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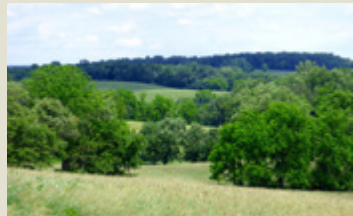
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At *County Lines*, we're ready to get out again and enjoy our glorious community. Chester County is reopening—slowly and safely. Let us be your guide.

We've put together our annual area guide that includes local sights that are cautiously inviting the public to visit, along with their creative virtual offerings certainly worth your time. That's the virtual part of this year's guidebook. We feature major attractions, Chester County towns, Delaware destinations, Lancaster excursions, Main Line stops, plus favorites in Maryland. You'll see there's an emphasis on things to do outdoors, for safety's sake.

In "Recent Discoveries," we explore local beaches in Delaware and New Jersey—Lewes, Delaware, the First Town in the First State, along with Atlantic City, Ocean City, the Wildwoods and more down the Jersey Shore.

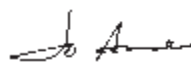
Closer to home, when Malcolm Johnstone asked "What's New in West Chester?" the big news is the Open-Air Marketplace along Gay Street, plus Mae's West Chester, La Tartine, and Scoop 'N' Smiles. Check out our "Summer Dining Guide" for your takeout options elsewhere in our area.

This month's "July Picks" celebrate the season, "Shop Local Farm Markets" helps you find fresh food, "Outdoor Design" inspires that backyard update, and "Outdoor Concerts" and "Fall Guide to the Arts," remind you to check as events start up again. And a very special "Theater Spotlight" explores what's been happening at People's Light while the stage is dark but the work continues.

To lift our spirits, we highlight local, with "A Guide to Local Wine." Netanya Brittain and Emily Bunn tour 14 wineries and tell how you can get delivery, curbside pickup or tastings for groups of six.

Finally, we present the semifinalists in our "Chester County in Bloom" photo contest. Enjoy the gorgeous photos and vote on Facebook. The winner gets a family membership to Longwood Gardens—a perfect place to enjoy what makes our community great.

Thank you for reading.

  
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## [Good to Know] *Just a few things we'd thought you'd like to know this month*

**Mindful Design.** That's the advice illuminating *At Home with KingsHaven*, from Lauren Wylonis, of the Paoli-based shop, known for artful lighting, furniture and luxury décor.



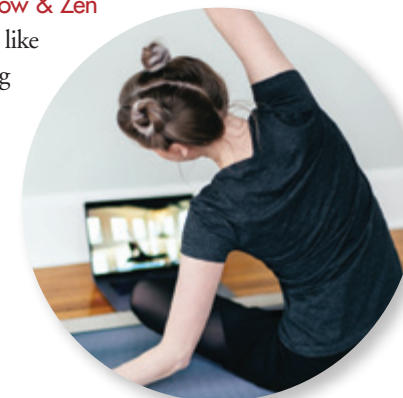
This 200-plus-page coffee table book is filled with stunningly photographed estates, interiors and landscapes that promote healthy, happy living. You'll find Pro Tips (Go Natural for Color), a Lighting Planner and the idea that the same design principles apply to projects of all sizes—from estates to bungalows. Lose yourself in these perfect spaces. *From ImagesPublishing.com.*

**Book Club, Virtually.** Local bookstores are holding online book clubs so readers can discuss books and even chat with authors. While everyone is staying home, books can provide a welcome escape. So, if you're looking for a summer read, discover what's available at local bookshops: Phoenixville's Reads & Company offers virtual author visits on Tuesday nights and Exton's Wellington Square Bookshop hosts dinner book clubs and watch parties. And don't forget to check out your local library! More info at [ReadsAndCompany.com](http://ReadsAndCompany.com), [WellingtonSquareBooks.indielite.org](http://WellingtonSquareBooks.indielite.org), [CCLS.org](http://CCLS.org).



**2020 Houseparty.** Are Zoom hangouts feeling like yet another work meeting? *Houseparty*, a face-to-face social network, is here to save the night and energize your video calls during this quaran-time. You can video-call friends to play games in real time. Play games like trivia, Ellen DeGeneres' "Heads Up!" and quick-draw challenges. Houseparty alerts you when friends are using the app, making connecting easy. Houseparty is free on the app store, or try the web-based version at [Houseparty.com](http://Houseparty.com).

**One, Two, OM.** If you're missing the connections and energy of your local yoga studio or wellness center, make some time to practice mindfulness at home. Malvern's *Power Yoga Works* is hosting interactive, two-way video livestreams, and West Chester's *Now & Zen* yoga studio features virtual classes like Baby Boomer Yoga, Belly Dancing and Shake Your Soul. To learn about energy work and stress reduction, try a distance healing session at *Just For You Naturally*, West Chester's Holistic Wellness Center. [PowerYogaWorks.com](http://PowerYogaWorks.com), [NowAndZenYogaWC.com](http://NowAndZenYogaWC.com), [JustForYouNaturally.com](http://JustForYouNaturally.com).



**Be Kind.** July is Cellphone Courtesy Month. In most years, we'd suggest reflecting on our unnatural attachment to our devices. But now, cellphones are being used for good. More than ever, our cellphones help create stronger attachments to the ones we hold close. Phone carriers report around 800 million wireless calls a day—more than double the calls on Mother's Day! This July, have the courtesy to log off social media (and that Zoom meeting) and give someone special a call on your cell.







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[July Picks]

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**JULY 4**  
**Tredyffrin/Easttown Concert & Fireworks**

Township celebration complete with music from the Chester County Concert Band and fireworks. Concert begins at 7, fireworks to follow at dusk. *Wilson Farm Park, 500 Lee Rd., Wayne. 610-644-1400; Tredyffrin.org/Services/Parks-Recreation*

**JULY 10-12**  
**Blobfest 2020: The Home Edition**

This year the event will be virtual, presenting all the fun of Blobfest, including a Run Out from your home, your submissions for the annual costume contest, double features and the Spook Show online. New t-shirts and other fun merchandise available online. *The Colonial Theater, 227 Bridge St., Phoenixville. 610-917-1228; TheColonialTheatre.com/Programs-Categories/Blobfest.*

**JULY 20-25**  
**Kimberton Fair**

An old-fashioned country fair with 4-H livestock competitions, home living exhibits, contests, great food and entertainment. Fireworks planned for Friday evening. *762 Pike Springs Rd., Phoenixville. KimbertonFair.org*

**JUNE 27-JULY 5**  
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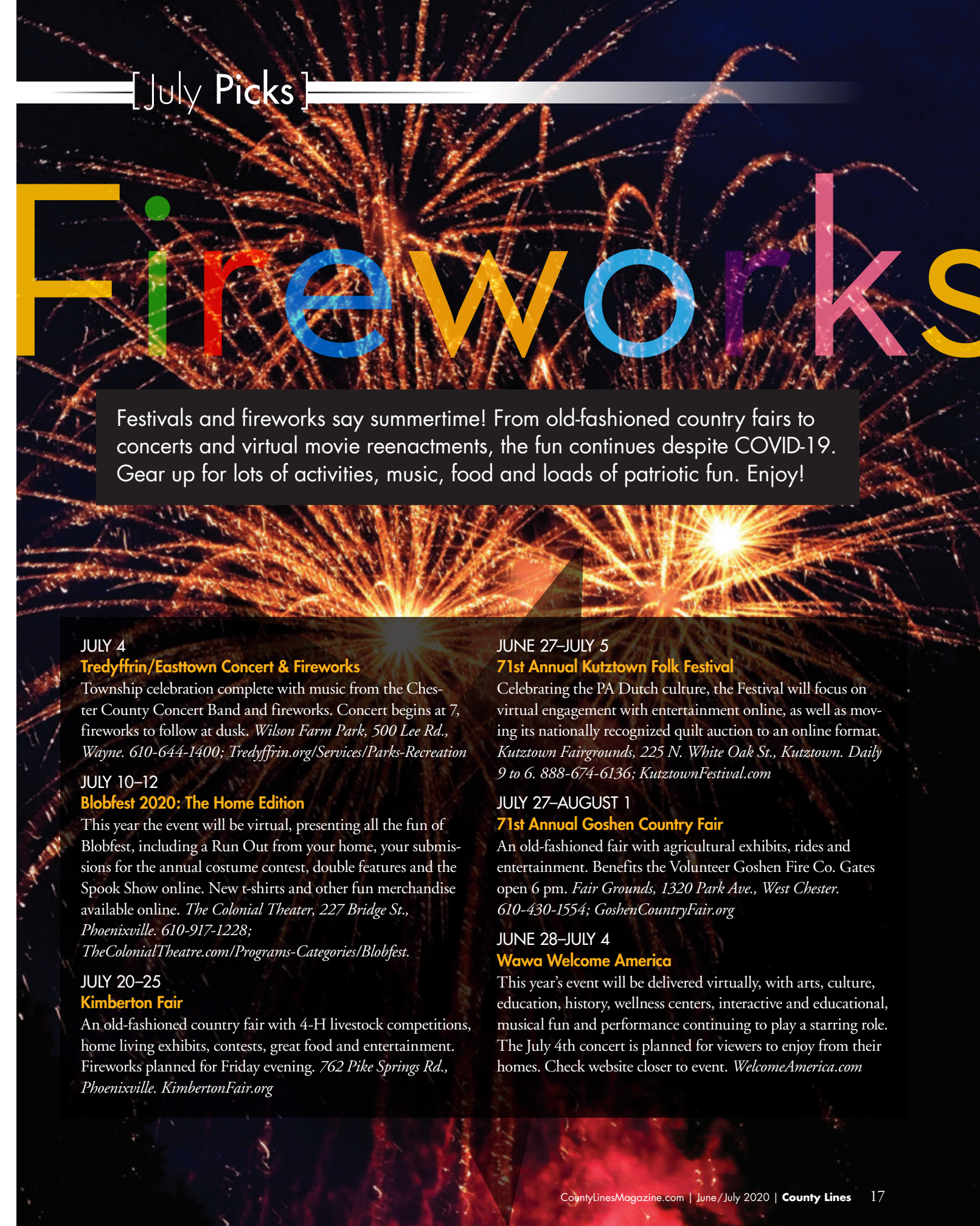
Celebrating the PA Dutch culture, the Festival will focus on virtual engagement with entertainment online, as well as moving its nationally recognized quilt auction to an online format. *Kutztown Fairgrounds, 225 N. White Oak St., Kutztown. Daily 9 to 6. 888-674-6136; KutztownFestival.com*

**JULY 27-AUGUST 1**  
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**JUNE 28-JULY 4**  
**Wawa Welcome America**

This year's event will be delivered virtually, with arts, culture, education, history, wellness centers, interactive and educational, musical fun and performance continuing to play a starring role. The July 4th concert is planned for viewers to enjoy from their homes. Check website closer to event. *WelcomeAmerica.com*





# best Local Events

## FAMILY FUN

Join the fun in Kennett at **After-the-Bell**, with virtual activities such as Build Your Own Solar Robot, Bill Nye The Science Guy, Dance, Storytime & Yoga, Amazing Virtual Field Trips and so much more. [AfterTheBell.org](https://www.AfterTheBell.org).

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**Brandywine River Museum of Art** is holding a Virtual Summer Art Camp for ages 9–14 who can immerse themselves in creative projects facilitated by museum educators who will bring out the artist in each of them. [Brandywine.org](https://www.Brandywine.org).



The **Chester County Library System** has a number of virtual programs including book chats and Victory Gardening in 2020. Or, take a trip with the Virtual Armchair Traveler, learn needlepoint with Stitch 'n Time Needle Arts Group or log in to a Virtual Author Event. [ChesCoLibraries.org](https://www.ChesCoLibraries.org).

While playgrounds, pavilions, park offices, structures and other amenities are closed at **Chester County Parks**, the parks and trails are open for you to enjoy walking, hiking and even camping, which



has resumed at Hibernia. Of course, social distancing and face mask requirements are still in place.

**Chester Springs Library** is also offering a variety of virtual programs including story time, crafts, music lessons and yoga for kids. [ChesterSpringsLibrary.org](https://www.ChesterSpringsLibrary.org).

Get a free coloring page at **Come. Sit. Color.** Jeff Schaller of County Art Tours and Jay McClellan, the artist for the White Dog Café's dog portraits, turn paintings into downloadable coloring pages you can share on social media. Sign up at [ComeSitColor.com](https://www.ComeSitColor.com).

**Main Point Books** offers virtual and Zoom book groups for all ages. Visit [MainPointBooks.com](https://www.MainPointBooks.com) to see what's coming next.

**The Music School of Delaware** is offering virtual music lessons. [MusicSchoolOfDelaware.org](https://www.MusicSchoolOfDelaware.org).

**Natural Lands** is hosting Outdoors Online, an opportunity to interact with nature from home in a series of virtual activities and events For a real-time exploration of Natural Lands' nature preserves and public garden visit [NatLands.org](https://www.NatLands.org).



**The Philadelphia Inquirer** has a newsletter offering a variety of options for family activities and how to get creative at home. Visit [Inquirer.com/family/kids-activities-at-home-coronavirus-covid19-philadelphia-projects-20200513.html](https://www.Inquirer.com/family/kids-activities-at-home-coronavirus-covid19-philadelphia-projects-20200513.html)

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**The Art Trust Gallery at Meridian Bank** has some exciting exhibits including June 24–Aug 7: UnMasked, featuring current and past Art Trust board members. There will be a raffle associated with this exhibit. Benefits Chester County Foodbank. [TheArtTrust.org](https://www.TheArtTrust.org).

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**Chanticleer Gardens** offers a variety of virtual tours and classes on YouTube. Visit [ChanticleerGardens.org](https://www.ChanticleerGardens.org) for inspiration and ideas.



**The Colonial Theatre** has great titles to screen at home and weekly watch parties you can access on YouTube. Coming up July 10–11 is "Blobfest 2020: The Home Edition." [ColonialTheatre.com](https://www.ColonialTheatre.com).

**Chester County Community Foundation** is highlighting local nonprofits, arts organizations, museums and local governments are providing resources to educate and entertain the public. [Chescof.org/covid-19-resources](https://www.Chescof.org/covid-19-resources).

**Community Matters** is a series of free events presented in partnership between **People's Light** and local organizations. Performed readings of new plays are the centerpiece of each evening, followed by a discussion with community partners and special guests. This free, family-friendly event is open to the public and hosted via Zoom Webinar. Read more in Theater Spotlight in this issue. [PeoplesLight.org](https://www.PeoplesLight.org).

**JulyJulDelaware Art Museum** opens its collection online with virtual tours and ways to discover art as a family, experience art together and watch performances. You can even download books from Bookshop.org. [DelArt.org](https://www.DelArt.org).

**Hagley Museum & Library** plans their Bike & Hike & Brews on Wednesdays, from July 1–August 26. Stroll, jog or cycle the three-mile loop then, on selected evenings, enjoy Dogfish Head craft beers. Be sure to visit [Hagley.org](https://www.Hagley.org) before heading out.

If you are missing the beauty of **Longwood Gardens**, you can stay connected with Our Gardens Your Home, an online selection of fun ways to experience the best of Longwood, including tours and art projects, all from the comfort of home. [LongwoodGardens.org](https://www.LongwoodGardens.org).

**Media Arts Council's** virtual offerings include art exhibitions, concerts, selected shorts from the film festival and craft workshops. [MediaArtsCouncil.org](https://www.MediaArtsCouncil.org).

**The Philadelphia Museum of Art** will take you through the outstanding collection that has drawn visitors from around the world. [PhilaMuseum.org](https://www.PhilaMuseum.org).

**Thorncroft Equestrian Center** has a Virtual Intro to Reiki and a certification for Level One Reiki. The meetings are conducted on Zoom. They are also planning an Initial Opening Phase, introducing a limited ridership where the farm selects a small group of riders that ride independently and do not require close person-to-person contact. [Thorncroft.org](https://www.Thorncroft.org).

You can still explore and experience our local towns, villages and hamlets again this year as **Town Tours & Village Walks 2020** will be going virtual in July and August. Visit [Chescoplanning.org/HisResources/TownTours.cfm](https://www.Chescoplanning.org/HisResources/TownTours.cfm) for details.



**Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center** is live streaming movies and offering music, comedy and virtual events on Facebook Live. [UptownWestChester.org](https://www.UptownWestChester.org).

