

POSSIBLE THEMES FOR CUBA

1. Food-Related Theme

Existing resources and attractions include: Cuba Cheese Shoppe, Moonwinks Restaurant, the Garlic Festival, Dairy Festival, Latin Bakery & Deli, maple syrup produced locally. Empire Cheese Plant.

Attempt to develop a food-related theme and recruit more specialty food stores and unique restaurants (candy store, wine shop, home-made ice cream shop, unique delis, maple syrup shop, additional cheese shops).

2. Outdoor Recreation and/or Nature Theme

Existing resources and attractions include: Maple Lane RV Park (camping), Cuba Lake (boating, fishing, vacationing). Genesee Greenway Trail (hiking & bicycling),. Cuba Rod & Gun Club, Jan's Outdoor Supply Shop. Nearby golf courses Waterway Hills, Six S, Serenity Hills. Deer preserve (adjoining the High School)

Attempt to develop an outdoor recreation and nature theme by recruiting more outdoor recreational equipment and gear specialty shops. Encourage the development of more camping facilities and nature centers.

3. Arts and Crafts Theme

Existing resources and attractions: Allegany Artisans

Attempt to develop and arts and crafts theme by recruit local and regional artists and artisans to establish galleries and studios in downtown. Work with local businesses to display the artwork in their shops. Arrange for bus tour companies to bring tourist to Cuba to watch artists and artisans at work or for demonstrations. Establish an art gallery or galleries in downtown to display and sell the work of local artists and artisans.

4. Historic Theme

Existing attractions and resources: Cuba Cheese Museum, Cuba Historical Museum, Cuba Antiques shop, Palmer Opera House restoration, Empire City Farms (the Block Barn and the Genesee Valley Canal Railroad Freight Station), Village's Historic District.

Attempt to create a historic theme by continuing to preserve the historic architecture and by recruiting shops with old-time appearance or that sell old-time merchandise, e.g., Vidler's 5¢ & 10¢ Store (East Aurora, NY), Vermont Country Store, a woodstove store, old time tools and implements store like Lehman's Hardware (Kidron, OH), Amish furniture and goods, tack shop, fiber and fiber-wear shop, antique shops.

5. Agricultural Theme???

6. Other Themes????