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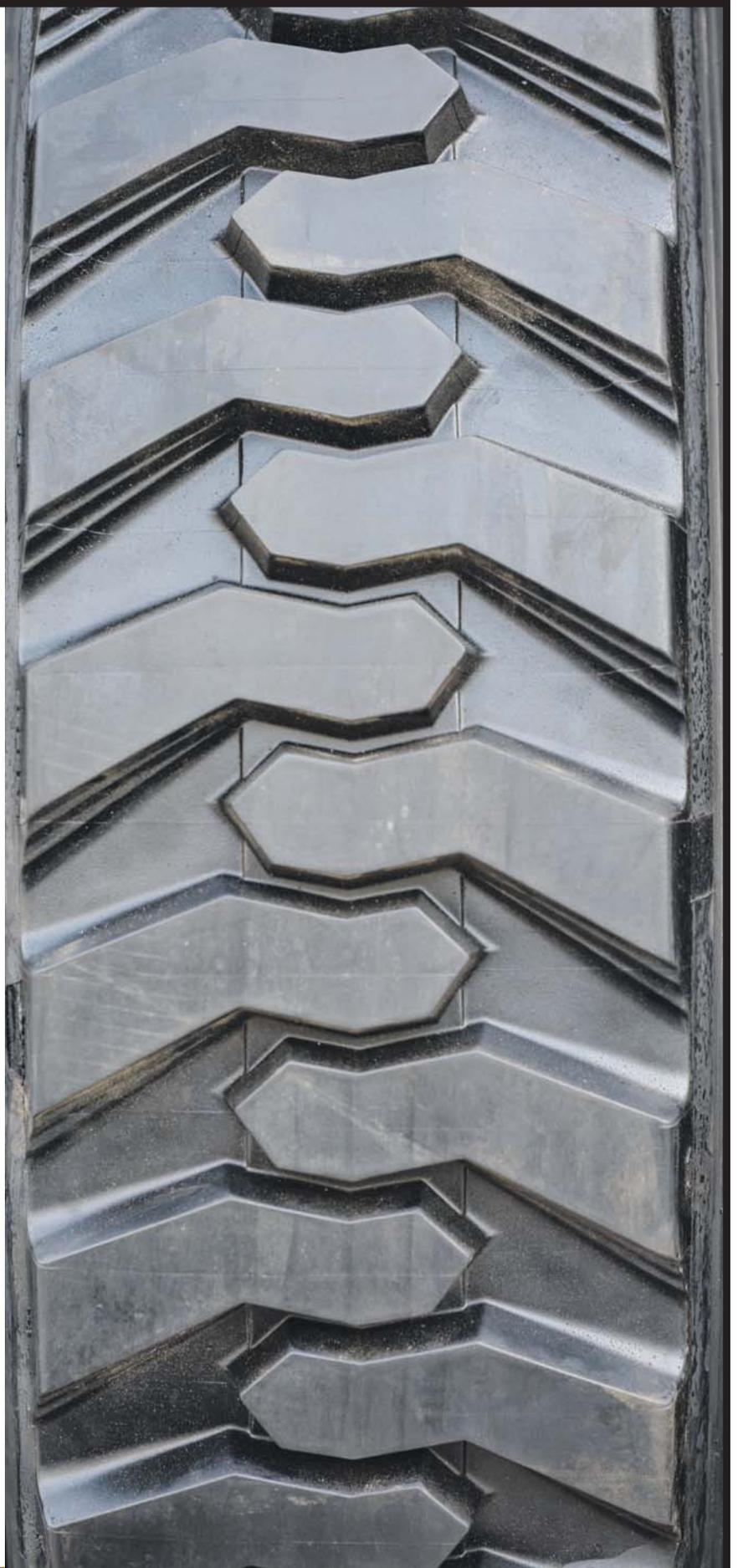
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# Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2019

## Village of Canajoharie

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### INTRODUCTION

To comply with State regulations, the Village of Canajoharie will be annually issuing a report describing the quality of your drinking water. The purpose of this report is to raise your understanding of drinking water and awareness of the need to protect our drinking water sources. This report provides an overview of last year's water quality. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to State standards. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your drinking water, please contact: Mr. Mark Horning, Supt. of Water, 75 Erie Blvd., Canajoharie, NY 13317; Telephone (518) 673-2007. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled village board meetings. The meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month at the Village Office Building, 75 Erie Blvd., Canajoharie, NY 13317 at 6:00 PM.

### WHERE DOES OUR WATER COME FROM?

In general, the sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: microbial contaminants; inorganic contaminants;

pesticides and herbicides; organic chemical contaminants; and radioactive contaminants. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the State and the EPA prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The State Health Departments and the FDA's regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water source is a surface water source consisting of several upland springs. The Hill, Gray, Sand, Young, and Plank Springs comprise the "spring line" in addition to the Sprite Creek which feeds water to our reservoir. The reservoir has a storage capacity of 93 million gallons. The water is filtered at our Slow Sand Filtration plant. The plant consists of three slow sand filters. After passing through the filters the finished water is disinfected by injection of a sodium hypochlorite solution. Water is stored at the Smith Street Reservoir, East Hill Tank, and Palatine Clear well, providing us with 2.63 million gallons of water storage to meet consumer demand and provide adequate fire protection.

The NYS DOH has completed a source water assessment for this system, based on available information. Possible and actual threats to this drinking water source were evaluated. The source water assessment

includes a susceptibility rating based on the risk posed by each potential source of contamination and how rapidly contaminants can move through the subsurface to the springs. The susceptibility of a water supply source to contamination is dependent upon both the presence of potential sources of contamination within the source's contributing area and the likelihood that the contamination can travel through the environment to reach the source. The susceptibility rating is an estimate of the potential for contamination of the source water, it does not mean that the water delivered to consumers is, or will become contaminated. See section "Are there contaminants in our drinking water?" for a list of the contaminants that have been detected. The source water assessments provide resource managers with additional information for protecting source waters into the future.

Our water is derived from several spring sources and a reservoir. Based on the analysis of available information for these spring sources, there are no water quality concerns found in the assessment area. No land cover water quality concerns, permitted discharges, or other discrete facilities were identified in the assessment area using GIS. It should be noted that springs in general can be highly sensitive to petroleum products and solvents. An assessment of the reservoir found no noteworthy risks to source water quality. It should be noted that reservoirs in general are highly sensitive to phosphorus and microbial contaminants. You may obtain a copy of the source water assessment by contacting Village of Canajoharie or N.Y. State Department of Health Herkimer District Office.

*Please note that our water is filtered and disinfected to ensure that the finished water delivered to your home meets New York State's drinking water standards for microbial contamination.*

### FACTS AND FIGURES

Our water system serves approximately 2,300 people through 868 service connections. The total amount of water produced in 2019 was 104,740,733 gallons. The daily average of water treated and pumped into the distribution system was 286,961 gallons per day. Our single highest day was 400,000 gallons.

### ARE THERE CONTAMINANTS IN OUR DRINKING WATER?

As the State regulations require, we routinely test your drinking water for numerous contaminants. These contaminants include: inorganic compounds, nitrate, nitrite, lead and copper, volatile organic compounds, total trihalomethanes, haloacetic acids, radiological and synthetic organic compounds in addition, we test 2 samples for coliform bacteria monthly. The table presented prior depicts which compounds were detected in your drinking water. The State allows us to test for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data, though representative, are more than one year old.

It should be noted that all drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline 800-426-4791 or the New York State Department of Health Herkimer District Office at (315) 866-6879.

### WHAT DOES THIS INFORMATION MEAN?

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We have learned through our testing that some contaminants have been detected; however, these contaminants were detected below the level allowed by the State.

### IS OUR WATER SYSTEM MEETING OTHER RULES THAT GOVERN OPERATIONS?

During 2019, our system was in compliance with applicable State drinking water operating, monitoring and reporting requirements.

### DO I NEED TO TAKE SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS?

Although our drinking water met or exceeded state and federal regulations, some people may be more vulnerable to disease causing microorganisms or pathogens in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care provider about their drinking water. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium, Giardia and other microbial pathogens are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater>.

### INFORMATION ON LEAD

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women, infants, and young children. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your homes plumbing. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Village of Canajoharie is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>

### WHY SAVE WATER AND HOW TO AVOID WASTING IT?

You can play a role in conserving water by becoming conscious of the amount of water your household is using, and by looking for ways to use less whenever you can. It is not hard to conserve water. Conservation tips include:

- Automatic dishwashers use 15 gallons for every cycle, regardless of how many dishes are loaded. So get a run for your money and load it to capacity.
- Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth.
- Check every faucet in your home for leaks. Just a slow drip can waste 15 to 20 gallons a day. Fix it and you can save almost 6,000 gallons per year.
- Check your toilets for leaks by putting a few drops of food coloring in the tank, watch for a few minutes to see if the color shows up in the bowl. It is not uncommon to lose up to 100 gallons a day from one of these otherwise invisible toilet leaks. Fix it and you save more than 30,000 gallons a year.
- Use your water meter to detect hidden leaks. Simply turn off all taps and water using appliances, then check the meter after 15 minutes. If it moved, you have a leak.

### CLOSING

Thank you for allowing us to continue to provide your family with quality drinking water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. The costs of these improvements may be reflected in the rate structure. Rate adjustments may be necessary in order to address these improvements. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community. Please call our office if you have questions at (518) 673-2007.

