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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Nov. 7 we have an opportunity that comes around only once every 20 years – to establish a Constitutional Convention. New York is at its greatest when it stands up for participation, democracy, and the power of ordinary people. Both parties' inability to get any meaningful change accomplished has us disenchanted and dumbstruck. It is time we recognize that young people are resisting the power of the political machines and turning away from the parties in droves. The rest of our great electorate has begun to do the same. More and

more New Yorkers are declaring independence from broken party politics every day. Instead of waiting for party politicians to enact common sense reforms, we have a chance to take that action ourselves. Voting Yes to Prop 1 on Nov. 7 is simply saying "Yes, we want OPTIONS." That's it. Any and all proposals generated by this process would then have to be passed by us at the ballot box.

Our constitution should defend the right of every New Yorker to vote in every election without having to pledge fealty to a private political party. It should encourage

more participation in democracy, not less. It is time to remind the political elite in Albany that they work for us, not the other way around. When it comes to making headway on positive practical change for our state, I'll trust my fellow New Yorkers over professional politicians every day of the week. So on Election Day I'm making Prop #1 my priority #1. I hope you will vote YES with me for a Constitutional Convention. Turn over your Ballots, VOTE YES, and turn the tide.

Adam Wrigley
Canajoharie, NY 13317

To Your Good Health

by Keith Roach, M.D.
Apple no substitute for toothbrush

Dear Dr. Roach: I have heard that an apple a day keeps the dentist away and that an apple is nature's toothbrush. Can we really skip brushing our teeth if we eat an apple instead? — R.T.

Answer: I've read many opinions about this subject, and I tend to agree with the ones that show that apples are high in both sugar (some newer varieties much more so than old ones) and acid, which can damage teeth. Apples do have some ability to remove some particles from the teeth, but they will not clean all surfaces of the teeth. So, I would not skip brushing after an apple, even though apples are much better for your teeth than sticky sweets.

Dear Dr. Roach: What is an exophytic cyst? I have one on my right kidney, and it has been watched closely for the past eight years. The most recent ultrasound shows that it is 2.1 cm and hasn't changed in that time. I am 78 and in good health, except for asbestos exposure. Should I get this thing removed, or let it be? I get conflicting advice. — B.W.

Answer: The word "exophytic" means "growing outward," and a cyst is a fluid-filled cavity. So an exophytic cyst bulges out of the kidney and is filled with fluid. The big concern with these is whether they can be cancerous. A simple cyst, with thin walls and fluid without any solid structures, has a very low likelihood of being cancer and does not need further evaluation. If the sonogram can't show that for

certain, then a CT scan is usually done.

Kidney cysts are graded according to the Bosniak category, based on their appearance by CT scan. The more complex the cyst, the higher the likelihood of cancer. Older age, being a male and asbestos exposure are risk factors for cancer of the kidney.

Despite those risk factors, if this were a simple cyst (Bosniak I or II) and unchanged in eight years, it is very unlikely to be cancer, and I would recommend letting it be. However, if it were a Bosniak category III or higher, I would discuss biopsy with the urologist.

Dear Dr. Roach: I'm having a sensation on the balls of my feet, as though I am walking with pads. I have diabetes, but my sugar level is moderate. I have seen three doctors without results. Do you have any thoughts? — B.G.

Answer: Anytime I hear symptoms that could be numbness, pain, tingling or burning sensation in someone with diabetes, I think it is diabetic neuropathy until proven differently. It is not usually hard to diagnose with a filament (to test light touch sensation) and a tuning fork (to test vibration), but occasionally an electrodiagnostic test (i.e., EMG) is necessary. If your regular or diabetes doctor hasn't helped, I suggest a neurologist.

Blood sugar levels that are persistently high are more likely to result in diabetic neuropathy, but longstanding diabetes, even when it's moderately well controlled, can lead to neuropathy.

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OPEN LETTER TO COUNCILMAN NIEL YERDON

Councilman Yerdon:

How glad I was to see that you are running for re-election for Councilman for the Town of Palatine. I have been attending all of the monthly meetings for a few years now and applaud you, along with most of the other members, for your dedication to the position of Councilman and Deputy Supervisor.

It is obvious that you take that position seriously, evident by the time and effort you put into researching projects and issues as they arise. Thank you for becoming the liaison between the Town Planning Board and the Town Board and taking the time to attend the monthly meetings of the Planning Board as well as volunteering for the Steering Committee for the Town's Comprehensive Plan update.

It is actually nice to attend Town Board meetings where the Board Members treat the Supervisor with respect. Although you may not all agree with one another on certain issues, you conduct yourselves in a respectful, polite, and professional manner.

I want you to know that you have my vote for re-election but yours will be the only vote I cast for councilperson. I do not have confidence in the other two candidates for different reasons.

While it is commendable that Betty Sanders serves on numerous boards, committees, and societies, that doesn't necessarily make her an effective council member. An example is during the June 28, 2017 monthly town board meeting when it came time for the vote for paving the Town Hall parking lot, Councilwoman Sanders was one of the nay votes but then voted yes to appropriate the monies to pay for the paving. I'm still trying to figure out the logic to that - if there is any.

As for Shawn Cotton, my feeling is that he had his chance and he quit before the end of his term. For whatever reason he chose to use, the fact is he still quit. He also was very antagonistic toward Supervisor Niccoli when he was on the board. I do not think we need that kind of behavior brought back to the Town Board as it accomplishes nothing.

By **not** casting a second vote, I consider it a vote of **"NO CONFIDENCE"**

Thank You, Councilman Yerdon for bringing Respect, Transparency, and Integrity to the Board of the Town of Palatine.

**ON NOVEMBER 7TH VOTE TO RE-ELECT
COUNCILMAN NIEL YERDON**

Linda Spencer,
Resident, Town of Palatine



Senior News Line

by **Matilda Charles**

Will your money last through retirement?

Think you have your retirement financial planning well in hand? Well, a new study shows that you might be in for a rude surprise when the time comes. The American College New York Life Center for Retirement Income commissioned a survey of retirement income planning, and the results are disturbing. Only 35 percent of men passed the quiz; only 18 percent of women were able to.

The quiz covered a dozen different categories, and judging by the results, the topic of annuity products in retirement was the most difficult.

Women equaled men in the Medicare insurance planning section, with both getting 76 percent of answers correct. Women also bested men (just barely, at 38 percent versus 35 percent) in paying for long-term-care expenses.

The survey found the most glaring problem is that while many women know they're not knowledgeable about retirement income planning, the majority still believe they'll have enough money to live on. Why is that? Are women secretly depending on men to be on top of financial planning, answering on the quiz that they make joint decisions, while the men replied that they (the men) were actually the ones in charge?

There is one ray of hope in the survey: The majority of women believe that it's important for their financial adviser to educate them... while a minority of men responded that way.

Ladies, we live longer. If anyone should be more

concerned about having enough money for a long retirement, it's us. At the very least, we should know what our monthly retirement budget looks like.

To see how you do on the retirement quiz, go online to retirement.theamerican-college.edu. Scroll down to the red box on the lower right. There are 38 questions. After you take the quiz, you can check your answers.

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by Skip Barshied

climbed up on the split rail fence to watch the new born calf in the pasture. His day and age was one of horsepower. He would soon be old enough to pick stone from the new plowed fields to use for stonewall fences. Barbed wire fence was in its infancy and doubtless little used when Grandpa was really young.

Kerosene lamps lit the house after the sun went down. Electricity for the common man was still in the future. Doubtless electric fence was waiting for a future generation. I would like to tell you of Grandpa's introduction to an electric fence when I was a young boy some 80 years ago.

My father was a devoted hunter for his entire life as had been Grandpa Garlock. Dad had gone to college and became an electrical engineer. He understood electric power, respected it, but was not unduly afraid of it. When hunting season came in the fall Dad was sure to go. As long as Grandpa was still able to go along, he did. On the day I recall the grass was still wet. Un-

oh, there is an electric fence just ahead. That patch of brush and weeds was good cover for pheasants. Soon old Bob, the Airedale, would flush them out. He was already on the other side of the fence. Dad was wearing

rubber hunting boots. He easily cleared the fence. Grandpa said, "Is there power on that fence?" Of course Dad's answer was no. Grandpa reached out and grabbed the fence. He had recently put new soles on his leather shoes

using iron nails to secure them. When Grandpa grasped the wire to steady his crossing, he got a shock. We will let the reader imagine what he said.

Skip Barshied
Stone Arabia



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Mr. MacLauchlin:

I take issue with your letter to the editor that appeared in the October 20th issue of the C-S-E. Since the time you announced your intention to run for Town of Palatine Supervisor, I have been waiting for you to state your reasons for running and what you planned to bring to the position. Finally, just 2½ weeks prior to the election, you decide to let your intentions be known and the majority of the letter is nothing but accusations and innuendo toward Town Supervisor Sara Niccoli.

Mr. MacLauchlin, I have attended the Town of Palatine board meetings since 2014 and NEVER have I seen you there, so let me give you some facts:

Fact #1: To address your comment of raising taxes, let me point out that since Supervisor Niccoli has been in charge of the Town of Palatine's budget, taxes have only increased by .07 percent. That would be 7 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. While other municipalities have been holding hearings to override the tax cap, Supervisor Niccoli has held the budget **under** the tax cap, resulting in the town residents receiving a tax rebate check from the State for the past two years and can expect another one this year.

Fact #2: Supervisor Niccoli is not “hiding”. She was absent at the September 2017 board meeting due to illness and the October 11 special meeting (that was scheduled by the Deputy Supervisor) due to a previous commitment. I can only assume that if you are elected you would never be absent from a board meeting.

Fact #3: There had not been a State Audit of the Town of Palatine in close to two decades. It was Supervisor Niccoli who made the request to the State Comptroller's Office for an audit and she has no control over when the final report will be available. That is entirely up to the State Comptroller's Office and for you to insinuate otherwise is completely irresponsible. Is this the type of "leadership" the residents can expect if you were to be elected?

Fact #4: Supervisor Niccoli **DID** address the preliminary audit report as part of her Supervisor Report at the August 23, 2017 Town Board meeting as stated in the official minutes of that meeting. You would have known this if you attended a meeting or asked the Town Clerk for minutes of previous meetings as this would have given you accurate information regarding the town.

Fact #5: You insinuated that the “increasing surplus” is the fault of Supervisor Niccoli. These funds have increased over the last 15 to 20 years because previous town boards had plans to build a new building, neglecting any and all maintenance on the current town hall.

You also stated in your letter, “I offer you something different”, but different doesn’t necessarily mean better or beneficial for the town.

It is my personal belief that residents of the Town of Palatine do **NOT** need you to represent them. I **KNOW** I certainly do not....and that's a **FACT**.

Linda Spencer
Town of Palatine Resident

Dolgeville Community Band

The Dolgeville Community Band, under the direction of Mark Case, performed at The Violet Festival in June and held concerts in July at Plowe Park in Dolgeville.

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Row 3 - (L-R) Ryan Case, Kayleigh Fredericks, Katelyn Ashe, Hannah Getman, Breanna Dunn, Emily McGraw, Jenna Christensen, Amanda Carpenter, Zane Eckler, Kathryn Pierce, Nathan Lasher, Guest - Eric Slifka and Adam Schuyler.



On November 7th, voters in the Town of Palatine will have a chance to elect a Supervisor and a Board who will be honest with residents. The current Supervisor and activist Board members have been less than honest with voters. In the last election voters were told that their taxes would be increased if a new Town Hall was constructed when, in fact, the entire amount needed was already in the treasury for the project.

Now the activists are proposing a fire reservoir when, in fact, hydrants can be installed at select sites at a substantial cost savings.

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HOW DID HE PERFORM WHEN HE WAS A TOWN OF PALATINE COUNCIL MEMBER PREVIOUSLY?

