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#202229283: Fort

windows, built-in show-case shelving, bookshelves and cubbies. The large hobby workshop barn was once a 3-car garage, has lighting, electric, plenty of storage as well as a separate office and potting shed. (This could be a nice building for a home business!) The front entrance has a handicap accessible ramp. The downstairs bedroom was used as an office, with plenty of space for a downstairs bedroom with 2 large closets. Located 2 1/2 miles from the village of Fort Plain. About 15 min. from Little Falls, NY.

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#202229419: Little Falls. This solid 2+ bedroom colonia majestically over-looks the quaint city of Little Falls with seasonal views. It features much of the original character with plenty of window light and a beautiful character with pienty of window light and a beautiful wood staircase. The 2 bedrooms are spacious bedrooms and the adjoining walk-in closet could be a small bedroom if needed, or even an office. Located on a deadend street, it has a quiet and peaceful feeling against the wooded back area. Natural gas heat, low taxes.OWNER FINANCING AVAILABLE for a qualified buyer! \$120,000



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The roles of the various branches of the U.S. military

Each November, people across the U.S. and its territories honor the brave men and women who serve and have served in the various branches of the country's military. Veterans Day is observed annually every Nov. 11 and honors the service of all U.S. military veterans. The day should not be confused with Memorial Day, which is celebrated each year in May and honors all military personnel who have died in service.

Veterans Day is a great time for anyone to learn more about the various branches of the U.S. military.

Army

The U.S. Department of Defense notes that the Army is the largest and oldest service in the country's military. The Army provides the ground forces that protect the U.S. Members of the Army are trained to defeat enemy ground forces and to seize and control enemy lands and resources. Army also are trained to control and interact with the general population in countries where members are stationed.

Marine Corps

It might surprise some to learn that the Marine Corps is a component of the Department of the Navy. That's one reason why the it maintains amphibious and ground units for contingency and combat operations. The Marine Corps is divided into four groups: the operating forces that fight; the headquarters for leadership; the supporting establishment that provides logistical support; and the Marine Corps Reserve.

Navy

The Navy protects America at sea. Despite its massive land mass, the U.S. is a maritime nation, which underscores how important a strong Navy is to the safety of the country and its residents. The Navy works alongside American allies and partners to keep the seas open and free.

Air Force

The Air Force has five core missions: air superiority; global strike; rapid global mobility; intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; and command and control. The Air Force defends the country and its residents in air, space and cyberspace and is capable of delivering forces anywhere in the world within hours.

Space Force

The existence of the Space Force may come as a

surprise to many Americans. Organized under the Department of the Air Force and established in 2019, this branch of the military organizes, trains and equips space forces in order to protect the interest of America and its allies in space.

Coast Guard

During peacetime, the Coast Guard is part of the Department of Homeland Security. In times of war, it operates under the Navy. The Coast Guard provides law and maritime safety enforcement as well as environmental protection. In addition to promoting national security, border security and economic prosperity in the maritime environment, the Coast Guard saves those in peril on the sea.

National Guard

The National Guard is comprised of the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard. The National Guard has a diverse array of responsibilities that range from supporting combat missions to responding during domestic emergencies to assisting in humanitarian efforts and more.



The U.S. military is made up various branches, each with its own unique missions and responsibilities. Veterans Day marks the perfect occasion to celebrate the many individuals who have served and continue to serve in the U.S. military.

Church of Christ Uniting schedules fundraiser

The Church of Christ Uniting in Richfield Springs will be hosting a combination luncheon/bake sale/craft corner on Nov. 12 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

The luncheon will include a choice from a variety of soups and sandwiches, potato chips, choice of beverage and homemade dessert. The donation is \$8.

The bake sale will include a diverse offering of pies, breads, cookies and other homemade confections – most are worthy of freezing to complement your upcoming holiday dinners.

The craft corner will be located in the Winter Chapel and will consist of select artisans from the area offering a variety of handcrafted items for holiday giving, special occasions or just to fulfill the shopper's "want" list.

The Church of Christ Uniting is located at 22 Church St. (red church) in Richfield Springs. Visit our rschurchof-christuniting.com or find them on Facebook.

Historical Sip and Paint

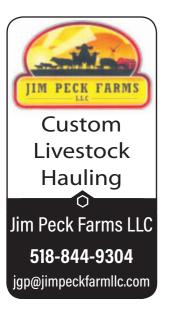
The Oneida County History Center at 1608 Genesee St. in Utica is bringing back its popular Sip & Paint program featuring a still life with historical artifacts from the museum's collection. Participants will create a holiday-themed painting with beautiful crockery from White's Pottery, a Utica Ginger Beer jug and other historical items. Tickets are \$40 for non-members and \$35 for OCHC members and include all art materials, one beverage ticket and light snacks. Pre-registration is required. Join the center for an afternoon of a bit of painting, a little sipping and a lot of fun.

Attendees will be led by the instructors from Painting with a Twist and will create their version of the featured painting while sipping and enjoying the company of other painters. The event will take place Nov. 19 from 1 - 3 p.m. in the OCHC exhibit gallery. Drinks will include wine and non-alcoholic options. Anyone planning to consume alcoholic beverages should come prepared to show a valid ID. For further information or purchase tickets, visit oneidacountyhistory.org/programs.html or call 315.735.3642.













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Herkimer BOCES welding students tour Feldmeier facility as part of potential career path

Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego BOCES Welding program seniors recently took a tour of the Feldmeier Equipment facility at 245 Riverside Industrial Parkway in Little Falls.

The tour served not only as a way to learn more about a local business but also as an introduction to a place where the students will be doing a work-study internship program in April 2023. Students also could have the opportunity to work professionally at Feldmeier after graduation.

Students saw during the tour that Feldmeier employs many Herkimer BOCES alumni, including a few from just the last three graduating classes, Herkimer BOCES welding instructor Mason Fisher said.

"It's great for the students," he said. "They can see a possible path for themselves through former students working there and enjoying it. It is work, but it is a great opportunity right in our own backyard."

The tour took place on Oct. 6 with Feldmeier Equipment Plant Manager Elroy Moore. Students got to see welding practices being put to work, robotic machines, several-hundred-thousand-gallon tanks and more.

In class, students practice various welding skills or work on small projects, but the tour allowed students to see how various aspects of welding come together as part of a business, Fisher said.

"They enjoyed it," Fisher said. "It was good for them to see everything we do kind of put into fruition."

Feldmeier is one of the largest manufacturers of stainless steel tanks in the country and ships tanks all across the world. The company employs several hundred welders and fabricators all around the country and nearly 100 welders in Little Falls, Fisher said.

The large size of the facility, the tanks and the overall operation can be intimidating for students to see, but taking the tour helps alleviate those concerns before the internship opportunity, Fisher said.

Senior students in the Herkimer BOCES welding program are encouraged to attend the work-study program at Feldmeier for a week or two in April each year. During the internship

experience, students go through a safety training and work directly with the Feldmeier crew, Fisher said.

"It opens up that employment avenue," Fisher said. "It opens

up the door where they have that line of communication already established, and Feldmeier will hire them right out of high school."



