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Community care on display during Preferred Mutual's 'Ignite Leadership Conference'

BY SHAWN MAGRATH
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NEW BERLIN – Preferred Mutual Insurance Company honed its commitment to community engagement on Tuesday, sending dozens of employee volunteers to places around the New Berlin area to lend a helping hand.

All 50 managers of Preferred Mutual offered a leg up to a number of nonprofits and like-minded community organizations, including the Unadilla Valley School District, Chase Nursing Home, The Place, and the Unadilla Valley Food Pantry.

This marks the second year that Preferred's volunteer day has fused with its quarterly leadership gathering, creating what's been dubbed



Preferred Mutual managers stuff bags of clothing essentials for Unadilla Valley Elementary School during the company's annual volunteer-driven Ignite Leadership Conference. (Photo submitted by Preferred Mutual)

the "Ignite Leadership Conference." The event is an excellent opportunity for higher-ups at the company to directly foster local connections and strengthen community relations, explained Preferred Mutual President and CEO Benedikt Sander.

"It's something that's important to us, to all employees, to be able to give back," said Sander, pointing to Preferred's status as a mutual company owned by its policy



Preferred Mutual managers visit residents at Chase Nursing Home in New Berlin during the company's annual volunteer-driven Ignite Leadership Conference. (Photo submitted by Preferred Mutual)

holders. "Part of what defines success for us is our relationship with the community. There is no Wall Street, no shareholders. There are different rules and community is a big part of it."

Preferred Mutual managers worked alongside staff at the

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County Board blasted for proposed tax cap override

BY SHAWN MAGRATH
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NORWICH – Facing backlash for a proposal to override the state-imposed tax cap for the second consecutive year, the Chenango County Board of Supervisors has tabled a resolution to do so until county officials have a clearer picture of their 2026 budget.

County legislators opened the floor Monday morning for public input at the Chenango County Office Building, hearing taxpayers' frustrations over the county's handling of taxpayer dollars. Speakers voiced concerns over a potential raise in taxes and what it would mean for working households and businesses.



Chenango County Board of Supervisors Chairman Jeffrey Blanchard addresses board members during Monday's public hearing on a proposal to override the state-imposed tax cap for the 2026 fiscal year. (Photo by Shawn Magrath)

Ultimately, county officials postponed a vote to override the state's allowable tax levy increase until they see a full budget presentation

scheduled to take place during a public meeting on Nov. 5. Only one on the 23-member county board, Town Supervisor Dianne Scalzo, voted

against tabling in a gesture to squash any intentions of a cap override.

The motion to table followed nine different speakers who addressed

the County Board of Supervisors during Monday's public hearing, many of whom criticized leaders on topics like public transportation, population decline, tough business climate, rising taxes, inflation, and – most notably – a proposed \$35 million building project to replace the 1960 wing of the county's office space in Norwich.

"We need to get back some of the businesses and learn to push them forward so we can bring people back into this community," said Norwich resident and business owner Todd Barnes, citing Chenango's shrinking population that he says is already burdened by rising school taxes and escalating utility costs.

"That's where the problem lies. It's not to keep throwing money at it, especially not the taxpayers' money."

"You guys really need to take a look at this because as it comes closer to fall, you're going to see a lot of backlash," Barnes warned county board members. "People are not happy with what's going on. Not whatsoever."

"I would argue they haven't gone back to the drawing board and looked at cutting expenses, and finding other sources of income. They are not representing taxpayer interest and not being fiscally responsible," said Norwich resident Missy Hayes. "To me and many others I

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Celebrate Women’s Equality Day at the Chenango County Historical Society

NORWICH - The Chenango County Historical Society (CCHS) and the Tri-County Chapter of New York State Women, Inc. will host a special program on Aug. 26. in celebration of “Women’s Equality Day.” The evening will celebrate Haudenosaunee culture and its impact on American women securing the right to vote 125 years ago.

From 5:30–8 p.m., experience local Haudenosaunee heritage and learn how early suffragettes were inspired by the matriarchal leadership within these indigenous communities. Gain a deeper understanding of how this relationship directly influenced the 1920 adoption of the Nineteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

Featuring culinary tastings, interactive presentations, and participatory performances led by contemporary historians and cultural representatives, the evening is being made possible through generous support from the Women’s



Celebrate “Women’s Equality Day” with Doris Wilkins-Wilt, Diosa Hall, Chris Thomas & the Haudenosaunee Smoke Dancers, and Ciarrai Eaton from 5:30–8 p.m. at the Chenango County Historical Society. Made possible through generous support from the Women’s Fund of the Community Foundation for South Central New York, the evening will celebrate Haudenosaunee heritage and its impact on the 1920 adoption of the Nineteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution. (Submitted photo)

Fund of the Community Foundation for South Central New York.

Cultural preservationist and dedicated member of the Wolf Clan within the Oneida Indian Nation, Doris Wilkins-Wilt will host interactive demonstrations featuring her ability to craft Haudenosaunee items like beaded crowns, corn husk dolls, no-face dolls, the Tuscarora Beaded Bird, and ribbon skirts. As cultural programs coordinator at the Shako:wi Cultural Center, Wilkins-Wilt educates

others about contemporary Haudenosaunee life, stressing firsthand cultural experiences to share knowledge and foster cultural understanding.

Diosa Hall of the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe will offer an authentic culinary tasting and cultural education experience. Through her knowledge and background of being raised traditionally in the Onondaga Nation, Hall shares indigenous cuisine and wisdom based on food procurement and preparation methods of the Eastern

Woodland peoples. In-season, whole foods, prepared in traditional ways will help encourage connections between event participants, each other, and the natural world.

Onondaga artist Chris Thomas will share an exhilarating introduction to Haudenosaunee history and culture through Smoke Dance. A multigenerational ensemble featuring talented performers in traditional regalia, Chris Thomas & the Haudenosaunee Smoke Dancers will demon-

strate lightning footwork that seems to float on air. These dynamic and engaging performances offer audience members the opportunity to participate and build their own style within the dynamic framework of this traditional art form.

