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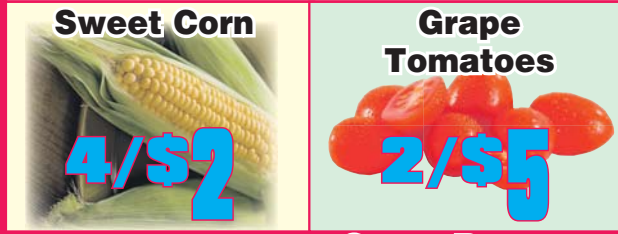
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New York State Education Law requires schools to screen every child entering Kindergarten in order to identify conditions which may effect his/her education. For a child to enter Kindergarten in September 2018, he or she must be at least five years old on or before December 1, 2018. Parents must bring to screening the child's birth certificate, an immunization record signed by a doctor, proof of residency and completed entrance forms.

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Henry Beekman Livingston, Black Sheep of The Livingston Clan

On Tuesday, May 8, at 6:30 p.m., the American Revolution Round Table: Hudson/Mohawk Valleys and Siena College's McCormick Center for the Study of the American Revolution are proud to present, "Henry Beekman Livingston, Black Sheep of The Livingston Clan" by Geoff Benton. This event will be held at Siena College, 515 Loudon Rd, Albany, NY 12211, in the Roger Bacon Building, Room 202, also known as Key Auditorium. Parking is free and please park in Lots L, F or G.

Henry Beekman Livingston was already well on his way to being the black sheep of the illustrious Livingston family before the Revolutionary War erupted. The war seemed to be his chance to make right, and he experienced a great deal of success on the battlefield eventually earning the rank of Colonel of the 4th New York Regiment. Unfortunately, personal problems led to his resignation from the army, a disastrous marriage and

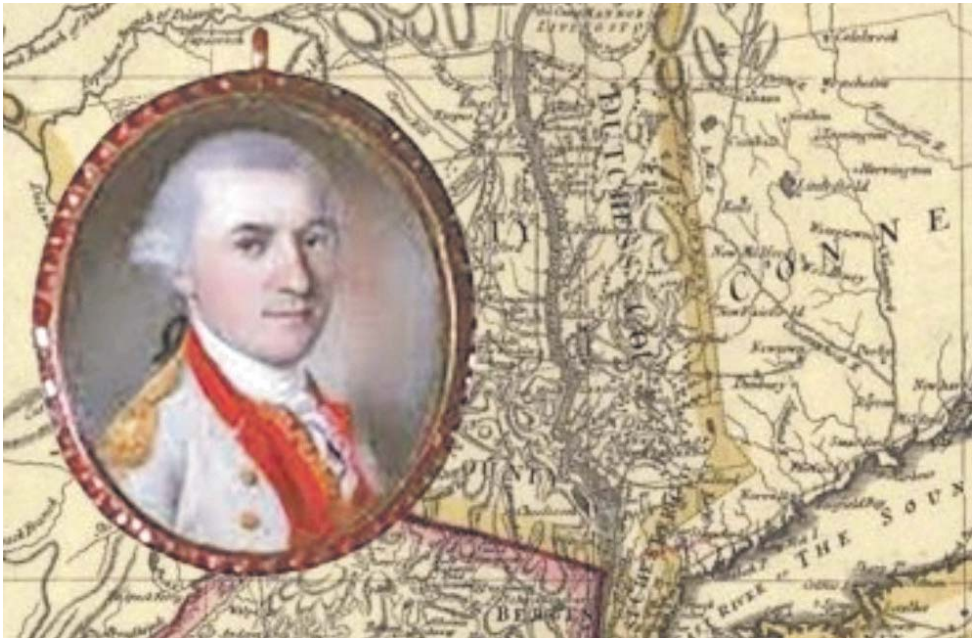
eventually complete isolation from his family.

Geoff Benton is a historian in Upstate New York. He received a master's degree in American History from SUNY Albany and has been researching the Revolutionary War in the Hudson River Valley for several years. Benton is

currently employed at a New York State Historic Site. In his free time, he enjoys visiting museums and historic sites with his family.

There is no admission fee, however a \$5 suggested donation is appreciated. During our last event, we raised \$300 for preser-

vation of the Saratoga Surrender Site and construction of a memorial park. Visit our website www.fortplainmuseum.com/round-table for more information, including campus map, or email arthurhudsonmohawkvalleys@gmail.com or call 518.774.5669.



On Tuesday, May 8, at 6:30 p.m., there will be a presentation of "Henry Beekman Livingston, Black Sheep of The Livingston Clan" at Siena College in Albany, NY.
Photo courtesy of Fort Plain Museum

"No Empty Chair" campaign underway

Every year thousands of high school students across New York State look forward to attending their prom and graduation ceremony. For parents, siblings, educators and the community, these memorable moments become tarnished when a child dies in a car crash.

The "No Empty Chair" campaign is a teen driving safety education and enforcement campaign, funded by the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, to raise awareness of highway dangers during prom and graduation season.

Each year, across our nation, teenage drivers are killed, injured or left with lifetime disabilities from motor vehicle crashes that are preventable. Please do your part to ensure that you are in your chair on graduation day and are able to safely enjoy this time with family

and friends. The end of the school year is about celebrations and making memories that will last a lifetime.

Montgomery County Public Health will join law enforcement across the state to raise awareness in the week long, multi-agency campaign which will run from Monday, April 23 through Friday, April 27, 2018.

