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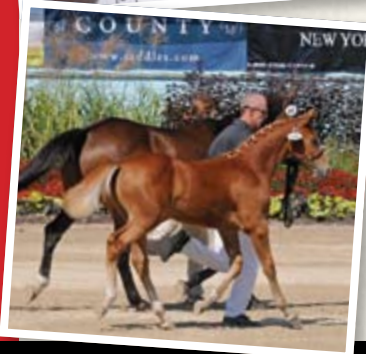
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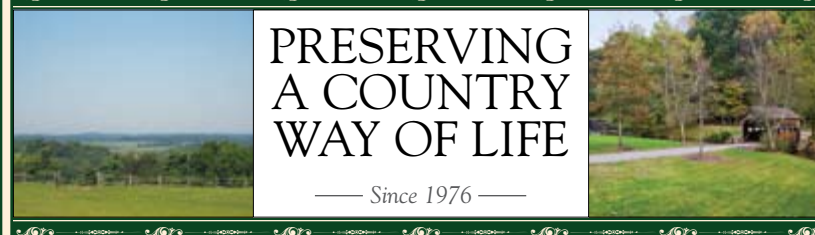
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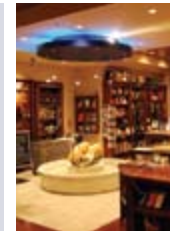
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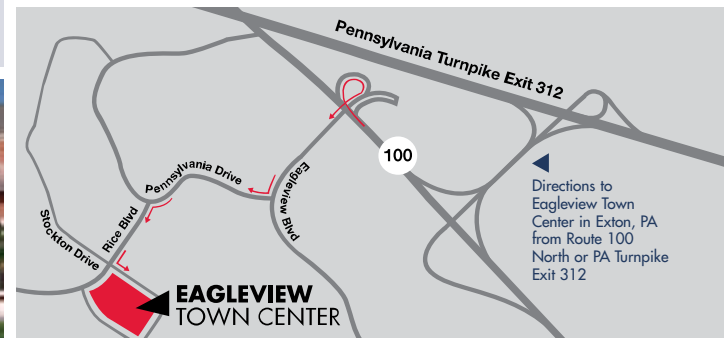
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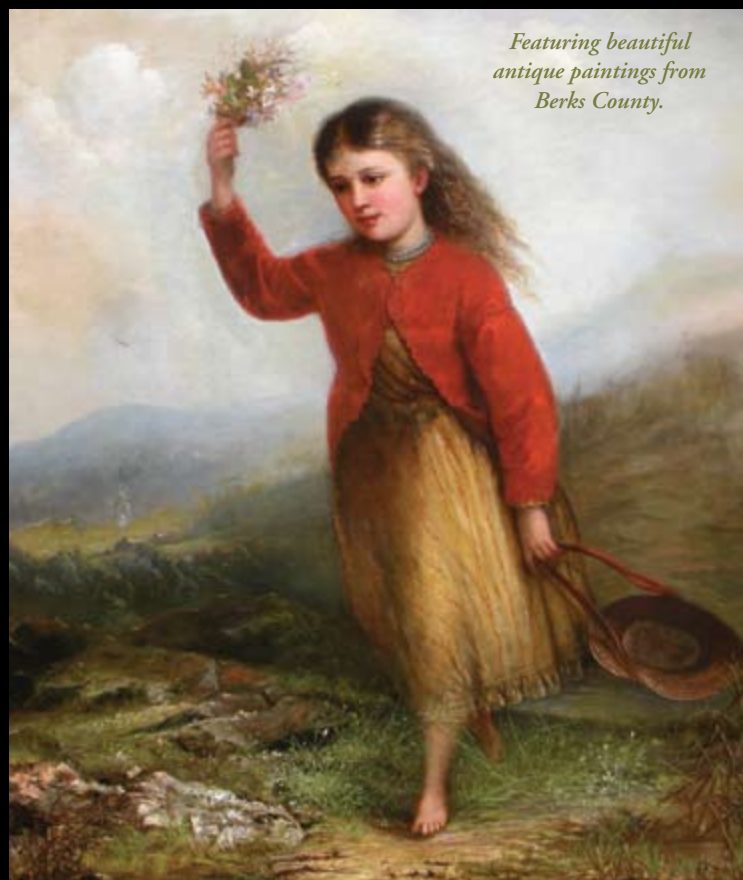


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*September 10 - October 7*

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Big G and The Cool Cats

## Barclay Friends' Festival of Gardens *September 10*

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*September 18, October 2*

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*October 1*

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# EVENTS

## Noteworthy This Month

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**68th ANNUAL LUDWIG'S CORNER HORSE SHOW & COUNTRY FAIR.** More than 500 horses compete in events at the 33-acre Ludwig's Corner horse show grounds. Also featured, rides and games, carriage exhibition, antique cars, retailers, crafters and children's activities. Benefits open space conservation. Rt. 100, N of Rt. 401, Ludwig's Corner. 8 to 6. \$3-\$7. 610-458-3344; LudwigsHorseShow.org.

September 9-11

**26th KENNETT SQUARE MUSHROOM FESTIVAL.** Annual event attracts big crowds with mushroom-related events, most are free, all are fun. Downtown Kennett Square. 888-440-9920; MushroomFest.com.

September 10

**2nd ANNUAL PHOENIXVILLE BLUES FESTIVAL.** Live music, food and beverages. Benefits the "Give the Gift of Music Foundation," helping underprivileged children in Phoenixville have access to music lessons and after school programs. Reeves Park, Main St. and 2nd Ave. Noon to 10 pm. PvilleBlues.org.

September 11

**WORLD TRADE CENTER STEEL TREES ON DISPLAY AT MEMORIAL CEREMONY, LUKENS NATIONAL HISTORIC DISTRICT.** Tracing the events of 9/11, participants can see and touch the "trees" that were part of the lobbies of the World Trade Center Towers. 7:30 to 10:30 am. 610-384-9282; LukensNHD.org.

September 24-25

**ROTORFEST 2011 AT THE AMERICAN HELICOPTER MUSEUM.** The best variety of Rotary Flight including the US Army Black Daggers Parachute Team and military, civilian and kit-built rotorcraft. 1220 American Blvd., West Chester. 10 to 4:30. \$8-\$10. Rain or shine. 610-436-9600; HelicopterMuseum.org.

OCTOBER 1

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**157th SEMI-ANNUAL YORK ANTIQUES SHOW.** Over 90 exhibitors offering 18th- and 19th-century American, English, primitive and period furniture and accessories, silver, Chinese export porcelain and 18th-century English porcelain, rugs, jewelry and more. Memorial Hall E, York Expo Ctr., 334 Carlisle Ave., York. Fri-Sat, 10 to 6; Sun, 11 to 5. \$10. 302-875-5326; TheOriginalYorkAntiquesShow.com.

September 3

**LITITZ SPRINGS PARK FALL ANTIQUES SHOW.** Approximately 100 dealers participate in this seasonal show. Rt. 501 N, Lititz. 9 to 4. Free. 717-626-5727; LititzSpringsPark.org.

October 2-9

**ANNUAL BERKS COUNTY ANTIQUE ART SHOW.** Museum-quality paintings by the school of artists from Berks County, circa 1820-1920, are offered at this show, including works by Ben Austrian, Christopher H. Shearer, John H. Raser and more. Greshville Antiques & Fine Art, 1041 Reading Ave. (Rt. 562), Boyertown. **Oct. 2**, 12 to 7; **Oct. 3-8**, 10 to 7; **Oct. 9**, 12 to 5. Free. 610-367-0076; GreshvilleAntiques.com.



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September 3

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September 10

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**GREATER PHILADELPHIA FALL HOME SHOW.** Designed for homeowners in all stages of remodeling, landscaping and decorating, including exhibits with merchandise, product demonstrations and sample interior and exterior vignettes. Pennsylvania Convention Center, 1101 Arch St., Philadelphia. Fri, 11 to 10; Sat, 10 to 10; Sun, 10 to 6. Free. 888-433-3976; ACSHomeshow.com.

**October 7-9**

**SUBURBAN PA FALL HOME SHOW.** See Greater Philadelphia Fall Home Show, above. Lancaster County Convention Center, 25 South Queen St., Lancaster. Fri, 11 to 9; Sat, 10 to 8; Sun, 10 to 6. Free. 888-433-3976; ACSHomeshow.com.

**October 7-9**

**SOUTHEASTERN PA FALL HOME & GARDEN SHOW.** Many exhibits offering the latest products and services for everything in and around your home ... builders, contractors, materials, decks, pools, spas, entertainment systems, storage, plants, landscape displays, kitchenware and more. Greater Reading Expo Center, 2525 N. 12th St., Reading. Fri, 2 to 7; Sat, 10 to 7; Sun, 11 to 5. Adm. 210-408-0998; ShowTechnology.com.

## Family Fun

**Through September 5**

**SPRINGTOWN MANOR BUTTERFLY HOUSE.** Home to many different species of butterflies, both native to Pennsylvania and exotic species. The goal of the house is to educate the community on the importance of butterflies and



## LOCAL FARM MARKETS

**ANSELMA FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET,** 1730 Conestoga Rd., Chester Springs. Wed, 2 to 6. 610-827-1906; AnselmaMill.org.

**BRYN MAWR FARMERS MARKET,** Lancaster Ave. at Bryn Mawr train station. Sat, 9 to 1. BrynMawrFarmersMarket.com.

**EAST GOSHEN FARMERS MARKET,** Veteran's Pavilion, E. Goshen Twp. Park, Paoli Pk., East Goshen. Thurs, 3 to 7. EastGoshenFarmersMarket.blogspot.com.

**EDGEMONT FARMERS MARKET, PA RE-SOURCES COUNCIL,** Clonmel Farm, 3606 Providence Rd. Thurs, 3 to 7. 610-353-1555, ext. 230; PRC.org.

**FARMERS MARKET AT GREAT VALLEY,** Lower Parking Lot, Penn State Great Valley, 30 E. Swedesford Rd., Malvern. Thurs, 11 to 2. SGPS.PSU.edu/Market.

**KENNETT SQUARE FARMERS MARKET,** downtown. Fri, 2 to 6. 610-444-8188; Historic-KennettSquare.com.

**LANCASTER CENTRAL MARKET,** 23 N. Market St. Tues, Fri, 6 am to 4; Sat, 6 to 2. 717-735-6890; CentralMarketLancaster.com.

**LITITZ FARMERS MARKET,** Water St. Sat, 8 to noon. 717-626-6332; LititzFarmersMarket.com.

**MEDIA FARMERS MARKET,** State St. between Monroe & Gayley Sts. Thurs, 3 to 7. 610-566-5039; MediaFarmersMarket.com.

**OXFORD VILLAGE MARKET,** 3rd & Locust Sts. Tues, 2 to 6. 610-998-9494; OxfordMain-Street.org.

**PARKESBURG COMM. MARKET,** 315 W. First Ave. Sat, 9 to 1. 610-857-2616; Parkesburg.org.

**PHOENIXVILLE FARMERS MARKET,** under Gay St. Bridge accessed by Taylor Alley. Sat, 9 to 1. PhoenixvilleFarmersMarket.org.

**SWARTHMORE FARMERS MARKET,** 341 Dartmouth Ave., at Swarthmore Co-Op. Sat, 9:30 to 1:30. FarmToCity.org.

**WEST CHESTER GROWERS MARKET,** corner of Chestnut & Church Sts. Sat, 9 to 1. 610-436-9010; WestChesterGrowersMarket.com.

**WEST CHESTER WELLNESS GROWERS MARKET,** 2 locations: Courthouse patio, High & Market Sts. and Government Services Center, Westtown Rd., West Goshen. Fri, 11:30 to 1:30. DowntownWestChester.com

**WEST GROVE FARMERS MARKET,** Harmony Park, Harmony Rd. Thurs, 2 to 6. 610-932-5468; WestGroveFarmersMarket.com.

**WILMINGTON'S URBAN FARM STAND,** 12th & Brandywine Sts. Sat, 10 to 2. 302-658-6262; TheDCH.org.

how individuals can create their own gardens to provide habitat for these special creatures. 860 Springton Rd., Glenmoore. Daily 10 to 3. \$2. 610-942-2450; ChesCo.org/CCParks.

