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> April 16 – Pre-Mother's Day, Lawn/Garden & Easter Deadline 4/11

April 30 - Mother's Day & Pre-Memorial Day **PLUS** Spring & Summer Travel Guide

Deadline 4/26

May 14 - Memorial Day & Dairy Days

Deadline 5/9

May 28 – Summer Car Care, Local Race Tracks & Pre-Grad/Dad

Deadline 5/23

June 11 - Grad/Dad, Summer Music, 4th of July & Local Wine/Brewery

Deadline 6/6

July 16 – BBQ, Outdoor Recreation & Hot Weather Car Care

Deadline 7/11

July 30 - Need for "Speed"

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August 13 – Pamper Your Pets, Back to School & Pre-Labor Day

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April 26 Open Practice

May 3 Roy Shields Memorial - Modified, Sportsman, IMCA, Factory Stock, 600 Sprint, 600cc, Modified Hustling the Highway Series

May 10 Full Program plus 358 Modified

May 17 Full Program plus IMCA, Classics on Dirt

May 24 Full Program plus 358 Mod

Mon., May 26 Dale Planck "Natural 77" Memorial Super DIRTcar Series - Modified, Sportsman

May 31 Full Program plus IMCA - Youth Sports Night

June 7 Full Program plus CRSA Sprints, 358 Mod - Bob Wildoner Night

June 14 Full Program plus IMCA

June 21 Doug Worthing Memorial - Full Program plus 358

June 28 OFF for Graduation Weekend

July 5 Independence Celebration - Full Program plus IMCA

July 12 Full Program plus 358 Mod - Kids Bike Races

July 19 Full Program plus CRSA Sprints and IMCA

July 26 OFF for Broome County Fair

Aug. 2 Full Program plus 358 Modified - Fan Appreciation

Aug. 9 Full Program plus IMCA

Aug. 16 Full Program plus 358 Modified, Kids Powerwheels Drag Races

Aug. 23 Full Program - IMCA Championship Night plus Classics on Dirt, Throwback Night Sun, Aug. 24 Chad Sindoni Factory Stock Memorial \$1500 to win, Modifieds, 600cc Modified Hustling the Highway Series, DIRTCar Sportsman, 600 Sprints

Aug. 30 Championship Night plus 358 Mod - Final Points

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Gates open at 4 pm, Hot laps at 6pm and Racing at 6:30pm - A full program consists of Modified, 358 Modified (alternating weeks), DIRTcar Sportsman, IMCA (alternating weeks), Factory Stocks, 600cc Modified, 600 Sprints unless noted otherwise. Schedule subject to change without notice.

LUNCH & LEARN: 1890 HOUSE APRIL 3

12PM

THE 1890 HOUSE IS CELEBRATING 50 years as a museum in f L 2025. Nicelee Hollenback will be presenting the early days of the museum with vintage pictures and documents. We will explore the people and the processes that took a family home and created a community source of pride, and finally, we will share how you can help us get back to the roots of its original mission as a center for the community.

LUNCH & LEARN: ANTIQUE BOTTLE COLLECTING APRIL 10

12PM

JOIN TOM KANALLEY OF THE Fingerlakes Bottle Collectors Association to learn more about antique bottle collecting. Bottle collecting is a hobby that involves history, specialized areas of interest, and the thrill of the hunt for just the right bottle to add to one's collection.

Bring your own lunch if you wish, and we will provide a beverage and dessert. Admission is free for members of the Cortland County Historical Society (CCHS) and \$5 for CCHS members-to-be. Parking is available on either Homer Avenue or Maple Avenue, directly across the street from CCHS. Please call 607-756-6071 with any questions. Or email info@ cortlandhistory.org

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Easter Eggs. The newly renovated Carriage House will be the place to enjoy crafts, planting flowers and refreshments.

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DRYDEN SENIORS MEETING APRIL 14

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The meeting will begin at 11:45 am, followed by lunch at 12:15 pm and the program at 1:00 pm. The entrée will be spaghetti and meatballs.

Lunch is \$10 for members and \$12 for guests. Annual membership is \$10; members need not be Dryden residents.

For questions or additional information, contact Ruth Lewis at 607-749-4541 or at otiscolake2@yahoo.com.