**Vox AmaDeus** shares highlights from their current and recent concert seasons at [VoxAmaDeus on YouTube.Pwhat](https://www.VoxAmaDeus.org)






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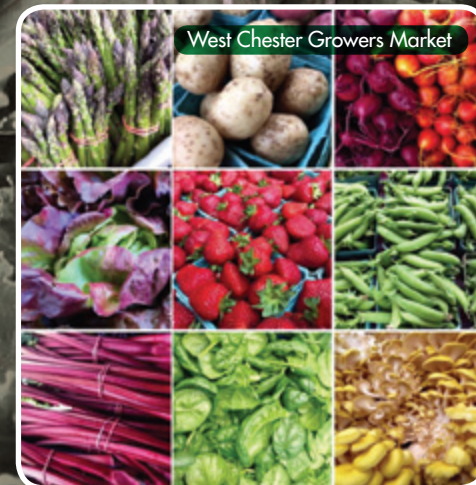

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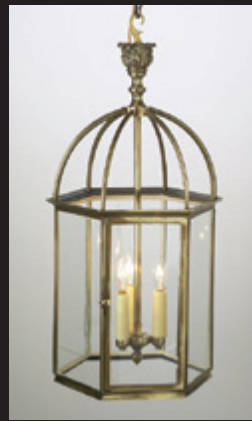
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### THROUGH AUGUST

#### Delaware County Summer Festival

*Not determined.* Upper Providence, DelcoPa.gov/Departments/Parks/SummerFestival

### THROUGH AUGUST

#### Summer Concerts at Anson B. Nixon Park

*Not determined.* Kennett Square, AnsonB-NixonPark.org

### THROUGH SEPTEMBER

#### Longwood Gardens Summer Concerts

*Cancelled.* Kennett Square, LongwoodGardens.org

### JUNE

#### Media State Street Blues Stroll

*Postponed.* Media, StateStreetBlues.com

### JUNE 7

#### 38th Annual Turk's Head Music Festival

*Postponed.* West Chester, TurksHeadFestival.com

### JUNE 14-AUGUST 23

#### Summer Concert Series at Miller Park & Exton Park

Exton, WestWhiteland.org

### JUNE 20-AUGUST 15

#### Bryn Mawr Twilight Concerts

Bryn Mawr, BrynMawrTwilightConcerts.com



### JUNE 28-SEPTEMBER 6

#### Upper Merion Concerts Under the Stars

King of Prussia, UMTownship.org

### JULY

#### XPonential Music Festival

*Cancelled.* Camden, NJ, On the Waterfront, XPN.org

### JULY-AUGUST

#### Long's Park Summer Music Series

*Cancelled.* Lancaster, LongsPark.org

### JULY-AUGUST

#### Rockin' & Reelin' in Reeves Park

*Not determined.* Phoenixville, PhoenixvilleFirst.org/Rockin-Reelin

### JULY-SEPTEMBER

#### Swingin' Summer Thursdays

*Postponed.* West Chester, DowntownWestChester.com

### JULY 16-17

#### The Ladybug Music Festival

Wilmington, TheLadyBugFestival.com

### JULY 20

#### People's Festival—25th Annual Tribute to Bob Marley

*Not determined.* Wilmington, PeoplesFestival.com

### JULY 31-AUGUST 8

#### Musikfest

Bethlehem, Musikfest.org

### AUGUST

#### Herr's Second Annual Connective Art & Music Festival

*Cancelled.* Oxford, ConnectiveFestival.org



### AUGUST

#### Wilmington's Riverfront Blues Festival

*Not determined.* Wilmington, Riverfront-BluesFestDE.com

### AUGUST 8

#### 92nd Annual Old Fiddler's Picnic

Wagontown, ChesCo.org/CCParks

### AUGUST 13-16

#### Philadelphia Folk Festival

*Streaming live.* Upper Salford Township, PA, PFS.org

### AUGUST 27-29, 2021

#### Citadel Country Spirit USA

Glenmoore, CountrySpiritUSA.com

### SEPTEMBER 26

#### 12th Annual Paoli Blues Fest

Paoli, PaoliBluesFest.com ♦



✱ check the websites for performance info.



# People's Light

THE STAGE MAY BE DARK,  
BUT THE WORK CONTINUES.

IT SHOULD COME AS NO SURPRISE THAT PERFORMANCE cancellations and social distancing brought on by COVID-19 have had a major impact on People's Light, a vital center for community gathering in Chester County.

In early spring of 2020, for the first time in our 45-year history, People's Light made the difficult decision to temporarily close our doors. We cancelled hundreds of performances, paused rehearsals, suspended special events and set to work puzzling out what it means to be a theatre without a live audience.

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

After some reflection, we found the answer within our existing mission statement: "People's Light, a cultural and civic center with theatre at its core, invites and creates opportunities for diverse communities to discover and celebrate our shared humanity."

From locally inspired plays and town-hall discussions to arts education and civic partnerships, the work happening on and off our stages has always been deeply rooted in community life. Our role has not changed, we are simply discovering new ways to fulfill our mission.

For example, New Play Frontiers is our long-term initiative to create original work that explores the American identity through local stories. We invite nationally recognized playwrights to immerse themselves in the Greater Philadelphia region and collaborate with nearby organizations on the development of new plays with local impact.

A product of the New Play Frontiers program, *Bayard Rustin: Inside Ashland*, written and directed by Steve H. Broadnax III, is a new musical play that depicts a transformative moment in the life of West Chester native and civil rights activist Bayard Rustin. Originally slotted to premiere in May 2020, the play would have been our third production from this program, but was cancelled before rehearsals could begin. Despite this setback, we continue to work on the piece remotely and plan to stage the world premiere in 2021.

Another example of community-centered works includes over 30 Community Matters events hosted by People's Light since 2011. This series of free play readings and facilitated discussions was presented in partnership with local organizations to spark dialogue about vital issues. More than 5,000 community members have attended to discuss topics like race and the arts, autism, school shootings and digital privacy.

This past June, Community Matters went virtual via Zoom. And for the first time ever, members of the public lent their voices as contributing writers and professional actors performed excerpts of their submissions, followed by a facilitated discussion.

Our community connection is also evidenced in our commitment to education, always a guiding tenet for us. Thousands of area students attend People's Light productions each year. We offer year-round theatre classes and a summer program for kids ages 5 through 18, along with occasional acting classes for adults.

When home-schooling became the new norm, our offerings went virtual for kids (and parents!) hungry for quality arts education at home. Virtual theatre activities continue throughout the summer and can be found at [PeoplesLight.org](http://PeoplesLight.org).

And since the pandemic began, People's Light has employed actors in multiple creative workshops, live-stream experiments, and online content creation so that new play development and artistic partnerships can move forward. Equally important, these paid opportunities allow artists to keep their healthcare as well as have an income.

## BEYOND THE THEATRE COMMUNITY

Our commitment to civic responsibility extends within and beyond our theatre community. The People's Light costume shop, for example, in partnership with Main Line Health, stays busy making over 400 protective masks a week for Paoli Hospital and Bryn Mawr Rehab. The Farmhouse at People's Light, which includes an event space and on-site restaurant, now offers

casual takeout options for families, and regularly delivers free, healthy meals to frontline workers. Learn more and order online at [FarmhousePeoplesLight.com](http://FarmhousePeoplesLight.com).

The Theatre recently launched People's Light—Always On, our new virtual home at [PeoplesLight.org](http://PeoplesLight.org), with behind-the-scenes content, recommended reading, virtual classes, videos and more. Using a variety of streaming platforms—Zoom, Vimeo, Crowdcast—we've produced and shared two full-length productions, online concerts featuring audience favorite David M. Lutken (best known for music-infused theatre pieces like *Woody Sez: The Life and Music of Woody Guthrie*), and "Porch Songs," an ongoing series of self-recorded musical performances by People's Light artists, to name a few.

## LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Like theatres around the world forging ahead towards an uncertain future, People's Light is quickly adapting. Our suburban theatre, comfortably nestled on seven acres in Malvern, is exploring socially distanced outdoor offerings like drive-in concerts, performances on the lawn, and activities for kids, in addition to producing more online content than ever before.

The People's Light stages may be dark, but our essential work continues—online, outdoors, and throughout the community. Theatre may not be among the traditional essential services, but the arts will always be key to our spirits' survival.

Please check [PeoplesLight.org](http://PeoplesLight.org) throughout the coming months to see what else we have planned! ♦

—Rosemary Devine, People's Light





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# WHAT'S NEW IN WEST CHESTER?

Story by Malcolm Johnstone  
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AN OPEN-AIR MARKETPLACE COMES TO DOWNTOWN WEST CHESTER. SOMETIMES GOOD THINGS COME FROM DIFFICULT TIMES.

DOWNTOWN WEST CHESTER, LIKE ALL OTHER Main Streets throughout our country, is reinventing how business is done. This new mission is not only a response to how the COVID-19 pandemic is changing our culture, it's also a recognition that our downtown needs to transform as it makes the safety of shoppers and diners a first priority.

The ongoing health crisis affects all West Chester restaurants and retailers as well as many services and professional businesses. Some believe it may take up to three years before what will be the 'new normal' is firmly in place. And we all need to be prepared to face the fact that the new conditions may be far from what we'd consider normal today.

## MAIN STREET STRONG

To address our challenging future, West Chester Mayor Dianne Herrin convened a task force called Main Street Strong. Comprised of local business leaders, planners and public safety officials, this group developed a recovery plan to guide the downtown community as everyone adjusts to new standards and requirements.

The task force's first order of business was creating an Open-Air Marketplace on Gay Street along the four blocks between Matlack and Darlington Streets. This space is to be used primarily by pedestrians who will find additional open space to more easily maintain safe social distancing. Cars can still access

the north/south streets—on Walnut, High, Church and Darlington Streets—which remain open, along with Market Street.

This newly created informal pedestrian mall allows restaurants to move more of their tables outside, on to the closed street, for open air dining. During the 'Yellow Phase' of reopening, diners may order to-go meals and simply take them to a nearby outside table to enjoy. Many restaurants will have designated tables, so be sure to check before you settle in. Otherwise, tables will be found every day for each meal.

Once the 'Green Phase' of business reopening arrives, restaurant table service will begin again, with certain limitations. Your favorite restaurant will be happy to explain how things are working until the all clear sign appears.

West Chester's many shops are also setting up retail displays on the sidewalks, while providing space for safe browsing. Remember, ask about

pick-up and delivery service, as well as shopping appointments, offered by the retailers.

And rest assured there's plenty of parking at nearby public garages and parking lots as well as other metered, on-street parking on other streets near Gay Street. The open-air marketplace occupies a small number of metered parking spaces along just a few blocks of Gay Street.

"This is a very challenging time," says Mayor Herrin. "Yet we're finding this situation is also opening doors to new opportunities. It allows our community to come together with a collective mindset of creative problem-solving, define how the town will reopen to maximize success, and seize the opportunity to address deficiencies in the status quo way of doing business."

More information about this new program can be found at [DowntownWestChester.com](http://DowntownWestChester.com).



West Chester Mayor Dianne Herrin



## A WORLD OF HEARTS

An early indication of our community response and efforts to work together began with a campaign started by Amy Trout, owner of the new **Charlie & Co. Barbershop** (130 North Church St.). Amy spearheaded “A World of Hearts” campaign, along with a handful of merchants, with a simple idea: place colorful, paper hearts in shop windows.

Soon everyone “was on board to share the love by placing hearts in windows and to let our neighbors know we’re all in this together,” observed one shop owner.

Artist Heather Johnston Carey was inspired to create a series of watercolor paintings featuring storefronts embraced by hearts. The project has even received national recognition from Main Street America, which is using it to inspire other downtowns across the country.

Mayor Herrin says this show of solidarity demonstrates the broad commitment to saving our downtown. “By actively protecting our Main Street and our creative economy, we can give West Chester a decisive economic advantage in the times to come.”

## DOWNTOWN IS STILL A DESTINATION

While the Open-Air Marketplace may be one of the more visible changes taking place, there are still plenty of attractions throughout downtown. Market Street, along with most other streets, remains open for easy access to the many restaurants and shops that have also expanded onto the sidewalks lining this walkable street.

All your favorite restaurants and shop along Market Street are open,



A World of Hearts spread around West Chester



Gallery Walk is scheduled for October



Summer is a perfect time for a cocktail!



Up on the Roof fundraiser will be back in 2021



Super Sunday will return next year.

with expanded outdoor space. So diners can enjoy a steak dinner at **Pietro's Prime** (125 West Market St.), hand-crafted beer at **Sterling Pig Public House** (113 West Market St.), plus southern Italian cuisine and Neapolitan pizza at **Mercato Ristorante & Bar** (33 West Market St.).

**Carlino's Specialty Foods & Catering** (128 West Market St.) offers a large selection of fresh groceries and homemade dishes for those who choose to eat at home. And **La Baguette Magique** (202 West Market St.) continues to bake classic French pastries and breads.

## HIGH STREET

You'll find more of your favorite places to enjoy during a day or evening visit downtown on High Street. **Barnaby's of West Chester** (15 South High St.) offers patio dining, while **Meatball U** (30 South High St.) is well educated in meatball dishes.

On North High Street, **Spence Cafe** (131 North High St.) continues take-out selections and is planning to open their patio when allowed. **Lorenzo and Son's Pizza** (27 North High St.), known for their giant slices, continues to serve up great pizza and more.

Sweet treats abound at places like **Baked** (34 South High St.), **Cookie Dope** (28 South High St.), and **Playa Bowls** (22 South High St.).

## NEW EATERIES

Even during a pandemic, there's always something new happening in downtown West Chester. The dining scene welcomed a few newcomers that opened recently.

Check out **Mae's West Chester** (39 West Gay St.) if you're in the mood for delicious farm-to-table delights. Be sure to check out their menu featuring a variety of take-out options, including their family-style BBQ meal, grilled flatbread with avocado & scallion salsa, and even Sunday Brunch specials.

Newly opened **La Tartine** (109 West Gay St.) offers a partial menu with more to come. If you're in the mood for an açaí bowl, fresh juice/smoothie and crepe (including gluten free, too), then there's a new place to try.

For dessert, a snack or just because it's Wednesday, be sure to check out West Chester's newest sweet spot, **Scoops 'N' Smiles Ice Cream & Water Ice** (8 East Gay St.). The sister location in Malvern has been bringing smiles to loyal customers.

## GIFT SOME GIFT CARDS

Support your favorite local boutique or eatery by purchasing a gift card from them to give to a friend to use some time in the future—a win-win situation!

Another example of creative responses to the impact of the coronavirus is the Greater West Chester Chamber of Commerce's virtual tip jar. This innovative program allows Venmo and PayPal tips to help support the restaurant servers and other service industry employees severely affected by business closings—think your hair stylist, aesthetician and the like.

There are surely more thoughtful efforts to help us make it through these difficult times. We need to be aware and support them.

We truly are all in this together. ♦

For more information, visit [DowntownWestChester.com](http://DowntownWestChester.com).

Elle Steinman contributed to this article.





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# SUMMER DINING *in West Chester*

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Here's a sampling of some of the restaurants and what they're doing now. Check in to their websites often, as things are always changing. And visit our Guide to TakeOut and Delivery at [CountyLinesMagazine.com/Article/Takeout-and-Delivery-Guide](http://CountyLinesMagazine.com/Article/Takeout-and-Delivery-Guide).

#### ★ Andiaro

106 W. Gay St. 484-887-0919; [Andiario.com](http://Andiario.com)

Serving seasonal food straight from farmers. Takeout meals and wine are available. Dinner includes an appetizer and entree, plus bread and dessert from La Baguette Magique. A limited menu for the day is posted by noon on their website and Facebook page.

*Now open for patio seating, Tues.–Sat. 5 pm to close.*

#### ★ Bar Avalon

116 E. Gay St. 610-436-4100; [AvalonRestaurant.net](http://AvalonRestaurant.net)

Serving takeout and delivery options and giving customers the chance to donate dinners to local nurses. Also offering a delicious variety of cocktails. Check the website!

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#### Bon Bon Sushi

22 N. Darlington St. 610-696-3069; [BonBonSushi.com](http://BonBonSushi.com)

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#### Iron Hill Brewery WC

3 W. Gay St. 610-738-9600;  
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*Patio seating now open. Mon.–Fri., 4 to 8; Sat.–Sun., 11 to 3. Takeout and delivery also available.*

#### Kildare's Pub

18 W. Gay St. 610-431-0770; [KildaresPubWC.com](http://KildaresPubWC.com)

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*Open Mon.–Wed. 11:30 to 10 pm; Thurs. 11:30 to 11 pm; Fri. 11:30 to 12 am, Sat. noon to 12 am; Sun. 11:30 to 9 pm. Call to order takeout or delivery.*

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#### ★ Limoncello Ristorante

9 N. Walnut St. 610-436-6230; [LimoncelloRestaurant.com](http://LimoncelloRestaurant.com)

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Open for take out and outdoor seating. Wed.–Thurs., 4 to 8; Fri., 11 to 8; Sat. 11 to 8; Sun., 9 to 2.

