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extra large room between the upstairs bathroom
and bedroom that is currently used as a combo
office/ closet area. The backyard is a smaller size
enclosed (fenced) area. Driveway to the left of the house parks 1 car. School is
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#20222245: **Gloversville, NY**
Looking to invest? Come check
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short walk to shopping and an
elementary school. Consists of
- 4 one bedroom units. 4 stoves. 4
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and garage. **\$145,000**



#202226240: **Gloversville, NY** Come see this 2
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shopping, and restaurants. Sit on the covered
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Hardwood floors throughout the downstairs.
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living space. Brand new roof (2021) on house
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#202226275: **Gloversville, NY**
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features many upgrades including:
refrigerator (2020), stove (2020),
hot water heater (2018), majority of
plumbing (2018), toilet (2018), new
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new south facing cement block
foundation wall (2020). **\$99,500**



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#202224408: **Gloversville, NY**
18.36 acres of prime commercially
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in the commercial corridor of
Johnstown/Gloversville, NY. The
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south. Possible green energy
use, residential or business
development? This parcel is centered to many surrounding large and medium
commercial businesses, including the Walmart Super Center. Possible owner
financing for qualified buyer. **\$249,000**



#202225867: **Johnstown, NY** This
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bottom. It features new hardwood
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additional room that would make a
great office or nursery. Schedule a
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#202224399: **Minden, NY**
This is a beautiful large parcel
of 8.8 acres with a lovely view
from up on top. It has a nice
uphill slope with some nice
trees starting to grow. There
is another lot adjoining to the
right of this one that is for
sale also. These are very nice
buildable lots. Clear what you
prefer to clear here! **\$43,500**



#202224400:
Minden, NY
A large parcel
of 6.10 acres
that stretches
over top of the
hill, featuring
very nice views.
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a must see!
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#202223322: **Northville, NY** Located on
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your personal tour. **\$115,000**



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A letter of thanks

Open letter to Montgomery County legislators, county officials, town officials (Montgomery County towns), Village of Nelliston officials and Village of Palatine Bridge Officials, regarding our open house on Oct. 12 from 5 - 7 p.m. at 15 Dutchtown Plaza, Palatine Bridge –

Dear officials,

This is a public **thank you** and a chance to see what the Town of Palatine has accomplished with an old Pizza Hut building that sold at one of your tax sales for under \$100.

Our public **thank you** might seem a little late, but it took over three years to complete the

legal work and pandemic-related delays.

Working together with the legislatures joining with our board's vision really is what made this project possible.

Join us Oct. 12 at 5 p.m. to help us celebrate. There will be free cider and donuts. There is also unlimited free parking.

Bill MacLauchlin
Palatine Town Supervisor

Reenactment canceled

At their regular meeting held Sept. 14, members of Fort Klock Historic Restoration voted to cancel their Oct. 1-2 reenactment, Interrupted Harvest, due to the new gun law that went into effect Sept. 1, 2022. The reenactment, which portrays a raid in the Mohawk Valley during the Revolutionary War, is held biannually.

Because of the law, reenactors are not

allowed to carry firearms be it muskets, flintlocks or longrifles. While a spokesperson for Governor Hochul's office recently stated historical reenactments can proceed, to date there has been no amendment to the law, and there is no waiver in place to let events such as this happen.

Robert Metzger, chairman of the board of trustees, said some re-enactors, who come

from across the state and Canada, have expressed concern and others have stated they will not attend due to the new law. "It makes it impossible to plan an event and we don't want to endanger our invited guests or the organization. While the Governor's spokesperson says it's okay, the bottom line is that the law is still in effect. Until changes are made to law itself, we cannot resume our reenact-

ments. It is very disappointing that we had to cancel in 2020 due to COVID and now we have to cancel this year because of the new law," said Metzger.

Metzger and other members of Fort Klock are hopeful that an amendment will occur quickly so their 2023 opening day scheduled for May 20 will be able to proceed as planned.

Mohawk Valley Center for the Arts celebrates volunteers

As the Mohawk Valley Center for the Arts continues to celebrate its 40th anniversary, its Volunteer Appreciation and Recruitment Reception will take place Sept. 29 from 5 - 7 p.m. at the 401 Gallery at Canal Place in Little Falls.

The evening gives the center an opportunity to celebrate

the many volunteers who have made the 401 Gallery and the Selective Eye successful. You'll have the opportunity to meet the board members and volunteers that make it happen.

Individuals who may not have been involved in the MVCA but would like to know more about volunteer opportunities are

welcome. There will be a short program that includes more about upcoming events and activities. Refreshments will be served.

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Little Falls Cheese Festival adds ‘Les Moutons’ to the herd

The Little Falls Cheese Festival committee has announced the addition of “Les Moutons” to the seventh annual Cheese Festival, which take place Oct. 1.

The creation of the Canadian performance troupe CORPUS, the award nominated “Les Moutons” is a carefully studied reenactment of the care for “sheep” that is often a key aspect of pastoral farm life. Performed in more than 100 festivals in over 25 countries, “Les Moutons” will be a featured attraction on Main Street, along with a full gamut of New York cheesemakers, gourmet foods, craft beverages and more.

“We are all so excited for ‘Les Moutons,’” said Teri Chace of the Little Falls Cheese Festival Committee. “We’re excited to see them live, and we’re excited to see how our visitors will react to the performances. It certainly won’t be something they’ll soon forget!”

“Les Moutons” will join an array of regional musical acts located along Main Street, along with two performances of “Where is the Big Cheese Now?,” a free cheese-themed play in the Food Truck Food Court located in the M&T Bank parking lot. Festivities run from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and include convenient shuttle buses for ease of parking.

The Little Falls Cheese Festival is New York State’s premier gathering of cheesemakers, with an estimated 8,000 people in attendance last year. Keep up to date with planning and vendor announcements by following the Little Falls Cheese Festival on Facebook and Instagram or by visiting littlefallscheesefestival.com.



The award nominated “Les Moutons” is a carefully studied reenactment of the care for “sheep” that is often a key aspect of pastoral farm life. It will be a featured attraction on Main Street during the Little Falls Cheese Festival. Photos courtesy of Little Falls Cheese Festival



The Little Falls Cheese Festival Committee has been working all summer in hopes that the city’s seventh annual Cheese Festival will be the biggest and best yet. An estimated 8,000 people attended the festival last year.

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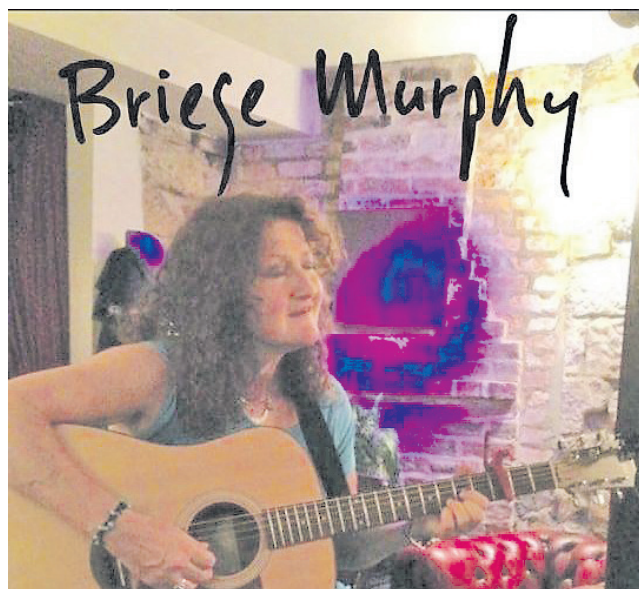
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October events include a singer- songwriter and a paint & sip class



Come and enjoy an afternoon of beautiful folk ballads from Co. Armagh by singer-songwriter Briega Murphy. Photo courtesy of Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley

The Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley announces that there will be two programs at the Center in October. On Oct. 9 at 1 p.m. the ICCMV proudly welcomes Briega Murphy, a singer/songwriter from Ireland.