Herkimer BOCES welding seniors toured Feldmeier Equipment's new and expanded facility in Little Falls on Oct. 6. Pictured here, the tour group poses outside the building. (L - R) Pathways Academy and West Canada Valley student Izayah Przelski, Dolgeville student Nathen Randall, Dolgeville student Isaiah Rathbun, Poland student John Smith, Central Valley student Kiley Ball, Mount Markham student Bradley Burke III, Richfield Springs student Brett Clements, Mount Markham student Tyler Duncan, West Canada Valley student Aidan Monahan, Richfield Springs student Brogan Graves, Feldmeier Equipment Plant Manager Elroy Moore, Central Valley student Alexander Becker, Owen D. Young student Robert Teel, Herkimer BOCES welding instructor Mason Fisher, Little Falls student Isabella Drake, Owen D. Young student Cooper Reynolds, Little Falls student Chloe Willett, Herkimer student Trent Bunker and Central Valley student Emma Morey. Photo courtesy of Herkimer BOCES







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Take Back the Night with YWCA Mohawk Valley

YWCA Mohawk Valley (YWCA MV) hosted their annual Take Back the Night on Oct. 20 in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM). YWCA MV's efforts and initiatives during DVAM are presented by Bank of Utica and the Hartford and empowered by Mohawk Valley Health System.

Take Back the Night is a survivor-centered event dedicated to creating a comfortable, confidential space for stories to be shared and heard. The evening included a brief rally discussing the impact of domestic violence in the Mohawk Valley, a march on Genesee Street, a speak-out for survivors to share their stories and a candlelight vigil to honor the memory of loved ones lost.

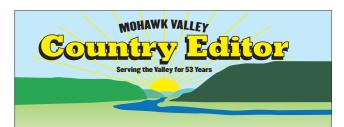
"This is our most powerful night of the year," said YWCA MV CEO Dianne Stancato. "Creating conversation about DV at events like these is critical. Our ultimate mission, during DVAM and beyond, is to create a safe, supportive, healthy environment for everyone, free from all forms of gender-based violence."

October has been nationally recognized as DVAM since 1989. Since then, the month has helped providers across the country bring critical attention to domestic violence, show survivors that they are not alone and unite communities in a common cause to stop the violence.

In 2021, YWCA MV provided more than 48,000 instances of service. In Oneida County alone, the agency served 1,938 new domestic violence clients, including housing 168 clients in emergency shelters. YWCA MV's free, confidential, 24-hour services include transitional and rapid re-housing programs, case management, one-on-one counseling, support groups, referrals and advocacy and accompaniment through court, law enforcement and medical proceedings.

YWCA MV is available for anyone experiencing domestic and/or sexual violence via our free and confidential 24-hour

hotline services. Visit ywcamv.org/Chat to reach an advocate directly through our private, secure server. In Oneida County, call or text 315.797.7740 for domestic and sexual violence crisis services. In Herkimer County, call 315.866.4120 for child advocacy and adult sexual violence crisis services. For more information about YWCA MV, visit ywcamv.org.



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The YWCA Mohawk Valley annual Take Back the Night on observance was held on Oct. 20 in Utica. Photo courtesy of YWCA Mohawk Valley



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2022 Central NY stream fishing report

by the On-Foot Fisherman Cary Davis

The 2022 season presented local anglers with early season opportunities that rarely exist in April and May. The snowpack from this past winter was much reduced from the usual snowfall known to us. Thus, the streams of Central New York did not swell to the unapproachable levels that usually obstruct stream access most springs.

Most favorite fishing spots were available this early spring, but icy water temps always slow trout feeding activities. My outings to favorite streams yielded modest catches of brook trout in Otsego County and brown trout in Montgomery County. This did, however, validate that trout populations in these streams have remained hearty. I was eagerly anticipating the peak of this new fishing season.

Action heated up in late May when the buds on the trees turned to leaves. Following a warm rain in early June, the feeding frenzy was on! I was able to catch eight brown trout and four brook trout on four different streams on this day, mostly using worms and flashy spinners. I kept four trout and released the others. If I had chosen to fish longer that day, a 20-trout day was very possible. We only get a day like this a few times a year. When to fish is as important as where to fish.



Fishing companion Sherri has been fishing only four years. Here she shows her excitement after catching and releasing a 12 inch smallmouth bass on the West Canada Creek in September.

Photo by C Davis

As the weather got hot and humid in July and August, the fishing action in small streams came to a standstill. The drought and near-drought conditions locally made streams too low to fish. When streams get too low and water temperatures approach 80°, it's dangerous to trout populations. Trout are amazingly resilient fish, but they are prone to stress when water temperatures reach these levels.

I enjoy transitioning to larger streams when smaller stream water levels are low. In early September, I had a couple good days on the West Canada Creek near Newport and Middleville. We caught smallmouth bass, but no trout.

Smallmouth are exciting sport fish to catch. But where were the thousands of trout that NYDEC stocked into this stream each year? The abundance of bass and the absence of the trout species is concerning due to the aggressive, predatory



The author plays a leaping smallmouth bass on the West Canada Creek in September 2022.

Photo by S Kraft

nature of smallmouth bass. Further examination of this trout habitat entices me.

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12" rainbow trout caught by the author in Herkimer County in July.
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Four brown trout caught by the author in Montgomery County this June, table dressed and ready for cooking. Photo by S Kraft









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Glorious soaking rains appeared on Labor Day and the day after. Hallelujah! This allowed one more shot at some streams and sections I had been hoping to fish. The trout there were waiting for this day too. The expectation of a new food source entering the stream after this rain had electrified my sought-after prize. The brown trout I caught had survived the summer and I was grateful for this reward.

In all, our streams seemed to have sustained healthy trout populations, even those that may not have experienced NY-DEC stocking in the past couple years. The Eastern brook trout in our local streams are native and wild. (Brook trout are not stocked.) Still, many of our CNY streams hold native brook trout, as well as the brown and rainbow trout that are planted in area streams. The diversity of these species in our local waters provides delightful surprises for the angler to experience.

Self-Imposed Slot Limits

I have been lucky enough to fish for trout in several different

states in the U.S. Many states, counties, lakes or certain streams may impose, by law, slot limits on trout that can be caught/kept. These slot limits are meant to protect and sustain trout populations. There may also be regulations in place that limit the types of bait that may be used, i.e. artificial lures only.

I imposed a slot limit on myself in an effort to help conserve this wonderful natural resource. I only keep about 10% of the trout I catch each year. I try to release any trout less than nine inches in length, unless that fish is hooked so severely that it may not survive if released. Each year, I may keep a few nineto 12-inch trout for the dinner table and to examine. When I catch a trout larger than 12 inches, I return that trout back to the water. This larger trout is a "breeder" that will perpetuate the species, assuring it to renew the resource for future years.

Fragile - Handle with Care

When releasing trout back into the stream, try not to handle the fish or take it out of the water for too long if possible. Use hook-removing forceps to turn the shank of the hook while the fish is in the landing net and still in the water. Then, simply lower the net back into the water to release hands-free. Handling a trout can disrupt the protective slime layer that protects the fish from harmful disease in the stream. Should the release require taking the fish out of the water or handling, try to keep the encounter brief to minimize harm.

Cut 'Em Up

Early in the trout season, I cut open a trout I have caught and perform a necropsy (like an autopsy, but on a fish). You would be surprised at what you can find in the belly of a trout: worms, minnows, grubs, crayfish, bugs, even sticks or pebbles. Examination of what fish are eating is always helpful to the angler. Matching the selection of bait/flies - nymph, grub or dry fly to the size and color to imitate the stomach contents of trout will enhance the chances of fishing success. This is known as "matching the hatch" to avid fly fishers. Some hardcore fly anglers will tie flies right on stream to match a hatch of flies or a trout's stomach contents to heighten the probability of success when trout are finicky. I carry a large selection of flies for the purpose of matching baits to observed food sources on a cer-

Get Into Hot Water

When to fish? Where to fish? Always a dilemma. This year I vowed to fish more streams I had never fished before, and to fish certain sections of favorite streams I had not covered well enough in recent years. Since I have found some waters that provided hot action, I will share with you where the bite was on!

