

Datebook Calendar

For 2020 we bring you a full calendar of fundraisers, galas and events to fill your datebook as you support great local causes and have some fun along the way.

JANUARY

A Taste of Phoenixville JANUARY 16

Good food for a great cause. Creative cuisines, silent auction, live music, local wine and beer, and plenty of surprises make this a great start to the year. Benefits Good Samaritan Shelter helping with homelessness. *Franklin Commons, 400 Franklin Ave., Phoenixville. TasteOfPhoenixville.com.*

Alex's Lemonade Stand 14th Annual Lemon Ball JANUARY 18

Wear your yellow at a fabulous evening of dining, dancing, auctions, entertainment and listening to amazing stories of heroes big and small, plus help kids with cancer. *Philadelphia Marriott*

Downtown, 1201 Market St., Phila. AlexsLemonade.org.

Kennett Chocolate Lovers Festival JANUARY 26

Chocoholics and other fans sample hundreds of treats created by all levels of bakers who vie for awards at this tasty annual event. Benefits United Way of Southern Chester Co. *Kennett High School, 100 E. South St., Kennett Square. KennettChocolate.org.*

FEBRUARY

Philadelphia Auto Show FEBRUARY 7-17

Cruise on over to one of the country's top auto shows—700 vehicles from 40 manufacturers at this elegant fundraiser. Feb.

7, Black Tie Tailgate, benefits the Dept. of Nursing at Children's Hospital of Phila. *PA Convention Center, 1101 Arch St., Philadelphia. PhillyAutoShow.com.*

Jump! For Willowdale Steeplechase FEBRUARY 22

Party the night away with DJ Freeze, a photo booth and silent auction at this lively event and start planning for the steeplechase season. Benefits Stroud Water Research Center, Penn. Vet's New Bolton Center. *Yellow House, 101 E. Street Rd., Kennett Square. WillowdaleSteeplechase.org.*

9th Empty Bowls Event at Red Clay Room FEBRUARY 27

There are hearty soups, healthy salads and handmade bowls to

take home, plus a silent auction at this annual caring fundraiser. Benefits the Kennett Food Cupboard. *423 Dalmatian St., Kennett Square. KACSONline.net.*

Phila. Flower Show Preview Party Gala FEBRUARY 28

Early birds get a peek at one of the best flower shows before it opens to the public and support the greening initiatives of the PA Horticultural Society. *PA Convention Center, 1101 Arch St., Phila. TheFlowerShow.com.*

Lights of Life Mardi Gras Gala FEBRUARY 29

The Delaware Breast Cancer Coalition gala honors the lives of breast cancer survivors at this well attended event. The purchase of a tribute of celebration or a memorial marks their legacy. *Dover Downs Hotel & Casino, 1131 N. DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE. DEBreastCancer.org.*

Cheers for CHOP FEBRUARY 29

Hip, hip, hooray for an evening of live music, cocktails, dancing and an incredible silent auction at this fun event. Benefits the Division of Urology at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. *The Fillmore Philadelphia, 29 E. Allen St., Philadelphia. CheersFor.Chop.edu.*

MARCH

King of Prussia Restaurant Week MARCH 9-15

Dine out for a good cause and enjoy the delish and growing dining scene in King of Prussia, where there's always something new. Benefits Children's Hosp. of Philadelphia KOP Specialty Care Center. *VisitKOP.com/KOPRestaurantWeek.*

11th Annual Taste of the Main Line MARCH 12

The Emergency Aid of PA Foundation hosts an evening of culinary delights from premier area restaurants to fund scholarships, grants and mentoring for local children and families. *Radnor Financial Center's Grand Atrium, 150 N. Radnor Chester Rd., Radnor. TasteoftheMainLine.com.*

38th Chester County Antiques and Arts Show MARCH 13-15

Browse and buy fine collections from 42 top antiques dealers at this long-running show. Benefits the Chester County Historical Society. *Church Farm School, 1001 E. Lincoln Hwy., Exton. ChesterCoHistorical.org.*

ACT in Faith of Greater West Chester 8th Chef's Best Event MARCH 19

Enjoy specialties from top restaurants and cast your vote for the "Best of Chef's Best." Benefits ACT in Faith, an interfaith organization that empowers un- and under-employed West Chester residents. *West Chester University Alumni & Foundation Center, 202 Carter Dr., West Chester. ACTInFaithGWC.org.*

