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**Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**

- ◆ Liver & Onions  
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## Secrets to keeping an organized shed

Despite other intentions, homeowners often turn their garages into storage centers for random, little-used items, leaving little to no room for the tools and even vehicles that actually belong in a garage. Such homeowners may turn to sheds to store their garage overflow and keep yard equipment at the ready, but storage sheds are not immune to clutter, and homeowners may find the very structure erected to keep them organized requires a bit of organization itself.

A well-organized shed can save homeowners time and energy, as it's easy to abandon or delay a project if you can't find that pair of work gloves you stashed. The first step to any organizing project is to take everything out of the shed and determine just what needs

to go back in. Items that do not belong in the shed should be moved to their rightful locations or tossed in the trash if they're no longer needed. Make a pile of anything that will be kept, a separate one for donations and a third for garbage. Take inventory of what you have so you know whether you're missing any items or you have something and do not need to purchase another.

Now that the entire shed is empty, you can assess just how much room you have. Utilizing vertical and overhead space effectively can free up areas on the floor for larger equipment.

Shelving, racks, pegboards and any other materials that enable you to hang or store items off the floor are good investments. Visit your nearby home improvement retailer to find items that can simplify your storage. You also may be able to put scrap wood to use to make your own storage shelves or a work bench. Extra kitchen cabinets can be installed in the shed to organize additional items.

In order to remember where items go, label or sort them accordingly. Some people like to take organization a step further by tracing the outline of tools hung on the wall so they can be placed back in the same spot after use. This also serves as a visual reminder of which tools are missing and which ones need to be purchased.

Don't forget to utilize shed doors as additional storage space. Hang frequently used tools, such as rakes and shovels, on the inside of the doors so they will always be easily accessible.

You also can repurpose storage solutions designed for other areas of the home. For example, magnetic

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knife holders can be mounted to a shed wall to keep paintbrushes organized. These holders also can be used to keep many small metal tools tidy. Metal funnels can hold twine and string. Thread through the narrow end of the funnel for a handy dispenser.

Keep dangerous substances off the floor and out of reach. Gasoline, chemical fertilizers and other potentially dangerous substances should be stored high up to keep pets and children safe.

Make sure the shed floor is sturdy and level. This makes it easier to neatly store larger items. Roll in the lawnmower, wheelbarrow and any other cumbersome items. Now that more things are mounted vertically, you should find that you have more area to move around.

Taking the time to clean and organize a shed can help make anyone more productive.





## 5 signs your home insulation is not working

(MS) — Some insulations can lose performance over time, sustain damage or simply no longer meet updated building codes. It's an issue that can be costly, because if your home's insulation isn't doing its job, you could be wasting money and resources.

You don't have to be a trained professional to know you have a problem. Here are several signs that your insulation is lacking:

1. Energy bills — High energy bills are the biggest red flag, especially relative to the size, age or condition of the home. If you have a run-away energy bill, your insulation may need to be upgraded. This can be the case, even in a newer home.

2. Drafts — Do you need to put on a sweater even with the heat on, or does your air conditioner run incessantly without making enough of a difference? That's a sign of a deficiency in your building envelope.

3. Inconsistent temperatures — Is it warm in one room, but cold in another? Are your walls or interior closets cold to the touch? It's possible that while your whole

home may not need attention, certain rooms may need to be addressed.

4. Condition of insulating materials — Consider the age of your insulation. Would it stand up to today's building codes? Is it in good shape or is it crumbly? If your insulation has degraded or isn't performing, it's time for an upgrade. But be careful, as certain types of older insulation, such as Vermiculite insulation, may contain asbestos. If you're unsure, do not disturb it and hire a professional to conduct testing and/or removal. This should not be a do-it-yourself job.

5. You detect pests and/or moisture — Insulation — and your building envelope — can be compromised by the presence of pests. Moisture is an even bigger obstacle to optimal thermal performance, as some types of insulation can sag or collapse when damp, leaving voids and causing air to flow in and out of the building envelope.

While some solutions may be more complicated, requiring the opening of the existing wall cavities, others can be addressed more easily. The best way to improve thermal performance and increase energy efficiency is to upgrade attic insulation. Laying Comfortbatt insulation over existing material to achieve a minimum depth of 16 inches, or an R-value of R50, is a simple DIY project that can generate immediate results. To fully assess your home and explore remediation solutions, consider hiring a professional home energy auditor to evaluate your home's energy performance. Even in a new home, the results may be surprising.



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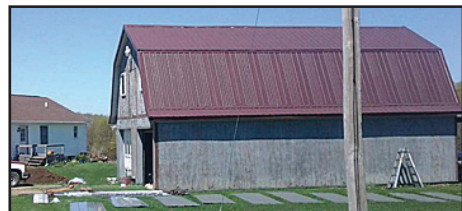
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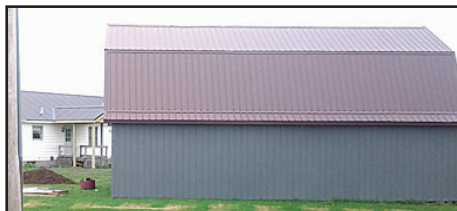
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# Fun amenities to consider for your next vehicle

Today's automobiles come with more gadgets than ever before. New car buyers can now choose from a host of amenities geared toward making roads easier to navigate and long trips more comfortable. Whereas nonessential



Today's new vehicles boast more amenities than ever before, making for a more comfortable and enjoyable driving experience.

amenities once cost buyers a substantial amount of money, nowadays many auto manufacturers include options once considered luxuries in their standard packages, meaning more drivers have the chance to enjoy their new vehicles in style. While not all amenities are free, and some may still cost drivers a considerable amount of money, the following are a handful of features drivers may find too irresistible to ignore.

