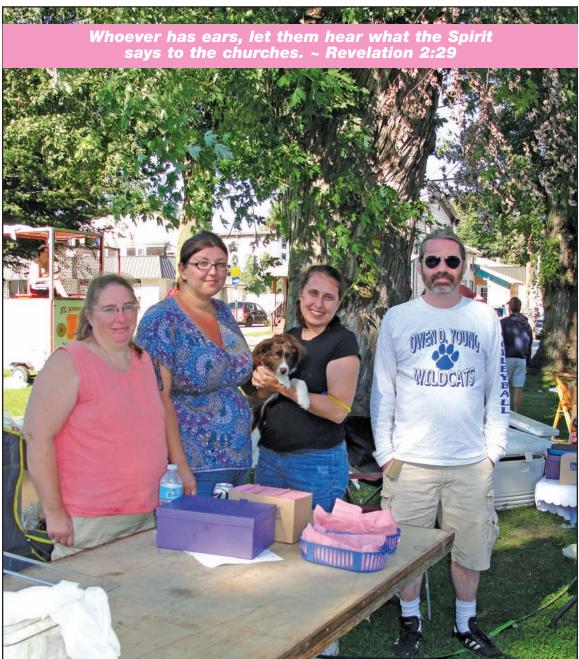


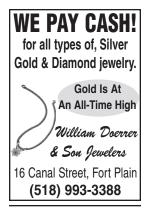
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#### August 17, 2013

#### Hello Again,

We had an example this week of "Open Mouth and Insert Foot". One of our readers, by email, indicated that we were not very smart. In fact, accused our editor of not being very smart. She wrote that the picture on the front page of the paper was not grain but hay. In fact it was a load of oats which was grain on the way to the stationary thrashing machine. The thrasher separates oats from the remainder of the plant, which is straw. Hence = oats and straw and not hav. Other incorrect statements were offered. Sorry ma'am, better try next time. Keep on reading, but keep your shoes on your feet. You are very valuable to this publisher - you are a reader -Thanks for reading and writing.

Have you ever wondered what people thought about 50-100 years ago? Did their problems seem as serious or interesting to them as ours today?

In 1966 when we bought our farm on Cunningham Road we could hear the barge operators on the Mohawk River (Erie Canal) tooting their horns – day and night when they reached Canajoharie. With a never-ending life the barges would travel east and west carrying all sorts of products, mostly petroleum.

I doubt that they ever thought that would end. But it did when the huge oil lines connected the east coast with the oil refineries out west. I understand that there is no longer a single petroleum barge operating on the river. Who would have ever thought of it?

In the early 1800s teamsters with

their large size teams of horses controlled most of the freight east and west through New York State. I wonder if they even talked about the proposed Clinton's Ditch which the Senate passed and that by 1820 the canal barges, drawn mostly by mules, would take most of their business moving loads of products both cheaper and faster.

Then when motorized boats came into existence the little width canal no longer made economic sense and the Mohawk River became the roadway for much larger and faster motorized tugs with their barges. Again who would have talked about that?

Then the railroad with their powerful steam engines, and later the electric diesels riding on steel rails, which could handle hundreds of tons at speeds up to 50-60 miles per hour stole most of the canal business. Next entered the giant rubber tired trucks, which claimed a large part of the railroad business.

Even with all of these changes business was still brought to our valley and we continued to be a haven for both large and small places of employment.

Nearly every change in the East-West travel brought business to Upstate New York, which allowed our valley to continue to enjoy a solid industrial base for business.

Then the Great Disaster Struck: in the 1953-1954 period the Thomas E. Dewey - NY State Thruway opened up. This passage way through our state became a world of its own with its own restaurants - service areas, shops. Truckers and passenger cars could enter the thruway at the Pennsylvania Border and travel to near New York City and never have a reason to stop and purchase anything other than Thruway products. Reverse travel heading north and then west was the same.

I believe 100 percent of all of the restaurants, shops and service stations are operated by large companies, and not one local tax-paying citizen can operate a business on that sacred ground.

That is a perfect example of what happens when government or a government organization gets so big, they only think about serving their own needs. The Thruway set out to serve itself. The entire valley, which could have had commercial exits, became merely a gateway to collect fares of passage.

The Thruway Authority wanted to hog up all of those millions of dollars, and did it, promising to eventually become a free road and never did.

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Well, that's plenty of this chatter for one sitting. Let's see if we can enjoy a little laughter and possibly make plans together to create a bright future for our valley. Just think, if we are going to leave a better place for our kids – it's about time we get started. A young political science major, while conducting a poll in a farm community, asked a little old lady, "Grandmother what do you think of Medicare?" "I've never tried it myself," she said, "but the lady across the street did and lost too much weight – she's now skin and bones"

In my youth pastors were often paid with chickens, vegetables, eggs or fruit, as money was scarce. One day the Pastor met a downhearted parishioner who confessed, "I have stolen a chicken, would you care to have it?"

"Absolutely not my son," said the pastor. "You must return it to the man you stole it from."

"I tried," he said "but he refused to take it."

"In that case" the Pastor said, "You might as well keep it yourself."

"Thank you reverend," he said.

That night the Pastor's wife said, "One of our chickens is missing."

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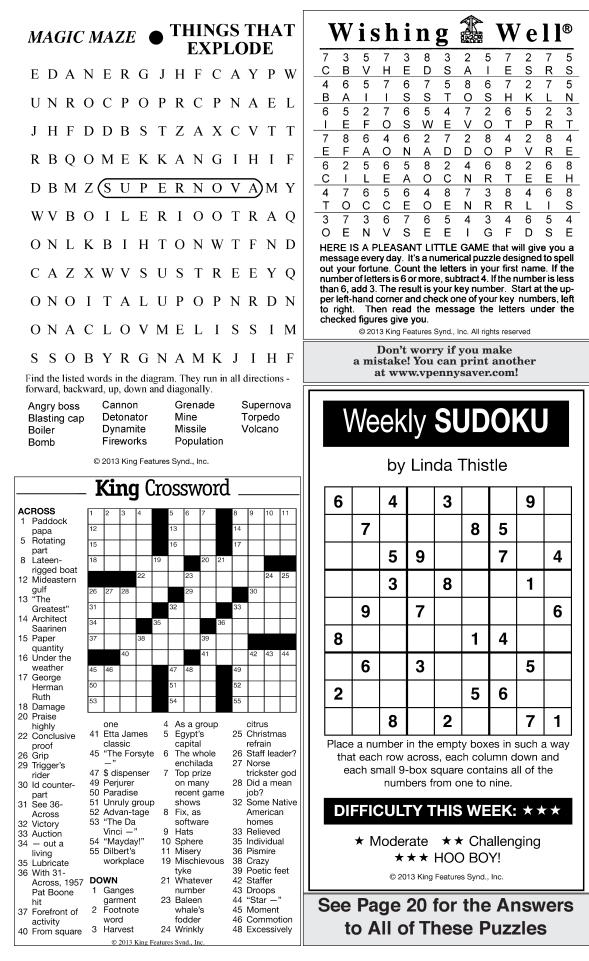
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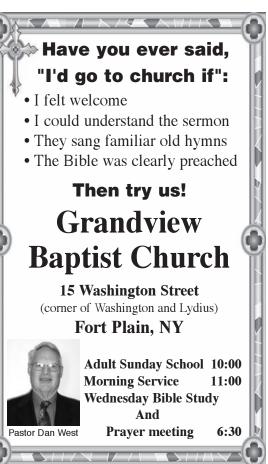
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Intended for sale as scrap when the new town hall was built the newly formed Root Historical Society pleaded that the abandoned building be saved. Despite misgivings that the neglected building could ever be gainfully used again the Root town council agreed to conditionally lease the structure to the society for \$1 per year. The town council pledged that if suitable repairs could be made to the building at no cost to the town within 5 years permanent ownership would pass to the historical society.