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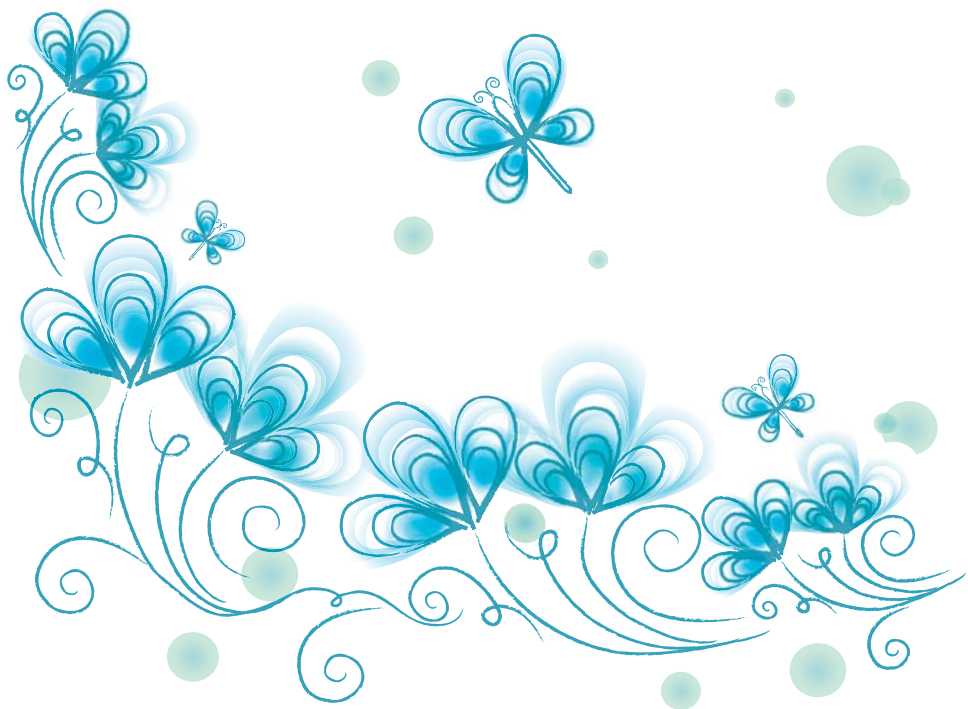
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This year there are 11 Author/Historian Presentations and a Panel Discussion. Starting on Thursday, June 7, Michael E. Newton will present "Alexander Hamilton's Revolutionary War Service". On Friday, June 8, Russell Shorto

will present "Revolution Song: America's Founding Era in Six Remarkable Lives".

On Saturday/Sunday, June 9 and 10, there are the following presentations:

- Edward G. Lengel — George Washington and the Burning of New York City, 1776

- Eric H. Schnitzer — "Hessians" at the Battle of Bennington, 1777

- James L. Nelson — Benedict Arnold's Navy: The Story of the Rag Tag Fleet that Lost the Battle of Valcour Island and Won the American Revolution

- Don N. Hagist — Redcoats Along the Mohawk: British Soldiers in Western New York, 1777-1783

- Bruce M. Venter — Benedict Arnold's Nemesis: Colonel John Brown's Fateful Journey to the Mohawk Valley

- Jennifer DeBruin — Traitors, Spies & Heroes: Loyalist Espionage in the American Revolution

- Glenn F. Williams — Sir William Johnson, the Iroquois Confederacy and Lord Dunmore's War

- John Buchanan — Two Warriors: George Washington and Sir William Howe

- Wayne Lenig — The Tryon County Committee of Safety

New this year, a Panel Discussion where presenters and the audience will discuss which side they would choose, Patriot or Loyalist?

On Thursday, June 7, there is a Bus Tour of the 1778 Battle & Raid Sites. The bus tour will feature the events of 1778; the Battle of Cobleskill, the Cherry Valley Massacre, Springfield, Andrustown, Adam Helmer's Run, Fort Herkimer and Fort Plain/Rensselaer. There is a lunch stop in Cooperstown.

New this year is a Genealogy Day, held on Friday, June 8. Guests can visit the Mohawk Country historic sites located

throughout Montgomery County. Sites will have presentations and/or historians on hand to discuss the families that fought on both sides during the American Revolution.

On the evening of Saturday, June 9, "An Evening with Washington and Madison" including an all new Fundraiser Dinner held at the Bridge Walk at the Perthshire. Join George Washington and James Madison, portrayed by Brian Hilton and Kyle Jenks, as they discuss their journeys to Upstate New York and other founding moments.

To register or for further information such as pricing, locations and more details, visit www.fortplainmuseum.com/conference, email info@fortplainmuseum.org or call 518.774.5669. This is the museum's yearly fundraiser with 100 percent of the proceeds going back into museum exhibits and upkeep. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Helping rescue a horse



When the first Amish families came to Stone Arabia in March 1986, the words 'horse power' came back from a generation before. Road horses and farm teams were again seen on our roads and in the fields.

Years ago, I drove into the farm doorway and of a new Amish friend, Andy. I noticed several Amish men and boys running in back of the barn. I had no idea what was happening or if I should invade the scene. But I ran back also. A large work horse had broken through a wooden planked ramp that led to the upper barn floor. There was no question that if the horse fell into the narrow deep opening below it would be doomed. The overhanging roof that protected the planks afforded a place to attach a pulley and rope to help raise the horse, if possible. A wide strap had been put around the horse and the rope attached.

The available man power was not enough. Andy asked if I thought my van would raise it. It was the horse's only chance so I decided to give it a try. The

rope running over the pulley was high, making the rope run at a steep angle to where it was to be attached to the van. That would adversely affect the traction the van could have. The vehicle was light and at a disadvantage. Let's give it a try.

On the first pull the wheels spun and did nothing. Another try was necessary. For a moment, the van settled on the ground and there was enough power to somewhat raise the horse. It was just enough to help the horse get out of its predicament and walk away. Andy said that the horse had just had its second brush with disaster. Before coming here, it had been in a burning barn and badly singed before it could be rescued.

Things have changed since that day. Andy has moved away and a new barn and house now occupy the site. The horse has doubtless gone to a just reward but the fateful day it got a second chance remains in the mind of an aged resident of Stone Arabia.

**Skip Barshied
Stone Arabia**



Painting donated to Mohawk Homestead

Current resident of The Mohawk Homestead, Trudy Blackwell, and her son David Blackwell, stand next to a painting Mr. Blackwell painted specifically for The Mohawk Homestead. Residents gathered on March 26 for an unveiling and were given an opportunity to put in suggestions to name the painting.