- For brown trout Oaks Creek (Otsego Co.); Cayadutta Creek (Fulton Co.); Wharton Creek (Otsego Co.); Canajoharie Creek (Montgomery Co.); and Spruce Creek (Herkimer Co.)
- For rainbow trout Otsquago Creek (Herkimer Co.)
 For brook and brown trout Otego Creek (Otsego Co.)

Some larger streams to try when small streams experience low water level periods: West Canada Creek, East Canada Creek, Upper Mohawk River and Fish Creek (Oneida Co.).

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NOVEMBER 10

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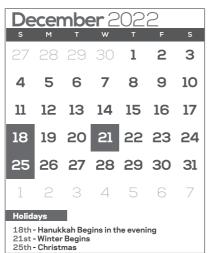
Herkimer County Community College Board of Trustees special meeting6 p.m. in the Classroom Administration building, room 243.

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

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NOVEMBER 11

Utica and Mohawk Valley Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society meeting 7 p.m. at the Zion Lutheran Church on the corner of French and Burrstone Roads in the Town of New Hartford. Author and railroad historian John Taibi will have an exciting program on the former New York Central Hojack Line. For more information, contact Bradford Paulson at Bpaulson909@msn.com or 315.853.5400 or 315.275.1223.



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 occain-

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.

Church of Christ Uniting Luncheon/Bake Sale/Craft Corner 10 a.m. -2 p.m. at 22 Church St., Richfield Springs. Visit rschurchofchristuniting.com.

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.

Ham and Scalloped Potatoes Dinner 3-6 p.m. at the Masonic Temple in Ilion. Take-out only. Gluten free available. Sponsored by Eastern Star. Pre-orders preferred. Call 315.269.6493.

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 15

Free Social Security Information program 6 - 7 p.m. at Frank J. Basloe Library, Herkimer. For individual's ages 55-70. Due to COVID restrictions, seating is limited, and advance registration is required. To RSVP, contact the library at 315.866.1733.

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 18 & 19

St Mary's Healthcare Auxiliary Christmas in November Holiday Shopping Bazaar 2022. Friday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Events at Carondelet Auditorium, Amsterdam. For more information, call the volunteer department at 518. 841.7136

NOVEMBER 19

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.ccrg@gmail.com.

Historical Sip and Paint 1 - 3 p.m. Oneida County History Center exhibit gallery, 1608 Genesee Street, Utica. For further information or purchase tickets, visit oneidacountyhistory.org/programs.html or call 315.735.3642.

Pie and Book Sale 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Ilion First Baptist Church, 8 Second St., Ilion. Soup and sandwiches. For more information call the church office at 315.894.9041.

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

"Elves Day Out" starts at 8 a.m. and continues all day. Event will transform Canajoharie into Christmas wonderland for all ages. Celebration feature activities for kids, crafts, food, musical performances and more. Complete schedule of events will be posted at https://fb.me/e/2SiHCpVsS. Businesses wishing to be a sponsor or interested in being part of the event should contact the Canajoharie-Palatine Bridge Chamber of Commerce by calling 518.673.0292 or the county by emailing mmcclary@co.montgomery.ny.us.

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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JANUARY 12, 2023

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FEBRUARY 9, 2023

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MARCH 9, 2023

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APRIL 13, 2023

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streams north of the Mohawk. Fish the smaller streams in Otsego Co. early in the season, as it may be your last chance if drought conditions prevail any certain year. During the low water months, go to the larger streams north of the valley to gain fishable waters. The foothills of the Adirondacks provide a more substantial watershed, which supply streams north of the Mohawk Valley that flow south to the Mohawk River with a more sustainable water source

Let It Simmer

After all my years of trout fishing, you'd think I'd have learned about fishing a trout hole more thoroughly! This year, I realized I may have been quitting on some holes too soon.

One damp June morning, I stopped at a favorite trout hole on a small Montgomery Co. stream. I knew this hole to have provided nice trout catches many times over the years. After fishing the hole front to back, I was ready to give up and move to another hole. I slowly lifted the bait worm out of the middle of the hole. Suddenly, I saw a flash of gold right behind my bait! I slid the bait back into the hole and within 10 seconds a 13inch brown trout buried the bait. After a noble fight, I released the trout that had taught me a valuable lesson.

Twice more this season I caught a nice trout after almost writing a hole off. Now I leave the bait in the middle of the hole and let the current move it around naturally for a while. This more patient method seems to entice the more wary trout that were, at first, reluctant to bite. Many of the smaller local streams I have fished this year have not been stocked for three or four years. You now have a strain of trout, especially brown trout, that have spawned and lived in these streams their whole lives. Many of these trout have been hooked or have seen a hook before. These are not your aggressive stock trout that strike without fear at any baits that are presented. It seems as if we now have a more wild breed of trout in some streams. This requires the angler to exercise more patience and imagination to achieve fishing success. Let the bait simmer in the hole a while longer!

Savor the Bounty

Enjoy eating some of the trout you catch. Now you're

eating organic and healthy! This is good for our physical and mental well-being, knowing it doesn't get any fresher than this. Here are some suggested cooking methods you may like to try when preparing your catch.

• Brook Trout - Pan-fried brook trout: Lightly flour the trout, pan fry in butter three to four minutes per side.

Some years ago, while fishing in the High Sierras of California, a friendly couple was camped across from me. The gentleman, seeing I had a nice catch of brook trout, waved me over to their campsite. I had nine brook trout in the 10-inch range. The lady took the trout and dipped the fish in a mixture of egg wash and honey. She then rolled the fish in corn flakes that she had mashed up. The fish were then fried in hot peanut oil for only a couple minutes on each side. Those brook trout were crunchy and delicious.

- Brown Trout Broiled with butter, lemon and paprika. Salt the fish, melt butter and add lemon and paprika to the butter. Broil four to five minutes each side, painting the fish with your butter mix before and during cooking. Try not to over-cook.
- Rainbow Trout Baked, stuffed rainbow trout with crab meat and herb stuffing: Lightly salt and pepper the fish. Drain the liquid from a can of crab meat and empty into a small bowl. Add thyme, lemon, parsley, cracker crumbs and a tiny amount of beaten egg and mix. Then stuff the fish with your crab stuffing and paint with butter on the outside. Bake at 365° for about 20 - 25 minutes.

Some of the finest restaurants in America offer rainbow trout on their menu.

Catch You Next Season

I am happy to report that this season I observed more trout anglers on the streams of CNY. I observed more anglers enjoying what nature has bestowed upon us here while embracing this beloved pastime on various local streams. Continue to grow the sport while respecting the lands.

Next season, I hope to discuss baits, equipment and techniques to yield increased fishing success - and fishing with flies. Don't let that scare you! Extreme casting is not required.

See you on the waters next season!

Frank J. Basloe Library to offer free Social Security information program

The Frank J. Basloe Library is offering a free Social Security information program on Nov. 15 from 6 - 7 p.m. for individuals aged 55 - 70. This onehour financial education program is designed to help attendees learn how to maximize their Social Security benefits prior to collecting them.

Get answers to some of the most frequently asked questions, such as:

- When is the best time to collect my Social Security benefits?
- Does it make sense to take benefits sooner rather than later?
- Can I still work and collect benefits?
- What happens to my benefits if I should die too soon?
- Is my spouse able to collect benefits while working?

The event is being presented as a community service by guest speaker John Kalil, a Social Security claiming strategist and president of Retirement Solutions LLC. The program is open to the public and free to attend. Due to COVID restrictions, seating is limited, and advance registration is required. To RSVP, contact the library directly at 315.866.1733.



