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VP-TECH students develop soft skills during Engineering Wars

The challenge for students at the recent Engineering Wars in Rome was to build mechanisms to launch metal spheres as far as possible, but it was the skills students practiced during the process that were the real goal.

Two team of Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego BOCES Valley Pathways in Technology Early College High School students competed in the Engineering Wars.

"The students had to work together as a team to problem solve, with communication being the highest priority," Herkimer BOCES VP-TECH Coordinator Rebecca Roberts said. "In addition to solving the task at hand, they had to show creativity and be able to present on their Rube Goldberg machines. They were not only able to show off their technical skills, but their soft skills were also on full display."

Students from 10 schools from across the

state participated in the second annual Engineering Wars on Oct. 14 at Innovare Advancement Center in Rome. Trenton Technology Inc. designed the challenge for the competition and provided a panel of judges.

Herkimer BOCES VP-TECH sent both a seniors team and a freshmen team. Students competed in teams of four.

The VP-TECH seniors were Central Valley Central School District students Mark Hanshaw and Cole Dowling, Herkimer Central School District student Dominick Hutchins and West Canada Valley Central School District student Lucas Wesseldine.

The VP-TECH freshmen were Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District student Theresa Delong, Dolgeville Central School District students Kaden Kleist and Cayleigh Youker and Herkimer Central School District

student Cooper Jordan.

VP-TECH focuses on technology, project-based learning and real-world work situations. Students can spend four to six years in the program to earn a Regents diploma, a

certification in advanced manufacturing, connections with local businesses and a no-cost associate degree from Herkimer College in quality assurance, networking, business or electrical engineering technology.



VP-TECH seniors work together at the Engineering Wars on Oct. 14 at Innovare Advancement Center in Rome. (L - R) Cole Dowling, Lucas Wesseldine, Dominick Hutchins and Mark Hanshaw.

Photos courtesy of Herkimer BOCES



Participating freshmen at Engineering Wars included (L - R) Cooper Jordan, Kaden Kleist, Cayleigh Youker Theresa Delong.

Herkimer County Historical Society play planned for Nov. 5

The Herkimer County Historical Society will present "He Laughed Himself to Death," a murder mystery play written by Cynthia Quackenbush, on Nov. 5 at the Elks Club, 114 Mary St., Herkimer.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and catered by Dominick of Dominick's Deli. There will be basket raffles.

Tickets cost \$35 and are available at the Herkimer County Historical Society, 406 N. Main St., Herkimer. Call 315.866.6413.

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Powers to share 'Stories of Little Falls' and 'Scriptwriting for Cinematography'

The Creative Outpost Inc. has the next of its combined workshop/community presentations planned for Rock City Centre. Matt Powers will be the presenter for both events and will have a "Stories of Little Falls" focus, with "Scriptwriting for Cinematography."

Powers is a resident of Little Falls and a professor at Herkimer College, where he teaches writing, acting, film, literature and sometimes poetry.

His love for all these things started back when he was in second grade. "I went to Herkimer Elementary School and they put on a really simple play. There was this messenger position, and I auditioned and didn't get the part. The day before the play, the person who got the part got sick, and they said 'Matt, can you do it' – and I said, 'Heck yeah, I can do it!'"

He said his line and had a great time, and it inspired him. "From that point forward, I realized the power of theater, the power of storytelling and different mediums."

Powers doesn't want the workshop to be too restrictive for the attendees, but he wants them to set whatever story they want to tell briefly in Little Falls.

"Every scene has to be in Little Falls in some capacity. They can choose a genre or a veneer over it, as 'A Quiet Place' did. I love that shot going up Main Street. We see it's Main Street, but it's post-apocalypse. That is awesome."

He wants to get the attendees to visualize different situations in different ways. "If Little Falls was part of a fantasy setting, what would that look like? If it were part

of a science fiction movie, what would it look like? I'm going to require that they all do that."

For the Community Presentation, Powers wants to summarize what the workshop was in miniature. "I want to talk about storytelling and how characters drive story and what defines a character and how that character defines different elements."

Powers said he runs around Little Falls (literally) and has built a photo presentation of locations that he thinks are interesting for scenes.

"I'll go through my slides and say I find these locations dynamic for these reasons – not only because each location is interesting for photographic or cinematic reasons, but the nature of the location helps give it more depth to that moment you're experiencing."

Space is limited to 50 people for the community presentation and 15 in the workshop. Both are free and take place at Rock City Centre, 690 E. Main St., Little Falls. To register, visit creativeoutpost.org/course-list.

Matt Powers will be giving a workshop and community presentation on "Scriptwriting for Cinematography" on Nov. 12. Photo courtesy of the Creative Outpost Inc.



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County Clerk announces new mobile app

Montgomery County Clerk Brittany Kolbe is excited to announce the release of her department's new smartphone application. The app will serve as an innovative way to connect with Montgomery County residents and visitors, providing information quickly and efficiently to anyone with a smartphone.

The Montgomery County Clerk and DMV app was developed by TheGovApp.com, a division of OCV LLC. The app offers quick access to items of public interest and is easy to use. In just a few clicks, users can access features such as Meet the County Clerk, News and Alerts, Search Records, Appointments, Submit FOIL Request, DMV Forms, DMV Transaction Checklist, Passport Checklist and more.

OCV specializes in smartphone app development for law enforcement and public safety organizations across the country. Developing more than 500 apps, OCV designs and creates

custom apps for state, county and local government agencies.

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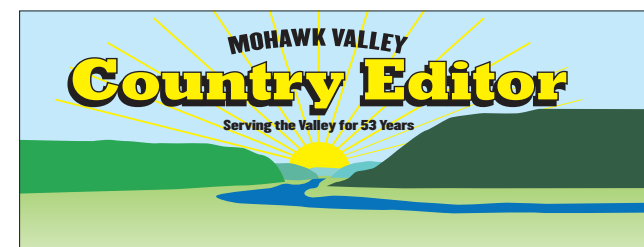
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Fort Plain Free Library announces new Saturday hours

The Fort Plain Free Library announces it has new Saturday hours. The library, located at the corner of River and Willett streets, is now open Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Call 518.993.4646 or email fpfl@mvls.info for more information. Follow the library on Facebook for updates on programs and services.



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New York Folklore exhibit announced

New York Folklore announces their Fall 2022/Winter 2023 exhibit: *S. Beth Taylor, Fabric Artist and Quilter, Schenectady County – "Quilted Thread: Colorful Cards and Quilts"*

"Quilted Thread: Colorful Cards and Quilts" opens Nov. 10 and continues through March 2023 at New York Folklore's gallery located at 129 Jay St., Schenectady.

Born into an artistic and tinkering family with roots in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina, Taylor has been around creative endeavors of music, sewing, painting and metal work since childhood. After a lifetime of singing and a 30-year career in higher education and human services, she fell in love with combining words and fabric with free-form quilting. Taylor creates fiber art, wall hangings, religious parameters and greeting cards using new and recycled materials.

Each piece begins with a collection of cotton and silk fabric and a notion of size, with colors and patterns that will create the foundation and mood of a piece. Responding to the combination of color and pattern, Taylor's pieces are free-form and a piece often goes in a new direction. Incorporating meaningful items and symbols adds another dimension to these works.

Taylor loves lyrics, poems and prayers from many traditions and enjoys adding them to wall hangings. The quilt's colors and design support and lift up words that encourage, comfort and teach. Words catch the viewer's attention and slow us all down as we read. Taylor hopes that her work reminds us of our connections to each other and to all that is good in our complicated world.

