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Easter Bunny visits Folts Home for annual Easter egg hunt





On Saturday, April 15, 2017 residents of Folts Home were treated to a visit from the Easter Bunny as he stopped by for their annual Easter egg hunt.

Residents took time to stuff 700 plastic eggs with candy the week before. 3 of the eggs contained "magic golden tickets." Lucky searchers who found the golden tickets received an Easter basket filled with candy, toys, and spring time prizes. Folts staffers had 2 sections of egg hunting; one for kids 5 and under and one for children 6 and up.

The annual Easter egg hunt is an event that both residents and the public look forward to. The HomeLife at Folts & Folts-Claxton campus is a senior retirement community, located in the

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Patio Furniture

In the fast paced 21st century we've traded common sense for the ability to quickly look up information on the internet.

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How do we get back to our roots? Can we get back?

Food for thought...

By S.D. Shapiro

With the snow gone and nice weather firmly on the forecast I set about the annual spring task of bringing out the patio furniture. The task, is the reverse of the fall project of putting the furniture away for the winter.

Every time I've had to retrieve the furniture, a yearly project, I wonder if buying cheap furniture and leaving it out for the winter might be an easier solution? And then I envision a cheap, white plastic lawn chair, weakened by winter's weather collapsing as I sat down with a hot dog and I decided that putting the patio furniture away for the snow season might not be such a bad idea.

My patio furniture was nicely stashed on the second floor of my garage. In other words, in the attic. Into the maw, I went. My garage is a mess of organized clutter. In theory, I know where everything is but oftentimes that theory fails. It's a mess; a mess I would have to navigate while carrying the furniture.

As I passed the snow blower, the machine that practically refused to work during any of this winter's snow storms but would probably fire up and run like a top in the warm spring weather, my shirt snagged on one of the controls. Rip! I was now wearing a brand-new rag.

I needed a solution

that didn't require me passing through the Rope. Simple mess. rope was the answer. I would lower the furniture from the attic window using a rope. I found a suitable length of old yellow rope, exactly where I left it in the chaos and took it to the attic. With a slip knot I secured the first chair and lowered it out the window. I repeated the procedure 3 more times and in short order. I had a small pile of chairs.

The table was next. I looped the rope and squeezed the table out the window. I slowly lowered the table until I wasn't. The rope slipped from my hands. The harder I squeezed the faster the rope seemed to



WHAT WOULD YOUR MOTHER SAY?!

move. If I were a Tom and Jerry cartoon my hands would be on fire from the rope burn.

The table landed with a thud, but not a crash, as I starred at my hands.

I made my way down, through the garage, careful not to trip or get snagged on anything and out to look at what I envisioned was a total disaster.

By some miracle, the table was mostly intact. So, I moved it to the patio and set the chairs up around it. I put the fancy umbrella in the center and sat down to admire my genius. That's when I noticed that I had lost the little rubber grommet that protects the slot for the umbrella.

"Nobody would notice,"

I said to myself.

Later, my mother stopped by. 2 seconds after saying hello she said, "Hey, you're missing part of your table."

When it comes down to patio furniture, putting it away and getting it out is a lot like a stitch in time saves 9; it's preventative maintenance. It's a pain, but it will keep your furniture ship shape longer. Stop and think, "What would my mother say?" She would say, "Now that you're done, come help us get the furniture out of the garage."

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Utica Globe Mill

1847, the Utica Globe ca's industrial growth Mill was constructed

Originally founded in during the height of Utiand in 1855 it became

known as the Utica Woolen Mills where it became a stable of Utica's industry until 1871.

Ground was broken in April 1847 for what was originally known as The Utica Globe Mill. It was built on the south side of Court Street, where Nail Creek then crossed. Oneida County's foremost businessmen were Involved in the venture: Alfred Munson, President; Theodore S. Faxton, Vice President; William J. Bacon, Secretary; Martin Hart, Treasurer; Horatio Seymour, Andrew S. Pond, Hamilton Spencer, Julius A. Spencer and Palmer V. Kellogg. Unfortunately, the first 8 years of operation were not successful, and the property was sold.

