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A ribbon cutting ceremony took place at Linda's Consignment Shop recently. Helping with the ceremony are owner Linda Scaffidi-Fonti, Pastor Gail Adamoschek, and State Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk. See page 20.

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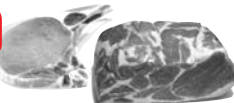


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Hello Again,

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On the other hand – just think how fortunate we are to have county sheriff's and NY State Police cars patrolling our highways. If it were not for them, most of us would be driving our cars as recklessly as the deputy sheriffs seem to feel they have the sole privilege to do. Can you imagine hundreds, if not thousands, of cars with bright flashing lights – tooting their horns and driving as a sheriff's car? Just to emphasize the importance of that Evel Knievel breathtaking drive thru. Within 5-10 minutes the sheriff's car, following a state trooper's car, returned through the same four-cornered traffic control light doing 20-25 mph with no bad boogieman strapped on the fender or handcuffed in the back seat. Like when you go fishing, you can't catch them all. That unlawful boogieman must have got away. Better luck next time – maybe if the sheriff's car was doing 85-90 mph the story would have been different (read between the lines.)

While the chatter about our local "Evel Knievels" with flashing Christmas lights and horns-a-tooten is current, we received a letter from an 81-year-old Starkville lady (soon to be 82) with a "whopper" tale found in a family scrapbook, possibly dating back to 1901. That's 112 years ago.

As whoppers go, this one seems to be true – give or take a few inches and pounds. In her words, Lysander Becker, a shirttail relative, was fishing the waters of Lake Summit using a worm for bait with his trusty bamboo pole when the pole was yanked out of his hands and disappeared into the lake water. Waiting for it to reappear, Lysander, as a man of truth and sobriety, realized the telling might be a whopper too big to swallow. Twenty-four hours later a brother fisherman, Jack Heisler, observed the bamboo floating on the surface and hauled in a 25 pound, 38 inch carp. Lysander's pole was returned and Jack Heisler displayed and took credit for the biggest catch ever in Lake Summit.

If this fishin' whopper was told by my two "Bob" friends, it would be recorded in the book of whoppers but I'm sure that Chris Young of Starkville believes this 'maybe whopper' as true blue. Just to add a little to the Summit Lake story, which is located between Springfield Center and Van Hornesville, Summit Lake is often referred to as "Mud Lake," and carp seem to prefer mud-bottomed lakes.

Our Country Editor advertising sales people have asked, "Is it in good taste to point out to advertisers that the Little Falls Times daily newspaper, according to their own statement filed with the United States Postal Service, has only about 1,200 circulation (one thousand, two hundred) and the Herkimer Telegram with their postal filing has approximately 2,400 – that is two thousand, four hundred while this paper, the Country Editor, has approximately 26,400 – twenty-six thousand, four hundred – mailed copies to Herkimer County each week?"

We answered, "yes" to that question. That is why we started publishing Country Editor. We felt there was a tremendous need for a weekly publication which would be read in nearly all of the Herkimer County homes, as 1,200 or 2,400 could not possibly help a

business who needs an advertising circulation of 26,400 homes and businesses.

While sitting here writing this week's Hello Again, I found myself humming an old Irish tune. While I can't sing it to you — thank your stars — you can read the words:

"Patrick McGinnty an Irishman of note, fell into a fortune and bought himself a goat. 'Goat's milk,' said Patty, and now I'll have my fill. But when he got his nanny home he found it was a bill."

It would seem to be nearly impossible to believe any U.S. adult citizen could not remember the September 11, 2001 Islamic attack on New York City and Washington, D.C.

Four passenger airliners were hijacked by 19 Al-Qaida terrorists (not a large army) so they could be flown into buildings in suicide attacks. Both were American Airlines planes which crashed into the World Trade Center buildings in New York City. The third American Airlines plane crashed into the Pentagon. The fourth American Airlines plane targeted at Washington D.C. was crashed into a field in Pennsylvania. Nearly 3,000 people died in those attacks.

The United States, under the leadership of Mr. Bush, quickly reacted to this attack on the United States by launching the War on Terror and invaded Afghanistan to dispose of the Taliban which had harbored Al-Qaida. Their leader, Bin Laden, evaded capture for years. Bin Laden was located and killed by U.S. forces in May 2011.

It is this writer's belief, if any weak president had held the office of President of the United States at that time — our country would have been turned into a hell-fire target for Al-Qaida terrorists.

The question that lingers: did President

George Bush ever receive proper credit for saving the United States? The answer is absolutely not. The liberal news media and opposing political opponents tried their best to turn the name of Bush into a slur or swear word. After all of these years, President John F. Kennedy and President George Bush should be thought of as national heroes. Bush from scaring the pants off the world terrorists and Kennedy for backing off Russia with its Cuban Missile program. These two were truly great men — great presidents.

Is it not possible that the United States is presently suffering an attack from within? Many of our leading government leaders believe the Obama Health Program from within will destroy our great nation. The attack is not an attack upon Democrats or Republicans but on the future of the United States. Can any nation hold up when its financial structure is under attack from within?

All I can say is I do not believe it can work, and it has the potential to destroy the economy of our great country. I honestly wonder could we even find 10 Senators who have read the law from cover to cover.

What president will save us from this attack?

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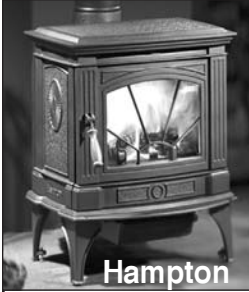




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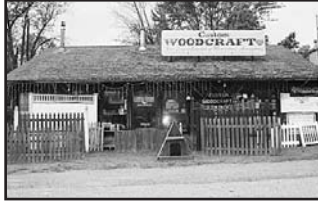


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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Bag
Biscuit
Caddy
Cart
- For two
Garden
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- Party
Pots
Room
Service
- Set
Shop
Towel

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Distant
4 Primary
8 — vu
12 "Rocks"
13 Bullets and the like
14 Mosque
15 Blood group?
17 Tarzan's transport
18 Diving bird
19 Substantial bodies of work
21 Cronkite or Brennan
24 Parched
25 Beer's cousin
26 Cratchit lad
28 Medical worker
32 Apparel
34 Chum
36 Bartlett or Bosc
37 Don't slouch
39 Steal from
41 Cacophony
42 Pantheon member
44 Ping-Pong need
46 Parade of a sort
50 Not many
51 Common rhyme scheme
52 Warnings

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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60									61	

DOWN

- 1 Christmas tree, often
2 Expert
3 Period of imminent danger
4 Sell
5 I love (Lat.)
6 Pointer
7 Snooped
(around)
8 Split evenly
9 Mideast ruler
10 "— Eyre"
11 Iowa city
12 Snip
13 Coffee shop vessel
14 Moves back and forth
15 Jai follower
16 Tear
17 Ruin the veneer
18 Low-temp star
19 Take to the seas
20 Sea eagle
21 Imaginary cause of fear
22 Prune
23 Camera-person's angle (Abbr.)
24 Confound
25 2001 movie, "Donnie —"
26 First st.
27 Jam ingredients?
28 Have — in one's bonnet
29 Pealed
30 Night light
31 Elmer, to Bugs
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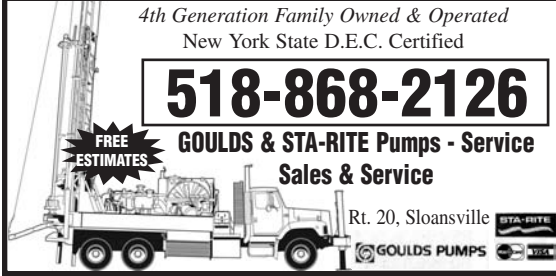
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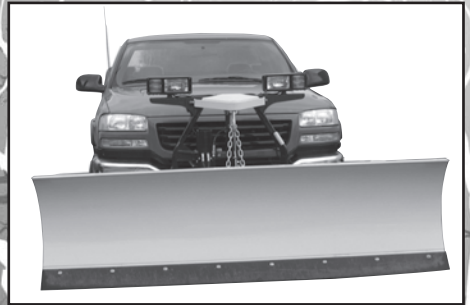
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Breakfast

Photo w/Santa



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Grand Re-opening at Linda's Consignments in Fort Plain in time for the holiday season

by Elizabeth A. Tomlin

On Friday Nov. 22, Linda's Consignment Shop, located at 27 Main Street, Fort Plain, celebrated a recovery from the flood that had devastated the business in June.

"We lost everything," owner Linda Scaffidi-Fonti said. "About \$24,000 worth of clothing alone was ruined. Books, racks, everything went out the door."

Carpeting, dressing rooms, manikins and even the store ceiling was lost.

The water rushing in from the flash flood knocked down the entire back wall of the business.