- Satellite radio: Satellite radio has been around for awhile, but only recently did it begin to become a standard offering in new vehicles. Drivers who buy a new

car may find a deal where their initial satellite radio subscription, whether it's a few months or a full year, is included in the cost of the vehicle, while others may need to foot the bill for their subscriptions from jump street. But many new cars are satellite-compatible, which is good news to drivers who want to expand their musical horizons beyond the offerings of their local terrestrial stations.

- Television: The vehicles of today often mimic mobile entertainment systems, and no such system is complete without television. Built-in televisions are nothing new, and many a parent has expressed gratitude that in-car televisions and DVD players can serve as mobile babysitters when taking the kids on long road trips. But some auto manufacturers have begun to offer broadcast television in their vehicles, which is made possible by a built-in television antenna that is capable of picking up nearby channels.

- Massaging seats: Heated seats have a reputation of being a luxury well worth the extra investment when buying a new car. But motorists

with some extra cash to spend may want to consider massaging seats. Such seats are typically limited to the backseats, but they work in similar fashion to massaging armchairs. Passengers or even drivers taking a break on a long road trip can jump into the back of their cars, recline the backseat and then enjoy a massage to iron out all those aches and pains that developed over the last several hours traversing the highways.

- Adaptive lights: If you're the type of driver who prefers his or her amenities be more about function than luxury, then adaptive lights might be the perfect feature for you. Adaptive lights may swivel as an automobile turns a corner, making it easier for drivers to see. Some adaptive headlights also can sense darkness, protecting drivers who may be distracted by the amenities inside their vehicles and forget to turn their lights on the moment twilight arrives or the sun sets.

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### APR 1-30

#### Arkell Center Events for April

Arkell Center, Canajoharie, NY. Arkell Center Programs for all area seniors during April are as follows:

**Monday-Friday:** 11:45 am. OFA Meals of Montgomery Program serves hot meals, suggested \$3 donation for 60 and older. Call 673-2000 for reservations.

**Mondays-Fridays:** 10-12 noon. Arkell's Indoor Walking Program will continue. Seniors invited.

Mon, Wed & Fri: 10-10:30 am. Senior Exercise Program is in the basement. Open to all area Seniors. Coffee served after.

**Wednesdays:** 2:30-3:30 pm. Gentle Yoga with instructor Patty Pietrowicz in the basement. Open to all Area Seniors.

**Thursdays:** 10:15 am. Join the Diet Club in the Gallery. The goal is to be accountable while losing or maintaining your weight. Call Grace 673-2112.

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**Tax Aid Services:** Every Wednesday through April 8: From 8:15 am - 12:30 pm. AARP Tax Aid, Lucius Gotti Jr. is available. To schedule an appt. call 673-2943 after 3 pm.

**April 15, 22 & 29:** 12:30-4 pm. Senior Citizens Pinochle Card Party, donation \$2, prizes & refreshments. If you would like to sub call Terry at 673-5635.

**April 13:** 6 pm. Palatine Literary Society is having its annual dinner. Bring a dish to share.

**April 21:** 9:30 am. Spring Breakfast with our Seniors. We will be closing our Walking Program for the spring. Please join us for a meal. Bring a dish to share.

**April 28:** 11:15 am -12:15 pm. Blood Pressure Clinic. Home Health Care Partner's Corp. (Co-Sponsored by St. Mary's & Nathan Littauer Hospital). Home Health Care Partners Corp. also provides health and wellness information.

## MEETINGS

**April 14:** 6 pm. Canaj/Pal Br. Chamber of Commerce Meeting

**April 24:** 1 pm. Canajoharie Senior Citizens Club Meeting

**April 28:** 10-11 am. Alzheimer's/Dementia Care-giver Support Group meeting meets in the Gallery.

### APR 18

**Benefit for David Hazzard** Dolgeville Rod & Gun Club. For medical expenses. 1 pm until ??? \$10 donation, \$15/couple. Food, live music, raffles. Call 315-429-3780 for more information.

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**Acoustic Coffee House** Fultonville, NY. 6:30-10 pm. And don't forget the Acoustic Coffee Houses' 7th Annual Party in the Perk Summer Special Open Mic on June 20 outside in Fultonville Park from 3-8 pm.

### MAY 16-17

**Mohawk Valley Chorus Pops Concert** 7 pm. Scotia Reformed Church and at 3 pm the next day at Amsterdam High School.

### MAY 25

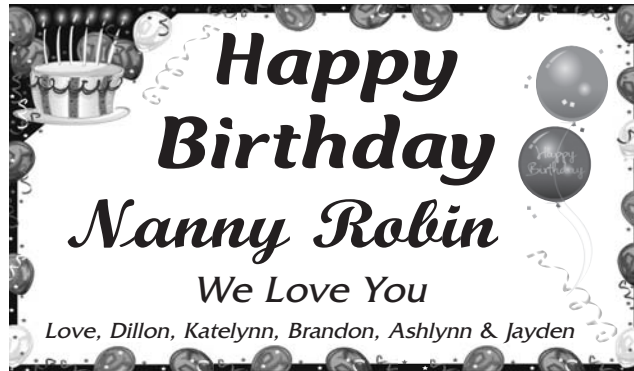
**Fort Klock Opening Day** Fort Klock Historic Restoration, St. Johnsville, NY. 10 am - 4 pm. Call 518-568-7779. On Internet at [www.fortklockrestoration.org](http://www.fortklockrestoration.org)

### JUN 6

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### JUN 6-7

**Hammer In** Fort Klock Historic Restoration, 1820 Fort Clock Blacksmith Shop, St. Johnsville, NY. 10 am - 4 pm. All blacksmiths are invited to attend and demonstrate how iron items were created in early times. Call 518-568-7779. On Internet at [www.fortklockrestoration.org](http://www.fortklockrestoration.org)



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For a child to enter Pre-Kindergarten in September of 2015, he or she must be a district resident, and at least four years of age on or before December 1, 2015. Parents must bring the child's birth certificate, an immunization record signed by a doctor and proof of residency.

