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Eat healthy at the fair

Fairs, carnivals, rodeos, and roving amusement parks are popular summer attractions. Rides and raffles may attract the majority of revelers, but fairs and carnivals also are great places to enjoy mouth-watering food.

Fried dough, meats on sticks, pretzels, cotton candy, cheesesteaks, and other aromas waft through the air at carnivals. However, fairs have not always been so great for people watching their calories. And while fairs might not be diet-friendly, it's not impossible to adhere to one's diet while visiting the fair.

Fill up at home

Prior to heading out to the fair, be sure to eat a filling, healthy breakfast. This will provide ample nutrients and decrease the likelihood that you will overindulge in less healthy fare while at the carnival.

Foods that are comprised of protein and fiber can help you to feel fuller longer. Pack a snack that can provide a

boost of energy prior to indulging in any fair foods. Trail mix or a low-calorie protein bar may be enough to tide you over until you leave the fair.

Stay hydrated

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics says

drink (particularly when it is hot outside) as a first step to abating hunger symptoms, especially if you've recently eaten.

Choose healthy food vendors

Look for vendors that offer things like yogurt cups, roasted vegetables,

dessert options include fruit smoothies, water ice, frozen yogurt, and even a candied apple, which may be rich in fiber. A small dose of cotton candy, which is just 100 calories per ounce, can offer a sweet fix while you avoid deep-fried concoctions. Keep in mind that cheese curds can set you back 650 calories and a funnel cake 720 calories, according to the YMCA. It can take several miles of traversing the fair to burn all those calories.

Watch portion sizes

If you splurge on a treat or two, consider sharing it with a friend or family member to cut the portion size. A single bite of a calorie-rich food can be enough to satisfy a craving.

Pay attention to beverages

Before you fill up on lemonade or visit the beer tent, remember some beverages contain lots of calories. Weigh your options carefully. You may need to skip that chocolate-covered banana.



Fair foods are delicious but often high in calories. Smart choices can ensure dining at a fair does not derail your diet.

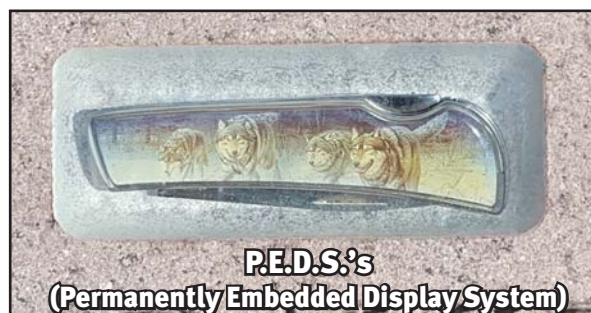
that mild dehydration produces similar symptoms to hunger. If you feel hungry after eating, your body may only need fluids and not food. Therefore, reach for water or a hydrating sports

lean meats, and fresh fruits. Kabobs that include lean meats that are low in calories can make a great carnival meal. Corn on the cob without gobs of butter also can be a filling snack. Smart

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Seven wedding tricks to make the big day easier

Wedding planning is no small task. From sending out engagement announcements to gifting guests with take-home favors, a couple will pour over scores of details as they plan their weddings.

As if selecting a photographer or choosing the right passed appetizers isn't challenging enough, some unknown variables are sure to pop up on the big day as well. Couples can take their cues from others who have walked the aisle before them with these tricks of the trade, which may help couples' wedding days go smoothly.

1. Host everything at a single location. Couples who want to simplify their wedding day can select a site that can host the ceremony and reception and also house guests. The cost of such facilities may be more affordable than couples think, as transportation costs will be minimal and the venue may offer discounts on group packages.

2. Think about a day coordinator. Couples who cannot afford a wedding planner to handle all of the details often find that a day-of-service provider is within their budget. This person can handle all of the details of the wedding day so brides and grooms can fully immerse themselves in the festivities.

3. Bring extra cash. Unexpected expenses may pop up. Couples may have to feed an extra member of the band or a guest who was able to get

a babysitter at the last minute. Brides and grooms may want to offer a bigger tip than anticipated to the waitstaff or deejay who went above and beyond.

4. Learn how to bustle. Walking around with a free-flowing train all day can become tiring for brides. Brides should make sure that one person practices how to bustle the train and will step in to do so for the reception. Also, it may not be the height of fashion, but having a garbage bag on hand can keep the train clean during inclement weather, or if the bride has to trek across grass or soil for photo opportunities.

5. Give an outgoing person a job. Enlist a boisterous friend or family member to wrangle guests for photo opportunities. He or she can be the photographer's helper and give the happy couple one less thing to do.

6. Stock the bathroom. Some venues will have courtesy items for their guests, but couples also should bring their own necessities, such as breath mints, toothpaste, extra pantyhose, hair-spray, lip gloss, and/or sanitary pads.

7. Be all smiles. Couples can't predict everything that will happen on their wedding day, but they can help create the mood. Smiling couples can make things better for everyone, even when zippers break or someone gets the chicken instead of the salmon.

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Along Church Street and at the Village Commons vendors will have food and crafts for sale, there will also be exhibitors from nonprofit groups such as the

George Landis Arboretum, Schoharie River Center and the local chapter of the Audubon Society. The local Stewarts shop will be selling ice cream, Hannaford Supermarket will be providing free snacks and the Hopmeier-Evans-Gage Insurance Agency will be giving away fireman's hats to the kids. Beginning at noon the Esperance Post Office will have a special event cancellation that day and visitors can purchase pictorial envelopes and stamps to receive the commemorative cancellation designed from the original "Hope" logo used by William North to market the Village in 1806.

The Museum and Old Stone Presbyterian Church will be open with exhibits spotlighting 200 years of Esperance history. The first 100 visitors to the Esper-

ance Museum will receive a special bookmark featuring artistic renderings of the Village by former resident Roberta vonHahmann who has celebrated her 103rd birthday. In addition a limited number of free passes to the Old Stone Fort Museum for Sunday, July 15, will be available. Visitors who enter the Fort in Schoharie on Sunday will get to see the old Deluge #1, the first fire engine owned by the Village of Esperance and exhibited as the oldest fire engine in America.