### Through September 5

**BRANDYWINE TREASURE TRAIL.** Visitors to

Brandywine Valley attractions receive discounted single-rate admission through the Brandywine Treasure Trail promotion. Check their website for details. Valid for one gen. adm. visit at each site. \$35; \$75/family. BrandywineTreasures.org.

### September 18

**RADNOR FALL FESTIVAL.** Fun for the whole family with great food, live music, rides, a beer garden, magic and face painting. N. Wayne Ave., downtown Wayne. 1 to 5. 610-688-9188; Radnor-FallFestival.com.

### September 24

**WARWICK COUNTY PARK'S AUTUMN CELEBRATION & FALL INTO FITNESS 5K.** Cross country run/relay & kids race, reptile program, fitness demonstrations, crafts, evening bonfire. County Park Rd. (4 mi. W. of Rt. 100 off Rt. 23), in the village of Knauertown. 4 to 8. \$5 parking. 610-469-1916; ChesCo.org/CCParks.

### September 25

**ANSON B. NIXON PARK'S BARK IN THE PARK.** A family-friendly, dog-oriented festival and 2.5 mi walk. N. Walnut St. Kennett Square. 610-444-1416; AnsonBNixonPark.org.

### October 1

**REVOLUTIONARY GERMANTOWN FESTIVAL FEATURING REENACTMENT OF THE BATTLE OF GERMANTOWN.** Celebrate Germantown's rich colonial history with programs, tours and activities for all ages throughout the community and the annual reenactment of the Battle of Germantown. Cliveden of the National Trust, 6401 Germantown Ave., Chestnut Hill. 10 to 4. 215-848-1777; Cliveden.org.

### October 1

**BARK IN THE PARK AT NOTTINGHAM PARK.** A day to promote responsible dog ownership and have fun with your dogs in the park. Vendors, skill demonstrations, exhibits. Nottingham County Park, 150 Park Rd., Nottingham. 11 to 3. \$5/parking. 610-932-2589; ChesCo.org/CCParks.

## Festivals & Fairs

### Through October 30

**PENNSYLVANIA RENAISSANCE FAIRE.** Travel back in time when you visit this recreation of a 16th-century festival honoring Queen Elizabeth I. Period crafts, foods, games, rides, theme weekends and over 80 shows daily. Strolling minstrels and street characters delight all. Mt. Hope Estate & Winery, Rt. 72, N of Lancaster in Cornwall. Open Sat-Sun, and Labor Day Monday, 11 to 8. \$9.95-\$29.95. 717-665-7021; PAREnFaire.com.



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**ANNUAL CHILE PEPPER FOOD FESTIVAL IN BOWERS.** Just about anything you can imagine made with or about chile peppers can be found here, from food to crafts to clothing. Live music, a jalapeño eating contest, chile pepper plants, song contests. No alcohol; no pets. William DeLong Park, 233 Bowers Rd., Bowers. aily 9 to 6. Donation. 610-682-7045; [PepperFestival.com](http://PepperFestival.com).

**September 9-11**  
**RADNOR HUNT CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE.** **Sept. 9,** Welcome Barbecue, 7 pm; **Sept. 10,** Chester County Rally through the pastoral back roads of Chester County, 8 am, followed by a cocktail reception and black tie gala; **Sept. 11,** The 100 Motor Cars of Radnor Hunt. Benefits The Joan Karnell Cancer Center, Willistown Conservation Trust and Thorncroft Therapeutic Horseback Riding. 826 Providence Rd., Malvern. 610-353-3536; [Radnor-Concours.org](http://Radnor-Concours.org).



**September 9-11**  
**HAY CREEK FALL FESTIVAL.** Early American crafts, home crafts, a Civil War encampment, children's hands-on activities, food and music at Historic Joanna Furnace, Rt. 10, 3 mi. N of the PA Tpk. interchange 22 on Rt. 10, Geigertown. Daily 10 to 5. Admission \$2-\$10. 610-286-0388; [HayCreek.org](http://HayCreek.org).

**September 10**  
**"BRYN MAWR 100" CELEBRATION.** Within the village of Bryn Mawr, 19 institutions are over 100 years old and they have joined together with the mission "Honoring the Past; Embracing our Future." Enjoy old-time games, bus tours, concerts and a brief ceremony at the gazebo behind Ludington Library. 9 to 2. 610-525-2700, ext. 296.

**September 10-11**  
**46th ANNUAL CHADDS FORD DAYS.** "The Dog Days of Summer II," featuring hands-on demonstrations of 18th-century crafts, tours of the John Chads House, games, old-fashioned country rides, art, native plants and herbs for sale, live music and colonial artisans selling crafts. Rt. 100, 1/4 mi. N of Rt. 1, Chadds Ford. Daily 10 to 5. Parking \$5. 610-388-7376; [ChaddsFordHistory.org](http://ChaddsFordHistory.org).

**September 15-17**  
**65th ANNUAL OLEY VALLEY COMMUNITY FAIR.** An old-fashioned, down-home, country fair with many exhibitors entering a wide variety of local products from the farm and home for cash prizes. Oley Fire Company Fairgrounds, 26 Jefferson St., Oley. Daily 9 am to 11 pm. \$5 parking fee. 610-987-3469; [OleyFair.org](http://OleyFair.org).

**September 16-18**  
**PA RENEWABLE ENERGY & SUSTAINABLE**

**LIVING FESTIVAL.** Renewable energy, natural building construction, sustainable agriculture, land-use planning and healthy living practices are featured. Kempton Community Center, 82 Community Dr., Kempton. Fri-Sat, 9 to 6; Sun, 9 to 4. \$5-\$10. 610-683-8496; [PAEnergyFest.com](http://PAEnergyFest.com).

**September 17-18**  
**25th GREAT MEDIA GARAGE SALE DAYS.** This festive event is a huge garage sale, with many homes participating in the sale and block parties all over the borough. 9 to 4. 610-566-5039; [VisitMediaPA.com](http://VisitMediaPA.com).

**September 18**  
**35th ANNUAL SUPER SUNDAY IN MEDIA.** Eight blocks of State Street and all of Veteran's Square will be blocked off for this street fair, which features food, crafts, antiques and collectibles and lots of fun. Benefits local charities. Rain date, Sept. 25. 9 to 5. 610-583-4432, ext. 102; [VisitMediaPA.com](http://VisitMediaPA.com).

**September 18**  
**THE HAGLEY CAR SHOW.** More than 500 antique and restored cars that date from the early 1900s to the 1980s are displayed. The show also features vehicle parades, motoring music, video racing, a pedal car course, a juke box display and a festival food court. Main entrance off Rt. 141, Wilmington. 10 to 4. \$4-\$12. 302-658-2400; [Hagley.org](http://Hagley.org).

**September 24**  
**ROCK HALL FALL FEST.** A celebration of family and community with craft vendors, music, clowns, jugglers, food, boats and more. Main St., Rock Hall. 10 to 5. 410-639-7779; [KentCounty.com](http://KentCounty.com).

**September 24**  
**FIRST ANNUAL POTTSTOWN PET FAIR.** Visitors can chat with representatives from animal shelters, wildlife organizations, veterinarians and animal control. Vendors will offer goods and services. Smith Family Plaza, in front of Borough Hall, 100 E. High St., Pottstown. 9 to 2. Free. 610-970-6507.

**September 24-25**  
**LINVILLA ORCHARDS APPLE FESTIVAL.** Jam-packed fun for the whole family with live entertainment, hayrides, pony rides, costumed characters and special treats highlighting each festival's theme. Linvilla Orchards, 137 W. Knowlton Rd., Media. 9 to 6. 610-876-7116; [Linvilla.com](http://Linvilla.com).

**September 24-25-October 1-2**  
**BRANDYWINE VALLEY WINE TRAIL'S 9TH ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL.** A grape stompin' good time as several wineries of the Brandywine Valley Wine Trail celebrate the 2011 vintage. Enjoy pastoral settings for picnicking, live music, grape stomping competitions, hayrides through the vineyards, BBQs, wine tastings, tours and more. 866-390-4367; [BVWineTrail.com](http://BVWineTrail.com).

**September 30-October 2**  
**87th ANNUAL UNIONVILLE COMMUNITY FAIR.** Family activities, contests, educational displays and interactive events, musical entertainment, live animal exhibits, food and auction of donated item, Sun, 5:30. Landhope Farms, Rts. 82 & 926, Unionville. Fri-Sat, 9 to 9; Sun, 10 to 4 pm. [UCFairInc.org](http://UCFairInc.org).



October 1

**ST. DAVID'S CHURCH 161ST ANNUAL FAIR AND COUNTRY AUCTION.** One of the oldest ongoing fairs in the country, this is a treat for the entire family with live entertainment, midway games for children, a puppet show, balloon sculptures, train rides, flea market, an auction under a huge tent, music, food and crafts. Old St. David's Church, 763 Valley Forge Rd., Wayne. 10 to 4. 610-688-7947; StDavidsChurch.org.

October 1-2

**DELAWARE NATURE SOCIETY HARVEST MOON FESTIVAL.** Events include scarecrow stuffing, corn maze, Native American exhibits, an International Turtle Race, living history programs, Farm Olympics, pony rides and more. Benefits Delaware Nature Society's programs. Coverdale Farm, 543 Way Rd., Greenville. No dogs. Festival hours, 10 to 5. \$5-\$8. 302-239-2334; DelawareNatureSociety.org.



October 7-8

**13th ANNUAL ARTISANS' PORCH WALK & 10TH ANNUAL CHOCOLATE WALK IN LITITZ.** Oct. 7-8, Artisans' Porch Walk show and sale of art and crafts on private porches and lawns throughout town. 717-626-0214. Oct. 8, the Chocolate Walk features chocolate candymakers and pastry chefs at over 30 tasting stations throughout town. Buttons, \$20-\$25; sales are limited. Benefits local organizations that assist children. 717-560-2295. Fri, 10 to 5; Sat, 10 to 4. LititzPa.com.

## First Friday . . .

September 2, October 7

**FIRST FRIDAYS.** Stroll through area towns to find exhibits, galleries, restaurant specials, entertainment and extended hours. **Berwyn**, 610-203-4543; BerwynDevonBusiness.com. **Kennett Square**, 610-444-8188; HistoricKennettSquare.com. **Lancaster City**, 717-509-ARTS; LancasterArts.com. **A Main Line ARTitude**, with free trolley from Bryn Mawr to Ardmore, 610-642-4040; FirstFridayMainLine.com. **Oxford**, 610-998-9494; DowntownOxfordPA.org. **Phoenixville**, 610-933-3070; PhxFirstFriday.com. **Wayne**, 610-687-7698; FirstFridayWayne.com. **West Chester**, 610-738-3350; DowntownWestChester.com.

## and Second Saturday

September 10, October 8

**MEDIA'S 2nd SATURDAYS.** Media's version of First Fridays. 610-566-5210; MediaArtsCouncil.org.

## Food & Drink

Through September 28

**DINING UNDER THE STARS IN MEDIA.** Wednesday is the night to dine out in Media. Restaurants offer outdoor dining along State Street, which will be closed to traffic from Jackson to Orange Sts. Plus entertainment and children's activities on each block. 5 to 11 pm. 610-566-5039; VisitMediaPA.com.

September 9-10, October 21-23

**MARYLAND'S UPPER EASTERN SHORE FARM DINNERS ON THE SHORE.** Dinners take place right on a farm, using produce and other products from that farm and surrounding farms, prepared by accomplished chefs from the region. **Sept. 9-10**, Galena; **Oct. 21-23**, Lockbriar Farms. Benefits organizations promoting the conservation, preservation and sustainability of the Eastern Shore's rural environment. 410-810-4898; FarmDinnersOnTheShore.com.