"We had about 3 feet that actually came in with mud, gook and everything else. I was overwhelmed." Scaffidi-Fonti says.

After waiting for weeks to hear about receiving help from the government, Linda was advised by newly elected Supervisor for the Town of Palatine, Sara Niccoli, to contact Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk (D-Duanesburg).

"I had spoken to Sara Niccoli and she told me to write a letter to the senator, which I did. And within a week or so I got my check! So I'm very happy!"

Scaffidi-Fonti stated that she could not reopen on her own because of the extreme damage and expense. Now, everything from



Pastor Gail Adamoschek (R), a leader in coordinating the distribution of supplies to Fort Plain flood victims, makes a purchase at Linda's Grand Re-Opening celebration.

the wall to the ceiling, carpeting and dressing rooms has all been replaced.

State Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk joined Scaffidi-Fonti for the ribbon cutting and celebrate the grand re-opening —

even doing some shopping while she was there.

"It's a great place to find lots of bargains!" Tkaczyk stated. "It's great to see people getting back to business in Fort Plain!"

Scaffidi-Fonti says

she is grateful to all that have helped her put her business back together, especially her family, including her sons, her husband Franco, her son-in-law and her nephew, all whom worked tirelessly to have the business up and running by Thanksgiving.

"A lot of my customers gave me a lot of joy because they all came in with offers to help me clean and set up. Dawn Sanders took prom wear and gowns and had them cleaned for me. Top Notch Construction gave me great deals on the ceiling and the floor. There are so many who helped me I can't possibly name them all. A slew of people! But I thank them all and I send my love and appreciation to each and every one of them! They are my customer family who I love very much!"



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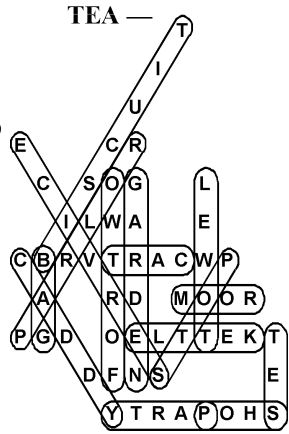
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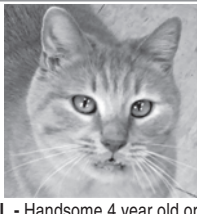
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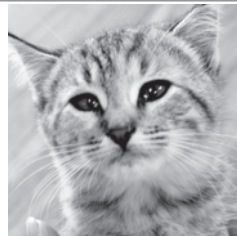
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## New York State officials tour flood areas in Fort Plain

by Elizabeth A. Tomlin

In an ongoing effort to restore Fort Plain residents to be in their homes by the Christmas holiday, local and NYS officials met to discuss current needs and to tour restored businesses that were devastated by the June 2013 flood.

Officials, including Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk (D-Duanesburg), Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli, Darrel J. Aubertine, special assistant to the comptroller, Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara

(D-Rotterdam), James C. Plastiras, Director of Communications Tkaczyk, Fort Plain Mayor Barton, Fort Plain Trustee Marianne McFee, Volunteer Coordinator Cindy Tracy and River of Jubilee Christian Church Pastor Gail Adamoschek met at the Fort Plain Fireman's Hall for a press conference.

"I want to publicly thank Mayor Barton and the other elected officials here locally who were such great heroes in the days of the flooding and the aftermath," stated Tkaczyk.

Tkaczyk also thanked Pastor Gail



*Pastor Gail Adamoschek, Darrel J. Aubertine, Volunteer Coordinator Cindy Tracy, Fort Plain Mayor Guy Barton and Fort Plain Village Trustee Marianne McFee met with other officials to discuss ongoing efforts to complete housing repairs before Christmas.*

*Photos by Elizabeth A. Tomlin*

Adamoschek and local churches, as well as the many organizations that came to help distressed residents and businesses in Fort Plain.

"Folks like Pastor Gail were instrumental in helping us get together as a community and put together what we needed to get to people who needed help so critically."

Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli recognized that he had been invited to tour the community by Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk and praised the community government and organizations for their response to the flooding.

"Unfortunately," DiNapoli stated, "we are becoming accustomed to the fact that, whether it is downstate or upstate New York, these weather events are hitting our communities hard in a very, very direct way." He pointed out that "the resilience of New York communities is very clear."

DiNapoli also recognized President of the Greater Capital Region Building and Construction Trades Council Jeff Stark and his team for all they had accomplished in Schoharie and in Fort Plain.

"This is neighbor to neighbor, helping out in a time of crisis, doing what New Yorkers know how to do best; pull together in adversity, keep an optimistic point of view, show that we're tougher than any storm — and that's what the story of Fort Plain is," DiNapoli concluded.

The officials toured Save A Lot grocery and the Fort Plain library, which have been restored, and the home of Nicole Devoe, still badly in need of repairs.

"It's important to encourage folks who want to help out and get more people into their homes for the holidays," commented Tkaczyk. "There's more work to be done in Fort Plain and we welcome them to join us in that effort."



*State Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk, accompanied by NYS Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli (left) and Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara, speaks about the flood relief at a press conference held in Fort Plain.*



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*Fri., December 6th Christmas Auction ~ 6:33pm*

*Sat., December 7th Consignment Auction ~ 6:33pm*

*Sun., December 8th Breeder Sale ~ 11:33am*

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### DEC 1

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### Valley Choralaires Annual Christmas Concert

United Methodist Church, 50 E. Main St., Canajoharie, NY. 3 pm.

### DEC 1 & 8

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Canajoharie, NY. 11 am - 4 pm.

### DEC 8

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### DEC 1-31

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coffee hour to follow service

### Fultonville Reformed Church

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**Pastor Jane Hubschmitt**  
Sunday School 10AM  
Family Worship 10:30AM

# Calendar of Events

the basement. Stop for coffee after.

• **Wednesdays:** 3-4 pm. Gentle Yoga/Chair Yoga with instructor, Patty Pietrowicz

• **Dec. 5:** 1-3 pm. Second Time Around band practice. Visitors welcome.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

• **Dec. 3:** 7 pm. The Valley Choraliers will be performing Christmas Music, refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

• **Dec 4:** 12:30-4 pm. Senior Citizens Public Pinochle Card Party, donation - \$2, prizes & refreshments. If you

would like to sub call Terry-673-5635. NO CARD PARTY THE REST OF THE MONTH.

• **Dec. 8:** 1 pm. Canjo. Sr. Citizens Christmas Luncheon at Ripepis. Call Carole Clothier at 673-5335. \$10 for members. Reserve by Dec. 4.

• **Dec 17:** 11:15 am - 12:15 pm. Blood Pressure Clinic. Home Health Care Partners Corp. (Co-Sponsored by St. Mary's & Nathan Littauer Hospital). In addition to conducting the blood pressure clinic the Home Health Care Partners Corp. also provides

health and wellness information.

• **Dec 18:** 12 noon. OFA Meals of Montgomery Program is providing a Christmas luncheon which includes Roast Beef w/gravy, mashed potatoes, peas & mushrooms, dinner roll & cheesecake w topping. Call 673-2000 for reservations no later than Dec. 9th. The Second Time Around band will have a Christmas performance following the meal. Anyone is welcome at 1 pm.

## MEETINGS

• **Dec. 6:** 1 pm. Canajoharie Senior Citizens Meeting.

• **Dec 10:** 6 pm. Chamber of Commerce Meeting. All are welcome. There will be no Alzheimer's Dementia

Caregivers Support Group meeting in Dec.

## DEC 4

### German Flatts

**Annual Christmas Tea**  
Little Falls Senior Community Center, 524 East Main St., Little Falls, NY. 1-3 pm. \$15. Seating is limited, reservations required before Dec. 1. Contact Barb, 315-866-0481 or e-mail [bsmielcarski@verizon.net](mailto:bsmielcarski@verizon.net)

## DEC 6

### Come and Welcome Santa and Mrs. Claus

German Flatts Town Park, Rte 5s between Mohawk & Little Falls. 6 pm.

