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- 1/3 cup sour cream
- 3/4 cup shredded Gruyere cheese
- 4 slices cooked bacon
- 3 large eggs
- Fresh thyme leaves, for garnish

1. Heat oven to 400 F.

2. On a large sheet of parchment, roll pastry to 12 x 10-inch rectangle. Fold 1/2-inch of edges to form rim; using a fork, seal rim and poke holes all over pastry. Place pastry on cookie sheet; bake 20 minutes or until golden brown.

3. In small bowl, combine sour cream and Gruyere. Spread onto tart, creating 3 wells for eggs. Arrange bacon strips over topping. Crack eggs into wells; sprinkle with 1/4 teaspoon each salt and freshly ground black pepper.

4. Bake until egg whites are set but yolks are still runny, about 12 minutes. Garnish with thyme. Makes 6 servings.

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(BPT) — It's natural to pack all you can into those few precious summer months, but inevitably they're gone before you know it. As summer vacations, sleepovers and outdoor grilling come to a close, it's time to start thinking about going back to school.

You may be working to pay off summer vacation

bills when you realize you need to budget and pay for your child's school supplies, clothing and other related school expenses.

In a recent survey conducted by Coinstar, about half of U.S. parents with kids between ages five and 18 believe school expenses are increasing. Of those surveyed, 57 percent will create a

back-to-school budget.

To ease rising school costs, here are five budgeting tips that will help you get more for your back-to-school dollar:

- Create a budget. One of the best ways to spend wisely is to create a budget. If you don't already have one, open a new spreadsheet on your computer or get out a pen and paper. Consider all the potential back-to-school expenses and not just the obvious ones, such as school supplies and clothing. For example, you'll want to factor in extracurricular or after-school activities, tutoring, special school trips and even lunch costs.

- Collaborate with other parents. Consider joining

parent groups, either through your school or community.

These groups can offer a great support network to share ideas and information.

They also serve as a fantastic resource for meeting parents who have items such as sports equipment their kids have outgrown or even musical instruments their children no longer play. This can lead to some serious money-saving deals.

- Tap your coin jar. With rising school costs, the old saying that every penny counts really is true. You can literally put this into practice by collecting all the loose change around your house or tucked away in your coin jar and bring-



Going back to school should be an exciting time for you and your kids.

ing it to a Coinstar kiosk.

- Make a shopping list. Most schools provide a back-to-school list to help you plan and shop for your child. Use this as a starting point to make your own list and then stick to it! Retailers are set up to encourage impulse buys, but checking to see if something is or is not on your list is one of the most effective ways to avoid purchasing non-essential items and blowing your budget.

- Embrace the three Rs. Your kids will probably learn about the three Rs in school: reduce, reuse, recycle. This is a great principle to keep in mind when getting them ready for school, especially for back-to-school clothes.

Choosing quality basics such as a jacket, skirt, sweater or jeans that can be combined with other clothing in your child's closet will reduce the need for quantity purchases. In addition, consignment stores and online retailers are very popular and offer gently used items that check the "reuse" box. And finally, don't forget to take advantage of hand-me-downs, whether from older siblings or friends.

Going back to school should be an exciting time for you and your kids. With these five budgeting tips, you can help cut the financial stress out of the process and kick the school year off to a great start.



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The Village took ownership of the property early this year. Due to the lack of property maintenance by the past owners for the safety of everyone the Village along with financial help from the local Land Bank demolition of the home was completed. The now vacant lot will soon be put to final grade and seeded. The Village Board is asking for ideas on how to best remember and honor the former site and home of Webster Wagner.

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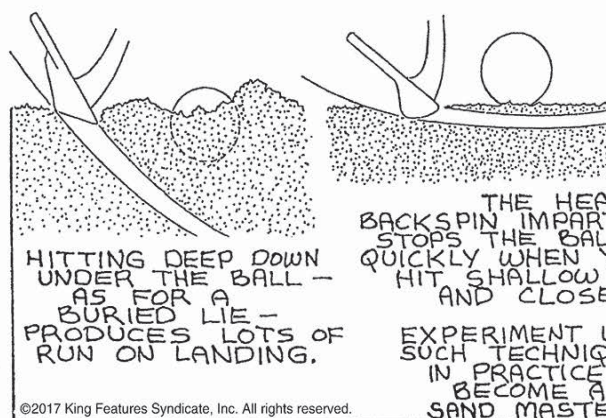
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The Old Hatchet Story

