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March 24 – Spring Home Improvement, Think Spring, Go Fishing & Easter Issue Deadline 3/19

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June 2 – Summer Car Care, Local Race Tracks & Pre-Grad/Dad Issue Deadline 5/28

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July 21 — BBQ & Outdoor Recreation & HOT Weather Car Care Issue Deadline 7/16

August 4 – Need for "Speed" (Motorcycles, Cars & Race Tracks) Issue Deadline 7/30

August 18 – Pamper Your Pets, Back to School & Pre-Labor Day Issue Deadline 8/13

September 1 – Fall Home Improvement, Fall is for Planting/Hunting & Labor Day Issue Deadline 8/27



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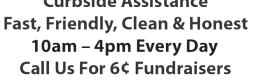
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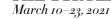
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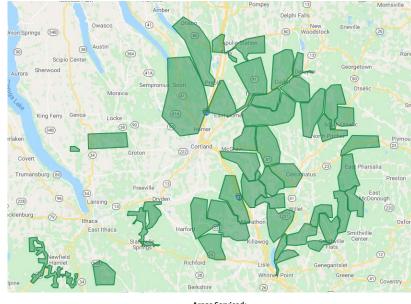
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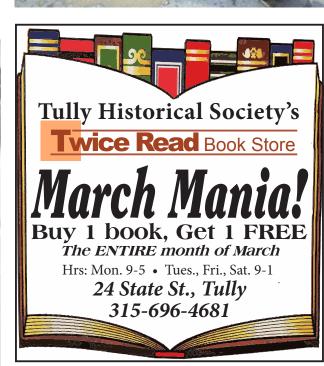
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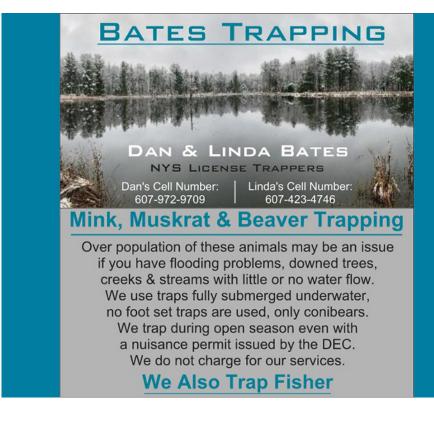
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Cortland County originally had six towns which were divided into the fifteen towns we know today. Marathon was set apart from Cincinnatus on April 21st, 1818 and it had a different name than it is called today. It was named after a general in the United States military. Do you know what the original name of Marathon is? We'll have the answer for you next time!

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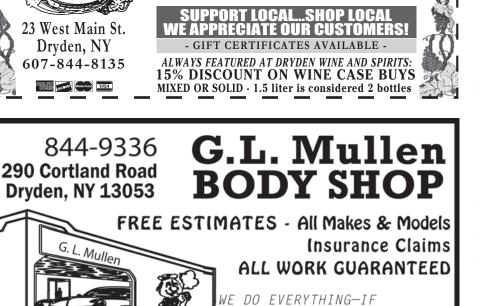
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Red-winged blackbirds, common grackles and cowbirds frequently travel together in large, hungry flocks that descend en masse upon our bird feeders or to rest in treetops where they produce a cacophony of ear-busting whistles, trills, croaks, squeaks and other excited avian chatter. While the raucous concert lacks pleasant melodics, it is, nevertheless, most welcome to winter-weary ears!

In contrast, the little rusty-brown and white song sparrow sings so sweetly. The male sparrow selects an exposed perch to set the stage; then, tipping back his head, he begins his cheerful song with a few succinct whistles followed by a bouncy trill. Some bird guides suggest it sounds like, "Madge, Madge, Madge, put on your tea kettle-ettle-ettle;" or, "Hip, hip, hip hurrah boys, spring is here!" Regardless of the questionable mnemonics we assign to the song sparrow's uplifting tune, there's one thing for certain: it's music to our ears.

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It should be noted that Cichlids will sometimes eat plants. It should also be noted that Cichlids dig caves and disrupt plants and decorations.

This is simply their way. They should be provided with plenty of hiding places. In order to maintain their brilliant coloration, you will need to offer your Peacock Cichlid with a diverse diet. Standard fish food diets usually include a healthy mix of plant and animal matter. However you can also feed frozen bloodworms, freeze dried or frozen brine shrimp. A high-quality varied diet will also help your fish to display their brightest colors and African Cichlids can rival saltwater fish for their beautiful colorations.

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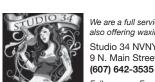
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