### Elves' Night Out

Canajoharie, NY.  
• 4 pm: The Arkell Museum will have projects for children.  
• 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Visit Santa at the post office

# Church Directory

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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

**Grace Episcopal Church**  
32 Montgomery St., Cherry Valley  
315-858-4016  
*Fr. Kyle Grennen, Priest-in-Charge*  
Sunday 11:00am Holy Communion/sermon

**Grandview Baptist Church**  
15 Washington St., Fort Plain  
518-993-9929  
*Pastor Dan West*  
Sunday School 10am  
Morning Service 11am  
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting,  
Wednesday 6:30pm

**Guiding Light Fellowship  
Rose of Sharon Church of God**  
122 Moyer St.  
Canajoharie, NY  
518-284-3307  
*Pastor Fred Jones*  
Tuesday 7pm

**Holy Family Parish**  
Little Falls, NY  
315-823-3410  
Saturday 4pm  
Sunday 10:30am

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

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

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

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*Pastor Peg Donaghy*  
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Sunday Worship 9:30AM  
Fellowship Hour to Follow

**Randall  
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Sunday Service 10am  
*Pastors*  
*Winston Hallett & Carl Hawver*

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

**Reformed Church  
of Fort Plain**  
165 Canal St., Fort Plain, NY 13339  
518-993-4302 • [fortplainrca@yahoo.com](mailto:fortplainrca@yahoo.com)  
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of Sprakers**  
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**River of Jubilee Church**  
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# Calendar of Events

- 5-9 pm - Canajoharie Eagles Club Craft Fair
- 6 pm - Church bells will be ringing while elves run around the village to mark the beginning of the annual Sing Around the Christmas Tree.
- "Canajoharie's Christmas Spectacular 2013" Wreath Decorating Contest
- Horse & carriage rides will be running throughout the evening beginning at the Library.
- 6:30 pm - Hot chocolate & cookies will be served at the museum. This is another chance to visit with Santa.

**St. Johnsville Chamber of Commerce Meeting**  
American Legion, St. Johnsville, NY. 6 pm. Chili dinner & wreath auction.

**DEC 6-8**

**Mohawk Valley Chorus**  
• Dec. 6 - Scotia Reformed Church - 8 pm  
• Dec. 7 - Johnstown High School - 7 pm  
• Dec. 8 - United Presbyterian - 3 pm  
Doors open 30 minutes before each concert. \$12 for general admission and \$9 for senior citizens and students. Youngsters, 12 and under are admitted at no charge.

**DEC 7**

**Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Sign up Dates**

Jansen Ave. School, Johnstown, NY. For Fulton & Montgomery Co. families. These are the only sign up times. Proper identification is required for parent and child. On Internet at [www.toysfortots.org](http://www.toysfortots.org)

**17th Annual Holiday Cookie and Craft Sale**  
Our Lady Queen of Apostles Church, 414 Frankfort St., Frankfort, NY. To place a cookie order call 315-894-2360.

**Acoustic Coffee House**  
Fultonville Methodist Church, Montgomery St., Fultonville, NY. 6:30-10 pm. Call 518-853-4964.

**Breakfast with Santa**  
Canajoharie-Fort Plain

Elks Lodge #2621, Old Station Rd., Nelliston, NY. 8:30-11:30 am. Ages 15 & under free, 16 years & older \$7. Get your picture taken with Santa too! (1st photo free - each additional photo nominal charge).

**DEC 8**

**Community Festival Chorus**  
Remsen Art Center. 7 pm.

**Community Festival Chorus**  
St. Leo's Church in Holland Patent. 3 pm.

**Mohawk Valley Choral Christmas Concert**  
Holy Family Church, East Main St., Little Falls, NY. 7:30 pm. Tickets may be reserved by calling 823-1615 or at the Choral Society's website [www.mvchoral.org](http://www.mvchoral.org)

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### 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.

### St. John's & St. Mark's Lutheran Church

143 Church St., Canajoharie  
518-673-2224

**Pastor Zach Lagh**  
Sunday Worship 11am,  
Christian Ed. 9:45am  
[stjstm@frontiernet.net](mailto:stjstm@frontiernet.net)

### St. John's Lutheran Church

774 St. Hwy. 163, Freysbush, NY  
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### Rose of Sharon Church of God

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68 W. Main St., St. Johnsville  
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### St. Johnsville Methodist Church

7 East Main St.,  
St. Johnsville, NY 13452  
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Worship Sunday 3pm

### St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

31 North Helmer Ave., Dolgeville  
315-429-8338

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Daily Mass Mon. & Wed. 8am

### St. Mary's Episcopal Church

7690 Rt. 80, Springfield Center  
315-858-4016

**Fr. Kyle Grennen, Priest-in-Charge**  
Sunday Eucharist, 9:30am  
Coffee - Fellowship follows service  
Holy Days - as announced

### St. Paul's Lutheran Church

32 W. Main St.,  
St. Johnsville, NY (next to NBT Bank)  
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### St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Community

1 Church St., Cherry Valley  
607-264-3779  
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8:30am & 11am

### Stratford United Methodist Church

Route 29A  
315-429-9085  
**Rev. Roger Waldron**  
Worship 9am

### The Christian Church of Rural Grove

170 Rural Grove Rd., Sprakers, NY 12166  
518-922-7831  
**Pastor Joshua Fetterhoff**  
[pastorjoshi@ruralgrovechurch.org](mailto:pastorjoshi@ruralgrovechurch.org)  
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Morning Service 11am, Eve. Service 6pm,  
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5430 St. Hwy. 10,  
Palatine Bridge  
518-673-2224  
**Rev. Zach Lagh**  
Sunday Worship 9am, Sunday School 10am,  
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518-993-3458  
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Sunday School (all ages) 9:15am,  
Sunday Worship 10:30am,  
Wed. Praise & Prayer 7pm,  
Fri. Youth Group 7pm (7-12th grade)

### Victorious Life Church RMI Fellowship

104 Main St. & 431 St. Hwy. 80  
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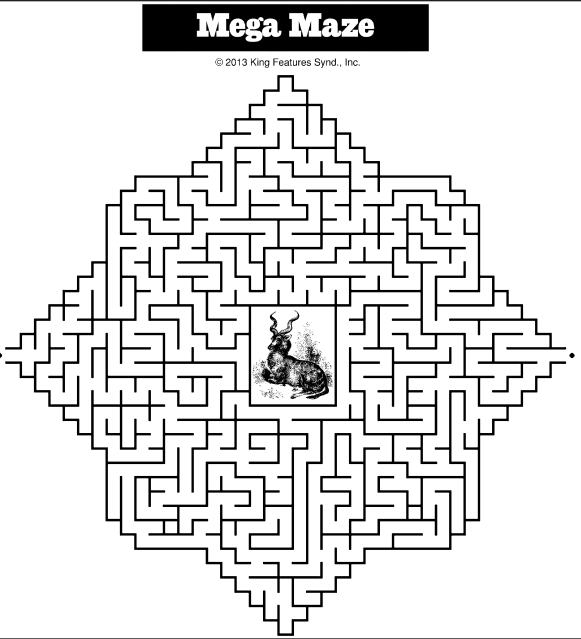
The term "whole 9 yards" came from WWII fighter pilots in the South Pacific. When arming their airplanes on the ground, the .50 caliber machine gun ammo belts measured exactly 27 feet. If the pilots fired all their ammo at a target, it got the "whole 9 yards."

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY
HENRY BOLTINOFF



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by Helene Hovanec

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ANSWER KEY

How did you score on last week's puzzles?

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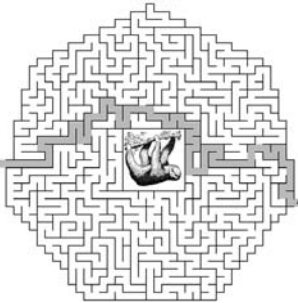
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CRATES	C	STARE
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MASCOT	M	COAST
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The following tips are offered to help motorists stay safe:

- If you spot a deer, slow down and pay attention to possible sudden movement. If the deer doesn't move, don't go around it. Wait for the deer to pass and the road is clear.

- If you are traveling after dark, use high beams when there is no oncoming traffic. High beams will be reflected by the eyes of deer on or near roads.

- If you see one deer, be on guard: others may be in the area.

Deer typically move in family groups at this time of year and cross roads single-file.

Female deer are being chased by bucks and during breeding phase are often unaware of traffic.

Source: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

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PSC and NYSERDA provide energy saving tips

As temperatures drop, consumers asked to save energy and money

The New York State Public Service Commission and the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority urged consumers to take steps to save energy and money as winter approaches and temperatures continue to drop. To reduce energy use consumers are encouraged to take the following energy saving measures:

Insulate, seal leaks

Insulate the attic. It's typically the easiest place to insulate and it's also where the greatest energy savings can be seen.

Seal air leaks to stop warm air leakage, the source of ice dam problems. After sealing leaks, add additional insulation in your attic.

Provide adequate attic ventilation so the undersides of the roof and outside air are at the same temperature. Check to make sure attic insulation is not blocking roof ventilation. Incorrect ventilation can cause mold and mildew problems.

Insulate and seal heating ducts - poorly sealed ducts can waste 10-30 percent of your energy costs.

Weatherize

Keep the warm air in by adding insulation,

caulking and weatherstripping around doors, attic access, windows, outlets and any area that can let the warm air out.

Keep heating system running efficiently

For most consumers, the heating system is the single largest energy user in the home and can account for more than 60 percent of your total energy bill. Clean or replace your filter once a month or as needed and have your system checked at least once a year.