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6 W. Market St. 610-429-5328; TheMarketStreetGrill.com

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33 W. Market St. 610-701-6326; Mercato33.com

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Open for outdoor dining Mon.–Thurs., noon to 10; Fri.–Sat., noon to 11; Sun., noon to 9. Takeout available daily, noon to 8.

### Nudy's Cafe

300 W. Market St. 610-696-4550; NudysCafes.com

Order from their wide selection of sweet 'n' savory breakfast and lunch options online for takeout and pickup. Delivery TBD.

Open Mon.–Fri., 7 to 4; Sat.–Sun., 7 to 3.

### ★ Opa Taverna

40 E. Gay St. 610-696-4100; OpaTavernaPhilly.com

Travel to the Mediterranean in spirit. Order classics like gyros, souvlaki or lamb chops for takeout, curbside pickup or delivery.

Lunch and dinner 10 to 10 daily; brunch Sat.–Sun., 10 to 3. Order online.

### ★ Pietro's Prime

125 W. Market St. 484-760-6100; PietrosPrime.com

Looking for a special meal? Maybe for stay-at-home date night? Order Surf 'n' Turf favorites from Pietro's, with steak and



chops ranging from 8 to a whopping 24 ounces plus plenty of seafood options for entree or appetizers. Credit card payments only. Free delivery within a 10-mile radius.

Open for takeout and delivery Tues.–Sat., lunch 11:30 to 2:30; dinner 2:30 to 7:30. Call to order.

### ★ Roots Café WC

133 E. Gay St. 610-455-0100; RootsCafeWC.com

Sustainable menu with daily vegan options. Ingredients are sourced from local farmers, so you're supporting more than one local business with your order!

Check their Facebook page for updates. Open for outdoor dining and curbside pickup, Wed.–Sun., 10 to 3.

### Ryan's Pub

124 W. Gay St. 610-344-3934; Ryans-Pub.com.

Ryan's Pub is offering a customized takeout menu. Choose from a wide variety of wings, apps, entrees, burgers and a children menu for your kiddos! Available for pickup only; must pay by credit card.

Yellow phase menu available for dine in or take out. Mon.–Thurs., 4 to 9; Fri.–Sun., noon to 9.

### ★ Saloon 151

151 W. Gay St. 610-701-8489

Get all your favorites from Saloon 151—they're still open daily. Check out their Instagram page, @Saloon151, for daily specials.

Open for pickup Sun.–Thurs., noon to 8; Fri.–Sat., noon to 9. Free delivery.

### Slow Hand

30 N. Church St. 484-999-8638; SlowHand-WC.com

Call to make your reservation or to place your pick up order. Customers can also make a donation to the Chester County Food Bank when ordering.

Open Mon.–Sat. 11 am to 2 pm; Sun., 11 am to 11 pm.

### ★ Spence Cafe

131 N. High St. | 610-918-1272; Spence.Cafe

Operating on a limited menu, the cafe is offering family style entrees that can feed up to three people. Find daily entree choices and prices on social media or by calling.

Call ahead to order between 12 and 3:30, for pickup from 4:30 to 6:30. Pickup your order in the alley behind the café (away from the High Street traffic).

### Taco Mar

122 E. Gay St. 610-455-1400; TacoMar.com

Order your favorites online from their Burrito and Salad Bar, Taco Stand and Baja Grill. Meals are made to order with vegan options available.

Open Mon.–Fri., 5 to 8; Sat.–Sun., 12 to 8 for takeout and delivery. Call to order.

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# SUMMER BEACH DAYS

## DELAWARE BEACHES WORTH A VISIT

Mercedes Thomas

These Delaware beaches are ready to welcome you back for your next family trip

### LIFE IS BETTER AT THE BEACH.

Though it took the Delaware beaches a little bit longer to reopen than the Jersey shore, these sandy destinations are now open and ready to welcome you back. Welcome to the state with the Summer Capital of the U.S. (for all the Washingtonians who head to the beaches there.)

Peaceful wildlife refuges and state parks, friendly coastal towns and tax-free shopping—it's no surprise Delaware is home to some favorite vacay spots. Though COVID-19 precautions have required some restrictions, there are still plenty of reasons to plan a trip to the beach!

We've rounded up the best current information we could find to help you plan a vacation to your favorite Delaware beach town. From north to south, the beaches of the First State promise to help you make great summer memories.

### DELAWARE'S FIRST TOWN

Roughly a half-mile square, the town of **Lewes** was founded in 1631 by the Dutch, and proudly claims to be "The First Town in the First State."

The beaches here are now open for sunbathing and swimming, with social distancing guidelines, so stay 6 feet away from everyone outside your party.

We suggest a stop at the Historic Lewes Farmers Market. Drop by the George H. P. Smith Park on summer Saturdays between 8 a.m. and noon for fresh produce, homemade jams and jellies, coffee and other treats.

If you want to take a tour of the local waterways, book reservations with the Cape Water Taxi. Choose from narrated, quiet, sunset and live music cruises. There's decreased capacity on the boats, with social distancing and mask required for boarding.

Or visit the **Cape Henlopen State Park** for miles of preserved beaches, nature trails and bird sanctuaries. Cape Henlopen—like Delaware's other state parks—is open for exercising, dog-walking and surf fishing (under limited conditions). Bring a mask, because you must wear one when near other people and social distancing isn't possible. And bring some money along, too, for the entrance fee.

*Lewes.com or LewesChamber.com.*

### FAMILY-FRIENDLY REHOBOTH BEACHES

Making up one square mile, **Rehoboth** is the largest beach resort in Delaware, and a favorite for families because of its mile-long boardwalk, family amusement parks and beach patrols that keep visitors safe.

Like Lewes, the beaches and the boardwalk in Rehoboth are open for walking,

exercising, sunbathing and swimming. Gather in groups of 10 or fewer and maintain social distancing. Remember masks are required on the boardwalk. Beach permits are on sale now.

While you're on the boardwalk, be sure to visit the shops and restaurants. Some businesses are now open at 30% capacity, as long as social distancing is maintained, while others now have outdoor dining for you to enjoy.

We also suggest considering a tour with Delmarva Discovery Tours. Normally, they offer brewery and winery tours, eco tours, farm tours, antiques trail tours and much more—though some may be on hold now. Reservations are required, so give them a call and see what's available.

*CityOfRehoboth.com.*

### SMALL TOWN CHARM

**Dewey Beach** embodies that small beach town feel with a low year-round population of about 300 in an area about a mile long and two blocks wide. Still, its wide, clean and dog-friendly beaches make it a popular vacation destination.

Parking permits for the Dewey beaches are on sale, just in time for your next visit! The beaches are open for swimming, sunbathing, volleyball, fishing and exercising, as long as you keep practicing social distancing. Bonfires are also permitted on the beach, with a permit. Check Dewey Beach's website for additional regulations.

If you're planning a visit in August, make

sure to catch the annual East Coast Skimboarding Championships, August 7–9. Watch some of the best in this sport perform tricks as they compete for cash prizes.

And for a bite to eat, check out the list of restaurants available at VisitDelaware's website. While many offer pick-up, take-out and delivery, some are starting to reopen for limited seated dining. One to visit is Starboard, an iconic eatery known for its Bloody Mary smorgasbord and piles of beach fries—reservations required.

*TownOfDeweyBeach.com or VisitDelaware.com.*

### OR FURTHER SOUTH ...

Near the southern-most end of Delaware are the small and laid-back beach towns of **Bethany Beach** and **Fenwick Island**. If a quieter vacation is more your style, either of these towns may be worth the longer drive.

Like most of the Delaware beaches, Bethany Beach and Fenwick Island are open for you to enjoy. Grab your beach chair and towel, find a spot at least 6 feet away from anyone else, and sit back and enjoy the sunshine.

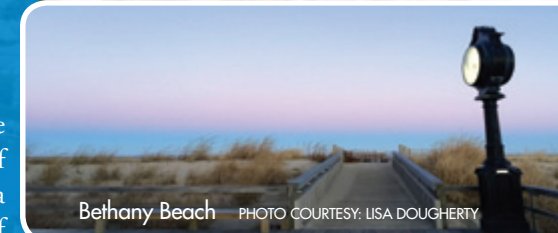
For more outdoor fun, Fenwick Island State Park is a serene place for sunbathing, fishing, windsurfing and more. There's kayaking, paddle boarding and sailboating rentals, instruction and tours offered by Coastal Kayak.

Or satisfy your cravings at Bethany or Fenwick's restaurants. VisitDelaware's website lists the full range these towns have to offer, with everything from fresh seafood and boardwalk favorites, to Italian comfort food and American cuisine. And if you prefer to do your own cooking, support local and shop at the Bethany Beach Farmers Market for farm-fresh produce, foods and flowers.

*TownOfBethanyBeach.com, FenwickIsland.Delaware.gov or VisitDelaware.com.* ♦



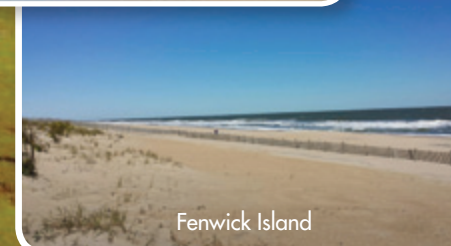
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Fenwick Island



Lewes, Delaware



Cape Henlopen



# Back to the Beach

## New Jersey Beaches You Should Visit

Mercedes Thomas

EVEN WITH SOME RESTRICTIONS, JERSEY BEACHES ARE READY TO HELP YOU RELAX THIS SUMMER.

**S**URF'S UP! NEW JERSEY BEACHES—FAVORITE FAMILY vacation destinations—opened from their coronavirus shut-down over the Memorial Day Weekend happily launching the unofficial start of summer.

It may go without saying, but the pandemic has certainly changed a lot in our lives, including how we spend this summer. But our nearby Jersey beaches are committed to getting people back on the sand and the boardwalks, while still maintaining safe and healthy practices.

We've gathered some of what you need to know when visiting your favorite beach towns in New Jersey this summer. From Atlantic City to Cape May, the Jersey shore is ready to help you unwind this summer.

### MORE THAN CASINOS

Well-known for its casinos, **Atlantic City** also boasts plenty of beaches stretching 10 miles along Absecon Island plus a 4-mile boardwalk to explore.

This boardwalk is the only one in the state that remained open during the entire pandemic. Now you can grab a beer as you stroll. Get out and enjoy the sea air as you jog or a bike on the boards—just make sure you practice social distancing. Eateries on the boardwalk are open for take-out and delivery only, at press time.

Beaches are free and open for all the usual summer fun—sunbathing, swimming, running, walking, surfing, fishing, kayaking and windsurfing. Social distancing is required, and special events that attract crowds, like festivals, fireworks and concerts, are still prohibited.

Casinos remain closed, though Governor Murphy is considering what practices can be adopted so they can reopen. Other Atlantic City happenings and events are being postponed, rescheduled or moved to virtual spaces, so keep checking the website for the latest.

*AtlanticCityNJ.com.*

### FAMILY-FRIENDLY FUN AT OCEAN CITY

For a family favorite, look no further than **Ocean City**, Travel Channel's "#1 Family Beach Community in the Country." Explore 8 miles of ocean and beaches plus 2½-miles of boardwalk.

For now, the Wonderland amusement park and the water park are closed, but hope to reopen later this summer. No need to worry though, you can still enjoy time on the boardwalk—go for a run or a walk, or rent bicycles. Souvenir stores are selling goods curbside and some eateries are open for pick-up, take-out and delivery. Masks are recommended but not mandatory, unless you enter a store or business.

And the beaches are open! Buy a \$20 season beach tag, and sunbath, swim, surf, walk, run or fish. Make sure to stay at least 6 feet from others on the shore, then just close your eyes, breath in the salt water air, and enjoy your summer vacation.

*OceanCityVacation.com or Facebook.com/OceanCityNJVacation/.*

Avalon



### TWO BEACHES—ONE ISLAND

Away from the busier Jersey beach towns are **Avalon** and **Stone Harbor**, two boroughs that occupy a 7-mile barrier island.

The beaches opened in early May with some restrictions, but are now open for walking, running, fishing, surfing and sitting on the sand—as long as you practice social distancing! Beach tags purchased for Avalon beaches are honored on Stone Harbor beaches and vice versa, so you can try out the best spots along the entire island.

Support the beach towns' local businesses while you're there. Local spas, salons and fitness facilities offer online classes and products, retailers are open for online sales and gift cards, and restaurants are available for takeout and delivery. Keep checking Avalon's website for the evolving list of open businesses and the most up-to-date information.

And if you're looking for some fun off the sand, the Avalon Free Library is hosting events this summer, including beach walks, Zoom classes, story times, book clubs and more.

*VisitAvalonNJ.com.*

### VACATION YOUR WAY IN THE WILDWOODS

With 5 miles of free beaches and a 2½-mile boardwalk, the Wildwoods—**Wildwood**, **Wildwood Crest**, **North Wildwood**—mix nostalgia with modern-day fun, making it one of TripAdvisor's "25 Best Family Beach Vacations to Take with the Kids."

In Wildwood Crest, grab a bite for takeout at the newly opened Doo-Wop Drive-In, and check social media for info on social distancing movies at their outdoors theater. Stroll the boardwalk for pickup, takeout, delivery and outdoor dining for everything from fresh-caught seafood to traditional favorites.

Enjoy the boardwalk's rides and shopping. The piers plan to open as soon as they're given the green light. Then you can ride the roller coasters and Ferris wheel or splash in the water parks. While some stores are closed, others have shopping with social distancing guidelines.

And the iconic tram cars well-known call—"Watch the Tram Car, Please"—will be heard as the trams resume operating with social distancing and new sanitization measures.

Be sure to enjoy the miles of free beaches open for walking, running, fishing, swimming and sitting (aka sun bathing). Maintain social distancing is easier while you relax on the beach.

*WildwoodsNJ.com.*

### HISTORIC CAPE MAY'S CHARM

For small beach town charm, **Cape May** tops the list. It's also our country's oldest seaside resort, with 201 years of history.

The 2½-miles of beaches will be open for sitting, sunbathing, and swimming—beach tags and social distancing are required.

Rather than opting for a charming Victorian B&B, camping at one of the nearby campgrounds may be a safer option, so check out Holly Shores Camping Resort or Adventure Bound Camping Resort.\*

Support the arts by checking out the Cape May Stage. Though the schedule for their 2020 season may be cancelled, they're offering other programming—live stream readings of plays, virtual lectures, concerts and more. Find even more virtual events—Cape May MAC has virtual tours and experiences, East Lynne Theater Co. tells a short story weekly, Cape May County Zoo is offering a virtual zoo school, and many more.

For the latest information on hours and options for eateries, retail stores, wineries, breweries and distilleries, check the Cape May Strong website.

*CapeMay.com or CapeMayStrong.com* ♦

*\*Information on hotels, motels and inns is not included here because of the changing nature of safety precautions.*



Stone Harbor

Wildwood



Cape May



Atlantic City



Ocean City







# DAY TRIPS AND OUTINGS

With a trio of blockbuster attractions that normally bring tourists from around the world, it's no surprise that we typically start our guide to the area with these gems. That Longwood Gardens, Brandywine River Museum of Art and Winterthur Museum, Garden and Library are within 10 miles of each other is another reason to consider these destinations as a group.

These life-list quality sights are certainly worth visiting and revisiting in real life. But until you can explore every nook and cranny, enjoy the many ways each has done a remarkable job of providing a memorable virtual experience.



## Brandywine River Museum of Art

This gem of a regional museum with a world-class collection of American art is gradually reopening, plus its “Brandywine at Home” webpage lets you engage with art. Yes, they have the obvious gallery talks, and curator Amanda Burden does a wonderful job touring the “Votes for Women” exhibit. Staff Picks talks include treasures like Mary Cassatt’s “Head of Adele 1,” something you may have missed at your IRL visits. Subscribe to their YouTube channel to see more.

After watching the video tour of the Wyeths’ studios, we realized video guide with deep knowledge and artistic sensibilities unveils a deeper understanding than our prior quick walk-through. Video *can* be better!