Herkimer County Office for the Aging

Meals on Wheels provides a well-balanced, hot, noon-time meal which is available Monday - Friday in most parts of Herkimer County. To be eligible, the person needs to be age 60 or older and be disabled due to a chronic or temporary condition. A temporary condition could be due to a recent hospitalization or accident. If you are interested in learning more about Meals on Wheels or signing up,

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7 Salisbury Steak Rice Pilaf Broccoli Apricots	8 Closed For Election Day	Macaroni & Cheese Stewed Tomatoes & Zucchini Green Beans Frosted Birthday Cake	Chicken & Biscuits Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Brownie	11 CLOSED FOR VETERAN'S DAY
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HOME IMPROVEMENT

DIY projects that can conserve energy around the house

Home renovation projects can pay numerous dividends. Renovations can have a positive effect on resale value, make homes more livable for residents and, in some ways, make homes more affordable.

Renovation projects that aim to conserve energy can save homeowners substantial amounts of money. Such projects don't often require considerable effort or even sizable financial investments, which can make homeowners skeptical as to just how much they can save after completing the project. But the scale of a project may have little to do with how much homeowners will save. For example, the U.S. Department of Energy notes that a relatively effortless task like turning back a thermostat between 7° and 10° F for eight hours per day can save homeowners as much as \$83 per year. A more labor-intensive task like planting shade trees saves homeowners an average of between \$35 and \$119 per year.

When looking for ways to conserve energy around the house and save money, homeowners need not necessarily commit to expensive projects. The DOE notes that the following are some energy-saving projects and details what homeowners can expect to save after completing them. While each individual project may not result in jaw-dropping savings, homeowners who follow many of these recommendations may end up saving more than \$1,000 per year.

Project: Install exterior low-e storm windows.

What is it? Low-e windows reflect infrared heat back into a home. Such windows are coated with an ultra-thin layer of metal that improves the window's insulation ability.

How much can I save? Homeowners who install low-e windows can save between 12 and 33 percent on their annual heating and cooling costs.

Project: Seal uncontrolled air leaks.

What is it? Air leaks let cool air in during winter and warm air in during summer. Caulking, sealing and weather stripping all cracks and large openings can cut back on air leaks that are costing you money. The DOE recommends hiring a contractor to seal any leaks on heating and cooling ducts.

How much can I save? Homeowners who seal uncontrolled air leaks can save between 10 and 20 percent on their annual heating and cooling bills.

Project: Plant shade trees.

What is it? If you plant a deciduous tree between six and eight feel tall near your home, it will begin to shade your windows within a year of being planted. Depending on the species of the tree and the home, the shade tree will begin shading the roof within five to 10 years. The DOE notes that shading is the most cost-effective way to reduce air conditioning costs.

How much can I save? Properly planted shade trees can reduce air conditioning costs by anywhere from 15 to 50 percent

Project: Insulate the water heater tank

What is it? New water tanks are likely already insulated. But homeowners with older hot water tanks can insulate their tanks with a water heater insulating blanket kit.

How much can I save? Insulating a water heater tank can save homeowners as much as 16 percent on their annual water



Caulking, sealing and weather stripping all cracks and large openings can cut back on air leaks that are costing you money.

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heating bills.

Even the smallest DIY projects can produce big savings. More information about energy-saving home improvement projects can be found at www.energy.gov.

"We're having guests...your job is to stick these color swatches on the walls so it looks like we're doing something about this place."





HOME IMPROVEMENT

Fireplace trends help create attractive, comfortable rooms

Fireplaces are useful features in a home. Fireplaces are sources of ambient heat and also add style to indoor spaces.

Fireplaces can complement just about any interior style. Fireplaces can be traditional and burn wood or connect to a home's natural gas supply for on-demand ambiance. What's more, fireplaces may come in vented or ventless varieties, depending on homeowners' preferences and what is allowed by community building codes. That means a chimney or flue may not

be needed-expanding the list of rooms where a fireplace can be installed.

Certain trends have emerged among fireplace fans in recent years. Here's a look at what's getting consumers fired up about these home decor elements.

• Minimalist style: Many fireplaces are designed in neutral colors with minimal trim that directs focus on the fire and not the appliance. When the fireplace is not in use, it blends in with surroundings and will not compete for at-

tention with other design elements

- Convertible fireplaces: Homeowners can choose between open or sealed fireplaces. A convertible fireplace enables homeowners to have the best features of these options. A convertible fireplace can be converted to wood from gas, or the opposite, in as little as 30 minutes.
- Nature-inspired materials: Natural stone continues to be a material of choice in fireplace surrounds. Light colors work well for a fireplace, and also fit with today's lighter color interior design preferences. Natural stone also works perfectly with both contemporary and

rustic decor.

- Vintage fireplaces: Vintage continues to be a buzzword in 2022, and the choice to go vintage also applies to fireplace styles. A room decorated in vintage elements can be complemented with a vintage fireplace or one designed to look vintage.
- Integrate into wall decor: Fireplaces that are built right into a wall save space. One can have a television and a fireplace on the same wall. These types of fireplaces work well in modern home designs. Other fireplaces may be built into bookshelves or other wall features.



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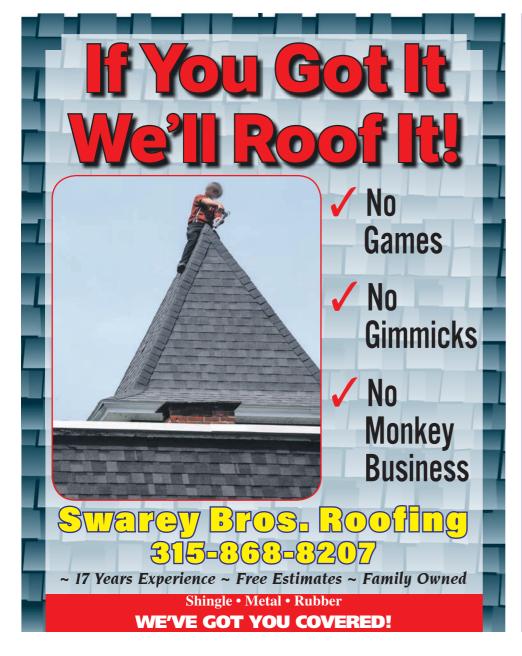
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HOME IMPROVEMENT

Benefits of freestanding tubs

Few home design elements provide the instant wow factor of freestanding tubs. Freestanding tubs have an air of luxury that can help current homeowners relax, and impress buyers when homes go on the market.

Freestanding tubs are typically made of cast iron or porcelain. The home improvement website HomeAdvisor notes that cast iron is durable and solid and retains heat well, which is great for those who want to spend more than a little time relaxing in a freestanding tub. However, because cast iron is so heavy, installing a cast iron tub may require structural reinforcement of the flooring, which will add to the overall cost of the project.

According to HomeAdvisor, the average cost to install a tub varies widely depending on the type of tub, the materials it's made of and other factors, including plumbing and piping. For example, the cost to install a freestanding tub will rise considerably if new plumbing and piping are necessary.

Before purchasing a freestanding tub, homeowners should seek estimates regarding installation, making sure to get them in writing. Contractors will determine if structural reinforcement is necessary and include such costs in their estimates. In addition, make sure to ask contractors to investigate piping and plumbing so no surprises pop up after the tub has been purchased and work has begun.

If estimates from contractors aren't budget busting, homeowners can consider these benefits of freestanding tubs before making their final decisions.