The Esperance Old Stone Presbyterian Church will have a display of local Bibles with stories about their owners covering over 200 years of local family history. The Esperance Schoolhouse Museum and Chapel Library will have a special display on the Esperance Fire Department covering its 200-year history. In the Gus La Monica carriage barn visitors can view some of the old firefighting equipment along with agricultural equipment used or made locally. There will also be the popular "What is it?" display where you can test your antique identification skills. There will be games for children including a bounce house, balloon artist, and games run by Hannaford.

The parade will form at 11 a.m. west of the Village on Route 20 and will start off at noon. Besides a large number of Fire Departments, floats, horses and antique cars the parade will feature the Albany City Pipe Band and the Rensselaer Yankee Doodle Marching Band. The Grand Marshalls are: Ramona Feuz, the oldest resident of the Village, active member of the Community and Booster of the Bicentennial Celebration; Former Fire Chief Charles "Tinker" Stanton, who has over 60 years of active membership in the Fire Department; and Former Mayor Lawrence Rockwell, whose term of office was one of the longest in the state.

After the parade the celebration returns to the Village Commons on Church Street where the Esperance Band will be performing before the opening ceremonies at 1:15 p.m. featuring flag ceremonies by the Boy Scouts and various speakers. At 2 p.m. the Schoharie Valley Singers will be performing at the Gazebo followed by a Bicentennial Cake prepared and served by Hannaford. At 3 p.m. parade trophies will be awarded. Firematics will follow with trophies awarded for the winning fire departments at 4 p.m. At 5 p.m. a series of bands will be performing, beginning with the group Flashback at the new Fire House. A half hour fireworks display will kick off at 9:30 p.m. from Feuz Terrace. Guests are invited to dance the night away at the firehouse.

7th Annual Dolgeville Consignment Auction
Friday August 10th and Saturday August 11, 2018
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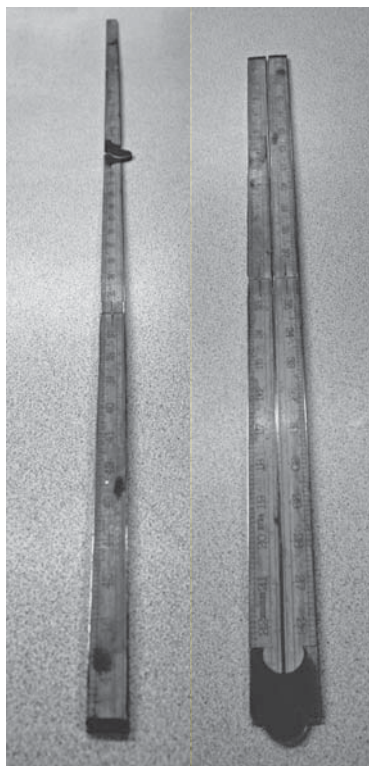
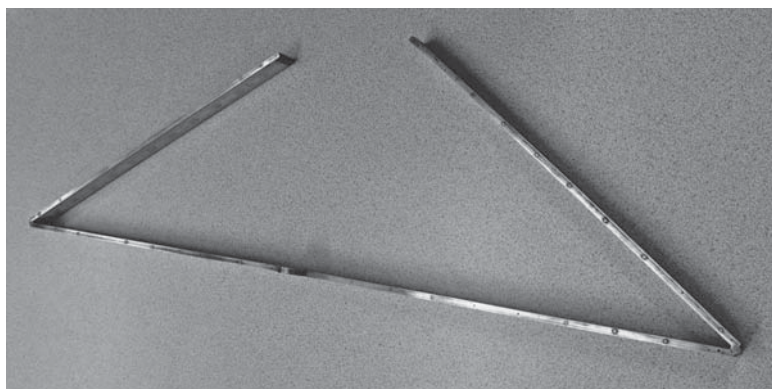
This Whatchamacallit is the Stanley no. 94, 4 foot, 4-fold carriage maker ruler. This ruler is the largest Stanley has made and is a rare find for antique collectors.

Stanley Hand Tools was founded in 1843 by Frederick T. Stanley in New Britain, CT. The purpose for this company at the time was to make bolt and door hardware, but it soon branched

out to making a wide variety of products.

In 1857, Henry Stanley founded the Stanley Rule and Level Company which was later merged with Stanley Works in 1920. Henry Stanley and Frederick T. Stanley were cousins and Stanley Works operated solely as the hand tool division.

During the turn of the 20th century, automobiles were



not as common as carriages and carts. Many people made a solid living off of building carriages for years, but the use of rulers and other hand tools became essential in the effort. That was when the company produced their no. 94 ruler.

This ruler is made up of four one-foot long pieces that are hinged together. When fully extended, the ruler is four feet in length and when it is fully collapsed, it is one foot in length. There are several thin metal prongs sticking out from the side of the ruler which is used to keep the hinges from breaking when the ruler is folded down. Many of these rulers that still exist are



lacking one or more of these prongs, making this aspect the best way to assess value of the ruler.

Good Housekeeping

Grilled strawberry shortcake skewers

This fun, fresh and festive recipe for Grilled Strawberry Shortcake Skewers with Blueberry Glaze is the ultimate summer dessert that everyone will love!

For the skewers:

- 1 pound cake, thawed if frozen
- 32 strawberries (2 pounds), hulled
- 2 tablespoons corn oil
- 2 tablespoons honey

For the cream:

- 1 cup whipping cream
- 2 tablespoons granulated sugar
- Zest of 1/2 lemon

For the glaze:

- 1 1/2 cups powdered sugar
- 1 tablespoon whipping cream

- 1/2 teaspoon fresh lemon juice
- 1/4 cup blueberries, thawed if frozen

For the skewers:

1. Prepare grill for direct cooking over medium-low heat.
2. Slice pound cake into slices, then cut each slice into cubes. In a small bowl combine the corn oil and honey until well-combined.
3. Thread cake cubes and strawberries through skewers until they're all gone. If using wooden skewers, be sure to soak them in water for at least 1 hour before using. Lightly brush oil and honey mixture all over the skewers.
4. Grill skewers for about 2 minutes per side, or un-

til the cake is toasted and golden, and the strawberries are slightly softened.

