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## Houses on the Move, Pt. 2

## Randolph Road very quiet 'except for its heavy traffic' <br> By LINDA HUEY <br> onto the driveway, Kelby, with the help toward the farm to move the little house <br> made a crawl space foundation that could

Special to the Alfred Sun
ALFRED-Randolph Road, just outside of Alfred, is very quiet. That is, except for its heavy traffic.
"Heavy" meaning the weight of the Sunny Cove Farm's tractors and farm machinery going to cut hay, spread manure, carry firewood, and much more in the line of farming. With all the hauling going on back and forth every day, on Wednesday, Nov. 10 something unusual was hauled down the road.... nice blue house on two hay wagons!
It was Kelby Snyder' project to move the house. Kelby and his wife Kristina run Sunny Cove Farm, a diversified certified organic dairy farm on Randolph Road that has a successful niche selling raw milk as well as grass fed beef, pas fured poultry and milk-fed pork, bake goods, vegetables, fruit, maple syrup made in their sugar shed, and much more from their farm store on location.
The farm has been in the family for three generations, so extra help is still available from Kelby's father Jerry and other members of the large family for milking the cows and running the farm.
Kelby and Kristina Snyder have had an incredibly ambitious year so far. They are "back to the land" type of people with a passion for farming, gardening, and sustainable practices. When they first married in 2013 , they acquired a property on Randolph Road west of Lake Road with a $28^{\prime} \times 24$ ' "cabin" on it. This past spring after moving the little house to one side
of Sean Hyland, started building a larger post and beam house for his growing family.
At the same time, Kelby worked all summer preparing a site down the road
toward the farm to move the little house to. That involved clearing the woods, digging the basement, pouring a foundation, putting in septic, and getting a water well drilled. Choosing an easier route would have been to just pour a flat slab, but he
also accommodate an addition he plans to build later
Kelby is capable of doing everything he puts his mind to, yet always remains (Continued on Page 8)

## OFFICE OF STATE COMPTROLLER (OSC) MUNICIPAL AUDIT

## Alfred Town Supervisor responds to OSC audit <br> bookkeeper.

## By DAVID L. SNYDER Editor and Publisher

ALFRED STATION-New York State Comptrolle Thomas P. DiNapoli on Nov. 22 released local government audits including an audit of the Town of Alfred.
The audit cited Alfred Town Supervisor Dan Acton for not properly appointing a town bookkeeper and Acton along with the Town Board for not properly monitoring the bookkeeper.
Summary of the audit read as follows:
"Town of Alfred - Incompatible Duties (Allegany County). The supervisor did not properly appoint, and the board and supervisor did not properly monitor, the bookkeeper. The supervisor appointed the town clerk as bookkeeper which is an incompatibility of office and duties. As a result, checks and balances over the powers and duties of these positions was not maintained. The supervisor also did not ensure the clerk, while acting as the supervisor's bookkeeper, prepared and filed the town's annual update documents as required. The board did not audit the town's books and records, as required."
While cited for "incompatible duties" of Town Clerk/Tax Collector Jan Burdick also serving as bookkeeper, nevertheless, all financials were found to be in

When contacted for comment, Alfred Town Supervisor Dan Acton said, "The issue is that for decades the town has had a full-time bookkeeper and clerk/tax collector. Current Office of State Comptroller (OSC) policy is that these duties should be split.
"So, when Jan was last reappointed to her full-time position we were criticized for having one person performing both jobs. The board in concert with Jan hired an outside bookkeeping service effective in July 2021 and Jan began serving at that time as part-time clerk/tax collector. So, the issue was resolved but we still got written up for it.
"As you noted, we have accounted for all revenues and expenditures and there was never any question about the financials of the town. The fact that the town had not been audited by the State for more than ten years is indicative of the fact that they see us as a low risk municipality," Acton said.
The Office of the State Comptroller audit said: Audit Objective
Determine whether the Town of Alfred (Town) SuperBoard (Board) ar) properly appointed and the Town

The Supervis Key Findings
解 Board and Supervisor did not properly monitor, the bookkeeper.
-The Supervisor appointed the Town Clerk (Clerk) as bookkeeper which is an incompatibility of office and duties. As a result, checks and balances over the powers and duties of these positions was not maintained.
-The Supervisor did not ensure the Clerk, while acting as the Supervisor's bookkeeper, prepared and filed the Town's annual update documents (AUD) as required.
-The Board did not audit the Town's books and records, as required.

Key Recommendations
-Ensure that the bookkeeper's appointment does not result in an incompatibility of duties.
-Ensure that AUDs are completed and filed when required.
-Ensure that an annual audit of the Supervisor's records is conducted.
Town officials generally agreed with our recommendations and have initiated or indicated they planned to initiate corrective action.

## OBITUARIES

Josephine 'Josie' Ciancaglini, 87, Hornell, English teacher; promoted the arts


JOSEPHINE "JOSIE" CIANCAGLINI
English teacher, sports, arts fan
HORNELL-Josephine "Josie"

## Richard Jim Neeley, custodian at Alfred State

## RICHARD JIM NEELEY

HORNELL-Richard Jim Neeley (known as Jim or Jimmy), of Hornell, passed away Saturday, Nov. 20, 2021 after a brief illness:
Born in Hornell, he grew up in Alfred, where he worked as a custodian at Alfred State College until his retirement. He later resided at Woodlawn Mobile Home Park in Hornell.
For years, Jim was an active member of the YMCA and enjoyed gardening as a hobby. He had a passion for the vehicles that he owned over th years.


Although he had no children of his own, he en-
joyed spending time with his siblings, nieces and nephews, and their children. He always helped and provided for others. He can be described by his loved ones as a generous man with compassion, isdom, spirit, and humor. Jim created many fond memories and will be severely missed. No services will be held at this time. A celebration of life will be held at a later date at the onvenience of the family
To send a remembrance, visit www.brownandpowersfuneralhomes.com or @brownpowersfh on Facebook. The family is being assisted by director Chester A. Gosper IV.
In lieu of flowers, the family has asked donaions be made to the ARC Allegany Steuben for individuals with special needs at: www.thearcas.org/get-involved/donate/ or the "Save Our Students Fund at at Alfred State ColEERS/team/StudentEmergencyFund

## Andrew A. Goodliff, 66, Belmont, True Patriot



ANDREW A. GOODLIFF Sportsman, all about people BELMONT-Andrew Allen Goodliff, 66, of Belmont, passed away Friday, Nov. 19, 2021 at Jones Memorial Hospital as a result of a short illness.
Mr. Goodliff was born in Olean July 12, 1955 to Guy and Virginia (Rink) Goodliff. Andy was a 1974 graduate of Allegany High School. He also attended Alfred State College, where he obtained his Associate's Degree in Electrical Engineering. In his childhood, Andy met Pamela Hutchison and the two grew up together. Later in life, she became his soul mate, and is left to cherish his memory.
Andy worked in a variety of settings over the years, including Bell Telephone, Stroehmann Bakery, Dresser-Rand, and L. C. Whitford. He retired in the early 1990's.
Along with Pam, Andy is survived by his children, Desiree (Shannon) Davis of Belfast, Gregory (Tiffany) Goodliff of

Hume, Scott Hutchison of Angelica, Gary (Melanie) Hutchison of Belmont, and Joshua (Marie) Hutchison of Angelica; two uncles, Jack Rink and James Rink both of Tyler, Texas; 16 grandchildren, two great grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and cousins; and dear friends, Jim Jarmuz who was Andy's go-to Poker buddy and the Ives family who shared numerous activities and gatherings with Andy and Pam over the years.
Andy was preceded in death by his siblings, Truman Goodliff, Ed Goodliff, Jesse Goodliff, Joanne McIntyer, and Cora Collar.
Andy was an outdoorsman who loved fishing and hunting pheasant and squirrel with his Mountain Cur, Missy. Legend has it that he was also the best road hunter ever. He loved to eat, enjoying all types of foods. He was a member of the Allegany County Saddle Dusters where he was honing his riding skills with his Quarter Horse, Tuff. In 2021 he received the "Most Improved Rider" award. He delighted in rodeos and horse shows, especially when watching his children and grandchildren compete.

Andy was also a member of the North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters and the National Rifle Association. He was a patriot at heart who truly loved his country.
He had an appreciation for stuff and had accumulated a collection to impress any other "Junker." Andy was notorious for being late. He also had a
compulsion to find the best gas prices. He would put just enough gas in his truck to get him to the bargain station where he could save a couple pennies per gallon. Often enough, that plan resulted in running out of gas.
Not a church-goer, Andy still had a quiet faith. He had read the Bible in full several times and shared with his family that he had made his peace with God. Understanding the seriousness of his illness, Andy surrendered his medical condition to the Lord's will.
Andy was about people. He never met a person that he couldn't befriend. He was a "talker"--sharing conversation with any and all. The most important people to him, by far, were his family. He loved the family gatherings and birthday parties-sharing more wonderful food and fun times playing cornhole. He was a loving grandpa who created great memories with his grandchildren by pranking them for laughs. He was also a compassionate and caring man who would gladly give you the shirt off his back to warm you.
There will be no immediate services. A Celebration of Life will be held at a time to be announced. Arrangements are under the direction of BakerSwan Funeral Home in Wellsville/Scio. Online condolences may be offered at www.baker-swan.com.
Memorial Contributions in Andy's memory may be made to the American Heart Association, PO Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692.

