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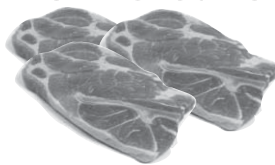
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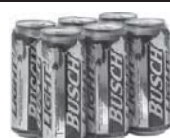
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## At a special meeting on Monday, February 29, 2016, the town board of Saint Johnsville re-organized the Saint Johnsville Planning Board.

Saint Johnsville Planning Board was in disarray due to the past chairman resigning at the January meeting of the Town Board. He was urged to do so by the town board since there had not been a meeting of the planning board since October 8, 2013.

The newly elected Town Supervisor, Dominick Stagliano, Board Member Ronald Hezel, and Board Member Timothy Smith took their seats on January 1, 2016. After their initial organizational meeting in January, the Planning Board situation became urgent since there were applications for special permits that needed to be submitted and there were only three (3) members left on the Planning Board and this board could not function. The legal planning board working members in Saint Johnsville is five (5) working members. When looking at the Planning Board as a whole, it was decided that the planning board must be re-organized.

The new Saint Johnsville Planning Board is as follows:

- Martha Mancini, Chairman filling the vacancy of Dean Handy
- Melanie Shuster
- Melinda Sweet
- George Haines
- Leslie Larson

A special organizational meeting of the Saint Johnsville Planning Board is scheduled for Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the town barn office facility.

"We are just trying to get the Planning Board up and running," said Martha Mancini. "There are applications waiting for submission and will need special attention. This board will be ready and willing to meet the needs of any resident or person in any and every way that we can according to the the Land Use Laws that we operate within. We are very interested in the progress of Saint Johnsville," she added.

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The Fort Plain Museum's "Second Annual Conference on the American Revolution in the Mohawk Valley" is back and bigger than last year. This year's conference will be held on June 9-12, 2016 and it has been expanded to four days with a day and a half of presentations and two different

bus tours of Mohawk Valley historic sites. The Mohawk Valley played an important role in the struggle for independence. Discover the Valley's rich history by attending this year's conference and see it for yourself first hand.

The presentations will be held on Saturday, June 11, and Sunday, June 12. There are nine authors/historians presenting on various topics related to the American Revolution including the Mohawk Valley. This year's presenters and topics include:

- J.L. Bell — The Road to Concord: How Four Stolen Cannons Ignited the Revolutionary War
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Also new to the conference this year is the venue as it will be held at the Fulton-Montgomery Community College auditorium, which is located in the Visual Arts and Communications Building. Attendees will receive a boxed lunch with beverage prepared by the college's culinary staff. Beverages and refreshments (coffee, water, soda, etc.) will be served throughout the conference. There is a \$50 cost for this portion of the event that includes Saturday's lunch. Pre-registration is required and space is limited.

On Thursday, June 9, there will be a bus tour of the Western Mohawk Country Historic Sites. The historic sites included on the tour are: the

Fort Plain/Fort Rensselaer (Fort Plain Museum), the General Herkimer Home, the 1747 Nellis Tavern, the Van Alstyne Homestead, Fort Klock, the Palatine Church, the Stone Arabia and Klock's Battlefields, the Stone Arabia Church, and the Grave of Colonel John Brown, the Hero of the Battle of Stone Arabia.

On Friday, June 10, there will be a bus tour of the Eastern Mohawk Country Historic Sites. The historic sites included are on the tour are: Fort Johnson Historic Landmark, Fort Hunter (Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site), Johnson Hall State Historic Site, the Drumm House, the Tryon County Courthouse, the Colonial Cemetery, the Fort Johnstown Jail, the Johnstown Battlefield, the Montgomery County History & Archives, the Kateri Indian Museum (Liberty Pole Site).

There is a \$35 cost for each bus tour and space is limited for both bus tours. The bus tours will take place rain or shine. Good walking shoes are suggested and you may want to bring a snack and drink.

On Saturday evening, June 11, there will be a banquet at the historic 1765 Goose Van Alstyne

Tavern with a keynote speaker, Don Hagist. Don is the editor of The Journal of the American Revolution, an online journal devoted to the American Revolution. Don will discuss the Journal, their mission and all of their current and future endeavors. Come and talk history with the conference authors/historians and attendees while enjoying a refreshment from a colonial tavern. A colonial dinner will include an appetizer, the main dish, and dessert with coffee. The cost to attend the banquet is \$50.

On Friday evening, June 10, join us at the college for a Taste NY cocktail reception. There will be wine, beer and food tasting from local New York vendors. Also, several historic artisans will display their goods for sale. This portion of the event is free and open to the public.

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# New York State DMV warns of ID theft risk from posting driver license images to social media

*With proliferation of social media and information sharing, people put themselves at risk of fraud and financial problems showing off new permits and driver licenses*

The New York State Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) warned drivers of the risk of identity theft from posting images of their newly-obtained permits and driver licenses on social media, particularly popular among young adults. The sensitive information on DMV identification documents, including a driver address, date of birth, and signature, make it easy for any social media user to steal a victim's identity. This, in turn, can result in a lifetime of compromised credit and financial ruin.

"Passing a driver's test is a very exciting time in a young person's life and DMV understands why teens are excited to show off their permits and licenses," said DMV Executive Deputy Commissioner Terri Egan. "Just don't make your personal information public in the process. Having your identity stolen and your privacy compromised is not a good way to celebrate getting your driver license."

About six percent of identity theft victims are 19 years old and younger, according to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), but posting photos of IDs on social media is just one way teens and young adults can get into financial trouble down the road. In August, Governor

Cuomo issued a warning to college students that purchasing fake IDs and false identification documents increases the chances of becoming a victim of identity fraud.

According to the Identity Theft Resource Center, a non-profit organization founded to provide victim assistance and consumer education, victims whose identity is compromised from driver license information most often discover trouble when they find unexplained traffic violations appearing on their driving records. Identity theft topped the FTC's national ranking of consumer complaints for the 15th consecutive year in 2014.