Shawn Cotton was one of the four Town of Palatine Council Members who boycotted a well-attended public hearing re: if a new town hall should be built (Feb 12, 2015, Recorder Newspaper). **Refusing to participate in a public hearing as a public servant is disrespectful to town residents and is also considered unethical.**

Shawn Cotton was a member of the New Town Hall Building Committee and a strong proponent for building the new town hall (April 7, 2015, Recorder Newspaper). **Town of Palatine residents were never provided a planning budget for the cost of the new town hall even after repeated requests.**

After refusng to attend the February 11, 2015 public hearing re: building a new town hall to hear residents' concerns and answer questions; Shawn Cotton voted at the March 25, 2015 Town Meeting to award construction contracts (April 7, 2017, Recorder Newspaper).

Shawn Cotton resigned as Councilman for the Town of Palatine on March 26, 2015 after servinig one year of his second term stating that his job promotion presented a conflict of interest for serving on the Town Board (April 7, 2015, Recorder Newspaper).

Mr. Cotton still holds the same position as when he resigned. Why is it no longer a conflict of interest?

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Sue Miller, Cherry Valley Historian, author, and proprietor of the Plaide Palette will close out the meeting with a talk about the area and Route 20.

The Lake House offers several choices of entrées: beef, chicken, or salmon. The side is vegetable, mashed potatoes, dessert, tea/coffee. The price for dinner is \$30, which includes gratuity. Please specify your choice when you RSVP. You may call to RSVP to Bernie Peplinski 315-822-6974.

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- 1/2 cup unsweetened orange juice
- 1/4 cup Peter Pan or Skippy reduced-fat peanut butter
- 2 tablespoons Brown Sugar Twin
- 3 cups (16 ounces) sliced cooked sweet potatoes
- 1/2 cup miniature marshmallows

1. Heat oven to 350 degrees F. Spray an 8-by-8-inch baking dish with butter-flavored cooking spray.

2. In a large bowl, combine orange juice, peanut butter and Brown Sugar Twin. Add sweet potatoes. Mix well to coat. Pour mixture into prepared baking dish. Bake for 20 minutes.

3. Sprinkle marshmallows evenly over top. Continue baking for 5 minutes or until marshmallows start to melt and are lightly browned. Divide into 6 servings.

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ATTENTION

Town of Palatine Residents

Once again, election time is right around the corner and once again, the issue on a lot of residents' minds is the possible building of a new town hall in Stone Arabia. I really thought that the results of the 2015 election had put this issue to rest. Apparently not.

As is well known, myself, along with Supervisor Niccoli, and Councilmen Vandenburg and Novak, have been opposed and continue to oppose spending \$500,000 plus for a new building. With the State urging consolidation of municipal courts and Montgomery Court working diligently to utilize the former Beech Nut facility for that very purpose, any thought to spend money toward a new building would be totally irresponsible.

Councilwoman Betty Sanders and former Councilman Shawn Cotton have been strong supporters of a new town hall and continue to be, as proven by the constant disparaging remarks regarding the building that has served as this Town's Court and Town Hall for decades.

I urge all residents to vote on November 7, 2017 and let your voice be heard as it was two years ago, because the result of this election will effect this town for many years to come.

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TOWN OF PALATINE RESIDENTS THE SUPERVISOR RECORD OF SARA NICCOLI and the 3 male members of the Town Board of Palatine

The Good Government Watchdog Group has completed a search and review of the public records of the Town of Palatine, public records of Montgomery County, State of New York and other States, and those of other municipalities. Our findings are:-

That Ms. Sara Niccoli failed to sign the fire contract renewal with St. Johnsville, NY on time and also changed the monetary figures herself without Town Board approval. These monetary changes are in her own handwriting and preserved in the original document. The 3 male Town Board members raised no protest to her action. Your property was not protected from fire or your life by fire rescue for 2 months. The Good Government Watchdog Group's conclusion is that she and the 3 male members of the Town Board of Palatine do not care about your property or your life.

Ms. Sara Niccoli promised a transparent government and one that wanted to hear the opinions of the residents. Ms. Niccoli and her 3 male members of the Town Board reduced the Public Comment section of the Town Board meeting agenda from two to one. Ms. Niccoli and her 3 male Town Board members no longer want to hear your opinion. The Good Government Watchdog Group's conclusion is that this is closed government and the public should be outraged.

Ms. Niccoli and the 3 male members held secret meetings without notifying ALL members of the Town Board of Palatine. The evidence shows that the only female Town Board member was consistently bypassed and refused knowledge of a password to gain access to the emails. This is Ms. Niccoli and the 3 male Board members idea of good government. This is the Good Government Watchdog Group's opinion borders on dictatorship. This is a wake up call for the residents of the Town of Palatine.

Ms. Sara Niccoli, for over two months, has not acted on renewal of the agreement with FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Administration). This would have continued Federal aid in case of disasters such as floods, wild fires, extreme weather events, mud slides, etc. The Good Government Watchdog Group concludes that Ms. Niccoli does not meet the necessary qualifications to serve as supervisor.

Ms. Sara Niccoli appointed Mr. Niel Yerdon as Deputy Supervisor to act in times when she is not present. This appears to be an extremely poor choice. After being sent to school for training, apparently Mr. Yerdon learned little. Much public opinion and recordings show that Mr. Niel Yerdon is unable to adequately conduct a Town Board meeting. In her absence, Mr. Yerdon seems to be incapable of making required decisions such as what to do in emergency situations. Our survey indicates that Mr. Yerdon looks to others to make the decision for him. The Good Government Watchdog Group wonders why he is on the Town Board.

The Good Government Watchdog Group's review showed that Ms. Sara Niccoli has publicly said that the recent audit of records of the Town of Palatine show that she was found to have made no mistakes. This is not true. Sara was ordered by New York State to return all monies that was removed from the Capital Reserve Fund. The monies in the Capital Reserve Fund can only be used for the purpose for which it was created.

Many people contributed to finance Ms. Sara Niccoli's campaign for public office including the New York State Senator. After an election the candidate, whether he or she wins or loses, can use leftover campaign money for personal use. Ms. Sara Niccoli bought a new car. The Good Government Watchdog Group would like to see the campaign funding rules changed. We believe that all leftover campaign monies should be returned or donated to charity.

Ms. Sara Niccoli foolishly denied the employees of the Town of Palatine Highway Department a very small raise in hourly wages. The result is that the Highway Department is now unionized. The union contract calls for a monetary penalty if the pay checks are delivered late. The Good Government Watchdog Group is neither pro or against unions. We believe in many circumstances the unions are very beneficial. However, the residents of the Town of Palatine have had their hard earned money pay these late penalties. The 3 male Town Board members and Sara Niccoli claim that the union contract saves the Town of Palatine money. The Good Government Watchdog Group does not agree.

Ms. Sara Niccoli is very proud to be an activist. Sara attends demonstrations in Albany, Gloversville, etc. even if it means not attending or leaving a Board meeting early. She is thought to be against the NRA and for very strict gun control. Look for her on TV and sometimes being interviewed.

Ms. Sara Niccoli and the 3 men board members now want to build a pond on the former site for the now defunct new Town Hall. This pond is supposed to be for resupplying water to fire trucks. The public records show that for one year they argued that there was not sufficient water from the drilled well to even flush a toilet twice. Now there seems to be all kinds of water. What is the source of water? When Town Board member Mr. Christopher Novak was asked about this he replied that one should ask a Mr. Paul Spencer because it was Mr. Spencer's idea. When you first claim that there is a serious lack of water and then claim that there is all kinds of water, you have no credibility. The Good Government Watchdog Group concludes that Mr. Novak does not now want to be connected to this pond location and has cast out Mr. Spencer to hang and twist in the wind all by himself. Shameful Mr. Novak. Can you really trust someone who has moved about 11 times in nearly 15 years. Don't you wonder why?

Also, a review of public records shows that it was argued for months that in the winter it is too difficult to drive north on NYS Route 10 and other roads because of snow, drifting snow, icy roads etc. This would mean that fire trucks would not be able to reach this pond for water resupply. The Good Government Watchdog Group concludes that it is simply amazing that the Town of Palatine Highway Department employees seem to get there every day to plow your roads. The residents who live north of the Village of Palatine Bridge also seem to arrive at work and return home. When the Good Government Watchdog Group analyzed the entire picture of the current town government and their supporters, it is obvious that this was just another scare tactic argument used to defeat the now defunct proposed new town hall. Consolidated government probably will be forced upon us quite soon and we will be governed by people unknown to us. Montgomery County and the New York State Governments will tell us how to live. The Good Government Watchdog Group acknowledges that there are benefits of this consolidation - mostly saving money. We are apprehensive about consolidation of services as decisions will basically be made by strangers to our area. It is believed that local people know their area best and perhaps this outweighs saving money.

Ms. Sara Niccoli and her 3 men board members continue to talk about all the good things they are doing for you. A review by the Good Government Watchdog Group shows that is what it is - just talk. Meanwhile, the really important Town business is not being done as evidence shows that Ms. Sara Niccoli does not act timely on important Town of Palatine business or answer telephone calls or email. Many residents have told us, and verified by Town Board meeting summaries, that Ms. Niccoli has said that she does answer but this is not true. As an activist, much of the time she is not in the area. It appears that Ms. Sara Niccoli's purpose is only to advance her own political ambitions. Good Government is about serving the people correctly. Ms. Sara Niccoli falls far short of this standard.

The Good Government Watchdog Group encourages that when you vote this November 7th, please make educated choices. Your local government can be administered more wisely, fairly, honestly, and with fiscal integrity. Your vote can influence the operation of your own local government much more than you can influence county, state or federal governments. You know your home area much better than strangers. Vote- America is still the home of the free because of the brave.

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• Trouble getting to sleep? Maybe you should try listening to soothing sounds. There are many to choose from, from white or pink noise (find it free on YouTube or get a CD from the library). There's even a podcast where a person reads a boring book in a mono-

tone voice (Sleep with Me). You never know if it'll help unless you try. — C.A. in Florida

• Homemade ice pack: Mix 1 part rubbing alcohol to 3 parts water in a zipper-top bag; seal and place in the freezer. It gets really cold but never hardens, so you can manipulate it. Every athlete (or parent!) should pin this. — M.W. (Add food coloring so you can tell if

it's leaking, and label it properly!)

• Airport hacks: Bring a few extra zipper-top bags, just in case you need them on the return flight; bring an empty water bottle to fill up after you clear security; bring your own snacks; tie or otherwise fasten an identifiable scrap of material to your plain black luggage to make it easy to spot on the luggage carousel;

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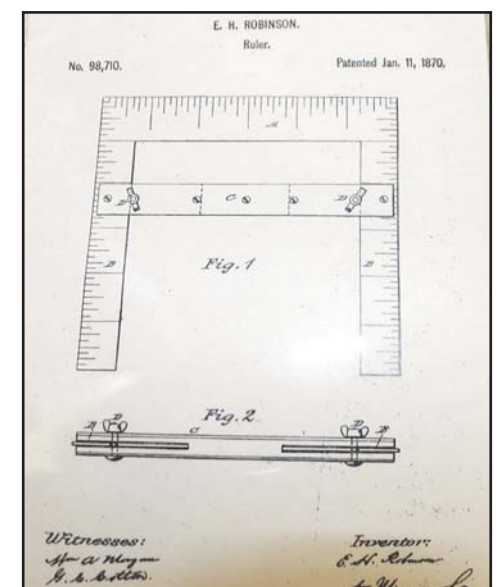


Our Whatchamacallit for this week is quite a unique measuring tool, patented on Jan. 11, 1870. The patent holder was E. H. Robinson of Janesville, WI. I had heard that some folks call this a bridge square, but nowhere online could I find this item in relation to that name. The only other image of this exact tool that I found was

from an old listing of antique tools for sale, and it offered no definitive name. Robinson called it a "ruling device."