Radnor Hunt Pre-Race Conserved Land Tour MARCH 21

Take a guided tour of the Brandywine Conservancy's preserved lands near the Radnor Hunt Club—including the race track—and learn more about steeplechase racing and the importance of open space. *Radnor Hunt,*

826 Providence Rd., Malvern. Brandywine.org/events.

Art of Caring: Roaring '20s at the Hickman MARCH 21

Dress in '20s period clothing and watch artists create art, live. The works are then auctioned, along with other artworks. Plus live music and delicious food. *400 N. Walnut St., West Chester. TheHickman.org.*

10th Annual Rockin' Docs for Diabetes Cure MARCH 22

This fundraiser and concert—featuring musicians who are doctors with a connection to diabetes—benefits JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) to help find a cure for type 1 diabetes and its complications. *City Winery, 990 Filbert St., Philadelphia. RockinDocs.org.*

Thorncroft's 35th Annual Victory Gallop MARCH 28

This year's "Simply Magic" black-tie dinner, with dancing and silent auction, benefits the therapeutic riding programs at Thorncroft. *The Bellevue, 200 S. Broad St., Phila. Thorncroft.org.*

"All That's Purple Affair" Unmasking Domestic Violence MARCH 28

Join guest emcees Tracy Davidson and Jen Croneberger at a cocktail reception, dinner, entertainment and auctions. Benefits the Domestic Violence Center of Chester County. *Franklin Commons, 400 Franklin Ave., Phoenixville. DVCCC.com.*

3rd Annual Casino Night for Brian's House MARCH 28

Place your bet on supporting Brian's House, which runs residential, day and employment options for adults with intellectual disabilities. Featuring food, drink, music, games and big prizes. *Main Office, 757 Springdale Dr., Exton. BriansHouse.org/CasinoNight.*

20th Anniversary of The Red Ball MARCH 28

"Party with a Purpose" when you attend this black tie charity gala with dancing, live entertainment, raffles and silent auction. Benefits The Red Cross House Center for Disaster Recovery. *Vie by Cescaphe, N. Broad St., Phila. TheRedBall.org.*

Chester County Community Foundation Sweet Charity Event MARCH 30

Fun, food and philanthropy—Chester County's finest dessert chefs showcase their delectable creations at this annual fundraiser. Benefits the Foundation's work with legacy philanthropy. *Whitford Country Club, 600 Whitford Hills Rd., Exton. ChesCoCF.org.*

APRIL

People's Light 45th Anniversary Gala APRIL 3

Enjoy a festive cocktail reception, silent auction and dinner in The Farmhouse Pavilion. Then head to the Leonard C. Haas Stage to see how art-making and civic exchange come together. *People's Light, 39 Conestoga Rd., Malvern. PeoplesLight.org.*

78th Brandywine Hills Point-to-Point APRIL 5

Celebrate the first race of the season! See pony races, kids activities and great raffle prizes. Dogs on leashes welcome at this family-friendly event. Benefits



Devon Horse Show & Country Fair, May
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Coaches vs. Cancer Basketball Gala, April



Bridge of Hope Spring Gala Luncheon, May



Canine Partners for Life
"Unleashed and Uncorked," May

Brandywine Red Clay Alliance.
Myrick Conservation Center, 1760
Unionville-Wawaset Rd., West
Chester. BrandywineRedClay.org.

► **Radnor Hunt Pre-Race
Pop Up Shops**

APRIL 9

Shop from pop-up boutiques and specialty stores for all you need to be Race Day ready. *Radnor Hunt*, 826 Providence Rd., Malvern. Brandywine.org/events.

► **Coaches vs. Cancer
BasketBall**

APRIL 11

Score a ticket to join Philadelphia's NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Coaches and their wives when they host this black-tie evening featuring dinner, entertainment, auctions and dancing. Benefits the American Cancer Society. *Park Hyatt at the Bellevue*, 200 S. Broad St., Philadelphia. PhiladelphiaBasketBallGala.org.

**Exchange Club
"Comedy for a Cause"**

APRIL 16

Laugh as you give a helping hand at this improv comedy show featuring Better Than Bacon, in "Bacon Gives Back." Benefits the Exchange Club's programs including youth and community projects. *Uptown! Knauer Arts Center*, 226 N. High St., West Chester. UptownWestChester.org.

