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The poster features a patriotic theme with a border of stars and stripes. On the left, there are silhouettes of three soldiers in red, white, and blue. A large American flag is draped across the middle. The title 'ST. JOHNSVILLE MEMORIAL DAY' is in large, bold, blue letters. To the right is the American Legion seal. The date 'Monday, May 28, 2018' is in large, bold, red letters. Below the title, there is a paragraph about the parade and a list of activities. The bottom of the poster has a banner that says 'NEVER FORGET' with a red poppy flower.

# ST. JOHNSVILLE MEMORIAL DAY Parade and Ceremonies

## Monday, May 28, 2018



*Come join us to honor and remember our veterans - past and present*

**ALL AREA VETERANS** are welcome to join us in the parade. It was the largest contingent of veterans of any Memorial Parade in the area (over 103) last year, marching and riding in vehicles.

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Guest Speakers: Dawn Lamphere and Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara

### Ceremonies At Park

- ★ Rev. Johnson - Invocation
- ★ Amethyst Scherer - National Anthem
- ★ Guest speaker - Angelo Santabarbara
- ★ Elementary School Choir Sings America The Beautiful
- ★ Guest speaker - Dawn Lamphere
- ★ Principal Dave Slater sings Ballad of The Green Berets
- ★ Roll call of those fallen in Wars with chime
- ★ 21 Gun Salute
- ★ Echo taps
- ★ Rev. Johnson - Benediction

### Ceremonies For Veterans

7:15 AT Legion - lower flag to half mast

7:30 Assemble at Legion to march to River Bridge to toss wreath in river, gun salute, taps; then march from bridge to library to place wreath at Civil War monument, gun salute, taps; then return to legion

8:45 Assemble at legion. March or ride to nursing home to assemble for parade

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Gravani says:

"Follow safe-food preparation recommendations. The USDA has four key recommendations that can help keep you, your friends and family safe from foodborne illness: Clean, separate, cook and chill.

"Clean means wash your hands and surfaces often. Separate means don't cross-contaminate. Keep raw meat and poultry apart from cooked foods. When you cook, use a food thermometer to be sure meat and poultry are safely cooked. Finally, remember to chill: Refrigerate or freeze your food promptly.

"When bringing food to a picnic or cookout, use an insulated cooler filled with ice or frozen gel packs so that the temperature in the cooler is at or below 40°F. Frozen food can also be used as a cold source. Avoid opening the cooler repeatedly so that your food stays colder longer. Pack beverages in one cooler and perishable foods in a separate cooler. Be sure to replenish ice as it melts during the day.

"Hand washing is important. Unwashed or improperly washed hands and surfaces can quickly spread germs and cause foodborne illness. When eating away from home, find out if there's a source of potable, safe drinking water. If not, bring water for preparation and cleaning or pack clean, wet, disposable washcloths, moist towelettes and paper towels for cleaning hands and surfaces. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends hand washing, but if soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol, and wash with soap and water as soon as you can.

"When cooking on the grill, use separate cutting boards and utensils for raw meat and ready-to-eat items like vegetables or bread, and keep perishable food cold until it is ready to cook. Always use a fresh, clean plate and tongs for serving cooked food. Never reuse items that touched raw meat or poultry to serve the food once it is cooked. Use a food thermometer to make sure meat and poultry are cooked thoroughly to their safe minimum internal temperatures.

- Beef, pork, lamb, and veal (steaks, roasts, and chops): 145°F with a three-minute rest time
- Ground meats: 160°F.
- Whole poultry, poultry breasts, and ground poultry: 165°F.

"When serving food outdoors, remember that perishable food should not sit out for more than two hours. In hot weather – above 90°F – food should NEVER sit out for more than one hour. Serve cold food in small portions and keep the rest in the cooler. After cooking meat and poultry on the grill, keep it at 140°F or warmer until served. Keep hot food hot by setting it to the side of the grill rack, not directly over the coals where they could overcook.

"Leftovers and reheating. Be sure to refrigerate any leftovers promptly in shallow containers. Discard any food left out more than two hours – one hour if the temperature outside is above 90°F. When reheating fully cooked meats like hot dogs or hamburgers, grill to 165°F or until steaming hot."



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The official title of the airport was "Fort Plain Intermediate Landing Field of the United States Department of Commerce." The largely flat acreage, 412 feet above the Mohawk River, on what was known as Oak Hill (present day Airport Road), was identified as a strategic location for an airfield in 1933, as it lay directly under the Albany, NY to Cleveland, OH transcontinental air route. An emergency landing field was considered a necessity due to the "rugged Mo-

hawk Valley Country" encountered by the low-flying planes of the day.

Once built, this airport ranked equally with the two largest airports in New York state at that time (Albany / Buffalo). The plan for the airport was established in 1933 by the Civil Aeronautics Authority, with the federal government appropriating \$456,000 for its construction. After final construction, it was to be the biggest landing field between Buffalo, NY and Newark, NJ. There was a mail drop there twice a day. (Because of that, locals received their mail twice daily... there was a morning and afternoon "return" post... one could send a letter out in the morning and request a response by the afternoon mail). A weather reporting station was also located at the airfield. There were military maneuvers held here at one time of which photos were published in TIME Magazine. The original road to the airport turned left just above the present location of an A-Frame house, until a more direct road was built down the way.

By 1942, the War Department and the Civil Aeronautics Administration made plans to develop the field with three 4,000 foot runways. An effort was made to make it a county airport but the effort failed and the project was abandoned. Following World War II, larger planes with pressurized cabins, flying at higher altitudes and using radar, made intermediate airfields like the Fort Plain / Minden Airport unnecessary.

Everett Lumley, the official in charge at the weather station of the U.S. Department of Commerce at the Fort Plain Intermediate Landing Field, received notification that the station would be discontinued effective Sept. 17, 1948. The field was eventually abandoned, and later anything of value was transferred to the Nellis Airport (a smaller recreational airport) located on Route 5S a few miles away. All that would remain to be seen from the former landing field would be a beacon tower on a small hillside located near a farm a few short miles away in Dutchtown.

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**Rabies Clinic.** 9 a.m. - noon. Town of Amsterdam Highway Department. 283 Manny's Corners Rd. Amsterdam. For more information call 518.853.3531.

### 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 to Support Nellis Tavern Restoration.** 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. 1747 Nellis Tavern. 7355 NYS Rt. 5, just east of St. Johnsville, NY. For more information, please contact Palatine Settlement Society president, Mary at 315.866.2619 or visit [www.palatinesettlementsocty.org](http://www.palatinesettlementsocty.org).

### June 7

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:friendshipcraftfestival@yahoo.com). For festival details go to [www.rschurchofchristuniting.com](http://www.rschurchofchristuniting.com).

### June 16

**Ames Museum Open to Visitors.** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Ames Museum. Ames. Contact: 518-673-5820, [f@amesmesuem](mailto:f@amesmesuem) or [www.amesmeseumweebly.com](http://www.amesmeseumweebly.com).

**Kickball Tournament.** Arc Park. Herkimer. The kickball event will support Arc Park, which provides recreational opportunities for people of all abilities. If you or your team are interested in participating, please contact Frank Reid at 315.574.7347 or [freid@archerkimer.org](mailto:freid@archerkimer.org).

### June 23

**Rabies Clinic.** 9 a.m. - noon. Canajoharie Fire Department Garage. 39 Mohawk St. (not Fire House). Canajoharie. For more information call 518.853.3531.

### July 7

**Ames Museum Open.** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Contact 518.673.5820. See us on [f@amesmuseum](mailto:f@amesmuseum) or [amesmeuseum.weebly.com](http://amesmeuseum.weebly.com). We are collecting names and contact information for people who went to school there for a reunion on Aug. 11.

### July 10

**Rabies Clinic.** 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. St. Johnsville Town Barn. 7431 Route 5. St. Johnsville. New York. For more information call 518.853.3531.

### Aug. 7

**Rabies Clinic.** 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Palatine Town Barn. 817 Stone Arabia Rd. Fort Plain. For more information call 518.853.3531.

### Aug. 11

**Ames Academy School Reunion.** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. All welcome to help the students celebrate. Check

Facebook for schedule of events or contact [f@amesmuseum](mailto:f@amesmuseum).

### Sept. 15

**Rabies Clinic.** 9 a.m. - noon. Town of Amsterdam Highway Department. 283 Manny's Corners Road. Amsterdam. New York. For more information call 518.853.3531.

**Ames Museum Summers End Festival.** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Contact: 518-673-5820, [f@amesmesuem](mailto:f@amesmesuem) or [www.amesmeseumweebly.com](http://www.amesmeseumweebly.com).

**Summers End Festival at the Ames Museum.** Sept 15 18. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. 5K runners/walkers needed and vendors needed. Vendor space is free. Call 518.673.5820 to register. See [f@amesmuseum](mailto:f@amesmuseum) or [amesmuseum.weebly.com](http://amesmuseum.weebly.com).

### Oct. 13

**Rabies Clinic.** 9 a.m. - noon. Florida Town Highway Department. Fort Hunter Road. Minaville. For more information call 518.853.3531.

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### Nov. 3

**Ames Museum Open to Visitors.** Nov 3 18. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Contact: 518-673-5820, [f@amesmesuem](mailto:f@amesmesuem) or [www.amesmeseumweebly.com](http://www.amesmeseumweebly.com).

**Christmas Tree Lighting.** 6:30 p.m. The Village of Ames will have a tree lighting in front of the Ames Museum. New York. Contact: 518-673-5820, [f@amesmesuem](mailto:f@amesmesuem) or [www.amesmeseumweebly.com](http://www.amesmeseumweebly.com).

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The corsage has French origins and actually means

"bodice." "Corsage" was the common term for the top part of a woman's dress or jacket. Eventually the word "corsage" was used as part of the term bouquet de corsage and represented the flowers women would wear to special events. Although corsages are now typically placed about the wrist or pinned to the lapel or shoulder of a dress, corsages originally were worn on the hip or at the décolletage. They gradually shifted to other locations, but today requests can be made for wrist, ankle, waist, and even hair corsages.