By using written lyrics and scripture as part of her quilts, Taylor places music, visual art and quilting into conversation. Making free-form quilts and making music have much in common in that both require working within inherent limits. The notes on a page of music, the sounds of the instruments, the qualities of the fabric and the thread are realities that one works within to make a work of art the best quality artistic expression it can be.

New York Folklore's Gallery of New York Artists is located at 129 Jay St. on the pedestrian walkway. Gallery hours are Tuesday - Saturday, 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., and Sundays

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Call for mid-winter Gallery hours. For further information contact New York Folklore's business office, 518.346.7008, or send an email to info@nyfolklore.org.

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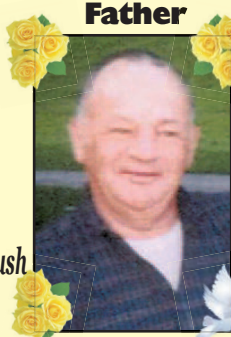
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Day-Long Holiday Celebration Will Feature Activities for Kids, Crafts, Food, Musical Performances and More

Santa and his elves will make a stop in one of upstate New York's most picture-perfect river villages on December 3. The Village of Canajoharie, known for its historic storefronts, the Arkell museum and two-story Christmas shop, will welcome visitors for "Elves Day Out," starting at 8:30 a.m.

The event is being made possible through an exciting partnership between Montgomery County and the Canajoharie-Palatine Bridge Chamber of Commerce.

"When you walk through Canajoharie it feels like you've stepped into a scene straight out of a Hallmark Christmas movie. It's a feeling I always enjoy sharing with others and this event will enable people across our region to experience the magic of the Christmas season," said Montgomery County Executive Matthew Ossenfort. "We're excited to partner with the Chamber to make this year's festivities even more memorable. Having the event on a Saturday will open it up for people beyond the County's borders, something we think is important as we try to attract new visitors to our community."

"Elves Day Out" will feature musical performances, story time with Mrs. Claus, a scavenger hunt with stops at local businesses, Christmas craft vendors, a tree lighting and, of course, the ability for children to meet Santa and share their Christmas wishes. There will be additional activities for kids of all ages

hosted by the Canajoharie Youth Center, and other local organizations.

"I envision our little village becoming a Christmas season destination; something right out of a Norman Rockwell painting! I've always looked at Canajoharie as a hidden gem. It's time to show our sparkle to the world and build this great event with the help of our friends at the County," said Canajoharie-Palatine Bridge Chamber of Commerce President Janet Stanley.

The event kicks off with a 5K Ugly Sweater fun run to benefit the Canajoharie Youth Center. A Parade of Lights will be held at 5 p.m. – with the tree lighting immediately preceding across from Lee's Shops, the renowned year-round Christmas store.

Story time with Mrs. Claus will be held at the Canajoharie Library at 11 a.m. and lunch with some very special surprise

guests will be at 1 p.m. hosted by the Boiling Pot Eagles. Children will be able to visit with Santa between 3 and 4 p.m., and again following the tree lighting. A complete schedule of events and other details will be available on the "Elves Day Out" Facebook event, which can be found at <https://fb.me/e/2SiHCpVsS>. Additional activities and sponsorships will be announced going forward.

The Village of Canajoharie is located along the historic Mohawk River, just off Exit 29 of the New York State Thruway, nestled between Albany and Syracuse.

Businesses wishing to be a sponsor or interested in being part of the event should contact the Chamber of Commerce by calling 518.673.0292 or the County by emailing mmcclary@co.montgomery.ny.us.

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How to change Medicare plans – and why you might want to

by Kate Ashford, NerdWallet

Medicare open enrollment starts soon, but seven in 10 Medicare beneficiaries say they don't compare Medicare plans during this period, according to a 2021 analysis by KFF, a health policy nonprofit.

That's not great, since Medicare Advantage plans – which operate much like the private in-

surance you may have had through an employer – change from year to year. One of your doctors may have fallen out of network or your prescription drug prices may have gone up. And people with Original Medicare should compare their Part D prescription drug coverage.

Here's how to approach switching Medicare plans.

Take Advantage of Enrollment Periods

If you have a Medicare plan, Medicare open enrollment from Oct. 15 - Dec. 7 is your opportunity to change coverage. You can switch from Original Medicare to Medicare Advantage, or vice versa, or enroll in or change Medicare Part D prescription drug plans.

If you have Medicare Advantage, you can also use Medicare Advantage open enrollment from Jan. 1 - March 31 each year to switch plans or go back to Original Medicare and sign up for a Medicare Part D drug plan.

Consider Prescription Drugs

If you're on any prescription medications, understand how your current plan will cover them in 2023 and whether another plan might be more affordable.

"It can be as simple as putting your drugs into Medicare.gov," said Scott Maibor, a Medicare advisor based in Boston. "You should at least verify that 'This is the plan I'm on, this is the plan that's recommended – what are the savings?'"

That's because Part D prescription drug plans, whether you're with Original Medicare or getting coverage through a Medicare Advantage plan, can change each year. You may find that one of your prescriptions will cost more in 2023, or that your plan will stop covering it. Or you may have started a new medication and you can find a plan that charges you less for it.

Don't forget to browse your drug plan's preferred pharmacies. "It's not even just a matter of cost sometimes, it's a matter of location," said Karen Schechter, director and assistant professor of the healthcare management and health administration programs at Maryville University. "If I'm a person who needs to refill a prescription once a month, I may not want to go to a place that's far away."

Think Hard Before Giving Up Your Medigap Plan

You're first eligible for a Medicare Supplement Insurance, or Medigap, plan once you're

65 or older and you have Medicare Part B. This six-month Medigap open enrollment period happens only once, and you can buy any policy you want, regardless of your health. After that, you may not be able to get a Medigap plan – or it might cost more.

Medigap pays many of the out-of-pocket costs of Original Medicare. If you have a serious or chronic health condition, that can lead to significant cost savings. Some people switch to Medicare Advantage plans during open enrollment, not realizing they might not be able to switch back to a Medigap plan later.

"Our clients are sitting at home, they're seeing these commercials on television talking about the free gym membership, zero premiums and they go ahead and make changes on their own," said Emily Gang, owner of the Medicare Coach. "They realize early in the year that they made a mistake and we can't go back."

Complete the Process

To sign up for a new plan, you'll need your Medicare number and the date your Part A and/or Part B coverage started. (All of this information is on your Medicare card.)

You may be able to enroll online, but you might also have to make a call or two:

- If you're moving from one Medicare Advantage plan to another, you'll be disenrolled from your previous plan automatically once your new coverage kicks in.