For the cream:

Beat the cream, sugar and zest in a bowl with an electric mixer until soft peaks form. Cover and chill until ready to use.

For the glaze:

In the pitcher of a blender, combine all of the glaze ingredients. Blend on high until everything is well-combined and smooth. Drizzle over the skewers before serving alongside the cream. Makes 8 servings.

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Calendar of events

July 7

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

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.

July 11

The Oldies Show Band Concert. 7 p.m. Bandstand. Route 20. Richfield Springs. For more information, call 315.858.0964.

July 14

Esperance Village and Fire Department Bicentennial Celebration. 7 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. Events throughout the village all day. New York.

Free Clothing Giveaway. 9 - 11 a.m. Valley Alliance Church. One mile east of the Nelliston traffic light. Doors open at 8:45 a.m. Refreshments will be provided.

July 18

Wednesdays at Fort Klock. 6:30 p.m. Wade Wells, Historic Site Manager Johnson Hall, will discuss the 18th Century Funeral and mourning practices. For more information visit www.fortklockhistoric.org, call 518.568.7779 or find us on Facebook!

July 18

Double Image Band Concert. 7 p.m. Bandstand. Route 20. Richfield Springs. For more information, call 315.858.0964.

July 19 or Aug. 2

Becoming Ancestors: Collecting, Preserving and Sharing Family Stories. July 19, 26 and Aug. 2 or Aug. 15, 22, 29. The afternoon dates are July 19, 26 and Aug. 2 and 9 from 1 - 3:30 p.m. The evening session is scheduled for Aug. 15, 22, 29 and Sept. 5 from 6:30 -

8 p.m. Participants have the option of registering for either Thursday afternoons or Wednesday evenings. St. Johnsville Community House, 16 Washington Street. Sponsored by Margaret Reaney Memorial Library. Registration is required. Please call 518.568.7822.

July 23 and Aug. 22

Brookwood Point History & Garden Tours this summer. 6 p.m. Brookwood Point Garden. Cooperstown, NY. To RSVP or for more information about Otsego Land Trust, email OLT's Communications and Outreach Manager Becky Talbot at becky@otsegolandtrust.org or call 607.547.2236.

July 25

Third Annual Car Show. 3 - 7 p.m. Parkside Drive-In, St. Johnsville. Presented by St. Johnsville Chamber of Commerce. If interested in putting in a car or a truck, contact: Carmen Licari at 518.727.6024 or Dawn Lamphere: 518.332.6956.

Wednesdays at Fort Klock. Kevin Richard-Morrow, Captain of the Mabee Farm Bateaux "DeSager", will discuss the Mohawk River's role in 18th century commerce. For more information visit www.fortklockhistoric.org, call 518.568.7779 or find us on Facebook!

Dan Duggan and Peggy Lynn Concert. 7 p.m. Bandstand. Route 20. Richfield Springs. For more information, call 315.858.0964.

Stone Soup Concert. July 27 18. . For more information visit www.fortklockhistoric.org, call 518.568.7779 or find us on Facebook!

Aug. 1

Jamie Notarthomas Concert. 7 p.m. Bandstand. Route 20. Richfield Springs. For more information, call 315.858.0964.

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. 7-9

Young Pioneers Program. For more information visit www.fortklockhistoric.org, call 518.568.7779 or find us on Facebook!

Aug. 8

Small Town Big Band Concert. 7 p.m. Bandstand. Route 20. Richfield Springs. For more information, call 315.858.0964.

Aug. 11

Rabies Clinic. 9 a.m. - noon. Rural Grove Fire Department. 1192 Rt. 162. Rural Grove. For more information call 518.853.3531.

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.

Aug. 15

Wednesdays at Fort Klock. Paul Supley will discuss drinking chocolate in the 18th Century, Sample his chocolate preparations. For more information visit www.fortklockhistoric.org, call 518.568.7779 or find us on Facebook!

Old Tyme Fiddlers Concert. 7 p.m. Bandstand. Route 20. Richfield Springs. For more information, call 315.858.0964.

Aug. 18

"Celebration of the Spirit" concert. Noon-5 p.m. Arc Park. 420 E. German Street. Herkimer. For more information visit: www.archer-kimer.org or call 315.574.7000.

Aug. 22

Wednesdays at Fort Klock. Aug. 22 18. Fort Klock Historic Restoration founding member Skip Barshied will review lighting through the ages. For more information visit www.fortklockhistoric.org, call 518.568.7779 or find us on Facebook.

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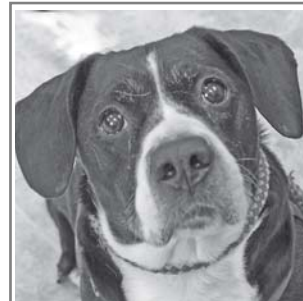
CHEWY - 11 year old male Husky mix. Good with other dogs and with kids.



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



SAPPHIRE - 1 1/2 year old female blue Pit Bull mix. Lived with another dog.



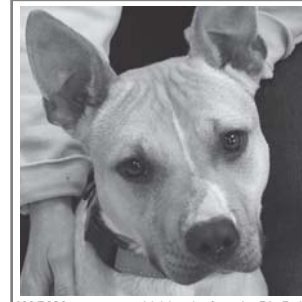
LACEY - 5 - 7 year old female Anatolian Shepherd mix. Good with other dogs and with kids



BABY - 10 - 11 year old female Greyhound mix. Good with some dogs and cats. Adult home only. Very playful.



JADA - 3 year old female Staffordshire Bull Terrier.



KARMA - 1 year old blonde female Pit Bull. High energy. Not good with small dogs.



