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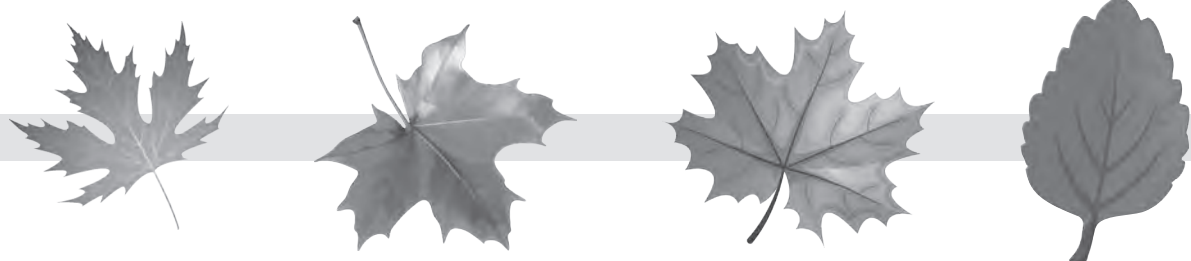
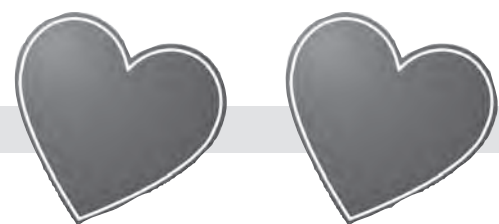


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Falling in love



with fall



Valerie Puma picks apples last October at a Pennsylvania orchard. For a woman from Texas, autumn offers special rewards, even when a pandemic limits activities to apple-picking, pumpkin patches, corn mazes and hiking.

Photo provided by Valerie Puma

Central New York is a new world compared to Texas

By VALERIE PUMA
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Looking out the window of my campus dining hall, I was caught off guard by how beautiful the landscape was. The sky was clear of any clouds — an unusual description for the city of Binghamton — and I could see the leaves on the mountain's trees changing to yellow, orange and red. At that moment, I knew I wanted New York to be my home.

That was nearly five years ago. I had loaded up my grandma's Ford Escape with everything I could possibly fit, and spent two days road-tripping from the Gulf Coast of Texas to the Southern Tier of New York. I hugged my mom goodbye and began my first semester of college at Binghamton University. It took about six weeks for me to feel like I'd made the right decision. Kind of ridiculous that it was a bunch of leaves that did the trick.

I'd never seen the leaves change red. Or orange, for that matter. In Texas, the leaves just fall off and die a sick yellow color on the sidewalk. Autumn's not really a Southern season. We've got brutal summers, and our winters are still warmer than New York's falls — yes, we really do celebrate Christmas in sandals at the beach. Anything below 70 degrees, and I'd reach for a sweater.

Falling in love with New York was easy. Falling in love with fall was even easier. Going apple picking is a fan favorite for college students, so you can bet your sweet apples that I accepted every invitation I got to visit the orchards. The satisfaction of chomping down on a juicy red apple just plucked straight off the tree is something I wish I could explain to my younger self.

It's the little things that impress me the most. Bundling up in a scarf and sweater, visiting farmers markets, rushing through a corn maze or just cozying up with a warm tea. I felt like I'd missed out on autumn all my life, and I'm going to soak up as much of it as I can.

I've lived in Cortland for only a few rainy months, and I've heard rumors that the winters are significantly snowier than Binghamton, but for now, I'm focused on enjoying everything "fall" this area has to offer.

I've already made my first trip to Grisamore Farms in Locke to pick apples, and I'll be back in a month to pick out the biggest pumpkins for carving. In my hometown, the pumpkins from our closest pumpkin patch have to travel up to 500 miles on a truck before arriving on the island.

Any suggestions for local fall festivities are greatly appreciated. My grocery list is just one seasonal veggie after another as I find new recipes. I plan to stop by Trinity Valley's corn maze when it opens Sept. 18 and I've started looking for trails to hike once the temperature drops to a less sweaty degree.

