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November is full of changes: daylight savings time, elections, autumn moving to winter, the beginning of the holiday season. There's much to do, at home and at large.

Emily Hart suggests exploring. In "UP in Phoenixville," she writes about her most recent discoveries there. Meanwhile Laurel Anderson learns that King of Prussia is much more than a mall, even after the big expansion and developing Town Center nearby. Check out our "Holiday Gift Guide," and start your annual hunt for something special.

Safety, care, compassion, freedom. Often taken for granted, but not by victims of human trafficking, "the world's dirtiest secret." Read about the Salvation Army's New Day to Stop Trafficking and how Carol Metzker and Jamie Manirakiza, our "Local Heroes," are trying to end this scourge that extends into our community.

Did you know that livestock roaming in streams pose a public health risk? Diane Huskinson of Stroud Center for Water Research tells us what we can do in "From Stream to Tap: Keeping Fresh Water Clean and Safe."

We also look at Alzheimer's, a growing concern for seniors and their families. "A Walk in My Shoes" describes this growing problem and how our senior services and communities are helping. Check the resources in our Senior Guide for more information.

In Brandywine Table, Laura Brennan suggests, "Let's Not Talk Turkey." Instead, she proposes rib roast, pork loin, Cornish hens, goose and offers tasty advice for preparing them.

Our "Worth Knowing" column features TD Wealth's David Glickman's advice to "Consider Charitable Trusts." In "The Electric Road," Jack Smith reports we've "come a long way from ... electric windows," reviewing the latest in electronics and tech for your car.

We also hope you enjoy our monthly features November Picks, Food News, Good to Know and the Best Local Events in our area.

Thank you for reading County Lines and Happy Thanksgiving!





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Consider Charitable Trusts

David Glickman, TD Wealth

A FLEXIBLE OPTION FOR WEALTH PLANNING FOR THE GREATER GOOD

HARITABLE GIVING HAS LONG BEEN A PART OF THE financial planning process. And it's important to remember that giving back extends beyond simply writing a check or donating old clothing. Charitable trusts are one of the many alternative ways to use investing for a greater good.

While setting up a charitable trust may seem daunting, there are some features that make these trusts particularly appealing for certain individuals and families.

What is a Charitable Trust?

First, a charitable trust is a collection of assets-including cash, appreciable assets, real estate, art, stocks and more-committed to support one or many charitable causes or organizations. In many instances, these trusts offer a solution for individuals or families looking to contribute higher-dollar donations, while also benefiting from potential tax savings related to long-term capital gains taxes on appreciated assets and lower estate taxes after death.

Charitable trusts come in many shapes and sizes, so research and education are critical before deciding which trust is right for you. While many trusts may potentially provide tax benefits-either through income tax deductions, reduced estate taxes or reduced gift taxes-certain trusts can offer an additional feature for individuals or families looking to generate income.

Before settling on a charitable trust, it's important to evaluate your overall financial picture and consider factors such as whether you have children and how much (if any) you hold in interestgenerating investments. Just as for all investment accounts, charitable trusts should always be considered in the context of beneficiaries and



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Charitable Lead Trusts function the opposite way. Income generated from the assets of a CLT is distributed to charities at regular intervals throughout the life of a trust. The core assets are returned to a noncharitable beneficiary (such as an individual or family) at the end of a trust's life.

Other types of charitable giving include donor-advised funds and private foundations-both of which support public charities and offer tax benefits on contributions.

Timing

When it comes to limiting tax liabilities or benefiting from the regular, passive income streams CRTs may provide, timing is critical. In the same way clothing and financial donations made during the holidays allow individuals to realize the tax benefits the following spring when filing taxes, setting up a charitable trust by December 31 can help reduce an individual's personal income tax liability for the full tax year.

Consult the Experts

Though certain charitable trusts, including charitable gift annuities, can be set up directly through your wealth advisor, for others, it's important to consult your lawyer and tax planning professional to ensure vou're considering all potential effects on your taxes and estate. Additionally, there are many types of charitable trusts, so it's important to work closely with your financial, tax and estate advisors to ensure you're choosing the best fit for your needs and passions.

Ultimately, charitable trusts can be an effective way to give back to your favorite nonprofit or charitable organization for years

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Lecturer. Chase Center on the Riverfront, 800 S. Madison St., Wilmington. Thurs., Opening Night Party, 5 to 9, \$125-\$225. Show: Fri., 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sat., 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sun., 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$15. 800-448-3883; Winterthur.org.

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THROUGH JANUARY 1.5

Delaware Museum of Natu-

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THROUGH JANUARY, Tuesdays

Story Time at Wellington Square Books. Children 2–5 enjoy songs and cookies and listen to stories come alive in the bookshop. 549 Wellington Square, Exton. 10 to 11 am. 610-458-1144; WellingtonSquareBooks.com.

NOVEMBER 3, 10, 17

Read-Aloud Tours at Brandywine River Museum of Art. Hear a story, interact with art and make a creative work to take home. Nov. 3, Windblown by Édouard Manceau; *Nov.* 10, *If You Hold a Seed* by Elly MacKay; Nov. 17, The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein. Rt. 1, Chadds Ford. 10:30 am. Reg. req. \$5 per. 610-388-8382; BrandywineMuseum.org.

NOVEMBER 13

Veterans Day Parade in West Chester. Parade begins at Henderson High School, 400 Montgomery Ave., and ends with a ceremony in front of the Courthouse on High St. 2 pm. DowntownWestChester.com.

NOVEMBER 18-20

The National Dog Show. Top breed dogs from around the country contend for Best In Show. Benefits a variety of causes. Fri., Gala Preview at Valley Forge Casino, 1160 First Ave., King of Prussia, 6:30, tickets start at \$200. The dog show will be broadcast on Thanksgiving Day. Greater Phila. Expo Cent-



At the Planetarium

Through December Eastern University Astronomy. The Julia Fowler Planetarium has shows each month, consisting of a live sky presentation followed by a look at what 19; Dec. 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17. See their

er, 100 Station Ave., Oaks. Sat., 8 to 6; Sun., 8:30 to 5. \$7-\$14. 610-397-0100; NDS. NationalDogShow.com.

NOVEMBER 19-DECEMBER 18 Delaware Children's Theatre Presents

Willy Wonka. Roald Dahl's classic story of a magic candy man's quest to find an heir to run his chocolate factory. 1014 Delaware Ave., Wilmington. 2 pm. \$14. 302-655-1014; DEChildrensTheatre.org.

NOVEMBER 26

Steamin' Thanksgiving at Auburn Heights Preserve. Visitors are encouraged to climb into an antique automobile or board one of the trains and experience what it was like to travel at the start of the 20th century. 3000 Creek Rd., Yorklyn, DE. 12:30 to 4:30. \$8-\$13. 302-239-2385; AuburnHeights.org.



NOVEMBER 26

Patriots Day at Brandywine Battlefield, 2016. Step back in time to a small British outpost and see Redcoats and Royal Artillery encamped during the winter of 1777. Firing Demos, 18th-century baker with fresh breads and cookies, military fife & drum music, open fire cooking and military medical display and demonstration. 1491 Baltimore Pk., Chadds Ford. 610-459-3342; BrandywineBattlefield.org.

DECEMBER 1-4

Old-Fashioned Christmas in West Chester. Dec. 1, 3, 4, Gilbert & Sullivan Society performs Trial By Jury at the Courthouse; Dec. 2, Soup & Sandwich Parlor, Knights of Columbus, 5:45; Christmas Parade, 7:15 pm. Dec. 3, Breakfast with Santa at The Chester County Historical Society, 8:30 & 10 am, \$16. For a schedule of weekend events, Greater-WestChester.com.

DECEMBER 2-3

Old-Fashioned Christmas in Wayne. On Fri, from 5:30, enjoy strolling carolers on N. Wayne Ave., horsedrawn carriage rides on S. Wayne Ave. and, at 7:30, the Christmas Tree Lighting at Wayne Train Station. Parade on Sat. begins at 10 am, travelling along Lancaster Ave. to the Wayne Hotel where snacks, marching bands and Santa will greet you. WayneChristmas.com.

DECEMBER 3

Colonial PA Plantation's Christmas on the Form. Get into the holiday spirit and visit the Plantation on its closing day for the year. Enjoy the decorations, tea tasting, wassailing, textile, woodworking and long rifle demonstrations. Ridley Creek State Park, Media. 11 am to 4 pm. \$8-\$10. 610-566-1725; ColonialPlantation.org.

DECEMBER 3

Coatesville Christmas Parade. Lively with bands, floats, antique cars, cartoon characters and entertainment. Strode Ave. to 11th St., Coatesville. Starts at 10 am. CoatesvilleChristmasParade.com.

DECEMBER 4 & 11

Old-Fashioned Holiday at the Marshall Steam Museum. Enjoy a special photo exhibit, readings of The Night Before Christmas and The Polar Express, Victorian and train-inspired holiday crafts and activities, electric train demonstrations and more. 3000 Creek Rd., Yorklyn, DE. Noon to 4. \$5-\$7. 302-239-2385; AuburnHeights.org.

DECEMBER 7

Children's Christmas Party at Brandywine River Museum of Art. Holiday event for the entire family, with Santa and Mrs. Claus, magicians, costumed characters, cookies, music, trains and more. 1 Hoffman's Hill Rd., Chadds Ford. 6 to 8 pm. \$5-\$15. 610-388-2700; BrandywineMuseum.org.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

NOVEMBER 13-DECEMBER 31

Historic Odessa Fdn. Holiday Events. Nov. 13-Dec. 31, "The Nutcracker and the Mouse King" The Wilson-Warner House is transformed into the home of the Stahlbaums on Christmas Eve. Tues-Sat, 10 to 4:30; Sun, 1 to 4:30, \$8-\$10, Dec. 1. Historic Delaware Holiday Candlelight Tour, 7 to 8:30, \$15. 201 Main St., Odessa, DE. 302-378-4119; Historic Odessa.com.



NOVEMBER 18-19 DECEMBER 9-10

Chester County Historical Society Fall Pre-Sale and Holiday & Greens Sale. It's back! One of the area's finest traditions is back offering a stunning array of handcrafted wreaths, floral arrangements, ornaments, garland and more. Nov. 18-19, pre-sale; Dec. 9-10, Holiday and Greens Sale. 225 N. High St., West Chester. 9:30 to 4:30. Free. 610-692-4800; ChesterCoHistorical.org.

NOVEMBER 19-JANUARY 8

Yuletide at Winterthur. Featured this year, sparkling trees and American Christmas vignettes, from skating and sleigh ride scenes inspired by Currier & Ives to a Mississippi family's holiday decorations, to the White House, 5105 Kennett Pk., (Rt. 52), Winterthur, DE. Tues-Sun, 10 to 5. \$5-\$20. 800-448-3883; Winterthur.org.

NOVEMBER 22-JANUARY 8

Holidays at Pennypacker Mills. Nov. 22-Ian. 8, see how the holidays were celebrated in the early 1900s. Tours of the mansion, Tues-Sat, 10 to 4; Sun, 1 to 4. Dec. 10, Victorian Christmas Open House, 2 to 8 pm. 5 Haldeman Rd., Schwenksville. \$2 donation. 610-287-9349; MontcoPa.org.



