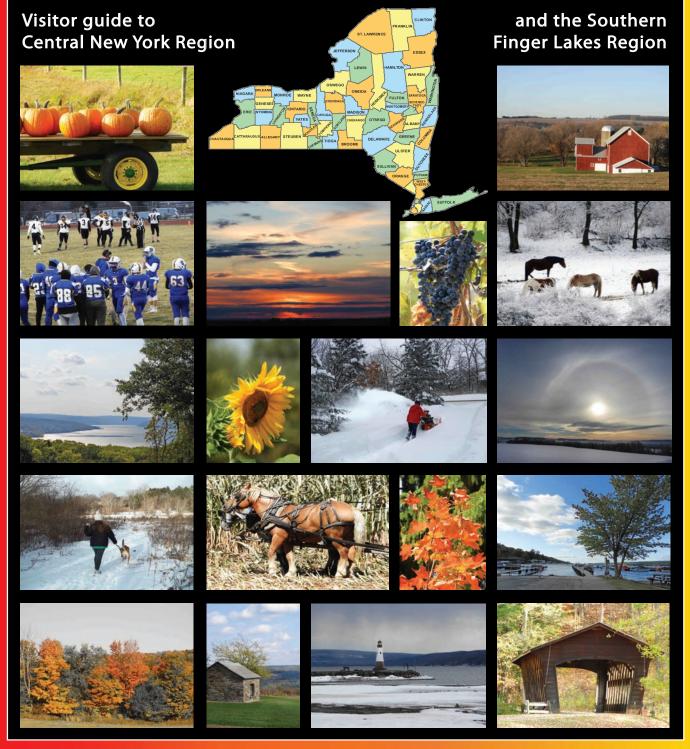
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October 13 - Fall/Winter Car Care & Halloween (Corn Mazes & Pumpkin Farms) Issue

October 27 – Restaurant Guide/Catering & Pre-Thanksgiving Issue

November 10 – Thanksgiving & Black Friday Issue

November 24 – Get Ready for Winter, Winter Sports Enthusiasts & "For Kids" Holiday Issue

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#### **CALENDER OF EVENTS**

Ithaca Apple Harvest Fest - October 1-3 - Downtown Ithaca

Newark Valley Apple 40th Annual Fest - October 2 & 3 - Rt 38, Newark Valley

NYS Draft Horse Sale - October 7 & 8 - Cortland Co Fairgrounds

Ski Swap - October 8-10 - Greek Peak Ski Resort, Cortland

Candor Fall Festival - October 8-10 - Candor Town Hall Pavilion, Candor

Lafayette Apple Fest - October 9 & 10 - 5330 Rowland Rd, Lafayette

Hops & Swaps Fall Fest - October 9 - Greek Peak Ski Resort, Cortland

Little York Fall Fiber Arts Fest – October 9 – Dwyer Memorial Park on Little York Lake

CNY Wellness Festival - October 9 - Courthouse Park, Cortland

Halloween Costume Closet Kids FREE Costumes – October 10th – Cortland Elks Lodge 748

Cortland County Halloween Parade - Watch for updates - Main St., Cortland

Haunted Wine Walk - October 30 & 31 - Hosmer Winery, Ovid

Small Business Saturday Holiday Shopping Extravaganza - November 27

Homer Winterfest - January, 2022- Village of Homer

Chill-A-Bration 2022 - TBA - Historic Downtown Cortland

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### RETURNS TO DOWNTOWN ITHACA OCTOBER 1-3

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THE 39TH ANNUAL APPLE HARVEST Festival presented by Tompkins Trust Company returns to Downtown Ithaca Friday, October 1st through Sunday, October 3rd. What better way to kick off New York Cider week than with three days celebrating apple growers, cider makers, and of course cider donuts in Downtown Ithaca. Apple Harvest Festival will host plenty of farmstand fresh apples and produce, delectable apple and seasonal baked goods, a variety of food trucks offering tasty bites, and a craft fair with artisans from around the region. There will also be live music and entertainment, plus a cider trail to enjoy refreshing cider in store and plenty of great apple and apples-inspired products for sale inside shops in and around Downtown. Please check their website for updates and details about attending the festival safely as information on the site will be updated daily.

