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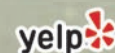
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## FPHS names Class of 2022 top students

Robert Jordan is the valedictorian in the Fort Plain Class of 2022. He will be attending college at RPI this autumn, where he will major in engineering. His favorite high school memory was this year's varsity basketball season. Robert is an all-star

athlete who will continue playing basketball at college. He like math and thinks Mr. Santiago is the best teacher. (He likes his sense of humor.) During the pandemic, Robert learned that work never stops. Robert loves the Red Hot Chili Peppers,

mashed potatoes with gravy and SpongeBob. His mom and dad have had the biggest impact on Robert. He says they did a "perfect" job on raising him. His advice for underclassmen: "Enjoy the moment; don't worry about the past or the future."

Erin Crouse is the salutatorian of the Class of 2022. She will be attending SUNY Cortland to study criminology with a future goal of working in law enforcement. She enjoys dance and playing soccer and basketball. Her favorite class is Spanish because of Mrs. Jarabek. She constantly makes Erin laugh. With Mrs. J's help, Erin made a beautiful quilt that she will take to college with her. She missed many things during the pandemic, but mostly being with her friends at school. A few of Erin's favorite things include pizza, country music and the TV show "Friends," which she says "will always be a classic." Erin wants to give a shout out to her friend Sarah Florian, because they went through some serious challenges together. Erin says that senior year flies by, so her advice is to enjoy it while it lasts!



Robert Jordan



Erin Crouse

## Free breakfast and lunch for kids 18 and younger

Canajoharie's East Hill School will be offering free breakfast and lunch for kids 18 and younger Monday - Friday from July 5 - Aug. 19. The site is open for breakfast from 7:30 - 9:30 a.m. and the site is open for lunch from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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## Poland names Class of 2022 valedictorian, salutatorian

Poland Central School District Class of 2022 valedictorian Caimin Roark and salutatorian Nathan Draper credit their achievements to putting in the time and hard work academically.

Both students took on a demanding course load on their way to their achievements. Roark will graduate with 25.5 local credits and 30 college credits through Herkimer College. She will receive a Regents diploma with Advanced Designation with Honors and Mastery in Math and Science. Draper will graduate with 32.5 local credits and 32 college credits through Herkimer College. He will receive a Regents diploma with Advanced Designation with Honors and Mastery in Science.

**Valedictorian** – Roark is the daughter of Carrie and A.J. Roark from the Town of Ohio. She said her parents are another reason she was able to become valedictorian. “My parents really pushed me,” she said. “They always wanted me to really do well. I wanted to basically make them proud, so I really worked hard.”

Roark plans to attend the radiology program at Mohawk Valley Community College with an ultimate goal of becoming a fetal ultrasound technician.

During high school, Roark played varsity basketball and softball, served as the Class of 2022 vice president and was a member of the National Honor Society, Poland Student Council and Varsity Club.

**Salutatorian** – Draper is the son of Jennifer and Ron and Draper from Deerfield. After his brother, Poland 2019 graduate Devin Draper, narrowly missed out on being salutatorian, it made Draper want to reach a top spot even more.

“I know my brother worked really hard, and he was just a tenth of a point short or something like that, and then when I got it, I was really excited about it,” Draper said. “It’s something I’ve been wanting – to get either one or two. It’s nice to see that your hard work has paid off.”

During high school, Draper served as the Class of 2022 president, served as the 2021-22 student member of the Poland Board of Education, represented Poland at the NYS Education Department’s Digital Equity Summit, attended American Legion Boys State, participated in the Cornell Co-operative Extension 4-H Government Intern program with

the Herkimer County Legislature, was a member of National Honor Society and the Poland Student Council and played varsity baseball, basketball and soccer.

Draper plans to attend Mohawk Valley Community College for engineering science before transferring to another college. His goal is to ultimately work in mechanical engineering.

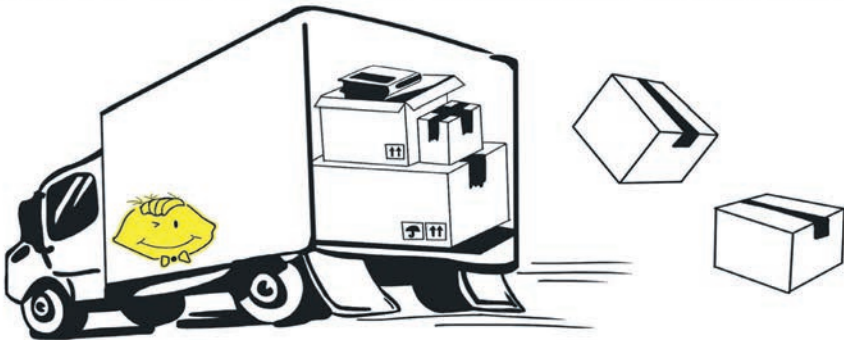


Nathan Draper



Caimin Roark

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It's not too late to join in on the Keep Mohawk Valley Beautiful Great American Cleanup. The six-county event kicked off on April 23 and will run until June 20. Teams are encouraged to register their cleanup ahead of time at [ohswa.org](http://ohswa.org).

"We have had an amazing turnout across the regions this year," said Samantha Brown, recycling coordinator for the Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority. "Collectively, volunteer sign-ups have increased almost 800% from 2021. Over 1,500 volunteers have picked up over 1,800 bags of litter and collected over 200 bags of recyclables in the Mohawk Valley so far."

By registering your event on the OHSWA website, you are eligible to receive free materials including gloves, trash bags and other assistance. In addition to free materials and resources, registrants will be highlighted for their efforts on the Authority website and KMVB social media platforms.

Volunteers who have registered can pick up supplies at the following locations during regular business hours:

- Mohawk Valley Economic Development District, 26 W. Main St., Mohawk
- Moore Insurance Group, 1002 Black River Blvd., Rome
- Utica City Hall (by appointment only), 1 Kennedy Plaza, Utica
- Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority, 1600 Genesee St., Utica

KMVB is an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful (KAB). KAB works to create sustainable communities that are socially connected, environmentally healthy and economically

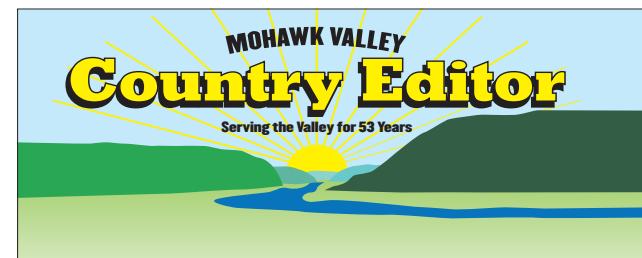
sound. Their annual clean-up effort is part the country's largest community improvement program.

Each spring, KAB affiliates, like KMVB, engage more than four million volunteers in more than 20,000 communities nationwide. This year, KMVB is asking individuals, businesses, organizations and community groups to register cleanup or beautification events – new or existing – in the Mohawk Valley region.