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



EDDIE - Sweet 8 year old gray and white male



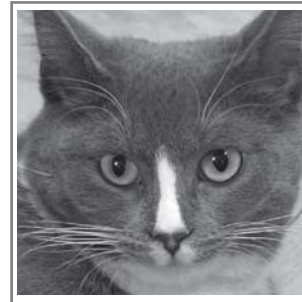
ZOEY - Beautiful 1 1/2 year old female. Lived with dogs and cats.



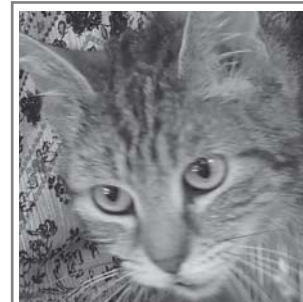
TARA - Lovely 1 year old female Tortie. Found on Route 80, Fort Plain. Loves people.



OZ - Pretty 3 - 5 year old tiger female. Soft and silky. Not good with cats or dogs.



SASSY - 10 - 11 month old gray and white female. Very playful.



DESTINY - Beautiful 2 - 3 year old female tiger.

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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration says the medicine expiration date is critical when determining if a product is safe to use and will work as intended. Medications past their expiration date may not be as strong as intended, and even their chemical composition may change, making them risky to keep around. Furthermore, keeping too many medications in a home — particularly pain prescriptions — can lead to misuse and abuse, as the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration says that rates of prescription drug abuse in the United States have risen considerably in recent years.

Some old medications, such as children's cough and cold products, may no longer be recommended for certain ages. Having such medications in the house could prove harmful.

Taking inventory and cleaning out medicine cabinets frees up space and creates a safe home environment.

- Toss away any expired products, whether they are

prescription or over-the-counter medicines. The best way to do so is to bring the medication to a pharmacy for disposal rather than throwing it in the garbage or flushing medicines down the toilet.

- Discard any unmarked containers or pill foils that are not in their original packaging.
- Test any medical devices, such as a nebulizer, blood pressure monitor and glucose testing equipment to ensure they are in working order.
- Replenish commonly used items, such as fever reducers or headache medicines. Make sure there is a

supply of bandages and first aid equipment on hand at all times.

- Relocate medical supplies to an area that isn't high in humidity, as steam from showers can speed up the expiration of medication. Storing medicines in the refrigerator won't help, as that is a high-humidity area, too.

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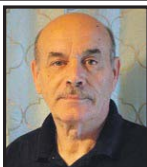
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014: 26 Center Street, **PALATINE BRIDGE**: This home has been totally remodeled from top to bottom, beautiful hardwood floors throughout. Large bedroom on first floor that could be made into two bedrooms or convert into a master bathroom. Two bedrooms on 2nd floor. A nice space on the second floor that can be a family room or kids play area. Located on a dead end street with a decent size back yard for the kids to play. There is a new roof, new furnace and hot water heater, brand new kitchen with granite counter tops. The house has plenty of natural light.
Asking \$134,000



046: 389 Dingman Road, **FORT PLAIN**: This property is as close to perfect as you can get. 360 degree panoramic view, 43 acres gently sloping tillable land with 10 acres of Hardwood trees. Multifaceted property: Farming, Vegetable Gardens, snowmobiling, dirt bikes, hunting, star gazing, sunrises and sunsets, cross country skiing, fruit trees, use your imagination. Solar farm, QUIET!, 36 X 50 Utility Barn with 2nd floor loft area. The home is very cozy with a view from every window, a complete wrap around porch, outdoor hot tub, small greenhouse, four bedrooms and one full bath. **Asking \$350,000**



054: **NEW LISTING!!!** 370 Dygert Road, **PALATINE BRIDGE**: A great four bedroom, 3 1/2 bathroom home with a great view!!! This beautiful home has cathedral ceilings and second floor balcony overlooking the living room with all windows on first floor overlooking the valley. There is a full length deck looking out over the ponds. Large 60 x 40 pole barn. The basement is partially finished with full bath and double doors to the outside. The property has road frontage on Dygert St. and off Groff Road. 16.2 acres. Handicapped accessible doors and bathrooms, needs ramp 1 step up from garage. **Asking \$325,000**



055: **NEW LISTING!!!** 154 Otsego Street, **CANAJOHARIE**: This home has been well cared for and has new wood/laminate floors, new windows, new stove, many extras included. Great starter home for new family, easy to heat. Two bedrooms, one full bath. Cozy screened in back porch overlooking small, but very nice backyard. Family room was used as a third bedroom, making a possible three bedroom home. Attic could also be converted to living space. **Asking \$79,000**



282: 5 Erie Blvd, **CANAJOHARIE**: Looking for a Business Opportunity? Commercial building located directly across the street from the Arkell Museum & Library. This framing business/retail store has been successful in the village of Canajoharie for 27 years. Take over this successful business or create your own vision in this space. Lower level has retail space, office areas and workshop space. Upstairs is currently being used as additional work space but could be a potential studio apartment. **Asking \$175,000**



351: 41 Third Ave, **GLOVERSVILLE**: Quaint 3/2 two family home in the village. Great front porch for relaxing on both levels. Big back yard (double lot) with fence. Huge 3 car garage with upstairs storage. Bonus basement room. Lots of natural light. Pellet stove does not stay. **Asking \$75,000**



530: **NEW LISTING!!!** 90 Carlisle Road, **CANAJOHARIE**: Wonderful 1870's home in an ideal location! Minutes to the school and downtown, but still located in the country. Three landscaped acres with a barn and an oversized 2-stall garage. Carriage house kitchen, DR/Den w/a pellet stove, large living room with a picture window and 2nd floor features 3 to 4 bedrooms. Laundry on 1st floor w/1/2 bath. Paved driveway, side porch and a back deck. This is a well-cared for property. **Asking \$174,900**



677: **PRICE REDUCED!!!** 640 Fords Bush Road, **FORT PLAIN**: Take a peek out of the front windows and you'll be glad you took the time to see this well cared for farmhouse. The pastoral views go for miles!!! The updated kitchen with granite counter and stainless appliances will tempt your inner chef. The home has four bedrooms and a full bath on the second floor. The deck right out back also has views of beautiful farmland so you'll enjoy relaxing and grilling this summer. **Asking \$129,900**