Table of Detected Contaminants  
Village of Canajoharie Water Works PWS ID#NY2800137

Contaminant	Violation Yes/No	Date of Sample	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	Regulatory Limit (MCL, TT or AL)	Likely source of Contamination
<b>Microbiological Contaminants</b>							
Turbidity (Highest value from 3/28/19) <sup>1</sup>	N	Daily	0.0432 100% < 1.0	NTU	N/A	TT=5.0 TT=95% of samples <1.0 NTU	Soil Run-off
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>							
Chloride	N	04/8/19	25.8	ppm	N/A	250	Naturally occurring or indicative of road salt contamination.
Copper <sup>2</sup> Range of values	N	08/30/18	.36 .02-.40	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits;
Lead <sup>3</sup> Range of values	N	08/30/18	4 ND-18	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Nickel	N	04/8/19	2.2	ppb	N/A	N/A	Discharge from steel mills/ metal factories
Sodium <sup>4</sup>	N	04/8/19	11.5	ppm	N/A	See note 4	Naturally occurring; Road salt; Water softeners; Animal waste.
Sulfate	N	04/8/19	13.9	ppm	N/A	250	Naturally Occurring.
Barium	N	04/8/19	10.7	ppb	2000	2000	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Color	N	04/8/19	2	Units	N/A	15	Large quantities of organic chemicals, inadequate treatment, high disinfectant, demand and the potential for production of excess amounts of disinfectant by-products such as trihalomethanes; Natural color may be caused by decaying leaves, plants, and soil/organic matter.
Odor <sup>5</sup>	N	04/8/19	1	Units	N/A	3	Organic or inorganic pollutants originating from municipal and industrial waste discharges; natural sources
<b>Disinfection Byproducts</b>							
HAA5 [Haloacetic Acids] <sup>6</sup> Range of values	N	1/14/19 4/8/19 7/8/19 10/16/19	15.135 11.64 – 17.2	ppb	N/A	60	By-product of drinking water chlorination
TTHM [Total Trihalomethanes] <sup>6</sup> Range of values	N	1/14/19 4/8/19 7/8/19 10/16/19	17.775 12-23.8	ppb	N/A	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Chlorine Residual (average) range	N	Daily	1.35 0.81 – 1.90	ppm	MRDLG N/A	MRDL 4	Used in the treatment and disinfection of drinking water

### Notes:

- 1-Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system. Level detected represents the highest level detected. Our average turbidity is 0.01 NTU and our lowest level detected was 0.01NTU. The regulations require that 95% of the turbidity samples collected have measurements below 1.0 NTU
- 2 – The level presented represents the 90th percentile of the 10 samples collected. The action level for copper was not exceeded at any of the 10 sites tested.
- 3 – A system must provide information on lead in drinking water irrespective of whether the system detected lead in any of its samples. Lead above 15 ug/l (the Action Level) in more than 5% but fewer than 10% of the sites sampled. The level presented represents the 90th percentile of the 10 samples collected. The action level for lead was exceeded at 1 of the 10 sites tested.
- 4- Water containing more than 20 mg/l of sodium should not be used for drinking by people on severely restricted sodium diets. Water containing more than 270 mg/l of sodium should not be used for drinking by people on moderately restricted sodium diets.
- 5-Odor is measured by this standard procedure has no health effects; although several contaminants exert odors when they are present at levels near their MCLs. Odor is an important quality factor affecting the drinkability of water.
- 6– The average is based on a Running Annual Average. The average shown represents the highest RAA for the 4 quarters in 2019. The highest average for TTHM was the 4th quarter and HAA5 was in the 2nd quarter.

### Glossary

*Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.*  
*Action Level (AL)- the concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment, or other requirements, which a water system must follow.*  
*90th Percentile Value- The values reported for lead and copper represent the 90th percentile. A percentile is a value on a scale of 100 that indicates the percent of a distribution that is equal to or below it. The 90th percentile is equal to or greater than 90% of the lead and copper values detected at your water system*  
*Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.*  
*Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.*  
*Maximum Contaminant Level - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.*  
*Maximum Contaminant Level Goal The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.*  
*Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.*  
*Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination*  
*RAA –The RAA is calculated each quarter by taking the average of the four most recent samples collected.*  
*Treatment Technique (TT)-A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.*  
*N/A-Not applicable*  
*Nephelometric turbidity Unit (NTU): A measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.*

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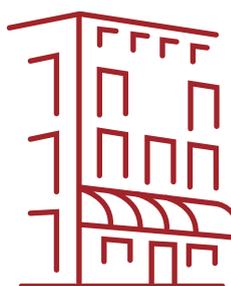
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# Nine tips to make working remotely work for you and your employer

by Jill J. Johnson

The concept of remote working has been around for a long time. Many entrepreneurs have mastered the ability to work virtually, but it is often a major challenge for those who normally work in a busy office setting to shift to working outside their traditional office environment. Working remotely can feel more isolating than mingling with co-workers in an office setting.

Being effective while you work remotely takes more than a mindset shift. It requires a disciplined approach to planning your activities and seeking out opportunities to interact with your co-workers. Here are nine practical tips you can use to make the most of this experience.

1. Establish a Routine: Just as you have a routine in your normal workday, try to mimic this routine as you work in your remote location. Whether it is at your home, an airport, or a coffee shop, following your normal work schedule is vital to feeling like you are really working. Start your workday at the same time. Make sure you get dressed. Wearing your pajamas might be comfortable, but it does not prepare your mind for work. It can become easy to get distracted when you are working in a different environment, so focus on acting like you're still working in a supervised workplace. This approach will help you feel more like you are working.

2. Set up a Dedicated Workspace: Having an area in your home where you do your work is essential to success in working remotely. It is easy to become distracted by the dog, television or the pile of household tasks that need to be completed. When you are in your workspace, you are working. If you combine it with following your normal work times, you can do a better job of staying focused.

3. Convert Commute Time to Learning Time: The time you used to spend on your commute is now extra time that you can use to enhance your value by learning something new. With the plethora of online courses and videos, you can take advantage of this "commute time" to enhance your skills. Even better, you might be able to get a certificate of completion that will make you even more valuable when you get back to a normal office work routine.

4. Take a Lunch Break: One of the most challenging aspects about working remotely is that it becomes easy to just sit at your desk and eat your lunch. In a normal work environment, you have to walk somewhere and often wait a bit to get your food. At home, your lunchtime could drop from an hour to 15 minutes. Use the extra time to get in your workout or engage in some other activity to benefit your health. Giving yourself a

solid break during the day will help reinvigorate you and give you a mental boost.

5. Connect with Others: When you are feeling a little lonely or isolated, take a minute to reach out to someone. Rather than sending a lengthy email, see if a colleague is available to talk live about a project. If they are working remotely too, they might welcome the human contact! Intentional connections like this build team bonds and help sustain you when you are working remotely. It also offers you additional opportunities to dig even deeper into issues and brainstorm alternative solutions to critical issues.

6. Use Video Conferencing: Using technology applications such as video conferencing is a great way to connect people from different locations. It provides a deeper level of connection and engagement than a phone call or text. Don't worry about looking perfect on camera. The key here is using technology to connect with each other. Remote meetings are often very effective, but you need to make sure everyone is focused on the meeting and not multi-tasking! You can even set up regularly scheduled meetings via video conferencing so you can add more structure to your workday.

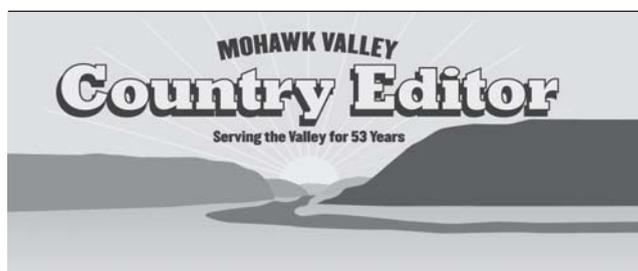
7. Communicate Clearly: If you are now relying on digital communication with your colleagues through email, be sure you are communicating effectively. Sarcasm or snarky comments have no place in written communication as they can be taken out of context without the body language or facial expressions to convey your meaning. Take some time to plan out the structure for your communication. Identify your key messages and what you need to add to support them. This will help you clarify your thinking and be better understood by others when they are only relying on your written communication.

8. Leverage Your Opportunities for Productivity: You will likely discover you are more productive without

all of the interruptions common during an office workday. The lack of interruptions and distractions create additional opportunities for you to be more efficient in completing your normal work responsibilities. But it also offers you the opportunity to be even more productive. Leverage this productivity and tackle that special project you were hoping to get done someday. That someday is now! Just make sure it is a one-off project, not a permanent addition to your job responsibilities.

9. Be Aware of the Time Trap: It is not uncommon for people to feel guilty that they are not working hard enough when working remotely. It is easy to fall into the time trap to seek out additional job responsibilities to fill your time. Keep in mind that you won't have the same opportunities for productivity once you go back to a normal office environment. You and your boss should be clear about this so the extra work does not cause complications when you get back into the work setting.

**Final Thoughts:**  
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## *Statewide Editorial — Small Business Stimulus Proposal (Sales Tax Credit): Week of March 30, 2020*

COVID-19 has completely changed the way we all live.

But along with worrying about keeping themselves and their families healthy, thousands of small business owners across New York state are losing sleep over how to keep this virus from killing the businesses they have worked so hard to build.

At the same time, lawmakers in Albany are trying to craft a budget in the face of plunging revenues. Sales taxes — much of them generated by small business — brought in a whopping \$73.6 billion last year. Our schools, as well as other vital government services, rely on these funds. When a business fails — and too many are on the precipice of failure right now — that sales tax revenue goes, too

We believe a simple pro-

posal could help restart local business and bolster sales tax revenues, but swift action is required by Gov. Andrew Cuomo and the State Legislature.

Small businesses are the backbone of our communities. Everyone wants a thriving downtown where they can shop, eat or go to a movie. The good news is that small businesses have always been engines of innovation and entrepreneurship, and we are seeing that again today as they adapt to the new reality. Local gyms are streaming personal training sessions. Restaurants offer free delivery and online happy hours. Medical practices are expanding their telemedicine capabilities. Car mechanics are making house calls that require no personal contact at all.