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Jim Bowerman - April 20th  
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Douglas Lopez Jr. April 20th  
Bettye Putnam - April 21st  
Lena Terricola - April 21st  
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Beth Hogan - April 23rd  
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Pat Hanifin - April 24th  
Ashley Koch - April 25th  
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Geraldine Watkins - April 25th



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## 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Mohawk Valley Machinery Consignment Auction Sat., April 25, 2015 9:30 AM

1300 State Hwy 163, Fort Plain, NY

**CONSIGNMENTS INCLUDE:** NH 277 baler, AC 302 baler, NH 644 round baler, NH 479 haybine, NH 477 haybine, JD dolly rake, 30' hay elevator, new and used tires including 11Lx15 imp, 10x16.5 skid steer, 18.4R38 tractor, 380 85Rx34 50% tread and much, much more.

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**Antiques, Collectables, Furniture, & Consignments!!**  
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**Trees, Shrubs, Flowers, Hanging Baskets, Outdoor Lawn and Garden Tools, Tractors, Equipment, Furniture, Truckload of Groceries, Meats, Cheese & Chicken BBQ, Ice Cream.**

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### **1st Day On Site Public Estate Auction!!**

**Saturday, May 16th • 10:00am, St. Johnsville, NY**

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**John Deere Tractor, Enclosed Trailers, 20+ Antique Snowmobiles, 80+ Antique Snowmobile Motors, 12 Guns, New Contractor Tools, Concrete Tools, Woodworking Tools!!**

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### **2nd Day On Site Public Estate Auction!!**

**Saturday, May 30th • 10:00am, St. Johnsville, NY**

### **Estate of John & Lois and Don Moskey**

**Antique Tin Toys, Cocks, Jugs, Cub Cadet Riding Lawn Mowers, Weed eaters, Snap on Tools, Garage Contents, Household, Furniture and much more,**  
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## **Bring Something - Buy Something** **Public Benefit Auction** **Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> • 9:30am**

**Mohawk Valley Produce Auction**

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**Int. 5130** 4x4 w/loader; **Int. 574;** **Int. 1586** w/duals, cab, new motor, fly wheel, clutch & pressure plate; **Bobcat 753** Skid Steer w/3 buckets (dirt, manure, stone); **Int. 1566** Black Stripe w/duals, cab, new T-A, motor, clutch & pressure plate 3 years ago; **Int. 1066** new motor last year, w/duals; **Int. 766** new motor 2 years ago; **Int. 4186**, 4x4, new motor, clutch & pressure plate less than 100 hours ago; **Int. 1460** Combine, 4x4, 6 row corn head, 20 ft. flex head, 4411hrs; 4 yr. old **NH mdl. FP-230** Forage Harvester w/processor, 2 row corn head & hay head, done less than 500 acres total!! **Richardson** Dump Wagon, **mdl-700;** **NH 1411** Disc Bine, 6 yrs. old; **NH BR-730 A** Round Baler; **NH 316** Hay Baler w/kicker; **NH 256** Rake; **NH 258** Rake; Hyd Double Hitch for rakes; 4 Wooden Hay Wagons; 2 Wooden Flat Wagons; **Dion** Forage Box, 2 beater; **Brillion 10'** Cultipacker; **Duetz Allis mdl-1500;** 9 Shank Chisel Plows w/front cutting disc; **Int. mdl-720** 5 Bottom Plows; **Int. mdl-710** 4 Bottom Plows; **Kneverland 4** Bottom Semi Mount Plows; **Hesston 20'** Wing Disc w/levelers; **JD 7200** 6 Row Conservation Planter w/insecticide boxes (corn & bean cups); **JD 7000** 4 Row Corn Planter w/corn & bean cups; 2 **JD** Grain Drills (older) 1 is 19 hole & 1 is 13 hole; **Brush Hog 22'** Disc (needs work); **International** Dump Truck, 10 wheeler, steel box; **International** Dump Truck, 10 wheeler, 20' box, new brakes & air bags; 40' **Westfield** Grain Auger **mdl-WR-80-41;** **Badger** Automatic Roller/Hammer Mill; **Knight mdl-8124** Manure Spreader (6 yrs. old); **Supreme Tub Mixer mdl-500** w/new unloading table; **Knight mdl-3030** mixer wagon; **Kato-light** Generator on trailer 40-kw; Wood Planer powered by belt from a tractor, can take up to 18" board; two 500 gallon Fuel Tanks.