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## Me? A catskinner?

by Conni Partridge

My husband, Sam, was still trying to finish up a big septic job in Connecticut so he could move to

Esperance, NY, for good and do some serious farming. We had our first herd of pigs to attend to, which left me with the chore of feeding them twice a day.

Before we found a local vegetable farmer who was willing to donate unsalable produce as supplemental feed, I had to cut tall grass every day. With long clippers, I built up a few arm muscles producing something for them to supplement the daily hog feed. Since Sam was not able to be here to rototill the gardens, the grasses took over the vegetables.

Luckily for the pigs I cut a great deal of lambs' quarters, which eventually developed into even more nutritious quinoa. There were also alfalfa, clover and what looked like Kentucky Blue Grass.

With a riding mower Sam had acquired in trade for three bales of hay, a small trailer in tow, I transported armloads of my cuttings to the greedy, rowdy porkers.

When I started picking up great tubs full of recycled produce, I would back our pick up truck to the fence and laboriously heave one veggie at a time to the hungry animals. Often, I would pitch, baseball style, zucchini, tomatoes, plums, peaches, onions, celery and various squashes. And later, pumpkins, which had to be chopped before I could even pick them up. When Sam visited the farm on weekends, he would load his Hitachi excavator with veggies and feed the pigs their supplement in just one stroke.

When Photographer Charles Clements first saw Benjamin Holt's huge steam tractor with its undulating tracks



Bud, the catskinner

Photo by Conni Partridge

worming its way through a field of barley in 1904, he called the newly-invented contraption a "Caterpillar."

The logical moniker for the strong, agile, hardy men who operated these machines became "Catskinner." Today, any expert operator of any heavy equipment is considered a catskinner.

My husband is a bona fide catskinner. I am not. "You can do it," he promised.

I climbed into the cab and allowed him to show me the simple controls of the big machine. So, now, at age 84, I climb into the back of the pickup truck, heave produce into the Hitachi bucket, then maneuver the big machine over to the fence and,

gently, slowly, dump a load of veggies into the herd. The hogs will try to climb into the bucket.

Only a few shin shears and black and blue knees resulted from climbing in and off the Hitachi.

Bud, our black Lab, is scared to death of the sounds of skeet shooting that goes on every Sunday next door. One day the fearful dog gave me an anxious look and leaped into the cab of the Hitachi with me, crowding me out. Bud's no catskinner either but he certainly knows how to board the machine in a hurry. I managed to exit the machine with some effort with the big dog squeezing me, ran for my camera and snapped the picture!

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Daylight savings time, when clocks are moved forward one hour ahead in the spring and set back one hour in the fall, was initiated to save energy on artificial lighting and make better use of daylight. DST was implemented roughly 100 years ago, but conceived much earlier than that.

Today DST is in use in more than 70 countries across the globe, affecting about one billion people every year. Despite the well-intentioned purposes behind DST, little evidence exists to support DST as an effective means to saving energy.

In 2016, DST will begin at 2 a.m. on Sunday, March 13, and end at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 6, in the United States and Canada. However, Hawaii, most of Arizona, most of Saskatchewan, and some regions of British Columbia, Nunavut, Quebec, and Ontario will not observe DST.



## How to maintain mental focus

The technological advancements made in the 21st century have undoubtedly made life easier in many ways, but this golden age of gadgets has not come without some negative side effects. Thanks to the near-constant availability of the Internet and devices like smartphones and tablets, many men and women find it difficult to maintain their focus throughout the day. But while such distractions are never too far away, there are some ways to stay focused and productive.

- **Get more exercise.** Studies have shown that exercise and improved mental focus are linked. In a 2013 analysis of 19 studies involving more than 500 children, teenagers and young adults, and researchers found that exercise sessions between 10 and 40 minutes immediately boosted concentration and mental focus. That improvement might be a result of exercise increasing blood flow to the brain. Men and women who find themselves struggling to focus at work after

lunchtime may benefit from incorporating some exercise, whether it's a brief walk or a more strenuous workout, into their midday routines.

- **Perform breathing exercises.** Nervousness is an oft-overlooked cause of loss of focus. When nervous, breath can become shallow and restricted, which can have a negative impact on the flow of oxygen to your brain, making it more difficult to concentrate. Professional athletes have long espoused the virtues of breathing exercises as a means to calming their nerves, and professionals can follow suit. Some simple breathing exercises can help busy professionals multitask more effectively by helping them concentrate on the tasks at hand and overcome the distraction of having so much to do at one time.

- **Stay hydrated.** A recent study published in the Journal of Nutrition found that dehydration caused loss of focus and a sense of fatigue among women. While the loss of focus was considered insubstantial

and the study only examined women, remaining hydrated throughout the day may make it easier to focus on work and other tasks throughout the day.

- **Get adequate sleep.** One of the best ways to improve focus during the day is to make sure you're getting enough sleep at night. Sleep deprivation produces a host of negative consequences, not the least of which is its impact on cognitive functioning. Research has shown that sleep deprivation compromises alertness and concentration, making it more difficult to focus at work and tackle tasks that require deep analysis and thought. In addition, a survey from the National Sleep Foundation found that sleep-deprived men and women are less likely to exercise and eat healthy diets, each of which can boost mental acuity.

Focusing in today's atmosphere of constant distractions can be difficult, but men and women can overcome diversions by employing a handful of successful strategies aimed at improving concentration.



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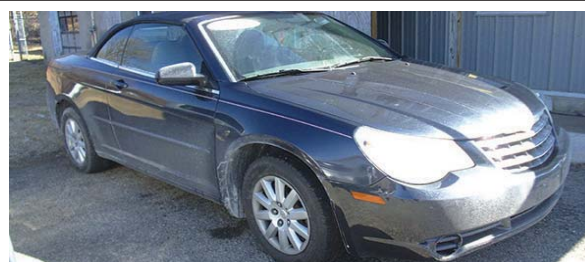


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by Barbara J. Parkhurst



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The Celtic cross is a symbol widely associated with Ireland, but many may not know the unique history and debate surrounding this unique and instantly recognizable symbol. The Celtic cross combines a cross with a circle surrounding its intersection, but other than that description, little can be confirmed about the origins of this symbol that some historians believe can be traced back to ancient paganism.

