8 additions announced for Olean school district’s Wall of Honor

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OLEAN — Nine names will soon be added to the Olean City School District’s Wall of Honor. Three years’ worth of nominated Olean alumni will be recognized Friday in the Olean High School Auditorium. Commons in 2020 and 2021.

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Honoring true fathers on Father’s Day

SUNDAY marks the 58th year that Father’s Day has officially been observed in the United States. President Richard Nixon signed a proclamation in 1972 making Father’s Day a federal holiday — 58 years after Mother’s Day was established.

On this day, in which we remember and celebrate all true fathers, we offer a collection of quotes and sayings that help describe the essence of fatherhood.

“She did not stand alone, but what stood behind her, the most potent moral force in her life, was the love of her father.” — Harper Lee

“Any fool can have a child, that doesn’t make you a father. It’s the courage to raise a child that makes you a father.” — Barack Obama

“A good father is one of the most unselfish, unprejudiced, unselfish, and Yet one of the most valuable assets in our society.” — Billy Graham

“You don’t have to deserve your mother’s love. You have to deserve your father’s love more particularly.” — Robert Frost

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Joe Curcio honored as Belfast Citizen of Year

BENGTSON — Going back to the community is what Joe Curcio is doing with his renovation of seven Main Street buildings and his ongoing efforts to purchase the Genesee Canal warehouses.

At a recent dinner organized by the Belfast Lion’s Club, members named Curcio Citizen of the Year.

Although he has traveled the world and lived across the country, his interests and his heart remain in Belfast, where he grew up, graduated from high school in 1956, and where his family still lives.

“I loved a lot of population areas, but I lived for the environment you used to see in the past. I think Belfast can be that. We have all the pieces,” he said.

Once the supervisor of the town of Belfast, in recent years Curcio has gone a long ways into making that dream come true.

He has purchased several buildings on Main Street, which he is remodeling for both residential and commercial purposes.

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The buildings, built in the late

Bergen's

Antiques

and Collectibles

Manufacturers

Natural

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Happy Father's Day!