## Auxiliary of th

Josie served as president of the St. Ann's Parish Council and for many years was a Religious Education Instructor. She had also been a Board Member of the Hornell Library, the Steuben Senior Services Fund (SSSF) a member of the Hornell City Planning Board and received nuPlanning Board and received numerous awards for her leadership on Hornell High School Building Teams.
She was a member and past Co-President of the Beato Angelo Society and was passionate about him becoming a saint. Josie had a deep devotion to Beato Angelo who was from Furci, Italy where she and a large group of Hornellians had ancestors who immigrated to Hornell.

A extremely charitable woman, Josie gave of herself and donated to many charities throughout the years. She devoted countless hours of her time as a volunteer at the Aquinas Gift Shop of St. James Mercy Hospital, the Hornell American Red Cross, the American Cancer Society, Faith in Action, and driving people to their tion, and driving peop
She loved to travel and on two occasions, visited Rome, Italy. Josie also enjoyed traveling to professional shows and musical productions in New York City (Broadway), Chautauqua Institute, the Stratford Ontario Theater. Because of her "Love of the Arts," Josie served as president of the Hornell Arts Council and actually received the "Key to the actually received the "Key to the Mayor Shawn Hogan in recognition of her exceptional service to the Arts.
A true sports fan, Josie enjoyed rooting for her favorite sports teams such as the Buffalo Bills and the Notre Dame Fighting Irish. She especially loved attending and cheering for her
Puzzles on Page 10
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Weekly SUDOKU _ـ Answer

great-nephews, Adam and
Austin; great-nieces, Andrea and Jessica.
In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Augie Ciancaglini.
Surviving are two nieces, Mary K. (Joe) Dwyer of Arkport and JoAnn (Shane) McMahon of Almond; two nephews, James "Jim" Ciancaglini of Hornell and Michael Ciancaglini of Hornell; two great-nephews, Adam Dwyer of Arkport and Austin Dwyer of Rochester; two great nieces, Andrea McMahon and Jessica McMahon, both of Almond; her cousin, Mary Jo Colomarino (Dave) Jacobs and their daughter, Linda (Mike) DeCoca and son David, all of Rochester, her childhood friend Mary Theresa Moretti Purtell; along with countless friends throughout the Hornell Community and several relatives in Furci, Italy. Josie will especially be missed by the Doran family (Mary Margaret, Brendan, Brian, Fr. James OSB, Maura and Andrew) and the Mickey and Bill Smith family (Neale, Hildreth, Bobby and Mark) who she considered her "Surrogate Families."
Calling hours were held from 1 to 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22 at St. Ann's Church where a Mass of Christian Burial was held a the conclusion of calling hours at 2 p.m. Burial was in St. Ann's Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are in care of Dagon Funeral Home, 38 Church St., Hornell.
Josie's family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in her name be made to either the National Parkinson Foundation, PO Box 23204, Rochester, NY 14692 or the Hornell Alumni Association, PO Box 135, Hornell, NY 14843 or St. Ann's Academy, 41 Genesee St., Hornell, NY 14843
To leave an online condolence or share a memory, visit www.dagonfuneralhome.com.

## CryptoQuote

The first problem for all us, men and women, is not to learn, but to unlearn. - Gloria Steinem King Crossw

Solution time: $\mathbf{2 2} \mathbf{~ m i n s}$.


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## COMMUNITY NEWS

## Community Chest at $30 \%$ of its 2022 goal

ALFRED-The 2022 AlfredAlfred Station Community Chest campaign is now underway. The campaign has reached $30 \%$ toward its 2022 campaign goal of $\$ 35,220$ for the 2022 campaign.
Area residents may send in donations to AAS Community Chest, Post Office Box 603, Alfred, NY 14802.

The Board is made up of the following volunteers: Andy Ek-

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## Christmas musical program,

 open house Dec. 5 in AlmondALMOND-The Almond Historical Society and the Almond Community Church invites the public to attend the annual Christmas musical program in the church sanctuary at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5.
Featured will be the Community Kids Choir directed by Shelly McGraw, as well as dancers from Lauren Norris Smith's Sideporch Ballet school. A brass quintet will play traditional Christmas music prior to the program, and will offer their rendition of Handel's Hallelujah Chorus for the closing.

Other selections will be offered by a ladies ensemble, as well as individual musical solos and groups. The congregation will also be singing traditional carols.
From 1-4:30 p.m., the 1830s Hagadorn House will be open, where visitors will be able to view the beautifully decorated house, home to three generations of the Hagadorn family. Christmas wassail and cookies will be served throughout the afternoon. This Christmas event has been hosted by the Almond Historical Society and the Almond Community church for more than twenty years. The Almond Historical Society and the adjacent Almond Community Church are located on North Main Street, Almond, at the intersection of Karrdale Av-
enue and Main enue and Main
Street, at the red light.

## SUNNY <br> SIDE UP

By ELLEN SHULTZ
Alfred Sun Columnist
Pumpkin Pancakes filed with veggies?
[Editor's Note: Like most of the recipes she shared with our readers over the past couple of decades, Sunny Side Up columns by the late Ellen Shultz are worth repeating.
While rummaging through my old recipe box last week looking for a different green bean casserole recipe, I came across this recipe that I hadn't seen for years-probably because it was filed in the vegetable category! Anyway, these pancakes are delicious-if you're a pancake lover, which I am not-probably the other reason I haven't seen this recipe for years

Pumpkin Pancakes with Cinnamon Brown Butter $1 / 2$ c. butter

2 tsp. baking powder
$1 / 4$ c. maple syrup
$1 / 2$ tsp. cinnamon
$1 / 4$ tsp. nutmeg
$1 / 2$ c. chopped pecans $11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. flour

1 tsp. salt
2 eggs
$11 / 3 \mathrm{c}$. milk
$3 / 4$ c. canned pumpkin
$1 / 2$ c. ricotta cheese
2 T. packed brown sugar

In a small heavy saucepan, cook butter over med. heat for 8-10 minutes or until golden brown. In a small bowl, combine flour, brown sugar, baking powder and salt. In another bowl, whisk the eggs, milk, pumpkin and cheese. Stir into dry ingredients just until moistened. Drop batter by $1 / 4$ cupsful onto a greased hot griddle; turn when bubbles form on top. Cook until the second side is golden brown. Serve with the browned butter.

pany's ambulance service, Ofpany's ambulance service, Office for the Aging's Personal Emergency Response System, and the Alfred Station Fire Company.
New this year on the list is the Alfred-Almond Community Sports Association, which provides recreational opportunities for youth in the community Many youngsters participate in Youth Soccer Youth Baseball Youth Soccer, Youth Baseball and Softball at the Almond Lions Park, which is maintained and being further developed by he AACSA. The AACSA, through its Greg Norton Memorial Park Committee, is also overseeing the revitalization of the old Almond Playground on Main Street.
Off the list just for this year are the Alfred Food Pantry, due to its current very large bank balance from generous contributions during the pandemic, and the Senior Nutrition Site, which has not been meeting in the past year.
The other charities are the Allegany County Mental Health Association, Allegany County SPCA, Hart Comfort House, Association for the Blind and Visually Handicapped, Literacy West, Cub Scout Pack 1026, Boy Scout Troop 19, ARC Special Olympics, Baker's Bridge Historical Society, and the Alle-gany-Cattaraugus-Chautauqua Fund for Women.
The Board thanks the community for its past support and for the support that will be given in the coming months!


## Kelly's

 ForecastBy KELLY SNYDER The Alfred Sun Weather Forecaster
"December's wintery breath is already clouding the pond, frosting the pane, obscuring summer's memory..." -John Geddes

Thursday, Dec. 2
HOWERS
(HIGH 45-LOW 29)
Chance of precipitation.... $50 \%$ Friday, Dec. 3 CLOUDY
(HIGH 33-LOW 27)
Chance of precipitation....20\% Saturday, Dec. 4 CLOUDY
(HIGH 33-LOW 23)
Chance of precipitation.... $24 \%$ Sunday, Dec. 5
PM SNOW SHOWERS
(HIGH 31- LOW 29)
Chance of precipitation....35\% Monday, Dec. 6
PARTLY CLOUDY
(HIGH 31 -LOW 22)
Chance of precipitation....40\% Tuesday, Dec. 7 CLOUDY (HIGH 33 - LOW 29)
Chance of precipitation....23\% Wednesday, Dec. 8
(HIGH 36 -LOW 26)
Chance of precipitation... $35 \%$
For more up to date weather information add your Alfred Sun Weatherman Kelly Snyder on Facebook where he conducts occasional Facebook Live Reports. As always, if you don't like the weather in Alfred just wait five minutes!