The corsage is generally designed to not only match the attire, but also the personality of the wearer. Favorite flowers are often chosen. In certain circumstances, groups of people will all wear the same type of flower or corsage to symbolize awareness of convictions to a cause, patriotism or another group effort.

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1/2 cup seedless raisins

1. In a large bowl, combine undrained pineapple, mayonnaise and sour cream. Add sweet potatoes, celery, walnuts and raisins. Mix gently to combine.

2. Cover and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes. Gently stir again just before serving. Makes 8 (1/2 cup) servings.

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The invention of this particular Mason jar came from John Landis Mason in 1858. But the glass jar itself wasn't his invention. It was the zinc screw-top lid. This lid also included a rubber ring to create an air-tight

seal. The glass jar, which was better than the metal containers previously used, was also well received by consumers since jar contents were visible.

This jar is quart sized. It was the common size for

canning during for many years.

The biggest downside to the zinc lid was that it came in contact with the preserved food. This contact often gave a metallic taste to the food.

The mason jar pictured is from the 1900's. Usually, these jars are marked with a cursive "Ball". The block lettering was only used during this time period.

Mason's invention was patented in 1858 but the patent expired in 1979. This left the room for other inventors to come in and alter the design.



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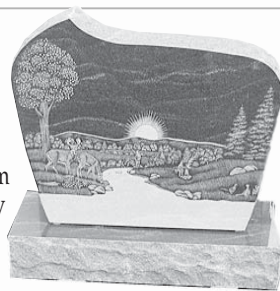
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### 16 Washington St, St. Johnsville, NY

### 13452 (Public Water supply ID#2800143)

**INTRODUCTION**

To comply with State regulations, the Village of St. Johnsville, will be annually issuing a report describing the quality of your drinking water. The purpose of this report is to raise your understanding of dinking water and awareness of the need to protect our drinking water sources. Last year, your tap water met all State drinking water health standards. We are proud to report that our system has never violated a maximum contaminant level or any other water quality statement. This report provides an overview of last years water quality. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to State standards. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your drinking water, please contact Mr. Bill Vlcciarelli, Chief Operator, at (518) 568-2225. We want you to be informed about your drinking water. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled village board meetings. The meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, at 6:30 pm at the Village Hall located at 16 Washington St., St, Johnsville, NY 13452.

**WHERE DOES OUR WATER COME FROM?**

In general, the sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dis-solves naturally-occurring minerals and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: microbial contaminants; inorganic contaminants; pesticides and herbicides; organic chemical contaminants; and radioactive contaminants. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the State and the EPA prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The State Health Department's and the FDA's regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water system serves a population of 1700 people through 640 metered service connections. Our water comes from two sources. A drilled-well in the Roland V. Swartz well field, that is a groundwater source. The well is seventy feet deep and has an 18-inch casing and produces about 400 gallons per minute. The water produced by the drilled well at the Roland V. Swartz Well field is disinfected by injection of a sodium hypochlorite solution prior to distribution.

The Vilfage also has a surface water source, the Congdon Springs that produces about 225 gallons per minute. The water from the Congdon Springs is filtered at our Slow-sand Filtration plant. The water produced by the Filter Plant is disinfected by injection of gaseous chlorine prior to distribution. Water not consumed by our customers is then stored in a 750,000-galton concrete storage tank.

**SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT**

The NYSDOH has completed a source water assessment for this system, based on available information. Possible and actual threats to this dinking water source were evaluated. The state source water assessment includes a susceptibility rating based on the risk posed by each potential source of contamination and how easily contaminants can move through the subsurface to the wells. The susceptibility rating is an estimate of the potential for contamination of the source water, it does not mean that the water delivered to consumers is, or will become contaminated. See section "Are there contaminants in our drinking water?" for a list of contaminants, if any, that have been detected. The source water assessments provide resource managers with additional information for protecting source waters into the future.

As mentioned before, our water is derived from a drilled well. The source water assessment has rated this well as having a very high susceptibility to bacteria, viruses and nitrates; and a high susceptibility to halogenated solvents, pesticides, herbicides, metals, protozoa, petroleum products and industrial organic compounds. These ratings are due primarily to the proximity of the well to a permitted discharge facility (industrial/commercial facility that discharges wastewater into the environment and is regulated by the state and/or federal government), a toxic chemical release facility and low intensity residential activities in the assessment area, In addition, the well draws from an unconfined aquifer of high hydraulic conductivity. While the source water assessment rates our well as being susceptible to microbials, please note that our water is disinfected to ensure that the finished water delivered into your home meets New York State's drinking water standards for microbial contamination.

A copy of the assessment, including a map of the assessment area, can be obtained by contacting us, as noted below. A source water assessment for our surface water source has not yet been completed.

**ARE THERE CONTAMINANTS IN OUR DRINKING WATER?**

As the State regulations require, we routinely test your drinking water for numerous contaminants. These contaminants include: total coliform, turbidity, inorganic compounds, nitrate, nitrite, lead and copper, volatile organic compounds, total trihalomethanes, and synthetic organic compounds. The table presented below depicts which compounds were detected in your drinking water. The State allows us to test for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data, though representative, are more than one year old.

It should be noted that all drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More Information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline 800-426-4791 or the NYSDOH. Herkimer District Office at 315 866-6879.

Table of Detected Contaminants							
Contaminant	Violation Yes/No	Date of Sample	(Avg/Max) Range	Measu- re-ment	MCLG	Regulatory Limit MCL, TT or AL	Likely Source of Contamination
Turbidity			.04/.06 1000/0<1.0	NTIJ	NIA	TT=5NTU	Soil Runoff
Inorganic Contaminants							
Swartz Well Spring	No	7/2017	0.749 < 0.23			10	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
*2		7/2015	20	Ugn	1300	AL=1300	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
Lead		7/2015	ND	Ugn			Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.
Sodium Swartz Well Congdon Spring	No No	4/2010 5/2012	12 3.5			(See health effects)	Naturally occurring; Road salt; Water softeners; Animal waste.
Sulfate Swartz Well Congdon Spring		4/2010 5/2012	8 7		250		Naturally occurring.
Barium Swartz Well		7/2016	.024		2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Nickel Swartz Well		3/2013	1.5		100	100	Nickel is a metal found in natural deposits as ores containing other elements. The greatest use of nickel is in making stainless steel and other alloys.
Gross Apha Congdon Spring Swartz Well	No	7/2016			N/A	15	Erosion of natural deposits.
Synthetic Organic Contaminants							
Di(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	No	6/2011	5.47			6	Used in plastic prod-ucts. Also used in links, pesticides, cosmetics, and vacuum um oil.
Disinfection By-Products							
TTHM's (Total Trihalmethanes)	No	7/2017	< 0.5 (ND - < 0.5)	Ugh		80	By-product of drinking water chlorination needed to kill harmful organisms. TTHMs are formed when source water contains large amounts of or anic matter.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)		7/2017	< .00 (ND-<.00)			60	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
Chlorine Residual	No		(.561.78) (.41-.78)	Mgn	NIA	4.0	By-product of drinking water chlorination

**Notes:**

#1- Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We test it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system. Our highest single turbidity measurement for the year occurred on 9117117, 0.06 NTU. Regulations require that turbidity must always be below 5 NTU. The regulations require that 95% of the turbidity samples collected have measurements below 1.0 NTU. Although November was the month when we had the fewest measurements meeting the treatment technique for turbidity, the levels recorded were within the acceptable range allowed and did not constitute a treatment technique violation. \*2- The level presented represents the 90th percentile of the 10 sites tested. A percentile is a value on a scale of 100 that indicates the percent of a distribution that is equal to or below it. The 90th percentile is equat to or greater than 90% of the copper values detected at your water system. In this case, 10 samples were collected at your water system and the 90th percentile value was the 20.0 ugll Value. The action level for copper was not exceeded at any of the sites tested. \*4 - This level represents the annual quarterly average calculated from data collected. Defnltltons:

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**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** The level of a contaminant in dinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.

MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**MAXIMUM RESIDUAL DISINFECTANT LEVEL (MRDL):** The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial con-taminants.

**MINIMUM RESIDUAL DISINFECTANT LEVEL GOAL MRDLG:** The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health.

MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, tiggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must fol-low.

**Treatment Technique (TT):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in dinking water. Non•D9tecfs (ND): Laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

A measure Of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Corresponds to one part of liquid in one billion parts of liquid (parts per billion - ppb).

**WHAT DOES THIS INFORMATION MEAN?**

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We have leamed through our testing that some contaminants have been detected; however, these contaminants were detected below the level albwed by the State.

**IS OUR WATER SYSTEM MEETING OTHER RULES THAT GOVERN OPERATION?**

During 2017 our system received a notice of violation for applicable State drinking water monitoring and repolting requirements. The village failed to submit a primary inorganic chemical sample by the 10th day of the month following the compliance period 1/1/2017 to 12/31/2017. This note shall serve as Public Notification of this violation.

**DO I NEED TO TAKE SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS?**

Although our drinking water met or exceeded state and federal regulations, some people may be more vulnerable to disease causing microorganisms or pathogens in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemo-therapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care provider about their drinking water. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium, Giardia and other microbial pathogens are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

**WHY SAVE WATER AND HOW TO AVOID WASTING IT?**

Although our system has an adequate amount of water to meet present and future demands, there are a number of reasons why it is important to conserve water:

- Saving water saves energy and some of the costs associated with both of these necessities oflife;
- Saving water reduces the cost of energy required to pump water and the need to construct costly new wells, pumping systems and water towers; and
- Saving water lessens the strain on the water system during a dry spell or drought, helping to avoid severe water use restrictions so that essential fire fighting needs are met.

You can play a role in conserving water by becoming conscious of the amount of water your household is using, and by looking for ways to use less whenever you can. It is not hard to conserve water. Conservation tips include:

- Automatic dishwashers use 15 gallons for every cycle, regard-less of how many dishes are loaded. So get a run for your money and load it to capacity.
- Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth.
- Check every faucet in your home for leaks. Just a slow drip can waste 15 to 20 gallons a day. Fix it up and you can save almost 6,000 gallons per year.
- Check your toilets for leaks by putting a few drops of food coloring in the tank, watch for a few minutes to see if the color shows up in the bowl. It is not uncommon to lose up to 100 gallons a day from one of these otherwise invisible toilet leaks. Fix it and you save more than 30,000 gallons a year.