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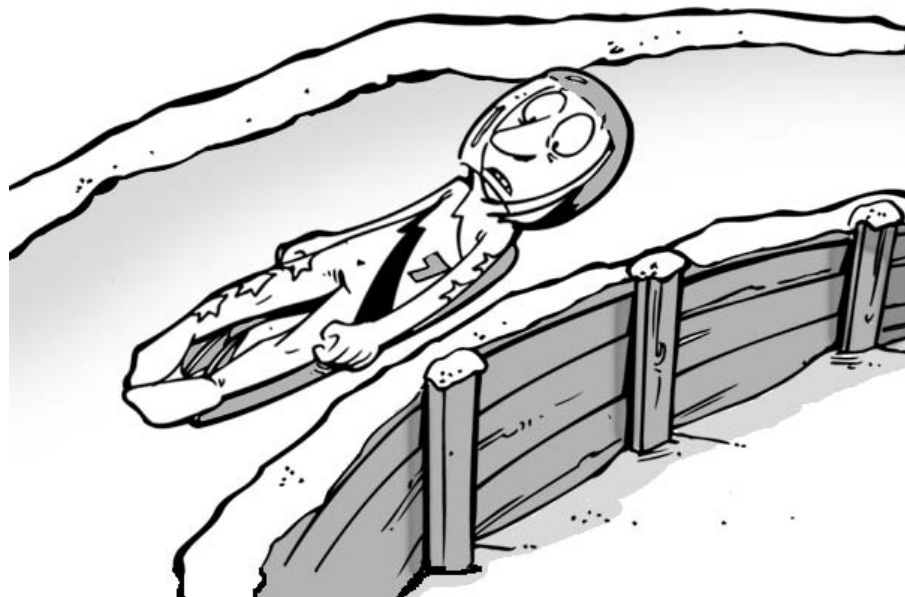
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**Horses will follow at 1:00 PM**

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## 2-DAY PUBLIC AUCTION

**Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 AM**  
**FARM MACHINERY AND TOOLS**

**Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 AM**  
**ANTIQUES, CARRIAGES, AND SLEIGHS**

**Location:** Bob and Delores Fredenburgh, 323 Herrick St., Canajoharie, NY 13317. Dead end Rd. off of St. Rt. 163.

**Directions:** From Cherry Valley, take 166 North to 163, turn right. From Canajoharie, go South on Rt. 10, bare right onto 163.

### Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> - 9:30 AM

**TRACTORS:** Oliver 1655 w/bucket loader, nice condition; Oliver 1550 w/new rebuilt clutch, very nice condition; 285 Massey Ferguson, good condition.

**TILLAGE:** Oliver 4 bottom spring reset plow, 2pt. hitch; 3pt Burch 4 row cultivator; Oliver 12ft transport disc.; Leon rock picker; 3pt scoop master dirt scoop; 4 bottom Oliver trip plow, rough; 9ft roller; 2 row 3pt. hitch cultivator.

**HAY EQUIPMENT:** John Deere MoCo Model 630 discbine, serial# E00630T340437; John Deere 338 kicker baler, complete overhaul, like new; Gehl 2580 silage special round baler, very clean, Serial# 12313; Gehl 2330 discbine; Gehl 414 rollbar rake w/dolly; old wagon gear; Pequea 646 round bale wagon, nice; 9x18 tandem EZ Trail rack wagon, nice; 2 Kory gear w/Meyers rack wagons; 2 older wood rack wagons; 3pt. hitch Massey Ferguson mower; 2-3pt. bale spear McHale 991B bale wrapper, excellent condition; Oliver 3pt. hitch mower; NH 717 Super Harvester w/corn head, 1,000 RPM; FB87 Gehl hi-throw blower; JD skeleton elevator 18ft; 4 Star tedder.

**MISC:** Chaparral 15ft livestock trailer; 3 bags 15-15-15 fertilizer; Brillion Model SS120-04 seed-er nice; JD Model 8250 grain drill, great condition; Knight Pro Twin slinger 8014, nice; WIC bed-ding Chopper; WIC feed cart, good condition; Bee-keeping supplies and lots of smalls and misc.

### Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> - 9:30 AM

**ANTIQUES:** Grain Cleaner; Carriage Jacks; Milk cans; Carriage parts; Pulleys; Signs; Wheels; Tools; Buzz Saw; Potato Plows; Walking Plows; Hand Cultivators; Old tools; Salesman special OX Yoke; Cobblers bench; Old harness parts; lots of horse collars, a few Irish lots of eveners; Shafts; etc. Sleigh runners and parts; Corn planters; Single horse walk behind corn planter; Farrier box; Heavy hitch harness, good condition; Light horse harness saddles; Harness parts; Lots of misc. horse and carriage related items.

**CARRIAGES:** Sold indoors, Wagon open mfg. Wkinnaman & Son; Heavy open Robinson; Buckboard open rough; NI 10A manure spreader, nice; #9 mower; Pioneer fore cart; Hitch wagon, nice, clean; 6 open buggys; top buggy for restore; Cart by Van Tassey & Kearny NY, nice; Set heavy bobs; 2- Split Hickory top buggys; Assorted cutter sleighs; Single seat carriage; Double seat carriage; Open wagon; Open buggy, nice; Anderson MFG Co. Detroit; Very nice 2 seat carriage, made by Henry Stichel, Fort Plain, NY; 1-set sleigh runners to replace carriage wheels; Open sleigh 2 seater made by A Ochampaugh, Glen, NY; Very nice double seat spring sleigh, w/lots of décor; EL. Burtis Larchmant, NY. Surry; All original top buggy from Columbus Buggy Co. CD Firestone; Spindle seat, 2 seat carriage; other carriages, still being brought out of corners. 40+ units total.