Murphy is a native of the Ring of Gullion valley, South Armagh, an area rich in songs and storytelling. Her songs are often inspired by the surroundings of the beautiful hill country in which she was reared and still lives with her family.

Upon release of her first album "The Longest Road," Murphy carved out her place as one of the strong women of Irish music, moving her audiences by her words, her lilting melodies and her passion for Ireland, her native home.

Murphy will share her music, songs and stories. The audience will be mesmerized by her voice. You will not want to miss hearing Murphy, direct from Ireland.

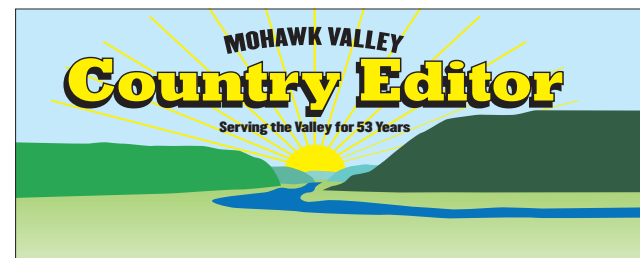
Tickets cost \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Advance tickets can be purchased through Eventbrite.com or from the 5 Points Public House at the Irish Cultural Center.

One week later, on Oct. 16 at 2 p.m. the center is hosting a family-friendly Halloween-themed paint and sip class led by Jill Rae Vennara. All are welcome to join, including families with children age six and older, teens and adults of all ages. No art or painting experience is necessary as Vennara will lead the group in creating a beautiful Halloween scene which may include a full moon, bats, a spider in a web, a scary old tree, pumpkins and more.

October 16 will be the perfect day for a fun family or adult

activity. Seasonal and age-appropriate refreshments will be served during the paint and sip class. The class costs \$40 for painters aged 16 and over and \$20 for younger artists, ages 6 - 15. The youngsters will paint a smaller canvas. Come join us and watch your creative side emerge.

Reserve a spot via Eventbrite.com or call 315.827.4291 to reserve your spot. Class size will be limited; reserve early.



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Pathways Academy orientation takes students on scavenger hunt

The Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego BOCES Pathways Academy started off the first day of school for students with a team-based scavenger hunt around the building to help students get comfortable in their environment.

It didn't hurt that when students completed the scavenger hunt, they were able to use the clues to open a lockbox containing a special treat.

"This is hopefully an engaging way to get the kids to move around the building a little bit and get to know important personnel and locations," Pathways Academy Principal Patrick Corrigan said.

The first day of school at the Herkimer BOCES Pathways Academy was Sept. 6. Pathways Academy focuses on students who have had a difficult time in a traditional school structure or have to catch up on credits but have the ability to get a high school diploma. Pathways Academy classes are project-driven and infuse career and technical education.

The scavenger hunt tied into the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program at Pathways. The PBIS program includes various aspects including students earning BOCES Bucks for positive behavior that they can use on reward days to purchase experiences or items from the PBIS Store at Pathways.

During the scavenger hunt, students followed clues around the Remington Education Complex in Ilion to locations such as the principal's office, nurse's office, the Learning Center, the gymnasium and the PBIS Store. They met with administrators, teachers, the school nurse and other staff at each location and received information and updates about how the school operates.

As new seventh graders visited Corrigan during the scavenger hunt, he spoke to them about the school year ahead.

"You're going to get all the support you need," Corrigan

said. "You've just got to listen to the people around you."

The scavenger hunt is the start of a return to having more PBIS-related activities and events, after such events were limited the past couple of school years due to COVID-19,

Corrigan said.

"There were fewer chances for celebrations in recent years, and we're trying to be conscientious about that and bring back those experiences for students," Corrigan said.



Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego BOCES Pathways Academy students hear from Pathways Academy Principal Patrick Corrigan near his office during a scavenger hunt on the first day of school. Photo courtesy of Herkimer BOCES



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Members of the Shooting Stars Dance Academy were contestants in the Talent Show competition at the Fonda Fair, put on by owner/choreographer Falon Macek of Fonda. The contestants sang and danced.

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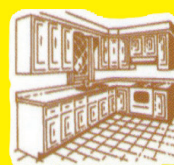
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September event celebrates work of the Family Counseling Center

The Family Counseling Center of Fulton County in Gloversville is happy to announce their Fall Gala will take place Sept. 29 from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. The event will honor the long history of the organization, celebrate the work of two distinguished individuals and highlight the talented and dedicated team working at the agency.

Founded in 1976 by a board of concerned community members and originally staffed by a cohort of volunteer counselors, the organization has grown and matured into a fundamental cornerstone of mental and behavioral health in the Mohawk Valley. Today, the Family Counseling Center works with over 4,500 clients across six counties. Services include school-based counselors located in four school districts, a Mobile Crisis Unit, a satellite office in Fort Plain, a Behavioral Health Clinic, Children and Family Services, the Domestic Violence Program of Fulton County and more.

The organization's growth culminated in the renovation and expansion of the Broadway Street headquarters. Begun in March 2020 just days after the COVID lockdown was announced, the state-of-the-art facility was completed in November 2021. The space, which is designed to bring light and nature into every office and breaks down treatment silos, offers a collaborative model of care for clients. Team members have over 11,000 client contacts per month, meaning that individual clients are treated across programs, removing barriers to care and empowering those undergoing treatment to self-advocate for positive change in their lives.

In 2022, the Center partnered with Genoa Healthcare, a leading healthcare pharmacy that works with community-based providers, health plans and others as part of a coordinated care team, ensuring that people with complex health conditions have a full team on their side dedicated to serving

their individual needs. The partnership has been able to increase the fulfillment of prescription medications and provide superior care for clients of the Family Counseling Center.

On Sept. 29, the Family Counseling Center will host their first-ever fundraising gala. The goal: to raise \$50,000 for the agency at a time when demand for mental health services has increased 400% nationally while grant and program funding has decreased.

"We've been very lucky over the course of the last two years," said Michael L. Countryman, the organization's executive director. "We quickly and nimbly transitioned to telehealth in March 2020 and were able to serve 100% of our clients within one week of the shutdown. Since May 2021, we have been able to see clients in-person at our facility. While many clinics across the country have been forced to reduce programming and services, we have maintained and expanded programming to try and meet the needs of our clients and our community. With that said, agencies like ours are facing a crisis of care. The pandemic has brought the importance of mental health and the connection between mental health and overall health to the foreground. We are seeing an increased number of individuals in crisis and the demand means we need to expand services and our ability to serve our community even more."

In addition to a dinner and silent auction, the fundraising gala will include the recognition of two individuals who have dedicated themselves to the communities in which the Family Counseling Center serves.

The Dr. David and Ann Lee Clough Award recognizes an individual or group for exceptional contributions to the field of behavioral health and is given to an outstanding individual or group who has demonstrated continued excellence in direct or indirect services to behavioral health. The 2022 honoree is Janine Dykeman, executive director of the Mental Health Association of Fulton and Montgomery Counties.

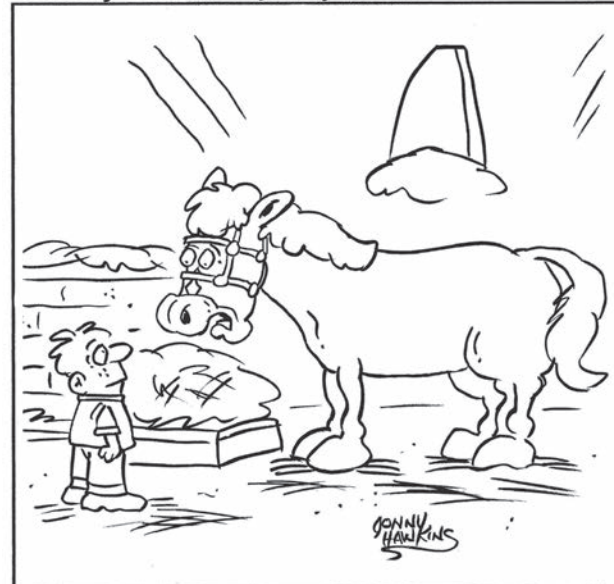
The Mary Ann Harzinski Outstanding Community Service Award honors the legacy of Mary Ann Harzinski, a dedicated teacher and long-time member of the Family Counseling Center Board of Directors. The award is given to an individual or organization who has a recognized record of volunteerism across organizations or has worked in close partnership with organizations. The 2022 honoree is Denise Walsh, the current secretary of the organization's Board of Directors, close friend of Mary Ann Harzinski and volunteer of the Family Counseling Center for over 22 years.