• Cleaning: Because they're detached from other bathroom fixtures and not flush against the wall, freestanding tubs tend to be easier to clean than built-in bathtubs. Freestanding tubs are accessible from all sides, making it easy to reach all those nooks

and crannies where grime can build up.

· Return on investment: In its 2018 "Cost vs. Value" report, Remodeling magazine noted that upscale bathroom remodels recouped 56.2 percent of their cost at resale. That was a better return on investment than an upscale kitchen remodel (53.5 percent) and an upscale master suite addition (48.3 percent). The thought of a sizable return on investment can make relaxing in a freestanding tub that much more enjoyable.

· Warmth: Even freestanding tubs made of materials other than cast iron offer great heat retention. Stone resin bathtubs, for example, provide excellent insulation on cold nights. That's ideal for people who want to unwind in the tub without having to exit early because the water has become















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Charities whose missions support veterans, active military and their families

The support Americans have for their armed forces is evident in how much they donate each year to charities with military-related missions. According to Charity Navigator, Americans donate more than \$2.5 billion annually to charities with missions dedicated to the military.

Individuals who want to donate to a charitable organization with a military-related mission may not know where to start, and that can be daunting given the number of organizations that fit that criteria. Charity Navigator indicates there are more than 40,000 American charities with military-related missions, which underscores how difficult it can be to find one to support. Thankfully, Charity Navigator, which has provided donors with free access to data, tools and resources to guide their philanthropic decision-making since 2001, has curated a list of highly rated

organizations that provide a variety of services to military members and their families. The following is a brief rundown of that list that can serve as a solid foundation for prospective donors. The full list can be found at charitynavigator.org.

Wounded Troops

- Air Warrior Courage Foundation (airwarriorcourage.org)
- DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Charitable Service Trust (cst day org)
 - Fisher House Foundation (fisherhouse.org)
- Higher Ground (highergroundusa.org)
- Homes for Our Troops (hfotusa.org)

- K9s for Warriors (k9sforwarriors.org)
- Operation Second Chance (operationsecondchance.org)
- Wounded Warrior Project (woundedwarriorproject.org)
- Yellow Ribbon Fund (yellowribbonfund.org)

Military Social Services

- AMVETS National Service Foundation (amvetsnsf.org)
- Hire Heroes USA (hireheroesusa.org)
- Honor Flight Network (honorflight.org)
- Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (iava.org)
- Operation Gratitude (operationgratitude.com)
- Operation Healing Forces (operationhealingforces.org)









- Soldiers' Angels (soldiersangels.org)
- The Mission Continues (missioncontinues.org)

Military Family Support

- Army Emergency Relief (armyemergencyrelief.org)
- Blue Star Families (bluestarfam.org)
- Children of Fallen Patriots
 Foundation (fallenpatriots.org)
- Folds of Honor (foldsofhonor.org)Operation Homefront (op-
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- VFW National Home for Children (vfwnationalhome.org)



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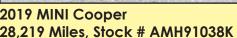
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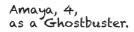


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Kids' Community Corner









Gage Parrino and his Angel Aunt, Alyssa.



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Bailey Friers.



Amelia Waite, 2.



(L - R) McKenzie Jones, 10 (cow); Jackson (alien); Cooper Kretser, 10 (biohazard suit); Clayton Davenport (banana); and Penelope Davenport (Chucky).



(L - R) Molly Shults (avocado), 11; Lainie McDuffee (Beetlejuice), 11; Livia McDuffee (Dorothy) 8; and Fiona Brown (avocado), 10.



Jeremy and Sam Stoliker with daughters Ayla, 2, dressed as Donkey and Molly, 11 months, dressed as Gingy.



Ellis (6), Baylor (3) and Harper (8) Fowler.



Mom Nicole Hecht, Charlotte Hecht, 5, and Ezra Hecht, 18 months.



Jesse Tomlinson Jr., 4.



Lexi, 3.



Ella Clouthier, 10.



Fort Plain residents McKenna Karker, Taylor Potter and Grace McFee, all 14.

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The Utica and Mohawk Valley Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society will meet on Nov. 11 at 7 p.m. at the Zion Lutheran Church on the corner of French and Burrstone roads in the Town of New Hartford. There will be a business portion conducted by President Harry Lenz with reports on the Adirondack Railroad, Christmas on Main Street, the train show in Albany, the Toy Train Collectors' Society Toy Train Meet in January, possible trips on Amtrak, the new John Hamm book on the New York Central from Albany to Buffalo and the ongoing work with the new windows on New York Central 6721 along with many other activities and projects ahead for the chapter in the coming weeks and months. After the break, author and

railroad historian John Taibi will have an exciting program on the former New York Central Hojack Line that runs from Syracuse to Oswego, Massena and to Montreal, Québec. This program will focus on the line from its days of trains from the New York Central, Penn Central, Conrail, Canadian National and all the way to CSX that ran and still run on this line on a daily basis. Taibi has written a book about this line as of this year.

This meeting is open to people interested in railroads, the railroads of the State of New York, the New York Central and its successors and railroad history. Guests attending the meeting also have the opportunity to join the chapter as regular members. All active and retired railroad personnel are invited as well.

For more information, contact Bradford Paulson at Bpaulson909@msn. com or 315.853.5400 or 315.275.1223.





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HUNTING

Must-have hunting gear

Hunting is popular throughout North America. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service said that 40 percent of the population of the U.S. ages 16 and older participated in wildlife-related activities in 2016, the most recent year for data. Hunting also is popular in Canada, where it's difficult to paint a picture of that popularity because hunting is regulated at the provincial level. However, Wild Alberta reports that, in 2020, there were 151,724 resident hunters in Alberta alone.

As is the case with many hobbies and pastimes, hunting requires some unique gear. Hunters need to bring some essential gear along on each trip to ensure their safety, while other gear and gadgets are all about convenience.

- **Proper clothing**: Hunting clothing comes in two main varieties: camouflage and blaze orange. Camo patterns mimic real-life foliage or use a digital pattern of natural colors to trick the animals' eyes, preventing them from detecting the hunters' outlines. Blaze orange hunting gear, from coats to hats to coveralls, is designed to make hunters visible to other hunters. Some game, like whitetail deer, cannot detect the orange color spectrum, so hunters need not worry that they will be compromising their hunting efforts. Depending on the hunting area and its specific regulations, camo or orange clothing will be required. Hunting clothing also should be comfortable for the weather and the conditions. Waterproof or water-resistant clothing can protect hunters from the elements as well. In cold climates, layer up and wear insulated materials.
- Weapon and ammo: Hunters should always look for ammunition details for the animals they will be hunting so they choose the correct weapon and ammunition type. Weapons should be maintained and cleaned for safety and all hunters should consider taking a course in the proper handling of weapons.
- Knife: Knives are a staple for every hunting trip and can be used for multiple purposes. Most hunters prefer a dedicated knife for field dressing the animal, which includes gutting, boning, skinning, and butchering. Some knives fold and others are fixed blades.
 - Legal documents: Hunters should always carry their



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hunting licenses and have game tags on hand to mark their kills appropriately. Depending on where one lives and hunts, licenses may need to be visible on the person.

- Calls and scents: It may be possible to lure game closer with special calls or scents. In addition, hunters may want to utilize scent killers, which are sprays and washes that remove human scents from clothing and gear so game are unaware that hunters are present.
- **Binoculars**: While one may be able to use the scope on a weapon to spot game, binoculars are more efficient.
- First aid kit and other safety gear: Hunters should

stock a first aid kit, emergency phone, water and snacks to stay hydrated and fed, and a foldable paper map in the event cell phone signals fade or prove unreliable.

