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Krutz purchases Kinship, expands to St. Johnsville

by Courtney Llewellyn

CANAJOHARIE – The Krutz Properties signs are common sights throughout the area, and there’s a reason for that – owner Laurie Weingart is all about staying local and working local. That’s why her business is pleased to announce its partnership with Sam



Laurie Weingart

Lacari, the former proprietor of Kinship Properties in St. Johnsville.

Real estate broker Milt Krutz established Krutz Properties in Canajoharie in September 1993; Weingart bought the business in 2007. “We survived the real estate crash and we’re rebuilding nicely,” Weingart said.

Part of that rebuilding was taking over Kinship last month. Krutz Properties has a new branch office. “I’m grateful for Sam [Lacari] to give me the opportunity to be in St. Johnsville and support the local economy. It’s one less empty storefront in St. Johnsville,” Weingart said. “We’re growing. We actually opened one more office in Mayfield in October – and we have the agents for three offices.” Eighteen agents work for Weingart, many of them full-time.

Weingart said her business is successful because the people who work for Krutz Properties have high ethical standards. “We’re putting our clients’ needs over our own. Bigger isn’t better – better is bigger,” she stated. “It’s like I always say: ‘Pigs get fed, hogs get slaughtered.’ I believe in being fair.”

She added that being community-based is important as well.

Krutz Properties sales are about 70 percent residential properties, and they sell mostly in Montgomery and Fulton counties, along with some sales in Schoharie and Schenectady counties. The former Kinship office in St. Johnsville will help them better serve Montgomery County – and, as part of the Eastern New York Regional Multiple Listing Service, Krutz Properties has been number one for units sold in the county for the last four years.

The recovering economy has been good for buyers in the area. Weingart said she’s been seeing more people buying second homes and investment properties in the area.

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2 tablespoons (1/2 ounce) chopped pecans

1/2 cup fat-free milk

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bowl, combine apples, raisins and apricots. Add 1/4 cup Splenda and apple pie spice. Mix well to combine. Spread mixture evenly in prepared cake pan. Pour water over apples.

2. In same large bowl, combine baking mix and remaining 1/4 cup Splenda. Cut in margarine until mixture is crumbly. Stir in pecans. Add milk. Mix gently to combine. Spread mixture evenly over fruit.

3. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until bubbly and lightly browned. Place cake pan on a wire rack and let set for at least 5 minutes. Divide into 8 servings.

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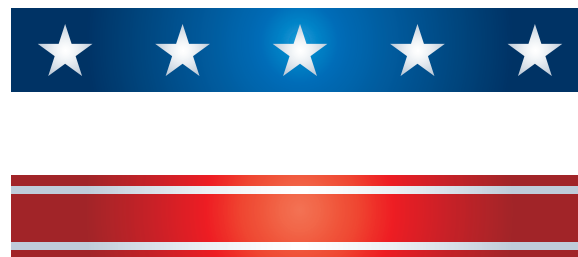
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I believe that Ford was the

family car until he bought a 1941 Mercury. That Mercury was still with us when I began to drive at age 16. That Mercury was my courting car in 1947-48. Shortly after the Mercury arrived Dad told me the back deck locked when it was shut down and when I unlocked it to be sure the key had not been laid down inside. That is what I did and I can still feel the kick I got in the rear end. My mother's sister Pauline, a special aunt, said Dad was a good driver, but a fast one. It was in that Mercury I reached 100 miles per hour on the speedometer, but only for a minute or two. That was a lot faster than my decrepit old 1929 Ford model could go. I'm including a calendar for 1931 from that Ford garage. Those were the days when new cars were very inexpensive. The trend remained the same for several years. Just look what a new car costs today. Naturally, a three-year-old boy did not trouble himself with such incidentals in 1933.



The exterior of the Palatine Garage hasn't changed much over the decades. (right) James William Gallo, one of the original mechanics.

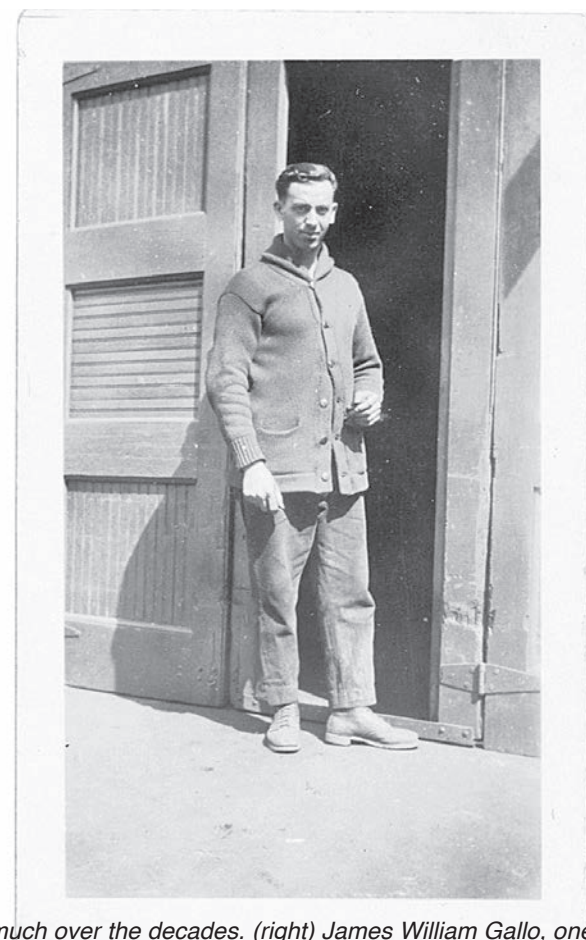


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Q: Is raw pet food okay to serve to my dog?

A: While many pet owners may prefer to feed their furry family members raw pet food, the Centers for Disease Control and Pre-

vention says that's not such a good idea.

This is because pathogens like salmonella and listeria have been found in some raw pet foods, even in some of those brands that are sold pre-packaged in stores, CDC says. Since these germs can make your pet sick, it's best not to feed them to your dog.

Studies from the U.S. Department of Food and Drug Administration have found that there are more harmful germs in raw pet food than any other type of pet food. And, if you handle these raw pet foods and don't wash your hands afterwards, they can make you and your family sick as well.

Such was the case in February 2018 when two children in Minnesota suffered salmonella infections and illnesses after coming into contact with bacteria from contaminated raw pet food that included raw ground turkey, according to the Minnesota Department of Health. The exposure to the salmonella caused septicemia, which is a blood infection, in one child and osteomyelitis, a painful and serious bone infection, in the other child, according to a report from the U.S. Food

and Drug Administration.

Dry dog food can also pose a risk in some instances, CDC says. In fact, CDC says that it is possible for dry and canned pet foods to become contaminated with salmonella pathogens in certain circumstances, noting that there have been outbreaks of salmonella infections have been reported that were linked to dry dog food.

However, CDC says there are ways to lessen your chance of illness when handling dog food, including:

- You wash your hands right after handling pet food or treats
- Store pet food and treats away from where human food is stored or prepared and away from reach of young children.
- Store dry pet food in its original bag inside a clean, dedicated plastic container with a lid, or keep the top of the bag folded or closed.
- Do not use your pet's feeding bowl to scoop food — use a dedicated scoop, spoon, or cup.
- Keep dry pet food and treats stored in a cool dry place.
- Promptly discard, refrigerate, or store any left-over food.