**CLOSING**

Thank you for allowing us to continue to provide your family with quality drinking water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. The costs of these improvements may be reflected in the rate structure. Rate adjustments may be necessary in order to address these improvements. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community. Please call our office if you have questions at (518) 568-2225.



## Three Memorial Day weekend travel tips

Memorial Day weekend is one of the busiest travel weekends of the year. In 2017, the automotive group AAA estimated that 40 million Americans would travel 50 miles or more on Memorial Day weekend. Those estimates also projected that 34.6 million vehicles would be used to make those trips.

Often referred to as "the unofficial beginning of summer," Memorial Day and the weekend that precedes it has become synonymous with beach trips and backyard barbecues. Travelers who want to avoid traffic jams and ensure their weekends get off on the right foot can benefit from employing these three travel-savvy strategies.

### 1. Start the weekend early.

In its "State of American Vacation 2017" survey, Project: Time Off found that 662 million vacation days were unused in 2016. People traveling for Memorial Day who typically leave some vacation days on the table can start their weekends early this year. Many offices close early the Friday before Memorial Day, and workers who aren't so lucky may just leave work early, meaning Friday afternoon traffic figures to be heavy. By leaving Thursday afternoon or evening, travelers can avoid the Friday rush to the beach.

### 2. Take public transportation.

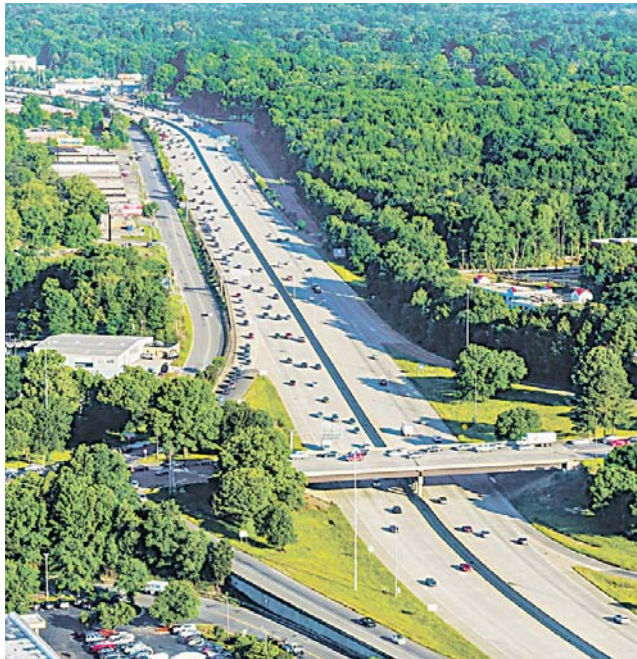
Travelers who can't take an extra day off or leave work early the Friday before Memorial Day

may want to consider taking public transportation to their beach destinations instead of driving themselves. In 2016, the U.S.-based data firm Inrix noted that a traffic-free Friday jaunt from New York City to Long Island's East end would take 90 minutes, while the same trip would take three hours and 40 minutes on the Friday of Memorial Day weekend. Travelers who can't leave early can save themselves from the stress of holiday traffic jams by letting someone else do the navigating.

### 3. Be patient and depart on Saturday morning.

Travelers who can be patient may find that waiting to depart for their destinations until Saturday can save them from dealing with much of the stress of traveling on Memorial Day weekend. The benefits of being patient may depend on where travelers live, as the Inrix study noted that Friday was the busiest day to leave Los Angeles on Memorial Day weekend, while San Diego residents tended to deal with the most traffic on Saturday. An added benefit of waiting until Saturday is the likelihood that such travelers will not return home until Tuesday, avoiding traffic on Monday, which tends to be the busiest return travel day of the weekend.

Memorial Day weekend travel tends to be hectic. But savvy travelers with some flexibility can take steps to make their trips less stressful.



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## VILLAGE OF PALATINE BRIDGE Village Wide Clean Up June 7, 2018 FOR RESIDENTS ONLY (NOT FOR BUSINESSES)

### The Following Rules Must Be Followed:

1. No tires, paint cans with paint, batteries or demolition materials, including but not limited to brick, wood or drywall will be picked up.
2. Refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners must be properly tagged to show that freon has been removed.
3. Only **one** pile per tax parcel not exceeding **8 feet long by 5 feet wide by 5 feet high**. Multi-family dwellings are subject to such pile. Trash in excess of the requirements will be left and be the responsibility of the home owner.



4. Trash must not be placed at the curb prior to 5 PM and should be placed by 11 PM on the day prior to the scheduled collection. **No second pick-ups** will be made for items placed after 11 PM.



YEAR 2017

ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

VILLAGE OF PALATINE BRIDGE

PO Box 208, 11 West Grand St. • Palatine Bridge, NY 13428

Ph: 518-673-2917 • Fax: 518-673-3481

ID #2800142

**INTRODUCTION:**  
To comply with State regulation, The Village of Palatine Bridge will be annually issuing a report describing the quality of your drinking water. The purpose of this report is to raise your understanding of drinking water and awareness of the need to protect our drinking water sources. Last year, your tap water met all State drinking water health standards. We are proud to report that our system has never violated a maximum contaminant level. This report provides an overview of last year's water quality. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to State standards.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your drinking water, please contact **Mr. Rodney Sutton, Water Superintendent, Village of Palatine Bridge, 11 W. Grand St., Palatine Bridge, NY 13428; Telephone (518) – 673 – 2917 or in an emergency (518) -791-8079.** We want you to be informed about your drinking water. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled village board meetings. They are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, 7:00 PM at the Village Hall, 11 W. Grand St; telephone (518)-673-2917. *Village office hours are 8:00am to 1:00pm Monday thru Thursday, 3pm to 6pm Thursday and 8:00am to 11:00am Friday.*

**WHERE DOES OUR WATER COME FROM?**

In general, the sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: microbial contaminants; inorganic contaminants; pesticides and herbicides; organic chemical contaminants; and radioactive contaminants. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the State and the EPA prescribe regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The State Health Department's and the FDA's regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

The Village of Palatine Bridge draws its water from a ground water source. The Village is served by one drilled well 1000-feet deep located 1.5 miles north of the Village boundary on State Highway Route 10. Pumping capacity for this well is approximately 500 gallons per minute. Treatment of the raw water produced by the well consists of chlorination, which is used for disinfection to protect against contamination from harmful bacteria and other organisms. We have a 300,000-gallon underground storage tank and a 250,000-gallon above ground storage to meet consumer demand and provide adequate fire protection. We provide water through 342 service connections to a population of approximately 900 people. Our average daily demand is 165,000-gallons per day. In February of 2005 a new triplex water softening system was installed to provide better water quality.

**SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT**

The NYS DOH has completed a source water assessment for the Village of Palatine Bridge water system, based on available information. Possible and actual threats to this drinking water source were evaluated. The state source water assessment includes a susceptibility rating based on the risk posed by each potential source of contamination and how easily contaminants can move through the sub-surface to the well. The susceptibility rating is an estimate of the potential for contamination. See section "Are there contaminants in our drink water?" for a list of contaminants, if any that has been detected. The source water assessments provide resource managers with additional information for protecting source waters into the future.

As mentioned before our water is derived from a drilled well. The source water assessment has rated this well as having a high susceptibility to bacteria, viruses, and protozoa and a medium- high susceptibility to herbicides, pesticides and nitrates. These ratings are due primarily to agricultural activities in the assessment area. In addition, the well draws from an unconfined aquifer of high hydraulic conductivity.

While the source water assessment rates our well as being susceptible to microbials, please note that our water is disinfected to ensure that the finish water delivered into your home meet New York State's drinking water standard for microbial contamination.

A copy of the source water assessment, including a map of the assessment area, can be obtained by contacting us as noted in the introduction in the first section.

**ARE THERE CONTAMINANTS IN OUR DRINKING WATER?**

As the State regulations require, we routinely test your drinking water for numerous contaminants. We test your drinking water for inorganic compounds, nitrite, nitrate, lead and copper, volatile organic compounds, and synthetic organic compounds. In addition, we test for coliform bacteria once a month, and fluoride and chlorine daily. The table presented below depicts which compounds were detected in your drinking water. This table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2016. The State allows us to test for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentration of these contaminants does not change frequently. Some of our data, though representative, are more than one year old. You may obtain a copy of all our test results by contacting the Village office or Rodney Sutton.

It should be noted that all drinking water, including bottled drinking water, might be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or the New York State Department of Health, District Office, 5665 State Route 5, Herkimer, NY, telephone; (315-866-6879).

**Definitions:**

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible.

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**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Action Level (AL) -** the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements, which a water system must follow.

**Treatment Technique (TT) -** a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Non-Detects (ND) -** laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

**Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU):** A measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity is excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

**Milligrams per liter (mg/l):** Corresponds to one part of liquid in one million parts of liquid (parts per million-ppm)

**Micrograms per liter (ug/l):** corresponds to one part of liquid in one billion parts of liquid (parts per billion – ppb) Nanograms per liter (ng/l): Corresponds to one part of liquid to one trillion parts of liquid (parts per trillion – ppt)

**Picograms per liter (pg/l):** corresponds to one part per of liquid to one quadrillion parts of liquid (parts per quadrillion ppq)

**Picocuries per liter (pCi/L):** A measure of the radioactivity in water.

**Millirems per year (mrem/yr):** A measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

**Million Fibers per Liter (MFL):** A measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

**Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) -** one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000. or 1000ppb equal 1ppm Ex: 500ppb= .5ppm

**Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (ug/l) -** one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

**Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (nanograms/l) -** one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

**Maximum Contaminant Level -** (mandatory language) The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal -** (mandatory language) The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below, which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

n/a-not applicable

**WHAT DOES THIS INFORMATION MEAN?**

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We have learned through our testing that some contaminants were detected; however these contaminants were detected below the level allowed by the State.

**IS OUR WATER SYSTEM MEETING OTHER RULES THAT GOVERN OPERATIONS?**

During the year 2017, our system was in compliance with applicable State drinking water operating, monitoring and reporting requirements.