**Schuylkill River 50K
Relay & Ultra Marathon**

APRIL 18

Race for a good cause—solo or in teams of 3 or 6 runners. Starts and ends at St. Michael's Park, 400 Jacobs St., Mont Clare. Benefits the Schuylkill River Heritage Area. SchuylkillRiverRelay.com.

**Tropical Luau Party, DE
Museum of Nat'l History**

APRIL 18

Celebrate the approach of summer at a tropical luau featuring butterflies, birds, beach music, limbo and Tiki Bar. Benefits the Museum. 4840 Kennett Pk., Wilmington. DelMNH.org.

► **Greater Philadelphia
Congenital Heart Walk**

APRIL 18

Supporters of all ages are invited to walk through the Philadelphia Zoo at this fun spring event. Benefits the Adult Congenital Heart Association and The Children's Heart Foundation. 3400 W. Girard Ave., Philadelphia. Events.CongenitalHeartWalk.org.

► **The Philadelphia Show**

APRIL 23–26

In its 58th year, this antiques and art show offers exceptional dealers and museum-quality pieces. Benefits the Phila. Museum of Art and Penn Medicine. Navy Yard, 11th St. & Kittyhawk Ave., Phila. ThePhiladelphiaShow.com.

**47th Annual
Yellow Springs
Art Show**

APRIL 24–MAY 10

Buy art to support the arts. This well-respected art show features works by artists from the Delaware Valley and beyond. Benefits the arts, education, historic preservation and environmental protection of Historic Yellow Springs. 1685 Art School Rd., Chester Springs. YellowSprings.org.

**Safe Harbor's
Spring Celebration**

APRIL 25

Celebrate spring as you enjoy cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, dinner and auctions for a good cause. Benefits Safe Harbor of Chester County, providing shelter and support to those experiencing homelessness. *Chester Valley Golf Club*, 430 W. Swedesford Rd., Malvern. SafeHarbor-OfGWC.org.

**Constellations—A Night
of Shining Stars for
Peter's Place**

APRIL 25

Enjoy an elegant evening of cocktails, dinner and auctions to support the mission of Peter's Place, providing safe and supportive environments for grieving children and families. *Merion Golf Club*, 450 Ardmore Ave., Ardmore. PetersPlaceOnline.org.

**DE Center for
Horticulture 38th
Rare Plant Auction**

APRIL 25

A stunning variety of rare or newly introduced plants are auctioned at this lush event in Longwood's Conservatory. Benefits communities and urban greening programs. 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square. TheDCH.org.

**Unite For HER—Bloom
Spring Fashion Show**

APRIL 26

A spring celebration of life, fashion and community, featuring Unite for HER participants and families. Benefits local women affected by breast and ovarian cancer. *Drexelbrook*, 4700 Drexelbrook Dr., Drexel Hill. UniteForHer.org.

**Bucks County Designer
House & Gardens**

APRIL 26–MAY 24

Tour Creekside, a c.1850 farmhouse and grounds, as designers transform the property. Benefits Doylestown Hospital and the Village Improvement Association. BucksCountyDesignerHouse.org.

► **Delaware Marathon
Running Festival**

APRIL 26

Travel across Brandywine Park, on the parkways, through historic neighborhoods and Rodney Square. Benefits the Cardiac Center, Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hosp. for Children. *Tubman Garrett Riverfront Park*,

815 Justison St., Wilmington. DelawareMarathon.org.

**Annual Celebrity
Chef's Brunch**

APRIL 26

Join honorary chair Chef Carrie Baird, a *Top Chef* alum, for a morning of gourmet cuisine prepared by renowned chefs plus fine wines, cocktails and auctions. Benefits Meals on Wheels in Delaware. *DuPont Country Club*, 1001 Rockland Rd., Wilmington. MealsOnWheelsDE.org.

**"Taste of Spring"
Fashion Show**

APRIL 29

"Get Your Glam On!" Enjoy a delicious lunch, raffles and a silent auction of fashionable items from local merchants. Benefits Paoli Hospital. *Waynesborough Country Club*. Paoli-Auxiliary.org.

MAY

**Canine Partners for Life
Unleashed & Uncorked:
Dogs & Derbies**

MAY 2

Join your favorite CPL pups for a fun-filled evening of all things Kentucky Derby! Enjoy delicious food, meet CPL graduates, and snuggle a few precious pups. *Chester Valley Golf Club*, 430 Swedesford Rd., Malvern. K94Life.org.

