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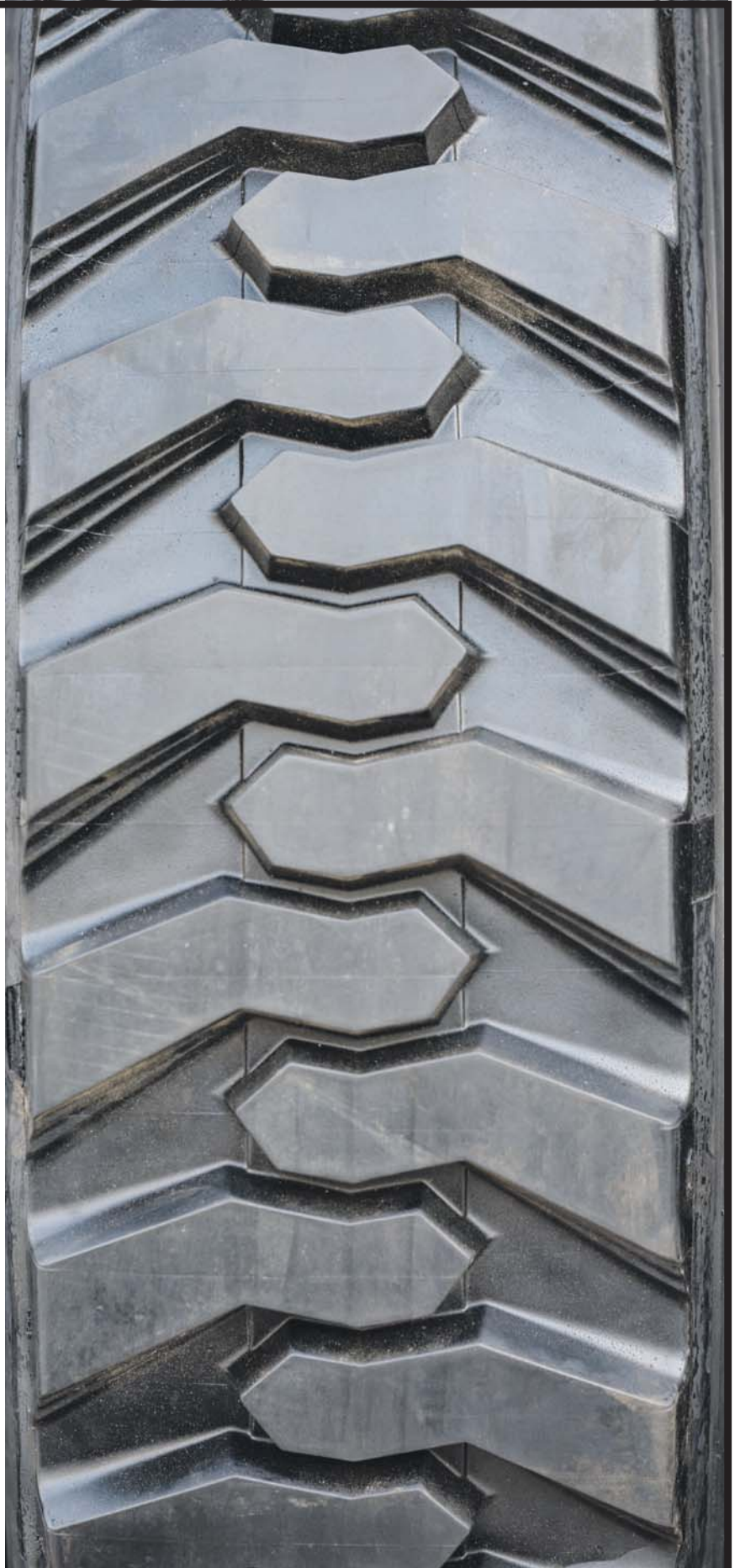
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## Call for art at Schoharie Crossing

Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site is issuing a call for photography and painting submissions to be included in the 2020 art exhibit, "Waters Reflections: Seeing the Past in the Present." Photographers residing in New York State who want to showcase their work in a competitive, juried exhibition are encouraged to read the show description and submit original work within the theme by the deadline of May 24.

To recognize the ongoing commemoration of NYS Barge Canal heritage and the historic Erie Canal, Schoharie Crossing is hosting this fourth annual exhibition of talented artists. This year the focus will be on photography and paintings. Jurors have accepted the task of reviewing the pieces, and prizes will be awarded to those honored by the jurors. One will recognize a photographic work, and one will recognize a painted work.

The Erie Canal historic site and NYS Park is a great place for recreation such as walking, cycling, kayaking, fishing, birdwatching, picnics and more, providing memories and experiences for generations. The site supplies great views of nature as well and the historic canal structures are juxtaposed among the natural world of plants and animals along the Schoharie Creek and Mohawk River. The trails along old towpaths of the canal allow for a journey back in time. Flora and fauna thrive within the tranquility of the waterways, wetlands and open spaces of Schoharie Crossing, lending great inspiration for any artist.

The Erie Canal's vital importance is highlighted by the classic arches of the

Schoharie Creek Aqueduct and the impressive lock chambers that still exist at locations throughout Schoharie Crossing. Views of the Mohawk and Schoharie valleys can also be taken in as you explore this landscape.

Schoharie Crossing encompasses over 200 acres and spans over three miles in length – from the western end of the site at the Aqueduct boat launch, across the Schoharie Creek and east to Yankee Hill Lock and the Putman Canal Store. The site contains portions of the original 1820s Erie Canal as well as two sets of double locks from the Enlarged Era Canal and is adjacent to the Erie Canal of today. Lock E12 at Tribes Hill on the river is situated close to the site and provides access to witnessing the newest century old canal of today.

All along the site there is ample opportunity to explore your artistic skills, from photography to painting to sketches. Discover more on the Schoharie Crossing Facebook page or on the Friends of Schoharie Crossing Instagram and Twitter.

Submissions can be made online at [form.jotform.com/200513516413139](http://form.jotform.com/200513516413139). The exhibit's opening celebration will take place during the Schoharie Crossing Discovery Day event on July 11, and artwork will be displayed inside the Enders House until Labor Day. For more information on how to enter, visit the Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site page of the NYS Parks website, [nysparks.com](http://nysparks.com), call Schoharie Crossing at 518.829.7516, email [SchoharieCrossing@parks.ny.gov](mailto:SchoharieCrossing@parks.ny.gov) or find them on Facebook.

## Carbon monoxide: Know the hazards

Montgomery County Public Health wants everyone to be warm this winter, but we also want you to be safe while heating your homes during these cold months.

Every year, many people get sick or die due to carbon monoxide poisoning from alternate heating sources. Carbon monoxide (CO) is a poisonous gas that can kill you in minutes. It is invisible, tasteless, odorless and non-irritating. Carbon monoxide is produced from burning fuels such as wood, oil, natural gas, propane, gasoline and kerosene.

CO is known as the "silent killer." It can prevent the body from getting oxygen. Symptoms can be flu-like: nausea, headache, dizziness, shortness of breath, sleepiness and weakness. In large amounts, CO can cause loss of consciousness, brain damage or death.

Public Health suggests these safety tips to help prevent CO poisoning:

- Make sure fuel-burning appliances are properly installed, operated and serviced by qualified technicians according to the manufacturer's instructions and local building codes.
- Properly vent all fuel-burning appliances to the outside of the house and make sure the vents are not covered with snow, tarps or other items.
- Consider buying a vented space heater when replacing an unvented one.
- Never use a portable generator, gas or charcoal grill or portable fuel-burning

camping equipment inside a home, building or shed.

- Open the fireplace damper before lighting a fire and don't close it until the ashes are cool.
- Move your idling car or truck outside the garage to warm up.
- Never use gas appliances, such as stoves, ovens, or clothes dryers, to heat your home.

Working CO detector alarms provide you and your family with warning signals and critical time to escape your house in case of a CO incident. Place CO alarms in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of your home. Test all alarms every month to make sure they are working properly.

If you suspect carbon monoxide poisoning:

- Get out of the building and into fresh air.
- Call the fire department from outside the building.
- Call 911 if you or someone else is experiencing symptoms, or take the ill person to the emergency room. Tell the physician you suspect CO poisoning.

Don't let having a CO detector give you all the security you need to be safe. Preventing the problem is better than relying on an alarm.

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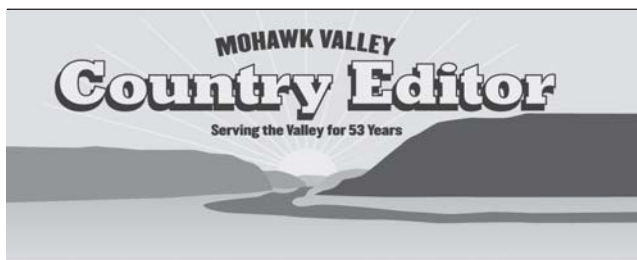
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Before people can begin preparing their returns, they first must gather all of the necessary forms and documents. If any forms are not included, taxpayers may have to prepare tax amendments, which leads to more work and may delay the time it takes to receive a refund. Taxpayers who have questions about their returns can access 24-hour tax help via the IRS website at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

According to eFile.com, an authorized IRS e-file provider, the following forms and documents may be needed in order for taxpayers to file their returns promptly and correctly.