Of course, it's vital that

these businesses let potential customers know about their services. That's the role of advertising in all its myriad forms. But advertising costs money, and the sad truth is that advertising is one of the first things small businesses cut when times are tough.

Put yourself in the shoes of a local restaurateur with a stack of bills and very little money coming in. By the time she finishes paying the most urgent bills — rent, food suppliers, payroll — there's not much left for advertising. Whatever stimulus money she gets from Washington or Albany will most likely be needed to keep the door open and the lights on. Yet studies show that how well businesses survive a downturn is in large part determined by whether they continue to market

and advertise during the hard times.

Fortunately, there is a way for Albany to prime the sales-tax pump to keep revenue flowing to both small businesses and state coffers. Let businesses use some of the money they would have sent to Albany, as sales taxes, to market their new offerings. The formula would be simple: Every dollar a small business spends on advertising (up to some reasonable limit) would be a dollar saved off that business's sales tax bill.

It would be a win-win-win. Local businesses would be healthier because the increased advertising would jump-start sales. The state would get more sales tax revenue because local businesses would be selling more. And media companies (like ours) would bene-

fit from the additional ad revenue. We'd like to think that we, too, are vital to the character and strength of our communities, not to mention our democracy. Think for a moment of the critical role that journalists have played in getting vital local information out to your community during this unprecedented crisis.

The Legislature has a lot on its plate right now, and the temptation will be to bury this idea, or to take the shortsighted view that we can't afford to do

it right now. But right now is when it's needed. We've been impressed with Governor Cuomo's levelheaded leadership in this crisis, and we call on him to back this innovative yet simple policy.

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have a major shift in how you work, you can adapt to the situation with practice and focus. Keep in mind that it takes time learning to balance all of the complex aspects of working remotely. Be creative in exploring all your options for maintaining a connection with those you work with. Just make sure you keep your mindset on making a remote situation work for you — and your employer.

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## Village of Canajoharie during the State of Emergency:

In the best interest of Public Health, the Village of Canajoharie has cancelled the following;

- Bulk Item Trash collection originally scheduled for April 29, 2020. *Another collection is planned to take place in the fall.*
- The regular April Board Meeting has been cancelled, but are optimistic for May.
- Village Wide Garage Sale has been postponed until further notice. The Office is closed to the public currently, but someone can help you over the phone at 518-673-5512, or now an intercom at the door during the hours of 9am-12pm Monday-Wednesday. Village brush collection started April 1st and will be the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month. Please continue to check the Village website [www.villageofcanajoharie.org](http://www.villageofcanajoharie.org) and our facebook page for continued updates.

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## COVID-19 (coronavirus) information

There is a lot of information in the media about COVID-19, also known as coronavirus. Information continues to change daily regarding the virus and may be confusing.

Montgomery County Public Health wants you to know that we are in daily contact with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) for the up-to-date information in taking steps in keeping our community safe.

With many diseases, prevention is key. Currently, there is no vaccine to prevent this virus. By taking these simple steps everyone can help stop the spread of this and other respiratory viruses:

1. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If

soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

2. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.

3. Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

4. Stay home when you are sick.

5. Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.

6. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

To learn more or if you have any questions or concerns contact Montgomery County Public Health at 518.853.3531, Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. or visit the NYSDOH website at [health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus](http://health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus).

## Cultivate Something Good – your garden and your well-being

Your yoga classes, meetings, and concerts are canceled. The kids are out of school and you're being encouraged to stay home.

In this time of #Covid-19, here are a few suggestions to cultivate something good.

- Start some seeds. Nothing is more life affirming than checking each morning to see if something sprouted.

- Plan a vegetable garden. Grow the veggies you love the most. Read about which varieties to plant from seeds and which ones are better if you purchase plants. Consult garden blogs and books.

- Plan to grow flowers that make you happy. Suggestions: sunflowers, nasturtiums, zinnias or marigolds. These are #EasyFromSeeds and you can grow many plants for less money.

- "Buy Local" Some garden centers are offering curbside pickup so you can place your order for plants and then pick them up at the store, keeping social distancing in mind but still fulfilling your need to buy plants.

- Redesign the plantings in the front of your house. Research plants that grow well in your area, and make a plan for spring renewal.

- Take an online class about plants or gardens, or watch some YouTube instruction videos.

Learn about seed starting, taking cuttings, or how to grow vegetables.

- Plan an herb garden. What herbs do you like to cook with? Which herbs make the best cocktails or tea? If you don't have in-ground space, grow herbs in pots. #foodies #aromatherapy

- Pull out the garden or plant books you bought in the past and read them... maybe for the first time! Revisit those copies with lovely garden photos and be newly inspired.

- Take a walk in a nearby natural area: woods, field, desert, beach or park. Look closely at leaves, bark, mosses, and flowers. Notice the number of plants that grow in a community. Look up, look down.

- Take this time to groom or repot houseplants. Remove dead leaves, refresh the soil, take cuttings of favorites so that later you can share the wealth with friends.

- Go to on-line seed and plant companies and learn about varieties you're not familiar with. Join plant or garden groups on social media. Search for posts about the flowers and plants you see listed.

- Order a new book about plants or gardens. Once it arrives, hold a #GardenRetreat hour or afternoon. Sip your favorite beverage, read and make a list of garden inspirations.

- What plants remind you of family members or friends? Write those memories down. Consider turning those recollections, along with photos of the plants and people, into a small book that can be passed to others in your family.

- Decide to plant a tree. Research which varieties grow well in your area. Look to see where you have the right amount of space and sunlight.

- Create a new indoor display of plants. Make a row of small pots in bloom on your kitchen counter or the windowsill above your sink. Move an unused side table in front of a window or slider, creating a new place for plants.

- Plan a new group of containers for your deck, porch or patio. Flowers, herbs, and vegetables await your creativity... go for color, fragrance, and flavor.

- Help to get a young person out into the natural world. Plan a garden for your kids or grandchildren. Donate supplies to a local children's garden or school garden.

- Plan a garden vacation. Decide on an area of the country, and research public gardens, national parks, and plant destinations that are in the region.

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## New York State coronavirus resources available

State Sen. James L. Seward (R/C/I-Oneonta) on March 18 announced that several state resources are available in response to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

"We live in unprecedented times due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the landscape changes from moment to moment," said Sen. Seward. "Along with health concerns, there are major economic factors at play and many individuals and businesses are in need of assistance. Several resources have already been announced by the governor, and I will be pushing for additional support to insure our small business owners and work force are able to survive this crisis and thrive when normalcy returns."

For the latest health information regarding the COVID-19, the New York State Department of Health website is updated regularly. You can access the site at [coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home](https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home). A toll-free hotline is also available at 1.888.364.3065.

Information regarding unemployment insurance is available online at [labor.ny.gov/home](https://labor.ny.gov/home) or by calling 1.888.469.7365. New York State is waiving the seven-day wait-

ing period for unemployment insurance benefits for people who are out of work due to coronavirus closures or quarantines.

Empire State Development (ESD) has a special section at [esd.ny.gov/esd-covid-19-related-resources](https://esd.ny.gov/esd-covid-19-related-resources) and has initiated a special online intake portal ([esd.ny.gov/covid-19-help](https://esd.ny.gov/covid-19-help)) for individuals and businesses to relay business-related COVID-19 questions and concerns. Any information or issue submitted through the portal will be routed to the relevant ESD department, enabling the agency to rapidly respond to questions.

The Department of Financial Services (DFS) has consumer and industry information at [dfs.ny.gov](https://dfs.ny.gov). Special sections regarding health, travel and business interruption insurance are included.

"Steps being taken to thwart the spread of coronavirus are necessary. However, we will need to implement a comprehensive strategy to recover economically once the pandemic has passed. I have been in contact with a number of small business owners and will be advocating for several additional steps to address their concerns and make sure employees are back on the job as soon as possible," Seward concluded.

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## To Your Good Health

by Keith Roach, M.D.

### What are the benefits of medical ID tags?

**Dear Dr. Roach:** My question is about medical bracelets and necklaces. I've never seen any recommendations as to what conditions would warrant wearing one nor what the inscription should say. When are they either necessary or beneficial? – D.A.M.

**Answer:** Medical ID tags can be useful. They serve to alert medical personnel of potentially important medical conditions when someone is not capable of providing that information, whether due to temporary incapacity (such as being unconscious in a motor vehicle accident) or permanent disability (such as intellectual disability). In my opinion, the most appropriate use of these tags is when there is a potentially life-threatening medical con-

dition that would not be obvious to emergency medical personnel.

Some examples of these would include anaphylactic reaction to medications or latex; the presence of an illness that can cause temporary disability (epilepsy, diabetes, Addison's disease); and medical conditions that might affect use of some common treatments, such as bleeding disorders, organ transplant status and medical implants (such as implantable defibrillators). Personal and contact information is a natural set of complementary information to have on a medical tag.

Some newer tags include electronic information, but this is in its infancy. These include the use of near-field technology to let emergency personnel read the information (if they also have the technology); phone numbers

the emergency personnel can call to get more information; and QR codes to allow emergency personnel with a smartphone to go to a webpage with more detailed information. Most smartphones also have the ability to store information that can be read in an emergency, even by someone without the person's phone password. I recommend taking advantage of this feature.

Many of the ID tags I see have information that is not likely to be helpful. Listing chronic conditions like high blood pressure or high cholesterol is not necessary.

Finally, one of the biggest benefits of a medical ID tag is a little peace of mind.

**Dear Dr. Roach:** Regarding a recent column: If a body does not need help in maintaining pH balance, why does the consumption of different foods cause changes in urine pH? – K.F.

**Answer:** The body has two main organs with which to regulate pH, the acid/base status of the body based on food intake, exercise, medications and other causes that would perturb the body's pH, which is very tightly regulated and slightly alkaline at about 7.4.