Since receiving the lease volunteer society members have replaced a rotting sill, removed unsafe wiring, installed missing windows, contracted for a new roof, sanded and refinished flooring, and painted both the interior and exterior of the building. When fully refurbished the building will display documents and artifacts BUSINESS CARD MAGNETS only \$75.00 for 250. Free Shipping. Call Beth at Lee Publications 518-673-0101 or bsnyder@leepub.com Please allow 7-10 business days for delivery

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"The history of Root spans three centuries." says Albert Sakowicz, president of the Root Historical Society, "Our banner illustrates the progress of the town from fortified homesteads of the 1700s through the canal era of the 1800s to the agrarian economy of the 1900s. We've had residents like 11 year old Jacob Dievendorf who was taken prisoner by a Tory raiding party in 1781, was tomahawked when he tried to escape, survived and told his tale until he was 90. We've had men like Enoch Ambler who was granted a patent for a hay and grain cutting machine but was denied fame and riches when Cyrus McCormick improved on Ambler's design and became the man to revolutionize American agriculture.

During the days of the Erie Canal, Cohen's general store in Sprakers was the premier supply point between Albany and Syracuse. And we've also had our share of historical hokum," says Sakowicz, "reports of rare mineral deposits in Flat Creek and oil in Yatesville Creek all intended by swindlers to fleece the plain folks. It's a colorful history," says Sakowicz, "I hope they come and see what we have."

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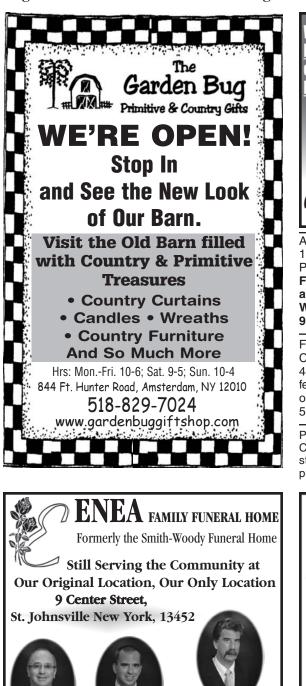
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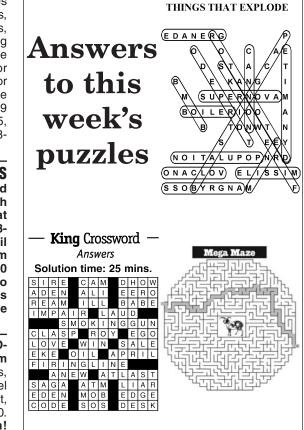
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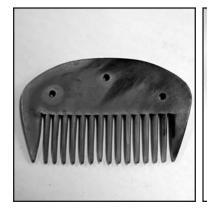
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Thank you also to everyone who was able to take the time to attend the Benefit and support the Scholarship Fund. We hope that you enjoyed the food and events of the day while helping us celebrate Bo's life & helping us ensure that his name lives on through the yearly scholarships.

We would also like to take this opportunity to extend our most sincere thank you to our family and friends, Bo's dear friends, Rev. Nancy Ryan and the Fort Plain Reformed Church, the staff of Houghtaling and Smith Funeral Home, and the entire community for their love, support and kindness throughout these difficult months since Bo's passing. It is challenging to put into words how we feel; please know that we truly appreciate every act of kindness and support that has been extended to our family.

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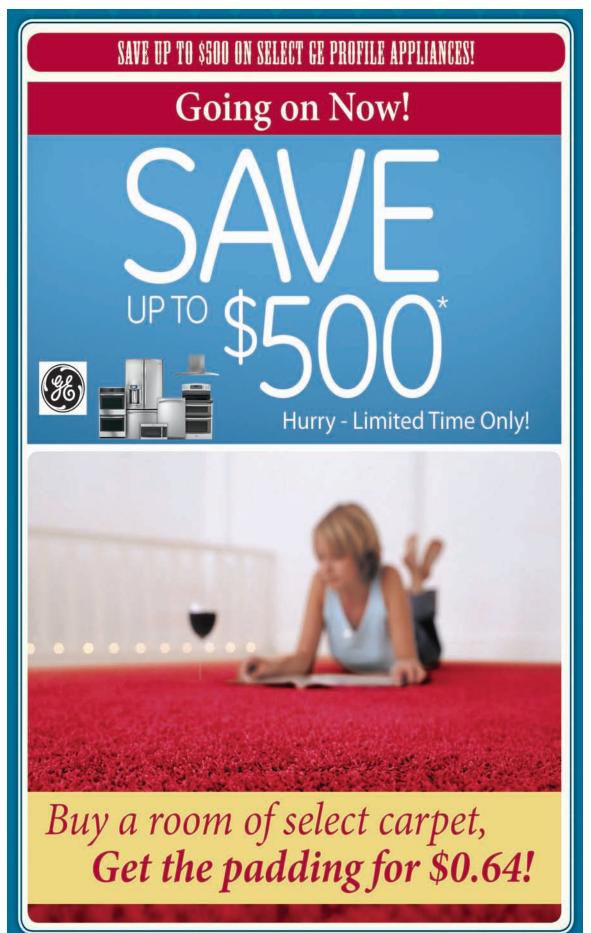




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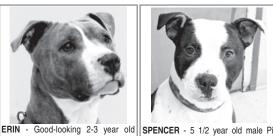
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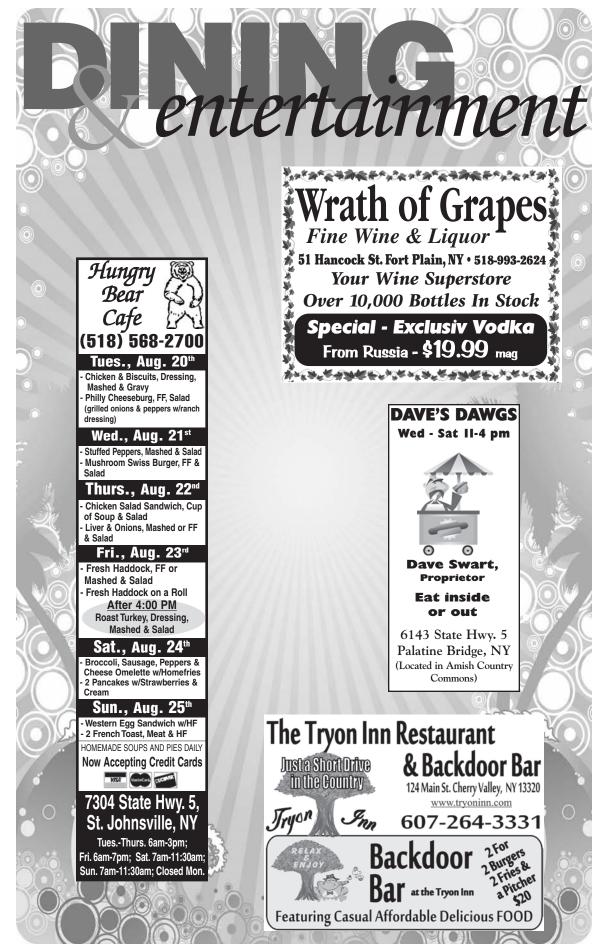
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# Crowds attend 'Standing Strong: A River Through Time' fundraiser

#### by Elizabeth A. Tomlin

A day of events organized by the Mohawk Valley Collective (MVC) and benefiting flood victims in Fort Plain and Van Hornesville, took place in locations surrounding Canajoharie and Fort Plain on Aug. 10.