Public historian Ciarrai Eaton will share about author, activist, lecturer, and suffragette Matilda Joslyn Gage, who was honorarily adopted into the Wolf Clan of the Mohawk Nation in 1893. As interim executive director of the Matilda Joslyn Gage Foundation, Eaton leads the organization in its mission to educate current and future generations about the life and work of Matilda Joslyn Gage and its power to drive contemporary social change.

“American women have a voice in our nation’s decision-making today, and it’s important to honor the efforts of those who made this possible all those years ago,” said Jessica Moquin, CCHS executive director. “We are extremely grateful to the Women’s Fund for

this opportunity to celebrate the incredible gift of inspiration that the Haudenosaunee offered the early suffragettes.”

First established in 1939, CCHS is the area’s premier heritage museum dedicated to celebrating local culture—its unique traditions and noteworthy stories. Programs are made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature. Additional funding for “Women’s Equality Day” has been provided by the Otis Thompson Foundation.

CCHS is also a proud partner of Bloomberg Connects, an app that allows visitors to enhance their exhibit experience through audio clips, videos, and more. Download this free digital museum guide via the Apple Store or Google Play, and visit ChenangoHistorical.org for more details about this and other museum programs.

- From the CCHS

BY SARAH GENTER
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NORWICH — The Upstate Renaissance Faire will be returning for their third annual event from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on August 23 and 24 at the Chenango County Fairgrounds.

Admission is \$17 for adults, \$5 for children aged 6 to 13, and free for kids under 5. Additionally, tickets are \$10 for firefighters, police, EMS, and nurses with a valid agency ID, and a special discount is available for veterans and active duty service members with a valid branch or government ID.

Visitors will step back in time to 1300 to 1600 A.D. England and experience the fashion, food, and entertainment of the Renaissance era.

Upstate Renaissance Faire Owner and Organizer Heather Baker said attendees can expect “the same great show at family-friendly

prices.” This year’s event will include a variety of both old and new vendors, performances, and activities for all ages.

Some of this year’s vendors include Kaylor’s Krypt, Frost and Ember Creations, DET Avery Crafts, The Crescent Moon, Forest House, The Floral Guild, Elder Sisters Apothecary, Cobblestone Fiber Designs, Rabid Llama Creations, Oberon Ocarinas, Dragonfyre Distillery, Country Crafts, Amber Skye Chainmaille, The Armory Myakka, Fairy Doors by Denise, Wind Song Acres Soapery, and more.

Free entertainment at the festival will include Celtic Magic with Daniel Greenwolf and Bella, The Sirens of Circe, harp music by Matthew H. Schwarz, Thimbleberry the Woodsprite, the Timbalanced Can-Do Circus Carnival, MorganEagle Falconry, and more.

Additionally, Baker said the King will be



“Playtrons” at the Upstate Renaissance Faire in 2024. Visitors to the faire are encouraged to dress in Renaissance-era garb, or interact with attendees in costume. (Photo by Dustin Genter of 5th Dimension Photography)

making an appearance once again this year, offering a special honor to attendees.

“His royal majesty has seen fit to offer knight-hood to worthy candidates each day,” she said.

Baker said a schedule of events will be posted to the Upstate Renaissance Faire Facebook page when it is finalized.

Part of the fun of a

Renaissance faire is getting into the period by dressing up in Renaissance-era garb. The past two years, many visitors have gotten into the spirit of the faire by wearing costumes both simple and complex.

“There’s a lot of people that come, the ‘playtrons,’ that love that interaction and look for that from the crowd.

They’re more than happy to stop and talk to you about their gear and what it is and let you look at it and pose for pictures with you,” said Baker. “They’re typically very responsive to that.”

Any attendees that include weaponry such as swords or period-accurate guns as part of their costumes must have all weapons “peace

tied,” with items zip tied to their scabbard, or guns zip tied so they are unable to be fired.

Baker first brought the Upstate Renaissance Faire to Chenango County in 2023. The event grew dramatically in their second year, and the third annual festival is sure to be a hit.

She said they have taken visitor and vendor feedback into account, and will be providing “more shade, more shows, and more of the King.”

“We’re just happy to bring a Renaissance faire to this area,” said Baker. “We do it for the people. We keep our prices low so everyone can enjoy the experience. We are continually blessed by the vendors, performers, and patrons who bring their own special talents and warm hearts to us each year.”

For more information, visit the Upstate Renaissance Faire Facebook page.

NYS COMPTROLLER:

Chenango faces ‘severe shortage’ in professional healthcare

BY SHAWN MAGRATH
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NORWICH – Chenango County is on a list of 16 rural counties that faces a severe healthcare professional shortage, according to a new report released by the New York State Comptroller’s Office.

The report highlights “alarming shortfalls” in primary care, pediatric, and obstetrician and gynecologist (OBGYN) doctors, dentists and mental health practitioners.

Most severe, the report

states, is the shortage of mental health doctors. All 16 rural counties studied are designated by the federal government as areas having professional shortages.

The shortfall of healthcare workers in Chenango County adds another burden to an aging population of roughly 45,800 people. About 31 percent of the county (14,333 people) is enrolled in Medicaid – the third highest Medicaid enrollment of the 16 rural counties mentioned in the comptroller’s report.

Findings of the report

note that for every 10,000 people living in Chenango County in 2022, there were fewer than three primary care physicians available, and fewer than two family and general practice physicians, resulting in an underserved population of more than 12,000 individuals.

Other findings show that for every 10,000 people in the county, there are fewer than three physician assistants; 12 nurse practitioners; one OBGYN; three dentists; and four mental health practitioners (resulting in about 14,000 under-

served individuals). There were zero pediatric physicians when numbers were gathered in 2022.

All this leads to a severely underserved community, said New York State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli, and may present problems for future health care and the ability to attract new people to rural regions.

“The ability to access health care is an essential quality of life issue,” DiNapoli said. “As the population of rural areas of the state ages at a faster rate, the health-

care needs of these New Yorkers will increase, and if unaddressed, shortages will get worse.”

In addition to Chenango County, the report examined healthcare professional access in Allegany, Cattaraugus, Delaware, Essex, Franklin, Greene, Hamilton, Herkimer, Lewis, Schuyler, Steuben, Sullivan, Washington, Wyoming, and Yates counties.