Registered events receive support from KMVB, and results are included in the national report published annually by KAB. "We want to recognize the efforts of all the volunteers who have gone out and done something to improve the environmental health of our region, so please register your event with us," said Steve Smith, executive director of the Mohawk Valley Economic Development District. "Whether you have a one-person team or a 200-person team – we

want to include your cleanup."

Examples of how you or your group can join the effort include cleaning up litter along roadways, waterways and parks and recreation areas, starting a community garden or participating in a recycling project.



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## Central Valley Academy names valedictorian and salutatorian

Madison Obreza is the Class of 2022 Central Valley Academy valedictorian. Madison will be attending Penn State pursuing her degree in the Accelerated Premedical-Medical Program (PMM) which is jointly offered by Penn State and Sidney Kimmel Medical College.

Gianna Frank is the Class of 2022 salutatorian. Gianna will be attending Syracuse University pursuing a degree in neuroscience.

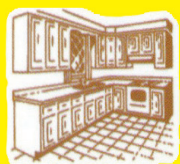


The Central Valley Academy Class of 2022 gathered on Thunder Field.  
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## Weather Awareness Summer

by Ann Bercher, National Grange Community Service Director

The National Weather Service recommends that every state promote a Severe Weather Awareness week every year. You can find the dates for this year's Severe Weather Awareness dates at [weather.gov/safety/events\\_calendar](https://weather.gov/safety/events_calendar).

But in recent years, the volatility of weather systems begs me to suggest that Severe Weather Awareness is something we should be considering every day of every season. Since we are fast approaching a busy summer, and whether you are staying at home or traveling this summer, here are some tips for creating a weather preparedness plan.

• **Know where you can get weather alerts.** In addition to receiving your local weather news on TV and radio, be sure to confirm that your cell phone can receive wireless emergency alerts, and then sign up to receive text and/or email alerts from your local jurisdiction. You may also wish to purchase a

battery-operated weather radio.

• **Know what the alerts mean and what action you should take.** A warning means that conditions are favorable for the possibility of a weather event and to stay tuned to your information source for further details. A watch means that the weather event is imminent and that you should take cover or other-directed options. Depending on where you live you might receive watches or warnings for thunderstorms, tornadoes, flash flooding, flooding, river flooding, excessive heat and tropical storms. An extensive list of watch and warning definitions can be found at [weather.gov/lwx/WarningsDefined](https://weather.gov/lwx/WarningsDefined).

• **Know what your shelter plan is.** Know where the safest place in your home is for your family to meet should there be a severe weather warning. Know where you and your family members should go if they are out in the neighborhood or away from home. Be sure to plan where to meet after the event is over.

• **Plan and practice an evacuation**

**route** so that everyone knows how and where to end up.

• **Identify a communications plan.** During severe weather, cell phone towers are often limited, and texting may work when calling does not. When severe weather is a possibility, be sure your cell phones are well charged. Be sure every phone in your family has emergency phone numbers identified on them that include emergency services, medical providers, veterinarians, insurance companies and other services. Be sure to include a family member or friend that lives out of state.

• **Prepare an emergency preparedness kit.** Be sure to include water, charged cell phone charger, flashlights with fresh batteries, a first aid kit, a whistle, moist towelettes, wrench or pliers, a battery-powered or hand-crank radio and food. See more at [ready.gov/kit](https://ready.gov/kit). Keep your emergency preparedness kit well stocked and updated every year.

More tips and suggestions can be found at [ready.gov/plan](https://ready.gov/plan).



## Herkimer Central School District graduation

The Herkimer Central School District is planning its graduation for the 2021-22 school year on June 24 at 6 p.m. The rain date is June 25 at noon. Graduation will

take place at the Herkimer Elementary Athletic Complex (Football Field).

Valedictorian is Caroline Pontius, daughter of Susan and Kevin Pontius.

Salutatorian is Rylee Crandall, daughter of Marissa and Brian Crandall.

The top 10 graduates are Caroline Pontius, Rylee Crandall, Hannah Whaley,

Chase Arabia-Everson, Destiny Filkins, Joshua Baldwin, Bailey Harter, Angela Wekelo, Kassidy Brown and Joaquin Nietes.

The senior class president

is Rylee Crandall. The senior class advisor is Mrs. Kristin Smith.

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June 2022						
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29	30	31	1	2	3	4
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Holidays						
14th - Flag Day						
19th - Father's Day						
21st - Summer Begins						

## JUNE 16

**Roast Pork Dinner** 4-7 p.m. or sold out at Emmanuel Episcopal Church 594 Albany St., Little Falls. \$12. Eat in. To go. Free delivery to Herkimer and Little Falls. Call to reserve 315.741.4672.

**Edwin Falk's opening at the Mohawk Valley Center for the Art**, at 403 Canal Place, Little Falls. Art opening coincides with the Art Walk in Little Falls. Falk will be at the gallery at 5:30 p.m. for the Artist's Talk. Call 315.823.0808 for information or to make an appointment.

## JUNE 17

**Celebrate James Joyce's Legacy With "Bloomsday"** at the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley - Museum, 623 Columbia St., Utica. Register [tinyurl.com/42z83wet](http://tinyurl.com/42z83wet)

## JUNE 18

**Local Author Series** 5:30 p.m. at the Herkimer County Historical Society, 406 North Main Street, Herkimer. Kevin Hall will discuss his book: Ilion - My Childhood, My Memories Growing up in a By-Gone Era. Limited seating. Call 315.866.6413 to reserve your seat. Refreshments will be served.

## JUNE 18-19

**Hyde Hall Foodways Tour** at 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Hyde Hall, 267 Glimmerglass State Park Road, Cooperstown. Call 607.547.5098.

## JUNE 19

**Father's Day Chicken BBQ** noon to gone at Poland Volunteer Fire Company. Family fun cornhole tournament. Contact Kelly at 679.0287.

## JUNE 20

**MVDancers** 2:30 p.m. at Arkell Center. Performance directed by Shanna Becker. Call 518.673.4408.

## JUNE 22

**Herkimer County Senior Citizen's Picnic** 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Herkimer County Fairgrounds, Frankfort. Coffee and doughnuts at 10 a.m., bingo at 11 a.m. For any Herkimer County resident 60 or older. To sign up, call Michele at 315.867.1152 by June 15.

July 2022						
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Holidays						
4th - Independence Day						

## JUNE 23

**Gavins Irish Country** - lunch and a show at Arkell Hall, Canajoharie. Members \$50. Non-member \$55. Call 518.673.5588 for details.

## JUNE 24-26

**Pistol Lilly Ranch Tack Shop** will have a booth set up at Midland Barrel Racing, Fonda Fairgrounds, 21 Bridge St. South, Fonda.