More treats: “Virtual Nature Moments” includes 20 minutes of serene video of the Brandywine Creek on a sunny day. “Crafts and Educational Projects” link lets you download printable coloring sheets of works in the collection. For the kiddos there’s “Doodling with Gene Barretti,” a children’s book illustrator who creates fanciful animals. Blogs from the Brandywine Conservancy cover topics like spotlight on invasive species. And they offer you choice of Zoom backgrounds (covered bridge, Brandywine River).

So, Concerts in the Courtyard may be cancelled, but Art Camp continues, though virtually. You can even get the mushroom soup recipe from the Millstone Café, the onsite restaurant. [BrandywineMuseum.org](https://www.bandywinerivermuseum.org).

## Top Three Must-Sees

### Longwood Gardens

Despite the pandemic-imposed limitations, **Longwood Gardens**, with creativity and extensive resources, created many enticing ways to stay connected—though virtually. Under the theme “Our Garden Your Home,” Longwood has woven together a variety of options for the whole family to enjoy.

At press time plans were to reopen June 18 for members, with later date for non-member access.

From “Listen & Experience” to “Look & Breathe,” you’ll find programs that offer ways to see what’s in

bloom, catch a flower arranging class, have a family plant hunt, or learn the bygone art of pressing flowers. You can even listen to some past summer concerts—from Grammy-winning Cajun music to the 2011 show by the Indigo Girls. Yes, it’s not quite being there, but it can be the next best thing!

The famous fountains may be temporarily closed, the summer performance schedule canceled, but the virtual world of Longwood is vibrantly alive and well. Check it out. [LongwoodGardens.org](https://www.longwoodgardens.org).



### Winterthur Museum

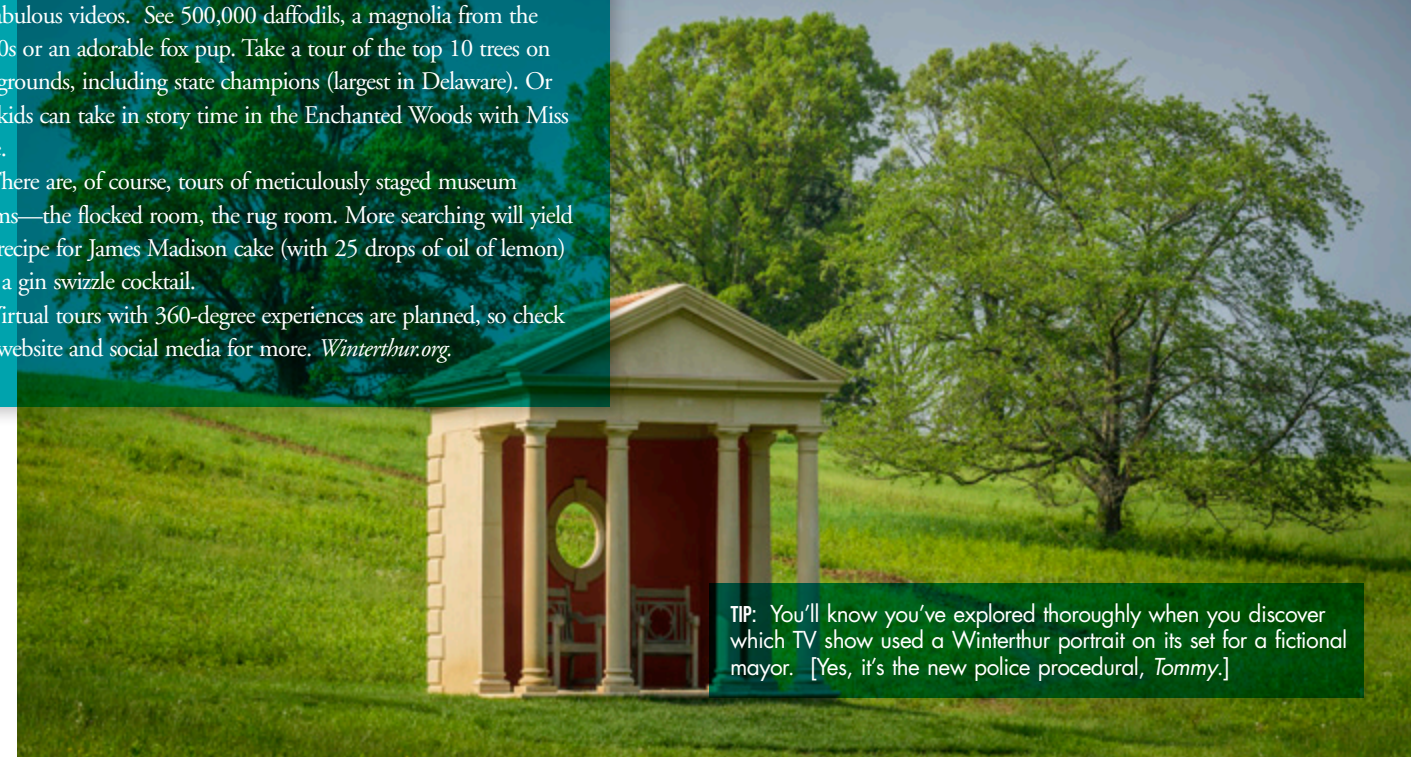
Although the museum and library are closed, the event calendar is in flux, and newlyweds are not filling the grounds every weekend, Winterthur staff have been busy.

Note: For Delaware residents, outdoor gardens have been open for members since June 1, with plans for more access/

Those who have never had the pleasure of an in-person visit to see 90,000 antiques, 60 acres of manicured grounds, plus 1,000 acres of meadows may want to indulge in an afternoon or two of fabulous videos. See 500,000 daffodils, a magnolia from the 1880s or an adorable fox pup. Take a tour of the top 10 trees on the grounds, including state champions (largest in Delaware). Or the kids can take in story time in the Enchanted Woods with Miss Julie.

There are, of course, tours of meticulously staged museum rooms—the flocked room, the rug room. More searching will yield the recipe for James Madison cake (with 25 drops of oil of lemon) and a gin swizzle cocktail.

Virtual tours with 360-degree experiences are planned, so check the website and social media for more. [Winterthur.org](https://www.winterthur.org).



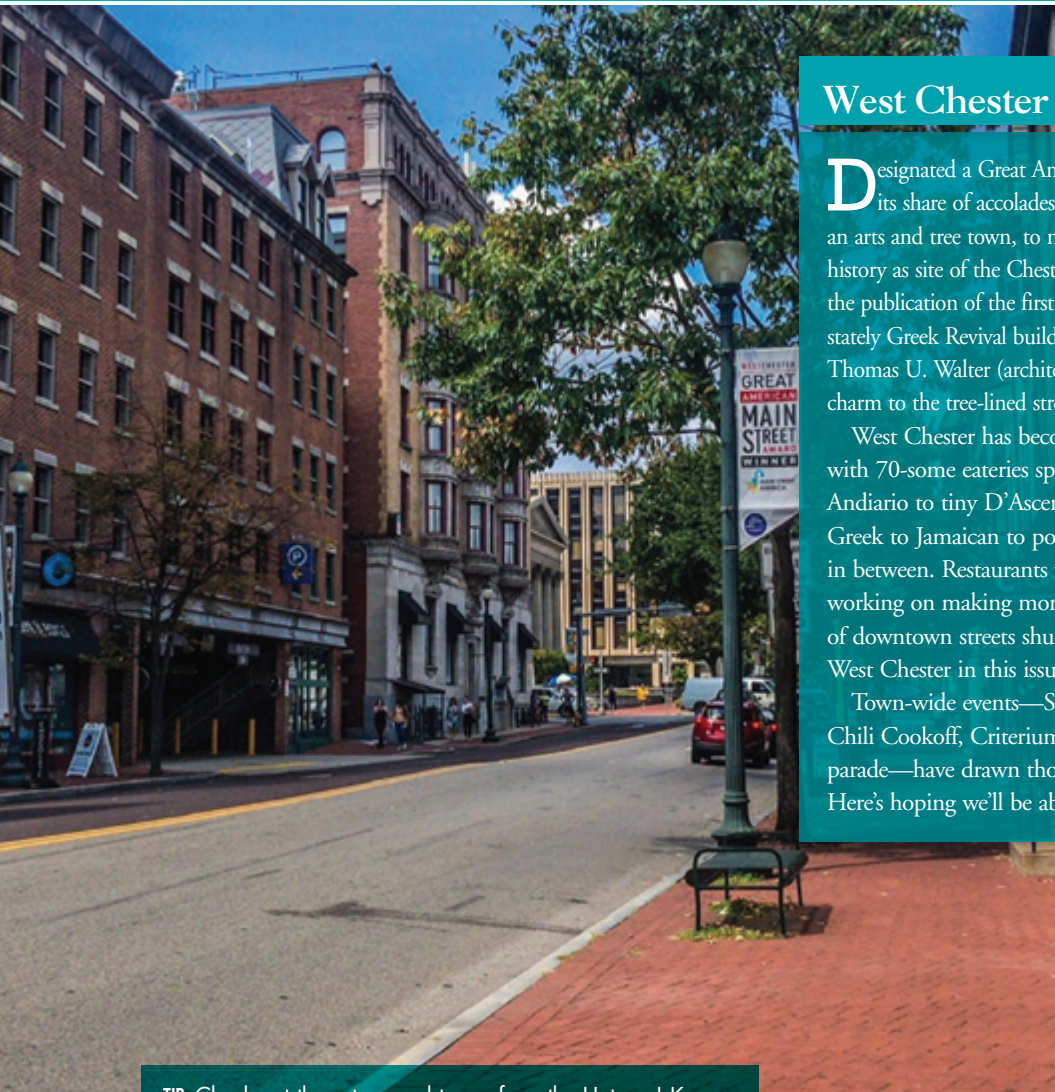
**TIP:** You’ll know you’ve explored thoroughly when you discover which TV show used a Winterthur portrait on its set for a fictional mayor. [Yes, it’s the new police procedural, *Tommy*.]



## EXPLORE CHESTER COUNTY

The fastest growing county in Pennsylvania, Chester County has much to recommend it—a high standard of living, great public and private schools, plenty of preserved open space. And it has a remarkable collection of distinctive towns, from its county seat of West Chester, to several of Philadelphia’s tiny Main Line towns (including Malvern, Berwyn and Devon), plus charming historic towns like Oxford, St. Peter’s Village and Historic Yellow Springs.

Here are four towns interesting enough to merit a day trip and certainly worth exploring and supporting.



### West Chester

Designated a Great American Main Street, **West Chester** has won its share of accolades as perfect small town, best place to retire, and an arts and tree town, to name a few. This county seat is also home to history as site of the Chester County History Center (new name) and the publication of the first biography of Abraham Lincoln. The town’s stately Greek Revival buildings include the Old Courthouse, built by Thomas U. Walter (architect of the U.S. Capitol), and others adding charm to the tree-lined streets with brick sidewalks.

West Chester has become well known as a dining destination, with 70-some eateries spanning Best of Philly white-table-cloth Andiamo to tiny D’Ascenzo’s Gelato. Cuisine options range from Greek to Jamaican to poke to vegan, with a bounty of choices in between. Restaurants were busy offering take out and are now working on making more outdoor dining options available as parts of downtown streets shut down to traffic. See the article about West Chester in this issue.

Town-wide events—Short Film Festival, Restaurant Festival, Chili Cookoff, Criterium Bike Races and a blockbuster Christmas parade—have drawn thousands to the downtown district each year. Here’s hoping we’ll be able to enjoy them all again soon.

**TIP:** Check out the art around town, from the Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center to the annual Gallery Walk tours (Oct. 2), to lamp post banners designed by local artists and the Chester County Art Association.

### Phoenixville

An old iron and steel mill town has emerged from the ashes much like its namesake to create a new life. This now-vibrant town attracts multiple generations to a walkable downtown area to enjoy all Phoenixville has to offer.

Restaurants fueled the town’s renaissance and sparked a busy nightlife. Although early pioneer Majolica closed its doors in late 2019, new eateries like trendy Sedona Taphouse fill the expanding main drag along Bridge Street. The historic Columbia Hotel houses the welcoming Great American Pub, while newer construction across the street is home to Vintner’s Table.

Independently owned shops add to the town’s flavor. Sample goodies from Bridge Street Chocolates or buy a book at newly opened Reads & Company. The classic and recently renovated Colonial Theatre offers films, live performances and 20 years of hosting its annual Blobfest in July, to commemorate that 1950s cult movie that includes some scenes shot locally.

Also notable: Phoenixville has more breweries per square foot than anywhere else in the U.S., so be sure to visit one while you’re there. Drink there or take out.



**TIP:** Walk the loop along Bridge Street in Phoenixville and spot several colorful murals depicting the town’s history. And mark your calendar for the Burning of the Phoenix before Christmas, a major community event.



### Kennett Square

Yes, it’s the Mushroom Capital of the World, producing over a million pounds of the product a day. And the town holds an annual Mushroom Festival as well as drops a lit mushroom-shaped ball on New Year’s Eve. A shop named the Mushroom Cap sells predictable souvenirs and most restaurants in town include food with fungi on their menus. But there’s more to this lively community near Longwood Gardens.

State Street is lined with independently owned shops—from Square Pear art gallery to charming boutiques. Yet eateries fill even more storefronts—there’s Aimee Olexy’s famed Talula’s Table, Molly Johnson’s delish Nomadic Pies, and Jack and Sam Mavraj’s beloved La Verona among many others.

And off the main street lie other discoveries. Beer fans will enjoy sampling Braeloch Brewing, Kennett Brewing, Victory Brewing or the beer garden at The Creamery, with the option to throw axes at the Chop Shop. Those looking for artisan goods should head for The workS, a curated showcase of one-of-a-kind locally made goods.

**TIP:** First Fridays in Kennett have hosted Art Strolls. Here’s hoping they return, along with the Kennett Brewfest in October—a chance to sample local and national breweries from tiny plastic mugs, all for a good cause.

### Malvern

A great place to live, work and play, Malvern is a small town village with its center just off busy Lancaster Ave. This Main Line town is home to a key Revolutionary War battle, commemorated at the Paoli Battlefield (yes, the name is confusing). The town is also the site of General Mad Anthony Wayne’s home, Waynesborough, a house museum and national historic landmark.

Beyond its historic roots—reflected in bold murals around town—Malvern hosts street festivals, parades (the longest running Memorial Day parade, started in 1868), and Third Thursday Strolls along King Street. Strollers can browse boutiques like Posh, Giny’s and Malvern Saddlery, along with a wide variety of restaurants.

Mainstay Restaurant Alba has been a fixture for years, serving up farm-to-table goodness before moving to take out. Malvern Buttery soon became a community hangout attracting the faithful with fabulous pastries and breads. Newly arrived Brick and Brew was packing them in before social distancing happened. Be sure to support these and other Chester County restaurants.



**TIP:** Attractions outside downtown Malvern include acclaimed repertory theater, People’s Light, 19th-century crossroads town at Historic Sugar-town, and Radnor Hunt, site of an annual steeplechase race attracting 20,000+ fans for a good cause.



Although many of our readers live in or visit Delaware often, too many others have not explored the First State. This neighboring destination—close enough to be an easy drive, yet distant enough to feel like a getaway—has much to recommend it.

There's history, gardens, cultural attractions, tax-free shopping, plus beautiful beaches (see Recent Discoveries in this issue). Here are a few highlights to entice to do Delaware soon.



## Mt. Cuba Center

One of the many former du Pont properties, Mt. Cuba's 500 acres of gardens, ponds and local flora are now a public garden focused on native plants. With display gardens, research facilities, and a recent feature in the *New York Times*, the Center is best known for its spectacular wildflowers.

The gardens opened first to members, who got a preview of what they've been missing while Mt. Cuba was closed. Ticket holders will be able to again enjoy the gardens, starting June 17, while observing safety protocols (contactless ticketing, one-way traffic, mask, social distancing and limits on numbers of guests).

## Nemours Mansion & Gardens

Yet another former du Pont residence, Nemours' stately formal gardens and classical French mansion are in stark contrast with Mt. Cuba. The former home of Alfred I. du Pont, who built the 77-room chateau-like home to woo his future wife, Nemours is modeled on Versailles and boasts the largest formal French gardens in North America, at 300 acres.

Though currently still closed to the public, videos tours are a wonderful way to catch a glimpse of the Temple of Love, colonnade, maze and magical water tower. Among other things, you'll learn about the original owner's special connection to ice cream.

Check social media for the planned reopening in early to mid-July. This is a garden worthy of your life-list!



## Delaware Art Museum

For over a hundred years, the Delaware Art Museum has been a major arts and cultural institution in Wilmington's leafy suburbs. With its world-class collection of British Pre-Raphaelite paintings and extensive works by Wilmington native Howard Pyle and other American artists, it would be a destination even without its welcoming sculpture gardens and free Sunday admission, thanks to DuPont.

