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The Cortland Area Tribune, nicknamed The CAT is published and distributed every other Wednesday. Look for it at 100's of area businesses in Cortland, Dryden, Whitney Point, Groton, Homer, Marathon, Moravia, Ithaca, Tully & LaFayette. Here's some upcoming issues for you to look forward to!

**September 11 - Fall Bridal & The Cortland Area Tribune's 22nd Anniversary**  
Deadline 9/6

**September 25 - Get Ready for Fall, Fall Antiques, Columbus Day & Fire Prevention Week**  
Deadline 9/20

**October 9 - Fall/Winter Car Care & Halloween**  
**PLUS** Fall & Winter Travel Guide  
Deadline 10/4

**October 23 - Restaurant & Catering Guide**  
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**November 6 - Pre-Thanksgiving & Black Friday**  
Deadline 11/1

**November 20 - Thanksgiving, Black Friday & Get Ready for Winter**  
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2. What is the name of the useful extra counter space that isn't connected to a wall?
3. What does US code require for the maximum spacing between spindles on a deck rail?
4. You just installed a shower and there is a gap between the shower and the wall. What would use to seal this joint?

## CHECK OUT THE BUSINESS SERVICE GUIDE!

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By Jaxyn Boyce

ESTABLISHED IN 2020, FREEDOM FARMS sits on 180 acres of land and continues to expand. The owners, Dana Cavalea, a former New York Yankees World Strengthening and Conditioning Coach, and his wife Lauren, a former Executive Assistant for ABC News, demonstrate the passion for hard work and the American dream. Freedom Farms represents proud patriotism and dedication to preserving the American way of life.

For example, they commit to providing quality and safe foods. While continuing, to build a community and sanctuary from the stress of a problematic food system and believe the food system is a problem as food-related illnesses or diseases continue to rise resulting from commercial farming and fertilizers with chemical sprays with bioengineered foods. Freedom Farms instead offers natural, healthy foods to its customers.

In total, they own 150 cattle and hundreds of pigs, plus goats, sheep, ducks, and chickens. During the Thanksgiving season, they also raise turkeys. Now, they deliver to customers nationwide. Their vans showcase their logo for local deliveries in the tri-state area, Long Island, Westchester, and Connecticut.

Annually, they host Freedom Fest in September as an appreciative thank you to all customers. The event is on September 14th of this year. Raising animals naturally in a pasteurized environment sets them apart from competitors. Their beef is grass-fed, the pork is pasture-raised, and the chickens, as well as, turkeys, roam freely. Located at 237 Ott Road, in Greene, NY, their phone number is (631)-793-5633. Freedom Farms also has a website, [wearefreedomfarms.com](http://wearefreedomfarms.com), and can be contacted by email at [wearefreedomfarms@gmail.com](mailto:wearefreedomfarms@gmail.com). Finally, Freedom Farms stands by its products and continues to stand by the American way.

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SEPTEMBER 6 & 7

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COME ONE, COME ALL!! To the 3rd annual Crown City Mural Fest. This is a FREE event (suggested \$5 donation) The event will include: Art Gallery, music, food vendors, live painting by local and regional artists, petting zoo, creative community engagement activities. The event will begin on Friday, Sept 6 with a specially curated First Friday art gallery opening on the 1st floor space from 5pm-8pm featuring artists who currently reside and make artwork in the historic Cortland Corset Building. The main event is being held outside in the space behind the building with artisans inside on the 1st floor. Let's get creative Cortland.

First Friday Cortland Corset Artist Group Exhibition Friday, Sept. 6 from 5 PM - 8 PM. Crown City Mural Fest kicks off on First Friday at the Cortland Corset Building Gallery on the 1st floor with an exhibition featuring artists and creatives with studios in the CCB. Light refreshments will be provided.

3rd Annual Crown City Mural Fest, Saturday, Sept. 7 from noon - 5 PM. Learning More & Get Involved: <https://linktr.ee/crowncitymuralfest> This project is made possible through

the CNY Arts Grants for Regional Arts and Cultural Engagement regrant program thanks to a New York State Senate Initiative supported by the NYS Legislature, the Office of the Governor and administered by the New York State Council on the Arts.

