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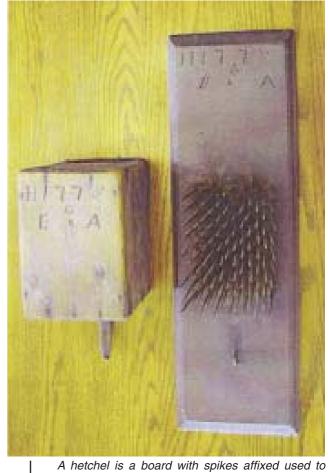


The Story of the Mohawk Valley Hetchel

In the late 1940's an unusual hetchel turned up in an antique shop near Fonda, New York. I purchased it for a very small amount. Hetchels* were certainly not uncommon but this one bore a finely carved set of initials and the date 1778. This period of time I our valley was one of death and destruction. Many homesteads were laid waste by British, Tory and Indian raiders. Thus, artifacts of that period from our area were not as common as those from other sections. No provenance was established when the hetchel was purchased. The antique dealer was known to purchase items in the New England states as well as in our area. The question was — first, where had the hetchel come from, and who had cherished it enough to put the special embellishments on it. Probably the question would never be answered.

The body of this hetchel is cherry wood 21 3/4 inches long and 7 inches wide. There are two wrought iron hooks protruding from the body near one end of the spikes and a wrought iron staple near the oth-

er end. There was no doubt that they were to secure a cover over the needles sharp points. Where was the cover? That was thought to be another unanswered question. The hetchel had remained in my collection for over 50 years when an antique dealer friend told me he had recently acquired what he believed to be a grain scoop with a wrought iron handle and a 1778 date. Since I collected small horse related items he thought I might like it. Imagine my surprise when it turned out to be the cover for my hetchel. The bonus was that it proved that the hetchel was a Mohawk Valley artifact. The cover had been purchased from a direct descendant of the prominent Getman family who settled in our area long before the Revolution. I have yet to learn just what members of the family owned the hetchel. One wonders if the initials were for a man and wife, two sisters or two brothers. Did the male or female members of the family hetchel the flax? The other markings are also a mystery. It is possible that more than one similar hetchel once existed but



A hetchel is a board with spikes affixed used to comb flax in the process of making linen cloth.

with a different number of spikes. Thus, the owner could tell whether the hetchel had coarse or fine spikes without removing the cover. Perhaps the reader can help answer some of the questions about the hetchel whose parts became separated and were reunited after 50 years.

Skip Barshied

* For those of you who

are not familiar with the word hetchel (sometimes called hackle), a description of this tool of the past may be necessary. The hetchel is a board with spikes affixed used to comb flax in the process of making linen cloth. The spikes straighten the fibers and remove the unusable tow. Only after the process can the fibers be spun into thread on the spinning wheel.

Good Housekeeping: Shrimp Salad with Spring Pea mix

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- 12 large eggs
- 1 lemon
- 3 sprigs fresh dill
- 12 ounces large shrimp (16 to 20 count)
- 12 ounces Yukon gold potatoes
- Salt and pepper
- 12 ounces sugar snap peas
- 1-1/2 cups frozen peas
 - 1 cups plain yogurt
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 cup finely chopped red onion (1 small onion)

- 3 stalks celery
- 1 tablespoon white wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1. In 4 quart saucepan, place eggs and enough cold water to cover by 1-inch. Heat to boiling on high; remove from heat. Cover and let stand 5 minutes. With slotted spoon, transfer eggs to colander. Rinse eggs under cold water until cool enough to handle; peel and cut in quarters. Set aside 12 quarters for garnish.
- 2. From lemon, squeeze 3 tablespoons juice and reserve. To same saucepan of water, add lemon rind and dill stems; heat to boiling on high. Add shrimp, reduce heat to maintain bare simmer; cook 3

minutes or until shrimp just turn opaque throughout. Drain, rinse under cold water until cool, and drain again. Discard lemon rind and dill sprigs.

- 3. In same pan, place potatoes and enough cold water to cover. Add 1 teaspoon salt. Heat to boiling on high, cover and reduce heat to simmer 15 minutes or until just tender; drain well.
- 4. While potatoes cook, heat 3 quart saucepan of water to boiling on high. Add snap peas and frozen peas. Cook 2 minutes or until bright green; drain well.
- 5. In large bowl, whisk yogurt, mustard, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, and 1/4 teaspoon each salt and freshly ground black pepper. Add hot pota-

toes, onion, celery, shrimp, eggs and half of chopped dill. Fold gently until well combined.

- 6. In another large bowl, whisk vinegar, oil, remaining 2 tablespoons lemon juice and 1/8 teaspoon each salt and ground black pepper; add all peas and remaining dill. Toss until well coated.
- 7. Spoon shrimp salad into center of serving platter, then spoon pea mixture all around. Garnish with reserved egg quarters and serve immediately. Serves 6.

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Belflower is a published author, critic and performer who earned his Ph.D. in Contemporary Poetry and Poetics from SUNY Albany. He has been the recipient of many grants and fellowships as well as awards and honors such as the Phyllis Hurd Liston Poetry Prize.

The program is made

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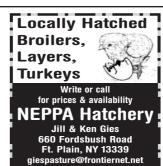
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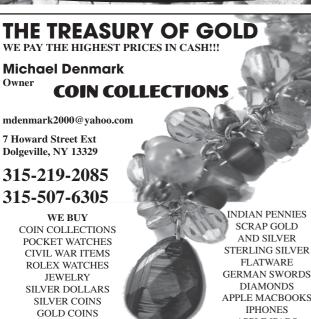
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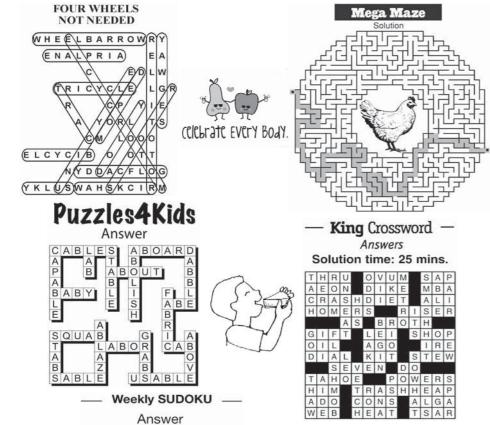
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The Town of Minden will hold its Third Annual History Fair on Saturday June 3 from 10 a.m. — 4 p.m.

The organizers are seeking exhibitors bring their collections for display during the Saturday event. This year's event will be held at the Fort Plain Elementary

School in the cafeteria and will be open free of charge to the general public. For more information or to reserve a table for the event please call Town Historian Rob Carter at



518-993-1023 or send an email to the mindenhistorian@yahoo.com . There is no charge to reserve table space but all reservations need to be in by Friday, May 26.

The annual event continues to grow in popularity and is a chance for friends, neighbors and local history enthusiasts to come together and talk local history.

For additional information please go to http://townofminden.or g .



Collecting: Fountain pen

by Larry Cox

9: My dad was a banker in Kansas, and I never saw him use a writing instrument that wasn't a fountain pen. I inherited one of his favorite ones, a Parker Duofold Senior. It is a beautiful pen, and I would like to know about when it was made. — Stan, Overland Park, KS

A: Your pen was manufactured in 1958 and is quite collectible. I found it listed in "Collecting Pens," by Edward Kiersh and published by House of Collectibles. Kiersh values your pen at \$175, but this may be a little low since fountain pens have become a hot collectible and values have steadily risen. I occasionally write with a "Big Red" from the 1930s, and it is one of the pleasures of life to write a note or letter with a vintage

Q: My grandparents immigrated to the United States from Europe in about 1920. Among the heirlooms they managed to bring with them is a set of sterling flatware in the Acanthus pattern by Georg Jensen. What can you tell me about it? —

Martha, Waco, Texas

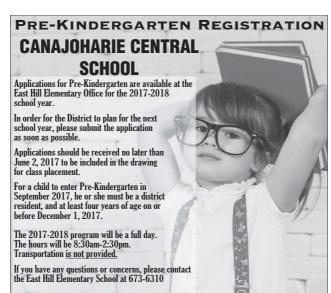
Georg Jensen A: opened his silver business in Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1904, and his craftsmanship made him famous throughout Europe. His mark is distinctive: a wreath topped by a crown and the words "Georg Jensen, Inc." Georg Jensen Inc., USA, opened in New York in 1941, but closed within a decade.

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Q: I purchased a Quezal vase at a yard sale for 25 cents. It looks like a Tiffany, and I have several friends who wish to buy it. — Pat, Riverside, RI

A: Quezal glass was made from 1901 until about 1924 in the Queens, NY, studio of Martin Bach Sr. Other companies made similar art glass, including Loetz, Steuben and Tiffany. Since Quezal vases generally sell for well above \$1,000, my advice is to contact a reputable dealer or ap-

praiser in your area and find out if your piece is authentic. If it is, you have a good eye and made a wonderful buy. (c) 2017 King Features Synd., Inc.