The more important and faster-acting is the lung. By increasing the respiratory rate, we excrete more carbon dioxide, which is in equilibrium with carbonic acid. Breathing more deeply and quickly can move the blood pH toward the alkaline side. This usually happens without our being aware of it.

The kidneys are the other important organs for long-term regulation of pH. The kidneys can regulate reabsorption of carbonic acid in the tubule, increasing or reducing acid secretion. So, urine that is more acidic than normal may mean the body is ridding itself of excess dietary acid and thus making blood pH more alkaline. Ammonia is another way the kidney can regulate pH balance. Blood pH does not vary more than a minute amount from its expected level except in cases of critical illness, disturbances in kidney function or diseases that affect control of breathing.

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## 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) CONCERNS ABOUT THE CORONA-VIRUS (COVID-19) HAVE CAUSED THE CANCELLATION OF MANY MEETINGS. PLEASE CONFIRM ALL MEETINGS WITH THE HOST LOCATIONS BEFORE TRAVELLING TO THE MEETING LOCATION.**

### April 23

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

### April 25

**Canal Clean Sweep. Postponed.** PTNY.org

### April 28

**Worthy of Observation with Paul Schneider Cancelled.** Contact Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site 518.829.7516.

**Friends of Schoharie Crossing meeting. Cancelled.** The Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site can be reached at 518.829.7516.

### May 2

**I Love My Park Day Postponed** Register: 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.com](mailto:f@amesmuseum.com) or [www.amesmuseum.com](http://www.amesmuseum.com)

### May 14

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

### May 15

**Music Social — Joe's Boys 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. Great dance band. \$10.

### May 16

**Kids to Parks Day** at Schoharie Crossing. Free. Contact Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site 518.829.7516.

### May 23

**Bicycle Basket with Bev. Postponed.** Contact Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site 518.829.7516.

**Geocache Challenge Kick Off at Saratoga-Capital Region NYS Parks.** For more information on the game, check out [Geocaching.com](http://Geocaching.com).

### May 26

**PRISM Presentation** 6:30 p.m. at Enders House. Free. Contact Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site 518.829.7516.

### May 28

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

### June dates

**Putman Porch Music.** Thursdays at 6 p.m. throughout the month of June at Putman Canal Store, Yankee Hill Lock on Queen Anne Rd., Amsterdam. Contact Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site 518.829.7516.

### June 6

**National Trails Day event** at Aqueduct Boat Launch, Schoharie Crossing off Rt. 5S. Contact Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site 518.829.7516.

**Village of Ames Museum Open to Visitors.** Book sale. 9 a.m. - 3

p.m. Contact 518.673.5820 or [f@amesmuseum.com](mailto:f@amesmuseum.com) or [www.amesmuseum.com](http://www.amesmuseum.com)

**Paddle the Mohawk Valley. Rescheduled.** New date to be determined.

### June 11

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

### June 11-14

**The American Revolution Mohawk Valley Conference** at Fulton-Montgomery Community College's Theater - The Visual Arts & Communications Building (Campus Map Building #2) - 2805 NY-67, Johnstown. Park in Lots 5, 4 or Visitor's Lot. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/vmyuay> or email [brianm248420@hotmail.com](mailto:brianm248420@hotmail.com) or call 518.774.5669

### July 11

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

**sssssSchoharie Crossing Discovery Day** at Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site. Visit [nysparks.com](http://nysparks.com) or call Schoharie Crossing at 518.829.7516, or email [SchoharieCrossing@parks.ny.gov](mailto:SchoharieCrossing@parks.ny.gov).

### July 31

**Music Social — Box On Polka 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. Polka Night. Polish Food. \$10.

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## Impacts on New York State Parks operations during the COVID-19 outbreak

State Parks encourages New Yorkers to recreate locally, practice social distancing and use common sense to protect themselves and others during the COVID-19 public health crisis.

Getting outdoors to walk, jog, hike, ride a bicycle or visit a park or state lands is a healthy way to stay active, spend time with your immediate household family members and reduce stress and anxiety while practicing physical distancing.

Be advised due to COVID-19 some services are limited to ensure the health

and safety of our visitors and staff. For a complete list of impacts to park operations such as camping, golf, parking, restrooms, events and more visit parks.ny.gov/covid19.

**If you need a nature break and plan to visit State Parks, State Lands and other parks, we ask that all visitors:**

- Stay local and keep visits short
- Visit in small groups limited to immediate household members
- Maintain distance from others while in places where people tend to congregate,

such as parking lots, trailheads and scenic overlooks

- Avoid games and activities that require close contact, such as basketball, football or soccer

- Avoid playground equipment like slides and swings and other frequently touched surfaces

- Do not share equipment, such as bicycles, helmets, balls or Frisbees

- If you arrive at a park and crowds are forming, choose a different park, a different trail or return another time/day

to visit

- If parking lots are full, do not park along roadsides or other undesignated areas. To protect your safety and that of others, choose a different area to visit, or return another time or day when parking is available.

As this situation continues to develop, we will take any necessary actions to protect visitor and staff health. We appreciate your support and patience as we navigate this public health crisis together.

## Cracking the tradition of hiding Easter eggs

Come Easter Sunday, eager children wake up to see if the Easter Bunny has visited their homes. For many families, Easter would not be the same without an annual egg hunt. From chocolate confections to money-filled plastic shells to colorful, hand-decorated hard-boiled eggs, the Easter Bunny (and his parental helpers) hide eggs all around.

As with many traditions, people may engage in the festivities without really understanding the origins behind the fun. It can be interesting

to unearth just how such egg hunts were hatched.

As with many religious traditions, Easter egg coloring and hunts trace their origins to pre-Christian societies. These societies developed rituals surrounding nature, the seasons and more. Some traditions were adapted to link them to the Christian faith. Eggs held associations with new life and spring. However, early Christians turned the egg into a symbol of the Resurrection and the empty shell became a representation of

Christ's tomb. Eggs also were important components of the Easter holiday, as they were prohibited (like meat) during Lent. But on Easter, fasting ended and eggs were a part of Easter celebrations, particularly for the poor who couldn't afford meat.

There are two widely known accounts of the origins of Easter egg hunts. The religious version has Protestant reformer Martin Luther organizing hunts for his congregation. The men would hide the eggs for women and children

to find, which mirrors Resurrection accounts in the Bible in which women discovered Christ's empty tomb. Another account traces the tradition to the Dutch tale of the "Oschter Haws" ("Osterhase" in German), which was a hare that laid eggs in the grass. Children would build and decorate nests for the eggs and wait to see if they would be populated, according to Discovery.com. This tradition became popular in America with the arrival of Dutch and German settlers in Pennsylvania in the 1700s.

By the 20th century, decorated Easter nests were replaced with baskets, and Osterhase was more affectionately known as the Easter Bunny, who chose to leave eggs as well as treats and candy. Easter celebrations continued to marry both the religious and secular to form many of the customs that are known widely today.

Easter egg hunts are enjoyed by the young and old on Easter. They're a key part of celebrations. Just remember to find all those hard-boiled eggs in a timely fashion.

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## Fort Plain Free Library and Harry Hoag School collaborate to 'Make a Difference'

The Fort Plain Free Library and staff at the Harry Hoag School have forged a partnership to promote literacy and to foster the notion that "kids can make a difference." A new initiative that launched in late February, the five-part series builds upon the "Difference Makers" theme and involves fifth and sixth grade students in guided reading groups at the school. Each program will have an activity and will showcase books that correspond with the respective topic.



Hannah Gies, who is representing the library as youth program coordinator for the project, developed the unit in collaboration with Harry Hoag teaching assistant Eileen Kretser in consultation with school and library staff. It will unfold

*Hannah Gies, representing the Fort Plain Free Library, introduces the collaborative "Make a Difference" program to Harry Hoag School students. The five-part series builds upon the "Difference Makers" theme and involves fifth and sixth grade students in guided reading groups at the school.*

*Photo courtesy of the Fort Plain School District*

in monthly installments over the remainder of the school year.

Kretser noted the li-

brary has much to offer to the students and the community in general. She said, "Working together will open more doors for our students. I want the students to have as many opportunities as possible to explore what they can get from reading."

"Who you are can make a difference" was the focus of the first literature-based program.

"Our identity helps us determine where we fit in the world," Gies said about the inaugural program. "Set the foundation. Know what you're passionate about. What do you want to do to make a difference in the world?"

The second segment will focus on what the students can do to make a difference. "Little things matter," said Gies.

The third month will focus on the idea that students can make a difference where they are, and the theme of the fourth month will be "When you act, you can

make a difference." The final installment explores why the reasons behind your actions matter.

The library was awarded a \$2,500 Local Advocacy Grant for the program from the Mohawk Valley Library System, the Carol Clingan Library Advocacy Fund and the Foundation for Mohawk Valley Libraries. Library Director Whitney Hubbard said she is "thrilled to embark on this collaborative initiative with the Harry Hoag Elementary School."

In the 21st century, libraries "go beyond the walls" of the institution, Hubbard said, noting that the library "travels" for programs with another agency. In addition to the collaborative project with the school, library staff present monthly story time programs at Head Start in Fort Plain.

The library is located at 19 Willett St. Call 518.993.4646 for more information or follow the library on Facebook for updates.