**DO I NEED TO TAKE SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS?**

Although our drinking water met or exceeded state and federal regulations, some people may be more vulnerable to disease causing microorganisms or pathogens in drinking water than the general population. Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as results of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline. Immuno-compromised person such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care provider about their drinking water. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium, Giardia and other microbial pathogens are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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- Saving water reduces the cost of energy required to pump water and the cost of treating the water.
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- You can play a role in conserving water by becoming conscious of the amount of water your household is using, and by looking for ways to use less whenever you can. It is not hard to conserve water. Conservation tips include:
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- Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth.
- Check every faucet in your home for leaks. Just a slow drip can waste 15 to 20 gallons a day, 3600 gallons in 6 months. A steady drip or stream 1/16" at 60lbs pressure can waste 74,000 gallons in 3 months.
- Check your toilets for leaks by putting a few drops of food coloring in the tank, watch for a few minutes to see if the color shows up in the bowl. It is not uncommon to lose up to 100 gallons a day from one of otherwise invisible toilet leaks. A 100 gallons a day can amount to 9000 gallons in a 3-month period or 18000 in a 6-month period.
- A One Quarter (1/4) inch Hose or stream of water at 60 lbs of water pressure can amount to a lost of 13,000 gallons or more in 24 hours.

**WATER RATES**

In 2016 the water customers in Village of Palatine Bridge were charged \$8.00 per 1000 gallons with a minimum of \$96.00, while out of village limits customers were charged \$16.00 per 1000 gallons with a minimum of \$192.00

**CLOSING**

Thank you for allowing us to continue to provide your family with quality drinking water this year. Please call our office (518)-673-2917 if you have questions.

USDA Rural development is an Equal Opportunity Lender, Provider, and Employer. Complaints of discrimination should be sent to USDA Director of Civil Rights, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

This table does not represent all testing. We have met all NY State Standards. A copy of all our testing is available at the village office.

VILLAGE OF PALATINE BRIDGE TEST RESULTS						
Contaminant	V i o l a t i o n Y / N	L e v e l D e t e c t e d	U n i t M s m t.	M C L G	M C L	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants tested-						
Arsenic Data from 8/1/16	N	<5	p p b	n/a	.01	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
Barium Data from 8/1/16	N	.0102	p p b o r u g / l	2000	2.00	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Chloride Data from 8/1/16	N	4.95	M g / l o r p p m	N/ A	250	Naturally occurring of indicative of road salt contamination
Copper Data from 9/23/15	N	.11	M g / l	1300	1000	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Fluoride 8/1/16 Data from	N	.386	p p b o r u g / l	n/a	2.2	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Iron Data from	N		M g / l	n/a	300	Naturally occurring.
Lead Data from 9/26/15	N	.01	M g / l	0	A L= 15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Manganese Data from	N		p p b o r u g / l	N/ A	300	Naturally occurring. Indicative of landfill contamination
Nickel Data from 8/1/16	N	<.0005	p p b o r u g / l	n/a	.01	Discharge from steel/metal factories; EPA regulations require us to monitor this contaminant while EPA considers setting a limit on it.
Nitrate Data from 7/12/17	N	<0.23	p p b o r u g / l	10.00	10mg l as N	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate				1.00	1mg l as N	
Sulfate Data from 8/5/13	N	81.8	p p m o r m g / l	n/a	250.0	Geology; EPA regulations require us to monitor this contaminant while EPA considers setting a limit on it. MCL is for NYS
Zinc Data from 8/5/13	N	1.80	m g / l o r p p m	N/ A	30	Naturally occurring; Mining waste
Synthetic Organic Contaminants including Pesticides and Herbicides (data from 7/21/2017)						
Contaminants were monitored with no detects.					By-product of industry & agriculture	
Trihalomethanes Data from 8/1/16						
TTHM [Total trihalomethanes] 4-quarter running average (highest)	N	40.8	Ppb or ug/l	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
(Range of values)		-				
Volatile Organic Contaminants (data from 2/3/16)						
A total of 54 contaminants were monitored	n	>0.5	Ppb or ug/l	n/ a	5	By-product of industrial processes and petroleum production
Unregulated Synthetic Organic Contaminants including Pesticides (data from 9/24/14)						
Contaminants were monitored with no detects. Unregulated contaminant Monitoring helps EPA determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate these contaminants.					By-products of industrial processes	

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# Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Park:

## A community-wide development effort

In 2021, St. Johnsville will celebrate a significant anniversary: 100 years since the development and opening of the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Park.

Land for the park was donated to the village by the War Chest Association, formed during World War I to aid local servicemen and help the war effort in general. In January, 1921, with the Association's work complete, the membership voted to donate approximately nine acres of land to the village "in recognition and appreciation of the way and manner in which the soldiers and sailors of the United States, and more particularly of the Town of St. Johnsville, Montgomery County, New York, defended the democracy of the new world against the autocracy of the old." The letter of gift continues, "The Park shall be as broad in its scope as humanity - for the use of all, without discrimination as to age, race, color, condition, or religion."

The village board accepted the gift on January 18, 1921 along with \$475.76 remaining in the Association's treasury to be used for park development and improvements. The Park Commission, consisting of five of the village's most prominent citizens, began work without any financial assistance from village taxpayers. In March, a subscription campaign open to individuals, businesses, industry, societies, and organizations was begun, with Little Falls Felt Shoe's \$200 the first, but far from the last, contribution.

Beginning in May of that year, with some money in the treasury and calls for community support, development of the park and playground kicked into high gear with a elevation survey of the park completed.

The Recreation Commission worked to complete the children's playground and baseball grounds as soon as possible. In mid-May a call went out for school groups, Scouts and even farmers with tractors to level the ground, rake, remove brush, etc. Bids were let for a 40 ft. x 80 ft. swimming pool, deemed "essential" by the park commission.

By the time of the large July 4th celebration the baseball fields had already been in use for several weeks; a grand stand had been erected by the Athletic Association in one week's time; the swimming pool and wading pool and pond were almost complete; and progress was being made on other fronts. A stone memorial entranceway was being donated by the Daughters of the American Revolution and a cannon that had been "guarding" Prospect View Cemetery was being donated by Civil War veterans.

One very popular program allowed individuals, businesses, and organizations to purchase and plant trees and shrubs and dedicate them to family members. A person could go to Dockerty's store, order a tree or shrub from a list, and when it arrived plant it in the park or pay a few dollars to have it planted. By late October, when a tree planting day and park dedication ceremony took place, more than 100 trees and 100 shrubs had been purchased.