## JULY 2-3

**4th on the Weekend.** For more information contact Val Lawson, 4th on the Weekend Chairperson, at 518.848.7441 or email [valawson7691@gmail.com](mailto:valawson7691@gmail.com).

## JULY 4

**Annual Strawberry Festival** 12-4 p.m. at 7203 State Highway 5, Saint Johnsville. Includes the reading of the Declaration of Independence. Call 518.568.7779.

## JULY 5

**Breakfast Group/Depression Boys meeting** 9 a.m. at Foltsbrook Center, 104 N. Washington St., Herkimer. Breakfast and talk. The president of the local Habitat for Humanity as guest speaker. Breakfast is \$6. More information: [fpe-ruzzi2019@gmail.com](mailto:fpe-ruzzi2019@gmail.com)

## JULY 7

**Rabies Vaccination Clinic** 5:30 - 7 p.m. at Danube Town Garage, 438 Creek Road, Little Falls. Pre-register at 315.867.1176.

## JULY 12

**American Red Cross Blood Drive** 12:30-5:30 p.m. at American Legion Post 25, 43 West Main Street, Mohawk, NY. Sponsor Code: MohawkAL

## JULY 15-17

**Pistol Lilly Ranch Tack Shop** will have a booth set up at Midland Barrel Racing, Fonda Fairgrounds, 21 Bridge St. South, Fonda.

August 2022						
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Holidays						

## JULY 16

**Car and Craft Show** 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. hosted by VFW Post 502 in Frankfort. Sponsored by East Schuyler Methodist Church. For more information, contact 315.219.3410.

## JULY 21

**Midsummer Night's Picnic** at Canal Place, Little Falls. Visit [facebook.com/ThinkLocalLittleFalls](https://facebook.com/ThinkLocalLittleFalls)

## JULY 23

**Moses Quinby Day** at 7203 State Highway 5, Saint Johnsville. Call 518.568.7779. Call 518.568.7779.

## AUGUST 8

**Herkimer Region College & Career Scholarship Foundation Golf Tournament** 10 a.m. at the Cedar Lake Golf Club. For information on registering or making a donation, contact [smaxson@herkimer-boces.org](mailto:smaxson@herkimer-boces.org) or call 315.867.2023.

## AUGUST 8-14

**34th Annual Little Falls Canal Celebration.** Visit [canalcelebration.com](http://canalcelebration.com) or [facebook.com/canalplacelittlefalls](https://facebook.com/canalplacelittlefalls)

## AUGUST 11

**Defensive Driving** with April Johnson, Shults Agency. Sign up by calling 518.673.4408.

## AUGUST 12-14

**Pistol Lilly Ranch Tack Shop** will have a booth set up at Midland Barrel Racing, Fonda Fairgrounds, 21 Bridge St. South, Fonda.

## AUGUST 13-14

**Chicks Along the Canal.** Visit [www.chicksalongthecanal.com](http://www.chicksalongthecanal.com).

## AUGUST 25

**Rabies Vaccination Clinic** 5:30 - 7 p.m. at Salisbury Fire Department, 2549 State Route 29, Salisbury Center. Pre-register at 315.867.1176.

## AUGUST 26

**Herkimer County Chamber of Commerce Chamber Golf Tournament.** Registration 8:30 a.m. Tee off 10 a.m. Visit [herkimercountychamber.com/golf-tournament](http://herkimercountychamber.com/golf-tournament) call 315.866.7820 or email [info@herkimercountychamber.com](mailto:info@herkimercountychamber.com) for more information.

## AUGUST 28

**Community Picnic in Ames** at noon in the park behind the museum on Latimer Hill Road. Free food and activities starting. Bounce house for the kids. Sponsored by Cornerstone Baptist Church.

## SEPTEMBER 9 & 10

**2022 Central New York Farm Progress Show** 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Len-Lo Farm, Robinson Road, Mohawk. Visit [cnyfarmprogress-show.net](http://cnyfarmprogress-show.net). For more information, contact [grace@preskyins.com](mailto:grace@preskyins.com) or call 315.336.0375.

## SEPTEMBER 10 & 11

**Fort Klock's 49th Annual Craft Fair** 7203 State Highway 5, Saint Johnsville. Call 518.568.7779.

## SEPTEMBER 15

**Rabies Vaccination Clinic** 5:30 - 7 p.m. at Cedarville Fire Department, 960 State Route 51, Cedarville. Pre-register at 315.867.1176.

## SEPTEMBER 22

**Defensive Driving Class** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Arkell Center, Canajoharie. Program put on by Shults Agency. Call 518.673.4408 to reserve a space.

## OCTOBER 6

**Rabies Vaccination Clinic** 5:30 - 7 p.m. at Little Falls Town Garage, 478 Flint Ave Ext., Little Falls. Pre-register at 315.867.1176.

## OCTOBER 14-16

**Pistol Lilly Ranch Tack Shop** will have a booth set up at Midland Barrel Racing, Fonda Fairgrounds, 21 Bridge St. South, Fonda.

## OCTOBER 21-23

**Sir William Johnson and the Empire Wars Conference.** Registration is open for 2022. If you signed-up for the 2021 Sir William Johnson Conference, do not register and email Brian at [info@fortplainmuseum.org](mailto:info@fortplainmuseum.org)

## OCTOBER 22

**HALOs Annual Craft Fair** 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Ilion/Frankfort VFW. Food, raffles and more. All proceeds support HALO. Contact Natalie Massita at 315.520.3112 or [nmsmokeyjoe@aol.com](mailto:nmsmokeyjoe@aol.com).

## OCTOBER 29

**Rebels, Redcoats, & Zombies** 5-8 p.m. at the Fort Plain Museum, 389 Canal Street. If you are interested in participating as a Rebel, Redcoat or Zombie, contact [fortplainmuseum@yahoo.com](mailto:fortplainmuseum@yahoo.com) Visit [fortplainmuseum.org/events](http://fortplainmuseum.org/events)

## NOVEMBER 6

**Meatloaf Dinner** from 4 p.m. until sold out at St. Pauls UU Church, 565 Albany St., Little Falls. Take out only, delivery to limited area. \$12 per person to benefit to Organ repair fund.

## NOVEMBER 12

**Rabies Vaccination Clinic** 10 a.m. - Noon at East Herkimer Fire Department, 193 Main Road, East Herkimer. Pre-register at 315.867.1176.

## NOVEMBER 19

**HALOs Holiday Show** 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Ilion/Frankfort VFW. Vendors, crafters, direct sales reps. Food, raffles and more. All proceeds support HALO. Contact Natalie Massita at 315.520.3112 or [nmsmokeyjoe@aol.com](mailto:nmsmokeyjoe@aol.com).

