurleyville Sentinel.

THE LITTLE FREE LIBRARY COMES TO HURLEYVILLE

Although not as dramatic as some of the other recent changes to Hurleyville's Main Street, there is a new library in town.

The hamlet celebrated the coming of Spring by welcoming The Little Free Library, which stands between 230 Main Street and the Hurleyville Market. The outdoor library features benches on which to sit and a small "barn" where there are books and current magazines for all ages. There is also a separate ground level container for children's books, so that kids can open it up and discover books they would like to read right there or take home.

Throughout the warm



People began using the Little Free Library on Main Street almost immediately upon its opening this spring.

weather months there will be periodic readings and projects that encourage children to illustrate and write their own stories. This Little Free Library

was the brainchild of local resident Elaine Corrington.

The Little Free Library concept began in Hudson, Wisconsin in 2009 with a mission to "promote liter-

acy and the love of reading...and to build a sense of community." Since that time, they have been springing up all over the world, with people encouraged to take a book, leave a book, and discover some great adventures through reading. As of January, 2016 there were more than 36,000 registered Little Free Libraries around the globe.

Donations to the Hurleyville Little Free Library are always welcome, and anyone looking to part with books they think others might enjoy can add to the library's inventory by simply dropping the books off at the location. Books for teens and young adults in particular are needed.

GOOGLE.ORG BACKS THE CENTER FOR DISCOVERY

Hundreds of thousands of wheelchair users may soon be getting around under their own power, thanks to an innovative idea from a frustrated Occupational Therapist and the world's most famously disruptive company.

Google.org is awarding The Center for Discovery a Google.org grant from the Google.org Impact Challenge: Disabilities for \$1.125 million to complete development of the indieGo, a compact power unit that lets manual wheelchairs roll on and off, providing power when it's needed.

The funds will be used to bring the device to market at a fraction of the cost of a powered wheelchair (about \$1,000) and is part of the Google Impact Challenge: Disabilities, which puts \$20 million in Google.org grants behind nonprofits

using emerging technologies to increase independence for people living with disabilities. There are over 3 million wheelchair users in the country at present, many of whom need a power mobility device, currently denied by Medicare in 4 of 5 cases.

"At Google.org, we support organizations that offer innovative solutions to complex challenges. We're thrilled to back The Center for Discovery as they help build a world that works for everyone," noted Brigitte Gosselink, head of the Google Impact Challenge: Disabilities.

The indieGo device is designed to be shared, and so are the plans for building it, which will be made available to all online.

The potentially life-changing—and extraordinarily cost effective—innovation did not come from a manu-

facturer or start-up but from the clinical services department of a specialty center for the care and treatment of children and adults with significant disabilities. It is not being developed in a factory, but at the Vera and Walter Scherr Maker's Lab, funded by long-term supporters of The Center for Discovery to accelerate innovation.

John Damiao, Power Mobility program director, works with a variety of collaborators at the Hurleyville Maker's Lab. He was motivated by the desire to offer a particularly bright young individual he worked with "the ability to move on his own: so basic and so important."

The device has been improved and refined through multiple iterations. "This grant gives John and our team—designers, fabricators, technicians, medical experts and therapists—the

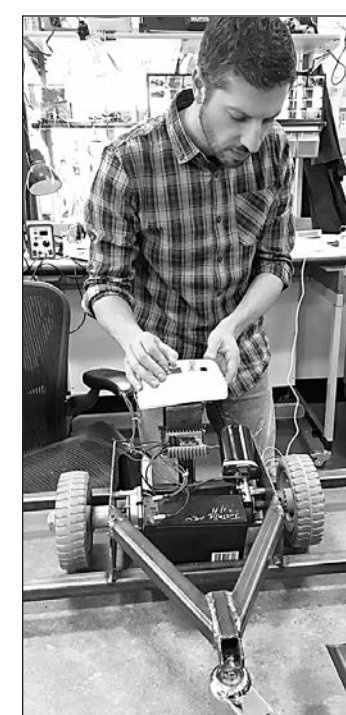
opportunity to make mobility accessible to those who don't have these amazing resources," says Nicole Kinney, Chief of Clinical Services.

Jason Kean and Mark McNamara are also helping to lead the indieGo team, part of a department at The Center for Discovery developing models of support that integrate clinical expertise, research and remarkable creativity.

The Center, built around biodynamic farms and increasingly integrated with the neighboring community of Hurleyville, supports individuals with often significant medical and cognitive complexity and is increasingly recognized as a locus of innovation and research increasingly important to a society challenged to provide better care at lower cost. While this is not the first unusual public/private



The 130-seat state of the art cinema has what one observer called "the roomiest seating in Sullivan County."