September 17

**WEST CHESTER RAILROAD.** BBQ Choo Choo. Enjoy a train ride on a beautiful evening and have a delicious BBQ dinner from Pig Out BBQ in Glen Mills. 6 to 8 pm. \$15-\$20. 610-361-8200. Trains depart Market Street Station (248 E. Market St.). 610-430-2233; WestChesterRR.net.

September 18

**CHESTER COUNTY RESTAURANT FESTIVAL.** See article in this issue.



October 2

**ANNUAL MEDIA FOOD & CRAFTS FESTIVAL.** Over 50 restaurants and 80 craftspeople display on State St. There are 3 music stages with 5 bands playing throughout the day, children's activities, games and more. 10 to 5. Visitors are requested to bring canned goods or packaged goods for City Team Ministries. Rain date, Oct. 9. 610-566-5039; VisitMediaPA.com.

## Fundraising

September 10-October 9

**10th ANNUAL DESIGN HOME 2011.** Philadelphia Magazine Design Home 2011 is an historic renovation and addition to a classic Main Line manor home in Haverford. Open Thurs, noon to 8; Fri-Mon, 11 to 4. Complimentary parking and shuttle service from Athertyn at Haverford Reserve (5109 Parkview Dr., Haverford). \$20. Proceeds all go to Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House. 215-979-6551; PhilaRMH.org.

September 25

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**SUNDAY,  
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RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

**12:00 PM → 5:30 PM**

CONTACT: 610-436-9010

## BAND INFO:

### ON GAY & MATLACK STS.

12:00 – The Sleepwells  
2:00 – Frolics Magic 8 Ball  
4:00 – The Bullbuckers

### ON GAY & DARLINGTON STS.

1:00 – Devolver  
3:30 – Alfred James Band

### BEER & WINE GARDEN ON GAY & CHURCH STS

12:00 – IKE  
2:30 – Soraia

## COOK OFF:

## 4C-CHESTER COUNTY CULINARY COOK OFF

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**5th ANNUAL "WINE & DINOSAURS" WINE AND BEER TASTING FESTIVAL.** Spend a relaxing afternoon sampling delicious wine, beer and hors d'oeuvres while bidding on the silent auction and enjoying live entertainment. Benefits programs at the museum. 4840 Kennett Pk. (Rt. 52), Wilmington. Noon to 4. \$45. 302-658-9111, ext. 303; DelMNH.org.

## September 27

**9th ANNUAL PEOPLE'S LIGHT CLASSIC.** A day of golf, dining, cocktails, silent auction, the "Play Around Philly" raffle, and prizes in support of Arts Discovery, the nationally recognized education program of People's Light & Theatre, providing more than 35,000 children throughout the area with a unique theatre arts experience. The Ace Club, 800 Ridge Pk., Lafayette Hill. For information and registration, 610-647-1900, ext. 119; PeoplesLight.org.

## October 1

**CENTER FOR THE CREATIVE ARTS "LUCK OF THE DRAW" EVENT.** Victoria Wyeth hosts this event, drawing cards at random and the ticket holder with the matching card selects one piece of art from any of the donated works displayed. Special guest artist Karl Kuerner will be speaking about his work. Benefits the ArtWorks for Children Scholarship Program. 410 Upper Snuff Mill Row, Yorklyn. 6:30 to 10 pm. \$75; non-participating guests, \$10. 302-239-2434; CCArts.org.

## October 7

**A HARVEST DINNER IN KENNETT SQUARE.** A six-course, farm-to-table dinner prepared by Chef Ray Maxwell paired with local wines from Flickerwood Wine Cellars and beer from Victory Brewing Co. Music, silent and live auctions. Benefits Historic Kennett Square. Mill at the Stone Barn, 550 Upland Rd., Kennett Square. 7 to 11. \$125. 610-444-8188; HistoricKennettSquare.com.

## October 9

**20th ANNUAL DILWORTHTOWN INN WINE FESTIVAL — CRUSH CANCER.** More than 100 wines from around the world are featured at this popular event, a major fundraiser for the Chester County Hospital's cancer program. Guests enjoy live music, a silent auction, luxury car show and shopping opportunities. Set on the beautiful, historic grounds of the Dilworthtown Inn, 1390 Old Wilmington Pk., West Chester. Noon to 4. \$35. 610-431-5329; ChesterCountyHospital.org/Foundation.

## Gardens

### Through October 30

**CHANTICLEER.** Thousands of bulbs, orchards of flowering trees, a vegetable garden, cut-flower garden and fruit trees. **Friday Nights** at Chanticleer, through Labor Day Weekend, open until 8 pm; First Friday and Saturday tours of Main House, through Oct. 29, 11 am, \$15 by reservation. 786 Church Rd., Wayne. Wed-Sun 10 to 5. \$10. 610-687-4163; ChanticleerGarden.org.

### Through October

**GARDENS OF THE SUSQUEHANNA TOUR.** Experience the natural beauty of over 60 private gardens. Sponsored by the Wheatland Garden Club.

Benefits President James Buchanan's Wheatland. The \$20 Rose Book is your ticket to multiple visits to the gardens, open specified weekends during the fall. 717-392-8721, ext. 222; LancasterHistory.org.

### Through November 27

**TYLER ARBORETUM.** *Through Nov. 27*, Totally Terrific Treehouses; *through Oct. 30*, Magical Habitats; *Sept. 4*, Butterflies and Buggy Buddies; *Sept. 8*, Wine Tasting, 6 pm, \$25; *Sept. 10*, Wonderful Rocky Run; *Sept. 11, 25*, Magical Friends Tea Party; *Sept. 17*, Scarecrow Festival; *Sept. 20*, Fall Butterfly and Bird Migration Trip to Cape May Point; *Sept. 24*, Twilight Hike. 515 Painter Rd., Media. Mon-Fri, 9 to 5; Sat-Sun, 9 to 6. \$5-\$9. 610-566-9134; TylerArboretum.org.



### September 17-18

**PLANT SALE AT SCOTT ARBORETUM.** In addition to hard-to-find perennials, trees, shrubs, and houseplants, this year's sale will feature edible plants such as figs and persimmons, unusual broad-leaved evergreens, winter flowering shrubs and rare plants. 500 College Ave., Swarthmore. Sat, 1 to 4; Sun, 11 to 3. Free. 610-328-8025; ScottArboretum.org.

## Museums

### Through September 25

**DELAWARE ART MUSEUM.** "Perception / Deception: Illusion in Contemporary Art," a four-artist exhibition exploring the relationship between reality and our sense of sight. 2301 Kentmere Pkwy., Wilmington. Wed-Sat, 10 to 4; Sun, noon to 4. \$6-\$12; Sun, free. 302-571-9590; DelArt.org.

### Through November 20

**BRANDYWINE RIVER MUSEUM.** *Through Sept. 11*, "Farm Work by Jamie Wyeth;" *through Nov. 20*, Tours of Kuerner Farm and N. C. Wyeth House and Studio; Rt. 1, Chadds Ford. Daily 9:30 to 4:30. \$6-\$10. 610-388-2700; www.Brandywine-Museum.org.





**Through January 8, 2012**  
**WINTERTHUR MUSEUM.** "Paint, Pattern & People: Furniture of Southeastern PA, 1725-1850," featuring nearly 200 objects focusing on the culture and creativity of the area's English- and German-speaking inhabitants. Winterthur, Rt. 52, 6 mi. NW of Wilmington. Tues-Sun, 10 to 5. \$5-\$18. 800-448-3883; Winterthur.org.

**Through January 15, 2012**  
**HAGLEY MUSEUM & LIBRARY.** "Wedding Traditions of the du Pont Family, 1813-1915." Visit Hagley to explore the origins of well-loved wedding traditions and those that the du Pont family cherished. The exhibit showcases weddings of du Pont family members during the 19th- and early-20th-centuries. Main entrance, off Route 141, Wilmington. Daily from 9:30 to 4:30. \$4-\$11. 302-658-2400; Hagley.org.

**Ongoing**  
**LANDIS VALLEY MUSEUM.** Living history village dedicated to collecting, preserving and interpreting history and culture of the PA German community from 1740-1940. 2451 Kissel Hill Rd., Lancaster. Mon-Sat, 9 to 5; Sun, 12 to 5. \$6-\$9. 717-569-0401; LandisValleyMuseum.org.

**Ongoing**  
**CHESTER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY.** Programs, activities, museum, research library, interactive exhibits, a History Lab where you can dress in a Civil War officer's jacket, and events relating to the history of Chester County from 1600 to today. **Special Exhibits: through Oct.** "Chilling Reality: Chester County's Arctic Explorers." **Sept. 22-Dec. 2012.** "On the Edge of Battle: Chester County and the Civil War," an exhibit focused on Chester County's role in the war. See article in this issue. 225 N. High St., West Chester. Wed-Sat, 10 to 5. 610-692-4800; ChesterCoHistorical.org.

## Music, Music, Music

**September 3, 17**  
**LONGWOOD GARDENS PERFORMING ARTS EVENTS.** **Sept. 17,** Keb' Mo', 7:30 pm, \$35-\$55. **Fireworks & Fountains: Sept. 3,** Summer Pops. 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square. 9:15 pm. \$22-\$38. 610-388-5200; LongwoodGardens.org.

**September 9**  
**DOWNTOWN OXFORD EDGE CONCERTS.** Come out for an evening of live music in an outdoor setting. Wine tastings and sales from Flickerwood Wine Cellar. Broad and Third Sts., Oxford. 610-998-9494; DowntownOxfordPA.org.

**September 16**  
**MUSIC FRIDAY IN LANCASTER SQUARE.** Fonky Reggae Night with The Forthrights & Third Power. 100 N. Queen St., Lancaster. 5:30 to 8:30. Free. 717-291-4758; LancasterCityEvents.com.

**September 16, 18**  
**VOX RENAISSANCE CONSORT, "ANGELUS."** Renaissance masterworks for voices & instruments by Monteverdi, Palestrina, Gabrieli, Purcell and Pachelbel. **Sept. 16,** Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Logan Square, 18th &

Ben Franklin Pkwy., Philadelphia, 8 pm. **Sept. 18,** St. John Vianney Church, 350 Conshohocken State Rd., Gladwyne, 5 pm. \$10-\$25. 610-688-2800; Vox-AmaDeus.org.

**September 29**  
**A CIVIL WAR MUSIC CONCERT AT HAGLEY MUSEUM.** A five-piece band modeled after a real group of Union prisoners who performed in the infamous Libby Prison in Richmond, VA, during the Civil War. Buck Road E entrance off Rt. 100, Wilmington. Free. 302-658-2400; Hagley.org.

## Outdoor Fun

**September 11**  
**KENNETT SQUARE MUSHROOM FESTIVAL 4th ANNUAL 5K RUN/WALK.** Registration, 7 am, in front of Kennett High School, Broad & W. South Sts. Start: 8:30 am. Benefits breast cancer research. 610-925-3373; MushroomFestival.org.

**September 17**  
**ANNUAL "CRUISIN' FOR HOPE" MOTOR-CYCLE RIDE.** Riders and passengers gather for a ride through scenic vistas up to Hawk Mountain Sanctuary. Benefits Good Samaritan Shelter and Mom's House in Phoenixville. Meet at and return to Ridge Fire Co., 480 Ridge Rd., Spring City. 10 am. \$25-\$40. Food and music after the ride. 610-933-9305; GoodSamShelter.org.


**September 18**  
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**September 18**  
**PHILADELPHIA ROCK 'N ROLL HALF MARATHON.** The half marathon course is flat and festive — perfect for runners and walkers of all ability levels. Benefits many charities including the Tug McGraw Fdn., the Org. for Autism Research, The American Cancer Society and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Start line: Ben Franklin Pkwy. Finish line: Eakins Oval, Fairmount Park. Finish line concert headlined by former "Poison" frontman Bret Michaels. Race begins 8 am. Run-RocknRoll.Competitor.com/Philadelphia.