## DECEMBER 3

**Christmas at the Fort - Author Book Fair** at Fort Plain Museum, 389 Canal Street, Fort Plain. Visit [fortplainmuseum.org/events](http://fortplainmuseum.org/events)

## DECEMBER 4

**St. Nicholas visits Fort Klock** 12-3 p.m. at 7203 State Highway 5, Saint Johnsville. Call 518.568.7779.



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## Mohawk Valley Dance Theatre competition



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## Elementary students recognized during PPP Assembly



Poland Central School District band students perform during the recent PPP Assembly.

Poland Central School District elementary students were recognized for positive behavior and showed their appreciation for teachers during the most recent PPP Assemblies.

Along with the individual and class awards, there were performances by chorus, band and students playing records. A video was shown of students speaking about their teachers in honor of Teacher Appreciation Week.

The PPP Assemblies, which honor elementary students with awards that connect to the school motto of "prepared, productive and proud," took place on in early May. One assembly was held for kindergarten through second grade, and another one was held for third grade through fifth grade.

### Individual Student Awards

Students received PPP Awards for showing strong character in line with the

school motto of "prepared, productive and proud." Eye of the Tornado Awards were presented to students who have done something above and beyond that a staff member witnessed. Safe Walker Awards and Safe Rider Awards were given to students for good behavior walking to and from school or riding the bus.

The individual award winners are listed below:

### PPP Awards:

- Julie Dutcher's kindergarten class: Matthew Pasarella and Wyatt Clemens
- Carrie Roark's kindergarten class: Logan Theilmann and Aliana Guarascio
- Sarah Barron's first grade class: Connor Comstock and Jemma Rider
- Kathleen Hess's first grade class: Skyler Zumpano and Easton Potempa
- Christina Kress's first grade class: Ella Hartmann and Daax Dischiavi
- Patricia Linneen's first grade class: Abrielle Crouse and Dakota Leigh

• Michelle Garrett's second grade class: Adalynn Falchi and Seiler Salvatore

• Rachel Hitt's second grade class: Gwenevere Smithson and Owen Muller

• Heather Judd's second grade class: Jack Meyer and Gianna Wheatley

• Barbara Brinck's third grade class: Briar Grems and Fawn Lonis

• Maria Delorio's third grade class: Celeste Burns and Austin Cameron

• Cheryl Gorinshek's third grade class: Lily Casper and Abigail Lawson

• Tracy Graulich's fourth

grade class: Amara Warney and Marissa Mashtare

• Lori Seymour's fourth grade class: Matthew Nebush and Lillie Hunt

• Elizabeth Lepper's fourth grade class: Reeghan Layton and Kyle Mercer

• John Allen's fifth grade: Farrah Goodney and Averie Loomis

• Todd Manley's fifth grade class: Alaina Meyer and Charlene Burns

**Eye of the Tornado Awards:** Celeste Burns, Harper Lachut, Wesley Bushinger, Annalyce LaSalle and Landon Polhamus

**Safe Rider Awards:** Aidan Shannon, Lily Casper, Anndalynn Dillow, Brielle Schrader, Gracie Nightingale, Dakota Leigh, Jeremiah Potter, Esther Vauruk and Vivienne Riecker

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### Class Awards

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## Elementary from 14

recognized with homeroom awards. The class receiving the Golden Spatula Award for lunch-time behavior gets to keep a golden spatula until the next PPP Assembly.

The winning class awards are listed below:

**Golden Spatula Award:** Mr. Manley's class

**Art Award:** Mrs. Judd's class and Mr. Allen's class

**Library Award:** Mrs. Garrett's class and Mr. Allen's class

**Music Award:** Mrs. Judd's class and Mr. Allen's class

**Physical Education Award:** Mrs. Garrett's class and Mrs. Seymour's class

**Single File Award:** Ms. Dutcher's class and Mrs. Graulich's class

**Social-Emotional Learning Award:** Ms. Barron's class and Mrs. Brinck's class



Poland Central School District chorus students perform during a PPP Assembly to recognize students for behavior in line with the school motto of "prepared, productive and proud." Photos courtesy of Herkimer BOCES

## OESJ Class of 2022 valedictorian and salutatorian

Margaret Christensen is the valedictorian of the OESJ Class of 2022. She is the daughter of Tish and Svend Christensen. Maggie has been a member of the National Honor Society since the 10th grade and during her senior year she served as the president. She is the president of the OESJ Class of 2022 as well as the president of the Student Council. Maggie has been a member of the Mohawk Valley FFA since seventh grade and served as the vice president during her junior and senior years. She has been an athlete throughout high

school, playing soccer, cross country, basketball and track and field. Maggie plans on enlisting in the U.S. Army and serving as a combat medic upon graduation.

Emilie Peterson is the daughter of Janine Peterson and is the salutatorian of the OESJ Class of 2022. Emilie is the NHS vice president, a member of Student Council and a co-founder of Book Club. In her free time, Emilie loves hanging out with her adorable cats and dogs. She plans to attend Pace University this autumn as a history major.



Margaret Christensen



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"I got into this business because my father wanted me to learn a good trade," Tracy said – and so he start-

ed his own company. In addition to learning the intricacies of the flooring trade, he also attended Fulton-Montgomery Community College and studied criminal justice.

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## Different ways to treat Dad for Father's Day

The month of June is filled with many different celebrations. Once summer arrives in June, schools shut down for a few months' worth of vacation and most recreational attractions, such as amusement parks and boardwalks, begin operating at full capacity. June also is the month to show dads how much they are loved and appreciated.

This year Father's Day takes place on June 21 and marks the 110th anniversary of this day for dads. Even though Father's Day began as a regional event in Washington State, nearly 60 years later it would be recognized as a national holiday across the U.S. Father's Day also is commemorated elsewhere in the world at various times of the year.

According to the most recent census data and statistics, there are 72 million fathers and father figures in the U.S. The following are some ways to treat dads this Father's Day.

- Participate in his hobby – Dad likely has some favorite hobbies, such as playing a favorite sport, boating, hunting, woodworking or restoring a classic car. Asking

to join in to learn the ropes of his favorite hobby can be an ideal way to spend time with Dad and show you care.

- Tackle his chores – Provide Dad a weekend off from his normal tasks around the house if they are within your skill set. Volunteer to mow the lawn, weed the garden, run for groceries or get the car washed. You also may want to help him finish a project he started but hasn't

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yet completed.

- Take in a show or a game – Maybe Dad has a favorite team he follows or a comedian he loves to watch. Purchase tickets so you can go in person. If that's not possible, make home viewing a special event by

clearing a few hours of your schedule and setting up a comfortable viewing area. Make some special snacks and stream his favorite programming right at home.

- Give him "his" space – Dads often make sacrifices for their families, and this could mean compromising on his comfort and pleasure to ensure everyone else has what they need. Create a spot that is entirely his own. This may involve renovating the basement or garage for hobbies or hanging out. Even a free-standing shed in the backyard can be billed as a "Dad Zone," giving your father a place to which he can retreat for some peace and quiet.