On August 1, 1855, a

new company known as The Utica Woolen Mills was organized. Theodore S. Faxton became President, and an experienced Englishman by the name of Robert Middleton took charge as agent. Middleton's unusual business acumen enabled the mill to manufacture goods that were the equal of any imported woolen goods of the time. In 1859 the name was changed to the Globe Woolen Mills Company.

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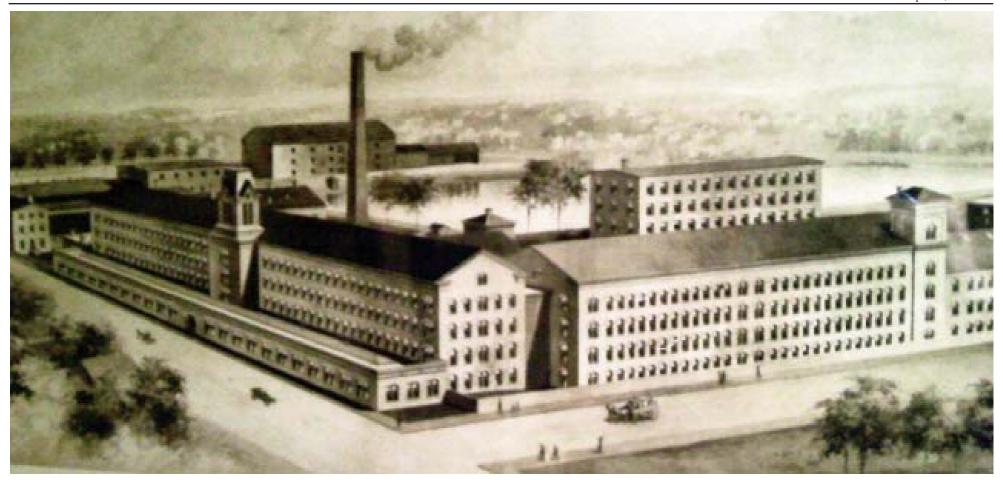












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a disastrous fire destroyed the entire mill with all its machinery and contents. Larger and improved buildings, covering a total of 9 acres on

the corner of Stark and Court Streets, were completed in 1873. Mr. Faxton continued as president of the company until his death in 1881, with Mr. Middleton elected to succeed him in 1882. Business was further increased by the addition of a worsted wool mill in 1886.

At the peak of its success, the Globe Woolen Mills employed 1100 people who operated 166 looms. Textiles reached their peak in 1918 when nearly 25,000 men, women (and some children) were producing knit goods. The region has become "the knit goods capital of the country."

The reign came to an end in the late 1940s

and 1950s, but the decline actually had begun in the 1920s, right after World War I had ended. The demand for cotton and woolen goods dropped dramatically as consumers turned to nylon, fur and silk. Utica, for example, had 25 knitting mills in 1912. By 1922, it had six.

After the mill closed in the 1950s, the buildings were reused for college classrooms as the first home of SUNY College of Technology and the later as offices. The Globe

Mills (four contributing components of an intact mill complex: the Woolen Mill Grouping (1872-1873); Storehouse #2 (1872-1873); Storehouse #3 (1872-1873); and the Worsted Mill Grouping (1886). They include four-story mill buildings, attached company office, and two remaining store houses. The buildings are constructed of red brick and have Italianate style design elements) was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2016.

Most recently, in March 2017, it was an-

nounced that Globe Mill would be entering a new phase of its life. KCG Development is currently in the process of purchasing the old mill, and expect to close on the sale by mid-April. KCG Development's plan is to construct approximately 130 loft apartments and turn the first floor into commercial and office space. KCG plans on investing over \$30 million on redeveloping the property. Construction is slated to start in 2017 with the completed project scheduled for mid-2018.







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Audition in Little Falls for LiFT's 5th Summer Shakespeare Season!

Hear ye! Hear ye! LiFT (Little Falls Theater) is embarking on their 5th season of summer Shakespeare! The troupe will hold open auditions for their summer production of Shakespeare's 'The Tempest' on Sunday, April 23, from 2-5pm, at The Shop (located at 590 East Main Street, Little Falls). It is requested that interested performers please prepare one monologue from one of Shakespeare's plays.