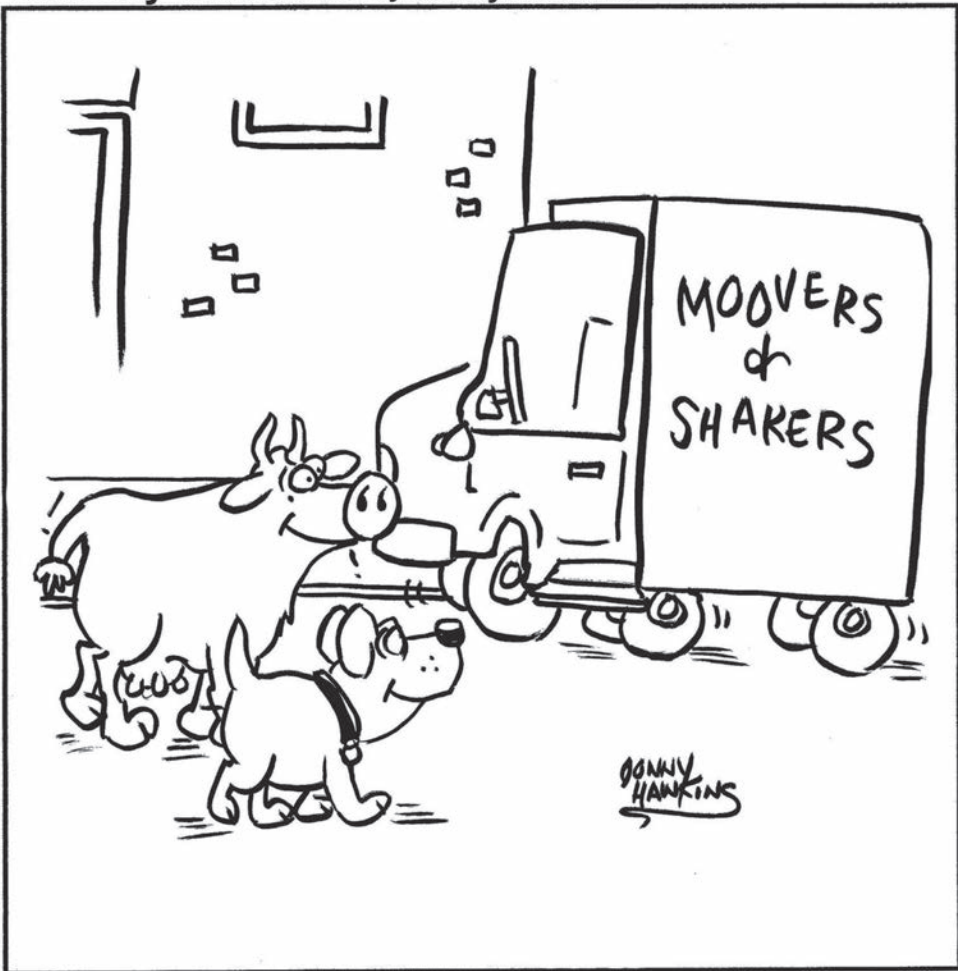
- If you're switching from Medicare Advantage to Original Medicare, call 800.MEDICARE to make the change or call your plan provider to disenroll. Don't forget to sign up for prescription drug coverage (Part D) to avoid paying a penalty.

- If you're switching from Original Medicare to Medicare Advantage, your new plan will transfer your benefits from Medicare.

- If you're switching Part D drug plans, your old coverage will end when your new coverage starts.

- If you're staying with your current plan, do nothing. Your coverage will renew automatically.

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Growing great garlic

by Dr. Vern Grubinger, Extension Vegetable and Berry Specialist, UVM

Garlic is an unusual crop. It's vegetatively propagated, planted in autumn and especially flavorful. It probably originated in central Asia, and then was brought to Europe, and by the early 1700s, to America.

There are two types of garlic. Hardneck garlic forms a false flower stalk in spring called a scape. Its bulbs usually have five to seven large cloves.

Softneck garlic doesn't produce a scape. Its bulbs contain a dozen or so smaller cloves. Elephant garlic is not a garlic at all, but in the leek family. It produces large bulbs with three or four cloves.

Garlic grows well in many different soils and climates, but only varieties that are hardy and adapted to the Northeast will perform well here. These are best obtained from commercial garlic growers in your area or from seed companies that specialize in serving the Northeast. Once you find a variety that does well in your garden, you can save the largest and healthiest bulbs for replanting to build your own seed stock.

Individual garlic cloves should be planted in late October, about a month before the ground freezes. This timing allows roots to establish, but shoots won't get up above ground level. Set cloves about four inches deep, eight inches apart.

Next spring, each clove will form a bulb with the same genetic makeup as the original clove. Garlic requires a cold treatment to induce bulbing, so garlic planted in spring will only produce a small single bulb without cloves.

Garlic grows best in a soil pH of 6.2 to 7.0. Add lime, phosphorus

and potassium as needed, based on soil test recommendations, and incorporate those thoroughly prior to planting.

A light addition of mature compost can benefit garden soil that's low in organic matter. In spring, apply about three pounds of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet on top of the garlic planting when the shoots are about six inches high. That's equivalent to about 20 pounds of Chilean nitrate, 25 pounds of dried blood or 50 pounds of soybean meal. Scratch in lightly if possible.

Mulching garlic with a thick layer of clean straw after planting helps control weeds and retain soil moisture. In a wet spring, mulch can keep the soil from drying out and lead to soil-borne diseases, so pull it away from the garlic if the soil remains saturated due to frequent rain. Plastic mulch, with holes for each clove, is another option for weed control.

Good weed control is critical. If no mulch is used, shallow cultivation will be needed. A narrow collinear hoe works well

in tightly spaced crops like garlic. Apply irrigation frequently during dry periods to ensure good growth.

Harvest garlic once the lower third of leaves begin yellowing, usually in late July. The ideal time is when bulbs attain maximum size but cloves have not started to separate inside the bulb. Dig up a few bulbs and cut them in half, perpendicular to the cloves, to see if they're ready.

After pulling the bulbs, gently wash them or rub off the soil later once the bulbs are dry. For good storage, thoroughly dry bulbs for several weeks. Hang them in bundles or spread out on a piece of wire fence in a well-ventilated shed or other structure protected from the elements.

Garlic should keep for several months in paper or plastic mesh bags in a cool, relatively dry, dark and well-ventilated area, such as some basements. Temperatures in the fifties and about 50% relative humidity are ideal.



Garlic can be planted into holes made in black plastic mulch, which suppresses weeds and helps warm soil in the spring, encouraging early top growth.



After planting, garlic can be mulched with six inches of clean straw to protect bulbs against freezing and thawing in the winter and to suppress weeds.

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Four unique ways to help small businesses grow

The role small businesses play in thriving local communities cannot be overstated. Vibrant downtown areas that feature independently owned shopping, dining and entertainment options help distinguish communities from surrounding towns and generate tax revenue that is ultimately funneled back into the community.

Many small business owners are active members in their communities, which made it even more heartbreaking to see so many locally owned establishments struggle during the COVID-19 pandemic. Even as the world gradually began to emerge from the pandemic, more than half of small business owners expected their struggles to continue. In late 2020, the

Small Business Pulse Survey from the U.S. Census Bureau found that 53 percent of small business owners expected it would be at least six months before they could return to pre-COVID operations. That survey was conducted months before the Delta variant of the virus began to spread. When the Delta variant began to spread, three effective COVID-19 vaccines had already become widely available, but scientists warned that Delta could be one of the most transmissible respiratory viruses in the world. That prompted many consumers, even those who were fully vaccinated, to wonder if it was still safe to spend time in public. Such fears once again put small businesses in the financial crosshairs.



Successful professionals can help small business owners by offering their services free of charge.

Only time will tell if the Delta variant puts more small businesses in jeopardy. In the meantime, local residents and professionals can make a concerted effort to shop local. In addition to offering their financial support to the small businesses that make their communities special, residents can embrace four unique strategies to help locally owned establishments stay afloat.

- 1. Offer pro bono professional expertise. Successful professionals can help small business owners by offering their services free of charge. Financial planners can pitch in and help secure small business loans, while attorneys can provide pro bono legal advice.
- 2. Help small businesses strengthen their digital presence. Individuals with web design and e-commerce

experience can help small businesses revamp their websites and improve their online shopping offerings. This can be a vital way for small business owners to attract new business and generate revenue should consumers express concerns about in person shopping in the months ahead.