687: 130 Short Road, **SHARON SPRINGS**: The dream kitchen and open living and dining space will welcome you home the moment you arrive. This is a four bedroom, two full bath home. You'll notice the care that has been placed in updating and maintaining every room here. The large outdoor living space has been transformed into a park-like setting. **Asking \$209,000**



846: 579 Freybush Road, **FORT PLAIN**: A contemporary style home with 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths located on over 8 acres. Spanning over 2,328 square feet, the residence offers wall to wall carpet, wood laminate flooring and a generously sized family room w/wood burning fireplace. Sliding glass doors lead to a back deck, gazing over a beautiful view. **Asking \$249,900**



950: 952 Old Sharon Road, **CANAJOHARIE**: Level Open land minutes from Canajoharie village and I-90. Would make a great location for new home or small farmstead. Motivated sellers - BRING ALL OFFERS. **Asking \$50,000**



952: 0 Route 20, **CARLISLE**: A unique 6.5 acre building lot located in Carlisle, NY. Conveniently located only 45 minutes from Albany or the Adirondack Park, 30 minutes to Historic Cooperstown. **Asking \$35,000**

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NEW LISTING

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(BPT) — Hard water, which contains high levels of calcium and magnesium, can be found in nearly 90 percent of American homes. These minerals cause scaling, a buildup that clogs waterlines and plumbing forcing appliances to work harder and operate less efficiently. The scale may also harbor bacteria. The only way to truly remove the hard and soft scale from household water systems is with salt-based water softeners.

The benefits of salt-based water softening are significant. Hard water scaling can cause your showerhead to lose up to 75 percent of its flow rate in 18 months. Hard water also interacts negatively with soap, reducing its cleaning power. Soft water is up to 12 times more effective at cleaning dishes than increasing the amount of detergent used.

According to the Water Quality Research Foundation for washing machines, the most important factor in removing stains from clothing was water softness. Reduction of water hardness was up to 100 times more effective at stain removal than increasing the detergent dose or washing with hotter water. In fact, soft water can reduce soap use by as much as half. Hard water can also reduce the efficiency of water heaters and increase electricity costs by as much as 48 percent, according to the Battelle Memorial Institute.

Hard water scaling can also affect your health. The piping used in home plumbing, whether copper or PVC, has very smooth interior surfaces that don't permit bacteria to settle and grow. However, hard water results in scale formation on the interior surfaces of those pipes, providing a perfect home for bacteria.

Researchers at the School of Sustainable Engineering at Arizona State University found bacteria may grow in pipes filled with hard scale and soft scale at the same rate. This is important because some forms of water conditioning produce this soft scale. The solution is to remove hard and soft scale in the pipes with a salt-based water softener.

Hard water you use to wash your fresh fruits and vegetables may contain more bacteria, and the problem isn't only in the kitchen. When you take a hot shower, the steam you are inhaling can also contain the same microbial contamination that is in the rest of your plumbing, exposing

you to bacteria such as Legionella, which can cause Legionnaire's disease.

A salt-based water softener is the most functional and cost-effective means of removing hardness minerals. It is a tool to improve health and lower maintenance costs for home appliances like dishwashers and washing machine. It also reduces the need for detergents and high-water temperatures, leading to a smaller household carbon footprint.



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ARE COMMON MYTHS HOLDING YOU BACK FROM BUYING A HOME?

(StatePoint) — Aspirations of home ownership is strong for America's families, yet findings from the fifth annual America at Home survey from NeighborWorks America indicate several perceived barriers to homeownership among the majority of consumers.

Findings from the survey, which consisted of 1,000 U.S. adults and 500 millennials include many misconceptions about what it takes to buy a home:

- The average millennial mistakenly thinks the minimum required down payment is 21.6 percent.
- Approximately 73 percent of all consumers and 62 percent of millennials said they were not aware of or are unsure about down payment assistance programs in their communities for middle-income homebuyers.
- Seventy percent of adults feel they don't have enough money saved for a down payment.

Experts believe that confusion about down payment requirements and lack of awareness about assistance programs are holding back many people from pursuing homeownership. "Before deciding if owning a home is right for you, take time to understand your down payment options, and separate myths from facts," says Freddie Mac Vice President, Danny Gardner.

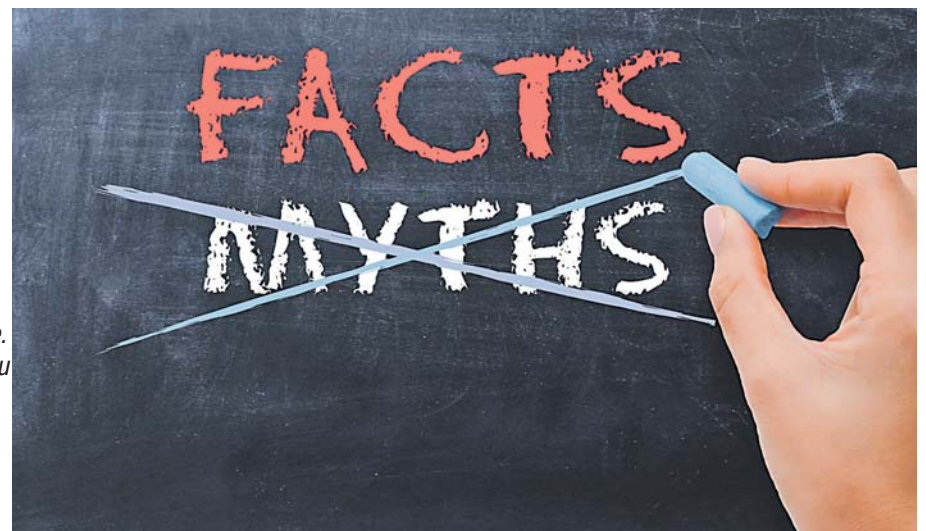
For example, the average down payment among first-time homebuyers in 2016 was just 6 percent and, for repeat buyers, just 14 percent. What's more, mortgage options, such as Freddie Mac's Home Possible Mortgages, make it possible for qualified borrowers to put down as little as 3 percent.