This tragicomedy is believed to have been penned by Shakespeare in 1610-1611, not having drawn much attention initially, but then gained popularity by critics and scholars in the 20th century. The Tempest is now considered to be one of Shakecounter a deformed monster who is the only other non-spiritual being on the mysterious island. The rightful Duke uses his skills in magic to exact revenge on his brother who cast him out all those years ago by raising a tempest to trick those on board. Spells are cast, romance ensues, and there is a change of heart! This tale of magic, broken promises, trickery, and revenge is all meant to free the rightful Duke from the island.

LiFT invites all those, near or far, to audition for a role and help bring this magical show together. "We are excited to bring our fifth summer of live Shakespeare to the Mohawk Valley," explains Matt Powers, Director of LiFT. "Our





ing to Powers, this summer's performances will include a July Super Third Thursday preview in Little Falls, performances at Caroga Lake, the Utica Zoo, Herkimer Elks, and three shows in Little Falls during the 30th annual Canal Celebration. Additional venues/performances may be added.

Rob Richard, owner of The Shop, says, "I had never performed in Shakespeare until I joined LiFT in 2013 for As You Like It, which was their first summer production. It was entirely new to me and I found that the group was

not only supportive of their fellow performers, but they made the experience enjoyable! It is a challenge that I would encourage anyone who is interested to take on."

If you cannot make this audition, but would still like to try out, please contact Matt Powers at 315-868-7488 or lifttheater@gmail.com to make other arrangements. There will be several opportunities to perform and some roles may be double cast if needed. For more information, please visit www.lift-theater.org or see the "LiFT Theater Company" Facebook page.

speare's greatest works. The play centers around the rightful Duke of Milan and his daughter who have been stranded on an island for 12 years. During this time, they are joined by a Spirit, they seek an evil witch, and then engroup has continued to grow together and bring new performers into the LiFT family each year. We are a grassroots style, mobile theater troupe whose figurative doors are open to all those interested in trying something new!" Accord-









Herkimer County Humane Society Books and Blooms - Coming Up Soon!

The Herkimer County Humane Society will be accepting books (please no magazines, encyclopedias, old cook books or text books) at the shelter beginning Friday, May 5th and Saturday, May 6th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. We ask that you please call the shelter before you drop off any books to make sure there is sufficient room for the donation. The shelter number is (315)

866-3255. Additionally, if you need your donations picked up, please call Jodi Flo at (315) 271-3015 to make arrangements for pickup.

The book and flower

sale will be held on Friday, May 12th and Saturday, May 13th from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm each day at the shelter. A large assortment of flowers including annuals and perennials will

be available for purchase. Hardcover books will be \$1.00 each and paperback books will be \$.50 each.

All proceeds from this sale will be used to take care of the animals

housed at the shelter. If you have any questions, please contact the shelter.

Come buy some new reading material and your flowers for Mother's Day and help us help the animals

Thruway authority encourages New York's farmers to sign up as vendors for Taste NY Farmers' Markets at service areas throughout the state

Vendors Can Sign Up By Emailing TravelersServices@thruway.ny.

The Thruway Authority and the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets today encouraged farmers across New York State to sign up to sell their products at service areas along the Thruway this season. For years, New York State has been committed to showcasing some of its finest vendors and their products. From locally grown fruits and vegetables to some of the most superb cheese and herbs in the

northeast, promoting these products to travelers continues to be a priority.

"Providing motorists with exceptional service in every aspect of our system is paramount in that do," said Thruway Authority Acting Executive Director Bill Finch. "Continuing to expand our Taste NY Farmers' Markets to offer travelers access to locally grown, healthy foods while also helping to create agricultural jobs in New York is an initiative that all of us at the Thruway Authority

take great pride in and I encourage farmers to take part in this program."