"We are so thankful for the support of our community and the dedicated individuals who have helped build the Family Counseling Center," said Countryman. "Janine and Denise have devoted themselves to the communities in which they live. Their receipt of the Dr. David and Ann Lee Clough Award and the Mary Ann Harzinski Outstanding Service Award not only honor their legacy but the legacy of the individuals for whom the awards are named after."

Full details about the Fall Gala including ticket sales is available at thefamilycounselingcenter.org. Tickets to the event are \$75/person.

In addition to the award honorees, the Fall Gala is presented with the help of an Honorary Organizing Committee that includes John and Sunday Blackmon; Shawn Cleland and Peter Kiernan; Stephen and Cheryl McGrattan; Luigi and Lesley Lanzi; Grant and Kim Preston; Gail and Jerry Ryan; Bryan and Gianna Taylor; and Bill and Roberta Winsman.

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October 2022						
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10th - Columbus Day / Indigenous Peoples' Day 31st - Halloween						

November 2022						
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Holidays						
6th - Daylight Saving Time Ends 8th - Election Day 11th - Veterans Day 24th - Thanksgiving						

SEPTEMBER 21

Third Wednesday Night Dinners 4-6 p.m. or sold out at Ilion First Baptist Church, 8 Second St., Ilion. Chicken & Dumplings Dinner. Delivery or take-out only. Take-outs may be ordered ahead by calling 315.894.9041. \$12 per dinner. For more information contact the church office at 315.894.9041.

Senior Citizens Pinochle Card Party 12:30 – 4 p.m. at Arkell Center in Canajoharie. \$2 donation - prizes and refreshments. Want to sub? call Terry 518.673.5635.

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.

Readiness to Purchase Farmland educational webinar 7-9 p.m. Register online at tinyurl.com/2m5jvfb

SEPTEMBER 23

Traditional Irish Music Duo to perform at 7 p.m. at the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley at 623 Columbia Street in Utica. Tickets are \$20 in advance available through Eventbrite at tinyurl.com/yc6p3dwz or by calling 315.827.4291. Tickets will be \$25 at the door.

SEPTEMBER 24

Benefit for Alan and Linda Crouse 1-5 p.m. \$10. Food (2-4 p.m.). Music. Raffles. Gun raffles. 50/50. Bake sale. Call Aubrey Cheny at 518.491.5918 or Joan Kark-Wren at jkarkwren@leepub.com or 518.249.2531.

Pierogi and Golumbki Sale at St. Mary's Ukrainian Orthodox Church, 324 Moore Ave., Herkimer. Pierogi sell for \$8 a dozen and Golumbki \$15 a half-dozen or three-piece for \$7.50. All fully cooked.

Harvest Festival 12-4 p.m., Halfmoon Town Park, 162 Route 236, Halfmoon. Face painting, chicken barbecue, pony & hay rides. Vendors. Fireworks. Petting zoo, games music and much more. Contact Halfmoon Celebrations at tinyurl.com/yckbxb7r

SEPTEMBER 24-25

The Remsen Barn Festival of the Arts. Saturday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Main Street in the historic Welsh town of Remsen, 12 miles north of Utica on Route 12. Admission is free. Plenty of parking on and off site. It is one of the northeast's premier festivals. No pets allowed. Visit the festival website at www.remsenbarnfestival.org

SEPTEMBER 25

The Revisions Barbershop Quartet and The Dreamcatchers concert 2 p.m. Presented by the Stone Arabia Preservation Society at the Stone Church in Stone Arabia, located at 5414 State Highway 10, Palatine Bridge. Free will donation. Refreshments served.

"250 Years of Music" concert 3 p.m. at Palatine Church, Route 5. Celebrating the 250th anniversary of the church. Songs of various genres from each decade 1750-2020 will be sung and played by local musicians, including Lauri Broady, Chiarra Morris, Will Ryan, Orion Pratt, David Bowley and Thomas Kee, in addition to a lot of singing by the audience. Come to this special "Musical Potpourri XIII", organized by Norma Bowley. Free. An offering will be received to benefit the Palatine Church which has been newly restored to a more original design with more seating and visibility.

The Remarkable Irresistible Erie 1:30 p.m. at Arkell Museum and Canajoharie Library Great Hall, Erie Blvd., Canajoharie. Free performance, all ages welcome. Call 518.673.2314 x113.

SEPTEMBER 28

A Pipeline to Apprenticeship Virtual Job Fair 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Program help people with a disability connect to pre-apprenticeship training. Questions? Contact Sommer Edwards at 315.207.6951 ext. 133 or sedwards@working-solutions.org. Register at pvapi.premiervirtual.com/s/xm621W

"Social Security: The Unconventional Truth for a Better Retirement" 6-7 p.m. at Johnstown Public Library. For individuals ages 55-70. Guest speaker John Kalil, Social Security Claiming Strategist and President of Retirement Solutions, LLC. Limited to 25 participants. Advance registration required. To RSVP, contact the Library at 518.762.8317.

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SEPTEMBER 29

Business After Hours GPO Federal Credit Union - Ilion. For more information, call Herkimer County Chamber of Commerce at 315.866.7820.

40th Anniversary Volunteer Appreciation and Recruitment reception 5-7 p.m. at Mohawk Valley Center for the Arts, 401 Gallery, Canal Place, Little Falls. RSVP at 315.823.0808 or mvca@finearts@icloud.com by Sept. 26.

The Family Counseling Center of Fulton County Fall Gala 5:30 -8:30 p.m. First-ever fundraising gala. Goal is to raise \$50,000 for the agency. Full details including ticket sales is available at www.thefamilycounselingcenter.org. Tickets to the event are \$75 per person.

SEPTEMBER 30

Senior Citizens club meets 1 p.m. at Arkell Center in Canajoharie. Directly following at 1:30 p.m. John DeValve will have a slide show of Local Birds. For more information, call Joan Cimino at 518.673.4408.

SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 1

Herkimer College Fall Fest & Alumni Weekend. Herkimer Generals Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony on Friday. Events continue through Saturday. Visit tinyurl.com/4x24j2yf

OCTOBER 1

2nd Annual Fall Craft Fair 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Cullen Pumpkin Farm, 587 Cullen Road, just outside the village of Richfield Springs. Coordinated by the Church of Christ Uniting, Richfield Springs and benefits their annual fundraising efforts. For information contact fallcraftfair@yahoo.com or Carla at 315.858.1451.

14th Annual Car Show at the Herkimer College Fall Fest & Alumni Weekend noon to 4 p.m. Area motorheads are invited to show off their retro rides. Contest and awards ceremony to follow at 3 p.m. The car show is free to join, but pre-registration is requested. Interested vehicle owners can sign up at www.herkimer.edu/fallfest. A full schedule of events can be found at www.herkimer.edu/fallfest.

29th Annual Fall Outreach Banquet of the Fellowship of Christian Farmers International Mohawk Valley Chapter at the Lake Delta Bible Conference Center, 6420 Pillmore Drive, Rome. Buffet style dinner at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$17 per person. For reservations call 315.736.5964 by Sept. 27.