Now art fans can celebrate the museum's reopening July 1 for members and July 15 for the public, with safety procedures in place (masks, distancing, and the usual precautions). Even so, it's still in-person viewing.

The past months have seen a variety of ways the museum has kept the public engaged with art: weekly Art Chats, Virtual Drawing and Painting classes, Virtual DelArt Readers Book Club Zoom meetings and musical performances. These creative efforts have kept this grand institution relevant to its community.



## Riverwalk & JAM Trail

Places to walk have become increasingly popular as we've been staying mostly at home and social distancing.

Wilmington's Riverwalk is a great place to stretch your legs and enjoy a water view. The local eateries (most offering outdoor dining), Constitution Yards beer garden, and charming collection of unique birdhouses built by Thomas Burke combine to make this fun for the whole family.

The new JAM (Jack A. Markell) Trail adds another attraction for walkers, cyclists and runners. Connecting Wilmington's Riverfront to Historic New Castle, the flat JAM Trail is worth exploring.

Start your JAM at Tubman-Garrett Riverfront Park, and head for the DuPont Environmental Education Center and Russell W. Peterson Urban Wildlife Refuge via an elevated boardwalk above the Christina River. You'll find an Industrial Track along the New Castle & Wilmington Railroad, then a Suburban Section before arriving at the Heritage Trail along the Colonial-era streets of Historic New Castle. Celebrate your journey with a pint at historic Jessup's Tavern.

The truly ambitious can continue on the East Coast Greenway that extends from Maine to Florida. Or enjoy another pint at Jessup's.



**TIP:** For a bit of small town charm, we suggest a stop at Centreville, just south of the Pennsylvania border. Browse the Shops at Centreville, stop at the Centreville Cafe and visit the delightful Collier's Wine Cellar for curated selections beyond the usual choices.



After a few months at home, even a short road trip can feel like an adventure. That's a great reason to consider a daytrip or weekend excursion to nearby Lancaster County.

With rolling Amish farmlands, wide open spaces and timeless places, outdoor recreation options and roadside stands, Lancaster County attracts visitors with its simple goodness. So whether it's just a chance to drive and put some space between you and your stay-at-home spot or a more organized photo excursion to capture nature's beauty, here's a destination to consider.

## Pick a Region

Consider exploring one (or more) of the five diverse areas in Lancaster County, each with its own flavor. The **Amish and PA Dutch** area in the eastern portion of the county is the closest to most of us and perhaps the best known, offering a glimpse of a different time. To the north, the **Antiques Capital**, around Adamstown, has an astounding collection of antiques shops with treasures for any budget. The **Small Towns and the Northern Countryside** region is very much as the name implies—a bit of Norman Rockwell atmosphere in towns like Ephrata, Mt. Joy and Lititz.

**Lancaster City**, the county seat and the only real city, is located in the center of the county and is a surprisingly cosmopolitan destination, with lively arts and restaurant scenes. And finally, to the west along the Susquehanna River, you'll find **the Riverlands**, with plenty of history to accompany a variety of outdoor recreational activities. Find out more in our April issue article "Spring Getaways in Lancaster County."



## Hiking, Biking and More

Lancaster County's open space is an ideal setting for outdoor fun. Parks and preserves offer a variety of scenic trails, whether you're wearing sneakers or hiking boots broken in on the Appalachian Trail.

For example, the Susquehanna Heritage area draws visitors to 40 parks, trails and nature preserves. Enjoy flowering fields, verdant woods and views of wildlife. You can even hike the famous Mason-Dixon Trail.

Rolling hills and back roads attract cyclists looking for a scenic ride. Established bike trails are also available for those who prefer a guided tour of lush farmlands, river views and plenty of fresh country air. There's even a bike route that takes you through covered bridges.

And yes, there are scooter tours in Strasburg, rock climbing at Chickies Rock, and kayaking on the Susquehanna River. *DiscoverLancaster.com*.

Finally, the Wolf Sanctuary in Lititz is worth adding to your itinerary. For nearly 40 years the Darlington family has provided a refuge for gray wolves and wolf-dogs. This educational facility on 80-some acres offers guided tours to let visitors meet the Wolves of Speedwell. Can't visit for the Full Moon Fundraiser event? Book a professional photography session or adopt a wolf to help support this nonprofit. *WolfSanctuaryPA.org*.

## Things to Do from Home

Much like other tourist attractions, Lancaster County has been busy finding ways folks can enjoy what they have to offer, but virtually.

If you've tried every educational resource from local sources, then check out the STEM offerings from The North Museum, with new material added each week. Hands-on engaging activities are available to download. Try the Geology or Dinosaurs sessions for Pre-K for \$5.

A fan of Sight and Sounds shows? Buy DVDs of popular shows to watch at home. Available exclusively through the theater and filmed in front of a live audience, the *Jesus* DVD includes director's commentary. Other shows—*Johan*, *Joseph*, *Noah*, *Ruth* or a collection—also available.

For train fans, tune in to the webcams and Google Streetviews at the Strasburg Rail Road to see what's happening there. *StrasburgRailRoad.com*.



## Covered Bridge Tour

For a quintessential Lancaster County experience—and perfect for social distancing—explore some of the 25 covered bridges that mix charm and romance. The romance part comes from the name "kissing bridges," another term used to describe these structures where many couples have strolled and paused to ... reflect on the remarkable architecture.

Choose one of five driving tours, each with directions, a bit of history and suggestions for places to stop and things to do along the way. (Check to make sure the tempting restaurants and other attractions recommended are open.) Or BYOP (bring your own picnic).



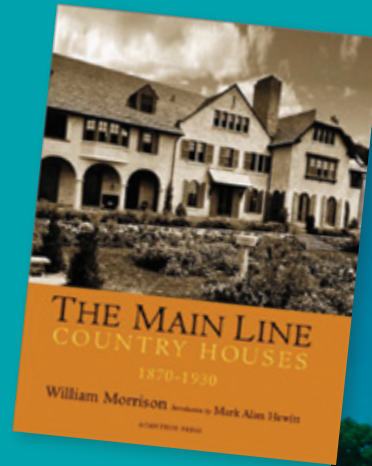
**TIP:** Just for fun, learn to speak like the Amish people with online lessons at *AmishFarmAndHouse.com*. A new word is posted each day, and you can review prior posts to expand your vocabulary. Heemet = home (pronounced hay-met), pannhass = scrapple, rock = dress. You'll also learn about Amish culture, e.g. Amish women wear dresses every day, and the dresses are long, of solid colors, without designs or ornament.



What is the Main Line? The traditional definition comes from the Pennsylvania Railroad. In the late 19th and early 20th century, the railroad’s executives and their friends built “summer cottages” east from Bala Cynwyd and west to Paoli. It is—or was—basically a land of mansions, opulent gardens and country clubs served by the main line of the PA Railroad.

Now there’s the looser definition of the area used by real estate agents and others. It’s broader, ill-defined, and includes Newtown Square, Chesterbrook, Malvern, Frazer and King of Prussia. Perhaps Main Line Adjacent?

No matter how you define it, the Main Line is a distinctive suburb worth a driving tour or a visit, conditions permitting.



## The Cottages and their Gardens

Some of the old railroad mansions and grounds are gone, carved into smaller estates and housing developments. But lovely examples remain.

On Dodd’s Lane in Gladwyne, for instance, is the former home of Joseph Pew, founder of Sun Oil. Another, on Laurel Lane, belonged to Clement Griscom, an owner of the Titanic. Yet another, on Berwyn-Paoli Road, was owned by J. Gardner Cassatt, a relative of a president of the Pennsylvania Railroad and of artist Mary Cassatt.

And there are many others you can read about in *The Main Line: Country Houses 1870-1930*. Great house porn!

The mansions themselves are, of course, generally closed to the public but some have shared their gardens with the public, either free or for fundraisers.

The 12-acre **Barnes Arboretum**, now managed by St. Joseph’s University, once belonged to Dr. Albert and Laura Barnes, donors of the Barnes Foundation. The arboretum in Merion has more than 2,500 varieties of plants.

The Haas family, of Rohm & Haas, donated **Stoneleigh**, their 42-acre estate in Villanova to Natural Lands. The gardens and main house blend horticulture, ecology and history based on designs by Frederick Law Olmsted’s sons.

**Jenkins Arboretum** in Devon is home to many rare plants, including unusual azaleas, rhododendrons and kalmias. The Jenkinse weren’t wealthy, but enjoyed the land immensely and bequeathed it to the community. Noted landscape architect George Patton developed the site plan.

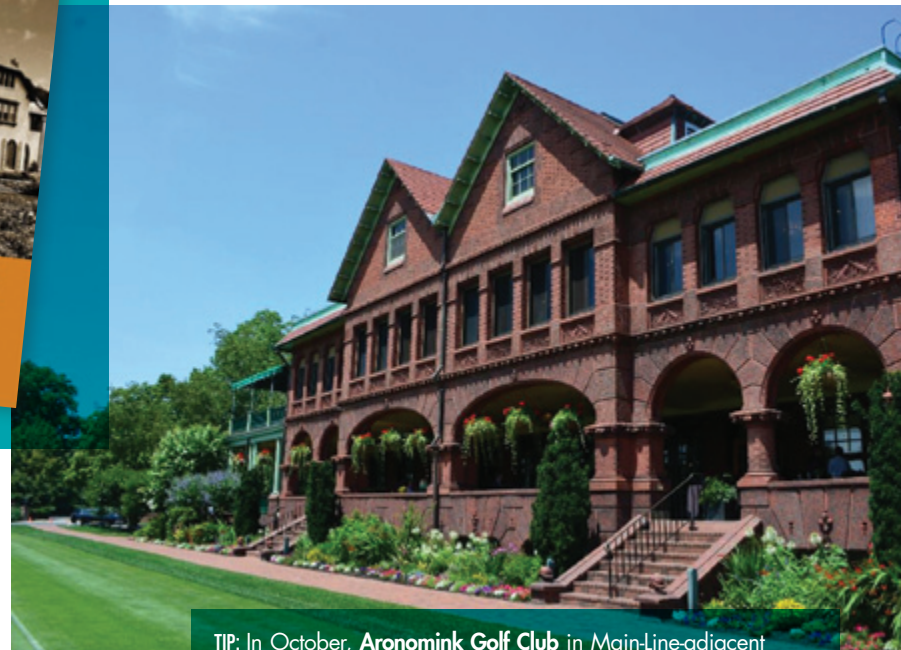
Wayne’s **Chanticleer Garden** was donated by Adolph Rosengarten, head of Merck Pharmaceuticals, and his wife, Christine. On the National Register of Historic Places, it consists of a dozen separate gardens, an open-air porch, and includes more than 5,000 plants. It’s been called the “most romantic, imaginative, and exciting public garden in America.”

We suggest you see them all for yourself.



## Bicycling in Montgomery County

History, art attractions, trails, shopping, restaurants, breweries and wineries ... If you’re thinking of touring the Main Line by bike, now is a great time! The Valley Forge Tourism and Convention Bureau has posted 8- and 14-mile routes on [ValleyForge.org](http://ValleyForge.org) for cycling the inner Main Line—basically Bala to Ardmore—and promises more to come. Do it now while the traffic is still light!



**TIP:** In October, **Aronomink Golf Club** in Main-Line-adjacent Newtown Square will host the KPMG Women’s PGA Championship, adding to its long list of championships. Gary Player, Jack Nicklaus, Tom Watson and Arnold Palmer have played the course. Designed in 1926 by Donald Ross, it’s ranked #9 in the U.S. and #36 in the world by the Platinum Club.



## Valley Forge National Park

George Washington slept here. Really. In fact, he had a nice house: a two-story affair. His 12,000 soldiers meanwhile slept in dirt-floor log huts, 12 to a cabin, about 1,800 of them. Many replicas of the Revolutionary War quarters have been built. Go for the history.

Another reason to visit the park is for the space and nature. The Valley Forge National Park offers 3,500 acres of rolling hills and green space, ideal for jogging, biking and enjoying. And remember: the heroes of Valley Forge did it for you.

## Golf and Cricket Clubs

Ardmore’s **Merion Golf Club’s** East Course, the five-time site of the U.S. Open, is ranked 7th in the U.S. and 14th in the world and is maintained in virtually the same condition as when it was created in 1912—including the colored wicker baskets (instead of flags) to mark the holes. Many great players—Bobby Jones, Ben Hogan, Sam Snead, Phil Mickelson, Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer, Tiger Woods—have played there. With about a \$70 thousand initiation fee and \$6 thousand in annual dues, that’s only the beginning of getting in—you’ll still have to get a member referral. It’s all about tradition.

The **Merion Cricket Club** is over 150 years old. Like many Philadelphia area buildings—the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, the Baldwin School (formerly the Bryn Mawr Hotel)—it was designed by Frank Furness. It’s hosted cricket, squash and tennis tournaments of state and national caliber, as well as croquet and paddle tennis plus events and galas in its grand ballroom.

Though it’s hosted a few, the **Philadelphia County Club** in Gladwyne reportedly eschews big-name golf championships, styling itself as a “family place.” Besides golf, it sports a beautiful swimming pool, tennis, paddle and squash courts—it’s hosted international squash tournaments—trap and skeet shooting, a fitness center, four dining rooms, a bridge club ... and a hefty admission fee. Historical note: Grace Kelly announced her engagement to Prince Ranier III of Monaco at PCC’s Bala facility, a year before it moved to Gladwyne.

## King of Prussia Mall

Minnesota’s Mall of America wins with 2.9 million feet of space. But at 2.8 million square feet, the KOP Mall is America’s second largest and a major shopping hub and attraction.

But what will our future mall experiences be like? Will our favorite stores be open? Time will tell. Some stores with exterior doors have started opening at press time. Keep checking the websites for updates.

Early news reports from parts of the country less affected by the pandemic where malls have reopened, show food courts with less seating, floor decals showing traffic flow, fewer entrances and limits on the number of shoppers (1 per 50 square feet). Masks, contactless payment and frequent sanitizing are also likely.

So, shop local?



Maryland spans ocean beaches to the east and Appalachian Mountains to the west. Here we focus on the nearby Chesapeake Bay area, running up the middle of the state, and all within three hours of Chester County.

This area is a 4,500-square-mile estuary that's practically fresh water in the north and ocean salty in the south, home to blue crabs, oysters and clams—each core to Chesapeake cuisine—as well as ospreys, herons, eagles, ducks, geese and other waterfowl. A nature-lovers delight!



## Tour by Bike

One of the best ways to visit the Chesapeake Bay area is by bicycle. The landscape is mostly flat, so there's no panting while peddling. You can cycle the 30-mile towpath along the Chesapeake & Delaware Canal and maybe spot a large ship making the passage from the Bay to the Atlantic.

Try navigating the 40-mile stretch from Georgetown to the Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge. Or bike from the Blackwater National Wildlife Preserve, which has a 20-mile loop connecting to a 25-mile loop from the nearby town of Cambridge. Enjoy the wildlife!

In between, tour picturesque towns, like St. Michaels, Oxford, Easton and Tilghman Island. In fact, you may want to take a tour. Check out [CarolinaTailwinds.com](#).



## By Water

Many would prefer to see the Chesapeake Bay like oystermen do, from the water. At a minimum, try a kayak or canoe. Launch it virtually anywhere—the Choptank River, Blackwater River, Tilghman Island are considered excellent launching points. But there are hundreds.

Get a map at [Maryland.maps.arcgis.com](#), paddle up one of the many creeks and guess which stately mansion was the home of Russian spies.

Or choose to explore by sailboat. Wednesday nights are for races in Annapolis Harbor. During the rest of the week, the Bay is filled with all manner of sailboats, from small dinghies to antique schooners.

St. Michaels, Rock Hall, Baltimore, Solomons Island ... You can charter a sailboat at many places, e.g., South River Boat Rentals or Dream Yacht Charters.

If your seamanship skills are wanting, try a refresher at the Annapolis Sailing School or J World. Or, if you're in need of a captain or crew, there are many to hire. Try Annapolis Bay Charters to begin.

**TIP:** Come November, you can still see bald eagles here. At Conowingo Dam, between Cecil and Harford Counties, bald eagles congregate. Watch them in the trees, soaring over the water, spearing their quarry. Not bad when you think that 50 years ago these magnificent birds were almost extinct.

## Great Places for Outings

While most of the following sights are closed now, all plan to re-open soon. Take a look at all our area has to offer, make your plans, and check websites to see what current conditions allow.