NOVEMBER 25-DECEMBER 18 Celebrate the Holidays in Kennett Square. Nov. 25, Holiday Light Parade, 6 pm; Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18, carriage rides, 3 pm; Dec. 3, new holiday artisan market at The Creamery, 10 to 4; Dec. 11, Historical Home Tour, 4 to 7. 610-444-8188; Historic-KennettSquare.com.

NOVEMBER 25-JANUARY 8 A Brandywine Christmas. It's a wonderland with trees and displays, lights, holiday shopping, music, the O-gauge model train display and more. Rt. 1, Chadds Ford. Daily 9:30 to

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DECEMBER 2

Holiday Open House Tour in Boyertown.

Tour of homes, historic buildings and a stop at the Festival of Trees. Pick up map and tickets at the Historical Society, 43 S. Chestnut St. Trolleys and buses run throughout the evening. 3 to 9. \$12-\$15. 610-369-3054; BoyertownPa.org.

DECEMBER 2-3

Malvern's Victorian Christmas. Begin in Burke Park for the lighting of the tree. Then stroll King Street, and visit shops, enjoy music, children's shows, carriage rides, Santa and more through Sat. Fri, 6 to 9; Sat, 11 to 3. 610-296-9096; MalvernsVictorianChristmas.org.

DECEMBER 2-4

Hay Creek Historical Assoc. Christmas at Joanna Furnace. Horse-drawn carriage rides, Christmas Market, bonfire, live nativity and tours. Rt. 10, 3 mi. N. of Morgantown. Fri, 5 to 9 pm; Sat-Sun, 4 to 9. \$7; 12 and under, free. 610-286-0388; HayCreek.org.

DECEMBER 3

West Chester Public Library's Holiday

Home Tour. Walking tour of ten homes in the northeastern section of the borough, beautifully decorated for the holidays. 10 to 3. Tickets at the Library, 415 N. Church St. or online. \$30-\$40. 610-696-1721; WCPublicLibrary.org.

DECEMBER 3

Scott Arboretum Holiday Sale. Greens, wreaths, living gifts, marshmallows, hot chocolate. 500 College Ave., Swarthmore. 1 to 3 pm. 610-328-8023; ScottArboretum.org.

DECEMBER 9

Historic Yellow Springs Holiday Stroll. Lots of activities including an art exhibition and sale, story time in the library, tree lighting and crafts at the Township building, refreshments and Santa. Art School Rd., Chester Springs. 5:30 to 8 pm. Free. 610-827-7414; YellowSprings.org.

DECEMBER 9

National Iron & Steel Heritage Museum Holiday Open House. Visitors can stroll through candle-lit grounds, listen to carol-



ers, enjoy refreshments and see a train display. Canned goods donations are welcome. 50 S. 1st Ave., Coatesville. 5 to 8. Free. 610-384-9282; SteelMuseum.org.

DECEMBER 10

The Spirit of Christmas in New Castle, DE, A

full day of concerts, house tours, shopping and refreshments, ending with a tree lighting. New Castle Presb. Church, 25 E. Second St., New Castle, DE. 9:30 to 5:30. Free. 302-328-3279; NewCastlePresChurch.org.

DECEMBER 10

A Sugartown Christmas. Explore the historic village and hear about Victorian Christmas traditions. Decorate cookies in the carriage museum and make Victorian-style ornaments and cards. 690 Sugartown Rd., Malvern. 11 to 4. \$6. 610-640-2667; HistoricSugartown.org.

DECEMBER 10

Christmas in Marshallton, Visit Marshallton United Methodist Church and enjoy breakfast with Santa at 8 am, cookie sale, arts and crafts and a free community lunch, 11:30. Tree lighting and carols at Martin's Tavern at 4. 1282 W. Strasburg Rd., West Chester. 610-696-5247; Marshallton-Church.org.

DECEMBER 10

Delaware Art Museum Holiday House Tour-Holiday House Tour: Houses with History.

Visit the Greenville area's most spectacular historic homes (many duPont family homes) decorated for the holidays. Then visit the Annual Winter Arts Festival, featuring regional artisans and holiday music. 2301 Kentmere Pkwy., Wilmington. 10 to 4. \$35-\$60 (with luncheon option). 302-571-9590; DelArt.org.

ART, CRAFTS & ANTIQUES..... THROUGH NOVEMBER 5

Panorama 2016-Image-Based Art in the 21st Century. Main Line Art Center presents a celebration of the photographic image and

digital media. 746 Panmure Rd., Haverford. Mon-Thurs, 9 to 9; Fri-Sat, 9 to 5. 610-525-0272; MainLineArt.org.

THROUGH NOVEMBER 13

Lancaster Museum of Art Exhibit. "Veils of Color: Elizabeth Osborne," 135 N. Lime St., Lancaster. Tues-Sat, 10 to 4; Sun, noon to 4. 717-299-9940; LMAPA.org.

THROUGH NOVEMBER 27

Demuth Museum Exhibit. Through Nov. 27, "Fifty Years Straddling the Velvet Rope: The Photography of Gary Lee Boas;" Nov. 10, 18th Auction for Artists & Collectors at the Elks Club, 219 N. Duke St., Lancaster, 5:30, \$15. Museum: 120 E. King St., Lancaster. Tues-Sat, 10 to 4; Sun, 1 to 4. 717-299-9940; Demuth.org.



















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NOVEMBER 4-6

Sugarloaf Crafts Festival. More than 300 fine artisans participate in this juried show. Live music, children's entertainment and food. Greater Phila. Expo Center, 100 Station Ave., Oaks. Fri–Sat, 10 to 6; Sun, 10 to 5. \$8–\$10. 800-210-9900; SugarloafCrafts.com.

NOVEMBER 4-25

Form to Table Art Show & Sole. Plein air painting done at working farms and local markets all summer on view at Frame Station Gallery, 643 Lancaster Ave., Berwyn. Reception Nov. 4, 6 to 8. Show, Tues–Fri, 9:30 to 5:30; Sat, 10 to 5. 610-640-5857; FrameStationGallery.com.

NOVEMBER 5-6

Baker Industries Art & Artisan Fair. More than 40 artists, juried by PA Guild of Craftsman, present their original work. Sat, artist reception with cocktails, food, music, 5:30 to 9, \$25; Sun, noon to 4, free. 184 Pennsylvania Ave., Malvern. BakerIndustries.org.

NOVEMBER 6-JANUARY 29

Bryn Mawr Rehab Hospital Art Ability Exhibit & Sale. Artists from around the world with physical, cognitive, visual and hearing disabilities submit their work to this juried exhibition and sale. 414 Paoli Pk.,



NOVEMBER 9-13

Phila. Museum of Art Contemporary Craft Show. A premier show and sale of contemporary crafts, includes the finest craft artists in the country. PA Convention Center, 1101 Arch St., Phila. Preview party Wed, 4 to 9 pm, tickets start at \$250. Thurs, 11 to 9; Fri, 11 to 7; Sat, 10 to 6; Sun, 10 to 5. \$5-\$18. 215-684-7930; PMACraftShow.org.



NOVEMBER 12-13

The 2016 Annual Bucks Co. Antiques Dealers Association Show. High quality show with 30 exhibitors. Eagle Fire Hall, Rt. 202 & Sugan Rd., New Hope. Show hours: Sat, 10 to 5; Sun, 11 to 4. \$6. 215-290-3140; BCADAPA.org.

NOVEMBER 19-20

Antiques at Kimberton Show & Sale. Longrunning quality show featuring over 65 dealers from several states. Kimberton Fire Company, 2276 Kimberton Rd., Kimberton. Sat, 9 to 5; Sun, 11 to 4. \$7. 717-431-7322; AntiquesAt-Kimberton.com.

NOVEMBER 19-20

Fall Into Winter Artisans Tour. Tour the spaces of well-known local artists in the Boyertown area. Finish your holiday shopping early with everything from pottery, glass, fibers and jewelry to bakery items, artisan cheeses and artisan brews. 10 to 5. Free. Visit website for map, StudioBBB.org/Fall-Into-Winter/.

NOVEMBER 18-19

Unionville Art Gala. Over 70 professional artists, including this year's featured artist, Lele Galer of Galer Estate Winery. Benefits projects and programs at the high school. Unionville High School, 750 Unionville Rd., Kennett Square. Fri, opening night with music, food and festivities, 6 to 9; Sat, 11 to 4. Free. UnionvilleArtGala.com.

NOVEMBER 19–20 Haverford Guild of Craftsmen—Holiday

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Local Farm Markets

Bryn Mawr Farmers Mkt., Lancaster Ave. at Bryn Mawr train station parking lot. Sat, 9 to 1. FarmToCity.org.

Downingtown Farmers Mkt., Kerr Park, 1 Park La. Sat, 9 to 1. 610-836-1391; Growing-RootsPartners.com.

Eagleview Farmers Mkt., Eagleview Town Ctr., Wellington Sq., Exton. **Thurs, 3 to 7**. 610-836-1391; GrowingRootsPartners.com.

Kennett Square Farmers Mkt., E. State St., between Broad and Union Sts. Fri, 2 to 6. 610-444-8188; HistoricKennettSquare.com.

DECEMBER 9-11

Lancaster County Farmers Mkt., 389 W. Lancaster Ave., Wayne. Wed & Fri, 8 to 6; Sat, 8 to 4. 610-688-9856; LancasterCounty-FarmersMarket.com.

Molvern Formers Mkt., Burke Park, Roberts Rd. & S. Warren Ave. **Sat, 9 to 1.** 610-836-1391; GrowingRootsPartners.com.

Media Farmers Mkt., State St. b/w Monroe & Gayley. Thurs, 3 to 7. 610-566-5039; Media Farmers Market.com.

Pete's Produce Farm, 1225 E. Street Rd., West Chester. Mon–Sat, 9 to 6:30; Sun, 9 to 6. 610-399-3711; PetesProduceFarm.com.

Phoenixville Farmers Mkt., 200 Mill St., under Gay St. Bridge. **Sat**, **9 to 1**. PhoenixvilleFarmersMarket.org.

Swarthmore Farmers Mkt., 341 Dartmouth Ave., at Swarthmore Co-Op. Sat, 10 to 2. FarmToCity.org.

West Chester Growers Mkt., Chestnut & Church Sts. **Sat, 9 to 1.** 610-436-9010; WestChesterGrowersMarket.com.

Westtown Amish Mkt., 1177 Wilmington Pk., West Chester. Thurs, 9 to 6; Fri, 9 to 8; Sat, 8 to 4. 610-492-5299.

a variety of media will be selling and demonstrating their craft. St. Anastasia School, 3309 West Chester Pk., Newtown Square. Sat, 10 to 8; Sun, 10 to 4. Artist reception Sat, 6 to 8. Free. HaverfordGuild.org.

DECEMBER 2-11

Community Arts Center's Holiday Sale. Featuring handmade work by members of the Potters Guild with over 20 vendors. Refreshments served. Preview party *Dec. 1*, 7 to 9:30 pm, \$5; free for CAC benefactors. 414 Plush Mill Rd., Wallingford. 610-566-1713; Community-ArtsCenter.org.

DECEMBER 2-JANUARY 28

2016 Craft Forms at Wayne Art Center. One of the premiere contemporary craft exhibitions. *Dec. 2*, Opening Gala, 6 to 10, tickets start at \$75; *Dec. 10–11*, Holiday Shopping



Weekend. Wayne Art Center, 413 Maplewood Ave., Wayne. Mon–Fri, 10 to 5; Sat, 10 to 4. 610-688-3553; WayneArt.org.