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## Scene About Alfred

A weekly photo feature By SHERRY VOLK Alfred Sun Columnist


Smashed. Noticed a handsome natural slate sandwich board in front of Alex's a couple of weeks ago. Over the next several days, vandals destroyed it. Seriously, I don't get it.

Historic calendars being sold ALFRED STATION-Baker's Bridge Historical Association has a great gift idea for friends and relatives near and far, a 2022 calendar!
Calendars are available for $\$ 10$ each. They are available for


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sale in Alfred at Gallery 2 and Hair Care on Main Street. Canacadea Country Store in Alfred Station also has a supply. In addition, calendars are available by mail for $\$ 10$ each, plus $\$ 5$ handling for any number Please send a check made out to BBHA, along with your address and number of calendars desired, to: Sherman Clarke BBHA Treasurer, 33 South Main Street, Alfred, NY 14802


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To the Editor:
"You must never think of anything except the need, and how to meet it."
These words from American Red Cross founder Clara Barton -who would have turned 200 in December-continue to serve as a guiding light for today's Red Cross volunteers, donors and partners, who exemplify her compassion and devotion to helping others.

This generous spirit is needed

"Only through the open and unhampered clash of contrary
opinions can truth be found ppinions can trub now more than ever. COVID-19 has taken a heavy toll on our most vulnerable neighbors, and they're in dire straits when an-

WORLD'S SHORTEST INVESTIGवTION..


## Sun Spots

## Book Wiggleworm

"Grandpa, your bookmark. It tells you your place," She says with a proud little smile on her face It's clutched in her hand now, removed from its spot, Chapter 6...or 16? Maybe 9...I've forgot.
She waves it around so it flies through the air, Then it lands-it's a bird...or a plane. Who's to care? And then with her two-year-old-gurl nonchalance, She shoves in that bookmark wherever she wants, Satisfied that she's done what she needed to do, And that Grandpa must surely be satisfied too.
-The Satisfied (Albeit Lost-His-Place) Grandpa

Americanisms

"Surround yourself with people who take their work seriously, but not themselves, those who work hard and play hard."

- Colin Powell
other crisis strikes
That's where our Red Cross community-of people like you -steps in to provide help and - Steps. This year, Red Cross volhope. This year, Red Cross vol-
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wake of devastating floods caused by Hurricanes Henri and Ida, responded to 936 local disasters - primarily home fires and provided immediate emergency assistance to 1,600 families during life's emergencies. In turn, many of those same volunteers dedicated their time to response efforts in the south and supported blood collection efforts at a time when the need for this lifesaving resource has never been greater.
This continues to be a time to take care of each other, and what better time to honor Clara's lifesaving legacy than when we celebrate her 200th birthday this holiday season.
Join us by making a financial donation, an appointment to give blood or platelets, or becoming a Red Cross volunteer. Visit redcross.org to learn more about how you can make a difference for those in need.

Nicholas Bond
Regional Chief Executive
American Red Cross of

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December 3, 2021

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## December 3-24

25 years for Angel Station!
ANGELICA-This year will be the 25th annual offering of the Angel Station cancellation at the Angelica Post Office. The ceremonial debut of the Booster Citizens-sponsored postmark (design as always by Pat Kaake) is Friday, Dec. 3.
Greeting cards may be mailed to the office or dropped off prior to Dec. 3, addressed appropriately and intended for mailing on that date. Please separate in-town and out-of-town mail. Postal employees will be in the lobby to hand-cancel pieces brought in by cus tomers that day.
In addition, the Post Office will accept all mail to be postmarked with the Angel cancellation from Dec. 3 through Friday, Dec. 24. Window hours are (M-F) 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-3:30 p.m.; (Sat) 10 a.m.-12 Noon.
All mail requesting the Angel Station postmark that is received after Dec. 24 will be for collectors only, for 30 days. Please provide a return stamped envelope or your postmarked item w/stamp will be sent through the normal mail stream. For more information please contact the Angelica Post Office at 585-466-7869
As noted this is the 25 th anniversary of the Angel cancellation The final count for the 2020 postmark was 10,001 , a new record number!

## The Aified Sun DEADLINE for NEXT ISSUE:

We've got a deadline and we're stickin' to it. E-mail news, ads, to: alfredsun.news@gmail.com NEXT ISSUE: Thursday, Dec. 9 Deadline: 12 noon Monday, December 6

## Quite frankly, we'd like you to subscribe to the Sun! <br> name and address or that of a loved

Back in 1884, a simple item appeared in the Alfred Sun that said, "Wanted, one thousand subscribers to the Sun."

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## 'Hope just around the corner' at Family Life <br> ater organization whose goal is to bring the Bible to life. <br> of Miller's greatest tasks is keeping the lines of commu-

## By NATALIE NORRIS

Alfred University Communications Major
Alfred University Communications Major room that was once a gymnasium and is now a studio for Family Life's theatrical performances. A makeshift sound booth is at the back of the room and a small, wellused, much-loved stage is at the front. Warm stage lights create a bright island in the darkness of the room, illuminating a couple floating in a waltz among the half-finminating a couple floating in a waltz among the half-fin-
ished set that is split between a 1940 s radio station and ished set that is split between a 1940s radio
a brownstone apartment in San Francisco.
Actors standing further back in center stage create a comforting atmosphere, singing Christmas lyrics of hope, peace, and joy. Rodney Coe, director of the show, takes notes as the scene is in motion. A smile crawls up his face as he looks to Terry Miller, stage manager, sitting next to him.
"It's good," says Coe.
This December, Family Life's theater department is presenting "I'll Be Home for Christmas," weaving together a story of finding hope amidst the unknowns of gether a story of finding hope amidst the unknowns of
life. The show is set in 1941, right before the United States joins World War II and centers around a family in San Francisco, CA, waiting to hear news of the war on the radio.
Hundreds of hours of hard work by the show's production team and actors need to happen before opening night. Everyone wants the show to make an impact on the audience, so they willingly do that hard work. As the Theater Arts Director at Family Life, Rodney Coe is directing "I'll Be Home for Christmas" and working with all of the people and elements that are a part of the production, including lighting, sound, advertising, music, set design, and the actors themselves.
Coe chose "I'll Be Home for Christmas" for two reasons. The first is that he wanted a show that talked about Jesus. The other was that it used a simple set that would be easy to build in a limited amount time.
"I wanted the focus of Christmas to be Christ, and this was the right choice for this year. It's also about a family that's facing hardship and a lot of unknowns. They must trust the Lord or become worry warts, and they choose to trust the Lord. I felt like we could relate to that," said Coe.
Before coming to Family Life in 2019, Coe spent nine years acting at Sight and Sound Theater, a Christian the-

Coe brought this spirit to Family Life, which also has the goal of bringing glory to God through radio broadcasts, theater, and musical performances.
Another reason Family Life does theater is to tell stories that connect with people and point to Bible themes. "I think we have a chance to take this art of storytelling and help tell the story of Jesus where good wins over evil in the end," said Robbie Lindmark, Performing over evil in the end," said R
Arts Production Designer.
Arts Production Designer.
For "I'll Be Home for Christmas," the stage is split with one side as the radio studio and the other side as the family's living room. The living room has the decor of a brownstone apartment that would have been built in the 1920s, including crown molding and detail work. The 1940s radio studio is simple, designed with a pattern of square sound panels on the back wall, a clock, and an "On Air" sign.
Both the radio station and living room have doorways that lead into them. Instead of functional doors, doorframes are used so the audience's view isn't obstructed. To enhance the living room and radio station, center stage is designed to look like the basement of a recording studio with brick work and archways as its backdrop. It hosts the choir that sings the larger musical numbers when the family "turns on" the radio and is covered by a red curtain when the choir isn't singing.
Lindmark has been involved in set design at Family Life since 2011. Shortly after any show is chosen, Coe and Lindmark discuss the set design. Then Lindmark does research by looking for clues in the script and time period to help create it. He does sketches and scale models of his vision for the set and makes adjustments based on Coe's suggestions. Lindmark says getting to see the set come together in the painting process is exhilarating, but what is even better is the teamwork that made the set come to life.
"I think seeing the design go from this little idea that's in your head to up there for the world to see, and that it took a bunch of people to help do that, it's pretty surreal and exciting," said Lindmark.
Another person that Coe talks to early on in the show process is the stage manager, Terry Miller. Miller also worked at Sight and Sound prior to coming to Family
nication open between the departments involved in the show. Reaching the end product is one of Miller's favorite parts of stage managing.
"Once it's no longer just the cast rehearsing on the stage, but you're bringing in all those little things that make the show pop and come together and you get to see the complete process, that's what I love most about stage managing," said Miller.
The similarities of situations and themes between "I'll Be Home for Christmas" and present day will be sure to make it connect with audiences. The characters in the show and the Performing Arts Department at Family Life have chosen to take a Biblical perspective on the world, and they encourage the audience to do the same and find their hope in Jesus, the reason for Christmas.
"One thing the show talks about is why does God allow bad things to happen? How many times have we said that over the past year? The truth of it is that we might not have the answers as to why, but we know that He is in it," said Miller
Major themes in the show include prayer, banding together, family, and most importantly, hope.
"Hope is Just Around the Corner" is a song that repeats itself multiple times.
"I feel like all of us want that right now. We need to know there's an end in sight to the things we've been walking through and experiencing. But our hope that's just around the corner is within us, and it's the Holy Spirit that's ministering to our hearts and it's the hope found in Christ in a mixed-up, messed-up world," said Coe.
Dinner shows are $\$ 37$ per ticket and are Dec. 10 and 17 from 6:30-9:15 and Dec. 11 and 18 from 5:30-8:15. Shows without the dinner are $\$ 15$ if bought in advance and $\$ 18$ at the door and are Dec. 12 from 3:00-4:30 and Dec. 18 from 1:00-2:30. Tickets for the show can be purchased at fln.org.
If you're looking for a little bit of fun this December in a messed-up, Covid-crazy world, check out "I'll Be Home for Christmas" at Family Life in Bath. And if you take Coe's, Miller's, and Lindmark's advice, you might even find some hope.
"Hope really is just around the corner, and all we have to do is look for it," said Lindmark.