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by Mike Marland



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Five tips to create an affordable and rewarding home DIY project

(BPT) — When it comes to home improvement, DIY is more popular than ever. There's just something satisfying about improving your home with your own two hands and being able to enjoy the fruits of your labor, day after day. However, home improvement projects can be expensive, and many people shy away from tackling home improvements they know they would enjoy because of their skill level or the fear of high costs.

This doesn't have to be

the case. While some projects - like a complete bathroom remodel - are going to be expensive, other DIY projects can be tackled in an economical and enjoyable way. These projects may include repainting a room, installing a new ceiling fan or replacing old, damaged baseboards. The limit is your imagination, so look around your house to see what home improvements could enhance your home and then apply these tips for an affordable and rewarding







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experience.

- Find your motivation. The most rewarding DIY projects are those that satisfy a real need in your home and those you'll use or see every day. Whether it's to spruce up a room's appearance, enhance its usability, repair existing damage or another project that may increase your home's resale value, select one that will be meaningful. Find out where your motivations lie and choose a project that satisfies the goal. You'll put more effort into the project and be happier with the result.
- Know your limits. The "do" in "do it your-self" varies tremendously based on who you are and the skills you possess. If you're a licensed contractor, your ability to "do" is probably quite

high. But for most people, focus on projects you know you can handle. If you're unsure, surf the web for a how-to video on your chosen project and watch it closely to see if it matches your capabilities. Tackling a project you can handle on your own will protect you from calling in a contractor last minute and incurring unexpected expenses.

• Turn loose coins into value. You have more money lying around your home to support your DIY project than you may think — and it's nestled in that jar of coins you keep on the dresser, under the couch cushions or hiding on the closet floor. The average home has an estimated \$42.92 in unused loose change, according

to data from Coinstar. That's money that could easily be turned into a couple cans of paint or tools for your next project. So collect your coins and bring them to your nearest Coinstar kiosk to put your newfound money toward that DIY project

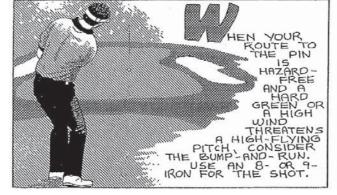
• Make it a family affair. Turn your DIY project into lasting memories by including your children in the work. Assign them tasks you know they can accomplish. Ask younger kids to sort supplies or carry lightweight materials, while older children can be tasked with painting large spaces or performing simple hammering tasks. Work closely with your kids and celebrate their victories at the project's end. You'll find that your little helpers may

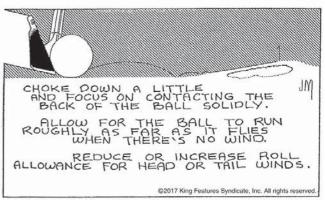
even be eager to sign up for your next DIY undertaking.

· Take pics to record your accomplishment. Your DIY project will spawn many memories, so take pictures to capture them all. Beforeand-after pictures can be a fun way to see how your project improved your home, and while you're at it, why not brag a little by posting photos of your accomplishments online. And don't forget to take pictures throughout the process as well. Your entire family will enjoy looking back at the progression years down the road.

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Here are tips for how to use antibiotics wisely (Hint: It starts with preventing infections in the first place):

- Keep up with vaccinations. Vaccinations help prevent infections that may require antibiotics and helps prevent diseases from spreading;
- Handwashing. Washing your hands is one of the best ways to keep yourself and your family healthy by preventing the spread of germs that cause infections;
- Ask about symptom relief. Never pressure

your healthcare professional for antibiotics, instead ask for the best treatment for your illness. Talk to your healthcare professional or pharmacist about how to relieve symptoms so that you can feel better;

• Only take antibiotics for infections caused by Illnesses caused by viruses, like the common cold and the flu, do not improve with antibiotics.

Using antibiotics when they are not needed can cause harmful side effects and make antibiotics less powerful against certain bacteria;

• Ask if watchful waiting is right for you. Even some bacterial infections, like mild sinus and ear infections, can get better without antibiotics. For some illnesses, your healthcare professional may recommend watchful waiting, meaning waiting a few days to see if you get better before deciding to prescribe antibiotics;

- Ask about side effects. Talk to your healthcare professional or pharmacist about potential side effects of antibiotics:
- Take antibiotics exactly as prescribed. Even if you feel better, do not skip doses or stop taking an antibiotic early without approval from your healthcare professional;
- Dispose of leftover antibiotics. Never save antibiotics for future illnesses, take antibiotics prescribed for others, or share antibiotics with others. Talk to your pharmacist about how to dispose of leftover antibiotics.

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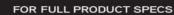


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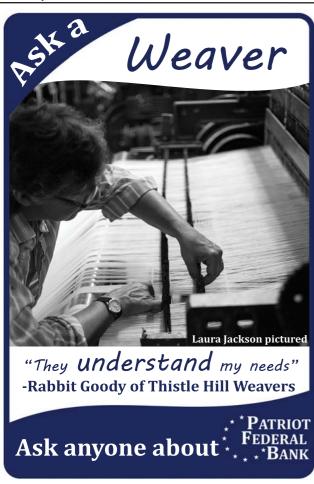


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The Fort Plain Muse-Third Annual American Revolution Mohawk Valley Conference is back for 2017 and registrations are now being accepted. Space is limited and preregistration is required. The Conference will be held June 8-11, 2017. There will be 10 presentations, two bus tours, a colonial tavern/dinner, an opening reception and more.

On Saturday, June 10, and Sunday, June 11, at the Fulton-Montgomery Community College, 10 presentations related to the American Revolution, Mohawk Valley and upstate New York will be given by following historians/authors:

- William M. Fowler Jr. An American Crisis: George Washington and Dangerous Two Years After Yorktown, 1781-1783;
- Gavin K. Watt -Neighbours Against Neighbours Fort Schuyler and Oriskany;
- Eric H. Schnitzer -Tactics of the 1777 Battles of Saratoga;
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On Thursday, June 8, Bus Tour No. 1 will feature the Mohawk Country Historic Sites located in Montgomery County. The historic sites included are the Fort Plain Museum, the 1747 Nellis Tavern, Fort Klock, Old Fort Johnson, the Stone Arabia Battlefield, the Stone Arabia Church, and the Grave of Colonel John Brown, the Fallen Hero of the Battle of Stone Arabia.

On Friday, June 9, Bus Tour No. 2 will feature a tour of the "Drums Along the Mohawk" Historic Sites. The bus tour will follow the historic sites included in Walter D. Edmonds famous American Novel. The historic sites included are the Palatine Church, Fort Stanwix (Fort Schuyler), Battlefield, Oriskany General Herkimer Home, Fort Herkimer. Fort Herkimer Church, and Fort Dayton.

There will be an opening cocktail reception held on the evening of June 9 at the Fulton-Montgomery Community College. The reception will include food, beer, wine, and a variety of spirits tasting from local New York/Mohawk Valley vendors. Also, get a sneak peak of a groundbreaking documentary, "Benedict Arnold: Hero Betrayed" that tells the heroic story of Benedict Arnold's contributions to the struggle for American Independence. Did he betray his county or did his country betray him? Filmmakers Tom Mercer and Anthony Vertucci will screen highlights and discuss this new film in the making.

On Saturday evening, June 10, join us for an "Evening at the Tavern" at the Van Alstyne Homestead. Lieutenant General John "Gentleman Johnny" Burgoyne will be on hand to discuss: "How I Lost the War in America!" Burgoyne will be portrayed by Bruce M. Venter. The colonial tavern will serve up period authentic drinks (cash bar) and

several period authentic appetizers, an entrée and dessert will be served. Free Tours of the Van Alstyne Homestead will be provided.

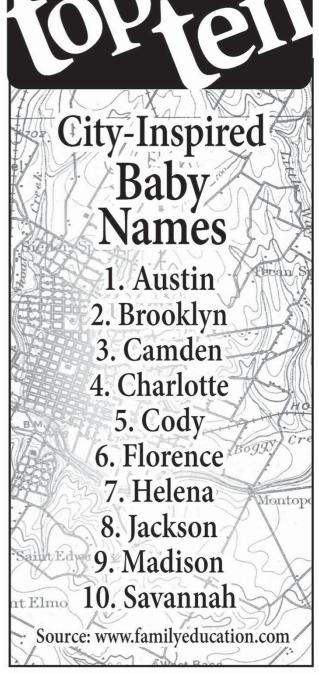
The cost is \$60 for the speakers' portion (Saturday lunch/coffee breaks are included), \$40 for Bus Tour No. 1, \$40 for Bus Tour No. 2, \$50 for the "Evening at the Tavern" and colonial dinner or all four for a conference special of \$180. All proceeds will benefit the Fort Plain Museum, a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to preserve and promote the site of Fort Plain and Mohawk Valley history.