If you choose to feed

your doggie raw pet food, (which CDC doesn't recommend) CDC says you should:

- Clean and disinfect all surfaces that the raw food touched, like countertops, microwaves, refrigerators and objects like knives, forks, and bowls.
 - Keep raw pet food away from other food in your refrigerator or freezer.
 - Freeze raw pet food until you are ready to use it.
 - Do not thaw frozen raw pet foods on a countertop or in a sink.
 - Throw away any food your pet does not eat.
 - And lastly, when you play with your doggie after he or she eats:
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It's been an issue for as long as people have been eating corn — which is a really, really long time. The cereal crop was first domesticated by the indigenous people of southern Mexico about 10,000 years ago. Since then, it has become a staple food with production surpassing that of rice and wheat. But that issue has remained the same: what is the easiest, quickest way to remove that golden cob of goodness from its husk?

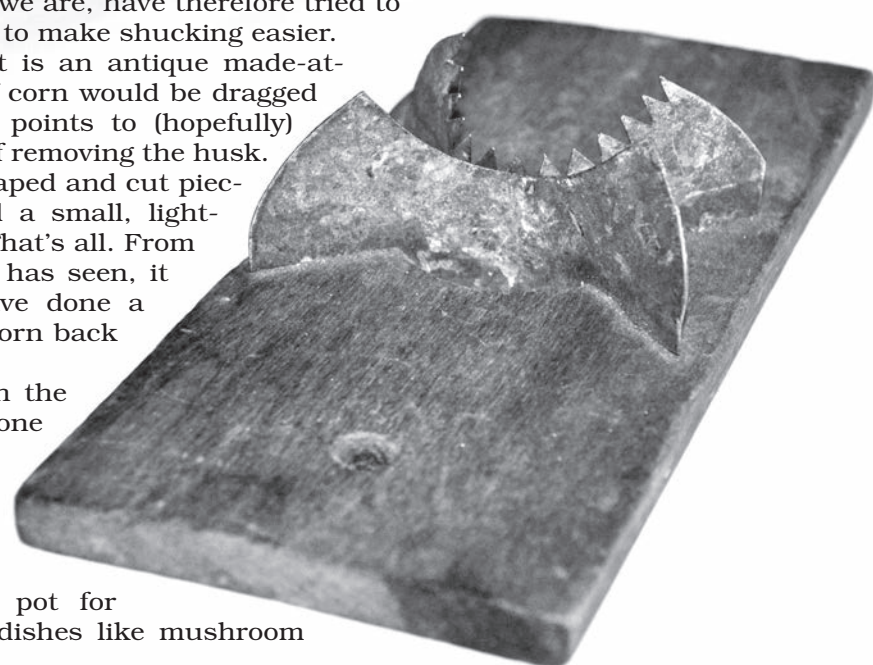
Before World War II, most corn in North America was harvested by hand. That meant there were large numbers of workers and associated social events (husking or shucking bees). Advances in mechanical harvesting made gathering the ripened cobs a simpler task, but today, corn is still sold encased in its leafy green husks at the grocery store and farm stands.

In the world of botany, a husk is just the outer shell or coating of a seed. To the person trying to prepare dinner, a husk is an annoying, clingy, sticky bit of plant keeping them from deliciousness inside. The most basic way to remove the husk is pulling at it by hand, which can be tedious (and that's probably the nicest way to describe the process). Humans, the

ingenious species that we are, have therefore tried to invent numerous ways to make shucking easier.

This whatchamacallit is an antique made-at-home model. An ear of corn would be dragged across the sharpened points to (hopefully) speed up the process of removing the husk. It is made from two shaped and cut pieces of sheet metal and a small, lightweight piece of wood. That's all. From the amount of wear it has seen, it seems like it may have done a good job at shucking corn back in the day.

What do you do with the husks when you're done with them, though? They do make for some excellent compost fodder, but you could always add washed corn husks to your stock pot for extra-woody flavor in dishes like mushroom soup or corn chowder.



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Nov 1, 8 and 15

2018 Fall Lecture Series. Fort Plain Museum, 389 Canal Street, Fort Plain. Nov. 1 — Scots-Irish Immigration and Defense of the Colonial New York Frontier. Nov. 8 — Beyond the Battles of Saratoga: The Fate of General Burgoyne's Army by Larry Arnold. Nov. 15 — The American Way of War from the Revolution to World War I by Edward G. Lengel. \$5 suggested donation.

Nov 1

Community Forum Meeting (AKA: Reuel's Well). 1 p.m. Church of the Good Shepherd, 26 Moyer St. Canajoharie. For more information, contact Rev. Ginny Ogden 518.673.3440.

Nov 3

Schuyler Sisters: Picturing Women in Their Early American Landscape. Canajoharie Library and Arkell Museum. The Broadway show Hamilton: An American Musical introduced the world to three of the five daughters of Philip and Catharine Van Rensselaer Schuyler. Join PhD student and New York State Museum Fellow Danielle Funicello as she reintroduces and reconsiders all five women and the world in which they lived through image. Admission to this program is free, and donations are welcome. For more information, call 518.673.2314 or email jriley@arkellmuseum.org.

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Nov 4

Gun Show. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Quality Inn Oneonta, Route 23 Southside, Oneonta. Buy. Sell. Trade. \$2 admission. Sponsored by Midstates Arms Collectors, Inc. 60 dealers showing arms and military relics from before the Revolutionary War to the present.

Nov 6

The Mabee Farm: New Stories from Old Schenectady. 6:30 p.m. Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site, Fort Hunter. Free. Contact Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site at 518.829.7516.

Nov 6, 13 and 20

NYS History Month Tuesday Talks Series. Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site, Fort Hunter. "The Mabee Farm: New Stories from Old Schenectady" Nov. 6. "Scots-Irish Immigration Patterns, the Old New York Frontier and the Cherry Valley Massacre" Nov. 13. "Fulton County in Hollywood" Nov. 20. "Colonial Medicine" Nov. 27. For information, call the Visitor Center at 518.829.7516 or email Schoharie-Crossing@parks.ny.gov, or visit our Facebook page.

Nov 7

"Overseas Adventures" presentation. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Fort Plain Free Library, 19 Willett St., Fort Plain. Call 518.993.4646 for more information.

St. Johnsville Senior Saints. 1:30 p.m. November birthday celebration.

Nov 8

Get the Most out of Thanksgiving. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Fort Plain Free Library, 19 Willett St., Fort Plain. Dr. Michael Divak, a Canajoharie-based psychologist, will facilitate a discussion designed to help people "Get the Most out of Thanksgiving." For more information, please call 518.993.4646.

Nov 13

Benedict Arnold at Saratoga: How a newly discovered letter changed history. Nov 13 18. 6:30 p.m. Siena College, 515 Loudon Rd, Albany, NY. To register, please provide your names(s), telephone number in an email to arrthuds-onmohawkvalleys@gmail.com or by phone at 518.774.5669.

Scots-Irish and the Old New York Frontier. 6:30 p.m. Enders House. Free. Contact Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site at 518.829.7516.

Nov 15

Senior Citizen Dinner. 4-6 p.m. Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Cafeteria. The Student Council is hosting a Senior Citizen Dinner. Please call Laura Carson at 607.264.9332 ext. 501 if you plan to attend.