Key findings of the study conclude that the professional healthcare shortage in Chenango County falls below national guidelines set

by the Graduate Medical Education National Advisory Committee (GMENAC) which is used to assess the supply of physicians across all different fields of healthcare. What’s more, the U.S. The Health Resources and Services Administration gave a low rating in each field of healthcare. A full copy of the report can be found on the New York Comptroller’s website, osc.ny.gov.

For a full copy of the report you can go to <https://www.osc.ny.gov/press/releases/2025/08/dinapoli-rural-counties-face-shortage-health-professionals>

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have spoken with, it feels the Board of Supervisors has more interest in fulfilling their own agenda than meeting the needs of the taxpayers. The state tax cap exists for a reason, as a protection.”

A proposed tax cap override has the Board of Supervisors split on the best approach for the county’s 2026 financial plan. Still very early in the budgeting process, county leaders aren’t yet sure if they will tax beyond the allowable tax levy increase determined by New York State (typ-

ically set around 2 percent). Local governing boards must pass a local law or resolution by at least a 60 percent vote to override the tax cap.

Opponents of a cap override have alluded to factors that they argue put the county in good financial standing, including a 2024 surplus of \$2.5 million (\$1.7 million of which has already been appropriated), projections of \$1.4 in sales tax revenue in 2025, better-than-expected investments due to interest rates, and expectations that NYS Gov. Kathy Hochul will

sign a bill, passed by both houses of the state legislature, omitting emergency medical services (EMS) from being calculated in the tax cap.

“To table it right now is a half victory because I’m against overriding the tax cap,” said Smyrna Supervisor Michael Khoury. “But at least we have a start and we’ve pushed back, and people have been heard. If we can table this, I agree that that’s prudent; and eventually we’ll strike it down when it comes back around again.”

“I think it’s very prudent that we got all

this public input before we’re into the budget process,” said Board of Supervisors Chairman Jeffrey Blanchard. “We are going to be working very hard to keep under the tax cap which is going to be our intent. I think this only encourages us to work harder at that.”

Blanchard added that having a public hearing early in the budgeting process allows county officials to adhere to stringent budget deadlines. It’s possible, he said, that the county board may avert a vote to override the cap come

time to pass a budget.

“If we have a tax compliant budget at that time, this [resolution] will never come off the table for this year,” he said.

An early public hearing on the proposed budget cap override came at the request of several supervisors who argued that a public hearing to override the cap for the \$95.5 million 2025 budget came late in the game last year. Elected officials voted then to surpass the allowable tax levy limit.

“Our department heads do work diligent-

ly to try and keep their budgets as low as possible; keep personnel at their bare minimum and still function to serve the needs of the county in their different departments,” said North Norwich Supervisor Robert Wansor who voted to table the cap override resolution on Monday.

The county board will need to bring the resolution back to the chamber floor for a vote if their proposed 2026 budget goes above the state’s allowable tax levy increase.

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Unadilla Valley School District and The Place in Norwich this year to stuff backpacks with school supplies and provide UV Elementary School with essential clothing needed throughout the year, such as socks, underwear, and athletic pants. Several more Preferred employees visited Chase Nursing home equipped with Bingo prizes and snacks for residents.

“One event that was popular last year was Chase Nursing Home Bingo,” said Sander. “Some of our leaders got feedback on their Bingo calling skills, and it can get quite competitive.”

Preferred employees also helped stock shelves of the Unadilla Valley Food Pantry this year. The company made food and monetary donations to aid

individuals and families in the New Berlin community. What’s more, the company partnered with the United Way of Mid Rural NY to assemble packets of tooth care educational materials for every pre-K through fifth grade classroom in Chenango, Otsego, Delaware, and Madison counties.

“It’s a good way to get students off to the right start in the school year,” Sander said. “There are lots of hands-on activities where we can work together and do something for the community. Everybody is excited to be a part of it.

In a new partnership with Madison County Rural Health Council, Preferred built four Community Care wooden display boxes for individuals and families in need, thereby sup-

porting the Rural Health Council’s mission to improve individuals’ health and wellness. Boxes were stocked with food and other essential items on Tuesday, and placed in areas of need around Chenango County.

Preferred Mutual will continue its partnership with the Madison County Rural Health Council to offer company employees “mental health first aid” training next month.

“What we do helps the community, but it also speaks to the people we want to attract,” Sanders said. “We want to signal to the broader community that that’s the kind of person we want to have on our team. It helps to perpetuate a cycle of getting people who care about the community to work here,

then carried forward to the next generation.”

The New Berlin area volunteer day is one of Preferred Mutual’s biggest organized efforts. The company’s enmeshed in dozens of community events that take place throughout the year, including another volunteer bid

recently organized to support the SPCA in Cooperstown.

Preferred Mutual was founded in New Berlin in 1896. The company provides property and casualty insurance coverage to more than 232,000 individual and business customers through a network

of more than 560 independent agents and 300 employees located in New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire. The company is rated “A” (excellent) by AM Best for financial strength and “A+” for issuer credit. Preferred Mutual is headquartered in New Berlin, NY.

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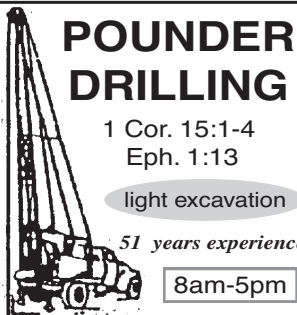
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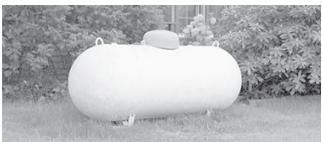


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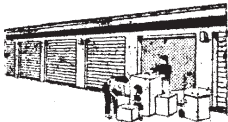
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Sherburne Legion Auxiliary hosting Community Impact Day on August 23

SHERBURNE - On Saturday, August 23, the Sherburne American Legion Auxiliary will host Community Impact Day. The event will gather Sherburne businesses and public service vendors at Gaines Park in Sherburne from 11 a.m. To 4 p.m., providing residents with an opportunity to explore community resources and connect with service providers serving Chenango County.