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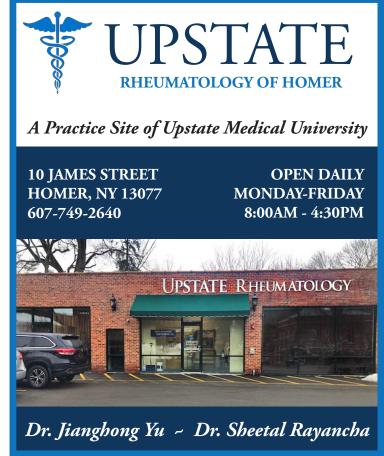


# 39TH ANNUAL THE PROPERTY OF T

It's THAT time of year again! Time when chills run down your spine and you begin to shiver! No! It's not winter yet! It's time for the 39th Annual CHILLER Haunted House at the Center for the Arts of Homer October 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22, and 23! Outdoors again this year on the front lawn of the Center! Reservations are appreciated but walk ups are welcome each night until 9:30pm. Call the Center for the Arts of Homer at 607-749-4900 to reserve your spot at the scariest little haunted house in Cortland County! \$3.00 admission - face coverings encouraged. First tours start at 7:00pm nightly.

### 21ST ANNUAL CANDOR FALL FEST OCTOBER 8, 9 & 10

THE ANNUAL SCARECROW CONTEST STARTS October 4. Please have your scarecrows up for display by Oct. 1. Go to our scarecrow contest page for more information. Participants will vie for three \$100 first prizes. There will also be second and third prizes and participation awards. Prizes will be gift certificates that can be used at any Chamber business. October 8 - Highlighting this year's Fall Festival will be a



#### FALL

community party at the Candor Town Hall pavilion. The party is jointly sponsored by the Candor Farmers Market and the Chamber. Music, food, wine tastings, a campfire and s'more bar will be part of the fun. and proceeds go to benefit the Cortland Youth Bureau. CDC Covid guidelines are in place for the festival. Please review CDC.gov for current information. Tickets langanwellness.com/cnywellnessfestival

### **QUILT SHOW**OCTOBER 9 & 10

THE MUCH LOVED QUILT SHOW sponsored by the New Quilters on the Block will be at the EMS Building on Main Street and the popular Catatonk Valley Woodcarvers show will be at the Candor Fire Station on Owego Road. Other popular events include the Iron Kettle Farm Spooktacular Display; Goat farm tours at Side Hill Acres Goat Farm, goat cheese and products, wine tasting, antiques, crafts, open houses, and more. Businesses, organizations and churches throughout Candor will sponsor open houses, bake sales, a community sing, antiques, yard sales, dinners, children's events, special sales and more.

### CNY WELLNESS FESTIVAL OCTOBER 9

10AM-4PM

Courthouse Park, Church Street, Cortland

Wellness! This FREE event is a day of yoga and meditation classes, chatting with experts in the wellness field, and shopping local, small businesses! All donations

#### HALLOWEEN COSTUME CLOSET OCTOBER 10

12-4

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igwedge ost of the costumes are in the original package. No adult sizes. Kids sizes 4 to 12 only, and all are free.

#### **OCTOBER 10**

11AM

Stewart Park • Ithaca Event by SPCA of Tompkins County and Melissa Travis Dunham

10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE March for the Animals! Join fellow animal lovers in support of the SPCA on Sunday, October 10! It's time to get your dog leashed up and your walking shoes on to support the SPCA in our most important fundraiser of the year. More details coming in early September, Tailbearer, and our fundraising event page on GiveGab. Follow us on Facebook for updates.



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- October 16: 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fall Craft Show
- October 23: Vintage Snowmobile Show and Swap Meet featuring the Ski-Doo
- October 30: Halloween Special ~ Monsters in the Museum
- November 11: Veterans Day Watchfire
- November 13: Fall Harvest Craft Fair

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### Cortland Country Music Park

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### NIGHTINGALE'S TULLY LAKES HARDWARE

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community a wide variety of home improvement and country living needs that go beyond just hardware. From pet foods and animal feeds, to garden supplies and live plants- Customers can find everything from canning supplies to lawn mowers and more!



As Fall temperatures arrive, customers will find everything they need to weatherize windows and doors to better insulate for winter weather. Nightingale's is currently carrying Timber Heat hardwood Pellets, and offers the option for home delivery, as well as Leheigh Valley rice & nut coal. Both wood pellets and coal are sold by the bag or by the ton, with home delivery available. As colder weather sets in– the store is also stocked with latest styles in Dry Shod Boots, , energy-

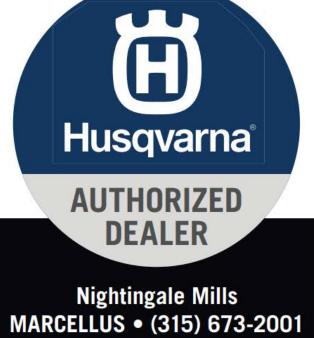
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#### **FABIUS BOTTLE & CAN**

ABIUS BOTTLE & CAN IS located at 7861 Main Street, at the intersection of Ridge Road and Rt. 80, in the picturesque village of Fabius. It opened in 2017 & shares space in the building with Fabius Country Store, which was once

Anna's store. We purchased the store in 2016 and relocated it to its new, completely renovated home, with a large deck to relax on while enjoying an ice cream cone.