Nov 17

Canajoharie Library and Arkell Museum's Holiday Art and Craft Fair. 10 a.m - 4 p.m. Artisan craft vendors, used book sale, the Palatine Literary Society luncheon, Girl Scouts bake sale, free family activities, toy and clothing drive to benefit the Salvation Army Toys for Tots program, and a basket raffle to support "Haven of Hope Farm & Residence". For more information, call 518.673.2314.

Soup and sandwich luncheon day. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Church of Christ Uniting, 22 Church Street, Richfield Springs. Soup and sandwich luncheon by donation 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Pre-Thanksgiving Bake Sale and Holiday Craft Corner 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Nov 20

Fulton County in Hollywood. 6:30 p.m. Enders House. Free. Contact Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site at 518.829.7516.

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FORT PLAIN – Writers hoping to improve their writing skills are invited to take part in a series of workshops titled “The Act of Revision: Improve Your Creative Writing.” Facilitated by author/teacher Joan Caska, the two-hour long programs will be held at the Fort Plain Free Library on three consecutive Tuesdays in No-

vember – Nov. 6, 13 and 20 – from 5 - 7 p.m. each night.

As noted by Caska, “Writing is a process that involves several stages, and revision is what moves a story, poem or essay from one stage to the next. In this three-session workshop, writers will learn why and how to revise their work, and

they will develop skills and strategies in practice with their own writing.”

Participants are asked to bring a messy draft, a completed piece, or just a few lines on which to work. The workshop is for writers of all levels, from beginner to advanced, and will be useful for all genres, styles and types of writing.

Caska specializes in

literary flash fiction and short stories and has a passion for experimental writing and literary criticism. She writes full-time at her home in Palatine Bridge, NY, and enjoys helping others achieve their own writing goals through work online and in person via local workshops and writing groups in Upstate New York.

She said, “There is nothing more rewarding to me than creative writing. The next best thing is helping others explore their own passion for writing and develop their unique talents as writers. The ‘Writers at Fort Plain’ is an integral part of my writing life as both a creator and a facilitator. I believe the same is true for

every member, as we all support and learn from each other.”

There is no charge for the workshops, but advance registration is appreciated, as seating is limited.

For more information, call 518.993.4646. The Fort Plain Free Library is located at 19 Willett St. Follow the library on Facebook for updates.

Fort Plain Free Library to host ‘Overseas Adventures’ presentation Nov. 7

FORT PLAIN – Come to the Fort Plain Free Library on Wednesday, Nov. 7 and immerse yourself in the culture of the British Isles. Far from the jostling crowds and swarms of tourists, retired educator Eunice Bollen will take participants on a virtual tour of the “Maritime Jewels of the British Isles.” The “Overseas Adventures” presentation will take place from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

As noted by Bollen, the presentation will include photographs, stories and impressions about the unique things she saw and experienced while visiting the Isles of Scilly, Wales, Ireland, the

Outer Hebrides, Orkney Islands, Aberdeen and Edinburgh in Scotland, and London during a specialty cruise to small ports and other out-of-the-way places. More than a sightseeing tour, the cruise allowed passengers to immerse themselves in local culture and included home visits, she said.

The program is offered free of charge and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided.

Call 518.993.4646 for more information. The Fort Plain Free Library is located at 19 Willett St. Follow the library on Facebook for updates.

Rabies vaccination clinic set for Nov. 3

On Saturday, Nov. 3 from 9 a.m. - noon at the Mohawk Town Barn, 2-4 Park St. in Fonda, the last rabies vaccination clinic of the year will take place.

New York State Public Health Law requires that all dogs, cats and domestic ferrets shall have initial vaccinations administered against rabies no later than four months of age and stay up to date with re-vaccinations. Re-vaccinations are required one year later and a booster shot every three years. It is important to have pets vaccinated in a timely manner in order for the pet to be considered protected against the virus. Pet owners should bring proof of their pet's last rabies vaccination. This helps the veteri-

narian determine whether the pet will receive a one or three year vaccination; without it your pet will receive a one-year vaccination only.

Veterinarian administration fee is \$10 per rabies vaccine. Other pet vaccines will be available at additional fees.

To assure the safety of other pets and people, dogs must be leashed; cats and ferrets must be contained in a pet carrier or box when attending the rabies clinic.

For more information about rabies contact Montgomery County Public Health at 518.853.3531 Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. or your veterinarian.

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4:30PM ~ Santa arrives at the Canajoharie Post Office to pick up the letters from our children.

6:00PM ~ Lighting of the Christmas Tree & Carolling led by our elementary choir and of course Santa & his elves. (Park is downtown adjacent to Little Mohawk Street, near the dummy light.)

After the Tree Lighting ~ Santa entertains the little ones and hears their "wish lists". Christmas cookies and hot cococa will be served at the Canajoharie Library/Arkell Museum.

Horse Drawn Wagon Rides from 5-8:30PM

Basket Raffle - New This Year! Hosted by Canajoharie Reformed Church at their downtown ministry location - 64 Church St., Canajoharie. See baskets available starting Wed., Dec. 5 @ 3PM.

50/50 Raffle Tickets will be available at participating downtown businesses All Week Long!

Canajoharie Youth Center will once again be hosting vendor tables in their gym - Interested vendors should contact Amanda Sweet 518-673-5117.

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Things to consider when choosing a wedding party

Making the important decision to get married can fill couples with joy and excitement as they imagine spending the rest of their lives together. Naturally, brides- and grooms-to-be are anxious to share the good news with others and include family and friends in the festivities. One way couples exemplify inclusion is by asking their closest acquaintances to be part of their wedding parties.

Being asked to serve as a bridesmaid or groomsman is an honor. Some couples may be tempted to ask every friend, sibling or cousin they have to be in their wedding parties, and some do. In fact, ancient Roman law required 10 witnesses to be part of the wedding ceremony. However, the larger the wedding party, the more people couples have to coordinate and the more personalities they must manage.

While large wedding parties are in style, there isn't any one-size-fits-all formula to decide which size party is right for a particular situation. Trends vary based on geography and culture. These tips can help couples decide on the size of their wedding parties.

• Match it to scope and style. Wedding planners may use a standard ratio for a proportion of guests to wedding party members. That ratio is one pair of wedding attendants for every 50 guests. This

creates a balanced feel where the more people in attendance, the larger the wedding party and vice versa.

• Consider your expenses. Wedding party members may be asked to spend considerable amounts of money to be in the wedding, but the couple will have certain expenses tied to the wedding party as well. These can include limousines to ferry people between the ceremony and reception, photography costs to arrange and photograph large wedding parties, the cost of boutonnieres and bouquets, attendants' gifts, as well as extra mouths to feed at the rehearsal dinner. Small wedding parties can be easier on couples' budgets.

• Know your expectations. Couples should discuss what they expect from their wedding parties. Do couples want their loved ones to be very hands-on or waiting in the wings? For those who want a lot of input from their wedding parties, asking distant friends or family to be included may be impractical.

• Select reliable, easygoing people. Wedding party members should be people couples can rely on, and it only helps if wedding party members are not prone to overreacting. Choose a wedding party that can be trusted and people with whom you get along.