One of the best parts of my job is having the immediate opportunity to explore this community, and finding out what people look forward to. I hope that y'all are as excited for autumn as I am, and please don't be surprised if you see me stomping on the crunchiest-looking leaves or waiting in an impossibly long line for a pumpkin-spice latte.

CORNFIELDS: where getting lost is part of the fun

It's part nature walk, part fright night. Will you find your way out of the corn field or will rescuers have to put a cask of brandy on the Saint Bernard to come find you? (Or would that be corn liquor?)

The walk is never the same at corn mazes in and near Cortland County as designers mow different patterns into the cornfield, so each experience is new. Here are two to challenge you.

Trinity Valley Sept. 18 to Oct. 31

The Corn Maze at Trinity Valley Dairy on Route 13 in Truxton will be open Sept. 18 to Oct. 31, and if you can see over the corn, you might get a glimmer of fall foliage at its peak in Cortland County.

The maze will be open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets are \$7 on Thursday and Friday, but that doesn't include the extras like hay rides and tractor-train rides. Tickets are \$9 on weekends. You can buy them

online at trinityvalleydairy.mazeplay.com/, but they'll also be available at the door.

The maze also features a number of special events:

Sept. 18: Beef sale and \$5 cash farm tours

Sept. 25: Craft fair day and bluegrass band

Oct. 2: Police appreciation day

Oct. 9: Cortland Pregnancy Care Center fundraiser day

Oct. 16: \$5 Cash farm tour day

Oct. 23: \$5 Cash farm tour day

Oct. 30: Corn Maze After Dark from 6 to 8 p.m., bring your flashlight.

Oct. 30-31: Wear a costume to get \$2 off your ticket.

Stoughton Farm Sept. 18 to Oct. 31

The eight-acre maze off Route 38 in Newark Valley also offers other attractions: a corn cannon, pumpkin blaster, giant pillow and concessions.

It also offers admission after dark on Friday and Saturday nights in October, just in case getting lost in a cornfield during daylight isn't enough of a challenge for you.

Masks or face coverings are required for all unvaccinated patrons and everyone must follow social distancing practices as recommended by the state Health Department.

Admission is free for children 3 and younger, \$6.95 for kids 4 to 9 and \$10.95 for people 10 and up. A number of combination passes are available for other attractions, ranging from \$5.95 to \$14.95.

Hours vary according to the season.

► Sept. 18 to Sept. 30: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Saturday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

► Oct. 1 to Oct. 31: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Thursday; 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

► Columbus Day: The field will be open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 11.



Colin Spencer/file photo
The corn maze at Trinity Valley Dairy in Truxton will soon be open again.

LOOKING FOR LEAVES?



Sunny, cool days are best for gazing

By **JACOB DeROCHIE**
Staff Reporter

Ash trees will be the first to go — their greens turning slowly to a deep magenta.

Next the red maples will turn greenish yellow, vibrant scarlet or burgundy. Then the sugar maple, cherry and hickory trees.

The last trees to change are the oaks.

The hillsides in Cortland County and across the state will be plastered with vibrant hues of autumn. It all starts by the end of September.

Leaf changes are a continual spectrum, said Brett Chedzoy, a forester with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Schuyler County. “We expect colors to be normal and good as ever,” he said.

However, colors will depend on weather at the time of change. Heavy winds and rains cause the leaves to fall faster, Chedzoy said.

The heat and also the rain doesn't seem to affect the change, Chedzoy said. Expect peak leaf-peeping season in mid-October. “Plus or minus a week,” Chedzoy said.

The state's fall foliage season has just begun, with the first significant signs of fall colors appearing in the Adiron-



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dacks, Thousand Islands-Seaway and Capital-Saratoga regions, according to a state fall foliage report.