4-H Dog and Handler Skills Class for Youth. The upcoming 6-week course starts with mandatory orientation class on Oct. 2 at 2 p.m. at CCE Education Center, 123 Lake Street, Cooperstown. The cost of the course is \$40. Participating dogs must be at least three months of age. Youth must be at least eight years old. For more information visit cce-schoharie-otsego.org/events or to register, call CCE at 607.547.2536 ext 225 or email Teresa Adell at tla47@cornell.edu.

OCTOBER 1 & 2

Fort Klock Historic Restoration Revolutionary War encampment, "Interrupted Harvest: 1781 Valley Raids." Featuring an interpretation of "rural life under threat," showcasing a daily autumn routine on a fortified Mohawk Valley farm during autumn 1781. The afternoon battle will begin at 2 p.m. on Saturday and 1 p.m. on Sunday, and the battle is based on an Aug. 6, 1781 raid on a nearby fortified homestead in the Mohawk Valley. The Saturday afternoon programming will feature "Forts and Fortified Homes". Sunday afternoon programming will include "Loyalist Women". Children's activities include games, militia drills and quill writing. Fort Klock open both days 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. with no admission fee except to tour the fort. Donations welcome. Fort Klock is located at 7203 State Hwy. 5, St. Johnsville. For more information contact Private Lee at 518.762.0010.

OCTOBER 2

Cars Along the Mohawk Car/Truck Show 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Erie Canal RV Campground, 44 Bridge St., St. Johnsville. Car Show contact: Don Dingman at 518.568.7697 or 315.901.9002 (Cell). Or Chris Arduini at 518.332.6537. Proceeds to Benefit Montgomery Co. Veterans Services.

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Benefit for children of Trina Gaudons 2-6 p.m. at the American Legion at 43 W. Main St., Mohawk. Benefit for two children who tragically lost their mom. Ziti Dinner, basket raffle, bake sale, 50/50. \$10 per person. Children under 5 are free. Call Judy at 315.866.2861 for advance tickets or questions.

OCTOBER 4

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is hosting a 2-hour **Security Webinar** 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. to enhance awareness of, and response to, an active shooter incident. Registration is free and participation is based on a first come, first served basis with a limit of 350 participants. Registration will close as soon as the event reaches capacity or no later than Oct. 3 at noon. For more information email CISA-Active Shooter Preparedness@CISA.DHS.GOV or visit cisa.gov/active-shooter-preparedness. Visit tinyurl.com/2p8hbjs

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 6 - 8

Fort Plain Free Library fall book and rummage sale. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday. 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. On the grounds of the library at the corner of River and Willett streets. To donate books or for more information, contact 518.993.4646 or fpfl@mvls.info or visit the 19 Willett St. library.

OCTOBER 9

Briege Murphy - Singer- Songwriter from Co. Armagh, Ireland 1 p.m. at Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley - Museum, 623 Columbia St., Utica. Afternoon of beautiful folk ballads from Co. Armagh by Murphy. Admission is \$15. Tickets can be purchased through Eventbrite at tinyurl.com/2p842s8m

Brunswick Grange Tailgate Sale 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Schaghticoke Fairgrounds, Rt. 67 & 40, Schaghticoke. Always first Sunday of May and first Sunday in October. Vendors will have various varieties of chickens, ducks, geese, pigeons, veggies, plants and other agricultural items. For more information, contact Alice Grimsley at tedallycat@aol.com or call 518.279.9113.

To promote your event, please contact us at cfeditor@leepub.com or 518.673.0143.

Fort Klock’s 49th Annual Craft Fair



A new crafter this year was Island Girl Henna.



Kai Moessle baked rolls and cookies in the beehive oven.



The weather was perfect for Fort Klock’s 49th Annual Craft Fair. From wreaths to flint knives to jewelry to soaps and lotions, there was a great variety of crafts for everyone.

According to Fort Klock President Joan Kark-Wren, there were 120 crafters this year, making it necessary to add more booth spaces. “Luckily, there are plenty of areas we can expand to as the craft fair gets larger,” she commented.

Tours of the fort were given by Les Stewart, and VP Kai Moessle baked rolls and cookies in the beehive oven, talking with attendees about the process.

Treasurer Lisa Emden said, “We were very happy with the turnout and look forward to celebrating our 50th craft fair in 2023.”

Members of the Fort thank all those who helped make this event the most successful one to date.

Learn more about Fort Klock at fortklockrestoration.org.

**Photos by
Donna Cowsert
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Joan Kark-Wren**



The weather was perfect for craft fair.



People of all ages enjoyed the craft fair.



Attendees had a wide variety of handmade items to choose from.

FALL HARVEST

A beginner's guide to fall planting and maintenance

Spring and summer are perhaps the busiest times of year for gardeners. However, fall also is a prime time to tend to gardens.

The tree and bare root retailer Bower & Branch ad-

gardeners to move plants into spots that will get ample sunlight.

- Fill in landscaping gaps. Some fall plants can add color around the landscape and brighten up homes to

add curb appeal. In addition to pansies and violas, asters, kale and chrysanthemums are fall blooms. Keep in mind that mums can come back year after year. So take them out of those flower pots and get

them into the ground. They can be enjoyed next year as well, sprouting in early spring and developing leaves and buds through late summer.

- Clean up unwanted growth. Fall is an ideal time to cut back spent vegetable plants and get rid of errant weeds. Rather than bagging leaves, mow them with a grass catcher and then add the mix to a vegetable garden as an excellent soil insulator. The nitrogen and carbon will fertilize the soil, enhancing growing possibilities and limiting weed growth.

- Propagate plants in the fall. As temperatures gradually begin to cool, start

taking cuttings from perennials, gathering seed pods from azaleas and rhododendrons and dividing hardwood cuttings, says the resource Gardening Know How. Consult with a garden center or horticulturist on the proper ways to propagate stems using rooting hormone and other techniques.

- Continue to water plants. Water is essential in the fall and winter as roots can still be growing. Gradually reduce watering duration as plants go dormant.

Fall planting and maintenance can extend gardening season and improve the chances of growing a healthy spring garden.



Mums planted in the ground should come back next spring.

vises that soil temperatures in many regions of the country may still be warm enough to encourage root growth well into the start of winter. Furthermore, fall is often the ideal time to plant, fertilize and keep a garden going or to get a head start on next year's bounty.

Here are some tips to make the most of the fall gardening season.

- Think about fall annuals and bulb planting. Near the end of September, start planting cool-weather-loving pansies and violas for pops of color as summer flowers fade. Also, it's a good idea to stock up on bulbs that will bloom in the months to come before they sell out in stores. Wait until the temperatures really cool down before planting them in desired spots for spring sprouts.

- Take inventory of the sun. Positioning a garden carefully means maximizing hours of sunlight, which begin to dwindle in the fall. Experts say gardens grow best in sunny locations that receive six hours of direct sunlight each day. This is where container gardens can be helpful, as they allow

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FARM, HOME & GARDEN

Pre-winter perennial pruning pointers

Foliage and football might be two things people instantly associate with fall, but there's more to this beloved season than brightly colored leaves and action on the gridiron.

Gardeners know that spring is an ideal time to plan and plant their favorite flowers and most flavorful fruits and vegetables. However, seasoned gardeners know that gardening is a year-round commitment. Pruning is one of the keys to keeping perennials coming back for years to come, and fall is an ideal time to take on this important task.

Pruning perennials in the fall is not a one-size-fits-all endeavor. According to the Old Farmer's Almanac, some perennials can be cut down after the first killing frost, while others can be left to benefit wildlife, including birds and insects. Understanding pruning and when to do it this fall can help gardeners lay a strong foundation for their gardens that will benefit them next spring.

Why should some perennials be pruned?