I am an old hatchet. I am going to tell those who read this about my long existence. At least I will do it as well as any piece of old iron can. I will start in the present and work back for what I believe is about two centuries of man-years. Yes, I am a hatchet, but there are those who would call me a tomahawk. That is a name that makes even me shudder. I know that others like me and possibly I myself could have been used for brutal uses. However, that is overshadowed by so many other everyday uses I have been put to. I have done my share of digging for herbs and roots for medicine. One of those roots was ginseng that my owner could trade for all sorts of useful things which he was unable to make. There were Dutch, French and English traders who were

anxious to get that valuable root. I have helped cut small wood to kindle a fire when the spark was yet made by flint and steel.

My long-ago owner was a trapper. He found me useful because my hook could be used to pull trap chains. You have doubtless guessed that my early years were in the hands of a Native American, probably a member of the Mohawk Nation. I have already been guilty of not keeping my promise of telling my story from the present then back toward the past. I am now part of the collection of a man named Skip. I am glad because I am one of his most prized possessions. I have belonged to him since May 8, 1943. On that day, he was about a month from his 13th birthday. Skip's interest in Native American artifacts then dated

back at least six years. On that date, he went with his parents and grandfather Garlock to his cousin Anna's wedding to Carl. As is the tradition, sometimes tin cans were tied to the honeymoon car. Cans did not prove hard to come by, but something to punch a hole in them was. The old woodshed on the back of the house was a logical place to search. Skip saw a sharp point emerging from behind a piece of studding on the wall. That might be just what was needed. I was quickly recognized as an ancient belt axe. Even in my rust-pitted condition, I punched the needed holes. Skip was told that I was found in the ground behind the back of the house and he was welcome to take me home with him. His home was along Bowman Creek in Marshville, NY. There was

a great war going on in 1943. The aviators wore jackets lined with muskrat fur. When winter came, Skip began to trap for muskrats. He thought how handy I could be in pulling traps from the freezing water. The deep rust pits were ground from me and Grandpa made a handle for me. I was proud to be put back in use. I can still see the bright sparks as I was being ground. I am not sure it would not have been better to leave me alone to enjoy my leisure years. The memory of my early days is not clear. The place where I was found was on an old Indian trail that led from Schoharie to the Mohawk Valley. I know now that was near present Sloansville. Along that ancient trail was a stone pile to which legend told me that each Indian passing by added a stone. I know that my owner

cast a stone on the pile first before I was lost. How was I lost that day? I really do not remember, but I do know I lay in the ground for one hundred years, or even longer.

Another step backwards takes me to the day I was made. The memory of the puff of the bellows and the ringing of the hammer against the anvil still awakens a thrill in me. On that day, a skilled blacksmith created me and my unusual form. I do not know what nationality my maker was. He may have been Dutch from along the Hudson Valley, French from the Old World or Canada, possibly even English or American. I know that I am still tough even after so many years. Above all I still look forward to other adventures yet to come.

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Collecting: Designer clothing

by Larry Cox

Q: I am in the process of clearing out my late mother's Chicago apartment. I am finding designer clothing

from the 1940s and '50s, including a Christian Dior satin cocktail dress, a Givenchy hat and dozens of purses and shoes. I think these items are too good for thrift shops. How can I market them and get a fair price? — Bob, Naperville, IL

A: You might begin by contacting some of the upscale clothing stores in the Chicago area. Get several offers before you decide to sell. Condition is extremely important, but keep in mind serious collectors are always on the prowl for design items. Designer clothing from the 1950s, '60s and even the '70s is extremely hot. For example, a 1970s Louis Feraud jacket and dress ensemble recently sold at auction for \$475.

Q: I have a heart shaped cedar box with a mirror inside the lid. It has an original price sticker of 59 cents on the bottom along with "Pilliod, Swanton, Ohio." The

box can be locked with a small key. Any value? — Marilyn, Oklahoma.

