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- 2. Wearing a white wedding dress was a trend started by what famous bride?
- 3. What is the most popular flower used in American weddings?
- 4. Where is the most popular wedding destination for US couples?

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CREATURE FEATURE BITTERSWEET DEPARTURES

T feels as though we were just anticipating the arrival of Spring's early birds, and now it's time for them to make their southbound journeys. In fact, many are well on their way. It's a bittersweet time, because while seeing them depart can make us feel a little blue, late summer and early fall offer good opportunities to observe migrating wildlife

Lots of songbirds began moving south in mid-August. Different warblers, flycatchers, vireos, thrushes, tanagers, and other feathered friends that charmed us throughout the spring and summer are already on the move. Hummingbirds are also migrating now and will benefit from nectar feeders. September is the best month to observe shorebirds like killdeer, plovers, yellowlegs, snipes, and sandpipers, as they're often less secretive than during breeding season.

Some ducks are migrating now, too. Like most birds, they get that restless urge to head south due to various factors including their reproductive cycle, molting stage, waning daylight, falling temperatures, decreased food, and even in response to hunting pressure. Blue-winged teal are very early migrators while Canada geese may linger into November. Some mature male mallard ducks will only move south in response to the advancing ice line; and if the ice recedes during milder weather, they have been known to backtrack north! Perhaps, like us, they are loath to say goodbye to Summer.

Article & photo by Margie Manthey



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J Dale (Dale Harrington) is a mobile disc jockey (DJ) in the Finger Lakes Region of New York. He has been specializing in weddings and karaoke for 25 plus years. DJ Dale, a native of Groton, NY began his career in entertainment at the age of 5 when he first performed in a regional theater performance. Since then Dale was heavily involved in all aspects of theater, being both on stage and working behind the scenes. While attending Ithaca College, he became involved with radio productions and worked as an on-air personality for various radio stations. After graduating from IC, Dale began working for a mobile DJ company. He eventually took over the operations and is now a renowned Wedding DJ and Karaoke host. DJ Dale has won awards for his karaoke shows (Ithaca Times Best Karaoke) and recently was acknowledged as an outstanding wedding DJ in both The Knot (Best of Wedding Winner) and Wedding Wire (Couples Choice Award). These accolades represent the highest and most rated wedding professionals as reviewed by real couples, their families and wedding guests. DJ Dale is a true entertainer and provides outstanding service for your event.



CORTLAND COUNTY TRIVIA FROM THE CORTLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

In the Last issue of the CAT, we asked if you knew how long the Homer Fire Department has been in existence. The Homer Fire Department was formed in 1873 which make it 151 years old this year! With a district covering 75 square miles, this department covers about 10,000 people. Territory contained within the fire district includes both the village and the town of Homer and the town of Scott.

The Homer Fire Department is made up of three fire companies: Triumph Hose Co. No. 1, Tioughnioga Hose Co. No. 2, and West Side Hose Co. No. 3. Each company has its own leadership structure and a maximum membership of 30 firefighters. The Homer Fire Department, and most of the fire departments in Cortland County—the exception being the City of Cortland Fire Department, operate using only volunteers. The city has both paid and volunteer members. We are exceptionally lucky to have such dedicated volunteers answering this call of duty in our community.

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DRYDEN SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH SEPTEMBER 23

THE DRYDEN SENIOR CITIZENS WILL meet on Monday, September ▲ 23, 2024 at the Dryden Veterans Memorial Home, Route 13, Dryden. Announcements and a meeting starts at 11:45 a.m. with lunch served at 12:15 p.m. The menu will be Meatloaf, baked potato w/sour cream, coleslaw, spinach, and pudding. The meal cost is \$8.00 for members and \$9.00 non-members. The entertainment will be Mike Competillo from Groton, NY singing

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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Helping Hands Food Pantry is NEXT Friday, Sept. 13 from 3:30-5:30pm and Oct. 11 & Nov. 8

Mark you calendar for Harmony UMC's annual HAM Dinner on October 19 at the Harford Town Hall from 4:30-6:30pm.