The day will also feature food trucks, children's events, raffles, and a bake sale as well as a talent show and a Mac N Cheese Throwdown, all designed to provide a family-friendly experience.

The talent show will begin at 1 p.m. and promises to entertain with a variety of performances. The Mac N Cheese Throwdown kicks off at 1 p.m. and is free to enter. There will be a \$5 fee to taste and judge. The winner will be awarded bragging rights and a prize of \$200.

Recognizing the recent decline in local businesses in Sherburne, most recently reflected by the closure of the Big M, the Sherburne American Legion Auxiliary aims to support the community by facilitating this gathering of businesses and resources, allowing residents to explore available options. It is the hope of the Sherburne American Legion Auxiliary that this event will benefit both the residents and the small businesses within the community.

In the event of inclement weather, the event will be held in the Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School gymnasium.

For more information, to reserve a vendor spot, or to register for the Mac N Cheese Throwdown, please contact Christine at cpierce55@verizon.net.

-Written by Melanie Haines, Sherburne American Legion Auxiliary Secretary

Deadline nears for Fall Craft Fair

RICHFILEDSPRINGS - Crafters are invited to participate in the 5th Annual Fall Craft Fair at the Cullen Pumpkin Farm, located at 587 Cullen Road, Richfield Springs, on Saturday, October 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Fall Craft Fair is sponsored by the Church of Christ Uniting, Richfield Springs.

The Food Booth will be provided by the

Richfield Youth Sports organization.

The Cullen Pumpkin Farm, a long-time family-owned business, is a popular fall destination. Check them out at www.cullenpumpkinfarm.com

Applications for the Fall Craft Fair are being accepted until October 1. For info/application e-mail fallcraftfair@yahoo.com

Annual sweet corn and chili dinner at Gilbertsville Baptist Church

GILBERTSVILLE - The annual sweet corn and chili dinner will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 27 with serving from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Gilbertsville Baptist Church, NLFH. Corner of Elm and Commercial

Streets, Gilbertsville. The menu will include chili, sweet corn, tossed salad, bread and cake for dessert. Donations will benefit the Baptist Fransego scholarship fund.

The Early Files by Peggy Finnegan

WEEK #34 TEN YEARS AGO August 21, 2015

As much as we hate to admit it, we are rapidly approaching fall.

Mary Ann Funk finally decided to call it enough. She has retired from Bassett after 50 years, their longest employee.

THIRTY YEARS AGO August 25, 1995

Boshold Residence To Become Town Offices

Amanda Curtis was crowned Little Miss Youth Days.

Morris Manor fell victim to a fire believed to have been started by workmen stripping paint with a propane torch.

FORTY YEARS AGO August 23, 1985

Patricia Gould and Lynn Crawford were married July 13th.

Pet show winners: Smartest dog, Marc Lawson; Best Barker, Chris Prosser; Best Tail Wagger, Don Clark; Sleepiest Dog, Melissa Bensen; Best Face Washer, Shannon Patrick.

The Barnes family celebrated Laurie Beth's 20th birthday.

FIFTY YEARS AGO August 22, 1975

Shelly Cross was named Miss Youth Days.

Investigation is continuing of the fire that destroyed the dairy barn on the Donald Spencer farm.

Cliff Wheeldon and Dave Slentz attended the Hall of Fame game.

MATURE GIRL WANTED to work inside and outside on farm.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO August 25, 1955

Emory Ford and Jimmie Preston will paint the street sign posts for their merit badges.

Did you know you can teach your child to swim in the bath tub?

Charles Blanchard's sudden death turned a

happy gathering into a time of sorrow.

Larry Lloyd celebrated his 9th birthday with a party with guests Richard and Robert Young, Rodney Hurlbutt and Edwin Bice.

Winfred Arnold is making repairs to the late Elmer White home at Summit Lake.

Jackie Vunk celebrated his 7th birthday at a picnic supper with 14 friends.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO August 23, 1945

Japs Agree to All Terms of Potsdam Declarations. MacArthur Gets High Post.

Scintilla employee were notified their services are terminated until the plant can be converted to peacetime pursuits.

Raymond Olin sold his house on Charlotte Avenue to William Davis.

Archie Woodard is coming home from the European war theater.

L. Ansel Cooley, superintendent of the Sheffield plant, purchased the residence of H. Lee Matteson.

Lt. Dorothy Neher, Nurse Corps, is home on furlough.

Not only will an X-ray machine be on display at the fair, but anyone interested may be X-rayed.

NINETY YEARS AGO August 22, 1935

Hobart B. Jacobs, well-known Greenwich artist, was born in New Berlin in 1851

When the latest sale is complete New York will own 9% of the land in the county.

Little Maureen Moore received a broken arm when a horse being led by a farm hand broke loose and trampled her.

There's a gay 90's air about a swim suit of polka-dotted red wool with white ruffles top and bottom and on the straps, which cross in the back.

Blackberries are getting ripe in the fields.

F.H. Cobb's delivery truck and a car driven by E.P. Smith met on the Fred Lottridge corner with considerable damage done to both.

Two big airplanes passed over heading north, side-by-side and flying low.

John Karalunas is building a new silo at his farm, the former Ames place. He plans to keep 40 cows using the big new building for a cow barn.

Mr. and Mrs. D.I. Pope are driving a spiffy coach in the new light shade.

100 YEARS AGO August 22, 1925

Slowly but surely the number of Indians on reservations in New York is declining.

Lee Colburn bought the George Sprague tenant house on Grove street, the former school house.

Uncle Ab says better farming is generally done by better men.

Daniel Cutler was a quiet home-loving man, a great reader, a kind and loving husband and father, and a good neighbor.

The discovery of radio-activity gives us a means of estimating the age of the earth.

Farmers are harvesting peas around here.

The ball game with the Cuban Giants was a thriller.

Sarah Sprague received an air mail letter from her son in Colorado in only two days.

Wouldn't it be awful if the situation in China got so bad that the Christian nations had to steal their oil wells.

William Jennings Bryan, three-time presidential nominee known the world over for his eloquence, is dead.

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110 YEARS AGO August 21, 1915

Hot Monday, cold Tuesday, colder

Wednesday.