In trees, two things happen to start the change in color, said Steve Broyles, chairman of SUNY Cortland's Biology Department.

As days get shorter, the leaves stop producing chlorophyll — a chemical that produces the leaf's green hue.

Next, the leaf seals itself off from the stem — the leaf continues to make sugar, but it has nowhere to travel.

“What starts the cascade is shorter days,” Broyles said.

Weather is also a factor.

Purple and red leaves become more prevalent when there are bright, sunny, cool days, Broyles said. The bright days cause photosynthesis to create the sugar needed for the color; and the cool days slow down processes that burn the sugar.

If the weather continues the way it's been the past few weeks — warm and cloudy — then Broyles predicts a not-so-great year for the fall colors. The leaves will need more sunshine and cooler days and nights, Broyles said.

This report was initially published Sept. 18, 2018.

More to do

As the leaves turn shades of yellow, orange and red, it's hard to deny that fall is a beautiful season. Here are just some of the ways you can make the most of the next few months.

1. Pick fruits and veggies

Visit a farm, orchard or vineyard in your area to collect your own apples, cranberries, grapes, artichokes, beets, carrots, peppers, potatoes, pumpkins and more. Consider picking enough to make preserves for the months ahead.

2. Tend to your garden

If you want beautiful blooms in the spring, be sure to plant crocuses, daffodils, hyacinths, tulips and other bulbs before the temperature drops. You can also take advantage of end-of-season sales to fill your garden with beautiful perennials at a low price.

3. Watch the birds fly south

Depending on where you live, your area might be a prime location to spot flocks of geese, sparrows, ducks, shorebirds and other migratory species as they make their way to warmer climates for the winter.

4. Get physical

Fall is an ideal time of year to enjoy the great outdoors. From hiking, biking and kayaking to rock climbing, fishing



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Apple picking at Grisamore Farms and apple orchard in Locke.

and horseback riding, there are plenty of ways to combine exercise with being outside in the fresh autumn air.

Whether you're looking for an activity to enjoy alone, with your partner or alongside your family, there's no shortage of ways to have fun in the fall.



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Falling for autumn

4 movies that celebrate the season

By **MOIRA MACDONALD**
The Seattle Times (TNS)

Summer movies — big popcorn-friendly extravaganzas — are a fairly specific genre; fall movies, maybe not. But maybe there’s a more precise way to think about fall movies: films that celebrate the special beauty of fall, with its trademark colors. Should you be in need of streaming something that conjures up rustling leaves and pumpkin-adjacent hues, here are four lovely possibilities.



Bertil Unger/DPA/ZUMAPRESS.com/TNS

“When Harry Met Sally”

“Hero” (2002)

There are many, many worse ways to spend a weekend than in watching Zhang Yimou’s insanely gorgeous period martial-arts trilogy “Hero,” “House of Flying Daggers” and “Curse of the Golden Flower”; after making your way through the riotous color of all three, the world will seem a dull and grayish

place. But for a classic autumn moment, check out “Hero” and its fight scene between Flying Snow (Maggie Cheung) and Moon (Zhang Ziyi). In a wooded golden field where dry leaves fall like gentle rain, the two women — clad in red and coral — soar through the air, swords flashing, flying high above a cloud of fall color, sometimes gently landing on a carpet of pale-yellow foliage. Through it all, the leaves (and the women) never stop moving. The scene is like a glorious autumn version of a snow globe — with a

bit of perfectly hued blood thrown in. (Streaming on HBO Max, Amazon Prime, Vudu)

“Far from Heaven” (2002)

Todd Haynes’ luscious homage to the 1950s Technicolor melodramas of

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Douglas Sirk is also a love letter to autumn — nearly every scene of this movie looks like a fall-hued bouquet, with leaves strewn like artful confetti. Julianne Moore — who wears fall color perfectly — plays a suburban homemaker who finds herself developing feelings for her kind Black gardener (Dennis Haysbert), while her husband (Dennis Quaid) struggles with his own sexual identity. Everything about this movie is stylized, exquisitely so; not least the way Moore's character and her friends dress in perfectly coordinating fall hues, like they're all in a vase together — peach, russet, soft orange, whispery yellow-green. (Streaming on Peacock, Amazon Prime, Vudu) **"When Harry Met Sally ..."** (1989)