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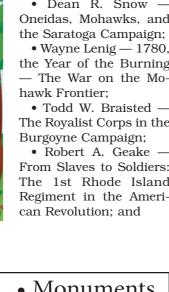
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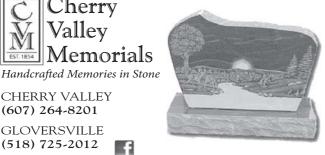
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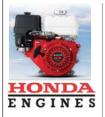
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Fort Plain Free Library hosts third annual Book, Bake and Plant Sale May 19-20

FORT PLAIN — Bookworms, green thumbers, and garage sale enthusiasts can land themselves some real finds at the Fort Plain Free Library's third annual Book, Bake and Plant Sale on Friday, May 19, and Saturday, May 20.

Piggybacking on the community's village wide garage sales, the library's two day event will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, at the landmark's 19 Willett St. location.

In addition to books, magazines, terrariums, a wide range of plants and the "white elephant sale," members of the library's Creative Textile Fibers Group will have

handmade crafts for

On Saturday, there will also be a veritable cornucopia of baked goods for sale, and children can participate in a free craft project at the "kids' creation station."

All proceeds of the grassroots event go toward the library's building fund and help pay for

Phase II improvements to the former media and children's rooms. Anticipated changes include upgraded computer stations library for users, a new media center, handicapped accessible entrance, a modern circulation desk, and reconfiguration of bookshelf areas, making the library more user friendly.

In conjunction with this fundraiser, the library is kicking off its 2017 vintage Coverlet raffle and accepting donations for 300 personalized, engraved pavers that will up make up the tranceway.

To donate books, plants or garage sale items or for more information about the fundraisplease call 518-993-4646 or visit the 19 Willett St. library. Please follow the Fort Plain Free Library on Facebook or visit fortplainfreelibrary.org for more news and events.



Shown is the front corner of the landmark Fort Plain Free Library during last year's Book, Bake and Plant Sale. The third annual event will be held at the 19 Willett St. institution on Friday, May 19, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Saturday, May 20, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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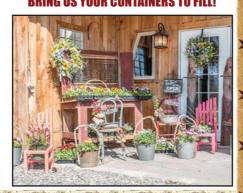
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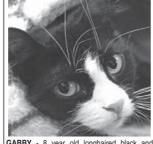
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3) maelstrom

2) harangue

I) execrable

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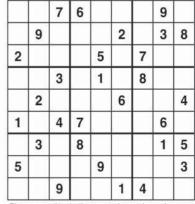
"Look at it this way — having nothing in common is having something in common.'



"He's not just a couch potato. He's MISTER couch potato!'

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

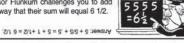
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY! © 2017 King Features Synd., Inc.

AT THE BASKETBALL TRYOUTS, which o the above three players turned out to be the



FABULOUS FIVES! Professor Flunkum challenges you to ad four fives together in such a way that their sum will equal 6 1/2.



THE "E" PYRAMID! As you move down the word pyramid shown here, each word contains the same letters as the word above it, plus a new letter. We give you all the E's. Here are some hints from the top down:

- 1. A direction (abbr.) 3. A period of time.

- 6. Birds and bees love it. 8. A sugar or tea tin.

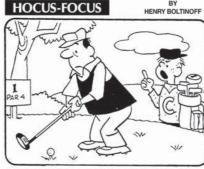
4. A unit of area.

LAME ON THIS ONE!

ON THIS ONE!

Everything will be "ducky" if you can solve these problems in under five minutes. In this type of problem you are given a word that must be changed into another word in a series of moves. During each move, you must change one letter in the previous word to form a new word. In our example, we changed LAME to DUCK in four moves. See if you can change the following words: change the following words in

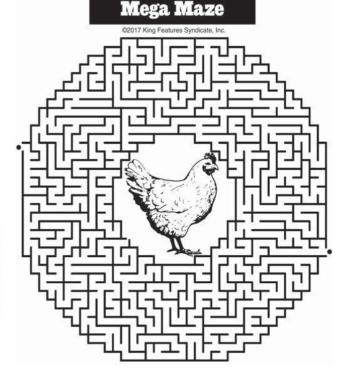
- four moves each. 1. RARE to FIND SORE to HEAD
- 3. NAIL to FILE
- NAIL, FAIL, FALL, FILL, FILE. TINE, FINE, FIRE, FORE, FORK. LIFE, WIFE, WIRE, WORE, WORK



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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20 Center St., St. Johnsville, NY 13452 Rev. Harry J. Teuchert 315-866-8626

Sunday School 9:30am

Grace Episcopal Church

32 Montgomery St., Cherry Valley 315-858-4016

Fr. Kyle Grennen, Rector Sunday School 11:00am

Grandview Baptist Church

15 Washington St., Fort Plain 518-993-9929

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Holy Family Parish

Little Falls, NY 315-823-3410 Saturday 4pm Sunday 10:30am

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One wouldn't think it would be difficult to find information on such a "common" item as this week's Whatchamacallit. However, after spending more than an hour searching the "world wide web", I could not come up with any images or patent information on our particular rake head.

It's quite obviously a rake head, equally obvious that it was manufactured with a self-cleaning mechanism. The curvature of the tines (which are brass) suggested to me it was possibly a pine straw rake or a thatch rake, but we don't really harvest pine straw in the northeast and not too many folks use the term "thatch" anymore.

It is marked with a patent date that appears to be May 28, 1891 — but my usual internet search

pattern didn't bring anything up on our item. The closest patent I found online was issued in 1874 to an Edmund Brown of Burlington, VT for "improvement in rakes" (illustration above).

"This invention relates to iron-tooth handrakes, such as are commonly used in cleaning leaves and other debris from lawns, door-yards, etc. It is well known that these rakes are continually becoming clogged by the refuse matter which they collect, the teeth being necessarily close together, in order to remove fine leaves, etc., making it necessary for the user to frequently clear the teeth by hand, which is an unpleasant operation, consuming much time, and retarding the work. My invention has for its object to provide an automat-



ically clearing attachment for iron tooth door-yard rakes, which shall remove all matter that may be collected between the teeth by simply raising the rake from the ground; and, to this end, it consists of a bar provided with perforations adapted to receive the rake-teeth, and so attached to the rake as to slide downward upon the teeth whenever the rake is raised from the ground, and thereby remove all obstructions."

Do you have your own Whatchamacallit?

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Planting trees correctly

by Dr. Leonard Perry, Horticulture Professor Emeritus, **University of Vermont**

Yes, there are right and wrong ways to plant a tree. By following correct planting practices, you can ensure trees will avoid a slow decline and possible death from several causes.

When digging the planting hole, measure the width of the root mass (root ball) and remove sod in an area three to five times the diameter of the root ball. Loosen this soil to a depth of about a foot, such as with a spading fork. Then dig a hole in the center of this area about a foot wider than the root ball.

If planting a potted tree, of course remove the pot. If a fiber pot, you can cut it off with pruners or a knife. If planting a balled and burlapped tree, remove any strings holding the burlap, once the plant is in the hole. If the soil on the outside of the rootball is compacted or roots are crowded, tease them loose with pruners or similar hand tool such as a planting knife. Cut away any roots circling the surface around the trunk.

Planting depth is one of most important factors in planting. Planting a tree too deep can kill it. Figure the depth to plant by pulling any soil away from the trunk. What you are looking for is the root collar or root flare — the bulge just above the root system where the roots begin to branch away from the trunk. This root flare should be just above the soil surface, the base of the root flare at the soil surface. This often may not be the top of the root ball, hence the need to make sure.

Measure from the base of the root ball to the base of the root flare. This is the depth to plant. Don't dig the hole deeper, as some instructions in the past or older books may indicate. Either the tree will be too deep to start or, if you backfill with soil, the tree will settle lower and end up too deep.

Don't mistake the root flare with the graft union on some trees, particularly many fruit trees. This is the point at which two different trees are spliced togeth-

Fort's opening day — Sign up by May 10

As part of the Fort Plain Museum's 3rd Annual American Revolution Mohawk Valley Conference there will be two bus tours of Mohawk Valley historic sites and museums. Preregistration is required and there is a May 10 cutoff date to sign up.

On Thursday June 8, Bus Tour #1 will feature the Mohawk Country Historic Sites located in Montgomery County. The historic sites included are the Fort Plain Museum, the 1747 Nellis Tavern, Fort Klock, Old Fort Johnson, the Stone Arabia Battlefield, the Stone Arabia Church and the Grave of Colonel John Brown, the Fallen Hero of the Battle of Stone Arabia.

On Friday, June 9, Bus Tour #2 will feature a tour of the "Drums Along the Mohawk" Historic Sites. The bus tour will follow the historic sites included in Walter D. Edmonds famous American Novel. The historic sites included are the Palatine Church, Fort Stanwix (Fort Schuyler). Oriskany Battlefield, General Herkimer Home, Fort Herkimer, Fort Herkimer Church, and Fort Dayton.