Main Line Art Center Holiday Craft Market:

Fresh & Local. Special events, gourmet food trucks, artisanal goods and unique handmade fine crafts made locally. 746 Panmure Rd., Haverford. Kick-Off Party Fri, 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Sat, 10 to 5; Sun, 11 to 4. Free. 610-525-0272; MainLineArt.org.

Winter Arts Festival at Delaware Art

Museum. Browse handmade items by diverse local artisans, tour festive works in the collection, enjoy holiday music and more. 2301 Kentmere Pkwy., Wilmington. 10 to 4. Free. 302-571-9590. DelArt.org.

DANCE NOVEMBER 11–12

Up Front with First State Ballet Theatre. Classical and contemporary highlights and private reception with FSBT's dancers. Grand Studio One, 818 N. Market St., Wilmington. 7. \$25-\$35. 1-800-37-GRAND; FirstState-Ballet.com.





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FESTIVALS & FAIRS & FUN... NOVEMBER 5

15th Annual Swing Dance at Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania. Dress to impress in your best '40s vintage attire and dance the night away at the museum. 300 Gap Rd., Strasburg. 7 to 10. \$20-\$35. 717-687-8628; tickets through EventBrite.com.

NOVEMBER 6

Clover Market. A seasonal open-air market featuring over 100 vendors with antiques and collectibles, vintage jewelry, clothing, handmade items and original art. 7 N. Bryn Mawr Ave., Bryn Mawr. 10 to 5. TheCloverMarket.com.

FOOD & BEVERAGE

NOVEMBER 18-20 Lancaster Food, Wine & Spirits Festival

Restaurants, food vendors, vineyards, microbreweries, distilleries and more. Lancaster Co. Convention Center, 25 S. Queen St., Lancaster. Fri, 6 to 10; Sat, 11 to 3 and 4 to 8; Sun, noon to 4. \$50-\$70. Lancaster.GourmetShows.com.



FUNDRAISERS NOVEMBER 3

Stroud Water Research Center's Annual Gala, The Water's Edge. The Stroud Award for Freshwater Excellence will be presented to the National. Park Service and its director,

Jonathan Jarvis. Longwood Gardens, 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square. 6:30 to 9. Tickets start at \$200. 610-268-2153; Stroud-Center.org.

NOVEMBER 5

French & Pickering's 34th Annual Auction Party. History buffs have the opportunity to

bid on treasures from Warwick Furnace Farm Ironmaster's Manor. Enjoy a live and silent auction and delicious food at Stonewall Golf Club. Bulltown Rd., Elverson. 6 pm. For tickets, 610-933-7577; FrenchAndPickering.org.



NOVEMBER 5

The Salvation Army New Day to Stop Trafficking Fundraiser. Food, live family entertainment, crafts and vendors. Benefits New Day's New Home at the Salvation Army and Dawn's Place Elam United Methodist Church, 1073 Smithbridge Rd., Glen Mills. 10 to 2. 610-793-4387 or 302-479-9444.

NOVEMBER 5 A Night at the Races Fundraiser for West

Chester Area Senior Center. Fundraiser that includes food, bar and auction. 530 E. Union St., West Chester, 6:30 to 10:30, \$75, 610-431-4242; WCSeniors.org.

NOVEMBER 5

Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health's Hope Gala-"A Night in Havana." Benefits both children and adults and features live and silent auctions, dancing, mojito and cigar patio and after party. Black-tie optional. Vie, 600 N. Broad St., Phila. 7:30. \$350. Devereux.org.

NOVEMBER 10

Malvern Prep 7th Annual "Shop & Sip." Malvern Moms and other local vendors will be



selling their "specialty" items, including clothes, jewelry, accessories and more. Shop and enjoy a glass of wine or beer and delectable appetizers. 418 S. Warren Ave., Malvern. 7 to 10. \$10. 484-595-1100; MalvernPrep.org.

NOVEMBER 11

50th Anniversary Gala. Join The Timothy School in honoring 50 years of service to children with autism. Overbrook Golf Club, Villanova. Open bar, dinner and dancing. 6:30 to 11. \$150-\$200. 610-725-0755. For tickets, bit.ly/TimothyGala.

NOVEMBER 19 Main Line Health's Paoli Hospital Annual

Holiday "Mistletoe & Magic" Party. Share in the magic and memories of this year's event. Cocktails, dinner, raffle prizes and a silent auction. Black tie optional. Aronimink Golf Club, 3600 St. Davids Rd., Newtown Square. 6:30 484-565-1335; PaoliAuxiliary.org

NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 1 Women's Committee of Children's Hospital of Phila. Presents A Holiday Boutique. The

area's finest boutiques participate to benefit CHOP. Merion Cricket Club, 325 Montgomery Ave., Haverford. Preview Wed, shopping, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, 5 to 9, \$150; Fri, 9 to 6, luncheon available, \$30. 267-426-5339; CHOPHolidayBoutique.org.

DECEMBER 3

West Chester Charity Ball. Dinner, dancing and auction. Benefits The Friends Association for Care and Protection of Children, Emergency Family Shelter and the Homeless Prevention Program. West Chester Golf and Country Club, 111 W. Ashbridge St., West Chester. 6 to 11:30. \$175. 610-431-3598; FriendsAssoc.org.

GARDENS & PLANTS

THROUGH NOVEMBER 20 Longwood Gardens Chrysanthemum Fes-

tivel. More than 17,000 chrysanthemums have been nurtured and trained for this year's display. 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square. Visit website for times and tickets. 610-388-1000; LongwoodGardens.org.



MUSEUMS.. THROUGH DECEMBER 30 The Wharton Esherick Museum, "Framed," a juried exhibition and competition of wooden frames selected from entries across the US and Canada. 1520 Horseshoe Trail, Malvern. Tues-

Sat, 10 to 4; Sun, 1 to 4. \$8-\$15. 610-644-5822; WhartonEsherickMuseum.org.

THROUGH DECEMBER 31

The Delaware Art Museum Exhibits. Howard Pyle Murals. 2301 Kentmere Pkwy. Wed, 10 to 4; Thurs, 10 to 8, free after 4 pm; Fri-Sun, 10 to 4, free on Sun. \$6-\$12. 302-571-9590; DelArt.org.

THROUGH JANUARY 22

Brandywine River Museum of Art. Through Nov. 6, "New Terrains: American Landscape Paintings from the Bequest of Richard M. Scaife;" Through Jan. 22, "Rural Modern: American Art Beyond the City." 1 Hoffman's Hill Rd., Chadds Ford. Daily, 9:30 to 4:30. \$6-\$15. First Sunday of month, free. 610-388-2700; BrandywineMuseum.org.

THROUGH MARCH

Freedom: To Secure the Blessings of Liberty. LancasterHistory.org presents an exhibition where visitors can discover the stories of Lancastrians who sought freedom, lived in freedom and were denied freedom over the course of 300 years. 230 N. President Ave., Lancaster, Mon-Sat, 9:30 to 5. LancasterHistory.org.

MUSIC, DANCE, ENTERTAINMENT ... THROUGH NOVEMBER

Longwood Gardens Holiday Concerts. Nov. 19, Etienne Charles: A Creole Christmas; Nov. 28-Dec. 22, celebrate the season with local choirs and musicians; Nov. 30, Cathie Ryan's Irish-American Christmas; Dec. 1, The Swingles. 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square. Visit website for times and tickets. 610-388-1000; LongwoodGardens.org.

NOVEMBER 4-18

WCU-Live! Nov. 4, Steep Canyon Rangers; Nov. 16, Keyboard Conversations with Jeffrey Siegel, at Philips Library; Nov. 18, Neil Berg's 100 Years of Broadway. Emilie K. Asplundh Concert Hall, University Ave. & S. High St., West Chester. 7:30 pm. 610-436-2266; WCUPa.edu/Live.



NOVEMBER 12. DECEMBER 4 Immaculata Symphony Orchestra Concerts. Nov. 12, the Fall Concert opens the season with pianist Stephen Campitelli, 7:30 pm. Dec. 4, the Christmas Concert features

NOVEMBER 17

DECEMBER 5 Kennett Symphony Orchestra—"Pops Goes the Holiday." Featuring the Children's Chorus



the Immaculata University Chorale and a variety of holiday favorites, 3 pm. 1145 King Rd., Immaculata. \$8-\$15. 610-316-1731; ImmaculataSymphony.org.

Uptown! West Chester Presents Jazz Cocktail Hour with The Diane Monroe Quartet. Diane Monroe on violin, Tony Miceli on the vibraphone, Justin Seleleweski on bass and Francois Zayas on the drums. Sprout Music Collective, 130 E. Prescott Alley, West Chester. 6:30 pm. \$15. 484-639-9004; UptownWestChester.org.



and First State Ballet Theatre perform holiday favorites. Unionville High School, 750 Unionville Rd., Kennett Square. 7:30 pm. \$10-\$53. 610-444-6363; KennettSymphony.org.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES...... NOVEMBER 5

Chester County Color 5K Run/Walk. A family-friendly fun run that will raise awareness and funds to continue to educate, treat and prevent the opioid and heroin epidemic. Everhart Park, 100 S. Brandywine St., West Chester. Reg. 8 am, race at 9. \$25-\$30. 610-344-6279; Chesco.org/Color5k.

NOVEMBER 5

Trinity Berwyn 5K Run/Walk and Pancake Breakfast, Family-friendly run/walk begins at 9 am at the church parking lot, 640 Berwyn Ave., Berwyn, then a pancake breakfast. \$25-\$30. Benefits the church's outreach efforts. 610-644-0932; BerwynTrinity5k.org.

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A Christmas Story: The Musical. Based on the classic holiday movie about the boy who wanted a Red Ryder BB gun for Christmas. Media Music Theatre, 104 E. State St., Media. Wed-Sun, check website for show times, 610-891-0100; MediaTheatre.org.

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Our Christmas Dinner. A hilarious look at family tradition, holiday expectations and the real meaning of Christmas. Bird-In-Hand Stage, 2760 Old Philadelphia Pk., Bird-in-Hand. 800-790-4069; Bird-in-Hand.com/Stage.

NOVEMBER 15-20

A Gentleman's Guide to Love & Murder. The 2014 Tony Award-winner for Best Musical at The Playhouse on Rodney Square, 1007 N. Market St., Wilmington. \$40-\$85. 302-888-0200; ThePlayhouseDE.org.

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iday Show. Santa and his helpers take you on an unforgettable nostalgic Christmas journey. The Playhouse on Rodney Square, 1007 N. Market St., Wilmington. \$40-\$60. 302-888-0200; ThePlavhouseDE.org.

DECEMBER 3

WCU-Live!-The Greatest Pirate Story

Never Told. The audience participates in the adventure. Madeline Wing Adler Theatre, 817 S. High St., West Chester. 2 pm. \$5-\$8. 610-436-2266; WCUPa.edu/Live.

DECEMBER 3-JANUARY 15

The Road: My Life with John Denver. A regional music premiere and rare glimpse of the man behind the music. People's Light, 39 Conestoga Rd., Malvern. \$46-\$51. 610-644-3500; PeoplesLight.org.

TOWNS, TALKS & TOURS..... NOVEMBER 1

Marshall Steam Museum at Auburn Heights Preserve-Evenings at the Museum. Local historian John Harrison discusses the village of Yorklyn, 3000 Creek Rd., Yorklyn, DE. 7 pm. \$5. 302-239-2385; AuburnHeights.org.