Live music by well-known area bands, such as, The Dependents and Spike and the Boys were featured, along with historic tours including a tour of the Underground Railroad and West Hill School in Canajoharie and the Unity Hall in Fort Plain. Nellis Tavern in St. Johnsville and the Windfall Dutch Barn in Salt Springville also hosted programs for the day.

T-shirts depicting the Mohawk Valley Collective were sold, a farmers market, antique and craft fair and a chicken barbecue were held at the Arkell Museum & Library, while in Haslett Park, Fort Plain, an ice cream social took place and 13 vendors sold goods to benefit the fundraiser.

Theresa Travis and Stephanie Rogers manned a booth in Haslett Park where the Masons' had donated barbecued chicken dinners with all of the trimmings for \$10. "100 percent of the proceeds go to the flood victims," acknowledged Travis. "You can also donate a dinner to a flood victim if you don't want it yourself."

Two-year-old Mary Pomatto and her mother Renee stopped to visit the booth. "We were flooded out," said Renee, whose family resided on Reid Street in Fort Plain. "We lost everything



(From left) Fort Plain Nice n' Easy manager/ Spike & the Boys vocalist Walt Maaser, Spike & the Boys guitarist Pat Clark, and Libby and Ted Arndt watch the Dependents perform in Haslett Park, Fort Plain.

Photod by Elizabeth A. Tomlin

on our first floor." The family, which includes four children, is currently living in a camper until they make other arrangements.

Donnie Schoff, an American Legion Volunteer, sat in the dunking booth — that is when he wasn't in the water, which he was much of the time, as many would-be pitchers threw balls that found their mark; dunking him repeatedly. The St. Johnsville Fire Department had donated the dunking booth for the cause.

"This weekend we had various fundraisers and events across several villages and many historic sites to help with local flood relief efforts," said Mohawk Valley Collective founder, Tolga Morawski. "None of this would have been possible without the large group of volunteers that gave freely of their time to make it all happen and the tremendous support of the people that came out to tour, raffle, have barbecue, enjoy music, and so much more."

Morawski pointed out that people came from far and wide to volunteer and support the event. "As far off as Saratoga and Albany to the East and Syracuse to the West. All in all, it was a very inspiring day!"

Morawski reported that the event raised approximately \$3,000 for the flood relief.

To make a donation to the flood relief effort, contact Michael Raphael, regional lead from the Red Cross on the Otsquago/Fort Plain area flooding at michael.raphael@redcross.org.



Thirteen vendors sold goods to attendees at Haslett Park in Fort Plain benefiting flood victims.

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# Warm weather attire for the groom and attendants

Weddings are a time dolled to get up. Though some gentlemen may be tempted to wear the suit they wear to work, a formal necessitates event something a bit more remarkable. When the weather is warm, some men may scoff at the idea of wearing a full suit or even a tuxedo. But just because a person is wearing pants and a jacket doesn't mean the suit must be dark and heavy.

Although dark colors are traditional for weddings, dark, heavy fabrics will absorb the sun's rays, making the groom and his groomsmen uncomfortable. Even when a warm-weather wedding takes place largely indoors where it is controlled, climate many couples choose to have the ceremony outdoors, where they pose for photographs as well. The groom and his groomsmen will want to be comfortable during these times, and the right suit and fabric can make all the difference.

Linen and cotton are all-natural fabrics that are made from plant fibers. They are much lighter weight than wool, and linen and cotton suits may be more comfortable. But linen and cotton are highly prone to wrinkling, and a wrinkled suit will not present well in a formal setting. Cotton and linen may be best reserved for informal weddings or those that will be taking place outdoors or beachside. Seersucker suits are made from cotton in a unique weaving pattern that ventilate lets air through the material. Seersucker suits may be most popular in the southeastern United States, but they can be worn anywhere the is weather warm. Many of these suits are manufactured in a gray, blue and brown striped pattern. Again, due to the lightweight fabric, you will feel cool. For less formal weddings, a seersucker suit may fit.

A khaki suit or a tan one may work better if the wedding is more formal. Ensure the accessories are in place to make this look work. The suit should fit well and be tailored appropriately. Sharp creases in the pants and a crisp shirt and tie can complete the look. If the groomsmen are in coordinating suits, a tan or khaki color will not look out of place. If a full suit still feels too stiff, a nice blazer paired with a complementary colored trouser may be appropriate for a less formal affair.

Some grooms want to err on the side of caution and stick with a classic suit or tuxedo. In such instances, grooms may want to

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Cont. from Previous Pg. investigate lighter weight wools. Such suits won't be as confining as a heavier suit. Grooms wearing a tuxedo may want to choose a white tuxedo. A white tuxedo will look pristine and fit with a formal theme. And the white will reflect the sun and be cooler without looking casual.

A groom who does not mind a midday wardrobe change can opt to wear a standard suit or tuxedo and plan to change later on for the reception. He can coordinate with his new bride and step into something more comfortable for dancing and enjoying the ensuing party. This allows for formality when the moments call for it and comfort later on in the day.

Dressing for a warm weather wedding may require a bit of ingenuity on the part of the groom. There are different fabrics and styles of suit available to present plenty of wardrobe options.



Lightweight wool may be a more comfortable option for grooms and their groomsmen at warm-weather weddings.



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Monday, Aug. 19th - Monthly Sheep, Lamb, Goat & Pig Sale.

Monday, Aug. 26th - Normal Monday Sale.

Sat., Aug. 31st - 2PM - Empire State Farms - Total Fullblood Wagyu Dispersal. 170 Head sell, for full details contact James Danekas 916-837-1432, Mercedes Danekas 916-849-2725 or www.jdaonline.com.

Monday, Sept. 2nd - Monthly Fat Cow & Feeder Sale. Labor Day Monday we will be open for the holiday.

Monday, Sept. 9th - Monthly Heifer Sale.

Monday, Sept. 16th - Monthly Sheep, Lamb, Goat & Pig Sale.

Sat., Oct. 19th - sale held in Richfield Springs, OHM Holstein Club - Sale Chairman Jason Pullis 315-794-6737. Call with your consignments.