## ORIGINAL BALLET BY GENESEE DANCE THEATRE

## 'Nutcracker Toy Box'to be performed Dec. 10 at library

WELLSVILLE-The Nutcracker Toy Box-An original ballet by the Genesee Dance Theatre, will be performed at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. in the Nancy Howe Auditorium at the David A. Howe Public Library, 155 N. Main St., Wellsville.
Step into the Toymaker's workshop where the toys are bursting with Christmas cheer! From marching tin soldiers to dancing dolls and a jumping jack in the box, the Toymaker has everything he needs to impress the children at the big Christmas Eve Party. . . except his prized possession--The Nutcracker! Can the


Toymaker find him before it's too late? This original new production by Genesee Dance Theatre features selections from Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker score along with some unexpected surprises. Inspired by both the classic ballet and the Radio City Christmas Spectacular, The Nutcracker Toy Box will delight the whole family!
The performance features Josh Marcks (of Shake on the Lake) as the Toy Maker, Charlotte Meilander as the Sugar Plum Fairy and Jonathan Meilaender as the Cavalier.

Admission is free and open to everyone, but seating is limited and is first come, first serve. Auditorium doors open 30 minutes before show time. For the safety of everyone attending and performing, masks are required for everyone over the age of 2 while in the auditorium and while seated for the duration of the performance.
This program is funded in part by the Restart New York Live Event grant administered by the Tri-County Arts Council. For more information, call the library at 585-593-3410


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Nutrition in a Nulshell
By MARIA BOYUK
Nutritional Therapy Practitioner
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## Thriving Health: Gut Connection to Oral Health

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you know that there is a direct link behealth? Many functional dentists (dentists that use more holistic health practices and understand the function of the body rather than only treating topical symptoms) can detect digestive issues by looking at the mouth and likewise predict oral complications due to existing digestive issues. In order to heal one we must heal the other.
As you know from many of my articles, digestion is fundamental to the health of the entire body. However, this connection between gut and oral health is unique specifically because the mouth microbiome is linked to the gut microbiome. Microbiome is a complex network of microbes that work together to digest food and communicate with our immune system about foreign or invasive bacteria, viruses, etc. (About $80 \%$ of our immune system is located within our digestive tract.)
We have microbes in our mouth that start this job and pass into the gut where trillions of microbes (primarily in our large intestine) complete the work.
Unfortunately, our microbiome can be damaged by many offenders. For example, processed foods high in sugar and starches can feed yeast in our gut and cause overgrowth. They can also impair our body's ability to produce adequate enzymes and stomach acid which results in an overgrowth of pathogens and poorly digested foods. Lack of fiber in our diet starves good bacteria in the large intestine and leaves them without the ability to repair our gut walls. These all can lead to a host of gut issues which spiralize to other chronic health con-

All this to say if you can relate to any of the digestive issues described above, your oral health is impacted! If you are not struggling with evidence of oral dysfunction, be advised this digestive dysfunction puts a big stressor on your mouth. However, if you have wrestled with oral issues, despite good hygiene habits such as brushing your teeth 2-3 times daily, flossing daily, regular dental visits, etc. but still have issues, it is time to also give some love to your gut!
What should you do? A huge first step is to remove the offenders such as sugar and processed starches. Then begin replacing them with nourishing whole foods. This is the first simple step although a huge lifestyle change for many.

The second can be more complex depending on your individual body. When I support clients on their digestion, it is a process of determining the best protocol for them. If they have any irritable bowel issues, fiber might exacerbate the problem. If there is an overgrowth in bacteria, it may require specific probiotic strains to balance the microbiome
But incredibly, God designed our bodies to heal and repair, and it is possible to see transformation within both your digestion and oral health! Please reach out for support or to share your journey of oral and digestive health if you can relate. I always love to hear from my readers!
If you have questions or comments for Functional Nutritional Therapy Practitioner, Maria Boyuk, contact her at thrivinghealthNY.com.

Fall Senior Art Shows set Saturday, Dec. 4 ALFRED-Alfred University's from 6 to 8 pm .
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## John Hyland named an

HORNELL-The Arc Allegany-Steuben's John Hyland has been recognized by New York State Industries for the Disabled (NYSID) as an "outstanding performer" through the 2021 William B. Joslin awards program


## Locally $\mathcal{M}$ ade

The DIY Farmer's Wife Approach By KRISTINA SNYDER Alfred Sun Columnist

DIY Korean Sweet Potato Soup
After some indulging over Thanksgiving it's time for me and my family to go back to gluten free eating. This is a super easy and nourishing recipe we love to enjoy!

KOREAN SWEET POTATO SOUP
What You Need:
1 cup of sweet potato noodles
SAUCE:
1/4 cup coconut cream 2 tsp lime juice 1 tbsp coconut aminos $1 / 4$ tsp sea salt MAIN
1 tbsp olive oil 8 oz shiitaki mushrooms, sliced $1 / 2$ tsp garlic powder $1 / 2$ tbsp white wine vinegar 2 carrots, peeled into ribbons DIRECTIONS
Mix sauce ingredients until smooth. Set aside.
Cook sweet potato noodles until al dente. Set aside
In a medium-sized pan over medium to medium-hight heat, add oil. Heat for 30 seconds, then add the ground beef. Break up the beef and cook untill almost browned (about 5-7 minutes).

Add the mushrooms, garlic powder, onion powder, salt, white wine vinegar, and coconut aminos to the pan. Continue cooking an additional 3-5 minutes until musrooms are softened. Remove from heat.

Assemble beef noodle bowls. Start with the noodles, then top with meat/mushrooms, carrots, cucumbers. Drizzle with the sauce and sprinkle with green onions and cilantro.

If you have a household tip to share or questions for The Farmer's Wife, e-mail: Kristinamariesnyder@gmail.com or write her at:The Wife, e-mail: Kristinamariesnyder@gmail.com or write her at:
Farmer's Wife, 1724 Randolph Road, Alfred Station, NY 14803.

## 'outstanding performer'

Hyland was hired in 2015 as a cleaner for The Arc Allegany Steuben's Henderson Smith State Office Building and New York State Department of Transportation facility contracts in Hornell. These contracts provide meaningful employment and the power of paycheck to people with disabilities.
According to Director of Business Operations Chris Koehler, "People with disabilities are the nation's most vulnerable demographic. John's inspirational story shows that with a strong, loving
 Allegany- his award.
Steuben celebrated Hyland with an award presentation and luncheon. In addition to his award, Hyland received a check for $\$ 500$, and his story was published in the NYSID yearbook.

## Amanda Taylor Lipnicki to speak

ALFRED-Alfred University Associate Professor of Mathematics Amanda Taylor Lipnicki will deliver the Dec. 2 Bergren Forum, the last Forum of the Fall Semester. Lipnicki’s lecture, "Soft Calculus," will illustrate how math, including calculus, can be applied to design crochet patterns. The talk will be framed for a general audience with crochet patterns. The talk will be fram.
The Bergren Forum, sponsored by the Division of Human Studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Science, is held at 12:10 p.m. each Thursday. It is being offered virtually via Zoom and will return to an in-person format once the university considers this sufficiently afe. The Zoom links can be obtained by e-mailing Marilyn Saxton at saxtonmj@alfred.edu.