3. Support legislation that benefits small businesses. Many small businesses would not have survived the pandemic without government assistance programs like the Small Business Administration's Paycheck Protection Program. Voters should carefully consider programs and proposals before voicing any support, but they should not hesitate to promote programs they believe in that are designed to help local businesses. Write to local elected officials to encourage their support and share news about proposals with fellow voters when given the chance.

4. Spread the word. Take to social media to spread the word about a local business. Share stories about positive interactions with a given business and use social media platforms to share news about sales or special events they're hosting.

There's much individuals can do to support small businesses as they continue to recover from and confront the COVID-19 pandemic.



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

December 2022						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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Holidays						
18th	- Hanukkah Begins in the evening					
21st	- Winter Begins					
25th	- Christmas					

Paidraig Cundun - Mohawk Valley's 19th Century Irish Bard to perform 4 p.m. at the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley and Online via Zoom. Program is free but requires registration. To view at ICC, register at tinyurl.com/47rert4m. For the online presentation, register at tinyurl.com/5dw8wv88

Town of Webb Herkimer County Public Health Office Hours 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the board room at 3140 State Route 28, Old Forge. For further information call Public Health at 315.867.1176 or visit herkimercounty.org or fb.me/HerkimerCountyPublicHealth.

NOVEMBER 11

OCCA Highway Cleanup 9 a.m. Otsego County Conservation Association seeking volunteers to help clean up a portion of State Route 80 in Springfield. Visit occainfo.org.

NOVEMBER 12

Elizabeth Cady Stanton Women Consortium 1 p.m. on the occasion of Elizabeth's Birthday at the First Presbyterian Church, 37 S. Market St., Johnstown. Free event. Meet Matilda Joslyn Gage, friend and fellow conspirator of Stanton. Renee-Noelle Felice is a living historian from Syracuse, who portrays Gage.

Central Valley Central School District Foundation second annual Turkey Trot road race on the Erie Canal Trail at German Flatts Town Park, 555 State Route 5S, Mohawk. Registration fee for the walk and 5k race is \$30. Visit tinyurl.com/4td5e6w5 to register. For additional information contact Melanie Crisino, race coordinator, at 315.723.9202.

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

Get the Kids Out! Starfield Trail 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Join OCCA Education Specialist Shelby MacLeish on a hike to Star Field. Register at occainfo.org

Herkimer County Arts & Crafts Fair 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Herkimer College, 100 Reservoir Road, Herkimer. Admissions is \$5. Children under 5 are free. Veterans and active military members (with ID) are free. Register at tinyurl.com/yc88rpd7

Matt Powers workshop and community presentation on Scriptwriting for Cinematography at Rock City Centre, 690 E. Main St., Little Falls. Space limited to 50 people for community presentation and 15 in the workshop. Both free. To register, visit creativeoutpost.org/course-list/.

NOVEMBER 13

Design Your Own Christmas Cards 2-5 p.m. at The Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley, 623 Columbia St., Utica. Sign up at tinyurl.com/2hk8yebj. No admission charge.

NOVEMBER 14

Herkimer County Community College Board of Trustees regular meeting 6 p.m. in the Robert McLaughlin College Center, room 282.

Palatine Literary Society's "Reflections from the Border of Ukraine: Volunteering with the World Central Kitchen" 6 p.m. at Fort Plain Free Library, 19 Willett St., Fort Plain. Free-will offering donations benefit World Central Kitchen. Call 518.993.4646 or email fpfl@mvls.info for more information.

NOVEMBER 16

Roast Beef Dinner. 4-6 p.m. or until sold out at Ilion First Baptist Church, corner of Otsego and Second Streets, Ilion. Adults \$12. Take-outs and delivery. Tickets available from church members or the church office at 315.894.9041.

Mohawk Valley Business Women's Network Women in Business Expo 5-7 p.m. at Delta Marriott, 200 Genesee St. Questions about the event? Email us at president@mvbwn.org

NOVEMBER 17

Business After Hours Pet Passages. For more information, call Herkimer County Chamber of Commerce at 315.866.7820.

Take a Towpath Hike 1 p.m. Visitor Center, Schoharie Crossing, Fort Hunter. Contact David Brooks at 518.829.7516.

American Red Cross Blood Drive 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Alumni Hall, located in the Robert McLaughlin College Center (RMCC), 100 Reservoir Road. To schedule an appointment, the campus community can visit the Center for Student Leadership & Involvement, RMCC 220, or email brownvl@herkimer.edu. Donors can also go online to redcrossblood.org to schedule your appointment online. Sign up can be found at redcrossblood.org/rapidpass.

NOVEMBER 18

OCCA Homeschool Nature Group 12 - 2 p.m. Join OCCA educator Shelby MacLeish at Robert Riddell State Park. Register at occainfo.org

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.

Harvest Dinner 6 p.m. at Christian Church of Rural Grove, 170 Rural Grove Rd., Sprakers. Home cooked meat and dessert. All are welcome to attend this evening of delicious food, quality fellowship, and life-changing presentation of the Good News of Jesus Christ. RSVP appreciated but not required. There is no charge for this event. For more information contact Pastor Joshua Fetterhoff at 518.922.7831 or pastorjosh.ccr@gmail.com.

NOVEMBER 23

Annual Thanksgiving Pie and Pumpkin roll sale 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, The Parish Hall, 594 Albany St., Little Falls. Pre-order suggested. Call 315.741.4672 for more information and to place order.

NOVEMBER 26

Benefit for Lynn Stalnaker who is battling cancer 12 - 6 p.m. at Dolgeville Rod & Gun Club, 697 Peckville Rd., Dolgeville. Raffles. 50\50. Penny Auction. Bottle & Can Drive. Food. Adults \$15. Couples \$25. Kids 6 to 12 \$5. Under five free.

DECEMBER 3

Christmas at the Fort - Author Book Fair at Fort Plain Museum, 389 Canal Street, Fort Plain. Visit fortplainmuseum.org/events

DECEMBER 4

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

DECEMBER 8

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NOVEMBER 3

Dolgeville United Methodist Church Sip and Paint fundraiser with Jill Rae of Easels on the Gogh at 6:30 p.m. Paint a holiday scene to take home. \$35 per person. To RSVP, call Caryl at 315.429.8660. Proceeds benefit church's annual "Free Christmas Community Dinner" held in December.

Herkimer County Community College Board of Trustees Executive Committee meeting 4:30 p.m. in the Classroom Administration building, room 243.

NOVEMBER 4

Blood Drive 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Fort Plain High School, 1 West Street, Fort Plain. Register at tinyurl.com/5xsjydv2Sponsor.

Herkimer County Community College Board of Trustees Executive Committee meeting 4:30 p.m. in the Classroom Administration building, room 243.

NOVEMBER 5

Annual Christmas Carousel at the Morning Star United Methodist Church, 36 Second St., Ilion 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Parking in the Second Street parking lot. Handicap accessible by using the Morgan Street entrance. Soup and sandwich luncheon 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Craft Fair, Basket Raffle and Bake Sale 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Salisbury Center Universalist Church, State Route 29A. Vendors. Raffles. Food. Free admission.

Poland Vol. Fire Company, Inc. Roast Beef Dinner Buffet 4 - 7 p.m. (or until sold-out) Poland Firehouse Station #1, 216 State Route 8, Cold Brook. Most menu items are gluten-free. Handicap accessible facility.

Herkimer County Historical Society presents He Laughed Himself to Death, a Murder Mystery at Elks Club, 114 Mary St., Herkimer. Play written by Cynthia Quackenbush. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Catered by Dominick of Dominick's Deli. Basket raffles. \$35 tickets available at The Herkimer County Historical Society, 406 N. Main St., Herkimer. Call 315.866.6413.