The cost is \$40 per bus tour. The Bus Tour fee includes all admission costs to each historic site. There will be a lunch stop during each tour. A historical information packet including a map will be provided for each trip. Space is limited. Bus Tours will take place rain or shine. Good walking shoes, drinks and snacks are suggested.

The Fort Plain Museum would like to thank our Montgomery sponsors: Fulton-Mont-County. gomery Regional Chamber of Commerce, Fulton-Montgomery Community College, Patriot Federal Bank, Westholme Publishing, Battlemaps.us, the Journal of the American Revolution, and the Mohawk Country Associa-

For more information or to register, please email info@fortplainmuseum.or g or call 518-774-5669. Please visit www.fortplainmuseum.com for more deer, the desired tree on an "understock" to provide traits such as vigor and hardiness. If you suspect a graft union, but aren't sure, again check with your source or a local nursery with trained professionals. Plant grafted trees with the graft union two- to fourinches above the soil surface.

Absence of a root flare near the soil surface is a sign the structural roots are too deep and need to be planted nearer to the surface. Structural roots are the large woody roots from which all the finer roots branch. Measured about four inches from the trunk, these should be no more than three inches deep. You can find these by probing with a long thin object. Many nursery trees have few structural roots, and these may be much deeper than three inches in the root ball.

Another misconception from the past is that you should amend the backfill soil. This promotes roots staying in the better environment you've created in the planting hole. This in turn promotes girdling roots. The recommendation now is not to amend the backfill soil, choosing the right tree for the right soil instead. Amend only if the soil is very poor, such as severely disturbed soils with rubble from construction.

If you have removed soil from the trunk base to expose the root flare, this trunk tissue may be more susceptible to cold or sun injury. If such is the case, replace with a mulch but do not mulch too deep.



This is another cause of tree injury, and is often referred to as "volcano mulching" from its appearance. If you haven't excavated near the trunk, keep mulch away from it. Only mulch about two inches deep, uniformly around the planting area.

When planting, you may create a shallow basin away from the trunk to hold water, and water well. Keep the tree watered well for the first season if there isn't sufficient rain. It is better to water deeply, less often such as once a week, than just a little every day.

Other practices to follow for a healthy tree:

- Don't fertilize at planting time.
- Prune only injured branches. Don't paint tree wounds.
- · Remove any tree wrap or tape around trunks. This only should be used for protection in transit.
- Don't stake trees unless necessary in very windy areas, or to prevent vandalism. If you do stake, use sturdy stakes and attach the tree with wide strapping or tree roping. Normal twine can cut into the



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MAY

Arkell Center Programs for ALL AREA Seniors during May 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.

Tuesdays: 10-11 am. Tai Chi Workshop 14. Sponsored by Mont. County OFFA. Earl O'Bryon Instructor. No fee.

Tuesdays: 9-9:45 am. A Core Strength & Stability Class in the basement. \$5 donation. Instructor Sharon Charles. For more information call 673-4408.

Mon., Wed. & Fri: 10-10:30 am. Senior Exercise Program 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.

Fridays: 9-10 am. Vinyasa Flow Yoga with Bonnie Fiore in the Gallery. \$10 fee.

SPECIAL EVENTS

May 10, 17, 24 & 31: 12:30-4 pm. Senior Citizens Pinochle Card Party, donation \$2, prizes & refreshments. If you would like to sub call Terry 673-5635.

May 11: 11:45 am. OFA Meals of Montgomery, Mothers Day luncheon. Stuffed Chicken Breast, Mash Pot., Carrots, Dinner Roll & Marmalade Orange Cake with Pineapple frosting. Reservations accepted no later than May 5 at 673-2000.

May 12: 6 pm. Mother/ Daughter Banquet. Call Elinor for details & reservations 673-2394, entertainment by Mark Fowler.

May 16: 9 am-3 pm. Defensive Driving with April Johnson from the Shults Agency. Call to reserve a space at 673-4408. The next class will be Aug. 15.

May 16: Gavin's Irish Coun-Inn-live music. BBQ Luncheon included, Spare Ribs, Chicken, Corn on Cob, Potato Salad, Toss Salad Baked Beans, drink & Apple Crisp a la mode, \$38 Members, \$43 for Non-members. Leave Dutchtown Plaza at 10:30 am. Call Dorothy at

673-5588 for information. May 25: 1 pm. Watercolor

with Joann Resch. \$10 includes all supplies, you go home with a picture. Bring a friend.

MEETINGS

May 9: 6 pm. Canajoharie/ Pal Br. Chamber of Commerce Meeting. All are welcome.

May 11, 18 & 25: 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. May 19: 1 pm. Canajoharie Senior Citizens Meeting.

May 23: 10-11 am. Alzheimers Caregiver Support Group. Join us.

MAY 6

Free Clothing Give-Away

Valley Alliance Church, St. Hwy. 5, Nelliston. 9-11 am. Doors open at 8:45 am. Refreshments provided.

Chicken BBQ

Stratford Methodist Church. Stratford. 3:30 pm until sold out, \$10 adults, \$5 kids, For more information call 315-429-7058. Eat in or take

Women's Brunch Focusing On The 23rd Psalm

Reformed Church, Canal Street, Fort Plain. Registration begins at 8:30 am, program at 9 am. Rsvp by May 1. Donations toward our Stop Hunger Now Meal Packaging event will be accepted.

MAY 8

Ephratah Rural Cemetery Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner

H.C. Smith Benefit Club. 538 Crum Creek Road, St. Johnsville. 4-7 pm. 12-adult \$8, 5-11 \$5.50, under 5 free. Take-outs available.

MAY 11 - 12

Rummage Sale

Reformed Church, Canal Street, Fort Plain. 9 am. Donations accepted.

MAY 12

Mothers Day Banquet

Arkell Center. 6 pm. Contact Eleanor Douglass at 518-673-2394 for more information. Rsvp by May 8.

MAY 13

The Village of Ames Museum

611 Latimer Hill Road, Ames. Open for tours 9 am-3 Registering vendors and 5K runners for Sept. 16 festival. Vendor space is free. 518-673-5820. For more information visit www. amesmuseum.weebly.com.

MAY 16

Budget Vote

Valley-Springfield Cherry Central School, Room 145.

MAY 17 - 20

Dolgeville Fun and Fitness Playground Station Installation

Helmer Avenue, Dolgeville, 8 am-4 pm. Volunteers needed. For more information call 315-429-3548.

MAY 19

Organ Variety Concert

Trinity Luheran Church, Route 10N, Stone Arabia. 7

pm. For more information call Kathy Schlotzhauer at 673-5443.

MAY 19 - 20

Book Sale

Reformed Church, Canal Street, Fort Plain.

- May 19, 2-5 pm
- May 20, 9 am-1 pm.

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Fort Klock Opening Day-Experience the sights and sounds of 1776

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JUN 3

Fort Plain Reformed

Church Stop Hunger Now Meal Packaging Event (aka Rise against Hunger)

9 am. Email fortplainrca@ yahoo.com or call 993-4302 and leave us a message including your name and phone number so we can schedule you to work. Donations can be sent to Fort Plain Reformed Church-SHN at 165 Canal Street, Fort Plain, NY 13339.

Minden History Fair 2017

Fort Plain Elementary School. 10 am-4 pm. Free. For more information or to set up a table at the fair call Rob Carter at 518-993-1023 or send an email to mindenhistorian@yahoo.com .

Benefit for Duane Benton

HC Smith Benefit Club, 538 Crum Creek Road, St. Johnsville. 12-6 pm.

JUN 4

21st Annual Rhubarb Festival

Nellis Tavern, 7355 NYS Rt. 5, St. Johnsville. 11 am-4 pm. Free. The rhubarb pie baking contest starts at 12 noon. For more information call Mary Davis at 315-866-2619 or visit www.palatinesettlementsociety.org.

JUN 8 - 11

Fort Plain Museum and Historical Park's 3rd Annual Conference on the American Revolution in the Mohawk Valley

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JUN 10

The Village of Ames

611 Latimer Hill Road, Ames. Open for tours 9 am-3 pm. Registering vendors and 5K runners for Sept. 16 festival. Vendor space is free. 518-673-5820. For more information visit www.amesmuseum.weebly.com .

JUN 10 - 11

Blacksmith Hammer-In

Fort Klock. 10 am-4 pm. For more information call 518-568-7779, email FortKlock@gmail.com or visit www.fortklockrestoration.org.

JUN 12 & 26

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Margaret Reaney Memorial Library, 19 Kingsbury Avenue, St. Johnsville. Monday evenings at 6:30 pm. For more information call Dawn Lamphere at 518-568-7822

JUN 15

Board of Education Meeting

Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School, Room 145. 7 pm.