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**Rev. Jack Ford**  
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Worship Service 10:30AM

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**Emmanuel Episcopal Church**  
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**  
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Hamlet of Glen  
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[glenreformed@nycap.rr.com](mailto:glenreformed@nycap.rr.com)  
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315-429-9085  
**Rev. Lynn R. Lockwood**

**St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Community**  
1 Church St., Cherry Valley  
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518-568-2122  
Sunday School 9:30am  
Worship 11:00am

**Our Lady of Hope R.C. Church**  
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[ourladyofhope@frontier.com](mailto:ourladyofhope@frontier.com)  
Mass Schedule: Saturday, 4pm;  
Sunday, 8:30am & 11am;  
Confessions: Sat. 3 & by appointment  
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Worship 9am

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518-922-9088  
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Sunday School (adult & children) 10am,  
Worship 11am,  
Sunday Eve. Prayer 6:30pm,  
Thurs. Eve. of Encouragement 6:30pm  
[www.christianchurchcharlestonfourcorners.org](http://www.christianchurchcharlestonfourcorners.org)

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518-673-3440  
Holy Communion Sundays at 9:30am  
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**Grace Episcopal Church**  
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Sunday School 11:00am  
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Active Youth Group - call for detail

**Paines Hollow United Methodist Church**  
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Sunday Worship 9:30AM  
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315-858-2112  
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**Grandview Baptist Church**  
15 Washington St., Fort Plain  
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Morning Service 11am  
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Wednesday 6:30pm

**Randall Christian Community Church**  
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Sunday 10:30am

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Sunday Morning Service 11:00am  
Sunday School for All Ages 10:00am

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Morning Worship 11:00am  
Sunday night Worship 6:00pm  
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**Joyce Loughran Assistant Pastor**  
Sunday School 9am, Morning Worship 9:30am  
Wednesday Evening Worship 6:30pm

**Reformed Church of Fort Plain**  
165 Canal St., Fort Plain, NY 13339  
518-993-4302 • [fortplainrca@yahoo.com](mailto:fortplainrca@yahoo.com)  
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Worship Sunday 3pm

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Morning Worship 11am, Youth Ministry  
5:45pm, Evening Worship 6pm,  
Wed. Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 6:30pm,  
Family Night Select Sundays

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Bible Study & Coffee Hour Sunday 10-10:45am  
Church Service 11am

**Valley Alliance Church**  
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Sunday Worship 10:30am,  
Wed. Praise & Prayer 7pm,  
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**Dolgeville Christian Fellowship**  
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315-429-9142  
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Midweek Fellowship Tuesday 7pm  
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## Kovels: Antiques and Collecting

by Terry and Kim Kovel

### Blackball box

As early as the 17th century in America, members of fraternal clubs often voted at their meetings without paper ballots. Decisions often required a simple majority, but sometimes had to be unanimous: Just one "no" vote could scuttle a project. So, they used a blackball box instead of paper ballots. Each person was given a random number of black and white marbles. To vote no, a black marble was dropped in the box. The box had a board that covered the voter's hand and marble so that no one could see the vote. Each marble made a noise when it was dropped, so only one marble could be used. When the box was opened, it was easy for everyone to see the number of black marbles and if the project, motion or request for membership had passed or failed. It was impossible to tell who had used a black marble.

The term "blackballed" is still in use, and the box was saved as part of history. The rules are still in "Robert's Rules of Order," a guide to parliamentary procedure, but there are few times when only one vote, not a majority, is needed. An old blackball box used by the Odd Fellows fraternal order was sold at a Garth's auction recently for \$500.

**Q:** I have a light bulb that I have identified as an 1885 Heisler-Bernstein incandescent lamp. Does it have any value? And if so, where would I find a buyer for such a bulb?

**A:** Antique and vintage light bulbs are classified as "early technology," an area of collecting that includes electrical apparatus, astronomical devices and medi-

cal instruments. Artificial lighting is significant, since its beginning in the 1880s marked the lengthening of the workday and other changes in everyday life.

Yes, there are collectors who hunt for early incandescent light bulbs, especially early carbon filament ones from the 1880s to early 1900s with intact filaments, like yours. Some early bulbs bring high prices; a few have sold for over \$5,000. Charles Heisler and Alexander Bernstein both owned businesses in the 1880s and early 1900s that developed bulbs and lamps, and their work was influential in making electric lighting practical and popular. Look for an auction house that specializes in early technology or scientific instruments. The website [www.bulbcollector.com](http://www.bulbcollector.com) also has information.

### Current prices

- Stoneware rolling pin, salt glazed, cobalt blue stenciled wildflowers, turned wood shaft & handles, 16 inches, \$60.

- Hooked rug, cat resting on striped cushion, flower & leaf border, American, 1860-1930, 30 x 52 inches, \$150.

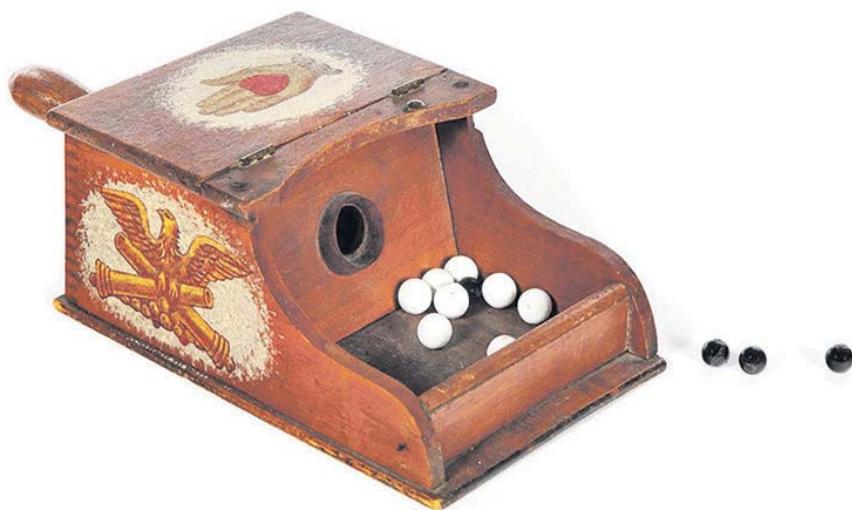
- Sewing stand, walnut, oval lift top, silk pleated work compartment, removable fitted tray, England, 28 x 15 x 12 inches, \$290.

- Tiffany & Co. sterling silver bowl, flared & flattened rim, openwork stylized flower & leaf handles, c. 1910, 2 5/8 x 11 inches, \$370.

**Tip:** If your tea caddy or knife box has a silver or brass keyhole, don't use a metal cleaner. The cleaner will damage the wood.

For more collecting news, tips and resources, visit [www.Kovels.com](http://www.Kovels.com).

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A blackball box and marbles used in Ohio in the early 1900s was auctioned at Garth's for \$500. The box had machine-made dovetailing and was decorated with decoupage prints in painted frames.

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## Strange but True

by Lucie Winborne

- A World War I homing pigeon saved 194 men by delivering a message despite losing a leg and an eye, and having been shot through the chest.

- Before settling on the Seven Dwarfs we know today, Walt Disney also considered the names Chesty, Tubby, Burpy, Deafy, Hickey, Wheezy and Awful.

- A study showed that customers in a bookstore were 3.48 times more likely to peruse romantic books if the store smelled of chocolate, and 5.93 times more likely to buy them!

- Gaius Julius Caesar arrived in the world on July 13, 100 B.C., but contrary to popular belief, it's unlikely that the future Roman emperor was born by caesarean section. Although the procedure existed at the time, it was usually fatal to the mother and therefore only performed when a pregnant woman was dead or dying, in an effort to save the child. Caesar's mother, Aurelia, lived until 54 B.C. – nearly half a century

after her son's birth.

- While the technique of flattening fabrics with hot pieces of metal was introduced in ancient China, the first actual ironing board (then called an ironing table) was not invented until 1858, in New York.

- The Christmas song "Silver Bells" was originally called "Tinkle Bells" until co-composer Jay Livingston's wife informed him that "tinkle" had another meaning.

- Future president Herbert Hoover was Stanford's football team manager – a decision the school might have questioned when, at the first Stanford-Cal game in 1892, he forgot to bring the ball.

- Martial arts legend Bruce Lee was a cha-cha dance champion, winning a competition in Hong Kong in 1958.

- The lifespan of a taste bud is just 10 days.

*Thought for the Day:*  
"Just living is not enough. One must have sunshine, freedom and a little flower." – Hans Christian Anderson

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# Donna's Day: Creative family fun

by Donna Erickson

## Easter egg-y ideas are real kid-pleasers

Hop to it! Easter is on its way. Put your busy schedule on hold for an evening or Saturday afternoon and make the traditional craft of egg decorating a family affair.

Here are some Easter egg-y ideas that are real kid-pleasers. For the first three, all you need are hard-cooked white eggs, prepared decorating dyes in small bowls and a variety of household items.

### Rubber-band tie-dye

Wind two or three rubber bands of various widths snugly around egg. Dye the egg and let dry. Remove the rubber bands to reveal the designs.

### Sticker designs

Stick peel-off stars, dots or other shapes randomly on an egg. Be sure the stickers adhere completely to the egg before dipping in the dye. Let dry, then peel off stickers while they are still damp to reveal the designs.

### Tape and draw

Wrap a piece of masking tape around an egg. Dye. Gently remove tape and add your own designs on the white space with markers.

### How to blow out an egg

If you prefer decorating eggs in which the raw contents have been blown out –

so that you can hang them from branches for an egg tree or display in a basket and save them year to year – here is a simple process to empty them, plus two ideas for decorating once they have been blown.

Poke a small hole with a large safety pin at each end of a washed raw egg. Carefully wiggle the pin or a toothpick into one of the holes to break the yolk. Place a drinking straw over the hole on top, and blow through the straw, collecting the contents of the egg in a small dish. Rinse out the empty shell and let dry completely before decorating.

### Shake and decorate

Squeeze household glue from a plastic bottle in a simple design such as zigzags or an alphabet letter on a shell that is still white or dyed in a light color. Carefully set the egg in a plastic bag with colored sand or glitter and close it lightly in your fist, keeping locked air inside. Gently shake to coat the glue to reveal the design. Remove the egg, and slip onto a skewer through one of the holes and poke into a soft object like an egg carton to dry.

### Shredded paper

Brush household glue on eggshell, then press shredded paper randomly around it for a contemporary look. Let dry.