According to Robinson's patent application, the intent of this tool was to provide a simple device that was quickly and "readily adjusted to make parallel lines or lines of any angle." It is simple in its design consisting of a ruled U-shaped square with a crossbar between the tongues (arms) that can be slid up and down and secured by means of set-screws on the crossbar (see diagram). It is clearly stamped Eagle Square Manufacturing Co. but I was unable to capture the logo with the camera.

Eagle Square Manufacturing Co. has a very interesting and long history starting in 1819. In 1916 it was sold to the Stanley Rule and Level Company of New Britain, CT. According to UVM Center for Digital Initiatives website, "Throughout the many changes in ownership and administration, the factory in South Shaftsbury has retained the "Eagle Square Company" name."



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NYS History Month Tuesday Talks series at Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site

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This year, the series starts on Tuesday, Nov. 7, the seventh with Liaisons Plaisantes performing music from the early 19th century. Music during the early part of the 19th century was not only entertainment but also connected people and communities. All along the turnpikes and canals of New York, music reflected the culture, political, social movements and a changing worldview in light of new innovations.

On Nov. 14, columnist, author, and bookstore owner, Dan Weaver will explore the famous Marquis de Lafayette and his different journeys through the Mohawk Valley during the Revolution and early American Republic. The Marquis is well known as the young French aristocrat who ventured to America during its fight for independence, serving as an aide to General Washington and carrying the spirit of 1776 back to France; but his journeys through the valley help paint a more dynamic portrait of the man.

Tuesday, Nov. 21, we

welcome Ashley Hopkins-Benton, a Senior Historian and Curator of Social History at the New York State Museum to present on "Votes for Women: Celebrating New York's Suffrage Centennial." She will speak on how the State Museum will commemorate the 100th anniversary of New York State women winning the right to vote as well as how curators have been exploring artifacts from collections around the state for their exhibit. At the same time, they have been actively collecting materials from the 2017 Women's March. Learn about the process of re-

searching artifacts for the exhibition, collecting from the Women's march, and the parallels between the older and new materials.

The last of the series provides a flavorful conclusion to our celebration of New York's rich cultural heritage; as we welcome Amanda Massie, Curator for the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation's Bureau of Historic Sites and Valerie Balint, former curator at Olana State Historic Site, as they embark on a culinary journey that links technology to food tastes and availability. Learn how exotic foods such as

pineapple and avocado found their way into 19th-century cookbooks, and how the ability to serve them on Japanese imported plates became within the reach of middle class homes throughout the United States. Discover the math and science behind shopping, cooking and dining in this period. Through an illustrated

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by **Samantha Weaver**

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ter Wallace who made the following sage observation: "There is no such thing as not voting: you either vote by voting, or you vote by staying home and tacitly doubling the value of some diehard's vote."

• Those who study such things say that many ancient Greeks carried coins in their mouths — clothing of the time lacked pockets, you see.

• If you're like many wage slaves, as the end of the workweek approaches you might find yourself doing busywork — trying to look as if you're working when, in fact, you're just shuffling papers or otherwise avoiding productivity. Well, there's a word for that: fudgel. Fudgeling may not be an approved workplace activity, but it's undeniably

a part of the American workplace.

• If you look closely at the Mona Lisa, Leonardo da Vinci's famed masterpiece, you might notice that the famously enigmatic subject is entirely lacking in eyebrows.

• It may not come as a surprise that when scorpions mate, it's a rather violent affair. When the act is completed, the female stings her partner to death, then eats him.

• In 1993, voters in San Francisco voted on a ballot measure to determine whether police officer Bob Geary would be allowed to walk his neighborhood beat while carrying his ventriloquist's dummy, known as Brendan O'Smarty. The measure passed, and O'Smarty remained on the job.

• It's been reported that in the Mexican city of Tehuantepec, women outnumber men by five to one.

Thought for the Day: "Life is a four-letter word." — Lenny Bruce

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years. It is important to have pets vaccinated in a timely manner in order for the pet to be considered protected against the virus. Pet owners should bring proof of their pet's last rabies vaccination. This helps the veterinarian determine whether the pet will receive a one or three-year vaccination; without it your pet will receive a one-year vaccination only.

Veterinarian administration fee for rabies vaccine is \$10 per vac-

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by **Sam Mazzotta**

Don't risk pets' lives: vaccinate

Dear Paw's Corner: The letter from a reader wondering if it's worth it to vaccinate his indoor cats ("Do Indoor Cats Need All Those Shots?") hit a nerve with me. Years ago, I had five totally indoor kitties. And like his cats, mine loved to perch on the windowsill. I'd never bothered to keep up with all of their shots, because they never went outside and so wouldn't be exposed to other cats — so why deal with the expense?

You can guess what happened: The window screen popped out somehow, and my cat "Woody" fell out into our side yard. Once we discovered the "escape," we got him back into the house, but sadly, it was not fast

Paw's Corner

enough. As time went by I noticed all of my cats were showing signs of illness, so I made an appointment with the veterinarian. Sadly, Woody never made it; he passed away the day before the appointment. All of my surviving cats were diagnosed with feline leukemia.

Because of my insistence on being cheap, I shortened all of my cats' lives. If they had been vaccinated regularly, they likely would never have gotten sick even if they accidentally escaped the house. That's a fact I can never, ever change. Please don't think like I did. Protect your family and get all of their vaccinations. — Dee in Palmyra, NY

Dear Dee: Thank you for sharing such a painful experience. I hope your story will help others realize just

how much they have to lose by not vaccinating their indoor cats against feline leukemia, feline immunodeficiency virus, rabies and other diseases.

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by **Pastor Dan West**

I don't know if Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens) was a believer in the Holy Scriptures or not but some of his pithy sayings agree with what the Scriptures say. Take for example the saying attributed to him that says something like "It is better for a man to keep his mouth shut and let people think he is dumb than for him to open his mouth and remove all doubt."

Proverbs 17:27 penned by Solomon, the wisest man who ever lived (outside the Lord Himself) says "He who has knowledge spares his words" (NKJV) or, "A truly wise person uses few words."(NLT) It is often true in a group discussion

that people who know the least about the subject do the most talking.

Solomon goes on to say in verse 28 "Even a fool, when he holds his peace, is counted wise;" which Mark Twain intoned many centuries later. Solomon continues to say "with their mouths shut, they seem intelligent" (NLT).

There is another saying of questionable origin on this topic; "The reason 'talk is cheap' is a simple economic principle — the supply always exceeds the demand." Proverbs 18:21 says "The tongue can bring forth death or life; those who love to talk will reap the consequences." When you make your words count, they have power.



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will ensure that hunting is being done according to the rules of a particular state, town or province, and establish just how many animals can be taken. Hunters will need to make sure their firearms or bows are operational and clean. Hunters may also want to invest in tree stands, binoculars, knives, ammunition, hunting blinds, shooting glasses, ear protection, processing kits (for field dressing), and hunting attire. To make themselves more visible to fellow hunters, hunters should wear clothing in blaze orange rather than camouflage. Hunters can visit fishing and game retailers for additional recommendations on gear.



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New pets can make life at home more exciting. Cats are popular pets because of their curiosity, playfulness and size, which make them great pets in private homes and apartments big and small.

Many people prefer cats because they tend to require less maintenance than dogs and felines are relatively self-sufficient. According to a 2014 survey from Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, 37 percent of Canadian households included one or more cats. In the United States, the American Pet Products Association says that 30 to 37 percent of households have a cat, and more than 35 percent of cats are acquired as strays.

Kittens can be soft, fluffy and adorable to have around. However, to maintain a peaceful household and provide a safe environment for new felines, it's important for pet owners to follow some key tips.

Kittens should not be separated from their mother or siblings until they're at least 10 to 12 weeks of age, provided the litter has had significant human contact, offers Blue Buffalo Pet Food's animal experts. If the kittens have not had much contact, it may be possible to bring them home earlier. The earlier cats are socialized, the easier the kitten-owner relationship and the less skittish the cat may be.

Cats require some necessities from the start. These include feeding bowls, litter boxes or trays, toys, and scratching posts. Washable cat beds with warm blankets are also helpful. Position the litter tray in a corner away from food and water. The International Cat Care

group says that a new home can be intimidating, so it's best to introduce cats slowly to their new environments. Choose a room that's quiet where the kitten can adjust. Outfit the room with toys and a place to snuggle or hide, and remove any hazards or breakable items.

Gradually give the kitten time to venture out into the main living area to explore, watching how it behaves. If the cat dashes nervously, it may need more time to acclimate. Some kittens take up to two weeks to fully relax in a home. People should be introduced one at a time.

The animal guidance group VetStreet says handling and playing with kittens at least once per day will help owners form strong emotional bonds with their cats.

Children should be monitored upon introduction to the new kitten to make sure it's a positive experience for both the kitten and child.

Veterinarians can offer a wealth of information for new cat owners. Ask many questions, including which foods to feed them and how often; illnesses to watch out for; suggestions on how to introduce the kitten to other pets; and guidelines for making litter box training easier. Remember to discuss having the kitten spayed or neutered right away to help combat cat overpopulation.

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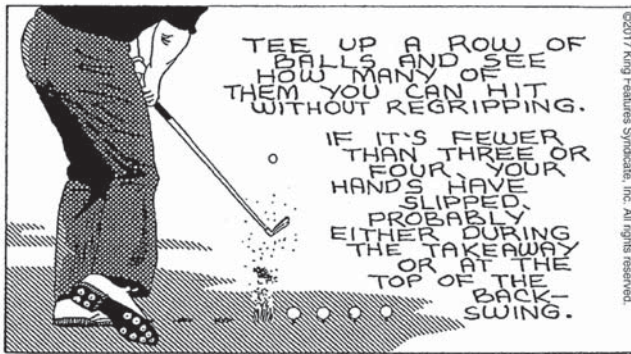
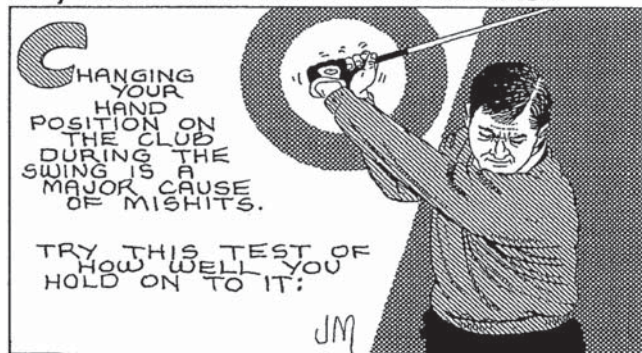
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King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Dutch earthenware city

6 Ado

12 More blood-stained

13 Unilateral

14 Rhododendron cousin

15 Busy

16 Small plateau

17 Rocketry org.

19 Started

20 Group of actors

22 Omega predecessor

24 Second person

27 Church furniture

29 Lecher's look

32 Toady

35 Transcending (Pref.)

36 Mine car

37 Ball holder

38 Hooter

40 Sans escort

42 Tablet

44 Inauguration recitation

46 Mine entrance

50 Captivate

52 Intertwine

54 Swear (to)

55 Like thunder

56 Prolonged

10 Wash

11 Watched

12 School of whales

18 If all else fails

21 Zoo favorite

23 "Help!"

24 Thanksgiving veggie

25 Unclose

26 Modern

28 Spreads thickly

30 Shelter

31 Preceding

33 Legislation

34 — Little

39 Untethered

41 Greek consonant

42 Carrots' partners

43 Con

45 — and letters

47 Plastic user's concern

48 Capri or Wight

49 Biblical possessive

51 "Family Guy" daughter

53 Enthusiast

DOWN

1 Nap

2 Historic times

3 Light purple

4 Doctor's due

5 Area near the apse

6 Feathery neckwear

7 Open a bottle

8 Collection

9 Stephenie Meyer series

10 attacks

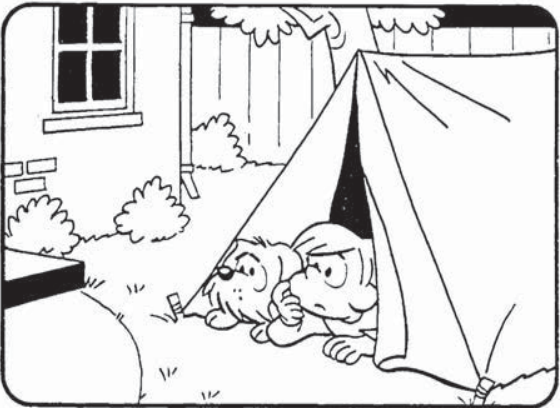
11 Put into words

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Shutters are missing. 2. Swing is missing. 3. Dog's tongue is hidden. 4. Cap is missing. 5. Bug sprayer is missing. 6. Flap is smaller.