### More Great Places for Outings

#### PENNSYLVANIA

See also: [Historic Sites](#)

##### Glen Mills

**Newlin Mill Park.** Restored 18th-century milling community, with an active 1704 water-powered grist mill. Hiking, trout fishing weekends, picnicking and nature walks. *Rt. 1 & Cheyney Rd. NewlinGristMill.org.*

##### Glenmoore

**Springton Manor Farm.** The 19th-century manor house was the country estate of a prominent Philadelphia family and is now a demonstration farm where children meet animals in a petting area and learn about farming. *Park open year-round. 860 Springton Rd. ChesCo.org/CCParks.*

##### Newtown Square

**Colonial Pennsylvania Plantation.** Recreation of a 112-acre working 18th-century farm, with farmers and guides in period garb, Belgian horses, Red Devon milking cows, Dominique chickens and two very large pigs. They usually hold many fun events throughout the season, Apr–Nov. Weekends. *3900 N. Sandy Flash Dr. Colonial-Plantation.org.*



##### Nottingham

**Herr Foods, Inc.** *USA Today's* 2016 Readers' Choice #1 Best Factory Tour—beating Hershey's Chocolate World, at #4! Factory tours show the real operation, with real workers and include secrets like how tortilla chips get their flavor. Tours end at the Snack Bar and Gift Shop. Reservations required. *To schedule: 800-284-7488; or reserve tickets online: Herrs.com.*

##### Oxford

**The Village of Oxford** celebrates its 250-plus-year history in a charming historic district. Hosting many events throughout most years, check out their First Fridays and the Downtown Oxford Car Show in September. For tours, coupons, guides and more, visit [DowntownOxfordPA.org](#).

##### Perkiomenville

**Goschenhoppen.** One of the oldest continuously existing Pennsylvania German communities in America preserving the folk culture of this area's earliest immigrant settlers, known as the Pennsylvania Dutch. Today, the Goschenhoppen

Historians maintain museums, a library and offer educational and seasonal events such as the **54th Annual Goschenhoppen Folk Festival**, scheduled for Aug. 7–8, *Henry Antes Plantation, 318 Colonial Rd. Goschenhoppen.org.*

#### DELAWARE

##### New Castle

The town of **New Castle**, established in 1651 and where William Penn landed in 1682, is a beautifully preserved Colonial town center on the Delaware River. Visit **Immanuel Church** and its churchyard (dating back to 1703), and the **George Read II House**, a grand Federal mansion surrounded by a handsome garden. *NewCastleCity.Delaware.gov.*



##### Odessa

**Historic Houses of Odessa.** An outstanding collection of period household furnishings, fine and decorative arts. Five distinctive properties are unique examples of the architectural heritage of Colonial Delaware and tell of Odessa's role in the Underground Railroad. Be sure to visit for the **7th Annual Historic Odessa Brewfest** in September with craft beer, live music, great food, vendors. *OdessaBrewfest.com, HistoricOdessa.org.*

##### Wilmington

**Delaware Park Casino.** Home to live thoroughbred racing on the track and slot machines and table games, live entertainment and dining choices for all tastes. There's even a world-class 18-hole championship golf course at the White Clay Creek Country Club. *777 Delaware Park Blvd. DelawarePark.com.*

### Amusement Parks & Family Fun

#### PENNSYLVANIA

##### Bird-In-Hand

**US Hot Air Balloon Team.** You can schedule a private ride at your favorite location, select an available date and time that works best for you, then enjoy an experience of a lifetime. *2727 Old Philadelphia Pk. USHotAirBalloon.com.*

##### Chester Springs

**Above & Beyond Ballooning.** Take a scenic ride above Chester, Berks and Montgomery counties and celebrate with a post-flight champagne

toast. A memorable and unique experience for the whole family. *USAHotAir.com.*

##### Downingtown

**Boulder Falls Miniature Golf.** A 19-hole mini golf course featuring a cascading waterfall with winding streams flowing into fountain ponds. The beautifully landscaped design provides relaxation and lots of fun. *1426 Marshallton Thorndale Rd. BoulderFallsMiniGolf.com.*

**Urban Air Trampoline & Adventure Park.** From the obstacle course, balance beams, tubes, the runway tumble track and slam dunk zone and on and on. Great place on a rainy day or for a birthday party when conditions allow. *981 E. Lancaster Ave. Urban-AirTrampolinePark.com.*

##### Exton

**Round 1.** There's fun for the entire family at this state-of-the-art entertainment arena. Mom and Dad can enjoy Happy Hour Specials of draft beers and wine while kids participate in activities like bowling, arcade games and karaoke. *Exton Square Mall, 172 Exton Square Pkwy. Round-1USA.com.*

##### Glen Mills

**Oasis Family Fun Center.** Safe, clean fun for the entire family including a Ballocity Arena, Soft Playground, Rock Climbing Wall, Laser Maze, Jumpshot Trampoline Basketball and Arcade Games plus a full service snack bar. *35 Lacrue Ave. OasisFamilyFun.com.*

##### Lancaster

**Dutch Wonderland.** Fun for kids, with over 30 rides—two coasters, Duke's Lagoon water play area and live entertainment shows. *Rt. 30, 4 mi. East of Lancaster. DutchWonderland.com.*



##### Malvern

**Grand Slam USA.** Keep the family active with over 30,000 square feet of athletic activities and sports for all ages plus unique attractions like Ninja Obstacle Course, Nerf Blaster Battle, Spaceball Trampoline and Human Foosball. *11 Lancaster Ave. GrandSlamMalvern.com.*

##### Mortonville

**Brandywine Outfitters.** Enjoy a scenic canoe or kayak trip with the whole family down the Brandywine River. If you're looking for a whole weekend of fun, grab your sleeping bag and pitch a tent on the 26-acre private park in the heart of Chester County. *2096 Strasburg Rd. CanoePA.net.*



**Newtown Square**  
**Jumpers Family Zone.** Indoor playzone with Soft Playground, Safari Slide, Jungle Obstacles and Little Cub Play Area. Enjoy the fun any day of the week or host your next party—you can even create invitations on Jumper’s website. *Ridley Creek Plaza, 5117 West Chester Pk. FunAtJumpers.com.*

**Oaks**  
**Arnold’s Family Fun Center.** An action-packed day riding go-karts and other rides. Try both laser tag attractions, Black Light Mini Golf and bowling. Not only will the kids have fun, but parents can enjoy Arnold’s Bistro & Bar while they play. *2200 West Dr. ArnoldsFFC.com.*

**West Chester**  
**Northbrook Canoe Company.** Cool off along the beautiful Brandywine River with a peaceful, self-guided canoe, kayak or tubing trip. Continue your fun with your favorite summer foods. Res. encouraged; walk-ins welcomed. Open daily, May through October with the first trip at 9 am, last one at 4 pm. *NorthbrookCanoe.com.*

**Treehouse World.** A place to explore the newest and coolest treehouses around, to challenge yourself with their unique high adventure programs and a place to have a ton of fun. You can also take the Aerial Zipline Adventure Course with 3 ziplines and 8 bridge crossings that take you high

above the headwaters of the Valley Creek. *1442 Phoenixville Pk. TreehouseWorld.com.*



DELAWARE

**Wilmington**  
**Wilmington & Western Railroad.** A premier scenic tourist railroad, where passengers come for romantic evenings, holiday celebrations or a relaxing afternoon train ride with family and friends. Their mission is to inform and educate the public about the rich history of the Red Clay Valley. *2201 Newport Gap Pk., Wilmington. 302-998-1930; WWRR.com.*

Selected Nature Centers, Parks and Public Gardens

PENNSYLVANIA

**Audubon**  
**John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove.** The Center joins Valley Forge National Park and Longwood Gardens as one of the region’s premier cultural destinations. There is a new Birds Gallery, as well as outside attractions and a Fledgling Trail for the kids. *1201 Paulings Rd. JohnJamesAudubon.org.*

**Coatesville**  
**Hibernia County Park.** The park consists of over 900 acres of trails, woodlands, meadows, open fields, play areas, pavilions, camping, picnic areas and popular fishing sites. *1 Park Rd. ChesCo.org/1743/Hibernia-Park.*

**Devon**  
**Jenkins Arboretum.** A 46-acre arboretum that emphasizes azaleas, rhododendrons and plants of local woodlands, including groundcovers and colorful wildflowers that bloom over a long season. It’s also a vibrant classroom for people of all ages. From seed propagation workshops to story time in the Children’s Garden, yoga practice to bee-



keeping demonstrations, there is always something birds new to learn, create, or experience at Jenkins! *631 Berwyn Baptist Rd. JenkinsArboretum.org.*

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**Tyler Arboretum.** A 650-acre preserve originated with brothers Jacob and Minshall Painter. Mature plant collections are laid out in a natural setting, with 20 miles of marked trails. Education center, museum collections, library. *515 Painter Rd. TylerArboretum.org.*

**Newtown Square**  
**Willistown Conservation Trust/Rushton Conservation Center.** The Trust program’s focus encompasses 28,000 acres in Chester County and portions of Delaware County, and its mission is to preserve and manage the open land, rural character, scenic, recreational, historic, agricultural and natural resources of the area.



**Rushton Farm** is the centerpiece of the community farm, hosting a CSA, school groups, volunteer days and a “Share the Bounty” program that donates fresh food to local food cupboards. *925 Providence Rd. WCTrust.org.*

**Willistown’s Okehocking Preserve.** 180 acres of the 500-acre Okehocking Land Grant Historic District are likely the only known grant to an Indian tribe authorized by William Penn, conveyed in 1703. Includes meadowlands, upland hillsides and old-growth woodlands, with 5 miles of hiking and horse riding trails. *5316 West Chester Pk. Willistown.Pa.us.*

**Nottingham**  
**Nottingham County Park.** The 651-acre park offers nine pavilions, an 18-station fitness trail and three modern, handicapped accessible playgrounds. Dedicated in September 1963, Nottingham Park was the first Chester County park. *150 Park Rd. ChesCo.org/1743/Nottingham-Park.*

**Phoenixville**  
**Black Rock Sanctuary.** Consisting of 119 acres of wetlands, woodlands and meadows, Black Rock Sanctuary is dedicated to wildlife habitat and public use. The sky over Black Rock is a flyway, or air highway, for birds that migrate up and down the East Coast. *953 Black Rock Rd. ChesCo.org/1745/Black-Rock-Sanctuary.*



**Pottstown**  
**Warwick County Park.** Hardwood forests, meadows, wetlands and the French Creek are all jewels within Warwick Park’s 535 acres. *191 County Park Rd. ChesCo.org/1743/Warwick-Park.*

**Welkinweir.** This historic country estate is home to Green Valleys Watershed Association, a nonprofit dedicated to preserving the natural resources of northern Chester County. Nature walks and talks, summer camps and volunteer opportunities are just part of the fun. *1368 Prizer Rd. Welkinweir.org.*

**Swarthmore**  
**Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College.** “A garden of suggestions,” it’s the college campus, covering 110 diverse acres. *500 College Ave. ScottArboretum.org.*

**Wayne**  
**Chanticleer.** Chanticleer is one of the great gar-

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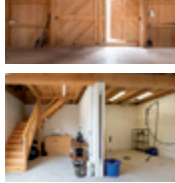




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dens of the region. Once the Rosengarten estate, today's Chanticleer is a colorful, contemporary garden within an historic setting. 786 Church Rd. [ChanticleerGarden.org](#).

**West Chester**  
**H. E. Myrick Conservation Center.** A 300-acre



landscape with vegetation and wildlife habitats. Part of the Brandywine Valley Assn., which protects the Brandywine Creek. Two marked self-guided nature trails—Hill and Stream Trail and Farm Path Trail. 1760 Unionville-Wawaset Rd. (Rt. 842). [BrandywineRedClay.org](#).

**DELAWARE**  
**Hockessin**  
**Ashland Nature Center.** Headquarters of the DE Nature Society, 130 acres of meadows, forests, marshes, streams and ponds make an ideal setting for nature programs each year, geared to all ages and all levels of interest. [Brackenville & Barley Mill Rds. DelawareNatureSociety.org](#).

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**Mt. Cuba Center.** A botanical garden that inspires an appreciation for native plants and a commitment to protect the habitats that sustain them. 3120 Barley Mill Rd. [MtCubaCenter.org](#).

**Smyrna**  
**Nemours Mansion & Gardens.** This is a 300-acre country estate with formal gardens and a classical French mansion with 105 rooms on five floors. 850 Alapocas Dr. [NemoursEstate.org](#).

Historic Sites

**PENNSYLVANIA**  
**Broomall**  
**The 1696 Thomas Massey House.** One of the oldest English Quaker homes in PA, built in 1696. [Laurence & Springhouse Rds. Thomas-MasseyHouse.org](#).

**Bryn Mawr**  
**Harriton House.** Home of Charles Thomson, Continental Congress secretary, furnished with 18th-century antiques. Originally part of a 700-acre, 1700s plantation. 500 Harriton Rd. [HarritonHouse.org](#).

**Chadds Ford**  
**Barns-Brinton House.** Blacksmith William Barns foresaw the need for a tavern on "ye Great Road to Nottingham." So, in 1714 he built the spacious brick building that was to become a tavern. **John Chads House.** Built around 1725, and owned by John Chads from 1729 until his death in 1760. He operated a ferry across Brandywine Creek. The location became known as Chad's ford. 1736 Creek Rd. [ChaddsFordHistory.org](#).

**Chester Springs**  
**The Mill at Anselma.** On the Pickering Creek, the Mill is an extraordinary artifact of 250 years of Chester County's industrial heritage retaining its original Colonial-era power train, and multiple layers of industrial equipment. Demonstrations and hands-on activities. 1730 Conestoga Rd. [AnselmaMill.org](#).

**Historic Yellow Springs.** Originally named by Native Americans for the iron-rich "yellow" spring water, this scenic village became the principal hospital for the Continental Army during the Valley Forge encampment and an 18th-century mineral water spa. Site of art, crafts and antiques shows. [Art School & Pikeland Rds. YellowSprings.org](#).

**Ephrata**  
**Ephrata Cloister.** William Penn's colony was the first to offer freedom from religious persecution and Historic Ephrata Cloister is an example of this religious toleration. Explore Ephrata's unique architecture, music and artwork. The museum store features specialty crafts by nationally recognized artisans. 632 W. Main St. [EphrataCloister.org](#).

**Geigertown**  
**Joanna Furnace.** Hay Creek Valley Historical Assn. supports local heritage and provides a living

experience of Berks County's agricultural and technological past. The Hay Creek Festival, [Sept. 11-13](#), features Early American crafts, antique toys, home crafts, children's hands-on activities, food and olde tyme music. [Rt. 10. HayCreek.org](#).

**Lancaster**  
**Rock Ford Plantation.** The 18th-century Georgian-style home of Revolutionary War hero General Edward Hand. The estate includes the mansion, barn and Kauffman Museum of decorative arts. 881 Rockford Rd. [RockFordPlantation.org](#).

**Wheatland, LancasterHistory.org.** Formerly known as Lancaster County's Historical Society, this local history museum invites visitors to take a guided tour of Wheatland, home of 15th U.S. President James Buchanan, walk the grounds of the Louise Arnold Tanger Arboretum and Dwarf Conifer Garden and visit the museum store. 230 N. President Ave. [LancasterHistory.org](#).

**Malvern**  
**Historic Sugartown.** Historic Sugartown provides a window on rural 19th-century life, with several preserved buildings, including a circa 1880 General Store, a Carriage Museum featuring Chester County carriages and sleighs, Bank Barn and Book Bindery. Visit for Shugart's Sunday (held in September) with BBQ & Blues and country-style family festivities. [Parking at 273 Boot Rd., Malvern. HistoricSugartown.org](#).

**Morrisville**  
**Pennsbury Manor.** William Penn's beautiful country plantation on the Delaware River, rebuilt to look as it did in 1700. Jacobean-style furnishings include 17th-century antiques. 400 Pennsbury Memorial Rd. [PennsburyManor.org](#).

**Paoli**  
**Paoli Battlefield.** On the night of September 20, 1777, British Troops attacked Anthony Wayne's Pennsylvanians at this spot. This was the 9th bloodiest battle of the Revolutionary War and this battle was also called the Paoli Massacre. Visit this spot where America's First Battle Cry of "Remember Paoli" was born and see the second oldest revolutionary war monument in the United States. [PBPFInc.org](#).



**Pottstown**  
**Pottsgrove Manor.** Built in 1752, this is the historic home of John Potts, Colonial ironmaster and founder of Pottstown. Distinguished for its fine early Georgian architecture. [Rt. 100 & W. King St. MontCoPA.org/HistoricSites](#).