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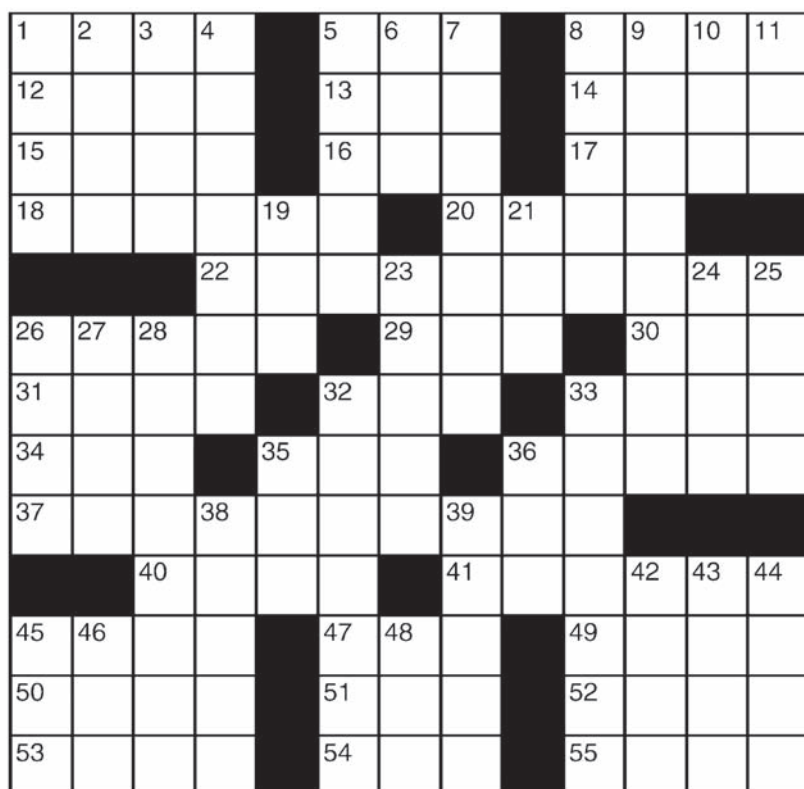
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**All items sold as is.  
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BY  
HENRY BOLTINOFF



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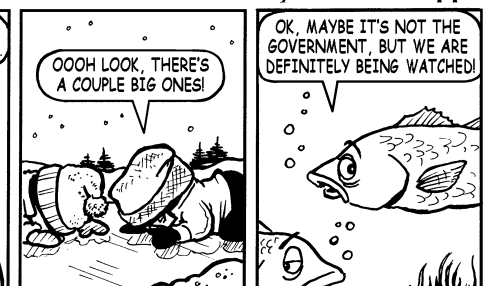


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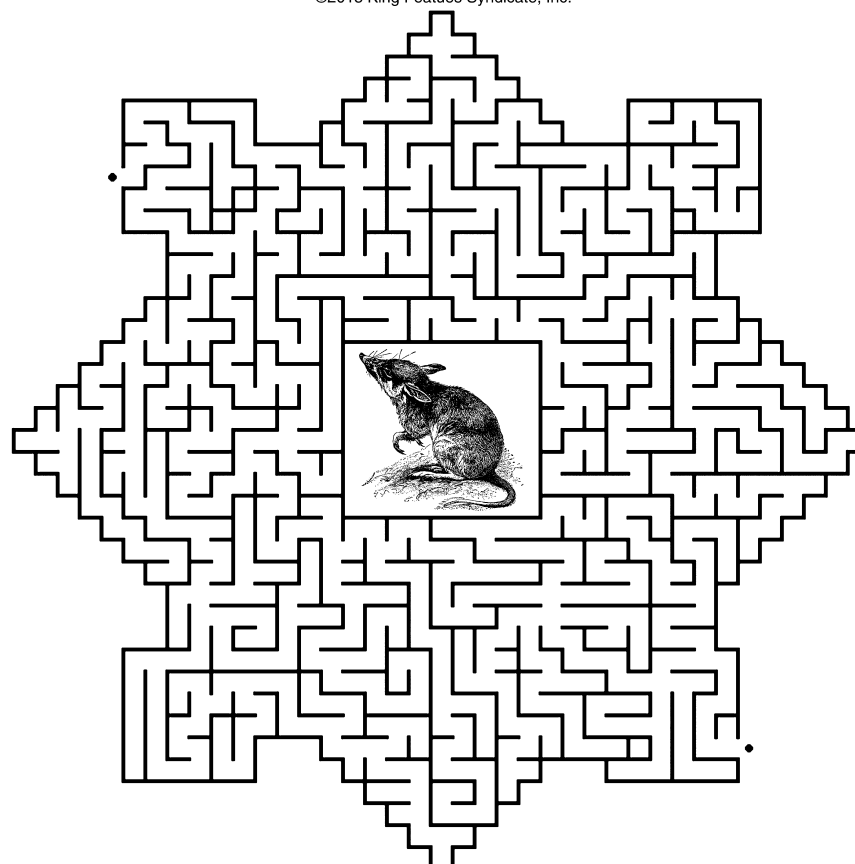


by Dave T. Phipps



## Mega Maze

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★ ★**

★ Moderate   ★★ Challenging  
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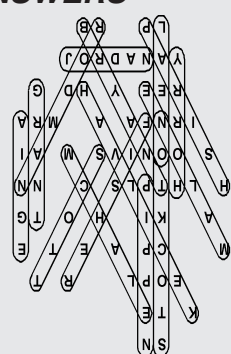
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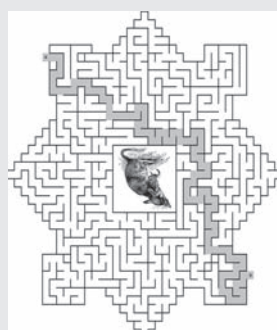
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Weekly SUDOKU

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**SHAY** - 2 year old female Pit Bull/Lab mix. Knows "sit" and "shake". Hyper-active. Needs obedience training. Came to the shelter March 13 because her owner was moving.



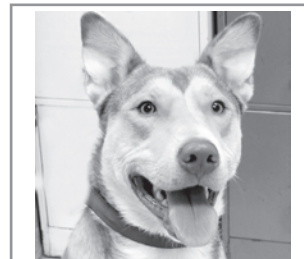
**MONTANA** - 3 year old male Pit Bull mix, 46 lbs. Found on Old Fort Plain Road, Canajoharie in October 2012. Not good with cats. Fine with older kids.