MAGIC MAZE • THE COLOR YELLOW

HB YWURPNKIGDDDBZ

XD VSSSQOMKIGAEC A

Y WLMUSTARDUNSQP

N LJOHBFECAYDDXV

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N MBULLDOZERLIBY

K J U H E G G Y O L K I B A R

F E T C M N B Z Y H X O G N A

V U T T O R U Q B A C N I A N

P O E M N L H S A U Q S B N A

K I R T H G I L N O I T U A C

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

- Banana
- Cab
- Egg yolk
- School bus
- Big Bird
- Canary
- Highlighter
- Squash
- Bulldozer
- Caution light
- Lemon
- Sun
- Butter
- Dandelions
- Mustard

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UH, THIS IS NOT THE PART IN THE GAME YOU CAN TAKE A KNEE.

Mega Maze

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by Dave T. Phipps

LAFF-A-DAY



"We'd better look at those plans again."

GRIN & BEAR IT



"Clamp. Sponge. Proof of insurance ..."

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

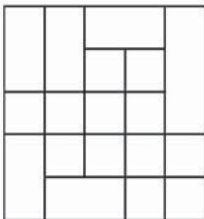
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"Anyone who goes to a psychiatrist ought to have their head examined."

~Sam Goldwyn

STICKELERS [sic] by Terry Stickels

How many squares of any size can be found in the diagram below?



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Kovels: Antiques And Collecting

by **Terry and Kim Kovel** Strange antiques and
Odd-shaped objects collectibles with mysteri-
sometimes part of set ous shapes and unknown

purposes sometimes are
part of a larger piece.
Mysterious wooden
wheels with wooden
spokes and about a 45-
inch diameter were popu-
lar in the 1950s. They
were hung on a wall as a

decoration or put flat in a
flowerbed. Each section
between the spokes was
planted with a different
herb or flower. The
wheels were copied in
giftware catalogs but
were never identified as



part of a "walking" spinning wheel used to spin woolen yarn.

A curved "bowl" shaped like part of the border of a circle is sometimes sold at an antique shop. The bowl usually is made by impor-

tant porcelain companies and it seems to be a bargain. It is part of a set of four crescent-shaped bowls and one round bowl that fit together to make a circle. The curved bowls held foods like olives, pickles and sauces or several types of vegetables with sauce in the round center bowl. Most sets were made with the five bowls and a lid for the centerpiece. Once a piece broke, the set couldn't be used. But the pieces still were attractive when used alone.

A set made by Coalport porcelain in the Imari pattern sold in 2016 for \$923. Single curved bowls can be found for \$50 to \$75. A covered center bowl might fetch \$100.

Q: I have a Sarah Coventry necklace that I was told is 85-90 years old. It's about 16-18 inches long and has graduated glass beads strung on fine copper wire and a copper ring and clasp. I was told it is Waterford crystal. I'd like to know how old it is and what it's worth.

A: It's newer than you think. Sarah Coventry was founded in 1949. Jewelry was designed by freelancers and made by other companies. It was sold through home parties. The company went bankrupt in 1981 and was sold several times after that. Sarah Coventry jewelry is no longer being made, but is sold online. Waterford is the name of a company known for its glass, but some people use the name for other clear glass. The value of your necklace is about \$50 retail.

Tip: Take batteries with you to toy sales if you plan to buy a battery-operated toy. Check to see if the toy really works.

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Ames, NY 13317
518-673-3495
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607-264-3306
Pastor David Carpenter, Jr.
Sundays 9:30am

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PO Box 896
Richfield Springs, NY 13439
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315-858-1553
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Church School: Sunday 10:30am

Church of the Nazarene
3316 State Route 29 W
Johnstown, NY 12095
Offices: 518-762-2982
Cell: 857-523-8417
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Sunday Morning Service 11:00am
Sunday School for All Ages 10:00am

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5:45pm, Evening Worship 6pm,
Wed. Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 7pm,
Awana Club 6:15-8:15pm

Currytown Reformed Church
829 St. Hwy. 162, Sprakers
518-922-8422
Rev. Donald Hoaglander
Visiting Pastor Jane Hubschmitt
518-705-2201
Sunday School 9:15am
Worship Service 10:00am

Dolgeville Christian Fellowship
3 Elm St., Dolgeville, NY 13329
315-429-9142
Dr. Marvin Isum, Pastor
Worship Sunday 10:30am
Midweek Fellowship Tuesday 7pm
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Rev. Jack Ford
315-429-7381
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September 18th
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315-858-2112
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518-842-1357
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Sunday School 10am ALL ARE WELCOME
coffee hour to follow service

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Family Worship 10:30AM

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St. Johnsville, NY 13452
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Worship 11:00am

Grace Episcopal Church
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Fr. Kyle Grennen, Rector
Sunday School 11:00am
Holy Communion/sermon 11:00am

Grandview Baptist Church
15 Washington St., Fort Plain
518-993-9929
Pastor Dan West
Sunday School 10am
Morning Service 11am
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting,
Wednesday 6:30pm

Holy Family Parish
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Saturday 4pm
Sunday 10:30am

Joy Fellowship
296 Co. Hwy. 119
St. Johnsville, NY 13452
518-568-3217
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Wednesday Evening Worship 6:30pm

Lassellsville United Methodist Church
State Hwy. 29
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Sunday School to start soon

Lighthouse Baptist Church
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Stratford, NY 13470-0114
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Worship Service 10:30AM

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ourladyofhope@frontier.com
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Mass Schedule: Saturday, 4pm;
Sunday, 8:30am & 11am;
Confessions: Sat. 3 & by appointment
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Paines Hollow United Methodist Church
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Pastor Peg Donaghy
518-568-7604
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Randall Christian Church
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Sunday Service 10am
Pastors
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Reformed Church of Canajoharie
15-19 Front St., Canajoharie
518-673-2816
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9:20 Choir Practice
10am Worship Nursery provided
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Richfield Springs Bible Church
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Richfield Springs, NY 13439
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Wednesday - Prayer & Praise
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River of Jubilee Church
5057 State Highway 5 S
Sprakers, NY 12166
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Five ways for shoppers to score great deals

Saving money is important throughout the year, but can be especially important around the holidays, when spending on gifts, decor and entertaining stretches budgets.

According to the Deloitte 2016 Holiday Survey, the total expected holiday sales for that year were expected to exceed \$1 trillion. The average American adult planned to spend \$419 on holiday-related items, states the International Council of Shopping Centers.

So how can the average shopper save without becoming an extreme couponer or bargain-basement buyer? The following are five ways for shoppers to score great deals this holiday season.

1. Opt in for promotional emails. Choose the option to follow favorite stores and keep abreast of their deals and other news. Although it may be a slight hassle to have your inbox filled with dozens of promotional emails, such communications alert shoppers to coupons, discounts and other deals before the discounts are shared with the general public. Set up a separate email account strictly for retailer emails or activate filters so that promotional deals automatically go to a particular folder or tab.

2. Use your mobile device. Mobile devices enable you to comparison shop while on the go, easily seeing if prices on a certain item are lower elsewhere. Mobile apps also give you immediate access to discount codes or coupons through various retailers and companies like Groupon or Retail Me Not.

3. Enable cookies. Internet cookies are small bits of data that a computer's hard disk stores to remember what users do online, including their preferences and browsing histories. Cookies help make browsing faster and may enable web servers to send you more targeted product information that fits your browsing history.

4. Set up browser alerts. Various services enable users to set up alerts based on keywords that can be emailed to you at various points of the day. This can help you track changes in products you may be looking to buy. Google Alerts is one such service.

5. Become a rewards customer. If a cashier asks if you'd like to sign up for the free rewards program, answer in the affirmative. Even though these cards gather demographic information, they can be handy for identifying repeat customers and sending them deals they can use.

There are plenty of ways for shoppers to save money around the holidays and year-round.

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Saturday, November 4th • 9:30AM

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Book Release & Signing Reception – Citizen Solider

On Friday, Nov. 10, the Fort Plain Museum is holding a book release & signing reception for *Citizen Soldier: The Revolutionary War Journal of Joseph Bloomfield*, edited by Mark Edward Lender and James Kirby Martin. Reception starts at 7:30 p.m. with authors arriving by 8 p.m. This book and other books by the authors will be for sale. Refreshments and beverages will be served. The museum is located at 389 Canal Street in Fort Plain.

Bloomfield was an officer in the 3rd New Jersey Regiment from 1776 to 1779. His service took him from the Mohawk Valley (Guy Park Manor, Johnson Hall, Fort Dayton, Fort Stanwix and others) to Fort Ticonderoga in New York, to the battle of Brandywine in Pennsylvania, and to the battle of Monmouth in his native state. Also included are Bloomfield's important notes on the culture and behavior of the Iroquois tribes known collectively as the Six Na-

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eyewitness account that introduced readers to the experience of the Continental army: "About sun-

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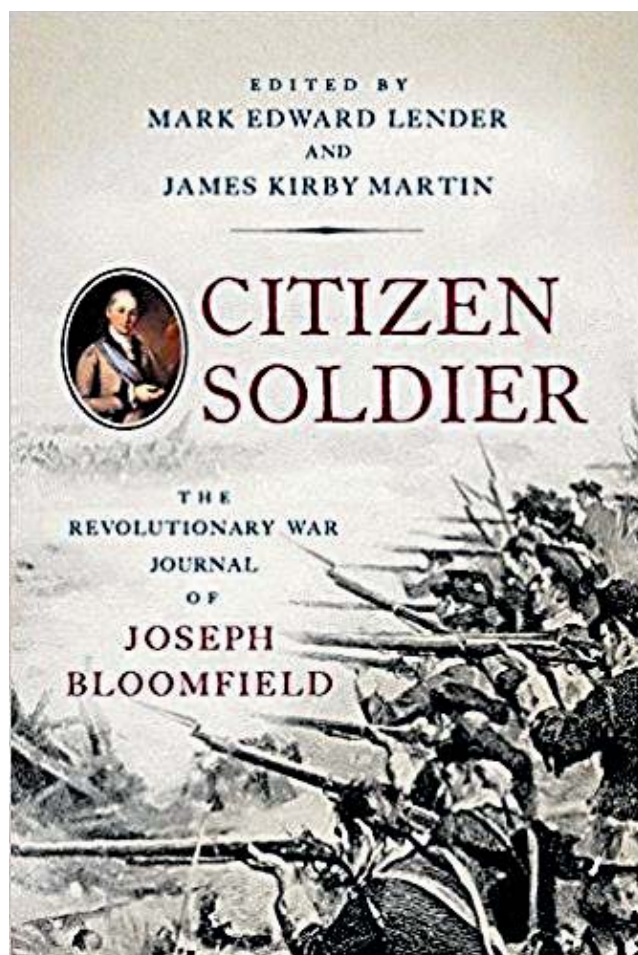
Unpublished and all but unknown when the first edition appeared, Bloomfield's wartime journal was praised for

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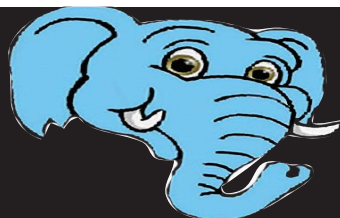
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The Symposium will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017 at 8 a.m. and will conclude at 4:15 p.m. It will be held at the Schenectady County Community College located at 78 Washington Ave, Schenectady, NY 12305 in the Stockade Building's Lecture Hall.