31st Richford Potato Festival

September 21, 2024

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Routes 38 & 79 Richford, NY

Activities at the Richford Historical Society (the Graded Schoolhouse):

Schedule of Events:

INTRODUCTION 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Charles Yaple Book Signing - "The 'Tree' of Us"

TBD Potato Grader Demonstrations

TBD Barb Miller Presentation on Mule Team 11 a.m. to 12 a.m. CORNELL RAPTORS - Birds of Prey Exhibit

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- Vendors
- Historical Society Raffle Baskets
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All Day Bake Sale &What Not Sale

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All Day

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All Day

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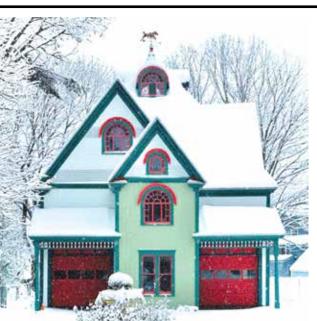
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Our history

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family home of hustle and bustle. The boys had a basset hound and an African gray parrot. As an adult, Fredric moved into the home with his wife Marion and raised his four children there. A Wickwire always occupied the house until Marion's death in 1973. A lot of life happened in this home, and it still loves a good party! Despite its grand appearance, the house has an intimacy and beauty that resonates with all who visit. Chester and Ardell would happily invite you into their home and be honored for you to make your own memories here.

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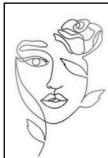
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Shute continued on with the business after Shetler decided to pursue other interests.

Shute was then joined by his sons, Mark, Neil and Scott. Howard Shute retired at nearly 80 years of age while his sons continued the family tradition of providing safe and pure water to the community.

Today, Shute's Water Systems is run by Scott Shute and Matt Farkas, and Shute's Excavation is run by Todd Shute. Scott's wife Becky runs the office with Mark Shute's daughter Jill. The family attributes the majority of its continued success from recommendations it receives from satisfied customers.

Shute said many municipal water systems contain calcium and magnesium, which as "hard" substances, form scale and create problems in water heaters, dish washers and plumbing

Water purification can include the removal of iron, sulfur, chlorine and bacteria in a chemical-free process. Softening the water is also important and has many benefits, not only for family members, but for plumbing systems and appliances

"Uncontaminated water is essential for good health," Shute said. "Foul-smelling or unusual odors from your water should make you question your water's quality and safety."

Many families throughout Central New York use well water as a source of drinking water and for all its household needs. Unfortunately, water containing hydrogen sulfide gas has a distinctive "rotten egg" odor which is especially noticeable when running hot water.

Shute said the danger lies in a gradual chemical reaction

"Hydrogen sulfide gas will corrode plumbing metals such as iron, steel, copper and brass, and the exposed metal parts in appliances such as dishwashers and washing machines" Shute said. "Also, corrosion of iron and steel pipes from ferrous sulfide, or 'black water,' that can darken everyday tableware, discolor copper and brass utensils and alter the appearance and taste of cooked foods."

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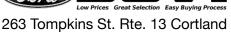