## WHAT'S COOKIN'?

Allegany County Office for the Aging Meals on Wheels Menu Monday, Dec. 6 Mandarin Oranges Sweet \& Sour Pork Brown Rice Stir-Fry Vegetables Whole Grain Bread Pineapple Tuesday, Dec. 7

## Pears

Chicken Breast Supreme Over Egg Noodles Harvard Beets Whole Grain Roll Brownie

Wednesday, Dec. 8
Pineapple Juice
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Above, Kelby Snyder, wearing "REAL MEN SMELL LIKE DIESEL" sweatshirt, leading his house down Randolph Road with his father Jerry driving the tractor. At right, turning the corner


## Moving a house down Randolph Road

(Continued from front page) humble and non-macho! Incidentally, along with all this going on, Kristina had their third son in September.

The plan for moving the house involved putting it on two hay wagons and pulling it with a tractor down the road. Each hay wagon is built to take 12 tons of hay, so double that would easily handle a 14 ton house.
During the move, the hay wagons functioned well as expected. The most time consuming and difficult part of the move was right at the beginning, maneuvering the house out of their circular driveway.

Kelby and a crew of helpers used lots of shouting back and forth and hand signals to direct his father Jerry, who expertly jockeyed the tractor pulling the house. It had to go forward and backward to get around tight corners with trees. Only one gutter got slightly bent scraping by a tree, and only one tree had to be quickly chain sawed down out of the way. Okay, there was also the mailbox that had to go. Cables and electric wires stretched across the road in various places along the route. One plan for getting the house under them was to have Kelby climb across the roof and lift the wires upward 10 " to 20 ", enough to clear the roof top. Despite Kelby being lean and agile, the metal roof proved to be quite slippery. Further down the road, a different method was used. For wires near Lake Road, Kelby got up on a ladder and reached with a long forked stick found in the woods to lift one of the wires above the roof. While Kelby was up there, the tractor started to pull forward, but luckily, Kelby's brother Matthew was right there to hold the ladder steady as it started to slide off the house.

After crossing Lake Road, the house made it smoothly down a clear stretch of road at about 5 miles an hour to its new home. A usual, quiet Randolph Road provided almost zero traffic to interfere. The tractor led the house as far as it could up to its new foundation, and then was disconnected.
The next day Kelby linked a chain from the tongue of the hay wagons to the bucket of a frontend loader. While he pulled the house, his father in a bulldozer pushed it from behind to position the house above the foundation. As we approached to watch, Kelby casually commented about the weather. No outsider could have guessed that he and Jerry had never moved a
house before as they calmly figured out how to push and pull the house inch by inch into position above the foundation.
The next step was to jack up the house enough to take the hay wagons out, remove the crib of beams and planks used for the wagons to drive onto, and then finally lower the house into perfect position to rest on the foundation. After Kelby finishes the septic system, hooks up the water, and gets the electric con-
nected, his sister Meghan will enjoy her new home.
Certainly he must have spent months of time in thought and planning beforehand, and as a result all went well with all the necessary equipment and know how.

It is interesting to ponder how different it must have been instead for his great grandfather Earnest Snyder to move a house using six teams of horses back in 1925.


Positioning the house above its new foundation by pulling it with a front end loader and pushing it with a bulldozer.

## Our wreaths would make Martha Stewart turn green.



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## COMMUNITY NEWS

## Camp Harley faces financial dilemma <br> tal for all camps are voluntary

ALFRED STATION-Have you heard about Camp Harley Sutton? Like Pooh's "100 Acres Woods" this Camp has 100 acres and is located about 1.5 miles from Alfred Station off Davis Road.

The camp belongs to the Sevthe Allegheny Association. Highlight of the summer has been Children's Camp. Camping sessions are overnight lasting for one week each. Because the

## Arc gets grant for athletics <br> HORNELL-The Arc Allegany-Steuben not-for-profit organiza-

 tion supporting people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Allegany and Steuben Counties, has been awarded \$18,000 in grants. The funds come from the Trustee Management Board of NYSARC Trust Services and will be used to support The Arc Alle-gany-Steuben's recreation opportunities.This year, The Arc Allegany-Steuben received \$18,000 to develop additional recreational programs that will enrich the lives of $100+$ athletes it serves through its Green Machine athletics program. The Arc Allegany-Steuben utilized the recreation grant funds to continue and expand its sport/athlete program offerings; bocce ball, bowling, softball, track \& field, basketball and dance.
NYSARC Trust Services administers supplemental needs trusts (SNT) and pooled trusts that can make dramatic improvements to the lives of people with disabilities by enabling individuals to maintain eligibility for Medicaid and other means-tested government benefit programs. For 2021, NYSARC Trust Services is proud to fulfill its commitment to enhancing the lives of people with disabilities by awarding a total of $\$ 3,080,500$ to The Arc New York Chapters statewide.
To learn more about the supports and services offered by The Arc Allegany-Steuben, visit www.thearcas.org.


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he cost of attending Camp Harley Sutton has never been more than \$150.
However, Camp Harley Sutton has a problem! Because of Covid Camp Harley Sutton has been shut down for two years. During that time Crandall Dormitory was closed up tight as well as the rest of the camp grounds. Upon opening Crandall, it was discovered that this marvelous dormitory has mold, making it unusable for Campers grades 3-12. Cost for restoration is estimated between $\$ 18,000$ to $\$ 20,000$. Unfortunately, we don't have that kind of money just laying around.
Here is our appeal! Help! Could you aid in providing for this camping season so that the 3 rd-12th graders can enjoy the 2022 Camping Season? Would you give a monetary gift? Any gift from $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5000$ would surely be a blessing to help in touching the lives of young people in this community. Please ple in this community. Please send your gift to the Alfred Sta-
tion Seventh-day Baptist Church. Send to:
Alfred Station Seventh-day Baptist Church, P.O. Box 7777, Alfred Station, NY 14803
or bring your gift to: The Pastor's Study, 585 Route 244, Alfred Station.
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## The Aliried Sull 75, 55, 35, 25, and 10 Years Ago

## Compiled By DAVID L. SNYDER

75 Years Ago, December 5, 1946
Our "Potato King" Ed Kent has nothing on our junior potato kings, now. Yes, they did it again--they won for the third time the Empire State Potato Club Trophy which brings the cup to Allegany County for keeps...A county must win three times

The various committees for the Sabbath School Program Dec. 23 are as follows: Customs and Tableaux,
Mrs. Charles Packard, Mrs. Lois Reid, Mrs. Robert Place; Music, Mrs. William Parry and Mrs. Lillian Jacob; Lighting, Sherman Watson; Publicity, Miss Doris Simpson.
Rev. Harley Sutton spent the weekend with Rev. and Mrs. Rex Zwiebel and people of the Hebron Church.
Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Mhaw and Betty Shaw were Sunday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Cornelius.
Miss Jean Lewis spent the holiday at home here and took over post office duties in the absence of her mother, Mrs. Ivanna Lewis, who is ill.
Mr. and Mrs. E.F. Pierce of Alfred Station and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Tucker and son of Theta Gamma were guests on Thanksgiving of Mr. and Mrs. N.F. Tucker.
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Snyder entertained 21 relatives and friends, Thanksgiving Day.
Miss Rubie Clarke entertained Monday at a birthday dinner given in honor of her mother, Mrs. Ella Clarke. Others present were: Mrs. Sarah Davis, Mrs. Mark Emerson, Mrs. Earl Palmiter, Mrs. Leon Lewis, Miss Rena Clarke, Mrs. Clifford Hadsell of McHenry Valley and Mrs. Laverne Clarke and daughter Irene, and son, Don Phillips of Andover.

55 Years Ago, December 1, 1966
A few weeks before Christmas in 1943, a small group of women from the Alfred Union University Church decided to use their special skills to raise money for their young and growing church by holding a Christmas Sale and Silver Tea. Since then, an annual Christmas Bazaar has been held each year. Although there has been a great variety in the kinds of sales held each year, the essential purpose of the first Bazaar remains: women giving of their special skills and talents for the church. Tomorrow,
the 1966 Christmas Bazaar will be held from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Church Center on the corner of Main and Church Streets. General chairman for the event this year is Mrs. Charles Cameron..
Almond-Holiday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee A. Ryan Sr., were Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Cornell and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Lee A. Ryan and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ryan and family of Buffalo. Saturday, the family assisted in moving the Larry Ryans from Buffalo to Bath, where they will make their home.