### Taxable income forms, documents

- W-2 form(s) for wages, salaries and tips
- Interest income statements: Form 1099-INT, 1099-OID
- Dividend income statements: Form 1099-DIV
- Sales of stock, land, etc., for capital gains: Form 1099-B
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- State tax refunds: Form 1099-G
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- Miscellaneous income: Form 1099-MISC
- Retirement income: Form 1099-R
- Social Security income and railroad retirement income: Form SSA-1099
- Business income and expenses
- Rental income and expenses
- Farm income and expenses
- Form K-1 income from partnerships, trusts and S-corporations
- Tax deductible miles traveled for business purposes

### Tax credits

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- Tax deductible miles traveled for medical purposes
- Home mortgage interest from Form 1098

- Home second mortgage interest paid
- Real estate taxes paid
- State taxes paid with last year's return (if claiming itemized deductions)
- Personal property taxes paid
- Charitable cash contributions
- Fair market value of non-cash contributions to charities
- Unreimbursed expenses related to volunteer work
- Tax deductible mileage for volunteer purposes
- Casualty and theft losses
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- Unreimbursed expenses related to your job
- Miles traveled related to your job
- Union and professional dues
- Investment expenses
- Job-hunting expenses

- IRA contributions
- Student loan interest paid

- Moving expenses
- Last year's tax return preparation fee

### Tax estimate payments

- Estimated tax payments made with ES vouchers
- Last year's tax return overpayment applied to this year
- Off-highway fuel taxes paid

### General information

- Copy of last year's tax return
- Social Security numbers for you and your spouse
- Educational expenses for you and your spouse
- Dependents' names, years of birth and Social Security numbers

- Dependents' post high school educational expenses
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- Prior year adjusted gross income (AGI)
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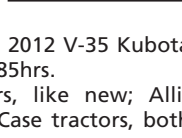
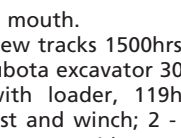
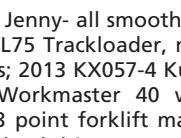
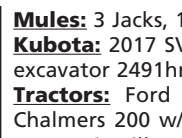
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**Misc. Equipment:** 607 White Horse forecart w/torsion axle; Iva mfg. sprayer; **3 row Pequea no-till planter**, 30" spacing, 5yrs old, 10' cultimulcher; 2- 3940 JD chopper w/table; 2 flat wagons; Woods M5-4 3 pt hitch; 5 ft Brushhog; Woods 244 QT front end loader w/quick attach; 3pt hitch Farmi log winch; IH Rissler 3050 portable mixer cart; IH Rissler 45 portable mixer cart; WIC RTM-40 mixer cart; 2,000gal liquid manure spreader, engine side delivery, farm built from end; McCormick Deering corn binder w/tandem axle, hydraulics w/ aluminum loader; 3184 Cub Cadet 4" mower, snow blower enclosed cab; Craftsman 42" garden tractor; 22 ton American wood splitter w/4 way wedge and Honda engine; 8ft snowplow w/mounting brackets; 35 CK Replacement stalls; Stainless steel cow stable trough liners; 4 Westfalia 80# complete Milker; 3 wagon loads misc. including new and used cordless tools.



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Worship Service 10:30AM

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9:00am

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34 S. Division St.  
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588-594 Albany St., Little Falls, NY  
315-823-1323  
Sunday Mass 10am  
Coffee Hour following Sunday Mass  
Sunday School & Youth Group  
Tuesday 10am Mass & Bible Study  
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**Glen Reformed Church**  
State Hwy 161 in the  
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[glenreformed@nycap.rr.com](mailto:glenreformed@nycap.rr.com)  
Sunday Worship at 9. Sunday School  
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Worship 11:00am

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[ourladyofhope@frontier.com](mailto:ourladyofhope@frontier.com)  
Mass Schedule: Saturday, 4pm;  
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Sunday Worship 9:30AM  
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315-858-2112  
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Sunday Service 10am

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Sunday School 10am  
Morning Service 11am  
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting,  
Wednesday 6:30pm

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Wednesday Evening Worship 6:30pm

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518-993-4302 • [fortplainrca@yahoo.com](mailto:fortplainrca@yahoo.com)  
**Rev. Nancy E. Ryan**  
Worship 10:30am,  
AA meetings Mon. & Tues. 7pm,  
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Worship Service 11am & 7pm  
Wednesday - Prayer & Praise  
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315-858-4016  
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518-922-8422  
**Rev. Donald Hoaglander**  
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518-705-2201  
Sunday School 9:15am  
Worship Service 10:00am

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Church Office 518-993-3863  
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Sprakers, NY 12166  
**Pastor: Gail Adamoschek**  
**Pastor: Steve Adamoschek**  
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518-993-2040  
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Bible Study & Coffee Hour Sunday 10-10:45am  
Church Service 11am

**Valley Alliance Church**  
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**Pastor Dave Prahst**  
Sunday School (all ages) 9:15am,  
Sunday Worship 10:30am,  
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3 Elm St., Dolgeville, NY 13329  
315-429-9142  
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Worship 9am,  
Midweek Fellowship Tuesday 7pm  
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Methodist Church**  
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518-842-1357  
**Rev. Cindy Leonard, Officiating**  
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Sunday School 10am ALL ARE WELCOME  
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**Sacred Heart  
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111 3rd Ave., Tribes Hill  
518-829-7301  
Mass Saturday  
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Twinkie is a 2-3 year old spayed female, domestic short hair tortie. She's very sweet and friendly with people (even kids) but would prefer a home without other animals.



Tootsie is a 3-4 year old spayed female (gray). Tootsie is good with other cats and dogs. She's friendly and outgoing and loves to play with children.



Asher is a neutered male pitbull approx 10 years old. (Blue Merle and white) He's good with most other dogs and great with everyone he meets. He even seems to be good with cats. He's a real sweetheart and would make a great addition to any home.



Peter is a neutered male Mountain Cur mix, Approx 5 years old. He's been great with people and even children. He's very well mannered and housebroken.



Nikki is a 6 year old spayed female pitbull (gray). She needs to be the only pet in the household. Nikki is great with people, housebroken and well mannered. She loves to go for car rides and likes to play in the water when it's hot out. She's a real sweetheart!



Dusty is an approx 2 year old neutered male domestic short hair. (Gray and white) He tested positive for FLV but is very healthy. Dusty is good with other cats and dogs. He loves attention and is a very well mannered cat.



Polly is a 3 year old spayed female tortie. Polly has tested positive for FLV but is very healthy. She loves other cats and is ok with dogs.



Oreo is a 3-4 year old pitbull mix. She is ok with some dogs but needs a cat free home. She adores people and loves to play.



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# March newsletter from Schoharie Crossing

First, let's give a run-down of upcoming programs the site is involved in:

March 2 was #MuseumMonday and we celebrated the birthday of DeWitt Clinton. On March 5, we heard more about Clinton (and George Washington) at the Saratoga Library.

On St. Patrick's Day (Tuesday, March 17) there will be a presentation at the Broadalbin-Kennytto Historical Society (meeting at First Presbyterian Church on W. Main Street in Broadalbin) at 7 p.m.

On Saturday, March 21 we will be presenting at the Fulton County Museum on Kingsboro Avenue in Gloversville – the topic is “15 Miles on the Sacandaga Canal?” beginning at 2 p.m.

On Saturday, April 4 there will be a children's program at the Fort Hunter Library. On Wednesday, April 8, its back there for an updated version of “History & Hearsay” at 6:30 p.m.

Don't forget, the last of the #MuseumMonday programs is on April 6 when we'll discuss how New York State built the canal without federal support.

The Education Team met recently to discuss the upcoming school field trip season. We have several confirmed groups scheduled and a handful more that are looking to set dates. If you or someone you know may be interested in joining the Education Volunteer Team, let us know. There will be another meeting in early May to go over the program rotations and demonstrate

to anyone who may wish to be a part of the great experience we provide students while here on site.

It's official – the Friends of Schoharie Crossing have again received the Saratoga Arts Grant that helps fund the annual Not Just for Kids Storytelling Series. The Sunday programs run weekly from Aug. 2 - Sept. 13.

In June, we'll see the return of Putman Porch Music for another great year at Yankee Hill Lock. Thursday evenings at 6 p.m.(ish) musicians are encouraged to gather and play Americana, roots, folk and original music in a “Canawler Jam Session” on the porch of the historic canal store. Bring your instrument, your voice or just your positive vibes.

The schedule for the Friends of Schoharie Crossing meetings will see a little modification in 2020 – more on that soon. But keep in mind for April, the meeting is on Tuesday the 28th at 6:30 p.m. After a quick meeting, we'll welcome Paul G. Schneider Jr. to speak on his book, “Everything Worthy of Observation: The 1826 New York State Travel Journal of Alexander Stewart Scott.” Scott traveled the state on the Erie Canal and kept an amazing journal along the way. Schneider annotates the work and completes the story with excellent details and interesting facts. Join us for this great program.

You can always keep track of the events and programs at Schoharie Crossing by liking and following Schoharie Crossing on Facebook – or view a list of Schoharie Crossing events on the New York State Parks Page.

The Friends have a great blog and there's a few new posts showcasing the theme of “5” – such as “The 5 Easy Reasons to Take a Field Trip to Schoharie Crossing” or “The 5 Things You May Not Have Known...” You can read them at [www.friendsofschohariecrossing.blogspot.com](http://www.friendsofschohariecrossing.blogspot.com). Comments and/or suggestions are encouraged. Look for a new post about “5 Ways to Spend Your Time at Schoharie Crossing.” You can subscribe to get notifications of new posts by completing “Follow by Email” on the blog.

Another upcoming thing to think about:

- “Enterprising Waters: The History and Art of New York's Erie Canal” Talk and Catalog Release on Wednesday, March 25 at 6 p.m. South Hall Lobby. For adults; free.

Join NYS Museum history curators and special guests from the NYS Archives and NYS Library as they introduce newest museum's exhibitions catalog, “Enterprising Waters: The History and Art of New York's Erie Canal.” They will highlight some of their favorite artifacts in the Erie Canal exhibit and the collections.

Thank you all for your great support of Schoharie Crossing.

**Source: David Brooks, Education Director, Park & Recreation Worker, NYS Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation, Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site**

## Calendar of events

**NOTE: Calendar items must be submitted by Tuesday prior to the publication date to be included in the Calendar of Events. Entries may be emailed to [cfeditor@leepub.com](mailto:cfeditor@leepub.com)**

### March 13

Early bird game; 7 p.m. start. For information call 518.853.4195.

**Community St. Pat's Dinner** at Church of the Good Shepherd, Canajoharie. One sitting at 2 p.m. No charge. Limited seating. Call 518.673.3440.

### March 13-15

**Evolution or Creation? — Here's Proof!** Special guest, Paul Veit. Free events Valley Alliance Church, State Hwy. 5, East of Nelliston. Friday, March 13 at 7 p.m. – Youth emphasis! — “Creation versus Evolution – Human Focus”. Pizza party follows presentation. Saturday, March 14 at 7 p.m. — for all ages — “Aliens: The Truth!” Fellowship dinner at 6 p.m. before presentation. Sunday, March 15 at 10:30 a.m. – for everyone — “Deliberate Deceptions & Incredible Truths!” For information or directions, call 518.993.3458.

### March 15, 22 and 29

**Bingo at St. Cecilia's Church** 26 Broadway Fonda, NY; 6:45 p.m. Early bird game; 7 p.m. start. For information call 518.853.4195.

### March 20

**Haven of Hope in Fonda Fund-raiser Banquet** at The Century Club, Amsterdam. \$25 each/\$175 table of eight. For info/tickets: 518.522.3342.

### March 21-22

**45th Annual Antiques in Schoharie** at 136 Academy Drive, Schoharie. Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fund-raiser for Schoharie Colonial Heritage Association. For further information, call show manager, Ruth Anne Wilkinson at 518.231.7241 or SCHA office at 518.295.7505.