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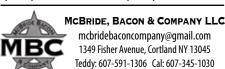
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The Cortland Area Tribune is published by me, Judy Kilmer. I live in Dryden with my husband John and our husky Ripp. John and I have been married 47 years and have 3 grown children and an 11 year old granddaughter and 3 year old grandson. I have been working in advertising for 50 years! My first job in 1974 was at a pennysaver while I was studying Commercial Art and attending high school. At the pennysaver I learned the basics of creating and selling newspaper ads and writing articles etc. Next I worked at an advertising agency for 10+ years then took some time off to raise our family. Once our children were in school, I started working in the advertising field again for a local newspaper and a few years later I realized I wanted to start my own paper. After spending a few months talking and listening to people about a need for an old fashioned community paper in the Cortland area, I was inspired to create a newspaper that featured articles about businesses that folks drive by every day. Plus offer free community events listings for nonprofit organizations and do each issue with a "theme" to keep the paper interesting for my readers. The Cortland Area Tribune was launched in September 2002, providing local businesses $with\ an\ affordable,\ attractive\ bi-weekly\ paper\ and\ boosts\ of\ almost\ all$ of its original advertisers today! Thank you to my loyal advertisers and thank you "my readers" for reading The Cortland Area Tribune in print and online! And a special thank you to my layout/graphic designer Dustin, graphic designer Nanci, independent sales consultant for 12 years, Martha and the rest of the crew that sells ads and writes articles. Thank you to McKayla, Jim and my husband John and my daughter Katelyn who delivers the papers! All of you contribute to the success of The Cortland Area Tribune celebrating its 22nd Anniversary!

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NANCI MCCRAINE After working professionally as an advertising retailer with Judy

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 $Ibuild\,the\,newspaper, both\,in\,print\,\&\,online.\,I\,started\,out\,delivering\,for$ Judy while attending Dryden High School, took over the design duties in 2006, and launched the website in 2010.

I'm a Software Engineering consultant, working with clients like Amazon, NASCAR, NHS & Remind-and own a tattoo shop in

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JOHN KILMER

Hi-I'm Judy's husband John. I have been helping Judy behind the scenes with the paper since 2002. I started delivering papers in 2020 $\,$ and enjoy making sure the bins are full every other week. I deliver to $Groton, Locke, Moravia\ and\ Lansing\ areas.$



KATELYN KILMER

Hi! I'm Katelyn! Judy is my mom. I've been helping with the paper since I could drive. I help distribute the papers. I enjoy being outside as much as I can and working for the paper allows that to be possible. My mom has done amazing things with the paper and because of it I've met a lot of people and experienced cool things along the way. Watching the paper grow since I was young has been nothing but awesome. It's fun being a part of the CAT community



MCKAYLA MACOMBER

Hello- I'm McKayla Macomber, and I've been delivering the CAT for 4 years now. I enjoy the freedom I get with delivering papers because it allows me to do other things. I also work at the Dryden Wine & Spirits $liquor\ store,\ make\ dog\ bones\ treats\ and\ make\ art\ on\ the\ side.$



JAXYN BOYCE

Hi! My name is Jaxyn Boyce. I started writing for the Cortland Tribune earlier this year, and love the work we publish. Judy offered me the opportunity to cover first responders in this area, and I'm glad I get to be part of such a wonderful team. I have a Bachelor's in Professional Writing and have been featured in the Ke'lab, Small Talk, Common Ground, and Gina Nutt Publication. I enjoy all types of writing and am available to help the writing community. I can be reached at (607) 708- $0560\ and\ by\ email\ at\ jax.boyce 00@gmail.com.$



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JIM COON

Jim Coon is a life long resident of Cortland, NY. Born there, lives there, will die there. Already has a cemetery plot. It was a wedding gift. He doesn't like to talk about it. Jim took over the Cortland delivery route in January of 2024 and he likes to joke with his friends he got a new job...a paper route! They don't get his sense of humor. Jim delivered papers for the Cortland Standard back in the 80's so he feels he's come full circle. Along with being a "paper boy" Jim is a successful graphic designer and cartoonist with over 30 years of experience. He is also an actor and is involved with projects at the Center for the Arts in Homer as well as the ACME Mystery Company in Syracuse. Jim travels across $the \, state \, and \, into \, Pennsylvania \, on \, weekends \, to \, various \, craft \, and \, comic \, constant \, and \, constant \, constan$ shows selling prints of his original horror art or caricatures. Jim also is the creator of the Chiller Haunted House which is based at his home. The small garage haunt has been in operation for over 40 years. In his spare time, Jim likes to...sleep. Jim lives in Cortland with his wife Kati, daughter Abbi and 2 cats. Stay off his lawn!!!!

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