

# Kids' Puzzle Corner by J-P

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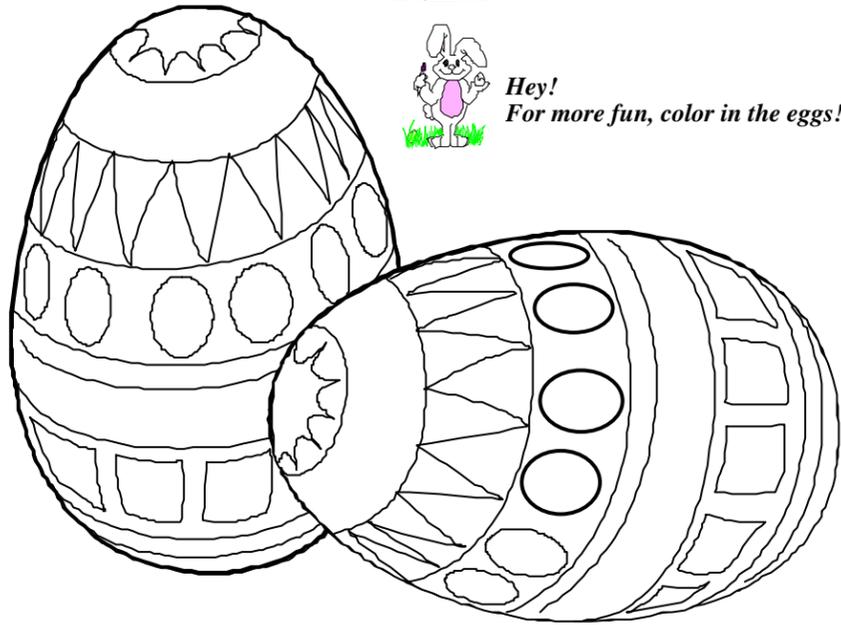
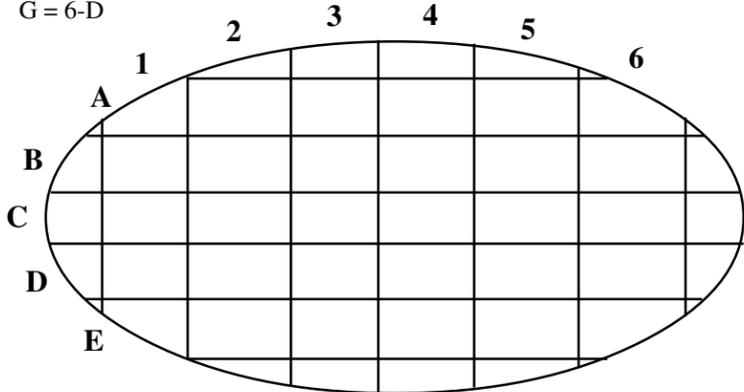
Easter's here and gone, but so many kids had fun at the Fire Department's Easter Egg Hunt that I thought I'd do an "EGG PUZZLE." I also want to thank the folks who sent in their answer to "The Music Man" puzzle and WON packets of garden or flower seeds.

This puzzle is aimed at young Easter egg hunters. It's too easy to give away a prize, but that doesn't mean you can't have fun. And if you want to submit a puzzle, send it to **J-P, 204 Wilson Road, Lansing, NY 14882.**

Ready? SET. GO!!

Code Key:

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| S = 1-D       | H = 2-B       | P = 2-D, 4-B & 5-B |
| A = 3-B & 4-A | R = 3-D & 4-C | I = 4-D            |
| L = 4-E       | N = 5-D       | Y = 6-B            |
| G = 6-D       |               |                    |



The Lansing School Board's "Open Forum" on the 1997-1998 Budget originally scheduled for April 3 has been switched to **7:00PM April 10 in the HS Cafeteria**. The 7:30PM Apr. 3 meeting in the HS Library will be a budget work session.

## 350+ Hunt Easter Eggs At Central

Five hundred or more spectators watched last Saturday noon as 350 toddlers to 10 year-old searched for Easter eggs hidden in hay lying on the grassy field behind the Lansing Fire Department's Ridge Road Central Fire Station. "We figure that 700-1,000 people actually showed up," said firefighter Tom Dorwood.

At 15 months, David Guest of Myers Road was one of the youngest egg hunters. "He found one egg, but didn't know what to do with it," laughed mom Phyllis. Grant Bogdanove, 2, of Highgate Circle came up empty, but dad said that he enjoyed meeting the towering 6 foot pink Easter Bunny (known as firefighter Brad George, when not wiggling his long ears).

Friends Haleigh Ruzicka-Connolly, 8, and Rebecca Leahy, 9, found 11 eggs but purred with delight when clown (Frank Towner) painted cat whiskers on their faces.

Daniel Sill, 5, of Conlon Road ran around kicking the hay. Some might call this an unorthodox approach, but the rascal netted 12 eggs.

Some of the older kids were more methodical. Jesse Ormsby, 9, of No. Triphammer Rd. plotted out a strategy before the hunt began. "We ran right to the end of the field," he said. Michael Melice, 9, of Buck Road chimed in that even with planning, "It was hard scooping eggs. You had to have three hands and good eyes."

Juan Pablo Landoni, of Uruguay and more recently Dart Drive in the Village of Lansing found the Easter egg hunt difficult. "He's not used to the rules of the game," explained dad.

As older siblings, parents, relatives, friends and neighbors looked on, not all the children concentrated on the egg hunt. Martin Van Es, 5, of Buck Road went to visit the fire trucks; Kara Landon, 6, of East Shore Drive liked eating donut holes; and Lindsey Oltz of Janivar Drive liked the pink bunny. Little Kyri Jones, 5, of Van Ostrand



Photo by Lacy Kircher

**WINNERS** in the 1-3 year-old category were (l to r) Katla Armstrong, Kelsey Quibley and Harley Chagull.

Road was positively speechless and kept looking around at *everything*, shaking her head with happiness.

The Easter egg hunt culminated months of planning and a fund-raising spaghetti supper several weeks ago to "do something special for the kids," said third Assistant Chief Scott Hollister. All told, more than 60 firefighters, fire commissioners, spouses and department supporters contributed to making this annual event a time for community sharing.

"Most of the time we have to take care of technical training, equipment maintenance and formal fire safety education," said Chief Chris Burris. "The Easter egg hunt gave us a chance to have a different, positive interaction with the people we serve."

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