NOVEMBER 4, 12, 17 First Fridays, Second Saturdays, Third Thurs-

days. Nov. 4, First Fridays: Kennett Square Art Stroll, 610-444-8188; HistoricKennett-Square.com. Lancaster City, 717-509-ARTS; LancasterArts.com. Oxford, 610-998-9494; DowntownOxfordPA.org. West Chester, 610-738-3350; DowntownWestChester.com; Wilmington, 302-576-2489; WilmingtonDE.gov. Nov. 12, Second Saturday: Media, 484-445-4161; MediaArtsCouncil.org. Nov. 17, Malvern Strol, MalvernBusiness.com.

NOVEMBER 10

Chadds Ford Hist. Society-Tavern Talks. A new series for adults, focusing on early American history and culture with activities, food and drinks. This month, "All Things Apple." Barns Brinton House, 6030 Baltimore Pk., Chadds Ford. 7 to 9 pm. \$10. 610-388-7376; ChaddsFordHistory.org. ♦

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PHOENIXVIIIE

Phoenixville Farmer's Market

Through November Under the Gay St. Bridge. Sat, 9 to 1. PhoenixvilleFarmersMarket.org.

10th Annual "Empty Bowls" Event November 4

Purchase a simple meal of soup and bread served in a bowl handcrafted by an area artist or student. Benefits PACS. The Covered Bridge Room at Kimberton Fire Co., 2276 Kimberton Rd. 5 to 8. \$25. 610-933-1105; PACSPhx.org.

Phoenixville Zombie Run & Fun Day November 5

Zombies try to capture flags. Benefits local charities. Corner of Bridge St. & Main St. PhoenixvilleZombieRun.com.

YMCA Fall Fun Run & Fall Festival November 6

Annual benefit for the Y. 400 E. Pothouse Rd., 10 am. The 5K is \$20, 1-mile family fun run, \$10. 610-933-5861; Phila-YMCA.org/run.

Events at The Colonial Theatre

November 18–December 9 Nov. 18, Al Stewart Acoustic Trio performs "Year of the Cat" in its entirety; Nov. 19, Rob Schneider; Dec. 8, Delta Rae with special guest

November 19

December 2

homes and churches, crafts, music, refreshments. Benefits Ann's Heart Code Blue Shel-ter and Firebird Theatre. Tickets available after 2:30 at First Presbyterian Church, 145 Main St. 3 to 7 pm. \$25. 610-933-9181; PhxHolidayTour.weebly.com.



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Phoenixville Chamber of Commerce 2016 Charity Gala, "A Season of Giving"

Dinner, music, dancing and auction. Benefits Orion Communities. Phoenixville Country Club, 355 Country Club Rd, 5:30, \$80, 610-933-3070; PhoenixvilleChamber.org.

Phoenixville Christmas Parade

The parade starts at 7, from the 300 block of Bridge Street, then along Bridge St. for the tree lighting at Bridge and

- Main Sts. at 8 pm. 610-933-8801; Phoenixville.org.
- Annual Candlelight Holiday Tour
- December 3
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13th Annual Firebird Festival December 3

Burning of the Firebird (Phoenix) will be at Friendship Field (at Franklin Ave. & Fillmore St.). The fun begins at 3, burning of the Phoenix at 8:15. 610-933-9199; FirebirdFestival.com.

Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley's Annual Holiday Concert November 13. December 4

Nov. 13, Ron Rhode; Dec. 4, great songs by various individuals on the TOSDV 3/24 Wurlitzer Theatre Pipe Organ. The Colonial Theatre, 227 Bridge St. 2 pm. \$5-\$10. 610-917-1228; TOPSDV.org.

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Salvation Army's New Day to Stop Trafficking Program



Safety. Strength. Care. Compassion. Freedom. These words mean something different to everyone, but to victims of human trafficking, they mean something very specific. We might think of this painful reality as something that happens overseas, far from our affluent neighborhoods. But according to Carol Metzker of the Salvation Army's New Day to Stop Trafficking Program, "It's here at home, too."

The "world's dirtiest secret," human trafficking is modern-day slavery, involving the use of force, fraud or coercion to obtain some type of labor or commercial sex act. It's the second-highest-grossing illegal industry in the world—with an estimated \$150 billion in profits each year from commercial sexual exploitation. According to the National Human Trafficking Resource

Center, nearly 290 cases of human trafficking were reported in Pennsylvania in the last two and a half years. But as Carol notes, "Just one is too many."

Many victims come from broken homes, are runaways or homeless, or have been "inthe-life" as victims of commercial sexual exploitation since adolescence.

So what happens to these women and teens when the horror has passed? Just because they are "out of the life" doesn't mean everything is normal.

Many find their way to the New Day to Stop Trafficking Program's Drop-In center in Philadelphia. Volunteers at the center see about 30 to 40 women a day and provide a range of services—food, clothing, a shower, a temporary safe haven and a place to get back on their feet. "Some visitors come back, some we only see once. But there's always someone there to help," says Carol. She stresses how key the sense of compassion, availability and safety is for the drop-in visitors. "We want them to know that unlike their abusers, we care."

Many times it's the little things that count. The New Day case management team is there for the good times and the bad, from accompanying women to a court hearing or therapy session, to being there when they have a baby or pick up keys to their new apartment. "We try to help any way we can," she says.

That help comes in many forms—from policy reform at the state level to one-on-one personal support. Much of the teamwork is done with Jamie Manirakiza at the helm.

As Director of Anti-Trafficking and Services at the Salvation Army, Jamie has a lot on her plate, even given her training and a master's degree in social work. She oversees many functions, such as managing funding, training, getting federal and state grants, advocating for enlightened policies and raising public awareness.

Jamie also works individually with women, guiding them through case management, scheduling therapy appointments, reuniting them with family, getting their IDs back, mentoring them during housing or job searches, and virtually anything else they need to achieve self sufficiency.

Through it all, she finds her work intensely rewarding. "I get to see the strength and resiliency of these women throughout their journey," she says. "It's an honor to engage with them and be a part of their healing."

Carol agrees. "I'm one of the happiest people you'll ever meet," she laughs. "To be able to see a problem, act on it and make a



The donated shoes used to create People's Light's *The Mountaintop* cover photo benefitted those in need at the New Day to Stop Trafficking Program and others. ART & PHOTO BY NOAH SCALIN



difference is an amazing feeling." She also enjoys getting to meet such a wide variety of people—from the women at the drop-in center to teachers, business leaders, volunteers and supporters.

Both Carol and Jamie are excited about the new home the Salvation Army is opening in the nearby suburbs in early December. Unlike the drop-in center in Philadelphia, this home will serve as a residential program in addition to a comprehensive, traumatic care haven for young women, 18 to 24, who were victimized as minors but have aged out of Child Protective Services. With young adulthood being such an important time in any woman's life, being able to help this underserved age group is a dream come true for the team at New Day.

When asked what our readers can do to help, Jamie had more than a few suggestions: "You can donate money or needed items [shoes, clothing, unopened toiletries], spread information about the issue, be on the lookout for any suspicious activity, volunteer at the drop-in center, advocate at the policy level or join your local coalition."

You can also attend local fundraising events like Dress For a Good Cause in the spring—where you can donate that old prom dress sitting in your closet—or the Festival to Stop Traffic coming up on November 5 (see the Best Local Events fundraisers), celebrating the opening of New Day's new home.

You can also read Carol's book, *Facing* the Monster: How One Person Can Fight Child Slavery, for her in-depth account. And keep in mind National Human Trafficking Awareness Day on January 11 and World Day Against Trafficking on July 30 to spread global awareness.

We're proud to have Carol, Jamie and the team at New Day as part of our extended community and this November's Local Heroes. \blacklozenge

~ Mary Irene Dolan

Learn more at Facebook.com/NewDay-ToStopTrafficking and PA.SalvationArmy. org/Greater-Philadelphia/NewDay. Waterfall in Ricket's Glen State Park

FROM STREAM TO TAP: KEEPING FRESH WATER CLEAN AND SAFE

The pastoral image of cows drinking from a stream has a hidden story.

Diane Huskinson, Stroud Center for Water Research

PENNSYLVANIA HAS LONG BEEN HOME TO A ROBUST agriculture industry, where cows, hay bales and horsedrawn plows dot rolling hills of grasses and grain. For those acquainted with these scenic landscapes and the hard-working farmers who maintain them, the pastoral image of lazy dairy cows drinking from a trickling stream is a familiar one. To the untrained eye, it seems a natural ornament of bygone days.

WHAT HIDES IN MURKY WATERS

Did you know that when cows and other livestock are free to roam in streams, they trample the streambed and disturb the fragile ecosystem that supports freshwater fish, bugs and other critters? They also leave behind waste containing microorganisms like *E. coli*, *Gryptosporidium* and *Enterococcus* that can contaminate the stream and pose a public health risk. Water treatment facilities can effectively deactivate these contaminates thus purifying the water flowing from the taps in our homes. But recreational users and animals are at risk of contracting disease simply through contact with—through swimming, boating—and drinking the stream water. There are other threats to clean streams, such as human waste from leaking septic tanks and the loss of streamside forests cut to make way for other land uses.

Fortunately, water treatment facilities have procedures in place to make water safe for drinking. But of course, the dirtier the water, the greater the cost to treat it.

WHAT THE RESEARCHERS FOUND

Surface waters like streams and rivers have tremendous value not only because they provide 170 million people in the United States with drinking water, but also because they are beautiful and richly diverse ecosystems to be enjoyed through fishing, swimming and boating—activities that could be unsafe in contaminated waters. A key part of protecting freshwater resources is identifying and reducing sources of pollution.

Microbiologist Jinjun Kan, Ph.D., of Stroud Water Research Center is doing just that. This summer he led a study investigating the presence of bacteria and other pathogens at 46 sites across the headwaters of the White Clay Creek, Red Clay Creek, Brandywine

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Creek and Schuylkill River sub-watersheds of the Delaware River.

The research team—Villanova University student Kathleen Fisher, Stroud Center technicians Dave Montgomery and Laura Borecki, and Shane Morgan of White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic Rivers—found levels of bacteria from both cow and human waste were higher in these area streams than permitted under the recreational water quality standards of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The team also found that some of the highest concentrations of *E. coli* and *Entero-coccus* were in streams surrounded by farm fields with animals. In some cases, the animals had direct stream access.

"Obviously, wildlife and land uses play a big role in how clean our streams are. By identifying sites of contamination and using DNA tools to trace bacteria to their sources, we can help landowners make small changes that can have a big impact on water quality," says Kan. One such change is simply to fence animals out of streams.

Among the many best management practices landowners can adopt, fencing out animals and planting trees along the banks of streams are especially effective. Trees stabilize stream banks and prevent erosion. They act as a protective barrier between streams and upland activities that contribute to pollution.

Trees also shed leaves and branches that keep streams healthy by providing habitat and food for aquatic organisms. The list goes on. See the article "Trees Save Streams" in the March 2016 issue of *County Lines* and at CountyLinesMagazine.com. "Not everyone knows where their water comes from," says Matt Ehrhart, director of watershed restoration at the Stroud Center. "We simply turn on the tap, and out comes clean water. But there's a journey that our water takes before it reaches our homes. When people know where their water comes from and about the threats to water quality, they can take charge and make positive changes."