Leo Frank was lynched by a mob near Marietta, Ga., home town of Mary Phaga, the 14-year old girl whose murder he was convicted by an Atlanta jury.

Galveston Hit by Storm. People Flee and Fires Start as Flood Sweeps Over Sea Wall

A team belonging to Chas. Wilbur and driven by John Phetteplace ran away with a reaper and binder at the Austin farm and stopped when the machine struck a stump near the home of Frank Elmer, totally wrecked.

For the first time, Germany has used a submarine to bombard English coastal towns.

The Aeolian piano has a new purchaser in Mrs. Byron VanWarner.

The failure of The Rose of Rancho film to arrive was due to gross carelessness on the part of the express company.

On one of the few pleasant days of this season, the Chapin and Spafford reunion was held on the old fairgrounds.

George Webb had electric lights put in his house and barn.

Only about two weeks more of dog days, we are thankful for small favors.

Little Grace Beatty cut her hand while playing with a rip saw in her father's shop.

Herman Palmer purchased the hay crop on the Amos Jaquay farm. With his son, Floyd, he is endeavoring to secure the cattle.

129 YEARS AGO September 2, 1905

High school faculty: Chester, Mrs. G.H. Butterfield, Edith Snyder, Jennie Wallace, Louise Pudney, Marion Gibson and G. Edna Noyes.

W.A. Lull had several fine night blooming cereus in blossom at the same time.

Charles Garndner is leasing the Central Hotel.

Hop picking began in this section last week.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Taxis

5. Space Systems Command

8. Plant seed by scattering

11. Alliances

13. Fiddler crabs

14. Heroic tale

15. Yemen capital

16. Misleading gesture

17. Cain and ____

18. Simple shoe

20. Hundredweight

21. Children’s toy in the snow

22. Gets rid of

25. Free of deceit

30. Performed a dance

31. Chinese philosophical principle

32. Exaggerated

33. Refrain from inflicting
38. A doctrine

41. Can be subdued

43. A place to bathe

45. Land used for pasture

48. Curved piece of iron

49. Automobile

50. Fencing sword

55. Breezes through

56. Child

57. NBA legend Iverson

59. Horsley and Iacocca are two

60. Midway between northeast and east

61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation

62. U.S. leader during much of WW

63. Lair

64. Fibrous material

CLUES DOWN

1. Home of “60 Minutes”

2. Expression of sorrow or pity

3. ____ fide: legitimate

4. Immune response

5. Assistance and support

6. Glared

7. Spanish saloon

8. Pitch black

9. S-shaped lines

10. Statistical test

12. ____ Paulo, city

14. Graduation garb

19. A way to record

23. Not good

24. Weather events

25. A pituitary hormone

26. Jamie Foxx film

27. Rocker’s accessory

28. One point east (clockwise) of due north
29. One who obtains pleasure from another’s pain

34. Consume

35. Licensed for Wall Street

36. Sick

37. Israeli city ____ Aviv

39. Removed the husk

40. Mass of rocks and sediment

41. Two-year-old sheep

42. Area units

44. Prison overseer

45. Walked

46. Wartime escort aircraft carrier

47. Tax

48. 50 percent

51. Swiss river

52. Tattle

53. Actor Idris

54. Resist authority (slang)

58. Egg of a louse

WORD SEARCH

STATE FAIR

WORD SEARCH

O B F B M C G M Y O G C D I B E S E L M
Y J A E Y C C S L D U R O N H N F J G F
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T B F W C S J L O J O G J P C I S U M N
A K S B P Y I A W T C R F P W H D E P M

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

- BLUE RIBBON

BOOTH

CAROUSEL

CORN

CORN DOG

COTTON CANDY

DEEP-FRIED

ENTRY
- FAIRGROUNDS

FERRIS WHEEL

FIREWORKS

FUNHOUSE

FUNNEL CAKE

GRANDSTAND

JUDGES

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- NACHOS

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			9	8				
		1		2		7		4
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7			8					6

Level: Intermediate

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to state fairs.

CTNSEOT

Answer: Contest

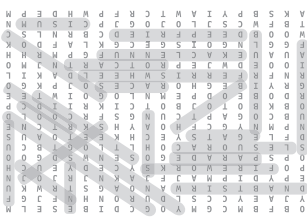
GUESS WHO ?

I am an actor born in New York on August 26, 1980. I was raised in a small apartment with six siblings, and studied ballet at the School of American Ballet. I starred in many films as a child, notably playing the main character in a popular Christmas movie.

Answer: Macaulay Culkin

Solutions:

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3	8	1	6	2	5	7	9	4
9	6	4	1	3	7	5	2	8
7	5	2	8	9	4	3	1	6



“Ice cream, Elvis, and Cars”: Pathfinder Village holds annual NYCM Cruise-In

EDMESTON – On Wednesday, August 13, the community was out in full attendance at this year’s NYCM Cruise-In at Pathfinder Village in Edmeston. This event featured classic cars, ice cream, served by NYCM casualty team, and even classic music by Elvis impersonator, Don Brown. The Cruise-In is also one of Pathfinder Village’s higher drawn events, alongside the Splash Path 5K in May. Community members voted for their favorite car in show: The 1973 Blue Mustang. Overall, it was a great place to be on Wednesday night. For more information on the Pathfinder Village, visit pathfindervillage.org. (Photos by Morgan Golliver)

Police chase stolen vehicle across Chenango County

NORWICH - A City of Oneonta man was arrested on Monday, Aug. 11 after allegedly stealing a vehicle and leading deputies on a dangerous chase through Norwich and New Berlin, according to the Chenango County Sheriff’s Office.

Deputies said they responded at 11:02 a.m. that morning to a stolen vehicle report and, after interviewing the victim, police identified Justin M. Quackenbush, 38, as a suspect.

At 12:52 p.m., deputies reported spotting the stolen vehicle in Norwich and attempted a traffic stop, but the driver refused to pull over, initiating a pursuit.

The chase continued through Norwich and into New Berlin, ending at the intersection of state highways 23 and 8 in South New Berlin, where Quackenbush was taken into custody.