This section is basically an Ode to a Fall Sweater, and if you've seen this classic rom-com, you know the one I mean. It's a bulky cable-knit turtleneck in a charming shade of russet, and it's worn by Meg Ryan as Sally when she and Harry (Billy Crystal) first stroll in the park and start to become friends. And it turns up again in the movie, a little later, as Sally helps Harry unroll a new rug in his apartment. It's an extremely cute sweater on its own, and Ryan looks adorably autumnal in it, but look what happened between these two scenes: In the second one, Harry is now wearing basically the same sweater, except his is cream-colored. They match. They're meant to be together, a fact that everyone except Harry and Sally has already figured out. Even their fall wardrobes knew it. (There's also an amazing fall-colors scene in Central Park, where Sally shares a sex dream and wears a hat that turns out to be a mistake, which is a line from "You've Got Mail" and now we've come full circle on Nora Ephron rom-coms, all of which celebrate fall.) (Streaming on HBO Max, Amazon Prime, Vudu)

"The Remains of the Day" (1993)

This movie, one of my all-time favorites, has at its center an autumnal journey that's both literal and figurative. Mr. Stevens (Anthony Hopkins, in a heartbreaking performance) is an aging butler who sets out on an October road trip, ostensibly to rehire his employer's former housekeeper (Emma Thompson, equally lovely) but really to see if he can rekindle the spark that once existed between them. Based on a perfect novel by Kazuo Ishiguro, it's the story of two people in the autumn of their lives, wondering what to do with the remains of their days. The English countryside, with the occasional decorous stray

leaf, is gorgeous; you can sense a slight chill in the air. Evening darkness falls early, in a beautiful final scene on a boardwalk; it's the time of day, Mr. Stevens says, that people most look forward to — just as fall is, for many

of us, the season of our dreams. (Streaming on Amazon Prime, Vudu)

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Fall? Depressing, but worth eating through

By **TODD R. McADAM**
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Autumn is beautiful, they say. Fall is the best time of year, they say. It's crisp; it's not too hot; the leaves are beautiful, they say.

I say: Fall depresses me to no end.

Autumn is the middle-

age of the year. Oh, sure, there are nice days, beautiful days. But each one is a reminder of a warmer, brighter time earlier in the year, and a harbinger of darker, colder times to come.

Winter? Now winter is a challenge. Preferably with enough snow to bury a

basketball player. And cold enough to lose body parts. Getting through winter is an accomplishment. How many grandparents have ever bragged about how hard fall was when they were a kid?

Spring? It's all potential. Get past the mud, and every sunny day is a promise

of a season. The seeds are ready to go into the ground; life returns.

Summer? The halcyon days. Every day lasts a week, and a day's relaxation can be had in but a moment.

Fall? Fall is when I want to crawl under a blanket and binge-watch Star Trek and

hope that nobody thinks to add pumpkin spice to pizza.

Light therapy, says my doctor.

Time on my couch, says a psychologist.

Naw. Good food, with the best the season has to offer, while the season can offer it.

Apple Dumplings

Great with French vanilla ice cream and a wee dram of rum.

Pastry for 2-crust, 10-inch pie
8 medium apples, peeled and cored
4 Tbs. chopped walnuts
4 Tbs. dried local fruit
1/2 cup maple syrup, plus 8 Tbs. syrup
1/2 cup honey
1/4 cup water
2 Tbs. butter
2 tsp. ground cinnamon
1 tsp. ground nutmeg

Heat oven to 425 degrees. Roll out pastry and cut into eight equal

squares. Place an apple on each.