Alfredians-Miss Susan Scholes, a senior at Wells College, and Miss Jeanne Scholes, a freshman at Bucknell University, were home for Thanksgiving. Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Scholes, Jr., entertained at a family dinner. Dr. and Mrs. James Scholes, presently at Cornell University, remained for a short visit with their parents... Dr. Robert Snyder of St. Paul, Minn., spent a few days at Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Snyder. Charlotte and Scott Baker of Friendship enjoyed a few days during the holidays with their grandparents, and "Uncle Bob."...Mr. and Mrs. William Parry, Wyn and Amanda, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Wilson and family at the King Tom Farm,
Charleston, R.I...Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith entertained the Richard Palmiter family of Rochester, the Keith Dotys of Almond, and Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. LaVern Kenyon, Thanksgiving Day.

A Court of Honor was held for Scout advancement by Troop 19 on Sept. 28. The following boys were recognized: Life Scout, Dwight Gertz; Star Scout, Steve Smith; First Class, Jim Gardner; Second Class, John Burdick, Nigel Gray, Mark Cushing, and Mark Wood. Invested as Tenderfoot Scouts were: John Burdick, Charles Cone, Kevin Palmiter, Bill Pulos, Jud Stearns, Alan Folsom. Merit badges were awarded to: Fred Beckhorn (2); James Gardner (2); Dwight Gertz (2); David Kroutil (1); Robert Cove (3); Steve Smith (2). Dwight Gertz was also awarded a special badge for attaining the rank of Scout Life Guard

35 Years Ago, December 4, 1986
(Photo) Displaying some of the items that will be available for sale at the Union University Church available for sale at the Union University Church
Women's Guild Christmas Bazaar tomorrow are Mary Women's Guild Christmas Bazaar tomorrow
(Photo) Alfred-Almond first graders Candy Bilby, Rachel Buckwalter, Ryan Bale, Amy Nisbet, Andrew Wortley, Craig Green and Brian Young perform in "The Turkey Tells All," a play written and directed by Deborah Rearson, student teacher in Ada Cushman's first grade class. The play tells the story of the first Thanksgiving. (Joanne Rossman Photo).
Sharon Burdick was installed as president of the Steuben-Allegany Board of Realtors of the National Association of Realtors on Wednesday, Nov. 19. Sharon, an active member of the local board, served in 1986 as the vice president and program chairman...
Cyrl J. McCormick, 72, of Almond, died Nov. 21, 1986 at St. James Mercy Hospital in Hornell, where he had been a patient for nearly a week. A native of Greenwood, he had resided in Almond for 31 years. He was employed by the State Department of Transportation for 28 years prior to retiring in 1977. He was a communicant of St. Brendan's Church. Survivors include his wife, Anna Ersley McCormick; two sons, Richard and James of Almond; four daugthers, Carolyn Hickox of Painted Post, Patricia Palmiter of Alfred Station, Linda of Converse, TX, and Eileen of Almond; three brothers, Donald of Puerto Rico, Theodore Jr. of Rexville, Duane of Lacey, WA; two sisters, Eugenia Vance of Puleteney, Anna Cerillo of Rexville.
James A. Baker, 43, of 7 Randolph Street, Alfred, died Sunday, Nov. 23, 1986 at St. James Mercy Hospital in Hornell, where he had been a patient for one week. Born in North Hornell, he had lived in Canisteo and most of his life in Alfred. He was graduated from Al-fred-Almond Central School, attended SUNY at Brockport and was a Navy veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a former Alfred Village police officer and a member of the state police for five years, retiring in 1976. Recently, the state police for five years, retiring in 1976. Recently,
he worked at the Allegany County A.R.C. Center in Alhe worked at the Allegany County A.R.C. Center in Al-
fred. Survivors include two daughters, Donna Baker of Albany and Julie Baker of Bath; his mother, Mildred Higgins Baker of Alfred; and a brother, D. Phillip Baker of Stamford, CT..
William Emrick, manager of conferences and special events at Alfred University, has been voted into a twoyear term as director of the Association of Conference and Events Directors International (ACED-I) $\mathbf{2 5}$ Years Ago, November 28, 1996
(Picture) Lobsters Visit Class-As a culmination to a unit on crayfish, Alfred-Almond Central School students in Mr. Mix's fourth grade class were treated to a visit by "Laura and Louise" Lobster. Wegmans Fisherman's Wharf Manager James Coe brought the lobsters to
school for the students to observe and compare them school for the students to observe and compare them
with their crayfish "cousin." Pictured were Neal McDowell, Owen Hardy, Lindsay Gayhart and Gretchen Schulze.
(Picture) Joanne Wietgrefe and book "Will I Ever Be Somebody?" Joanne received all of her mother's diaries.. Mary Frances Denton's first diary she started as a 15-year-old high school senior in the Paterson, NJ school system. Quotations...Feb. 15: "Mama is telling about one of her cousins who wished to join the Navy but wasn't tall enough. The boy in question got his sister
to tie flat irons on his feet while he hung from a ladder to tie flat irons on his feet ,"
in order to stretch himself."
The Alfred Lions Club and Box of Books will put a Memory Christmas Tree in front of the library as part of
the Victorian Christmas Celebration in Alfred. By makthe Victorian Christmas Celebration in Alfred. By making a $\$ 5$ donation, you help light up a tree and remember a family member. Th
Recording artists Mitzie Collins, dulcimer, Glennda Dove, flute, and Roxanne Ziegler, harp, will bring their popular Christmas program to Alfred at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5 at the Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church...The Rochester-based musicians will present well-known carols and give the audience an oppotunities to join in the singing...The performance, sponsored by the Alfred Business Association, Crandall's Jewelers and The Gallery, will be a highlight of the 8th annual Victorian Christmas Celebration in Alfred.

10 Years Ago, December 2, 2011
The public is invited to attend the Wee Playhouse reading of "Frack You!," an original play written by Laura J. Cunningham of Binghamton, Thursday, Dec. 8 at the Alfred S.D.B. Parish House, West University Street, Alfred. It is believed that playwright Laura Shaine Cunningham expects to be at the reading. She wrote about the play: 'I wrote 'Frack You!' to restore the lines of communication. It acts as an icebreaker, presenting both sides of the issue while generating laughter and providing a common ground for people to start a dialogue about fracking that goes beyond "talking points" and increases community awareness of the topic. It frames a controversial issue around personal narratives, humanizing an abstract debate without "taking sides.
The Alfred University Chorus and Chamber Singers will be joined by awardwinning hammer dulcimer player Dan Duggan (of the Susquehanna String Band) and his wife, Peggy Lynn for an afternoon of traditional music for the season, Sunday, Dec. 4, at 3 p.m. in the Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church. Luanne Crosby, AU professor of voice and chorus, will direct the singers. The AU String Orchestra, under the direction of David Thurkins, will accompany them....The title of the concert, "Songs for Sawyer," was selected shortly after the groups heard the news that Sawyer McFadden, son of Mark and Laurie McFadden of Alfred, had been diagnosed with leukemia. So, following the lead of "Stacks for Sawyer," (a recent pancake breakfast fundraiser) the musicians will be accepting a free will offering at the end of the concert to help with the family's expenses...
Alfredians--Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Randolph spent a few days recently touring the Amish country and in visiting Williamsburg, VA...James Comes, technical specialist in floriculture at Alfred State College, has been made the coordinator of decorations for the International Planting Bedding Conference, to be held in Rochester He is responsible for the plant-scaping of three Rochester hotels, The Hyatt, Holiday Inn, Downtown, Stouffers, the Monroe County Airport and the Monroe Convention Center...The family of Dr. and Mrs. David Rossington were together at Thanksgiving: Andrew Rossington and his wife, formerly of Colorado, now of Andover; Carolyn, a graduate student at University of California in Berkeley; Nicolas Rossington, from Rochester where he is floor manager at TGI Friday Restaurant; and Philip Rossington, a junior at Cornell's School of Architecture in Ithaca.
Lee and Donna Ryan of Almond and Jan and Carl Leathersich of Canisteo are reading the Alfred Sun at the aquarium in Clearwater, Florida - standing in front of the houseboat where the movie, "Dolphin Tale," was filmed. They visited "Winter," the dolphin "star" of the movie at the aquarium
Alfred-Almond Central School students recently conducted a Food Drive to restock the shelves of food pantries in Alfred and Almond. Together, the school colected some 1429 food items school wide! (A-A Photo)


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## THE GLORY OF AMERICA

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Spirit of '76, 19.