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.

BPA Holiday Craft and Vendor Fair 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Herkimer Central High School. Use cafeteria entrance. \$2 entrance fee. Homemade crafts, Christmas gifts, vintage items, local jewelry, tie and dye crafts, aromatherapy oils and soaps and much more.

NOVEMBER 8

Johnstown First Presbyterian Church annual Election Day spaghetti supper 4 to 7 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 37 S. Market St., Johnstown. Adults \$13. Children 5-12 \$6. Free children under five. Dinner is fundraiser to benefit the church's community lunch program. For more information on the community lunch program contact the church at 518.762.8263.

Glen Reformed Church Annual Pancake Breakfast 4 - 7 p.m. at 134 Auriesville Road, Fultonville. Held at the Glen Fire House on Election Night. \$10 adults. Children under six \$5.

NOVEMBER 9

Christopher McDougall's "Born to Run" topic of book discussion at 6:30 p.m. at Fort Plain Free Library, 19 Willett St., Fort Plain. Call 518.993.4646 or email fpfl@mvls.info for information.

NOVEMBER 10

Kilts Farm Chicken Dinner 4-7 p.m. or until sold out at Ephratah Rod and Gun Club, 372 NY Route 67, Fort Plain. \$14 per dinner. Eat in or take out. Benefiting The Kilts Farm (Skip Barshied's Place) restoration project.

Business Showcase Sip & Shop 3-7 p.m. at Francesca's Banquet Hall, 144 East Main St. Ilion. For more information, call Herkimer County Chamber of Commerce at 315.866.7820.

Herkimer County Community College Board of Trustees special meeting 6 p.m. in the Classroom Administration building, room 243.

Kids' Community Corner



Brantley Downes shows off some very cool multi-colored hair

Wild hair kids



Laylah Downes goes for simply pretty in pink

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7 Salisbury Steak Rice Pilaf Broccoli Apricots	8 CLOSED FOR ELECTION DAY	9 Macaroni & Cheese Stewed Tomatoes & Zucchini Green Beans Frosted Birthday Cake	10 Chicken & Biscuits Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Brownie	11 CLOSED FOR VETERAN'S DAY
14 Beef Patty w/ Peppers & Onions O'Brien Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Fruit Cocktail	15 Chicken Fricassee Seasoned Noodles Zucchini Cinnamon Cake	16 Thanksgiving Dinner Turkey w/ Gravy Stuffing • Mashed Potatoes Corn • Dinner Roll • Pumpkin Pie	17 Ham w/ Mustard Sauce Scalloped Potatoes Peas & Carrots Ice Cream	18 Chicken Cacciatore Rotini in Sauce Italian Blend Vegetables Pudding
21 Fish on a Bun Au Gratin Potatoes Spinach Pineapple Tidbits	22 Pizza Burger on a Bun Baked Beans Squash Cookie	23 Chicken Riggies Green Beans Red Cabbage Fruited Gelatin	24 CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING	25 CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING
28 Sloppy Joes Corn Cauliflower Cottage Cheese w/ Fruit	29 Fiesta Chicken Mashed Potatoes Sonoma Blend Vegetables Ice Cream	30 Roast Pork Sweet Potato Casserole Wax Beans Brownie	If you are not going to be home for a meal, please call the office at 315-867-1204 at least a day in advance.	

Milby takes Best in Show at ‘Dog-less Dog Show’

Kasey Mang’s ninth grade Careers/CIS students recently competed in the first ever HFM PTECH “Dog-less Dog Show.” For this fun project, students researched a chosen dog

breed, made an informational poster about it and then created a roughly to scale cut-out of their dog. Exhibitors were judged primarily on their knowledge of their breed and the ability to highlight

important information in front of the judges. While the dog’s appearance was evaluated, the knowledge of their breed was the key deciding factor. The students dressed up and presented their

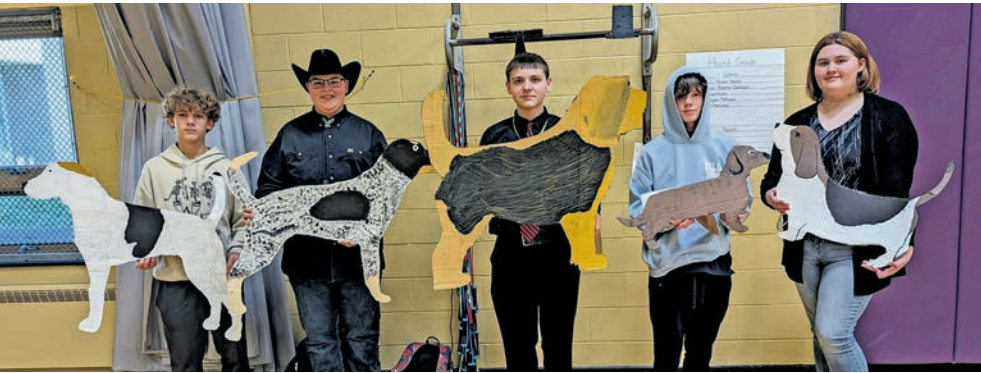
information at a magnificent “dog show” which took place in the school gym. First through third place winners from each class of dog were awarded a ribbon. The first place winners competed for Best in Show, with Madison Milby and her Doberman taking home the impressive Best in Show trophy. “Everyone knocked it out of the park and we are so proud of them!” said Mang. Congratulations to all of the participants and winners in the show.



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AUTOMOTIVE

What's behind noises your car might be making

Few things can be as unsettling when behind the wheel as a sudden noise. Noises coming from a car can indicate a host of issues, and that's one reason why such sounds tend to be so different. Quickly identifying what's behind car noises can make for safer driving and potentially save drivers substantial amounts of money.

Noise: Rattling coins

Problem: Loose lug nut in a hub cap

This noise can be loud and unsettling, but the good news is that it's often a simple fix if addressed immediately. The automotive insurance experts at Geico note that a noise that sounds like coins rattling around in a dryer is likely a loose lug nut in a hubcap. The lug nut might have become loose if a wheel was not tightened sufficiently after a recent maintenance appointment or even if drivers changed a tire on their own. The longer drivers wait to address this, the more dangerous

and costly it could become, as it could have an effect on the wheel bearings. If addressed promptly, the damage is likely minimal.

Noise: Squealing on start-up

Problem: Issue with the serpentine belt

A squealing noise at start-up is among the more annoying noises a driver can hear. This sound is often indicative of a worn or damaged serpentine belt, which connects the crankshaft to the alternator, power steering and additional components. Thankfully, a worn down serpentine belt is a relatively inexpensive repair, though it's important that it be addressed promptly. Squealing at start-up also could indicate a loose tensioner, which is designed to keep the serpentine belt at a certain tightness and tension, or wear and tear to the belt due to parking outside. These issues can be addressed by readjusting or replacing the tensioner or replacing the serpentine belt, particularly if the part is old.



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Noise: Engine knocking

Problem: Various issues

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experienced it in the past with the same or a different vehicle. Some drivers hear knocking because they're using 87 octane fuel instead of the high-performance and more expensive fuel the owner's manual recommends (this could be a common problem in recent months given the meteoric rise in fuel prices). Another potential cause of engine knock could be problems with the pistons or crankshaft. Regardless of what's causing

engine knocking, drivers are urged to take their vehicle to a mechanic promptly, as the cost of repairs is likely to rise the longer knocking goes untreated.