The ceremony and dedication, which took place on Thursday, October

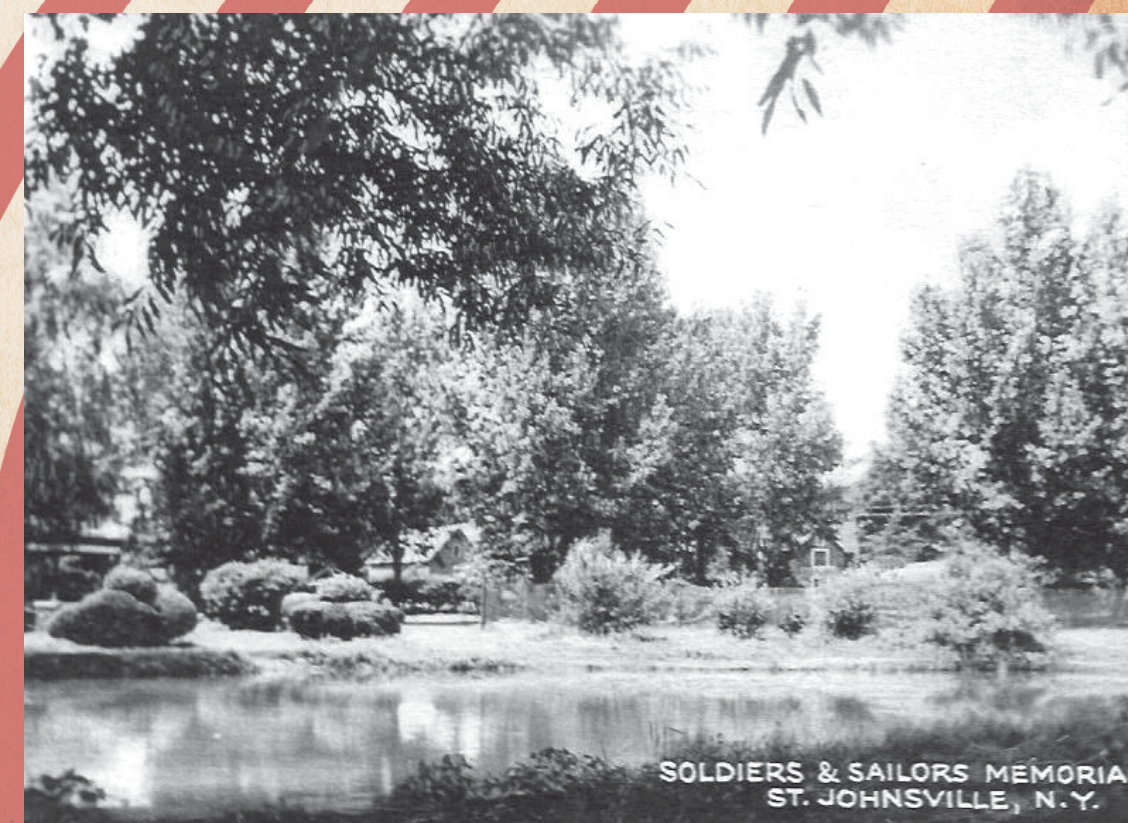
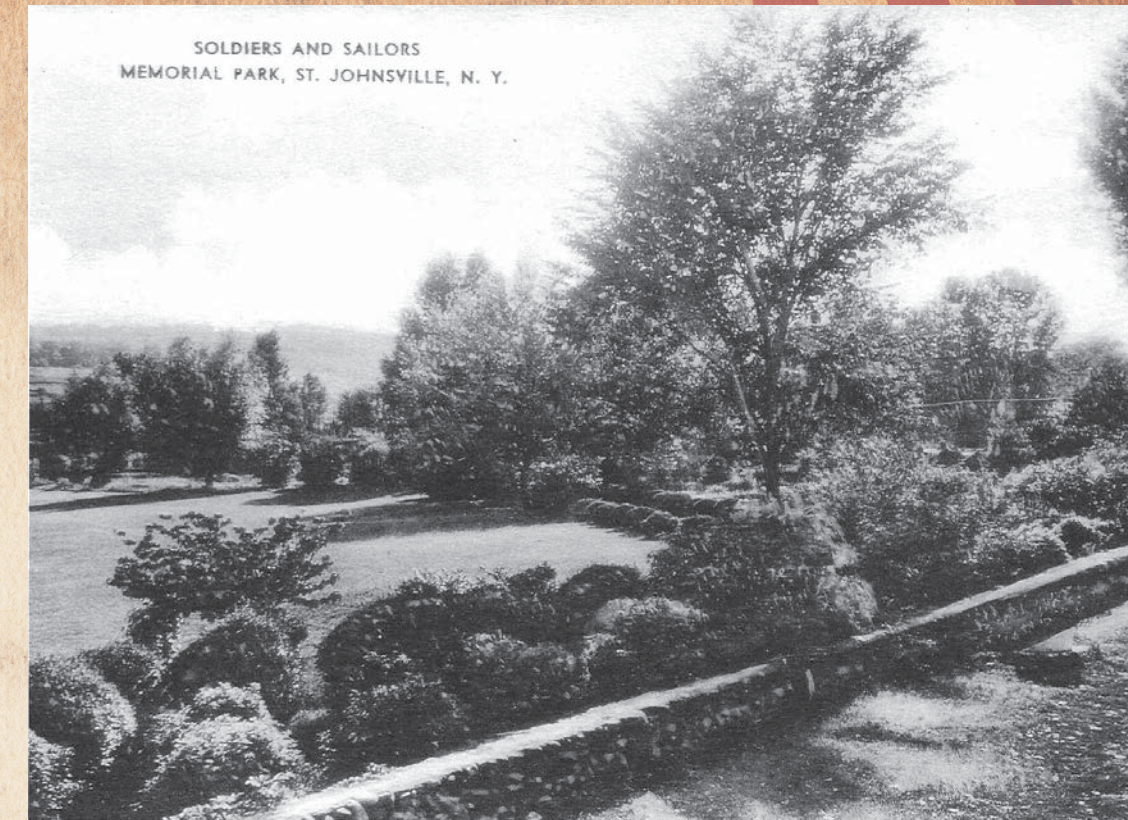
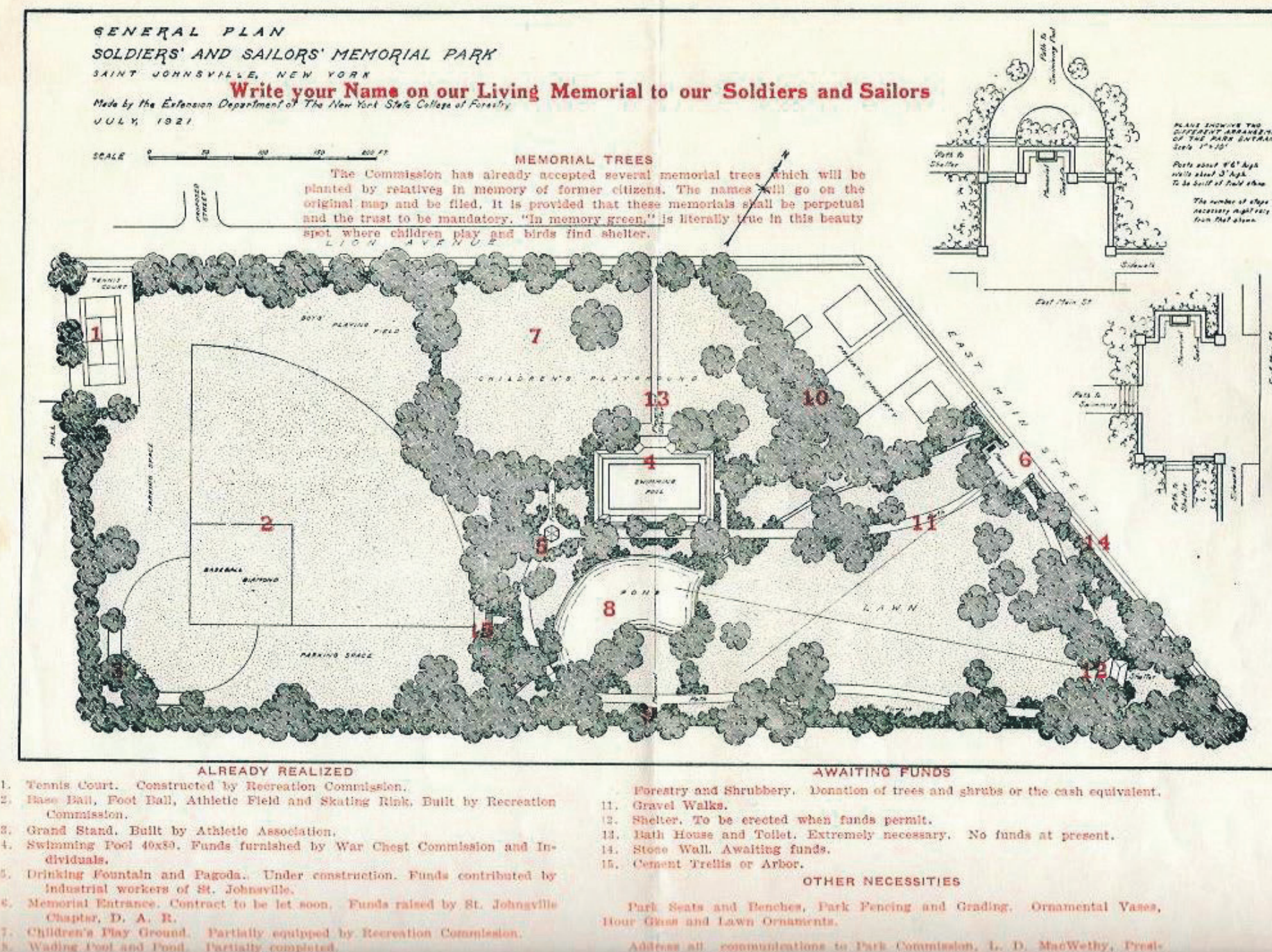
27, 1921 began with a parade down Main Street by school children and the organizations that had contributed to the park. A ceremony with County Surrogate Judge Fox Sponable as main speaker formally opened the park. The swimming pool, pond, athletic fields, playground and memorial entrance had been completed. Still to be completed were a drinking fountain and pagoda, paths and parkway, ornamental fountain, tennis court, lamp posts, bridges, other minor tasks, and the planting of still more trees and shrubs.

Enterprise and News editor and Park Commission President Lou MacWethy said the park marked "a new era in the community life of the village," and would be "a permanent institution for good adding to the pleasure of living for both young and old."

Much has happened in the decades since the park's opening. Countless baseball games have been played, more than fifty fireman's fairs have taken place on the grounds, thousands of children have enjoyed the summer park program and playground, the monument added in 1968 has been the scene of annual Memorial Day services. The park has gone through many changes including a new direction for the baseball field in the 1950s, closing of the swimming pool and pond, and loss of many if not most of the trees and shrubs planted by our parents and grandparents.

As the hundredth birthday of Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Park approaches, is it not time for us to renew our commitment to honor those who have served in the Armed Forces by improving and enhancing this "permanent institution for good"?

### Landscape Plan of Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Park, St. Johnsville, N. Y.





# Top dance hits featured at proms for the last 40 years

High school is a pivotal time in a teenager's life that is marked by many academic and social experiences, including sports games, extracurricular clubs and school dances.

School dances are so iconic and intertwined with student life that they have — together with their accompanying musical score — provided a setting for popular movies like "Pretty in Pink," "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" and "Never Been Kissed." Perhaps no dance is more widely associated with high school than prom.

High schoolers have been attending proms for many decades. Music and dancing is at the centerpiece of these celebrations. Many people look back fondly on their prom experiences and remember the hit songs of their heydays. The following are some of the chart-topping dance songs and popular hits were likely featured at proms over the last 40 years, courtesy of Billboard.

1978: "Last Dance," Donna Summer  
1979: "Le Freak," Chic  
1980: "A Lover's Holiday," Change  
1981: "Try it Out," Gino Soccio  
1982: "Glad to Know You," Chaz Jankel  
1983: "Billie Jean," Michael Jackson  
1984: "When Doves Cry," Prince  
1985: "Neutron Dance," The Pointer Sisters  
1986: "Two of Hearts," Stacey Q  
1987: "Come Go With Me," Exposé  
1988: "Never Gonna Give You Up," Rick Astley  
1989: "Secret Rendezvous," Karyn White  
1990: "Groove Is in the Heart," Deee-Lite  
1991: "Gonna Make You Sweat," C+C Music Factory  
1992: "Rhythm Is a Dancer," Snap!  
1993: "Supermodel," RuPaul  
1994: "100% Pure Love," Crystal Waters  
1995: "Bedtime Story," Madonna  
1996: "Make the World Go Round," Sandy B.  
1997: "Discotheque," U2  
1998: "Ray of Light," Madonna  
1999: "Believe," Cher  
2000: "Your Child," Mary J. Blige  
2001: "Keep Control," Sono  
2002: "Escape," Enrique Iglesias  
2003: "Into the Sun," The Weekend Players  
2005: "Don't Cha," The Pussycat Dolls  
2006: "House Is Not a Home," Debora Cox  
2007: "I Need Someone," Ralph Falcon  
2008: "Together," Bob Sinclar & Steve Edwards  
2009: "Waking Up in Vegas," Katy Perry

2010: "Bad Romance," Lady Gaga  
2011: "We Found Love," Rihanna ft. Calvin Harris  
2012: "How We Do (Party)," Rita Ora  
2013: "Lose Yourself to Dance," Daft Punk ft. Pharrell Williams  
2014: "Chandelier," Sia  
2015: "Something New," Axwell /\ Ingrosso  
2016: "Closer," The Chainsmokers ft. Halsey  
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## How June got its name (And other fun facts)

There are 12 months in a year, and each has its own unique name. Have you ever wondered where these names originated, or why certain months do not seem to match up to their Latin numerical prefixes?