Quackenbush was charged with 3rd-degree grand larceny, 3rd-degree criminal possession of stolen property, 3rd-degree unlawful fleeing a police officer, and 1st-degree reckless endangerment.

He was arraigned in centralized arraignment court and remanded to the Chenango County Correctional Facility on \$10,000 bail. The Norwich Police Department assisted in the arrest.



Pictured Brenda Wright, Executive Director of Aunt Mary’s House receives check from Lynne Porter, Master of Butternut Valley Grange. (Submitted photo)

Aunt Mary’s House received \$100 from Butternut Valley Grange

GILBERTVILLE - Butternut Valley Grange members brought loose change to meetings from September to July for this Community Service project. Members were divided into teams to see which team could raise the most money.

Flora’s friend’s team raised \$46.43 and Pomona’s pals \$42.09 with anonymous dona-

tion for the total presented.

The mission of Aunt Mary’s House located in Norwich is to provide a safe haven for pregnant and parenting mothers 18 years and older to gain opportunities, resources and knowledge toward becoming self-sufficient.

- By Anna Ritchey, Butternut Valley Grange

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New Berlin Library Corner



Children's Summer Art Series

The New Berlin Library is hosting a two-week summer children's art program. It is held in the New Berlin Library Community Room. This program is funded through New Berlin Art Forum sponsorship and a Four County Outreach mini grant.

The first week of the program is complete. During the first week the children learned about 8 famous artists; Salvador Dali, Yayoi Kusama, Claude Monet, Hilma af Klint, Paul Klee, Pablo Picasso, Louise Bourgeois, and Gustav Klimt. Children's books about the famous artists were read aloud and art projects inspired by the artists were completed.

"The Summer Reading Program theme this year is Color Our World. The theme is set annually through The Collaborative Summer Library Program. The library made the decision to tie the Summer Art Series in with the Summer Reading Program theme and teach participating children about famous artists," stated library director Michelle Priola.

"The library aimed to teach the children about famous artists of different styles, periods, and nationalities. We were especially excited to teach the children about artists they might not have heard about through other art

programming."

The summer children's art program takes place August 11 through August 21, Monday through Thursday, 9 am until 12:30 pm each day. The program is free to the public.

The series is aimed at children 12 and younger but is open to children 18 and younger. The library does require that children under 5 be accompanied by an adult. Parents/guardians are encouraged to complete the art projects alongside their children.

The Unadilla Valley School District Summer Feeding Program will be providing breakfast and lunch in conjunction with the library's summer program. Breakfast and lunch will be balanced USDA meals. Due to ongoing construction at UVCS the summer feeding program will consist of cold meals.

Breakfast will be served at 9 am and lunch will be served at noon. This feeding program is open to all children aged 18 and younger. Participation in the library's summer program is not a requirement to receive the free breakfast or lunch.

Some great new additions to the library include: For Richer For Poorer by Danielle Steel, Kiss Her Goodbye by Lisa Gardner, We Are All Guilty Here by

Karin Slaughter, How I Survived Middle School Into the Woods by Nancy Krulik, Logan Likes Mary Anne! (The Baby-Sitters Club Graphic Novel) by Ann M. Martin and Gale Galligan, Yayoi Kusama Covered Everything in Dots and wasn't Sorry by Fausto Gilberti, Claude Monet: He Saw the World in Brilliant Light, The Art and Life of Hilma af Klint by Ylva Hillstrom and Karin Eklund, Meet Paul Klee (Meet the Artist Series) by Excellence in STEM Education, Louise Bourgeois: She Saw the World as Textured Tapestry (What the Artist Saw Series) by Amy Guglielmo, and Klimt and His cats by Berenice Capatti.

The New Berlin Library is located at 15 South Main Street, New Berlin. The Library is open Monday and Wednesday 10AM-8PM; Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10AM-5PM; and Saturdays 10AM-noon. The web address is <http://libraries.4cls.org/newberlin/>. Please contact us at 607.847.8564 or like and message our Facebook page New Berlin Library and Museum (www.facebook.com/newberlinlibrary.newberlinny) or Twitter page @Lib_NewBerlin (twitter.com/Lib_NewBerlin) with any questions.

- From the New Berlin Library



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Clippinger Sporing Law PLLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/22/2025 Cty: Chenango. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 2 E Main St, Earlville, NY 13332. Purpose: Practice of law. (t6 ES/GZ 06/26, 07/03, 07/10, 07/17, 07/24, 07/31)

LEGAL NOTICE
SAMANTHA TEFFT, LCSW, PLLC
Notice of formation of Professional Service Limited Liability Company ("PLLC"). Professional Service Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on 07/30/2025. Office location: 46 Birdsall Street, Greene, Chenango County, New York. SSNY has been designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the PLLC, 46 Birdsall Street, Greene, New York 13778. Purpose: Any lawful act under the New York Limited Liability Company Law. (t6ES/GZ) 08/07, 08/14, 08/21, 08/28, 09/04, 09/11)

NOTICE OF FORMATION
Arts. of Org. of Legacy Line Auto LLC filed with SSNY on 08/13/25. Office: Chenango Co. SSNY designated agent for service of process & shall mail to 170 Fred Wilcox Rd, Oxford, NY 13830. Purpose: any lawful act. (t6ES/GZ) 08/21, 08/28, 09/04, 09/11, 09/18, 9/25)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY: The name of the limited liability company is: Denny's Liquors, LLC (the "Company"). The date of filing of the Articles of Organization of the Company with the Secretary of State was June 19, 2025. The county in which the principal place of business of the Company shall be located is Chenango County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the Company upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company to Hinman, Howard & Kattell, LLP, Attn: Christina J. Graziadei, 80 Exchange Street, Ste. 700, Binghamton, NY 13901. The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful business purpose. (t6ES/GZ 06/26, 07/03, 07/10, 07/17, 07/24, 07/31)

Notice of Formation of 23 SCOTT STREET LLC
Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/14/25. Office location: Chenango County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207-2543. Purpose: Any lawful activity. (t6 ES/GZ 07/24, 07/31, 08/07, 08/14, 08/21, 08/28)