**American Helicopter
Museum Gala**

MAY 2

"A Night at the Stage Door Canteen," a 1940s swing theme fundraiser features cocktails, dinner, entertainment and dancing. Costumes encouraged! 1220 *American Blvd.*, West Chester. AmericanHelicopter.Museum.

**Chester County Hosp.
Gala—Caribbean Night**

MAY 2

Let the music transport you to



Brandywine Health Foundation
Garden Party, May

the islands. Benefits the NICU, Abramson Cancer Center, Emergency Dept., Operating Suites at Chester County Hospital. *Longwood Gardens*, 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square. ChesterCountyHospital.org.

► **Blue Cross
Broad St. Run**

MAY 3

Line up for a 10-mile, point-to-point course starting at Central High School Athletic Field in Philly and finishing inside the Navy Yard. Benefits the American Cancer Society. BroadStreetRun.com.

► **42nd Annual
Winterthur
Point-to-Point**

MAY 3

Enjoy a day of elite horse racing on the lush grounds of the Winterthur Estate. A signature Brandywine Valley event complete with antique carriage parade

and antique car exhibit. There's tailgating, hospitality tents and shopping galore. Benefits Winterthur's programs. 5105 Kennett Pk., Wilmington. Winterthur.org.

► **Willowdale in White**

MAY 7

Kick off Willowdale's race weekend in style. Wear white, bring dinner and drinks, table settings and decorations, then dance under the stars. Secret location is emailed that morning. Benefits Stroud Water Research Center, Penn. Veterinary Medicine's New Bolton Center. Willowdale.org.

**Bringing Hope Home
Great Guys Dinner**

MAY 7

The 19th annual event is bringing a sigh of relief to families dealing with the financial hardships a cancer diagnosis has brought on them by offering financial assistance. Join the

great guys (and gals) for dinner, cocktails, auctions and more. *Springfield Country Club, 400 W. Sproul Rd., Springfield. BringingHopeHome.org.*

Bridge of Hope National Spring Gala Luncheon MAY 8

Silent auctions, luncheon. Benefits the mission to end homelessness for local families. *Doubletree Resort, 2400 Willow Street Pk., Lancaster. BridgeOfHopeInc.org.*

Willistown Conservation Trust Barns & BBQ MAY 9

Join an exclusive tour of Willistown's beautiful barns and farms, followed by cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, barbecue dinner and auction. Benefits the Trust's conservation works. *WCTrust.org.*

28th Willowdale Steeplechase MAY 9

Now the Saturday before Mother's Day! Also new, "Tents on the Turn," where guests can enjoy lunch at this family-friendly gathering. Benefits Stroud Water Research Center, Quest Therapeutic Services, Penn. Veterinary Medicine's New Bolton Center. *101 E. Street Rd., Kennett Square. WillowdaleSteeplechase.org.*

90th Radnor Hunt Races MAY 16

Race day is about steeplechase racing, fashion and tradition at this signature event. Celebrate 90 years of horseracing with stylish tailgates, fancy hats, parade of antique carriages and thoroughbred racing. Benefits the Brandywine Conservancy. *Radnor Hunt Grounds, 826 Providence Rd., Malvern. Brandywine.org.*

FORE Health Golf Invitational for Chester County Hospital



Radnor Hunt Races, May
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MAY 18
Benefits the Women's and Children's Health Services and the Women's Auxiliary's pledge towards the Heart and Vascular Program at the Hospital. *Chester Valley Golf Club, 430 Swedesford Rd., Malvern. ChesterCountyHospital.org/Giving.*

Brandywine Health Foundation's Annual Garden Party MAY 20

"An Evening in the French Quarter" includes music, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, a light supper and decadent dessert. Benefits Brandywine Health Foundation's support of a Culture of Health in Coatesville. *Springbank Farm, 301 Five Points Rd., Coatesville. BrandywineFoundation.org.*

**Paoli Hospital Auxiliary Golf Tournament
MAY 20**
Play a round of golf before heading for the cocktail recep-

tion with an open bar, silent auction, raffle and dinner. Benefits Paoli Hospital. *Waynesborough Country Club, Paoli. 484-565-1380; PaoliAuxiliary.org/Golf.*

The Devon Horse Show & Country Fair MAY 21-31

See Olympic-caliber riders, the best local riders, junior classes and munchkins on the Lead Line or come for the fun outside the ring—like the Ladies Hat contest—at the country's oldest and largest outdoor multi-breed horse show. Visit the Country Fair's midway attractions and boutiques. Benefits Bryn Mawr Hospital. *23 Dorset Rd., Devon. DevonHorseShow.net.*