JUL 4

Fort Klock's Annual Strawberry Festival

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AUG 1 - 3

Young Pioneer Program

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SEP 9 - 10

Fort Klock Craft Fair

Fort Klock. Sat. 9 am-4 pm, Sun. 9 am-3 pm. For more information contact email FortKlock@gmail.com or visit www.fortklockrestoration. org . Interested vendors call Joan Kark-Wren at 518-649-2531.

SEP 16

The Village of Ames Museum Summers End Celebration

611 Latimer Hill Road, Ames. 9 am-3 pm. 5K race, vendors, historic displays, food, games. 5K race begins at 9 am. For more information visit www.amesmuseum. weebly.com.

OCT 14

The Village of Ames Museum

611 Latimer Hill Road, Ames. Open for tours 9 am-3 pm. Enjoy a museum scavenger hunt. One for adults and one for children. For more information visit www.amesmuseum.weebly.com.

NOV 4

The Village of Ames Museum

611 Latimer Hill Road, Ames. Open for tours 9 am-3 pm. The museum will close for the season at 3 pm. For more information visit www. amesmuseum.weebly.com.

DEC 3

St. Nicholas Day

Fort Klock. Noon-3:30 pm. For more information call 518-568-7779, email FortKlock@gmail.com or visit www.fortklockrestoration.

DEC 6

The Village of Ames Museum

611 Latimer Hill Road, Ames. Village of Ames tree lighting celebration in front of the museum 6:30 pm. Refreshments to follow at the fire station.

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• Obey the speed limits. Speed limits are determined with safety in mind, and drivers should always adhere to posted speed limits to protect themselves, their passengers and others on the road. The U.S. Department of Transportation notes that, in 2015, 27 percent of motor vehicle crash deaths were

speeding-related. But according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, obeying the speed limit is also costeffective. The EPA notes that miles per gallon begins to dip dramatically when vehicles travel above 55 miles per hour. While each vehicle is different, the EPA notes that increasing highway cruising speed from 55 miles per hour to 75 miles per hour can raise fuel consumption by as much as 20 percent.

• Do not idle a vehicle. The Environmental Defense Fund notes that electronic engines do not need to warm up, even in winter when temperatures are especially cold. Vehicles that are idling can produce as much pollution as vehicles that are in motion, and idling

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- Use cruise control wisely. Drivers concerned about fuel economy may be accustomed to turning on their vehicles cruise control when driving long distances on the highway. While that is an effective and fuelefficient way to maintain steady speeds, turn cruise control off when traversing roads with steep hills. On such roads, fuel efficiency can be lost because the vehicle engine is working harder to maintain steady speeds.
- Tighten the gas cap. When gas caps are loose, fuel evaporates. The Car Care Council notes that loose, missing or dam-

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REDUCED \$200,000 489 Co. Hwy. 107, Johnstown



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SMALL NEST EGG, BIG DREAMS? Tips for buying your retirement home

(BPT) — Planning for retirement means making a lot of decisions, including when you'll stop working, how much you'll withdraw from your savings each year, and where you'll live. Many Americans view retirement as an opportunity to move into a house they'll love and live in for all their golden years. In fact, 64 percent of retirees either have moved or plan to move, according to a Merrill Lynch survey.

Some retirees move to be closer to children or grandchildren, to down-size into a more manageable home, live in a warmer locale, or to secure a more luxurious home where they can easily age in place.

"The decision of where to live in retirement is important and can directly affect quality of life in your golden years," says Geoff Lewis, President of RE/MAX, LLC. "Research by Trulia shows that in virtually all areas of the country, it makes better financial sense for retirees to buy a home, rather than rent. In fact, buying is nearly 42 percent cheaper than renting for seniors across the country."

Lewis and the RE/MAX team offer some advice for buying your retirement home:

Have a plan

Ideally, you should think about where you want to live long before retirement, but it's never too late to think about your priorities. Do you want to be close to family or health care resources? Do you desire a home in the mountains or somewhere you'll never see snow again?

Trulia's research shows that some of the cities most popular

for retirees are also ones where buying a home can save you the most money over renting. Desirable, warm-weather locations in Florida and Arizona offer significant value, even in regions where average home prices are higher.

Make a list of what you want in a home location so you'll have a starting point for your search.

Don't delay

If possible, don't wait until poor health or declining finances force you to move somewhere that's not your ideal location. Move while you're still young enough to enjoy your dream retirement home.

Get professional financial advice

It's important to protect your nest egg and keep it growing throughout retirement. A professional financial planner can help you understand what size mortgage is right for you, so your dream home doesn't strain your finances.

Be mindful of amenities

When choosing a location and a home, in addition to your personal priorities, it's important to keep in mind accessibility to amenities important to seniors. Community features such as good transportation, quality of roads, safe neighborhoods, and access to health care, socialization opportunities, shopping and cultural venues are all options to consider.

Rely on real estate pros

Once you know where you want to be, it's time to find a real estate agent. Make a list of must-have features and those you would like your retirement home to have. Share the list with

your agent to help him or her focus on properties that meet your criteria. Your list of must-haves and desirables will likely be very different from the list you made when you bought your first home. Now, a single-level house with large bathrooms and a level lot may be more desirable than a two-story with lots of bedrooms and a big backyard.

Finally, says Lewis, keep in mind whether you plan to age in place. "More Americans are looking for homes that will allow them to stay independent and living on their own throughout their retirement years," he says. "If that's your plan, look for home features that will help facilitate that, like wider doors, few or no exterior stairs, and good lighting."



Ideally, you should think about where you want to live long before retirement.

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021: NEW PRICE!!!

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252: 1534 Latimer Hill Road, **CANAJOHARIE:**

You will love this charming, updated 3 bedroom home in a private country setting. Hardwood floors in the living room and family room, beautiful stone laminate in the kitchen and wall to wall

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678: 26 Otsego Street, CANAJOHARIE: The owners have preserved, yet tastefully updated this stately colonial home. An easy commute to Albany or Utica and a short ride to the Adirondacks, Cooperstown or Saratoga on your day off. When you're

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679: 3409 State Route 80, FORT PLAIN: The renovations of this beautiful farmhouse include, but don't stop with the new kitchen bathrooms wiring, windows and refinished hardwood floors and 5.2 acres. Features include a horse barn with two renovated stalls, hav

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751: 55 West Main Street, **NELLISTON:** Get creative with this business opportunity and apartment upstairs. Used as an antique shop and owner lives upstairs. Downstairs has open space with hard wood flooring and walls, pellet stove and bathroom/laundry hookup. Upstairs has kitchen. dining area with deck off of it overlooking Fort Plain. Living

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836: 797 Mapletown Road, CANAJOHARIE: This is a lovely vacant parcel - fields, pond, woods with trails. The taxes are estimated because of a current sub-division being done. Build a home need the pond and ridethe trail back to the upper level with views which would be a great camping area. Asking \$56,000



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FIVE HOME-BUILDING SECRETS you should know

(BPT) — Thousands of Americans who are in the process of building their own home, or simply looking into it, are faced with hundreds of different questions. Granite or quartz countertops? Neutral or bold colors? Tile or hardwood flooring? And those questions are just the tip of the iceberg.

Being able to make these detailed choices is a big part of why you decided to build and design a custom home that will show off your unique style.

But as any professional builder will tell you, the secret to building a truly great house isn't what fixtures you choose or the type of crown molding you install. Rather, the most important components of a house are hidden behind the build.

The following five points represent some of the most important hidden aspects of any new home construction that will ensure your house retains its beauty for decades.

- 1. Proper insulation. No matter where you are in the country, it's likely that the temperature outside will get too hot or too cold. In such situations you'll rely on heating or air conditioning. Good insulation not only saves money, but keeps your furnace and AC units working longer and more effectively. In cold areas, proper insulation is key to preventing destructive ice dams from forming.
- 2. Subflooring. Whether you use hickory, maple or bamboo, everyone has their preference when it comes to flooring, but something that all flooring materials need is a solid subfloor. Like a box-spring for your mattress, subflooring, like AdvanTech® from Huber Engineered Woods, provides a solid

foundation that prevents sagging and squeaking, keeping your finished floor looking better, for longer.

- 3. A smart house. Just like our phones, cars and televisions have been radically changed by the digital revolution, so have our homes. Today's modern smart homes are designed to fit our digital lives. Some features to consider are a consul to place your WiFi router so you can set up the appliances and thermostat for wireless. That way you'll be able to access them from a tablet or phone. You might even want to install some USB outlets.
- 4. Modern kitchen solutions. Today it's all about expansive, open-concept kitchens. With stone countertops and larger refrigerators, engineers have noticed the combination of heavy appliances and a larger floor surface area puts more stress on the finished floors. Installing subflooring creates a solid base for floorboards and heavy modern appliances to rest on, thus helping to prevent squeaky or uneven floors in your kitchen.
- 5. Choose the right exterior walls. The exterior "shells" of homes are being built tighter. In other words, new products and practices are being used to help reduce air leakage as part of the overall energy efficiency design. Next-generation exterior sheathing systems, like ZIP System® sheathing and ZIP System™ tape, have

built-in water barriers and taped panel seams to create one continuous protective barrier underneath your finished exterior to help lock-out water and air.

