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READING HITTING THE MALL TO get started on your holiday gift shopping? Skip the crowds and generic gifts this year and use your gift shopping as an excuse to check out some of the great local gift shops advertising in this issue. You'll be glad you did!

HOLIDAY SEASON 2016 BIRTH OF A NEW TRADITION!

AS CHRISTMAS APPROACHES, ITS TIME to think outside the box! Who says a gift needs to fit in a box? Everyone - yes everyone gets their hair cut. How about a gift certificate from your local hair salon or barber?

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There are an array of locally owned restaurants offering gift certificates. Or how about a half dozen breakfasts at a local breakfast or lunch diner. How many people couldn't use an oil change for their car, truck or motorcycle, done at a shop run by local working guy!

Thinking about a heartfelt gift for mom? Mom would love the services of a local cleaning person for a day, month or year!

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Looking for something more personal? Local crafters spin their own wool and knit them into scarves. They make jewelry, pottery and/or beautiful wooden boxes. Plan your holiday outings at local, owner and operated restaurants and leave your server a nice big holiday tip. How about going out to see a play or ballet at your hometown theatre. Musicians need love too, so find a venue showcasing local bands. Leave the mailman, trash pick-up guy or babysitter a nice BIG tip.

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Children’s Holiday Tea Saturday, December 3 from 3-5pm

Celebrate the holiday spirit and magic! Warm up with tea and hot chocolate from our teacups and snack on finger sandwiches and tasty treats. Enjoy the Magic Garden Puppet Theatre as they tell two short folk tales: “Mashenka and the Bear” and “The Three Billy Goat Gruff.” Space is limited and advance ticket purchase is required. Tickets are \$8 for children and \$15 for adults. For more information please call 607 756 7551 or email the1890house@gmail.com

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Wassail! Wassail! All over the town,
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With the wassailing bowl, we’ll drink unto thee.

You’re invited to our Annual Wassail Celebration at the 1890 House Museum! Enjoy the splendor of a late 19th century Christmas with tasty homemade cookies and of course our special Wassail! This event is free and open to the public with donations welcome! Wishing everyone a happy holiday season and thank you for your continued support!



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Angel Paws is a fully tax-deductible charitable fund, established through Colonial Veterinary Hospital in partnership with the Veterinary Care Foundation, providing grants to local pets when help is needed with the expense of their medical care.

In the past, clients have occasionally made donations to the hospital as a way of saying “thank you” for the loving attention and high-quality medical care their pets have received. Unfortunately, until now, these gifts have not been tax-deductible. Because the Veterinary Care Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable foundation, all gifts to the Angel Paws Fund are completely tax deductible. In addition, it is important to note that 100% of every dollar donated goes directly to assist local pets and their owners with their veterinary bills.

Please consider donating to this fund to help local pets with their medical care. If you would like to donate, you can mail or drop off a check made out to the Veterinary Care Foundation to Colonial Veterinary Hospital. Alternatively, you may visit the Foundation’s website, www.vetcarefoundation.org, to donate online – just be sure to select Colonial Veterinary Hospital to make sure your donation is used to help local pets in need!

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IT’S NOT TOO EARLY TO think about snow! With winter weather coming upon us, the Tompkins County Office for the Aging is updating its listing of snow shovelers. Deep snow and icy sidewalks are dangerous for everyone but especially for senior citizens. Many seniors are not able to remove the snow from their sidewalks without assistance. If you are interested in assisting seniors by shoveling or plowing, on either a paid or volunteer basis, please call the Tompkins County Office for the Aging at 274-5482. If your name was listed last year, and would like to be listed again, please notify us.

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- **Oh, Christmas Tree:** Securely anchor your Christmas tree so it doesn’t tip and fall, causing possible injury to your pet. This will also prevent the tree water—which may contain fertilizers that can cause stomach upset—from spilling. Stagnant tree water is a breeding ground for bacteria, and your pet could end up with nausea or diarrhea should he imbibe.
- **Mistletoe & Holly:** Holly, when ingested, can cause pets to suffer nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Mistletoe can cause gastrointestinal upset and cardiovascular problems. And many varieties of lilies can cause kidney failure in cats if ingested. Opt for just-as-jolly artificial plants made from silk or plastic, or choose a pet-safe bouquet.

- **Tinsel-less Town:** Kitties love this sparkly, light-catching “toy” that’s easy to bat around and carry in their mouths. But a nibble can lead to a swallow, which can lead to an obstructed digestive tract, severe vomiting, dehydration and possible surgery. It’s best to brighten your boughs with something other than tinsel.
- **That Holiday Glow:** Don’t leave lighted candles unattended. Pets may burn themselves or cause a fire if they knock candles over. Be sure to use appropriate candle holders, placed on a stable surface. And if you leave the room, put the candle out!
- **Wired Up:** Keep wires, batteries and glass or plastic ornaments out of paws’ reach. A wire can deliver a potentially lethal electrical shock and a punctured battery can cause burns to the mouth and esophagus, while shards of breakable ornaments can damage your pet’s mouth and digestive tract.
- **Skip the Sweets:** By now you know not to feed your pets chocolate and anything sweetened with xylitol, but do you know the lengths to which an enterprising pet will go to chomp on something yummy? Make sure to keep your pets away from the table and unattended plates of food, and be sure to secure the lids on garbage cans.
- **Leave the Leftovers:** Fatty, spicy and human foods, as well as bones, should not be fed to your furry friends. Pets

- can join the festivities in other fun ways that won’t lead to costly medical bills.
- **Careful with Cocktails:** If your celebration includes adult holiday beverages, be sure to place your unattended alcoholic drinks where pets cannot get to them. If ingested, your pet could become weak, ill and may even go into a coma, possibly resulting in death from respiratory failure.
 - **Selecting Special Treats:** Looking to stuff your pet’s stockings? Stick with chew toys that are basically indestructible, Kongs that can be stuffed with healthy foods or chew treats that are designed to be safely digestible. Long, stringy things are a feline’s dream, but the most risky toys for cats involve ribbon, yarn and loose little parts that can get stuck in the intestines, often necessitating surgery. Surprise kitty with a new ball that’s too big to swallow, a stuffed catnip toy or the interactive cat dancer.
 - **A Room of Their Own:** Give your pet his own quiet space to retreat to—complete with fresh water and a place to snuggle. Shy pups and cats might want to hide out under a piece of furniture, in their carrying case or in a separate room away from the hubbub.
 - **New Year’s Noise:** As you count down to the new year, please keep in mind that strings of thrown confetti can get lodged in a cat’s intestines, if ingested, perhaps necessitating surgery. Noisy poppers can terrify pets and cause possible damage to sensitive ears. And remember that many pets are also scared of fireworks, so be sure to secure them in a safe, escape-proof area as midnight approaches.

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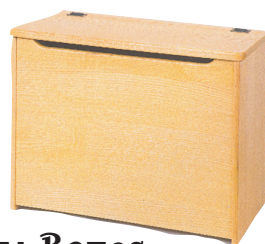
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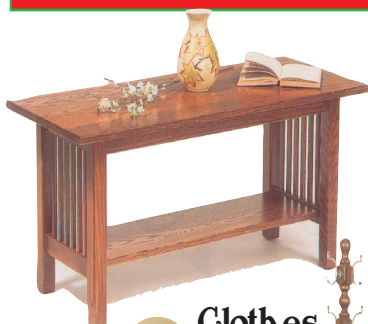
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