Mix nuts, fruit, and half the cinnamon and nutmeg. Fill apple cores with mixture. Add 1 tablespoon syrup each. Moisten pastry corners and wrap apples, pinching edges. Place apples in lightly greased 13-by-9 pan.

Heat remaining ingredients in saucepan to boiling. Boil for three minutes. Pour over dumplings. Bake about 40 minutes, spooning syrup over dumplings several times. Serve plain or with vanilla ice cream.

Crust

1 cup cold butter or lard
2 2/3 cups flour (whole wheat adds a nutty flavor)
1 tsp. salt
7-8 Tbs. icy cold water

Cut butter or lard into flour and salt until particles are about the size of small peas. Sprinkle or mist water onto mixture and stir with a fork until all flour is moistened and pastry almost cleans side of bowl. (The less water used, the flakier the crust.)

Roll out on a floured surface.



Photos provided by Todd R. McAdam

Chicken Normandy



Apples, cheese, wine — all that is best about fall.

4-5 pounds chicken, cut up
3 Tbs. butter
1 shallot or small onion, peeled and chopped
3 cloves garlic, minced
3/4 cup white wine
2 tsp. dried thyme (or 1 Tbs. fresh)
2 sweet-tart apples, peeled, cored and sliced into wedges (or 1 cup dried apples, rehydrated in water, cider or white wine)
3/4 cup heavy cream
5 ounces shredded cheese (a good melting cheese, such as gouda, gruyere or

a mild cheddar)

Season chicken with salt and pepper. Melt butter in a large skillet. Saute shallot and garlic one minute. Brown chicken, about 4 minutes each side. Add thyme and wine. Cover and simmer 20 minutes. Add apples and simmer 10 minutes more.

Move chicken and apples to an oven-proof casserole or pot. Place in warm oven. Add cream to remaining liquid in the skillet. Bring to a gentle boil. Pour over chicken. Top with cheese. Broil lightly until cheese melts.

Maple-Glazed Roasted Carrots and Parsnips

They come out of the ground in fall. Perfect timing.

1 pound carrots or parsnips, or both
1 Tbs. butter
2 Tbs. maple syrup
1 tsp. balsamic vinegar
Salt and pepper to taste

Pre-heat oven to 375 degrees and coat a small roasting pan with butter or oil.

Cut carrots and parsnips into desired size, about 1-inch sections. Microwave syrup and butter to melt. Add vinegar. Mix.

Add vegetables to pan, coat with glaze and salt and pepper to taste. Roast until done, stirring occasionally, perhaps about 1 hour for 1-inch sections.





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Find fun in Cortland

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Despite the pandemic, events are happening in beautiful Cortland County, whether a concert at the Center for the Arts of Homer, a museum tour at the Central New York Living History Center, or a fiber festival at the Little York Pavilion.

Get out and enjoy these events before the winter. And when the snow hits, there are ski slopes nearby for snow boarding or skiing: Greek Peak in Virgil and Song Mountain in Preble. Beaudry Park in Cortland has several paths coming off a hill for sledding, without cost. Here's a look at some of the events going on:

ONGOING

Through Oct. 24, "Divas: Out & About," Center for the Arts of Homer, 72 S. Main St., Homer. On display through Oct. 24. Call 607-749-4900 to visit. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Opening reception is 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sept. 17. Finger Lakes quilt guild showing art quilts.

Through late fall, Jack Elliott's "The Final Cut," Dowd Gallery, Dowd Fine Arts Center, SUNY Cortland.

Through the winter, Rock N' Skate, every Saturday, J. M. McDonald Sports Complex, Fairgrounds Drive, Cortlandville. Must register. \$8 admission or \$11 admission and skate rental. See jmmcomplex.com to sign up.

Trivia with DJ Bobcat, 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Cortland Beer Co., 16 Court St., Cortland.

Tour 1890 House, 37 Tompkins St., Cortland, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday to Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Fee.