Avoid vampire usage

Purchase an advanced power strip to manage the power that your electronics and appliances use. These power strips shut off stand-by or "vampire load" that is consumed when electronics and appliances are turned off. This simple, affordable device is a smarter version of the traditional power strip.

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see if you're eligible for low-income energy efficiency programs.

Additional tips on how to save energy can be found on the Commission's and NYSEERDA's websites at www.AskPSC.com and www.NYSEERDA.ny.gov.

Dollars and sense

by David Uffington

Take a test drive before buying a car

The end of the calendar year might be one of the best times to get a deal on a vehicle purchase, when everyone else is out holiday shopping.

It's not only the price you need to be concerned with. How the car feels is important, especially if you plan to keep it for a number of years.

Assuming you've done your homework about whether a particular vehicle meets your needs and price, the test drive is where you'll find the answers about a small, but crucial detail: Is the car comfortable? Edmunds.com, the car experts, has a list of tips for getting the most out of your test drive.

- Sit in the vehicle. Sounds simplistic, but getting in and out of the car and sitting in it will tell a lot. Is there enough

legroom? (If you'll have multiple drivers in your family using the car, take them along.) Can all of you reach the pedals easily? Did you hit your head getting in or out? Is the steering wheel too far away to be comfortable? Does the seat tilt? Try out the backseat, especially if you'll likely be carrying passengers. Move the side-view and rearview mirrors: Are there any blind spots?

- Drive the car. If the salesperson wants you to take a specific route (likely all right-hand turns that lead back to the lot), describe a different route you'd like to try. If possible, try to take a route that is similar to one you usually drive: highway, hills, city traffic, etc.

Once on your test drive, give the car a bit of a workout. How does it accelerate for passing? How does the engine

sound when you do? Can you hear a lot of road or tire noise? Are the brakes smooth or grabby? Is the steering responsive? Is the car comfortable to ride in?

- After the test drive, check other aspects of the car. Do the doors open enough to load groceries or reach in to strap in a child? How's the trunk room? Does the back seat fold down for extra trunk space?

- Use your camera or phone to snap a picture of the sticker and options, as well as the car, especially if you're going to be visiting other dealerships.

Before you buy, be sure to review the Edmunds article, "Test-Drive Your Car Salesperson." For much more information on cars, see Edmunds.com.

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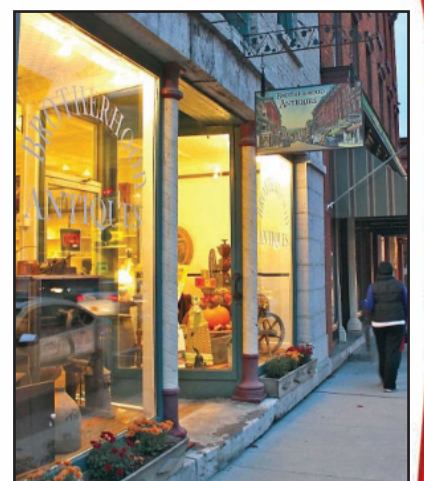
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Put a stop to the battle of the holiday bulge

The holiday season is dominated by parties, family gatherings and festive foods. Overindulgence in rich foods and drink during the holiday season, compounded by cold weather that can make it difficult to exercise, often leads to weight gain by the end of the holiday season. But focusing on diet and exercise during the holiday season can help you avoid unwanted weight gain and provide more energy as the season progresses.

The following are some effective ways to sail through the season without gaining weight.

- Don't scrimp and sacrifice all of the time. The body is a powerful machine, but it does not always work the way that we want it to. According to nutritional experts, rather than metabolizing food on a daily basis, the body is geared to work over longer periods of time. That means you can bal-

ance out a high-calorie day by eating less food and/or lighter fare on the days before and after those days when you anticipate overeating.

- Fill up before you go out. If you are worried about high-calorie foods and drinks that are often served at parties or holiday gatherings, eat before going to the event. Hunger may cause you to overeat and fill up on the wrong kinds of foods. Instead, eat a low-calorie snack that's high in protein and high in fiber before leaving the house. Eating beforehand may help you avoid the chips and dips.

- Get plenty of sunshine when possible. Lack of sunlight can attribute to winter blues, which may lead some people to rely on comfort foods. Such foods are typically rich in carbohydrates, fats and sugars. Spending time outdoors in the sun each

day can improve your mood and get you off of the couch.

- Fill up your plate with the right mix of foods. Don't deny yourself when faced with a big holiday dinner. Rather, fill the plate with a good mix of foods. Devote more space to lean proteins, such as roasted turkey or chicken. Even lean ham is good. Devote much of the rest of your plate to roasted vegetables and whole grains. Take only small portions of high-fat foods like candied yams or bread stuffings. You will still satisfy your craving, but you won't be overdoing it.

- Skip the spirits for the most part. Alcoholic beverages are loaded with empty calories. Many people would rather reserve bonus calories for a piece of pie or a rich brownie. Limit yourself to one drink per day.

- Exercise every day. It can be easy to push exercise aside when you're busy with holiday tasks. But soon your metabolism may slow down in response to your body's suddenly more sedentary lifestyle, leading to weight gain. Aim for some sort of daily exercise, whether you decide park further away from stores at the mall or take the stairs instead of the escalator. Don't relegate exercise to a New Year's resolution. Inactivity will only mean you have to work harder in the future to shed those unwanted pounds you packed on during the holiday season.

Weight gain may be another part of the holiday season for many men and women. But individuals concerned about adding extra pounds can stop the pattern of gaining weight during the holiday season by making smart choices throughout the season.



Moderation is the best approach to diet during the holiday season.

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Holiday celebrants with no personal preference may struggle with the decision to buy an artificial or real tree. Those who opt for a real tree may think their only options are the cut trees available at local tree lots. But those interested in a tree that will last far beyond the holiday season can select a potted Christmas tree, all the while adding an eco-conscious element to their holiday celebrations.

Selecting a live tree is an environmentally sound choice. Trees that have their roots intact can be transplanted outdoors after Christmas. This reduces the waste associated with tree disposal and provides vari-

ous benefits to the environment, as the trees act as a natural air filter while providing shade and wind barriers. An evergreen tree, which remains lush and green all year long, is also an ideal habitat for backyard creatures. Trees help control excessive moisture issues in the soil by drawing up water for survival, and can help prevent erosion of soil in more arid climates.

Caring for a potted tree takes a bit more effort than a standard cut tree. There are a few steps that need to be taken to ensure its post-Christmas survival. You can purchase the tree several weeks in advance of the holidays, provided you water the tree frequently and keep it outdoors in the cool weather in the weeks leading up to the holiday. Select a tree variety that is hardy to the specific zone in which you live and will acclimate to the climate and soil conditions. A local nursery should be able to guide

you to the right evergreen.

Because you intend to plant this tree after the holidays, it is a good idea to choose the location where the tree will eventually grow and dig the hole as early as possible before the ground freezes and becomes dif-

ficult to excavate. Consider digging the hole in the autumn and then filling it with leaves or a tarp until the time comes to plant the tree.

Roughly two weeks before Christmas, you will need to transition the tree for indoor use. Neglecting this step may

result in shock to the tree, which can cause it to wilt or die. Place the tree inside of a garage or a shed where it is generally warmer than outside but not yet room temperature. After this two-week period, move the tree inside where it will have a place of hon-

or for festivities. Do not leave the tree inside the house for more than 10 days. It will need to be moved back into the garage and then outside before planting.

Many evergreens are durable, and the majority of the decorations you use on the tree should not harm it. But be careful not to tug or break branches. Use small lights that do not generate much heat; otherwise, you risk damaging the boughs with burns. When the tree is indoors, it's also essential to keep it in an area that gets filtered sunlight and is away from heating vents that may dry it out. A spot in front of the front window may be the best location.

Potted Christmas trees make an eco-friendly addition to holiday traditions. They can be planted year after year, adding some aesthetic appeal to the backyard while benefiting the environment.



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Local nonprofit gives flood victims a helping hand

by Linda Kellett

FORT PLAIN — Scoured homes and tattered lives got some shoring up in October as the Mohawk Valley Collective Inc. (formerly Historic Fort Plain Inc.) presented a check for \$3,100 to the Fulton-Montgomery Long-Term Recovery Committee.

The funds, which will be distributed to Fort Plain and Otsquago Creek flood victims via Catholic Charities, were the proceeds of the local nonprofit's successful mid-August flood-relief benefit, "Standing Strong: A River Through Time."