Brandywine River Museum of Art 49th Antiques Show MAY 22-25

For almost 50 years, Memorial Day weekend has marked this premier antiques show, featuring distinguished dealers from the

Mid-Atlantic and beyond. Benefits the Museum Volunteers' Purchase Fund and Art Education & Programming. Preview Party, Fri. May 22. *1 Hoffman's Mill Rd., Chadds Ford. Brandywine.org/events.*

The Strawberry Festival MAY 28-31

The Rotary Club of Coatesville now hosts the Strawberry Festival, still offering the same wonderful family entertainment, rides, kids activities, monster truck rides, craft fair, Friday fireworks and more. Benefits the Coatesville community. *Brandywine Hospital, at Rt. 30 Bypass, Coatesville. BrandywineStrawberryFestival.com.*

The Land Conservancy's Run for Conservation MAY 30

For the 13th year, these family-friendly races offer fantastic prizes. Benefits TLC's mission to preserve open space, natural resources, local watersheds and

agricultural lands in the Greater Southern Chester County region. *TLCforSCC.org.*

JUNE

18th Up On The Roof JUNE 6

Sip a specialty martini as you watch the sunset from a unique vantage point. The West Chester Downtown Foundation and West Chester BID join forces for an evening under the stars with dinner, music, dancing and open bar on the rooftop of the Chestnut Street Garage. Benefits the beautification of West Chester. *14 E. Chestnut St., West Chester. DowntownWestChester.com.*

Alex's Lemonade Stand Great Chef's Event JUNE 6

Culinary superstars along with local stars from the best bars, wineries and craft breweries share their creations at this tasty annual fundraiser at the Navy Yard. *Urban Outfitters Headquarters, Bldg. 543, 5000 S. Broad St., Phila. AlexsLemonade.org.*

Chester County Hospital Polo Cup JUNE 7

Watch thundering horses and their riders play the Sport of Kings as you enjoy live entertainment, a silent auction, beer garden, delicious food and kids' activities. Benefits Ob/Gyn Clinic and The Women's Auxiliary's NICU Pledge for Chester County Hospital. *Brandywine Polo Club, 260 Polo Rd., Toughkenamon. ChesterCountyHospital.org/Giving.*

CVIM's 19th Golf Classic JUNE 9

Join Community Volunteers in Medicine and its partners for a day of golf on a premier course along with breakfast, lunch, dinner, open bar, auction and giveaways, to support the region's largest free healthcare center for the working poor. *Applebrook Golf Club, 100 Line Rd., Malvern. CVIM.org.*

Home of the Sparrow's 26th Annual Gala JUNE 12

Known for its tempting silent auction, this gala is a fundraiser featuring music, dancing, dinner and open bar. Funds help women and children in Chester County avoid homelessness.

Drexelbrook Catering, 4700 Drexelbrook Dr., Drexel Hill. HomeOfTheSparrow.org.

Chester County Community Foundation Chair's Choice JUNE 14

Stroll through Galer Estate Vineyard & Winery, enjoy the beautiful sights and smells of a working vineyard, and honor Chester County Community Foundation Board leaders. *Galer Estate Vineyard & Winery, Kennett Square. ChesCoCF.org.*

Stroud Center's Chukkas and Caddisflies JUNE 14

Enjoy an afternoon at "It's a Battle of the Sexes" match at the Brandywine Polo Club, one of the oldest polo clubs on the East Coast. Benefits Stroud Water Research Center, to advance knowledge and stewardship of freshwater systems. *Brandywine Polo Club, 232 Polo Rd., Toughkenamon. StroudCenter.org.*

French Creek Iron Tour—Cycling for Open Space JUNE 14

Cycle through the rolling hills of historic Iron Furnace country and have a blast! Benefits French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust. *Start and finish at Kimberton Fire Company Fairgrounds, 762 Pike Springs Rd., Phoenixville. IronTour.org.*

Lindsay Maxwell Charitable Fund Brandywine Horse Shows JUNE 24-28, JUNE 30-JULY 5

Offering two weeks of family-friendly equestrian competition at the beautiful Devon Show Grounds. This year the show benefits The Pilot School and Kevin Babbington Foundation. *Rt. 30, Devon. BrandywineHorseShows.com.*