### March 22 and 29

**Bingo at St. Cecilia's Church** 26 Broadway Fonda, NY; 6:45 p.m.

### March 26

**Canajoharie Central School Board of Education meeting** 7 p.m. Informational Meeting. Visit [www.canajoharieschools.org](http://www.canajoharieschools.org)

### March 27

**Music Social — Grand Central Station band** 7-10 p.m. band (doors open 5:30 p.m.) at Amsterdam Elks Lodge 101, 8 Fourth Ave., Amsterdam, NY. For more information, call Michelle Egelston at 518.339.2260 or the Amsterdam Elks Lodge at 518.842.6363 or check their Facebook page. Put on your dancing shoes. \$10.

### March 28

**7th Elizabeth Cady Stanton's Women's Consortium presents Empowering Women** 8 a.m. -3:30 p.m. at 2755 State Highway 67, Johnstown. Contact Cindy Rivera, ECSWC, PO Box 251, Johnstown, NY 12095.

### March 29

**The Ride for Missing Children — CNY 2020** 1- 5 p.m. Mohawk American Legion Post 25, 43 West Mohawk St.. Tickets: \$15 per person. Children 10 and under free. Live band – The Posers. Raffles. 50/50. Food and soda. This event is a fundraiser for the Ride for Missing Children fundraiser.

### April 4

**Village of Ames Museum Open to Visitors and Easter Egg Hunt** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt at noon. Contact 518.673.5820 or [f@amesmuseum](mailto:f@amesmuseum) or [www.amesmuseum.weebly.com](http://www.amesmuseum.weebly.com)

### April 6

**Museum Monday Programs at Schoharie Crossing**, Fort Hunter.

Building opens at 10 a.m. Themed discussions at 12 p.m. each of those days. Theme will be a discussion on how the federal government rejected funding the NYS project to build the Erie Canal. For information: 518.829.7516 or [SchoharieCrossing@parks.ny.gov](mailto:SchoharieCrossing@parks.ny.gov).

### April 7

**Canajoharie Central School Board of Education meeting** 7 p.m. Business Meeting. Visit [www.canajoharieschools.org](http://www.canajoharieschools.org).

### April 23

**Canajoharie Central School Board of Education meeting** 7 p.m. Informational Meeting. Visit [www.canajoharieschools.org](http://www.canajoharieschools.org).

### April 25

**Canal Clean Sweep** 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Yankee Hill Lock. Register at [PTNY.org](http://PTNY.org)

### April 28

**Worthy of Observation with Paul Schneider** 6:30 p.m. Enders House. Free. Contact Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site 518.829.7516.

### May 2

**I Love My Park Day** 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Register: [PTNY.org](http://PTNY.org).

**Village of Ames Museum Open to Visitors.** Moms receive a flower. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Contact 518.673.5820 or [f@amesmuseum](mailto:f@amesmuseum) or [www.amesmuseum.weebly.com](http://www.amesmuseum.weebly.com)

### May 14

**Canajoharie Central School Board of Education meeting** 7 p.m., Business Meeting. Visit [www.canajoharieschools.org](http://www.canajoharieschools.org).





# Coronavirus sparks worldwide concern

The dawn of 2020 ushered in many newsworthy headlines, but few have turned the heads of the masses as sharply as the arrival of a novel coronavirus that was first identified in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China. In late 2019, Chinese authorities identified the new virus, which has resulted in scores of confirmed cases in China, and additional cases identified in a growing number of international locations.

Both the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have closely monitored the coronavirus, which was named COVID-19 in mid-February 2020. The public is understandably concerned, but educating oneself about COVID-19 and coronaviruses in general can assuage some fears.

### What is a coronavirus?

Medical News Today reports that coronaviruses typically affect the respiratory tracts of mammals. Coronaviruses are responsible for between 15 - 30% of common colds. They're also associated with pneumonia and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS).

Coronaviruses were given their name based on the crown-like projections on their surfaces (in Latin, "corona" means "halo" or "crown"). Coronavirus antibodies do not last or work for very long, so a person who becomes ill can catch the same virus again a few months later. Also, antibodies for one strain of coronavirus may not be effective against other strains.

### What is COVID-19?

In 2019, a new type of coronavirus not previously identified was discovered in China. Like other coronaviruses, this virus, COVID-19, can be spread easily from person to person, particularly through respiratory droplets acquired when someone with the virus coughs or sneezes. Most often people need to be within six feet of the infected person for contraction. The CDC says that COVID-19 also is believed to be spread from animals to people. It's currently unclear if a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has



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the virus on it and then touching his or her own mouth, nose or eyes.

Those confirmed as having the virus reported illnesses ranging from mild symptoms like fever, cough and shortness of breath to more severe illness. Reactions to COVID-19 can differ from individual to individual. It's believed that symptoms of COVID-19 can appear in as few as two days or as long as 14 after exposure. Those who have been in China or around others who have visited from China and are experiencing cold or flu symptoms are advised call their physicians.

### Prevention and treatment

The WHO says that if a person is healthy, they only need to wear a mask if they're taking care of another with a suspected COVID-19 infection. One also should wear a mask if one is coughing or sneezing.

Doctors advise that frequent hand-washing, and in the absence of warm, soapy water, alcohol-based sanitizers that are at least 60% alcohol

can be effective in preventing transmission of COVID-19. Also avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.

Currently, there is no specific antiviral treatment for the disease; people should receive supportive care for symptoms. However, research into antiviral drugs, such as those for HIV and influenza, are being tested for their potential efficacy against COVID-19. Research into developing a vaccine for this novel coronavirus also is ongoing.

Concerned individuals should speak with their healthcare providers for accurate, up-to-date information about COVID-19 as global health organizations continue to monitor conditions and treatments.



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## The American Revolution Mohawk Valley Conference is back for 2020

The Fort Plain Museum proudly presents the Annual American Revolution Mohawk Valley Conference on June 11-14.

The conference is back at Fulton-Montgomery Community College and is limited to 200 seats (sold out for 2018). The bus tours are limited to 55 seats per tour. There is a \$10 discount if you sign up for the conference by May 15. Sign up early so you don't miss out.

We have another great lineup of historians/authors:

- Andrew Jackson O'Shaughnessy - "The Architect of the British War for America: Lord George Germain"

- Craig Bruce Smith - "The Interests of Our Dearest Country: Honor and the Continental Army"

- James Kirby Martin - "A Contagion of Violence: The Human Slaughter in Frontier New York: 1775-1783"

- Mark Edward Lender - "John Brown's Raid on Fort Ticonderoga in September 1777"

- Lindsay M. Chervinsky - "Councils of War and the Cabinet: How the Revolutionary War Shaped the Presidency"

- David Head - "George Washington and a Very Mysterious Business: Tracking Down the Newburgh Conspiracy"

- Eric H. Schnitzer - "The Value of Revisionism: Don Troiani's Campaign to Saratoga, 1777"

- Todd W. Braisted - "In Reduced Circumstances: Loyalist Women and British Government Assistance, 1779-1783"

- Katie Turner Getty - "Women Aiding American Prisoners of War and Escapees in New York"

- James E. Richmond - "War on the Middleline: The Founding of a Community in the Kayaderoseras Patent in the Midst of the American Revolution"

- Wayne Lenig - "Fort Plain, Fort Plank and Fort Rensselaer: The Revolutionary War Fortifications at Canajohary"

- Robert A. Selig, Saturday Dinner Speaker - "In the Morning We Began to Strip and Bury the Dead: A Context for Burial Practices During the American War for Independence"

- South River Heritage Consultants - "Stone Arabia and Klock's Battlefields Study Update"

Conference presentations take place June 12 - 14: one on Friday evening, six on Saturday (all day), one on Saturday evening during dinner and four on Sunday (ending at lunch time).

We welcome back the Master of Ceremony, the Voice of the Mohawk Valley, Bob Cudmore. After a one-year absence, Cudmore will be back to introduce our line-up of wonderful speakers.

The conference takes place at the Fulton-Montgomery Community College's Theater in the Visual Arts & Communications Building (Campus Map Building

#2), 2805 NY-67, Johnstown. Park in Lots 5, 4 or Visitor's Lot.

### Bus Tours

**Bus Tour #1:** "Forts & Fortified Homes of the Mohawk" - Thursday, June 11, 8 a.m. This is an in-depth, never done before tour of the historic forts, fortified homes and sites that formed the defensive perimeter around Fort Rensselaer (Fort Plain). Site visits will include Fort Failing, Fort Ehle, Fort Clyde, Fort Plank, Fort Rensselaer, Fort Kayser, Fort Paris, Fort Nellis, Fort Klock and more. The lunch stop will be at the Fort Plain Museum.

**Bus Tour #2:** "Stone Arabia & Klock's Battlefields, 240 Years Later" - Friday, June 12, 8 a.m. This is an in-depth, never done before tour of the Stone Arabia and Klock's Battlefield Historic Sites. This detailed tour of the Stone Arabia Battlefield will follow the avenues of approach, view battle areas, visit the historic churches burned in battle and the sites of Forts Kayser and Paris, several farms that were burned. We will stop at the Palatine Church that was spared the torch.

Similar stops are also planned for Klock's Battlefield. A lunch stop will be included.

Bus tours include admissions to all historic/museum sites, lunch and a tour booklet. Both bus tours will pick up and drop off at the college, located at 2805 NY-67, Johnstown, parking lots B and C.

### Fundraiser Dinner

"American Revolutionary War Battlefield Preservation" - Saturday, June 13, the Bridge Walk at the Perthshire, 112 Perthshire Dr., Amsterdam, at 5:30 p.m.

Robert A. Selig will present "In the Morning We Began to Strip and Bury the Dead: A Context for Burial Practices During the American War for Independence" beginning at the conclusion of dinner. The dinner includes a choice of three entrees (including a vegetarian option) with sides, salad and dessert. There will also be a cocktail hour with cash bar.

### Living History & Genealogy

On Friday, June 12, visit various Mohawk Valley historic sites/museums for living history demonstrations and genealogy-related talks. Genealogy information will be available for viewing. More information will be posted soon.

### Conference Registration

There are several ways to register:

- Register online (credit card and processing fees apply) at [tinyurl.com/vm-vyuay](https://tinyurl.com/vm-vyuay)

- Register by mail: Visit [tinyurl.com/w7uq2xt](https://tinyurl.com/w7uq2xt) for 2020 Conference Registration Form

- Register by email: [brianm248420@hotmail.com](mailto:brianm248420@hotmail.com)

- Register by phone at 518.774.5669





## 45th Annual Antiques in Schoharie set for March 21-22

Spring is just around the corner and we all have cabin fever! Mark your calendars for March 21 and 22 for the 45th Annual Antiques in Schoharie at 136 Academy Dr., Schoharie. On Saturday from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., the Schoharie Central School will be bursting with treasures of all kinds

which 100 dealers bring in for sale. The show promises to be one of the best so far, with quality offerings gathered from everywhere. Buyers will find clocks, stoneware, textiles, furniture, glass and china, silver and gold, paintings, vintage clothing, jewelry and collectibles of all kinds. There will be homemade chili, macaroni, ham and

cheese, soup, hot dogs, sandwiches and desserts available in the café.