The Aug. 10 fundraiser

took place in Canajoharie and Fort Plain and featured musical performances, raffles, a scavenger hunt to local historic and cultural sites, and barbecues. T-shirts sold for the benefit flood victims are still available at the MVC Regional Visitor's Center at 89 Church St. in Canajoharie and at The Sportsman's Den on Canal Street in Fort Plain; or visit www.mohawkvalleycollective.com

Among those present for the mid-October check presentation at the Haslett Park volunteer booth/gazebo (formerly donated to the community by the not-for-profit)

were Fort Plain Mayor Guy Barton; Matthew Ossenfort, co-chairman of the long-term recovery committee; and Assistant Volunteer Coordinator Cyndi Tracy of Fort Plain.

Prior to the presentation, Barton noted that the village is doing well compared to where it was on the day of the flood, June 28.

He said, "We still have a lot of hurdles to accomplish, but in general, the village is getting cleaned up from the flood. The creek is in good shape, and we're looking to have more businesses."

He estimated that a handful of new establish-

ments are coming back or starting up, including a newsstand, a new-and-used furniture store, and a new clothing store in the

on the area to help flood victims with the installation of dry wall as well as plumbing, flooring and foundation work "before

He said, "One of the strongest points of this committee is that it's able to collaborate between governmental and non-



Dignitaries and volunteers were on hand at Fort Plain's Haslett Park on Oct. 19 as officers of the Mohawk Valley Collective (formerly Historic Fort Plain) presented a check for \$3,100 to the Fulton-Montgomery Long-Term Recovery Committee. Among those present to accept the proceeds of the nonprofit's mid-August fundraiser, "Standing Strong: A River Through Time," were (from the left) Gail Adamoschek, volunteer coordinator and pastor of the River Jubilee Church; volunteer David Manclow; Cyndi Tracy, assistant volunteer coordinator; volunteer Kern Bridgewater; Fort Plain Mayor Guy Barton; former Historic Fort Plain President Robert Perry; Matthew Ossenfort, co-chairman of the Fulton-Montgomery Long-Term Recovery Committee; and MVC officers Ted Arndt, secretary, and Tolga Morawski, treasurer.

— Photo by Linda Kellett

former Canal Street Pub.

He continued, "We're fortunate to have Save-A-Lot. The Family Dollar is coming back within 30 to 45 days."

At the time of the presentation, work on the village office, fire department and Firemen's Home were near completion; and the village office was expected to open that week.

He said it was important to keep a positive outlook during the recovery process: "If you see 'flood' 24 hours a day, you'll have a negative attitude."

With regard to flood-damaged residences, Ossenfort said the long-term recovery committee is still processing around 50 cases, with teams of volunteers who converged

real cold weather hits."

One of the largest hurdles has been ensuring that the homes are dry enough to build in, he said.

In addition to helping individual property owners with reconstruction, he said committee members are also starting to focus on education, resiliency and preparedness — including flood mitigation strategies that need to be addressed regionally.

Ossenfort said committee Co-Chairman Michael Raphael has had discussions with state Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk and state Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara about the watershed, which "doesn't care about our local political boundaries. It's a regional issue."

governmental organizations and then have a forum where information can be provided to the public," he said.

Ossenfort noted that 100 percent of the funds donated by the Mohawk Valley Collective will go back into the community. Potential uses for the money include supplies, tools and lumber. He said all of the money will be used in Fort Plain or for residents along Otsquago Creek.

"We meet unmet needs after state grants and personal resources. We look at the full picture and determine where the unmet needs are. That's the best way to go about it, person by person, and family by family."

When asked during the brief ceremony if there were any comments, Barton exclaimed, "A big, big thank you from all the residents of Fort Plain for the donation to the flood help that we need."

For questions or more information about the long-term recovery committee or recovery efforts, contact Patricia Moore, secretary and case manager for the Fulton-Montgomery Long-Term Recovery Committee at 518-270-8255 or e-mail her at pat.moore2@redcross.org

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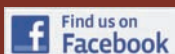
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Emphasize safety when decorating for the holidays

Decking the halls for the holidays is a beloved tradition for many families. A home's exterior festooned with lights help create a festive holiday mood, while stockings hung by the chimney and a Christmas tree in the living room bring that holiday cheer inside.

Though the holiday season is a festive time of year, it can quickly turn tragic if revelers do not emphasize safety when decorating their homes. When decorating this holiday season, be sure to employ the following precautions so your holiday season is festive, decorative and safe.

- Exercise extreme caution with holiday lights. According to the Electrical Safety Foundation International, 150 home fires per year begin with holiday lights and other decorative lighting. Such fires may start because of frayed or bare wires, broken or cracked sockets or even loose connections. It's important that men and women be especially careful when decorating their homes with holiday lights, inspecting each set of lights for damage and

discarding any damaged sets. When choosing lights, use only lights that have been certified for outdoor use on your home's exterior, and never use outdoor lights inside.

- Purchase the right Christmas tree. The Consumer Product Safety Commission notes that Christmas trees are involved in hundreds of fires causing an average of 15 deaths each year. In addition, such fires cause an average of \$13 million in property damage annually. Though it can be tempting to purchase the most eye-catching Christmas tree you find, avoid acting rashly until you have learned a little about the tree. Artificial trees should be labeled as "Fire Resistant." Such trees can still catch fire, but they are more resistant to fire than trees without such labels. When buying a live tree, make sure the tree is fresh. The tree should be green, and its needles should be difficult to pull off of branches, which should not be easily breakable. Tap the tree on the ground before

purchasing it. If the tree loses a lot of needles upon tapping the ground, it isn't fresh. Trees that aren't fresh are more susceptible to going up in flames.

- Keep the tree away from heat sources. Though it might seem more idyllic to place your Christmas tree next to the fireplace, it's a lot more dangerous as well. When choosing a spot for your tree, find a place that is away from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators and vents. But homeowners also should know that even trees placed away from heat sources can still dry out, creating a fire hazard even if the tree was fresh and healthy when purchased. That's because Christmas trees can quickly dry out in heated rooms. Monitor the tree's water levels every day, checking those levels in both the morning and at night before going to bed. This prevents the tree from drying out and becoming a fire hazard, and it also helps the tree maintain its aesthetic appeal through the holiday season.



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- Limit use of candles. Like Christmas trees, candles are a popular yet potentially hazardous decorative item during the holiday season. When decorating with candles, be sure that all candles are extinguished before leaving a room and never leave them burning when you go to bed. Candles should be kept away from any dec-

orative items, including Christmas trees, that can catch fire. Never place candles near curtains, furniture or presents. Holiday enthusiasts with little children or pets at home might want to decorate with fake LED-light candles instead of traditional candles. Curious kids or excitable pets may not recognize the potential

dangers of lit candles and, as a result, might burn themselves or tips candles over.

The holiday season is upon us, and that means scores of celebrants will be decking their halls. Though festive decorations are a part of the season, safety should always come first.



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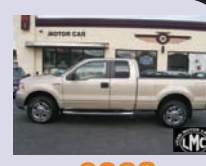
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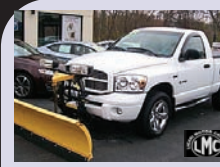
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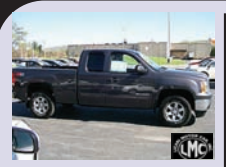
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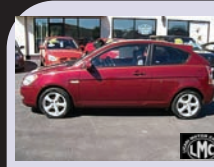
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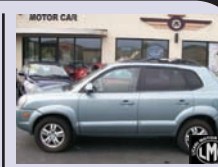
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174 Everson Rd., Town of Caroga



This next to new ranch is eligible for a USDA mortgage and is in immaculate condition. Sitting on 3.17 acres, close to skiing, snowmobiling, hunting, fishing. 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, full basement and professional landscaping . . . **Just Reduced to \$159,900**

114 Easterly St., Town of Johnstown



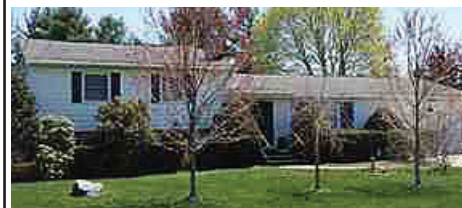
This sweet little bungalow in Mayfield School District has city water & is in a great location! One floor living with beautiful back yard and deck. Energy efficient, reasonable taxes, & waiting for new owners! . . . **\$114,900**

119 Bertrand Rd., Mayfield



ON THE LAKE! Lovely year round ranch with 30 ft. permit on the Great Sacandaga, just across the private road. Pristine condition inside and out. Views from the deck, lots of storage, well manicured yard . . . **\$289,900**

6 Brant Rd., Johnstown



Phenomenal split level ranch, wonderful floor plan plus gorgeous back yard with in-ground pool, gazebo, summer room. Attached garage, plenty of storage . . . **\$225,000**

487 S. Shore Rd., Peck's Lake



Direct lake frontage on private Peck's Lake, this is a dream vacation or year round home. 4 bedrooms and 2 baths, large porch looking out over the lake. Detached garage, full basement with walkout. . . . **\$339,000**