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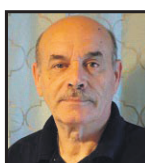
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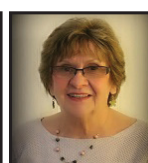
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052: 111 State Highway 80, **FORT PLAIN:** Don't judge the size of this home from the outside. There is plenty of space in this solid built home. This home is built on solid concrete piers in a full basement. There are three bedrooms on the first floor and the second floor is finished, but is wide open. It makes a nice family/game room or can be converted to one or two additional bedrooms. THIS HOME IS CERTIFIED NOT TO BE IN A FLOOD ZONE. There is a full bathroom on the first floor and a half bath in the basement. The attached garage with access to the basement provides space for an open deck off the back porch. **Asking \$75,000**



055: 154 Otsego Street, **CANAJOHARIE:** This home has been well cared for, new wood/laminate floors, new windows, new stove, many extras included. Great starter home for new family, easy to heat. Cozy screened in back porch overlooking small, but very nice backyard. Family room was used as a second bedroom, making it a possible three bedroom, one full bath home. **Asking \$79,000**



058: 52 Hancock Street, **FORT PLAIN:** Buyers must have proof of funds/pre-approval. No rent to own or holding the mortgage. Looking to downsize, low taxes, lower heat bill, this well-maintained home is worth a look. Look in documents for list of maintenance and repairs to the home. Home is move in ready, new windows, roof, generator switch kit and hook up, generator, new carpets and linoleum, furnace cleaned annually, new toilets, bathroom vanity upstairs, new sewer pipe from entire house to curb, new hot air furnace and electric H2O heat. **Asking \$47,000**



252: **NEW LISTING!!!** 163 Waite Road, **AMSTERDAM:** Handyman special on a one acre lot with detached 2-car garage. Two bedrooms, one full bath. Property is sold as is. Cash only. Condition of septic is unknown, the cap has fallen in. Caution tape is around the septic, please use caution. A hold harmless agreement must be signed before entering the house due to the enclosed has detached from the house. **Asking \$25,000**



254: **NEW LISTING!!!** 48 Reed Street, **CANAJOHARIE:** This exquisite 1920's era Colonial is bursting with curb appeal and elegance. Featuring a lovely landscaped lot, stamped concrete walkways with patio and a large fenced in backyard. Step inside to enter this dream home and enjoy a spacious kitchen, hardwood floors, a cozy fireplace, and so much more. **Asking \$159,900**



298: 601 Latimer Hill Road, **CANAJOHARIE:** Picturesque two-family home nestled in the heart of Ames. It sits on a spacious 1.1 acre lot and has a lovely front porch that is waiting for you to sit and drink coffee on. This home is perfect for an owner-occupant who wants an investment opportunity but does not want to sacrifice charm or character. Each unit has two bedrooms and gorgeous hardwood floors. A must see!!! **Asking \$125,000**



301: 179 Kringsbush Road, **ST. JOHNSTVILLE:** Raised Ranch with four bedrooms and two full bathrooms located on a quiet country road. 7 acres with a pond. Attached and detached garage. Two sheds. **Asking \$179,900**



504: 143 Carlisle Road, **CANAJOHARIE:** Custom brick home located perfectly outside the village with 1.6 acres. Hardwood floors, 2 fireplaces, French doors, granite counter tops, and expansive back enclosed porch to entertain your guests. Home has 3 bedrooms and two full bathrooms on first floor and 2 bedrooms and one full bathroom on the second floor. Home is set up perfectly for an in-law apartment. Unfinished basement with a fireplace. Total of 3 heating sources. **Asking \$228,900**



606: **NEW LISTING!!!** 365 Rt. 87, **EPHRATAH:** Single wide home located in the country. This home will be easy to take care of with 980 square feet. Two bedrooms and 1 1/2 baths. 0.5 acres. **Asking \$54,900**



609: **NEW LISTING!!!** 102 E. State Street, **JOHNSTOWN:** Home in historic Johnstown in need of some TLC. Excellent potential for an investment or make it your own!!! **Asking \$27,400**



610: **NEW LISTING!!!** 10 S. East Street, **FONDA:** Looking for a great investment or a place to call your own? This home has enough room for the whole family and a garage large enough for the car and the toys. Your paint could turn a profit for you or make it into your home. **Asking \$24,500**



825: **PRICE REDUCED:** 248 Moyer Street, **CANAJOHARIE:** Nice older home walking distance to the school. Has updated roof, windows, electrical and vinyl siding. You have 2 downstairs bedrooms, a formal dining room, large living room, a family room with a lot of windows and carriage house cabinets in the kitchen and a full bathroom. The 3rd bedroom is an attic type. Garage is beneath the residence - a car would fit, but not an SUV. Circular driveway. And what a great yard! The lot is 133 x 162! A must see home!!! **Asking \$89,900**



850: **NEW LISTING!!!** 2977 County Hwy 31, **CHERRY VALLEY:** This home has a little bit of new and old. Original home dates back to 1890's with updates - vinyl siding, newer kitchen, addition with handicapped bathroom, hardwood flooring, newer roof and on 2.3 acres with 245' road frontage on two sides of road. Just off Route 20 close to Cooperstown, Otsego Lake and Canajoharie. Family or master bedroom with bath, dining room, living room, itchen with open dining area/laundry and 3 bedrooms and one bathroom with shower. Two-story barn with upstairs. **Asking \$124,900**



903: **PRICED REDUCED!!!** 14 Curtain Ave., **MAYFIELD:** There is nothing more relaxing than living at the lake. Floating on the perfectly still water is penciled in on every afternoon's schedule. 90' of lake front on Mayfield Lake with a dock could be the ticket to the peaceful oasis you have been dreaming of. Enjoy you deck and the view of the lake every day. This year round two bedroom, one bath home has a living room with a large window to capture a fantastic view. **Asking \$219,900**



952: **NEW LISTING!!!** 0 State Highway 20, **CARLISLE:** Looking for a straight run commute into Schenectady or Albany with low taxes? This 6.5 acre building located 15 minutes to Cobleskill and 45 minutes to Albany could be where you build your new home. Cooperstown and Adirondack park are near by also. **Asking \$29,999**

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(Family Features) – Bathroom and kitchen upgrades are among the most popular home renovations, but not just because the improvements are likely to increase the home's value. Renovations to these high-use areas can enhance the practical enjoyment of your home while adding aesthetic appeal and style.

A better bathroom

Bathroom makeovers can take many forms, from simple updates to total overhauls. Consider these common approaches, identified by the home experts at JCPenney Home Services, to determine the best match for your home and needs.

Tub-to-shower updates

According to the National Association of Realtors, more than 60 percent of homeowners prefer a stall shower without a tub. Whether you want to join the ranks of homeowners transforming their outdated tubs to modern showers, need a larger tub to soak away the day or simply want to update the look of your space, converting your tub or shower is a simple way to add functionality while transforming your bathroom.

Aging and accessibility

More than 200,000 injuries occur in the bathroom each year, according to the National Safety Council. Especially for those with mobility challenges, water and slippery surfaces can be a dangerous combination. If you're taking on a bathroom upgrade with accessibility in mind, be sure to consider options like slip-resistant flooring, strong grab bars, shower seats and a practical walk-in tub or low-threshold shower base.

Complete remodel

If you're looking for a substantial change, a complete remodel may be your best answer. This approach allows you to integrate a consistent look and style throughout the room and create a truly custom experience. However, a project of this scope often requires professional assistance. There are companies that offer an exclusive remodeling process to remove old materials and fixtures and replace them with beautiful, new products in a wide variety of colors and styles. Partnerships with leading brands provide ample choices in cabinets, countertops, fixtures, hardware and more for a one-stop solution to upgrading your bathroom from floor to ceiling.