David explained how he got started

painting and how he felt the need to paint something for the residents and staff to enjoy. "I wanted to show The Mohawk Homestead how much I appreciate the love and care they give my Mother and to the other mom and dads who resident at the homestead".

For information, go online to www.mohawkhomestead.org.

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To Your Good Health

by Keith Roach, M.D.

What Could Cause Voice to Change?

DEAR DR. ROACH: Over the past year, my voice has become hoarse or raspy. I find that I often have to clear my throat while speaking. I've had a stomach endoscopy and a colonoscopy done, the results of which were noted as "normal." Nothing has changed in my life, such as climate, diet, clothing, furnishings, etc. I have never smoked.

I suspect it may be allergies, since antihistamines seem to help somewhat. Is this the best solution? — N.G.

ANSWER: Vocal changes can be the result of many common conditions. Voice changes lasting more than two or three weeks should be evaluated by an ENT doctor, since there are serious conditions that can manifest in voice changes. In particular, anyone with a history of smoking needs a prompt and thorough evaluation for voice changes, since the nerve to the vocal cord is commonly damaged by lung cancer. Fortunately, alternate diagnoses, such as chronic laryngitis and benign vocal fold lesions (such as polyps) are more common. Reflux disease can affect the vocal cords, which may be why you had the upper endoscopy.

Chronic sinusitis with postnasal drip is one cause of hoarseness that can be improved with antihistamines. However, I would not be comfortable treating this long-term with antihistamines without a more thorough evaluation than you have reported.

DEAR DR. ROACH: My wife works in the operating room of a local hospital. She came down with a Staph infection, and has been treated. Do only certain blood types catch a Staph infection? She is type A, and I am O positive. — R.S.

ANSWER: *Staphylococcus aureus* is a feared infection, and rightly so — it is an aggressive bacteria that is capable of going through tissue due to its digestive enzymes. Recently, resistance to multiple antibiotics has made it even more dangerous. Methicillin-resistant

Staph aureus (MRSA) is resistant to many antibiotics, even though we don't use the antibiotic methicillin anymore.

Anyone can be infected by Staph, and most of us will have a Staph infection at some point in our lives, such as a boil (furuncle) or abscess. Although I did read in a popular book that people with blood type A are more likely to get Staph infections, that seems to be myth, not science. Certainly, people of any blood type can get life-threatening Staph infections. All kinds of Staph, including MRSA, can be transmitted via the hands, which is why hand washing is so important.



DEAR DR. ROACH: You recently mentioned that apples are high in sugar. I am a 74-year-old man with borderline diabetes and an A1c level of 5.7 percent. I have been eating an apple a day for a long time and worry that I might be making my diabetes worse. — L.T.

ANSWER: The best data I can find on this still show that whole fruit, such as apples, do not adversely affect blood-sugar control if eaten in reasonable quantities (i.e., up to four a day). An apple a day is still good advice. Please don't stay away from the doctor, though.

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The Community invites you all to the
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1. In an 8-by-8-inch microwave-safe dish, combine blueberries, 1/2 cup Splenda and flour. Microwave on HIGH (100 percent power) for 5 to 6 minutes or until

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2. Meanwhile, in a medium bowl, combine baking mix, milk and lemon juice. Drop by spoonful over hot blueberry mixture to form 6 dumplings. In a small bowl, combine remaining 2 tablespoons Splenda and cinnamon. Evenly sprinkle mixture over dumplings.

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Calendar of events

May 5

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May 5

Ames Museum Open to Visitors. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m Ames Museum. Ames. Contact: 518-673-5820, f@amesmesuem or www.amesmeseumweebly.com.

May 7

Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner. HC Benefit Club. Fundraiser for the Ephratah Rural Cemetery. \$8 -12 to Adult; 5-11 \$5.50; under 5- Free. Take Outs Available. Raffles and Bake Sale. Tickets sold by Cemetery Trustee Members and at the door 538 Crum Creek Rd., St. Johnsville, NY.

May 8

American Revolution Round Table: "Henry Beekman Livingston, Black Sheep of The Livingston Clan" by Geoff Benton. 6:30 p.m Siena College. Visit our website: <http://www.fortplainmuseum.com/round-table> for more information or email: arrthudsonmohawkvalleys@gmail.com or call: 518.774.5669 515 Loudon Road. Albany. Visit our website: <http://www.fortplainmuseum.com/round-table> for more information or email: arrthudsonmohawkvalleys@gmail.com or call: 518.774.5669

May 12

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May 17

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June 3

The Valley Choralaires' Spring Concert. United Methodist Church. East Main Street. Canajoharie. Contact Dorothy Morrison at 518.673.2167

June 3

Rhubarb Festival. 11 a.m. - 4 p.m 1747 Nellis Tavern historic site. 7355 NYS Rt. 5 (east). St. Johnsville. For more information, contact Mary at 315.866.2619.

June 7-10

The Fort Plain Museum's American Revolution Mohawk Valley Conference. Most of the conference will be held at the Fulton-Montgomery Community College To register or for further information, please visit <http://www.fortplainmuseum.com/conference> or email info@fortplainmuseum.org or call 518.774.5669 To register or for further information, please visit <http://www.fortplainmuseum.com/conference> or email info@fortplainmuseum.org or call 518.774.5669

June 9

Friendship Craft Festival. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m Church Of Christ Uniting. Spring Park on Scenic U.S. Route 20 Richfield Springs. For event info e-mail friendshipcraftfestival@yahoo.com. For festival details go to www.rschurchofchristuniting.com.

June 16

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Sept. 15

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Nov. 3

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Dec. 5

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by Pastor Dan West

James chapter one, verses 26 and 27 address what the Apostle James refers to as "true religion." In **verse 26** James writes, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, that if someone seems to be religious but is not careful in what he says, he is lying to himself and his religion is empty.