More on the chair (theindieGo.org): The chair and unit will be light enough to carry up a flight of stairs, and compact enough to be transported in the trunk of a car and stored in a closet when not in use. The indieGo is a universal device that allows any manual wheelchair to roll onto it and instantly become powered. It is equipped with a control interface that meets the needs of each individual and can be controlled with anything from a traditional joystick to a series of light pressure switches located at the user's head.

collaboration for The Center, or its first foray into innovative universal design, this Google supported project represents an alliance between two organizations of very different scale with a shared interest in life-changing technologies.

About Google.org: Google.org, the philanthropic arm of Google, supports nonprofits that innovate to address humanitarian issues. Google.org was created to pursue, experiment with, and build upon ideas to improve the world, and continues to take an iterative approach to philanthropy today. Google.org develops and invests in pursuits that can have measurable impact on local, regional and global issues, and rallies Google's people in support of these efforts with a singular goal of creating a better world, faster.



More than 100 years after the tragic wreck of an O&W passenger train just south of the Hurleyville station, efforts are underway to memorialize the incident.

The Inquiring Photographer

by J. James Wall

What would you most like to see for the future of Hurleyville?



“One thing I have always looked at is Shaddock’s Pond right down by the firehouse, where you could have at the corner of it by the firehouse boardwalks with a gazebo and walkways and maybe a fishing access. People stop there already and I always thought that would be very pretty if it was done right and if it was well maintained.”

Mary Ann Halchak

“I think it would be great if there was somewhere that was indoors where kids could go and just play. I have two small kids, four and five years old and have to go to Middletown to find a place, so if there was some place that was a little bit more local it would be great.”



Joyce Maxwell

“I would definitely like to see more independent small businesses. I’m from Brooklyn, and we have a lot of the artisanal mom and pop thing going on there. We have it happening here now, but I would love to see a bakery, I’d love to see a hobby shop, a craft shop, that kind of place. I’d love to see a great chocolate shop. The sky’s the limit.”



Jared Lozupone



Corey and Perry Gips

Corey: “I’d like to see some more businesses pop up. I’d like to see the community come together for more events like the Francis Currey Day event. I’d like to see a business association so businesses could work together. A lot is happening right now and I’d like to see that continue.”

Perry: “What I’d like to see for Hurleyville is to see a continuation of what is happening with the modernization of the buildings, the new colors on the buildings. I like to see the technology changing, the people getting involved in that technology. I like seeing the town revived into something new and fresh and different.”

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Basketball Court Under Construction

The relocation of the community basketball court from Main Street to adjacent to the Milk Train Rail Trail is well underway. While the location had been staked out months ago, the work of grading the area just recently began. The word is that the new court will be bigger and better than the facility it is replacing in that there will be an addition half-court built at one end of the full-court. And plans call for the court to be constructed in such a way as to allow conversion to an ice hockey rink come the cold weather months. It is hoped that the basketball court will be ready for use before the end of the summer.



The Center for Discovery has begun paving the new basketball courts, located adjacent to the Rail Trail.

Workers Busy Cleaning Up the Town



Workers were busy in early May cleaning up the accumulation of garbage and debris from the roadside. These photos depict just a portion of what was collected from the area adjacent to one local stream.

Letters to the Editor

Letters do not necessarily represent the opinions of the Sentinel or its staff

AN IDEA FOR HURLEYVILLE
 An Idea for Hurleyville
 Hurleyville is a gem in Sullivan County because it is a great walking town with progressive thinkers, some potentially great hiking trails, and an excellent café. An open door youth center would bring rich experiences for young people in this community. In building for long term growth a community gains greatly by focusing on youth activity availability—a deciding factor for the growth focused parents we want to attract and retain in our community.

An open door youth center is different from many of the pay-to-play spaces in the area or the free, adult-led groups. We live in an area where the kids who would benefit most from the pay-to-play spots can't afford to pay, and often kids aren't interested in the stuff that well intentioned adult leaders think they "should be into." Sadly, other kids do not have parental involvement in their social activities.

An open door youth center is a place for youth: Where a parent can bring a toddler to play on a short but interesting ropes course like the one at the Palisades Mall, where a parent can bring their school age child to watch them take the lead in imaginative arts and technology based projects that the kids choose, or a place where a kid can come

and value of commitment, follow-through, and life-long learning.

An open door youth center is a free, free-form, community-driven, youth-led, mentor-guided place where a young person can come in off the street (or out of the woods), be a bit geeky, and maybe even learn a new skill that inspires a future career. There isn't anything more important than that for future-focused minds and hearts.

Thorn Winter
Hurleyville

SUPPORTS THE SENTINEL
 I am excited that this new publication will highlight and expose the Hurleyville Renewal as it is taking place. This paper will provide a creative source of news and education about Hurleyville and the Town of Fallsburg. For that, I and the Town Board, thank you.

Please let me know what I personally, and the Town can do to assist you in developing The Hurleyville Sentinel...it sounds exciting!