Hike Lime Hollow Nature Center, 338 McLean Road, Cortlandville. Trails along 430 acres of woods, wetlands, fields, ponds and streams are open, free, dawn to dusk. A 1.1-mile trail allows dogs on Lehigh

Valley Trail Extension off Gracie Road, Cortlandville.

Tour CNY Living History Museum 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, at 4386 Route 11, Cortlandville. See Brockway trucks, Tractors of Yesteryear and Homeville Museum artifacts from Ken Eaton's military and local history collection. Last tour is at 4 p.m.

Really Free Market, second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, 5:30 to 7 p.m., 181 S. Main St., Cortland. Free produce, clothing, personal care items and canned goods by Cortland County Mutual Aid. Search for more information on Facebook.

Thursdays, 7 p.m., Tommy Tornado, Cortland Beer Co., 15 Court St., Cortland.

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 22, 8 p.m., Toad the Wet Sprocket, Center for the Arts of Homer, 72 S. Main St., Homer. Call 607-749-4900 or visit www.center4art.org for tickets. Alternative rock.

Sept. 23, 6:30 p.m., Mike Dexter Citizen of Year Boy Scout dinner, Hathaway House in Solon. Reserve at 607-648-7888 or at 877-674-8876 and ask for information on the Cortland Distinguished Citizens Award Dinner. Sign up by Sept. 10. Tickets are \$75, with tables of eight or 10 available.

Sept. 24, 5 to 9 p.m., Pottery Works open house reception, Cortland Corset Building, 75 E. Court St., Cortland.

Sept. 25, Firetruck Show, Central New York Living History Museum, Route 11, Cortlandville.

Sept. 25, 5 to 8 p.m., Bradford Allen, Summerhill Brewing, Route 90, Summerhill.

Sept. 26, Dispatch, 8 p.m., Center for the Arts of Homer, 72 S. Main St., Homer. Call 607-749-4900 or visit www.center4art.org for tickets. Boston roots band.

Sept. 26, 2 to 5 p.m., Tom

Gilbo & The Blue Suedes, Cortland Country Music Park, Route 13 North, Cortlandville.

Sept. 29, 8 p.m., Five for Fighting, Center for the Arts of Homer, 72 S. Main St., Homer. Call 607-749-4900 or visit www.center4art.org for tickets. Features singer songwriter John Ondrasik.

OCTOBER

Oct. 2, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Pun'kin Palooza, Anderson's Farm Market, Route 281, Little York.

Oct. 2, All Wheels Show, Central New York Living History Museum, Route 11, Cortlandville.

Oct. 3, 2 to 5 p.m., Dirt Road Express, Cortland Country Music Park, Route 13, Cortlandville.

Oct. 8 to 10, Greek Peak Ski Swap and Sale, Route 392, Virgil.

Oct. 9, 10, Military Vehicle Show, Central New York Living History Museum, Route 11, Cortlandville.

Oct. 9, 10, Fall Fiber Arts Festival, Little York Pavilion, 6799 Little York Lake Road, Little York. Benefits Cortland Repertory Theatre. \$5 admission. Kids 12 and under free.

Oct. 9, 5 to 8 p.m., Clint Bush, Summerhill Brewing, Route 90, Summerhill.

Oct. 15, 8 p.m., Walter Trout, Center for the Arts of Homer, 72 S. Main St., Homer. American blues guitarist, singer, songwriter. Call 607-749-4900 or visit www.center4art.org for tickets.

Oct. 16, 5 to 8 p.m., Thompson-Hall, Summerhill Brewing, Route 90, Summerhill.

Oct. 17, 2 to 5 p.m., Double Chase, Cortland Country Music Park, Route 13, Cortlandville.

Oct. 17, 8 p.m., Southside Johnny & the Asbury Jukes, Center for the Arts of Homer, 72 S. Main St., Homer.

Oct. 23, Vintage Snowmobile Show, featuring the Ski-Doo, Central New York Living History Museum, Route 11, Cortland-

ville.