A: You have a trinket box, probably from the 1930s. The heart design and the fact that it is crafted of cedar make it quite collectible. Boxes of this type were sold as souvenirs and often contained small pieces of jewelry and keepsakes. They were especially popular in the South throughout the 20th century. Trinket boxes generally sell in the \$20 to \$35 range, if in good condition.

Q: I bought an old radio at a church sale and wonder how much it is worth. I paid \$150 for a 1935 "tombstone" General Electric table radio in walnut finish. It has five tubes, three knobs and its original grille cloth. — Bill, Arkansas

A: I found your radio in three of my price guides, and all seem to agree that your radio is worth in the \$90 to \$110 range.

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Sometimes called bundle shot, scattershot, scrapshot or langrage (a French term), this was used in lieu of proper ammunition if it was scarce or on purpose to inflict maximum damage. Bundle shot was designed for damaging your opponent — packs of short metal bars, which were bundled together with rope. When it was fired from the cannon, the rope loosened and the bars would spread in a widening pattern hitting many at once.

When using scattershot, scrapshot or langrage, the canister was packed with random metal objects, rocks or other hard things and acted much like shrapnel from an IED today. The only visual I can think of for this usage comes from the movie "Pirates of the Caribbean" when the two goofball pirates, dressed like women, shoot silverware from

their cannon.

Not long after began the use of hot shot. This was when the metal pieces were heated to red-hot before being placed into the cannon barrel immediately prior to firing. I wouldn't have wanted to be the man with the short straw on that duty! Hot shot was used in naval battles to set the opponents ship on fire — although I'm sure it would have been effective against buildings as well.

Anyway, I digress, back to our Whatchamacallit. I tried to find historical excerpts mentioning this type of ammunition specifically during the Revolutionary War — as these were found in Montgomery County (an area known to have had some battles) but only found reference to naval usage.

It could very well be that the men that utilized this old stove as weaponry had no other ammunition available for their protection.

(Sources: thewayofthepirates.com, zarkonnen.com)

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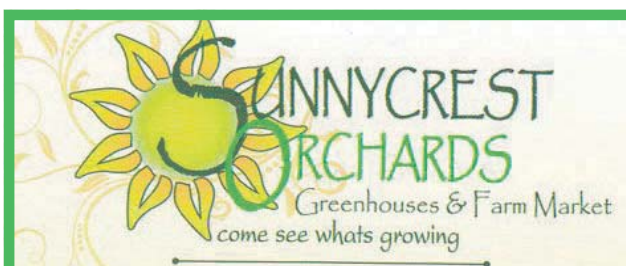
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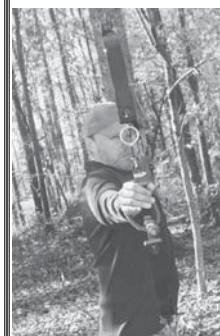
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Salem United Methodist Church, 1254 Stone Arabia Road, Fort Plain. 4 pm. Adults \$10, Children \$6, Chicken half \$7. Take outs available.

Kids' Flower Workshop

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AUG 20

Not Just for Kids Storytelling Series

Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site. Artist Michael Reno Harrell attending. For more information call the Visitor Center at 518-829-7516, email SchoharieCrossing@parks.ny.gov or visit our Facebook page Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site.

AUG 26

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

AUG 27

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Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site. Artist Joe Bruchac attending. For more information call the Visitor Center at 518-829-7516, email SchoharieCrossing@parks.ny.gov or visit our Facebook page Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site.

SEP 9 - 10

Fort Klock Craft Fair

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SEP 10

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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

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Whether driving across the country or just across town, the non-profit Car Care Council offers tools and tips about regular vehicle care, maintenance and repair to help motorists prepare for every turn ahead.

"The Car Care Council's website at CarCare.org contains a wealth of auto care resources to help motorists take a proactive role in maintaining their vehicles so they can address any needed maintenance or repairs before hitting the road," said Rich White, executive director, Car Care Council. "That way they can enjoy the drive without worrying about the surprise of car trouble and unexpected vehicle repairs."

The Car Care Council website is filled with useful information to help motorists navigate common maintenance procedures and better understand auto repair needs. The blog section on the homepage is frequently updated with the latest tips and advice about vehicle care, preparing your vehicle for the changing seasons, pre-trip vehicle inspections and more. The site also features a customizable service schedule and e-mail maintenance reminders, a comprehensive repair shop locator and a vehicle systems overview.