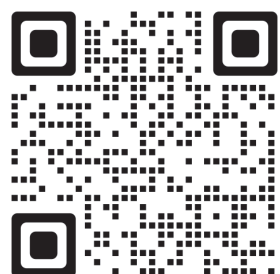
No one wants to hear noises coming from their vehicles. However, such noises should be addressed promptly, as the quickness of drivers' responses could make the difference between a simple, less costly fix and a more time-consuming, expensive repair.

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DINING & ENTERTAINMENT

How consumers can help small businesses

Small businesses continue to be the backbone of the North American business community. According to the career resource Zippia, there are 33.2 million small businesses in the U.S. Those organizations employ around 62 million people. The financial wellness company Fortnly says that small businesses account for nearly half of all private sector jobs in Canada. In fact, small employer businesses made up 98.1 percent of all businesses in Canada



in 2021.

Despite the prevalence of small businesses and the abundance of people willing to become entrepreneurs, 20 percent of these firms fail within the first year, and only 55 percent survive five years or more, says Zippia. The COVID-19 pandemic was particularly harsh on small businesses. However, many of them survived through digitization that they plan to continue to utilize even when the pandemic is long gone.

Maintaining a small business through economic highs and lows and other issues often comes down to customer involvement. Consumers are the driving forces behind the success of small businesses. Here are some effective ways for consumers to help small businesses grow.

- **Shop local.** The "Shop Local" movement has been around for a while but remains as relevant as ever. Shopping local means becoming repeat patrons at the

independent businesses that comprise Main Street as opposed to the chain stores that dominate strip malls.

- **Share on social media.** Social media can be a great way to spread the word about businesses you like and point out particular examples why you shop there. Utilizing social media platforms to highlight the positive attributes of a business can help that business grow.

- **Call direct for take-out orders.** Those ubiquitous third-party food delivery services may be convenient, but businesses have to share the profit from your purchase with the delivery service, cutting into their bottom lines. Pick up your order or rely on the restaurants' own delivery teams.

- **Engage with the business online.** Complicated algorithms and other factors determine how a business' website or social media

page gets seen by the public. You can help things along by liking pages, visiting the website frequently and sharing any posts.

- **Speak about a business in person.** When out and about, whether you're dining with friends or chatting with a stranger, try to push and recommend businesses you support. If someone compliments your lawn, shoes or haircut, mention the businesses that did the work or sold you the products.

- **Suggest opportunities for exposure.** If you know about a school or organization looking for vendors, make the suggestion to a small business you use frequently. They may get new customers from participating in the event.

Small businesses are driving forces in the economy. Consumers can do their part to keep them thriving and profitable.

Women in Business Expo set for Nov. 16

The Mohawk Valley Business Women's Network (MVBWN) has been serving and supporting local business women for nearly 40 years. This year, the MVBWN is again hosting its Women in Business Expo on Nov. 16 with the goal of showcasing woman-owned and managed businesses based in the Mohawk Valley. The event will take place from 5 - 7 p.m. at the Delta Marriott at 200

Genesee St., Utica.

MVBWN would love for the women in business in our community to participate and have a booth representing their business, so sign up and consider sponsoring the event for even more exposure.

Questions about the event? Email MVBWN at president@mvbwn.org.

It takes a lot of planning and coordination for an event like this to be successful.

MVBWN is looking for Expo Planning Committee members. If you would like to be involved in planning, email president@mvbwn.org. You'll be making some great connections while serving the women in local business community.

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Tips for waterproofing a basement or crawl space

Water can be a homeowner's worst nightmare. Few things have the potential to damage a home as much as water. From leaks to flooding to moisture problems like mold, water can wreak havoc on a home.

Basements or crawl spaces are areas of a home where water can do the most damage. Basements and crawl spaces tend to be the lowest-lying spots in a home, and therefore prime spots for water to enter. Water problems in these areas can contribute to the demise of the structural integrity of the foundation.

According to Olshan, a foundation solutions company, water can enter homes in numerous ways. Many building materials, including concrete, that seem solid at first glance actually are quite porous. As ground water collects around these materials, the weight of the accumulated water, called hydrostatic pressure, can weaken the materials, causing cracks where water can seep through. Water also can enter subterranean spaces through basement windows and gaps between footings and concrete slabs or push up through foundation floors when homes are in areas with high water tables.

Remediating water issues in a home generally breaks down into two methodologies: exterior waterproofing and interior waterproofing. Depending on the cause and severity of the water issue, one or the other, or even both, may be recommended.

Exterior waterproofing

Exterior waterproofing aims to keep water away from and out of the home. The home improvement information resource DoltYourself.com says that exterior waterproofing generally includes the application of a waterproofing agent to the concrete foundation. In addition, exterior waterproofing also could include excavation so a drainage system can be installed around the entire footing of the home. Re-grading a property and properly relocating gutters and downspouts can help with many water issues.

Interior waterproofing

When water in a basement or crawl space needs to be remediated indoors, a system to collect, drain and remove water may be necessary. This can include sump pumps, drains, gravity discharge systems, and more. Moisture barriers, which can include special paints or products applied to the foundation walls and floor, also can help keep water from entering the space.

Moisture solutions

Keeping water out is only one part of the equation. Homeowners also need to manage moisture, like excessive humidity. A marriage of HVAC and waterproofing techniques may be necessary to improve air flow and remove humidity in the air.

While many homeowners have attempted to address water issues on their own, many times it is a job best left to the professionals. Because water penetration can have multifaceted causes, a professional can best assess the situation and create solutions that fit with homeowners' budgets and needs. The re-



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view and advice site Angie's List suggest finding at least three waterproofing companies that offer both interior and exterior waterproofing services that can provide the best ideas for fixing the issue.

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Essentials for a bathroom remodel

What began as a utilitarian space for personal sanitation has, in modern times, transformed into one of the most coveted rooms in the house. Bathrooms have become a place to relax and unwind and new bathrooms are on the top of many homeowners' wishlists.

Bathrooms can be as lavish as budgets allow. Wish lists can include everything from luxurious soaking tubs to rainfall showerheads to chaise lounges to televisions or home entertainment systems contained in the space. Those contemplating their own bathroom renovations may draw inspiration from the following features.

• **Hot water recirculation system:** Few things can be as disappointing as desiring a hot bath or shower only to find that the hot water tank has been drained. The home remodeling company Normandy Remodeling says that water recirculation systems provide on-demand hot water. In such systems, hot water may continuously run through the pipes or there may be a pump underneath a sink. Either way, one needn't wait for the water to warm up any longer.

• **Double undermount sinks:** Bathroom time is at a premium, especially when people must prepare and leave the house together. Rather than jockeying for position around a single sink, dual sinks enable more breathing room and time efficiency. Undermount sinks are easy to clean because there is no lip around where the sink meets the vanity, preventing the accumulation of grime and gunk.

• **Glass-free shower:** Soap scum and water deposits can form on shower doors, even for homeowners who are diligent with cleaning. A sizable shower prevents water spray and

affords the ability to forgo glass doors or curtains, thereby cutting down on cleaning and making the room feel more modern.

• **Multihead shower:** When redoing the shower, account for various shower heads so that the water can cascade across the body more completely. This provides a spa experience at home.

• **Touchless faucets and soap dispensers:** These aren't just for public bathrooms anymore. Touchless faucets and dispensers are more sanitary and convenient.

• **Separate toilet room:** A shared bath almost necessitates this type of set-up. The toilet is housed inside its own small space and closed away from the rest of the bathroom. It's more private and convenient this way.