Start thinking of special ways to show Dad he deserves top billing.

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## Father's Day gift ideas for all types of dads

This Father's Day, families will gather to thank dads for all they do. Gifts often are part of Father's Day celebrations, and here's a list of gift ideas for dads with various interests.

**Gaming Dad** – The draw of popular video games doesn't abate for some men as they get older. If your dad is at home with game controller in hand, then gifts that feed his hobby can be ideal.

Virtual reality has made great strides. Devices that enable VR game play and other entertainment may appeal to Dad. There are a few options on the market, like the Oculus, Pico Neo, HTC Vive, and Valve Index.

Another option is to gift the Nintendo Switch Console, which enables your dad to play at home connected to the TV or on the go with the handheld controller and screen combination so he never misses a chance to engage in game play.

**Sports Dad** – Tap into your father's love of sports with gifts tailored to his passion. Baseball, rugby and soccer are played during warm

months, so tickets to a game is something dads and their children can do together. You also can cheer his team on in front of a new big-screen TV he gets for being such a great dad.

**Outdoorsman Dad** – If your dad is most at home with a fishing pole and tackle box, kayaking a nearby body of water, or hiding in a tree stand during hunting season, then gifts that cater to his love of the great outdoors are perfect. Insulated thermoses, water-proof bags for storing phones or wallets, multitools, backpacks and hiking boots make great gifts.

**Techy Dad** – Does the idea of the latest "smart" offering get your father all revved up? Then purchase gifts that cater to his love of gadgets. Maybe he can use a new tablet or laptop that bridges the gap between home and office.

Could it be time to upgrade his smartphone? A doorbell camera or home security kit can help Dad keep an eye on the comings and goings around the house when he's away. Or help him create surround lighting effects that can react to content on the screen or music being played with LED smart lighting strips.

**Practical Dad** – Some fathers don't want flashy gifts, instead preferring ones that can be used every day. Think about a new paper shredder or identity block roller stamp to keep sensitive information safe. If Dad takes long road trips, then he might be able to use a car visor extender or a smartphone holder. Shelving, racks or storage straps for the garage also may put a smile on Dad's face.

This year, make Father's Day a smash hit with gifts that cater to Dad's interests.

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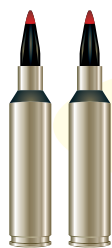
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## Creative Outpost launches outcome-driven workshops

The Creative Outpost Inc., a nonprofit in Upstate New York, recently announced the launch of their workforce development initiative to tackle regional unemployment among young people and adults in career transition.

According to David E. Warner, founder and chair of Creative Outpost, "The organization was inspired by a handful of industry professionals with first-hand knowledge of the opportunities and skills required for high-demand content creation and post-production jobs." According to Warner, there is growing interest in filmmaking, video production and content creation in Upstate New York locations

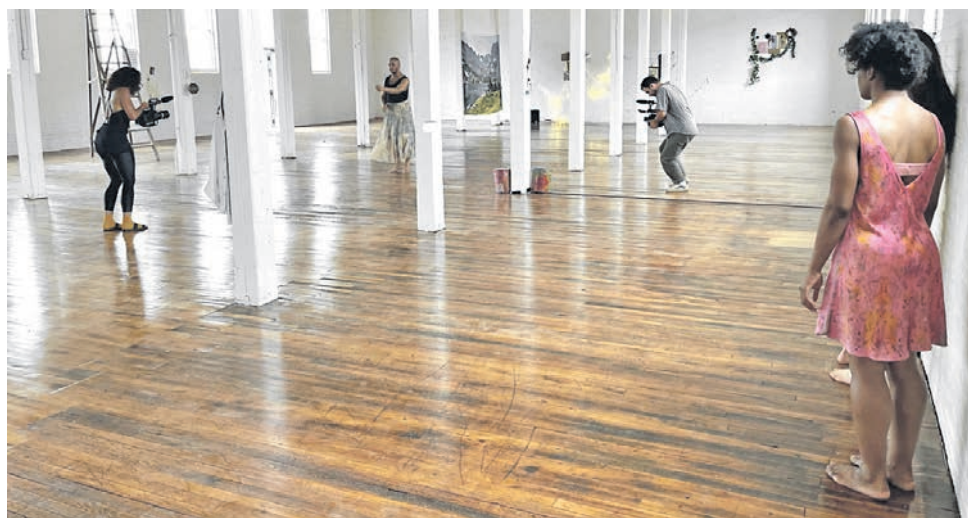
such as Albany, Syracuse, the Adirondacks and even in Warner's hometown of Little Falls. This was the catalyst for his vision of creating a post-production ecosystem of skilled talent trained by industry leaders working in film, video, podcasting, journalism and media.

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics shows a 21% increase in the job outlook from 2020-2030 in the content development industries, amounting to 28,600 new jobs. This is much faster than the average for all occupations. While a degree is always an asset, there are many non-degreed positions also available.

About 18,000 openings for broadcast, sound and

video technicians are projected each year. The 2021 national median pay was \$23.58/hour (or \$49,050/year). New York has among the highest employment for audio and video technicians with employment at 4,910 (second to California at 8,930) with an hourly wage of \$31.16 or \$64,800 (higher than California at \$30.24/hour or \$62,890 annually).

Warner expects the first rollout of the workshop series to begin in July of this year, focusing on photography, film and an introduction to filmmaking created using



Kayla Farrish and her film crew spent seven days in Little Falls filming parts of a movie called "Martyr's Fiction." Creative Outpost coordinated the student involvement in the project, access to the Vincent Building and the community presentation at Rock City Centre.



(L - R) Nathan Nirschl, Hannah Straney and filmmaker Adam Muro discuss the filming of their as yet untitled work. The project was organized by the Creative Outpost Inc. Photos courtesy of Creative Outpost

a smartphone. Instruction is hands-on, task-oriented and delivered in person by leading industry professionals. Follow-up online course modules are also planned so that students can continue to build upon their in-person workshops.

Creative Outpost objectives are clear: To inspire individuals to consider a career pathway in content development through technical knowledge and real-world job skills, to provide skilled interns to the film/video industries working in the Upstate region and to create a content development hub in Little Falls that allows graduates to secure gainful employment locally without the need to relocate to a large city or out-of-state.

For more information about Creative Outpost or to request a notification for upcoming workshops, visit [creativeoutpost.org](http://creativeoutpost.org).

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## EVELYN MUELLER OBITUARY



Mrs. Evelyn D. Mueller, 90, of Lafayette Street, Palatine Bridge, NY passed away Monday, June 6, 2022, at Ellis Hospital, with her family by her side. Born on April 18, 1932 on Long Island, NY, she was the daughter of John and Mary Lipnicki Tworokowski and was the youngest of 9 children.

She was a graduate of Sewanhaka High School, Class of 1949.

