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11) **Napanoch:** Peters Market, **James' General Store**, **Brother John's**, **Napanoch Post Office**, Chinese No.1, VIP Video, LRCards, **Rické Len's**.

12) **Wawarsing to Kerhonkson:** Wawarsing PO, Citgo Xtra Mart (Wawarsing), Dr. John Lichtenstein, **Exxon (44-55)**, STS Tire, Candlelight, **Stewart's** (Kerhonkson), Swim King, **Mountain View Diner**, Yang's, Sentimental Value, **Kerhonkson PO**.

13) **Also:** Ellenville School, Ulster County Tourist Information Office (Kingston), Quality Inn (Kingston).

***Locations in bold are "anchor locations" in the zone

From the Editor

"All's Well That Ends Well" – William Shakespeare

It's official. Ellenville's turn as "My Kind of Town" will air on ABC TV, **Sunday, September 4th at 9:00 PM EDT**. Taped August 6th in NYC, it was originally hinted the show would air August 21st, or perhaps August 28th. That would have made this task easier, because, having then already aired before going to press, everything that happened on the show would already be public knowledge, and it wouldn't have violated the multi-page, fine-print legal document (which everyone attending the show's taping had to sign, although few probably read it through completely) if some of those details were revealed here. Alas, since this issue hits the streets before the airing, honor and legality shall force a coy skirting of certain details. Since a request to take the waiver home for study August 5th was denied (hence there's no copy to refer to, nor could it be reviewed by an attorney) it's not possible to confirm – but it's quite possible – that anything any of us say or do for the rest of our lives is owned by ABC! (Don't recall anything about having to give up first-born sons to them, though... at least not those born pre-show.)

[In order to write the rest of this essay more naturally as a personal account, which it is, it will be necessary to break a rule applied for 33 issues – that of NEVER using the first-person "I" in this column – so here goes...]

Those of you following these columns know that, since June, I've been casting a skeptical and cautionary eye toward this program, and Ellenville's possible involvement with it. At first glance, mostly because of the secretive nature of the casting team, the limited advance promotion, and the history of the producers, it was hard to see how *any* good could come of it. Brits bearing gifts... hip urbanites with agendas, making fun of "hicks"... the latest "eat-a-bug-for-money" reality clone... all this led me (and other locals), and similar concerned citizens in the other prospective towns, to raise the alert flags and call for wariness, if not an actual boycott.

Faced with the inevitable, once it was clear that Ellenville was one of the finalists, all I could do was plead with those going to Manhattan to *please* be on their best behavior, and remember that, if they embarrassed themselves, it would reflect on Ellenville, too. Oh, I'd be sure to watch the show when it aired, but why subject myself to the temptation of contributing to the possible debacle? Then the fax came.

The fax was sent to *Kryolux*, and must have been on a list of local businesses, maybe even the *Chamber's* own list! Apparently, MKOT was still shy of the 200 persons needed to fill the studio, so, would we be willing to join – strictly as non-participating audience members – and spread the word to others? Hmmm. Well, what better way to observe first-hand, in real time, what was happening in front of *and behind* the cameras that day, and perhaps even spread "vibes" of comportment and dignity that would help prevent a disaster? Or, just maybe, as a Village Trustee, I'd be able to get first-hand evidence, if needed by our Village Attorney, to issue an injunction against ABC from ever airing the show, due to the irreparable harm it would cause Ellenville! (Seriously, I did think this could be a last gasp, but realized the publicity would probably thrill ABC and just boost interest in the damning show being watched!)

But, after all, since I've been near-obsessing over this, starting in June, maybe it would only be fair to give MKOT a chance to prove they were NOT going to *make fun* OF us, and report the whole story right here. It might even *be fun*, and was certainly a major community-related event: so my wife Dianne and I agreed.

But first, we each had to fill out the notorious questionnaire online. Yep, the one with those "Do you have any funny regrets or embarrassments..." queries. We answered the normal questions, but didn't answer the red-flag ones; why tell some intern at Embassy Row something one "wouldn't tell your parents or spouse"? Oh, and I didn't mention I was the author of those critical editorials in *Wawarsing.Net!* (No matter; they already knew *exactly* who I was, as I found out later!) Then we sent digital headshots of ourselves, and confirmed our acceptance by phone to one of the casting guys.

Over the next few days we revealed our decision, and were relieved to find out that some other "normal" folks were also going! Maybe we could actually outnumber the "characters" after all!

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