JULY

Friday Night Lights at ChesLen Preserve JULY 10

Star gaze and listen to live music as you sip wine and beer, toast marshmallows and socialize at one of the most beautiful settings in Chester County. This popular event sells out. Benefits Natural Lands. *ChesLen Preserve, 1199 Cannery Rd., Coatesville. NatLands.org.*

21st Annual Blobfest at The Colonial Theatre JULY 10-12

Celebrate the legacy of the beloved film with a weekend full of kitschy, Blob-themed events. Benefits the Colonial Theatre, which is featured in the film. *227 Bridge St., Phoenixville. TheColonialTheatre.com.*

AUGUST

Brandywine in White AUGUST 22

For the Brandywine Valley's pop-up BYO summer gala, guests wear their trendiest white outfits, bring dinner, wine, centerpiece, candles and ambiance. The loca-



Brandywine in Plaid, October

tion is revealed August 16. Benefits Neighbors for Crebilly. [Facebook.com/BrandywineInWhite](https://www.facebook.com/BrandywineInWhite).

Delaware Burger Battle
AUGUST 29

Delaware's top chefs put their best burgers forward as guests sample the burger-licious options. Benefits Ministry of Caring's Emmanuel Dining Room. Cauffiel House, 1016 Philadelphia Pk., Wilmington. [DEBurgerBattle.com](https://www.DEBurgerBattle.com).

SEPTEMBER

Brandywine Valley SPCA's Forget-Me-Not Gala

SEPTEMBER DATE TBA

Guests enjoy spectacular entertainment, delectable dishes, spirited libations, live music, silent and live auctions and, of course, adorable adoptables. *Mendenhall Inn, 323 Kennett Pk., Mendenhall. [BVSPCA.org/Gala](https://www.BVSPCA.org/Gala).*

Radnor Hunt Concours d'Elegance

SEPTEMBER 11–13

Drive on over to this nationally recognized three-day event that includes a Friday Night Barbecue, Chester County Road Rally and Black Tie Gala. Benefits Thorncroft Equestrian Center, specializing in therapeutic horseback riding. *Radnor Hunt, 826 Providence Rd., Malvern. [RadnorConcours.org](https://www.RadnorConcours.org).*

Barclay Friends' 16th Secret Gardens of West Chester Tour

SEPTEMBER 12

Visit the beautiful gardens in the southwest area of West Chester borough at this annual event featuring artists and musicians in many of the gardens. Benefits Barclay Friends' Horticultural Therapy Program. [BF.Kendal.org](https://www.BF.Kendal.org).

5th Annual West Chester Summer Soirée
SEPTEMBER 12

Guests bring their own picnic dinner and cocktails to share

a fun evening with family and friends dining and dancing under the stars. Live entertainment and lots of fun. Benefits Westside Community Center, A Haven and Chester County Family Academy. Location announced August 24. [WCSummerSoiree.org](https://www.WCSummerSoiree.org).

5th Coatesville Invitational Vintage Grand Prix

SEPTEMBER 19

Step back in time to experience authentic early American sports car racing featuring dozens of rare and unique historic cars and motorcycles dating from 1900 to 1970 competing in individually timed races. Benefits the Coatesville community. *Start and finish at 3rd Ave. & Lincoln Hwy., Coatesville. [CoatesvilleGrandPrix.com](https://www.CoatesvilleGrandPrix.com).*

The Farm Explorer Food Festival

SEPTEMBER 25

Meet the people who grow and create the food you eat, sip from local brewers and distillers, relax with friends. The sit-down gala is now an open-air farmers' market. Benefits Greener Partners' fresh food access and education programs in low-income communities. *Radnor Hunt, 826 Providence Rd., Malvern. [GreenerPartners.org](https://www.GreenerPartners.org).*

Bike the Brandywine

SEPTEMBER 26

Riders choose from four routes in the majestic Brandywine Creek Greenway and surrounding area. Benefits the open space and clean water initiatives of the Brandywine Conservancy. *Begins and ends at 1736 N. Creek Rd., Chadds Ford. [Brandywine.org/events](https://www.Brandywine.org/events).*

OCTOBER

Chester County Historical Society's Halloween Ball

OCTOBER DATE TBA

Come in costume and enjoy a live auction, music, costume contest, food and more. *Benefits the historical society. 225 N. High St., West Chester. [ChesterCoHistorical.org](https://www.ChesterCoHistorical.org).*