Historical revisionist author and researcher Crichton E.M. Miller theorizes that the cross had more practical purposes than those subscribed to it today, serving as a navigational device used by ancient explorers and builders.

One popular, though highly unlikely, theory regarding the origins of the Celtic cross is that it was introduced by St. Patrick, Ireland's patron saint. This theory states that St. Patrick, or possibly St. Declan, combined the cross, which is the foremost symbol of Christianity, with the sun cross, a circular symbol traced to prehistoric cultures, in an attempt to illustrate

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## Whatchamacallits



Hunters and sportsmen through the years have reloaded their own ammunition to reduce the cost of their sport. It is still done today. This week's Whatchamacallit is a pair of reloading tools.

The odd looking one on the left, pictured with *Cartridge Reloading Tools of the Past*, is the Winchester Model 1891 Reloading Tool manufactured by the Winchester Repeating Arms Co. of New Haven, CT. It was patented on March 17, 1891,

is made of polished, blued steel and is marked for 38-55 caliber. The sportsman was able with one tool to decap the case, seat the primer and force the assembled case into a die by rotating the handles to complete the reloading process. Although remarkable in its application, this model was short-lived as it was complicated in its design and slow and awkward in its operation.

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# Pruning fruit trees and other March gardening tips

by **Leonard Perry, UVM Horticulturist and Charlie Nardozi, Garden Consultant**

Pruning fruit trees, sowing seeds, and starting begonia tubers are some of the gardening activities for this month.

Choose a day above freezing, if possible, to prune fruit trees as it is easier on you as well as on the tree. First, check for and remove the 3 D's — branches that are dead (usually a different color), diseased (look for scabs or spots), and damaged (as from ice damage or wind breakage).

Then, check for and remove the 2 C's — branches that are crowded or crossing (they'll rub on each other, wearing off the bark where disease can enter). Finally, prune selectively, shaping the tree according to its age and type of fruit tree.

By starting your own plants from seeds, you'll save money and be able to grow unusual varieties not readily available in nurseries. Start seeds in flats filled with moistened seed-starting mix. Once the seeds germinate, place the plants under tube lights or grow lights (14 hours a day, 6 to 8 inches above seedlings), and keep soil moist.

Organize seed packets by planting time. Some seeds are generally sown directly in the garden so should be set aside into one group. These include ones such as corn, beans, and carrots. A few flowers are often sown directly into the soil, including sweet peas and nasturtium. I like to sow most of my seeds, even ones such as squash that can be sown directly, into peat pots or cell packs prior, to get a slight jump

on our usually short growing season.

Group seeds to be started indoors, and then arrange them by planting time. For example, start with seeds that should be planted indoors 8 weeks before the average last frost, followed by those to be planted 6 weeks before, and so on. If you haven't tracked, or aren't sure of, your average last frost date, figure on perhaps mid-May in USDA zone 5, late May in zone 4, and early June or later in zone 3. This date of course varies with your own specific climate and year.

Some of the flowers you may want to start this month, about 8 weeks before planting out, include ageratum, coleus, dianthus, geranium, impatiens, ornamental millet, petunia, salvia, and annual vinca. To get a jump

on the herb gardening season, start seeds of basil, parsley, sage, and thyme indoors. Start seeds of cole crops, including broccoli, cabbage, Brussels sprouts, and cauliflower. You'll have transplant-sized plants of these in about 6 weeks, ready for planting outdoors a few weeks before the average last spring frost date (since they tolerate some cold).

Wait until next month to start most vegetables. If you sow tomatoes too early, you'll end up with spindly and leggy plants. Aim for about 6 weeks prior to planting outside for these (after the last usual frost date). More details on sowing dates can be found in catalogs and online.

Plant begonia tubers in containers to get an early start. Plant them hollow-side-up in well-drained

potting soil. Set them in a warm (70 degrees F) location and keep the soil moist but not soggy. Once you see growth — usually in 3 or 4 weeks — place the pots in bright, indirect light. Wait to plant outdoors until all

danger of frost is past.

Other gardening activities for this month include watching for and attending flower and garden seminars, visiting a maple sugarhouse, and removing heavy winter mulch from perennials.

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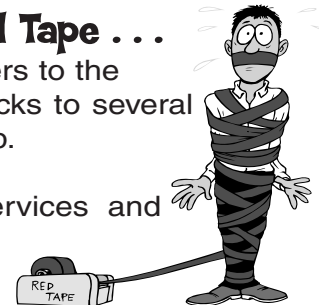
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**SNOOPY** - Brown and white male Hound mix, 8+ years old. Found on Enoch St., Nelliston on December 30, 2015. Good with other dogs.



**RYLIE** - 2-4 year old female Pit Bull mix. Came to the shelter in May 2015. Knows "sit" and gives her paw to "shake". Not good with other dogs, cats or kids.



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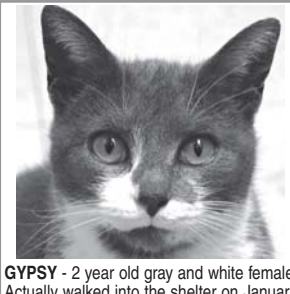
**MARSHA** - 2-3 year old female orange tiger. Sweet and friendly, a bit shy.