**September 24**  
**WATERFRONT FESTIVAL & CARDBOARD BOAT REGATTA IN CHESTERTOWN, MD.** Boat rides on the Chester River, sailing, kayaking, bluegrass music, good food, family fun and the 5th annual cardboard boat regatta. Wilmer Park, Chestertown. 12 to 5. 410-778-7295; CES.WashColl.edu.

**September 24**  
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October 1

**PHILADELPHIA INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL.** More than 140 dragon boat teams compete, racing along a 500-meter course in multiple races. Teams, including corporations, community organizations, businesses, schools, families and more, are featured at this event held on the Schuylkill River in Fairmount Park, Phila. 7 am to 6 pm. 610-642-2333; [PhilaDragonBoatFestival.com](http://PhilaDragonBoatFestival.com).



October 2

**38th ANNUAL MARSHALTON TRIATHLON.** Pedal, Paddle, Pace — all athletes, novice to ironman and their families, are invited to bike, canoe and pace-walk through 10 miles of Chester County countryside. A family and dog-friendly event (dogs on leash). Enjoy music, food and drink and participate in community fun at the firehouse. Benefits the all-volunteer West Bradford Fire Company and preservation of the town of Marshalton. Rt. 162, 5 mi. W of West Chester. 8 am. \$30. 610-696-9374; [Marshalton-Triathlon.com](http://Marshalton-Triathlon.com).

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October 2

**THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA'S 9th ANNUAL BUDDY WALK & FAMILY FUN DAY.** Something for all ages with raffles, moon bounces, basketball throw, soccer shoot, football toss, jugglers, balloon sculptures, great food and more. Meet local celebrities and mascots. Benefits the Trisomy 21 (Down syndrome) Program at CHOP. Villanova University Stadium, 800 Lancaster Ave., Villanova. 10 to 1. Registration, 9:30; walk, 10:45 267-426-5600; [Tri21Center.org](http://Tri21Center.org).

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September 2-17

**PHILADELPHIA LIVE ARTS & PHILLY FRINGE FESTIVAL.** Contemporary performing artists energize the area during the Live Arts Festival. Philly Fringe showcases new and established artists who present their work free of a selection process. For a list of performances, visit [LiveArts-Fringe.org](http://LiveArts-Fringe.org).

September 17

**"TORN BETWEEN 2 FATHERS."** A 16-year-old secret holds one woman, one boy and two men together, but only for a while. DuPont Theatre, 1007 N. Market St., Wilmington. 7 pm. \$30-\$60. 800-338-0881; [DuPontTheatre.com](http://DuPontTheatre.com).

September 21-October 16

**"THE RETURN OF DON QUIXOTE."** A charming tale to remind us that romance and adventure hide around every corner ... if we are brave enough to look. People's Light & Theatre, 39 Conestoga Rd., Malvern. Tues-Thurs, 7:30 Fri-Sat, 8; Sun, 7; matinees: Wed, Sat, Sun, 2. \$25-\$45. 610-644-3500; [PeoplesLight.org](http://PeoplesLight.org).

September 28-November 6

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October 1

**CHESTER COUNTY DAY TOUR.** See article in this issue.

October 1

**ANNUAL HISTORIC HOUSE TOUR OF CHESTERTOWN, MD.** Chestertown literally opens its doors as homeowners invite ticket holders to see the interiors of the town's renowned historic houses. Benefits the Historical Society of Kent County, MD. Ticket holders receive a tour book to guide them through the beautifully restored district. 1 to 5 pm. \$25-\$30. 410-778-3499; [KentCountyHistory.org](http://KentCountyHistory.org).

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Proceeds support programs at the Community Arts Center, 414 Plush Mill Rd., Wallingford, including free exhibitions, concerts, its extensive outreach program, Empty Bowls program and ARTto go, which provides arts experiences throughout the Delaware Valley. 610-566-1713; CommunityArtsCenter.org.



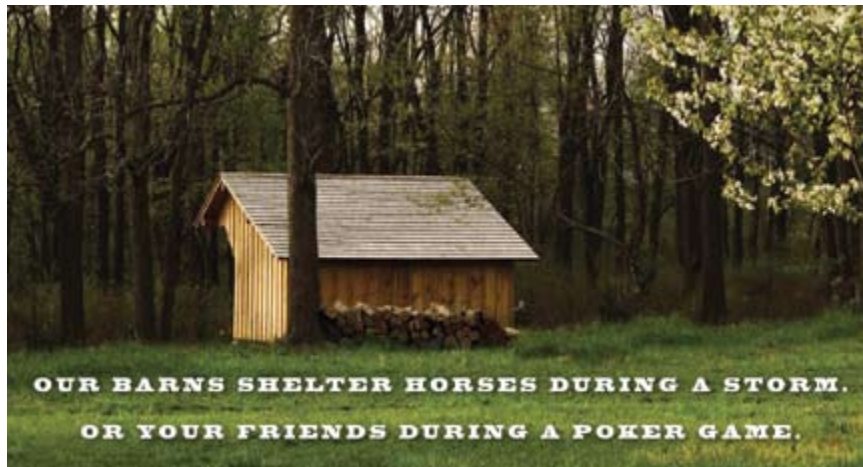


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# Chester County Restaurant Festival



## Hungry?

Mark your calendar for **Sunday, September 18, noon to 5:30**. Gay Street in West Chester shuts down to traffic and opens for an eating extravaganza. Over 50 restaurants, mostly from Chester County, stand ready to please your palate. Rain date, the 25th. No pets. Parking \$3 in garages.

Join more than 20,000 foodies expected to take to the street. The **32nd Chester County Restaurant Festival** is on!

Limoncello, Margaret Kuo's, Doc Magrogan's, Teca, The Mediterranean, Station Taproom, Jazmine Thai — the list goes on. Hardly street food, more like great food, these taste ticklers serve savory samples selected from their menus, hoping you'll come back for more.

"It's a great opportunity ... to show Chester County what their restaurants' specialties are. We suggest that restaurants sell small portions at a low cost so that everyone can try their cuisine," says Richard Ashenfelder, Assistant Director of West Chester Parks and Recreation, the event organizer. Just a walk through the several blocks of arousing aromas will excite your senses.



As if so many restaurants side-by-side weren't enough, four select chefs compete in the **Chester County Culinary Cook Off** and prepare an appetizer, entrée and dessert.

Each course is whipped up on the spot, before your very eyes, on the steps of the County Courthouse. And one ingredient is held secret until the start of each round, to heighten the competition. A panel of local experts render their verdict and crown the winner **"Best Chef in Chester County."** Jon Amann, pictured above, from Amani's BYOB Downingtown was last year's winner.

But it's not just the competition. Vendors of specialty foods serve up smoothies, ice cream, cupcakes, and the like. Wash it all down in the beer and wine garden on Church Street.

And if you want to rest your appetite, at least between courses, there are plenty of vendors and activities. More than one hundred arts and crafts vendors, and eight bands will provide great music, too. Something for everyone!

Loosen your belt. You can start your diet on Monday. ♦





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# Civil War 150th Anniversary



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## Chester County Historical Society

The shots fired on April 12, 1861, at Fort Sumter sent a chill down the spine of every person in our young country. The battle between the North and the South had begun. And Chester County sat on the Mason-Dixon Line. Would war come to our quiet, rural county?

Find out how the war affected our area, or better yet, help tell the story. Chester County Historical Society (CCHS) will mark the 150th anniversary of the Civil War with a multi-year commemoration that kicks off Thursday, September 22, at the History Center in downtown West Chester. Join in to learn more about our local and national history.

### Community Participation

The first major Civil War event requires help from the community. CCHS will solicit documents that tell the stories of everyday people in Chester County during the Civil War years. You are invited to bring your family's Civil War letters, photographs

and artifacts for documentation and possible inclusion in the October 2012 major exhibit "On the Edge of Battle." Add your family's story to this bit of history.

"We don't want to miss any of the great stories that are out there. We're interested in both the soldiers and the families they left behind," says CCHS Librarian Diane Rofini. As a special benefit, Kory Berrett of Berrett Conservation Studios will be on hand from 1 to 4 p.m. to give advice on how to preserve your treasures for future generations.



Frederick Douglass

### Special Events

Even if you don't have any local artifacts to share, the day is packed with exciting events for Civil War buffs. Authentically costumed re-enactors will greet you at the door, giving you a first-person flavor of the era.

You'll see "If Walls Could Talk," a new exhibit on the colorful history of Horticultural Hall, CCHS's museum building. Discover the Hall's role as a

public meeting place where the first Pennsylvania Woman's Rights Convention was held in 1852 and Frederick Douglass recruited black men for the U.S. Colored Troops in 1863.

Ed and Faye Max will be on hand with "A Hero's Honor Roll," a display of photographs of local soldiers that took more than a decade to compile. The enlistment rosters of the 97th, 124th and 175th Regiments will be available so you can check for your ancestor's name.



Colorful Civil War covers used for correspondence

Later, at 5 p.m., local author Bruce Mowday will display his collection of Civil War covers — the colorful stationary used by both soldiers and those who remained at home to make patriotic and sometimes humorous political points.

Dr. Sarah Trembanis, Immaculata University professor of history, will lead a book discussion at 6 p.m. on Adam Goodheart's *1861: The Civil War Awakening*, which draws on stories of ordinary and not-so-ordinary people who influenced the course of events leading to the war.

So much to see and do, and that's just the start of this major commemoration of this sesquicentennial celebration. ♦

*Free to the public, these events have been underwritten by a number of generous community sponsors. Please RSVP to 610-692-4800 if you plan to attend. Chester County Historical Society is located at High and Chestnut Streets in West Chester (parking at the Chestnut Street garage). Check ChesterCoHistorical.org for more information. Photos are courtesy of Chester County Historical Society, West Chester.*



Above: Sergeant James McCarthy, color bearer of the 97th Regiment of the PA Volunteers with flag that Col. Pennypacker raised at Ft. Fisher, N.C., 1865

Below: Posters like this inspired immigrants to fight for their new country.





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# 7<sup>th</sup> Tour of Tours

Story and photos by Matt Freeman

**W**ithout an invitation to come inside, you could only try to guess how the Georgian mansion on West Chester's Virginia Avenue is decorated. The dignified Georgian grandeur of its exterior might

lead you astray, though, and you might not guess it was home to colorful, whimsically edgy works of art by local artists, including several by Barbara Voltz, who, by virtue of living there, is the most local artist of all.

But those are the kind of surprising discoveries to be found on the first Saturday in October during Chester County Day, an annual house tour that offers an invitation inside scores of similarly distinctive and impressive

private homes. This year, the 71st anniversary, focuses on the county's southeastern quadrant, from Devon to West Chester.

We share a preview of just a few of the fine homes you're invited to visit on "The Day."





### **Grand Mansion and Art Gallery**

Voltz's home is one of a row of grand mansions that overlook North High Street in West Chester. Its glorious condition inside and out are testimony to work the family put in, mostly by themselves, to restore it from what Voltz says was the "dilapidated" state it was in when they first saw it 13 years ago.

From the foyer, with a geometric floor design of yellowish travertine and black marble accents that Voltz put in herself, you can see a patio and a view of a vast lawn that sweeps down to a distant line of trees. The interior décor varies — from bold swathes of color in the living room to a black-and-white music room and a large kitchen where black-and-white marble surfaces and black cabinetry blend contemporary and traditional looks. And, of course, there's the artwork to enjoy!







### **Updated Sugartown Home & Barn**

A happy blend of contemporary and traditional also can be found at Lisa and Tom Deignan's home on Sugartown Road. The barn, built in 2000, houses a variety of animals on its lower level, but the upper part is a fully appointed leisure area, large and airy, with a contemporary décor balanced with barn-like rough-hewn timbers that soar to the ceiling like columns in a cathedral. There's a bar, pool table, fireplace, extra rooms for guests, and views of the windmill on the side of the barn and an expansive green pasture below.