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Remodeling a bathroom boils down to certain coveted features that can really set a space apart.

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Appointments are encouraged. To schedule an appointment, the campus community can visit the Center for Student Leadership & Involvement, RMCC 220, or email brownvl@herkimer.edu. Donors can also go online to redcrossblood.org to schedule your appointment online.

Donors are also encouraged to sign up for RapidPass to complete the pre-screening process from home. Sign up can be found at redcrossblood.org/rapidpass.

Donating is a safe process, and healthy individuals should schedule a donation to help maintain the nation's blood supply – one donation of blood can help up to three people in need. The Power Red Cell donation is similar to a whole blood donation, except a special machine is used to allow you to safely donate two units of red blood cells during one donation while returning your plasma and platelets to you.

All donors at this drive will also receive a free American Red Cross branded item.

Palatine Literary Society to host 'Reflections from the Border of Ukraine'

The Palatine Literary Society invites interested individuals to join them at the Fort Plain Free Library on Nov. 14 for "Reflections from the Border of Ukraine: Volunteering with the World Central Kitchen." The free program, featuring guest presenters Cheryl McGrattan and the Rev. Laurie Garra-mone, will begin at 6 p.m.

The speakers will be at the 19 Willett St. library that night to share their experiences in the war-torn country. The program is hosted by the Palatine Literary Society and open to all. A free-will offering will be taken, with donations going to the World Central Kitchen.

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Alma mater banner donated by Class of 1970 unveiled at Herkimer pep rally

The Herkimer Central School District Class of 1970 donated an alma mater banner that was unveiled on Friday Oct. 21 during the Jr./Sr. High School homecoming pep rally.

The Class of 1970 had its 50-year reunion delayed from 2020 to the summer of 2022 due to COVID-19, and members of the class took a tour

with Jr./Sr. High School Principal Mary Tomaso. When they visited the high school gymnasium, they remembered that there was an alma mater banner in the gym when they were students.

"We wanted to have a class gift," 1970 graduate Dominic Frank said. "When we were in school, we had a banner. We wanted the

current students and the future students to have the same experience we did."

The white alma mater banner with green lettering was unveiled at the pep rally, and students sang the alma mater, as the fall sports athletes stood on the gym floor with their arms around each other and rocked back and forth.

Herkimer Class of 1970 members Kathy Quigley (Brenchley), Nancy Riecker (Clark) and Dennis Foster attended the pep rally along with Foster's wife, Mary Ann Foster, a 1970 Mount Markham graduate.

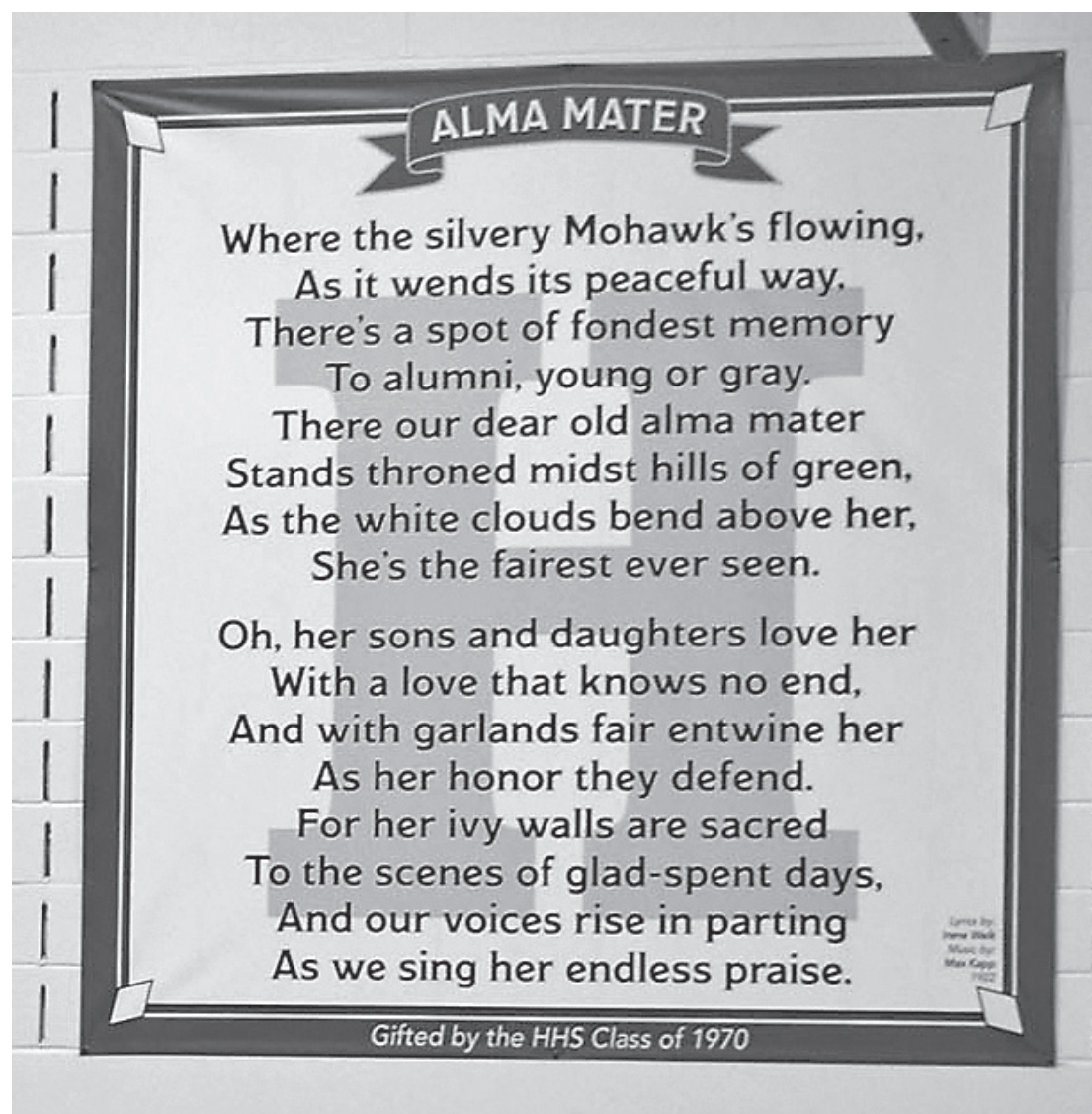
Tomaso said the school is thankful for the 50th anniversary gift.



Herkimer Central School District students sing the alma mater.



Members of the Herkimer Central School District Class of 1970 (on the right, in front) attend the Herkimer Jr./Sr. High School pep rally. Photos courtesy of Herkimer BOCES



A banner of the Herkimer Central School District alma mater donated by the Class of 1970 was unveiled during the Herkimer Jr./Sr. High School pep rally.

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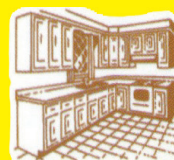
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The many benefits of houseplants

The lines between the outdoors and indoors are being blurred. Homeowners build extensive outdoor living spaces so they can relax on weather-resistant furniture and even cook in lavish kitchens in their backyards. In addition, indoor three-season rooms full of bright, open windows that showcase outdoor vistas challenge the boundaries between outside and inside.

For those working with limited budgets, there are some easy, inexpensive ways to enjoy the majesty of natural landscapes indoors. Houseplants can be used to improve indoor spaces, and they also provide various health benefits.

Help with Allergies

According to WebMD, rooms with houseplants tend to have less dust and mold in them than those without any foliage. Leaves and other parts of the plants serve as natural filters, catching airborne particles and allergens. Plants with textured leaves might be especially effective at trapping particles.