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## Enjoy hot cross buns this Easter

A number of foods are enjoyed during Easter celebrations, from hard-boiled eggs to ham to roasted lamb. Sweets such as candies and chocolates also take center stage on Easter Sunday. In addition to these

traditional favorites, hot cross buns have become must-haves for many Easter celebrants.

Hot cross buns are yeast-based sweet buns that are lightly spiced and studded with raisins or currants. The

tops are marked with a cross that is often piped with icing. While there's no clear explanation of how hot cross buns came to be, there are indications that they once were reserved only for Good Friday. Others say they were consumed throughout Lent. The cross is a Christian symbol of the crucifixion and Christ himself.

Hot cross buns are soft and sweet, and they're easily created. Enjoy this recipe, courtesy of King Arthur Flour.

**Hot Cross Buns**  
Yield 12 to 14 buns

- Buns**
- ¼ cup apple juice or rum
  - ½ cup mixed dried fruit
  - ½ cup raisins or dried currants
  - 1¼ cups milk, room temperature
  - 2 large eggs, plus 1 egg yolk (save the white for the topping)
  - 6 tbsp butter, room temperature
  - 2 tsp instant yeast
  - ¼ cup light brown sugar, firmly packed
  - 1 tsp ground cinnamon
  - ¼ tsp ground cloves or allspice
  - ¼ tsp ground nutmeg
  - 1¾ tsp salt
  - 1 tbsp baking powder
  - 4½ cups unbleached all-purpose flour
- Topping**
- 1 large egg white, reserved from above
  - 1 tbsp milk
  - Icing
  - 1 cup + 2 tbsp confectioners' sugar
  - ½ tsp vanilla extract
  - Pinch of salt
  - 4 tsp milk, or enough to make a thick, pipea-

ble icing

Lightly grease a 10" square pan or 9" x 13" pan.

Mix the rum or apple juice with the dried fruit and raisins, cover with plastic wrap and microwave briefly, just until the fruit and liquid are very warm and the plastic starts to "shrink wrap" itself over the top of the bowl. Set aside to cool to room temperature. Note: If you worry about using plastic wrap in your microwave, simply cover the bowl with a glass lid.

When the fruit is cool, mix together all of the dough ingredients (including the eggs and egg yolk from the separated egg); hold out the fruit for the time being. Knead the mixture, using an electric mixer or bread machine, until the dough is soft and elastic. It'll be very slack, sticking to the bottom of the bowl and your hands as you work with it (greasing your hands helps). Mix in the fruit and any liquid not absorbed.

Let the dough rise for 1 hour, covered. It should become puffy, though may not double in bulk.

Divide the dough into billiard ball-sized pieces, about 3¾ ounces each. A heaped muffin scoop (about 1/3 cup) makes about the right portion. You'll make 12 to 14 buns. Use your greased hands to round them into balls. Arrange them in the prepared pan.

Cover the pan, and let the buns rise for 1 hour, or until they've puffed up and are touching one another. While the dough is rising, preheat the oven to 375° F.

Whisk together the reserved egg white and milk, and brush it over the buns.

Bake the buns for 20 minutes, until they're golden brown. Remove from the oven, carefully turn the buns out of the pan (they should come out in one large piece), and transfer them to a rack to cool.

Mix together the icing ingredients, and when the buns are completely cool, pipe it in a cross shape atop each bun.

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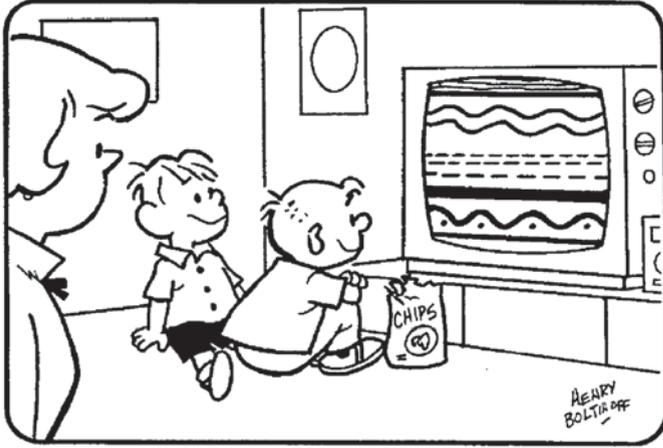
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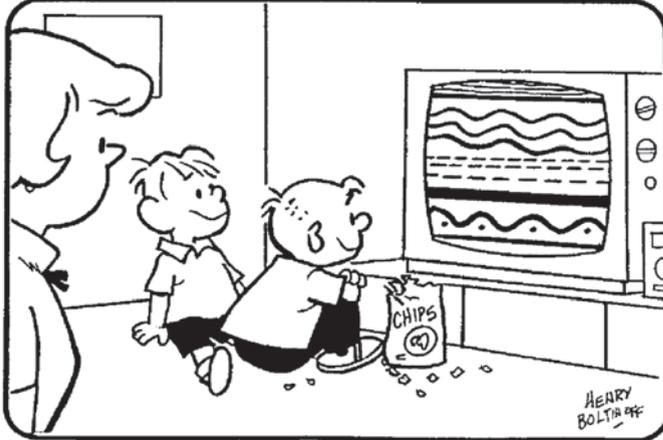
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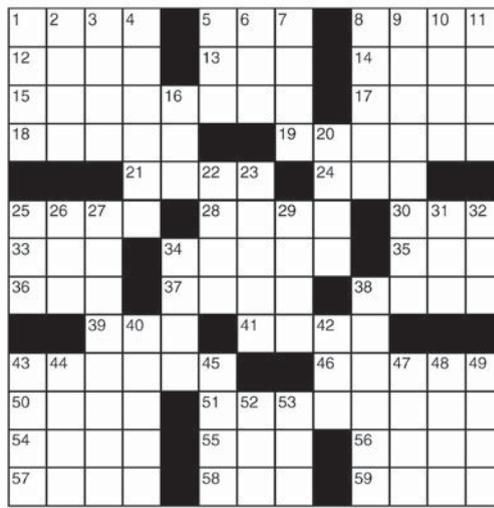


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**ACROSS**

- 1 Uncategor- ized (Abbr.)
- 5 Web address
- 8 Portent
- 12 Maleficence
- 13 Menagerie
- 14 Scruff
- 15 Reading material
- 17 Matures
- 18 World-weariness
- 19 Salty solutions
- 21 Fix, in a way
- 24 Raw rock
- 25 Knighted woman
- 28 Nuisance
- 30 Kennedy or Koppel
- 33 Carte lead-in
- 34 Newton or Stern
- 35 Anger
- 36 Gasoline stat
- 37 Dilbert's workplace
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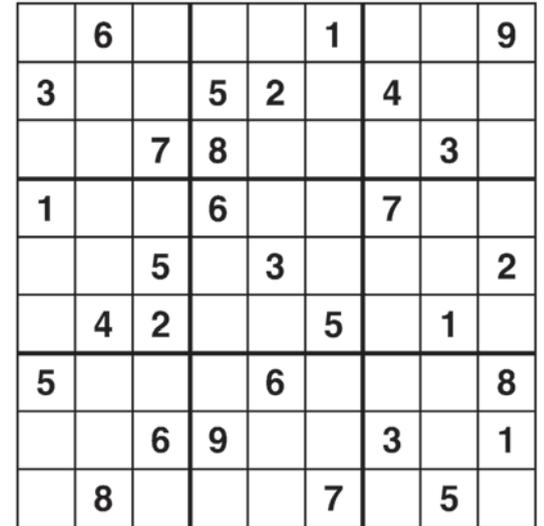


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- 59 Sources for sauces
- co-defendant
- 8 Broadcasting
- 9 Attractive
- 10 Duel tool
- 11 Loch —
- 16 Speed along
- 20 Campus mil. org.
- 21 Viral Internet phenom
- 22 Church section
- 23 Leavening agent
- 25 Water barrier
- 26 Jungfrau, for one
- 27 Mississippi bloom
- 29 Munro pseudonym
- 31 Historic period
- 32 Hideaway
- 34 Concept
- 38 Episodic TV show
- 40 Put up
- 42 Scratch
- 43 On
- 44 Fence opening
- 45 Urban pall
- 47 Maestro
- 48 Go no farther
- 49 Congers, e.g.
- 52 Whatever number
- 53 Jewel

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**Weekly SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

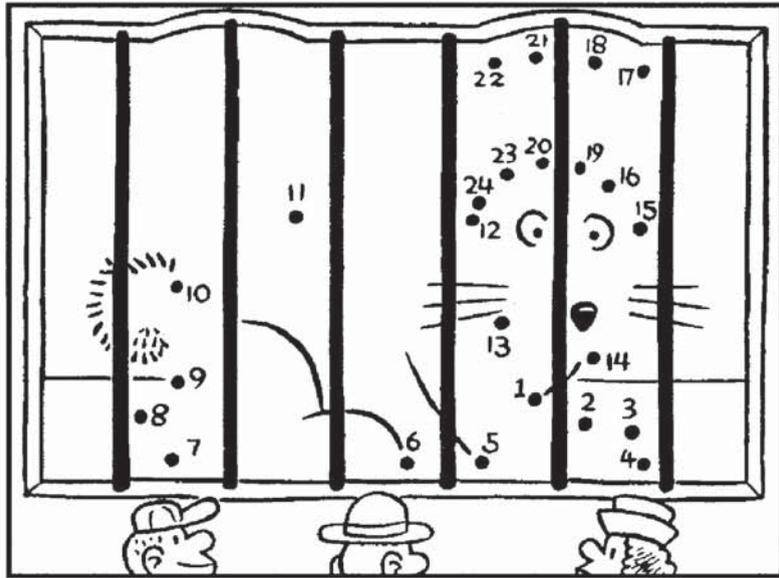


Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦**

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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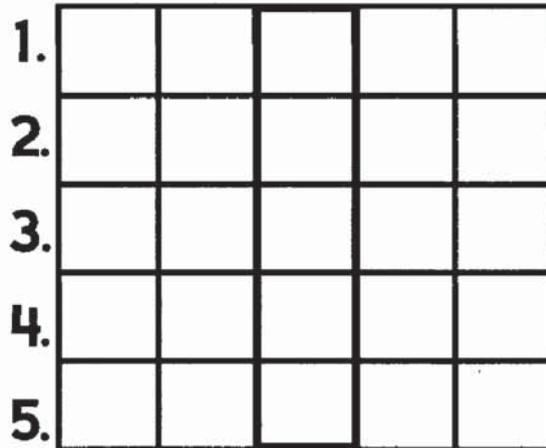


**IS THIS THE NEW KING OF BEASTS?** Join the dots and find out.

Answer: No, it's only a Giant Bolivian Bashful Bunny.