The symposium is based on the book of the same name, Theaters of the American Revolution. Five nationally known leading experts on the American Revolution

will discuss the Northern Theater, the Western Theater, the War at Sea, the Southern Theater, and the Middle Theater.

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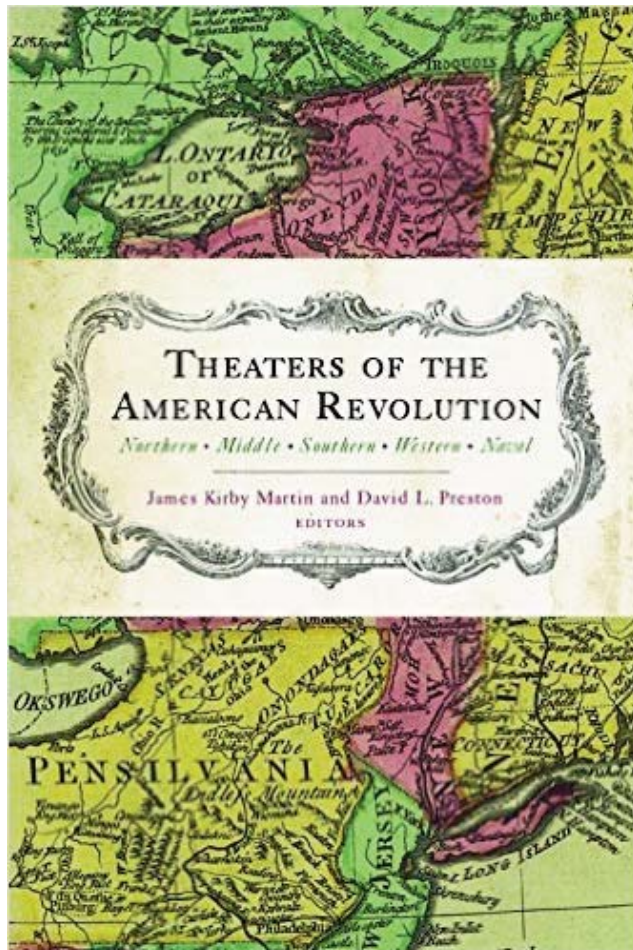
• David L. Preston is the Professor of History, the Citadel.

The book and other presenter books will be for sale during the symposium.

This is a free event, space is limited, to register, provide

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Arkeil Center Programs for ALL AREA Seniors during October 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: 9-10 am. A Core Strength & Stability Class in the basement. \$5 donation. Instructor Sharon Charles. For more information call 673-4408.

Tuesdays: 10-11 am. Tai Chi Workshop. 11:10 am-12:10 pm intermediate Tai Chi. Both sponsored by Mont. County OFFA. Earl O'Bryon Instructor. Donations accepted.

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

Wednesdays: 2-2:25 pm Chair Yoga in the Gallery and 2:30-3:30 pm Gentle Yoga in the basement with instructor Patty Pietrowicz. \$5 donation.

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

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.

Rabies Vaccination Clinic

Mohawk Town Barn, 2-4 Park Street, Fonda. 9 am-Noon. \$10 per vaccine. For more information call 853-3531.

NOV 7

Annual Tuesday Talk Series at the Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site

Enders House at Schoharie Crossing, 129 Schoharie Street, Fort Hunter. 6:30 pm. Liaisons Plaisantes performing music from the early 19th century. For more information email schohariecrossing@parks.ny.gov or call 518-829-7516.

NOV 9

Fourth Annual Veterans Day Breakfast

Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District. 8:15 am. Short program immediately following breakfast in the gymnasium. Rsvp to Laura Carson at 607-264-9332 ext. 501.

NOV 11

Veteran's Day Event- Military Theaters of the American Revolution Symposium

Schenectady County Community College, 78 Washington Avee in the Stockade Building's Lecture Hall. 8 am-4:15 pm. Free but need to register at 518-774-5669 or email arthursonmohawkvalleys@gmail.com. Visit www.fortplainmuseum.com for more details.

The Salisbury Center Grange Will Celebrate Veterans Day With A Show

7 pm. Donations \$5.

NOV 14

Annual Tuesday Talk Series at the Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site

Enders House at Schoharie Crossing, 129 Schoharie Street, Fort Hunter. 6:30 pm. Dan Weaver will explore the famous Marquis de Lafayette and his different journey's through the Mohawk Valley during the Revolution and early American Republic. For more information email schohariecrossing@parks.ny.gov or call 518-829-7516.

NOV 18

St. Joseph Craft Fair

W. State St., Dolgeville. 10 am-4 pm. Vendors needed. For more information call Linda at 315-429-9149.

NOV 21

Annual Tuesday Talk Series at the Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site

Enders House at Schoharie Crossing, 129 Schoharie Street, Fort Hunter. 6:30 pm. Ashley Hopkins-Benton, a Senior Historian and Curator of Social History at the New York State Museum to present on "Votes for Women: Celebrating New York's Suffrage Centennial." For more information email schohariecrossing@parks.ny.gov or call 518-829-7516.

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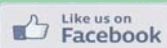


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18 W Clark St, Ilion



Looking to start your new business venture or expand your existing one? Then make sure you check out this commercial property w great visibility in the village of Ilion. Detached garage great for storage and a circular driveway. Owner financing is available with down payment.

423 Keyes Rd, Utica



Don't miss out on this beautifully updated & conveniently located North Utica Ranch! Featuring expanded living room, eat-in kitchen w granite counters, center island and stainless appliances, 3BRs, 1 full bath, freshly painted with newer flooring, siding, etc. Top it off with a big fenced in backyard with stamped patio & shed. You will love it!

2 & 4 W Main St, Mohawk



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Holiday Concerts:
The music department will present its annual Holiday Concerts in the Jr/Sr High School Auditorium:
Sunday 12/3: Jr/Sr High 2:00 p.m.
Sunday 12/10: Jr/Sr High 2:00 p.m.
Monday 12/11: Elementary 7:00 p.m.

Students of the Month:

<u>Harry Hoag School</u>	
Piper Kretser	Grade K
Giavanna Suiter	Grade 1
Christopher Quiroz-Romero	Gr 2
Zionna Robarge	Grade 3
Gavin Mabie	Grade 4
JulieAnn Kirby	Grade 5
Delana Tracki	Grade 6

Substitutes Needed: The district is in need of substitute bus drivers and substitute cleaners. To apply, fill out an application on the employment page of our website. Include a letter of interest, resume, and three letters of recommendation. Send all materials to: David W. Ziskin, EdD, Superintendent of Schools, 25 High Street, Fort Plain, NY 13339. Contact Rebecca Smith in the District Office, 993-4000 #1000, with any questions or for more information. Substitute teacher aides are also in demand. If interested, contact the HFM BOCES Substitute Service at 518-736-4390 or visit their website at www.hfmboces.org.

Athletic Schedules: Winter sports schedules are available by clicking the athletics link on our website. Games are listed on a daily basis, or select the school and the specific sport for a full schedule of dates, times and locations. Addresses and directions for other schools are also available.

Upcoming Events:

11/8	BOE Meeting 7 p.m.
11/10	School Closed: Veterans Day
11/16	Elementary 12:30 Dismissal
11/17	Elementary 12:30 Dismissal
11/17	Report Cards Issued
11/21	Emergency Release Day
11/22	School Closed: Thanksgiving
11/23	School Closed: Thanksgiving
11/24	School Closed: Thanksgiving
12/6	Jr/Sr HS Picture ReTake Day
12/6	BOE Meeting 7 pm

Class of 2018 Fundraiser:
The Senior Class is selling JoCoffee and Fort Plain coffee mugs. The sale runs from Nov. 13th - Nov. 27th. To place an order, see any student member of the senior class, or contact Mrs. Colvin at the elementary school or Mrs. Capece at the high school. Online ordering is also available at www.JoCoffee.com. Select the items you want to purchase, and use code: FPC-2018-SB in the coupon box at checkout. JoCoffee is available in bags or in K-Cups. Thank you for helping support the Class of 2018!

Elementary Talented & Gifted Programs Begin:
Elementary students with a particular interest in Math, ELA, community service, or dramatics have an opportunity to explore those interests thanks to the new Talented & Gifted Programs. "Fun With Math" is a group that was developed for students with an interest in math and a desire to challenge themselves. Students focus on mental math skills, and developing speed while working with math facts. "Challenging Minds" will appeal to students who enjoy puzzles, word games, riddles, reading challenges and oral spelling. "Caring Kids" club was started by two students, a few years ago, and focuses on local public service projects. The club makes placements and bookmarks, and sends cards, for local senior citizens, veterans, and nursing home residents. They also support food pantries and animal shelters with collections and donations. "Elementary Drama Club" gives enthusiastic students a chance to learn acting skills and try out what it's like to be in the spotlight. They also learn about script fundamentals, how to select sets and costumes, and what jobs in the theatre are like: directors, producers, set crew, lights, and sound. The Elementary Talented & Gifted Program meets every Thursday after school. Information was recently sent home to students in grades 2-6, and families can contact the main office for another copy.

Students Give a Helping Hand: Lisa Petty's Jr/Sr High School Life Skills class is learning firsthand what it's like to help others and to have a lasting impact in their lives. Mrs. Petty's class is working with Liberty ARC to purchase and package lunch/snack bags for elementary students to take home and eat over the weekend, when school meals are not available to them. Mrs. Petty's class hand-decorates paper bags each week, hoping that the personal touch will bring an extra smile to the child who receives the bag. The students then fill the bags with items such as oatmeal packs, granola bars, fruit snacks, and Ramen noodles. The class delivers the filled bags to the Harry Hoag School every Friday, so that they are ready to be sent home to families in need. "One of the things I appreciate most about the Fort Plain School District is the emphasis we place on supporting our students in and out of the classroom," said Elementary School Principal Lauren Crisman. "This program provides children with comfort beyond the school day. From my interactions with students there is a sincere gratitude for these care packages. Healthy students are happy learners." The Life Skills class is planning a roast beef dinner fundraiser at the Canajoharie-Fort Plain Elks Lodge on Thursday, Nov 9, to support this program. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Take out will be available. Contact the Jr/Sr High School office or lisa.petty@fortplain.org for tickets or information.

Jr/Sr High Drama Club Workshops:
To prepare for upcoming auditions for "Mary Poppins", the Fort Plain-Canajoharie Drama Club will hold two workshops for students. Students will work on acting skills and practice an audition scene. The workshops will be held from 6:15-8:00 p.m. at the Canajoharie HS auditorium on: Tuesday, Nov. 7th and Wednesday, Nov. 15th. Students should select one night to attend. The workshops are open to students in grades 7 -12 from both schools.

Little Free Library: Recently, first grade teacher Kyra Gallup, and her class, decided to bring a Little Free Library to Fort Plain! They worked over the summer, and this fall, to have a free-standing cabinet set up at the Hilltopper Playland. Little Free Library is an international movement that inspires a love of reading by fostering free neighborhood book exchanges around the world. Through these Little Free Libraries, millions of books are exchanged each year. Studies show that one of the most successful ways to improve student reading achievement is to increase their access to books. Up to 61 percent of low-income families do not have any books for their kids at home. Little Free Libraries are kiosks/cabinets located in communities where there is a need - in places that children can access such as parks, playgrounds, and shopping centers. The program is especially important in communities without public libraries, or for kids who don't have transportation to get to libraries. Little Free Libraries enhance school library programs by providing books that are accessible after school hours and on weekends and breaks. Students simply walk up to a Little Free Library cabinet and take a free book. They can also leave a book that they are finished reading or don't want any more. Mrs. Gallup's class secured donations and stocked their cabinet with a variety of elementary-age books, ranging from picture books to chapter books. The class hopes to keep their Little Free Library stocked all year round. Contact the school office for information on donating to this project. Visit littlefreelibrary.org for more information about donating, or starting your own Little Free Library!