**Schwenksville**  
**Pennypacker Mills.** A Colonial revival mansion, this home of PA Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker was preserved as a country gentleman's estate. 5 Haldeman Rd. [MontCoPA.org/HistoricSites](#).

**Wayne**  
**St. David's Episcopal Church.** A stone wall encloses St. David's graveyard, memorialized in Longfellow's poem: "What an image of peace and rest is this little church among its graves ..." This park-like setting is welcoming and serene, with an intimate stone church. 763 S. Valley Forge Rd. [StDavidsChurch.org](#).

**Willow Street**  
**Hans Herr House.** Oldest house in Lancaster County and oldest Mennonite Meeting House in America, built in 1719. Explore the main floor, the attic and cellar, plus farm museum and Colonial garden. 1849 Hans Herr Dr. [HansHerr.org](#).

**Worcester**  
**Peter Wentz Farmstead.** Colonial farmhouse used by George Washington before and after the battle of Germantown, restored to its 1777 state. [Schultz Rd., off Rt. 73. MontCoPA.org/HistoricSites](#).

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## Museums

### PENNSYLVANIA

#### Chadds Ford

**Brandywine River Museum of Art.** See: “Day Trips & Outings.”

**Christian Sanderson Museum.** A fascinating look at one man’s life and our Nation’s history—200 years of history in 1500 square feet. Enter the museum to uncover artifacts from the Revolutionary War, Civil War, both World Wars and learn about the Battle of Brandywine along with other local lore. 1755 Creek Rd. (Old Rt. 100). [SandersonMuseum.org](http://SandersonMuseum.org).

#### Coatesville

**Lukens National Historic District Museums.** Industrial history and architectural heritage are woven together so you can “Discover the Past, Explore the Future.” Three mansions—**Rebecca Lukens House** (c. 1739); **Terracina** (1850-51) and **Graystone Mansion** (1889)—plus the **National Iron and Steel Heritage Museum** are the highlights when you visit. 50 S. First Ave. [Coatesville.SteelMuseum.org](http://Coatesville.SteelMuseum.org).

#### Lancaster

**DeMuth Museum.** Describing itself as “National in scope, while reflecting the distinctive character of the Lancaster region,” the Demuth Museum, located in the artist’s former home, includes work-

rooms and gardens where artist Charles Demuth lived. 120 E. King St. [Demuth.org](http://Demuth.org).

#### West Chester

**Chester Co. History Center Museum.** CCHS is a nonprofit educational organization that connects you through premier collections of decorative arts, manuscripts and photographs to the faces, places and events that have shaped our region. 225 N. High St. [ChesterCoHistorical.org](http://ChesterCoHistorical.org).



### DELAWARE

#### Wilmington

**Delaware Art Museum.** See: “Day Trips & Outings.”

**The Delaware Contemporary.** A non-collecting contemporary art museum and gathering place for exploring new ideas in art, design and technology. 200 S. Madison St. [DEContemporary.org](http://DEContemporary.org).

**Delaware Children’s Museum.** The big yellow building along the Riverfront focuses on science, math and technology and engages children in playful learning. 550 Justison St. [Delaware-ChildrensMuseum.org](http://Delaware-ChildrensMuseum.org).

**Delaware History Museum.** Originally a Woolworth’s Department Store (1940), the building has been transformed into the Delaware History Museum and the **Jane and Littleton Mitchell Center for African American Heritage**. 504 N. Market St. [DEHistory.org](http://DEHistory.org).

**Delaware Museum of Natural History.** Investigate nature and science indoors with natural history exhibits and outdoors with trails, a meadow, pollinator garden, and more. Gallery highlights include habitats from around the globe and the only permanent dinosaur collection in Delaware. 4840 Kennett Pk. 302-658-9111; [DelMNH.org](http://DelMNH.org).

**Hagley Museum & Library.** The former industrial site of the original black powder works of the DuPont Company, founded in 1802 and powered by the natural resources that surrounded it. Check website for events. 200 Hagley Creek Rd. [Hagley.org](http://Hagley.org).

**Rockwood Museum.** Designed in 1851 by English architect George Williams, an outstanding example of Rural Gothic architecture and gardenesque landscape design. 610 Shipley Rd. [Rockwood.org](http://Rockwood.org).

**Winterthur Museum & Gardens.** See: “Day Trips & Outings.”

#### Yorklyn

**Marshall Steam Museum at Auburn Heights Preserve.** Home to the world’s largest collection of operating steam cars and a live steam railroad. Visit their website to find out about their special events. Open to the public for train and antique auto rides and private tours mid-March through December. 3000 Creek Rd. [AuburnHeights.org](http://AuburnHeights.org).

## Special Interest Museums

### PENNSYLVANIA

#### Columbia

**The National Watch & Clock Museum.** Featuring the treasures of time, from ancient timepieces to modern technologies, the museum captures the evolution of timekeeping over the centuries. 514 Poplar St. [NAWCC.com](http://NAWCC.com).

#### Kennett Square

**The Kennett Underground Railroad Center at the History Station.** KURC is a nonprofit, all-volunteer organization, dedicated to telling the stories of Underground Railroad sites and participants in this area. You can attend their special events or take a guided tour with one of their knowledgeable local guides. 120 N. Union St. [KennettUndergroundRR.org](http://KennettUndergroundRR.org).

#### Lancaster

**Landis Valley Museum.** Stroll the grounds and

get an up-close look at the large collection of Pennsylvania German artifacts, there is something for everyone to enjoy. They also offer a full calendar of events. 2451 Kissel Hill Rd. [Landis-ValleyMuseum.org](http://Landis-ValleyMuseum.org).

**Hands-On House Children’s Museum.** Offering interactive activities for kids and families, through self-directed exhibits and programming that stimulate curiosity and invite the joy of discovery for everyone. 721 Landis Valley Rd. Call for dates and hours. [HandsOnHouse.org](http://HandsOnHouse.org).

#### Malvern

**The Wharton Esherick Museum.** The home and studio of artist and sculptor Wharton Esherick, who inspired the Studio furniture movement. The museum is a National Historic Landmark for Architecture, housing 50 years of work. Tours by reservation only. The campus now includes the **Diamond Rock Schoolhouse**, a one-room octagonal schoolhouse built in 1818 that served as the first “free” or public school in the area. 1520 Horseshoe Trail. [WhartonEsherickMuseum.org](http://WhartonEsherickMuseum.org).

#### Strasburg

**The National Toy Train Museum. Railroad Museum of PA. Strasburg Rail Road.** Strasburg is known as “Train City” as home Strasburg Rail Road, National Toy Train Museum, Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania. You can spend an entire day here enjoying trains of all kinds. [NTTMuseum.org](http://NTTMuseum.org); [RRMuseumPa.org](http://RRMuseumPa.org); [Strasburg-Railroad.com](http://Strasburg-Railroad.com).

#### West Chester

**The American Helicopter Museum & Education Center.** The museum has an active schedule of public educational programs, events, air shows, workshops and publications designed to teach the principles of flight, celebrate the pioneers of aviation and encourage and inspire future generations. Helicopter rides are offered through the summer. 1220 American Blvd., [AmericanHelicopterMuseum.org](http://AmericanHelicopterMuseum.org).



**The Antique Ice Tool Museum.** Follow the “ice man” from the harvest of the first major winter freeze to the storage, transportation, delivery and consumption of the product that shaped the way of life in this country from 1803-1940. 1825 Scennelltown Rd., [AntiqueIceToolMuseum.org](http://AntiqueIceToolMuseum.org). ♦

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# Fall Aside to the Arts

While many performance venues and events are on hold, we want you to see all that's available in our culturally-rich area. Check websites often for the latest updates.

## THEATERS & VENUES WITH MUSIC, DANCE & THEATER PERFORMANCES

### SUBURBAN PA COUNTIES

#### American Music Theatre

Since 1997, AMT has welcomed Opry legends along with Grammy, CMA, Tony and Oscar winners. They've hosted acclaimed original shows, national Broadway tours, and Christmas extravaganzas. 2425 Lincoln Hwy. E., Lancaster  
AmericanMusicTheatre.com

#### Bird-in-Hand Stage

Offering exceptional entertainment, including Broadway-style musical theater and magic shows—one of Lancaster County's must-see stops for live performances. 2760 Old Philadelphia Pk., Bird-in-Hand  
Bird-in-Hand.com

#### The Colonial Theatre/Point Entertainment

Independent and classic films, programs for young audiences, concerts and community events. Major performances booked by Point Entertainment. 227 Bridge St., Phoenixville  
TheColonialTheatre.com; PointEntertainment.com

#### Immaculata University Alumnae Hall Theater

Seats 1,100 with great stage views from any seat, perfect for concerts, dance and theater productions. Alumnae Hall Theater, Immaculata. Immaculata.edu

#### Kennett Flash

A café-style venue showcasing national, regional and local music, comedy and children's programs. 102 Sycamore Alley, Kennett Sq. KennettFlash.org

#### Keswick Theatre of Performing Arts

A 1,300-seat venue hosting well-known acts with state-of-the-art sound and light equipment. 291 N. Keswick Ave., Glenside. KeswickTheatre.com

#### Longwood Gardens Performing Arts

The arts at Longwood are as inspiring and beautiful as the Gardens, showcasing leading artists. 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square  
LongwoodGardens.org

#### Neumann University, Meagher Theatre

Modern 300-seat theater hosting lectures, theater, cinema, concerts and other theatrical events. 1 Neumann Dr., Aston. Neumann.edu

#### Sight & Sound Theatres

Faith-based live theater that's been described as "Christian Broadway." 300 Hartman Bridge Rd., Strasburg. Sight-Sound.com

#### Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center

Promoting cultural, economic and civic life through live theater, music, dance and film. Nine resident companies with three separate performance spaces. 226 N. High St., West Chester  
UptownWestChester.org

#### West Chester University—WCU Live!

Live performances held on campus of music, theater and dance by national traveling groups. Emilie K. Asplundh Concert Hall and Madeleine Wing Adler Theatre, West Chester  
WCUa.edu/oca/WCULive

### DELAWARE

#### The Grand Wilmington

Presenting symphony orchestras and ballets, the latest rock and comedy stars, jazz, folk, family artists. 818 N. Market St., Wilmington  
TheGrandWilmington.org

#### Theatre N at Nemours

First-run independent feature films and concerts. 11th & Tatnall Sts. Nemours Bldg., Wilmington  
TheatreN.org

## EVENTS & SERIES

\* See *Ourdoor Concerts in this issue*

## PERFORMANCE GROUPS / DANCE

### SUBURBAN PA COUNTIES

#### Brandywine Ballet

Providing professional training and performance opportunities for dancers and entertaining audiences as the region's premier ballet organization. Emilie K. Asplundh Concert Hall  
700 S. High St., West Chester. BrandywineBallet.org

#### Chester County Ballet Company

A professional performance group at Chester County's oldest training school for dance. 321 S. High St., West Chester  
HarrisonDanceStudios.com

### DELAWARE

#### First State Ballet Theater

Delaware's professional ballet company presents full-length ballets and mixed-repertory programs. 818 N. Market St., Floor 3R, Wilmington  
FirstStateBallet.com

## MUSIC

### SUBURBAN PA COUNTIES

#### Brandywine Singers

A choral ensemble with a wide repertoire of music, partnering with other groups to present concerts. TheBrandywineSingers.org

#### Chester County Choral Society

Led by a professional director and accompanist and performing diverse choral music. P.O. Box 3466, West Chester  
ChesterCountyChoralSociety.org

#### Chesco Pops

Comprised of 65 talented and dedicated musicians from around the County, performing pops, jazz and light-classic repertoire. P.O. Box 2468, West Chester. ChesCoPops.org

#### Delaware County Symphony

This community orchestra performs symphony and chamber series concerts at Neumann University. Meagher Theatre Life Center, Concord Rd., Aston  
DCSMusic.org

#### Immaculata Symphony

From as far back as 1920, this orchestra has grown from a chamber-size group to a large ensemble. 1145 King Rd., Immaculata  
ImmaculataSymphony.org

#### Kennett Symphony

Under the direction of Music Director, Michael Hall, professional musicians recreate musical masterpieces. 106 W. State St., Kennett Square  
KennettSymphony.org

#### Lancaster Symphony Orchestra

Entertaining and educating the south central PA community through live musical performances. 226 N. Arch St., Lancaster.  
LancasterSymphony.org

#### Rose Tree Pops Orchestra

A community orchestra with performances ranging from classical to pops to Big Band. P. O. Box 932, Media. RoseTreePops.org

#### Rose Valley Chorus and Orchestra

Chorus and 35-piece orchestra. Strath Haven Middle School, S. Providence Rd. Wallingford. RVCO.org

#### Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley

TOSDV owns, maintains and presents theatre organ concerts and silent movies on a 3/24 Wurlitzer theatre pipe organ, in the Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville. P.O. Box 141, Chellenham. TOSDV.org

#### Vox Ama Deus

Musicians are known for historical accuracy, frequently performing on authentic Baroque instruments. P.O. Box 203, Gladwyne  
VoxAmadeus.org

### DELAWARE

#### Brandywine Baroque

Concerts of chamber music on period instruments. The Barn at Flintwoods, 205 Center Meeting Rd., Wilmington. BrandywineBaroque.org

#### Delaware Symphony Orchestra

Performing classical and chamber concert series. P.O. Box 1870, Wilmington  
DelawareSymphony.org

#### Mélomanie

Pairings of early and contemporary works. 200 S. Madison St., Wilmington. Melomanie.org

#### OperaDelaware

The only professional opera company in the state and the 11th oldest in the country, with a reputation for excellence in opera and arts education. 4 S. Poplar St., Wilmington. OperaDE.org

#### Serafin Quartet

The Quartet performs frequently around the U.S. and the world, receiving international prizes and awards. 1014 Sweet Cherry Ct., Wilmington  
SerafinQuartet.org

## PERFORMANCE GROUPS / SCHOOLS

#### Angela Bates Dance Academy

Classes in all styles of dance, for all levels and all ages. Special summer programs are offered. 5129 West Chester Pk., Newtown Square  
AngelaBatesDanceAcademy.com

#### Ballet 180 / Studio 180

Ballet 180 performs at McShain Performing Arts Center, Rosemont College. 1708 Lancaster Ave., Floor 2, Paoli. Ballet180.org

#### Darlington Arts Center

Over 40 years offering creative experiences in music, art, dance and drama for children and adults. 977 Shavertown Rd., Garnet Valley  
DarlingtonArts.org

#### Longwood Performing Arts

Classes from experienced faculty in a variety of dance styles. 633 West Cypress St., Kennett Square  
LongwoodPerformingArts.com

#### West Chester Studio for the Performing Arts

Teachers are experienced professional actors and provide a high-caliber performing arts education to students of all ages and abilities. Held at: Chester County Historical Society  
225 N. High St., West Chester. WestChesterStudio.com

#### West Chester University Department of Theatre and Dance

Presenting classic, contemporary, and new plays, musicals and dance produced by our faculty, students and Philadelphia guest artists. E.O. Bull Center for the Arts, High & Rosedale Sts. West Chester. WCUa.edu/TheatreDance

#### Wolf Performing Arts Center

Professionally staged productions, coaching and classes with experienced teaching artists for children. 1240 Montrose Ave., Bryn Mawr  
WolfPerformingArtsCenter.org

### DELAWARE

#### The Music School of Delaware

Offering standard-setting instructional programs by expert educators for people of all ages and levels. 4101 Washington St., Wilmington  
MusicSchoolOfDelaware.org

## THEATER — PROFESSIONAL

### SUBURBAN PA COUNTIES

#### Bucks County Playhouse

Located on the site of a former grist mill on the banks of the Delaware River. 70 S. Main St., New Hope  
BucksCountyPlayhouse.com

#### Fulton Theatre Productions

Named a National Historic Landmark, considered the nation's oldest continuously operating theater. 12 N. Prince St., Lancaster. TheFulton.org

#### Hedgerow Theatre

Featuring classical productions, fun-filled farces and traditional tales for the whole family. 64 Rose Valley Rd., Media. HedgerowTheatre.org

#### Media Theatre

Producing five musicals annually, plus children's productions, the Media Theatre has been honored with numerous awards for its performances. 104 E. State St., Media. MediaTheatre.org

#### People's Light

One of Pennsylvania's largest professional theaters offers year-round programming in two performance spaces, mixing contemporary plays, music theater, classics and world premieres. 39 Conestoga Rd., Malvern. PeoplesLight.org