If your down payment is less than 20 percent with a conven-

tional loan, you'll have to pay private mortgage insurance, an added insurance policy that protects the lender if you are unable to pay your mortgage. However, mortgage rates — despite their rise in recent years — remain at historic lows, providing you with a significant advantage.

There are also millions of dollars available for down payment assistance. A great place to start is right where you live. Many state, county, and city governments provide financial assistance for people in their communities who are well qualified and ready for homeownership.

To help demystify down payments and the home buying process, free tools and resources are available at myhome.freddie.com.



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• Bring adequate supplies. Even hikers going on relatively brief hikes should pack supplies so they're safe. Pack supplies such as a compass, a map of the trails you'll be traversing, some basic first aid materials (band-aids, gauze, an antibiotic ointment such as Neosporin®, etc.), extra water, and extra food. Such

supplies may be precautionary, but they're potentially invaluable if hikers get lost or suffer an injury during their hikes.

• Hike only in daylight hours. Hiking during the day allows hikers to take in nature at its sun-soaked best while reducing their risk of getting lost. In addition, park rangers and employees may not be working or accessible overnight. And depending on where hikers are hiking, trails may be home to nocturnal animals that may be startled by and aggressive toward men, women and children walking through their domains. When hiking, be sure to turn back at a time of day that ensures you can return to your vehicle in daylight.

• Let loved ones know your plans. All hikers, but especially those hiking alone, should let loved ones know they're going hiking and exactly where they plan to hike. This can make it easier for park rangers or rescue teams to find you if you get lost. In addition to letting others know your plans, leave a note in the glove compartment of your vehicle explaining where you plan to hike.

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• Know the forecast. Weather can change at the drop of a hat, so before heading out, hikers should check the local forecast and make any necessary adjustments to stay safe. Be sure to include a rain jacket, sunscreen, ball-cap, and warm clothing among your supplies to account for unexpected inclement weather. Shorten hiking excursions if storms are in the forecast.

• Stay within your abilities. Some people may consider hiking a leisure activity, but many trails can be physically challenging. Hikers should stay within their capabilities and steer clear of trails they do not feel like they can traverse safely.

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Young adults gain independence through a series of milestones throughout their youth. But few such milestones are more anxiously anticipated than the day when teenagers earn their drivers' licenses.

For teenagers, drivers' licenses mean the difference between being at the mercy of adults for transportation and being able to set off on their own. Even though a license to drive indicates a teen has passed the written and road tests necessary to drive without adults present, newly minted licensed drivers may still not be ready to drive without supervision. In fact, statistics indicate that teenagers may benefit from a little extra instruction and guidance before they're given the keys to the family car.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention say that motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among American teens. According to State Farm, young Canadians represent only 13 percent of the licensed driving population, but account for approximately 20 percent of the motor vehicle-related deaths and injuries across the country. The highest per-driver and per-distance fatality rates are found among drivers between the ages of 16 and 19. According to Geico, one in five 16-year-old drivers has an accident in their first year of driving.

Teenagers who want to drive and stay safe on the road can employ these safety tips.

- Keep an open attitude. Consider increasing road time under the instruction of an adult and learn from their guidance. Ask

for help if there is a driving skill you haven't mastered, such as merging onto a busy highway or parallel parking.

- Limit other teen passengers. The CDC says the presence of teen passengers increases unsupervised teen drivers' crash risk. Until you are secure behind the wheel, avoid the temptation to give a bunch of friends a ride.

- Stick to daylight driving. Geico says the risk of a fatal crash is three times greater at night for every mile driven. Reduced visibility and reaction time can contribute to crashes. Gain ample experience driving during daytime hours and make sure you are completely comfortable behind the wheel before setting out at night.

- Practice in all conditions. Safe driving involves making smart decisions even when driving conditions are poor. With an adult in the passenger seat, practice driving in inclement weather, only venturing out in such conditions on your own when you feel ready to do so.

- Turn your phone off. Smartphones put all motorists at risk of accident. In the time it takes drivers to look at incoming texts, they may have driven several hundred feet without their eyes on the road. Make it a policy to turn smartphones off while driving.

- Slow down. Speed is a common factor in automotive crashes involving teens. Follow posted speed limits at all times.

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Paw's Corner

by Sam Mazzotta

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Dear Robert: That is one solution, so long as you're confident that your dog will be able to quickly run inside if a threat appears. Some dogs absolutely refuse to use a doggie door, which is annoying for owners who don't need to monitor their dog's every move (because they have a strong fence, and don't live in an area that a coyote family has claimed as its hunting ground).

However, in areas where coyotes have been spotted or where there have been reports of them taking small pets, owners really should be outside with their pet, especially small- to medium-sized dogs, as well as cats. Coyotes are far less likely to show themselves when a human is present.

Some folks may wonder what all the to-do is about coyotes. In the Northeast, they have increased in numbers and are frequently sighted in suburban neighborhoods. In other areas, the nuisance animal

may be a black bear or a cougar. In many cases, colonies of feral cats are a risk because they may attack housecats, potentially exposing them to rabies, FIV or feline leukemia.

Additionally, all pets that regularly go outside - either accompanied or through a doggie door - need to be vaccinated and have any required municipal license and ID tags. A microchip implant also is a good idea, just in case they escape the yard.