James goes on to describe examples of pure religion. In reverse order, he says keeping oneself

unspotted from the world is an important part of true religion. This means not allowing anything in this world to pull us away from being like the Lord Himself. Since the Lord is completely without sin, this is impossible to do without His intervention. He also says helping those in need such as widows and orphans is pure religion. These are important things to do, but we see clearly in Scripture that doing these things will not

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In **Ephesians 2:8, 9** the apostle Paul writes that it is "by [God's] grace that we are saved [from the penalty of sin] through faith; not of yourselves, it is a gift of God - not of works [anything we can

do] lest anyone could boast." (Brackets added for clarification) In **verse 10** he writes that we are saved to do good things, not as a result of doing good things.

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Senior News Line

by Matilda Charles

What will you do this summer?

Step One around here, the minute the snow starts to melt, is to grab the latest newsletter from the senior center and see what trips are planned. They're always low in cost, to a great location and someone else drives the bus. Some trips include a tour guide at the other end, with lunch planned at a wonderful place with a view out the windows. If your senior center has trips like this, be sure to sign up early. Spaces will go fast.

Here are some more ideas to stay busy this summer:

- Talk to friends and neighbors about daily walking, either early in the morning or after supper. Look for indoor walking spots if your area doesn't have sidewalks. Make plans to go on a picnic or head to the ice-cream store after your walks.
- Does your local gym or YMCA offer Silver Sneakers classes? Those workouts are geared to seniors, and your Medicare Advantage plan may pay for it. Go to www.SilverSneakers.com and look up plans offered for your state.
- Search online for weekly farmers markets nearby. Chances are they'll accept EBT/SNAP benefits, if you have those.

• Once summer is really here, you'll need some indoor activities. Ask around about book clubs, art classes, senior swimming, weekly matinees followed by lunch, indoor flea markets, painting scenery for the theater, a yoga class, learning bridge or canasta, a ballroom dance class... there are so many indoor options.

• Go online to www.redhatsociety.com and see if there is a chapter in your area. Their goal — having fun! While wearing red and purple!

Summer gear is starting to appear on store shelves. Stock up on sunscreen and hats, and grab a new water bottle while you're there. And maybe a red hat?

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Roger's Colossus: A symbol of change?

by Terry Berkson

Roger and Diane Vaughn operate the only small commercial poultry farm situated along the Route 20 corridor between Albany and Syracuse, NY. It is one of few remaining egg-laying operations in the state. At one time there were 15 small farms like theirs within a 15-mile radius.

Now, the average setup consists of about 300,000 birds, which makes Vaughn's flock of poultry look rather paltry. Nevertheless, this small operation, despite Diane's help, requires Roger, a soon to be octogenarian, to put in a 70-hour week caring for his hens and delivering their bounty to stores and restaurants within 25 miles of the farm. Their eggs are also sold retail and wholesale out of a small shop in close proximity to the coops.

It is ironic that with every detail about the Vaughn's 2,000 chicken operation painting a diminutive picture, a colossal egg should be laid by one of their Rhode Island Reds. The gigantic brown weighed in at 5 1/4 ounces, which was more than twice the weight of an extra-large egg, which averages about 2 1/4 ounces. It was 3 and 1/32 of an inch long and had a girth of eight inches. The ovate giant couldn't even fit on their antique egg grader.

Since 1964, when Roger and Diane came to live and work on his family's farm, 82 million eggs have sold directly or gone out for delivery. Roger said, "This was the biggest egg the farm has ever produced." He thinks he knew which hen dropped the football. "She was always laying larger eggs," he said. Without a time consuming inspection, there was no way of knowing for sure.

For Roger, coming home followed a degree in Poultry Science from Cornell University and later an army stint during the Viet Nam era as company commander at Fort Hamilton in Brooklyn, NY. (It is too difficult for this writer to resist mentioning the coincidence of his being discharged from the army at Fort Hamilton during that time).

Roger and Diane eventually took command of

what was originally called Vaughn's Hatchery from his parents who had been there since 1932. The change from a hatchery to an egg-producing farm took place back in the late 50s when the market for hatched chicks dried up almost overnight. Roger thinks that the age of specialization was responsible for the change. The pace of dairy farming had stepped up so much that to have chickens for home use was considered an unnecessary distraction. Back when Sidney and Katherine, Roger's parents, were running the place, a spring order of 50 hatchlings each was the norm from surrounding farms.

Now, according to Roger, 75 percent of the eggs consumed in New York State are shipped in from out west where grain is cheaper or from tax advantaged states like Pennsylvania. The reasoning is that, 'the

price of eggs is very competitive, so why bother raising your own?'

The answer may be organic. People are paying more than triple for eggs that can be labeled organic. Free Range Charlie, an egg aficionado from Brooklyn, touts, "Egg cartons containing an assortment of naturally colored eggs — green, blue, brown, orange, pink — from naturally fed, free range chickens has great appeal. Voila! You have organic eggs at designer prices!" But for many, the quality of the egg in regards to the color of the shell remains debatable. Also, washing eggs, as the Vaughns do, removes a water-soluble protective coat which then requires refrigeration. In many other countries, unwashed and unrefrigerated eggs are put on the market.

Maybe Roger's Colossus celebrates a relatively new and expanding age of

specialization and the growth in popularity of backyard chickens in light of the specialty egg business. Of course for most people, a good fresh egg is all that matters.

Meanwhile when the big egg was on display in a storefront in downtown Richfield Springs, bets were on concerning the possibility of it being a "triple yolker."

Farmer Roger Vaughn holds the egg in comparison to a normal extra large.

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- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup (about 3 small) bananas, mashed, very ripe
- 1/3 cup fruit-based fat replacement or unsweetened applesauce
- 2 large egg whites
- 1 large egg
- 1/4 cup pecans, chopped

1. Heat oven to 350 F. Spray 9-by-5-inch metal loaf pan with nonstick cooking spray.
2. In large bowl, combine flour, sugar, baking

powder, baking soda and salt.