Steve Vegliante, Supervisor
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Hamlet Happenings

by Kathleen Sullivan



Gateway

HURLEYVILLE-SULLIVAN FIRST
 Hurleyville-Sullivan First is a non-profit corporation comprising civic-minded volunteers dedicated to making a healthier and more beautiful environment in our community – our home!

Over the years the group has successfully completed a number of projects that have helped create an attractive and vibrant downtown:

- installing three new “Hurleyville” signs with bluestone planters and landscaping
- erecting a new sign at the Sullivan County Museum
- creating Hurleyville Firemen’s Park
- enhancing the entrance to the Rails to Trails
- building the Community Gateway on Main Street
- constructing a new sign at the Hurleyville Firehouse.

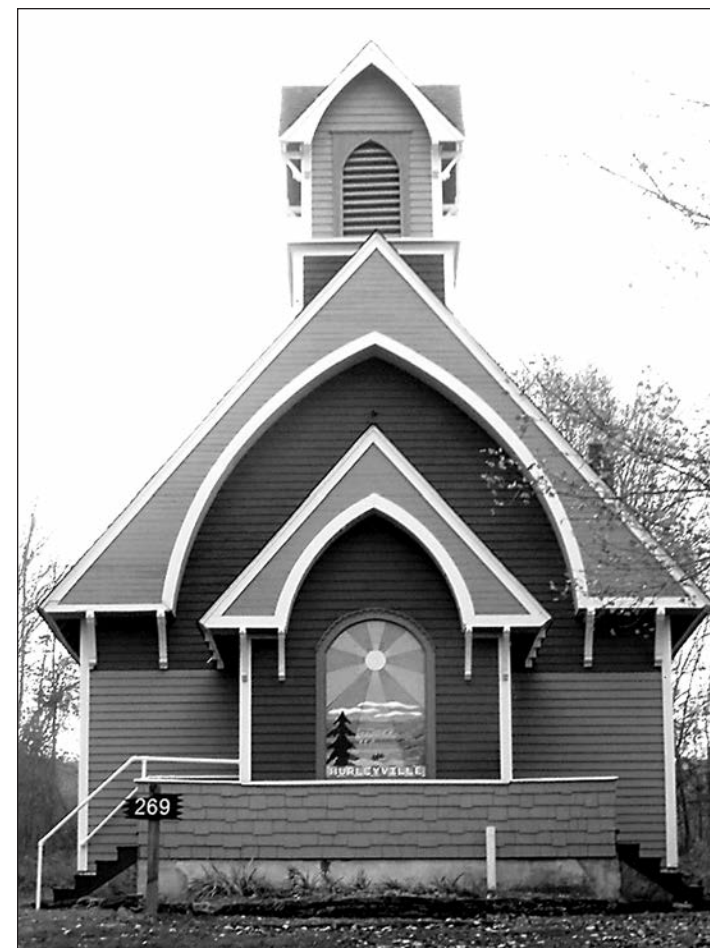
The group’s ongoing projects include:

- restoring St. Mary’s Mission Church for use as a community center
- planting and maintaining the barrels on Main Street, the planters at the Community Gateway, the firehouse and the “Hurleyville” signs and the gardens at Hurleyville Firemen’s Park
- holding the annual “Deck the Doors” Holiday Decorating Contest
- litter plucking.

Hurleyville-Sullivan First has been awarded grants from Sullivan Renaissance and the Sullivan County Plans and Progress Program. The grants, along with donations from the community, enable the group to contribute significantly to the revitalization of Hurleyville.

Anyone interested in the future of Hurleyville is encouraged to join the group in its efforts to make Hurleyville the hamlet of our dreams. The group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at the firehouse.

Please visit www.hurlevillenews.com for more information and to see the progress Hurleyville-Sullivan First is making.



St. Mary's Community Center

AVAILABLE AT THE HURLEYVILLE MARKET

Foreword by Dr. Temple Grandin and Dr. John Ratey
THERESA HAMLIN
AUTISM AND THE STRESS EFFECT
 A 4-STEP LIFESTYLE APPROACH TO TRANSFORM YOUR CHILD'S HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND VITALITY

In "Autism and the Stress Effect," Dr. Theresa Hamlin, Associate Executive Director at The Center for Discovery, explores a revolutionary life-style approach to treating autism that can benefit the whole family.