This show is a major fundraiser for Schoharie Colonial Heritage Association supporting its Railroad Museum, the 1742 Palatine House, its children's theatre program and many other on-going activities throughout the year. This show is one of

two that the organization sponsors. Sept. 26 and 27 are the dates for the Fall Antique Show at the Schoharie Valley Railroad Complex at 143 Depot Lane, Schoharie. Mark your calendars. For further information, call show manager Ruth Anne Wilkinson at 518.231.7241 or the SCHA office at 518.295.7505.

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ing privileges restored.

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The library is a member of the Mohawk Valley Library System.

For more information, please call 518.993.4646. The library is located at 19 Willett St., Fort Plain, and is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

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## Littrell one of 14 to win DHIA scholarship

by Courtney Llewellyn

Offering some good news as winter (hopefully) wraps up, the National Dairy Herd Information Association (DHIA)'s Scholarship Committee awarded \$1,000 scholarships to 14 students across the nation. Judges evaluated applicants on scholastic achievements, leadership in school and community activities and responses to DHI- and career-related questions. One of the applicants deemed worthy of an award was Laura Littrell of St. Johnsville, NY.

Littrell said she grew up as a part of her grandparents' 75-head dairy farm,

where they maintain Holsteins. As she got older, she started taking on more responsibilities while also being very active in local FFA and 4-H groups. Today, she has eight of her own cows that she cares for and shows.

"I'm really into pedigrees and genetics and reproduction," she said. That interest led to her becoming an animal science major, concentrating in dairy, at SUNY Cobleskill. This autumn, however, she'll be transferring to finish her degree at Cornell University.

"My education shows me all the benchmarks for this

industry. I'm always learning new things," Littrell said. "And I'm always making new connections and friends."

She said she was definitely excited to learn she had won one of the scholarships from DHIA, as it is a highly competitive, nationwide program. The other winners this year hail from New York, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Iowa and California.

"I definitely want to go into the dairy industry after graduation," Littrell stated. "I can't imagine doing anything else. I hope to keep breeding good animals and I plan to stay involved with other organizations once I age out of the ones I'm currently involved with."

Money generated from the annual National DHIA Scholarship Auction primarily funds the scholarship program. Investments and donations also help build the fund. Proceeds from "The Big Book of Moo" sales support the scholarship program as well (see

Moo.CartoonistBook.com). Those interested can donate to the National DHIA Scholarship Fund by con-

tacting Leslie Thoman at 608.848.6455 ext. 108 or lthoman@dhia.org.

On July 1, the 2021 Na-

tional DHIA Scholarship application will be posted at [dhia.org/scholarship.asp](http://dhia.org/scholarship.asp).



Laura Littrell of St. Johnsville, NY, was one of 14 winners nationwide of a DHIA scholarship. Photo courtesy of Laura Littrell



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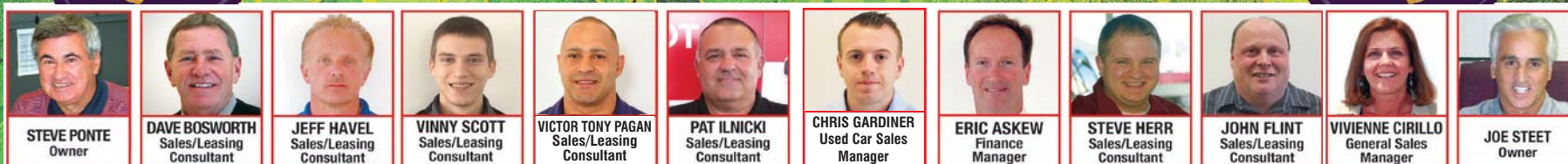
tions about pensions and retirement-related issues.

The availability of volunteers that work with these programs can vary based on the amount of certified individuals with tax law expertise in a given area. As a result, anyone hoping to take advantage of these services should consider contacting these programs well in advance of the deadline to file their returns.

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R128	2019	Toyota	Camry SE	5K	\$24,990	<b>\$370</b>
R126	2019	Toyota	Camry SXE	6K	\$26,990	<b>\$402</b>
P2275	2018	Toyota	Avalon Hybrid Ltd	36K	\$27,990	<b>\$418</b>
20105A	2018	Toyota	Camry XSE	55K	\$22,990	<b>\$337</b>
P2243	2018	Toyota	Corolla SE	44K	\$16,495	<b>\$233</b>
P2252	2017	Lexus	IS-300 AWD	16K	\$27,990	<b>\$418</b>
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20304A	2018	Ram	1500	44K	\$39,990	<b>\$611</b>
20293A	2018	Toyota	Tundra 4WD Crew Plat	33K	\$42,495	<b>\$652</b>
20257A	2018	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500 Crew Z71	27K	\$40,990	<b>\$627</b>
19586A	2018	GMC	Canyon SLT	28K	\$32,990	<b>\$498</b>
P2245	2017	Toyota m	Tacoma SR5 DBL	28K	\$29,990	<b>\$450</b>
20139B	2017	Ram	1500 Rebel	42K	\$34,990	<b>\$531</b>
P2237	2016	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500 DBL LT 71Z	35K	\$29,990	<b>\$450</b>
P2271	2014	Toyota	Tacoma DBL LTD	43K	\$29,990	<b>\$402</b>
20338B	2014	Ford	F-150 S/C	44K	\$19,990	<b>\$370</b>

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Stk#	Year	Make	Model	Miles	Price	Mo. Pymt
R125	2020	Toyota	Sienna LE AWD	6K	\$31,990	<b>\$482</b>
P2250R	2019	Jeep	Cherokee Trailhawk	31K	\$15,990	<b>\$418</b>
20373A	2019	Toyota	Highlander Platinum	15K	\$38,990	<b>\$595</b>
20402A	2019	Nissan	Pathfinder	12K	\$26,990	<b>\$402</b>
20239A	2018	Toyota	4Runner LTD	38K	\$38,990	<b>\$595</b>
20369A	2018	Toyota	Rav4 XLE	14K	\$23,990	<b>\$354</b>
P2169A	2018	Toyota	Expedition Max	38K	\$46,990	<b>WOW!</b>
19633A	2018	Mazda	CX-3	32K	\$21,999	<b>\$322</b>
P2288	2018	Subaru	Forester	23K	\$24,999	<b>\$370</b>
P2272	2017	Toyota	Highlander SE	26K	\$32,990	<b>\$498</b>
P2258	2017	Toyota	RAV4 XLE	44K	\$16,495	<b>\$337</b>
20340A	2017	Toyota	Highlander LTD	58K	\$29,990	<b>\$450</b>
P2287	2017	Ford	Explorer	44K	\$24,990	<b>\$370</b>
P2262	2017	Toyota	Rav4 SE	27K	\$23,495	<b>\$346</b>
P2263	2017	Toyota	Rav4 XLE	37K	\$21,990	<b>\$321</b>
P2246	2016	Lexus	RX 350 PREM	38K	\$31,990	<b>\$482</b>
19692A	2016	Toyota	4Runner Ltd	57K	\$31,990	<b>\$418</b>
19777A	2016	Nissan	Rogue SL	42K	\$18,990	<b>\$273</b>
19814A	2016	Chevy	Trax	84K	\$11,990	<b>\$160</b>
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## Letter to the Editor

This photo shows my dear and beloved friend, Mr. Skip Barshied. Skip passed away peacefully in January in his home in Palatine Bridge, NY. Skip was such an amazing human being who knew so many amazing, wonderful and unique people throughout all of Upstate New York and elsewhere.

I met Skip 20 years ago when my husband and I moved upstate to Palatine Bridge, also known as Stone Arabia. Standing behind me in the photo is another amazing gentleman, Mr. Joe Fowler. Skip introduced me to Joe. What all three of us had in common was that we loved art, antiques, collectibles and history. That is what brought all three of us together as neighbors and then close friends. I cannot say for sure but I believe that Skip had some of the most collectible antiques, art and historical artifacts in all of Upstate New York. When we first met it was at my 19th century general store and folk art gallery on my property in Palatine Bridge. Skip really seemed to love some of the work I made and said there were several people that he wanted me to meet. He would call me often to see if I'd go with him to homes of people who wanted to meet me and know more about my work. He introduced me to museum curators, writers, antique dealers, art collectors and old time farmers, just to name a few. He would also take me to his second property that to me was like a historical 18th century village that reflected what it was like to live and work in the early 18th century. He selflessly shared so many wonderful experiences with me, too many to mention, too many to count.

When this photo was taken, it would be the last time I'd get to spend with him, as the next day he peacefully passed away. I was shocked that he insisted that both Joe and I take a picture with him along with a 3-D folk art story I had given to him as a gift many years ago. He told me that he loved me and that he appreciated our 20 years of friendship and also that he wanted to take a photo of both Mr. Fowler and myself and the hand-framed folk art story quilt that he wanted Joe to receive as a gift from him.

Skip told us that he wanted the story of our art, antiques, collectibles, stories and friendship to be shared in the local newspapers because this kind of history is extremely important and should be recorded for future generations. In honor and in memory of a truly unique, intelligent, kind and special local historian I have done what he asked me to do. Both Joe and I have contacted a well-known newspaper in Upstate New York to tell the story of a man who the world should know about, a man who offered so many different people from all walks of life a story about American history, including the story of slavery in Upstate New York, one that he asked me to share to the world for posterity.

So long, my beloved friend. I loved you just as you did me. I will deeply miss you. You've contributed so much joy and meaning to my life and I thank you from the depth of my heart. Rest in peace, beloved friend and neighbor, Mr. Skip Barshied. Amen.

**Richard and Denise E. Allen, Palatine Bridge, NY**



## Good Housekeeping

### Italian Deli Salad

- 1 medium head romaine lettuce
  - 6 oz thinly sliced salami
  - 5 oz sharp cheddar cheese
  - 4 oz Provolone cheese, thinly sliced
  - 3 small (about ¾-lb) tomatoes
  - 2 tbsp red wine vinegar
  - 1 tbsp olive oil
  - 2 tsp Dijon mustard
  - 1 jar (6-oz) sweet fried peppers with onions
1. Cut romaine lettuce crosswise into ½-inch strips. Cut salami into thin strips. Cut cheddar cheese into ½-inch cubes. Cut Provolone into thin strips. Cut each

tomato into 8 wedges.

2. In large bowl, with wire whisk or fork, mix red wine vinegar, olive oil and Dijon mustard. Add romaine lettuce, salami, cheddar cheese, Provolone cheese, tomatoes and sweet fried peppers with their oil; toss to mix. Spoon salad onto 4 dinner plates. Serves 4.