Anyone in the Delaware River Watershed can learn firsthand about their freshwater resources and how to protect them by becoming citizen scientists. The Wiliam Penn Foundation is supporting more than 50 leading nonprofits in their efforts to reduce threats to water quality, and Stroud Water Research Center is helping these organizations grow their network of citizen





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scientists. Volunteers learn how to collect, analyze and interpret water-quality data, and learn what questions they should be asking and why.

If you're interested in becoming a citizen scientist, contact David Bressler or Gina Tonn at Stroud Water Center at 610-268-2153. Penn State's Master Watershed Steward Program, offered in extension offices in area counties, also trains volunteers in watershed management through a free program. For information, contact Erin Frederick at 610-391-9840.

Stroud Water Research Center, based in Avondale, advances global freshwater research, environmental education and watershed restoration. The nonprofit organization helps everyone make informed decisions that affect water quality and availability around the world. More at StroudCenter.org.



Capturing Chester County PHOTO CONTEST

We asked our readers for their most beautiful images of Chester County, and they went above and beyond! Our thanks to all who submitted their work. These semifinalists' shots capture the essence of the season in County Lines Country. In November, we'll showcase each photo on Facebook. To vote, just *like* us, then *like* your favorite photo. The photo with the most likes will win a \$100 gift certificate to **Wellington Square Bookshop!** We'll announce the winner on Facebook in late November.



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WONDERING WHAT THE PHOENIXVILLE BUZZ IS ALL ABOUT? HEAD ON UP AND FIND OUT.

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EMPERATURES MAY BE LOWER THESE DAYS BUT YOU'D never know it on Bridge Street. More bicyclists, joggers and pedestrians than ever are out and about. They stop and shop, celebrate at festivals, and discover what's on tap. Like the great mythological bird and namesake, Phoenixville soars with new life.

The town beckons. Lift a fork, boost your spirit and raise a glass to the season.

LIFTING FORKS

One establishment enjoying a new lease on life is an old local favorite, Steel City. Under new owners, Ed Simpson and Laura Vernola Simpson, the coffeehouse still serves up great coffee and musical entertainment, but now offers a larger menu with locally sourced and irresistible items. Try local bread and cheese with this month's new homemade soups for vegetarians and meat-a-tarians. Or wake up to a s'more tart—a jumbo pastry topped with chocolate and mini marshmallows.

To score their Oreo Bomb cookies, you'll need luck and speed. Don a pair of new running shoes from All Kinds of Fast, the sports footwear store across the street, and sprint to Steel City to be first in line for the big chocolate chip cookie with an Oreo baked in the middle. It's not unusual for a customer to call to see if "bombs" are in stock, then dash over and buy them all.

People are talking about the Great American Pub's expansion, too. Vegan menu options and a new bar-with doors that open to create indoor-outdoor space-draw hungry and thirsty crowds.



New Phoenix Village apartment residents also keep restaurants hopping. Who doesn't like great food?

For intimate upscale dining, awardwinning Chef Andrew Deery continues to delight customers for many years at Majolica. Multiple-course meals include original dishes and tasting sensations such as chilled English pea soup, wild boar cassoulet and coffee-cardamom pots de crème.

Crave vegetarian? Embrace the gangster-Gangster Vegan, that is. Vinny DePaul opened a second Phoenixville location on Gay Street to bring organic vegetables, juices and healthy pick-up meals for vegetarians, vegans and foodies.

In a restaurant, I talked to a family visiting from rural Virginia. There weren't many foodie choices near their home, they admitted, so during their trip they were eating their way up and down Bridge Street: Latin fusion dinner at Buho's the previous evening, Vecchia's oven-fired pizza for lunch and later pretzel dogs from the Pretzel Factory. For a snack they sampled GCGC Greek Yogurt's fare and dove into the cinnamon bun flavor.

"What's good?" I asked them. "Everything," they replied. Not surprising.

BOOSTING SPIRITS

At a new eatery on Bridge Street, patrons can boost someone's spirit and elevate the community while merely lifting their spoons. Forget your every notion about yogurt (Greek, frozen or otherwise) and discover GCGC Greek Yogurt. The get-a-cupgive-a-cup spot converted me at first bite. With choices of savory or sweet, I selected the savory guacamole dish-with locally sourced original flavor Greek yogurt, fresh



homemade guac, cilantro and cucumber served with crispy blue corn chips for scooping. The exquisitely creamy yogurt and toppings were so good, I found myself scraping the bottom of the cup with the environmentally friendly little wooden spoon. No surprise, guacamole is GCGC's top-selling flavor.

I left feeling good, not just from GCGC's nutritious food, but because someone helped by the local food bank or the new social enterprise Nourish Mobile Market soon would be eating well, too. As the name implies, for every cup purchased, GCGC owners donate a cup of yogurt.

Another business combining ingredients of community service and tasty food is Petrucci's Ice Cream on Nutt Road, celebrating 20 years next spring. The family who bought Petrucci's from the original owners a few years ago continues to give back-donating free water ice coupons to local schools and reading to students. Dip into long-time favorites, including mango water ice made with the 20-yearold recipe.





Sue Powers, a Phoenixville resident since 1973, is another fan of the recent activity in her hometown. "I love the changes," she says, discussing restaurants and the Colonial Theatre's upcoming expansion and offerings of wine and beer. Yet she still enjoys the town's quaint feel. "Phoenixville has a heart."

Powers likes dropping by Soltane Bridges Café and Bakery, then shopping at Liberty Carriage House. Soltane offers coffee and delicious baked goods to patrons and job opportunities to people with developmental differences.

environment, head to the Community Eco-Store. In addition to must-have clothing drying racks, brooms and the countertop compost container I left with, there are innovative gifts and battery-free toys that drinks. spark imagination. Tell Santa about the Music Box Kit that lets you create your own music rolls, then crank out the tunes.

You'll also find unique shops just off Bridge Street. Design Grove, on Church Street, is filled with refinished, repurposed and handmade treasures. Browse one-of-akind and vintage décor items or order something custommade. Upcycling at its best!



By far one of the biggest changes in Phoenixville is the number of drinkeries. For folks with a taste for celebration, Phoenixville now has loads of new options in addition to old favorites like Bistro on Bridge for game day, happy hour or a meal.

In addition to offering the season's cheer, many also provide live concerts and entertainment. Just a few...

Stable 12 Brewing Company's crowdpleaser taproom features rotating beers on tap including fall's Bridge Street Kolsch. As its website points out: "authentic Kolsch's For high-quality products honoring the are brewed in Germany, but why should they savor all the flavor?!"

> The Barrel, a bar established in 2015, still pours their own local wine, but now also serves hard cider, craft beer and mixed

For spirits and cocktails, head to the tasting room of Bluebird Distilling, a grainto-glass distillery. Mixologists always have something interesting going on with Bluebird's whiskey, gin, vodka and rum.

Still wondering what the Phoenixville buzz is all about? Head on up. For what to do in Phoenixville, see the sidebar in our Best Local Events section.

PHOENIXVILLE'S FILM FAME

While a major claim-to-fame for Phoenixville is its appearance in the 1958 film The Blob, the town has played a role in other films. Here are just a few:

The Last Summer (2013) - Don Simpson (Robb Stech) enjoys his mellow life in his hometown drinking with his friends, only to learn his old crush returned, and tensions old and new emerge. Cinematographer Brian Simon spent his childhood in Phoenixville and uses it in a scene.

The Happening (2008) - Science teacher Elliot Moore (Mark Wahlberg) flees with wife, Alma (Zooey Deschanel), to survive an impending apocalyptic attack. Director M. Night Shyamalan shot a scene at the "G" Lodge Restaurant, causing memorable traffic delays.

From the Terrace (1960) - Alfred Eaton (Paul Newman) returns home after World War II to a loveless marriage, and struggles to adjust to life after he abandons his job on Wall Street. The film takes place primarily in Philadelphia, but Phoenixville gets a nice cameo.

Bright Victory (1951) - After Larry Nevins (Arthur Kennedy) is blinded by an enemy sniper during the war, he recovers alongside fellow blind soldier Joe Morgan (James Edwards), only to find himself kneedeep in racial tension. This movie was filmed in Valley Forge General Hospital before The Blob premiered, and Phoenixville is even mentioned by name!

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HAT WAS ONCE THE PRIMARY local destination for an afternoon of casual browsing, weekend of frenzied holiday shopping an occasion for communing with commerce, King of Prussia a million visitors who are feeling lucky. has expanded its realm.

galore. October's Beerfest Royale drew crowds to the fifth celebration of brews, while summer's Yoga with Happy Hour brought multiple highs, and March KofP Restaurant Week was a hit with 20 choices. Plans for a

mass transit connection, through the Norristown High Speed line, are about 10 years off. Plus Valley Forge Casino nearby, with newly revived Valley Forge Music Fair, attracts over

And, just a few minutes away and cur-There are events, plans and attractions rently marked by construction cranes, is another ambitious project-the King of Prussia Town Center, a mixed-use "upscale outdoor lifestyle center" combining residences with dining and even more retail. Want a closer look?



MALL FACTS

You may know that just 25 miles from Philadelphia sits the nation's largest enclosed mall-in terms of leasable space and number or retailers. Take that, Mall of America.

Boasting 2.9 million square feet of spaces, 8 department stores, 20 eateries, 400 specialty stores and 11 ATMs, the King of Prussia Mall is a modern marvel attracting 25 million visitors a year, 20 percent of whom are tourists-yes, folks, it's also a tourist destination.

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Some may remember the modest openair promenade of The Court that opened in 1963 with anchor stores J.C. Penney and ACME. That unassuming start later evolved with the addition of The Plaza, anchored by Bloomingdale's and Abraham & Strauss in the 1980s. Around 2000, Lord & Taylor and Neiman Marcus were added.

Things have changed since the 1960s. And continue to.

shops, plus more dining options.

Though it took over 50 years, plus 5,000 tons of steel supporting the 250,000-squarefoot latest addition, the two parts of the fully enclosed mall are now finally indeed connected-by more than a pedestrian bridge. The event was marked with, not a ribbon cutting, but a ribbon joining ceremony in August 2016.

NEW STORES AT THE MALL

Stores, stores, stores, From fast fashion (H&M, Primark, Forever 21) to designer (Kate Spade, Tory Burch, Carolina Herrera, plus the likes of Fendi, Gucci, Hermès). You'll also find local favorites (Anthropologie, Free People), New York cool (Rag

With the involvement of the Simon Property Group in 2011, plans were afoot for the next big expansion: a \$250-million plan connecting The Court and The Plaza, adding a 1,300-space parking deck with speed ramps and escalators for quick shopping forays, and an amazing array of upscale





& Bone, Jimmy Choo) and the classics (Brooks Brothers, Coach, J. Crew).

It's the kind of place where you can pick up a wedding gift at Tiffany & Co., get your pen repaired at the Mont Blanc store and re-envision your home décor at Restoration Hardware before finding your next car at Tesla Motors.

Yes, options span the spending spectrum.

MALL FOOD BECOMES CUISINE

If you need sustenance for all the shopthe new food plaza with a concierge and WiFi. Head for The Fat Ham, from Phillylocal Kevin Sbraga, who brings pork-centered, Southern-style cooking with barrel-Manhattan-based Melt Shop, boasting artisanal comfort food with gourmet grilled cheese sandwiches and specialty shakes.