A HURLEYVILLE LEGEND

BY JACK ROBBIN — ILLUSTRATIONS BY CAROL SMITH

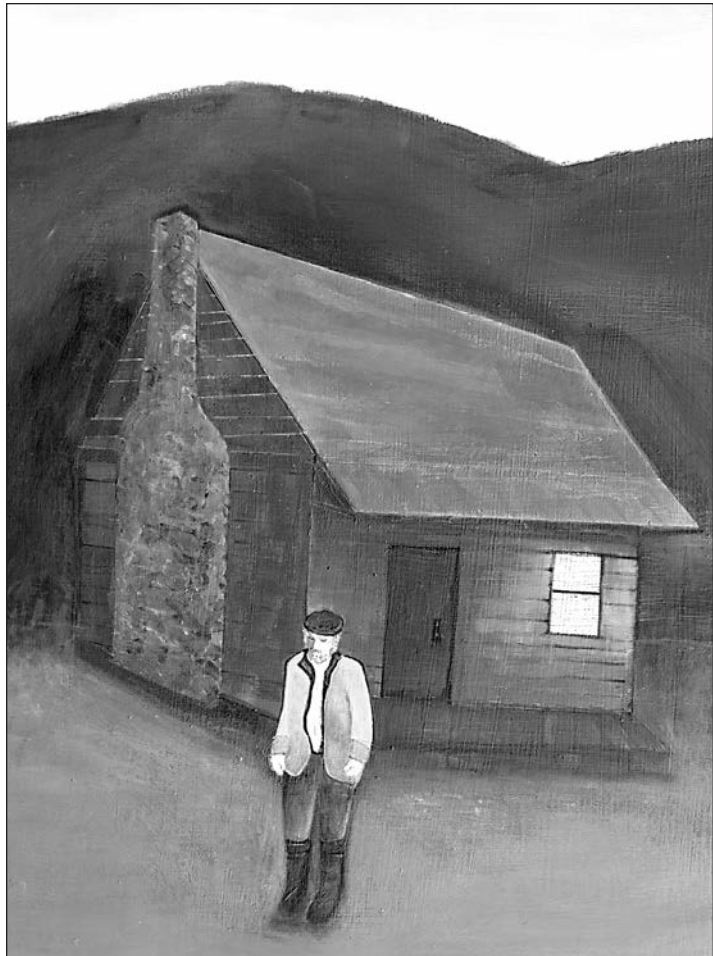
PART ONE

The oldest of oldtimers still occasionally talk of a fantastic story that was once often told about the earliest days of Hurleyville but which has more recently been lost to the ravages of time. This saga has been rarely repeated over the past century or more, and all but the most basic details are now long forgotten. The staff of the Hurleyville Sentinel has pieced together enough of the tale to present in installments over the next few issues.

Although the origin of this chimerical tale predates by nearly a millennium the arrival of the white man into the area, the retelling must necessarily begin with the hunter William Hurley, who settled here around 1805 and optimistically envisioned that his property was ideally situated to become a town of great importance, being located on the only road connecting Thompsonville, Monticello and Liberty.

Those three communities were the largest and most important settlements in the region, and attempts were already being made by the residents of each to persuade the New York State Legislature to authorize the creation of a new county comprising an area in which each of the settlements would be approximately centrally located.

Thompsonville had initially been known as Albion Mills, so designated by the prominent man who nearly singlehandedly spurred its development, Judge William A. Thompson. Judge Thompson was with-



out question the most respected man in the region, and no one other than the great man himself ever seriously entertained the notion of calling the settlement anything other than Thompsonville. Within a few years, it might be noted, some would be calling it simply "The City" since so many visitors from the New York and Albany regularly visited the Judge at his newly constructed mansion.

Monticello had been craftily laid out by Samuel Frisbie Jones and his brother John Patterson Jones. They named their new community after Thomas Jefferson's home, an Italian word roughly translated as "heavenly mountain." Samuel Jones was quickly becoming among the most influential

men in area, and it was his shrewd business sense that had enabled the brothers to acquire the property for their settlement on the route of the soon-to-be-built Newburgh-Cochecton Turnpike, which would be a huge asset for the community, placing it on the only improved road connecting the Hudson and Delaware Rivers.

Liberty was another community that had grown quickly, and though it was not as large as Monticello, it had water power, and that meant industry was possible. So Hurley knew that there was likely to be considerable travel among the three communities and he wanted to capitalize on that.

But history has recorded that Hurley had miscalculated, and soon equally en-

terprising and more resourceful men had engineered other routes connecting the major towns in the new county. What he called Hurleyville, meanwhile, comprised just one house: his own.

As James Eldridge Quinlan relates in his History of Sullivan County, published in 1873, "deer and wolves and panthers abounded in its vicinity after they had left the surrounding settlements and the population of Hurleyville consisted principally of muskrats, raccoons, and foxes. During all its days of desolation, it retained the name bestowed upon it by the old hunter and continued to perpetuate his memory."

But those who remember the story being related here know that it wasn't so much that William Hurley had miscalculated as that he had become distracted. For as it turned out, shortly after he arrived in the vicinity, Hurley had discovered abundant quantities of some sort of unusual metal deposited throughout his property. He became obsessed with collecting it in hopes of identifying it and determining that it was of great value. And that is the backdrop of the legend.