She had been a Telephone Operator for New York Bell on Long Island, before moving to Canajoharie in 1955. Along with her husband she was the owner and operator of the family dairy farm in Canajoharie until December 1967 when they moved to Palatine Bridge, where she then worked as a housewife and childcare provider.

She was a communicant of the former St. Peter and Paul's Catholic Church, and Our Lady of Hope in Fort Plain. She also enjoyed helping with the booster club, completing puzzles, especially Sudoku puzzles. She loved reading and enjoyed time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, and giga. She was cherished by her family.

On September 9, 1951 at St. Headwigs in Floral Park, NY, she married Henry G. Mueller, he predeceased her on October 17, 1995.

Her daughter, Laura Mueller; 8 siblings; and grandchildren Jennifer Mueller and Kory Mueller predeceased her.

Mrs. Mueller is survived by her 7 children, Gary and Cathy Mueller, Thomas and Gail Mueller, Sue and Mike Dean, Carol and Michael Amato, Mary and Andy Hislop, Jim Mueller, Ann and Gifford Bowerman; 18 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren, with one on the way; as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, June 10, 2022 at 11:30 AM at Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church, Reid Street, Fort Plain, NY. Burial will follow at St. Peter's & Paul's Catholic Cemetery in Canajoharie.

Contributions in memory of Mrs. Evelyn D. Mueller may be made to The Henry & Evelyn Mueller Memorial Scholarship Fund at NBT Bank in Canajoharie or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memorial and Honor Program F, 501 St. Jude Place, TN 38105-1905.

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# HOME IMPROVEMENT

## Six ways to make your garden more successful

Homeowners enjoy gardening for many different reasons. In addition to adding beauty to a property, gardens can offset grocery costs by yielding tasty produce. They also offer important habitats and food sources for both insects and animals.

you are unsure of vegetable yields. Several blooming plants producing bushels of crops can be overwhelming, especially if you can't get to harvesting or cooking them in a timely fashion.

**2. Assess the soil.** Plants need nutrient-rich soil to encourage extensive

shredded leaves and natural mulch. Add this organic matter in the off-season to give it enough time to be incorporated into the ground before spring. You can have your soil tested for pH and other characteristics that make it friendly or averse to plants at a local garden

the sunlight needs of certain flowers or plants? If not, read the packaging and do your research so your plants have the best chance of not only sprouting, but also surviving. Many people prefer to start seedlings indoors in late winter and then transfer those plants outdoors when they are stronger and more established.

**4. Sit in your yard and observe.** Watch the way the sunlight dances over areas of your landscape. Take note of which areas get the most sun and shade. This

will help you plan what to plant and where to plant it. Vegetable gardens tend to need ample sunlight to bear pick-worthy produce. You can give plants a leg up by growing them in optimal conditions.

**5. Choose hardy varieties.** Certain plants have been bred to thrive in your climate, including heat-tolerant plants for climates with sweltering summer sun. Consult with a local gardening center to figure out which plant zone you are in and which plants will do

best within that zone.

**6. Use rainwater.** Rainwater contains fewer contaminants and additives than tap water, which can benefit garden plants. Collect rainwater in rain barrels and use irrigation systems to deliver it to the garden.

Home gardens can yield many gifts, from flowers to fruit. Beginners can utilize some time-tested strategies to increase their chances of planting a successful garden.



While growing a vegetable or flower garden can turn into a rewarding hobby, or even a passion, gardening also can be overwhelming – particularly when the results are less than stellar. Novice gardeners have scores of resources at their disposal, including the advice of gardeners who have made mistakes and learned from them. The following guidance can make home gardens that much more successful.

**1. Start small.** You may have visions of an expansive garden growing rows of crops or acres of flowers. But it is smart to start small and build on what you find successful, which includes plants that thrive in your lawn and garden.

This also is beneficial if

root systems and produce strong, hardy plants, according to the gardening resource GrowVeg. Nourish soil with organic matter, such as manure, compost,

center.

**3. Arm yourself with knowledge.** Do you know how deeply to plant seeds and how far apart to space plants? Are you aware of

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# HOME IMPROVEMENT

## Budget-friendly dining room renovation ideas

If the kitchen is the heart of the home, then the dining room may be akin to one of its arteries. The mood created in the kitchen spreads to the dining space where family and friends gather to eat and enjoy one another's company.

Dining rooms can get lost in the home renovation shuffle,

as many homeowners tend to focus on renovating kitchens and bathrooms instead. Homeowners do not have to invest a lot of money in renovations to give their dining spaces awe-inspiring makeovers. Here's how to do so on a budget.

• **Lighten and brighten.** Dining rooms were once

very formal spaces. Dark woods, large pieces of furniture, over-the-top chandeliers and other details could be found in many homes. But now that houses are being built with open floor plans, dining rooms can blend with other spaces, which have moved to lighter colored walls, flooring and furniture. A fresh coat of vibrant paint can work wonders and it doesn't cost much. If you can't remove a floor, cover it with a brightly colored area rug.

• **Switch things up with slipcovers.** Slipcovers can be changed each season to dramatically alter the look of a dining room for little investment. Slip covers also protect chairs and can be easily laundered after spills.

• **Add floating shelving.** Floating shelves provide much-needed storage or display space without the need to invest in another



piece of furniture. Depending on the shelving, they can work in modern design schemes or even farmhouse dining spaces.

• **Clear out the clutter.** It might be time to say "so long" to that large curio cabinet and the knickknacks within it. Curio and china cabinets used to be de ri-

gueur, but plenty of people now prefer more open and airy dining rooms. For those who want to keep the cabinet, try decluttering inside to only include the very best display pieces and see if the cabinet can be refinished with paint or a lightly colored stain.

• **Improve lighting.**

Make the chandelier the statement piece of the space. Go for a bold color or an innovative design. Then add accessories throughout the space that coordinate with the chandelier.

• **Add bench seating.** Those who need additional seating may not have to get entirely new furniture. Swap out some chairs for benches, which can fit a couple more guests than chairs.

• **Create depth with color.** HGTV says that using various shades of the same color in a space can add depth. Coordinate drapes, walls, seat fabrics and accessories for a cohesive design.

Renovating a dining room doesn't require a large investment of time and money. A few simple steps can give dining spaces a whole new feel without busting homeowners' budgets.

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## The Family Counseling Center announces additions to Leadership Team

The Family Counseling Center of Fulton County has announced new leadership in two key roles. Dana Collier, LMHC, NCC, CA-SAC-T, MBA has joined the organization as clinic director and Amanda Anderson has transitioned from assistant director of operations to director of the Domestic Violence Program of Fulton County.

The Family Counseling Center of Fulton County sees 4,500 clients per year with over 134,000 individual client contacts

annually. Clients often work with staff across programs, creating a collaborative care model. The Behavioral Health Clinic is at the core of the services provided by the Family Counseling Center and offers talk therapy, a crisis unit and psychiatry services.