\* Each serving: About 530 calories, 42g total fat, 85mg cholesterol, 1,135mg sodium.

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## Division of Consumer Protection urges New Yorkers to be aware of novel coronavirus scams

### Scammers using fake novel Coronavirus phishing emails to target consumers online

The New York State Division of Consumer Protection (DCP) is alerting consumers about scammers taking advantage of fears surrounding the novel coronavirus. Scammers are using fake emails that contain harmful links designed to steal your personal information. While the New York State Department of Health, which is the medical authority on novel coronavirus in the state, has recently stated there are no confirmed cases of the novel coronavirus anywhere in New York, people should still be on the lookout for scammers looking to take advantage of public fears surrounding this issue.

"Unscrupulous scammers are taking advantage of the news of the novel coronavirus by trying to lure people into unknowingly providing their personal information," said Secretary of State Rossana Rosado. "Taking the necessary precaution to avoid coronavirus scams can help protect your hard-earned money and your identity."

"While the novel coronavirus is infecting people throughout the world, in New York State we have had no confirmed cases," said Commissioner of the New York State Department of Health Dr. Howard Zucker. "Unfortunately, the Internet is loaded with misinformation, but simple, proven precautions like washing your hands and staying indoors when you feel sick will help prevent the spread of infection all year."

Scammers are using fake emails that claim to have information on novel coronavirus updates and include an interactive link where you can

look up the numbers of cases near you and more. The links, however, are harmful and redirect to web pages that steal your information instead of providing you with important updates.

DCP provides the following tips to protect yourself from novel coronavirus scams, and similar scams that typically arise with a major global event:

Don't click on links from sources you don't know. It could download a virus onto your computer or device. Make sure the anti-malware and anti-virus software on your computer is up to date.

Be aware of emails coming from unknown senders. Watch for emails claiming to be from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) or experts claiming to have information about the virus. For the most up-to-date information about the coronavirus in New York State, visit the New York State Department of Health website.

Ignore online offers for vaccinations. If you see ads touting prevention, treatment, or cure claims for the novel coronavirus, ask yourself: if there's been a medical breakthrough, would you be hearing about it for the first time through an ad or sales pitch?

Be aware of emails asking for donations. Do your homework when it comes to donations, whether through charities or crowd funding. Don't let anyone rush you into donating. If someone wants donations in cash, by gift card, or by wiring money, don't do it.

Be alert to "investment opportunities." The S. Securities and Exchange

Commission (SEC) is warning people about online promotions, including on social media, claiming that the products or services of publicly-traded companies can prevent, detect, or cure coronavirus and that the stock of these companies will dramatically increase in value as a result.

New York State is closely monitoring the novel coronavirus, which was detected in China. While there are thousands of cases there, no one has been diagnosed with this new coronavirus in New York State. For up to date information on the coro-

navirus, visit the New York State Department of Health website or call the Novel Coronavirus Hotline at 1.888.364.3065.

The New York State Division of Consumer Protection serves to educate, assist and empower the state's consumers. For more consumer protection information, call the DCP Helpline at 800.697.1220, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.

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# Dining, Entertainment & Celebrations

## 7 ways to make guests more comfortable when entertaining



Many people enjoy opening their homes to friends and family. Entertaining can include everything from backyard barbecues to hosting formal dinner parties to providing overnight accommodations. While each of those things is different, hosts always want to ensure their guests are as comfortable as possible, regardless of which style of gathering they're hosting.

Hosts can use these seven strategies to help guests feel at home.

1. Consider the details. Does your guest like chocolate covered almonds? Does he or she prefer a certain genre of music? Take note of the specific details that make the guest tick, and then incorporate them into your entertaining plans.

2. Ready the space. Not everyone has a full-fledged guest room, but that doesn't mean you can't create a welcoming and private retreat for guests. Turn a home office into an overnight area with a pull-out couch or even a dressed-up air mattress with high-quality linens.

3. Anticipate guests' needs. Think like a concierge when hosting at home. Have extra toothbrushes, antiperspirant, mouthwash, and

a phone charger at the ready. Is your guest a reader? Keep a few selections nearby or a book of puzzles so they can stay busy during their downtime.

4. Keep dietary needs in mind. Guests have different palates and preferences, but some may have serious food allergies as well. Ask in advance if any guests have food allergies so you can ensure that any meals served are not just delicious, but also safe and healthy.

5. Keep pets at bay. Guests may not be as enamored with pets as their hosts. If you know a guest has an allergy or an aversion to pets, keep the animals away as much as possible.

6. Freshen the home. Take inventory of your home in its current state and make some minor improvements. Add some interior lighting, clean the bathrooms, create some extra seating, and freshen up with some flowers to make for a welcoming environment.

7. Prepare a special meal. Give guests a sensational meal they're not likely to forget. This can mean indulging a little with sourced ingredients, home cooking and a good bottle of wine.

Comfort should always be a priority when readying a home for guests.



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## Throw a successful restaurant party

People who love to entertain but don't have the space to do so at home often take their love of hosting to nearby restaurants. While much of the work on the day of the party is likely to be performed by restaurant staff, hosting a gathering at a local establishment has its challenges, particularly in regard to planning.

It's easy to focus solely on the cost of hosting a restaurant party, as that's likely to be the foremost consideration for hosts. And it's wise for hosts to develop a budget for their parties while also considering other ways to make their get-togethers successful.

### On-site expenses

When shopping restaurants and other venues, ask the establishment managers to give a thorough rundown of proposed expenses. Get all estimates in writing so they can be easily compared. The financial management resource The Balance says that common venue expenses can include room rental, food and beverages, security deposit, insurance needs, valet parking, taxes/gratuities, and other add-ons. These add-ons can include plating fees for cakes made off-premises or corkage fees for host-supplied wine.

### Explore entertainment

Mingling and conversation are part of restaurant parties, but hosts can facilitate even more guest interaction by planning entertainment for the party. Discuss with the venue whether hired musicians or other entertainers are permissible. Something as low-key as a table-side sleight-of-hand magician or a tarot card reader who can offer psychic intrigue may be fun.

### Personalize the menu and space

Decorate the venue within reason, and abide by the rules of the house. Decorations may include festive balloons, ribbons or chair covers or colorful flowers or centerpieces, and take-aways for guests.

Discover if you can work with the chef to curate a special menu. This helps the kitchen staff immensely because they'll only have a set number of dishes to prepare rather than having to make foods off the larger menu all at once, says the food, home and wellness site MyDomaine. Family-style appetizers also are effective. Print out custom menus with the event title on top, or ask if the restaurant can make them.

### Decide on bar service

Alcoholic refreshments can quickly consume a budget, so frugal hosts might need to reign in expenses in the this department. Wine and spirits can be expensive if they're not included in the restaurants price-fixed party package. It's perfectly

acceptable to offer some carafes of wine or pitchers of beer on the table and ask guests to pay for their own specialized drinks.

If you do not opt for a full open bars, ask the wait staff explain to guests what is and isn't included before they order.

Make parking accessible

Selecting a venue with on-site parking or valet service can make things more convenient for guests.

A few simple strategies can help hosts the navigate the process of hosting parties at restaurants.

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Categories include a 5K, 10K, 2-mile walk and kids "Little Loop." New this year is the addition of the Family 2-Mile Walk category for a special price of \$25. It includes one race t-shirt per family. Complete race information and pre-registration are available at [www.richfieldspringscommunitycenter.org](http://www.richfieldspringscommunitycenter.org) or [www.runsignup.com/RSCC](http://www.runsignup.com/RSCC). Participants may also register on race day from 8 - 9:30 a.m. at the Vet's Club, 13 Lake Street.

The kids "Little Loop" begins at 9:30 a.m., 10K starts at 9:45 a.m., 5K and 2-mile walk (including Family 2-Mile Walk) begin at 10 a.m. The races begin on Lower Lake Street. Participants will return to the Vet's Club for the awarding of trophies, drawing of door prizes, special raffles and a 50/50 raffle. Free snacks for everyone! A complimentary draft beer will

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More information regarding this event, contact the event coordinator, Bill Kosina at 315.749.3286 or e-mailing [bill@richfieldzone.org](mailto:bill@richfieldzone.org)

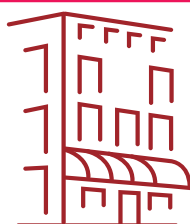
For more information regarding the Richfield Springs Community Center and its programs, contact the Center at 315.858.3200. Check out our website at [www.richfieldspringscommunitycenter.org](http://www.richfieldspringscommunitycenter.org) and like us on Facebook at Richfield Springs Community Center.

## Ames Museum announces 2020 schedule

The Village of Ames Museum has announced its schedule of events for 2020. The museum is looking for 5K runners/walkers and vendors for its Sept. 19 festival. Vendor spaces are free. People interested in participating in the festival activities may contact the museum at 518.673.5820 or @amesmuseum or [www.amesmuseum.weebly.com](http://www.amesmuseum.weebly.com). All events listed below are from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Upcoming events include:

- April 4: Museum open to visitors and Easter Egg Hunt. Easter Egg Hunt at noon.
- May 2: Museum open to visitors. Moms receive a flower.
- June 6: Museum open to visitors. Book sale.

- July 11: Museum open to visitors.
- Aug. 15: Museum open to visitors. Book sale.
- Sept. 19: Ames Museum Summer's End Festival. 5K run/walk begins at 9 a.m. The festival is 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Come browse through the vendor spaces and tour the museum.
- Oct. 3: Museum open to visitors. Book sale.
- Nov. 7: Museum open to visitors from 9 a.m. - noon. Museum closes for the season.
- Dec. 2: Christmas Tree Lighting. The Village of Ames will have its tree lighting at 6 p.m. in front of the museum. Refreshments to follow at the fire station.