3. In medium bowl, with fork, mix mashed bananas, fruit-based fat replacement, egg whites and egg.

4. Stir banana mixture into flour mixture just until moistened. Spoon batter into loaf pan, sprinkle with chopped pecans.

5. Bake 40-45 minutes, until toothpick inserted in center of loaf comes out clean with just a few moist crumbs attached. Cool loaf in pan on wire rack 10 minutes. Remove loaf from pan, cool com-

pletely on wire rack.

Note: Fruit-based fat replacements are sold in the baking section of some supermarkets and health-food stores.

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Paw's Corner

by **Samantha Mazzotta**
Pets and Neighbors:
Don't Get Personal

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I'm in charge of writing the monthly newsletter for our neighborhood association. This month, I want to publish a warning to one of the homeowners who regularly lets their dogs run off leash and into the streets. However,

the head of the association made me take out the article ahead of publication. Why? It's a safety issue. — Concerned HOA officer in Georgia

DEAR CONCERNED: While you're right about letting dogs run loose in the street being a safety issue, calling the offender out by name in the neighborhood newsletter is not the way to go. It sounds like the head of the association didn't explain all the reasons why it's a bad idea.

For one thing, singling out a neighbor by name — even if that person is the only one letting their dogs run off leash — can have legal ramifications for the association. That can get expensive. Even if things don't get that heated, that neighbor probably knows that you write the newsletter, and you could become the target of their ire.

Talk to the association head face-to-face or by email and ask what can be done to address this issue. Chances are, the neighbor has already been notified by the association. Another option is for the association head or the directors to remind everyone at the regular meeting, without singling anyone out. Or, a notice can be put in the newsletter that also does not single out any residents — one that reminds everyone of the association rules or any relevant city ordinances.

I know you want to act more quickly, but you're working as part of a group of neighbors. So work with them to address this problem.

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HFM Ag PTECH FFA hosts District V Contests

by Kristiana Cowan, FFA Reporter

On Sunday, March 4, the HFM Ag PTECH Chapter of FFA and the Mohawk Valley FFA Chapter hosted the District V Contests. Along with the hosting chapters, there were 11 other New York chapters that had members competing in district contests. Those other chapters include DeRuyter, Fonda-Fultonville, Madison, Stockbridge Valley, Hamilton, Vernon-Verona-Sherrill, Mohawk Valley, Cazenovia, Adirondack, Mt. Markham and Waterville FFA chapters.

At the District V FFA Contests student members competed in several leadership development events, including Prepared Public Speaking, Extemporaneous Speaking, Creed Speaking, People in Agriculture, Agriculture Issues Forum, Conduct of a Chapter meeting, Parliamentary Procedure and Employment Skills.

Each contest has its own purpose for developing leadership. In Prepared Public Speaking, members create six to eight minute speeches on a current issue in agriculture and answer questions from the judges. The Extemporaneous Speaking Contest involves students choosing from provided topics and then given 30 minutes to create a six-minute speech. Creed speaking is when members memorize the FFA Creed, written by E.M Tiffany, and recite the creed to judges. The People in Agriculture Contest is designed for students to learn about careers in the agricultural industry and present their research. Students competing in the Agriculture Issues forum present a current issue in agriculture to a public audience. The Conduct of a Chapter meeting is designed for junior high FFA members to conduct a meeting as they would in their own chapters. Parliamentary Procedure is designed for senior high members to take a written test, set up a meeting room and conduct a meeting using appropriate parliamentary procedures. Lastly, in the Employment Skills contest, students create and submit cover letters and resumes. During the contest, each student fills out a job application, have a phone interview, a personal interview and conclude with writing a thank-you note.

The HFM Ag PTECH and Mohawk Valley FFA chapters would like to thank all the judges, volunteers and supporters who helped make the day run smoothly. On behalf of the hosting chapters, all members who competed in contests did an outstanding job in each contest in which they competed.

The Sub-State competitions were held March 17 at Carthage with 15 Ag PTECH FFA members competing. Moving onto the state competitions in May will be Grace Yennard in Senior People in Agriculture and Agriculture Issues Forum team made up of Madison Blood, Maddison Kilmartin, Jeb Brundage, Ethan Harding and Kristen Quist.



Back Row (L-R) Ethan Harding, Jacob Douglas, Mekhi Pettit, Zackary ReidMiddle Row (L-R) Grace Yennard, Tyler Hendererson, Kristen Quist, Alexandra Burns, Maddison KilmartinFront Row (L-R) Jeb Brundage, Makenzie Merendo, Michelle Joyce, Jenna Finch, Madison Blood, Noah Kocjan.

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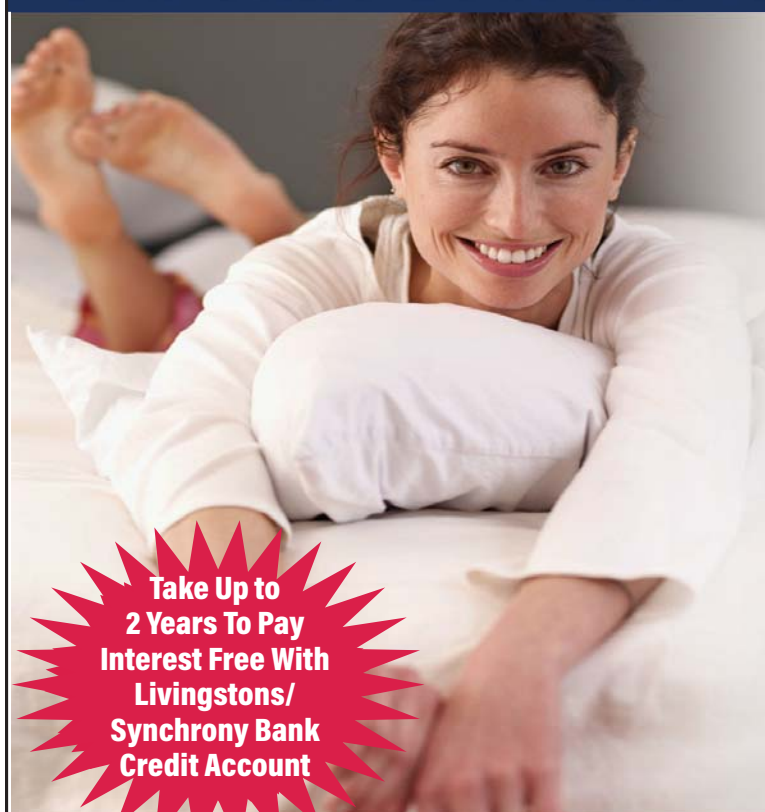
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TRIXIE - Adorable 3 year old female Pit Bull mix. Good with some dogs. Friendly and lively.