The Thruway Authority has outdoor farmers' market locations at service areas across the state. Last year, nearly one dozen farmers from regions all across New York participated in the markets at 19 service areas, reaching millions of visitors who travel the Thruway throughout the spring and summer months. list of Α Thruway Authority service area locations is available here - http://www.thruway.n

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"Farmers' markets are a welcome addition to the Thruway's service areas," said State Agriculture Commissioner Richard A. Ball. "They highlight each of the reagricultural gion's strengths and provide our farmers a unique opportunity to connect with new consumers. Taste NY Farmers' Markets also give travelers healthy food options and a chance to interact in person with our State's great producers.'

New York vendors interested in selling food

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About Taste NY

Taste NY is an initiative launched by Governor Cuomo in 2013 to promote New York's food and beverage industries. It is overseen by the Department of Agriculture and Markets and has created opportunities for local producers to showcase their goods at a variety of venues throughout the State and at large public events, such as the Great New York State Fair and the Barclays Tournament at Bethpage State Park.

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April Fools

It could be said the opening of trout season sharing the same day as April Fools is either the most ironic coincidence ever to mark a square on a calendar, or one of the greatest jokes ever told of which most people plainly miss the punch line. Hordes of anglers get up early, race to the river to claim their spot on the bank, and become one of a hundred lines in the water attempting to fool fish that for the most part, only days earlier, were living a swimming pool. Born and raised in this rectangular concrete

pond, these same fish are now either hunkered down in the deepest hole in the river wondering what the heck is going on or running a gauntlet of monofilament, spinners, worms, and flies.

At a spot like this, there's generally three types of anglers. Those who'll "limit out" on fish that were just too dumb or merely unlucky enough to fall for a joke being played out all around them would be the first. Opposing them would be the anglers who'll release every trout they catch, knowing in

their mind each fish set free helps to ensure the future of the fishery for both fish and anglers. Third are the anglers who won't catch a single fish but offer up the wisdom that any day spent fishing, catching or not, is a day spent enjoying the outdoors and better than a day doing anything else. The first group thinks they're the smartest because they're the ones with the full stringers. The second they're thinks smartest because they're the ones without a stringer, and the third thinks thev're the smartest because they believe they've discov-

ered the secret to life. No matter how you slice it, they're all getting beaten at some point by an animal with a brain the size of a pea. *April Fools*.

But the fools aren't only stacked on river banks like cord wood in town. Some of us feel that if we get up even earlier, drive a lot farther, and find water where we'll be the only ones, that we must be smarter. We may find wild fish, but we might not. We'll still get beat by animals with pea brains, we just exerted a little more effort. I can't really relate to fisherman all gathered in one spot, but I can't hold it against

them either. What I can relate to is that they're fishing, and they aren't dealing with any of the other BS going on that we have no control over. Politics, riots, religion, global warming, jobs. Shoulder to shoulder or out of sight on a hidden stream, anglers know they need to escape such things or become just another lemming bound to follow the rest of the group over a cliff. So, we go fishing.

I find myself as I get older having a harder and harder time relating to the rest of the world. I've been accused of becoming anti-social, and I'm sure there's some truth to that. I don't care to argue about politics, racism, religion, or global warming. I'm not saying they aren't important discussions, I'm just

saying they were here before me, they'll still be here when I'm gone, and they'll eat you up if you give them the chance. But I do have control over the loop of my fly line, some of the time. I seem to be able to relate to the fish better. Like them, I just want to be left alone. So as irony would have it, I go out to find them. Just another fool, shivering with frozen fingers in a cold river, wondering there's even any trout in it. On April 1st. Another April fool.

Mark Usyk is the author of Reflections of a Fly Rod and writes the Streamer Junkie blog at jprossflyrods.com. JP Ross is an advocate for clean water and preservation of local wild trout habitat.



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CNA Graduates from Valley Health Services Program

Eight students graduated recently from the second CNA program of 2017 held at Valley

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instruction including communication and interpersonal skills, basic

of classroom and clinical nursing, and personal care skills, mental health and social service needs, care of cognitively

impaired residents, basic restorative services, residents' rights and supervised clinical training



(Left to Right) - Peggy Cool, RN Instructor, Melissa Sherrick, Shelley Johnson, Ashley Reyes, Maranda Sierak, Shauna Wheatley, Lori Colvin, Nadezhda "Nadia" Sokol, and Di-







Arc Herkimer Honors Volunteers at April Luncheon

Nearly 200 volunteers donated their time and talents to Arc Herkimer in 2016. From donating time in a classroom and other programs to serving as wine models at the nonprofit's major fund raiser, the New York International Wine Auc-

tion, they all help to empower and enrich the lives of individuals with disabilities and others in the community. They were honored at a luncheon on April 6 as part of National Volunteer Recognition Month.