Motorists can also follow the Car Care Council on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram and Pinterest to receive quick car care tips and reminders.

The council's popular Car Care Guide for motorists and is available at no charge, electronically or by printed copy, in English and Spanish. The guide covers major services, component groups within the vehicle, service interval recommendations and much more.

The Car Care Council is the source of information for the "Be Car Care

Aware" consumer education campaign promoting the benefits of regular vehicle care, maintenance

and repair to consumers. For the latest car care news, visit the council's online media room at

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Source: Car Care Council

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17416A	2015	Toyota	Sienna SE	32k	\$29,990	\$450
17564B	2015	Toyota	Prius III	36k	\$17,990	\$257
P1651	2014	Toyota	Camry LE	27k	\$15,490	\$217
P1643	2014	Toyota	Camry LE	65k	\$12,990	\$176
P1635	2014	Toyota	Corolla S	12k	\$15,990	\$225
17311A	2014	Toyota	Camry Hybrid SE	76k	\$12,750	\$173
16799A	2014	Toyota	Avalon LTD	37k	\$24,970	\$369
17156A	2013	Toyota	Camry SE	68k	\$12,460	\$168
P1616	2013	Chevy	Camaro	19k	\$18,760	\$269
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17750A	2009	Chevy	Impala LTZ	101k	\$8490	\$104

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P1631A	2013	Ram	2500 Diesel Crew	43k	\$37,990	\$579
17775A	2013	RAM	2500 Crew	43k	\$29,990	\$450
P1630A	2012	Toyota	Tundra Dbl. Cab	78k	\$21,990	\$323
P1617A	2010	Toyota	Tacoma Dbl SR5	107k	\$18,970	\$273

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P1621	2015	Toyota	Rav4 XLE	41k	\$20,990	\$305
P1610	2015	Toyota	Highlander LTD AWD	32k	\$34,970	\$530
17466B	2015	Nissan	Murano SL AWD	17k	\$33,880	\$481
P1633	2014	Toyota	Venza AWD	18k	\$24,990	\$370
17642B	2014	Ford	Edge SE AWD	53k	\$16,500	\$239
17662A	2014	Jeep	Compass Sport AWD	42k	\$13,990	\$193
P1653	2014	Toyota	Rav4 LE	46k	\$17,990	\$257
P1652	2014	Toyota	Rav4 XLE	28k	\$19,990	\$289
17056A	2013	Toyota	4Runner SR5 4WD	52k	\$27,680	\$415
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Keep your car breathing well: change the air filters

(NAPS) — Just as you need clean air to breathe, so does your car. The vehicle's air filters are what make that possible.

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How they work

The vehicle's engine air filter traps dirt particles that can cause damage to engine cylinders, cylinder walls, pistons, piston rings and bearings, leading to the engine losing power. The air filter also plays a critical role in keeping pollutants from contaminating the airflow sensor on fuel-injected cars. A normal-wear item that requires regular

checks and replacement, air filters should be inspected at each oil change and replaced annually or when showing other signs of contamination.

The cabin air filter is responsible for cleaning the air entering the passenger compartment. Under normal circumstances, it helps trap pollen, bacteria, dust and exhaust

gases that may find their way into a vehicle's heating, ventilation and air-conditioning (HVAC) system, compromising interior air quality and damaging the system. Most cabin air filters are accessed through the panel in the HVAC housing, which may be under the hood or placed within the interior of the vehicle. A cabin air filter should not

be cleaned and reinstalled. Instead, it should be replaced every 12,000 to 15,000 miles or per the owner's manual.

Expert advice

"Air filters are your vehicle's first line of defense against contaminants that reduce cabin air quality and negatively impact engine performance," explained Rich White, executive director

of the nonprofit Car Care Council.

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For a free copy of the council's "Car Care Guide" or for further information, visit www.car-care.org.