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# (Calendar of Events)

## ORIGINAL VALLEY PENNYSAVER

NOTE: Calendar entries must arrive at the Original Valley Pennysaver's office by the TUESDAY prior to our publication date for them to be included in the calendar of events. Send events to Lee Publications c/o The Original Valley Pennysaver, 6113 State Highway 5, P.O. Box 121, Palatine Bridge, NY 13428 or Kathleen Lee at kkelly@leepub.com

#### JUL 2 - AUG 31 Cooperstown Farmers' Market

Noon - 5 pm. 8 vendors feature local food and artisan products. Located at 101 Main St., Pioneer Alley, in Cooperstown, NY. Snap Program EBT services. For more information, call 607-547-6195 or visit www.otsego2000.org/ farmersmarket

### AUG 1-31

Arkell Center News and Events for August Arkell Center, Canajoharie, NY. Programs for all Area Seniors at Arkell Center for the month of June are as follows:

• Mondays - Fridays: Noon. Meals are provided by the Meals of Montgomery Program. Reservations are required by noon of the previous day. Call 673-2000 or 843-2300. (Suggested donation is \$3 for those 60 years of age or older).

• Mondays & Wednesdays: 10-10:30 am. We have a Senior Exercise Program for the summer. Come join us.

• Wednesdays: 3-4 pm. Gentle Yoga/Chair Yoga with instructor, Patty P. continuing thru the summer.

• Thursday, Aug. 29: 1-3 pm. Second Time Around band practice, visitors welcome.

• September 28: Defensive Driving Schedule. 8:30 am to 3 pm. We still have openings. Call Joan at 673-4408 for reservations.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

• August 21 & 28: 12:45 pm. Senior Citizens Public Card Party, Donation -\$2, prizes & light refreshments. If anyone plays Pinochle & would like to sub call Terry at 518-673-5635.

• August 22: 2-3 pm. Alzheimer's Dementia Caregivers Support Group will be meeting. This service is sponsored by the Alzheimers Assoc. of Northeastern NY. Welcome all.



Ames - Sprout Brook UMC 613 Latimer Hill Rd.

Ames, NY 13317 518-673-2265 *Rev. Dr. Campbell Laker* Sunday Service 9:30am

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

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

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

Fordsbush Bible Church 131 Clark Rd., Fort Plain 518-568-7606 Pastor Kevin Keever Sunday School 10am, Morning Service 11am, Eve. Service 5pm, Wed. Service 6:45pm, Thurs. Visitation 6pm www.fordsbushbiblechurch.com Home of Victory Christian Academy Cherry Valley Assembly of God 37 Alden St., Cherry Valley, 607-264-3306 Pastor David Carpenter, Jr. Sundays 9:30am

Cornerstone Baptist Church 7274 St. Hwy. 10, Ames 518-673-3405 Sunday School 10am, Adults & Children Morning Worship 11am, Youth Ministry 5:45pm, Evening Worship 6pm, Wed. Bible Study & Prayer Meeting 7pm, Awana Club 6:15-815pm

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

Faith, Hope and Love Christian Fellowship 18 W. Grand St., Palatine Bridge 518-673-5128 *Rev. David W. Bowley* fhlc@frontiernet.net Sundays 11:30am, For other service times please call

Fort Plain United Methodist Church 39 Center St., Fort Plain *Rev. Alan Griffith* Church Office 518-993-3863 Parsonage 518-993-3645 Office Hrs Tues & Thurs. 10am-4pm ALL WELCOME, Worship Service 11am Christian Church of Charleston Four Corners 1380 E. Lykers Rd., Sprakers 518-922-9088 Pastor Brett Popp Sunday School (adult & children) 10am, Worship 11am, Sunday Eve. Prayer 6:30pm, Thurs: Eve. of Encouragement 6:30pm www.christlanchurcheharlestonluroorners.org

Currytown Reformed Church 829 St. Hwy. 162, Sprakers 518-922-8422 *Rev. Donald Hoaglander* Sunday School 9:15am Worship Service 10:00am

Ephratah Reformed Church 140 Co. Hwy. 140, Ephratah, NY To live and share Jesis Christ both locally and globally. Everyday:Everywhere.Everyone. *Pastor Jeff Hindritier* Sunday School for all ages 10am September-June Sunday Morring Worship 11am Prayer & Praise Thursdays 7pm

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



Church of Christ Uniting PO Box 896 Richfield Springs, NY 13439 *Rev. Mark Ioset* 315-858-1553 Service: Sunday 9:15am Church School: Sunday 10:30am

Dolgeville Christian Fellowship 3 Elm St., Dolgeville, NY 13329 315-429-9142 Dr. Marvin Isum, Pastor Worship Sunday 10:30am Midweek Fellowship Tuesday 7pm www.dolgevillechristianfellowship.org

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

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

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



• August 23: 1 pm. Senior Citizens Club Picnic. Bring a dish.

• August 26: 7 pm. Valley Bells Performance. Open to the public, come and enjoy.

• August 27: 11:15 am -12:15 pm. Blood Pressure Clinic. Home Health Care Partners Corp. (Co-Sponsored by St. Mary's & Nathan Littauer Hospitals). In addition to conducting the blood pressure clinic the Home Health Care Partners Corp. also provides health & wellness information.

• August 30: 12 noon.

Meals of Mont will be serving Labor Day Special, BBQ Chicken Breast, Baked Beans, Corn, Dinner Roll & Banana Parfeit. Call 518-673-2000 or 518-843-2300. (Suggested donation is \$3 for those 60 years of age or older).

AUG 13-18 Herkimer County Fair Queen Pageants, Talent Show, Idol Contest and Demo Derby. Demo Derby held on Aug. 16 and drivers must be at least 18 years old. Queen Pageants held Aug. 13 with girls of different age groups from 4-17 and boys from 4-12. Idol contest try outs are Aug. 4 at the **Fairgrounds** with semi and finals held during the fair. Talent Show is Aug. 17 with any age and talent. All events require pre-registration and acts are limited. The Herkimer Co. Fair is joining with other County Fairs across the nation to "Dream Big" and help feed the hungry. Fair goers are asked to bring in non-perishable food items to the fair and receive a chance to win daily prizes & a grand prize at the end of the fair. We are looking for businesses to donate items or gift certificates to give out each day at the fair. The food will be distributed after the fair to the food banks of the Valley. Call Mohawk

#### Page 41 315-895-7464. On Internet at www. herkimercountyfair.org

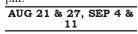
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### Free

**Clothing Giveaway** Valley Alliance Church, State Hwy. 5, east of Nelliston, NY. 9-11:00 am. Doors open at 8:45 am. Refreshments will be provided.

> AUG 19 Monthly Meeting of the Salisbury

**Historical Society** 1805 Frisbie House. 6:30 pm.



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

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

National Kateri Tekakwitha Shrine and Indian Museum 3636 St. Hwy. 5, PO Box 627 Fonda, NY 12068-0627 518-853-3646 Weekly Masses: Sat. 4:30pm, Sun. 10:30am friars@katerishrine.com www.katerishrine.com

Paines Hollow United Methodist Church Intersection of 167 & 168, Paines Hollow Pastor Peg Donaghy 518-568-7604 Sunday Worship 9:00AM Fellowship Hour to Follow

Reformed Church of Sprakers 112 Sprakers Hill Rd Mark Tiffany, Preaching Elder Worship ~ 10AM Grace Episcopal Church 32 Montgomery St., Cherry Valley 315-858-4016 *Fr. Kyle Grennen, Priest-in-Charge* Sunday 11:00am Holy Communion/sermon

## Lassellseville United Methodist Church

State Hwy. 29 Pastor Robert A. Lindsay Worship: Sunday 9:30am Sunday School to start soon