**Junior Whirl**

by Charles Barry Townsend



Illustrated by David Coulson

**BIG TOP BAFFLERS!**

**IN THE GRID**, at left, there is room to enter five five-letter words pertaining to the circus world. The following definitions should help you:

- 1. To put up a circus tent.
- 2. What acrobats do.
- 3. Type of clown pants.
- 4. Performers in the World's Smallest Circus.
- 5. Found in animal cages.

There is a dark frame around the center column of letters. If you correctly solve the puzzle, the letters in this frame, top to bottom, will spell out the name of a circus animal.

Answers: 1. Pitch. 2. Flips. 3. Bagg. 4. Fleas. 5. Straw. The center column word is "tiger".

**READ THE FOLLOWING** sentence once and state how many "f's" are in it.

"To be genuine, every package of Kellogg's Corn Flakes must bear the signature of W. F. Kellogg."

Answer: There are four "f's" in the sentence. The "f's" in "of" are often missed.



**DOUBLE TROUBLE!** Below are six partially spelled words. Four letters are missing from each word. In each case you must find a two-letter word that can be used to fill in the missing letters. Below you'll find some hints.

- 1. A favorite food.
- 2. A king or prince.
- 3. An Asian disease.
- 4. Type of headgear.
- 5. Used for cooking.
- 6. A crucial situation.



- 1. P\_\_T\_\_
- 2. M\_\_ARAJ\_\_
- 3. \_\_RI\_\_RI
- 4. \_\_RD\_\_T
- 5. \_\_BAC\_\_
- 6. CR\_\_\_\_\_

Answers: 1. (AS) Pastas. 2. (AH) Maharajah. 3. (BE) Beriberi. 4. (HA) Hardhat. 5. (HI) Hibachi. 6. (IS) Crisis.

## Good Housekeeping

### Baked Ricotta with Vinaigrette

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ter table.

- 2 lemons
- 32 oz part-skim ricotta cheese
- Salt and pepper
- ½ tsp Dijon mustard
- ¼ cup olive oil
- 4 tomatoes
- 1 bag baby greens

1. Heat oven to 375° F. From lemons, grate 1 teaspoon peel and squeeze 3 tablespoons juice. Set aside. Spray 9-inch glass or ceramic pie plate with nonstick cooking spray.

2. In medium bowl, stir lemon peel, ricotta, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper until blended. Spread ricotta mixture evenly in prepared pie plate. Bake 1 hour or until

cheese is lightly browned. Let stand 10 minutes to allow cheese to set. Slice into 12 wedges.

3. Meanwhile, in medium bowl, whisk together lemon juice, Dijon, 1/4 teaspoon salt, and 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper. Whisk in olive oil in slow steady stream until blended. Stir in chopped tomatoes.

4. To serve, place 1 ricotta wedge along with some greens on each of 12 serving plates. Top greens and ricotta with tomato vinaigrette. Serves 12.

\* Each serving: About 155 calories, 11g total fat (4g saturated), 23mg cholesterol, 245mg sodium, 6g total carbohydrate, 1g dietary fiber, 9g protein.

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## Sweet chocolate a hallmark of Easter celebrations

Few people would not enjoy finding carefully crafted chocolate confections in an Easter basket. As revered as hidden eggs are on Easter, chocolate and other candies nestled in a bed of green plastic grass often call out like a siren's song.

Many people have their preferences in regard to Easter sweets. Some can't wait to sink their teeth into a milk chocolate bunny. Others savor marshmallow chicks or sweet jelly beans. Still, chocolate often reigns supreme, and people may wonder how chocolate Easter treats came to be.

Eggs and rabbits have long been associated with fertility and new life, long before they became symbols of the Easter holiday. In German folklore, the Osterhase, now known as the Easter Bunny, was a mythical creature that magically laid eggs, which he then carried in

a basket and delivered to children as gifts on Easter morning. These first eggs were decorated chicken and duck eggs.

As the custom of giving eggs spread, egg-shaped toys started to be manufactured in the 17th and 18th centuries. Chocolate Easter eggs were not created until the 19th century. France and Germany pioneered the manufacturing of these eggs. The first eggs were solid until chocolate artists could master the art of molded, hollow eggs.

One of the first chocolate eggs was made by John Cadbury in 1845. But it wasn't until both the Dutch invention of a press for separating cocoa butter from the cocoa bean and the introduction of pure cocoa by Cadbury Brothers in 1866 that molded chocolate – and molded chocolate eggs – could be made easily. As the process for molded chocolate evolved, just about

any shape could be possible.

Easter bunny and egg traditions came to America by way of German and Dutch settlers. In 1890, a Pennsylvania pharmacist became the self-proclaimed “father of the chocolate Easter bunny” when he displayed a five-foot-tall chocolate rabbit in his shop as an Easter promotion. After this, sales of chocolate Easter bunnies began to skyrocket.

According to the confectionary company Piece, Love & Chocolate, 90 million chocolate Easter bunnies are produced every year around the world. Millions more chocolate Easter eggs also are made and sold. Seventy-six percent of Americans claim to eat the ears on their chocolate rabbits first.

Chocolate bunnies and other candies are part of many families' Easter traditions. These beloved confections have a rich history.





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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
 Unlisted clue hint: OLYMPIC GOLD –

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# Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

## WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

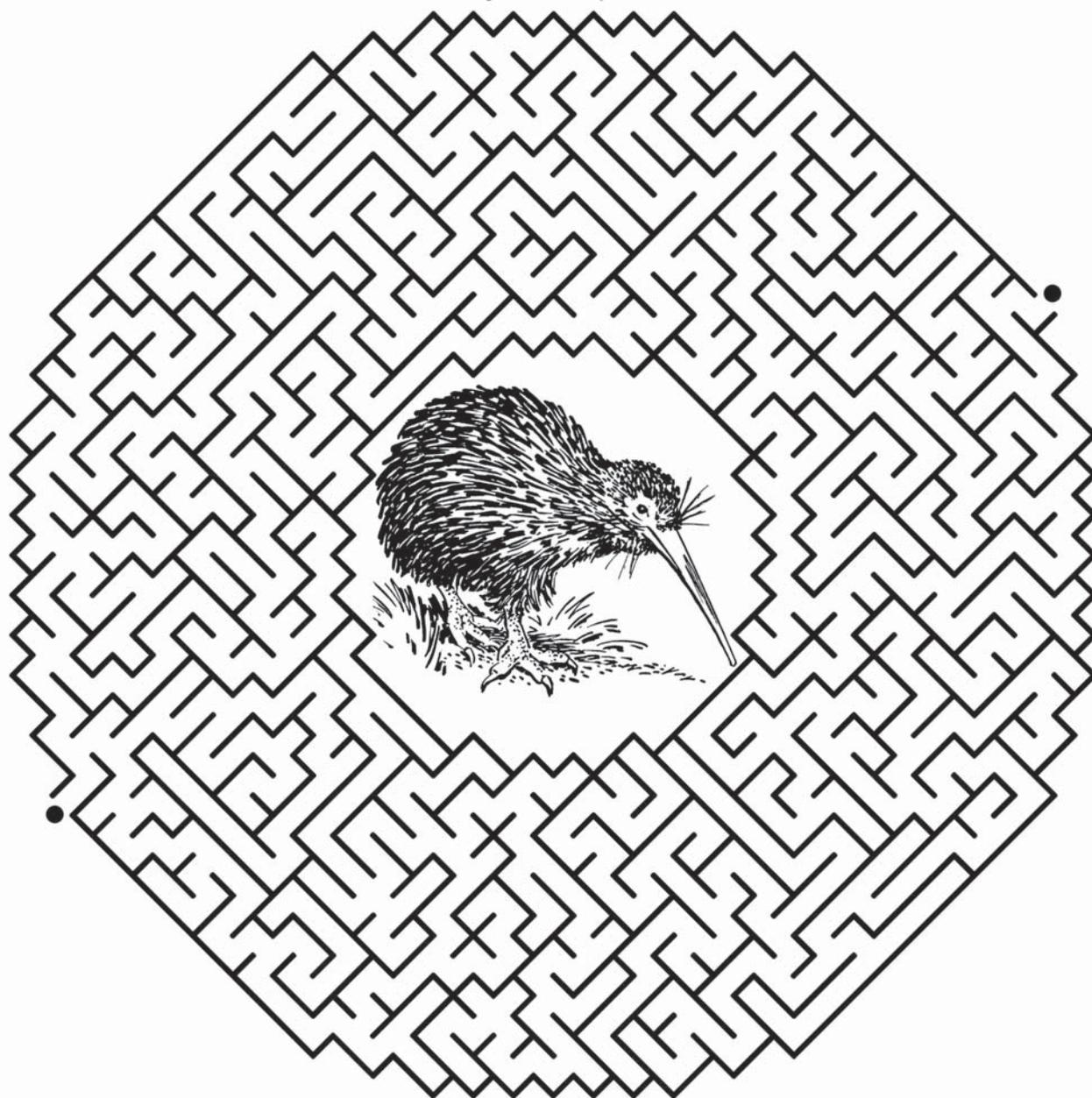
**WHAT DOES THE EASTER BUNNY USE TO DRY HIS FUR?**

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|--------|-----|-------|--------|-----|-------|
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| WHINES | ___ | SWINE | BORDER | ___ | ROBED |
| LAMEST | ___ | MELTS | PASTRY | ___ | TRAPS |
| CLEARs | ___ | SCALE | ERECTS | ___ | CREST |
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## Mega Maze

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### This Week's Holidays

- April 11 – Barbershop Quartet Day
- April 12 – Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day
- April 13 – Scrabble Day
- April 14 – Look Up at the Sky Day
- April 15 – World Art Day
- April 16 – Mushroom Day
- April 17 – International Haiku Poetry Day

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# Happy Easter!