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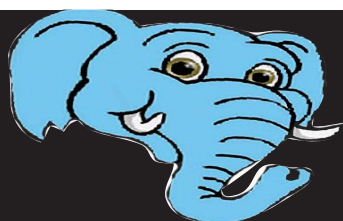
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Vehicle checklist for car pool season

(NAPS) — If any of the nearly 56 million children in the country getting ready to go back to school via car pools are yours, you can help make sure all the vehicles involved are kid safe and road ready with a five-point checklist:

1. Check lights and wipers for visibility. With shorter days and inclement weather ahead, make sure lights and wipers function properly so that you can see and be seen. Check the exterior and interior lights and replace any that are dimming, rapidly blinking or not functioning. Check wiper blades for signs of wear and replace if necessary.

2. Get an annual brake inspection. The braking system is your car's most

important safety feature. Before car pool season gets in full swing, make sure that your brakes are functioning properly. Schedule a brake inspection and look for warning signs that your vehicle may need brake services, such as an illuminated brake light or screeching, grinding or clicking noises when applying the brakes.

3. Check tires for under inflation or excessive wear. Check tire pressure and refill underinflated tires, including the spare, look for uneven wear and check tread depth. An easy way to do the latter is by placing a penny head-down in the tread groove. If the tread does not cover Lincoln's head, it's time to replace your tires.

4. Make sure everyone is buckled up. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) website has important tips on seat belt fit and position. For the younger ones riding along, the site has information about how to install car seats as well as guidelines on selecting a car seat or booster based on your child's age and size.

5. Consider a back-up detection device. Consider having a back-up detection device installed that provides rearview video or warning sounds when moving in reverse. While drivers should not rely solely on these devices, they can help to reduce the risk of backover incidents along with following other prevention tips from NHTSA.

'Back-to-school time is

hectic for most families, but scheduling a complete vehicle inspection is time well spent,' said Rich White, executive director, Car Care Council. 'Knowing your vehicle was checked by a professional technician will give you peace of mind and make all those trips to school and activities safer and less stressful.'

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for the 'Be Car Care Aware' consumer education campaign promoting the benefits of regular vehicle care, maintenance and repair to consumers.

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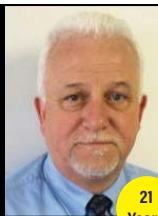
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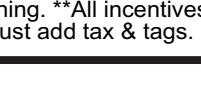
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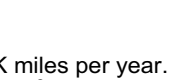
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Montgomery County Public Health would like to raise awareness to residents of the County regarding recent reports of bat exposure. Bats reside throughout New York State in both rural and urban areas. Keeping bats out of your home is a good first step in protecting yourself against rabies. Bats are just one of the carriers of rabies; other vectors include raccoons, skunks and foxes.

To bat proof your home, use polypropylene bird netting, fly screening, sheet metal, wood or various caulking compounds to close or cover openings that allow entry to the roost. Bats like to roost in attics, behind shutters, under roofing or siding, the underside of a porch roof, between the house and chimney, vents, rafters, behind hollow walls and in other sheltered areas of homes and buildings. If you suspect bats are roosting in your house, watch for them leaving at dusk, and make sure there are no more bats coming from the roost. Seal off any crevice observed, being aware that bats can enter through crevices as small as a pencil. The best time to bat proof is late fall through winter. Area wildlife and bat control specialists are available for hire in the surrounding area.

Bats infected with rabies quickly show signs. Avoid contact with any bat, especially one that is outdoors during the daylight, on the ground or paralyzed.

Bats rarely attack humans; however, any physical contact with a rabid bat may transmit the disease. In some situations a bat bite could go undetected, such as when a bat is found in a room with a sleeping person, or next to an unattended young child or pet. If there is any chance that contact with a bat has occurred to a person or pet, or you are not sure if contact has occurred, capture the bat without touching it. If indoors, close windows, room and closet doors, turn on lights and wait for the bat to land. Wearing heavy gloves cover the bat with a pail, coffee can or similar container. If the bat is not captured or tests positive for rabies, every person and pet that had a reasonable probability of exposure should receive rabies post exposure treatment as soon as possible.

Immediately call Montgomery County Public Health 518-853-3531.

For a video demonstration on "How to Safely Capture a Bat" go to the NYSDOH website at www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/zoonoses/rabies.

