

NOVEMBER 30

Chester County Historical Society—Breakfast with Santa. Enjoy a buffet breakfast with Santa. Children get to sit with Santa to share their Christmas wish lists, take photos and receive a goody bag. Seats are limited and registration is required. 225 N. High St.. 9:30 to noon. For tickets, 610-692-4800; ChesterCoHistorical.org.

DECEMBER 6

QVC West Chester Christmas Parade. See article “Blast from the Past: Celebrating 40 Years of Christmas Fun.”

THROUGH DECEMBER 22

West Chester Railroad Santa’s Express. See *Best Local Events* section.

THROUGH DECEMBER 24

21st Annual Miniature Show & Big Red Bow Lighting at Sunset Hill Fine Arts Gallery. Featuring miniature paintings by a variety of favorite Chester County artists done in all mediums and artistic style. *Nov. 29*, Opening Reception, 4 to 8 pm; lighting of the bow at dusk. *Dec. 12*, Men’s Night with great savings and complimentary gift wrap. 23 N. High St. 610-692-0374; SunsetHillJewelers.com.

NOVEMBER 23–DECEMBER 31

Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center.

Nov. 23–24, The Brandywine Singers present Handel’s *Messiah*; *Nov. 29*, PA Philharmonic Big Band with Holiday Swing; *Nov. 30*, Better Than Bacon Comedy Improv’s Gives Back Benefit; *Dec. 1*, Opera tutti, “Amahl and the Night Visitors;” *Dec. 12*, Dueling Pianos. 226 N. High St. Check website for tickets and times. 610-356-2787; UptownWestChester.org.

DECEMBER 7

West Chester Public Library’s Holiday Home Tour. See *Holiday House Tours*.

DECEMBER 7

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

DECEMBER 8

Brian’s Run. Started as a fundraiser for an injured 15-year-old football player, now benefits “Homes for our Troops.” Races start at Henderson High School, 400 Montgomery Ave. 12:40 Diaper Dash, up to age 3; 12:45 Tot Trot, ages 3–8; 12:50 Fun Run, ages 9 and older; 1 pm Brian’s Run, 5 mile. \$25–\$30. Sign up at BriansRun.org.

DECEMBER 12

Safe Harbor of Chester County’s Santa Band. Playing in restaurants and bars throughout the borough. Starts at Iron Hill Brewery at 6:30 until 9:30 pm. The band will be dressed as Santas. Donations benefit Safe Harbor. 610-340-1182; SafeHarborOfGWC.org.

DECEMBER 13–22

Brandywine Ballet Presents *The Nutcracker*. See article, *Holiday Performances to Brighten the Season*.

DECEMBER 14

American Helicopter Museum Santa Fest. See Santa arrive by helicopter to greet and hear the wish lists of good girls and boys. Bring your camera for a photo opp in Santa’s Workshop. Music, snacks, crafts and more. 1220 American Blvd. 10 to 1. AmericanHelicopter.museum.

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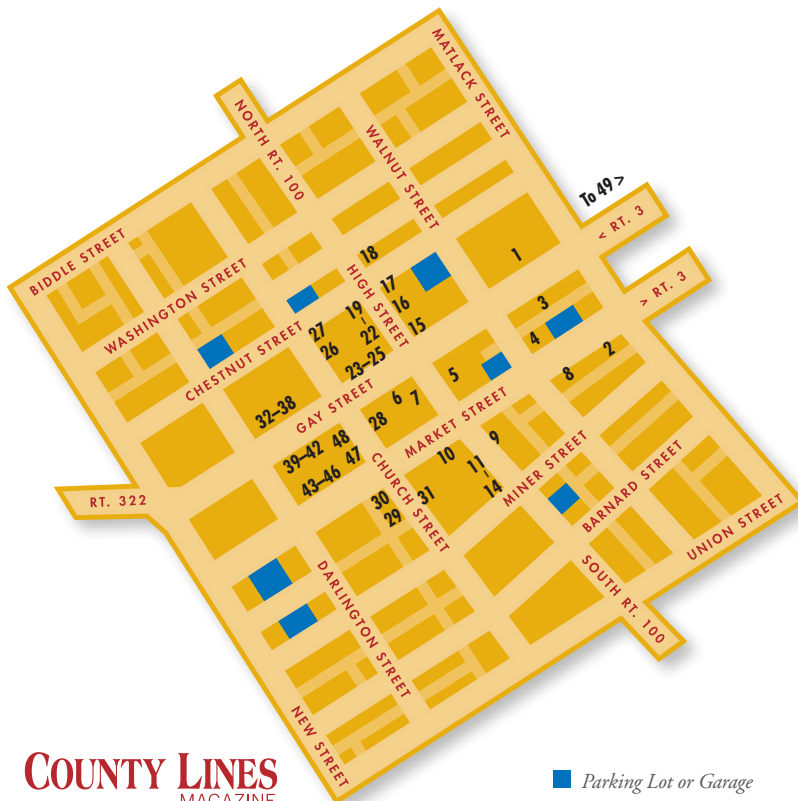
Holiday Festival at Oakbourne Mansion. Enjoy holiday crafts, games, music, refreshments, cookie decorating and photos with Santa. 1014 S. Concord Rd. 10 to 1. Free. 610-692-1930; WesttownPA.org.

DECEMBER 31

Puttin’ On the Glitz 2019. See *December Picks*. More at DowntownWestChester.com.

DOWNTOWN WEST CHESTER

HOLIDAY SHOPPING GUIDE



1. Luxey Little Ones
2. G-Spot Thrift Boutique
3. fish Boutique
4. Imperio Maya Mexican Grocery
5. Sunset Hill Jewelers Fine Arts Gallery
6. La Chic Boutique
7. Coins of Chester County
8. Compendium Boutique
9. Phineas Gage
10. Art Trust Gallery at Meridian Bank
11. Kati MacFloral Designs
12. A Taste of Olive
13. Éclat Chocolate
14. Bryn Mawr Running Co.
15. Veruzka
16. Jane Chalfant / Kiki Boutique
17. Artistic Eyewear
18. Chester Co. Hist. Soc.
18. Paper Moon @ CCHS
19. G&G Cigars
20. Sabrina Ann Couture
21. Visual Expansion Gallery
22. Emily Alice
23. Fairman’s Skate Shop
24. KALY
25. Big Diamond Importers & Fine Jewelry
26. The Prana House
27. TranquiliTEA
28. The Antique Shop
29. Church Street Gallery
30. Woman’s Exchange
31. All the Dogs
32. Clout Glass
33. Jacqueline’s Boutique
34. Creep Records
35. Rimon’s Coffee & Grocery
36. May 23 Clothing & Accessories
37. Precision Eye Care
38. Malena’s Vintage Boutique
39. H. Rose Boutique
40. Blink
41. Green Eyed Lady
42. Taylor’s Music Store & Studios
43. The 5 Senses
44. Mainline Custom Clothiers
45. Old Soul Décor
46. Kaplan’s Fine Jewelry
47. Second Reading Book Store
48. Thrifty Vintage
49. Steele House Nutrition