The Deignans have lived on the property for 27 years. The house was built in 1856, and when they bought, the structure was in poor condition. The idea was to tear it down after they built a new home on the property.

But Tom Deignan is in construction and real estate — "my passion is really the design of buildings," he says. He just couldn't help making improvements and additions to the existing house.

Today, the exterior resembles a traditional fieldstone farmhouse, and the rooms inside vary — one living room has antique furniture, another has contemporary styles. A showpiece, between the barn and house, is a brick loggia perfect for al fresco dining.







### ***Au Soleil d'Or***

The barn is also a highlight at the home of Richard and Sharon Jones, on Dutton Mill Road near Malvern. Although the barn came from Pittsburgh and was rebuilt by local Amish builders on the property, the large, handsome structure has the authentic look and feel of the fieldstone barns typical of our region.

The Joneses call their farm "Au Soleil d'Or," after a French inn. Accordingly, the house, built in 1859, has a sunny golden yellow color throughout, with French fabrics and 18th century furnishings.

These colors are especially apparent in the living room, which blends formal elegance and lighthearted cheer. The fireplace mantle came from a Chester County farmhouse, and curved windows with a variety of chinoiserie and other furnishings in them lend further interest.

The house also has a wine cellar suitable for a castle, made of antique wood with a heavy pointed-arch door and replicas of historic ironwork.

Don't miss the grounds of the farm, which were renovated this summer.







### Heartwood Farm

When Heartwood Farm came on the market, Paul and Esther Gansky had a home just on the other side of Providence Road. They'd been to Heartwood for parties, but the prospect of living amid its 72 rolling acres made them see it in a new way. "We looked at the view," Esther recalls, "and looked at each other, and said 'Let's try to do this.'"

And for the past 12 years, the Ganskys have lived in the home, a fieldstone manor house built by famed architect Richardson Brogard Okie in 1930. The interior is widely varied, with a cozy wood-paneled sitting room in one part and a large, beautifully furnished formal living room in another. Parts of the house are circular, lending an unusual curving form to a bar on one side and a solarium on the other.

The Ganskys are avid foxhunters, and the house is filled with hunting memorabilia. They also collect English sporting art and pottery as well as art with an orchid motif.

Hours could be spent browsing the interior, but anyone visiting on Chester County Day should make a point of strolling the long patio and looking at the views that inspired the Ganskys to call Heartwood home.





### **Hunter Drive Hidden Gem**

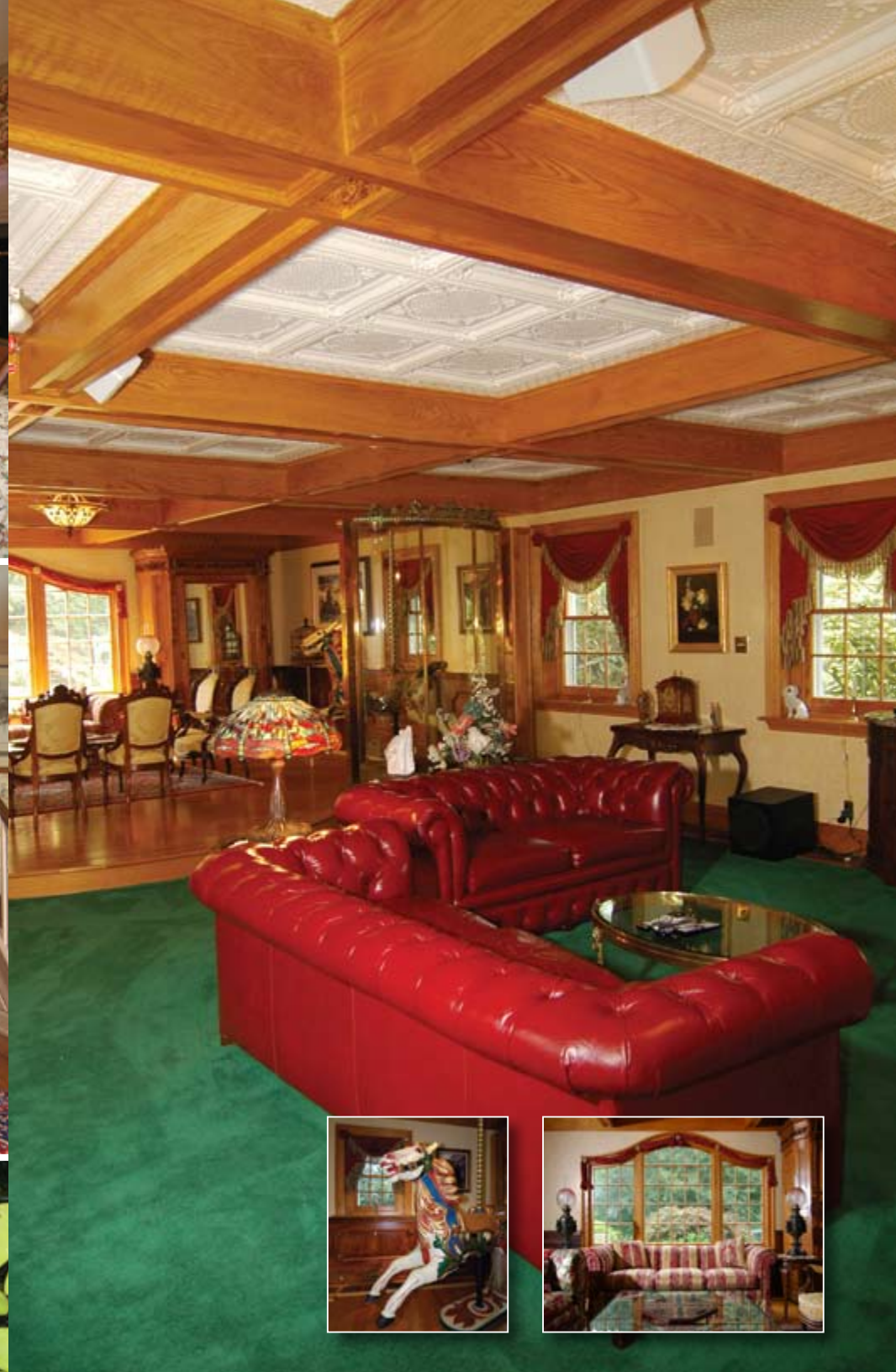
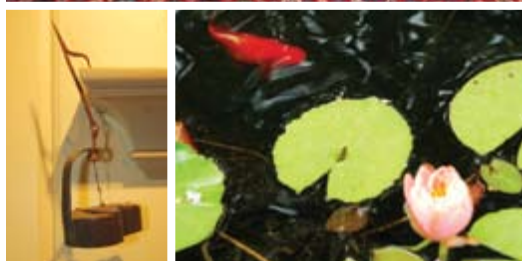
Like many houses on the tour, you could live in the West Chester area for a lifetime and never go past the Hunter Drive fieldstone home of Alfred and Susan Mauriello. Originally built in 1821 with additions in the early 1900s and late '50s, the Mauriellos' home reflects different approaches with different rooms. There's what they call the "primitive room," with American country-style antiques. And there are American antiques in the foyer, site of the original kitchen with a large fireplace that once housed a beehive oven.

There are also higher-style American and English antiques and reproductions in other rooms, including a dramatic Victorian living room with a carousel horse that has been popular during the house's five other appearances on Chester County Day. The recently renovated kitchen is another highlight.


But even if you'd passed along Hunter Drive and admired the home's exterior as you went by, you would still never have seen the charming formal garden in the back. Complete with fountain and gravel pathways, the garden is simply a "labor of love," says Susan Mauriello.

That's the special kind of surprise Chester County Day offers in abundance at countless stops each year. ♦

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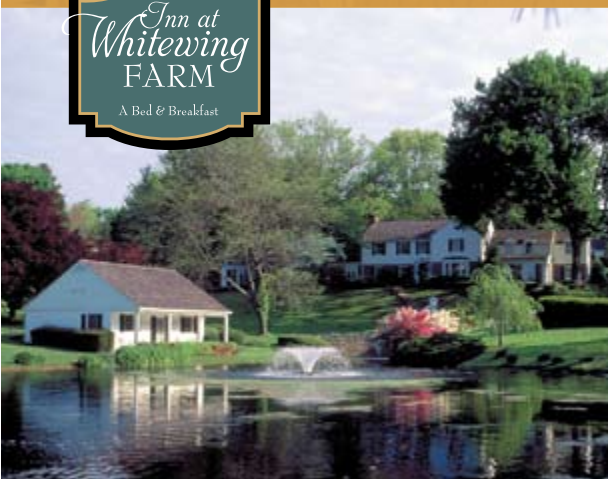
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But Dressage at Devon has become a very local tradition. Having moved to the Devon Horse Show Grounds in 1975, it's now the most prestigious dressage competition in the hemisphere. An internationally rated show, it draws exhibitors from around the world to our area.

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If you go, here's a short spectator's guide to help you appreciate the show.

#### **From Balance to Ballet**

The goal of dressage is to develop the horse's flexibility, responsiveness and balance. Horses without dressage

training tend to move with their weight toward the front of their bodies.

Dressage training enables a horse to carry more of his own and the rider's weight over his hindquarters. As a horse builds strength in his hindquarters, he's able to lighten up in the front and become balanced. This enables the rider to stop and steer the horse easily, directing him to move as gracefully and precisely as a ballerina. And so dressage is often called ballet on horseback.

#### **What to Look For: Less is More**

To the casual observer, it appears that the dressage rider does very little. That perceived lack of movement is an accomplishment. The dressage rider needs to use great strength and balance to absorb the motion of the trot or canter and not be jostled like a sack of potatoes.

The rider also must be sensitive to her horse to be able to communicate intricate maneuvers quietly. When the horse responds to those subtle communications, it proves he is attentive and the pair is working as a team.





### Figures

Just like ice skating, dressage includes figures. The rider must guide the horse to complete perfectly-sized round circles and straight lines. A 20-meter (65.6 foot) circle should go from one side of the arena to the other; a 10-meter (32.8 foot) circle should go only half-way across.

### Rhythm

Rhythm is even spacing between foot-falls. A sound dressage horse has only three correct rhythms — a 4-beat walk, a 2-beat trot, a 3-beat canter. You can compare the canter rhythm to that of a waltz — it always has three beats.

### Tempo

Tempo is the speed of repetition of strides. A change in tempo is the difference between a fast waltz and a slow one. The rider controls the horse to a tempo

that should be so obvious you could sing a song to it. But do it quietly!

### Naughtiness

Naughtiness in horses can be exhibited by bucking, rearing, tossing of the head, or even jumping out of the dressage ring. Of course, this will have a negative impact on the score!

### Tension

During a test, the horse needs to remain calm, attentive and supple. If the horse is tense, he becomes rigid through his neck and back. This can cause stiff movement, pinned-back ears and a tail that swishes constantly instead of hanging arched and quietly swinging.

### Rider Seat and Position

The rider should sit upright, quietly and not depend on her whip, spurs or



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voice. Riders who use their voice have points deducted from their score.

### **Whipped-Cream Lips**

When a horse is relaxed in his jaw and poll (the area just behind his ears), he releases saliva. You might see white foam around his lips and mouth, which means he's chewing on his bit and is comfortable in his work. Don't worry! Foaming at the mouth is good.

### **How to Be a Good Spectator: Horses and Flight**

Horses have two main mechanisms for protection from danger: they run and they kick. Allow plenty of room for the horses and never approach any horse without first alerting the rider that you're doing so.



### **Scary Stuff**

Horses have strange aversions: plastic grocery bags can remind them of Satan's minions and an opened umbrella can cause bolting to three states over.

Please use caution at horse shows and think before you toss away noisy garbage, open an umbrella or put on rain ponchos or blankets in the stands.

### **SSSSHHHH!**

Focus is important in dressage, so be courteous. Stay about 45 feet back from the competition ring and remain as quiet as possible during rides. Think of the hush at Wimbledon.