One day Hurley was out prospecting, as was his custom, and completely lost track of time and space. He was not concerned; he was an experienced hunter, and possessed great confidence in his ability to find his way home. In attempting to scramble to high ground to get a look at the lay of the land, he stumbled upon the



almost completely concealed opening to a cave.

Such caves were not unknown to him, he had been in and out of several over the years, but upon entering this one he immediately could tell it was different from any of the others. For one thing, a short distance inside the opening, Hurley found a large domed space, completely empty. Intrigued by this unusual space, he wrapped his bandana around his walking stick to form a crude torch, which he lit. Walking around the space with the aid of the albeit dim light of his makeshift torch, he soon found a steeply declining set of stairs leading away from the dome on the opposite side from the en-

trance. His curiosity piqued, he followed the steps for what seemed like hours. Mesmerized, he lost all track of time and continued downward until at some point he heard the cacophony of sounds typically associated with a small rural community. They were muted by distance and somewhat distorted by the cascading echoes off the sheer rock walls, but were nonetheless discernible as the mechanical sounds of wood on stone and vice versa, the groans of work animals and the occasional utterances of people!

Hurley extinguished his torch and slowed his pace, trying to make as little noise as possible. Finally, as the

sounds became unmistakably closer, he nearly crawled a hundred yards or so until visible before him spread a huge cavern, very dimly illuminated by several shafts of light from far above, populated by the largest people he had ever seen and animals of proportionate size. He wasn't at all sure; he might have passed out from the sight, and if he didn't, he came mighty close to it.

Although he thought he had taken great pains to remain hidden from view, Hurley was spotted by one of the giant men, who immediately approached in a manner that while not exactly threatening, was menacing enough because of his

sheer size to paralyze the grizzled old hunter with fear.

With no time to prepare his rifle for firing, and little other means of protecting himself, Hurley pressed his back hard against the rocks he had been using to obscure his presence, and wrapping the fingers of his right hand around the bone handle of the knife he kept tucked in his boot, he stared up at the mountain of a man standing over him.

William Hurley was in a predicament unlike any he had ever faced, and he had no idea how to extricate himself from it.

Learn more about this long forgotten legend in the next issue of *The Hurleyville Sentinel*.

CASELLA'S COMING TO MAIN ST.

Another new store to open

Yet another new business is slated to open on Main Street in the months ahead, as world famous chef Cesare Casella is completing work on his salami factory and butcher shop in the building that was formerly home to Perk's Market at 210 Main Street.

The new venture will be called Casella's and will be loosely based on the concept of the salumeria, the small groceries typically

found in Italy, where Casella grew up.

It is particularly fitting that Casella's will operate in the space that was once home to Perk's, where owner Perk Jacobson and his wife Florence offered the community an eclectic mix of meats and groceries for more than 35 years. Casella's will similarly offer up an eclectic inventory, not of staples, however, but of meats and cheeses and the like.

Casella says the operation will also include the curing and fermentation of a variety of meats, and once he has obtained the necessary certifications from the USDA, he plans to sell those meats and other products on a wholesale as well as a retail basis. The meats, including salami and sausage, will be mostly locally raised, and the processing will take place on site using special equipment Casella is bringing over



Cesare Casella

from Italy. He says he is also importing a number of skilled Italian sausage makers to help train his workforce, as well as anyone else who wants to learn. Education is a very big part of his business plan, he says, and that part of the operation could get underway as early as this summer. The actual store is more likely to open in the fall.

Casella says he expects to eventually be able to produce as much as 8,000 pounds of cured meats each month.

Casella is no stranger to the culinary world, having founded and operated successful—and critically acclaimed—New York City restaurants such as Salumeria Rosi and Beppe and having served for many years on the faculty of the International Culinary Center in

New York, including a stint as the dean of Italian studies.

He has written a number of cookbooks, including *The Fundamentals of Classic Italian Cuisine*, published in 2012, and has won more awards than he can count. Among other things, he currently heads up the Department of Nourishment Arts at The Center for Discovery.

In that capacity, he helps

implement The Center's "seed to belly" and "food is medicine" philosophies by training cooks and helping source ingredients and plan menus that advance the notion of the power of whole food.

Casella says he sees his new venture as a return to his rural roots—"I'm a

country boy!" he proclaims—and an opportunity to entertain and educate others with an intimacy not typically possible in the hectic culinary world of metropolitan New York, but which is a way of life in Hurleyville.

"It really is a great town," he says.



Casella's, an Italian style salumeria is occupying the space that was formerly Perk's Market.

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THE 6TH ANNUAL BILL CARLSON GOLF CLASSIC

The Hurleyville Fire Department will host the 6th Annual Bill Carlson Golf Classic. This fundraiser will be held on the TARRY BRAE golf course in the Town of Fallsburg, Saturday, June 25th 2016 with a 1:30PM shotgun start.