Oct. 23, 5 to 8 p.m., Sandra Esparza, Summerhill Brewing, Route 90, Summerhill.

Oct. 24, Ana Popovic, 8 p.m., Center for the Arts of Homer, 72 S. Main St., Homer. Call 607-749-4900 or visit www.center4art.org for tickets.

Oct. 24, Nelson Brothers, 2 to 5 p.m., Cortland Country Music Park, Route 13, Cortlandville.

Oct. 30, Monsters in the Museum, Central New York Living History Museum, Route 11, Cortlandville.

Oct. 30, 6 to 8 p.m., Dana Twigg, Summerhill Brewing, Route 90, Summerhill.

NOVEMBER

Nov. 1, Cortland Arts Challenge deadline for poetry, stories, music, theater, dance, photos, two and three dimensional art on the theme of "change." See www.CortlandArtsChallenge.org to find out more.

Nov. 3, 8 p.m., Samantha Fish, blues guitarist, Center for the Arts of Homer, 72 S. Main St., Homer. Call 607-749-4900 or visit www.center4art.org for tickets.

Nov. 6, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Kipani Duo, Summerhill Brewing, Route 90, Summerhill.

Nov. 7, 2 to 5 p.m., Double Chase, Cortland Country Music Park, Route 13, Cortlandville.

Nov. 12, 8 p.m., The Lone Bellow, Center for the Arts of Homer, 72 S. Main St., Homer. Call 607-749-4900 or visit www.center4art.org for tickets.

Nov. 21, 2 to 5 p.m., Nelson Brothers, Cortland Country Music Park, Route 13, Cortlandville.

DECEMBER

Dec. 14, Squirrel Nut Zippers Holiday Caravan Tour, Center for the Arts of Homer, 72 S. Main St., Homer. Call 607-749-4900 or visit www.center4art.org for tickets. New Orleans jazz musicians play holiday hit classics and music from the band's album, "Christmas Caravan."



Halloween themed games to get your kids moving

Are you looking for ways to keep your little ones active this Halloween? If so, here are some fun games and activities that will get your kids moving.

HALLOWEEN SCAVENGER HUNT

Make a list of Halloween-themed items such as ghosts, witches and pumpkins. Then, go for a walk with your kids and have them search for the things on the list. If the weather's bad, you can print pictures of the items and hide them around your house for a fun indoor activity.

SPOOKY RELAY RACE

Create an obstacle course using Halloween decorations or balloons. Create teams and have each member race through the obstacle course with a mini pumpkin balanced on their head.

PUMPKIN BOWLING


Make a Halloween bowling game with your kids. First, decorate a ball so that it looks like a pumpkin. Then, gather empty water bottles and fill them with cotton balls. Use a black marker to draw eyes on the bottles so they look like ghosts. Finally, set them up like bowling pins and let your kids try to knock them over.

CANDY TREASURE HUNT


Hide candy, stickers or toys inside your home and around your yard. Prepare riddles and clues that will help point your kids in the right direction. They'll need to solve the clues to find the hidden treasures.

Prepping these activities is half the fun, and you can get your kids to help you with the setup.


SEPTEMBER




Toad The Wet Sprocket
September 22 at 8:00pm




Al DiMeola
September 25 at 8:00pm



The Robert Cray Band
September 26 at 8:00pm




The Milk Carton Kids
September 28 at 8:00pm




Five For Fighting
September 29 at 8:00pm


OCTOBER



Walter Trout
October 15 at 8:00pm




Leo Kottke
October 16 at 8:00pm




Southside Johnny & The Asbury Jukes
October 17 at 8:00pm


OCTOBER




Eric Gales
October 18 at 8:00pm



Tom Rush
(presented by Livespace Entertainment)
October 22 at 8:00pm



Ana Popovic
October 24 at 8:00pm



Marty Stuart & His Fabulous Superlatives
October 29 at 8:00pm

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