This June, it can be interesting to learn how the sixth month of the year got its name.

The 12-month calendar used today differs greatly from past calendars. The Ancient Romans were instrumental in establishing the structure on which the modern calendar was built, including the names of the months. The original Roman calendar consisted of 10 months and began in March. There was believed to be a period of unnamed time during the winter when not much was going on with agriculture, and thusly didn't really concern ancient timekeepers. This period would later be broken up into the months of January and February.

Many months, such as March, were named after Roman Gods. Historians believe March was named after Mars, the Roman god of war. May was named after Maia, an earth goddess of plants.

The month of June also gets its name from an important Roman figure. June was named for the goddess Juno, who

was the queen of the gods. Juno was the patroness of marriages and weddings, according to Roman mythology. Since June and the summer season were prime times for couples to wed, it seemed fitting that the month be named after this queen of weddings.

There's more to June than a name. According to The Old Farmer's Almanac, June's birth month flowers are the very fragrant and beautiful rose and honeysuckle. Roses represent love, affection and friendship. Honeysuckle is a strong symbol of everlasting bonds of love.

June also is one of only two months that has three birthstones. The American Gem Society states that June's birthstones include the opalescent pearl; the color-changing alexandrite, which is one of the most valuable gems on Earth; and the light-scattering, shimmering moonstone. Each of these stones is mysterious and hard to come by.

People born in the month of June fall under the Gemini or Cancer astrological signs. According to many astrological sources, Geminis tend to be gentle, affectionate and curious. However, because it is a sign of the twins, Geminis may exhibit two different personalities or may be inconsistent and indecisive. Gemini

belongs to the element of air, and this is related to aspects of the mind.

Cancers can be imaginative, emotional and persuasive. Negative traits include suspicion, insecurity and moodiness. Cancers tend to care much about matters of the family and home. Cancer is a sign that belongs to the element of water, which is guided by emotion and the heart.

People born in June in the Northern hemisphere get to celebrate their birthdays during some of the best weather of the year. Some famous June birthdays include Johnny Depp, President Donald Trump, Paul McCartney, and Angelina Jolie.

Landing right in the middle of the year, June is an exciting month full of interesting history.



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For Georgia, walking on a dead-end road to the rhubarb patch in May to harvest giant leafy stalks and, together with grandmother Nancy, prepare rhubarb sauce to ladle over breakfast pancakes, and bake rhubarb custard pie for evening dessert is a delight.

"Georgia is the baker and loves to cook," says Nancy, a recently retired school administrator. "She washes and dices the stalks, cracks eggs and measures carefully. It's fun!" she adds. "Cooking together is a way to share a common interest."

Like the first robin, the greening grass and the budding trees, add "first rhubarb pie" to your family's "signs of spring" list.

Whether you harvest rhubarb from your garden, or find stalks in your grocery produce section, give

Nancy's winning rhubarb custard pie recipe a try with your kids while rhubarb is fresh and in season.

## Fresh Rhubarb Custard Pie

- Pastry for 9-inch single-crust pie
- 1 1/3 cups sugar (add more according to taste)
  - 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
  - 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
  - Dash of salt
  - 3 eggs
  - 4 cups fresh rhubarb, diced
  - 2 tablespoons firm butter
1. Preheat oven to 400°F.
  2. Fit pastry into a 9-inch pie plate. Set aside.
  3. Let your child measure and stir together sugar, flour, nutmeg and dash of salt in a mixing bowl.
  3. Beat eggs until smooth.
  4. Stir dry mixture into beaten eggs. Add diced rhubarb. Stir.
  5. Fill the crust evenly with the rhubarb mixture. Dot with firm butter. (Cover edge with 2-to-3-inch strip of aluminum foil to prevent excessive browning, if you wish. Remove foil last 15 minutes of baking.)
  6. Bake for 50 minutes.
  7. Cool, and serve warm with vanilla ice cream.
- NOTE: If you are new to fresh rhubarb, be aware that the large leaves are poisonous.

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315-858-1553  
Service: Sunday 9:15am  
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  
*Pastor, Rev. Mark Fowler*  
Sunday Morning Service 11:00am  
Sunday School for All Ages 10:00am

**Community Bible Church**  
Corner of Cliff & Walnut Streets  
Canajoharie, NY 13317  
(518) 993-1016  
*Pastor Wally Braemer*  
Sunday - Adult Sunday School Class - 9:15am  
Worship Service - 10:30am  
*God is Good All the Time  
& All the Time God is Good*

**Cornerstone Baptist Church**  
7274 St. Hwy. 10, Ames  
518-673-3405  
Sunday School 10am, Adults & Children  
Morning Worship 11am, Youth Ministry  
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  
[www.dolgevillechristianfellowship.org](http://www.dolgevillechristianfellowship.org)

**Dolgeville United Methodist Church**  
21 N. Helmer Ave., Dolgeville  
*Rev. Jack Ford*  
315-429-7381  
Worship 11:00am  
Sunday School @ 9:30am beginning  
September 18th  
Bible Study - Wednesdays @ 12:30pm

**Emmanuel Episcopal Church**  
588-594 Albany St., Little Falls, NY  
315-823-1323  
Sunday Mass 10am  
Coffee Hour following Sunday Mass  
Sunday School & Youth Group  
Tuesday 10am Mass & Bible Study  
Friday 10am-2pm Thrift Shop

**Ephratah Reformed Church**  
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**Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd**  
26 Moyer St., Canajoharie  
518-673-3440  
Holy Communion Sundays at 9:30am  
Fellowship Time to Follow  
Call for Holy Day services  
*The Rev. Virginia L Ogden, Rector*  
[churchgood@frontier.com](mailto:churchgood@frontier.com)

**Everlasting Joy Believers Fellowship**  
66 Hancock St., (Rte. 5S)  
Fort Plain, NY 13339  
315-858-2112  
*Pastor Carolee Coye*  
Sunday Service 10am

**Faith, Hope and Love Church**  
*Rev. David W. Bowley, Pastor*  
Saturdays, 5 pm  
at the  
United Methodist Church Lower Level  
50 E. Main St, Canajoharie  
call 518-673-5128 or see facebook "Faith,  
Hope and Love Christian Church" and our  
website <http://faithhopeandlovechurch.com>

**First Baptist Church Springfield Center, NY**  
*Rev. - Gary Tyler*  
Sunday School 10:00am  
Morning Worship 11:00am  
Sunday night Worship 6:00pm  
Wed. night Bible Study 7:00pm  
Free meal & music every  
2nd Sat. of the month 4-7pm

**Fonda Fultonville United Methodist Church**  
11 Montgomery St., Fultonville  
*Pastor Nancy Pullen* • 853-3311  
Sunday Morning Worship 9:15-10:15,  
Sunday School 9:15-10:30, Coffee  
Fellowship Following Service  
**Our Mission-To Actively Follow Christ  
and To Inspire Others To Accompany Us.**

**Fordsbush Bible Church**  
131 Clark Rd., Fort Plain  
518-568-7606  
*Pastor Joe Miller*  
Sunday School 10am, Morning Service  
11am, Eve. Service 6pm, Wed. Service  
6:45pm, Thurs. Visitation 6pm  
[www.fordsbushbiblechurch.com](http://www.fordsbushbiblechurch.com)  
Home of Victory Christian Academy

**Fort Plain United Methodist Church**  
39 Center St., Fort Plain  
*Audie Miller,*  
*Lay Supply Pastor*  
Church Office 518-993-3863  
Kitchen 518-993-3464  
ALL WELCOME, Worship Service 11am

**Freysbush United Methodist Church**  
Freysbush Rd., Fort Plain  
518-842-1357  
*Rev. Cindy Leonard, Officiating*  
Worship 9am,  
Sunday School 10am ALL ARE WELCOME  
coffee hour to follow service

**Fultonville Reformed Church**  
Corner of 5S & 30  
*Pastor Jane Hubschmitt*  
Sunday School 10AM  
Family Worship 10:30AM

**Glen Reformed Church**  
State Hwy 161 in the  
Hamlet of Glen  
4 miles South of Fultonville  
[glenreformed@nycap.rr.com](mailto:glenreformed@nycap.rr.com)  
Sunday Worship at 9. Sunday School  
immediately following Children's Message

**Grace Christian Church**  
20 Center St.,  
St. Johnsville, NY 13452  
*Rev. Harry J. Teuchert*  
315-866-8626  
Sunday School 9:30am  
Worship 11:00am

**Grace Episcopal Church**  
32 Montgomery St., Cherry Valley  
315-858-4016  
*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**  
Little Falls, NY  
315-823-3410  
Saturday 4pm  
Sunday 10:30am

**Joy Fellowship**  
296 Co. Hwy. 119  
St. Johnsville, NY 13452  
518-568-3217  
*William Hayes Pastor*  
*Joyce Loughran Assistant Pastor*  
Sunday School 9am, Morning Worship 9:30am  
Wednesday Evening Worship 6:30pm

**Lassellseville United Methodist Church**  
State Hwy. 29  
*Pastor Robert A. Lindsay*  
Worship: Sunday 9:30am  
Sunday School to start soon

**Lighthouse Baptist Church**  
1524 St. Rt. 29A, PO Box 114  
Stratford, NY 13470-0114  
315-429-8854  
*Pastor Martin Smith*  
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am; Wed.  
Eve. Prayer Meeting 6:00pm; 2nd & 4th  
Sunday Dinner following Morning Service  
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Worship Sunday 9am

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518-853-3646  
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**New Hope Christian Fellowship**  
32 Spencer St., Dolgeville, NY 13329  
*Pastor Pat Andreoli*  
315-429-3630  
[NewHopeChristianFellowship.net](http://NewHopeChristianFellowship.net)  
Sunday School 9:30AM  
Worship Service 10:30AM

**Oppenheim United Methodist Church**  
Route 29  
*Rev. Jack Ford*  
315-429-7381  
Worship 9:30 Sundays,  
Totally Awesome God-TAG time 6:30pm  
Wednesdays beginning in Oct., Sunday  
School 9:00am beginning September 18th