Put More Oxygen into the Air

The human respiratory system works by bringing in oxygen and releasing carbon dioxide. Plants do the opposite during photosynthesis. They absorb carbon dioxide and then release oxygen. Plants can put much more oxygen into the air, improving indoor conditions.

Increase Indoor Humidity and Reduce Illness

Studies from the Agricultural University of Norway found that indoor plants can increase humidity in in-

door spaces, which decreases the incidences of sore throats, dry coughs, dry skin, and the common cold. Higher absolute humidity can decrease the chances of survival and transmission of the flu virus.

Filter the Air

Researchers who presented their work at the 252nd National Meeting & Exposition of the American Chemical Society found certain houseplants can combat the potentially harmful effects of volatile organic compounds. Plants may help filter out VOCs like benzene, acetone and formaldehyde, which can enter indoor air via cleaning supplies, dry-cleaned clothes, furniture, printers, and paints.

Improve Interior Atmosphere

Prevention magazine says plants can be used to screen unattractive areas, moderate room temperature by shading spots from the sun and even reduce noise. Plants also can improve ambiance and create a pleasing atmo-



sphere in a room.

Can Improve Mood

Growing and caring for plants can alleviate everyday stress. A nationwide study from UK Magazine Gardeners World found 80 percent of gardeners declared themselves satisfied with life compared to 67 percent among non-gardeners. Gardeners were more positive mentally. Greenery can help people feel more at home and improve mental health. A rehab center in Norway found patients reported a greater increase in well-being four weeks after having greenery added to their surroundings.

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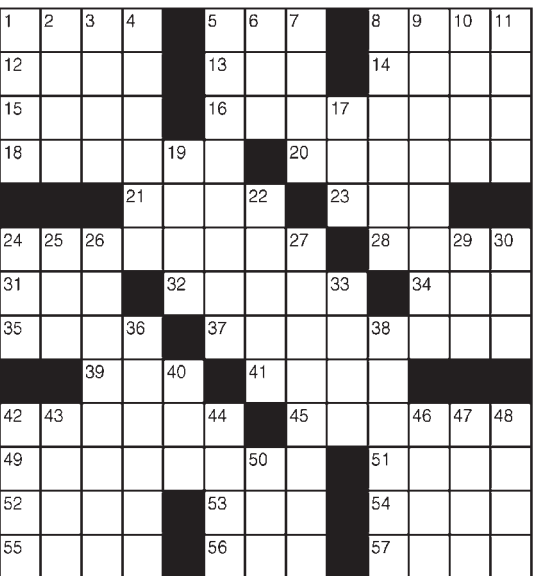
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 - 14 Texas city
 - 15 Lost traction
 - 16 "Madam Secretary" memoirist Madeleine
 - 18 Dutch exports
 - 20 Spanning
 - 21 Demolish, in Dover
 - 23 Jungfrau, for one
 - 24 Tirana resident
 - 28 Blathers
 - 31 Meadow
 - 32 Seafood selection
 - 34 Gangster's gun
 - 35 Lincoln in-law
 - 37 Tuna type
 - 39 Sneaky chuckle
 - 41 Son of Adam and Eve
 - 42 You can count on it
 - 45 Seduce
 - 49 Prince of Monaco who is Grace Kelly's son



- 51 Shark variety
 - 52 Check
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 - 54 Baby carriage
 - 55 Golf stroke
 - 56 Belly
 - 57 Eyelid woe
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 - 3 Author
 - 4 Prime Minister
 - 5 Cabbage, broccoli and
 - 6 the like
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 - 8 Making spiral patterns
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 - 17 — Victor
 - 19 Skillets
 - 22 British nobles
 - 24 Flight stat
 - 25 Zodiac cat
 - 26 Vice
 - 27 Mother
 - 29 Standard
 - 30 Fr. holy woman
 - 33 Social appointment
 - 36 Not half bad
 - 38 Victors
 - 40 "Ben- —"
 - 42 Seniors' org.
 - 43 — cheese dressing
 - 44 Male deer
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MAGIC MAZE ● AN "S" FIRST, MIDDLE AND LAST LETTER

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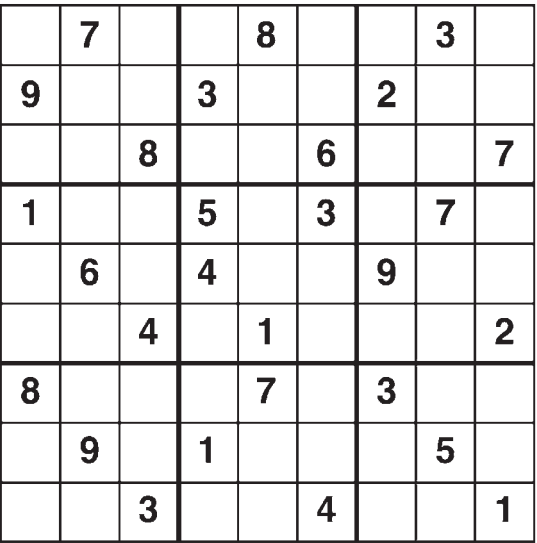
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

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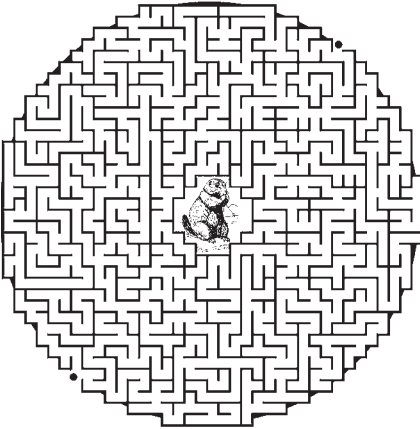
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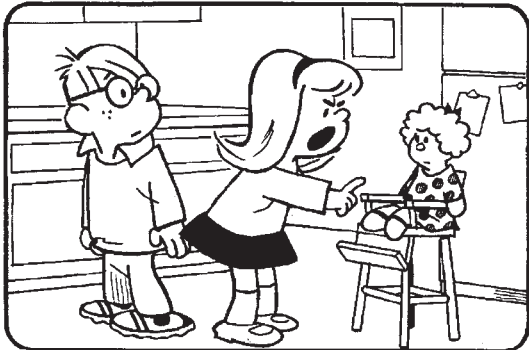
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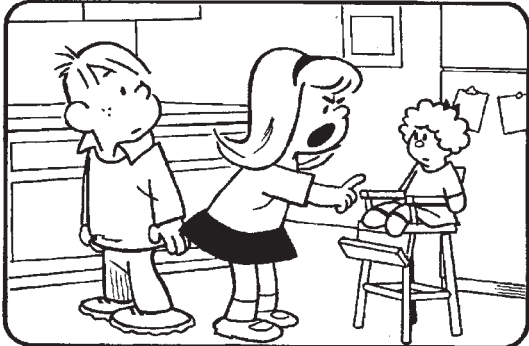


HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Glasses are missing. 2. Sneaker is different. 3. Socks are shorter. 4. Sleeve is shorter. 5. Dress is different. 6. Memo is moved.

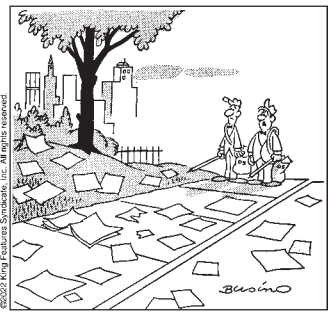
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Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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