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- (10 3/4 ounce) can Healthy Request Tomato Soup
- 4 cups shredded cabbage
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper

1. In a large bowl, combine meat, uncooked instant rice, parsley flakes, half & half and water. Shape into 8 meatballs. Arrange meatballs in a circle in a microwave safe pie plate. Cover with waxed paper. Microwave on high (100 percent power) for 6 to 8 minutes, turning dish after 3 minutes. Set aside.

2. In an 8 cup microwave safe mixing bowl, combine tomato soup, cabbage, onion and black pepper. Cover with waxed paper. Microwave on high for 5 minutes. Stir.

3. Evenly arrange meatballs over cabbage mixture. Re-cover and microwave on high for 3 minutes. Place bowl on counter and let set for 3 minutes. For each serving, spoon 3/4 cup cabbage mixture on serving plate and top with 2 meatballs. Serves 4.

* Each serving: 216 calories, 4g fat, 15g protein, 30g carbs, 329mg sodium, 66mg calcium, 2g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 1 1/2 Meat, 1 Vegetable, 1 Starch; Carb Choices: 2.

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To your good health: What kind of doctor is a 'Hospitalist'?

by Keith Roach, M.D.

Dear Dr. Roach: I recently spent four days in the hospital for a respiratory infection. I was not admitted to my primary care doctor's service, but had three names on my wristband. When I inquired as to who they were, I was told that they were hospitalists. They would see me and communicate with my primary care physician. I did not see the same doctor more than once in my four day admission. When I saw my PCP after discharge, he did say he had been in contact with the hospitalists.

Is this common? Who is absorbing the cost? Does my PCP bill for consultation? — M.M.E.

Answer: Hospitalists are specialists in inpatient medicine. Hospitalists typically have no outpatient responsibilities, and spend the entire day in the hospital taking care of admitted patients only. Because they are constantly in the hospital, they usually can see an admitted patient more expeditiously than a doctor with outpatient responsibilities, and they tend to become expert and efficient at managing serious illness requiring hospitalization. Most studies comparing hospitalists with doctors who do both outpatient and inpatient medicine have shown that hospitalists facilitate decreased lengths of stay in the hospital and at least as good medical outcomes. The theory is that by specializing in just inpatient medicine, one can become expert as well as very efficient at using the resources available at a particular hospital.

The potential downside of hospitalists is

that the personal knowledge about a particular patient isn't as high. Your PCP knows you — hopefully very well, if he or she has been taking care of you for a long time. Although your records may be available to the hospitalists, it isn't the same as personal knowledge. That being said, with good communication (both ways) between your doctor and the hospitalists, the quality of care can be excellent.

There is no doubt that the hospitalist model is increasing in prevalence in the U.S. and Canada.

In answer to your question, your insurance company (or the government) pays the hospitalist directly. The PCP does not bill for consultation.

Dear Dr. Roach: My husband has Meniere's disease. We cannot find anyone who can help him. Is there any medication for this? — L.M.

Answer: Meniere's disease causes episodes of vertigo, tinnitus and eventually hearing loss. It is caused by swelling in the organ of balance in the inner ear, but the reason for the swelling isn't clear.

Before being seen by a doctor, your husband can try to identify triggers for the attacks. Common triggers include a high salt diet, tobacco, alcohol and stress. A low salt diet can dramatically reduce episodes.

ENT doctors are usually expert in treating Meniere's disease. A diuretic such as hydrochlorothiazide often is used if diet alone doesn't help.