**WINSLOW** - Black and white male Pit Bull mix, 8 to 10 years old. Found running on Hilltop Road on August 27, 2014. Good with some dogs and fine with kids. Very well behaved.



**THUNDER** - 6 year old male Pit Bull mix, 52 lbs. Found in Canajoharie in August 2012. Knows "sit" and loves chest or belly rubs! Not good with dogs, cats or kids. Housebroken.



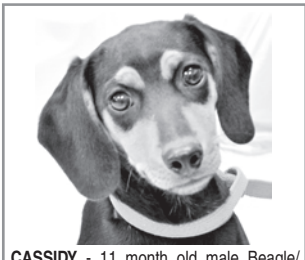
**SIRI** - 2 - 3 year old female Husky mix. Found on Stone Arabia Road, Mohawk. Good with some dogs and fine with kids. Crate trained. Loves belly rubs and Kong toys!



**HOUSTON** - Adorable 6 - 8 year old male Beagle. Found on W. Lykers Road, Town of Root on March 29, 2015. Knows "sit" and "shake" and loves belly rubs!



**BLISSE** - Magnificent black and white female Husky. Found on Route 5s and Sanders Road, Town of Minden on March 24, 2015.



**CASSIDY** - 11 month old male Beagle/Dachshund mix. Came to the shelter March 26th because his owner was moving. Super friendly and lovable. Good with cats and fine with kids.



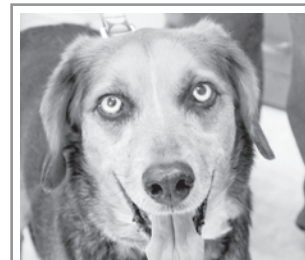
**DOZER** - 1 - 2 year old male brown and white Pit Bull. Found on Cty. Hwy. 107, Johnstown near Harry's Auto on February 28th. Sweet and sociable, a real charmer! Fine with some dogs, not good with cats.



**CRUZ** - Handsome super friendly 2 - 3 year old white male Pit Bull, 55 lbs. Found on Garfield St., Fonda in November 2012. Fine with kids. Not good with cats.



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(MS) — Upcycling is not just for craft projects — it offers lots of possibilities to make changes in your home décor, especially cabinets and furniture that will save money and reduce your contribution to the local landfill. Woodcraft can help you with upcycling ideas, products and advice.

For the past year, Woodcraft retail stores have hosted upcycling demonstrations on the third Saturday of the month to help customers discover the potential for upcycling in their home projects.

"To support this upcycling effort, Woodcraft.com added an Upcycling Resource Center to our website (<http://www.woodcraft.com/media/upcycling.aspx>) to introduce viewers to upcycling and announce demo topics and dates," Vince Grlovich, vice president for sales and marketing, said. "Viewers can also watch a segment of Lifetime's Designing Spaces where Woodcraft product development manager Kent Harpool shows host Aliane Baquerot how to create a shelf from a wooden pallet."

Both Woodcraft's Pinterest page ([www.pinterest.com/woodcraftsupply/upcycling](http://www.pinterest.com/woodcraftsupply/upcycling)) and Instagram gallery (<http://instagram.com/woodcraft-gallery>) include upcycling ideas, and the blog, Woodworking Adventures (<http://blog.woodcraft.com>) has featured upcycling several times.

### Jewelry Armoire Makeover

Inspired by the upcycling trend, many Woodcraft employees have completed projects, including marketing manager Lori Haught, who transformed a 1980s Jewelry Armoire into a more stylish, modern piece for her bedroom. She gave it a new coat of paint, new silver/glass pulls and flocking on the drawer interiors. You can see the entire process by visiting Woodworking Adventures and searching for "The Jewelry Armoire Makeover."

An Irwin Marples Blue Chip Chisel was used for the

disassembly that was required to add new hardware and make other changes to Lori's armoire.

To remove the residue from old finishes and polish, Lori chose Norton Soft Touch Medium 120-180 Grit Sanding Sponges for the contour detailed areas and Preppin Weapon Sanding Blocks, loaded with Mirka Abranet 23/4" x 8" Sanding Sheets, for flat areas. Once the sanding was finished, all the pieces were cleaned with General Finishes Furniture Cleaner using handy Star Wipers rags.

Three coats of General Finishes Black Gel Stain were applied to the armoire. Although each coat was allowed to dry overnight because of other commitments, the actual time required between coats is two to four hours. (Gel stains come in 12 other colors including the popular java.) Two coats of General Finishes High Performance Satin Water-Based Top Coat were applied next.

To prep for the new hardware, Golden Oak Water-



*A few repairs, a new coat of paint, sparkly new pulls, and interior flocking turned this piece into a stylish, modern Jewelry Armoire.*

Base Famowood Filler was used to plug screw holes. More chiseling was required before a pair of 11/2" X 11/8" Satin Nickel Stop Hinges could be installed.

Before reflocking the drawers, Bulls Eye Sealcoat Universal Sanding Sealer was applied to the interior of the drawers and the dividers. Wearing an Anti Microbial Dust Mask and 6 mil Medium Powder Free Nitrile Gloves, Lori applied Light Blue Donjer Flocking, using a Donjer Mini Flocker.

Reassembly of the armoire required System Three 5-Minute Epoxy and a Bessey K-Body REVO Jr. 24" Single Parallel Clamp.

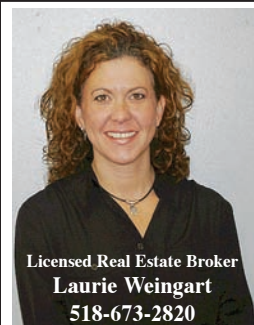
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# Whatchamacallits

One of the most recognizable pieces of military uniform is the helmet called "Pickelhaube". Loosely translated, the word means pointed cap or hood.