Main Line Animal Rescue Gran Fondo Cycling Event

OCTOBER DATE TBA

Join 500+ riders to bike the beautiful country roads, enjoy an awards ceremony, great food and beer, live band and raffles, games and meet-and-greet with adoptable dogs. Start and finish at Pickering Meade Farm, the 60-acre home of *Main Line Animal Rescue, 1149 Pike Springs Rd., Phoenixville. [MLAR-GranFondo.org](https://www.MLAR-GranFondo.org).*

43rd Annual Radnor Run

OCTOBER DATE TBA

Lace up your shoes and join the 5-mile timed running race, 1-mile walk/fun run and a health fair after the run. Benefits the American Lung Association. *Radnor Twp. Bldg., 301 Iven Ave., Wayne. [Lung.org/RadnorRun](https://www.Lung.org/RadnorRun).*

80th Chester County Day House Tour

OCTOBER 3

This Chester County tradition is always the first Saturday in October and is known to fans as "The Day." Celebrate the history and architecture of Chester County on this long-running tour, taking you inside stunning homes and historic buildings. Benefits the Women's Auxiliary's pledge to Chester County Hospital. [ChesterCountyDay.com](https://www.ChesterCountyDay.com).

People's Light Golf Classic

OCTOBER 5

"Swing for a Cause" and enjoy friendly competition with those who share a passion for the arts ... and golf. Benefits theater education programs at People's Light. *Waynesborough Country Club. [PeoplesLight.org](https://www.PeoplesLight.org).*



Brandywine Vally SPCA Forget-Me-Not Gala, September



Barclay Friends Secret Gardens of West Chester Tour, September



Brandywine Conservancy's Bike the Brandywine, September

Laurel Hill Cemetery Gravediggers' Ball, October



Thorncroft Equestrian Center's 11th Annual "Lobstah Bake"

OCTOBER 11

Plenty of "lobstah," pork bbq by Jimmy's BBQ, beer garden, live music and kids entertainment at this family-friendly event. Rain or shine in the *Jimmy Moran North Arena, 190 Line Rd., Malvern. Reservations a must. [Thorncroft.org](https://www.Thorncroft.org).*

Rotary Club of West Chester—16th Annual Chili Cookoff

OCTOBER 11

Downtown West Chester gets spicy! Over 70 chili-cooking teams—businesses, nonprofits, hometown cooks—line the streets for this cookoff and compete for prizes in several categories. Sample as many as you can and vote for your favorite. Benefits local nonprofits. *Gay St., West Chester. [WestChesterChiliCookoff.com](https://www.WestChesterChiliCookoff.com).*

Dilworthtown Inn Crush Cancer Wine Festival

OCTOBER 11

Sample 100 wines and craft beers as you enjoy great food, auctions, shopping, music and a car show. Benefits The Abramson Cancer Center at Chester County Hospital and Neighborhood Health Hospice. *1390 Old Wilmington Pk., West Chester. [ChesterCountyHospital.org](https://www.ChesterCountyHospital.org).*

16th Laurel Hill Cemetery Gravediggers' Ball

OCTOBER 16

Themed costumes and masks encouraged at this fun fundraiser. Benefits Friends of Laurel Hill & West Laurel Hill Cemeteries, working to preserve and promote both sites. *The Penn Museum, 3260 South St., Philadelphia. [GravediggersBall.org](https://www.GravediggersBall.org).*

Hoe Down at the Barn at Spring Brook Farm

OCTOBER 17

Dust off yer boots and mosey on over to a Wild West party with plenty of eats and drinks, live band, critters, raffles and auctions. Benefits The Barn at Spring Brook Farm, working with children with disabilities through animal-assisted activities. *The Barn at Spring Brook Farm, 360 Locust Grove Rd., West Chester. [SpringBrookFarm.org](https://www.SpringBrookFarm.org).*

Brandywine in Plaid—Celebrate the Harvest

OCTOBER 24

Following the lead of Brandywine in White, this is a new, more relaxed and colorful event, letting guests wear their jeans, boots and flannels and meet at a Brandywine Valley area location. Benefits preservation of open space. For tickets visit [BrandywineInPlaid.org](https://www.BrandywineInPlaid.org).