## Alfred Area Church Directory

## ALFRED-ALMOND AREA

HORNELL ALFRED UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY--Now meeting at 10:30 AM the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 198 Main Street across from Hornell Cinema. The Rev. George Smith leads the group the second Sunday. Call $607-698-4508$ or 607-522-7803 for more information.
ALFRED-ALMOND BIBLE CHURCH-Rt. 21, Almond. Pastor Ken Shutt. Pastor Justin Langley. Sunday Worship Service 10 am followed by Adult Bible Fellowship and Sunday School. Sunday Evening Services 6 pm . (EPIC Teens and EPIC Kids discontinued through the summer.) Phone 607-276-6700. www.aabible.org.
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ALFRED SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCH-5 Church St., Alfred. Adult Sabbath (Saturday) School 10 am in the SDB Parish House: Sabbath Worship Service a 11 am (Saturday) School, 10 a.m. in the SDB Parish House; Sabbat
Church Office: $607-587-9430$. Pastor Christian R. Mattison.
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ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES--Rt. 21, Almond. Pastor Everett Hasper. Sunday 10 am \& Wednesday at $7: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. 276-6201. wuw.almcommunity.org
ALMOND COMMUNITY CHURCH-11 Main St., Almond. Join us Sunday Mornings: Bible Hour $9: 30 \mathrm{am}$, Worship Service \& Kids' Club $10: 30 \mathrm{am}$. Women's Bible Study Monday evenings at 7 pm. Food Pantry open Tuesday Thursday \& Friday from 9 am to Noon. or my mo or by mai at PO Box E, Almond, NY 14804. We're your Community Church, please join
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LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP--Randolph Road, Alfred. Pastor Roger Gardner. Worship 10:30 am Sundays. Services on Facebook, Youtube. Find us on Facebook at Lighthouse Christian Fellowship: Alfred. Biweekly Life Group Gatherings. 607-382-4217.
SS. BRENDAN AND JUDE PARISH-- Father James W. Hartwell, Pastor. St. Brendan Church, 11 S. Main St., Almond. Weekend Mass: Saturday, 4:00 p.m. Weekday Masses Monday, Wednesday, Friday $9: 00$ a.m.: St. Jude Chapel, Lower College Dr., Alfred (on the Alfred State College campus). Weekend Masses Sunday 11 a.m. Office phone: $585-593-$
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CHRISTIAN \& MISSIONARY ALLIANCE--5 Rochambeau Ave. andoveralliance.com Rev. Philip Barner, Sunday School $9: 00 \mathrm{AM}$, Worship Service 10:00 AM - Worship Team Rev. Phin samer,
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2. In Genesis 4 , who did God ask, Why is thy countenance fallen Eve, Ahaz, Cain, Esau
3. Which prophet saw the Lord's angel riding on a red horse? Hosea Nathan, Zechariah, Isaiah
4. Who was the first person to build an altar unto the Lord? Abraham Noah, Artaxerxes, Levi
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Inamori School of Engineering dean speaks at AAUW meeting

HORNELL-The Alfred-Hornell branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) recently held its No(AAUW) recently held its November meeting. The evening consisted of dinner at "The
Club" restaurant and a guest Club" re
speaker.
speaker.
The speaker for the evening was Dr. Gabrielle Gaustad, dean of the Inamori School of Engineering at Alfred University. She is a 2004 graduate of Alfred University in ceramic engineering. In 2009 she graduated from M.I.T. with a PhD in material science. She then joined the faculty at R.I.T. and as a researcher at the Golisano Institute for Suswas appointed dean of the Inamori School of Engineering at amori School of E
Dr. Gaustad's presentation Dr. Gaustad's presentation
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DR. GABBRIELLE GAUSTAD with Hornell-Alfred AAUW President Joan Bowden.


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## By MATHEW S. HILL, CFP ${ }^{\circledR}$

 Financial Advisor
## Prepare for the Financial Side of the Holidays

The holidays can push budgets past their limit as people do more entertaining, attend more events, dine out and participate in gift exchanges. Whether you're gathering in person or celebrating at a distance this year, it will be tempting to overspend. Here are some tips to help you plan for a less financially hectic 2021 holiday season.
Create a holiday budget. The last month of the year offers many opportunities to splurge. Prevent unfettered spending by setting a "do-not-exceed" dollar amount for holiday-related expenses. Include all purchases tied to the season, from gift giving to refreshing your holiday wardrobe, buying decorations, entertaining and more.
Track your expenses. A budget is only useful when you track your expenses against it. Keep receipts for purchases and tally expenses at the end of each shopping excursion. Check your totals to make sure you're not exceeding your budget-and are prepared to make returns if you have.
Manage your expectations. The COVID-19 pandemic continues to affect global supply chains, causing disruptions in many different and surprising product categories. Merchants of all sizes will have product shortages and may offer less merchandise choice overall. Prices will be higher too, driven by increased demand, inventory shortages and higher than normal inflation. And don't expect fire sales as we get closer to the holidays. Retailers will be unlikely to discount product that's flying off the shelves.
Shop early. More than ever, this year you'll want to give yourself plenty of time to do your holiday shopping. Both brick and mortar and online stores will be affected by the supply chain challenges. Be flexible. You might have to spend more
time looking for what you want. You may need to switch gears if you can't fulfill your initial wish list. And if you need to ship your gifts, keep in mind that the holidays always cause shipping delays, but this season the slowdown is predicted to be greater than usual.
Plan for increased shipping costs. In addition to inflated prices on general merchandise, shipping costs are spiking upward as well. The U.S. Postal Service has announced price hikes, and other major shipping carriers are also raising their prices to counteract higher oil prices and staffing shortages.
Give differently. If the gifts you want to buy are in short supply or "things" aren't your thing, consider ticking off your gift list by giving experiences. Local restaurants are eager to make up for months of lost business. Likewise, theaters and sporting events are finally opening up and need to fill seats that have been empty too long. You could also consider giving financial gifts to your loved ones such as a partially funded savings account, Roth IRA, savings bond or an appointment with a financial advisor. And finally, charitable donations are becoming more popular as holiday gifts, particularly if the non-profit is meaningful to the recipient.
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and enthusiasm made for an informative presentation
Also, during the evening, the book choice for this year's discussion was announced. The group will be reading My Own Words by Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.
The next meeting of AAUW will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9 at The Club restaurant for dinner and a performance by the Hornell High School Choir.
Fund for Women plant sale exceeds expectations for awarding of grants in 2022
ALFRED-The Allegany-Cattaraugus-Chautauqua Fund For Women (ACC FFW) announced this week that its annual holiday plant sale saw a record number of sales, with proceeds directly benefiting the organization's grant making activity for 2022.
Across the three counties of the Southern Tier, 470 plants were sold. Among them were plants purchased as donations to care facilities and 110 plants, purchased by an anonymous donor, will be distributed by Meals on Wheels in the Wellsville area.
According to Melissa Jusianiec, the Fund's President, "After a quieter year in 2020 due to the pandemic, we are grateful for the outpouring of generosity toward the Fund for Women and to residents of local care facilities and recipients of Meals on Wheels We're thrilled to share that $40 \%$ of all plant orders included a plant donation to a local care facility or Meals on Wheels - benefitting women in need through 2022 grants and spreading cheer through plant donations.'
The ACC FFW was established as a resource to provide financial assistance and open doors for women seeking continued betterment. The organization awards grants annually to women who are striving or financial self-sufficiency. The annual holiday plant sale is one of the biggest fundraisers for each following year's grant making.
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season. A quartet of contestants had four season. A quartet of contestants had four
misses. Lorow picked Washington by 3, Alex Kowtun of Hornell had Washington by 4, Nelson Snyder of Alfred Station had Washington by 14, and Marc Mullen of Rexville picked Seattle.
Winners to date:
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Week 5: Jason Rawady, Charlotte, NC Week 6: Judy Marlatt, Almond Week 7: Barb Welch, Alfred Station Week 8: Gary Moore, Geneseo Week 9: No contest.
Week 10: No contest.
Week 11: Chris Yarnal, Almond Week 12: Doug Lorow
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Tquarter-finals sision III football playoffs are now in the still alive with an overall gaudy record of (91-2) on the season! Let that sink in for a moment. Included in there are the four programs that have been ranked 1-4 all season long in North Central, Mary Hardin-Baylor, UW-Whitewater and perennial power, Mount Union. They are in four different sections of the overall bracket and thus could meet in the "Final Four" of this college division
In the upper right corner of the backet, the RPI Engineers knocked off E8 champ and previously unbeaten Cortland, 21-14 in a game on the Red Dragons home turf. Liberty League champion RPI (11-1) has beaten the likes of Ithaca, Union and now Cortland this season and their lone blemish was against Hobart, 10-9. The Statesmen blocked the PAT in the fourth-quarter to preserve their win. After stopping Cortland, it is off to Illinois where they will face the defending champs in North Central (11-0). They won the Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl when it was last played in 2019 and have been ranked \#1 all season. Now that would be an upset of enormous stature if the \#1 all season. Now that would be an upset of enormous stature if the
Engineers could pull that one off. Don't see it happening. North CenEngineers could pult that one off. Don't see it happening. North Cen-
tral had their opening round NCAA tourney game with Carnegie tral had their opening round NCAA tourney game with Carnegie
Mellon cancelled, believe due to Covid at CM and they topped UWMellon cancelled, believe
La Crosse last weekend.