Create a new kitchen

It's the hub of the home, so it's no surprise that many homeowners start with the kitchen when they're planning functional upgrades. New appliances, countertops and tile-work all add to the style and function of a kitchen, but don't overlook these highly functional features that can make your home more enjoyable.

Water filtration

Features like the faucet and sink, and even refrigerators with ice-makers and water dispensers, can take a real beating through basic everyday use. One way to minimize the wear and tear and take your kitchen upgrade to the next level is a water filtration system. Cleaner, clearer water can benefit your home in a number of ways. It eliminates the need for expensive bottled water, produces cleaner, spot-free dishes, lets you save on soap and detergents, results in less build-up on fixtures and helps increase the life of appliances that use water.

Flooring

Updating the floor of your kitchen is another easy way to upgrade the space, even if it's the only enhancement you make.

Lighting

If there's one place in the home where task lighting really matters, it's the kitchen. Proper lighting can help ensure you can see well for safe food handling. It also helps set the mood for the room, whether it's a lively gathering with guests or a quiet candle-lit meal at your eat-in nook. You can create a focal point with exquisite fixture over a feature like an island then be sure to complement your standout fixtures with recessed lights on multiple switches with dimmers so you can customize the lighting as needed.

Find more ideas and inspiration for your kitchen or bathroom upgrade at jcpenney.myhomeprojectcenter.com.

Planning your project

- Define your desires. Although obvious, many homeowners find this to be among the most challenging aspects of a renovation. Start by determining the scope of your project. It may be just a new tub or shower, or it may be the entire kitchen. Some homeowners find it helpful to consider their project in terms of must-haves and nice-to-haves so it's easier to make adjustments as obstacles or finances require.

- Set a budget. The easiest way to overspend on a renovation is to go into it without an established budget. If you specify what you can afford from the outset and plan against that budget every step of the way, you're more likely to feel satisfied with your investment in the long run.

- Expect the unexpected. If possible, review a blueprint of your home (or have your contractor take a look) to identify details behind the wall, like the layout of the plumbing and electric lines, which can be costly to relocate. It's also a good idea to take a thorough inventory of your current space so you're aware of any damage or wear that will need repaired before you begin.

- Hire the help (or not). With some preliminary information on the complexity of the job and a better idea of exactly what you're hoping to accomplish, you should be able to make a decision about whether the project is something you're prepared to tackle on your own or if hiring professionals is more likely to provide the results you're seeking.

- Monitor progress. Even if you're handling the project on your own, it's a good idea to continually monitor the project in terms of budget, timeline and quality of work. It's easier to make corrections as you go than to get to the end and discover a problem that needs reworking.



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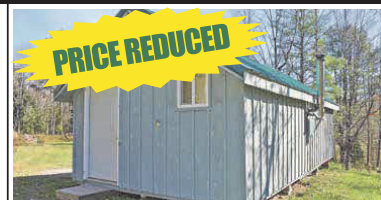
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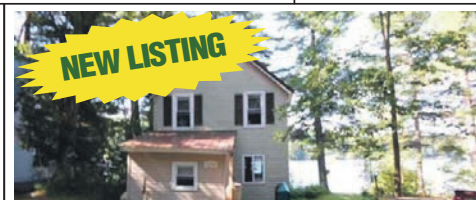
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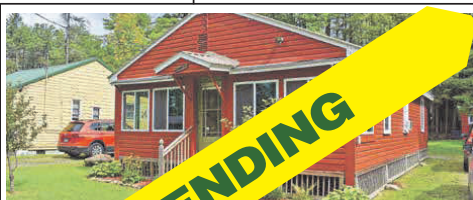
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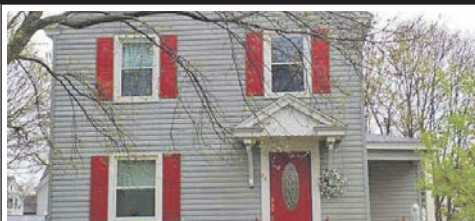


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 3. Have a first-night box. Once you're in your new home, you don't want to have to hunt for such things as box cutters, tools, device chargers, bed linens, shower curtains, toiletries—and the coffeepot.
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MUST-HAVE KITCHEN REMODEL FEATURES

Homeowners looking to renovate often see room for improvement in their kitchens and bathrooms. The National Association of Home Builder's Remodeling Market Index Survey, which measures conditions in the remodeling market, indicates that, in 2015, the two most common remodeling jobs were bathroom remodels (81 percent) and kitchen remodels (79 percent). According to HGTV and Statistics Brain, a new kitchen remodel for a kitchen measuring 12 by 12 feet may cost homeowners anywhere from \$17,000 to \$37,000.

Before investing so much into their remodeling projects, homeowners should think carefully about the features that will improve their time spent at home. When planning a kitchen renovation, homeowners may want to consider the following upgrades to make the room more enjoyable while improving its functionality.

Oversized sink

Although high-efficiency dishwashers are popular, deep sinks to soak soup pots or woks are still useful. Deep sinks may be preferable to double sinks, especially for homeowners who use lots of kitchen tools when preparing meals.

Soft-closing hinges

When replacing cabinets (or just the hardware), consider installing soft-closing hinges and slides on doors and drawers. These devices eliminate slamming and caught fingers, reducing noise and injuries in the kitchen.

Foot-pedal water operation

When outfitting a sink, think about foot controls, which are popular in doctors' offices and hospitals. Turning on the water with the tap of a foot can reduce the transfer of pathogens to faucets from hands during food preparation. These pedals also free up hands for other tasks.

Bottom's up

People likely spend more time raiding the refrigerator than the freezer on any given day. Rather than having to bend down to seek out that favorite flavor of Greek yogurt, choose a model with the fridge on top and freezer on the bottom, especially if anyone in the household has mobility issues. When shopping for refrigerators, French-door style units may offer even more access, making it easy for homeowners to slide fruit trays, sheet cakes and other large items into the fridge.

Extra lighting

A kitchen should be a balance of form and function. A combination of overhead lighting, decorative lighting and task lighting can illuminate all areas of the space effectively.

Appliance garages

Architectural and design resource Houzz says that appliance garages are popular kitchen additions, too. Set at countertop level, these cabinets allow people to keep small appliances plugged in but tucked neatly behind closed doors.

Kitchen remodels are a sizable investment, and renovations

can be customized to make the kitchen more hospitable for all in residence.





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Country Preacher

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James 4:13-16 steps on all our toes a little bit. It is about presuming who is in control of our circumstances. How many times have we made plans or prepared for some event, only to have something completely unexpected happen that totally ruins our well-made plans? Are we in control of the wind? Can we start or stop the rain? Can we control the outdoor temperature or the sunrise or sunset or the length of our life? We can't even control another person's thoughts or actions.

In **James 4:13**, James might have said in today's vernacular "Come on now, you say that you are going to another city to start a business and strike it rich? You don't know what's going to happen to you. You could die before you even get there," and he would have been right. So often our plans center around ourselves and our own selfish wants, disregarding important input from others.

His point is made in **verse 15**: "we ought to say if God wants it, it will take place." I believe the lesson here is not so much to say this phrase every time we tell about our plans but to have this attitude in mind about our plans and our lives. To acknowledge that God is sovereign and He can and does control our circumstances is to honor and revere Him. The word "worship" is often equated with the idea of "worth-ship." How much is the Lord, the Creator and Sustainer of the universe, worth to you?

St. Johnsville Senior Saints

Forty-eight St. Johnsville Senior Saints met for a luncheon and business meeting on Oct. 24 at the Community House.