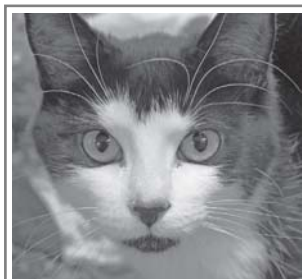
CHEWY - 11 year old male Husky mix. Good with other dogs and with kids.



TROY - 8 year old male Dutch Shepherd mix. Good with some dogs. Best with older kids.



HAYDEN - 14 year old female Beagle mix. Loves people. Best with older kids.



PANDA - 4 month old female kitten. Beautiful and very playful.



OREO - 7 year old white and black female, 25 lbs. Very loving and cuddly.



LILLY - 3 year old gray and white female. Sweet and friendly.



SASSY - 9 - 10 month old gray and white female. Very playful.



EDDIE - Sweet 8 year old gray and white male



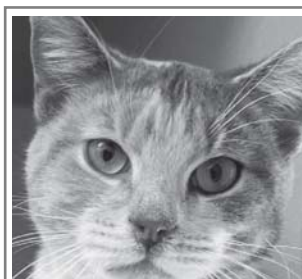
LONI - 2 - 3 year old medium-haired female. Beautiful.



HONEY - Lovely 2 - 3 year old spayed female Tortie. Affectionate. Should be the only cat.



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ACROSS

1 Bandleader
Kyser

4 Equitable

8 Frizzy hairdo

12 Hockey surface

13 Andy's pal

14 Circulate

15 Historic time

16 Twist

18 "Aida" composer

20 Expert

21 Food

24 Poolroom supply

28 Bring together

32 Hammer or sickle

33 Inseparable

34 Casino machines

36 "Kitchy- —!"

37 Young female

39 Remorseful

41 Milkmaid's place

43 Analgesic target

44 — long way

46 Fortunetellers' reading matter?

50 Recite a verb's forms

55 Verily

56 Notion

57 " — Brockovich"

58 Uncooked

59 Consider

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

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28 29 30 31 32

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59 60 61

DOWN

1 Ukraine's capital

2 Farm measure

3 Once around the sun

4 Salon treatments

5 I love, to Livy

6 Charged bit

7 Answer an invite

8 Showing buoyancy

9 Winter bug

10 Deteriorate

11 Have bills

17 Sphere

19 Dict. info

22 Body powder

23 Urban hang-out

25 Mischievous Norse god

26 Swag

27 — gin fizz

28 Gear teeth

29 Not procrastinating

30 Pianist Peter

31 Sicilian spouter

35 Grad student's income

38 Blockage of a

40 Genetic letters

42 "Skip to My —"

45 Quite some time

47 Muse's instrument

48 Intend

49 Cutting implements

50 "El —"

51 Praise in verse

52 Born

53 Exist

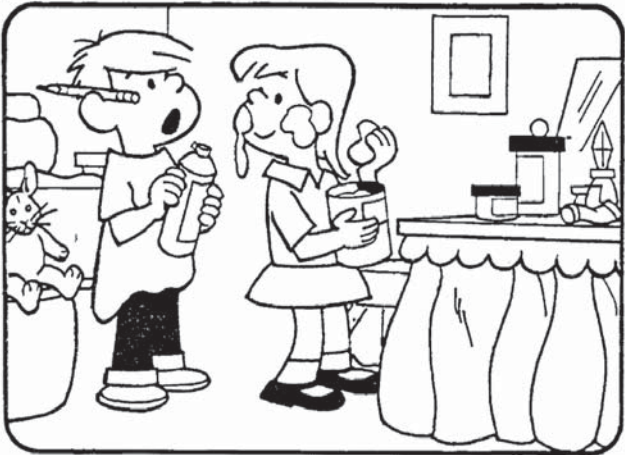
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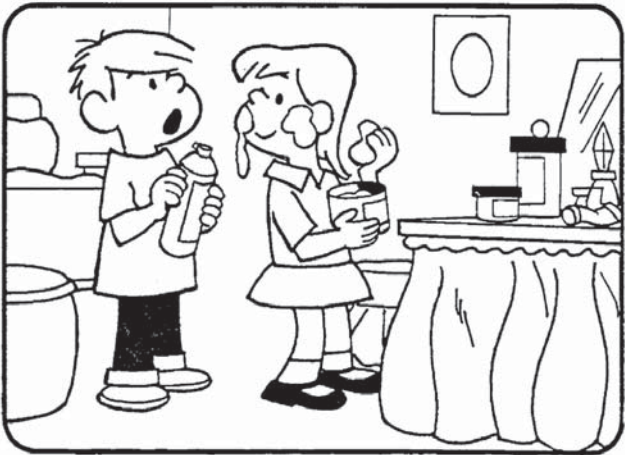
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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

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Analog	Englander	Pains	Red nail
Big mule	Gray men	Panel	Serial
Chain	Laity	Pure	

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STICKELERS (sic).

by Terry Stickels

Here's an alphametic that contains only six numbers ...