NOTICE OF FORMATION
of a DOMESTIC LIMITED

LIABILITY COMPANY. Name of LLC: Four Leaf Family Farms, LLC. Date of filing of Articles of Organization with the NY Dept of State: 3/23/2025 Office of the LLC: Chenango County The NYSS has been designated as the agent upon whom process may be served. NYSS may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at: c/o Timothy Francis Jr. or Bonnie Kibbe 298 High Bridge Rd., Mt. Upton, NY 13809. Purpose: Farming and retail sales. (t6ES/GZ 07/31, 08/07, 08/14, 08/21, 08/28, 09/04)

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC) Name: County Road 32 Storage, LLC Articles of Organization filed by the Department of State of New York on: 06/25/2025. Location: County of Chenango Purpose: Storage units. Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: 53 Porter Street, Berkley MA, 02779 (t6 ES/GZ 07/24, 07/31, 08/07, 08/14, 08/21, 08/28)

Notice of formation of a limited liability company. (LLC)
Name: Sublime Home Cleaning, LLC
Articles of organization filed by the department of state on: 6/11/2025
Office location: County of Chenango
Purpose: Any and all lawful activities.
Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served.
SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: P.O. Box 251, Oxford NY 13830.
(t6 ES/GZ 07/24, 07/31, 08/07, 08/14, 08/21, 08/28)

Notice Of Formation of a NY Limited Liability Company: TEPCO AUTOMOTIVE LLC Formerly known as TEPCO Truck & Equipment Painting Company. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State Of NY (SSNY) on 04.07.25 Office Location: Chenango County SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC Upon whom process against it may be served and SSNY shall mail copy to, Business Location: 1-3 Front Street Bainbridge NY 13733 Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose (t6 ES/GZ 05/29, 06/05, 06/12, 06/19, 06/26, 07/03)

Notice of Formation of BG Horizon Capital, LLC.
Of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/22/2025. Office location: Chenango County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: P.O. Box 613, Greene, New York 13778. Purpose: any lawful activities. (t6ES/GZ) 08/07, 08/14, 08/21, 08/28, 09/04, 09/11

NOTICE OF FORMATION

OF CKAM4, LLC
Articles of Organization of the above limited liability company (LLC) were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on April 24, 2025.

The LLC's office is located in Chenango County, NY. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served to: 468 Algerine St. Afton, NY. 13730.

The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the laws of New York State. (t6ES/GZ 08/21, 08/28, 09/04, 09/11, 09/18, 09/25)

Notice of Formation of Collier's CaN Do, LLC.
Arts. of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 5.29.25. Office location: Chenango County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: LLC, 417 German Hollow Rd, Norwich, NY 13815. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. (t6 ES/GZ 07/24, 07/31, 08/07, 08/14, 08/21, 08/28)

Notice of Formation of HONDOS CABIN FEVER LLC
Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/30/25. Office location: Chenango County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Kevin Rocks, 159 Hollands Mountain Rd., Oak Ridge, NJ 07438. Purpose: Any lawful activity. (t6ES/GZ) 08/07, 08/14, 08/21, 08/28, 09/04, 09/11)

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC). Nate's Painting Plus LLC. Article of organization filed by the New York State Department of State on 6/28/2025. Office location: County of Chenango. Purpose: any and all lawful activities. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to 3383 St Hwy 23, South Plymouth, NY 13844. (t6ES/GZ) 08/14, 08/21, 08/28, 09/04, 09/11, 09/18)

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Corporation
Name: 5 Lucas Greene NY, LLC.
Articles of Organization filed with the NY Secretary of State on 8/4/2025. Purpose: Any and all lawful activities. Office location: Chenango County. SSNY is designated agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to 1905 Ute Creek Drive, Longmont, CO 80504. (t6ES/GZ 08/21, 08/28, 09/04, 09/11, 09/18, 09/25)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC

Live the Outdoors LLC, filed Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State on July 31, 2025. Its office is located in Chenango County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process served on him or her to, Live the Outdoors LLC, 14 Kellogg Place, Huntington Station, NY 11746. Its business is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under Section 203 of the New York Limited Liability Company Act. (t6ES/GZ 08/21, 08/28, 09/04, 09/11, 09/18, 09/25)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PUTT & STRUT, LLC,
a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State on 04/16/2025. The office location within New York is in Chenango County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC, served upon him/her to c/o Putt & Strutt LLC 62 Genesee Street, Greene, NY 13778. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity.

Notice of formation of TOPS GLOBAL HOLDINGS LLC a Limited Liability Company (LLC) Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State on 3/18/2025: The office location with in New York is in Chenango County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon him/her to C/O 741 Buckley Hollow Rd, Oxford, NY 13830 purpose: any lawful activity in which a Limited Liability Company may engage.

Notice of Qualification of Conseptec, LLC. Authority filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 7/14/25. Office location: Chenango County. LLC formed in Wisconsin (WI) on 3/26/12. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. WI address of LLC: E2250 570th Ave, Menomonie, WI 54751. Cert. of Formation filed with WI Secy of State, 4822 Madison Yards Way, Madison, WI 53705. The name and address of the Reg. Agent is C T Corporation System, 28 Liberty St, NY, NY 10005. Purpose: any lawful activity. (t6 ES/GZ (07/3, 08/07, 08/14, 08/21, 08/28, 09/04)

WREN COFFEE + PAPER LLC. Filed 12/5/24. Office: CHENANGO Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Po Box 68, Norwich, NY 13815. Registered Agent: Dana Kimberly Wall, 565 County Road 31, Norwich, NY 13815. Purpose: General. (t6ES/GZ) 08/07, 08/14, 08/21, 08/28, 09/04, 09/11)

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Easements Relating to the Village of New Berlin Potable Water Project

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Construction on this project is scheduled to start in mid- 2026 and run through the late summer of 2027. Most of the new distribution/ water mains will not be buried directly under the Village street or State Highway (Rt. 8/Main St.), but rather in the area adjacent to the roadway: Such alignment results in the following benefits: 1) minimized personal inconvenience and closure periods/travel disruption, 2) reduced likelihood for and disruption from future repairs, or 2) avoidance of other existing above and below ground utilities.