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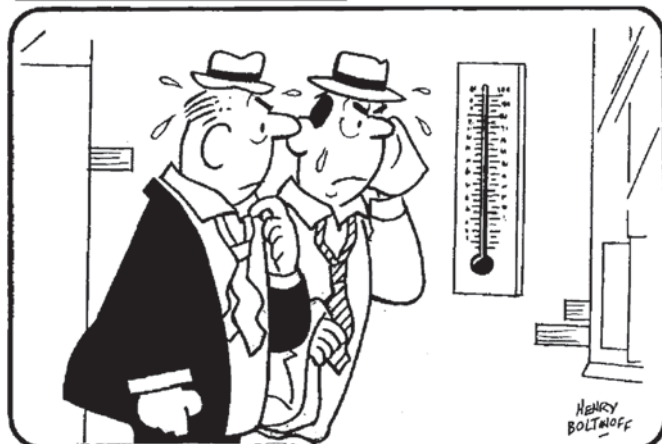
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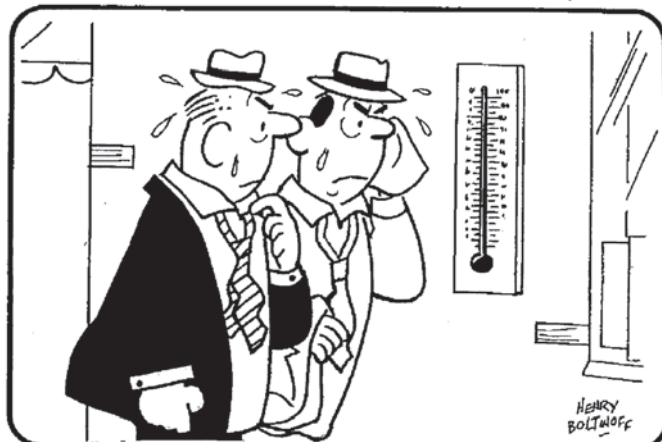


# HOCUS-FOCUS

BY  
HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

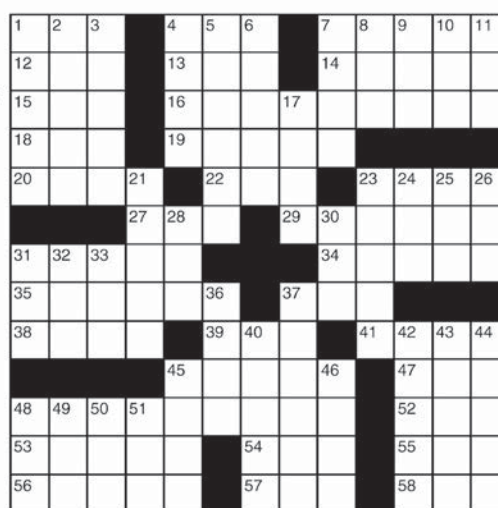


Differences: 1. Droplet is added. 2. Ties are swapped. 3. Step is missing. 4. Buttons are added. 5. Temperature is higher. 6. Awning is different.

## ACROSS

- 1 TGIF part
- 4 Bing's buddy
- 7 Block the flow
- 12 Just out
- 13 "Hail!"
- 14 Become one
- 15 Meadow
- 16 High-flying tourist
- 18 \$ dispenser
- 19 Soviet cooperative
- 20 Genius
- 22 Decorate
- 23 Boast
- 27 Discoverer's cry
- 29 Weaken, in a way
- 31 Nary a soul
- 34 Star in Orion's left foot
- 35 "Now" or "never"
- 37 Drench
- 38 TV dinner veggies
- 39 "Go, team!"
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- 45 Rescues
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## King Crossword

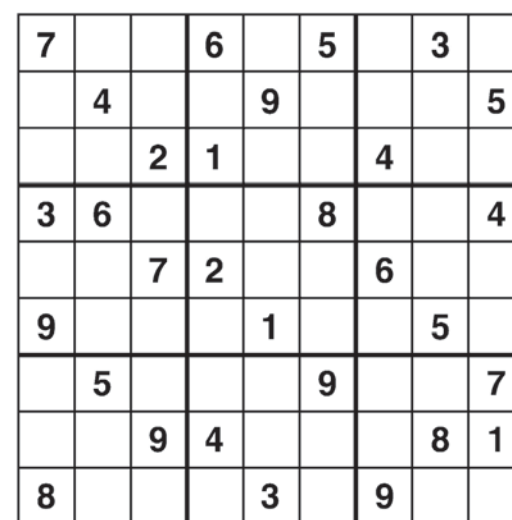


- 54 Hockey surface
- 55 Superlative ending
- 56 That is (Lat.)
- 57 "Ben-Hur" author Wallace
- 58 Vast expanse
- Grable
- 7 One-on-one fight
- 8 Pismire
- 9 Bay State sch.
- 10 Multipurpose truck
- 11 Apiece
- 17 Start a garden
- 21 Regions
- 23 All-out attack
- 24 Carpet
- 25 Consumed
- 26 Solidify
- 28 That woman
- 30 Anger
- 31 Siesta
- 32 Praise in verse
- 33 Eggs
- 36 Unruly kid?
- 37 From what place
- 40 Use
- 42 Church recesses
- 43 Din
- 44 Busybody
- 45 Old card game
- 46 Distort
- 48 Tackle moguls
- 49 Scuttle
- 50 Exist
- 51 Scale notes

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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**WINTER SPORTS!** See if you can guess which toss clobbered Paul's opponent. You only get one try.

The third toss.  
Answer:

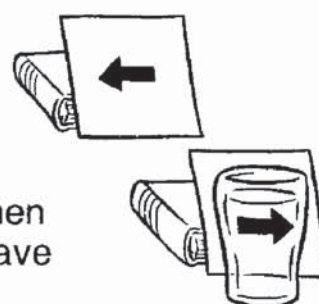
**A PROBLEM FOR THE WIDE AWAKE PUZZLER!** See if you can rearrange the following letters to form a common word. Lots of coffee will help you answer this one.

EEEELLNPSSSS

Answer: Too much coffee will give you SLEEPLESSNESS, the word we're looking for.

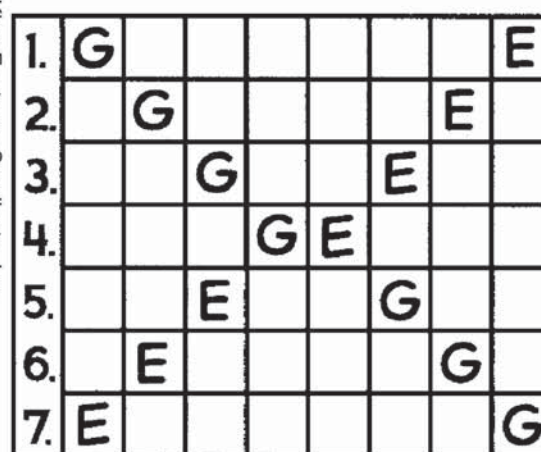


**THE FLIPFLOP ARROW!** Here's a neat way to stump your friends. On a square of cardboard draw a one-inch arrow pointing to the left. Bet anyone that you can make the arrow point to the right without touching the card or moving the table. Secret: Fill a tall clear glass with water and place it about two inches in front of the card. Now, when you look at the arrow, through the glass, it will appear to have flipped and point.



## Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend



Illustrated by David Coulson

### FIND THE BIG WORDS?

USING THE definitions and anagrams below, you must find the seven eight-letter words that fit into the framework pictured on the left. The letters in the two anagram words, for each definition, must be unscrambled and used to form the word asked for.

- | DEFINITIONS:             | ANAGRAMS:   |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| 1. Used in jewelry       | song + meet |
| 2. Disturbed or upset    | date + gait |
| 3. A bone connector      | game + lint |
| 4. Harried or pestered   | deed + grab |
| 5. An adolescent         | tear + gene |
| 6. Something passed down | gate + hire |
| 7. Giving more           | grin + cone |

Answers: 1. Gemstone. 2. Agitated. 3. Ligament. 4. Badgered. 5. Teenager. 6. Heritage. 7. Encoring.



## Now Here's a Tip

by JoAnn Derson

• "Loosen a stuck ring by putting a little bit of butter on your finger to help it slide." – D.F. in West Virginia

• If you've gone up or down a size, please consider donating your suits or dress clothes to the organization Dress for Success. It gives busi-

nesswear for interviews to women who could not otherwise afford it, helping them to look the part so that they can get the part!

• **DIY Hand Pampering:** Mix together 2 tablespoons of olive oil, ¼ cup milk, ½ cup brown sugar and ¼ cup honey. Soak hands in mixture for 2 minutes, then rinse and dry hands.

• How to pack a suit-

case: Roll pants and tops, adding to suitcase first, toward the handle side. Then add heavy items (shoes, boots) toward the wheel end. Make sure you choose the right size case for the trip; too much room will cause items to shift around. You can always throw in a light jacket if you have the space.

• In a pinch, you can use toothpaste to scrub your

faucet in the bathroom.

• Have unexpected company? For a quick, clean look, vacuum the floors and take care of these four things: the bathroom, dishes in the sink, piles of junk on tables or counters and an overflowing trash can. Your house will look great.

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1 package (8-oz, 2 cups) shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese  
2 cups all-purpose flour  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup shortening or butter-flavor shortening  
1 large egg  
1 container (15-oz) part-skim ricotta cheese  
1 container (7-oz) refrigerated pesto sauce  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp ground black pepper  
1 tbsp grated Parmesan cheese, (optional)

1. In saucepot, prepare macaroni as label directs, using 2 teaspoons salt in water. Drain macaroni; return to saucepot. Stir in marinara sauce and 1 cup shredded mozzarella; set aside.

2. Meanwhile, in large bowl, combine flour and  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt. With pastry blender or two knives used scissor-fashion, cut in shortening until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. With fork, stir in 4 to 5 tablespoons cold water just until mixture holds together. Shape dough into a ball; set aside.

# top ten

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**Source:** American Council on Exercise

# Good Housekeeping

3. In cup, lightly beat egg; reserve 1 tablespoon beaten egg for brushing on crust later. Place remaining egg in medium bowl; stir in ricotta cheese, pesto sauce and pepper.

4. On lightly floured surface, with floured rolling pin, roll two-thirds of dough into rectangle 2 inches larger all around than inverted 11-by-7-inch glass baking dish. Gently ease dough into baking dish, allowing dough to hang over edge.

5. Sprinkle remaining 1 cup mozzarella cheese over bottom of dough in baking dish. Top with half of pesto mixture, all of macaroni mixture, then remaining pesto mixture.

6. Heat oven to 400° F. Roll remaining dough into

12-by-8-inch rectangle; lift onto top of pie. Fold overhang under and pinch to form stand-up edge; flute. Cut slits in top of crust to allow steam to escape during baking. Brush top of pie with reserved egg; sprinkle with grated Parmesan cheese.

7. Bake pie 40 to 45 minutes until crust is golden brown and filling is hot. Serves 8.

\* Each serving: About 800 calories, 42g total fat, 63mg cholesterol, 730mg sodium.

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## Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



## This Week's Holidays

March 14 – Learn About  
Butterflies Day

March 15 – Dumbstruck  
Day

March 16 – Giant  
Panda Bear Day

March 17 – Corned  
Beef & Cabbage Day

March 18 – Goddess  
of Fertility Day

March 19 – First  
Day of Spring

March 20 – International  
Earth Day

## To Your Good Health

by Keith Roach, M.D.

### 'Cotton ball' sensation is a sign of neuropathy

**Dear Dr. Roach:** I'm a 63-year-old male diagnosed with chronic myelogenous leukemia, Type 2 diabetes and coronary heart disease. I am 5 feet, 11 inches and weigh 240 pounds. I have two stents and take Sprycel for the CML. My levels are good, and the coronary disease is under control.