108 E. Boulevard, Gloversville



Really comfortable family home close to elementary school, shopping, restaurants. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, eat in kitchen. Great screened in back porch and landscaped yard. This has a lot to offer at a reasonable price . . . **\$104,900**

264 Co. Hwy. 154, Town of Mayfield



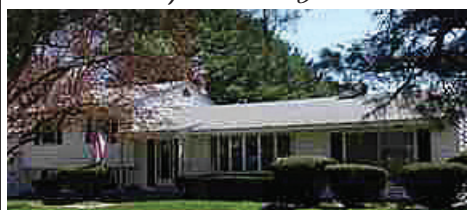
Very, very well maintained ranch in Mayfield area. 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, beautiful yard. All utilities in tip top condition. Walk in shower, first floor closet laundry . . . **\$127,900**

89 Oakland Ave., Gloversville



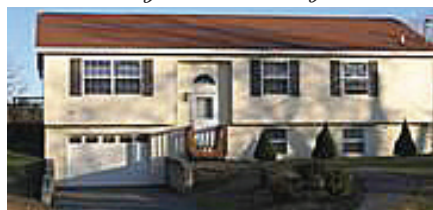
Wonderful 5 bedroom house on terrace lined street. Colonial themed, with very spacious living room and potential in-law suite on first floor. 4 bedrooms on second level, large walkup attic. Big deck, pretty yard, garage has storage loft . . . **\$119,900**

200 W. Fifth Ave., Johnstown



Lovely home, lovely yard, lovely location. 5 beds, 3.5 baths, in-ground pool, hot tub, wet bar, large attached garage plus huge RV garage . . . **New Price \$214,900**

237 S. Kingsboro Ave., Gloversville



Modern raised ranch in perfect condition for the buyer who wants to just move in! 3 beds, 2 baths, large family room, eat in kitchen, attached garage. Close to new shopping area and school . . . **\$123,900**

20 S. McNab Ave., Gloversville



Very unique, modern 5 bedroom expanded ranch in the city. Home includes large family room, formal dining room and additional room with separate entrance. Lots of recent upgrades. Awesome outdoor living space, too! **\$119,900**

273 Smith Rd., Broadalbin



Real cute 3 bed/2 bath ranch on 1.5 acres in Broadalbin-Perth School District. Very spacious kitchen with bar, large living room, cathedral ceiling, pellet stove. Private setting off of Smith Road with just 4 houses . . . **Big Price Reduction to \$115,000!**

1007 Co Hwy 122, Town of Johnstown



5 bedroom country estate on 45 acres. Large office has separate entrance. Sunny family room right off pool area, large eat in kitchen. Barns, milk house, silo, trails, ponds. Great location... owner ready to negotiate. **\$395,000**

5 Burlington Ave., Gloversville



Pretty 3 bedroom bungalow, lovingly maintained by same owner for many years. Newer roof, furnace and central air. Wonderful open front porch, well manicured lawn, large garage and plenty of parking. Great curb appeal...drive by! . . . **Reduced to \$69,900**

32 West St., Gloversville



Commercially zoned building with plenty of parking, loading dock, overhead door. Currently used as a contractors warehouse. 3 Phase electric service at pole, dust collection system, plumbed for compressed air connections. 2 parcels. . . . **\$29,900**

168 E. Boulevard, Gloversville



Beautiful interior, handsomely decorated 3 bedroom home. Newer appliances and furnishings included. Granite, hardwood, tiles... just some of the many upgrades. You'll love it! . . . **New Price \$74,900**

111 Hys Rd., Caroga Lake



NOT your run down, old camp! This is a nice little seasonal camp with views & deeded access to West Caroga just a short walk away. Built in 1998, this is a sweet "honeymoon cabin" with 1 bedroom and open concept kitchen-dining-living space. Furnishings & boat negotiable . . . **Just \$69,900!**

54 S. Judson St., Gloversville



New, new, new... kitchen, appliances, bathroom, plumbing, electrical service, roof, H/W heater, vinyl siding and some windows. It's what the first time home buyer is looking for...low price, low taxes and little yard maintenance! . . . **\$52,900**

50 Pearl St., Gloversville



Hard to find 5 bedroom with 2 full baths. Large city lot on dead end street. Recent addition is complete with family room, 2 bedrooms & bath. Systems all updated, including newer furnace . . . **\$119,500**

100 W. Eleventh Ave., Gloversville



3.65 acres of vacant land, level, inside city limits. 643 ft. of frontage, utilities to be brought in . . . **\$7,900**

643 Fort Plain

3 BR's, 1 1/2 baths, roof, siding, windows and furnace are only 5 years old. Water heater new last month. All original characteristics including hardwood floors.

\$74,500**807 Fort Plain**

Motivated seller has lowered the price and says, "sell". Six apartments and tenants pay their own utilities. Roof is only 5 years old. The two 1st floor apts could be opened back up into a storefront.

\$89,900**209 Fort Plain**

Year round cottage along the Caroga creek is vacant and available. Screened porch. One car garage. Workshop. Includes range and refrigerator in kitchen.

Offered at \$25,000**183 Palatine**

Motivated seller wants to hear your offer!! 4 BR home has had many updates and improvements since 2007. 2 full baths. Hardwood and ceramic floors. Large fenced in back yard.

Now Only \$79,000**198 Amsterdam**

Brick 2 family is low maintenance - soffit, fascia and trim are all wrapped. Tenants pay their own utilities. Important to this property is off street parking and garage. Corner lot.

Asking \$79,900**640 Canajoharie**

3+ BR cape is close to school and situated on a large corner lot. Wood mode kitchen, DR, LR, family room and even a spa room. Roof is only 2 years old. Hardwood floors. New windows.

Now \$117,900**315 Carlisle**

3 BR ranch style home on little over 2 acres. Woodstove in LR. Eat-in kitchen. Vinyl sided. 2 car garage. Located on quiet country road.

Asking 99,900**207 Fort Plain**

3 BR ranch style home is ready to move in. Freshly painted. LR w/fireplace. Hardwood floors. Large master BR with double closets. Full basement to expand (rec. room). Garage and large yard.

\$84,900**192 Fort Plain**

Here's a true classic! Stunning Victorian with original woodwork, built-ins and in-laid floors. A lot of unique features including hatch in library floor to pass wood up from cellar for fireplace.

\$115,000**194 Canajoharie**

3 BR 2 bath home is tucked behind mature trees and very private. Situated on 5.4 acres. Log siding. Attached 2 car garage. Wood and ceramic floors. Spacious rooms. CVS school taxes.

Asking \$224,900

HUD makes changes to reverse mortgage program

In a move to help HUD manage risk to the Federal Housing Administration's Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund (MMIF), HUD makes major changes to the Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) program, including consolidation of the HECM Standard and HECM Saver programs into one.

The changes were initiated after homeowners selecting lump-sum payments rather than periodic payouts strained the MMIF. Seniors depleted their assets quickly and could not keep pace with property taxes and insurance payments.

The changes authorized by the Reverse Mortgage Stabilization Act of 2013 include updates to the initial mortgage insurance premiums and principal limit factors and restrictions on the amount of money borrowers may draw down at closing and during first 12 months following closing.

Changes also include requirement of a financial assessment for all borrowers to ensure they will have the capacity and willingness to meet all their financial obligations and terms of the reverse mortgages, and a requirement of a set-aside at closing for payment of property taxes and insurance based on the results of the financial assessment.

The financial assessment and property charge requirements become effective for all loans with case numbers assigned on or after Jan. 13, 2014. Changes to initial disbursement limits, single disbursement lump sum payment option, initial mortgage insurance premiums, Principal Limit Factor Tables, and initial mortgage insurance premium calculations for refinancing transactions are effective for case numbers assigned on or after Sept. 30.



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This is a spacious & beautiful 2,100 sq. ft. home that is only 8 years old with a large 36x24 2 car garage. Beautiful country setting but centrally located. Walk up attic could be finished for 2 more bonus rooms.

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\$165,000.00. LARGE HOME & GARAGE - COUNTRY SETTING

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NEW LISTING

134 Parry Blvd. Tribes Hill, NY

Too many updates to list, including Central Air, on this well maintained, move in condition home located in the Town of Mohawk, Fonda-Fultonville School District.

NEW LISTING

156 Currytown Road, Fultonville, NY Town of Root

This home is only 10 years old, CENTRAL AIR, 3BR, 2 full baths, deck, small above ground pool & 28x32 garage.

137 ACRE FARM \$475,000.00

171 Zarcarco Rd., Town of Glen, NY

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\$105,000.00. 180 Chapman Drive, Town of Amsterdam

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148 THRUVIEW DRIVE, TOWN OF FLORIDA, NY

\$135,000.00. PRIVATE, COUNTRY SETTING, MINUTES FROM NYS THRUWAY AMSTERDAM EXIT.