Hurricane Heroes: Harry Hoag 6th graders held a fundraising campaign throughout the school, over the past few weeks. Collection jars were placed in classrooms and offices, for students and adults to donate spare change to support those affected by the recent hurricanes in Texas and Florida. The students submitted suggestions for naming their campaign, and ultimately selected "Harry Hoag Hurricane Heroes" as their slogan. The students handed out the jars, collected the donations each Monday, and worked hard to count and roll all of the coins. They collected a grand total of \$223.60! The money is being sent to the American Red Cross. The 6th graders want to thank all of those who helped out! Great job!

Health and Wellness Fair: The annual Community Health and Wellness Fair will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. until noon, at the Harry Hoag Elementary School in Fort Plain. This event is free and open to public, and features exhibits and activities which focus on the variety of health and wellness services that are available throughout Fulton and Montgomery counties and the capital district. Individuals, school groups, community organizations, and businesses are welcome to participate by having a booth or activity. There is no charge to participate. Tables and chairs are provided. To register to be an exhibitor that day, email: lauri.broaday@fortplain.org

Cold Weather Reminder: As the temperatures drop, the following information should be noted: PK-6 students will continue to have outdoor recess until the snow prevents it. Students should come to school with a warm coat, hat, and mittens or gloves. Contact the main office if any child is in need of these items.

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We have a 2BR move-in condition single wide that appears to be a 1978, with a large garage situated on 0.38+/- acres of land. Annual taxes are only \$719.73.

NEW LISTING \$64,900
53 Townsend Ave, Johnstown



This is a cute little home that could offer someone low maintenance, easy living OR this could be used one again for commercial space. Large paved driveway & near Comrie Ave in Johnstown could make this place a great little office for someone.

NEW LISTING \$74,900
11 Young Ave, Amsterdam



Super CUTE 2/3BR home w/beautiful re-finished wood floors, large double lot in the city, newer roof, newer electrical, new deck, nice enclosed porch, shed, lots of blackberry bushes, clean dry basement & large walk up attic.

REDUCED \$239,000
281 South Line Rd, Galway, NY



Nice 3 BDRM ranch w/a HUGE 2+ car garage, work shop/bonus room above it, finished basement, screened in front porch, deck, patio, covered hot tub area, NICE Kitchen, open concept, soapstone wood stove. Annual taxes NO exemptions \$3,090, & 1.02 +/- acres.

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REDUCED \$69,900
2430 Hickory Hill Rd, Fonda



Looks are deceiving - cute 3 BDRM, 1 full bath home on just under 1/2 acre, full basement, 2 car garage and walk up attic could be finished off for a nice large master BDRM upstairs. Home has a BRAND NEW ROOF.

New Listing \$129,900
223 Church St, Charlston



Super spacious 4 BDRM, 2 full bath doublewide w/new carpeting, some new windows, newer appliances, new countertops & backsplash, situated on 5.4+/- acres, 2 car garage, large shed & horse run-in off the garage

REDUCED \$115,000
463 Locust Ave, Amsterdam



This is a very cute, 3 BDRM, 1.5 bath home that has a lot of character to it & all rooms are large. 1st floor laundry, dry basement, nice back yard, paved driveway, large shed & priced to sell.

NEW LISTING \$259,000
184 Burley Rd, Fultonville



This is a very nice 11 year old home. Features 4 BDRMS, 2.5 Full Baths, 2,464+/- sq. ft. of living space, a 3 car car-port that is only 2 years old, new hot water tank, 6.10+/- acres in the Town of Glen, Fonda-Fultonville School District. Great Country Home!

New Camp Listing \$59,900
130 Scott Rd, Caroga Lake



Cute 2 BDRM Camp that fits 5 beds, seller is looking to sell fully furnished including a heavy duty wood stove & enjoy E. Caroga Lake Association Beach Rights for about \$70.00 per year.

New \$185,000
489 Co. Hwy. 107, Johnstown



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REDUCED \$315,000
530 Sager Rd, Town of Florida



This is one very unique & very nice, custom built home w/a large master suite downstairs, 3 bedrooms upstairs, 2.5 baths and one ridiculously huge and beautiful living room that is post & beam style w/a cathedral ceiling. This home is NOTHING short of beautiful, situated in a quiet country setting on 2.8+/- acres w/a HUGE 3 car garage & RV/carport. Minutes to the Thruway for an easy commute.

New Listing \$79,500
16 Union St, Fultonville



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WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW about rising interest rates

(BPT) — Homeowners planning to refinance and buyers searching for a home may have an idea of what's in store for them with regards to interest rates, but they never really know until they lock in a rate. This is in part because rates can change direction fast, and when they rise—as they have been recently—it can cost borrowers a great deal of money and time.

The effect of rising interest rates on your home purchase

Today, the median existing home price in the United States is around \$235,000, and the average mortgage interest rate is near 4 percent. If you were to buy a home at that price, an interest rate increase of half a percent would cost you an additional \$70 per month on your loan payment. And that assumes you'll put the standard 20 percent down in advance. A more dramatic rate increase—say from 4 percent to 6 percent, even over time, would increase your monthly payment by almost \$300.

Home price gains

For homebuyers, it's not just rising interest rates that can increase your payment, but so can home price appreciation. In fact, in most markets, housing prices have increased past highs previously set before the financial crisis in 2007/2008. For example, in citing this recovery, the Federal Housing Finance Agency recently increased the maximum loan amount for mortgages that meet Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac guidelines for the first time in more than a decade.

The new conforming loan limits increased only slightly, to \$424,100 in most parts of the country. This will enable home buyers in higher-cost areas to access larger home loan amounts and more affordable loan products, in line with local housing prices.

The home buying season may start early this year

Spring/summer is traditionally the busiest home buying time of the year as many sellers wait to list their homes after the cold winter weather is over and to coincide with the summer school break. However, with both home prices and interest rates on the rise, more buyers are expected to enter the home buying market earlier this year, making for a more competitive home buying season. Potential buyers will need to be aggressive to find the home they want at a rate they can afford.

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Lana has consistently been a top producer over the past 10 years and her sales volume in 2015 was over \$7,000,000 with the majority of her sales in the Fulton-Montgomery county region.

Getting prepared for 2016 and what is predicted to be another record breaking year for sales, Lana completed the Real Estate Negotiation Institute's "Certified Negotiation Expert" Designation Program in February and has added that designation to her profile. The two day course enabled her to better protect her buyers and achieve better results in negotiations. This program also covered the complexities of written negotiations and how to maximize the outcomes.

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MLS 201717341 **\$110,500** This ranch style home with 1500 sq ft is situated on a large lot in living room with new cabinetry along with new cabinets, water-tops. Also features a newer roof, furnace and hot water heater. Close to hospital, shopping and NYS Thruway.

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MLS 201717041 **\$119,000**
Great income potential! Nice two family on large corner lot with each unit having 3 bedrooms and 1 bath. Full basement with laundry area plus full attic. 2 car detached garage, plus 3 car off street parking. Currently owner occupied with 2nd unit rented. All utilities are separate. All of this on a double lot.

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MLS 201717433 **\$285,000** (2 SPOTS) An Adirondack retreat next to plenty of State land with lots of privacy. This home offers 5 bedrooms and 3 full baths in the main house Plus a large apartment over the garage. Warm and inviting Adirondack Charm w/large livingroom w/a wood burning stove plus a spacious family room. Also has an office, an Art studio and another craft room. The grounds are Spectacular with flowers and fruit trees and the Wild Life activity that will keep you amused all year long. Just a few minutes to the lakes and the trails.

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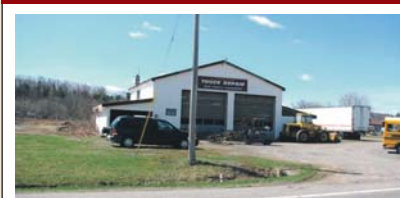
MLS 201713075 **\$127,000** Looking for a water view from every room? This 3 br, 1 full bath camp overlooks Stoner Lake but also has approximately 120' of direct waterfront across the road. Camp sits tucked into woods with all knotty pine floors, walls and beautiful deck to enjoy life!

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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 available to Tractor trailer parking for Double trailers.



MLS 201712337 **\$275,000** Over 100 years in age is this 2 story home sitting on a hill with 6 acres. A magnificent view of a creek from the front porch brings nothing but solitude. 4 bedrooms, 1 and 1/2 baths, fireplace and a gorgeous stairway to second floor is just a few amenities. New furnace and new door to basement. Call or email today for an appt.

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MLS 201710601 **\$65,000**
Great property on a double lot located along Sprite Creek. Great spot for Hunting lodge. Catch fish in your own back yard. Room for every kind of outdoor recreation possible. Business opportunity is endless- beautiful 20' bar, walk-in cooler, restaurant style kitchen with Ansil system. Lastly would make a great family home. Outdoor wood furnace heats entire building and helps lower heat bills dramatically. New sheet rock throughout.



MLS 201711877 **\$119,900**
If you love Victorian architecture, this house is for you! There's plenty of space in this 4-bedroom/2-bath home close to Fort Plain Elementary and High School. This traditional floor plan delivers a tasteful dining room, formal living room with wood floors, fireplace, huge gathering room, sunny updated kitchen with walk-in pantry, breakfast area. New roof in 2011, thermal windows, and beautiful woodwork. Large 1st floor bonus room could be used for family room, art studio, or even a day care center!

FULTONVILLE



MLS 201524577 **\$339,000**
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MLS 201623416 **\$31,900** A country cottage. Open concept, ready for your personal touch. It is 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 10yrs.

GLOVERSVILLE:



MLS 201714322 **\$99,900**
This is a must see inside!! This home features all hardwood floors and natural woodwork throughout. The updated kitchen offers newer appliances and plenty of cupboard space, as well as, a walk in pantry. The living room has a row of windows that lets in lots of natural light. The upstairs has three bedrooms with a possible 4th bedroom option. Don't miss out on a chance to see this beautifully maintained home!



MLS 201717150 **\$100,000**
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JOHNSTOWN:



MLS 201716936 **\$169,900** Step through the sliding glass doors to the deck and watch the color of the seasons change in your own backyard. Open concept, 28 years young clean home with 4 bedrooms. 2 bedrooms down with a full bath and 2 bedrooms up with a half bath. Full basement for storage and washer/dryer hookup. This home offers a double lot, which could easily be sold off later or used for extra enjoyment and space.



MLS 201718381 **\$69,900**
Well kept 2-unit property which was owner occupant or investor. The upstairs is now vacant. Updated bath and washer/dryer hook up. Separate utilities, easy yard maintenance, thermal windows through-out.

TOO LATE

WANT TO CATCH HOMEBUYERS' EYES? Follow 5 easy steps to a lush lawn

(BPT) — When it comes to selling a home there are many different strategies and most of them focus on the home's interior. However, what many sellers fail to realize is that it's the exterior of the home that often makes or breaks a sale.

Curb appeal is necessary for that vital first impression. Much of a buyer's opinion about a property is formed before they even enter the front door. Research shows curb appeal not only speeds the sale but also increases offer prices.

One of the biggest influencing factors of curb appeal is the health of the lawn. Think about how much property space the lawn covers. A sparse lawn dotted with weeds lowers a buyer's opinion of the home, while a lush, green lawn elevates a home, and gives the impression it is well taken care of.

Lawn revitalization projects provide impressive return on investment. According to the 2016 Remodeling Impact: Outdoor Features report, lawn seeding earns the top spot for return on investment, recovering 417 percent of the project cost at resale. Implementing a standard lawn care program recovers 303 percent and updating a landscape with a sod lawn recovers 143 percent. Lawn revitalization projects offer much higher returns than many other home improvement projects, including kitchen remodels and deck additions.