# The Kitchen Diva

by Angela Shelf Medearis

## Easter Dinner Redux

Lamb is a popular dish around the world, especially at Easter. The tradition is rooted in the Jewish holiday of Passover, which celebrates the liberation of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery. With all the history associated with serving lamb at Easter, you may wonder why ham is so popular for Easter celebrations in our country. As with many foods, the reason lamb isn't as popular in America at Easter is rooted in supply, demand and cost.

Wool was a popular fabric during World War II, but as soon as the demand for wool began to wane, farmers began to raise fewer lambs, curtailing the availability of legs of lamb for sale in the spring for Easter dinners. Ham became a great alternative to lamb because farmers could cure and preserve the meat during the winter and sell it in the spring.

Ham also is a popular meat because it can be prepared in so many ways. This recipe for Glazed Ham with Roasted Vegetables is perfect for Easter, and with a few minor adaptations can be combined with leftover, peeled hard-boiled Easter eggs the next morning to create my Easter Egg Hash. Happy Easter!

### Glazed Ham with Roasted Vegetables

- 1 (8 - 10 lb) fully cooked bone-in smoked half ham (not spiral sliced)
- 1 cup brown sugar, packed
- 1 cup apricot jam
- ½ cup spicy brown mustard
- 1 tbsp poultry seasoning
- 2 tsps ground black pepper
- ½ tsp ground cloves

#### Roasted vegetables:

- 1½ lbs fingerlings, small red potatoes or new potatoes cut into halves
- 1 lb slender carrots, cut into 2 inch lengths
- 1 bunch radishes, tops trimmed and reserved, and cut into halves
- 1 tsp salt for parboiling
- 3 tbsp olive oil, plus 1 tablespoon for drizzling
- 2 tbsp poultry seasoning
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp ground black pepper
- ½ lb of escarole, frisee, chicory or

arugula leaves, or the tops of the radish leaves, if available, chopped

To prepare the ham and glaze:

1. Heat oven to 300° F. Place ham in a large roasting pan, cut side down. With tip of sharp knife, make long, crisscross diamond shaped cuts through the tough skin and fat of the ham, top to bottom, but not into the meat. Cover tightly with foil. Bake 1½ hours.

2. In a medium bowl, whisk together sugar, jam, mustard, poultry seasoning, pepper and cloves. Transfer 1 cup of the glaze to a separate bowl; cover and refrigerate to serve with the ham later.

3. Remove foil from ham. Brush remaining glaze all over ham. Bake, uncovered, another 1 to 1½ hours or until glaze is dark brown and internal temperature of ham has reached 140°. Allow ham to rest 20 minutes before carving. Serve with reserved glaze. Serves 10-12.

To prepare the vegetables:

1. Heat oven to 450° F. In a 7-quart saucepot, cover potatoes and carrots with cold water; add 1 tablespoon salt. Cover and heat to boiling on high. Reduce heat to maintain simmer; cook 7 minutes. Drain well and return to pot. Vegetables can be parboiled and refrigerated up to 2 days before roasting.

2. Toss potatoes, carrots and radishes with oil, poultry seasoning, and 1 teaspoon each salt and pepper; arrange in a single layer on a large rimmed baking sheet. Roast 25 minutes or until vegetables are browned and tender, stirring twice.

3. Remove vegetables from the oven; drizzle the salad greens with the remaining oil and mix the greens with the vegetables. Serve warm or at room temperature with slices of ham.

### Easter Egg Hash

This Easter Egg Hash recipe is a great use for leftover hard-boiled Easter eggs and the ham and veggies from your Easter dinner.

- 3 - 4 cups roasted vegetables and salad greens, chopped
- 2 - 4 slices cooked ham, chopped
- 2 tbsp butter
- 2 tbsp vegetable oil

4 large peeled hard-boiled Easter eggs

- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp ground black pepper
- 2 green onions, roots removed and discarded, green and white parts finely chopped

1. Chop any leftover veggies and salad greens and chop up a few slices of ham to create 3 to 4 cups of hash. In a large skillet over medium-high heat, melt the butter with the oil.

2. Place the chopped roasted vegetables and ham mixture in the hot skillet. Using a spatula press the hash into an even layer in the skillet to create

a crisp texture on the bottom of the hash.

3. Cook undisturbed until crunchy and browned on the bottom, about 3 to 5 minutes. Flip the hash in sections. Using a spoon, make 4 shallow indentations in the hash. Place a peeled hard-boiled egg in each indentation. Cook for 5 minutes to allow the hash to brown on the bottom and the eggs to warm through. Season with salt and pepper and sprinkle with green onions, if desired. Serves 4.

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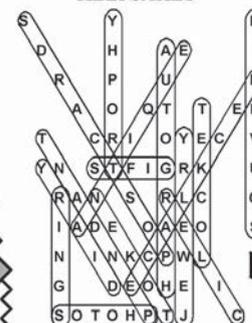
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According to a study published in the Journal of Physiological Anthropology, active interaction (like touching and smelling) with indoor plants can reduce physiological and psychological stress. Outdoor time in nature is equally powerful for restoring a sense of well-being and balance. KidsGardening sees firsthand the positive and life-changing experiences plants and gardening brings to children.

**Top 10 Recommended Kids' Gardening Activities**

1. Kitchen Scrap Gardening: Help the planet and clean up your kitchen. This one is a great way to think about where your food comes from.
2. Seed Viewer: There are many different ways to explore plants with simple dried beans from the soup grocery store aisle.
3. Plant People: Create your own "chia pet" family.
4. Grow Your Own Salad: We bet you won't stop doing this activity as kids who grow edibles are more

likely to eat them. Adults too!

5. Pressed Flowers: Save beautiful spring blooms for future crafts. Pressed flowers provide a base for numerous projects and gifts.

6. Leaf and Flower Prints: Engage those high energy kids with this fun craft that uses a mallet.

7. Make More Plants from Houseplants: Houseplants make great gifts and what a great giving activity or to ensure more rooms have the benefit of houseplants.

8. Hydroponics: Ever wonder how hydroponics really work? All that's needed is a cup with a cover, water and seeds.

9. Garden Scavenger Hunt: Turn garden exploration into a game! You can even have prizes for those competitive family members.

10. Soil Art: No paint on hand, no problem. With a little glue and water, soil can inspire creative artwork.

If you're looking for additional ideas, KidsGardening has even more lesson plans, garden activities and garden basics. Or look to additional kids gardening inspiration from NGB (National Garden Bureau) – Butterfly Gardening for Children and Kids, Gardens & Games. Visit KidsGardening.org.

**Unique Easter traditions  
from across the globe**

Easter is the most important day of the year on the Christian calendar. A celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, Easter commemorates the very core of the Christian faith. So it comes as no surprise that such an important day is steeped in tradition.

Easter traditions such as Easter Sunday Mass are widely known. But there are many unique Easter

traditions across the globe that, while they may not be as widely known, illustrate the power of this very special day in the Christian community.

• **India:** India may not be the first nation to come to mind when thinking of countries in which Christianity has a strong foothold. And while only a small percentage of people in India identify as Christian, Easter celebrations in the country are elaborate. For example, in the small state of Goa, Easter celebrants host carnivals and exchange gifts with fellow Christians. Those gifts include the Holy Cross, which is exchanged after Easter church services have ended. Such services are then followed by Easter parties, where families and friends gather and break bread together, much like Christian celebrants do in other parts of the world.

• **Italy:** Residents of Florence celebrate Easter Sunday with a genuine flash. In a tradition that dates back several centuries, Florentines load a cart with fireworks before exploding it outside the famed Florence Cathedral.

• **Europe:** Many European Christian communities burn an effigy of Judas Iscariot as part of their Easter celebrations. Christians believe the apostle Judas betrayed Jesus Christ, a betrayal that led to Christ's crucifixion. Despite some groups denouncing the burning of Judas as anti-Semitic, the practice continues in many countries.

• **Spain:** Holy Week commemorates the entire week preceding Easter Sunday, including Holy Thursday and Good Friday. In the Spanish town of Verges, Christians commemorate Holy Thursday by reenacting scenes from the Passion, which refers to the short period at the end of Christ's life. The "Danza de la Mort (Death Dance)" is part of that commemoration, and during this dance, participants dress up like skeletons.

Easter celebrations across the globe are steeped in tradition, including some that might surprise even the most devout Christians.



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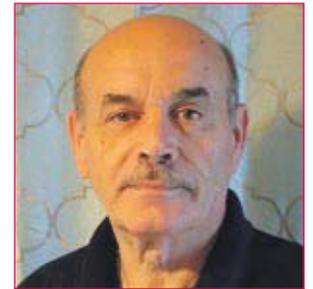
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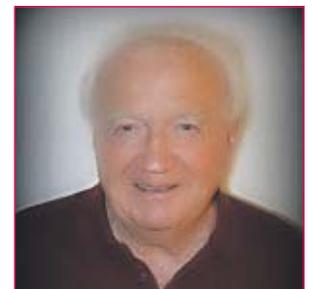
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