**CLOVER** - Beautiful 2 year old female Calico. Found under a dumpster in Fonda on December 6, 2015.



**BREE** - 2-3 year old female orange tiger. Sweet and friendly.



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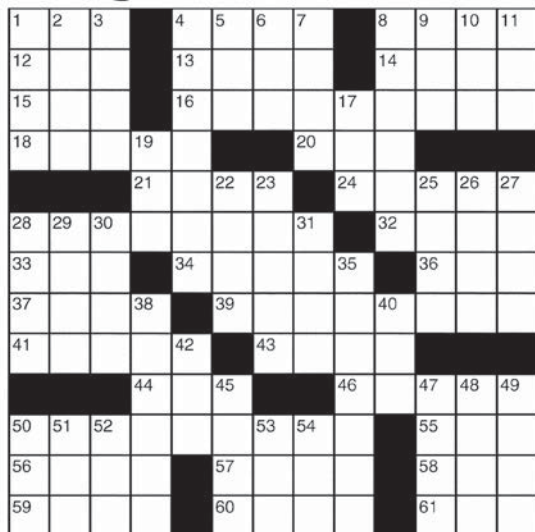
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- 1 Relative of reggae
- 4 Crazy
- 8 Reed instrument
- 12 Snapshot
- 13 Jacob's twin
- 14 Thwart
- 15 Brewery product
- 16 Cascade
- 18 Wander off
- 20 Witness
- 21 Corn eaters' castoffs
- 24 Unforeseen problems
- 28 Napoleon's downfall



- 32 Plummet
- 33 Historic period
- 34 "Smallville" family
- 36 — Khan
- 37 Roseanne of comedy
- 39 1998 Sandler movie, with "The"
- 41 Censorial sound
- 43 Classic theater name
- 44 Shell game item
- 46 Furlough
- 50 Nixon-era scandal
- 55 Fleur-de- —

- 56 Met melody
- 57 Ocho —, Jamaica
- 58 Treasure seeker's aid
- 59 Fender bender result
- 60 Heidi's range
- 61 Crafty

## DOWN

- 1 Resorts
- 2 Bagpiper's attire
- 3 Big name in PCs
- 4 The Big Apple
- 5 Mex. neighbor
- 6 Skin art, for short

- 7 Seeks restitution
- 8 Insult
- 9 Feathery neckpiece
- 10 Lubricate
- 11 Right angle
- 17 In medias —
- 19 Expert
- 22 Huffed and puffed
- 23 Echolocation method
- 25 Bedouin
- 26 Energetic
- 27 Fix, in a sense
- 28 "Dragnet" star
- 29 Uzbekistan sea
- 30 Container

- 31 Director
- 35 Neuter
- 38 Say again
- 40 "Catcher in the —"
- 42 Apiece
- 45 Taj Mahal city
- 47 Charitable donations
- 48 Test tube
- 49 Catch sight of
- 50 Bankroll
- 51 Exist
- 52 Can material
- 53 Have a bug
- 54 Upper surface

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# STICKELERS

by Terry Stickels

Match the capital city of each respective country.

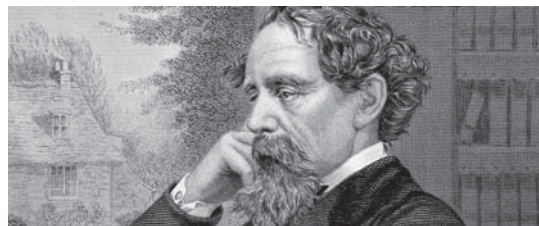
- 1. Skopje
- 2. Budapest
- 3. Bucharest
- 4. Sofia
- 5. Tirana
- a. Albania
- b. Bulgaria
- c. Romania
- d. Macedonia
- e. Hungary

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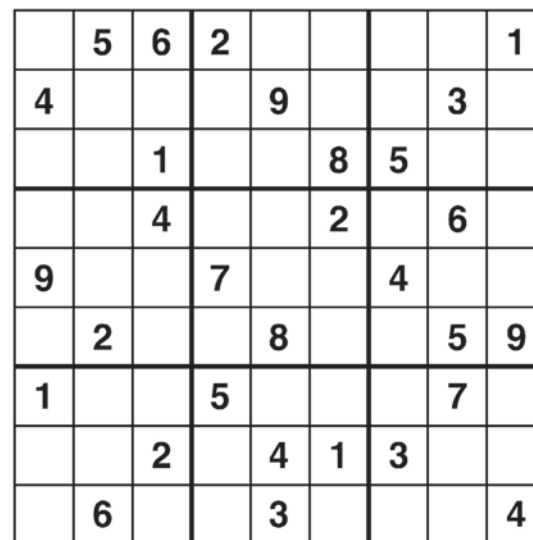
It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light, and winter in the shade. ~

Charles Dickens, Great Expectations



# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

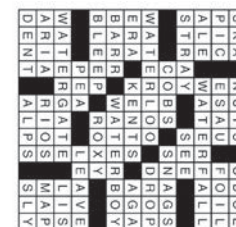


Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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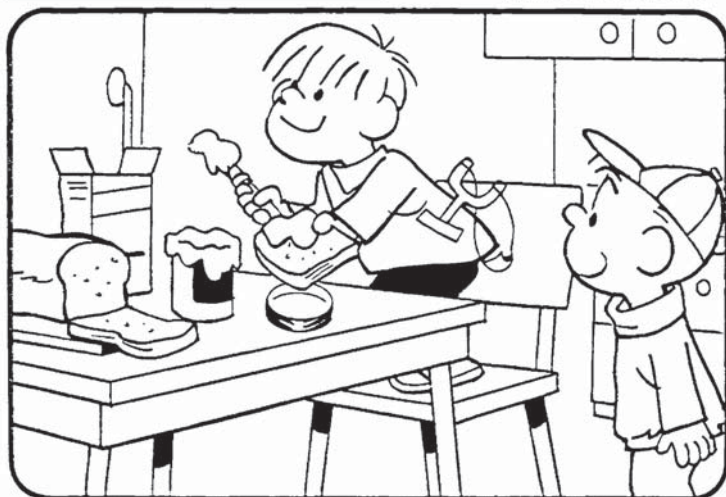


Solution time: 25 mins.