It has been a very busy year with Covid-19 and all the challenges that it presents, such as Health Dept. restrictions & mandates, staffing issues, adding fresh meats, more produce, and other items in the store to better serve the community, struggling with product availability and shortages, and a sizable increase in can and bottle intake levels, but we have struggled to persevere, like so many other businesses, and our dedicated staff continues to work hard to keep us open and thriving during a very difficult situation.

The bottle return business has been very busy, and our innovative ideas, like offering free

pick up service for large loads and commercial customers, and periodic 6-cent specials, have contributed greatly to our success. Our customers enjoy the convenience of dropping off their load of returnables on their way to work or to run errands, and then stopping in to pick up their money on their way home, or receiving a call when it's finished. We have had to alter our hours because of staffing issues this past year,





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I recently bought out my partner's shares, so I'm flying solo now and have long-range plans, which include renovating the carriage barn on the property to house the bottle return. The business has been so brisk that we will also need

an additional barn to store all these cans and bottles for pickup by the recyclers. When the bottle return moves, it'll free up space to expand the store to offer even more products and an indoor dining area.

Fabius Country Store opened in 2019. We are open 7 days a week, from 6am - 9pm, and offer



a wide variety of beer, tobacco products, grocery items, and have a take-out menu that includes pizza, wings, subs and sandwiches, haddock dinners, soups and more. Local folks say we that we have the best pizza in the area! We have great homemade lunch specials and packaged meals to take with you. We love our Purity ice cream and we keep the ice cream counter open all year. We offer soft serve, milkshakes, premade sundaes, ice cream sandwiches, chocolate dipped frozen bananas, and quarts of Purity ice cream from the freezer. Our Fried Dough is becoming quite

Stop in soon with your cans and bottles, and while we count them for you, you can browse the store, enjoy an ice cream cone or fried dough, or grab a premade dinner or goodies to take home. You can also call ahead for hot pizza and wings or other menu items at 315-683-1061. Thank You for your patronage!



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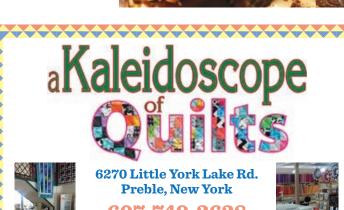
are warmly greeted by a staff member ready to assist you on your flavor journey. Selections rotate weekly so there's always something new to explore. Craft flights of 3 or 5 are available for any items that are on tap as well as any number over 80 NYS liquors and a rotating selection of over 140 NYS wines.

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Cued by waning daylight and changing weather, millions of songbirds, ducks, geese, loons, hawks, herons, gulls and other birds begin their seasonal sojourn. Some will travel thousands of miles and across continents, while others fly just far enough to leave winter's worst weather behind.

As insects, fruits and flowers become scarce in the fall, many bat species migrate, too, especially those that roost in trees rather than caves. Expectant mother

bats often choose to make the southward journey, perhaps to help ensure their offspring get the best possible start in life where the climate is warmer, and food is more plentiful.

Deer travel to "winter yards" - places where the terrain, dense conifers and thermal cover, like red oaks, work to block wind, sift heavy snowfalls and retain the sun's warmth.

the weather cools, many fish swim southward through tributaries; others simply move to deeper, warmer parts of the lake as the water temperature drops.

Some insects choose to migrate, too. The monarch butterfly sojourns as far as sunny Mexico, leaving winter far, far behind,

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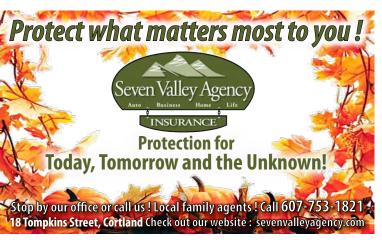


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Do not add an algae eater to a new tank. There is no algae yet.

Feed your fish small amounts 3 times a day if possible. Do not over feed. Too much food will pollute your tank and cause it to be cloudy.

Purchase a siphon and siphon 20 to 25% of the water monthly. Always siphon from the bottom not the top. You want to get the extra waste and excess food off the bottom of the tank.

Watch your lighting. Do not leave the tank light on 24 hours a day. Fish want to sleep too. Also too much light means too much algae. Have your tank light on from 4PM til 11:00 PM. Something like that.

When you buy new fish, go right home and put them in the tank. It's not a good idea to go shopping while your fish sit in a bag in your car especially if it's really cold out.

Only float the bag of fish for 5 minutes. There is not that much water in the bag. It will only take a few minutes for that water to reach the temperature of your tank. Floating too long can result in death.

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Some fish will get along with other fish very nicely, such as: tetras, mollies, platys, swords, guppies, dwarf gouramis, many of the barbs are aggressive as well as the bigger gouramis.

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