**Our Lady of Hope R.C. Church**  
115 Reid St., Fort Plain, NY 13339  
Parish Office 518-993-3822  
[ourladyofhope@frontier.com](mailto:ourladyofhope@frontier.com)  
*Pastor: Father Jim Davis*  
Mass Schedule: Saturday, 4pm;  
Sunday, 8:30am & 11am;  
Confessions: Sat. 3 & by appointment  
**Please call parish office for Holy Day schedule**

**Paines Hollow United Methodist Church**  
Intersection of 167 & 168, Paines Hollow  
*Pastor Peg Donaghy*  
518-568-7604  
Sunday Worship 9:30AM  
Fellowship Hour to Follow

**Randall Christian Church**  
NY Rte. 5S  
Sunday Service 10am  
*Pastors*  
*Winston Hallett & Carl Hawver*

**Reformed Church of Canajoharie**  
15-19 Front St., Canajoharie  
518-673-2816  
*Rev. Matt Draffen*  
Sunday 9am Christian Education  
9:20 Choir Practice  
10am Worship Nursery provided  
Fellowship hour follows worship

**Reformed Church of Fort Plain**  
165 Canal St., Fort Plain, NY 13339  
518-993-4302 • [fortplainrea@yahoo.com](mailto:fortplainrea@yahoo.com)  
*Rev. Nancy E. Ryan*  
Worship 10:30am,  
AA meetings Mon. & Tues. 7pm,  
Second Thurs. Prayerspace 6am to 6pm

**Reformed Church of Sprakers**  
112 Sprakers Hill Rd  
*Rev. Nancy Ryan*  
Worship ~ 9AM  
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**Richfield Springs Bible Church**  
19 Church St  
Richfield Springs, NY 13439  
*Rev. David Tosi*  
315-858-0564  
Sunday School (all ages) 10am  
Worship Service 11am & 7pm  
Wednesday - Prayer & Praise  
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[www.richfieldspringsbiblechurch.org](http://www.richfieldspringsbiblechurch.org)

**River of Jubilee Church**  
5057 State Highway 5 S  
Sprakers, NY 12166  
*Pastor: Gail Adamoschek*  
*Pastor: Steve Adamoschek*  
518-322-1427 / 518-224-4455  
Sunday Service 10:00am  
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**Sacred Heart Catholic Church**  
111 3rd Ave., Tribes Hill  
518-829-7301  
Mass Saturday  
4:00pm

**Saint Cecilia Church**  
26 Broadway, Fonda  
518-853-4195  
Sunday Worship  
9:00am

**Salisbury Center United Methodist Church**  
2545 St Rt 29, PO Box 104  
Salisbury Center, NY 13454  
315-429-9085  
*Rev. Lynn R. Lockwood*

**Seeker's Fellowship**  
14 Park Place  
St. Johnsville, NY 13452  
518-568-7700  
*Pastor Mike Yezierski*  
Sunday Worship 6pm, Tues. Prayer 7pm,  
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**St. John's Lutheran Church**  
774 St. Hwy. 163, Fort Plain, NY  
518-705-7552  
*Rev. David A. Johnson, Ph.D.*  
Sunday Worship 9:00am, Sunday School 10:00am,  
Ladies Aid W.E.L.C.A. Handicapped Accessible

**St. John's Reformed Church**  
68 W. Main St., St. Johnsville  
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Sunday Worship 10:30am

**St. John's & St. Mark's Lutheran Church**  
143 Church St., Canajoharie  
518-673-2224  
*Pastor Zach Labagh*  
Sunday Worship 11am,  
Christian Ed. 9:45am  
[stjstm@frontiernet.net](mailto:stjstm@frontiernet.net)

**St. Johnsville Methodist Church**  
7 East Main St.,  
St. Johnsville, NY 13452  
*Pastor Corey Jones*  
518-568-7983 • 315-866-8626  
Worship Sunday 3pm

**St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church**  
31 North Helmer Ave., Dolgeville  
315-429-8338  
Sunday Mass is 8:30am

**St. Mary's Episcopal Church**  
7690 Rt. 80, Springfield Center  
315-858-4016  
*Fr. Kyle Grennen, Priest-in-Charge*  
Sunday Eucharist, 9:30am  
Coffee - Fellowship follows service  
Holy Days - as announced

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**  
36 Lydius St., Fort Plain, NY 13339  
518-993-2040  
*Pastor Jonathan Litzner*  
405-250-8395  
Sunday School 9:45-10:45am  
Bible Study & Coffee Hour Sunday 10-10:45am  
Church Service 11am

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**  
32 W. Main St.,  
St. Johnsville, NY (next to NBT Bank)  
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607-264-3779  
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8:30am & 11am

**Stratford United Methodist Church**  
Route 29A  
315-429-9085  
*Rev. Lynn R. Lockwood*  
Worship 9am

**The Christian Church of Rural Grove**  
170 Rural Grove Rd., Sprakers, NY 12166  
518-922-7831  
*Pastor Joshua Fetterhoff*  
[pastorjosh@ruralgrovechurch.org](mailto:pastorjosh@ruralgrovechurch.org)  
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Morning Service 11am, Eve. Service 6pm,  
Wed.-Family Night 7pm,  
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Little Falls, NY  
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Cell 518-774-8558

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5430 St. Hwy. 10,  
Palatine Bridge  
518-673-2224  
*Rev. Zach Labagh*  
Sunday Worship 9am, Sunday School 10am,  
(No services in July, meet at St. John's St.  
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Communion Last Sunday of the Month

**Valley Alliance Church**  
85 E. Main St., Nelliston  
518-993-3458  
*Pastor Dave Prahst*  
Sunday School (all ages) 9:15am,  
Sunday Worship 10:30am,  
Wed. Praise & Prayer 7pm,  
Fri. Youth Group 7pm (7-12th grade)

**Victorious Life Church RMI Fellowship**  
104 Main St. & 431 St. Hwy. 80  
Fort Plain, NY  
518-993-3102  
Sunday School 9am,  
Morning Worship 10:30am,  
Youth Group 5pm,  
Evening Worship 7-8pm

**To Place or Update Church Listings**  
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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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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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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: ♦♦**

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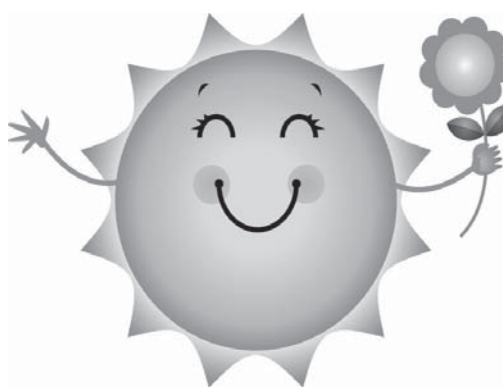
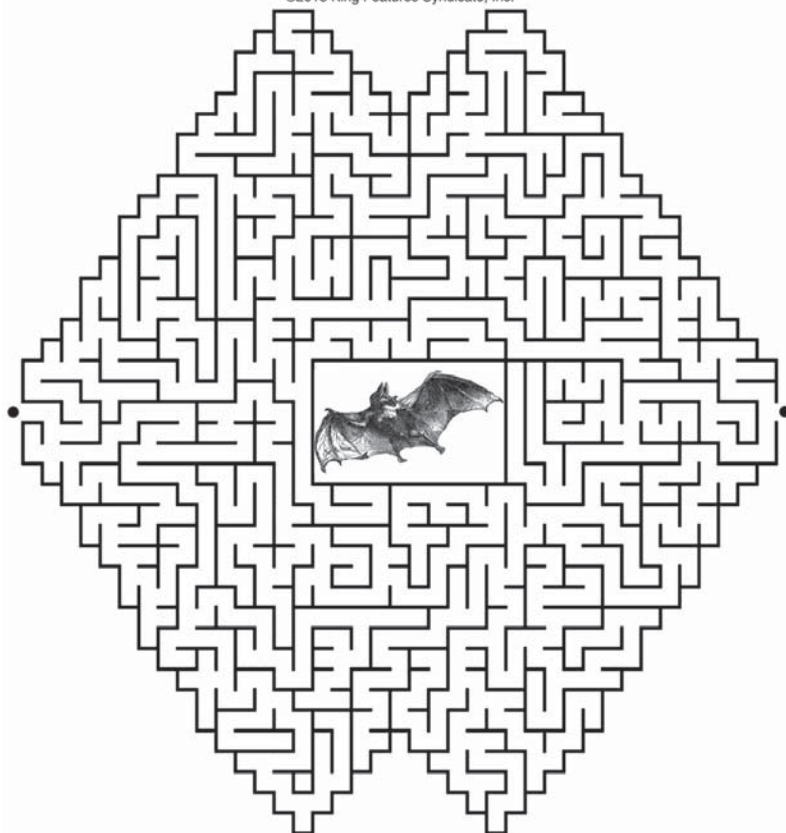
# Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

## Mega Maze

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# STICKELERS (sic)

by Terry Stickels

Try your luck with the following group names for various things. For example, a group of islands is called a chain, a group of mountains is a range and a group of trees is an orchard, a forest or a thicket.

- 1) candidates
- 2) asteroids
- 3) bacteria
- 4) circuits
- 5) experts
- 6) trucks

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## Americanisms



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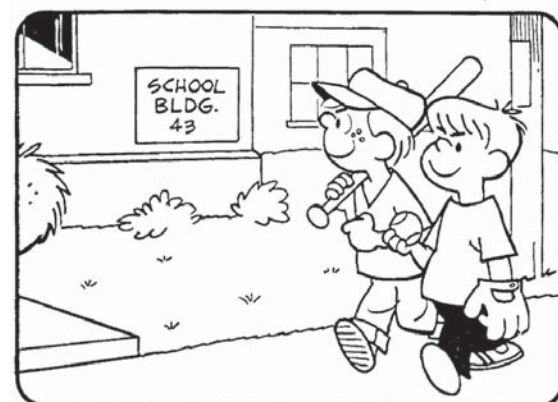


## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY  
HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Window is higher. 2. Sign is different. 3. Lawn light is missing. 4. Neckline is different. 5. Headset is missing. 6. Glove is different.