The College of Agricultural Sciences at Pennsylvania State University notes that perennials that have become diseased or infested with insects are pruned to prevent those problems from resurfacing in the spring. In addition, according to the Old Farmer's Almanac, many herbaceous perennials have old foliage and dying stems after several hard frosts. If dead foliage or dying stems aren't pruned, disease, slugs and other pests can overwinter in the plants. Cutting these plants down to the ground after several hard frosts

allows the base of the plant to remain dormant over the winter but makes the plant less hospitable to disease and insects.

Which perennials should I prune?

The first step to pruning perennials is to recognize which need to be pruned and which can be left intact for the winter. The Old Farmer's Almanac notes that bee balm and phlox are prone to powdery mildew and should be cut back once they're gone. Hostas harbor slug eggs, so they, too, should be pruned after a hard frost. Hosta leaves that have fallen on the ground should be removed as well. There's no need to cut back certain perennials if they're healthy. For example, hardy geraniums do not require pruning in the fall, and Penn State Extension notes that hardy perennials like garden mums are more likely to survive a cold winter if they're left intact. That's because the tops of such plants will collect leaves and snow for insulation and moisture over the course of winter. Gardeners who are unsure about fall pruning can speak with their local gardening center for additional advice regarding which plants to cut back before winter.

When to prune perennials

Gardeners need not rush to prune perennials in the fall. Diseased or infested plants can be pruned at the first sight of disease or infestation, but gardeners can wait until several hard frosts have occurred before they prune healthy perennials. In gardening parlance, a hard frost refers to when tempera-

tures drop below 28° F. Several hard frosts kill the uppermost growth of most perennials, making this an ideal time to prune them.

Pruning perennials in fall can be the first step toward creating an awe-inspiring spring garden.



Fresh veggies are not exclusive to spring and summer

Spring and summer may be the seasons most often associated with gardening. But people who love to grow their own vegetables can do so even when the weather outside is frightful.

Various vegetables thrive in cool temperatures. The home and garden experts at HGTV note that some winter vegetables are hardy. That means they can handle frosts in temperatures as low

as 25° F without being damaged. Others are even sturdier in the face of all that winter can throw at them, capable of tolerating temperatures that dip into the high teens.

Growing vegetables in winter requires a different approach than growing in spring and summer, as gardeners must be ready to prevent damage from frost if temperatures get especially chilly. For example, the

experts at Michigan State University Extension note that gardeners may need to utilize floating row covers to protect sensitive crops from frost. Gardeners interested in planting winter vegetables can speak with a local garden center professional about which crops to plant and what to do if temperatures push winter vegetable gardens to the brink.

Though it's up to gardeners what they want to plant, the following are some popular winter vegetables that can make for wonderful, fresh additions to any dinner table even after the traditional gardening season has come and gone.

- Arugula
- Broccoli
- Brussel sprouts
- Cabbage
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A rabies clinic will be taking place Oct. 6 from 5:30 - 7 p.m. at the Little Falls Town Garage, 478 Flint Ave. Ext.

All cats, dogs and ferrets three months or older must be vaccinated even if they stay indoors. Every dog and cat needs two rabies vaccinations one year apart, then one every three years. Ferrets must be vaccinated every year.

Bring the pets' rabies vaccination history to receive a three-year certificate. Dogs

should be on a leash. Cats and ferrets should be in a carrier or pillowcase. No vet exams will be given. A \$5 donation per pet is suggested to defray costs.

Visit herkimercounty.org to view a complete listing of rabies clinics in Herkimer County.

To schedule an appointment and pre-register your animals, call 315.867.1176. Pre-registration will end at noon on Oct. 5 for this clinic.

Fort Plain Free Library to host book and rummage sale Oct. 6 - 8

Save the date for the Fort Plain Free Library's autumn book and rummage sale from Oct. 6 - 8.

From 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. that Thursday and Friday and from 9 a.m. - noon Saturday, the library will offer for sale an assortment of books, audiobooks, DVDs, VHS tapes and more on the grounds of the library, located at the corner of River and Willett streets.

Donations of clean, dry and gently used books, magazines and DVDs are gladly accepted before Oct. 5. No clothing items will be accepted.

Proceeds of the fundraiser go to the library's operating budget and will be used for book purchases, programming and general operations. In conjunction with this fundrais-

er, the library is still accepting applications for personalized, engraved paving stones at the new main entrance. Paving stone contributions help pay for improvements to the facility.

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Scenes from the Canajoharie Street Fair

The fourth annual Canajoharie Street Fair took place on Sept. 10 on a sunny Mohawk Valley Saturday. The growing event, sponsored by the Canajoharie-Palatine Bridge Chamber of Commerce, included dozens of unique vendors from near and far, as well as a good variety of food vendors, a community parade, a firefighter waterball competition and various musical acts performing all day. The event was capped off with a beautiful

fireworks display over the village of Canajoharie. The Street Fair takes place annually on the second Saturday of September. For more information or to be added to our mailing list email streetfaircanjo@gmail.com or call Matt at 315.292.2306. Learn more at www.canajohariestreetfair.com.



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HOME IMPROVEMENT

What to give new homeowners this holiday season

The real estate market has been a wild ride in recent years. Sellers have cashed in on record-breaking profits, and buyers have had to compete against many others — sometimes in bidding wars — for a limited number of properties. Once listed, homes are selling fast. As interest rates rise and inventory increases, things are likely to change, though for some it did not come soon enough.

Individuals who were lucky enough to find a new home this year may discover they now have little money to outfit those homes. Shoppers with new homeowners on their holiday shopping lists may want to help those loved ones outfit their homes this season. The following are some home-related gift ideas to get shoppers started.

• **Video/smart doorbell:** Although the smart doorbell market began with only a handful of options, there's now a bevy of manufacturers who make video and smart home doorbells. These doorbells serve the dual purpose of alerting homeowners to someone at the door, while providing surveillance of the comings and goings outside of the home. Depending on the product, a subscription may be needed to access video history. Doorbells range from \$50 to \$200 and more depending on features and resolution.

• **Furniture gift card:** There's a good chance new homeowners will need to furnish new rooms in a home, particularly if they're coming from an apartment or a smaller place. Many people also like to update furnishings when they move into new

places. A gift card to a popular furniture store in the area will provide the head-start new homeowners need to secure sofas, dining sets, lamps, rugs, and more.

• **Household tool kit:** What better way to prepare new homeowners for the do-it-yourself projects and household repairs than with a tool kit? Home improvement retailers often package common tools needed in carrying cases or sets, but shoppers can grab separate items they think will be used and group them together into one gift. Pliers, screwdrivers, wrenches, a level, and measuring tape are good starter tools.

• **Customized doormat:** Give that new home additional curb appeal with a doormat customized with a special message or the new homeowners' names, such as Welcome to the Smith Home. Other customizable products include cutting boards and wall plaques.

• **Programmable thermostat:** A programmable or learning thermostat will help new homeowners save on their energy bills. Many thermostats now pair with smart home systems and phones and automatically adjust the temperature as needed to reduce energy consumption.

• **Linens:** A high thread count sheet set or plush Turkish cotton towels may not be something new homeowners think to get for themselves. But these luxurious gifts can make life at home more comfortable.

Moving into a new home is an exciting yet expensive endeavor. Carefully curated gifts can tap into what new homeowners need the most.



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Wood floor installation dos and don'ts

Jaw-dropping features can sell a home in a heartbeat. A penthouse apartment with floor-to-ceiling windows and a panoramic view of a city skyline likely won't prove a hard sell, nor will a home with an infinity pool overlooking a landscape of rolling hills. As awe-inspiring as such features can be, some more subtle components, such as authentic hardwood floors, also can do much to make a home more appealing to prospective buyers.

Hardwood flooring is a sought-after commodity. Data from the National Association of Realtors indicates that 54 percent of home buyers are willing to pay more for hardwood floors. In fact, NAR figures indicate that 28 percent of buyers between the ages of 35 and 54 consider hardwood floors "very important" when looking for a home. Homeowners who are considering selling their homes, or those who simply want to upgrade their existing flooring, may want to consider installing hardwood flooring. Though it's a project best left to professionals, hardwood flooring can be installed by skilled DIYers. In such instances, homeowners may want to keep these dos and don'ts in mind.