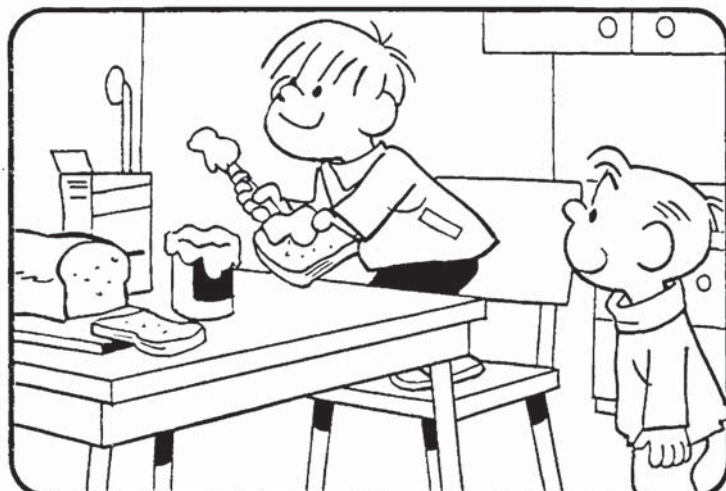
King Crossword

# HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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# Mega Maze

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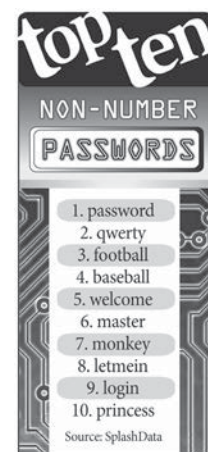
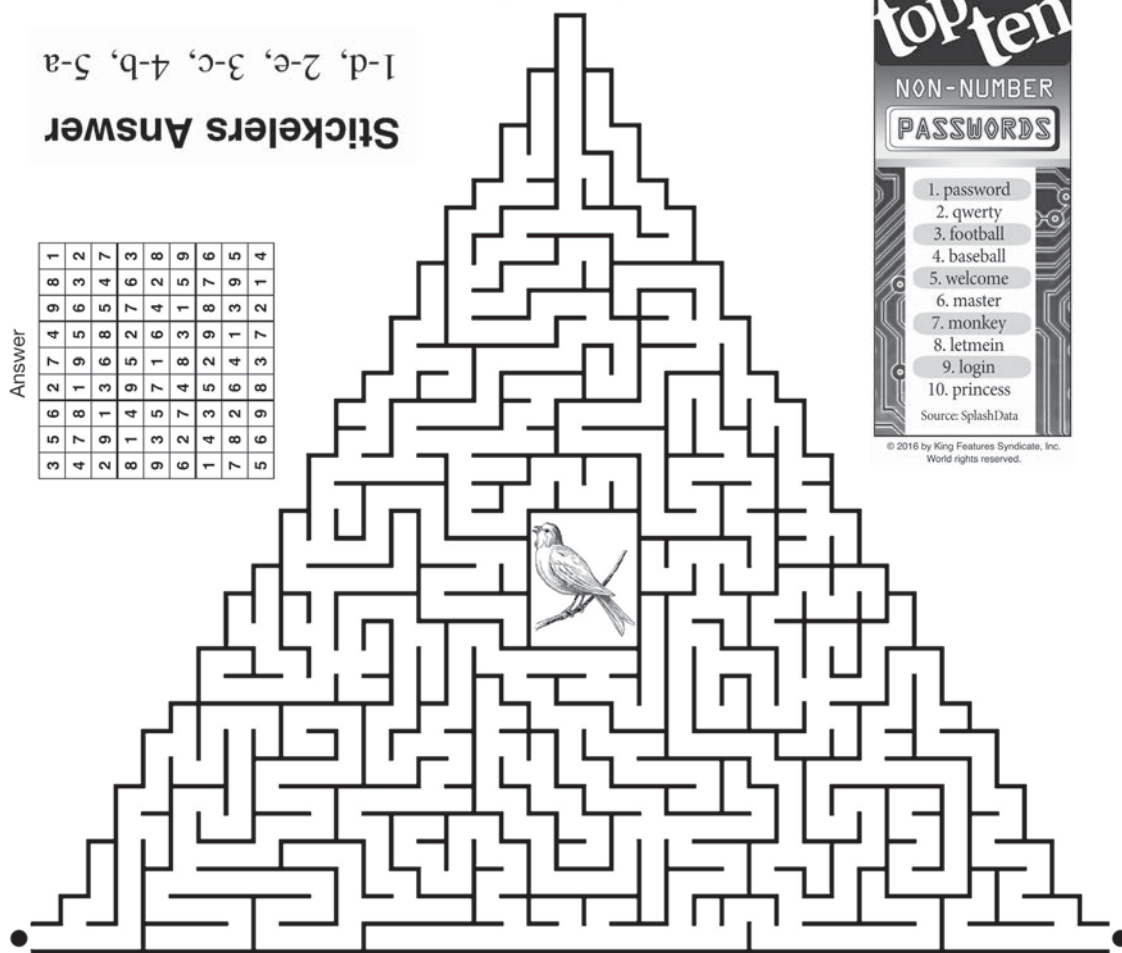
1-d, 2-e, 3-c, 4-b, 5-a  
Stickelers Answer

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

Weekly SUDOKU

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**Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

- ◆ Prime Rib w/Potato & Veg 3-7 PM
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**Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

- ◆ Steak & Cheese Omelette w/Homofries

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**Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**

- ◆ ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES 3-7 PM
- ◆ Chipped Beef on Toast
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**Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

- ◆ Spanish Rice w/Veg
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#### MAR 12 - 31

##### Arkell Center Events for January

Arkell Center Programs for ALL AREA Seniors during March are as follows:

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

**Monday-Friday:** 9 am-Noon. Arkell Center's Indoor Walking Program will be open to the local Senior Citizens. Please join us through the winter months.

**Tuesdays:** 10 am-11 am. Tai Chi Workshop with Earl O'Bryn is closed for 2 weeks. Next workshop begins Mar. 8. This 6 week workshop is sponsored by St. Mary's Healthcare, free of charge to all seniors who wish to participate.

**Mon., Wed. & Fri.:** 10-10:30 am. Senior Exercise Program is in the basement. Open to all area Seniors. Coffee after. **Wednesdays:** 2:30-3:30 pm. Gentle Yoga with instructor Patty Pietrowicz in the basement. Open to all Area Seniors. \$5 donation.

All programs subject to closure when Canajoharie School is closed due to bad weather.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

**COMING JUNE 16.** Canajoharie Sr. Cit. Club trip to McCadden Theatre. "NICE WORK IF YOU CAN GET IT". Cost \$47 members, \$52 non-members. Call 673-5588. **Wednesdays:** Continuing through Apr. 13. AARP

Tax Preparation with Lou Gotti. Call 673-2943 for an appointment.