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- Look for signs of previous injuries. Previously wounded animals may be infested with maggots or have abscesses, which are swollen areas of tissue that contain pus. Animals that appear to have been injured prior to being killed should not be eaten, as consuming them can leave hunters vulnerable to illness.
- Examine the animal's eyes and skin. Sunken eyes or emaciated, scabby skin also could indicate the animal was suffering from illness or injury prior to being killed.
- Look for tick infestations. Game infested with ticks should not be consumed.
- Look for fluid discharges. Game that has discharges of dark blood or creamy or green substances should not be consumed.
- See if the animal passes the smell test. Game suffering from gangrene or had decaying flesh typically emit a strong, foul odor

and such animals should not be consumed.

- Investigate the interior of the animal. Just because a game animal exhibits no outward signs of illness or injury does not necessarily make it safe to eat. Hunters are advised to wear surgical or dishwashing gloves and run their hands over the body of the animal. Signs of disease or illness include hair that comes off easily, a soft or gelatinous underside of the skin when peeled off, and/or a film of blood or fluid that is not the result of the hunter's qunshot wound.
- Examine muscle tissue. Muscle tissue should not smell bad or contain parasites or blood spots. In addition, examine the muscle tissue for blood clots, black blood or a greenish discharge, each of which are indicators of disease.
- Examine the rib cage and muscle tissue. Humans can contract tuberculosis after eating game that was infected with the disease. Indicators of tuberculosis include tan or yellow lumps on the inside surface of the rib cage or in the tissue of the lungs.

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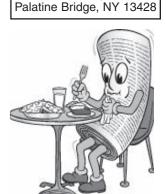
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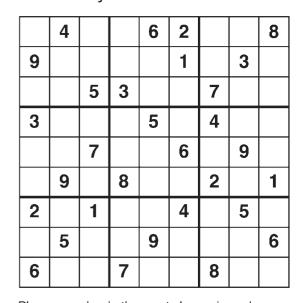
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by Linda Thistle



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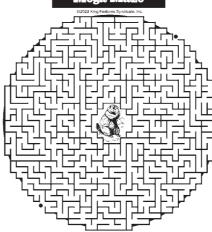
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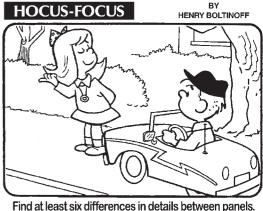
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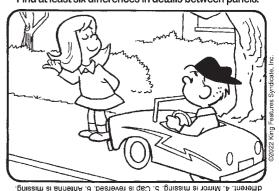
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Home Country

by Slim Randles

You get them flu shots ever' fall? I try not to, but Doc has this year nurse that's not only stouter'n a streetsweeper, but fleet of foot as well. This year's Windy, a-course. So, yeah, I prit-nearly allus get one a-them shots each fall.

But I been workin' on a way to either speed me up or slow her down. Ever seen on them summer Olympicals the relay race? You know, when one guy's runnin' and he sticks out a stick and the next guy takes it for a while? Thass what that there nurse looks like in hot pursuit 'cept it's a hypothermic needle and not a stick in her hand. Now you know ol' Doc makes fun a-me ever' dang time she catches up. A-course, she could stand to run off a few calories here and there, mostly there. Truth be told, wouldn't hurt me none, neither.

When Doc stops laughin' he usually says, "Windy, I don't think you're any faster'n you was last year."

"Nope," I admitted, "but I think she is."

Oh, I tried to talk Doc out of it. Honest. I told him I been particler good this last year and took my vitermins and minerales and drank my fruity juice and all that stuff. See, I figgered if he got impressionated enough with my diet, I might could slip away from Vampira for one year.

But it seems like somethin' always happens to that there plan a-mine.

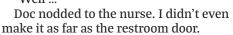
For example, Doc looked at me while Nurse Sprint was in the corner, sharpenin' her needle and lookin' funny at my fanny

"So Windy," Doc said, "you been

drinkin' your fruit juices." "Yessir!" I replied.

"Let me guess ... was this juice mixed up with gin or vodka?"

"Well ..."



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Around the Kitchen: Leftover Halloween candy

by Tamra Bolton

alloween candy fun for a day, but
what then? Every
year, it happens. I buy too
much to give out, my kids
and grandkids bring their
leftovers and I am left with
a ton of sugar.

I've learned several ways to handle the overload, but before I give you those tidbits, I want to share a theory I developed when my kids were small.

When it comes to trickor-treats, I believe most kids, and some adults, fall into one of three categories: the squirrel, the lioness or the bear.

My son was like a bear preparing for hibernation. If I didn't confiscate his bag immediately and dole the candy out over a several-day period, he would consume the entire contents of his bag by dawn the next day. My youngest daughter was the squirrel of the bunch, storing up

provisions for leaner times and the upcoming winter. She would hide her candy in small bags here and there and make her stash last until Thanksgiving or longer (if her brother didn't find it first).

My oldest daughter favored a lioness with cubs. She was more willing to share with her brother and sister and was open to trading as well. I usually let them hoard, trade, whatever they were going to do, but in the end, I was still plagued with leftover candy.

In the rural area where we live, there just aren't many trick-or-treaters, but that never stops me from over-buying the tempting sweets right before the holiday.

To preserve my waistline and that of my dear hubby, I came up with a few solutions:

I sort all chocolates into

like kinds and fill quart freezer bags, label, date them and pop them into the freezer. For gummies, hard candies, etc., I do the same but put the labeled bags into an opaque container and shove them into the pantry shelves behind the canned beans or rice, where few dare go. This way, the temptation to indulge is more difficult, and it saves me from buying more of the same to decorate and use in recipes for the upcoming holiday

Here are a few ideas, along with a recipe I have used for over 30 years - an oldie, but goodie:

celebrations.

Chocolate candy bars can be used in many recipes and for decorating cakes, cheesecakes, cupcakes, frostings and cookies. The chocolate drops are wonderful for using in all of the above, and added to company coffee, along with whipped cream, and cinnamon sprinkles makes for a special treat.

The orange, yellow, black, brown and white candies, use in decorating treats for Thanksgiving and in recipes too – candy corn makes a great "turkey tail fan" on cupcakes.

The red and green, along with any other colors, makes decorating ginger-bread houses a lot less expensive and you can be creative by using the mini candy bars, gummies and other hard type candies.

For Valentine's Day, you

can save some of the chocolates to add to cookies, cupcakes, even cocktails and hot cocoa for a special dessert/drink to share with your loved one.

Whatever you do to use your leftover Halloween candy, enjoy the fact that you have abundance when some do not. The blessing of more than enough is one we can be thankful for - especially this time of the year.

Milky Way Cake

6 full-size Milky Way bars or 16-20 minis 2 sticks butter, one softened

4 1/2 cups sugar

4 eggs

2 1/2 cups flour

1/2 teaspoon baking

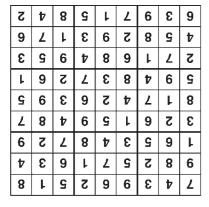
1 1/2 cups buttermilk
1 cup chopped pecans
Melt candy bars with
1 stick butter; set aside.
Cream 2 cups sugar with
softened butter; add eggs,
beating until smooth. Alternately add flour and soda
with buttermilk, mixing
well. Stir in melted candy
mixture and pecans, blend
well. Bake in greased and
floured tube or Bundt pan
at 325° for 1 hour - 1 hour
and 10 minutes, until done.

Place on wire rack and cool for 10 minutes, turn out on rack to finish cooling.

Top with more melted candy bars of your choice, chopped nuts or decorate to suit the occasion.