Craving a burger? There's a second Shake Shack location here for classic burgers, frozen custard with specialty mix-ins). And if pizza is calling you, head for Nicoletta

Pizzeria, a New York-based Italian eatery specializing in homemade pizzas, pastas and gelatos from chef Michael White, owner of two Michelin stars.

More options? Hai Street Kitchen, with locations in University City and Center City, serves up casual Japanese food plus inventive sushi burritos, bowls and spefresh, all-natural ingredients. For another and spreading fast, offering seasonal locally sourced health food, warm bowls and inventive salads.

Rumors of more options include the addition of Pizzeria Vetri and Fish & Lobster Company. Stay tuned.

KING OF PRUSSIA TOWN CENTER

For a live-work-play environment with plans for plenty of shopping and dining, keep your eye on the development adjacent drive from the mall.

Starting construction in May 2015, the KofP Town Center already has major retail

anchor stores, restaurants and plans for holiday fun this December, plus a target date for a grand opening party in spring 2017.

Planned around a kind of Main Street, with a central square sporting both a water fountain and a 60-foot fire feature, the Town Center promises open air shopping and dining and strolling on sidewalks rather than being inside a climate-controlled mall. But for the 21st century.

Though not lucky enough to score a location in the triangle below Canal Street (SoHo), Town Center has a prime location surrounded by Routes 202, 422, 76 and the PA Turnpike. The Town Center is part of a larger plan called the Village at Valley apartments, townhouses and an active adult community. These residences will provide some of the shoppers and diners who will enjoy this local town center.

brated its move to the Town Center, relocating from the beltway around the King





of Prussia Mall. It joined Ulta Beatuy, REI, Road Runner Sports and LA Fitness-just the start of the mix of retailers to come. Service providers-banks, salons, plus medical providers and offices-will add to what's planned for the development.

You can already tuck into tasty dining options. Brazilian churrascaria steakhouse, Fogo de Chão, has been open since before the summer Olympics in Rio. Another Latin-flavored, soon-to-be-fave is Paladar Latin Kitchen & Rum Bar, where every word in the name should make you salivate. Let me repeat: Latin Kitchen Rum Bar.

Naf Naf Grill offers Middle Eastern magic-falafels, shawarmas, pitas and the



like-at the first location outside its Mid-West home. And b.good, an East Coast chain with another location in Wynnewood, serves up naturally good fast food with plenty of kale and sustainably sourced seasonal ingredients.

What's to come? Davio's Northern Italian Steakhouse (Boston-based, with a Philly location) along with Davio's Galleria Café are more highlights. Plus honeygrow (Philly-based, fast-casual wholesome, farmto-table), City Works (one of the largest beer bars/restaurants in the U.S.), Mission



BBQ (guess what they serve) and Founding Farmers (North Dakota Farmers Unionowned restaurant serving sustainable, quality food and drink).

And of course, a Starbucks.

Head out to King of Prussia and discover your own reason to make it a destination. **♦**

To get a map and more for the King of Prussia Mall, got to Simon.com/Mall/King-of-Prussia. For the KofP Town Center, check out Kingof-Prussia-TownCenter.com Images courtesy King of Prussia District, © Weld Photography. Simon Mall & Town Center

Holiday Gift Guide

Get out and get started early on your holiday shopping this year! Shop local and choose something unique for everyone on your list. Here are some perfect picks we recommend!



Nature lovers will appreciate the earthy touch of these handcrafted goodies. Stenciled Branch Tealight Candles The Design Grove, Phoenixville Ladies Night Out Holiday Shopping: Dec. 15, 6 to 9 p.m. See ad on page 6



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SENIOR COMMUNITIES OFFER HELP AND CARE FOR DEMENTIA.

he ceaseless, senseless noise. Clattering, like a beat-up car maybe dragging a string of cans behind it. The ceiling and walls are dark and L growing closer. It's hard to walk: pins and needles driving into my feet. My sense of touch is obtuse, muffled, as if my fingers are sloshing about in thick rubber mittens.

Someone in front of me is giving orders, but her voice is unintelligible. She seems to be speaking a foreign language. My own words won't come. I've forgotten where I was heading, what I was looking for, what I was doing. That someone in front of me is a doctor. She is telling—I think it is my children—I have late-stage Alzheimer's Disease. I have dementia, she says.



ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA

The narrative unfolds over and over again. First told in concerned whispers, as worries about behavior circulate; later, in growing anger and frustration; then, occasionally, perhaps not often enough, to health professionals, who struggle to find a solution.

Alzheimer's is one cause of dementia. First described in 1906 by Dr. Alois Alzheimer, 40 years ago it was identified as the most common form of dementia. It generally affects people 70 and older; its full onset can be delayed with early detection. In recent years, there have been advances in understanding and even treating Alzheimer's, but, as of today, there's no cure.

Other diseases are associated with dementia. There's vascular dementia, frontotemporal dementia, dementia with Lewy bodies, Parkinson's disease, Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, and others. But Alzheimer's is far and away the most common, respon-

sible for 60 to 80 percent of the cases, according to the Alzheimer's Association. We're all getting older and most of us do *not* sink into dementia. Some forget-

fulness is normal as we age, and we may need some help with what were once manageable chores. The good news is that we can take action to prevent or forestall dementia. (See sidebar.)

But some of us sink deeper. Sometimes, we sink too deep.

SENIOR COMMUNITIES OFFER SAFETY AND COMFORT

In the absence of having a cure to offer, I asked several professional caregivers in *County Lines* Country about their strategies and facilities for managing their memory care residents. Most focused on safety, comfort, activity and independence for their residents.

Lodge Lane Assisted Living & Memory Care, for example, maintains studio apartments for those with Alzheimer's and

ALZHEIMER STATISTICS

Most common form of dementia
5.4 million have Alzheimer's in the U.S.
By 2050 the number with Alzheimer's may triple

• 6th leading cause of death

3rd leading cause of death for seniors Life expectancy after diagnosis: 4–8 yrs.

Cost \$236 billion for care each year

 Deaths from Alzheimer's keep increasing, while deaths from the other top 10 killers are decreasing

other related dementias, and provides memory stimulation in a safe, homelike environment with comfortable recreational spaces. It encourages residents and their families to decorate the apartments with favorite treasures from home. Lodge Lane's residents are welcome to explore within its secure courtyard, and it provides stimulating programs to keep them engaged. A nurse is on-site 24 hours a day 7 days a week.



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SENIOR COMMUNITIES OFFER MORE EXTENSIVE STRATEGIES

On the other hand, several communities have more extensive strategies. One approach is to provide two separate units: one unit for less advanced, and the other unit for more advanced stages of illness.

For example, Pleasant View Retirement Community has two options for people living with mild to more severe cognitive challenges. One option offers private rooms, and staff encourages as much independence as possible. For more severe cases, Pleasant View has private and semiprivate suites. Its specialists in memory support provide skilled care for residents experiencing more difficulties with tasks of daily living.

In both units, residents participate in a wide variety of activities, including the "IN2L" (It's Never 2 Late) system which uses interactive games, music, puzzles, and internet access as tools for reaching treatment goals. Specialized programs stimulate mental and physical activity and increase social interaction. Pleasant View provides a safe outdoor space with gardens and screened-in porches.

Similarly Quarryville Presbyterian Retirement Community has two units and two different levels of care. It provides Personal Care in its Memory Support unit and Skilled Nursing care in its Dementia unit, which is more secure. In a calm, cozy, homelike environment, with sunny family rooms and garden terraces, it provides an atmosphere of warmth, caring and dignity. Individualized and group support is encouraged. Residents can engage in stimulating, enriching activities and spiritual nurturing.

Willow Valley Communities also has two levels of care—Personal Care and Skilled Nursing Care—as does Dunwoody Vilage Retirement Community. At Dunwoody, the Memory Care unit, a secured area in the facility, goes from the Personal Care level to the Skilled Nursing level. Its staff is specially trained to handle the memory residents, for whom the staff conducts special activities and maintains special outside areas.

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS

Several communities have created special programs for handling Alzheimer's and dementia. Exton Senior Living, for example, offers a Montessori-based method. Their resident expert, Kara Abdala, notes that people with dementia "are often confronted with what they no longer can do." Exton Senior Living focuses "on what each individual person can still do," and on keeping its residents "as independent as possible for as long as possible." The central theme is to "feel valued, secure and involved in the world around them."

Daylesford Crossing has a dedicated memory care wing called Connections, built around a philosophy of care developed by Teepa Snow, a well-known dementia care expert. DC calls its program the "Positive Approach to Care." "Rather than getting hung up on daily tasks, the focus is on building relationships and maximizing quality of life," says Donna Ferruzzi. The goal is to carry out the Positive Approach in every aspect of life in Connection "from the staff's relationships with residents to the activity programming to the design of the furnishings."

CARING FOR DEMENTIA AT HOME

For another approach, some families decide that their loved one's home may provide the best, most comfortable environment for caring.

Ed Rofi of Angel Companions says the home is "full of memories of a lifetime that can fuel familiarity, contentment and relaxation." Family and friends can visit regularly. Caregivers can provide one-on-one, continuous personal attention and companionship, which allows them to observe their loved one's actions and behavior. This information can be reported to the Care Manager who can then modify the care plan accordingly.

Whether at home or in a community, Alzheimer's should be treated as a disease. We should be alert to its symptoms in others and ourselves, and take appropriate preventive action if detected. Your loved one deserves it.

STAYING SHARP

Most advice about avoiding mental decline falls into two broad categories: watching your health and eating and staying socially and mentally active. Research has found that those who stay mentally active are 2.6 times less likely to develop Alzheimer's and dementia.

Here's what we've learned.

Stay Healthy – the big issues

- Control weight, cholesterol, blood
- Stop smoking and limit alcohol
- Manage stress relax, meditate, pray, maintain a sense of humor
- Get enough sleep about 7–8 hours

• Exercise (elevate heart rate) for 20–30 minutes, for 150 minutes/week

Eat a Healthy Diet – A Mediterranean diet is recommended.

• Eat plenty of fresh fruits, vegetables and whole grains

- Limit added sugars
- Avoid trans fats, partially hydrogenated oils and fatty acids
- Add omega-3 fats (certain fish, seeds and nuts)
- Cook at home

• Consider supplements: folic acid, vitamin B12 and D, magnesium, fish oil

Be Social

- Get out
- Volunteer
- Join a club, community or senior center
- Take a class, join a book group, attend plays or lectures

• Connect with family, friends and neighbors

Stay Mentally Active

- Learn something new, e.g., a language, an instrument
- Play strategy games, cards, chess, crosswords and other puzzles
- Have a hobby gardening, woodworking, painting, singing
- Practice the 5 W's—ask who, what, when, where, why
- Vary your habits and routines
- Do memory exercises and games

Find links to memory games and resources online at *CountyLinesMagazine.com*.

GUIDE TO 55+ AND SENIOR COMMUNITIES

OUR REGION HAS MANY COMMUNITIES FOR ACTIVE SENIORS AND THOSE REQUIRING SOME ASSISTANCE. HERE IS A GUIDE TO A FEW HIGH-QUALITY OPTIONS.

COMMUNITIES FOR THE FIT. ACTIVE AND INDEPENDENT

ur area has a variety of communi-Uties built and managed for active seniors. They're essentially planned neighborhoods-townhouses, condos, apartments-catering to older adults who still feel young. Some are called "55+" communities, others "active adult," "retirement" or "independent living" communities. Generally, many feel like resorts. Here are a few.

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### Turkey Twists.