Final plans were discussed for the Nov. 5 shopping trip and dinner in Albany.

The annual Christmas party will be held at the H C Smith Benefit Club in St. Johnsville on Saturday, Dec. 8. Cost for members is \$10 and guests \$12. People are asked to please bring non-perishable food items for the food collection there. Dinner will be served at 1 p.m.

Trick or Treat themed baskets were won by Lorraine Thomas and Joe Parisella. Homemade kitchen towels were won by Linda VanValkenburgh and Eleanor Smith. Fresh eggs were won by Cathy Bellen.

Session #2 of the Nutrition Outreach Program presented by Molly Capito from OFA was presented.

The clubs next meeting is Wednesday, Nov. 7, at 1:30 p.m., when November birthdays will be celebrated.

We always welcome new members and guests.

Good Housekeeping

Corned Beef Hash and Eggs

1 tablespoon margarine or butter
1 large red pepper, chopped
1 large onion, chopped
4 cups (about half 32-ounce package) frozen hash brown potatoes (Southern style)
8 ounces deli corned beef in 1 piece, cut into 1/2-inch chunks (about 2 cups)
4 large eggs
1/8 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper
1. In nonstick 12-inch skillet, melt margarine over medium-high heat. Add red pepper and onion and cook 10 minutes or until vegetables are tender, stirring often. Stir in frozen hash browns and corned beef; cook 10 minutes or until hash browns are lightly browned. Spread hash evenly in skillet. Reduce heat to medium-low.

2. One at a time, break eggs into cup and slip into skillet on top of hash. Sprinkle eggs with salt and black pepper. Cover skillet and cook 5 to 8 minutes or until eggs are set or cooked to desired doneness.

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A guide to safely removing fallen leaves

Raking leaves is a chore many people immediately associate with autumn. Even though raking seems like a simple activity, it's still possible to be injured while removing leaves from the yard.

The University of Pittsburgh Medical Center advises that pain from outdoor leaf chores can range from strained back muscles to twisted knees. Blisters on the hands and sunburn are other potential side effects. Many people do not realize that raking is a thorough cardiovascular workout. Individuals at risk for cardiovascular disease or those who have recovered from surgery may not be well enough to rake leaves.

Here's how to make autumn leaf removal more of a breeze when the job is done safely.

- Pay attention when using a leaf blower. Be cautious not to point an operational blower in the direction of people or pets, as debris can be blown about and cause injury.

- Stretch out before raking leaves. Warm up muscles beforehand so they are less likely to cramp. UPMC experts suggest taking a short walk prior to raking to stimulate circulation.

- Use proper raking form. Much like snow shoveling, one should emphasize proper posture when raking, with legs slightly bent and weight distributed evenly. Hold the rake handle close to the body and keep one hand near the top of the rake for better leverage.

- Use the proper gear. A leaf rake fans out like a triangle and comes in various widths. Choose a lightweight material that can be easily maneuvered. A metal rake is for stones and dirt and shouldn't be used for leaves.

To get between bushes, a smaller version of a leaf rake, called a shrub rake, should be used.

- Wear protective gear. When raking or leaf blowing, protect your eyes against debris. You also may want to use a mask to prevent inhalation of leaf mold and other particulates. Gloves can protect hands from blisters.

- Follow manufacturers' directions. Read the instructions for powered leaf blowers, and never modify the device in an unauthorized way.

- Use a tarp and lift wisely. Rake leaves onto a tarp that can be dragged to a garbage pail or to the curb for municipal pick up. For those who must lift bags of leaves, do so by bending at the knees, not from the waist.

- Wear sunscreen. Protect skin from the sun. Even

though temperatures are cooler in the fall, this does not mean the sun's rays are any less harmful. Also, take breaks to rehydrate frequently.

- Use a secure ladder. When removing leaves from gutters, be sure the ladder is sturdy and secure. Consider having a friend serve as a spotter, holding on to the ladder to offer greater security. Do not overextend to stretch for leaves.

If at any time during leaf clean-up you feel sharp or dull, incessant pains, stop working. Listen to your body's signals and start the task anew the next day or when you feel better.