**Mar. 15:** 7 pm. Valley Choraliers will perform their Lenten Music.

**Mar.:** 16, 23 & 30. 12:30-4 pm. Senior Citizens Pinochle Card Party, donation \$2, prizes & refreshments. If you would like to sub, call Terry at 673-5635.

**Mar. 17:** 11:45 am. Meals of Montgomery-St. Patty's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Luncheon joined by the Arkell Residents. Call 673-2000 to sign up, followed by entertainment with Elinor & Friends, come join the fun.

**Mar. 18:** 1:30 pm. St. Patty's BINGO following the Senior Citizen Meeting. Come join the fun \$1 donation.

**Mar. 22:** 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 pro-

vides health and wellness information.

**Mar. 24:** 9:30 am. Join us for Breakfast with our Seniors-bring a friend & a dish to share.

**Mar. 24:** 1 pm. Arkell Center. Water Color Class with instructor Joanne Resch. \$10 fee. Includes all supplies needed to complete a picture the same day. Call 673-4408.

#### MEETINGS

**Mar. 17, 24 & 31:** 10:15-11 am. The Diet Club meets in the Gallery at Arkell Ctr. The goal is to be accountable while losing or maintaining your weight. Call 673-2112.

**Mar. 18:** 1 pm. Canajoharie Senior Citizens Club Meeting.

**Mar. 22:** 10-11 am. Alzheimers Caregiver Support Group. Please join us.

#### MAR

##### Kindergarten Enrollment

Cherry Valley Central School. For questions related to Kindergarten enrollment for 2016-17

school year, contact Mrs. Carson in the District Office at 607-264-9332 ext. 501. Your child must turn 5 years old on or before Dec. 1, 2016 in order to be eligible to enroll in Kindergarten.

#### MAR

##### Prekindergarten Registration

Cherry Valley Central School. If your child is going to be 4 years old on or before December 1st, 2016, he or she is eligible to apply for our Prekindergarten program. Applications will be available in the District Office on April 4, 2016. Contact Mrs. Carson for more information at 607-264-3265 ext. 501 or email [lcason@cvschool.org](mailto:lcason@cvschool.org).

#### MAR 12

##### Cabin Fever Sale

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**Thurs., Mar. 17th** - Groton, NY. 11:00AM - Rankin Farm- Dale & Mack Rankin Complete Grade Holstein Dispersal. 120 Head Freestall Holsteins consisting of 50 milking age, 25 bred heifers, balance youngstock - all AI sired & bred. SCC 134,000. GPS address: 415 Cobb Street, Groton, NY 13073. Check website for more details.

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**Mon. Mar. 28th** - Normal Monday Sale & Organic Day.

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#### Rabies Clinic

Mohawk Town Barn, 2-4 Park Street, Fonda. 9 am-Noon. \$10 per rabies vaccination. Other vaccines will be available at an additional fee. For more information about rabies contact Montgomery County Public Health at 518-853-3531.

#### MAR 13

#### Lenten Concert by The Valley Choralaires

Grace Church, Center Street, St. Johnsville. 3 pm. Free will offering and refreshments following concert.

#### MAR 20

#### Lenten Concert by The Valley Choralaires

United Methodist Church, East Main Street, Canajoharie. 3 pm. Free will offering.

#### APR 2

#### Chicken Barbecue

Dolgeville United Methodist Church. 2:30 pm. There will be take-out dinners only. The menu features Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Homemade Baked Beans, Rolls, Applesauce and Dessert. \$9 for adults, \$4.50 for children under 12 and free for children under 5. For more information call 429-7381.

#### APR 10

#### Ham Dinner

Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church, Ft. Plain. Noon-3:30 pm. Tickets - presale \$9 adults, \$5 children. At the door - adults \$10, children \$6. Children under five free. Tickets can be purchased after weekend liturgies or at the Parish office Monday-Thursday 9-1 pm. Take-outs available. Will deliver to Canajo-Ft. Plain-St. Johnsville area, call 518-

673-2935.

#### APR 27

#### Rabies Clinic

Dolgeville Fire Department, 20 S. Helmer Ave., Dolgeville. 5:30-7 pm. Pre-register at [www.herkimercounty.org](http://www.herkimercounty.org). A \$5 donation per pet is suggested to defray costs.

#### MAY 30

#### Opening Day, Fort Klock

St. Johnsville. 10 am-4 pm. Call 518-568-7779 for more information or visit [www.fortklockrestoration.org](http://www.fortklockrestoration.org).

#### JUN 9 - 12

#### The Fort Plain Museum's Second Annual Conference

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#### JUN 11 - 12

#### Hammer In

Fort Klock, St. Johnsville. 10 am-4 pm. All blacksmiths are invited to attend and demonstrate how iron items were created in early times. Call 518-568-7779 for more information or visit [www.fortklockrestoration.org](http://www.fortklockrestoration.org).

#### JUL 4

#### Independence Day

Fort Klock, St. Johnsville. 12-4 pm. At 1 pm an old fashioned salute to showcase American History as the Declaration of Independence is read. The Second Tryon County Militia salute will follow to honor those who fought for freedom. Strawberry festival. Bake sale. Call 518-568-7779 for more information or visit [www.fortklockrestoration.org](http://www.fortklockrestoration.org).

#### JUL 9 - 10

#### 2016 Canal Days

Visitor Center in Fort Hunter, NY. This annual event is a fun mix of games, food, music, education, recreation, a car show and more. For more information contact Jan-

ice at 518-829-7516 or [Schoharie.Crossing@parks.ny.gov](mailto:Schoharie.Crossing@parks.ny.gov).

#### JUL 24

#### Stone Soup Concert

Fort Klock, St. Johnsville. 7 pm in the Dutch barn. Call 518-568-7779 for more information or visit [www.fortklockrestoration.org](http://www.fortklockrestoration.org).