If you haven't already, talk with your builder about the hidden elements of your home that will help your home stand up to the tests of everyday life. After all, this is the house you always envisioned, and behind the beautiful layout, you want to make sure you have a solid foundation and good bones to ensure lasting beauty and life.









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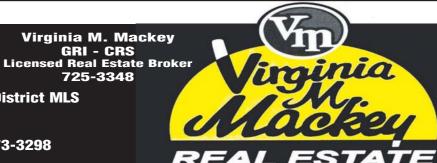
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COMPLETELY RENOVATED: (Johnstown): This adorable one family has been completely renovated including, granite counter tops, new windows, new flooring, CB wiring new walls, new bathrooms with tile. Deck and one-car ga . Reduced to \$74,900



RANCH ON LARGE LOT (Gloversville): Nice starte home, several updates, but needs some TLC. LR, DR, kitchen, 3BRs and 1 full bath. One BR is now set up as laundry room for one-floor living. Large deck, attached one-



EXPANDED RANCH WITH EXTRAS GALORE! (Johnstown): Open LR/DR w/gas fireplace, kitchen w/new appliances, library, 3-season room, 2 BRs down, 1 large BR up, 1.5 baths PLUS new luxury bath! Large fenced yard w/patio and above-ground pool. Nothing to do but down; family room, den/study, master BR and bath up; 2 BRs and



NICE FAMILY HOME (Gloversville:) Good condition, many improvements. LR, DR, kitchen and half-bath w/ laundry down. 3 BRs and full bath up. Paved driveway. deep backyard. Near elementary school...Asking \$74,900



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MODEST FAMILY HOME: (Gloversville): Well-maintained, freshly painted interior Vinyl siding, replacement windows, some exterior work still needed. LR, DR w/pellet stove, kitchen, full bath down; 3 BRs up...



TWO-FAMILY (Amsterdam): Nicely maintained, new roof in 2008, new windows. Separate utilities, furnaces and water heaters. Copper plumbing removed from basement, needs to be replaced. No garage, no off-street parking. . . . Asking \$70,000



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BEING SOLD AS IS (Gloversville): LR, DR, kitchen, BR and full bath down, 2 BRs and another full bath up. Roof 6 years old, heating system 8 years old. Needs some TLC

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SPRING HOME IMPROVEMENTS you can do in 24 hours or less

(BPT) — For most of us, the idea of spring cleaning probably sounds refreshing after a winter of bundling up against the cold. Now that spring has arrived, it's finally time to get started! Sprucing up your home doesn't have to take lots of time, and is a great way to leave you feeling reinvigorated after a long winter.

To help you spring into warm weather home improvement, here are 24 simple projects that take 24 hours or less to accomplish:

Put a fresh coat of paint on the front door. Standard paints can take a long time to dry, especially if you live in a humid climate. SnapDry(R) from Sherwin-Williams(R) dries in as little as one hour, and you'll be able to close the door without it sticking. The paint can be used inside or outside the home and it resists dirt, fingerprints, UV rays and weathering.

Update kitchen cabinets. Recently, homeowners are changing the facades of their kitchen cabinets and painting them instead of staining them — a trend that has grown tremendously. Add new knobs to complete the look for an easy, inexpensive way to give your cabinets a facelift.

Swap pillows and throws. You can't change your couch every time the season changes, but switching out pillows and throws is a great way to give seasonal flare to your living room decor.

Organize your mudroom area with hooks for hanging and cubbies or shoe racks for storage.

Create a statement wall. Installing graphic wallpaper or wood planking on one wall, or simply painting one wall or the ceiling a contrasting color, can add drama to any room in the house.

Spruce up the deck for summer enjoyment. A refinished deck looks great, and doesn't have to be a lot of work. SuperDeck(R) from Sherwin-Williams goes on fast and easy, and protects the integrity of your wood deck. It can even reduce the surface temperature of the wood, making the deck barefoot-friendly on a hot summer day.

Add wow factor to your entryway. Large planters with hardy, bright blooms add curb appeal when positioned on either side of the front door.

Update your lighting. Modern light fixtures in kitchens and bathrooms shed a whole new light and look on the room.

Consider installing a dimmer so you can create the right mood, any time of the day. While you're upgrading lighting, be sure to replace old-style incandescent bulbs with energy-efficient ones that will last longer and cost less to operate.

Create a gallery wall. Hang multiple family photos and/or chic prints in varying frame styles and sizes on one wall of the living room.

Rearrange your furniture. Talk about a no-cost way to get a totally different look. Experiment with different furniture configurations, and don't be afraid to move pieces from room to room.

Create a recharging drawer in your kitchen. Clean out that junk drawer, add dividers and a power strip and you have the perfect place for recharging your family's electronic devices.

Install a ceiling fan. Nothing says spring and summer like a ceiling fan wafting gentle breeze through a room. Choose the style and size that's right for your space. Bonus: ceiling fans can help reduce energy bills by cheaply supplementing air-conditioning and heating.

Organize your mudroom. Whether it's a formal mudroom or a corner of the entryway, every house has a spot where shoes, backpacks and other personal items collect. Organize that area with hooks for hanging and cubbies or shoe racks for storage.

Add a display shelf above a doorway. A wooden shelf above a doorway is a great place to feature collectibles. Add vintage class to a powder room.

Replace the ordinary doorknob on your powder room door with a vintage or replica glass knob.

Install decorative house numbers. You can purchase decorative tile or glass numerals from a variety of sources.

Stencil some fun. Add animal or character stencils to the walls of a child's room, staircase or kitchen, or patio table for a quick, artsy take. Add a ceiling medallion.

Draw attention to a light fixture by installing a decorative ceiling medallion that has a slightly different color than the ceiling.

Replace a kitchen faucet. A new kitchen faucet can be practical and decorative, but can also control water flow, saving money.

Pressure wash siding and walkways. Power washing exterior home areas makes siding and walkways look fresh.

Hang a new mirror in the bathroom. A decorative framed mirror in place of a standard bathroom mirror adds interest, elegance and even light to the space.

Put a decorative decal in the laundry room. Create some fun in the laundry area by adding a decal with a humorous saying, such as "Life is too short to fold fitted sheets!"

Upgrade bathroom towel storage. Replace those builder-issue towel bars and rings with decorative options that add pizzazz.

Make your own art with a shower curtain. Love large-scale artwork but have a smaller scale budget? Use wood to frame a decorative shower curtain and turn it into wall art.

Wash windows! What's the one spring DIY task that will make all the others in your home look even better? Wash windows to allow spring and summer sunlight into your home.

Trying just a few of these easy home-improvement tasks is a fast way to perk up your home for spring and summer.



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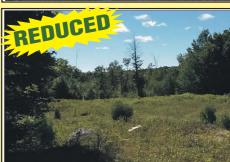
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THE LOWDOWN on low down payment mortgage

(BPT) — You would like to buy, but you can't manage that 20 percent down payment. Does this sound familiar?

The down payment is the biggest impediment to buying a home according to surveys, but in reality many individuals can qualify for a mortgage with as little as 3 percent down.

It is important to compare loans and do the math.
Consider your closing costs (the cash you need in-hand), the monthly mortgage payment, and if that payment will go down or up in a few years. Paying a few more dollars each month in the beginning can sometimes save borrowers money in the long term.

For this exercise, we compare a \$234,900 home purchase (the national median home price as of December 2016), with a 5 percent down payment and a 720 FICO score. And because calculators and loan terms vary, consider these costs as examples only. A mortgage professional can provide you with specific estimates.

Conventional loan with PMI

A conventional loan is a

traditional mortgage from a lender that is not insured by a government agency. With a 5 percent down payment, the borrower finances the remaining 95 percent over 30 years with a 4 percent interest rate. Private mortgage insurance (PMI) is required because of the low down payment and is \$78 of the monthly bill, making the total monthly mortgage payment \$1,143.

Pros: A borrower can get a conventional loan with PMI with as little as 3 percent down. PMI can be cancelled once 20 percent equity in the home value is reached, which means your monthly bill decreases.

Cons: For some borrowers, a 5 percent versus 3 percent down payment may be a better deal as costs may be lower. However, for many prospective homebuyers looking to lock in low interest rates, build equity and home appreciation faster, an option to get into a home with the lower down payment may be better.

A combo loan (aka piggyback mortgage)

A piggyback involves two separate loans simultaneously. In this scenario, the first "primary" mortgage covers 80 percent of the loan with a 30-year fixed interest rate of 4 percent; the second loan is for 15 percent with 10-year fixed interest rate of 5 percent; and the remaining 5 percent is the down payment. The total monthly mortgage payment would be \$1,271.

Pros: The borrower will not pay PMI.

Cons: It may be a more expensive as the borrower will pay closing costs on two loans. And unlike PMI, the piggyback loan doesn't cancel, but will be paid off over the term of the mortgage. The second loan often comes with higher interest rates too.