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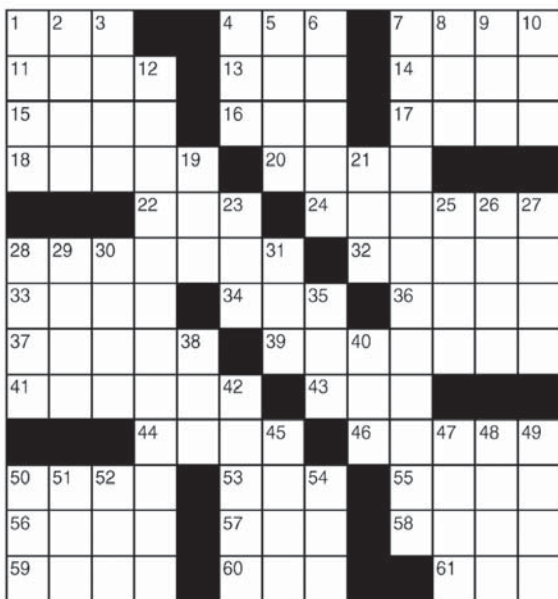
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- 1 Hollywood's Photoshopping? (Abbr.)
- 4 \$ dispenser
- 7 Cheek by —
- 11 Pilgrimage to Mecca
- 13 "How come?"
- 14 Overwhelms
- 15 Earthenware pot
- 16 Neither partner
- 17 Require
- 18 Westerns star John
- 20 Language of Pakistan
- 22 Grecian vessel
- 24 Red suit
- 28 Former Soviet republic
- 32 Zagreb resident
- 33 Computer brand
- 34 Youngster
- 36 Christmas
- 37 Salvagers
- 39 Topic
- 41 Blew hard
- 43 Greet the villain
- 44 Thing
- 46 Prank
- 50 Celebrity
- 53 Unopened flower
- 55 Noble title
- 56 Congers, e.g.



- 57 Unfriendly
- 58 Old portico
- 59 Ridge caused by a blow
- 60 With
- 61 See
- 7 She's Betty in "Mad Men"
- 8 Have bills
- 9 Tiny
- 10 "Acid"
- 11 New Year's Day
- 12 Mess up
- 13 Calendar abbr.
- 14 Almond or pecan
- 15 Libertine
- 16 Body powder
- 17 Proofreading directive
- 18 Dog owner's chore
- 19 Beige
- 20 Symbol on
- 21 Canada's flag
- 22 "Help!"
- 23 Place for 28-Down
- 24 Prepared
- 25 Feathery neckpiece
- 26 Subtraction from an account
- 27 Lots
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- 29 Donovan
- 30 Press
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

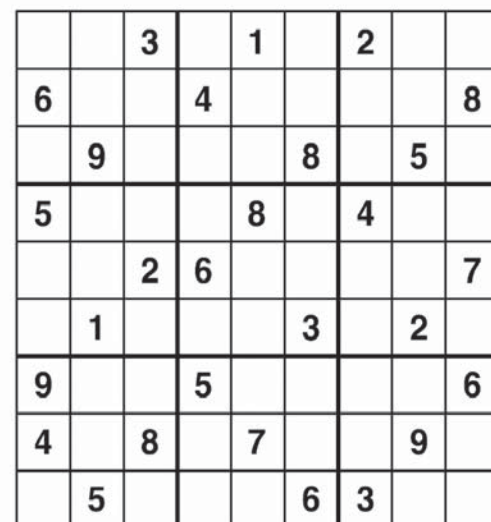
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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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Amber Waves

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5. How can you make a coat last?



Answers: 1. A skating pond. 2. A dandy lion (dandelion). 3. Sunday, because all the rest are weak (week) days. 4. On the outside. 5. Make the trousers and vest first.

FIND THE "MAGIC" NUMBER! What number can you add to each figure in our math expression to make the statement correct?

Answer: Place a "2" above and to the right of each figure. This will "square" each figure, giving the correct expression: $9 + 16 = 25$.

HERE'S A "HONEY" OF A PUZZLE! At right is a word square. You are challenged to find the four five-letter words that match the definitions below. All words used must read the same both across and down.

1. Looking very pale.
2. To look with favor upon.
3. Hives (given).
4. To single out.
5. What hives are.

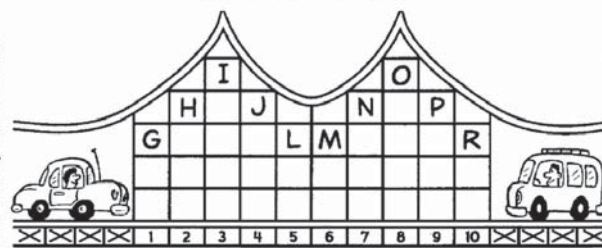


Answers: 1. Ashen. 2. Smile. 3. Smile. 4. Elect. 5. Nests.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

A WORD BRIDGE!



The bridge above contains 10 supporting words. We give you the first letter of each word, plus plenty of hints.

1. A long, narrow fish.
2. A metal fastener.
3. Found on computer screens.
4. Jazz musicians' talk.
5. Record of ship's progress.
6. A boy's best friend.
7. A colorful sign.
8. Often referred to as golden.
9. Eastern pocket bread.
10. Slang for wonderful

Answers: 1. Gar. 2. Hasp. 3. Icons. 4. Jive. 5. Log. 6. Mom. 7. Neon. 8. Oldie. 9. Pita. 10. Rad.

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Cycle Adirondacks introduces Fall Harvester Bicycling Event

Two-day tour features the agricultural landscape and rich history of Fulton County

JOHNSTOWN — Cycle Adirondacks will cap its 2018 bicycling season with a brand new fall event, the Harvester, slated for Sept. 29-30 in Fulton County. The two-day family friendly road cycling event will be based at Johnson Hall State Historic Site in Johnstown and feature the pastoral agricultural landscape and rich history of Fulton County and the southern Adirondacks.

Registration, now open at CycleAdirondacks.com, includes fully marked and supported cycling routes for all abilities levels, meals, route snacks and entertainment, not to mention unique stops at historic sites and farms in picturesque Fulton County during peak fall foliage.

"Fulton County is abundant with a rich history and scenic beauty along with an active cycling population. Partnering with Cycle Adirondacks to host this new event was the best way to showcase all three," stated Gina DaBiere-Gibbs, Director of Tourism for the Fulton Montgomery Regional Cham-

ber of Commerce. "Recreationally, Fulton County offers the FJ&G Rail Trail, mountain biking trails, a triathlon and a cycling club. Cycle Adirondacks has visited Fulton County in the past with their weeklong tour as well. That event was very well received with cyclists and our local communities. We wanted to build off of these successes and create an event to highlight our historic sites, agriculture, scenic beauty, and benefit our local businesses."