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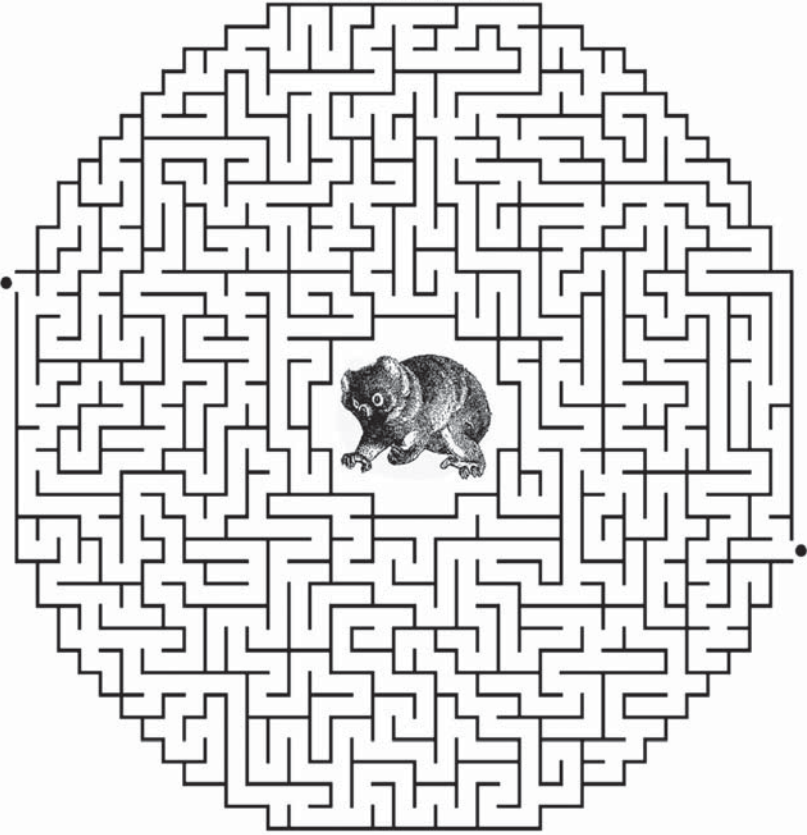
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Amber Waves



Mega Maze

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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	7			9			3	

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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Americanisms

"If we do not save the environment, then whatever we do in civil rights will be of no meaning, because then we will have the equality of extinction."
—James L. Farmer, Jr.

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LAFF - A - DAY



"Maybe this would be a good time to ask them for a loan."

Van Alstyne Homestead 6th Annual Chili Cook-Off

by Elizabeth A. Tomlin

History marches on and at the Van Alstyne Homestead's 6th annual Chili Cook-Off, held April 7, history and traditions were noted with museum tours and birthday celebrations.

"The over-a-century, grand ballroom was filled with appetizing aromas and many a visitor danced to the wonderful music by the Jan Cronkhite Trio," remarked Van Alstyne Homestead Historian Rita Pineyro.

Local historian and author Willis (Skip) Barshied said he reunited with "numerous people" at the event that he had not seen in a while.

"I think it was good chili in a good historic place," commented Barshied.

Johnstown resident Bonnie VanWie, Barneveld resident Cathy Mancini Yax and Canajoharie resident Karen Wright have celebrated their birthdays at the event for all six years and say it's become a tradition.

"This event brings together members of the Van Alstyne Homestead and local chefs for a delicious chili tasting event," said Pineyro. "The local and business community always help us with our fundraisers and the chili cook-off is no exception."

Businesses donating chili included the Ayres House of Fort Plain.

"Their Southwestern chicken chili won the John Buck Fan Favorite Award," reported Pineyro.

Van Alstyne Homestead board members donating chili included: BOD President, Fritz Traudt, with a venison chili; Vice-President Shirley Manzer, with a vegetarian chili; and Trustee Mark Brody, with a vegetarian black bean and mushroom chili.

Participating community members included East Hill Elementary School Principal Stacey Ward, whose fruit and nut dessert chili won Most Original Chili.

Canajoharie Village Safety Code Inspector Clifton Dorrough donated a chicken chili and a ground chuck chili, winning Most Traditional Chili.

Canajoharie Chief of Police Brian McFadden donated bacon chili.

Dessert was donated by Victoria's Bakery of Fort Plain.

Four large fundraisers — the Chili Cook-Off, a June Picnic, October Soup Tasting and a Holiday Pancake Breakfast the second Saturday in December — are scheduled each year to offset costs incurred in maintenance, allowing the historical homestead to remain open.

"We also have historical events throughout the summer season," said Pineyro. "As this circa 1729 homestead is run by a volunteer society, we rely on fundraisers and our summer season — Memorial Day to Labor Day — to help see us through on a yearly basis."

Artwork and historical

artifacts in the museum are available for viewing during the summer season and during scheduled events.

"The Van Alstyne Homestead would like to thank all of the participants who donated their time and amazing cooking skills that made this event possible," said Pineyro. "We would also like to thank all of the visitors that came from near and far to make this rescheduled event a success. Also, a big thank you to the chili judges that traveled from Oneida, New York and Chittenango, New York."

Follow The Van Alstyne Homestead on Facebook or call 518.673.4186 for more information.



Van Alstyne Homestead Historian Rita Pineyro and Chili Judge Cassandra Gustin of Chittenango posed for an impromptu photo.



Bonnie VanWie of Johnstown, Cathy Mancini Yax of Barneveld and Karen Wright of Canajoharie have celebrated their birthdays at the chili cook-off for six years and say it has become a tradition.



Local historian and author Willis (Skip) Barshied enjoyed history and chili at the event. Photos courtesy of Van Alstyne Homestead

Whatchamacallits



This Whatchamacallit is obviously a bowl. However, the story behind this particular collection is quite intriguing.

The face depicted on the bowl is the representation of Ish-Tak-Ha-Ba, or Chief Sleepy Eye. He lived from 1780 to 1860. He was a friend to expansionists and assisted in keeping Americans safe as they moved out West. In 1890, the owner of the Old Sleepy Eye Flour Mill, A. C. VonHagen, located the remains of Chief Sleepy Eye and buried him in Sleepy Eye, MN under a monument dedicated to the chief.