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By Jaxyn Boyce

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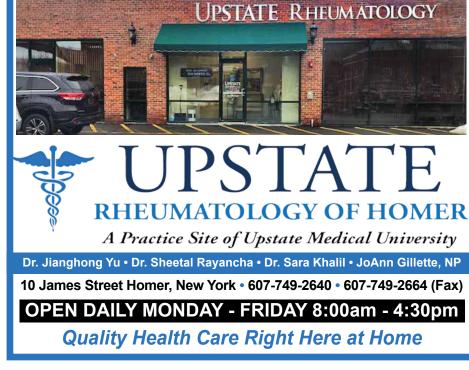
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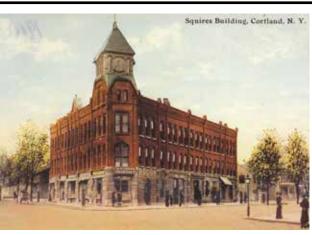




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By Tabitha Scoville, CCHS Director

TAVE YOU EVER LOOKED AT buildings and wondered who built them and when? I often admire the interesting detail work, solid wooden doors, and sturdy architecture of homes in the city. Walking downtown always has me looking up at the towering brick facades and thinking about what it took to construct them. It turns out that one carpenter's name comes up over and over in the city of Cortland: Dudley G. Corwin.

Corwin was born in 1849 in Montgomery County, New York, and his parents moved to Blodgett Mills when he was a child. The family then moved to New York City but returned to Cortland County in 1854. At this time, Corwin's father started a business as a contractor and builder, and Dudley began to learn the trade of carpenter at age 15. By 21, he was a skilled journeyman and by the age of 25, Dudley was an independent contractor with a solid reputation for his skill and reliability. His work was in great demand, and some of the buildings he is responsible for that we know today are the Squires Block, the Keator Block, and both the First and Second National Bank buildings. Not only did Corwin build industrial and business buildings, but he also built many fine houses in the area, including his own. Dudley Corwin was known to be able to do any job his skilled workmen could do just as well as they could. He handled jobs of all sizes with the same professionalism and craftsmanship. His quality of work was excellent and always done on time. It was said that Corwin made plans that "never go awry." His shop and home were at 13 and 15



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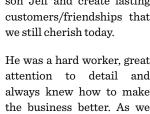
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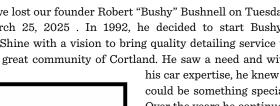
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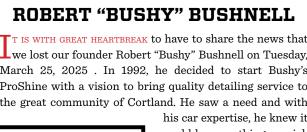


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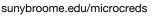
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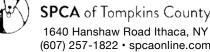
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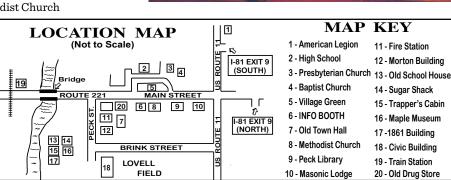
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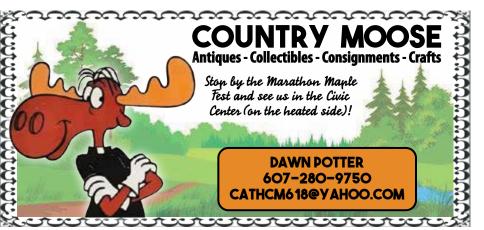
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Take, for example, the blue-spotted salamander, which as an adult is terrestrial and only returns to the water to reproduce. It's about 4-5 inches long with a dark blue or black body spattered with bluishwhite spots. A nocturnal denizen of mixed forests and swamps, the blue-spotted salamander spends most of its life on the forest floor hunting for insects, spiders, worms, and snails, or resting in underground nooks. It emerges from its hibernation burrow in sync with mild, rainy nights when air temperatures are above 40 degrees. And so begins a timeless spring migration to ephemeral pools and wetlands within the woodlands.

Spring peepers will also be out in force, calling in a love sick cacophony so very iconic to early spring. It amazes me how these tiny frogs can produce such BIG sound! Loud mouths aside, it's challenging to locate one of these wee crooners. Some frog fanatics use the "triangulation" method where 2-3 people point their flashlights to where they think a single peeper might be calling and then begin carefully searching where two or more beams intersect. Sounds like a fun spring activity to try with the kids!

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