Dreading your daily post-Thanksgiving turkey sandwiches? If turkey is the centerpiece of your family's traditional meal, don't let leftovers dumb-down your menu. Turn dull to delicious with a turkey and sweet

potato breakfast quiche. Spice things up with Tuesday squash and turkey Taco Day or treat your kids to a turkey and cranberry BBQ pizza. This year, welcome the leftovers with the help of fast and fun turkey recipes. More at LakeWinds.com.



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Salad Secrets, Fresh yummy salads aren't just for summer. Though strawberries may be a sweet memory, apples and Swiss chard have just arrived at the market. Keep your health kick rolling into colder weather with fall-fresh salads. Pick a Parmesan, fennel and arugula dish, a perfect pear salad with cranberries, or make it Mediterranean with prosciutto, pomegranate and sweet mint leaves. Stock your fridge with healthy seasonal produce for salads that never go out of season. Check out Epicurious.com.



### Tasty Triple Threat.

BBQ, burritos and baked goods-oh my! This fall, The Market at Liberty Place in Kennet Square is full of new dining experiences. Try a traditional chicken kabob with chips and guac or a healthy falafel burrito at Kaboburrito, a novel Mexiterranean grill. In the mood for comfort food? Enjoy

smoked pork, potato salad and cornbread from MnM BBQ. And for dessert, pop by The Market's newest addition, Sugar Daddy's Bake Shoppe, for a sweet, homemade treat. The Market AtLiberty Place.com.

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# Brandywine Table

# Let's NOT Talk Turkey

### IS THIS THE YEAR TO TRY SOMETHING NEW?

T THE RISK OF INCITING THE IRE OF THE THANKS giving gods, this year I'm keeping mum on the subject of turkey.

No, I haven't turned my back on the beloved bird. I'm simply being responsive to the many folks who find that even a mediumsized gobbler is too big for their small guest list. And then there are those who've confessed in hushed tones that turkey is not their be-all, end-all. These folks just want to try a new main dish, maybe a roast of pork, maybe a goose. For them, I offer this column.

With 30 years of food service experience, butcher Bill Ringsdorf has prepared and eaten many a Thanksgiving dinner. He started out as a prep and line cook in various local restaurants. He co-owned Exton's Grapevine restaurant with his wife, worked as the sous chef at Longwood Gardens, and served as food and beverage director of Downingtown Golf Club for a number of years.

In June of this year, Bill and his wife, Jeanie, opened O'Connor's Market in Guthriesville. (O'Connor is Jeanie's maiden name.) O'Connor's offers high quality meats and cold-cuts and essential groceries. "Our goal is to help people cook for themselves again," says Ringsdorf. "We want to supply them with good, quality ingredients and get them back in their own kitchens."

Even in your own kitchen, though, preparing the centerpiece of Thanksgiving dinner can be intimidating, especially when you're upending tradition. The best way to begin is to purchase your fresh meat or poultry a day or so in advance of cooking. If you must buy frozen, defrost it in the refrigerator for a few days. "You can't expect to get a frozen Cornish hen or duck, thaw it quickly and have it taste great," says Ringsdorf.

You also need to choose wisely. Your butcher can help you decide which duck or goose, pork or beef roast looks best. Be sure to ask how much to buy per person and whether the meat was previously frozen.

If you can't talk to a butcher, Ringsdorf offers a few guidelines.

Laura Muzzi Brennan



Plan on 6-10 oounces per person including bones and skin. That way, you won't run out of meat and your guests can have seconds. When buying pork and beef, look for firm flesh and fat that's light pinkish-white, not grey. Remember that fat keeps meat from drying out and adds flavor, so opt for some fat outside and marbling within.

For poultry, choose birds with a solid color throughout. If the flesh is washed out, that's not your bird. And whether you want poultry or meat, choose cuts with almost no aroma and little to no liquid in the packaging because liquid often indicates the presence of preservatives.

When it comes to cooking, Ringsdorf has a couple of suggestions. One, use a meat thermometer. This inexpensive tool can truly save the day. And two, keep in mind that cooking meat to perfection is not a race. It's about reaching the right internal temperature in the ideal amount of time. Bottom line: low and slow is the way to go.

This Thanksgiving, whether you talk turkey or learn a new language, I hope every bite is worthy of thanks.

#### Boneless Beef Rib Roast with Garlic. Herbs and Pan Gravy

Recipe courtesy of Bill Ringsdorf, O'Connor's Market.



- 3-4 lb. beef ribeye, whole, trimmed and unsliced
- 3 sprigs fresh rosemary
- 3 sprigs fresh thyme
- 1 tsp. kosher salt
- 1 tsp. ground black pepper
- 2 tsp. chopped garlic
- $\frac{1}{2}$  C. red wine
- 2 C. prepared beef broth
- 1/4 C. all-purpose flour
- Heat the oven to 425°. Place the beef in

a roasting pan, rib side down. Remove leaves from herbs and coarsely chop. Discard stems. Mix herbs, salt, pepper and garlic, then spread mixture evenly on top of roast.

Roast for 20 minutes at 425°. Then reduce heat to 300° and cook for an additional 1 to 11/2 hours for medium rare or longer for desired doneness.

Remove roast from oven, place the beef on a cutting board, and allow roast to rest for 15-20 minutes before slicing.

Spoon off fat from pan drippings. Place roasting pan on stovetop over mediumhigh heat, add red wine and gently stir with a wooden spoon, scraping any brown bits from the roasting pan. Reduce heat to medium for 5 minutes. Pour wine mixture through a sieve into a 2-quart saucepan.

In a bowl, whisk together beef broth and flour. Place saucepan over medium heat. Slowly add broth mixture to the saucepan, stirring with a whisk. Cook for 5 minutes until gravy boils and thickens to your liking. Strain again, if needed. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

Present roast and gravy tableside before serving for an elegant holiday meal.

Makes 6-8 servings.

### What's on Your Thanksgiving Table?

In true American melting pot style, many local cooks supplement turkey and stuff-ing with dishes that reflect their heritage or guests' diverse tastes. Here's a peek inside heir Thanksgiving pots.

"The Italian side of my family often has la-sagna in addition to the turkey. One branch of my family was Italian and the other three were Ashkenazi Jewish, so we also alternate soups between escarole and matzah ball." Jennifer M.

"Since my family has Kentucky roots, we serve garlic cheese grits." – Kath H. Note: Food historians believe corn grits – minus cheese-were on the first Thanksgiv-

ing menu in <u>1621.</u> "As a side, we have a fried rice dish without Asian flavorings. It's got veggies and

Sauerbraten

With a nod to his German heritage, Bill Ringsdorf sometimes makes this dish for Thanksgiving dinner.

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> small onion, diced 1 carrot, diced

1 celery stalk, diced

2 oz. pickling spice

- $1\frac{1}{2}$  C. water  $1\frac{1}{2}$  C. red wine vinegar
- 1 Tb. white sugar
- 1 Tb. salt
- 1 Tb. ground black pepper
- 3-4 lb. beef bottom round or rump roast
- 1/4 C. all-purpose flour 2 Tb. vegetable oil

12 gingersnaps cookies, crumbled

In a large glass bowl, mix onion, carrot, celery, pickling spice, water, vinegar, sugar, salt and pepper. Whisk together to make marinade. Place beef roast in marinade. Cover and refrigerate for 3–5 days, turning meat daily. To prepare, remove meat from marinade and pat dry with paper towels, reserving marinade.

Lightly coat marinated beef with flour on all sides. In a Dutch oven or large pot, heat vegetable oil over medium heat. Place beef in pot and brown on all sides, about 10 minutes. Pour marinade over seared beef, cover and reduce heat to mediumlow. Simmer until beef is very tender, about 31/2 to 4 hours. Beef should pull apart with a fork.

Remove beef to a cutting board, allow to rest 15 minutes, and slice.

sometimes, chopped sausage. We fry it until crispy. We always have tortellini in chicken broth and escarole soup with very small chicken meatballs." – Enza D.

"I had vegetarians coming to Thanksgiving last year so I made butternut squash vegducken from an Epicurious recipe. It was delicious but a lot of work!" www.epicurious.com/recipes/food/views/vegducken. – Cara H.

"My grandmother always hosted Thanksgiving, but her help was off on Thursday so we celebrated on Friday with turkey and sweet and sour meatballs." - Jill F.

"My family always has a holiday soup before the meal, which also includes ravioli and lasagna. We are very Italian!" - Kim S.

Strain all solids from beef cooking liquids, and cook over medium heat. Add gingersnap cookies and simmer until gravy is thickened and gingersnaps have softened, 10 minutes. Serve gravy over sliced beef.

Makes 6-8 servings. 

#### Roast Pork Loin with **Chestnut Dressing**

Recipe courtesy of Bill Ringsdorf.



For the pork:

3-4 lbs. pork loin, trimmed Salt and pepper to taste For the dressing: 2 C. chestnuts, whole 11/2 C. butter  $\frac{1}{2}$  C. chopped onion 1 tsp. salt 1/4 tsp. ground black pepper 2 tsp. fresh parsley 1 lb. dry or lightly toasted bread, cubed 3 eggs  $\frac{1}{4}$  C. milk Preheat oven to 350°. Season pork loin

with salt and pepper to taste and place in oven. Roast pork until internal temperature is 145° when tested with a meat thermometer. Allow to rest for 15 minutes before carving.

Prepare dressing while the pork is roasting. Carefully cut slits in the surface of chestnuts with a sharp paring knife. Place chestnuts in a medium saucepan, cover with water, and bring to a boil. Cook for 25 minutes or until soft and tender. Drain, peel and chop chestnuts.

Melt butter in a saucepan over medium heat. Stir in chestnuts, onion, salt, pepper and parsley. Cook until onions are tender, about 3 minutes. Transfer to a baking dish and mix with cubed bread.

In a small bowl, beat eggs and milk together and pour over bread and onion mixture.

Bake dressing 30–45 minutes until crisp and browned. Serve with roast pork.

Makes 6-8 servings.

#### Alternative: Stuffed Roast Pork

Prepare the chestnut dressing in advance as above.

To clean the raw pork, place on a cutting board, fat cap up. From the side, split pork lengthwise but do not cut all the way through, leaving a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1" seam. Open pork loin and lightly pound with a meat tenderizer to  $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{3}{4}$ " thick.

Place cooked stuffing inside open pork loin. Fold over and tie with butcher's twine. Roast pork in 350° oven until internal temperature of the pork and the stuffing reaches 165°. Rest stuffed pork for 15 minutes before slicing.

Makes 6-8 servings.

#### **Cornish Hens with Mushroom Stuffing**

The birds I cooked for this recipe weighed 21/4 lbs. each (before I removed giblets), so I planned one hen for every two people. With smaller hens, each person gets a bird.



dry. Salt the cavity. Spoon 11/2 C. stuffing inside each bird and tie legs together with twine. You'll have more than half the stuffing left over. Place it in a small casserole dish and set aside for later cooking.

Turkey may be central to modern day Thanksgivings, but historically, it shared the table with other poultry and meat.

In his account of the 1621 harvest celebration—the only surviving eyewitness re-cord of the event—colonist Edward Winslow mentions just two foods: wildfowl and deer Noting that geese, ducks and wild turkeys abounded in 17th-century New England, food historians believe these birds graced the first Thanksgiving table.