New Hope Christian Fellowship 32 Spencer St., Dolgeville, NY 13329 Pastor Pat Andreoli 315-429-3630 NewHopeChristianFellowship.net Sunday School 9:30AM Worship Service 10:30AM

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

Richfield Springs Bible Church 19 Church St Richfield Springs, NY 13439 *Rev. David Tosi* 315-858-0564 Sunday School (all ages) 10am Worship Service 11am 8.7pm Wednesday - Prayer & Praise Call for info on various Youth Ministries swww.richfieldspringsbiblechurch.org Grandview Baptist Church 15 Washington St. Fort Plain Pastor Dan West Sunday School 10am Morning Service 11am Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 6:30pm

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

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

Reformed Church of Canajoharie 15-19 Front St., Canajoharie 518-673-2816 *Rev. Miriam Barnes* Worship 10am, Nursery Provided, Christian Education for children & adults 9am

River of Jubilee Church 5057 State Highway 5 S Sprakers, NY 12166 Pastor: Gail Adamoschek Pastor: Steve Adamoschek 518-322-1427 / 518-224-4455 Sunday Service 10:00am Children's Church Available Other Learning Opportunities Available Visit us on Facebook

### 315-823-3410 Saturday 4pm Sunday 10:30am

Marshville Evangelical Church Route 10 South

*Rev. David Bowley* Worship Sunday 9am

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115 Reid St., Fort Plain, NY 13339 Parish Office 518-993-3822 ourladyofhope@frontier.com Pastor: Father Dennis Murphy

Mass Schedule: Saturday, 4pm; Sunday, 8:30am & 11am; Mon.-Thurs. 8:30am. Confessions: Sat. 3 & by appointment Please call parish office for Holy Day schedule

Reformed Church of Fort Plain

165 Canal St., Fort Plain, NY 13339 518-993-4302 • fortplainrca@yahoo.com *Rev. Nancy E. Ryan* Sunday Worshin 10:30am

Sunday Worship 10:30am, AA meetings on Tues. 7pm, Home of Manna House Meals, A Community Meal Program-Sat. & Sun 5pm

Seeker's Fellowship 14 Park Place St. Johnsville, NY 13452 518-568-7700 Pastor Mike Yezierski Sunday Worship 6pm, Tues, Prayer 7pm, Bible Study 7pm (Wed, Thurs, & Fri) We teach the fullness of God's Word, a life of holiness for the believer, and salvation for all who trust in Christ's sacrifice.



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• Sept. 4- 6-8 pm serving fruit smoothies

• Sept. 11- 6-8 pm serving cake and presenting thank you's to the departments. Donations of non-perishable items to benefit the local food pantry would be appreciated. Food is free until it's gone. On Internet at ilionchurch.com

#### AUG 24 All Day

### Christian Concert

Dolgeville Central High School A. Contact Bobby Pierce, 315-868-5815.

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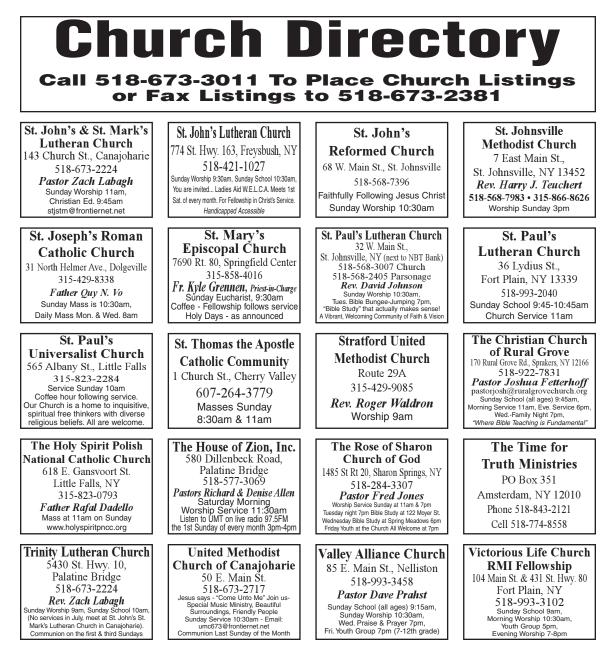
#### AUG 25

55th Annual Silas G. & Sarah E. Bowerman Family Reunion Wiles Park, Fort Plain, NY (look for the pavilion). Hosted by the Douglass families. Dinner at 1 pm with a pig roast. Don't forget the auction. Bring your own table settings, beverages and a dish to pass.

#### **AUG 27**

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on the Mohawk River Enders House, adjacent to the Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site Visitor Center, 129 Schoharie St., Fort Hunter, NY. 6:30 pm. All are welcome to attend. The meeting and lecture are both open to the public. For more information about this event or how to join the Friends of Schoharie Crossing, please call the Visitor Center at 518-829-7516. For more information about New York State Parks, visit our website





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#### NY CONNECTS Informational Luncheon

Raindancer Restaurant, 4582 State Hwy. 30, Amsterdam, NY. Topics will focus on needs of Montgomery Co. citizens with long term care needs regardless of age. Space is limited and reservations are required by Aug. 19. Space is limited. Luncheon is free and open to the public. Contact Montgomery Co. Office for Aging, Inc., 518-843-2300.

SEP 5

Brooks Chicken Barbeque Marshville Evangelical Church, Rt. 10 South, Marshville, NY. 3:30 until sold out. Take outs only. \$6/half. Also baked goods, beans, salad & baked potatoes. Pre-paid tickets try to pick up by 5 pm. For more info call 518-673-2394.

SEP 7, OCT 5, NOV 2 & DEC 7

Acoustic Coffee House Fultonville Methodist Church, Montgomery St., Fultonville, NY. 6:30-10 pm. Now into our 4th year, the no admission, no donation Acoustic Coffee House is open to all types of music as long as no vulgarity, doesn't offend anybody and is acoustic. If you can't make it at 6:30, that's OK there is a new performer every 9-13 minutes on average. Call 518-853-4964.

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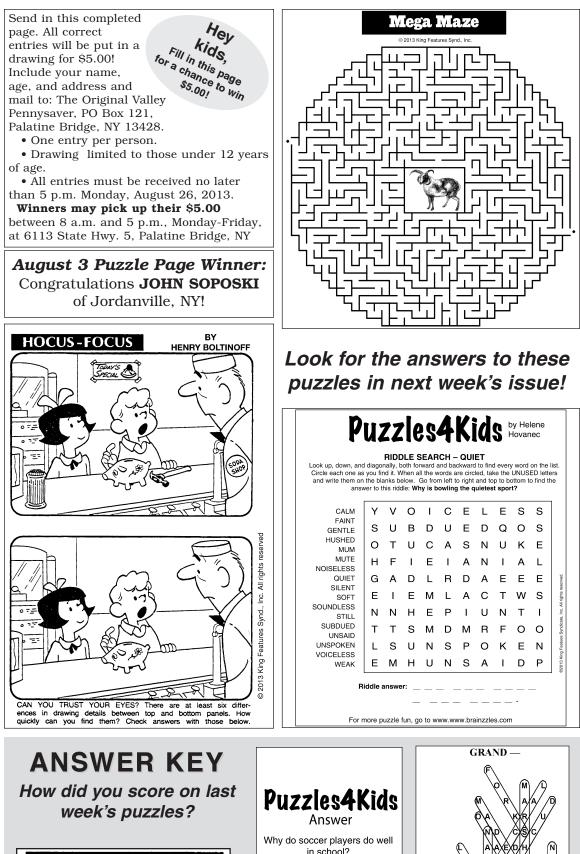
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**Teachers of the 1960's** Knights Inn, Albany St., Little Falls, NY. 5:30 pm. For more information contact Donna O'Rourke at dor1227@comcast.net or call Barb Cooley at 315-823-4162 and leave a message.