Mount Union looms in the lower part of this side of the bracket as the Purple Raiders eased by John Hopkins last weekend, 45-35. In their NCAA opener, they destroyed Washington \& Lee, 52-0. Ouch. Mount Union will face Muhlenberg (11-1) which beat previously unblemished Delaware Valley, 14-0 at DV University. The Mules one loss in the regular season was to Ursinus ... a past AU Saxons foe, by a 42-35 tally. Muhlenberg gained 441 -total yards in that game and still lost. Have to go with Mount Union at Mount Union Stadium in Ohio in this contest. Have stated this before in this space but just a great experience, gosh 11-years ago, in the NCAA's when but just a great experience, gosh 11-years ago, in the NCAA's when
Alfred traveled to Ohio to play MU in the NCAA's. With Cody on Alfred traveled to Ohio to play MU in the NCAA's. With Cody on
the radio call, my "expert" analysis along for the ride! The staff at the stadium treated us like it was a D1 venue. First-class all the way. Mount Union had a future NFL receiver in Cecil Shorts III that day and AU basically couldn't cover him!

Shifting over to the opposite side of the bracket and in the upper left it'll be undefeated Linfield (11-0) traveling to Texas to play the undefeated Mary Hardin-Baylor (12-0) Crusaders. Linfield beat previously unbeaten St. John's out of Minnesota to advance.

And in the remaining portion of the bracket it'll be two more unbeaten programs colliding as Central out of Iowa (12-0) travels to take on the UW-Whitewater Warhawks (12-0). So, that side of the bracket will have two unblemished 2021 programs meeting in the semi-finals for the right to advance to the Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl on Dec. 17 at the Tom Benson (not of Almond) Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton, Ohio. That'll be on ESPN.

No school other than the top four seeds this year have won this NCAA championship in football since 2004. UW-Whitewater and Mount Union have six NCAA trophies each over that span and ironically all of UW's wins were over the Purple Raiders. Five of Mount Union's were at the expense of UW-Whitewater. Not too crazy. My guess this year: North Central beats UW-Whitewater in Canton. HITS AND MISSES:

The Alfred Saxons men's basketball program (5-1) is off to a solid start this season with their most recent win over Coach Minton and his troops at SUNY Geneseo, 83-74. HC Eric Kaempffe and his Saxons are at Pitt-Bradford tonite, Pitt-Bradford most recently in the RIT tournament. The Panthers (4-2) fell in the championship game in Rochester, 82-60 to SUNY Poly. Alfred will have an extended break after the P-B game and will next play at Franklin \& Marshall in the Sponaugle New Years tournament. The Saxons get the host school in their opener. Believe Gary "Doc" Moore and his wife, Mary took in the AU-Geneseo contest.

The Pioneers of Alfred State in men's basketball dipped to (34) on the season with a Sunday past loss to PS-Altoona in AMCC play, 106-95. Up next, they will get to tangle with Pitt-Bradford as play, 106-95. Up
well on Dec. 8 .

Tom Spanbauer (ex-AU) and his Cortland men's basketball team sits at (2-2) with a batch of games upcoming. Contests this week versus Oswego, Brockport and Fredonia in SUNYAC action and another league game next Wednesday at Geneseo. "Might" wander down to that game if the Moores are interested. A screwy slate for Spanny this weekend as they host Brockport on Friday nite and then have an afternoon game in Fredonia the next day. Egads. Why not a Buffalo State-Fredonia weekend instead?

Dale Wellman (ex-AU) and his Nebraska Wesleyan men's basketball team is at (3-2) after winning their own tournament, the NWU


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(Dave) Snyder Classic at Nebraska Wesleyan.
(Dave) Snyder Classic. They beat Howard Payne and East Texas Baptist University. An oddity afterwards as NW had the tourney MVP but no other players on the all-tournament squad. Usually the winning team will have the MVP and one other, sometimes two, on the all-tourney team. Nope!

Out in Ohio, Griffin Kornaker is now playing hoops for Case Western and he recently tied a school-record with 13-assists against John Carroll in a 111-82 win for the son of the former SJ Fisher men's basketball coach. The head coach at CWRU is Todd McGuinness, formerly of Hartwick in the E8. So, he and Coach Kornaker (AU) clashed many times in league play.

\#1 Bonas Fan
One week after winning the Charleston Classic, the Bonnies fell at home to Northern Iowa, $90-80$ as AJ Green paced the visitors with 35-points. The "Traveling Sports Fan" was indeed at the Reilly Center and chatting with Obie at halftime. Dan \& Ann Cook from Almond also at the game. Bona hosts Coppin State and the UB Bulls this week.

The NCAA D3 men's and women's soccer championships are this weekend from Greensboro, NC. Messiah beat William Smith in the women's tourney in 2019 while Tufts won their fourth championship in six years that season. No championship games last season due to Covid. Tufts topped Amherst in an allNESCAC finale in 2019 and Amherst is in the "Final Four" this season as well. Tufts fell one game short of making it to game short

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SUNY Geneseo women's soccer program as they had the conference Rookie and Defensive Player of the Year and the staff of Nate Wiley and Paige Smith were recognized as tops as well. How Hannah Sullivan wasn't named Offensive Player of the Year is beyond me! She did gather in SUNYAC tourney MVP honors though

A couple of more pretenders have been eliminated from the big-time college football playoff chase as Michigan drubbed Ohio State and Oklahoma's weak chances went by the wayside in a loss to Oklahoma State. When the latest CFB poll came out Tuesday, guessing it'll be: Georgia, Michigan, Alabama, Cincy in the top four coveted spots. Oklahoma State and Notre Dame next. The \#1 ranked Bulldogs are next. The \#1 ranked Bulldogs are
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the Michigan Wolverines in the the Michigan Wolverines in the
Big 10/14 title game, Georgia pretty much drubs Alabama, Houston upsets Cincinnati and Baylor knocks off Oklahoma State. Who goes then? Does an idle Irish team slide in with ease? Doubt all that will happen but would be crazy to see if it does.

Down Virginia way the JMU Dukes will be playing in NCAA FCS playoff football action this week as they take on Southeastern Louisiana in Harrisonburg. Not sure if the "Mix Crew" will be on the chain gang or if the NCAA assigns people for that prestigious honor? Sure the "Cage Man" from A-A will fill me in. James Madison's (111) only loss this season was to Villanova, 28-27. The FCS title game is in Texas in early January after a three-week delay/break.

Spotted a very unique Virginia vanity license plate on the way back from Leesburg on Saturday past. As it was: TEEITUP and the "T" was the orange T for the Tennessee Volunteers! With a NYS spotting: GOBIRDNG ... in honor of Betsy Brooks in Alfred

Was listening to the Ohio
on the radio, traveling back from Virginia and first had the Michigan station on. My gosh, worse than John Sterling and Suzyn Waldman doing the NY Yankee games, in a different sort of way. Might as well listen to two cheerleaders do the game! They were terrible. Jim Brandstatter and Dan Dierdorf, set to retire. Sure Dan Dierdorf, set to retire. Sure
you would love them if a you would love them if a
Wolverines fan but not what I wanted to listen to for three-plus hours. Quickly found the Ohio State broadcast. Better, but a sad duo as the game progressed.

Some just "nutty" contracts in MLB were set or close to being signed before the lockout this week and one potentially had pitcher Max Scherzer going to pitcher Max Scherzer going to
the NY Mets on a 3-year/\$130 million dollar deal. He'll be 38 yillion dollar dea. He'll bext season! And obviyears old next season! And obvi-
ously 40-years old during the 2024 season at roughly $\$ 43$ mil2024 season at roughly $\$ 43$ mil-
lion bucks per. Guessing he has lion bucks per. Guessing he has no desire to return to the World Thought he might head to the Cardinals as he's from the Midwest or to the Dodgers, Angels or Padres. He's a stud but at that price and his age?

With the NFL headed down the stretch run, three teams are pretty clear choices for the "Fina Four" in the NFC and that being Arizona, Green Bay and Tampa Bay. Who is that fourth team? The slipping Cowboys or Rams? Maybe the Niners moving on up? After watching the Packers in action Sunday, Aaron Rodgers has to be the MVP at the moment. Probably over Tom Brady Certainly don't agree with all his Certainly don't agree with all his
craziness, but on the field, he is having an MVP campaign. Mc Drip in the Newburgh area agrees. Quick AFC note here with a huge East Division game this Monday nite in Orchard Park as the surging NE Pats take on the Bills. Potential NFL Of fensive Rookie of the Year, Mac Jones from Alabama and Buffalo QB, Josh Allen in action. Ac cording to one anonymous Bills fan (Stu) ... anybody can be the QB at Alabama with all their talent. Will be interesting to see how that key contest comes out.

An excellent time in Virginia last week for Thanksgiving and spending time with Jason, Lauren, Quinny and Rowy. A "grandparents visit" to their Montessori School one day and spending time in their respective classrooms. Quite different! A solid dinner on Thursday, watch ing some Yellowstone at nite and freezing while finding that "right" Christmas tree on Friday. This after a
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