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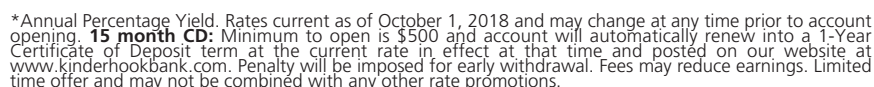
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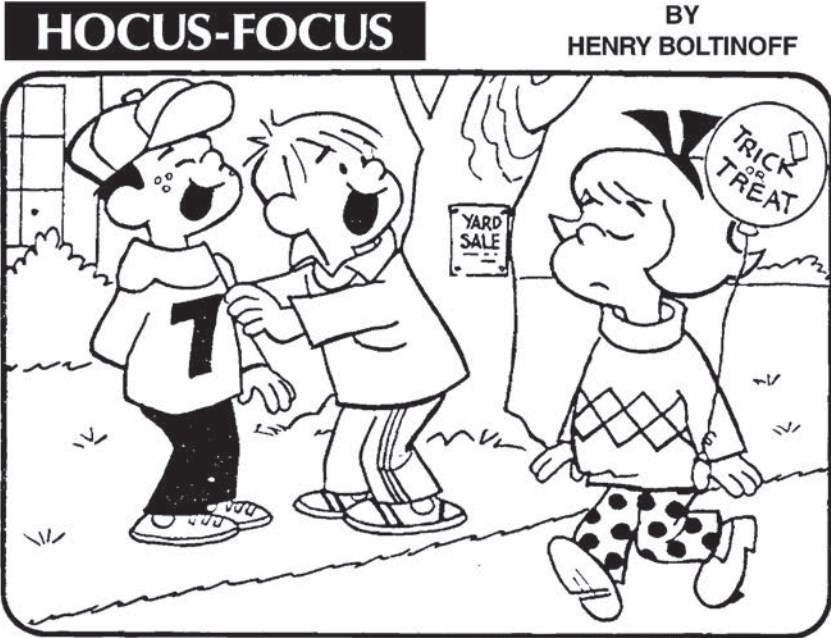
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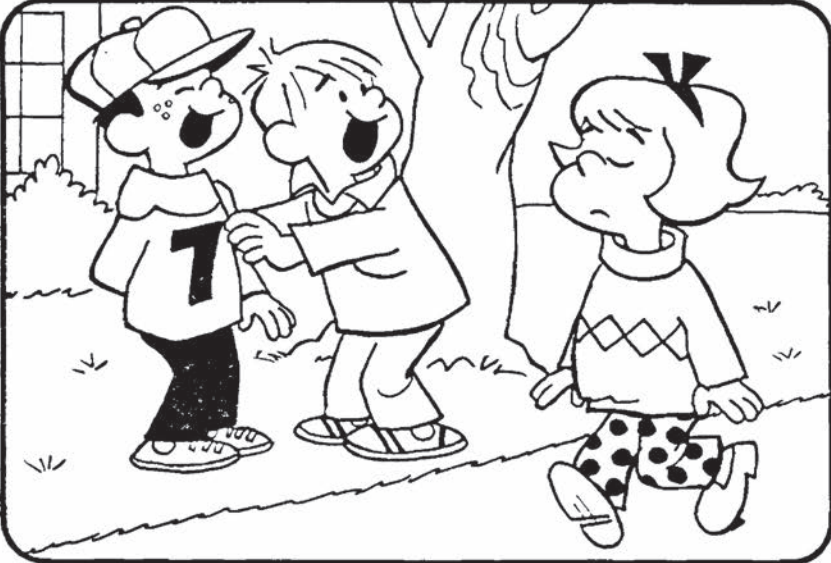
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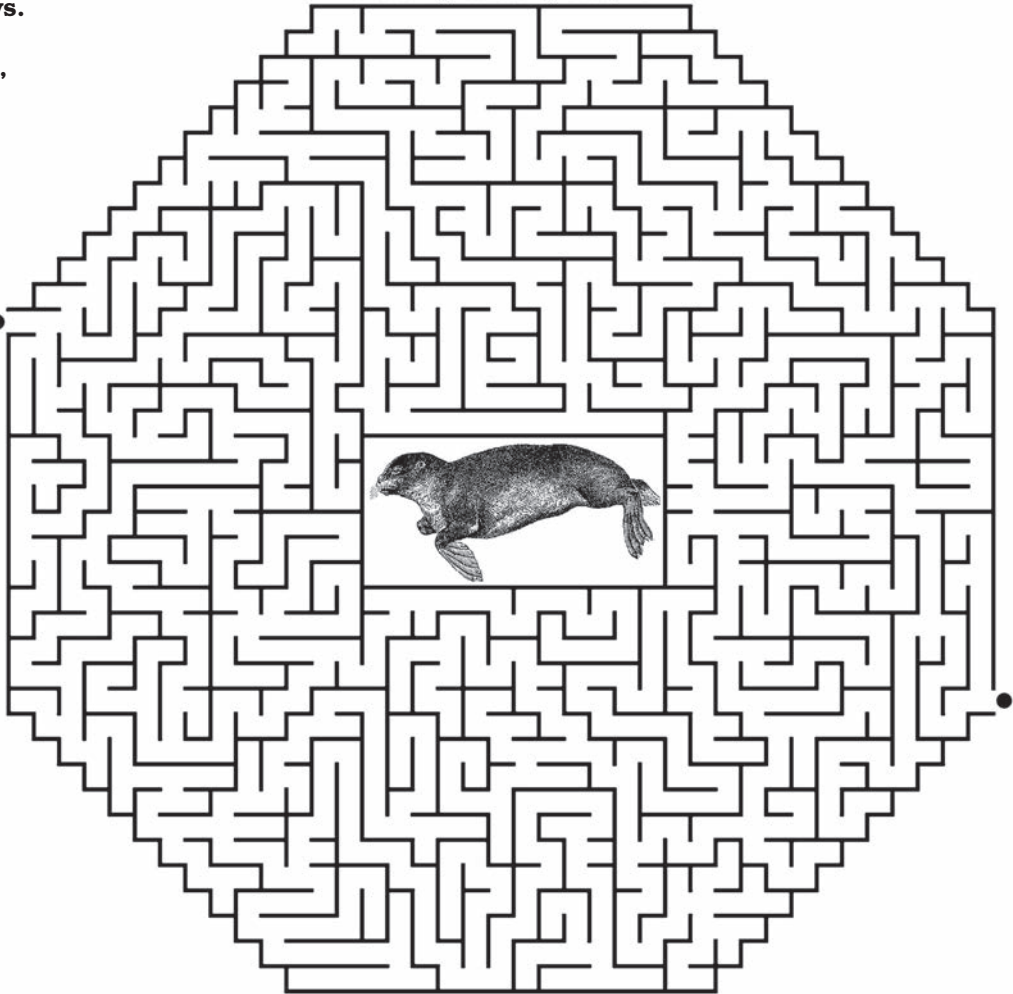
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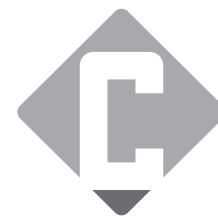
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A Walk in the Woods – The year of the gray squirrel

by **Jim Frohn, Grafton County Forester, UNH Cooperative Extension**

While fishing on Goose Pond with my dad this summer, we saw something swimming out in the open water. It was long and gray in color. My first thought was a loon, which we'd been hearing, but it was too low on the water and too light in color. And it was too long to be a duck. It wasn't until we got fairly close that we realized what it was – a gray squirrel!

This seems to be the year of the gray squirrel. Or maybe the year of the roadkill gray squirrel. One can't help notice all the squirrels in the road, either running across, darting back and forth in confusion, or, unfortunately, not making it. There are so many gray squirrels, as well as red squirrels, chipmunks, mice and other rodents, that it's even showing up in the news. The gray squirrel, being the largest of these, is the most noticeable.

Habits and habitat

Squirrels are members of the rodent

family, but are less prolific than most rodents, though you wouldn't know it this year. Squirrels can breed twice per year, with the first breeding period around January and February and the second in May and June. The gestation period lasts approximately six weeks. Each litter has one to four young and sometimes as many as eight.

Gray squirrels are known as scatter-hoarders – they collect and store food in many small caches, or hoards. One squirrel can make several thousand caches, and this behavior plays an important role in oak seedling germination. During most years, the majority of acorns are eaten by squirrels, other rodents, birds and insects. The few buried acorns that the squirrels forgot germinate into oak seedlings.

Gray squirrels build nests, called dreys, in the branches of trees. These are made of dry leaves and twigs and are lined with moss, grass and feathers. Dreys are used by females as nurseries and places to avoid predators. Squirrels

also use tree cavities for the same purposes.

The eastern gray squirrel prefers mature hardwood forests with an abundance of oaks, and further south, hickory. In addition to acorns and hickory nuts, squirrels eat beechnuts, hazelnuts, apples, crabapples, mushrooms and agricultural crops. This year, acorns are scarce in most places so squirrels are raiding corn fields and gardens. And perhaps surprisingly, squirrels also prey on bird eggs, young birds and insects.

Why so many?

Why are there a huge numbers of gray squirrels this year, with many of them ending up as roadkill? There was an enormous acorn crop last year, as well as an abundance of other seeds, apples and other foods. Well-fed female squirrels probably gave birth to two large litters. Perhaps the populations of squirrel predators were down, resulting in high survival rates for young squirrels. This year, with reduced availability of acorns and other foods, large numbers of squirrels are roaming the landscape – and crossing roads – looking for food to eat and store for winter.

What's next?

While last year food for squirrels was exceptionally abundant, this year's high squirrel and rodent population represents

an abundant food source for predators – hawks, owls, fisher, weasel, fox, coyote and bobcat. On a recent walk, I saw a chipmunk, a squirrel, a hawk and an owl, all within 20 minutes. So I suspect that we'll start seeing a lot more predators around. I imagine the crow population will increase too, with all the roadkill for them to eat. Eventually, the predators will start to reduce the number of squirrels and other rodents, and after that the predator numbers will start to decline...until the next abundant food year, when the cycle starts again.

A natural cycle

Fluctuations in wildlife populations are completely normal. The number of squirrels we're seeing now is not sustainable. While no one likes to see dead animals littering the roads, these "surplus" squirrels would die of other causes such as predation, parasites or disease. As predator numbers rise, squirrel and rodent numbers will decrease, and then the predator numbers will decline after.

The best way to ensure healthy, resilient wildlife populations, even though they may fluctuate, is to provide a variety of quality habitat. In the case of gray squirrels, providing stands of mature oak trees, including trees with cavities, will ensure their presence on the landscape.