Additionally, partial proceeds from the event will benefit the Fulton Montgomery Regional Chamber of Commerce's Scholarship Program, which was established in 1986 to provide financial assistance and incentives for students interested in pursuing a course of college study.

"The Chamber gives out scholarships annually to eligible high school seniors graduating from a Fulton or Montgomery County high school or applicants who have previously graduated from a Fulton or Montgomery County

high school. We receive between 60 and 80 applications per year from all over the region and have awarded over \$120,000 in scholarship funds to Fulton and Montgomery County high school seniors," added DaBiere-Gibbs.

All cycling routes will start and finish at historic Johnson Hall. In between, guests will experience calm rural roads offering an up-close look at the beautifully diverse landscape of the Mohawk Valley and southern Adirondacks, all while visiting with those who work the land, preserve the history and call this special place home.

"Connecting people with place is a key component of any Cycle Adirondacks bicycle tour," said Cycle Adirondacks' Matt VanSlyke. "We strive to provide an experience that's authentic and unique. Our guests travel far and wide to explore the world on their bicycles and it's our mission to show them why Upstate New York is the finest place to ride."

Harvester registration will include light breakfast options both Saturday and Sunday morning at Johnson Hall

featuring fresh fruit, bagels with local cream cheese, assorted local and home-made baked goods as well as coffee, tea, juices and water from Black Tie Catering.

Following the Saturday ride, the event goes big with a finish line BBQ at Johnson Hall complete with pulled pork, bone-in smoked chicken, pasta salads, fresh strawberry salad, grilled herb vegetables, assorted desserts, coffee, tea and other assorted beverages. The BBQ will also feature local craft beers, ciders and live entertainment from the Insolent Willies from 1-4 p.m.

And best of all, the finish line BBQ and entertainment is a community event open to all which flows perfectly into the annual Bacon Jam set for later that afternoon in downtown Gloversville.

Event lodging for those visiting from out of town is widely available within a short distance from Johnson Hall. Complete event details and event registration is available now at CycleAdirondacks.com/Harvester .

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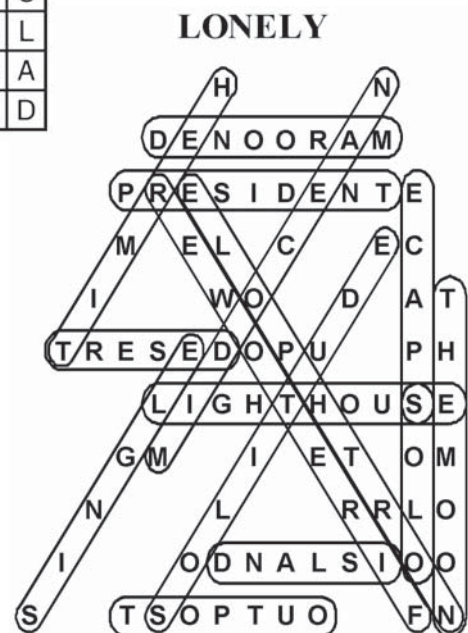
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Should pets eat a grain-free diet?

When touring pet food aisles at the pet store or the supermarket, pet owners may become overwhelmed by the options at their disposal. Many pet owners choose to replicate their own diets when choosing foods for their pets, and a popular trend is to avoid grain when selecting pet foods. However, selecting the best diet for pets means weighing all the benefits against the possible negatives. Much of the time it comes down to pet owner preference.

Why grain-free?

Proponents of feeding dogs and cats grain-free diets involves the support of the "natural" diet of these animals, or what their wild counterparts would be eating before dogs were domesticated. According to Dr. Karen Becker, a holistic veterinarian and contributor to Healthy Pets by Mercola, the natural diets of canines contain almost no carbohydrates or grains. The primary sources of carbs would be the grasses, fruits and vegetables found in the stomachs of prey animals.

Other proponents of grain-free diets say that, while dogs and cats may have evolved from wild animals to domesticated pets, their digestive systems have remained relatively unchanged. Dogs in particular have little natural digestive support to metabolize complex carbohydrates and grains. Grains and other carbohydrate sources may lead to excessive gas, loose stools,

skin irritations, blood sugar fluctuations, insulin resistance, and other health problems.

Are grains okay?

The other side of the argument is equally compelling. Vet-supported resource PetMD says that most pets do not need grain-free diets. Dogs possess several genes that have been modified through evolution to allow them to easily digest carbohydrates, according to the research "The genomic signature of dog domestication reveals adaptation to a starch-rich diet," by Erik Axelsson.

Another reason to avoid grain — food allergies — may not be so simple, either. When dogs and foods were assessed for allergic reactions in a review of 278 cases, beef and dairy were the most common allergens found as culprits, and not the grains. Corn, which is one of the most common carbs found in dog food, was rarely the allergen offender, only showing up in seven cases.

Kibble that contains grains can be less expensive than other types of pet food, making it a more affordable option for pet owners.

Feeding pets grains or choosing a grain-free diet is largely up to the pet owner as long as the dog or cat does not have a specific allergy to grain or gluten.



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- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 cloves garlic, crushed with garlic press
- 4 racks (about 1 pound each) pork baby back ribs
- 2 cups BBQ sauce

1. Heat oven to 350°F. In cup, mix ginger, lemon peel, salt and garlic until combined. Rub ginger mixture all over ribs.

2. Place ribs in a large (15 1/2-by-11 1/2-inch) roasting pan, overlapping slightly. Pour 2 cups boiling water into roasting pan. Cover pan tightly with foil. Steam ribs 1 hour.

3. Carefully remove foil from roasting pan (escaping steam is very hot). Remove ribs from roasting pan, discard water. Ribs may be grilled immediately, or refrigerated up to 2 days before grilling.

4. Place ribs, meat side up, on grill over medium heat, cook 5 minutes, turning once. Turn ribs over, brush with some BBQ sauce and grill 5 minutes. Turn ribs over again, brush with more BBQ sauce, and grill 5 minutes longer.

5. Cut racks into 2-rib portions, serve with remaining sauce. Makes 6 servings.

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