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The O'Brien-Phillippi family will be running the Eden Pub on North Main Street and opening a food truck, O'Brien's Farm Fresh Kitchen.

Eden Pub fills void left by closing of former Ale House

O'Brien-Phillippi family to also run food truck business, described as 'smokehouse on wheels'

By Christopher Gordon
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The O'Brien family did not want to see the home of their former tavern remain vacant following the closing of the Eden Ale House.

As a result, Pat and Yvette O'Brien, who still own the facility at 8557 N. Main St., Eden, have decided to reopen the bar restaurant and it will soon become the Eden Pub.

"We didn't want to see it closed," said Yvette O'Brien, who along with her husband, bought the building in 2006.

The O'Brien's, along with the help of their daughter, Allie O'Brien-Phillippi, are aiming at a tentative date of Monday to celebrate the opening of the Eden Pub, pending liquor license approval from the State Liquor Authority.

Along with keeping items that were on the Eden Ale House menu, O'Brien-Phillippi said they will bring back some popular items from when they ran O'Brien's Farm Fresh Meat and Smokehouse in

Hamburg.

This includes bourbon glazed prime rib, beef barley soup and smoked half-chicken dinners.

"We're still working on (completing) the menu," O'Brien-Phillippi said.

Yvette O'Brien said they also plan to bring back some

those beers also will be from local breweries.

She added that they signed up to be part of the untapped app, which allows access for customers to check in and review what beers they are drinking.

Additionally, she said, the O'Brien family expanded the

to hit the road in the near future running "O'Brien's Farm Fresh Kitchen."

"It is in the very near future," O'Brien-Phillippi said, adding that once the truck passes a health inspection, they will start scheduling locations for food sales.

She said they have had discussions already to team up with some local breweries.

O'Brien described the food truck as a "smokehouse on wheels," which will include items like smoked salmon, cheese snack sticks and smoked chicken.

"We plan to do a soft opening and see how it goes," O'Brien-Phillippi said.

Eventually she hopes that they can be a part of events in towns such as Eden and Hamburg, as well as cater at such events as bridal showers and wedding parties.

O'Brien-Phillippi added that the Facebook and Twitter pages for the food truck company will be updated when the event locations and times are made official.

popular "comfort foods," such as Yankee pot roast and chicken and biscuits.

They also have made a point of keeping many of their items local, including purchasing fruits and vegetables from local growers, which are many in the Eden area.

"I know we will have 15 beers on tap," Yvette O'Brien said, adding that many of

outdoor patio, adding fire pits. There will also be backyard games, including corn hole. And this fall, they intend to offer an in-house dart league.

Besides opening the pub, the mother and daughter are also on the verge of opening another venture, as co-owners of a food truck.

According to O'Brien-Phillippi, she and her mom intend



Real Estate Transactions April 30 - May 4

Real estate transactions for Hamburg and the surrounding communities for the period of April 30 to May 4, 2016. Information provided by the Erie County Clerk's Office.

ANGOLA

• 846 Beach Road, Bryan D. Oconnell; Savanna L. Oconnell to Alexis M. Oconnell; Patrick B. O'Connell, \$145,600.

BOSTON

• 7438 Heinrich Road, Margaret Edington; Herbert H. Klein to Bo Tucker Properties LLC, \$325,000.

• 6451 Ludon Drive, Lee Innovations LLC; Lina Capital LLC; Mosaic Development LLC to Amanda R. Heyd; Matthew P. Heyd, \$287,000.

• 7270 Liebler Road, Deutsche Bank National Trust Company Tr; Securitized Asset Backed Receivables LLC Trust 2007-Br5 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates; see to Peter Felgemaecher; Kristin Karas, \$210,000.

• Vacant land Willow Drive, Clayton A Schunk Revocable Trust 032984 Tr to Donna Sue Quirk; Lawrence D. Quirk, \$23,000.

EDEN

• 7160 East Eden Road, Derek Prellwitz to Kelly Hawkins; Kelly L. Hawkins, \$20,000.

EVANS

• 504 Jefferson Avenue, Ellen E. Leader; John J. Riccardi to Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company NA Tr; Residential Asset Securities Corporation & see, \$55,000.

• 6881 Wayne Drive, Pmc Reo Trust 2015-1 to Alan K. Ford, \$30,000.

HAMBURG

• 4607 Logans Lane, Nvr Inc dba; Ryan Homes of New York to Amy Steger; Andrew Steger, \$308,237.