Members of the Arc

Herkimer Corporate Guardianship Committee were also recognized as Volunteers of the Year. Award recipients include: Marion Lawrence, Mary Jane Chlus, Irene Euron, Karolyn Lado, Dorothy Massinger, Karen Meiss, Adrienne

Corporate Hunt, and Marie Scial-

"We would have a difficult time achieving what we do each day if not for the dedication of our volunteers," said Arc Herkimer President/ CEO Kevin Crosley. "The valuable time volunteers donate helps us to fill our mission to empower people and enrich lives. Today, we honor our Corporate Guardianship Committee as they are a special and honorable group of volunteers. Many have been with the committee for numerous years. In their roles as legal guardians, they become family for individuals with developmental disabilities, all of whom either don't have family members or others who

are capable of making decisions for them. Just like our families, committee members use both their heads and their hearts to decide what's best for the individuals they support."

The Arc Herkimer Guardianship Committee assists individuals with developmental disabilities, age 18 and over, who are unable to make medical and life decisions for themselves, and who have no family members or caretakers who are able or willing to fulfill the role of legal guardian. The Corporate Guardianship Committee is comprised of volunteer voting members and a staff of coordinators. The group works to-

gether to provide services oversight and the voice of a caring family in advocating for the best interest of those individuals they serve. The Committee insures participants have visits, holiday gifts and birthday celebrations, and oversees treatment care meetings and health decisions, along with individual needs and desires for programming, recreation, and appropriate places to live.

For more information regarding volunteering at Arc Herkimer, please contact Special Events Director and Volunteer Coordinator Tony Vennera at (315) 574-7000 or email: tvennera@archerkimer.org. To learn more about the Arc Herkimer, visit www. archerkimer.org.



Members of Arc Herkimerís Guardianship Committee were honored at the volunteer luncheon as Volunteers of the Year. Committee members with plaques, include, center from left, Karen Meiss, Irene Euron, and Dorothy Massinger. Those from Arc Herkimer congratulating the volunteers include, from left, Robert Watkins, board chair, Tammy Helmer-Bergen, guardianship and spirituality programs coordinator, Kevin Crosley, president/CEO, and Tony Vennera, special events director and volunteer coordinator.









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Elder Care SPOTLIGHT Tips & Information to Navigate Senior Life

Pensions

golden years are living on a fixed income and sometimes a pension is that

Most people in their equation. What is a pension? A pension is a retirement account that an employer maintains to give you a fixed payout

when you retire. How Pensions Are Funded? The employer typically makes all the contributions. The employer invests the money to be able to pay out promised

benefits. Your payout is usually dependent on the length of time you work for that employer and based on your salary. Retirees can, generally, choose between a lump-sum payout or a monthly "annuity" payment. Annuity is a series of payments over a set amount of time.

If you have a pension; check on it. When you are relying on your pension in your retirement years, knowing its health is nearly as important as your own well-being.

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In the past 10 years, the number of privatesector employees covered by a traditional pension plan has plummeted from about half to about 20 percent. In many cases, announcements that a plan was frozen or shutting down came with little or no warning, leaving some employees with unexpected reductions in benefits. Starting in 2008, a new law requires employers to provide employees with more complete and current information about the health of their pension plan.

You should be receiving a "Summary Annual Report" with information on issues such as the return on your pension plans' investments. If you are not receiving this type of report, ask your employer.