This German war helmet features a spike at the top, a metal plate on front, a chin strap, a thin visor, a neck shield and the leather base. The spike on top of the helmet is merely decorative and is not intended for defense.

Depending on your military rank and place of origin within the German empire, the metal crest affixed to the helmet would be different. This crest is from the kingdom of Bavaria, which was one of the last of the German states to adopt a pickelhaube.

This Bavarian helmet plate displays two opposing crowned lions supporting an oval shield. The shield bears the state arms of Bavaria. The scroll at the base of the plate contains the phrase "In Treue Fest", its translation

is "In Loyalty Steadfast". This pre-1910 Bavarian helmet was worn by an infantry foot soldier during the first Great War.

After nearly 70 years as part of the standard uniform, the end of the Pickelhaube helmet came about near the end of the first World War. Trench warfare and stronger artillery required a more durable helmet. This spiked leather helmet could not withstand the power of shrapnel, so the German military began using plain steel helmets without decoration.

The German Empire collapsed in 1918 and the Pickelhaube ceased to be part of the military uniform after that. A redesign gave the German soldiers the Stahlhelm, which literally means steel helmet. The Stahlhelm has a distinctive "coal scuttle" shape and is a recognizable icon in military propaganda, just like the Pickelhaube before it.



Whatchamacallit courtesy of Skip Barshied

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**A:** All beef comes from cattle, yes, but when it comes to food safety, ground beef is a whole different animal.

The reason is simple. Bacteria and other types of foodborne illness-causing contaminants that commonly feast on raw meat are surface creatures. As long as those steaks, roasts or chops aren't messed with, pathogens remain close to the surface where the heat from cooking gets hottest and, given the proper time and temperature, sears them out of existence.

But as soon as raw meat is ground up, anything on the surface becomes mixed throughout. The internal temperature at the very center of the patty must get hot enough for long enough to eliminate the E. coli, Salmonella and other bugs lurking there. Research shows that most, if not all, raw meat plays host to some type of bacteria. It doesn't matter if the meat is conventional or organic, or purchased from a mega super store or your friendly neighborhood butcher. You should just assume raw meat has some contamination and treat it with respect.

That's why you see those warnings on restaurant menus saying, "Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness." Unfortunately, not everyone gets the message. In 2014, a dozen people in four states, including Ohio, became ill after eating rare or medium-rare hamburgers; seven were hospitalized. E. coli O157:H7 was to blame. It's important to note that there were likely many more people affected: For every E. coli infection confirmed in a lab, the Centers

for Disease Control and Prevention estimates another 26 cases go unreported.

Four of the five Ohioans sickened in that outbreak said they ate burgers at a "gastro pub" chain that regularly cooks burgers to just 145 degrees F, boasting that it is "the temperature of a perfectly cooked medium-rare burger." Food microbiologists tend to disagree with that assessment. In fact, food safety guidelines for food service establishments say they should cook hamburgers to 155 degrees F to be safe. At home, consumers need to cook burgers to 160 degrees because it's likely the meat has been in and out of refrigeration periodically — such as when you're at the grocery store or during the drive home — and thus needs an extra measure of safety during cooking.

Food safety experts' concerns go beyond ground meat. Today, an estimated 25 percent of steaks sold in the U.S. have been "mechanically tenderized" — that is, mechanically punctured with needles or knives or injected with a 10 percent solution to make the cut more tender. The trouble is that as soon as the meat is cut into, surface contaminants get inside. With beef, you've got to treat those cuts of meat like hamburger and cook them thoroughly to 160 degrees F to be safe.

Unfortunately, it's not always clear when meat has been treated this way. If the steak still has a bone, it's likely the surface is intact. But if you're not sure, ask the butcher for guidance.

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## Simple defensive driving techniques anyone can employ

Driving defensively is a great way for motorists to reduce their risks of accident, maintain their vehicles over the long haul and save money on their auto insurance. But driving can be habit-forming, and over time many drivers develop habits that can compromise their safety on the road.

No driver wants to make roads less safe, and many may just need to reacquaint themselves with the following defensive driving techniques they learned way back when they first started driving as teenagers.

- Avoid distractions. Older drivers didn't have too many things to distract them from the road, but nowadays it's easy to be distracted whether you're driving alone on an empty road or sitting in rush hour traffic with dozens of your fellow commuters. That's because today's vehicles may be equipped with televisions, smartphone hookups and high-quality sound systems that can take drivers' atten-

tion away from the road. Drivers may even be bringing additional distractions with them into their vehicles. When getting behind the wheel, keep your stereo speakers low and turn off all of your devices so you aren't tempted to check emails or text messages while driving.

- Don't be in such a hurry. Perhaps the most effective defensive driving technique is to slow down when on the road. That's easier said than done, especially for commuters who are running late and trying to get to the office on time. But making a conscious effort to slow down, even if you are a few minutes late for work or running late for an appointment, can mean the difference between getting into an accident or staying safe on the road. If you know you are running late, don't try to compensate by driving fast. Instead, call ahead to let whoever might be waiting for you know that you will be a few minutes late.

- Don't lane hop. Frequent switching between

lanes can make other drivers nervous, increasing the risk of an accident. In addition, sudden or frequent lane changes can make it difficult for drivers to maintain their focus on the road and see more than a few cars ahead of them. Drivers who have been on the road for a long time may feel confident in their abilities to quickly switch between lanes, but fellow motorists may find such shifting distracting and begin to drive erratically as a result. Stay in one lane as long as possible, and only pass cars on the left.

- Don't respond to aggressive drivers. If a fellow driver is driving aggressively, slow down and let them pass or pull over and let them get far away from you before you return to the roadway. Studies have indicated that road rage incidents escalate when drivers make eye contact with one another. Even if you are not at fault, it's up to you to avoid a potentially dangerous situation and protect your-

self and your passengers.