• 6096 Woodford Drive, Andrea A. Rybczynski; Brad M. Rybczynski to Rebekah L. Kuczynski; Scott M. Kuczynski, \$295,000.

• 5246 Columbia Avenue, Constance Koch; Leonard Koch; Leonard F. Koch to Carly Koch, \$276,000.

• 3707 Woodhaven Circle, Justine M. Bianca; Timothy J. Monahan to Mary Bianca; Andrew Putzak, \$193,000.

• 4507 Copperfield Drive, Fannie Mae to Responsible Realty LLC, \$185,000.

• 5550 Stilwell Road, Alice Freeman; Alice H. Freeman to David J. Siener, \$142,000.

• 115 Charlotte Avenue, Howard C. Newberry to Jeffrey C. Hartman, \$95,000.

LACKAWANNA

• 107 Jackson Avenue, Charles Raymond Colosimo; Russell James Colosimo to George Sarach, \$20,000.

ORCHARD PARK

• 4772 South Buffalo Street, Krista Fantaske; Joseph A. Fruscione; Krista Fruscione to Kristen Dimick; Matthew Dimick, \$225,000.

• 142 Bridle Path, Gary Bosley to Eric A. Warren, \$183,000.

Wise named Hilbert's director of institutional research and assessment

John C. Wise, a higher education administrator, has been appointed the director of institutional research and assessment at Hilbert College. Wise, who started June 1, brings nearly 20 years of experience in higher education research and assessment to Hilbert.

Most recently, Wise served as the executive director of institutional effectiveness at Houghton College. He also held the roles of accreditation liaison officer and director of

institutional research and assessment during his time at Houghton. He designed and implemented a system of college-wide data collection and reporting to satisfy federal and state reporting requirements. In addition, Wise consulted with undergraduate programs to help them develop sustainable assessment processes.

A native of Burgoon, Ohio, he earned his Ph.D. and master's degree in instructional systems from Penn State.

After 11 years in business, Monroe is calling it quits

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on your body."

Eleven years have passed for Monroe's Place, and now, Monroe is retiring, but the store is set to stay open, albeit in a new location.

Fundraising efforts are underway to help the current store manager, Rachel Kropczynski, purchase the store's inventory from Monroe, as well as helping to secure the future location of the shop, maintaining payroll costs for the current staff and overhead to get through the first several months during this transition.

Kropczynski has extensive experience in retail management, and Monroe has been grooming her for the job by showing her the business side of things.

"I always really liked the idea of owning my own business," she said. "I really like fashion and dressing people. This combines my goal for being my own boss and my love for fashion and retail."

"I know she's completely qualified," Monroe said. "I'd like to see Rachel be success-

ful in procuring this from me."

Monroe says she has spent a lot of her time and energy investing in supporting the community over the years, and is hoping the community will support this endeavor for Monroe's Place. She created Green Friday in 2009, an alternative to Black Friday that encourages people to patronize small businesses in Hamburg. Monroe was also named Entrepreneur of the Year at one point by the Hamburg Chamber of Commerce.

"I feel intertwined with the community," she said. "We get them in our doors because of our good customer service and because we sell good quality special occasion gowns at a fair, affordable price. I'm not looking for rich customers; I'm looking for regular customers who want to feel like a queen or a princess for a day."

The new location of Monroe's Place will be on Seneca Street near Cazenovia Park, right on the edge of West Seneca and Buffalo. The building the store is now in is up for sale.

In addition to the online fundraiser at www.gofundme.com/monroesplace, there are a few upcoming fundraising events. A fashion show will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. on June 16 at the American Ukrainian Civic Center, 205 Military Road, Buffalo.

Tickets are \$20 presale and can be purchased at the store, and they will be \$25 at the door. There are also VIP tickets available for \$50 which include a swag bag and front row seats. There will be door prizes, raffles, a Chinese auction, snacks and a cash bar.

Also, there will also be events July 14 during the Hamburg Garden Walk and on Aug. 31 at Mohawk Place in Buffalo. More details will be available on Monroe's Place Facebook page closer to the dates.

Monroe said she's excited to enjoy her retirement, spending time traveling with her husband and working on creative pursuits. Kropczynski said the plan is to have the "new" Monroe's opened by October in time for homecoming season.

"I'm really excited and can't wait for it to happen," she said.



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Family business opens new location

Certified Pest Solutions celebrated its new business location on 3737 Lake Shore Road with a ribbon-cutting on May 30. Members of the family-run business were joined by members of the Hamburg Chamber of Commerce, town and village dignitaries and officials from the Erie County Legislature and New York State Senate. The business is holding an open house June 13.

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