Lawn revitalization projects are surprisingly easy to do, so whether you're selling your home or are staying put and just want to enjoy your property more, it's a worthwhile investment. The experts at Grass Seed USA, a coalition of grass seed farmers and academic turf specialists, offer the following five simple steps to achieving a lush lawn fast.

1. Aerate

When the soil under a lawn becomes too compacted, water, air and nutrients have a hard time reaching grass roots. Lawn aerators correct this problem by pulling small plugs of soil about 1/2 inch in diameter and two to three inches deep out of the ground. You can affordably rent an aerator for a day or hire a professional.

2. Reseed

If you have bare patches or your lawn looks thin, reseeding is an easy solution. Start by contacting a local turf specialist to determine the best seed or sod to purchase for your location and soil type. Then, rake the bare areas of your lawn and apply seed. Water lightly and regularly until new grass grows in. The spring and fall are good times to seed due to cooler weather, although it can be done any time of year.

3. Mow high

Never cut off more than 1/3 of the grass blade height at a time. If grass gets too long, raise the height on your mower. Recommended mowing heights vary by grass type, but an easy rule of thumb for the most common types of lawn is to mow to a two-inch height when the grass blades reach three inches tall.

4. Fertilize

To keep your lawn healthy, aim to fertilize at least once a year; four times a year is ideal. Your local garden center can recommend the fertilizer best for your climate and grass type. Additionally, naturally fertilize your lawn by leaving grass clippings after you mow. As grass clippings break down, they enrich the soil with nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium, the same nutrients found in fertilizer.

5. Irrigate

A thorough watering once or twice a week is better than lightly misting every day. Allowing the soil to dry before it is watered again encourages the roots to grow deeper into the soil and can help the lawn become drought tolerant in the future. What's more, water during the early morning and evening hours to avoid excess evaporation. Watering during the heat of the day can actually scald and burn grass.

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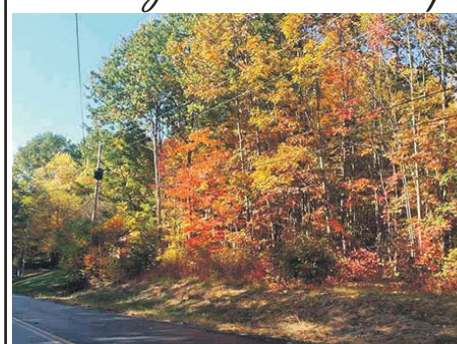
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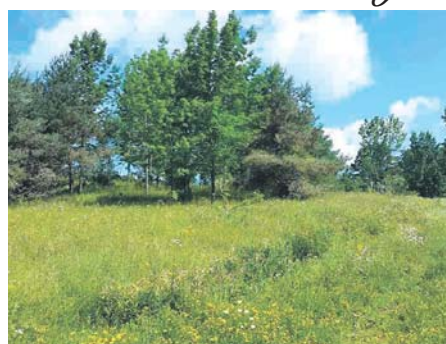
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FIVE MYTHS about solar panels, debunked

(BPT) — Home solar panels can drastically cut or even eliminate electricity bills, reduce a home's carbon footprint, increase resale value, and may even help a home sell faster.

The cost of rooftop solar systems has fallen dramatically in recent years, and most homeowners have the option of buying the system, leasing it on reasonable payment terms, or having a third-party pay for and install the system at no up-front cost at all for the homeowner. Plus, home solar systems are eligible for federal tax credits.

All of this explains why the number of homeowners installing solar has sky-rocketed across America. Nevertheless, many homeowners remain skeptical about taking control of their energy use and installing solar. Why? The various myths that still persist around solar power could be the reason.

"Solar technology has been around for a long time, but even though it's entered the mainstream, many homeowners are still skeptical," says renewable energy expert Roger Ballentine, president of Green Strategies, a leading Washington-based consulting firm. "That's because a number of myths persist, pointing to the need for better consumer education about the benefits of home solar installations."

Ballentine points to private and government studies providing real information that debunks the myths surrounding solar power. For example, research by the U.S. Department of Energy's National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) and the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory found solar panels help homes sell faster and for more money than those without solar.

If you're considering installing a solar panel system on your home, here are five common myths — and why you shouldn't believe them:

Myth 1: Solar panels only work if you live in a warm, sunny climate.

While solar panels work best when they get a lot of sun, a lack of bright sun doesn't mean they're not working. Panels can still absorb ambient sunlight, even on cloudy days or in regions that get less bright sun. What's more, today's solar panels are more energy efficient than ever. Newer systems like the "LG NeOn R" maximize sunlight absorption and generate the maximum possible output. This higher efficiency means that solar panels can work in virtually any climate and every season.

Myth 2: You need a lot of roof space for solar panels.

Just like other amazing technologies (think microchips), solar panels are getting smaller, more powerful and more efficient. High-efficiency panels take up less space because fewer panels are required to produce the electricity needed to power your home. So even a smaller home could have enough roof space to fit the number of panels needed to generate the necessary power and save you money.

Myth 3: Installation is a long, drawn-out hassle.

While adding solar panels to your home isn't a DIY project, installation usually takes only a day or two. New models streamline the process further, eliminating the need to install a separate inverter. Most solar panels require a separate inverter to bring electricity into your house, but new

panels from LG, for instance, incorporate the inverter, simplifying and accelerating the installation process.

Myth 4: If something goes wrong, you're on your own.

As with any major investment in your home, you should make sure you understand the manufacturer and installer warranties for your solar panels, including how long the coverage lasts and what types of problems are covered. And unlike a furnace or an air conditioning system, a solar installation has no moving parts to wear out and typically requires little maintenance and repair.

Myth 5: Solar panels will look big, bulky and ugly on your roof.

Solar panels are becoming smaller, sleeker and more aesthetically pleasing. Higher-efficiency models are also offering increased flexibility of configuration. Instead of having to cover an entire roof with panels in a specific arrangement in order to generate power, modern options allow you to arrange panels to meet your sense of aesthetics.

Adding solar power to a home offers homeowners many benefits, from reducing energy costs, to increasing the value of your home and helping the environment, Ballentine says. "Overall, it's a decision most homeowners feel positively about once they've made it." The NREL notes in its study: "Buyers of homes with (solar panel) systems are more satisfied than are comparison buyers. A significantly higher percentage ... indicate they would buy the same houses again."



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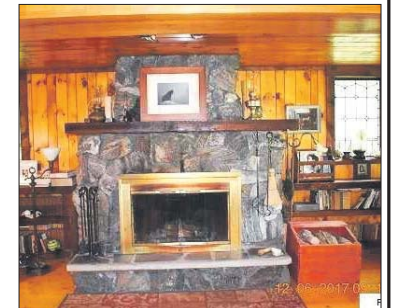
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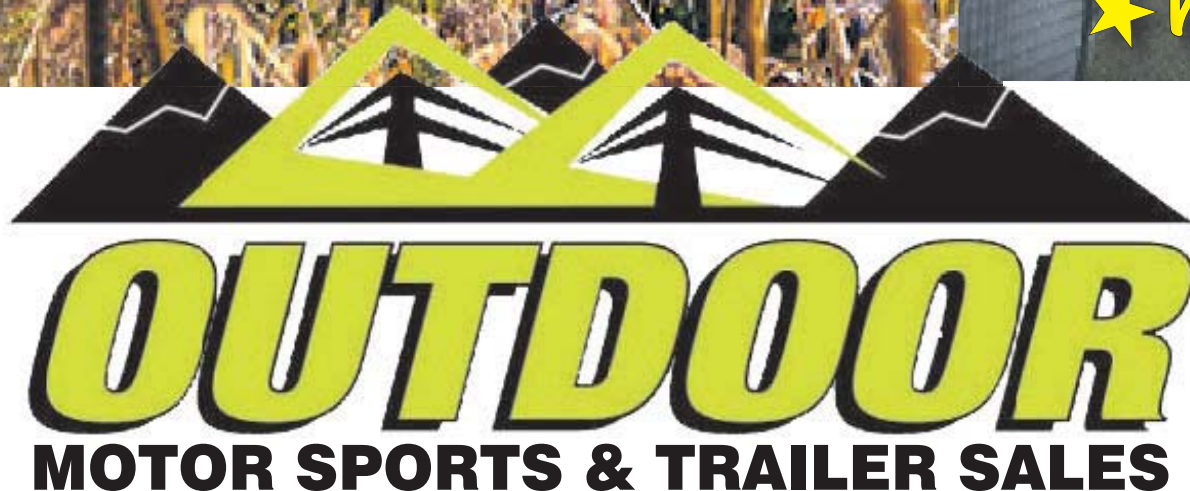
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HOME IMPROVEMENT INSIGHT: five tips to redesign with kids' safety in mind

(BPT) — Smart homeowners take a strategic approach to home improvement projects such as redoing a playroom, living room or bedroom to keep kids' safety in mind during the redesign process.

By being proactive today, you can ensure your entire family can safely enjoy the results of your home improvement project. Here are the top five things to keep in mind to create a stunning yet safe space for your family:

Window coverings

Corded window coverings are a Top 5 Hidden Hazard in American homes, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. Dangling or accessible cords on window coverings can pose an accidental strangulation hazard to infants and young children. The Window Covering Safety Council recommends only cordless window coverings or window coverings with inaccessible cords be used in homes with small kids.

Consumers can easily identify products best suited for homes with young children by looking for the Best for Kids certification label on the packaging of a large variety of products. Window covering products that qualify for "Best for Kids" either have no cords or inaccessible cords. In order to be eligible for this certification, manufacturers must submit their products for third-party testing to determine if they meet the Best for Kids program criteria. (See windowcoverings.org for additional information.)

Electrical

Electrical updates should always be made with curious kids in mind. It's easy to update outlet covers to sliding plug options. With these you never have to worry about replacing the outlet plug again because it closes automatically when not in use.

Larger electrical enhancements can help as well. Streamline the aesthetic of your space while eliminating cords by updating wall lighting. For example, a few sconces might replace reading lights, plus they're high enough to keep out of reach of young kids. Another example: a new dimmable ceiling fan provides safe air circulation with customizable light output.

Smart home upgrades

Technology is a home improvement game-changer that can make spaces more livable and safe. Smart window and door locks can be installed throughout the home. Kids can now securely enter without a key and parents are sent an alert at that

time. You can also set alerts for windows left open so you know to close them to reduce fall risks.

Another smart home improvement to consider: motion-activated sensors. These sensors can be placed anywhere you don't want children to be. For example, when your child opens the front door before you wake or he tries to get into the medicine cabinet, you're sent an alert to your phone that makes you immediately aware of the activity.

Furniture and decor

That vintage armor will look perfect in your just-redone space ... until your kids start to pull out the drawers and rough-house around it. Tip-overs are another Top 5 Hidden Hazard by the CPSC, which notes in the U.S. a child is sent to the emergency room every 30 minutes as a result of falling furniture.

Furniture, TVs and appliances can tip over and crush children, so take an extra step to keep kids safe. Always stabilize furniture, decor and any other items that could fall over. Safety anchors

and brackets are widely available online and at retail home improvement stores. They are quick and easy to install and may save a life. (See www.anchorit.gov for additional information.)

Interior paint

Painting a room is one of the most affordable yet dramatic ways to refresh a space. However, not all paint is created equal. To maintain high indoor air quality and a safe area for curious kids, be a selective shopper with interior paint.

Before you select your hue, research paints that are appropriate for children. Look for zero-VOC (volatile organic compound) labels and environmentally friendly options. When in doubt, ask at the paint counter which paints are best for sensitive family members.

You'll love your updated home even more when you can trust it is safe for you and your children. With these simple tips you can create a space that is secure, stylish and safe for all.