FHA loans

FHA loans are mortgages insured by the government through the Federal Housing Administration. The limits for FHA loans typically are lower than conventional mortgages. However, FHA mortgage insurance cannot be cancelled and must be paid for the life of the loan. FHA has other specific requirements, like the condition of the home. In this scenario, the mortgage is set at 95 percent of the home's value with a 30 year fixed interest rate of 3.75 percent. The total monthly mortgage

payment would be \$1,199.08.

Pros: A borrower can get a FHA loan with as little as 3.5 percent down and a FICO score as low as 600 may qualify.

Cons: FHA mortgage insurance cannot be canceled, so your monthly bill won't be reduced the way it is with a conventional loan with PMI. Also, FHA loans are subject to an upfront fee of 1.75 percent that is financed over the life of the loan.

No matter what you choose, do the math and compare so you can make an informed decision. If the conventional option sounds appealing,

LowDownPaymentFacts.com provides more information.

DID YOU KNOW?

Many homeowners have lofty goals for their homes. Such plans may include extensive renovations or even additions. While many of these projects create beautiful changes in a home, it's important to consider the impact that renovations can have on property value before beginning a project. Many home improvement projects do not add as much value as homeowners may think they do. In fact, some homeowners "overbuild" for their neighborhoods. This means the amount of money invested in improvements can likely never be recuperated because the house value simply exceeds those around by too much money. To avoid overbuilding, homeowners can ask themselves several questions before beginning a renovation project

- Will my house be the largest house in the neighborhood? Larger homes tend to have a lower price per square foot, so you may not want to improve to this extent.
- Will the house blend with others in the area? If your house will stick out like a sore thumb, it will detract from its own value and could impact the value of other homes in the area.
- Have I examined the cost vs. value of the project? Many home improvement resources analyze the cost of a project versus the overall value of that project with regard to property value. For example, a \$100,000 basement remodel may not add \$100,000 to the value of the home in the event you choose to sell down the line. It's important to know which projects provide the best return on investment.

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New Listing 600 Westwood Dr Herkimer



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New Listing 2980 Mohawk St. Paris



Come put your own touches on this cute 3 bdr 1 bath home with lvr and eat in kitchen. Laundry is located in closet off kitchen. Nice size yard, large driveway,

attached garage. Utilities are not on. Being sold as is as seen.

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until the house has been listed on the market 10 days.

1958 State Route 5s, Little Falls



Beautiful double wide mobile home on 10.2 country acres that sits back off the road. Open floor plan for kitchen that features breakfast bar to dining area and FMR W/

dining area and FMR W/
fireplace. There is also a formal dining room and nice large
living room. Large master bedroom with master bath and
walk in closet. 2 additional bedrooms along with another
full bath. Off the kitchen is the laundry room and half
bath. Sliding glass doors lead to deck and pool. Nice 2 car
detached garage. This is a must see.

29 Bridge St, Middleville



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3738 State Route 5, Schuyler



Super convenient location for this affordable home. 2 possibly 3 BRs, 1 bath, LR, DR, kitchen. Come and check it out put your own personal

touches on it and make it your own.

25 Green St, Mohawk



Affordable 2 family home in a nice village location. Both apartments are 1BR, 1 bath. Tenants are month to month

and utilities are separate. Plenty of parking plus yard.

Come out and take a look!

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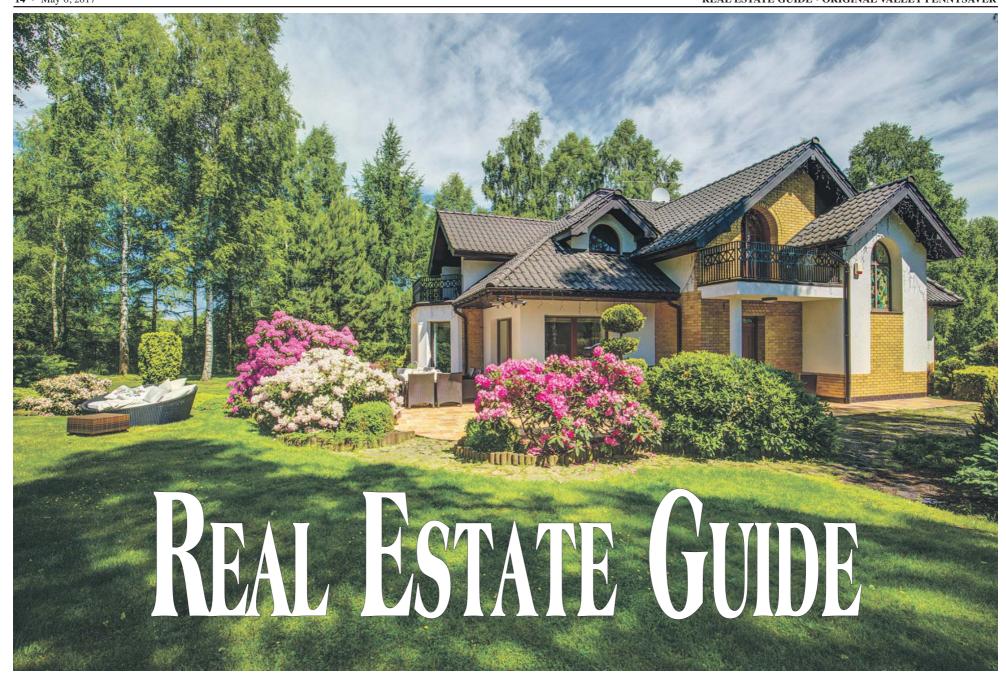
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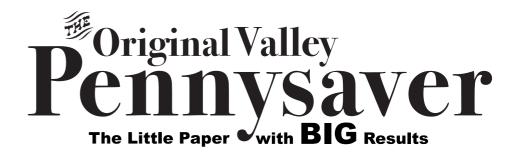


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FOUR HOT, HIGH-TECH UPGRADES to give your bathroom over-the-top luxury

(BPT) — Americans love luxury and technology, so it's no surprise that the two are meeting and thriving in one of our favorite places — the bathroom. Just as technology is transforming every other area of the house, inside and out, it's recreating our concept of what constitutes a luxurious bathroom.

The 2016 Houzz Bathroom Trends study found many homeowners renovating their bathrooms are incorporating technology into their plans. From smart mirrors and medicine cabinets to showerheads with Bluetooth connectivity and self-cleaning toilets, technology's time has arrived in the American bathroom.

If you'll be designing or renovating a bathroom this year, here are four must-have technology items to incorporate into your plans:

The medicine cabinet of tomorrow

Hidden speakers, high-efficiency task lighting with capacitive-touch dimming, integrated USB charging ports — clearly, this is not your parent's medicine cabinet! The modern medicine cabinet does far more than serve as a repository for aspirin and toothpaste.

Acknowledging that today's homeowners multitask constantly, even in front of the bathroom mirror, Robern's AiO collection of medicine cabinets also includes magnetic storage strips, accessory trays, adjustable shelving, a magnification mirror and integrated electrical outlets. The embedded, invisible speakers turn the entire mirror into an audio system that's compatible with most USB-enabled music-playing devices.

Robern, an independently operated subsidiary of bathroom fixtures giant Kohler, has been making innovative bathroom fixtures for nearly 50 years. The AiO line is also fully customizable, and buyers can choose the size and shape that fits their design needs. Visit www.robern.com to learn more.

Fancy, user-friendly faucets

Remember the days when touchless faucets were the wave of the future? Modern bathroom faucets go far beyond the mere ability to turn them on or off without touching them. The modern medicine cabinet does far more than serve as a repository for aspirin and toothpaste.

Faucets now marry high-tech functionality with leading-edge design to create a visual focal point for your bathroom vanity.

A variety of manufacturers offer a staggering array of features, including:

- Built-in face recognition that automatically adjusts water temperature and pressure to the settings of the recognized user.
- Internet connectivity and a display screen so you can see emails, your calendar and the weather report while you're brushing your teeth.
- Patterned or shaped spray produced by special mechanisms within the faucet that create swirls in the water discharge or shape it into a thin sheet of water.

• The ability to track water consumption while adjusting the temperature and flow to maximize efficiency.

Smarter toilets

Seventy percent of the homeowners surveyed by Houzz said they had upgraded their toilets as part of their bathroom renovations. Today's toilets are far more than just a place to take care of business. From super high-efficiency models that flush with amazingly small amounts of water to self-cleaning bowls and motion-activated lids and seats, the toilet has gone high-

You can find features that range from practical to decadent, including:

- Heated seats and bidet functions
- Dryers and deodorizers
- Built-in music players
- Illumination for nighttime bathroom visits
- Remote controls for opening and closing the lid and seat
- Hands-free flushing
- Automatic self-cleaning

Modern mirrors

From built-in TVs to task lighting and integrated USB ports, mirrors, like other bathroom fixtures, are now incorporating a variety of high-tech features.