But the forgotten star of that menu was

For the stuffing: 6 Tb. unsalted butter, divided 2 stalks celery, chopped into 1/4-1/2" pieces

(<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-1 C.) 1/2 medium yellow onion, chopped (3/4-1 C.)  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. button mushrooms, roughly chopped  $\frac{1}{4}$  C. parsley 1 Tb. fresh sage (or to taste)  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. celery salt (or to taste) 1/2 lb. herb seasoned cubed stuffing 2 C. chicken broth Salt and pepper to taste For the hens: 1 large onion

Olive oil Salt and pepper to taste

\* If frozen, thaw hens in refrigerator for 1-2 days. Preheat oven to 400°.

To make the stuffing:

To stuff and cook the hens: Slice the onion into 1/4-1/2" discs and place in a single layer in a casserole dish. Remove giblets and save for another use.

#### Thanksgiving Deer

2, 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-lb. Cornish game hens\*

Melt 4 Tb. butter in a large skillet over medium heat. Add celery and onion and cook for 5 minutes until they start to soften, stirring frequently. Add 2 Tb. butter to skillet and melt. Stir in mushrooms and cook vegetable mixture for 3-5 more minutes. Turn off heat. Stir in parsley, sage and celery salt. Stir in stuffing cubes. Start adding broth 1/2 C. at a time to moisten

Rinse Cornish hens in a colander and pat

deer. Colonists considered venison a high status food because back in England, only the landed gentry, who owned the parks and forests populated by deer, enjoyed this delicacy. When the Wampanoag presented five deer to the Colonists as a sign of respect and friendship, the Colonists were thrilled ...and oh so hungry!

To read more about Thanksgiving foods and traditions, look for Giving Thanks by Kathleen Curtin, Sandra L. Oliver and Plimoth Plantation

Brush hens all over with olive oil. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place breast side down on top of onions and roast for 30 minutes. Turn hens over and roast for another 30-50 minutes until stuffing and thickest part of the thigh register 165° on a meat thermometer. If breast starts to get too brown while cooking, cover loosely with aluminum foil. During the last 30 minutes of roasting hens, bake stuffing until top starts to brown and crisp.

Let hens sit for 10 minutes before serving. Serve with onions and extra stuffing.

Makes 4 servings.

#### Roast Goose with Stuffing and Gravy

If you opt for goose, which may have been at the first Thanksgiving, see sidebar, choose one that's young, small and with a thick layer of fat for tastiness.



For the goose: 12-lb. aoose Salt and pepper for seasoning 1 lemon, optional

If frozen, defrost in the refrigerator at least two days, taking it out at least an hour before cooking. Reserve giblets for gravy. Save liver to make paté. (See our online recipe at CountyLinesMagazine.com.)

Remove and save the highly prized fat, which can be melted slowly-renderedover low heat. Brining the goose is recommended. That's done 12 to 24 hours in advance. (See our brining recipe online.)

Preheat oven to 350°. Prick the skin (just skin, not the meat) with a needle to help the juices flow. Rub the inside and out with salt and pepper, and lemon if desired.

Put breast-side up on a rack in a roasting pan. Baste with pan juices every 30 minutes. After an hour, reduce to 325°. Continue roasting until browned and done (juices run pink when the thigh is pricked).

Remove the rendered fat at least two or three times during roasting. Save it in a jar.

Let the goose rest for half an hour. Cut the wings at the body, severing at the second joint. Do the same with legs and thigh, removing each as one piece. Separate breast by slicing along the breastbone, carving along the ribs, so it comes off whole. Set breasts with skin up and slice into <sup>1</sup>/3-inch medallions.

Serve with stuffing and gravy. Serves 6 to 8.

For the stuffing: 4 C. wild rice, cooked 2 C. sausage, cooked 1/2 C. onion, sautéed 1 C. dried apricots <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> C. pistachios

Mix all the ingredients. Put stuffing in a separate covered casserole in the same oven. Makes about 8 cups.

For the gravy: Goose neck and giblets 1 Tb. oil 1 carrot 1 onion 2–3 bay leaves 2–3 tsp. of thyme 2 C. cider 4 C. stock 2 Tb. goose fat 4 Tb. flour

Sauté neck, giblets, carrot, onion, bay leaves and thyme in the oil. The meat should be brown and caramelized. Add cider and stock. Reduce liquid by half, and set aside.

Then heat the fat and flour and stir to

make a brown paste (the consistency of wet sand). Lower the heat and slowly pour in cider/stock and stir. Season to taste.

Put in a gravy boat and keep it warm.

Laura traces her love of all things culinary to the first time she leafed through her mother's Betty Crocker's Cooky Book-which still occupies a place of honor among her 600+ cookbooks. A passionate supporter of local food, she co-founded a farmers market, judges area food contests, and anticipates restaurant openings with the excitement most people reserve for winning a Mega Millions jackpot.



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# Finish Lines

# EVEN TODAY'S HUMBLEST CARS BUZZ WITH TECHNOLOGY.

T WAS A LONG TIME AGO BUT I CAN STILL RECALL the warning, speed limit and no passing warnings, engine monitoring day I became aware of the impact of electronics on the world of motoring. It wasn't anything as dramatic as a moon shot but it held us grade schoolers in awe. Imagine—all we had to do was push a button on a classmate's father's Cadillac and the windows would slide up or down without cranking! Imagine-electric windows! We were breathless, wondering what technological marvels awaited us down the road.

Today we know. From rear bumpers to hood ornaments, even the humblest of today's cars buzzes with technology designed to make driving safer, more convenient and more pleasurable for drivers and passengers without breaking the bank.

Take, for instance, Fiat's "1957" coupe, so named for the year the original debuted in Italy. Given its jaunty charm, you might presume the little four seater to be not much more than a charming toy. But the diminutive import, priced from \$17,000, boasts an array of high tech devices once seen only in the most pricey luxury sedans, including a park assist system, back-up camera with rear trajectory display, lane departure warning, and forward collision warning. All this, with a dash of *la dolce vita*.

Likewise, it might be easy to presume that the subcompact Mini Cooper S is all post-Twiggy nostalgia (ask your parents), but it's adopted industry wide. loaded with practical tech. Especially useful is the Mini's new heads-The Fusion V6 sport is the first Ford equipped with a computerup display that projects vehicle speed, route guidance and voice comcontrolled shock absorber system as a standard feature. Onboard mands on a transparent shield that rises between driver and dashcomputers analyze multiple signals from 12 high-resolution sensors, board. The Heads Up system also shows visual signals for collision adjusting the dampers every two milliseconds for the best vehicle

Mini Cooper S 2016 Heads Up Sy

Jack Smith

information and entertainment settings.

Everybody needs a reminder from time to time. That's the thinking behind the Rear Seat Reminder from GMC's 2017 Acadia. This feature works by monitoring the Acadia's rear doors to ensure that the driver doesn't forget what-or whom-he's transporting.

The feature activates when either rear door is opened and closed within 10 minutes of the vehicle being started, or if those doors are opened and closed while the vehicle is running. Under these circumstances, the next time the vehicle is turned off after a door activation, the Acadia will sound five audible chimes and display a message that reads, "Rear Seat Reminder / Look in Rear Seat." An industry first, the system can be a helpful convenience or, in some circumstances, a lifesaver, depending on whether the new seven-passenger crossover SUV is used for hauling cargo, pets or children in the rear seat.

Nobody likes a pothole. According to AAA, pothole damage costs U.S. drivers about \$3 billion a year and a single bone-jarring encounter with one-causing tires to blow or knocking suspensions out of line-can set drivers back several hundreds of dollars. So it may be just a matter of time before Ford's latest innovation is



response in every situation. When the edge of a pothole is detected, the car's computer adjusts the dampers faster than the blink of an eye to their stiffest settings so the wheel doesn't dive so far into the pothole. Because the tire and wheel don't drop as far, they don't impact the opposite side of the pothole as harshly.

The rear suspension can respond even faster, with a signal from the front wheel providing a pre-warning to the rear wheel well before it reaches the pothole. Suspension tuning can be changed at the push of a button—normal mode balances comfort and handling for daily driving, while sport mode's increased overall damping rates allow the car to respond quicker to driver input and to corner flatter for more spirited driving.

Anyone who's ever given the keys to the family sedan to a newly licensed driver will appreciate the Teen Driver system, available this year on the new Chevrolet Malibu. Basically it's a kind of high tech nanny intended to promote safety on the road by monitoring how the car is driven with the teen-or anyone else, for that matter, say, an aging parent-behind the wheel.

To use Teen Driver, a parent needs only to activate the feature by creating a PIN in the Settings menu of the car's MyLink system. When active, Teen Driver automatically mutes the radio until front safety belts are fastened. The sound system's maximum volume may also be set to a lower level so it doesn't distract the driver from the road ahead. Parents can select a maximum speed between 40-75 mph, which, if exceeded, activates visual and audible warnings.

The car's safety features-stability control, traction control, forward collision alert or forward collision braking—are automatically turned on when Teen Driver is activated, with no option to manually disable them. The system will continue in place as long as the app is activated. When in traffic, the system records stability control and antilock brake events, as well as alerts issued by the forward collision features. Some new drivers may whine and sulk, but they'll thank vou later.

Ever since the debut of OnStar in 1996, Cadillac has set the pace in auto high tech. This year Cadillac continues to delight with a wide variety of tech-y indulgences. There's a Night Vision system that uses thermal

technology to show people and large animals on the road ahead. Optional Surround Vision gives an overhead view of the vehicle and its environs. With Wireless Smartphone charging, power-hungry millennials need no longer fear dropped calls mid-conversation.

There's even the next generation in mirrors-the "full-display" or rear camera mirror. Drivers experiencing this technology for the first time might find it takes some getting used to. The CT6 sedan's rearview mirror looks like a standard auto-dimming mirror but instead of a reflection, you see a video projected from a rooftop camera, thereby doubling or tripling the rearward view. If the camera stops working, the mirror automatically reverts to auto-dimming mode.

OnStar remains popular, as its clientele have discovered more and more uses for the service. Say, for instance, you want to get a table at swanky Chez Escargot. Chances are better of getting a reservation via OnStar than by showing up and pleading your case in person. As a spokesman for one renowned restaurant confided to the New York Times, "Restaurants set aside tables for concierges."

Clearly worlds away from those electric windows.  $\blacklozenge$ 

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# [People & Places] A look back at some great events -



On September 24, Home of the Sparrow hosted a "Gathering" at Penns Woods Winery in Chadds Ford, a benefit for the organization that serves women and children facing homelessness. Guests enjoyed complimentary wine, appetizers, dinner and dessert, plus live music.



Family and friends came together for the 7th Annual Lobston Bake on Saturday, October 8 at Thorncroft Equestrian Center in Malvern. A fantastic feast was enjoyed by all, as well as entertainment, music and kids activities.







Women's Committee of The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia members Megan Rohr of Malvern and Marian Ormont of Devon, plan the 2016 Holiday Boutique, Nov. 30-Dec. 1. A signature fundraiser, the Holiday Boutique supports patient care, research and education.



The U.S. Paralympic team were honored at Dressage at Devon. Included are Rebecca Hart, Sydney Collier, Margaret "Gigi" McIntosh and Annie Peavey.

Radnor Hunt Concours d'Elegance held a Black Tie Gala, Auction and Art Show on September 10. In attendance, Jennifer Kenney of Downingtown, John and Dawn Lawless of East Fallowfield and Dawn Deppi of Holland, PA.

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