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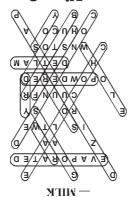
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The Rustic Crow Country and Primitive Gift Shop

Sometimes stereotypes can be a good thing. If you live in the Mohawk Valley or the foothills of the majestic Adirondack Mountains, you may want your home décor to match the rustic beauty of nature around you. That's where the Rustic Crow Country and Primitive Gift Shop comes in.

Owned and operated by Andrea McArdell, the Rustic Crow has returned to the Mohawk Valley after a bit of a hiatus. The shop originally opened in 2016 and then reopened again in

August 2022.
Primitive decorating is a style that uses primitive folk art that is characteristic of a historic or early Americana time period, typically using muted colors and a rough and simple look. Decorating in the primitive style can incorporate either true antiques or contemporary folk art. The contemporary goods are designed to have an old or antique look. The style is sometimes referred to as country style.

Primitive decorating often features a num-

ber of recurring themes and items, including angels, barn stars, primitive crows, primitive dolls and rag dolls, sheep, willow trees, wooden signs and pottery.

At the Rustic Crow, 80% of the items available are handmade, and there are also some consignments and antiques. McArdell said she can also accommodate custom orders.

"I love country and primitive décor and there were no other stores in the region offering it," McArdell said

She has worked for banks and in retail stores before this, but her goal now is to keep creating what she loves the most. "Just being able to have my own business, small or large, is all I really need," she said.

The Rustic Crow Country and Primitive Gift Shop is open Thursday - Saturday from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. It is located at 173 Otsquago Club Rd., Fort Plain (on the Erie Canalway Bike Path). McArdell can be reached at 518.390.1868.



The Rustic Crow offers many different primitive decorative options.





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FARM, HOME & GARDEN

Garden Clippings Tips of the Month November is the month to . . .

by Geoffrey Njue, UMass Extension Sustainable Landscapes Specialist

• Remove fallen leaves from the lawn. Accumulating leaves on the lawn prevents sunlight from reaching the turf grasses during this important time of lawn growth, greatly reducing photosynthesis, slowing the growth of turf grasses, and also affecting their acclimatization to dormancy through the winter. A thick layer of leaves can also smother the grass. Rake up leaves and put them on the compost pile, or grind them up with your mower.

· Apply lime to lawns and/or gardens. If a soil test recommends raising the soil pH, apply lime as recommended by the soil test. Applying lime in the fall gives the lime adequate time to react with the soil to raise the soil pH. It can take as long as 4-6 months for the lime to raise the soil pH, so a fall application will help prepare the garden for the next year's growing season.

· Remove spent plants from garden. Once harvest is complete, vegetable plants and spent annuals should be removed to reduce the risk of disease and insect pests overwintering and carrying over to the next season. Top growth of perennial plants that die to the ground can also be removed except for disease free ornamental grasses and plants such as Echinacea (coneflower), Eutrochium (Joe-Pye weed), and Rudbeckia (black-eyed Susan) that can provide birds with seeds and vertical accent during the winter. Alternatively, leaving perennials untrimmed until the spring provides places for beneficial insects and some pollinators to safely overwinter.

• Mulch berries and perennials. Mulch perennials and berries after the first hard freeze to help protect them from frost heaving caused by the freezing and thawing of the soil. Organic mulches help to moderate temperature fluctuations, protecting plants from frost heaving. Fall mulch application can also help smother winter annual weeds, decrease runoff and increase water retention for the following summer. Mulches also protect the soil from compaction by rain and foot traffic.

· Service the lawn mower. Take your lawn mower to your local small engine service shop or service it yourself. Empty any gas before servicing, as stale gas is a major problem with lawn mowers and other small engine equipment. When a lawn mower sits in storage for several months, water condenses in the gas tank and gets into the gas. To empty the gas, turn on the engine and let it run for about 30 seconds to one minute, then shut it off and siphon the gas. Restart the engine and run it until it stops. After emptying the gas, remember to change the oil, the spark plugs, and air filter(s). Always follow the directions in the owner's manual.

· Rake up leaves and remove mummified fruit. Leaves and mummified fruit from fruit trees that were diseased should be raked up, removed, and destroyed to reduce the amount of disease pathogens carried over to the next season. Fungi that cause leaf and fruit spots can overwinter in infected debris in soil or under the plants. They stay in a dormant state until the following spring when rains and warmer weather induce the production of spores which are disseminated by wind and rain to infect the plants during the growing season. Removal of infected plant material helps to reduce the amount of disease pathogens present in the area, thus reducing the amount of potential disease for the next season. Therefore, leaves and mummified fruits should not be thrown into the compost pile.

· Keep evergreen shrubs well-watered. Deep, late fall watering ensures that the roots of shrubs take up enough water to keep them hydrated during the winter. Broadleaf evergreens such as rhododendrons, holly, boxwood and mountain laurel can lose considerable amounts of moisture through their leaves during the winter months, mainly due to strong winds and sun. Winter sun and wind can cause excessive foliage water loss while the roots are in frozen soil and unable to replace lost water. This results in desiccation and browning of the plant tissue. To prevent desiccation injury, deeply water broadleaf evergreens in late fall if the soil is dry and continue watering on a regular basis until the ground freezes.

· Protect tender evergreens shrubs from winter damage. Broadleaf evergreens are susceptible to dry, cold winds which can cause desiccation of leaves. If exposed to wind, the leaves get desiccated and appear brown and dead in late winter and spring. Protect plants from drying winter winds by erecting wind breaks made of burlap attached to frames on the side facing the prevailing winds. Stakes can be placed about 12-18 inches away from the plant to support the burlap barrier.

· Reduce watering and fertilizer application to houseplants. During the months of cold temperatures and shorter days, the growth of most houseplants slows down. During this period, new growth is minimal. Reduce fertilizer application and watering house plants until late winter or early spring when new growth resumes.

Garden Clippings Tips of the Month is from University of Massachusetts, Amherst UMass Extension Landscape, Nurserv and Urban Forestry



Safe and effective ways to clean up leaves

Removing leaves from the vard is a task that homeowners must perform each fall. Thousands upon thousands of leaves can drop from a single tree. Multiply that by the number of trees on a property, and it's no surprise the task of leaf cleanup can seem so daunting. Furthermore, not all

leaves are shed at the same time, so several cleanup sessions may be necessary before the last leaf is banished from the vard.



Just like removing snow, leaf cleanup can be a taxing job if done by hand. For people unaccustomed to exercise, cleaning up leaves can turn into quite a workout. According to the Discovery Health Calorie Counter, raking leaves for one hour can burn nearly 292 calories. Shoulders and arms will feel the burn. Raking leaves is considered moderate physical activity, similar to brisk walking. Those who find themselves straining or out of breath should take a break, and these tips also make the

Wear layers when cleaning up leaves. It may be cool at first, but it's easy to work up a sweat after raking for a while. Layers can be overheated or risk hypothermia from sweating in chilly temps.

· Pay attention to your posture while James Weinstein, chairman of the Department of Orthopedics at Dartmouth Medical School, recommends forming a wide base with the feet and holding the rake slightly toward the end of the handle with one hand three-quarters of the way down the handle from the other. Do not twist the spine; move your entire body. Avoid overuse of muscles on one side of the body by switching sides periodical-

· Do not try to rake or blow leaves on windy days. Wind will only make the task that much more difficult, which could lead to overworking oneself.

 Avoid overfilling bags. For those who plan to mulch and bag leaves, remember that compressed leaves can get heavy pretty quickly. Do not over-fill bags, as they can be hard to move or bring to a recycling center.