Robern's AiO wall mirror collection offers numerous features, including the ability to wirelessly turn the entire mirror into a speaker. The mirror can communicate with any Bluetooth-enabled smartphone to stream your favorite music or news program into the bathroom.

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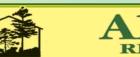
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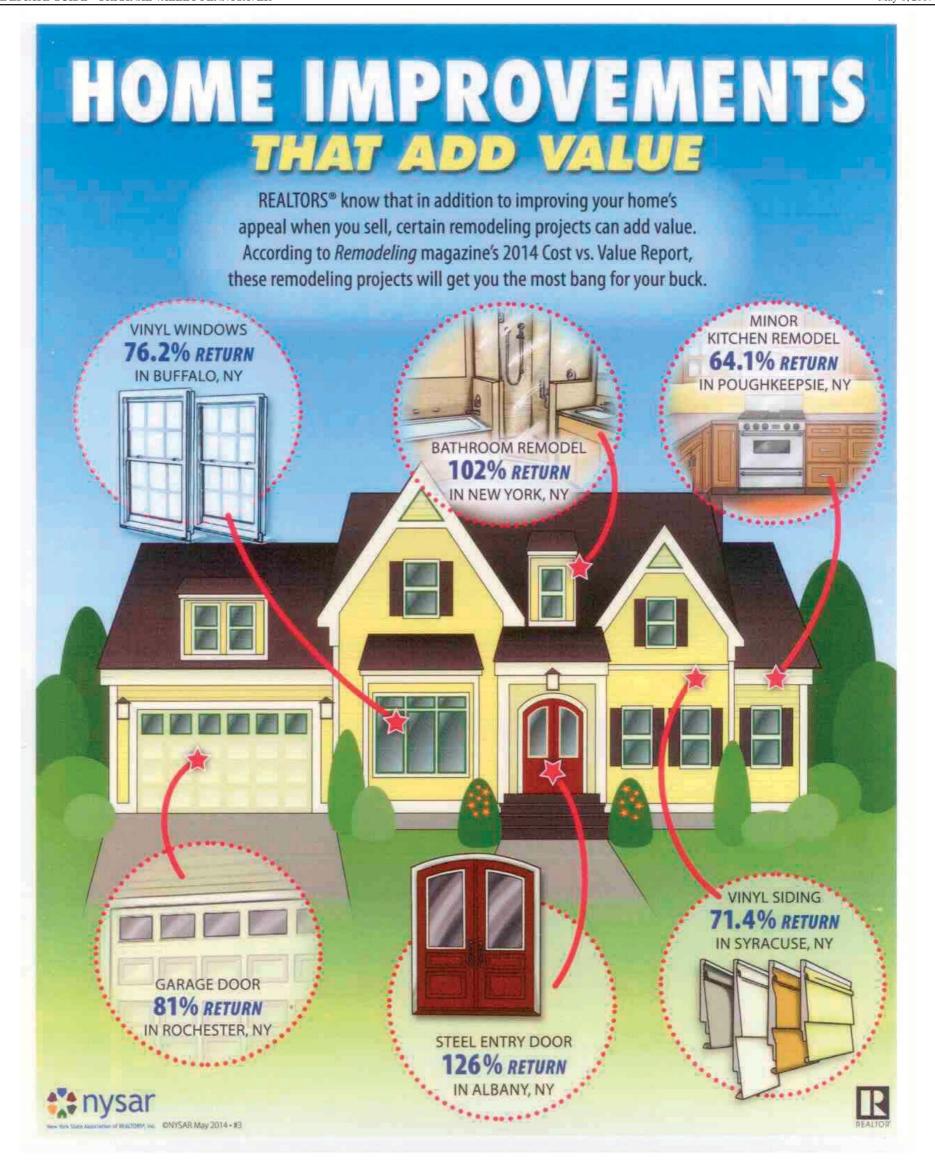


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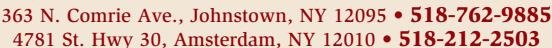
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MLS 201705563 \$311,000 Situated in a cul-de-sac setting in the Broadalbin School District is this meticulously maintained Colonial style home. Featuring 4 generous sized bedrooms and 2.5 baths. The large master suite has walk-in closet, master bath with separate tub and shower. The first floor has a great flow for entertaining. The eatin kitchen has plenty of cabinetry and newer appliances and is open to the formal dining room and living room that has a gas fireplace. Enjoy the outdoor living space on the maintenance free back deck.

Large area for dining for enjoying the nice

year round. Kitcher is updated with top of the line stainless steel refrigerator, stove and microwave. Large master bedroom upstairs. Home has dual zoned furnaces. Home has a Navian heat/hot water/humidifier with

BROADALBIN



convenience located close to schools and shopping. This 2 edroom, 1.5 bath Cape Cod Style home in the Broadalbinrth Schoo

201620978 **\$137,500**

District is ready for its new owners. Open concept living room, eat-in kitchen with first floor laundry. Nice yard with deck to make a great outdoor living space. Don't hesitate on this one!

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MLS 201703992 \$69,000 NEW PRICE Great family home with addi tional square footage, use your imagination! Living room with fireplace and new carpet, kitchen with range, refrigerator and brand new dishwasher, dining room, partially finished basement/rec room with wood stove. All new: electrical, plumbing and hot water heaters. Enjoy the soothing sounds of the creek while sipping your coffee on the deck! Two-three bedrooms and 2 full baths Broadalbin Schools.

CANAJOHARIE

\$128,742 Solid 3 BR, 2 BA brick bungalow Beautiful hardwood floors on irst floor. Large loft master BR with full bath Partial walk-in attic for storage could be finished

MLS 201702427

in ready home. Fully remodeled, 3

bedrooms, 2 baths,

with open concept

to kitchen. Small

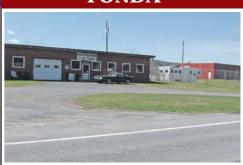
deck off of kitchen

summer days to

come or barbecue

as a bonus room. Fireplace with pellet stove in LR and natural gas stove in office. Bright enclosed front porch. Garage underneath with access to home. New roof installed in 2010. 5 minute walk to schools. 2 minute drive to NYS Thruway. Centrally located to Albany

FONDA



MLS 201702681 \$350,000 5.9 acres of land with garages and outbuildings right next to the Thruway toll booths. One of the last spots ilable to Tractor trailer parking for Double trailers

FONDA



MLS 201705163 **\$179,900** Southern Exposure with Sun filled Views... inspect this split level raised ranch with lots of living spaces and a country size 1+ acre lot with bonus shop/ utility building. It offers 8+ rooms, 2+ baths, wood stove, Fonda-Fultonville school and plenty of feature.

MLS 201615535 \$135.500 This ranch style home is ready for its new owners. This is a four bed room home, with one of the rooms currently being used as a laundr room. This home features a large breezeway betw the two car garage. Don't miss this opportunity to take a look!

FORT JOHNSON



201705641 \$119,900 Relax on your comfortable front porch ind look at the River, This is located close to the

NYS Thruway features a large pantry off kitchen, double staircase to second floor, new windows, hardwood floors and wall to wall carpeting in living room and hallway (hardwood underneath). Additional parking (2) across street. This parking area is owned by NYS with agreement in place for parking

PLAIN FORT



MLS 20161626 A cozy Cape Cod desirable neighborhood the price of Includes corn lot across the street perfect for kids to play

or for a large garden. Features a 1st floor master BR w/ walk-in closet. Large full bath on 1st floor w/ stand up shower, whirl pool tub and laundry area. Ideal for 1 floor living. 2 BR upstairs perfect for a growing family. Generator. Central air. Tandem garage with a large workbench. Shed for storage. Water softener in dry basement Owners eager to sell prior to end of year.



vour tenants pay your mortgage for you! This home was warded a \$391 grant through the Rivercrest Corp's HOME Program in 2014, all docu-

MLS 201611829 **\$90,000**

Become a

ments available. No water bill due to easement! Large, open kitchen upstairs holds endless possibilities Partially finished room in attic



MLS 201618964 **\$69,900** Come and inspect this lovely brick h in the Ft.Plain school district. With 3 bedrooms,

1.5 baths, high ceilings with wood floors. This move in ready home is calling your name. Easy to show and looking for offers.

FULTONVILLE



MLS 201702195 \$169,500 Beautifully maintained 10 year young Raised Ranch style home Located in the Fonda-Fultonville School District and just minutes to the NYS Thruway. This home features 3 bedrooms and 1.5 baths. Plenty of room to entertain both family and friends in the open concept living room, dining room and kitchen. Attached two car garage and high dry baseme that could easily be converted to additional living space. Nicely landscaped yard. All you need to do is move in, the rest is already



MLS 201623416 \$31,900 A country cottage.

Open concept, ready for your personal touch. It has a great piece of property and has gardens carport and patio. Many possibilities for this home. It has been used as a vacation home on week-ends for the last 10 yrs