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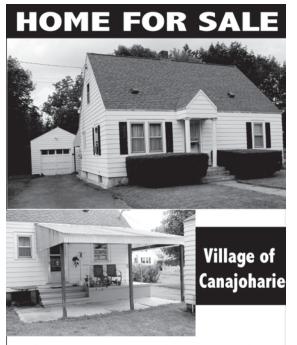
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## Sunday, August 18 • 2-4pm 28 River Street • Fort Plain



Single Family Fort Plain, downtown 2 BR home has updated boiler, hot water and electric service, kitchen, spacious living room, 2 BR's have double closets. There's a linen closet in the bathroom. Kitchen has a separate pantry. There is a two story brick



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## Using tree fruits

### by Dr. Leonard Perry, Exme tension Professor, Univer-.o sity of Vermont

One of the joyous parts to the latter half of summer, and early fall, is the abundance of tree fruits – peaches, pears, and apples. In addition to many recipes, there are variations on fresh eating, and ways to save fruits for later.

Peaches ripen in the northeastern states from mid July to mid September, nectarines beginning in late July. If picking your own, pick peaches just before ripe and they'll still soften a bit, similar to pears and late apples. Or pick ripe if eating fresh within days. As with other tree fruits, leave the stem on the fruit. Ripe peaches last 3 to 5 days in the refrigerator.

If you can't use your peaches and nectarines right away, keep them in a cool place such as a refrigerator or cool basement. In a warm room

they continue to ripen and soon spoil. Shortcake, pie, cobbler, and salads abound when peaches are in season, and you can make fresh peach pie, sundaes, milkshakes, or ice cream. Preserve them in jams, conserves, butters, chutneys, and pickles, or even dry them. Though most cultivars can be frozen, the flavor and consistency are usually better when they are canned.

Pears ripen in most northeastern areas between mid-August and late September, as with other fruits depending on area and cultivar. If picking your own, similar to peaches pick just before ripe. If you leave pears until they are perfectly ripe to pick, they develop hard, gritty cells in the flesh and begin to rot inside, since they ripen from the inside out. Fruit should separate easily from the tree with a slight upward twist. Pick your

pears with extreme care, because if you even slightly damage the delicate skin, the fruit will spoil quickly.

A typically southern use of pears is "honey," which combines them with lemons, limes, ginger, or coconut. Other ways to eat fresh are to cut in halves, topping with vanilla ice cream, chocolate, whipped cream, and what else - afresh cherry! Then there are tasty pear conserves, chutneys, pickles, butters and nectars. In Europe, large amounts are pressed into an alcoholic cider called "Perry", which is found here in some specialty beverage or food outlets.

Freezing pears is easy. Peel, cut in half, and scoop out the seeds. Place in a pot of water with lemon juice to retard fruit browning. Use half a squeezed lemon for every 4 cups of pear slices, or a fruit preservative like

ascorbic acid. according to label directions. Add half to 2/3 cup sugar to help preserve as well. Then place in containers, or plastic freezer bags laid flat with air squeezed out before sealing.

Apples are the last major tree fruit to ripen, with cultivars from late August to November, depending on area. If picking your own, ripe apples have a characteristic blush, separate easily from the tree (leave stems on), and when cut open you'll see brown seeds. Color when ripe is not necessarily red, as some of the best-flavored apples are yellow, green, or russet brown. "Winter" (late-ripening) apples need to stay on the trees for a few weeks after they begin to show color in order to develop their flavor. A few light frosts don't hurt these.

For ripe apples, wash and refrigerate, and they usually will last from 4 to

6 weeks. Early-ripening apples, and those described as "soft", generally don't store well. Refrigerate soon after picking, as apples will ripen 6 or more times faster if left at room temperature.

You can use apples for cooking before the fruit is fully ripe. In fact, if you are storing them you should pick before they are fully ripe. To store for later, you can freeze or dry slices. For drying, dehydrators work best, as do thin slices. Soak as above to prevent browning prior to both drying or freezing. To freeze, spread slices on a baking

sheet first as with cherthen ries. repack in containers or freezer bags when frozen. For ap-

p 1 e sauce, cook until softened or in the microwave on high power, perhaps one minute for each cup of slices. Then, for a smoother sauce process in a blender, or for a chunky sauce use a potato masher instead. Using at least some red apples with the skin still on makes a pink sauce. Use your favorite cultivar, or try mixing several for different flavors.

More on these fruits, including their culture and cultivars, as well as small fruits, can be found in the Fruit Gardener's Bible by Lewis Hill and Leonard Perry.

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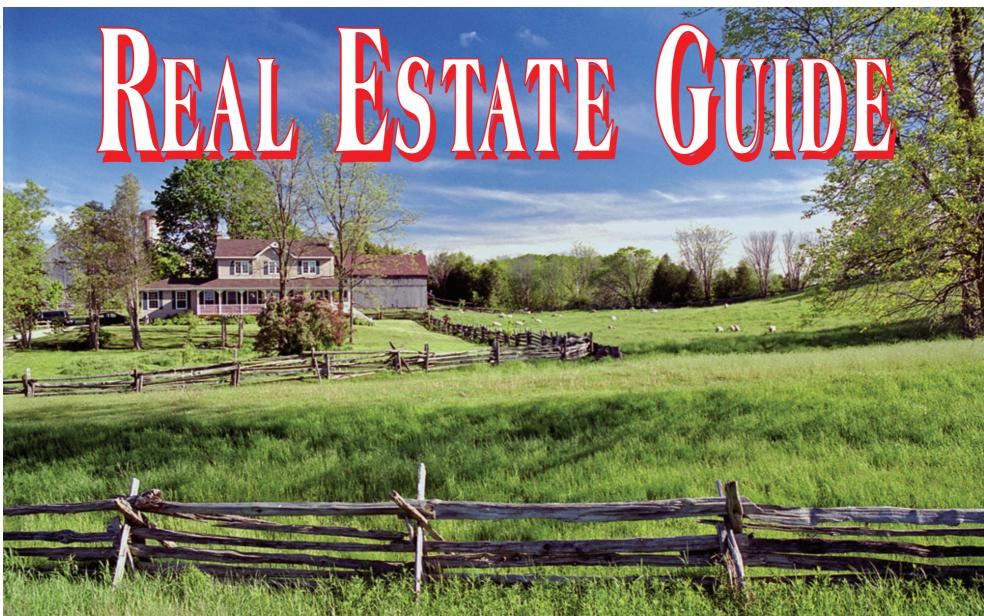
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## Ten steps to a safe food kitchen

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your sick.

#### by Deb Maes, Extension Field Specialist, Food Safetv

Summer has arrived and we know what that means. Family outings, vacations, food cooked on the grill, picnics at the beach or on a mountainside after a morning hike. Our summer season is so short that we all want to make the most of it.