For a few years I've had what feels like "cotton balls" under the skin in the area of the balls of my feet. Now it feels like it's migrating to the arch. While not too uncomfortable, it is almost impossible to walk barefooted. Some type of foot covering is needed to keep from noticing the feeling. My doctor says it's the diabetes, and to lose weight or see a podiatrist. Other than losing the weight, do you have any opinion about this? – N.M.

**Answer:** Cotton-ball sensation is one way that many people describe the beginning of neuropathy, a general term for a variety of different conditions that affect the nerves of the body.

In a person with cancer (like CML, chronic myelogenous leukemia, a cancer of the bone marrow) and a new symptom, it is always wise to consider whether it could be due to the cancer, the treatment for the cancer or from something else. In your case, usually CML is not associated with neuropathy. However, the medicine you are taking, dasatinib (Sprycel), has been associated with a severe kind of reversible neuropathy. I read the case reports of this condition carefully, and I doubt that is what is going on with you, as the symptoms you have are different from those reported.

People with longstanding diabetes frequently develop a particular disease

of the nerves, diabetic neuropathy. This almost always begins with sensation changes in the feet. I agree with your doctor that diabetes is the most likely cause.

Seeing a podiatrist is absolutely a good idea. They can test you for this condition (usually a careful physical exam will make the diagnosis), in addition to looking carefully for any early signs or risk factors for injury or infection. You also should learn how to do a daily inspection of your feet and recognize the signs, so you can get to medical attention promptly should any damage to your feet occur. The podiatrist will make sure you have appropriate footwear.

Many people with diabetes benefit from weight loss, but the important thing is to be sure your diabetes is under good control. This is achieved through good diet, regular exercise and medication, if needed, in addition to weight loss in people who are overweight.

**Dear Dr. Roach:** Due to cancer, my prostate was removed about seven years ago. My PSA reading has increased since 2012 from 0.09 to 0.304. Should I be concerned? I am 78 years old and in relatively good health. – B.D.

**Answer:** PSA readings can go up and down, but a threefold increase could mean that the cancer is coming back, and you should see the specialist taking care of your prostate cancer to discuss getting additional testing.

Not having disease for seven years after treatment is a good sign, but the PSA test is pretty specific for cancer recurrence if two separate readings are above 0.2. You may need additional therapy, but only further investigation will show how concerned you need to be.

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## Senior News Line

by Matilda Charles

### What makes us happy?

What makes us happy as we get older? Below are the results of an informal poll of seniors at the local coffee shop.

- Having enough income. It turns out that many who are living only on Social Security can have enough to make it through the month if they made wise decisions before retiring. Paying off the mortgage is a big one.

- Being listened to, or at least not being disregarded. There's something about aging that seems to make us melt into the background, and if we have opinions or comments, people don't always listen. Medical staff seem to rank very high on this list of people who really aren't listening. Being heard is important.

- Freedom. This comes in many forms. It might mean continuing to drive; it might mean watching only what we want on television.

- Having a social life. For some of us that might mean being part of a group

that meets regularly. For others it might mean talking to friends on the phone daily.

- Laughing. Finding something amusing every day ranked high on the list of what makes us happy. Sometimes it was reading the next page of a joke-a-day calendar. Sometimes it was talking to a friend who had a great, skewed view of the world.

- Having a reason to get up every day. Whether it's a hobby, a good book or a social gathering, having a reason to look forward to the next day was key.

And what does it mean if we're happy? A study monitored 3,000 seniors over the course of eight years to see how happiness impacted physical function. Researchers found that happy people decline more slowly. Conversely, unhappy people were three times more likely to develop health problems.

Where do you fall on the happiness spectrum?

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# Moments In Time

## The History Channel

- On March 22, 1765, in an effort to raise funds to pay off debts, the British government passes the Stamp Act. It levied a direct tax on all materials printed for commercial and legal use in the colonies, from newspapers and pamphlets to playing cards and dice.
- On March 21, 1804, the Napoleonic Code is approved in France. The Code strengthened the authority of men over their families, deprived women of any individual rights and reduced the rights of illegitimate children. All male citizens also were granted equal rights under the law, but colonial slavery was reintroduced.
- On March 17, 1834, Gottlieb Daimler is born in Germany. In 1885, he and Wilhelm Maybach developed a new version of the four-stroke internal-combustion engine, which they attached to a wooden bicycle, creating the world's first motorcycle.
- On March 20, 1852, Harriet Beecher Stowe's anti-slavery novel, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," is published. The novel was so widely read that when President Abraham Lincoln met Stowe, he reportedly said, "So this is the little lady who made this big war."
- On March 16, 1903, Roy Bean, the self-proclaimed "law west of the Pecos," dies in Langtry, Texas. Bean's claim to fame rested on his often humorous and sometimes-bizarre rulings as a justice of the peace in western Texas during the late 19th century.
- On March 18, 1933, American automaker Studebaker, then heavily in debt, goes into receivership. It eventually rebounded from its financial troubles, only to shut down the assembly line and transition out of the automobile business in 1966.
- On March 19, 1957, Elvis Presley puts a down payment on a home for his parents, a southern Colonial mansion on a 13.8-acre wooded estate. With a \$1,000 cash deposit against a sale price of \$102,500, Elvis Presley agreed to purchase the home called Graceland.

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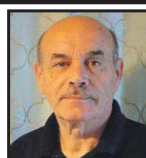
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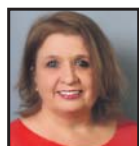
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Located in Town of Danube, we feature this 3 BDRM, 2 full bath ranch style 1999 doublewide that is on a FULL FOUNDATION, on 3 +/- acres, 1 car garage and extra outbuilding with a view. Sellers are motivated come take a look and make us an offer.

#### **NEW 2 FAMILY \$89,900** **4 Smith Ave, Amsterdam**



STELLAR 2 Family home, Ready to Move into or place your own tenants. 1st floor offers 1-2 BDRM Unit, 2nd floor offers 2-3 BDRM unit. Attic is also finished and could be used with the 2nd floor apartment or maybe a 1 BDRM efficiency apartment as it does have a kitchen & bath. Paved Driveway, Sheds included for added storage.

#### **REDUCED \$124,900** **17 Taft Place, Amsterdam**



A completely & beautifully remodeled 3 BDRM home that has a stunning kitchen w/Granite & SS appliances. Nice hardwood floors throughout, New NG furnace & hot water on demand system & Veterans Park is across the street to enjoy. Call **Gretchen Salvione** at (518) 848-1843 to view.

#### **4 UNIT \$179,000** **121 Oakland Ave, Gloversville**



Great investment property that has been completely remodeled in last 4 years and has 4 great tenants. This property can pay for itself in just 5 to 6 years and there is nothing you have to do to the place for years to come! Call **Gretchen Salvione**, NYS Licensed Real Estate Salesperson on her cell at (518) 848-1843

#### **\$218,400** **1329 Ridge Rd, Galway**



Completely Remodeled 3 BDRM, 1.5 Bath Home with a View of Galway Lake. We have a Very Large 2 Car Garage with a Bonus Room Above it for some great storage space. Sellers are willing to buy a 2 YEAR Home Warranty for a purchaser. Seller's are Motivated, Make us an Offer!

#### **\$75,000** **17 Monroe St., Gloversville**



**PENDING**

#### **REDUCED \$80,000** **10 Orange St, Gloversville**



Nice remodeled 3 BDRM, 2 full bath home. We have 2 BDRMS downstairs and 1 upstairs. Full basement, 1 car garage, nice covered porch, granite front steps, new kitchen and new bath on 1st floor as well. Motivated seller, come take a look and make us an offer!

#### **2 FAMILY HOME \$69,900** **82 Second Ave, Gloversville**



Great investment property that is fully rented (Tenants are month to month) with offstreet parking. Beautiful hardwood floors and each unit features 3 BDRMS. Annual taxes are \$2,869. Call **Virginia Mackey** Cell (518) 221-4340 for more details or to view.

#### **NEW 2 FAMILY \$89,900** **141 E. Church St, Ft. Hunter**



This 2 family home is rented with long term tenants. Each unit offers 3 BDRMS, 1 full bath, kitchen & living room. We have a full basement, paved driveway and 2 car garage. Could be a great investment for you or to occupy and have someone pay your mortgage.

#### **NEW LISTING \$240,000** **167 Prospect Ave, Gloversville**



Prestigious 5 BDRM, 4.5 bath beautiful English Tudor home on a corner lot with a 2 car garage, finished basement & finished attic with a fenced yard and in-ground pool. Call **Virginia Mackey**, NYS Licensed Assoc. Broker on her cell at (518) 221-4340 to view

#### **REDUCED \$69,000** **28 Newman St., Gloversville**



Cute 3 bedroom, 1 full bath home situated on the 1st floor with laundry room, SS Appliances, nice backyard that is partially fenced & carport. Call **Katie-Anne Isabella**, NYS Licensed Real Estate Salesperson on her cell at (518) 866-1089 to view.

#### **\$374,900** **111 Fon Clair Terrace, Johnstown**



Stunning Views & a Stellar Family Room with windows on 3 sides to Enjoy that view. We have 3 Large BDRMS, a 2 Car Garage located in Johnstown's Baroni Heights. There is 47+/- Acres here, but seller would entertain selling the home with Less Acres, Price Negotiable, if a purchaser desired.

#### **3 FAMILY \$225,000** **45 Main St, Fultonville**



Stunning, completely remodeled 3 family home with off street parking, quartz countertops, new appliances, 2 units have 2 BDRMS & 1.5 baths and 1 unit has 2 BDRMS with 1 bath. All have laundry hookups. Stellar investment for someone as this pays for itself in less than 6 years.

#### **REDUCED \$549,000 • 143 WEST AMES RD., CANAJOHARIE**



Stunning, Meticulous 119 acre horse farm with a completely remodeled 4 BDRM, 2 full bath home. 15 stall barn w/barn cleaner (easy to convert/ use for any livestock), heated work shop, 2 bay but 4 deep garage, 4 bay machine shed & hunting cabin. 80 acres of organic hay ground, 20 acres of mature woods & 19 acres of fenced pastures. All buildings on this farm are completely renovated! SELLERS ARE MOTIVATED, COME CHECK IT OUT!



#### **\$159,900** **2 E. State St., Johnstown**



This Stately Colonial Home offers 4 BDRMS, 2 full baths, 2 car garage, nice yard, deck & hot tub to enjoy. Newly insulated, sided & painted. Convenient location to walk to restaurants, taverns and shops.

#### **REDUCED \$179,000** **323 Progress Rd, Town of Mayfield**



This ranch sits on 10+/- wooded acres. WE have 2 BDRMS and 2 full baths. The downstairs would be a great option for someone who is looking for an in-law apartment style home since we have a kitchen, living room, full bath and 1 BDRM on both the 1st floor and basement living quarters.

