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### Fairport Pharmacy Celebrates another Grand Opening Growing, local independent occupies new, larger location New gift department features local arts, crafts, gifts selection

Fairport Mayor Frederick “Fritz” May and Assemblyman David Koon recently joined owner/pharmacist, Paula Lewyckyj to celebrate the grand opening of the new Village Landing location of Fairport Pharmacy. Formerly located on North Main Street, the new location offers a larger space for the growing business. Co-workers, friends, family and customers also attended the grand opening event, which was open to the public.

After two years of steady business growth, the business had outgrown its original location. “We desperately needed more space and more parking, this new location gives us plenty of both” said Lewyckyji, who currently employs four staffers: three part-time pharmacy technicians and a part-time delivery driver. The original North Main Street location had 780 square feet; the Village Landing Location has 2,500 square feet.

Fairport Pharmacy specializes in assisting customers with a focus on individual attention and service at competitive prices when compared to major chains. In addition, they have expanded their comprehensive retail selection of over-the-counter medications and medical supplies, nutritional supplements, vitamins and natural herbal remedies.

New at this location is a gift department managed by veteran retailer Fran Wells of Fairport. “We’re aspiring to have a comfortable place for people to come in and be immersed in things that are important to their total well-being” said Wells.

To that end, Wells has created a warm, welcoming atmosphere to greet customers upon arrival. Gift department offerings feature local artisans using organic fiber and products in the creation of their goods. Pottery, paintings, decorative birdhouses, plants, organic lotions and soaps, candles, ironwork, custom painted mailboxes, and organic items for newborns including powders, lotions and oils, booties and hats.

According to Wells, this addition to the Village Landing begins to complete a circle of shopping in the heart of the village. “It’s once again a shopping hub for your essentials. Park your car and walk into a butcher (Skips Meats), a grocery (Red Bird Market), a pharmacy, and a candy shop (Candy Nation), and a winemaker (Casa Vin Arte), not to mention all the wonderful clothing, jewelry and gift stores, even a music shop, just moments away.”

Opening of the new pharmacy location came almost exactly two years from the day of the grand opening of the original location. Once again, the Fairport Office of Community and Economic Development provided a low-interest commercial loan to assist with the build out of the new space. According to OCED Executive Director Kal Wysokowski, “the loan demonstrates that the OCED board strongly supports a locally owned and independently operated pharmacy in the Village. We’re very pleased to play a role in their success”

Fairport Pharmacy hours of operation are: Monday-Friday, 9am-7pm; Saturday, 9am-2 pm. Closed Sunday. After-hours consultation and emergency service are available 24/7 by calling 585-678-4258. All insurances are accepted.

Ribbon-cutting photo caption:

From L to R: Assemblyman David Koon, Owner/Pharmacist Paula Lewyckyj, Fairport Mayor Frederick “Fritz” May, cut the ribbon formally opening Fairport Pharmacy. (Photo courtesy, Keith Boas Photography)

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