The bowl and a variety of other promotional items were released by the flour mill. The company decided

to release them through the sale of their flour — the items were placed in the bag with the product as a special "prize inside". The problem with this is the fact that a customer buying 50 pounds of flour wasn't actually buying 50 pounds of flour. They were buying the item and whatever flour was left in the bag, which weighed a total of 50 pounds. The United States Government stepped in and put a stop to that.

But the promotional items continued, even after the flour mill went out of business in 1921. The Weir Pottery Company in Monmouth, IL originally made the blue and gray pottery. In 1906, Weir Pottery Company merged with West-



ern Stoneware Company, continuing the production.

This pottery is Flemish Stoneware and original items are worth quite a lot. The piece is really popular and boasts a collector's club, which can be viewed at <https://tinyurl.com/ydc4ojno>.

Do you have your own Whatchamacallit?

Send a photo and short description to cbarden@leepub.com or call Camden at 518-673-0144.

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

KAY	FAIR	AFRO
ICE	AMOS	FLOW
ERA	CONV	OLUTE
VERDI	PRO	
EATS	BALLS	
CONFLATE	TOOL	
ONE	SLOTS	KOO
GIRL	CONTRITE	
STOOL	PAIN	
GOA	PALMS	
CONJUGATE	YEA	
IDEA	ERIN	RAW
DEEM	SEND	ENS

Mega Maze

Solution

Stickelers Answer

9 A = 9

1955 E = 7

1955 I = 8

+ 1957 L = 5

5876 S = 6

T = 1

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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8	5	1	7	2	6	9	4	3
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Good Housekeeping

Sweet and Tangy Glazed Salmon
The sweet tang of citrus and the bite of hot pepper jelly are what make this salmon dish so uniquely flavorful. Serve with Orange-Almond Rice.

- 1 cup long-grain white rice
- 1/2 cup sliced almonds
- 2 navel oranges
- 1/2 cup hot pepper jelly
- 4 salmon steaks or skinless pieces salmon fillet
- Kosher salt and pepper
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley

1. Heat oven to 400 F. Cook the rice according to package directions.
2. Meanwhile, spread the almonds on a rimmed baking sheet and roast until light golden brown, 4 to 6 minutes; transfer to a bowl. Heat broiler. Line a broiler-proof rimmed baking sheet with nonstick foil.
3. Squeeze the juice from half an orange into a small bowl (you should have

2 tablespoons juice). Add the jelly and whisk to combine. Place the salmon on the baking sheet, season with 1/2 teaspoon each salt and pepper, and broil for 5 minutes. Spoon half the jelly mixture over the salmon and broil until the salmon is opaque throughout, 2 to 5 minutes more.

4. Cut away the peel and pith of the remaining 1 1/2 oranges. Cut the oranges into 1/2-inch pieces. Fold the oranges, almonds and parsley into the rice. Serve with the salmon and the remaining jelly mixture. Makes 4 servings.

Tip: Try this tangy jelly glaze on flank steak, chicken breasts or pork chops. Or use it as the sauce in your next stir-fry.

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September 18th
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Wednesday 6:30pm

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Sunday 10:30am

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Wednesday Evening Worship 6:30pm

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9:00am

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Holy Days - as announced

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Fri. Youth Group 7pm (7-12th grade)

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Multiple sclerosis awareness

An estimated 2.3 million people live with MS worldwide. These numbers can only be estimated — in the absence of formally reported data — because MS disease activity can occur without a person being aware of it and symptoms may be completely invisible.

What is multiple sclerosis?

Multiple sclerosis is an unpredictable, often disabling, disease of the central nervous system, which interrupts the flow of information within the brain and between the brain and body. The disease is thought to be triggered in a genetically susceptible individual by a combination of one or more environmental factors. Although MS is thought by some scientists to be an autoimmune disease, others disagree because the specific target of the immune attack in MS has not yet been identified. For this reason, MS is referred to as an immune-mediated disease.

Who gets MS?

Anyone may develop MS but there are some patterns. Two to three times more women than men have been diagnosed with MS. Most people are diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 50, although MS can occur in young children and significantly older adults. Studies suggest that genetic factors may make certain individuals more susceptible than others, but there is no evidence that MS is directly inherited. MS occurs in most ethnic groups, including African-Americans, Asians and Hispanics/Latinos, but is more common in Caucasians of northern Euro-

pean ancestry.

What are the typical symptoms of MS?

MS can cause extreme fatigue, impaired vision, problems with balance and walking, numbness or pain and other sensory changes, bladder and bowel symptoms, tremors, problems with memory and concentration, mood changes and more. Symptoms of MS are unpredictable; they can vary from person to person, and from time to time in the same person. For example: One person may experience abnormal fatigue and episodes of numbness and tingling, while another could experience loss of balance and muscle coordination making walking difficult. Still another could experience slurred speech, tremors, stiffness and bladder problems. These

problems may be permanent or may come and go. Major symptoms sometimes disappear completely and the person regains lost function. In severe MS, people have permanent symptoms that might include partial or complete paralysis and difficulties with vision, cognition, speech and bowel and bladder function.

Can MS be cured?

Not yet. There are now FDA-approved medications that have been shown to "modify" or slow down the underlying course of MS. In addition, many therapeutic and technological advances are helping people manage symptoms. Advances in treating and understanding MS are made every year, and progress in research to find a cure is very encouraging.

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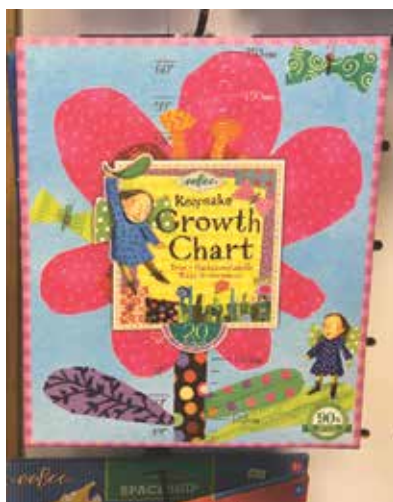
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