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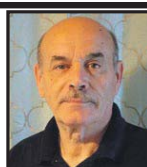
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020: 92 Reed Street, CANAJOHARIE: LOOKING FOR A HOME IN THE VILLAGE WITH THE FEEL OF THE COUNTRY? This is it!!! 1.5 acres of well groomed lawn, with three vegetable gardens, a flower garden and fruit trees. Home is well maintained, but needs updating. Second floor has a sitting area with a large bay window overlooking the beautiful backyard. There is a great in-law studio separate from the main house. It has a kitchen and updated bathroom, this could be used as an artist or music studio. A two stall garage has a large second floor storage area. \$1,000 bonus to agent that brings a buyer by Nov. 15th. **Asking \$120,000**



021: 503 Route 20, SHARON SPRINGS: Nice home located in Historic Sharon Spa, NY. This is a very active community with plenty of things to do for everyone. You are within walking distance of the school, post office, library and more. This home has retained much of its original charm with oak floors and woodwork/molding through the home. It also has a fantastic backyard for kids to play and family barbecues. This is a good starter family home with opportunities to expand into a second floor. This is an easy commute to surrounding communities. **Asking \$120,500**



023: 0 Green Road South, SPRAKERS: Looking for land to build your home that is within a great commuting distance to the Capital District Region? This property (3.6 acres) is easy access to State Route 20 and Exit I-90 in Fonda. **Asking \$19,900**



030: 30 Schultz Street, CANAJOHARIE: Home with plenty of room inside and out. If you have a family, there is a nursery school one block away and the other schools are all within walking distance. There are three bedrooms on the second floor and possible fourth on the first floor. The property runs from Schultz Street to a driveway entrance off of Prospect Street. There is a large two car garage and a heated outbuilding that is used as an art studio. A new roof, furnace and hot water heater were installed in the past year or less. Many new windows. **Asking \$95,000**



041: 3 Union Street, ST. JOHNSTOWN: Don't miss out on a great opportunity. This home is in very good condition at a very reasonable price. There is a very nice yard and an old barn on the property. The barn can be used for a variety of purposes, such as an Art Studio, Office Space, Storage, etc. **Asking \$54,000**



042: REDUCED!! 842 Mohawk Drive, TRIBES HILL: Looking for 237 year old house to restore or remodel, then take a look at this home. Large rooms with many opportunities for reworking the floor plan. If you are looking for a home with a lot of room and large living space at a great price, then don't miss this. **Asking \$65,000**



253: 00 Mapletown Road, CANAJOHARIE: 500 ft of road frontage and 23.2 acres for you to build your dream home. A great level lot with electric at the road. This treed lot could also be used as great hunting land. **Asking \$45,000**



255: 73 Loomis Street, LITTLE FALLS: An excellent turn-key 3-family home with separate utilities. Each unit is one bedroom, one bath. Two of the units have a dining room. The top floor apartment has an enclosed porch and the other two units each have their own private back porch. Off street parking. All units are rented. **Asking \$54,900**



257: PRICE REDUCTION!!! 139 Hilltop Road, BROADALBIN: This home radiates luxury and refinement from the moment you walk in. Custom 6 bedroom, 4 bath home w/2 master suites. This residence is graced by soaring ceilings, hardwood floors and built-in Sonos speakers. Spectacular Chef's kitchen w/granite countertops, family room with fireplace and elegant dining room. Glass doors to the backyard to an outdoor kitchen w/and in-ground pool. Master bedroom presents tray ceilings, his and her walk-in closets and bath w/double headed shower. **Asking \$590,000**



258: 181 Mohawk Street, CANAJOHARIE: Small living? Looking to simplify your life? Do you want to reduce your utility bills? Or stop renting? 760 square feet of living space! Outside a small yard, which makes it easy and enjoyable with a deck and patio. Home has been completely re-done. Updated roof, wiring, walls, bathroom and kitchen. Second floor features your bedroom with a full bath, a walk-in closet and sliding glass doors and a balcony. **Asking \$47,500**



261: 299 New Turnpike Road, JOHNSTOWN: Property with view of the Adirondack Mountains. With 21 acres, this property would make a great farm. It has everything you need and anything you could ever want. A new wood cabin, a small barn, an above-ground pool, pear trees, apple trees, raspberry and blueberry bushes and so much more. This is a much-see!!! **Asking \$220,000**



303: 640 Fords Bush Road, FORT PLAIN: Two story, four bedroom home with granite counter tops in the kitchen, large living room with a pellet stove and sliding glass doors leading to your back deck. Updated windows and exterior is vinyl siding. This is a very well cared for home and worth a look!!! **Asking \$150,000**



405: 7 Spring Street, FORT PLAIN: This Colonial home has hardwood floors throughout. The heating system (hot water) and roof are less than a year old. Upstairs there is a new deck off the large master bedroom with a nice view. The second bedroom was once two bedrooms and could easily be converted back to two. There is a charming alcove at the top of the staircase. A large porch covers the entire side of the home. The yard is fenced in. There is a two-car detached garage. **Asking \$75,900**



406: MOTIVATED SELLER!!! 230 Moyer Street, CANAJOHARIE: This is a very nice Bungalow Style Home. It has a working kitchen with tiled backsplash. New stove, refrigerator, microwave and new tip-in tip-out windows. There is a good size dining room and large living room with a fireplace/pellet insert (included 3+ tons of pellets). Full bath, one bedroom and office/den on 1st floor. Two bedrooms upstairs. The double wide driveway (fits 6 cars) ends at the two car garage with an attached workshop (workshop has separate entrance). Nice private yard. **Asking \$94,900**



450: 3-5 Lincoln Street, FORT PLAIN: Duplex home with separate utilities. Three bedrooms in each unit. Dining rooms in each unit. Left unit has living rooms, right unit has one living room. Full bath upstairs and 1/2 bath down in each unit. Back yard with deck. Both units rented. **Asking \$79,000**



452: 29 Danube Street, LITTLE FALLS: This is an older 4 unit rental property on the south side of Little Falls. One unit is a three bedroom, two units have two bedrooms and one unit is a single bedroom unit. There is a large parking area. Each unit comes with stove and refrigerator. In need of TLC. Open to offers. **Asking \$49,900**



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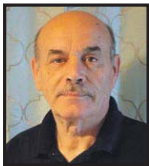
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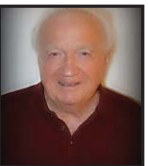
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453: 319 1/2 Pleasant Ave, **HERKIMER:** Two story, bedroom starter home in need of a little TLC. Full unfinished basement, 1st floor consists of kitchen, dining room, living room and full bathroom. Second floor has 3 bedrooms and home has a full attic. Has small yard with storage shed and garage. Shared driveway. **Asking \$35,000**



596: **REDUCED!!!** 34 Webster Street, **FORT PLAIN:** Two-story house with new carpets and freshly painted interior. Formal dining room and family room. Nice backyard with an Apple Tree and Pear Tree. Laundry hook-up on the 1st floor. Listing agent is said owner of property. **Asking \$49,900**



611: 125 Fort Road, **SCHOHARIE:** CASTELNUOVO or New Castle is a place of dreams. At first glance, this luxury home exudes quality and craftsmanship. Stone masons used local limestone, bluestone and imported Welsh Slate to create a timeless work of art. Relax inside the Inglenook fireplace, enjoying a cocktail from the bar or a meal prepared in the nearby true gourmet kitchen. The main living area leads to an amazing patio with stone fireplace and expansive views of the bucolic Schoharie Valley and mountains. Did I say this would be an ideal inn? **Asking \$549,000**



684: 3 Marion Ave., **NORTH CREEK:** This beautiful Victorian home displays an unparalleled quality of construction. The ICF (insulated concrete forms) construction and geothermal heating system equal "Quiet, Comfort and Efficiency." Once inside you will notice that no details were overlooked during the design of this spectacular home. The prime location is close to Gore Mt. yet features a short walk to the Tannery Pond Center, downtown shopping and the ski bowl, hiking, biking and ski trails. **Asking \$329,000**



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 wood flooring and walls, pellet stove and bathroom/laundry hookup. Upstairs has kitchen, dining area with deck off of it overlooking Fort Plain. Living area with built-ins, full bath, and bedroom with large closet. **Asking \$54,900**



815: **REDUCED!!!** 115 Lynk Street, **SPRAKERS:** 3.3 acres with creek out back, land goes up behind the next 3 houses. Drilled well, a little sulphur, 3-1000 gallon septic one near electrical pole, one corner of shed, one out near pile of wood, shed, electric in place, 2 Alaskan Slabs 30'x30', 27' x 47' (10' area between slabs that was a breezeway, some woods in back area. Black top driveway shared at top - not in the deed. GREAT PROPERTY - ADD HOME!!! **Asking \$26,500**



837: 6480 State Highway 10, **CANAJOHARIE:** Colonial style home located just outside of the Village. A bi-level deck overlooks 21 acres w/a barn and pond. Ideal property for horses. A grand front entry, formal dining room and a finished basement w/kitchen (ideal for an in-law apartment). Three car detached garage w/overhead storage. Hot tub excluded. **Asking \$229,900**



838: 32 Maple Ave., **CANAJOHARIE:** Lovely two family that has many updates--new roof, furnaces, windows, sheet rock to mention a few. Walking distance to school and downtown. Plenty of off street parking. **Asking \$69,900**



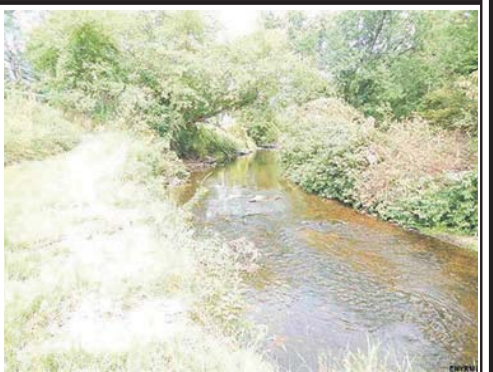
839: 169 Cliff Street, **CANAJOHARIE:** Village building lot; previous home was burned down. Village has given owner and next owner a variance to building a home on this property, but the foundation of the new home has to be similar in size to the previous home, which was a two family two story home. There is a garage still on property. **Asking \$12,500**



840: 11 Spring Street, **FORT PLAIN:** This is an older home with a GREAT layout. Convenient location - walking distance to schools and stores. A little TLC of flooring and paint would make this a nice home. **Asking \$44,900**



900: 0 County Rt. 10, **CAROGA:** Located on Rt. 10 a total of 2 parcels. Both are 60x150. **Asking \$25,000**



901: 00 County Rt. 155, **MAYFIELD:** Nice creek area small piece of land possible access for kayak. 0.010 acre. **Asking \$5,000**



952: 0 Route 10, **CARLISLE:** A unique 6.5 acre building lot located in Carlisle, NY. Conveniently located only 45 minutes from Albany or the Adirondack Park, 30 minutes to Historic Cooperstown. **Asking \$35,000**



953: 200 Coss Hollow Road, **COBLESKILL:** A Unique 97 acre property awaits its NEW OWNER! Are you looking for off-the-grid living? Maybe a summer home or hunting camp, this is the property. Property has a small A-Frame home, drilled well, complete privacy and stunning view of the valley. Plenty of trails for hiking and four wheelers. Lots of hardwood trees for firewood. Centrally located in Upstate New York. Only 20 mins. to I-88, half hour to Historic Cooperstown. **Asking \$139,900**



960: **PRICE REDUCED!!!** 262 Goldman Road, **SPRAKERS:** Private, Spacious off the grid Country Property! Come take a look, almost 8 acres, large pond, huge yard for the kids and pets to roam. Plenty of room for a couple horses, large barn/garage. Endless possibilities with this Country Gem!!! Low Electric Bills!!! Solar Power!!! **Asking \$99,500**



965: Remonda Road, **OHIO:** A Unique Opportunity awaits its New Owner. Cozy and Secluded Log Cabin Camp neatly tucked into the Adirondack Mtns. in Herkimer County. Drilled Well, Propane, Wood Stove, Generator and access to the State Land. **Asking \$80,000**