We are reaching out to all the local business and Fire Departments to help make this event honoring Bill a huge success and a fun filled day for all that attend.

The Hurleyville Fire Department is asking for your business to help by becoming a **TEE BOX SPONSOR**. Donations can be made in the form of gifts for prizes, gift cards, cash or checks.

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The Hurleyville Fire Department would like to THANK you for your support in this event honoring long time firefighter and Past Chief Bill Carlson. Bill was also a long time greenskeeper at Tarry Brae golf course for many years.
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

From the Firehouse

By Jack Halchak, Past Chief H.F.D.



The Hurleyville Fire Department is located at 166 Main Street in Hurleyville. We are always looking to recruit new members. You can stop in on any Monday evening at 7:00 PM to get an application or see what we are all about. If you don't want to fight fire, we can use fire police or you can work behind the scenes and support the front line fire fighters. We do more than just fight fire.

The Hurleyville Fire Department has a busy month of June coming up with two major events on tap.

The first is the 15th Annual Morningside Fishing Classic. This event is hosted by the Hurleyville and Loch Sheldrake Fire Departments along with the Town of Fallsburg Parks and Recreation Department.

It is held on the first day of bass season, Saturday, June 18th from 5:00AM -1:00PM at Morningside Lake on Brickman Road in Hurleyville. The main focus is bass fishing but there are also trophies for pickerel and walleye. In addition to the three categories there is a \$50.00 lunger prize for the



Austin Halchak, who tied for last year's lunger award for heaviest fish.

heaviest fish caught.

You may fish from shore or a boat using an electric trolling motor.

All of the profits from this contest are used to buy walleye for the restocking of the

lake. In the last fifteen years over 15,000 five to seven inch walleye have been stocked.

For further information call Jack Halchak (845) 436-5418.

The second event is the 6th Annual Bill Carlson Golf Classic. It will be held on Saturday, June 25th with a shot gun start a 1:30PM at the Tarry Brae golf course located on Pleasant Valley road in the Town of Fallsburg.

The cost is \$85.00 per golfer and it includes carts, cold beverages all day long, lunch, and an awards dinner at the conclusion of the golf outing. There will be raffles and a closest to the pin contest.

You can sponsor a tee box for \$100.00 if you don't want to golf.

This event honors long time Past Chief Bill Carlson. After Bill's retirement from Schmidt's Wholesale, he went to work for the Town of Fallsburg at the Tarry Brae golf course as a greenskeeper. Bill loved to cut grass and would mow all day long. So what better way to honor a pillar of the Hurleyville Fire Department than to name a golf tournament after him.

Come out and enjoy the day on a beautiful golf course and honor Bill's memory.

For more information, to buy a tee box or sign up, see entry blank in this newspaper or call John Jaycox at (845) 866-6431.

From the Town Hall

By Steven Vegliante, Supervisor Town of Fallsburg



Hurleyville is happening!

In case you haven't noticed, there's a wonderful redevelopment of the hamlet of Hurleyville going on.

In the last five or six years, The Town of Fallsburg has had the pleasure and honor to work alongside The Center for Discovery as they have developed a master plan to improve both their facilities, and the hamlet of Hurleyville.

Through years of planning and hard work, and with a stated goal to improve and fulfill the lives of the residents they serve, The Center for Discovery (TCFD) has begun to rebuild Hurleyville.

TCFD has undertaken this admirable effort to rebuild Hurleyville into a center of commerce, art, education, and culture that allows their residents and their families to participate in fulfilling tasks we often take for granted, such as the simple act of crossing the street.

Local citizens have united with TCFD to undertake beautification efforts helping to make the hamlet pristine and attractive to all.

Projects like the Hurleyville Arts Center and the Maker's Lab will enrich the lives of all citizens of the Town of Fallsburg and Sullivan County. Businesses like The Pickled Owl, Hurleyville Market and soon to open Casella's (all made possible due to building renovations by TCFD) will complement existing offerings like Nardi's Family Restaurant, and will make our little hamlet a culinary destination within our community.

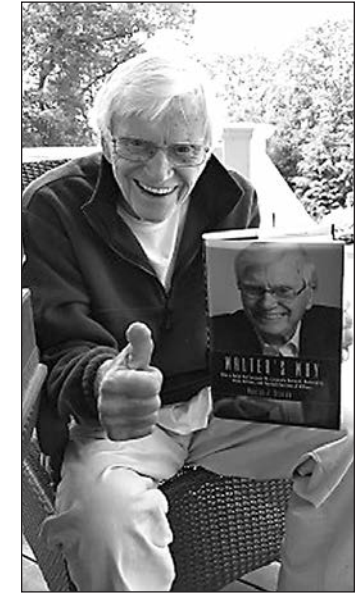
One by one, empty storefronts are being filled with exciting new businesses and eateries. Buildings are being reconverted into modernistic educational centers and performing arts centers.