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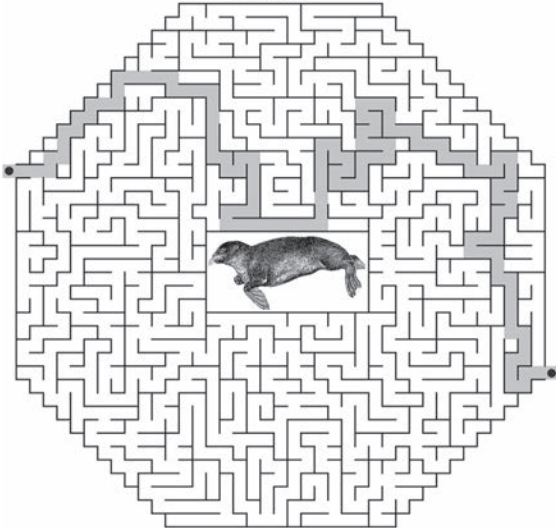
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Strange but True

by Samantha Weaver

• It was American author and futurist Alvin Toffler who made the following sage observation: "Profits, like sausages, are esteemed most by those who know least about what goes into them."

• A leech can consume 10 times its own weight in its victims' blood.

• King James VI of Scotland also was, after the crowns of England and

Scotland were united in 1603, King James I of England. He may have been doubly noble, but those who study such things say his personal habits would not have been out of place in a commoner of the time. He reportedly never bathed, claiming that baths were an unhealthy practice, and he would wear the same clothes for months on end.

• A newly married cou-

ple sued the upscale resort in Chile where they spent their honeymoon after a swim in the pool turned the bride's waist-length blonde hair green.

• If you remember the early-1960s TV series "Route 66," you might be surprised to learn that the show was actually shot in Florida and Oregon, nowhere near the fabled highway.

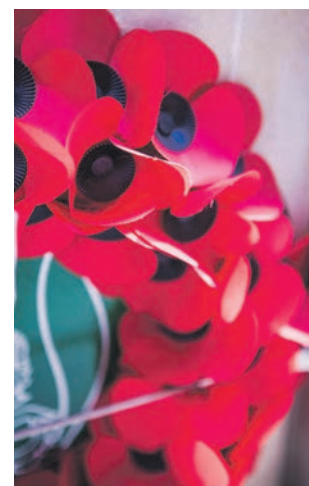
• Those who live in the state of Minnesota might want to keep in mind that in that state it's against the law to sleep with no clothes on.

• Those of you who need your daily java fix probably won't be surprised to learn that coffee is one of the most popular drinks worldwide and is one of the most traded agricultural commodities. Due to

limitations in cultivation, however, Hawaii is the only state in the U.S. that produces the beans.

Thought for the Day: "Half of the harm that is done in this world is due to people who want to feel important. They don't mean to do harm, but the harm does not interest them." – T.S. Eliot

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- 3/4 cup shredded Mexican cheese blend (3 ounces)
- 8 corn tortillas, warmed
- 1. In cup, with fork, mash avocado. In bowl, with wire whisk, mix eggs and water.
- 2. In nonstick 10-inch skillet, melt margarine over medium heat. Add egg mixture and cook 1 to 1 1/2 minutes or until eggs just begin to set, stirring constantly with heat-safe spatula or wooden

spoon.

3. Spoon salsa over eggs; top with beans and cheese. Cover and cook 2 to 3 minutes longer or until cheese melts and beans are heated through, but do not stir.

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Items necessary to fix a flat tire



There are some essential items that all drivers should keep in their vehicles so they can quickly and correctly replace flat tires.

Flat tires are a nuisance, but even the most well-maintained vehicles can be vulnerable to the occasional flat. Ensuring tires are properly inflated and in good condition can help drivers avoid accidents, but won't necessarily make tires immune to flats. The following are some essential items that all drivers should keep in their vehicles so they can quickly and correctly replace flat tires.

- Spare tire: Spare tires are typically located in the trunk beneath the carpet-like mat covering the area. SUV drivers may have their spare tires mounted on the back of their vehicles, but some are located beneath the automobile. Periodically inspect spare tires to make sure they are inflated. When buying or leasing new cars, drivers should always confirm if the vehicle comes with a spare.

- Jack: A jack is necessary to change a flat tire. Scissor jacks are widely used and tend to be the jacks most people keep in their trunks. These jacks are lightweight and won't take up much space, and the handle is typically the tire iron that comes with the vehicle. Some jacks are specially designed to fit the vehicles they came with, so when shopping for replacement jacks, make sure any you are considering are compatible with your car or truck.

- Lug wrench: A lug wrench is necessary to remove hubcaps or wheel covers. Drivers should determine if their vehicles require a special tool to remove wheel covers. Such information will be indicated in the owner's manual, which should be kept in the vehicle at all times.

- Wheel wedges: Wheel wedges can be placed in front of or behind tires to prevent the car from rolling while drivers change their flats. When changing a rear tire, place the wedges in front of the front tires. When changing a front tire, place them behind the rear tires.

- Miscellaneous items: While the aforementioned items are all that's necessary to change a tire, some miscellaneous items can facilitate the process of replacing a flat. In their cars, drivers can keep a small cloth bag containing a pair of gloves, a flashlight, batteries to go with the flashlight, a poncho to keep them dry should they need to change a tire in the rain and a ball cap that can keep rain or sunlight out of their eyes so they can focus on the job at hand. It's also a good idea to keep a blanket in the trunk of your car so passengers can stay warm inside while the flat tire is replaced.



The benefits of electric vehicles

Electric vehicles remain a curiosity for many motorists. While many industry experts predict all cars on the road will be electric models at some point in the future, gas-powered vehicles still outnumber electric cars by a wide margin.

Some drivers may be hesitant to purchase electric cars out of a fear of the unknown. That's understandable considering the cost of new vehicles, electric or gas-powered. According to analysts at Kelley Blue Book, the average transaction price for light vehicles in the United States was more than \$36,000 in early 2018. That makes vehicles a significant investment and perhaps explains why consumers have thus far been hesitant to embrace electric cars en masse. But the benefits of electric cars are many, and understanding just what those benefits are might compel more drivers to make the leap.

Effects on local economies

Many countries, including the United States, import a substantial percentage of the petroleum they consume. For example, the U.S. Department of Energy notes that the United States

imports 19 percent of the petroleum it consumes, three-quarters of which is used for transportation. All-electric vehicles can be powered solely by domestically produced electricity, which can benefit local economies in countries such as the United States and Canada.

Cost savings

There's no denying that purchase prices for electric cars and even hybrid vehicles are higher than those for more conventional, gas-powered vehicles. However, many countries offer sizable tax credits to buyers of hybrid and electric vehicles. In addition, fuel costs for hybrid and plug-in electric vehicles are low, which can help offset the high purchase price of such automobiles.

Environmental impact

The DOE notes that electric vehicles produce zero tailpipe emissions. The same goes for plug-in hybrid electric vehicles when they're operating in all-electric mode. That's a substantial benefit, as tailpipe emissions pose a significant threat to the environment as well as human health. Common tailpipe emissions include carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, benzene, and carbon di-

oxide. Such pollutants can lead to further depletion of the ozone and some, such as benzene, are known carcinogens.

Electric vehicles have yet to catch on a wide scale. However, the overwhelming benefits of such cars and trucks makes it extremely likely that they are the future of driving for those motorists who have thus far been hesitant to ditch their gas-powered automobiles.



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