DO hire a professional if you have limited or no DIY flooring experience. Hardwood flooring installation is not generally a project for novice DIYers. Hardwood flooring projects may present some common challenges, but no two homes are the same. So unless they have prior experience installing floors in multiple rooms or homes, homeowners may save themselves time, trouble and a signifi-

cant amount of money hiring a professional to do the job.

DON'T ignore the subfloor. New hardwoods won't erase the problem of subfloors in poor condition. According to the home renovation experts at BobVila.com, squeaky floors could be an indication that the subfloor has begun to warp or twist. Sinking floors are another indicator of deteriorating subfloors. Subfloors should be somewhat level before new hardwoods are installed, so DIYers should inspect and address subfloor issues before installing new flooring.

DO expose wood flooring to the elements in your home prior to installation. The home improvement resource BuildDirect recommends acclimating hardwoods to the space where they will be installed. Skipping this important step could result in gaps during the winter and cupping over the summer. To acclimate hardwoods, open the boxes and spread them out for about a week while running the air conditioner or heater at normal levels. When storing hardwoods prior to installation, avoid keeping them in potentially moist areas like a basement.

DON'T skimp on tools. A DIY hardwood flooring installation might be less expensive than hiring a professional, but homeowners should resist any temptation to increase those savings further by purchasing less costly tools or fewer tools than is necessary to complete the job. BuildDirect notes that DIYers will need at least a miter saw, table saw, cleat-nailer or stapler, finish nailer, com-

pressor, jamb saw, chalk line, nail set, and tape measurer when installing hardwood floors. Purchase all necessary tools and read product reviews to ensure each tool is up to the task.

Wood floors can be awe-inspiring. Some homeowners can install such flooring on their own, and the project can be much easier if they learn as much about installation as possible prior to beginning the project.



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HOME IMPROVEMENT

Prepare your garden for winter's onslaught

Individuals who don't live near the equator or in another warm climate know that winter will rear its chilly head this year. Cold temperatures and snowy conditions may be excellent for skiing and sledding, but gardeners recognize these conditions are not ideal for their plants.

The inevitable slowing of activity in the garden during fall marks a time to shift attention from constant plant care to preparing the landscape for next season. It may be tempting to simply let Mother Nature take over, but a little pre-winter TLC can ensure gardens make it through winter unscathed.

Remove spent plants

Decomposing organic material is the basis for compost and other fertilizers. However, vegetable plants that are left to sit can lead to decay in the garden. Decaying plants can serve as hosts for pest populations and diseases. Rotting vegetables also can drop unwanted seeds into the soil, which eventually can strip nutrients that normally would go to next year's crops.

Ornamental plants and perennials can be cut back in fall. Cut down stalks and remove leaves.

Plant a cover crop

The gardening resource This Is My Garden recommends planting a cover crop to set the stage for a successful spring. A cover crop protects the soil and can return nutrients to it. When the soil is bare during winter, weed seeds can easily blow in and lie in wait, ultimately becoming a problem during the ensuing year. Cover crops can include clover or field peas, which will increase the levels of available nitrogen.

Amend the soil

Fall is a perfect time to add soil amendments, such as manure and compost. These fertilizers will add nutrients and break down gradually, enriching the soil over the winter.

Replenish mulch

Gardeners may have added mulch around shrubs and other areas of the landscape early in the season because it is attractive. But mulch also does much to reduce water loss and protect the soil from erosion. It may inhibit weed growth as well. Replacing mulch when the mercury drops can insulate

the soil, which helps to regulate soil temperature. A thick layer of mulch around root vegetables left in the garden can offer protection against hard frosts.

Divide bulbs

Divide plant bulbs and plant them where you want flowers like daffodils and tulips to grow in the spring.

Prune dormant plants

Wait until plants are dormant to prune them and adjust their shape. Most shrubs and trees should be pruned in late



Adding a layer of mulch around plants can insulate roots and the soil against hard frosts.

winter, right before new growth.

Move potted plants

Bring delicate plants into a sheltered area, such as a greenhouse or indoor garage, so they can continue to thrive during the winter.

Fall and winter still provide opportunities to spend time in the garden. At this point in the year, gardeners can prepare landscapes for the next season.

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"In my twenties, I had the chance to learn cooking in France as an apprentice in a few grand Parisian establishments. I quickly understood that fine bread was required to accompany fine dining," Boyd said. "I always wondered how the French got to make bread so rich in taste and texture. I spent years trying and experimenting with different traditional bread recipes. Believe me, failing is easier than succeeding when it comes to the 'perfect' balance between those 'basic ingredients!'"

After having mastered the techniques required to produce artisan breads, Boyd came home to the U.S. to create his own recipes. Beginning with just one variety – which was all he needed to be off and running – he opened several local accounts in independent markets and grew exponentially from there. Now, there are around 60 employees working the dough.

Today, Heidelberg Bread has expanded throughout the Northeast. Their bread line has also grown to include 15 varieties, all available for purchase online as well. They cater to anyone who is health conscious and truly enjoys a good loaf of bread. Heidelberg focuses on simple ingredients – ingredients you can pronounce. "Phenomenally Healthy" is their slogan.

"I wanted to offer the supermarket public a natural and tasty alternative to the cardboard fluff breads available out here," Boyd stated.

Heidelberg Bread won Manufacturer of the Year, the Excellence in Small Business Award and the Mohawk Valley Leading Edge Award,

all in 2016, and they haven't slowed down since. Today, their factory is located in Frankfort, where they bake five days a week. For more information, visit heidelbergbread.com or call 315.866.0999.

Be sure to visit them at the Little Falls Cheese Festival as well on Oct. 1, to pick up some of the Mohawk Valley's most popular and beloved breads. They'll be offering unsliced loaves, baguettes (Italian, garlic, Demi and Long), dinner rolls and ciabatta rolls.

What started as a vision for great bread in France became a well-known bakery in Frankfort. Heidelberg Bread now sells their goods throughout the Northeast.



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(L - R) Staff who have been at Herkimer BOCES for 20 years: Sherry Stone, Christina Ostrander, Debra Hagadorn and Scott Dunckel. Adam Spatto, who was viewing the presentation from the Remington Educational Complex, was also recognized for 20 years of service.

Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego BOCES welcomed all staff for a new school year on Aug. 31 and honored staff who have reached milestones in their service at BOCES.

Herkimer BOCES District

Superintendent Sandra Sherwood and Herkimer BOCES Board of Education President Michael Clements gave opening comments.

"I'm glad to see you back," Clements said. "We couldn't ask for a better group of people."

Sherwood and Clements spoke from the lobby at the Herkimer BOCES William E. Busacker Complex in Herkimer. Employees watched via video from four other rooms at the WEB Complex and from the Herkimer BOCES Remington Educational Complex in Iliou.

Clements encouraged new employees not to be nervous because they're joining a strong team. "I hope we have a great year and try to get back to some normalcy," he said.

Association leaders Holly Rotundo Fischer, Bethann Hammer and Timothy Johnston joined Sherwood and Clements to present certificates to staff who reached a standout number of years at BOCES.

The following employees were recognized for the following milestones:

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At the end of her presentation, Sherwood returned to the question of what BOCES is. She said it certainly includes the component districts and the BOCES facilities. “But it’s really all of us,” Sherwood said to the Herkimer BOCES employees. “I’m so glad you’re back here with us. Welcome back.”

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Frances Bishal was honored for her 25 years of service. Photos courtesy of Herkimer BOCES



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Wedding day tipping guidelines

Vendors may be in the background during a wedding, but the roles they play are vital to making ceremonies and receptions memorable for couples and their guests. It's customary to tip wedding vendors who provide great service. The wedding experts at The Knot note that the following guidelines can help couples determine how much to tip the unsung heroes who make their weddings so memorable.