Now you're prepared to be a part of the magic at Dressage at Devon! ♦

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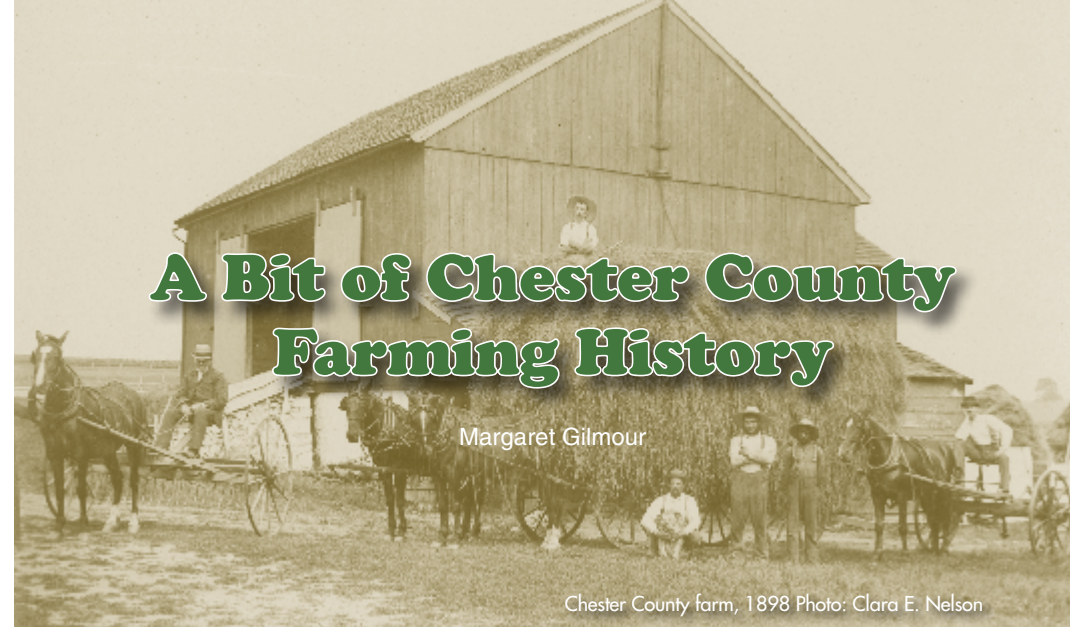
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*Did you know Pennsylvania is this country's fourth largest food producer? And Chester County has had farmers' markets since 1698?*

**I**t's harvest time once again: Farmers are firing up their tractors and launching discussions on soil fertility, crop yields and the latest technology, all topics farmers have followed since the beginning of time.

'Tis the season to learn a bit of farming history to help inform your next drive through the rolling farmlands of Chester County. There's a wealth of farming heritage here to appreciate.

### **The Beginnings**

Even before William Penn created the three original Pennsylvania counties in 1682 — Chester, Philadelphia, Bucks — this area's fertile soil, ample rainfall and temperate climate destined agriculture to be the dominant industry. It's no surprise that farming continues in importance in our area.

The first farmers in Pennsylvania were Native Americans who planted corn, beans and squash. Later, immigrants brought their own seeds and farming traditions. We can thank the Germans for introducing oats and wheat, among other things. Credit the Swiss for their

basement-less barns constructed with wood and stone, wide roof front and creating an open overhang supported by large columns. You've likely noticed this style on drives along our back roads.

During the Colonial era, over half of all Pennsylvania residents lived on family farms, producing mainly potatoes, fruit, hay, wheat, corn, oats, rye and barley. And, around 1698, Chester County opened its first farmers' market, a simple set-up on a street corner in one of its towns. The small market gave townspeople access to local produce, just as our local farmers' markets continue to do today.

### **1700s: Simple, Sustainable Farming**

By 1776, Pennsylvania's agricultural economy had peaked. Its well-kept farms and classic barns became icons depicted in images of the state from postcards to paintings, and became the archetype for farms across the nation. In later years local artists such as Andrew Wyeth, Peter Sculthorpe and Richard Bollinger continued capturing scenes of Pennsylvania's farms, keeping the landscape of



Caleb Cope's farm, East Bradford, c. 1865  
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John Beale Bordley

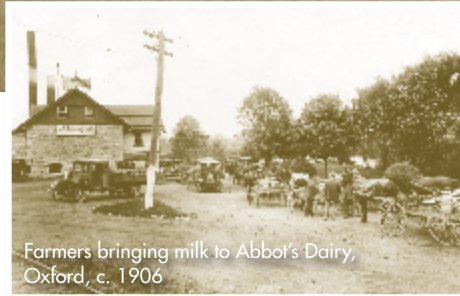
early farming communities alive. (Jamie Wyeth's "Farm Work" exhibit at the Brandywine River Museum shows yet another take on farm life.)

With over 90 percent of its residents farming by 1790, Pennsylvania led the nation's former colonies in food production, feeding families across the country. But by the 19th century, this intensive farming took its toll on our once-fertile fields, which by then were rapidly deteriorating.

#### Model Farm

In the mid-1790s noted agriculturalist John Beale Bordley decided to cultivate more sustainable farming methods. He made Chester County his second home by purchasing land west of Marshallton, naming his estate Como Farm.

Como Farm became one of the first model farms where Bordley experimented with new techniques to reform methods then in use. Bordley helped found the Philadelphia Society for the



Farmers bringing milk to Abbot's Dairy, Oxford, c. 1906

Promotion of Agriculture, advancing his campaign for more progressive, scientific approaches to farming such as plant rotation, sowing soil-building plants (like legumes) one year and more profitable crops the next.

In 1991, Bordley's 400-plus-acre estate was preserved as a historic site in West Bradford Township before becoming Tattersall Golf Course, renamed Broad Run Golfer's Club in 2006. Broad Run Creek runs through this semi-private club, restored by its new owners to include Bordley's 18th-century stone farmhouse, now serving as clubhouse and restaurant, and named Bordley House & Grille.

#### 1850s-1900s: Mechanized Agriculture

Another entrepreneurial family, led by Samuel Dickey in the 1850s, built a rural community in the Hopewell Creek Valley (Lower Oxford and East Nottingham Townships). There the clan experimented with mechanized agriculture on Palmyra, Dickey's 260-acre farm.

The Dickeys began with horse and water-powered machinery as the family spun cotton and ultimately built a grist-mill. It wasn't long before the family



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built a prosperous community in the valley, including a schoolhouse, chapel and town store, all the while promoting their progressive farming process.

Many of the Dickey's original buildings still exist today, preserved as Hopewell Historic District in 1991. Tucked into Hopewell Road and Lower Hopewell Road in southwestern Chester County, this well-kept agricultural site is just a few miles off Route 1 outside Oxford and is open to visitors.

These farming communities and high-tech methods replaced simple tools and intense manual labor with mechanized threshers and harvesters, progress that was a welcome reprieve for farmers. But too much production took its toll on the

land as rural families worked hard to keep up with the times.

The late 18th century marked the beginning of regional overproduction, with business-minded individuals fueling the Industrial Revolution in their attempt to maximize yields and efficiency in every way. The era affected all trades, notably farmers who lost neighbors to thriving cities promising urban wealth and distinction. Those who stayed and farmed followed the newest hands-off technology affecting the quality of everything the farmers produced.

By the late 20th century, fast-farming, rising costs and suburban development drove many farmers out of business — almost 58 percent in Pennsylvania in a span of 20 years. According to one study, more than 170,000 Pennsylvanians left rural regions in the 1920s and more than 300,000 in the 1960s.

The new norm became mechanized farming with powerful machines — tractors, combines, threshers — speeding up the process and replacing the need for hands-on farming. Agribusiness farmers jumped in their combines, got lost in the roar of the engine, and let machines and chemicals do the work.

### Farming Facts

#### Chester County has —

1,918 farms, 168,165 acres of farmland;  
60,000 acres of preserved farmlands, ranking 5th in the country;  
2nd ranking in the state for farm products;  
American Cheese Society winners from Yellow Springs Farm and September Farm.

#### Pennsylvania has —

63,000 farms, 7.8 million acres of farmland, or 27.3% of total state land;  
\$6.1 billion in agricultural cash receipts;  
5th ranking nationally in milk production;  
an average age of 53 for farmers; 22% are 65 or over; 1% are under 25; 10% are female;  
farm ownership that is 91% family owned or sole proprietorships;  
1205 Christmas tree farms; 1.2 million cut.

Sources: latest U. S. Census of Agriculture, Chester County Agr. Development Council

### 21st Century: Back to Organic

There is some good news: More than 100 years after the Industrial Revolution taxed local lands, Chester County is enjoying a growing organic farm movement. This movement shuns pesticide use and embraces soil conservation, watershed management, and natural composting for disease prevention, and humane and socially just practices that encourage biodiversity, among other practices.

This turn toward more responsible agriculture also includes supporting our farmers by buying locally, attending the area's many farmers' markets and participating in nearby CSAs (community supported agriculture).

It is organic growers, savvy artisans and dedicated farmers who are largely responsible for the current local food movement and the important shift

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in how we view food. As consumers demand taste and variety, they want to know not only where their food came from, but how it is grown and even better, who grew it and where.

As for Pennsylvania, the state continues to be America's fourth largest producer of food products, with dairy being our number one agricultural industry. Right here in Chester County, specialized farming includes our well-known mushroom growing industry in Avondale and Kennett Square and dairy. According to the Chester County Agricultural Development Council, local dairy farms rank fifth in dairy revenue generation in Pennsylvania, with total farm revenue in 2007 of \$68 million, or over 12% of the value of the County's agricultural products.

As a consequence of increasing dairy farming, we're also experiencing a local farmstead cheese revival. This time-consuming labor of love requires a skilled craftsperson to handle the curds and whey. Seven licensed artisan cheese-makers and eight farms produce cheese from the fresh milk their grass-fed farm animals produce. Be sure and check out the newly formed Chester County Cheese Artisans group for more information, at [ChesterCountyCheese.org](http://ChesterCountyCheese.org).

From our rich history, this modern movement is good news for the farming

industry and for residents and visitors wanting to eat fresh, locally produced food. Chester County has a growing number of sustainable farms spread throughout the still-fertile land.

Let's celebrate Chester County and our bountiful farms. ♦

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# Home of the Month

## ARKADIA

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Laurel Anderson

Surrounded by just over one hundred rolling acres of former farmland, lush pastures, fruit orchards, mature woods and flower gardens, the George Deery homestead of Arkadia (Welsh pronunciation is ARK-a-dia) in northern Chester County lives up to the origin of its name — unspoiled, harmonious land.



Once a thriving farm, the large barn, carriage house, smoke house, ice house and other out-buildings, along with a quarry and pond, attest to generations of prosperous farmers and entrepreneurs who called this home. More recent owners added a greenhouse, stone patios, in-ground pool, and new wing to the fieldstone manor house to enhance the property.

Reminders of its agricultural past blend with modern amenities to create a private enclave with a magnificent, historic home, which once sheltered an overflow of patients from General

Washington's Revolutionary Army from the hospital in nearby Yellow Springs.

### Family-Ready Main House

The best family homes are marked by loving care and meticulous maintenance through the ages. Arkadia does not disappoint. With three wings and 7500 square feet of

living space, the 1720s core of the home is in as impeccable condition as the most recent 1960 addition.

Reverence for the home's history is evident as elements of the original building (mud and hair mortar, sections of the original roof) have been preserved and showcased by recent owners.

Care has also been taken in unifying the older wings with the new, allowing for modern comfort and convenience along with charming historic and architectural details. Six fireplaces, beautiful original wide-plank wood floors, hand-hewn beams, built-in cabinets and



many unique details throughout give the home character.

With six+ bedrooms, seven baths, formal living room, large greatroom, marble-floor sunroom, cozy den, country kitchen with breakfast room, and a lower level office, there's ample room for a large family or gatherings of weekend guests to enjoy this very special property.