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# Wildlife baby boom: What to do if you find a baby animal

Spring is finally here, and with it comes baby wildlife season as well as an increased chance of people coming face-to-face with newborn animals. Sometimes they are orphaned or injured and need to be helped — but most of the time, they need to be left alone.

Sara Child-Sanford, chief of service at Cornell University's Janet L. Swanson Wildlife Health Center, explains what

you should do — and not do — if you find a baby animal in your yard or neighborhood.

**Childs-Sanford says:** "It is important to differentiate between a situation for a young animal that is normal, and one where intervention is needed, because a baby's natural parents are always the best option to raise that animal and give it the best chance of normal behavior and survival. Getting involved where help is not needed can be very detrimental to the health of these wildlife babies.

**Rabbits and deer:** "Some babies seem to be alone and abandoned due to the fact that their parents visit them very infrequently as a way to reduce the attraction of predators to the nest or hiding spot. This occurs in many species, such as cottontail rabbits and white-tailed deer.

"Finding baby rabbits in a nest without the mother is often normal, since the mother will only return at dusk and dawn to feed them. Mother deer will move their fawns once daily, hiding them in a spot where they can curl up and remain hidden while she forages for food and returns only occasionally to feed them.

**Songbirds:** "With songbirds, knowing their approximate age can help. For example, if they are completely featherless and their eyes are closed, they are hatchlings, while if they have some feathers starting to develop and their eyes are open, they are nestlings. If either of these are found out of the nest and are unharmed, they can often be re-nested — either in the original nest or in an artificial one.

"A baby songbird with feathers that can hop around and perch on a branch or your finger is a fledgling. These birds cannot fly yet, but are supposed to be out of the nest, getting exercise and learning how to fly. The parents will continue to care for them while they are on the ground until they can be on their own, which may take days to weeks depending on the species. If you have a fledgling in your yard, be sure to keep your pets inside to help keep the bird safe.

**Injury or illness:** "Signs of injury or illness may include visible wounds, flies around the animal, lethargy, minimal response to stimulation, or being cold and alone. If any of these signs are present, it is probably best to seek help.

"If the animal has been in the mouth of a cat or dog, help is always needed — even if there are no obvious injuries.

**Whom to call:** "If the animal needs medical attention or you are just unsure what to do, there are resources that can assist you. Licensed wildlife rehabilitators can provide you with

a wealth of information and guide you to make the best decision for the baby animal.

"Additionally, if the animal needs medical assistance, you can call the Janet L. Swanson Wildlife Health Center at 607.253.3060, which is a hospital for injured or ill wild animals.

"It is a normal human instinct to want to help a baby animal in need, so contact a wildlife professional to find out what is needed to give young wildlife the best chance of survival.

**How to transport an injured animal:** "If intervention with a wild baby animal is needed, it should be placed in a pet carrier — or box with air circulation holes — in a warm, dark and quiet environment, and then transferred to a wildlife professional as soon as possible.

"Do not provide food or water to the animal unless specifically instructed by a wildlife rehabilitator or veterinarian. It is illegal to care for or keep a wild animal without the proper license — it is not safe for the person or for the animal."

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by JoAnn Derson

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- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 teaspoon coarsely ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
- 2 flank steaks (about 1 1/2 pounds each), well trimmed\*

1. Prepare marinade: In jumbo self-sealing plastic bag (2 gallons), mix 1 cup water with all ingredients except steaks.

2. Add steaks, turning to coat. Seal bag, pressing out excess air. Place bag in shallow glass baking dish and refrigerate at least 4 hours or overnight, turning bag occasionally.

3. Remove steaks from marinade. Discard marinade. Place steaks on grill over medium heat, and cook 15 to 20 minutes for medium-rare or until of desired doneness, turning once. (Or, preheat broiler and place steaks on rack in broiling pan. Broil steaks at closest position to source of heat 15 to 20 minutes for medium-rare.)

4. Transfer steaks to warm large platter, let stand 10 minutes for easier slicing. To serve, cut into thin slices.

Makes 12 servings.  
\*Or, use 2 beef top round steaks, about 1 1/2 inches thick (about 1 1/2 pounds each). Follow recipe for flank steaks, but grill or broil 25 to 30 minutes for medium-rare or until of desired doneness.

• Each serving: About 215 calories, 9g total fat (4g saturated), 47mg cholesterol, 235mg sodium, 4g carbohydrate, 27g protein.

Steak secrets  
Steaks that are at least 3/4-inch to 1-inch thick won't dry out easily during grilling. Trim off excess fat and slash the fat edges at 1-inch intervals to prevent curling.

Turn your steak with tongs once, halfway through cooking (don't use a fork — it will pierce the meat and let the natural juices escape). Many factors can influence cooking time — including the weather (especially wind) when you're using charcoal — so test for doneness by cutting into the thickest part of the steak and checking its color.

Let steak stand for a few minutes before serving. This allows the meat juices, which have been driven to the center of the meat by the heat, to return to the surface, resulting in juicier meat.

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## Preparing garden beds for spring and beyond

Gardening enthusiasts may have been thinking about their landscape plans throughout the winter, eager to once again get their hands dirty with soil. Whether a home gardener is making preparations for edible crops or beautiful flowers, he or she must take time to make the soil amenable to planting. To establish hearty, durable plants, gardeners can focus on three main areas: addressing soil composition, cultivating and adding nutrients.

### Soil composition

Many gardeners prefer growing a variety of plants in their gardens. Such an approach requires taking inventory of the type of soil in one's garden and making the necessary modifications so that the types of vegetables, herbs, shrubs, or flowers that will be planted can grow in strongly. In fact, according to the plant company Proven Winners, the most important step to developing good roots is preparing the soil.

Take a sample of the soil and examine it to see what is present. If the soil is too full of clay, too sandy, too dense, or too loose, that can lead to problems where plants cannot grow in strong.

Work with a garden center to add the right soil amendments to make a rich soil. This may include organic compost or manure, which will also add nutrients to the soil.

### Cultivation

Cultivating the soil can involve different steps. Removal of weeds, errant rocks, roots and other items will help prepare the soil. Mother Earth News suggests working on garden soil when the soil is damp but never wet;

enough preparation for planting. Gardeners can experiment with the methods that work best for their gardens.

### Nutrition

Testing the pH and the levels of certain nutrients in the soil, namely nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium, will give gardeners an idea of other soil additions that may be needed. Soils with a pH below 6.2 often can benefit from the addition of lime several weeks before



otherwise, garden soil can become messy and clumpy. Use a digging fork or shovel to lightly turn the soil when it's mostly dry. Gentle tillings also can open up the soil to incorporate the nutritional amendments and relieve compaction that likely occurred from freezing temps and snow pressure. Tilling also helps with drainage and oxygen delivery to roots. The DIY Network suggests turning over soil at a depth of 12 inches to work the soil — about the length of a shovel spade. However, the resource Earth Easy says that existing garden beds have a complex soil ecosystem and simply top-dressing with compost or manure can be

planting. Soil tests will determine just how much fertilizer to add to the soil. Complete fertilizers will have equal amounts of nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium. Individual fertilizers can amend the soil with only these nutritional elements that are needed.

Top-dressing empty beds with a layer of mulch or compost can prevent weed growth and preserve moisture until it is time to plant. If existing shrubs or plants are in garden beds, use more care so as not to disturb roots or dig too deeply.

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## Chicken soup for autism

by Terry Berkson

Twenty-three year old Billy Nacmias used to weigh 280 pounds. Barricaded in his room with his eyes glued to a computer he ate obsessively. His temper tantrums would often result in a house turned upside down. On several occasions his parents had to call for help to restrain him. Billy is a victim of autism which in his earlier years left him shy, incommunicative and reclusive. But, an incident occurred in a now defunct New York City high school where a teacher physically abused Billy resulting in a severe change in his disposition. The once quiet boy grew into a violent giant who became a danger to himself as well as the people around him.



Billy pulls a wagon when he became active on the farm and was well on the way to losing 100 pounds.

Photos courtesy of the Nacmias family



Billy poses in his element — with chickens.

## All things automotive

Due to the outcome of a court case resulting from the abusive incident at school, and in way of reparations, the city offered to foot the bill for Billy to reside at The Center for Discovery, a 1,000-acre facility located in the heart of the Catskill Mountains. The center, staffed by doctors, nurses, councilors and instructors, is well equipped to meet the needs of the handicapped who reside there.

Beginning a new life, Billy roomed with four other boys while learning to care for farm animals which resulted in a tremendous increase in his physical activity. He eventually specialized in chickens and egg production. Put on a healthy diet consisting of organic foods, many of them grown on the center's grounds, Billy, within a year lost more than 100 pounds.

On a visit to see how his son was doing, father Jack was moved to tears when he saw Billy gently and skillfully carrying several chickens he was transferring to a different area. When done with the chore Billy greeted his parents with open arms. "His disposition has done a 'one-80'," said his mother Jane.

As time passed Billy had learned enough to teach newcomers how to care for chickens and clean, grade, candle and pack eggs. He also worked with horses and sheep.

Time passed rapidly and Billy was nearing 21 years of age, which would make him no longer eligible to reside at the center. He had become so adept at his farming skills and

teaching them to others that his leaving would be a loss for the center as well as for the on-the-job skilled farmer. He had been there for more than two years. He was slated to go to an adult oriented facility. Councilors wanted him to stay at the center to continue teaching the skills he had learned to newcomers.

Fortunately, a program opened up giving Billy a job and a permanent home at the center. No doubt the change was due to Billy's valued efforts and the realization that "farm therapy" is also good for handicapped adults. He has now been there for about five years.

On other fronts Billy is a team leader when out

on nature hikes. To his parents' delight, he has taken an interest in acting and has starred as Scrooge in an on-the-grounds production of "A Christmas Carol." He also had the lead role in "Guys and Dolls" and is now in rehearsal for the role of Lazar Wolf in "Fiddler on the Roof."

No longer alone and barricaded in his room, Billy calls his parents every day after early morning farm chores. He recently made a seven-day visit home for Easter in Breezy Point, NY. When asked if he would like to extend his stay Billy shook his head and said apologetically, "Thanks Mom and Dad, but I got to get back to my chickens."

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