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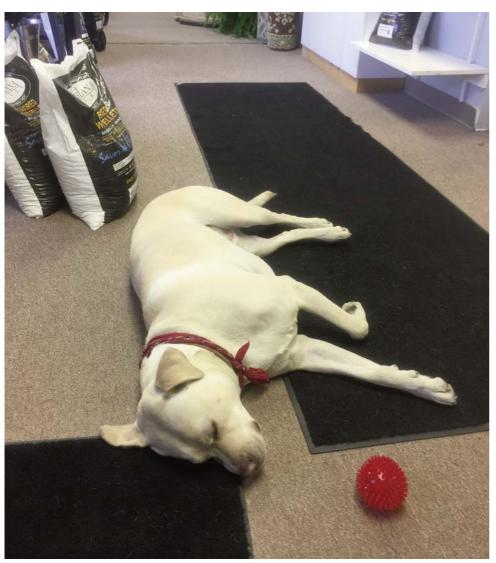
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Shelter from 14

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Owner, George Salanco, and more important-



Remington and George





ly Remington, a 2-yearold yellow lab/boxer mix Mohawk Hearth & Heating, Central New York's premier heating equipment and fuel retailer. They have over 30 years of experience installing and servicing coal, wood and pellet stoves, inserts, furand boilers. naces They're also great supporters of Bubba's Beds for Shelter Friends.

George said, "I've been supporting Bubba's Beds for Shelter Friends since the beginning. Remington helped sponsor their new trailer." Salanco explained that Remington even has his own Facebook page; Remington Salanco.

Bubba's Beds for Shelter Friends is a nonprofit organization that provides orthopedic, chewproof, and easy to clean Kuranda beds to shelter dogs and cats. Their 501c3 application is currently filed and they are a 100% volunteer run organization. They do all of the fundraising, ordering, assembly, and delivery of the beds. BBFSF also maintains any beds and repair beds for shelters as needed.

Founders, Matt and

Shelter 19



Remington and the Bubba's Beds for Shelter Friends trailer

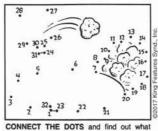


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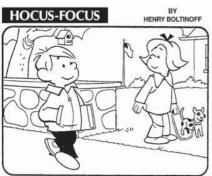
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CHAIN REACTION! Take the seven letters printed below ou am and place them in the circles so that eight four-lette words can be read top to bottom along the connecting All the words will begin with the letter in the top circle



Below are the 17 words that you'll need to complete the puzzle using the trial-and error method. Keep a good eraser handy!

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4. malleiform 5. restiform

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

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by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦◆

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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4PetSake Food Pantry Inc is a registered 501-c-3, not for profit pet food pantry and the organization is entirely run by volunteers. The pantry is open on Wednesdays from 11 am - 2 pm. For more Information go to: www.4petsakefoodpantry.org.

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Shelter from 15

Julie Ambrose explained that BBFSF was created to honor their beloved dog Bubba after he passed. They wanted to donate a few beds to a shelter as a tribute to Bubba. After surpassing their initial goal, they have been donating beds to shelters ever since.

Bubba's Beds for Shelter Friends is based in central New York but provides help to shelters all across the county as needed, traveling to rural areas in Missouri and donating to shelters in need in

Shelter 23

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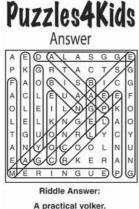


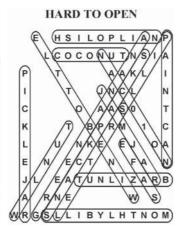
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Whatchamacallits

This week we have a true Whatchamacallit. Usually, I know what the item is beforehand and I try to find more information about its history or usage for our column. However, when Alison DiLorenzo sent these photos of her item, I wanted to share it with our readers. Hopefully there is someone out there who knows if this had a particular purpose — other than being a beautifully crafted and bejeweled item.

Here is the information that came from Alison: "This decorative object was owned by a jeweler in Boston and given by him to a Saint Johnsville couple as a wedding gift. It is gold in color and set with what looks like opals. The bottom tray is glass and cannot be removed. As you can see by the

photo there is a spring mechanism, which runs the length of the handle. The fob is attached to the spring and can be raised and lowered by it. The piece is marked "Austria" on one of the feet." It is seven inches high, six inches in length and three inches wide.

The item hanging from the fob is intricately embossed (inset) and looks like it could have been used for sealing envelopes or important documents — but this is pure speculation on my part. Although someone else had the same thought regarding it.