#### AUG 2, 3 & 4

#### Young Pioneer Program

Fort Klock, St. Johnsville. 9 am-3:30 pm. All children between the ages of 9-13 are invited to attend this educational program. Children will experience frontier life and colonial lifestyles through educational hands on activities while have loads of fun! Call Fort Klock at 518-568-7779 to enroll. A small fee is charged, reserve your early, limited registration.

#### SEP 1

#### Rabies Clinic

Salisbury Fire Department, 2549 St. Rt. 29, Salisbury Center. 5:30-7 pm. Pre-register at [www.herkimercounty.org](http://www.herkimercounty.org). A \$5 donation per pet is suggested to defray costs.

#### SEP 10 & 11

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#### DEC 4

#### Saint Nicholas Day

Fort Klock, St. Johnsville. A traditional holiday custom that dates from the fourth century. The celebration is from a rich heritage that is preserved through colonial music, homemade cookies and gingerbread, hot chocolate and spiced cider. All children receive a homemade wooden ornament from St. Nicholas. In addition, the Tryon County militia will drill, there is a storyteller, roaring fires, pine bough decorations and tree. Call 518-568-7779 for more information or visit [www.fortklockrestoration.org](http://www.fortklockrestoration.org).

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**011: REDUCED!!!** 1479 Stone Arabia Road, **PALATINE BRIDGE:** This property has recently been sub-divided and has been surveyed, taxes have not been determined. This double-wide is in excellent condition and is located on 2.5 acres. It is located on a quiet country road, halfway between Johnstown and Canajoharie and Fort Plain. There is plenty of room for a garden and room for the kids to play. **Asking \$79,900**



**506: NEW LISTING!!!** 42 Willett Street, **FORT PLAIN:** Four unit property with separate utilities. Village water and sewer. **Asking \$44,900**



**013: NEW LISTING!!!** 21 Oxford Terrace, **GLOVERSVILLE:** This is a solidly built home with very nice features. It is in need of painting and updating and is worth a look. The owner will hold the mortgage with 20% down and an 8 year pay off. There is a nice family room with French doors and many windows for plenty of natural light. **Asking \$89,900**



**827: REDUCED!!!** 22 Center Street, **PALATINE BRIDGE:** Relax on the front porch of this home located on a dead end street or entertain on the deck in the large backyard. Many updates: windows, vinyl siding, furnace, roof, new entrance door, hot water heater, hardwood floors. Completely renovated kitchen and bath. Large living room with window seat. Walk up attic for expansion. Built-in bookshelf going up the stairway. Walk out basement. **Asking \$114,900**



**403: 26 West Street, FORT PLAIN:** This is a turn-key home in a nice quiet neighborhood. Upon entering the front door you are in a charming foyer with a beautiful staircase. On the 1st floor, there is a large living room leading into a formal dining room with a gorgeous chandelier. The eat-in kitchen has a Carriage House kitchen. There is also a 1/2 bath. On the 2nd floor, there are 3 good sized bedrooms and a spacious full bathroom. Also, a walk-up attic that could be made into a bonus room and a walk-out basement. This is a MUST SEE HOME!!! **Asking \$119,000**



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# All things automotive

## A new car vs. your used car: What's the greener option?

(BPT) — Buying a new car to reduce your carbon footprint seems logical. But surprisingly, keeping the vehicle already in your garage, or replacing it with a more fuel efficient used car may be a greener choice. That's because it takes a lot of energy and raw materials to manufacture a new vehicle. "It varies between models, but it is reasonable to estimate building a new \$30,000 midsize

car will generate greenhouse gases that are the equivalent of 14 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>," says Rock-Auto.com Vice President, Tom Taylor.

The average car on the road is about 11 years old. EPA data shows that vehicles (cars and trucks) built in 2005, on average, emit 447 grams of CO<sub>2</sub> per mile. A 2016 vehicle is expected to generate about 90 grams less than that every mile. Produc-

ing less CO<sub>2</sub> is good, but it would take more than 150,000 miles of driving for that 90 grams in CO<sub>2</sub> savings to add up and compensate for the 14,000 kg (14 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>) it took to build the new car. Especially for someone who does not drive a lot, it could be greener to just keep a well-maintained older vehicle than to build a new one.

### How much do you save with an electric car?

Electric cars do not have tailpipes, but an electric car is still on the hook for "upstream CO<sub>2</sub>" emitted by the utility that provides the electricity for the car. The EPA estimates upstream CO<sub>2</sub> is around 100 grams per mile for most electric vehicles. That is a whopping 347 grams less than what is produced by the average vehicle built in 2005, but it would still take over 40,000 miles of

driving before the electric car saved enough CO<sub>2</sub> to cover the greenhouse gas cost of building it in the first place.

### The environmental cost of servicing older cars

What about the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent discharged while making parts to fix an older car? Brake pads, struts, tires and other

parts wear out as the miles pile up. Fortunately, unless the vehicle is involved in an accident, the structure that makes up most of a car will never need to be replaced.

Many smaller parts like alternators and major parts like engines and transmissions can be remanufactured. Remanu-

facturing means only the components that experience wear are replaced. Metal housings and other major pieces can be cleaned, refinished and reused. "Remanufacturing saves more than 80 percent of the energy and raw materials required to build a new part from scratch," Taylor says. Less energy and materials means less CO<sub>2</sub>.

Car manufacturers are using more recycled materials and updating factories to use less energy. Government mandates require future vehicles become increasingly more fuel-efficient. "Upstream CO<sub>2</sub>" may decline as utility companies find new, greener ways to generate electricity. Nevertheless, keeping your current car well maintained or buying a more fuel-efficient used car are currently great choices if you want to be green.



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## Tips for preowned vehicle buyers

The impression of used cars and trucks has changed dramatically in recent years. Now widely referred to as “preowned vehicles,” such automobiles are now the first choice of many buyers who want reliable vehicles without having to pay full sticker price.

While buying preowned vehicles is less risky today than it might have been two decades ago, there is still some risk for buyers who purchase cars that are not brand new. The following tips can help motorists find preowned vehicles that suit their needs and budgets.

