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County Executive's "Bike Around the County" Set for Friday, September 18, 2015

Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper invites stakeholders, decision-makers, and cyclists of all levels to bike with her around Erie County on Friday, September 18, 2015.

The 37-mile tour begins at 8:00 AM at Frontier Park. The route includes parts of Erie, Millcreek, Lake City, Fairview, and Girard. The ride will include a stop for lunch in Millcreek as well as visits to local schools, municipal buildings, and Presque Isle State Park.

As part of the Mayor's Challenge and Safe Routes to School initiative, the group will cycle to promote safe walking, cycling, and fitness. The tour will also promote cycling as an alternate form of transportation. Participants are welcome to cycle the entire route or a portion of the ride. The County Executive has invited planners, engineers, and elected officials to join her.

"This year's tour of western Erie County is about much more than enjoying our scenic landscape. It's about achieving safe routes to and from school, health promotion, and improved quality of life. It's important that we raise awareness of the obstacles pedestrians and cyclists encounter," noted Dahlkemper.

The tour is expected to conclude – after a trek across the bay on Aquabus 1 – around 4:00 PM at St. Patrick Church where the 22nd annual Irish Festival will be underway.

All cyclists will ride at their own risk. The County of Erie is not responsible for any accidents or injuries that may occur.

For more information, call the Office of the County Executive at 814-451-6333.

(A map of the ride is included with this announcement.)

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