So, if anyone out there has an idea of our Whatchamacallit's purpose, please email me with your thoughts. I will print the most likely candidates in a future edition.



Do you have your own Whatchamacallit?

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The Starlings

By Timothy Fischer

I remember it was the one year anniversary of my grandfather passing.

Later that same day I wheeling was the garbage receptacle out for the morning's collection. After setting the container by the curb I glanced down the It was early road. evening; the streetlights had just come on and the first stars were showing in the eastern sky. Turning back for the house, something caught my attention.

As if from out of nowhere, a thick chorus of peeps and whistles rose up from the rooftops as a shadow crossed over the sky and a large flock of birds appeared.

Passing swiftly over the neighborhood with their dense, excited noise, the flock tightened their formation. Drawing together into a large wave they swept over a jagged wall of spruce trees that separated one neighborhood from the next. On the other side, they rushed down low near the fences then quickly lifted skyward again. They moved together with the same kind of untamed grace that also whipped up leaves in the autumn and blew drifts of snow across the fields in the winter. Then higher up they spread out like an enormous lash of velvet gauze being unfurled in the wind, dispersing above a crossing of power lines and nearly covering the eastern half of the sky. They were starlings.

"Would you look at that," I imagined my grandfather would say, if he were there. And I could almost see him standing there on the apron of the driveway in his dingy white tee shirt and gray slacks, a faint thread of cigarette smoke rising over his head.

Then drawing together once more, shifting and turning as one, the flock curled into a broad crescent-shaped wave that lifted high, looped over itself then spilled back down into the thicket of a large maple tree, the birds disappearing among the leaves.

All at once the tree came alive with a swelling orchestra of cheeps and whistles. As we stood and listened the squall only grew louder as the starlings felt themselves among the branches, their vivid chatter filling the air and echoing down the corridor of small homes.

"Must be a thousand birds up there," he'd say,

then flick his cigarette and chuckle to himself at the small marvel of it all

"I miss you," I said.

A moment later they leapt from the tree in a sudden flurry, the flock billowing up then away, northeast over the distant trees by the highway, their rich, resonant sound receding over the sky to someplace we couldn't follow, then gone.





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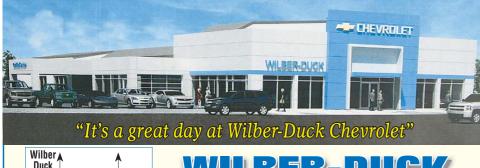
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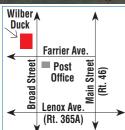
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JUST LISTED 716 Exchange Ave, Herkimen



Adorable 2 BR, 1 bath ranch in a great location. Includes LR, kitchen, formal DR, central air, hardwood floors attached garage. or storage. prequali-

Nice corner lot. Great basement space for storage. prequalified buyers only.

416 N Prospect St, Herkimer



Beautiful house that can be yours! Nice large entrance hall leading to grand staircase, LR w fireplace, DR with beautiful built in cabinets, FR, kitchen and 1/2 bath round out 1st floor. Upstairs has 4 bds and turn.

bath along with the laundry room. Can be purchases with as a package with 416 ½ N Prospect.

416 ½ N Prospect St, Herkimer



Tons of updates and tasteful décor. You will not be disappointed in this pristine 2BR, 2 bath home. Includes LR, formal DR w fireplace, beautifully updated kitchen, 1st floor laundry, den,

appliances, central air, fabulous hardwoods. So much to love! The yard is just unbelievable. Can be purchased with 416 N Prospect St.

8728 Kiwanis Rd, Taberg



Who wouldn't want a BRAND NEW HOME! Single wide home in Waddington Estates includes

3BR, 2 full baths, kitchen & living room. Low park rent includes water, sewer, taxes & trash removal. Financing IS available! Grab it while you can!

415 Lansing St, Herkimer



Affordable living in the village! Come and check out this 3BR, 1 ¼ bath home. LR, kitchen, DR, and entrance hall with hardwoods, appliances included. Enclosed front and back porches. Why rent when

you can own this nice home!