The previously abandoned railroad right of way is being reconstructed to provide the public with a great hiking trail. This rail trail is being rebuilt to provide easy access to the handicapped and able bodied alike.

New parking lots and basketball courts are coming, giving our children new opportunities for healthy exercise.

Walter's Way Wins Axiom Book Award

Businessman and philanthropist Walter J. Scherr's recently published memoir, WALTER'S WAY, has been named the Silver winner in the 2016 Axiom Business Book Awards in the Memoir/Biography category.



Walter J. Scherr

WALTER'S WAY tells the story of how a Depression-era boy from Queens, New York overcame a life-threatening illness to live an adventurous life as a globe-trotting executive who witnessed and helped foster the post-World War II economic boom.

The book is full of adventure and excitement as well as disappointment and heartache. Scherr traveled over two million miles and to forty different countries over the course of his career as a corporate executive and entrepreneur. A business pioneer, he helped introduce the fax machine worldwide, and was a founding board member of four international corporations, including one that broke new ground in data storage - a precursor to today's Cloud. The lessons he shares about business, leadership, innovation, entrepreneurship, philanthropy, and family are priceless.

Scherr, 91, has a street in Hurleyville named after him. The street, also designated Walter's Way, intersects and connects Mitteer Road and Kile Farm Road. In his book, he provides a first-hand account of the emergence of America as a world power after defeating fascism, through the go-go years of the sixties and seventies, right up to the present day.

At age 17, Scherr was ready to enlist after Pearl Harbor, only to be classified 4-F due to tuberculosis, and confined to a sanatorium for more than six years while his buddies went off to war, some of them never to return. He never forgot those who served and perished, ultimately traveling to the American Cemetery in Normandy to pay respects to a soldier from Queens who died shortly after D-Day. It was a soldier he never met but nevertheless felt a strong bond with, and he holds Normandy dear to this day.

Due to his illness, Scherr didn't begin his career until he was in his late 20s. "Maybe that's why I was so driven to succeed," he says. "I always felt like I had a lot of catching up to do with my peers, who were already out of college and ensconced in their businesses by that point."

"That point" was the late 1940s, and WALTER'S WAY vividly describes what life was like in those distant decades of the 20th century. Scherr was there for it all: He had a bird's-eye view of the Cold War,

having worked for a couple of this country's major defense contractors when the stand-off with the Russians was at its frostiest.

Scherr's story is anything but a smooth rise to the top: At one point in his career, he was blindsided and almost left destitute by one of the world's largest international companies. He even spent a brief time in detention in a Communist country. Yet Scherr rarely met a risk he didn't want to take.

Part autobiography and part history lesson, WALTER'S WAY educates, entertains, and inspires everyone, from business executives to veterans, to lovers of life, as well as anyone interested in a first-hand account of America's emergence as a post-WWII industrial powerhouse.

While imparting Scherr's unique perspectives on business, success, risk, love, and life, WALTER'S WAY also inspires the power of philanthropy and the value of caring for others, a spirit that shines through the pages of the book. All proceeds from the sale of the book are being donated to The Center for Discovery.

Scherr founded Visual Sciences Inc./Panafax, the first publicly traded facsimile company. Earlier, he held a variety of financial and operating management positions with Litton Industries and Sperry Gyroscope Co. He also was an executive and board member at Veeco Instruments. In 2005, he was honored by the United States Congress with a Certificate of Congressional Recognition for his outstanding and invaluable service to the community. He is currently working with The Center for Discovery to develop a "World Cup for Caregivers," a recognition program to honor professional, volunteers and innovative caregivers around the globe. Scherr received his bachelor's degree from Pace College and his master's degree from Hofstra University. Scherr and his wife Sylvia divide their time between Sarasota, FL and Long Island. For more information, please visit waltersway.org.

From the files of...

THE HURLEYVILLE SENTINEL.

The Only Newspaper Published in the Town of Fallsburg

Compiled by Fred Fries from The Archives of the Sullivan County Historical Society

MAY 9, 1931 32 Room Boarding House Burned

On Tuesday afternoon at about 5 o'clock a 32 room house belonging to I. Meyerhoff at Hilldale near Hurleyville was burned to the ground by a fire which originated in the roof.

The house was one of the pioneer boarding houses of this vicinity and was known years ago as the William Hodge farm. The loss is estimated at around \$25,000 only about \$6,000 of which is covered by insurance.