Collier joins the Family Counseling Center from Helio Health in Syracuse and brings with her extensive experience in directing client care and operational programs in diverse settings. As clinic director, she

will work to align programs and services ensuring the Behavioral Health Clinic is meeting the needs of the community. "There is a great need for the work we do at the agency and I am looking forward to providing the services that will have the greatest impact," Collier said.

The Domestic Violence Program of Fulton County serves victims and survivors of domestic abuse. The program houses survivors at a nine-bed safe dwelling, provides both case management and advocate services as support for both residential and non-residential clients and operates a 24-hour hotline for immediate aid. The program has been housed at the Family Counseling Center since the early 1980s and is a cornerstone of the organization's work in the county.

Anderson began working for the Family Counseling Center in January 2020 and has transitioned from

assistant director of operations to director of the Domestic Violence Program of Fulton County. Anderson brings a comprehensive knowledge of the processes associated with the agency and is now focused on outreach and education about domestic abuse. "I truly appreciate that the staff of The Family Counseling Center has the same goal – to help the people

we serve," said Anderson. "Because of the rural areas in which we operate, there may be barriers to care including stigma, transportation or other issues. Our entire team is here to help overcome those barriers in order to ensure individuals are empowered enough to create positive change in their lives."

"We are excited and honored to have such tal-

ented and dedicated individuals as part of our leadership team," said Michael Countryman, executive director, the Family Counseling Center. "Both Dana and Amanda bring deep understanding of the programs and services our community needs. Their work is focused on client care and growth, and the Family Counseling Center is lucky to have them on our team."

## Canajoharie High School students make great showing at General Federation of Women's Clubs NY Art Contest

Art students from the Canajoharie High School made a good showing against a very stiff competition. The following students placed in the first round of competition with two pieces that earned first place, heading on to the New York State competition.

1st Place (Printmaking) – Adrianna Scot  
1st Place (Watercolor) – Tristen Taylor  
2nd Place (Sculpture) – Mykenzie Prevost  
2nd Place (Oil Pastel) – Morgan Haviland  
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**HAY EQUIPMENT:** Claas 255RC Uniwrap baler wrapper combo w/ applicator, like new condition!; OXBO 334 pull-type merger, exc cond; Sharp one owner JD 5830 4wd forage harvester w/ 2 heads; JD 100 big square baler; JD triple front mower setup models 388 & 131 good working condition; 2018 NH BC5060 baler w/ thrower; CaseIH SBX540 w/ thrower; Sharp one owner JD 328 baler w/ kicker; Sharp NH RB7070 round baler; NH RollBelt 450 round baler; Vermeer 504I Round baler, absolutely like new!; CaseIH DC161 discbine – new cutterbar; JD 925 discbine; JD 920 discbine; Sharp NH 7ft 472 haybine, late model; (2) Kuhn 4120 rotary rakes; (10) kicker wagons; Like new JD 1219 haybine; Sharp NH 273 baler w/ thrower; New Farm King 3pt bale wrapper; Claas 255RC Uniwrap baler wrapper avg condition; New 2021 Titan 3515 HD 15ft batwing mower; Alamo Eagle Fifteen 15ft Batwing – like new!; MUCH MORE BY AUCTION TIME!

**OTHER FARM EQUIPMENT:** Sharp Nuhn Magnum 4000 tandem axle tank spreader; Like new 2018 Kuhn Knight VT168 twin screw mixer

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**CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT:** 2014 Hyundai Robex 220 LC9A excavator – 440hrs; CAT 311C excavator; JD 644H wheel loader 8500hrs, orig paint, very clean; Case 621B wheel loader 8000hrs, good machine, we've used for six months; Sharp Tree Farmer Skidder; JCB 1110T track SS w/ cab, 250 orig hrs & pre-emissions!; Bobcat S175 SS w/ cab, only 400 orig hrs!; NH LS180 SS 680 orig hrs!; (2) Sharp NH LS185B SS – 600 & 1200 hrs; Sharp Case 1840 SSL w/ cab, 1800 orig hrs; Ditch Witch 5110 w/ hoe; Nice 8ft Land Pride PTO landscape rake; Several commercial diesel mowers; New 40ft container; (8) New toolbox workbenches; Polaris Ranger 6x6 UTV; Woods 15ft batwing finish mower; Brand new BelAire 10hp air compressor, commercial duty; Lots of skid steer attachments including new skid steer bush hogs, grapples, forks, SS tires & wheels; (5) Used trailers; Plus much more, more arriving daily!

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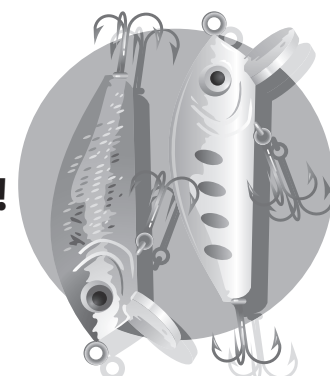


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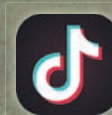
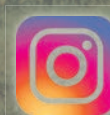
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by Linda Thistle

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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  
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King Crossword

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54 Last letter in London  
55 Garfield's pal

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24 French river  
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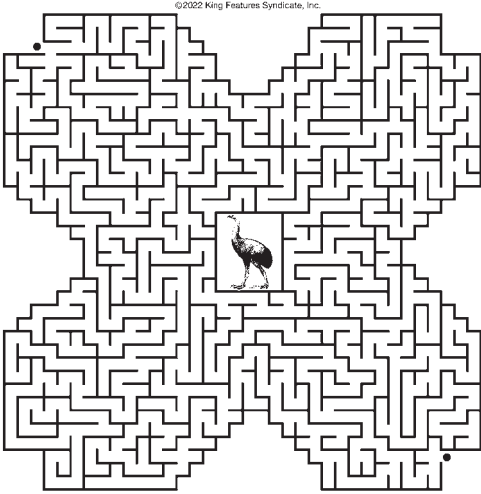
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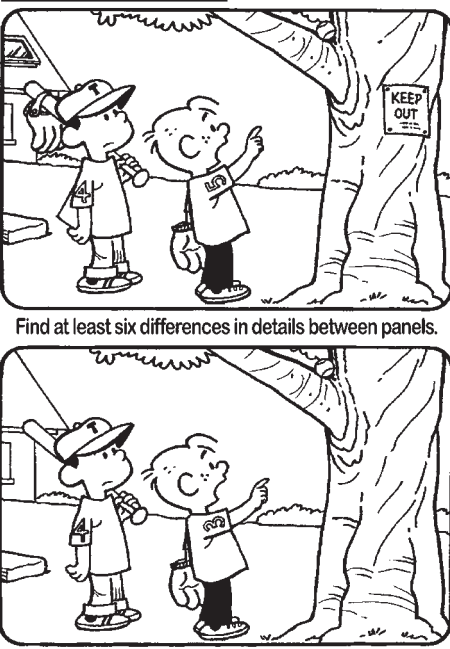
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

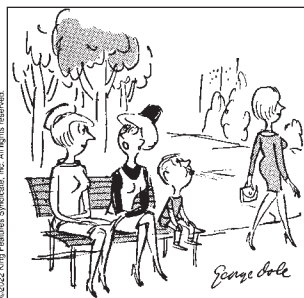
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TODAY'S WORD



"He has his father's \_\_\_\_\_."