- **Photographer/videographer:** Photographers and videographers are unique among wedding vendors because their work will be looked at for decades to come. The Knot notes that it's not necessary to tip wedding photographers and videographers who own their own studios. Their fees are all the compensation they need. However, many photographers and videographers do not own their own studios, and the efforts of such professionals are worthy of a little something extra at the end of the night. The Knot notes that a tip between \$50 and \$200 is standard for these professionals, and that tip can be given at the end of the reception.

- **Reception staff:** The reception staff works as hard as anyone during the wedding, and those efforts merit a good tip. Many reception venues include gratuities in their food and drink fees, and couples can check to see if they have already tipped staff and if they think the mandatory gratuity is sufficient. A tip between 15% and 20% of the food and drink fee is standard. Maître d' fees also may be built into the wedding contract. If not, a tip between \$200 and \$300 is standard and can be delivered at the end of the night.

- **Band/DJ:** Music features prominently at many wedding receptions. Bands and/or DJs can set the tone for a fun night couples and their guests will remember for years to come. Tipping musicians is optional, but it's the norm to do so when they provide exceptional service. Couples who have a band playing can tip between \$25 and \$35 per musician, while DJs generally receive a tip between \$50 and \$150.

- **Drivers:** Many transportation firms also include gratuities in their contracts, so couples should check to see if they've already tipped limo or bus drivers before paying them a little extra. If the tip is not included and the drivers arrive on time and get guests to the wedding on time, then a tip that's between 15% and 20% of the total bill is standard.

- **Delivery personnel:** Individuals who deliver items like cakes and flowers are typically given a gratuity upon delivery. A tip between \$5 and \$10 per person is standard, though individuals who deliver items like tables, chairs and portable restroom facilities and then set those items up may be deserving of a little extra.

- **Officiants:** Officiants who are affiliated with a church or synagogue where the ceremony will take place are not typically given a gratuity. However, The Knot notes that a donation to the place of worship between \$100 and \$500 is standard. Couples who still want to give the officiant a little extra can tip between \$50 and \$100. Independent officiants who receive fees directly from the couple need not be tipped.

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Arc Herkimer hosts prom for residents

On Sept. 24, Arc Herkimer will host its inaugural prom – a magical and formal evening for people with disabilities that are supported by the agency. Arc Herkimer is proud to work in partnership with NYS Industries for the Disabled (NYSID), which is graciously sponsoring the event.

Individuals with disabilities residing in agency-owned residences and supportive living homes are welcome and encouraged to at-

tend. The prom will take place under the tent of the MV Golf & Event Center in Little Falls.

"Arc Herkimer is dedicated to creating first-class events for the people we support, as well as finding ways to build community," said Kevin Crosley, president/CEO, Arc Herkimer. "A formal evening such as this provides the residents with an opportunity to increase camaraderie, enhance social skills and make

each individual feel special."

This year's prom theme is "The Enchanted Garden." Twinkle lights, stunning floral displays, personalized foods and more will welcome adults of all abilities to the event. In preparation for the evening, individuals have enjoyed dress and suit-shopping, selecting accessories, spa days and scheduling hair appointments.

"NYSID is honored to join Arc Herkimer in presenting its first-ever residential prom for individuals with disabilities," said Maureen E. O'Brien, president and CEO, NYSID. "This special night on the town reminds us that those we support deserve every opportunity to live their best lives from work to play. Have a wonderful, enchanted evening in the garden, one and all!"

Household Hazardous Waste facility closing for the season

The last day for the 2022 season of household hazardous waste collection at the Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority's EcoDrop Utica will be Sept. 30. Household hazardous waste collection will reopen on April 1, 2023.

Since the inception of the household hazardous waste program in 1992, the Authority has safely disposed of over one million gallons of hazardous waste, with 61,163 gallons being safely disposed of in 2021.

The Authority's EcoDrop Utica, located at the end of Leland Avenue Extension, will accept household hazardous waste from residents of Oneida and Herkimer counties Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. and on Saturday from 7 a.m. - 2 p.m. through the month of September.

The household hazardous waste program was designed to accept waste products from homes that can cause problems for humans and our en-

vironment when discarded improperly. Examples of wastes accepted include oil-based and latex paints, pesticides, oven cleaners and photographic chemicals. Once received, items are sorted by hazard class and properly disposed or recycled.

Households are allowed to drop off 14 wet gallons and/or 20 dry pounds of waste per trip. Liquid paint may be brought to EcoDrop Utica; however, empty paint cans or cans with hardened paint should be placed in the garbage. You must remove all covers before placing them in the garbage.

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Certain businesses may also qualify to use the facility by appointment only. To obtain approval, call Superintendent of Waste Collection Justin Fitch at 315.733.1224 ext. 4302.

"Improperly disposing of hazardous waste doesn't just impact the environment," said Authority Recycling Coordinator Eileen Brinck. "Sanitation workers, your family and even your pets can be impacted by hazardous waste, so proper storage and disposal is critical."

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In addition to a brief biography, the presentation will feature a reading of Ayres' poem "The Pines of Otstungo" and a 30-minute recorded interview in which he discusses local indigenous tribes.

Interested in more local history? Come to the library at the corner of Willett and River streets on Oct. 19 at 6:30 for the monthly gathering of the Local History Round Table.

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Shown is a monument erected in Fort Plain's Wiles Park in memory of the late educator and historian Douglas Ayres Jr. On Oct. 12 at 6:30 p.m., local historian Eileen Chambers will revisit his legacy with "An Evening with Doug Ayres Jr." at the Fort Plain Free Library, 19 Willett St.

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AUTOMOTIVE

4-H Dog and Handler Skills Class for youth to be offered in Cooperstown

4-H is offering a dog and handler course for youth ages 8 - 18 who want to learn how to work with their dogs in a hands-on learning fun environment. This six-week program teaches youth responsibility, communication, patience and sportsmanship and is focused on beginner dog sports for rally, obedience, agility and showmanship. The dog and handler will learn foundational skills that build techniques that are clear and kind and uses positive reinforcement through fun activities.

A mandatory orientation class will take

place on Oct. 2 at 2 p.m. at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Education Center, 123 Lake St., Cooperstown. The cost of the course is \$40. Participating dogs must be at least three months of age. Youth must be at least eight years old.

For more information visit cceschoharie-otsego.org/events or to register call CCE of Schoharie and Otsego Counties at 607.547.2536 ext. 225 or email Teresa Adell at tl447@cornell.edu. Find CCE at facebook.com/otsegocounty4H.

Johnstown Public Library to offer Social Security seminar

The Johnstown Public Library is offering a free financial education seminar titled "Social Security: The Unconventional Truth for a Better Retirement" on Sept. 28 from 6 - 7 p.m. for individuals ages 55 - 70. This one-hour financial education program is designed to help attendees learn how to maximize their Social Security benefits prior to collecting them.

The event is being presented as a community service by guest speaker John Kalil, a Social Security Claiming Strategist and the president of Retirement Solutions LLC. The program is free to attend. Due to COVID restrictions, seating is limited to no more than 25 participants and advance registration is required. To RSVP, contact the library at 518.762.8317.

Herkimer College appoints Lindsay Donovan to Admissions Assistant

Herkimer County Community College has appointed Lindsay Donovan of Utica to the position of admissions assistant.

Donovan most recently worked as a case manager for the Madison-Oneida BOCES in Utica. She also served as a social work assistant at Hillbrook Juvenile Detention Center in Syracuse and as a case manager for children

at Liberty Resources in Oneida.

Donovan holds an associate degree in Psychology from Mohawk Valley Community College, a bachelor's degree in Psychology from Utica University, and a master's degree in Psychology from Southern New Hampshire University.