### The Tour

Designed to respect the style of the original home, the 1960s addition added a stately main entrance, taking you through a marble foyer into the showpiece formal living room.

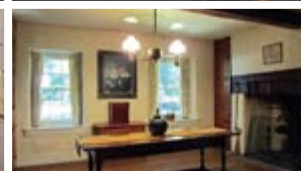
This graciously proportioned room is a perfect setting to display antiques and art, with floor-to-ceiling French doors opening to large front and side stone patios. Elegant molding on walls and ceilings add sophistication to this spacious room. Anchored by a fireplace and boasting many built-ins, including a hidden wet bar, this room is perfect for entertaining and family gatherings.

In the original part of the home, deep windowsills, warm hardwood

floors, beamed ceiling and a walk-in fireplace add charm to the large formal dining room. An entrance to the front patio is through a period door that is wide, though not tall, as was the style of the time.







An updated county kitchen, with custom cabinets and gourmet stove, has room for eating in this bright, welcoming space. You'll find a greenhouse off to one side of the kitchen, and a butler's pantry and au pair's suite or office (with full bath, fireplace and separate entrance) off to another side.

But a real treat is the breakfast room in the 1800s wing. Here you'll sip your coffee surrounded by history and glowing wood cabinets, original floors and beamed ceilings. Another cozy room with similar coveted period details is located off the dining room, perfect for playroom or den.

### Transition

Bridging the centuries and connecting the wings of this home is a stunning marble sunroom with walls of windows overlooking the gardens, where a fountain, gazebo and pool beckon. The exposed stone walls of the old wings add a sense of history to this contemporary space, lit by skylights. There's access to the lower-level paneled office (with fireplace and bookshelves) and upper level via a spiral staircase.

A second floor balcony above the sunroom provides transition space to the master suite just steps away. Located above the formal living room in the new wing, a large sitting/dressing room, two full baths and ample closets (some walk-in) provide sanctuary and space. With a corner fireplace, large windows on three sides and a pool view, the master bedroom is a tranquil retreat

overlooking the beautiful grounds with towering evergreens.

Five additional, generously-sized bedrooms are located on the second floor. Each is distinctive in its layout, selection of built-ins and unique features found only in historic homes. Some boast hand-hewn doors and walls, and all enjoy good light. Some have private baths, other share, while still others have access to hall baths.

Several more rooms fill out this floor, to be used for playrooms, libraries, computer rooms or to fulfill the next owner's whim. A seventh bedroom and full bath are in the finished attic.

### Out-Buildings

When coming up the curving, tree-lined drive, visitors first pass the barn, with 1819 Peter Deery datestone. Solid and large enough to convert into the most remarkable party barn or continue with its agricultural heritage, this stone structure also houses a nine-stall stable below, with access to the fields.

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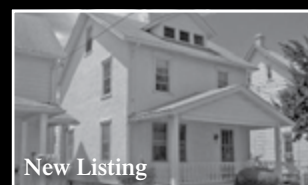
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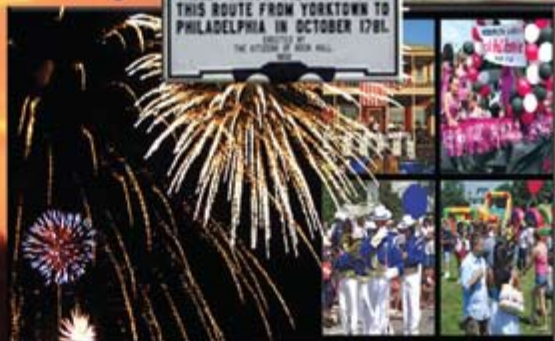
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### The Town of Betterton

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### The Town of Millington

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Did we mention the events and festivals, held throughout the County? There just isn't enough room here to list them all. Find the event listings online at [www.kentcounty.com/events](http://www.kentcounty.com/events).

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# Blind Wine Tastings

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The distinguished image of Chateau Mouton Rothschild. A much-maligned bottle of Merlot (can you drink it after *Sideways*?). A yellow kangaroo on a label. Each conveys expectations about the wine within. Which do you prefer?

But what if there's no information about the wine — no label, vintner, year or price? From taste alone, do you know what you're drinking? Are you sure what you like?

Many professional tastings are done blind, in part because the mind can influence the palate. For an objective evaluation, Blind Tastings are the choice.

And a Blind Tasting gives you a chance to learn more about your personal tastes in wine, based on the wine alone. It's a great way to have fun with friends. Especially your wine-snob friends!

## How Does a Blind Tasting Work?

Here are a few simple steps to make the Blind Tasting effective, educational and enjoyable.

First, our sense of sight has no place in this adventure. Because the shape of a bottle can be a giveaway — slender curves of a pinot noir, sharp shoulders of a cabernet sauvignon — bottles are often disguised with loosely wrapped cloth napkins (tied like a scarf at the neck) or paper bags with rubber bands

at the neck. Some Blind Tastings use dark glassware to hide the wine's color and appearance. However, others prefer to let tasters look at the wine (if not the bottles or labels).

Make sure wines are at their proper temperature (42 to 54 degrees for whites, 50 to 62 degrees for reds) and there's enough for at least a 2-ounce pour per taster. The idea is tasting, not drinking. Wines are identified by pouring order only, e.g., 1, 2, 3, etc.

French bread or bland crackers for the palate, water for sipping and cleaning glasses, pencil and paper, and good company are all that's needed. Using a scoring sheet — ranking the wines overall, rating them on a 100-point scale, or scoring on attributes (appearance, aroma, body, taste, finish) — can add to the fun.

## Selecting the Wines

Blind Tastings are horizontal, vertical or random. *Horizontal tastings* include wines of the same vintage (year) from several different wineries. You might select a flight of 2003 pinot noirs from Washington, Oregon and California, for example. This gives a range in tasting experiences with one varietal.

*Vertical tastings* involve several vintages of the same type of wine from the same winery. A vertical tasting of

pinot noirs of one wine-maker from 1999 to 2004 would help tasters isolate more subtle differences — an advanced endeavor.

And for fun, a *random blind tasting* can include different varietals: a cabernet sauvignon, pinot noir and grenache, along with a chardonnay, pinot grigio and riesling. Variety!

## Step-By-Step Tasting

First swirl the wine in the glass to let it breathe. Put your nose in the glass to appreciate the bouquet or “nose.” Take notes of the scents before you drink.

Next, hold a sip of wine in your mouth for a few seconds, and inhale a thin stream of air (really!). Note your “in-mouth” sensations and identify more flavors. Sweet, bitter, salty, sour, and scores of sensations.

## What Am I Tasting?

Admittedly, tastes and perceptions are subjective. Yet most agree that red wines offer deep, full flavors — chocolate, tobacco, black currant, smoke, pepper, leather. Whites are light and fruity, with perfumes of citrus, apple, melon, honey.

Next consider the wine's sweetness or dryness. Then, is it light, medium, heavy-bodied? Also consider its texture, structure, weight, acidity, complexity, finish and overall balance — other common characteristics of wine.

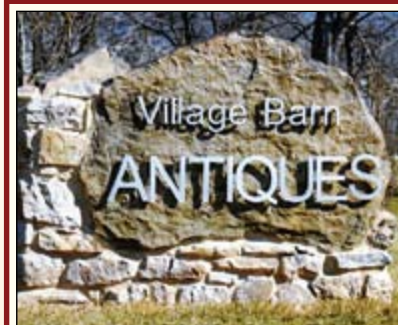
Finish and aftertaste can lead to slightly different sensations to note for future reference and comparison.

Examine each wine individually. Compare ranking, ratings and notes.

## Savor and Enjoy!

Notes from Blind Tastings are benchmarks as you fine-tune your skills to recognize basic wine characteristics and begin to identify the nuances of the wines you encounter — and enjoy! ♦

David McCracken is Director of Marketing at Dilworthtown Inn. The Inn Keeper's Kitchen at the Dilworthtown Inn features weekly Tuesday and Wednesday wine tastings, including Blind Tastings. DilworthtownInn.com.



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It was our first sit-down, full-service dinner in the middle of a supermarket, a stellar supermarket, for sure, but a novel experience. We gave it a solid thumbs up.

And its location has some benefits. You can sip a glass of Italian pinot grigio or a Dogfish Head draft and enjoy a flank steak salad or farm-raised tilapia with lemon butter sauce before you cross the aisle to pick up a dozen eggs, toothpaste and your prescription.

Predictably, my long-standing Wegmans envy, which can only be cured by having one of these culinary meccas closer to my home, has intensified.

Foodies cheered when the Malvern market, a huge food emporium of more than 130,000 square feet, opened in July 2010. It was number 77 for the family-owned company, repeatedly recognized and celebrated as an industry leader that transformed food retailing. Among the supermarket's "70,000 products, are up to 700 different produce items every day ... and 500 premium teas." You get the idea.

We were told there was a short wait to be seated, which was no surprise since there are no reservations and it was peak dinner time on a Saturday. But we were fine with that because it



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gave us time to go exploring and to take in the amazing bakery offerings, the tempting spread of international cheeses — hundreds of choices — and the impressive array of \$6 meals-to-go, like coconut-crusted tilapia with pineapple mango salsa that looked ready for a culinary magazine photo shoot.

The wait passed quickly for us. Our post-dinner shopping strategy was taking shape.

### For Openers

From our high-top table next to the bar, with neighboring diners at a cozy distance on either side, we took in the hustle-bustle scene, typical of a thriving contemporary pub. A few Mediterranean touches flavor the 70-seat ambience — some stained glass, a tile floor. Motivational sayings are printed on the walls in decorative typefaces as they are throughout the market. Examples: “Make a Difference.” “Respect.” “Care.”

We cared a lot for the *Steamed Chesapeake Clams* (\$7), an even dozen in a slightly garlicky broth enriched with cheese swirled into it. Its rich taste made the 240-calorie listing seem low, but we weren’t counting. The tasty, tender morsels sat in open shells as uniform in shape and size as a dozen eggs.

The *Chesapeake Roll* (\$8) charmed my dinner partner, who’s a bit sushi-phobic. The roll couldn’t miss with its balanced blend of sweet lump crabmeat, buttery avocado, a wrap of seaweed and rice, plus garlic aioli and a dusting of Old Bay seasoning. It’s an ideal beginner sushi that would appeal to long-time fans as well.

Other offerings in the “Snacks, Sharings & Pairings” category: shrimp and crab cocktail cup, parmesan-crusted chicken strips with seasoned tomato sauce, pork and shrimp wontons with spicy orange sauce, crispy mozzarella with tomato basil sauce, fried calamari and side salad.

Another treat, three fries choices: waffle-cut sweet potato, Tuscan-style or fried russets with fresh herbs, garlic and savory finishing sauce, and zucchini fries with horseradish cream sauce.

The soup choice: cream of crab with a hint of Old Bay, a regional favorite that never ceases to please.

Should you want to repeat the pleasure of any of the “chef-developed finishing sauces,” as we did, they’re sold in the Prepared Foods Department in recipe size pouches. Smart marketing.

### Local, Seasonal, Flavorful

From the “Best of the Season” specials, *Grilled Asparagus* (\$7) scored for letting its quality ingredients speak for themselves. The medium-size asparagus stalks grilled to al dente perfection, and topped with lump crab meat, were drizzled with lemon juice and olive oil. A perfect light dinner.

It was hard to resist Wegmans take on the ubiquitous sliders — lobster salad, Greek turkey burger and pulled pork. I’ll just have to try them next time.

*Atlantic Farm-Raised Salmon* (\$11) was one of nine Pub Plate entrées with a choice of daily vegetables or a salad. Kalamata olives and large white beans added some Mediterranean flair to the

fresh field greens, lightly dressed with a good vinaigrette. The flat, cream-colored gigante (translation: giant) beans were slightly sweet and a good balance for the tangy olives. Creamy, kicky horseradish sauce graced the moist salmon fillet, medium-sized, and grilled just enough.