Home of the Sparrow's 22nd Fashion Show

OCTOBER 27

Designed to promote the power



Radnor Hunt Conserved Land Tour, March



Lindsay Maxwell Charitable Fund
Brandywine Horse Shows, June and July

of women who support other women who are less fortunate, the event features a runway show with volunteer models, boutique shopping, raffle, auction, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a fabulous dinner. *The Desmond Hotel, 1 Liberty Boulevard, Malvern. HomeOfTheSparrow.org.*

Harvest-Unite for HER Chef and Wine Tasting
OCTOBER 29

Rustic chic farm-to-table chef tasting event featuring the region's best chefs, wines, brews and spirits, plus an auction and live music. Benefits local women affected by breast and ovarian cancer. *Phoenixville Foundry, 2 N. Main St., Phoenixville. Unite-ForHer.org/Harvest.*

NOVEMBER

Main Line Notable Kitchen Tour & Chef Tastings

NOVEMBER DATE TBA

This popular self-guided tour of the Main Line's unique kitchens benefits The Philadelphia Orchestra. Come see gourmet kitchens in six private homes showcasing a notable local chef offering samples of their cuisine, plus gorgeous table decor and flower arrangements. *Notable-Kitchens.com.*

Chester County Futures "Harvest Dinner and Wine Tasting."

NOVEMBER (DATE TBA)

Dinner with wine pairings and items for auction benefitting Chester County Futures, providing academic, mentoring and scholarships for disadvantaged youth. *The High Point, 2475 St. Peter's Rd., Malvern. CCFutures.org.*

86th Running of the Pennsylvania Hunt Cup
NOVEMBER 1

Timber racing, food and shopping highlight a day in the

countryside at this long-running event. Benefits the Chester Co. Food Bank, Work to Ride and Upland Country Day School. *North of Rt. 926 and Newark Rd., Unionville. PaHuntCup.org.*

57th Annual Delaware Antiques Show

NOVEMBER 6-8

See the finest offerings from more than 60 distinguished dealers in art, antiques and design. Benefits educational programming at Winterthur Museum, Garden & Library. *Chase Center on the Riverfront, 800 S. Madison St., Wilmington. Winterthur.org.*

French & Pickering Creek Trust's 38th Annual Auction Party

NOVEMBER 7

Enjoy live and silent auctions with exciting items on the block, plus delicious food. Benefits French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust. *Stonewall Golf Club, Bulltown Rd., Elverson. FrenchAndPickering.org.*

T&E Care Fall Fest

NOVEMBER 7

Fundraiser featuring dinner, dancing and silent auction. Benefits Tredyffrin & Easttown Care, a local, all-volunteer nonprofit that helps area families facing an emergency or difficult situations by helping families have a more successful future. *St. Davids Golf Club, 845 Radnor Street Rd., Wayne. TECare.org.*

Historic Sugartown's Secret Soiree

NOVEMBER 7

Take a step back in time at this new fundraiser to protect the richly authentic 19th-century village of Sugartown. The evening promises to be one of Prohibition-themed entertainment. Benefits Historic Sugartown. *Historic Sugartown, 273 Boot Road, Malvern. HistoricSugartown.org.*

Devereux Hope Gala

NOVEMBER 14

This black-tie fundraiser, supporting programs and services provided by Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health, is a special evening with once-in-a-lifetime experiences and other unique items offered at live and silent auctions. *Vie, 600 N. Broad St., Philadelphia. Devereux.org.*

Phoenixville Chamber of Commerce Charity Gala

NOVEMBER 21

A signature event including dinner, dancing and auction with great items for this season of giving. Benefits the Phoenixville Senior Center and Barnstone Art for Kids. *Rivercrest Golf Club & Preserve, 100 Rivercrest Dr., Phoenixville. Phoenixville-Chamber.org.*

DECEMBER

West Chester Charity Ball

DECEMBER DATE TBA

A highlight of the West Chester charity season! Enjoy dinner, dancing and an 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., West Chester. FriendsAssoc.org.*

Uptown! Entertainment Alliance Gala

DECEMBER 31

Ring in the New Year at this fun-filled gala to support the Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center at West Chester's "Party of the Year." The 2020 theme is "Puttin' on the Glitz." Fabulous food and, of course, lots of entertainment. *226 N. High St., West Chester. 610-356-2787; UptownWestChester.org.*



Chester County Day House Tour, October



Emergency Aid of PA Foundation Taste of the Main Line, March



Willowdale in White, May



Radnor Hunt Pre-Race Pop-Up Shops, April



French & Pickering Creek Trust's Auction Party, November



Community Volunteers in Medicine Golf Classic, June



Home of the Sparrow's Fashion Show, October



Coatesville Invitational Vintage Grand Prix, September

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