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Weekly SUDOKU

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
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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MAGIC MAZE ● INSERT AN “N” TO MAKE A NEW WORD

N A X T Q N J G C Z W T Q N J
G D A X U R O L J G D A X V S
P N K L I F C A Y X V S S Q O
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B Y X R V T E C O V E R T R P
O M K I E W A M K E I L U G E
D B Z X W K O C E E C U O T T
R Q O N L J A D D E D I V I D
I G F D C S A B I S W O R C V
Y X W V T S R P O W T I L P S

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: MAKERS OF BREAD

Aloe	Crows	Moths	Turkey
Area	Divided	Price	Violet
Booked	Fried	Sack	Widow
Covert	Metal	Split	

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King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Listening device
4 Iota
7 Bright star
11 Shapeless mass
13 Get older
14 Eden evictee
15 U2 lead singer
16 Sailor
17 Air outlet
18 Attempts
20 Judicial garb
22 Gaiety
24 “Weeping” tree
28 Macaroon ingredient
32 Wilderness
33 Road pioneer
34 Unoriginal one
36 Actress Arthur
37 Hindu royal
39 Gold-loving king
41 Country named for an imaginary line
43 Eye, slangily
44 Tax form ID
46 One of the Fab Four
48 Cairo’s nation
50 Hoosgow
53 Perched
55 Slithery
56 Shrek, for one

DOWN

1 Recedes
2 Oodles
3 Novelist Jaffe
4 Purse
5 Composer
6 Former quarterback Tim
7 Easy-to-peel citrus fruits
8 Poetic tribute
9 Moving day rental
10 Invoice fig.
12 Partake in a Halloween game
19 Day light?
21 Clothing protector
23 Gist
25 Burden
26 — account (never)
27 Dam
28 Bivouac
29 Mayberry moppet
30 Give up
31 Golf prop
35 Rm. coolers
38 Salty expanse
40 Exploit
42 Out of practice
45 Zhivago’s love
47 Bigfoot’s cousin
48 Begged
49 Printing error
50 Scribble (down)
51 Past
52 Apr. check cashier
54 Gratuity

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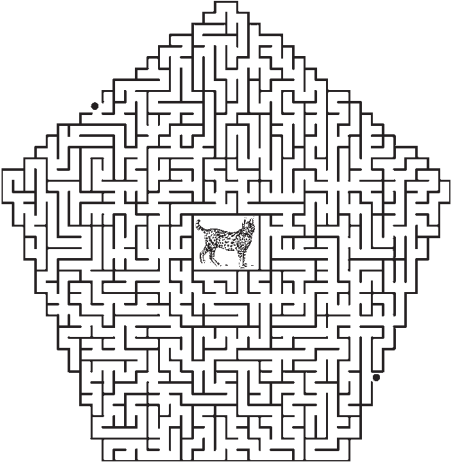
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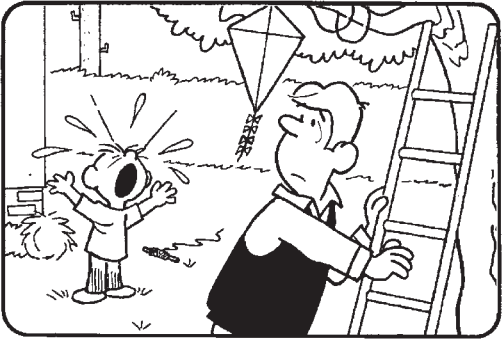
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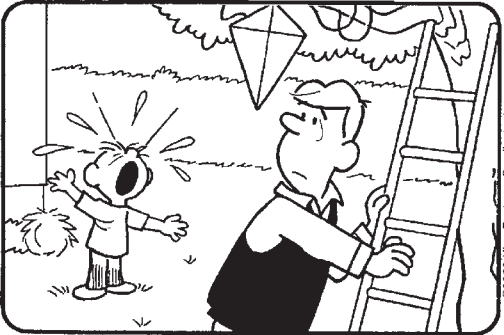


HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINGOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Pole is missing. 2. Bricks are missing. 3. Arm is moved. 4. String holder is missing. 5. Kite tail is missing. 6. Hair is different.

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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Pure	SCATHE			
Rubble	BRIDES			
Redeem	NEATO			

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Home Country

by Slim Randles

When the Rafter E branded recently, a bunch of us went out to help. There's a definite pecking order here, and it's a badge of pride to have worked your way up the branding ladder.

As a kid, you flank the calves; you grab them, throw them and hold them down. This is conducive to abrasions, muscle strain and involuntarily changing the

color of your shirt.

As you get older, you get to handle the branding iron, then move up to giving shots. After that comes earmarking. When you reach the pinnacle of branding, that is, when you own the calves, then you get to rope the calves and drag them up to the fire.

It is a swirling cauldron of heat and hooves, excited cowedogs and bawling cows. There is the smell of manure and singed hair and sweat and corral dust.

At the Rafter E, I wielded a syringe as the youngsters got their teeth rattled by the heavy stuff.

Wasn't the first time I'd given the shots, though.

Once during a branding at the Triangle Cross, I was about to immunize a calf when the calf jumped and I stuck the needle into my thumb.

Hurt like the dickens, of course, but at least it was effective. I haven't had black leg since.

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Three fun activities to engage kids in conservation

Conservation is a collective responsibility shared by individuals across the globe. Protecting the planet and ensuring its future has never been more important, as various organizations and environmentalists warn that, without immediate action, many of the more harmful effects of climate change could prove irreversible.

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development reports that, without new policies, global greenhouse gas emissions are projected to increase by 50% by 2050. That includes a 70% spike in energy-related carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions.

The potentially dire consequences of climate change underscore the importance of educating youngsters about the need to protect the planet. Today's children will be forced to confront climate change in the decades to come, so learning about conservation now can help

them as they grow up and reach adulthood.

Teaching kids about conservation can be fun, and the following are three activities that will prove both engaging and educational.

1. Clean up a favorite hiking trail.

Hiking is a great family-friendly pastime that promotes physical activity and appreciation for nature. That makes hiking an ideal way to teach kids about conservation. Parents can plan a hiking trip that focuses on cleaning up trails. Kids who have a favorite hiking trail may be especially enthusiastic about cleaning up a place they already feel attached to, and parents can let them know they're doing their part to protect the planet with each piece of litter they collect and ultimately remove from the park.

2. Teach kids to compost.

Parents do not need to leave their homes to teach

kids about conservation. According to the National Resources Defense Council, composting benefits the planet in numerous ways. In addition to reducing the waste stream, composting cuts methane emissions from landfills, which the NRDC reports are the largest source of human-generated methane emissions in the United States. Composting also helps to conserve water by adding organic matter to soil, which research has shown improves the soil's capacity to retain water. Families can build a compost bin together and parents can teach kids about which types of waste can be composted and how that compost is benefiting the plants and trees in their own yard as well as the planet as a whole.

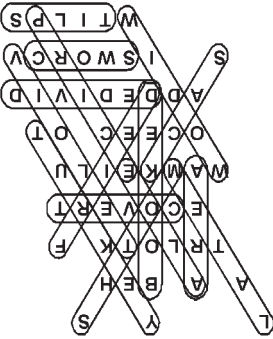
3. Craft with recycled materials.

Crafting fosters the growth of a range of developmental skills in children. In addition to encouraging kids to

explore their creative side, crafting also helps youngsters develop fine motor skills and provides a fun way for them to learn counting and pattern recognition, which the academics-based publisher Scholastic notes are the very skills kids will later use to learn algebra. Crafting also provides a great way to teach kids to reuse and recycle, which are two of the core tenets of conservation.

Conservation efforts will be vital to helping the planet overcome climate change. Children can learn the importance of conservation by engaging in various activities that make protecting the planet fun.





INSERT AN "N" TO MAKE A NEW WORD

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3	9	1	4	6	7	5	2	8
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5	7	8	2	1	3	6	9	4

Answer

SCRAMBLERS

Solution

1. Silent 2. Chaste 3. Debris 4. Atone

Today's Word

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Solution time: 22 mins.

Answers

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