# Home Country

by Slim Randles

Dud was heading home in his pickup truck when he saw the strange goings-on at the Bahdziewicz place. Abraham Lincoln Bahdziewicz was out in the family's large garden with a full complement of kids who were happily hopping around. Some of the kids came from the neighborhood, but most of them were homegrown Bahdziewicz kids.

The Bahdziewicz family had a great garden, and went at the whole thing scientifically and in great fun, because this is one family that runs short on cash but long on kids.

Dud pulled over and watched for a minute as Abe laughingly directed the family dancers doing the vegetable boogie through the various rows of the huge garden.

"What's going on, Abe?" yelled Dud.

"Squash bug stomping time," Abe said, turning over another board lying next to the vegetables. As soon as the board was flipped over, a pletho-

ra of Bahdziewicz kids stomped the bugs flat. "It's the kids' favorite time in the garden."

The third grader, John Kennedy Bahdziewicz, said, "Flip another board, Dad."

"Hold it!" Dud yelled. "Not another move until I get back, okay? I'll be back here in five minutes. Five minutes!"

Abraham Lincoln Bahdziewicz looked at his oldest son, Woodrow Wilson Bahdziewicz and they both shrugged. The rest of the family stopped, too. Dud peeled out in the pickup and was back in less than two minutes.

"Okay," Dud yelled. "Let's do the squash bug stomp the right way!"

And he strapped on his accordion and fired up a grand polka as boards were flipped over and the exposed squash bugs

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were dispatched in record polka time.

Just living here can be an awful lot of fun.

Find "Home Country: Drama, Dreams and Laughter from the American Heartland" at [lpdpres.com](http://lpdpres.com).

## There's no need to squabble

It may seem out of season for those who only associate turkeys with the colder season holidays, but June is Turkey Lovers Month. It's a great time to celebrate these large domestic fowl because this is the time farmers and caretakers put in the good work to ensure your Thanksgiving is both healthy and tasty.

Like a lot of other gifts we gave to Europe, the turkey is native to North America. Spanish traders first introduced turkeys to the Continent in the 1500s. There are two species, the wild turkey of eastern and central North America, and the ocellated turkey of Mexico. The males of both species can easily be identified by their fleshy wattle, called a snood, which hangs down from the tops of their beaks. Like many other ground-feeding birds, the males are much bigger and more colorful than females (just like peacocks).

As far as we can tell, people have been eating turkeys since about 800 BCE. The earliest turkeys evolved over 20 million

years ago and they share an ancestor with grouse, pheasants and other similar birds. The wild turkey is actually the ancestor of the domestic turkey, which was domesticated about 2,000 years ago. They went the opposite direction of most livestock. And it shows:

Turkeys have been known to be aggressive toward humans and pets in residential areas. Wild turkeys have a social structure and pecking order and may respond to humans and animals as they do other turkeys. They may attempt to dominate or attack people that the birds view as subordinates.

How do we deal with this? Well, in 2017, the town of Brookline, MA, recommended a controversial approach when confronted with wild turkeys. Besides taking a step forward to intimidate the birds, officials also suggested "making noise (clanging pots or other objects together); popping open an umbrella; shouting and waving your arms; squirting them with a hose; allowing your leashed

dog to bark at them; and forcefully fending them off with a broom." This advice was quickly rescinded and replaced with a more simple warning: "being aggressive toward wild turkeys is not recommended by state wildlife officials." (As someone who has been attacked by turkeys while waiting for the school bus, I also endorse the "just stay away" rule.)

But wild turkeys are for hunting. What if you want to raise some yourself? According to the National Turkey Federation, broad-breasted white is the most commonly domesticated breed of turkey. They can be raised in a similar fashion to chickens. Just make sure they have pasture, water and food; use moveable roosts so they can be moved safely; provide lots of space; and make sure they have good access to clean air. Do not raise them with chickens, though; that pecking order could result in some serious fighting.

Today's domesticated turkeys also have



June is Turkey Lovers Month.

a reputation for bonding more closely with their human caretakers, so they may be easier to handle than some chickens. Turkeys have been by our sides - or in our woods - for a very long time, so it's important we take the time to appreciate them this month.

Read more at [countryculture.co](http://countryculture.co).

Word search puzzle grid with letters and words hidden.

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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# FARM, HOME & GARDEN

## Mohawk native serves at Information Warfare Training Command, Corry Station

by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Anna-Liesa Hussey, Navy Office of Community Outreach

Seaman Jeffrey DiGeorgio, a native of Mohawk, is serving at the Information Warfare Training Command (IWTC) at Corry Station in Pensacola, FL. As a student at IWTC, DiGeorgio is serving among the future generation of information



Jeffrey DiGeorgio

warfighters. Students at IWTC are taught the requirements and skills needed to be successful in their new careers.

DiGeorgio joined the Navy one year ago. Today, he serves as an information technician.

"A lot of my family was in the Navy and I had always thought about serving," said DiGeorgio. "Their sea stories inspired me to join the Navy. After working several jobs, I decided I wanted a career that would help me achieve greater things."

According to DiGeorgio, the values required to succeed in the Navy are similar to those found in Mohawk.

"Growing up, I learned to take initiative to put forth the extra work to do something because you can't always rely on others to do the job right," he said.

IWTC, one of Center for Information Warfare Training (CIWT)'s four training commands, provides schooling for the Navy and joint services in cryptologic, information systems and cyber functions, enabling optimal performance of information warfare across the full spectrum of military operations.

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Serving in the Navy means DiGeorgio is part of a team that

is taking on new importance in America's focus on rebuilding military readiness, strengthening alliances and reforming business practices in support of the National Defense Strategy.

"Our Navy is one of the most powerful forces in the world," said DiGeorgio. "We are not only protecting our shores and seas, but those of our allies as well by ensuring free trade and enforcing security at sea."

DiGeorgio and the sailors he serves with have many opportunities to achieve accomplishments during their military service.

"I have aspirations to accomplish many things during my Naval career, but so far my proudest accomplishment is graduating basic training," said DiGeorgio.

As DiGeorgio and other sailors continue to train and perform the mission they are tasked with, they take pride in serving their country in the U.S. Navy.

"Serving in the Navy allows me to serve my country and carry on tradition," added DiGeorgio. "I take a lot of pride in what the military does to help our communities and humanitarian works they conduct throughout the world."

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