Notice of Town Ordinances

At a meeting of the Town Board of Health, Town of Fallsburg, County of Sullivan, New York held at the Town Clerk's Office at South Fallsburgh, N.Y., on April 23rd, 1931 the following Health Ordinances were adopted;

Ordinance No. 1 Garbage and other Refuse

No garbage, dead animals or other organic waste matters shall be thrown or allowed to remain upon the ground within 200 feet of any store or boarding

house, rooming house or any other building used as a dwelling in the Town of Fallsburg. All garbage or kitchen waste shall be deposited in water tight containers, provided with tight covers, which shall prevent access of flies. These containers shall be of such size and number as to provide storage for at least one day's accumulation and during the summer months shall be emptied and cleaned at least once daily. The contents of these containers and other organic waste matters shall be properly disposed of by burial in trenches, feeding of swine or chickens, incineration or other approved manner at isolated points not less than 200 feet from any dwelling or other inhabited house, well or public road, nor within 25 feet of any water course. All refuse matter from meat and fish markets shall be thoroughly lined before removal from premises.

Ordinance No. 2 Fly Screens

The doors, windows and other openings of kitchens,

dining rooms, stores, markets or other compartments where food is prepared, served, stored and in stores, markets and restaurants where food is exposed or offered for sale, shall be furnished with durable, close-fitting and effective fly screens, which shall during the period from June 1st to October 1st, of each year, of every year, be so placed and used as to effectively exclude flies.

MAY 16, 1931 So. Fallsburg Wins Contest On Crossing

Proceedings for elimination of the Fallsburg crossing of the O & W Railroad in South Fallsburg, were closed by the Public Service Commission Thursday of last week.

Proceedings were closed on the grounds that public welfare does not require elimination of the crossing at this time. The Commission, however, ordered the railroad company forthwith erect gates at this crossing and that a guard be stationed at the crossing to open and close the gates when an engine or train approaches throughout the entire twenty-four hours of each day. After the installation of the gates the crossing alarm bell will be removed.

Traffic counts show that both the railroad and highway traffic is heavy in the summer but comparatively light through the rest of the year. There are nearly twice as many trains in summer as in winter.



Otto Hillig and pilot Holger Hooris pose with Hillig's Bellanca plane, Liberty, in 1931.

County and town opposed elimination on the grounds that the crossing was not dangerous. The Department of Public Works, however, favors an elimination if it can be economically accomplished. A proposed plan of elimination would take a considerable area of property and cost around \$150,000.

Something Different In Dances

The Junior Collegate [sic] orchestra of Hurleyville have arranged with the Maccabees to conduct the Thursday night dances in the Hall at Hurleyville and will hold their first event on May 21st.

The program for the evening will consist of square sets by the original D. H. Bertholf's orchestra and modern dances by the colleagues [sic].

Between 11 and 12 o'clock (new time) a contest for the best old fashioned waltz and modern dance will be held. All ticket holders will vote for their favorites.

Rains May Delay Hillig Sea Flight

Continued rains which have made parts of the Liberty Golf Course swampy, may prevent Otto Hillig, Liberty photographer, starting his transatlantic flight from Liberty, it was learned Wednesday. Continued fogs over the coast it is reported, also may delay the flight, which was set for next Sunday.

The huge Bellanca plane was expected Thursday driven by the pilot Holger Hooris, but a landing may be made at Poley field, Loch Sheldrake or it may land at Wurtsboro if the Liberty golf field does not dry out considerably.

MAY 23, 1931 Unknown Polish Laborer Killed at Smith Cut Near Hurleyville By Fast Freight Thursday

Three Cars Pass Over Body Before Halted

An unknown man about 35 years of age was killed in Smith Hill Cut about one fourth mile east of Hurleyville by a fast west bound freight on the O. & W. R. R.

at about 3:45 Thursday afternoon.

The man was walking on the tracks and as the train rounded the curve the engineer saw him and blew the whistle and applied the brakes and according to train men who saw the accident the man kept on apparently oblivious [sic] of the on-coming train. Three cars passed over his body before coming to a halt. The wheels passing over the abdomen just above the hips cutting the body completely in two, the legs being under the car and the trunk and head outside the rails.

Coroner Goldberg of South Fallsburg was notified and an examination failed to disclose anything except that the man was a Polish laborer of about 30 to 35 years of age. He had one five cent piece in his pocket and a scrap of newspaper on which was written the name of John Szyperski. He is believed to have been employed in this vicinity during the winter but is unidentified as yet. The remains were taken to Laidlaw's Burial Parlors in Hurleyville.

WATCH FOR IT! COMING THIS SUMMER



A BRIEF HISTORY OF HURLEYVILLE

JOHN CONWAY SULLIVAN COUNTY HISTORIAN

The hamlet of Hurleyville has a rich and colorful history, much like that of Sullivan County itself, but never before has there been a book dedicated exclusively to that history. A Brief History of Hurleyville will change that. Watch for John Conway's latest book, scheduled for release during summer of 2016.

HURLEYVILLE MARKET

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