Something else that arrives with summer is an increase in the number of food borne illnesses. We seem to be a little less concerned about food safety when putting food into coolers, cooking hamburgers on the grill and getting food safely stored, just when we should be more careful.

Iowa State University Extension has developed 10 steps to making sure your kitchen is safe. Individually they may be small steps, but put all 10 of them together and they provide a good way to make sure the food you serve to family and friends is remembered as tasting good, not causing someone to get sick.

First, remember to keep your refrigerator at 40°F. Use a thermometer to confirm that the food is

Bringing your best canine buddy along with you for a quick bite just got a little easier. TripsWithPets.com announced the launch of its new website feature: a pet friendly restaurant search option, designed to help pet lovers find great places to comfortably dine with their fourlegged friends.

This feature adds to TripsWithPets.com's cur-



being held at the correct temperature to slow the growth of bacteria that can make you sick. Cold temperatures also help to keep food tasting better. In addition, be sure to check your freezer temp, it should read 0°F.

Refrigerate cooked, perishable foods as soon as possible within two hours after cooking. Make it easy by dating leftovers so that they can be used within two or three days - or freeze them. If you are in doubt about whether or not a food is safe, throw it out.

Kitchen dishcloths and sponges provide a perfect breeding ground for bacteria. We recommend that you sanitize your kitchen cloths and sponges regularly by soaking them in a solution of one teaspoon chlorine bleach to one quart of water and let air dry — or throw them into your laundry.

Wash your cutting boards with soap and hot water after each use. Be careful not to allow raw meats and fish to come in contact with other foods. Use separate cutting boards for vegetables and fruits. Consider putting your cutting boards in the

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dishwasher or soaking them in a bleach solution periodically to prevent bacteria from remaining on your cutting board. Just because you are

cooking on a grill doesn't mean that you shouldn't



You may remember sneaking a finger full of raw cookie dough when Mom was making your favorite chocolate chip cookies. Due to the increased risk in eating foods with undercooked or raw eggs, it is safer not to indulge. Enjoy your cookies fresh out of the oven with a glass of ice cold milk instead.

Think of all the things that get put on your kitchen counters. Would you want to eat off those counters? No way. Now make sure that before you prepare any food on those counters that you clean them with hot soapy water and a spray of that bleach solution you use to keep your sponges safe.

Wash your dishes by hand and let them air dry. Using a dishtowel may merely be transferring bacteria from your cloth to your clean dishes. Remember to wash the dishes within two hours to keep bacteria from multiplying.

Wash your hands often. Use hot water and soap, scrub and rinse thoroughly. Then dry your hands on a paper towel. This is especially important if you have been handling raw meat, poultry or fish.

The last step deals with defrosting meat. The safest way to defrost o foods is in the fridge, but sometimes you want to eat sooner than later. If **E** your food is well wrapped, put your wrapped frozen item in a container with cold water and change the water every 30 minutes. Never ₹ leave food on the counter § to defrost. Think of how hot your kitchen gets during the heat of the summer; it is just the temperature bacteria love 5 for growing quickly.

When I started teaching food safety classes there were four rules: Keep Hot Food Hot. Keep Cold Food Cold. Keep Everything Clean. When in Doubt, Throw it Out. As you can see from the above 10 steps, nothing has changed over the last thirty years. Don't be one of the 48 million people who have a food borne illness each year. Protect yourself and your family by following the ten simple steps to a safe food kitchen.

For more information about food safety go to www.befoodsafe.org

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TripsWithPets.com owner and founder Kim Salerno is thrilled to debut the new search option. "Pet parents are always looking for fun new ways to include their pets in their everyday lives and activities," she notes. "What better way to bond with your dog than to bring him along for a relaxing meal out? It's exciting to open up that option to people who otherwise might not have known it was available."

Salerno herself has a favorite spot to hang out with her furry friend. "I personally enjoy dining out with my dog at a local café." she notes. "I grab a latte and sit with him outside - he people and dog watches while I take advantage of the free WiFi and feed him treats!"

It should be noted that, due to health codes, pets are only allowed in outdoor seating areas. In addition - much like human patrons — only wellbehaved pets are welcomed in restaurants.

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## Auto service contracts and warranties

If you're shopping for a new or used car, the salesperson may encourage you to buy an auto service contract to help protect against unexpected or costly repairs. While a service contract may sound like a good idea, it may overlap with the vehicle's existing manufacturer's warranty. So before you spend the extra money, do some research to see if an auto service contract makes sense. Coverage varies widely.

### Auto service contracts 101

A service contract is a promise to perform (or pay for) certain repairs or services. Sometimes called an "extended warranty," a service contract is not a warranty as defined by federal law. A service contract may be arranged at any time and always costs extra: a warranty comes with a new car and is included in the purchase price. Used cars also may come with some type of warranty coverage.

### **Research your options**

Auto service contracts are sold by vehicle manufacturers, auto dealers, and independent providers. If you're considering a service contract, shop around so you understand exactly what you're buying.

## Do I have to buy a service contract?

You are generally not required to buy an auto service contract when you buy a car. You also are generally not required to buy a service contract to get financing. If the dealer tells you that you have to buy a service contract to qualify for financing, contact the lender to find out if this is true.

Also beware of unscrupulous dealers who may try to include an auto service contract in your loan without your consent.

### Does the service contract duplicate any warranty coverage?

Compare service contracts with the manufacturer's warranty. New cars come with a manufacturer's warranty, which usually offers coverage for at least three years or 36,000 miles, whichever comes first. A service contract likely will not provide benefits until the manufacturer's warranty expires.

What is the length of the service contract?

If the service contract lasts longer than you expect to own the car. ask if it can be transferred when you sell the car and whether there is a fee, or if a shorter contract is available. If you're buying a "demonstrator" — a new car that hasn't been owned, leased, or used as a rental, but has been driven by dealer staff ask when the warranty coverage begins and ends. It may have begun when the dealer put the car into service.

## Who backs the service contract?

Find out who performs or pays for repairs under the terms of the service contract. It may be the manufacturer, the dealer, or an independent company. Many service contracts are handled by companies called administrators, that authorize the payment of claims to any dealers under the contract. If you have a dispute over whether a claim should be paid, deal with the administrator. If the administrator goes out of business, the dealership still may be obligated to perform under the contract. The reverse also may be true: If the dealer goes out of business, the administrator may be required to fulfill the terms of the contract. Whether you have any legal remedies depends on your contract's terms and/or your state's laws.

Find out if the auto service contract is underwritten by an insurance company. It's required in some states. If the contract is backed by an insurance company, contact your state insurance commission to ask about the solvency of the company and whether any complaints are on file.

Insurance regulations generally require companies to:

• maintain an adequate financial reserve to pay claims.

• base their contract fees on expected claims. Some service contract providers have been known to make huge profits because the cost of their contracts far exceeds the cost of repairs or services they provide.

• seek approval from the state insurance office for premiums or contract fees.

Check out the dealer and the administrator

with your local or state consumer protection office or local automobile dealers association to see if any complaints are on file against the company. You also can search online for complaints.

If you decide to buy a service contract through a dealership — and the contract is backed by an administrator or a third party — make sure the dealer forwards your payment and you get written confirmation.

## How much does it cost?

Usually, the price of the service contract is based on the car make, model, condition (new or used), coverage, and length of contract. The upfront cost can range from one to several thousand dollars. In addition, you may need to pay a deductible.