- Do your homework. Drivers rarely buy brand new vehicles without first researching the makes and models they are considering. Whether they are checking a vehicle's safety ratings, gas mileage or warranty terms, buyers know that such research is essential to making the most in-

formed decisions. Pre-owned vehicle buyers should be just as diligent as new car buyers, researching the vehicle's initial assessments and ordering a vehicle history report to determine if a vehicle they're considering has been in any accidents and how many drivers have previously owned the car. Buyers also should research manufacturer warranty terms to determine whether the original warranty is still in place or if they will need to purchase a new one.

- Develop a realistic budget. Budgets are important whether buyers are purchasing brand new or preowned vehicles. But while new car buyers can reasonably expect their maintenance costs to remain low for a few years, preowned vehicle buyers, especially those purchasing cars without warranties, should expect to deal with repairs sooner than they would if they were

buying brand new cars. Leave some room in your budget for repairs and then look for vehicles that fit your budget. Maxing out your budget could prove disastrous if your car needs repairs sooner than expected, and if repairs are a long way off, you are still saving money.

- Make sure you are getting the best price. Preowned vehicle prices may be more flexible than the prices of brand new cars, but it's still up to buyers to ensure they're getting the best price. Resources such as Kelley Blue Book (www.kbb.com) and the Edmunds.com True Market Value (TMV)® pricing tool can help buyers make the best buying decisions. Using such resources is quick and easy and can help buyers quell any concerns they might have about overpaying for preowned cars or trucks.

- Insist on a pre-purchase inspection for vehicles not designated as



certified preowned vehicles. Before making an offer on a preowned vehicle, buyers should insist on a pre-purchase inspection performed by their own mechanics. Such inspections are not necessary when buying certified preowned vehicles from dealerships because such certifications are only granted when manufacturers or other certifying authorities have inspect-

ed the vehicles before they were offered for sale. If private sellers or dealers selling uncertified preowned vehicles resist your efforts to get a pre-purchase inspection, walk away and continue your search elsewhere.

Preowned vehicles no longer carry the stigma they once did, and savvy buyers can find great deals on reliable pre-owned automobiles.

## How to sell a vehicle with an accident history

Selling a vehicle may seem easy, but unloading preowned vehicles may take some time. While sellers may already have their eyes on the prize — a new vehicle — the first step is selling their current vehicle at a fair price, especially for those sellers who need to finance the purchase of

their next vehicle with the proceeds they earn when selling their current one.

Sellers must consider a host of factors, including potential market for the vehicle and its potential sale price, before putting their vehicles up for sale. The accident history of a vehicle is another important factor to consider. Buyers are understandably weary about purchasing vehicles that have been in an accident. Easily accessible vehicle history reports can make it even more challenging to sell a used car, but such reports don't make it impossible to unload preowned vehicles.

- Be open and honest. Hiding an accident is unethical and can haunt you down the road. It is better to be forthcoming about any accidents a vehicle might have been in. If you have documentation of the accident, such

as photos and receipts for repairs, make it available to prospective buyers. If you have certification from an auto body shop or mechanic that the vehicle is in perfectly good condition and was repaired with quality, manufacturer-supplied parts, offer that information as well. The more information you provide and the more honest and forthcoming you are, the less it will seem like you're trying to hide major damage.

- Encourage a vehicle inspection. Inform the buyer that you have no qualms about him or her taking the car to a mechanic and having it thoroughly inspected. This will show your confidence in the performance of the vehicle.

- Consider a dealer trade-in. Dealer trade-ins may not earn you as much money than you

would get if you were to sell the car privately, but trade-ins tend to be simpler. Dealerships have almost zero emotional attachment to vehicles and likely won't be as concerned as a private buyer about an accident on record. Some dealers farm out used cars to auctions or salvage yards. It may be worth it to take the lower price and not have the headache of unloading the car on your own.

- Be flexible on pricing. The right price will help prospective buyers overlook minor blemishes or accidents. When coupled with the truth, the right price can entice buyers to seal the deal.

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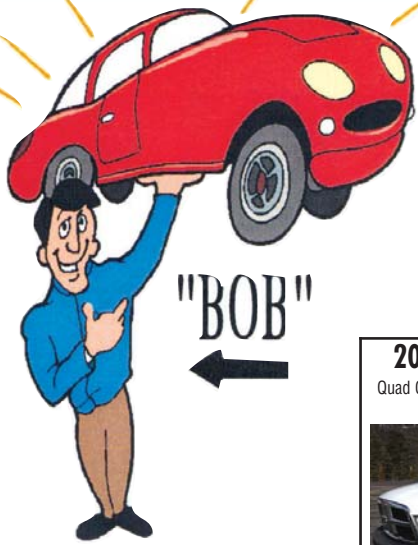
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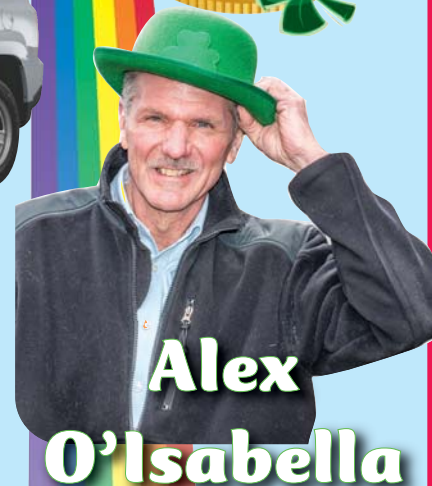
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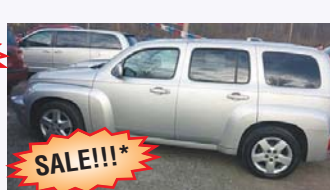
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89k Miles **\$9,995**



40+ MPG

2012 Hyundai Accent GLS  
74k Miles **\$9,550**



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2007 Ford 500 SEL AWD  
86k Miles **\$8,495**



Great SUV

2007 Hyundai Santa Fe  
90k Miles **\$9,650**



Ext Cab

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93k Miles **\$15,995**



Great MPG

2013 Chevy Sonic  
48k Miles **\$9,575**



35+ MPG

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85k Miles **\$8,425**



Nice Ride

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