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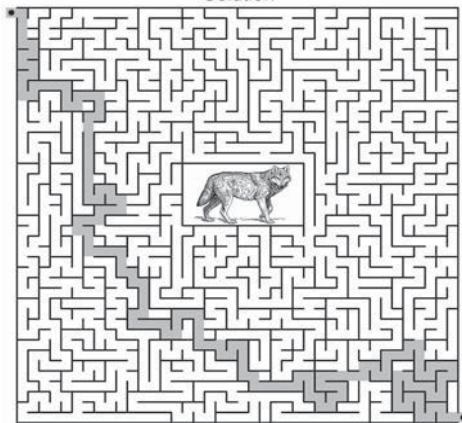
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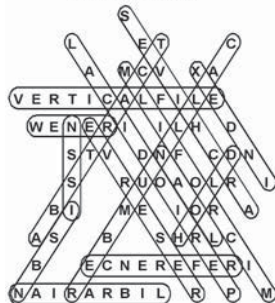
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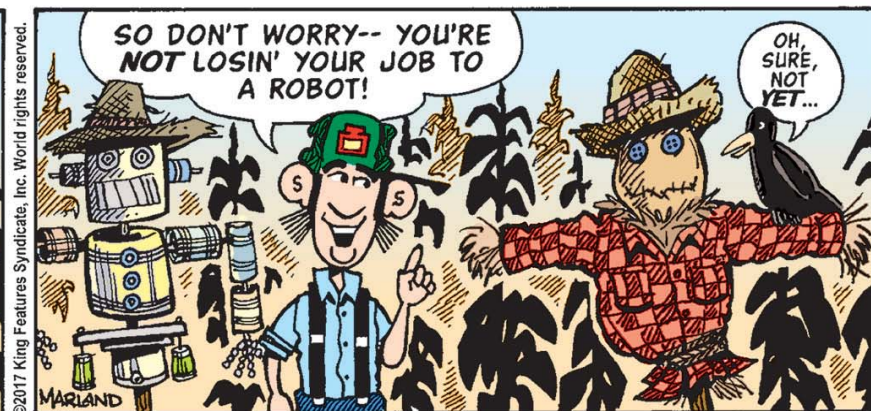
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Another major hit for the Canajoharie-Fort Plain Drama Club took place over the last weekend of July in the Arkell Performing Arts Center at the Canajoharie High School.

"This summer's musical 'Annie' was a perfect summer show because of its unlimited number of cast for students from ages 9 to 18," remarked Norma Bowley, managing director of the show. "Its familiar story and songs

and its manageable costumes and sets, allowed both seasoned performers and beginners to shine and use their own creativity to produce a fun and touching performance."

Bowley said that many of the ideas for the blocking, dances, props and costumes came from the students themselves. "The cast was highly involved in the blocking, choreography and characterization and that makes them feel an extra sense of pride and accomplishment."

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Co-directors Allison Ramsey and Mason Rivenburg did a spectacular job directing a production for their first time.

would like to be directors," recalled Bowley. "And then last spring our Canajoharie seniors, Jared Paratore (Daddy Warbucks), Frankie Nare (Miss Hannigan) and Katie Trahan (Lily) said they would have time this summer to be in the show! With the other talented high school, middle school and elementary students, we had an outstanding cast!"

Co-directors Mason Rivenburg and Allison Ramsey have worked

closely with the Drama Club in other capacities for years.

"I've been in the drama club for about seven years now," confirmed Rivenburg. "I've been in 15 previous shows and I'm glad I was in all of them. My partner Ally and I have always been the underdogs in drama and didn't get much time to shine, so by getting this opportunity we are able to show you what we're made of. With just about a month of practice

time, I took on the challenge of directing these amazing young actors, some of which I've watched grow since their very first show."

"Drama Club isn't just a club or a place to go," said Ramsey. "It's a family that welcomes you whether you are a past member or current. Within my years, I've been set crew, light crew, cast member and now a director. I never realized how

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Orphans attend a Christmas party at Annie's new home with Daddy Warbucks.

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much work it takes to be one. Within this short month, we all cried, stressed out and made lots of trips to McDonalds to 'run lines'. Seeing the progress we all made within this time makes me so happy and proud."

Bowley says the Drama Club provides a safe, friendly environment for students of all ages to use and develop their creativity to reach a very big goal.

"Special thanks to Allison and Mason for putting all their skills and prior ex-

perience to work for this show." said Bowley. "A big thank you to all the families for bringing the performers to the many rehearsals. We thank all who attended, volunteered and participated in any way. Thanks to the families for sharing your youngsters with us and for all the transportation, donations, time and flexibility. Thank you again for the community and the school's support."

The Canajoharie-Fort Plain Drama Club will present their annual Spring Musical, March 23- 25. Audition dates to be announced soon.



President Roosevelt (Vicente Nunez) and his advisory board brainstorm about Daddy Warbuck's and Annie's situation.

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Miss Hannigan (Frankie Nare) conspires with her brother Rooster (Connor Bowden) and his girlfriend Lily (Katie Trahan) to collect the reward money for locating Annie's real parents.

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