## DRYDEN SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH

SEPTEMBER 9

THE DRYDEN SENIOR CITIZENS WILL meet on Monday, September 9, 2024 at the Dryden Veterans Memorial Home, Route 13, Dryden. Lunch is served at 12:15 p.m. with announcements and a meeting starting at 11:45 a.m. The menu will be Stuffed Shells, tossed salad, Italian bread, corn, and Angel Food cake with strawberries. The meal cost is \$8.00 for members and \$9.00 non-members. The speaker will be Shirley Price of the Dryden Historical Society. She will talk about the history of the town of Dryden where she was born and raised.

The yearly DSC membership is \$10.00 and we meet on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. Anyone in the area 55 or older is welcome to join this great group for a delicious meal, exciting programs, and wonderful camaraderie.

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### CORTLAND COUNTY TRIVIA FROM THE CORTLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**I**N THE LAST ISSUE OF the CAT, we asked if you knew which of the towns in Cortland County is named after a Roman poet. If you guessed Virgil, you are correct.

Cortland County is part of the Military Tract which was land given to soldiers after the American Revolution as payment for their service in the war. The Military Tract was surveyed and parceled out into towns which were then broken into lots of about 600 acres each. Soldiers were given 600 acres or more, depending upon their rank. Many of the names used for towns in the Military Tract were taken from famous Greeks and Romans, like Virgil, the poet whose major works included the Bucolics (or Eclogues), the Georgics, and the Aeneid.

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If you prefer to do-it-yourself, Valley View Gardens has a wide selection of trees, plants, and shrubs to meet all of your landscape needs and the expertise to guide you along the way. Our selection is quite diverse, ranging from a variety of



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Hours are Monday through Friday 9-5 and Saturday 9-4. We are closed on Sundays. If you have any questions, please call us at 607-749-3130. Help us celebrate "Fall" at Valley View Gardens Nursery and the Cinnamon Apple Cottage Gift Shop! Gift certificates are available! Start your holiday shopping now and save! We are closed Monday, September 2nd, Labor Day.

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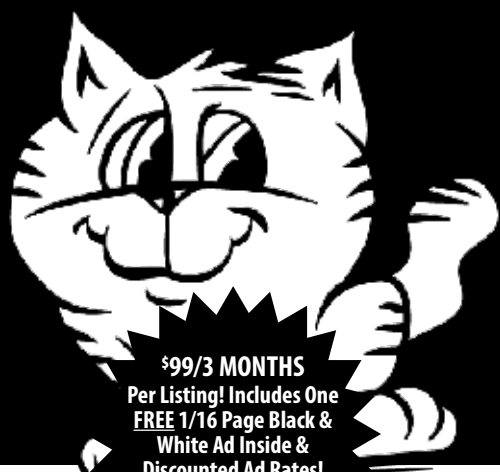
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## CREATURE FEATURE OH BOY-OR GIRL!?

**S**OME FOLKS CLAIM THAT WHITE-TAILED deer fawns can be sexed based on the arrangement of their spots—specifically, that male fawns have straight lines of spots along their backs, while females have either scattered or zigzag patterning. Funny enough, there is also an old verse conveying the exact opposite advice: “Spots in a row, it may be a doe. Spots all amuck, it’s likely a buck.” So which is correct?

Turns out neither, as both are merely myths and completely inaccurate. While deer savvy folks may discern fawn gender with some degree of accuracy based on head shape—males typically have boxy shaped skulls, while females have rounded (photo shows male fawn on the right)—the surest way to identify the gender of young fawns is to look between their hind legs.

It is possible, however, to determine the sex of *older* fawns by looking between their ears! Let me explain.

When male fawns are around 2 months old, small, fur-covered bumps, called ‘pedicels,’ begin growing on the frontal bone of their skulls. These are not true antlers but will form the base from which the antlers will grow when the deer are approximately one year old. Meanwhile, at around 6 months of age, these cute nubbin-topped young ‘uns are called “button bucks.”

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