Well maintained 4 bedroom home, finished basement (slate pool table included) situated on a large lot on a dead end road.

THIS HOME IS A STEAL FOR THE PRICE

\$99,000.00. 10 Ann St., Fultonville

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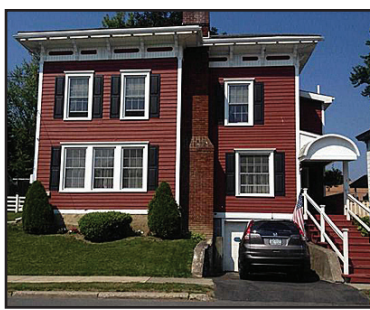
805: T/O CANAJOHARIE:



55.6 acres with 624 feet of road frontage. Electric at the road, 3 dug wells, tons of wildlife, apple trees, woods, clearings & trails.

Asking \$97,300

956: FORT PLAIN:



A Real Charmer!!! Beautiful Cherry cabinets in the kitchen. Well maintained and spacious, this 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath home is move in ready. Close to schools and only minutes to downtown.

Asking \$124,900

402: FORT PLAIN:



This listing includes 3, 2-family buildings. Each building has a new rubber roof, 6 new furnaces, 6 new electrical panels, 6 new hot water heaters, 4 new electrical entrances, appliances (stove, refrigerator) and all chimneys have been recently pointed. There is a large parking area for all tenants. These properties are a good money maker for someone interested in becoming a property owner.

Asking \$69,900

643: CANAJOHARIE:



Acreage in the Village! This well built ranch style home is located on a quiet street on Canajoharie's historic West Hill and is ready for you to move in. Home has been well maintained and has plenty of useful green space. The basement would make a great home theater room.

Asking \$124,900

648: PALATINE BRIDGE:



Colonial home located on a dead end street. Large family room w/fireplace. Formal dining room. Two stall attached garage and a 2 stall detached garage. In-ground pool.

Asking \$149,900

521: CANAJOHARIE:



Well known country store/restaurant. Approx. seating capacity 40. Restaurant includes ice cream machine, grills, deli station, pizza oven, stainless steel table and more, excluded 2 stoves, 2 refrigerators, 2 freezers, milk shake machine, counter and small refrigerator. Second floor 2 bedroom apartment. Well to property located on separate parcel & rented.

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517: ST. JOHNSVILLE:



Beautiful setting comes with this home. Enjoy your view of the creek from your sunken living room w/hardwood floors and cozy fireplace. Enclosed sun room w/hot tub viewing the beautiful creek. Open kitchen, living room and dining area. Laundry on 1st floor. Attached/detached garage and barn. Must see home!!!

Asking \$159,500

519: PALATINE:

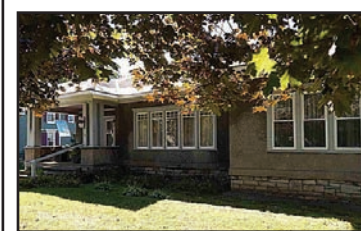


Quiet and private location. Home has an open floor plan with sliding glass doors leading to a back deck, jacuzzi, & fenced yard. Updated kitchen, fireplace, pellet stove, & master bath. 3+ stall detached garage.

Palatine Area. Canajoharie School.

Asking \$129,000

520: PALATINE BRIDGE:



American Bungalow Home. Beautiful hardwood floors throughout the home. Living room w/wood burning fireplace. Formal dining room, den and eat-in kitchen. Attic easily could be converted into additional bedroom. Rec room in basement. Back enclosed porch. Total 2 lots. Circular paved driveway.

Asking \$89,000

522: CANAJOHARIE:



Nice residential street in the V/O Canajoharie. Two-story, 3 bedroom home. Carriage house kitchen, formal dining room, large living room w/fireplace. Large enclosed porch, back patio, detached garage and paved driveway.

Asking \$64,000

524: ST JOHNSVILLE:



52 acre farm property with pasture, woods, horse trails, & hay fields. 30x76 barn with horse stalls. 4 bedroom home with updated kitchen, baths & windows. HW floors, woodstove & enclosed porch.

Asking \$265,000

535: T/O PALATINE:



Beautiful Cape Cod home on 11.5 acres. Open kitchen, living room & dining room. Formal living room, 3 bedrooms & 2.5 baths. 4 stall detached garage, deck, above-ground pool & fenced yard. View & privacy.

Asking \$239,000

581: NEW PRICE:



A perfect location comes with this ranch home! 5.4 rolling acres with a view. Open kitchen/living room, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths & back enclosed porch. Detached 2 stall garage. T/O Palatine. Canajoharie School.

Asking \$119,000



646: CANAJOHARIE: Well cared for home w/hardwood floors, front porch and a relaxing back deck. Beautiful kitchen, hardwood floors & formal dining room. Tastefully painted and a nice atmosphere.

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NEW LISTING - STONE ARABIA RD. PALATINE Cozy home in great country location! Very nice 3BR home with 1.3 acres features formal dining room, living room with reading area and economical pellet stove heat. **Only \$99,000**



RIVER RD., FT. PLAIN - COZY HOME ON 6+ ACRES! features updated home with beautiful finishes and finished basement for family room and game room. This is a must see home. The 6 acres are wooded with large yard and nice pond. Deer come right into the back yard **Only \$149,900**



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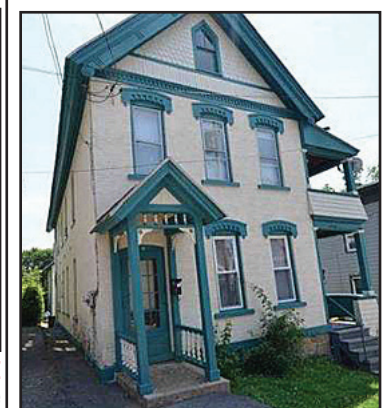
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ST HWY 162, ESPERANCE - ENERGY EFFICIENT HOME! 3 bedroom, 2 bath Doublewide on 2.3 acres, located in the Schoharie School Dist **\$89,900**



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LAKEVIEW AVE., SCHENECTADY - Move-in condition. Great 3 bedroom home in quiet neighborhood. Living room w/wood fireplace, formal DR, HW flooring, kitchen with all new appliances and walk-in pantry, back yard has a large deck and garage. **Asking \$105,000**



EAST STATE ST., GLOVERSVILLE - Features 5BRs, 1.5 baths, eat in kitchen, LR, DR, 2 car garage on large city lot. Close to Nathan Littauer Hospital. Close to shopping and Churches **Reduced \$65,000**



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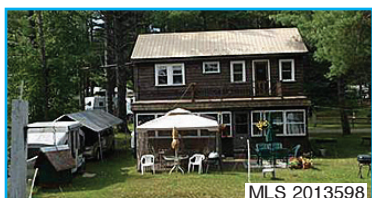


Fulton County NY Properties Located in the Foothills of the Adirondack Mountains



MLS 2013156

ORIGINAL COLONIAL (Gloversville): 5.4 acres with a view, just outside of town. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, sun porch, deck, 2-car garage, barn and more. Must see! **REDUCED TO \$279,000**



MLS 2013598

LAKEFRONT COTTAGE (Pine Lake): Living room w/gas heating stove, dining area, kitchen, laundry, 4 bedrooms and 1.5 baths. Deck overlooks lake, beautiful view of mountains. Many extras. **\$275,000**



MLS 2013645

BEAUTIFUL RANCH (Mayfield): Sits on knoll w/view of mountains. Living room w/gas stove, dining room, kitchen, family room, two bedrooms and full bath. Finished basement w/third bedroom, full bath, laundry and workshop **\$225,000**



MLS 222835

LAKE FRONT ON EAST CAROGA LAKE - Enjoy the view from the large picture window in this 2 bedroom cottage. Living room & eat-in kitchen. Partial bath. New deck. Storage building. **\$215,000**



MLS 2013337

BEAUTIFUL RANCH (Gloversville): Great room w/center fireplace, large windows overlooking deck and pool. 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths. End of road, near woods. **\$190,000**



MLS 2013717

GREAT OLD FARMHOUSE (Gloversville): on 5.2 acres in private setting at end of dead-end road. Home has living room w/pellet stove, eat-in kitchen, 4 bedrooms & 1.5 baths. Detached 2-car garage/workshop. **\$139,500**



MLS 2013689

ORIGINAL COLONIAL ON 26 ACRES (Fort Plain): Some improvements made, more than livable but needs add'l work. Living room w/window seat, dining room, eat-in kitchen, den, full bath down; 4 bedrooms, 3/4 bath up. Mostly wooded acreage, out-buildings. **\$139,000**