637 State Route 8, Morehouse



Make this your Adirondack retreat. Very nice 2 story home with 4BRs, 1 bath, LR, FR, kitchen & dining area. Great big 6

car attached garage. The owners are moving on and this house needs new ones.

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Appetizers

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	Boneless Wings (8)	\$6.95
	French Fries	Sm-\$2.50 Lg-\$4.00
	Add cheese for a \$1.00	
	Pizza Fries	Sm-\$3.95 Lg-\$4.95
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	Garlic Knots	(6) \$4.95 (12) \$7.95
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	Jalapeno Poppers (6)	\$5.95
	Homemade Meatballs (2)	\$3.95
	Mozzarella Stixs (6)	\$5.95
2	Onions Rings	Sm-\$2.95 Lg-\$4.95
1 4 5 5 1	Sausage Links (2)	\$3.95
	Ultmatizer	\$8.95
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Wings

Mild, Med, Hot, XX Hot, Plain, Garlic, BBQ, Garlic Parm, Honey Mustard, Hot Mustard, Hot Honey, Med Honey, Mild



Pizza

By the slice plus 30¢ per topping	\$1.65
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Toppings: Anchovies, Bacon, Black Olives, Broccoli, Banana Peppers, Chicken, Capicola, Green Peppers, Garlic, Ground Beef, Ham, Pepperoni, Pineapple, Jalapenos, Mushrooms, Meatballs, Onions, Sausage, Red Peppers, Tomato

Small	toppings + 75¢	\$5.95
Medium	toppings + \$1.00	\$7.95
Large	toppings + \$1.50	\$10.95

Specialty Pizza

\$7.95
71.73
\$9.95
\$12.95

Chicken Alfredo, Philly Steak, Chicken BBQ, Chicken Buffalo, Chicken Marsala, Stuffed Chicken Parm, Steak Parm, Hawaiian, White Tomato Bacon, Meat Lovers

Calzones and Stromboli

Calzones

Sm-\$6.95 Lg-\$10.95
Sm-\$9.95 Lg-13.95
Sm-\$7.95 Lg-11.95
Sm-\$8.95 Lg-\$12.95

Stromboli Sm-\$7.95 Lg-\$10.95 Steak & Cheese Sm-\$9.95 Lg-\$12.95 Sm-\$10.95 Lg-\$13.95 **Meat Lovers** Sm-\$8.95 Lg-\$11.95 Veggie Mix

Pasta Dinners

Comes with choice of spaghetti, ziti or linguini, salad and bread

Alfredo	\$8.95
With Chicken	\$10.25
Baked Ziti	\$8.95
Chicken Caccitore	\$13.95
Chicken Marsala	\$13.95
Chicken Parm	\$11.95
Eggplant Parm	\$11.95
Lasagna	\$9.95
Pasta w/Meatballs	\$9.95
Pomodoro Sauce	\$9.95
With Chicken (grilled or crispy)	\$11.25
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Subs

Cold: Ham, Roast Beef, Salami, Tuna, Turkey, Veggie, American Mix, Capicola, Italian Mix

6" \$5.95 12" \$7.95



Hot Subs: BBQ Chicken, Buffalo Chicken, Chicken (grilled or crispy), Meatball, Cordon Blue, Eggplant Parm, Chicken Parm, Meatball Parm, Chicken Philly, Sausage Parm, Steak Parm, Western

6" \$6.95 • 12" \$8.95

Salads

Antipasto	Sm-\$5.95 Lg-\$8.95
Chef	Sm-\$5.95 Lg-\$8.95
Greek	Sm-\$5.95 Lg-\$8.95
House	Sm-\$4.95 Lg-\$7.95
Buffalo Chicken	Sm-\$6.95 Lg-\$9.95
House	Sm-\$4.95 Lg-\$7.95

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5	Desserts	
5	Red Velvet	\$3.95
5	Cheesecake	\$3.95
5	w/Blueberry or Cherry Topping	
5	Cannolis	\$3.95
5	Fried Dough	\$2.95

Bottled Water \$1.00 Soda Cans 85¢ • 2 Liters \$2.25 Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Mountain Dew, Rootbeer, Gingerale, Iced Tea, Orange, Grape