Úsing a leaf blower to push leaves into piles will reduce the strenuousness of the task, but leaf blowers can be heavy and noisy and gas-powered blowers can produce a considerable amount of exhaust.

Raking leaves can be quite a chore. It is important that homeowners take steps to prevent injury while cleaning up leaves in their yards.







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Great gifts for school-aged children

Successful shopping for adults on a holiday list often involves identifying a loved one's favorite hobby and then finding something that makes that hobby even more enjoyable. For example, a new e-reader can be just what the family bookworm needs to make reading even more immersive.

School-aged children may not be so simple to shop for, as their interests are always evolving and they tend to outgrow toys as quickly as their growing way for kids to learn and have fun doing it. Board games are made for kids of all ages, and they're not just fun, but also beneficial to early childhood development. For example, clinical psychologist Beatrice Tauber Prior, Psy.D. noted to the children's book publisher and distributor Scholastic that board games requiring strategy help the frontal lobes of the brain develop. Those lobes are responsible for planning, organizing and decision-mak-

school-aged youngsters, who can learn a lot from pitching in at dinnertime. Children who cook with their parents can learn valuable lessons about nutrition and measuring ingredients can reinforce lessons learned in the classroom. Shoppers can choose from any number of cookbooks designed for kids, and even children as young as two can pitch in when baking cookies or preparing family meals.

Shopping for school-aged



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bodies outgrow their clothes. No two kids are the same, but these gift ideas can appeal to school-aged youngsters at a time in their lives when their curiosity is always piqued.

STEM gifts: Parents know that the term "STEM" is an acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. These academic disciplines have gained heightened importance over the last couple of decades, and many toy manufacturers now make products that reinforce STEM lessons kids learn in the classroom in a fun way. STEM-based toys are available for kids of all ages, including children who are still in diapers.

Nature-based gifts: Many parents do everything they can to reduce the amount of time their kids spend looking at screens, which is a tall order in the digital era. But various manufacturers produce toys designed to help kids be more physically active in the great outdoors. From age-appropriate binoculars that encourage kids to explore natural settings to birdhouses and fairy gardens kids can build and paint in their favorite colors, shoppers can choose from a host of nature-based gifts that encourage kids to get away from their screens and enjoy the great outdoors.

· Board games: Board games remain a wonderful

ing. Board games also provide opportunities for families to spend quality time together free from distractions.

 Cookbooks: Cookbooks are another great gift for

children during the holiday season can be made easier with some suggestions that can reinforce classroom lessons while keeping the focus



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'Elves Day Out' to transform Canajoharie into Christmas wonderland for all ages

Santa and his elves will make a stop in one of upstate New York's most picture-perfect river villages on Dec. 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 visi-

tors 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 take place 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 take place 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 fb.me/e/2SiHCpVsS. Additional activities and sponsorships will be announced going forward.

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 mmc-clary@co.montgomery.ny.us.



Great homemade food gifts

Gifts from the heart are among the most coveted and appreciated come the holiday season. Hobbyists from all walks of life can turn their passions into handmade gifts, but few gifts may be as welcomed as those that can be eaten.

Cooking and baking ramps up during the holiday season. People can turn extra time in

the kitchen into opportunities to create festive treats that are ideal for gifting. But which items are the best of the best? Even though tastes are singular, these items will appeal to most foodies and others on your gift list.

• Jams and preserves: Fruit jams and preserves are versatile foods. They are as at home on toast and biscuits as they are as fillings in cookies and tarts. Jams and preserves can be made with relatively few ingredients and work well with seasonal fruits.

• Cinnamon rolls: Warm, sticky and full of aromatic spice, cinnamon rolls are the perfect comfort foods. These rolls do not typically have a long shelf life, so be sure to present them promptly before they get stale.

• Pancakes (or cookies) in a jar: If you have a fantastic recipe that you can't resist sharing, try turning it into a gift. Measure and package the ingredients into mason jars, tie with ribbons and include directions for preparation and cooking.

• Mini bundt cakes:
Fruit cakes may be a holiday standard, but bundt cakes make for great and traditional offerings as well. Miniature bundts filled with chocolate chips, dried fruits or even those soaked in a favorite boozy-butter glaze can be moist and delicious.

• Chocolate barks or fudges: Seasonal flavors can come to life in chocolate treats. White chocolate filled with peppermint pieces or dark chocolate and cherry chunks are tasty pairings. Break apart portions of the bark or cut the fudge with cookie cutters and gift inside cello bags tied with ribbons or in cardboard candy boxes.

• Cocktail syrups: Create spicy or sweet syrups that are tailor-made for enhancing cocktails. Anyone on your gift list can then become a master mixologist.

• Shortbread cookie ornaments: Circular short-bread cookies can be decorated with royal icing to look like Christmas ornaments. They can be eaten or even placed on trees to complete holiday decor.

• Festive cookie pops: Cookie pops can be made by mixing homemade or prepurchased crumbled cake with frosting or softened cream cheese and formed into balls. Insert a lollipop stick and dip the balls into melted chocolate or candy melts. Sprinkles, nonpareils or luster dust can be used to enhance the covered pops.



Food gifts are perfect for the holiday season. Handmade treats from the heart show loved ones how just much you care.

Vendor &

Craft Fair

November 12, 2022 • 10AM - 3PM

Johnstown Moose - 109 S Comrie Ave

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

In lieu of admission please bring

a non-perishable item or personal care

item for our local food pantry

Kitchen Will Be Open • Lunch Available



Lungh and Dinner Available



All children are welcome (adult supervision, no drop offs). **12:00 Noon ~ Vendor Area Opens** - Canajoharie Youth Center, 9 Erie Blvd. Need Vendor info call 518-673-5117

 $12:00\,$ Noon \sim Childrens Crafts & Activities **Begin** - at the Canajoharie Youth Center, 9 Erie Blvd.

1:00-2:00PM \sim Lunch with Elsa the Snow Queen from Disney's Frozen!

Sponsored by the Boiling Pot Eagles. Free to families with little ones, adult supervision required, no drop offs. Kids: Chicken nuggets, hot dogs, french fries • Adults: Sub Sandwich & chips. Reservations A Must: 518-673-3546, choose 1PM or 2PM seating and approximate number attending.

Palatine Plaza, LaFayette, Grand, Church, Erie Blvd to Firehouse.

 $5:00-7:00PM \sim Stuff The Bus-$

Live Broadcast by BugCountry Radio sponsored by The Tire Shop, 155 Erie Blvd.

 $5:30-7:30PM \sim Santa at$ the Firehouse - Join Santa & his elves on the second floor of the Canajoharie Volunteer Fire Department Building, 75 Erie Blvd.

Shults Farm & Market & Deli, 69 Church Street: Grab your hot cocoa made from Shults Farm's chocolate milk w/specialty toppings and have your little ones make their own reindeer food in preparation for the "Big Night"! **AVAILABLE ALL DAY**

Join us for cocoa, cookies, a visit with Santa, digital selfie souvenirs sponsored by Sarah Magistro Rosemyer

Most Stores in the Village are open with Extended Hours for this event! Advertised & Unadvertised Specials throughout the village. WATCH THESE FACEBOOK PAGES FOR MORE DETAILS:

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Canajoharie Library & Museum Special Elves Pay Hours: Open 10AM-5PM, Free Admission to the museum all day!

Berean Ben Open 9AM-6PM Featuring Homemade Chili 11AM-2PM and Live Music by Clare Wettemann from 2-4PM, 64 Church Street.

Tractor & Wagon Rides Around the Village All Day starting at 10AN