MLS 220822

ONE-FLOOR LIVING (Johnstown): Living room, large renovated kitchen, two bedrooms and full bath down, third bedroom upstairs and finished room in basement. Attached one-car garage, fenced backyard with in-ground pool. Easy walk to mall **REDUCED TO \$114,900**



MLS 2013764

NICE DOUBLEWIDE ON 9.8 ACRES (Broadalbin): Nice area, close to amenities. Large living room w/gas fireplace, formal dining area, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths. Renovated kitchen and master bath. Large garage, storage shed. **REDUCED TO \$120,000**



MLS 2013643

ONE-FLOOR LIVING OUTSIDE CITY (Johnstown): Cozy living room, kitchen w/eating area, two bedrooms, one full bath w/clawfoot tub, den or third bedroom. Fenced in-ground pool, 1.26 acres... **\$104,000**



MLS 2013222

COUNTRY LIVING IN THE CITY (Gloversville): 4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, lots of living area. Deep lot with apple trees, berries, flowers. Deck, 2-car garage, workshop. **REDUCED TO \$96,000**



MLS 2013646

GREAT FOR STARTING OR DOWNSIZING (Gloversville): - Upstairs two bedrooms could be closed off and used for guests. Living room, dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms and one full bath down. Nice yard and porches, one-car garage **REDUCED TO \$79,000**



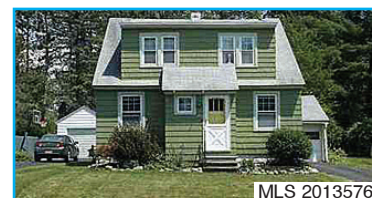
MLS 2013797

MOVE-IN READY! (Johnstown): Neat, clean and waiting for a family! Living room, dining room, eat-in kitchen, den/office and half-bath down, 3 large bedrooms and full bath up. Nice yard, detached one-car garage. **\$75,000**



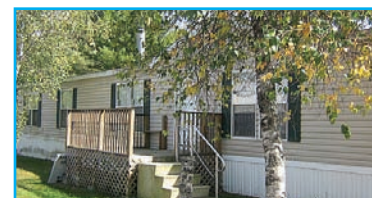
MLS 2013623

GREAT STARTER HOME (Gloversville): Living room, den, eat-in kitchen w/laundry area and half-bath down, 3 bedrooms and full bath up. Beautiful, deep backyard. **REDUCED TO \$70,500**



MLS 2013576

VERY NICE BUNGALOW (Gloversville): Three bedrooms (master on first floor), full bath and 3/4 bath. Fenced backyard, large shed, one-car garage drives thru to carport/covered patio. **\$69,000**



DOUBLEWIDE IN PARK SETTING (Broadalbin): Large open rooms, wood fireplace. Living room, dining area, big kitchen, family room, four bedrooms and two full baths. Park rent is \$295 plus \$20 for trash removal. **\$62,000**



MLS 220684

MONROE ST. - This 4 bedroom, 1 bath home is ready to make your own. LR, DR, Den and kitchen. Lovely landscaped back yard, enclosed front porch. Garage. **ASKING ONLY \$59,900**



MLS 2013721

MAKE AN OFFER (Gloversville): Starter home in need of some TLC. Vinyl siding, all new windows, CB wiring. Living room, dining room & kitchen down; 3 bedrooms & full bath up ... **REDUCED TO \$49,000**



MLS 2013580

SINGLE FAMILY HOME (Gloversville): A little elbow grease would make this a "comfy" home for the family. Three bedrooms, one full bath. Walk to school and park. **REDUCED TO \$39,500**



MLS 2013751

COUNTRY TWO-FAMILY (Perth): Larger flat w/living room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths down, 2 bedrooms and half-bath up. Second-floor unit w/living room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, 1 full bath. Attached 2-car garage, lots of extra parking, beautiful yard **\$188,125**



MLS 2013347

RENOVATED TWO-FAMILY (Gloversville): Many extras, updates. 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths down; 2 bedrooms, 1 full bath up. Circular drive, 4-car garage w/workshop. **\$145,000**



MLS 2013339

VERY LARGE TWO-FAMILY (Gloversville): Down has gas fireplace in living room, 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, office. Up has 5 bedrooms, 1 full bath. 3-car garage. **REDUCED TO \$95,000**



MLS 2013715

PROFITABLE MULTI-UNIT (Gloversville): Currently used as 2-family, but could easily convert back to 3-family with 1, 2 and 3 bedroom units. Fenced backyard, off-street parking **\$84,500**



MLS 220357

SIDE-HALL COLONIAL w/TWO-FAMILY (Gloversville): Many improvements made to main house, but needs kitchen renovation completed, plus appliances & new roof. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Separate two-family in rear (two 1-BR flats) helps with expenses. **REDUCED TO \$79,900**



MLS 221070

NICE INVESTMENT PROPERTY (Gloversville): Fully rented two-family with little to do, well maintained and many updates. First floor 3-bedroom flat; second floor 2-bedroom flat; separate utilities. Conveniently located **REDUCED TO \$66,000**

MORE MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS

- 4-family, Gloversville, separate utilities **REDUCED TO \$65,000**
- 2-family, Gloversville, separate utilities **REDUCED TO \$62,000**
- 3-family, Gloversville, separate utilities **\$59,900**
- 2-family, Gloversville, separate utilities **\$29,900**

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OFFICE RENTALS (Downtown Gloversville): 2 first-floor offices w/lots of parking, heat and air conditioning included **Call for details**

BEAUTY PARLOR W/2-BEDROOM APT (Gloversville): Completely renovated building w/many unique features. 1-car garage plus off-street parking (MLS 222039). **MAKE OFFERS/REDUCED TO \$89,900**

LAND

- Gloversville:** 2 adjacent city lots **\$19,900**
- Town of Charleston:** 6.8 acres **\$18,500**
- Town of Mayfield:** 2.14 acres **\$15,000**
- 2.7 acres **\$27,000**
- 3.7 acres **\$35,000**

Is a real estate agent necessary to buy a home?

Buying a home is a big event, especially if it is your first home. There will probably be many things you don't know, because you simply haven't been through the home buying process before. One of the most common questions of first-time homebuyers is whether they need to hire a buyer's agent.

There is nothing that requires anyone to hire a buyer's agent. You can find homes for sale on your own and work directly with the seller's agent. The problem with that is that the seller's agent has the seller's best interests in mind. He will try to get the highest possible price for the seller, and is in fact contractually bound to do so. He is also obligated not to share any confidential information about his client with you.

Working with a buyer's agent gives you the advantage of having a knowledgeable and experienced agent looking out for your best interests. Your agent will help you find property that meets

your needs. He will then assist you in negotiations to help you get it at the lowest possible price.

You can work with an agent without signing a buyer's agency contract. In fact, it's a good idea to do so for a while until you're sure that you want that agent to represent you. You need time to determine whether the agent will listen to your needs, and whether the two of you will be able to get along.

An agent is not legally bound to keep information, such as the highest price you would pay for a property, confidential until you sign a contract with him. If he is a dual agent that also represents sellers and you want to buy a home that belongs to one of his clients, he has to share that information unless he is legally representing your interests. So keeping such things to yourself until there is a written agreement is a good idea.

An agent should not pressure you into signing an agreement right away. That is a bad sign in and of itself. If after a while you're still unsure, you can talk to the agent about signing an agreement that only lasts for a short time. You could also consider a non-exclusive agreement, which allows the agent to represent you but also allows you to work with other agents.

A buyer's agent is not necessary when you are buying a home, but having someone with experience on your side can make your home buying experience a more pleasant and potentially less expensive one. In many cases your agent and the seller's agent will split the commission. That means that you can have your own agent without having to spend more money.

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TWO FAMILY ON 15 ACRES

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JOHNSTOWN

This two bedroom home has many desirable features including large new kitchen, two full baths, workshop above garage and close to school. Offered at **\$69,900.**



WEST CAROGA

This three bedroom year round home on one acre is a split level home with a unique style.



DONT MISS THIS HOME

Three bedrooms and 1 1/2 bath home in absolute move in condition. Has central air, carport, detached garage, many built-ins and great location.



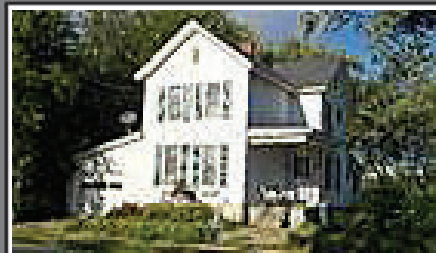
ONE FLOOR LIVING

A two bedroom ranch on a manageable lot located in Broadalbin/Perth School District. Offered at **\$120,000**



GLOVERSVILLE

Four bedroom and two full baths, two car garage and fenced yard. Offered at **\$84,900.**



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