### What's covered?

Few service contracts cover all repairs. Common repairs for parts like brakes and clutches generally are not included in auto service contracts. The best advice: If an item isn't listed, assume it's not covered. Watch out for absolute exclusions that deny coverage for any reason.

You may not have full protection even for parts that are covered in the contract. Some companies use a "depreciation factor" in calculating coverage: the company may pay only partial repair or replacement costs based on your car's mileage.

How are claims handled?

When your car needs to be repaired or serviced, you may be able to choose among several service dealers or authorized repair centers. Or, you may have to take it to the dealer you bought it from. Find out if your car will be covered if it breaks down while you're using it on a trip or if you take it when you move out of town.

Some auto service contract companies and dealers offer service only in specific geographical areas. Find out if you need prior authorization from the contract provider for any repair work or towing services. Be sure to ask: how long it takes to get authorization, whether you can get authorization outside of normal business hours, and whether the company has a toll-free number for authorization. Test the toll-free number before you buy the contract to see if you can get through easily.

You may have to pay for covered repairs and then wait for the service company to reimburse you.

#### Are new or reconditioned parts authorized for use in covered repairs?

If this concerns you, you will want to know whether the authorized repair facility maintains an adequate stock of parts. Repair delays may occur if authorized parts are not readily available and must be ordered.

### What are my responsi- ດີ bilities?

Under the service con-tract, you may have to follow all the manufactur-er's recommendations for routine maintern routine maintenance, like oil changes. If you don't, it could void the contract. 🕉 To prove you have maintained the car properly, keep detailed records, in- • cluding receipts. Find out **2** if the contract prohibits you from taking the car to an independent station  $\vec{r}$ for routine maintenance or performing the work  $\overline{\boldsymbol{\omega}}$ yourself. The contract may specify that the dealer that sold you the car is the only authorized facility for servicing the car.

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## **Preserving summer flowers**

### by Dr. Leonard Perry, Extension Professor, University of Vermont

Have you ever wished you could enjoy the beauty of summer flowers year-round? You can, if you preserve garden flowers now while they're in their peak of bloom. Because flowers and plant parts respond differently to drying and preserving methods, you may need to experiment for best results with method and time of harvest. More than one method may work with many flowers.

Start with top quality plants. Choose fresh, unwilted, undamaged flowers and foliage from your garden, farmer's market, or cutting field at a farm stand. Collect plant materials on a warm, sunny morning after the dew has dried. Dampness encourages mold and slows the drying process.

Try to cut flowers just before they are fully opened. Always gather more material than you think you'll need for your arrangements and since wreaths some shrinkage and loss of plant material will occur. Tall artemisia or wormwood is useful as filler in arrangements and wreaths. Harvest when the seedhead is fully developed, and air dry.

Air drying is the easiest

and most popular method of drying flowers. It is generally the best method to use for flowers with strong stems such as cockscomb or celosia, globe thistle, sea lavender, liatris, sunflower, tall sedum like 'Autumn Joy', Joe Pye, and yarrow. Air dry those with small flowers in clusters such as baby's breath, larkspur, statice, salvia, or lavender. Also air dry dock, goldenrod, grasses, dusty miller, sedges, cattails, and hydrangea. Pick hydrangea when it is getting a papery feel, as picking before this stage may cause it to wilt.

After cutting the flowers, strip the foliage from the stem, then tie a few stems together with a string or rubber band. Hang upside down on a hook, clothesline, or coat hanger for several weeks in a warm, dry place with good air circulation, such as an attic, garage, or old barn. Keep out of direct sunlight, and preferably below 85 degrees (F). Flowers such as hydrangea and varrow dry best when placed upright in a jar filled with onehalf inch water that is then allowed to evaporate. If an enclosed or indoor space, you may need to use a dehumidifier on humid days.

To dry dahlias, plumed

celosia, zinnias, roses, marigolds, and other flowers with thick heads or delicate blooms, use a drying agent — borax, white cornmeal, rice, or silica gel (available at craft shops). These materials draw the moisture out of plant tissues while still retaining flower color. Others good for such such preservatives include salvia, annual larkspur, and delphinium.

Spread the drying agent about an inch thick in the bottom of an airtight container. Don't use wooden or cardboard containers, as they will allow moisture inside. You may want to use a mask if working with silica gel, and don't reuse the same container later for food.

Select blooms approximately the same size and type, and remove the foliage and most of the stem except for about an inch. Place the blooms on top of the layer, and cover completely with more drying agent. Seal the container, and place in a cool, dark place. In about a week's time, the flower petals will be dry and crisp. Gently pour off the agent, and remove the dried flowers, or remove with a slotted spoon. Spray blooms with a fixative, such as hair spray. Store preserved blooms

in an airtight container with just a bit of drying agent on the bottom. To hold the blooms upright in arrangements, use 20 or 22 gauge florist's wire. If you want instant re-

sults, you can microwave



the flowers with silica gel type).

in an oven-proof or glass container. Preheat one

inch of the silica gel on

high for one minute or

Or preserve summer flowers by pressing them between layers of paper towels or newspaper, in a

until crystals turn blue.

Place a flower on the

warm crystals, and cover

completely with silica gel.

Cook for one to three

minutes, then let stand

for up to 25 minutes

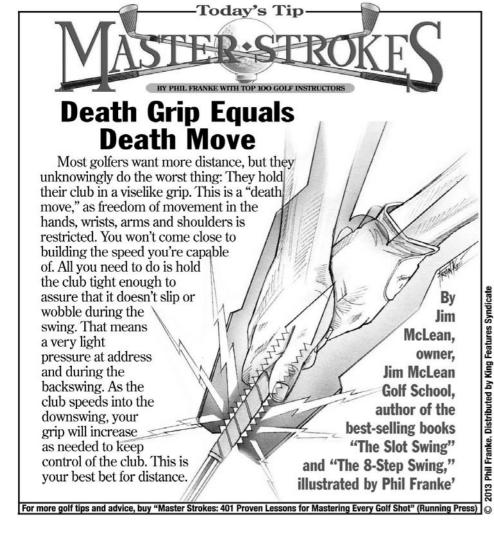
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wooden flower press or between heavy books. Flowers with fine, delicate flowers or a single row of petals lend themselves to pressing. Examples include fennel, pansy, viola, wild roses, dianthus, lavender, and alyssum. Foliage such as fennel and ferns can be pressed too. Pressed and dried birch leaves can be strung with fine wire into a fall garland.

Select only perfect **Sec** specimens for pressing, but keep in mind that **b** while orange and yellow • blossoms will retain their vivid color, most blues, purples, and pinks will fade, and reds may turn a muddy brown. Leave your flowers in the press for four to six weeks. If the material is very fleshy, you may need to change the paper after the first 24 to 48 hours to prevent mold growth.

To preserve woody stems of leaves and fruit, cut the ends and place the bottom four to five inches of basal stem in a glycerine mixture until the plant has a glossy appearance and a leathery feel to all its leaves. To make the mixture, combine two parts water with one part glycerine (available at most drug stores), and blend thoroughly. Save the glycerin solution for future use by adding a few drops of bleach.

While collecting and preserving flowers and foliage, don't forget to collect non-flower items too for later decoration such as cones, acorn caps, milkweed pods, and seeds.







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