



Orson, what are you doing out there on that branch?  
*Hey, I noticed that people put out free food all winter for their backyard birds. Nobody ever thinks about putting out food for ME. I'm in their backyard, too! I just want my fair share of the "free eats".*

Well, I hope you like birdseed, Orson. That's the only thing on the menu out there.

*Wait... what? Hey, where's the beef..!?!*

### Make some New Year's Resolutions:

**Reduce food waste** – during Hallmark's recent *Weigh the Waste* activity, 54 pounds of food were taken but uneaten by 256 diners and just composted afterward. That averaged over 3 ounces of wasted food per person.

**Compost all food scrap** including paper napkins. Note: PLASTIC syrup cups are **not** compostable! When *The Well* reopens this spring, please make sure you watch what goes where in the waste separation area.

**Properly recycle** *Recyclemania* starts February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Make sure to recycle things properly, including in bathrooms and laundry rooms

**Rideshare when you can** (see third panel ⇨)

**Reduce use of paper towels** - You really **can** dry your hands with one paper towel using the *Shake and Fold* method: after washing your hands properly, shake them 12 times. Fold a single paper towel and pat your hands dry. Try this; it really works!



The campus **Food Pantry** accepts donations of non-perishable food products and personal hygiene items. Bring donations directly to the pantry in Cleveland Hall or drop them off at the Dean of Students' office in Macmillan 210. Monetary contributions are always welcomed.



Did we "getcha"? Make sure you redeem your GOTCHA card - good for a free 12-oz. refill into your own container - at the *GRIND Café* before December 15. New GOTCHA cards will be issued for Block 1 of the Spring semester. Get in the habit of carrying and using your reusable beverage container or mug - we just might "getcha" with a GOTCHA.



A tip to better regulate res hall room temperature: instead of opening your window (which only signals the boiler to work *harder*), open your **door** to allow warm air to circulate through the building.

Try your hand at crafting unique, home-made holiday presents for friends and family. Taking the time to customize a present for someone you care about can really mean more to both of you – plus it can save you a TON of money. There are gazillions of ideas on-line – check 'em out!



**"Installment"** is a double play on words: these informational mini-newsletters are put inside bathroom cubicles ("in stalls") and the content gets changed out - in "installments."

**Get it? Got it? Good!**

### Dashing through the snow...

Need a ride home for break? Check out our free ride-matching service at:

<https://zimride.com/flxrideshare>

Create a profile and request a ride from someone with a car or, if you *have* a car, fill empty seats in your vehicle when you head home. You can connect with students from other area campuses in our rideshare network headed to your home community, including Cornell, SUNY Binghamton and Ithaca College. **Try it!**



When you head out for Break, please remember to **turn off** and **unplug** equipment and appliances in your office or res hall room. Many units will still draw power even when the item is turned off but remains plugged in. **Give the gift of energy savings!**

Tired of those warm weather clothes in your closet or dresser drawers? Not likely to wear them again next year? While we are not doing a "Trash2Treasure" collection before break, feel free to drop off *clean*, gently-used clothing items you are not going to wear again in your laundry room drop boxes or bring them to the **Bargain Basement** in Main. We will recycle them for you over break.



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