#### **2 FAMILY \$59,900** **152 West St, Gloversville**



Nice 2 Family Home that could be a fabulous owner occupied home or investment. Both Units are available to move into or place your own tenants. Lots of off street parking with 2 driveways and a fenced in yard. Call **Katie-Anne Isabella**, NYS Licensed Real Estate Salesperson on her cell at (518) 866-1089 to view.

#### **Lake Rights at \$109,900** **2220 State Highway 10, Caroga Lake**



MOTIVATED SELLERS! Cute 3 BDRM home w/shared lake rights/access just a few hundred feet away from the home. 1 full bath, 1st floor laundry, 1 car garage, annual taxes are only \$1,555. Call **Katie-Anne Isabella** on her cell at (518) 866-1089 to view.

#### **REDUCED \$169,900** **320 Willie Rd, Town of Johnstown**



We have a super cute 6 year old Home OR Seasonal Get-A-Way Camp/Cottage on 30.40+/- acres that sits back off a long driveway to offer you lots of privacy. Cathedral ceilings, super cozy & there is a large water source to hike to and kayak on or fish. Close to state parks, Pecks Lake, Caroga Lake & Adirondack Park.

#### **New \$83,900** **9 DiGiorgi Lane, Fonda**



Cute 2 BDRM home with a walk up attic that could be finished for a 3rd BDRM if you need the added space. 1 Car Garage under the home, nice backyard and located on a Dead End Street with public water & sewer.

#### **COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL/MIXED USE** **\$75,000 • 13 Main St., Fultonville**



This building could be used for whatever your heart desires. It has 4 offstreet parking spaces and is zoned commercial, residential or mixed use. It has a full basement, been recently remodeled with a kitchen, 1.5 baths, and what could be used as an apartment as well. What a Great Investment!

#### **REDUCED \$179,000** **190 State Highway 161, Amsterdam**



Cute country home with 4 BDRMS, 1 full bath and 2 1/2 baths with 2 car garage, extra large outbuilding, pond & 3 acres situated in the Town of Florida. Just a few minutes to the NYS Thruway and city amenities.

#### **COMMERCIAL \$135,000** **48 S. Main St. Gloversville**



Super Commercial Building/Business Opportunity here. 3 floors of whatever your heart desires. Apartments, retail, office space, daycare facility, dance studio, restaurant, brewery, distillery and so much more. Invest in Downtown Gloversville - Great things are happening here!

#### **SACANADAGA LAKE RIGHTS - \$249,900** **Vandenburg Point Rd, Mayfield**



Stunning 3.3+/- Acre Parcel - Approved Building Lot with 80 Feet to the Sacanadaga Lake taking line that will include a 60 Foot Lake Permit for the buyers. Sellers are willing to hold a private note & mortgage with \$50,000 down, up to 10 years, amortized over 30 years. There are some deed restrictions that apply. This will not last long as there are NOT many BLDG lots on Sacanadaga Lake anymore.

#### **\$69,900** **163 Jackson Summit Rd East, Mayfield**



This fixer upper has 13 +/- acres with it and a large commercial size garage to use. Home offers 3 BDRMS and 2 full baths. Call **Virginia Mackey**, NYS Licensed Assoc. Broker on her cell at (518) 221-4340 to view.

#### **NEW 2 FAMILY \$59,900** **206 S. Melcher St, Johnstown**



Nice Investment Opportunity, long term tenants, lower unit offer 3 BDRMS, upper Unit offer 2 BDRMS, lots of off street parking & large barn/outbuilding for storage. Convenient location. Call **Katie-Anne Isabella** on her cell at (518) 866-1089 to view.

#### **LAND LISTINGS**

4.174 +/- Acres - \$49,900  
 Fox Rd, Providence (Saratoga County)  
 36 +/- Acres - \$40,000  
 State Highway 162, Charleston  
 5.3 +/- Acres - \$25,000  
 Sweet Rd, Johnstown  
 1.8 +/- Acres - \$19,900  
 Mohawk Drive, Tribes Hill

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# FORT PLAIN

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Mr. DiBiase Honored:** The members of the Montgomery County Music Teachers Association recently honored Fort Plain Band Director Pete DiBiase, for his more than 25 years leading the association. As president, Mr. DiBiase has spearheaded the annual All-County music festival each year. He will be stepping down from his association duties, as he retires at the end of this school year. Congratulations to Mr. DiBiase and thank you for your service to all of the music students of Montgomery County!

**Elementary Student Council:** Students are busy preparing for the annual Leprechaun Auction. They decorated their shirts, and are helping all of their fellow students to earn Leprechaun Bucks. Following the auction, the leprechauns will perform tasks for the winners - such as cleaning lockers, carrying books and dumping their lunch trays.

**Elementary Food Drive:**

The Student Council is collecting non-perishable foods such as soups, pastas, peanut butter and dinner kits. All donations will be given to the Emergency Food Pantry at the Reformed Church of Fort Plain. Donations can be given to the classroom teachers, or taken to room 9.

**Water Testing Results:**New York State law requires that all public school districts periodically test their water for lead. Schools must test all water outlets currently or potentially used for drinking or cooking purposes. The results of Fort Plain's district-wide testing are available on the school's website: [www.fortplain.org](http://www.fortplain.org). Contact the district office with any questions, or for more information.

**HHS Students of the Month:**

Laurie Nightingale	Kindergarten
Haley Ostrander	1st Grade
Jacob Dolly	2nd Grade
Gavin Massie	5th Grade
Elle Nare	5th Grade
Isis Hammond	6th Grade

The students and their families were honored with a breakfast and certificates. Congratulations!

**Upcoming Events:**

3/25-3/27	NYS ELA Testing Grades 3-8
3/27- 3/29	Les Miserables at Canjo HS
4/8	Public Budget Hearing/BOE 7:00
4/9	End of 3rd Quarter Marking Period
4/10-4/17	School Closed for Spring Break
4/24	Jr/Sr HS Report Cards Mailed
4/30	Jr/Sr HS Spring Picture Day

**Drama Club to Present "Les Miserables":**  
Friday, March 27th at 7:00 p.m.  
Saturday, March 28th at 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday, March 29th at 7:00 p.m.  
Canajoharie High School

**Admission: Adults \$8**  
**Seniors/Students: \$5**

Tickets are sold at the door  
Les Miserables is presented in two acts  
Refreshments will be sold at intermission

**Elective Fair :**

In late December, the Jr/Sr High School held an Elective Fair, to help students decide which courses to take next school year. Students in grades 8-11 were invited to participate in the fair. Students went from table to table, listening as a teacher from each department gave out information about the many course offerings the students have to choose from. The students are able to review course lists and descriptions, and ask questions to help them determine what they would like to take in the next school year. The Elective Fair also helps the teachers and guidance staff to determine how much interest their in various course offerings. Many students came away feeling like they had a solid direction for next year, and what classes to take to help them further their future goals.

**AR Sandbox Debut:** Mr. Ted Arndt's class at the Jr/Sr High School recently began to use their new Augmented Reality (AR) Sandbox. The large wooden box of sand creates topographic maps, using computer gaming software and a projector. The software projects a map over the sand, showing every little hill, valley and "water" spot. As students manipulate the sand with their hands, the map changes in real time. If sand is moved into a pile, a hill or mountain is formed. If they dig a trench, it will show as a low spot or as a potential water location. Students can move the sand around to determine the best places for building a town or project. Mr. Arndt's students explained that the sand is very fine and white, to better allow the computer graphic to be most visible. They mist the sand with a little coating of water, to make the sand easier to pile up. Several pieces had to come together to operate the system, including a gaming computer with a very large memory and fast processor, an x-box camera, and an LCD projector. The AR Sandbox was made possible with a grant from the Upper Montgomery Retired Teachers Association. The sandbox was constructed by teachers Ted Arndt and Kreig Herother, and the technology pieces were assembled and installed by the class paraprofessional Mike Broady. The students are enjoying showing the project to visitors and students. They are working on a write-up, which explains how the system works and what it can do. They look forward to making some formal presentations to other classrooms.



**Puppets in Education:** The Puppets in Education program stopped at the Harry Hoag School recently, presenting a show called "A Day of Feelings." During the program, students learned about their emotions and how to appropriately handle feeling sad or uncomfortable, while also learning to change a bad day into a good one - making themselves feel both proud and happy instead. Puppets in Education is an offshoot of the Vermont Family Network. It is in its 39th year, serving more than 10,000 children and adults annually to address a range of topics that affect students each day. The program was made possible by a donation from Fucillo Chevrolet of Nelliston, who also donated ten puppets to the schools so that children can continue their creative education.

**Kristy's Closet Opens:** The Jr/Sr High School now has a place there students in need can go to get clothing and toiletries, which are donated by staff and community members. The closet was designed, engineered and then constructed by Kreig Heroth's Technology and Design Class. They measured the available space, and came up with a plan for shelving, bins and hanging racks. Using a computer program allowed them to try different layouts, and see how it would look when it was finished. They eventually determined the most functional design and began the building phase. They built wooden shelves, assembled galvanized clothing racks, and cut out wooden labels for the shelves. "It was the hardest I've ever worked on a project, because I wasn't just building something for myself," junior Storm Lounsberry said. "I'm proud of it. It feels great knowing it will help people." The school is now accepting donations of new and gently-used clothing in all sizes for teens and young adults. Typical items needed would include: jeans, leggings, sweatpants, sweatshirts, t-shirts, and new underwear and socks. The closet also stocks toiletries that some students don't always have regular access to: toothpaste, toothbrushes, soaps and shampoos. "I'm so excited about this opportunity given to me to spearhead this program for our young adults," said Student Conduct Coordinator Kristy McFee, for whom the closet is named. "I attended Fort Plain CSD from third to twelfth grade, and I've lived here all my life. This is something I can give back to the community that I live in." To make a donation of clothing or supplies, contact [kristy.mcfee@fortplain.org](mailto:kristy.mcfee@fortplain.org) or call the school



**All County Festival a Success:** The annual All-County Music Festival was held on February 29th, at the Canajoharie High School. The day long event sees top students from Fort Plain, Canajoharie, Fonda-Fultonville and Amsterdam schools coming together to present both band and choral concerts. The festival performance began with songs from the Elementary Chorus, who performed with big smiles and terrific voices. The Middle School Band featured an outstanding brass section, displayed with a couple of great songs. Up next was the Senior Choir. They were absolutely beautiful, highlighted by a trio of soloists who performed with impeccable harmony. The closing group was the always-popular Senior Band. They began with a rousing John Phillip Souza march, and closed with a selection of songs from Les Miserables. Fort Plain students performed excellently and had a terrific day working with their guest conductors and fellow musicians.