Other Pub Plates choices: crab cake with remoulade sauce, day-boat sea scallops with citrus soy sauce, black tiger shrimp with bouillabaisse sauce (described as intense, slightly spicy and briny), fried haddock basket, New York strip steak and lemon garlic chicken breast with chimichurri sauce.

The full-service bar offers premium spirits, specialty vodka and cordials, as well as good selections of wine and beer.

Our young server was a pro, keeping a steady, pleasant pace, and reflecting the four-star customer service that Wegmans is known for and nurtures through its “culture of mutual support” policy. And we applauded the strict no-tipping rule.

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We headed back to the Patisserie to pick up dessert for later that evening. The old-timey charm of *Strawberry Rhubarb Pie*, (\$5.50 for the two-serving mini size) was an easy choice. It was a classic tart-sweet summer winner, all rosy and pretty, with an excellent crust. The scrumptious *Lemon Cream Bars* (\$3 for 2) added to the fun, but then the first ingredient listed was butter!

Also recommended: the look-at-me coconut cake, brimming with fluffy white icing and sweetened coconut flakes, every bit as delectable as it looked, according to my companion. We ere also tempted by black pepper and blue cheese bread, as good as it sounds; and the colorful yam/jicama/mango salad, an appealing blend of textures both crunchy and soft with a terrific citrusy dressing including lime zest.

### There's More

If you're in a rush and want to enjoy a self-served meal, the options abound, from Naan pizzas on flatbread, Asian foods, sushi to hot foods. There are various comfortable places to sit, even tables with brightly colored umbrellas and a separate conference room. Plus a microwave oven and wine dispenser.

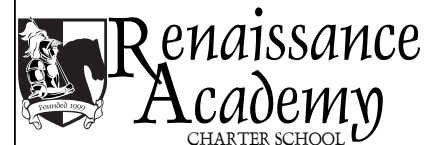
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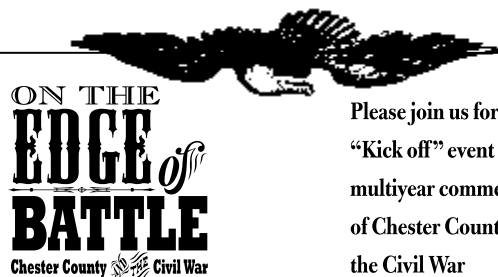
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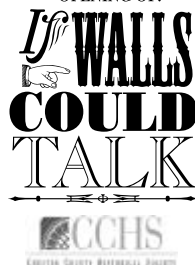
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## SEPTEMBER IS APPLE-PICKING TIME

Laura Muzzi Brennan

In autumn even confirmed couch potatoes are seized by a desire to throw open the doors and venture into nature. Lucky for them, the Brandywine Valley offers opportunities a-plenty for the ultimate family-friendly, fun-filled outdoor activity: apple picking.

At **Linvilla Orchards in Media**, 30 different varieties of apple trees fill 23 acres, and folks of all ages flock to the orchards for the pick-your-own experience. “People love apple picking because they get to see where their food comes from. They get to enjoy crisp fall weather and the scent of apples. It’s also easy — just a great family activity,” says farm manager Norm Schultz.

Linvilla is so apple-crazy, not only does it offer a variety of apple baked goods at its market, it puts on a weekend-long apple festival. Held September 24th and 25th, this year’s festival features music, magic shows and a cooking demonstration by food blogger Marissa McClellan, who shares recipes and ideas at [FoodInJars.com](http://FoodInJars.com).

**Highland Orchards** in West Chester is another place where the apple harvest inspires celebration. Every weekend from September 17th through October 31st, Highland hosts Fall Harvest Weekends that include hayrides, a Kid Korral, hay mazes and shuttle rides to pick apples as well as raspberries and pumpkins.

Art Whitehair, Highland’s events coordinator, suggests calling before you visit to make sure your favorite apples are ready for harvest. With 20 varieties, however, something delicious is always available. Another option: skip the picking and go right for the wide selection of apple pies and legendary cider donuts at the market store.

**Media’s Indian Orchards** offers a quieter apple picking experience. “The only entertainment here is woodchucks and deer,” jokes Nancy Bernhardt who owns the place with husband Bob. The orchard has been in her family since 1913 and boasts nearly 200 trees and 20 types of apples. Some trees — Baldwin, Jonathan, Smokehouse — are antiques, 100+ years old. When you visit, drop by the farmstand and ask for Nancy’s made-to-order pies.

No matter which orchard you choose, apple picking is so rewarding that pecks turn into bushels, and before you can say, “Honeycrisp, Honeycrisp, Honeycrisp,” you’re driving home with a heavy trunk and dreams of purchasing a cider mill.

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**3½ C. sugar, divided**

**2½ C. plus 8 Tb. flour  
cinnamon to taste**

**12 large apples, peeled, cored and cut  
into 1-inch pieces**

**1¼ C. butter, softened**

**5 eggs beaten**

**½ tsp. salt**

Preheat oven to 350°. Grease a large rectangular baking pan.

Mix 1 cup of sugar, 8 Tb. flour and cinnamon. Toss mixture with apples and place in baking pan.

With a mixer (or by hand if you want to build muscle), cream together butter and remaining sugar. Add eggs and continue to mix. Add remaining flour and salt until a thick batter forms.

Drop spoonfuls of batter on top of apples and spread until apples are covered. Bake for 45 minutes. Serve warm or at room temperature. Makes 10-12 servings.

## Old Fashioned Apple Pie

*A favorite from Highland Orchards.*

**pastry for a 2-crust, 9-inch pie**  
**6-8 apples, peeled, cored & cut  
into thin slices**

**1 C. sugar**

**2 tsp. flour**

**¼ tsp. nutmeg**

**½ tsp. cinnamon**

**2 Tb. butter, cut into small pieces**

Preheat oven to 425°. Line a 9-inch pie dish with one pastry crust.

In a small bowl, mix sugar, flour and spices. Rub a little sugar mixture into the bottom crust. Arrange sliced apples over crust, making sure to overlap them. Sprinkle apples with remaining sugar mixture and dot with butter.

Place top crust over apples. Press edges together. Cut slits in crust so steam can escape. Bake for 40-45 minutes. Makes 6-8 servings.



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**Apple Crumb Pie**

*Courtesy of Highland Orchards. If you don't have a pastry blender, mix the top-ping ingredients with your fingers until the mixture forms large crumbs. Don't overmix it, or the butter will get too soft, and you'll end up with one big ball.*

**pastry for a 1-crust, 9-inch pie**  
**6-8 apples, peeled, cored & sliced**  
**2 Tb. sugar**  
**2 Tb. flour**  
**½ tsp. grated lemon rind**  
**¼ tsp. nutmeg**  
**½ tsp. cinnamon**  
**2 tsp. lemon juice, divided**  
**whipped cream for serving**

*For crumb topping:*

**½ C. brown sugar**  
**¼ C. butter, cut into small cubes**  
**and kept cold**  
**⅓ C. flour**  
**¼ tsp. cinnamon**

Preheat oven to 425°. Line a 9-inch pie pan with pastry crust.

Place half of the apples in the pie pan. In a small bowl, combine sugar, flour, grated lemon rind, nutmeg and cinnamon. Squeeze 1 tsp. lemon juice over apples. Sprinkle half of sugar mixture on apples in pie pan. Arrange rest of apples on top, sprinkle 1 tsp. lemon juice and rest of sugar mixture over apples.

Blend crumb topping ingredients together with a pastry blender until crumbly. Sprinkle over pie.

Cover with foil and bake for 20 minutes. Uncover and bake an additional 20 minutes. Serve warm with whipped cream. Makes 6-8 servings.

**Apple Dumplings**

*Courtesy of Highland Orchards.*

**½ C. sugar**  
**2 tsp. cinnamon**  
**1 tsp. nutmeg**  
**pastry for a two-crust pie**  
**6 large apples, peeled & cored**  
**2 Tb. butter, cut into small pieces**  
**whipped cream for serving**

*For the syrup:*

**1 C. sugar**  
**2 C. water**

**3 Tb. butter**  
**½ tsp. cinnamon**  
**¼ tsp. nutmeg**

Preheat oven to 425°. Combine sugar, cinnamon and nutmeg and set aside.

Roll out pastry dough to ⅛-inch thick. Cut into 6 squares (about 7-inch square each). Put an apple on the center of each square and fill with sugar mixture. Dot with butter. Bring points of the pastry square up over the apple so they overlap. Place apples in a baking dish.

Combine syrup ingredients in a saucepan. Bring to a boil, and simmer 5 minutes. Pour 1 cup of hot syrup around dumplings.

Bake 45 minutes. To serve, pour remainder of warm syrup around dumplings. Top with whipped cream. Makes 6 servings.

**Apple Soup**

*Indian Orchards' Nancy Bernhardt shared this recipe, which she makes with a mix of apples.*

**1 qt. water**  
**2-3 chicken bouillon cubes**  
**4 C. chopped apples, peeled & cored**  
**2 C. diced, medium-sized potatoes,**  
**skins on**  
**1½ C. chopped onions**  
**1 C. chopped celery**  
**¼ C. chopped pepper, optional**  
**1 Tb. (or to taste) curry powder**  
**½ tsp. ground pepper**  
**shredded cheese for garnish**

In a stockpot, combine ingredients, except spices and cheese. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer until apples and vegetables are tender.

In a blender or food processor, blend soup in batches until smooth. Return to pot or large bowl. Mix in curry powder and pepper.

To serve, garnish with cheese. Makes 8-10 servings.

**Celery Root and Apple Remoulade**

*This is a twist on the classic French cold salad. I use Granny Smith apples, but feel free to use any apple that holds up well in salad.*



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2½ Tb. lemon juice

½ C. mayonnaise

⅓ C. Dijon or Country Dijon mustard  
(or a mix of the two)

white wine vinegar, optional  
ground pepper and salt to taste

In a food processor fitted with a shredding blade, shred the celery root. (Note: choose coarsest shredding blade, as you don't want finely shredded or grated celery root or apples.) Put celery root in a large bowl and toss with salt and 2 Tb. of lemon juice. Let sit for 30 minutes, so celery root has a chance to soften.

Shred the apples. Set aside in another bowl and toss with ½ Tb. lemon juice.

In a small bowl, mix mayonnaise and mustard. If you like a very tangy dressing, add white wine vinegar to taste.

Toss together celery root, apples and dressing. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Makes 8-10 servings.

## Fried Apples

*This versatile dish from Highland Orchards can be served alongside pork chops, ham or chicken or on top of ice cream for an easy dessert. It could also turn plain French toast into an extraordinary brunch dish!*

½ C. sugar

½ tsp. salt

5 large apples, peeled, cored, & cut  
into 1-inch wedges

¼ C. butter

Mix sugar and salt in a bowl. Dip apple wedges in mixture, turning to coat all sides.

In a large skillet over medium heat, melt butter. Add apples and cook, partially covered for 15 minutes or until fork tender, carefully turning apples occasionally. Serves 4 to 6.

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**6-8 carrots, cut into 1/4-inch disks**  
(If disks are large, cut in half.)

**1/2 C. butter**

**2 Tb. flour**

**2 C. whole milk**

**4 C. cheddar cheese**

**1/2 C. Parmesan cheese, optional**

**2 Granny Smith apples, in 1/2-inch dice**

Preheat oven to 350°. Grease a large  
rectangular casserole dish.

Cook the pasta according to package  
directions. During last 5 minutes of  
cooking, toss carrots in with pasta. Drain  
when pasta is al dente. Set aside.

Melt butter in a saucepan or double  
boiler. Whisk in flour. When fully incor-  
porated, whisk in milk. Add cheese,  
1/2 cup at a time. Cook until cheese is  
incorporated and mixture forms a thick  
sauce.

In a large bowl, toss the pasta and  
carrots, apples and sauce together.  
Spoon into casserole dish. Bake for 20  
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