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Impacted property owners will need sign and have these easement agreements notarized prior to either 1) returning them to either the Village of New Berlin Office (13 South Main Street) or 2) mailing them to Barton & Loguidice, 443 Electronics Parkway, Liverpool, NY 13088.

To facilitate the easement approval process, a public meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 27th from 5:30-7:30 PM at the Chobani Community Center, 75 S Main St, New Berlin, NY 13411. At this meeting property owners questions regarding their particular easement will be addressed. A free notary service will also be available for executing easements. Property owners are asked to bring a driver's license or other form of photo identification to execute the notarization process.

The Board of Trustees of the Village of New Berlin and Barton & Loguidice thank the residents and property owners within the Village for their continued cooperation and support in this effort to improve the water flows and quality for generations to come. Further questions should be addressed to the Village of New Berlin Village Office (607-847-6389; e-mail: vgnwberlin@stny.rr.gov) or the Barton & Loguidice project engineer (Lauren Howard) directly at 315-378-8546.

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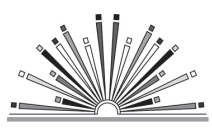
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Forged Brewing Company to host fundraiser for Delaware Valley Humane Society

BY CINDY TILEY
GAZETTE STAFF WRITER

COVENTRY - A special fundraiser for the Delaware Valley Humane Society “Stouts, Ales and Puppy Dog Tails” will be hosted by Forged Brewery on Saturday, August 23 from noon to 6 p.m.

Mike Andres at Forged Brewery is crafting a special beer for the occasion called “Butters’ Day Out” in honor of a foster dog from DVHS who visited the brewery as an escapee. For every pint poured of Butters’ Day Out, two dollars will be donated to the Delaware Valley Humane Society. In addition one dollar from every other craft beer poured that day will also go to DVHS. After the day of the fundraiser \$1 will be donated for every pint of Butters’ Day Out that is sold.

Along with the special beer there will also be delicious barbecue by



Wendy and Mike Andres of Forged Brewing Company are hosting a fundraiser for Delaware Valley Humane Society on August 23 from noon to 6 p.m. at the brewery in Coventry. Mike has created a special brew called Butters’ Day Out just for the fundraiser and there will be raffles, food and music throughout the day. (Photo by Cindy Tiley)



“Santa” and many other community members are donating raffle items including the battle axes, signs and the lamp shown above. (Photo by Cindy Tiley)

Austin Farms. Musical guests Mike Mullenax and Uncle Shake will be appearing starting at 12:30 p.m. Raffles of items created by Santa himself and more are coming in at time of publication. There are also a limited number of event t-shirts available with all the profits going to the Humane Society.

The fundraiser runs from noon through 6 p.m. but the brewery and winery are open

until 9 p.m. on Saturday.

Their regular hours are Thursday and Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 2 to 9 p.m.

Dogs are welcome on the grounds at any time, not just for the fundraiser, as long as they are friendly and on a leash.

Forged Brewery and Better Daze Winery are located at 1732 NY-41, Bainbridge between Afton and Coventryville just south of the blinking

light in Coventryville. The brewery and winery share the grounds and wine will also be available.

Delaware Valley Humane Society has many beautiful dogs and cats available for adoption. Proceeds from this and other fundraisers go directly into the care and feeding of the animals. Located on East Main Street in Sidney, their GPS location is 17420 Co. Hwy. 23, Sidney, NY 13838.

They are open Tuesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information on adopting or donating you can call (607) 563-7780 or email dvhs.sidney@gmail.com.

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Beginning in the late 1800s, scientists who were studying the deep ocean were surprised to find an abundance of tiny fish captured in their nets. Over the years, other scientists made similar discoveries. The tiny fish were identified as bristlemouths, a family of fish containing about 32 species. Today, scientists estimate there are hundreds of trillions -- possibly even quadrillions -- of bristlemouths swimming the seas, making this little fish the most abundant vertebrate on our planet.

Male bristlemouths are smaller than females.

Bristlemouths live at depths of around 200 to 1,000 m (650 to 3,300 ft.).

Tall, Dark And Handsome

Can you spot all six differences between these two scenes?

Shedding Some Light On The Deep Sea Bristlemouth

by Jeff Harris

This cartoon has taken a dark turn.

How does a bristlemouth feel after glowing all night? Light-headed.

Join me on the dark side.

Off The Deep End

Most bristlemouth species are dark in color, but some have translucent bodies.

Bristlemouths use their bioluminescence to find prey, communicate with each other and avoid predators.

Jaw-Dropping

Bristlemouths have extremely large jaws that enable them to swallow prey larger than themselves.

Bristlemouths are also called lightfishes, roundmouths or anglemouths.

The bristlemouth gets its name from its numerous bristlelike teeth.

Bristlemouths produce bioluminescent light using special organs called "photophores" that are found on their head and along their body.

Word Search

Can you find the hidden words? Search carefully because some words are backward or diagonal.

SWALLOW	TEETH	TINY
TWILIGHT	LIGHT	FISH
TRILLION	DARK	JAW
BRISTLE	ZONE	BOB
MOUTH	DEEP	SEA
OCEAN	PREY	NET
DUST	STORM	DUST
ED	WE	HEART
ET	AN	AGREENTWO
PJ	LRA	IRBT
MZ	LAK	LR
OO	DD	IYER
CB	UN	SWAG
EA	ST	ETWO
AL	LS	HOW
NE	WE	ST

GAME ANSWERS: 1. Tie is shorter. 2. Jacket is longer. 3. Tie is missing. 4. Bracelet is missing. 5. Glass is different. 6. Lamp is missing.

Bristlemouths are "protandrous hermaphrodites." This means they begin their lives as males, but some change to females as they grow older.

Bristlemouths live in the mesopelagic zone of the ocean. Sometimes called the "twilight zone," it lies deep below the surface where sunlight barely reaches.

How did the photographer get a picture of a bristlemouth? It was a shot in the dark.

Why didn't anyone believe the video about the bristlemouth? It looked like a deepfake.

Why do people hesitate to talk about bristlemouths? It's a deep, dark secret.

Bristlemouths feed mainly on small prey, such as tiny crustaceans and plankton.