Defensive driving techniques reduce the risk of

accidents and help to keep cars running strong over the long haul. Drivers can benefit from pe-

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Defensive driving is a great way for motorists to reduce their risk of an accident.



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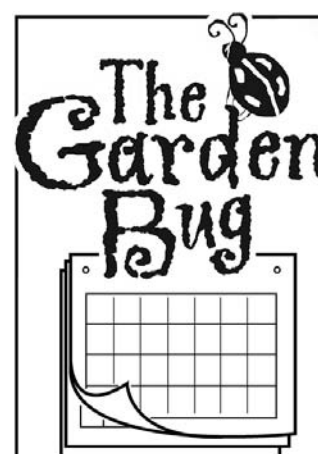
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## How to safely navigate wet roadways

Spring showers certainly may bring flower laterers on, but they also contribute to challenging driving conditions. Early spring weather can be fickle, vacillating between dry, wet and even icy conditions. Drivers need to remain on their toes to safely traverse roadways near and far.

Wet roadways and poor driving conditions contribute to thousands of road accidents each and every year. As roads get wet, oil and other substances rise to the surface of the pavement, which can quickly become slippery and compromise the traction offered by tires. According to the United States Department of Transportation, there are around 707,000 automobile crashes each year due to rain.

Heavy rains also may lead to puddles, which can obscure hazards on the road-

way. Cars may stall out in puddles or hydroplane, which occurs when cars coast along the surface of the water. Puddles also can be splashed by oncoming cars, leading to visibility issues.

It is in every driver's best interest to use caution when driving on wet roads. The following tips can help prevent accidents, injuries and even fatalities during the rainy season.

- **Slow down.** Drivers should drive slower when roads are wet and when rain compromises visibility. It can take up to three times longer to stop on a wet road than a dry one. By slowing down you will be able to stop or veer out of the way of danger.

- **Leave room.** When driving on wet roads, leave more room between your vehicle and the one in front of you. Again, this plays into stopping distance. Tailgating increases your risk of rear-ending a vehicle if you cannot stop in time on a wet roadway.

- **Stay alert.** It can be easy to be lulled into complacency while driving. But staying alert and conscious of every detail going on around you can reduce your risk of accident when driving in less than ideal conditions.

- **Skip cruise control.** As a driver, you want to remain in control of acceleration and speed, rather than leaving it up to the cruise control system. If you begin to hydroplane on cruise control, the car may actually speed up.

- **Use your headlights.** Headlights can light up the road in front of you, helping illuminate potential hazards. Lights on a car also make your vehicle more visible to others on the road. Always turn on the headlights in inclement weather.

- **Avoid jerky movements.** Keep a steady pace and the vehicle in control. Jerking the wheel or accelerating and braking in a erratic fashion can cause the vehicle to spin out or skid on wet roads.

- **Check your tires.** Inspect your tires for tread wear and air pressure. Tires should be rotated as part of routine maintenance. Poorly performing tires are a significant safety risk. If you live in an area known for a lot of rain, invest in tires designed for wet road conditions.

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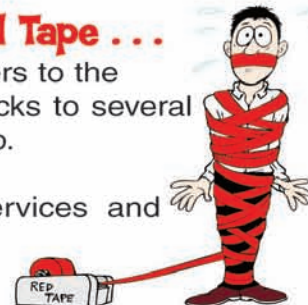
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## Five quick ways to upgrade your home for resale

(NAPSI) — Whether you're considering cashing in on your equity, downsizing, trading up, moving for a change of scenery or relocating for better prospects, a few smart investments and improvements can help your home stand out from the competition so you get top dollar. Even if you're not planning on moving anytime soon, these strategies can maximize your home's value and increase its marketability:

- **Sprucing up the exterior.** If you think you'll have a few years before you move, work on your landscaping now to give plants time to mature. Look for easy-care perennials such as hostas, which multiply on their own. If you have less time, you can still achieve a quick makeover by power washing paths and siding, painting or upgrading your front door and keeping the lawn watered and weeded.

- **Removing eyesores inside.** Some minor adjustments can help buyers recognize what's great about your home. Swap outdated fixtures, remove wallpaper and give everything a deep clean. Replacements don't have to be top of the line; they just need to eliminate hang-ups for potential buyers.

- **Improving the kitchen — to a point.** You probably won't recoup the cost of a full kitchen renovation but smaller projects such as upgrading appliances and painting or refinishing cabinets can modernize the space.

- **Refreshing rooms with neutral paint.** This is a time-honored tip for a reason. While seeing your favorite bold hues on the walls makes you happy, potential buyers may not agree. A fresh coat of neutral paint can help them envision their own belongings in the space.

- **Focusing on energy efficiency.** The right energy-smart upgrades can assure buyers they're seeing an efficient home where utility bills can be minimized. Adding insulation to the attic and walls can make a dramatic improvement in many homes. Consider the windows as well. Adding a heat-rejecting window film can reduce cooling costs and typically does not change the windows' appearance. Since window film can reject up to 99 percent of UV rays, it can protect the investment you made in your hardwood floors, rugs, window treatments, furniture and artwork.



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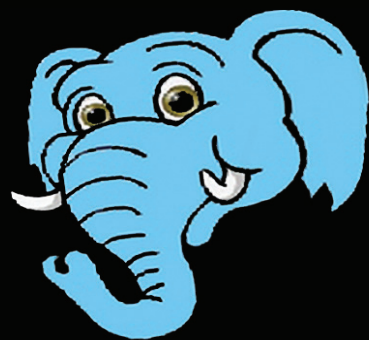
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