#### Theatre Horizon

A professional nonprofit theater company producing dramas and musicals and presenting original works. 401 DeKalb St., Norristown. TheatreHorizon.org

### DELAWARE

#### The Candlelight Theatre

Celebrating 50 years of dining and entertainment, Delaware's first dinner theater offers musicals, comedies, comedy club, quizzo and varied concerts. 2208 Millers Rd., Wilmington, (in historic Ardentown)  
CandlelightTheatreDelaware.com

#### Delaware Theatre Company

Experience Broadway-caliber productions at this spacious regional theater. Located on the Wilmington Riverfront, DTC has free parking and a concessions stand with wine, beer and light snacks. 200 Water St., Wilmington.  
DelawareTheatre.org

#### The Playhouse on Rodney Square

Located in the Hotel du Pont, stars of stage and screen have graced the Victorian stage since 1913. 1007 N. Market St., Wilmington.  
ThePlayhouseDE.org

## THEATER — COMMUNITY

### SUBURBAN PA COUNTIES

#### Barley Sheaf Players

Housed in the old Oddfellows Hall, offering a five-show season, summer youth programs, Play Festival, holiday production and children's workshops. 810 N. Whitford Rd., Lionville. BarleySheaf.org

#### Footlighters Theater

Since 1930, this group has continued to entertain Main Line audiences with each production. 58 Main Ave., Berwyn. FootlightersTheater.com

#### Forge Theatre

Year-round entertainment with six productions. 241 First Ave., Phoenixville. ForgeTheatre.org

#### The Players Club of Swarthmore

A community-based theater with seven main stage shows, plus smaller "Second Stage" productions. 614 Fairview Ave., Swarthmore.  
PCSTheatre.org

### DELAWARE

#### The Brandywiners, Ltd.

With more than 300 members, the Brandywiners perform annually at Longwood Gardens. P.O. Box 248, Montchanin. Brandywiners.org

#### Delaware Children's Theatre

This group aims to educate and entertain youths and adults through its popular theater productions. 1014 Delaware Ave., Wilmington  
DEChildrensTheatre.org

#### Wilmington Drama League

Hosting volunteer-produced performances, plus children's theater performances. 10 W. Lea Blvd., Wilmington  
WilmingtonDramaLeague.org ♦



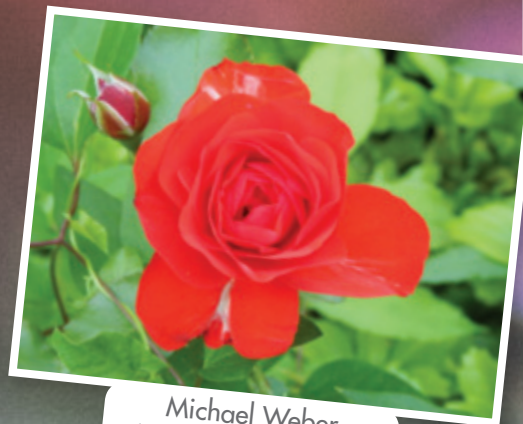
# Chester County *in Bloom*

Spring has turned to summer in *County Lines Country*! We asked our Facebook followers to send us their favorite blooming pics, and we were overwhelmed with gorgeous entries. During July, we'll showcase each beautiful semifinalist photo on Facebook. To vote, just *like* us, then *like* your favorite. The entrant with the most *likes*\* will win a 5-person family membership to **Longwood Gardens**. We'll announce our winner on Facebook in July.

*\* Check the rules on our website.*



Tamara Donatelli  
West Chester



Michael Weber  
"From my front yard..."



Ashley Kolpak  
Longwood Gardens



Catherine Leigh  
Elverson



Phyllis Ann  
Phoenixville



Andrea Sipple  
Purple Water Lily



Carol Diskin  
West Chester



Jo Ann Duffy  
Cochranville



Penny Kain-Bohrer  
West Chester



Krista Jones  
Picked in Kennett Square



Laurie Meyer  
Chanticleer



Linda Lou  
Paoli



Sandy Duncan  
Near Pine Grove covered bridge



Kathy McGarry  
Elverson



Katelyn Roof  
Elverson



Deb Martin  
Wagontown



Andrew McIntyre  
"From my front garden..."



Liz Ann  
West Chester



# Your Guide to Local Wine

Netanya Brittain & Emily Bunn

Even with current restrictions, you can drink locally and well this summer ... and beyond.

AT FIRST SIP, WINE-LOVERS DISCOVER THE HIDDEN winemaking talent of the Brandywine Valley. As fate would have it, the soil of southeastern Pennsylvania is similar to that found in France's Bordeaux region and California's Napa Valley. Our area has also been blessed with rich soil and the moderating influences of the Chesapeake Bay and Atlantic Ocean.

Thanks to this microclimate, local vineyards produce wines garnering local, national and international recognition. So no matter your preference, our area offers a wide array of taste profiles to suit any wine fan's palate and pairings.

As we head into summer, embrace local family-backed winemaking as a unique part of the spirit of Chester County.

## FOLLOW THE BRANDYWINE WINE TRAIL

Four of Chester County's wineries are on the Brandywine Wine Trail, all within a few miles of each other and near local sights like Longwood Gardens and the Brandywine Battlefield. Sounds like the makings of a fun day trip!

**Black Walnut Winery**, near Coatesville, usually holds wine tastings, private parties and special events. Closer to Phoenixville? Visit the Bridge Street tasting room and wine bar. Enjoy a bottle of white, red, port-style or seasonal wine delivered for free to your door. Call 610-857-5566, Tues.–Sat., 12 to 5, to order for delivery within 24 hours.

Enjoy outdoor seating and a relaxing ambience at **Kreutz Creek Winery** in West Grove as you sip red, white and dessert wines and

local craft beers. Bring your lawn chairs and dogs to enjoy music and wine at one of their "Party in the Vineyard" events—scheduled for July 11th, 18th and 25th.

Spread over 100 rolling picturesque acres, **Paradocx Vineyard** in Landenberg is another spot where you can uncork and unwind. Producing 10 thousand cases of red, white, rosé and sweet wines, Paradocx sells at the winery and retailers—Booths Corner Farmers Market, Westtown Amish Market and Pinot Boutique in Old City Philly.

Honoring its history in its name, a portion of **1723 Vineyards** was once owned by Benjamin Franklin. Today, the vineyard produces a classic and cutting-edge portfolio of reds, whites, sparkling and rosé wines. Reserve outdoor seating—parties of six, max—and experience what sustainable farming has to offer. Call 888-330-0526 for curbside pickup or carryout.

## MORE OPTIONS

Consider creating your own tour of distinctive vineyards scattered throughout Chester County—explore your own personal wine trail.

Look out over Brandywine Creek as you enjoy a glass of **Stargazer's Vineyard's** wine. Their selection includes dry and semi-dry whites, reds and sparkling wines. New owners Michael Vorauer and Jason Kirkpatrick continue using sustainable and eco-conscious techniques from grape to bottle. Join Stargazers for a July 4th picnic or visit Fri., 2 to 7 and Sat. and Sun., 12 to 5.

Overlooking French Creek, the 150-year-old German bank barn housing **Stone Barn Cellars Winery** is stocked with dry and sweet varieties of red and white wine and a beer selection. In addition to preserving their historic property, Stone Barn Cellars aims to preserve the environment by recycling their

bottles and water. Arrange delivery at 484-985-8077, Tues.–Sat., 9 to 5.

Family-owned and operated, **Va La Vineyards** delivers top-rated small-batch wines, featuring field blends of both North Italian and French varieties, including dry table wines, from dry rosato to their popular orange wine. View their website's live barrel-aging cam to watch the action (or lack of action). Sample something special with takeout service at 610-268-2702, every day, 12:01 p.m. to 4:59 p.m.

**Harvest Ridge Winery's** Pennsylvania tasting room rests on the Mason-Dixon Line in Toughkenamon and features Rebel Seed cider, sangrias, sweet wines, whites and reds. At outdoor seating, you can enjoy a bottle, flight or glass, Tues.–Thurs. and Sun., 12 to 5, or Fri. and Sat., 12 to 8.

Honoring Europe's premium dry wine tradition, winemakers at Elverson's **J. Maki**



1723 Vineyards



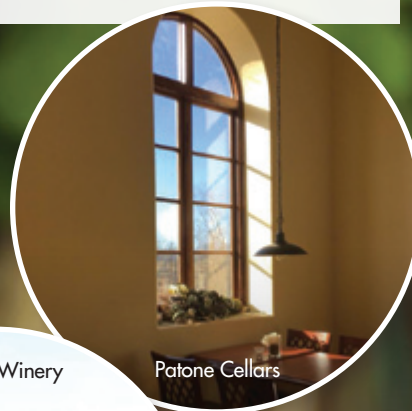
Paradocx Vineyard



Stone Barn Cellars Winery



Stargazer's Vineyard



Patone Cellars



J. Maki Winery



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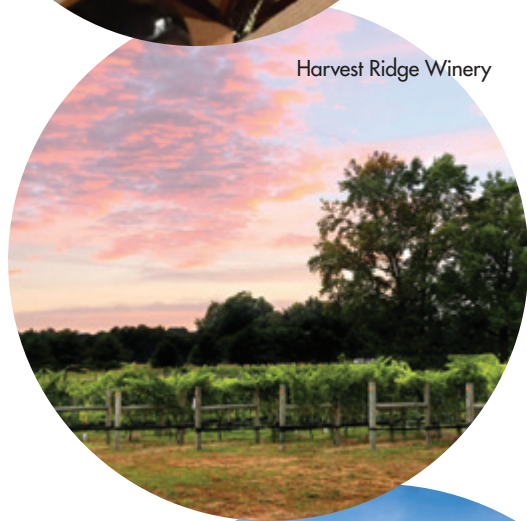
Va La Vineyards



Galer Estate Vineyard and Winery



Penns Woods Winery



Harvest Ridge Winery



West Hanover Winery



Kreutz Creek Winery

**Winery** expertly craft and handpick only the best grapes for their red and white wines along with award-winning champagne and a variety of ice wines, from cabernet to chardonnay to pinot noir. Order on the website or stop by Thurs., Fri., Sun., and Mon. 12:30 to 4:30 and Sat., 11 to 5.

“Taste the fruit of the gods on your lips,” says **West Hanover Winery**. As the oldest winery in Dauphin County, West Hanover has over 45 years of experience, producing a variety of wines, including dessert, specialty and fruit wines. The winery, which also lets you personalize the label, hosts outdoor events, summer festivals and parties. Sip at their Pottstown location or call 610-469-9540 for curbside pickup.

#### NEIGHBORING WINERIES

Delaware County has its share of wineries, some featuring award-winning labels along with yoga and wine events.

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**Chaddsford Winery** will likely soon return to hosting lively on-site events, but currently has virtual events on social media to entertain you. Featured wines include sauvignon blanc, sangria, vignerles and The Red Standard. Contactless drive-through orders at the winery, or call 610-388-6221 or go online for curbside pickup, Fri.—Sun., noon to 5.

Since 2004, **Penns Woods Winery** has been producing a variety of reds, whites and rosé, with special acclaim for their cabernet franc, chambourcin and ameritage. The intimate space at the winery hosts wine tastings, special celebrations and events, including “Yoga in the Vineyard” sessions—July 12, 26 and August 9th at 10 a.m.—and “Red, White & BBQ” on July 4th. Call 610-459-0808 for curbside pickup, local delivery, shipping and reservations (for six max) for wine tastings.

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Wine fans, look no further than your own backyard for a sip of something special. This summer, enjoy your wine from grapes grown in local soil.

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##### West Branch Distilling Company

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## [Food News] *A few of our favorite things to share this month about local food and drink*

**New Brews.** Raise a glass to **Wrong Crowd Beer**, opening soon in West Chester and promising to add unique flavors and exceptional tastes to the local beer scene. Started by Dan Shaw, of



Pinocchio's Beer Garden, and Bob Bagonis, the brand is currently available at spots like Side Bar in West Chester. While their space finishes construction, subscribe to their newsletter and follow them on Facebook and Instagram for

updates on the grand opening and events. 342 Hannum Ave., West Chester. [WrongCrowdBeer.com](http://WrongCrowdBeer.com).

**Foodie Flags.** America's flag has gone through 27 different designs since 1777. The design has been reproduced into dozens of edible versions, from cakes to pies and pizza to hot dog platters! This July 4th channel your creative juices into commemorating our nation's colorful history through your favorite dessert or dish. Not sure where to start? Try a patriotic and healthy Watermelon Feta Flag Salad, a sure scene-stealer on your Independence Day table or a tri-color cake.

*TasteofHome.com.*



**Forage Fever.** Flavor and fun mix in the art of **foraging**—finding food in the wild. A nutritional and self-sufficient hobby, foraging works as an independent or group activity. Join an online group, like PA Foragers Club, or visit WildFoodies.org to learn where to go, what to look for and how to work your findings into a meal. Dandelions and wild berries are easy plants to forage and bring home to your table. And each season brings a different harvest! *PAEats.com.*

**e-Eats!** Looking to lend a hand but can't do it in person? Consider hosting a virtual food drive for the **Chester County Food Bank**. The food bank partners with local farms and businesses to combat food insecurity in Chester County. Through the online Fenly platform, creating a food drive is easier than ever. Select Individual or Team fundraiser on the website and contribute funds towards food boxes full of nutritional options.

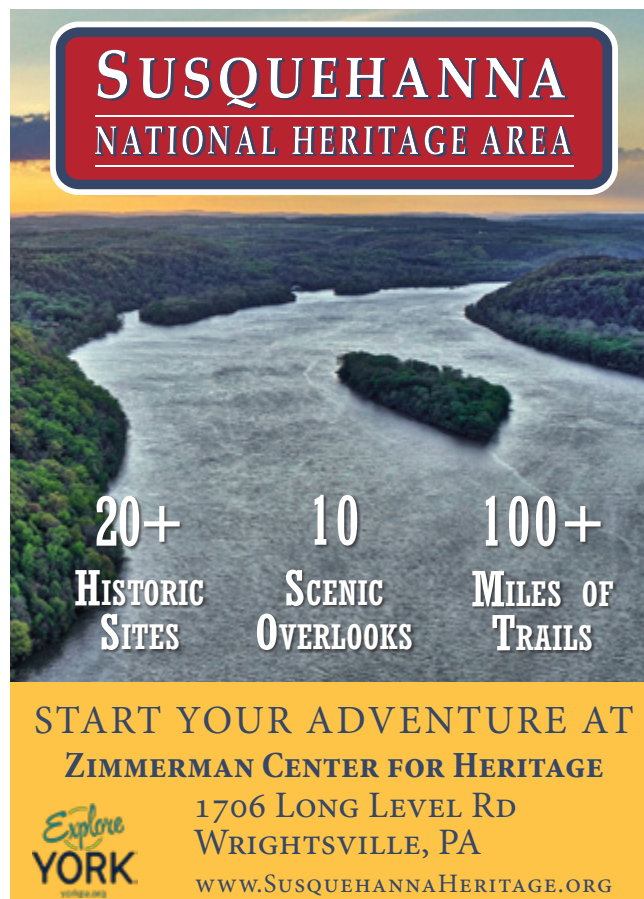
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*ChesterCountyFoodBank.org.*



**Ice Cream Dream.** Treat yourself to tantalizing flavors from **Scoops 'N' Smiles!** This sweet spot in the heart of Malvern recently opened in West Chester. One catch: with flavors like Cake Batter Swirl, Death By Chocolate and Salted Caramel Pretzel, choosing may freeze your brain. Celebrate National Ice Cream Day on July 19th with a visit. Call for curbside pick-up. 327 E. King St., Malvern; 6 E. Gay St. West Chester. [ScoopsOnKing.com](http://ScoopsOnKing.com).



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889 E. Lancaster Ave.  
610.269.9600; BanglesIndianCuisine.com  
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202 E. Lancaster Ave.  
484.237.2423; EstrellaTacoBar.com

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108 W. State St.  
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##### Hearth Kitchen

859 E. Baltimore Pk.  
484.732.8320; HearthKennettSquare.com

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114 E. State St.  
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##### Lily Asian Restaurant

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108 E. State St. 610.925.4984  
PortabellosOfKennettSquare.com

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610.444.5600; SovanaBistro.com

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484.328.8584; AvolaKitchenAndBar.com

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9 Old Lancaster Rd.  
610.296.3637; GeneralWarren.com  
Outdoor dining at General Warren has expanded to accommodate guests during this unique summer outdoor dining season. In addition to The Spring House Terrace : "the outdoor place to be in Malvern," they now have The "Upside," located adjacent to the front entrance with easy access to tables. See website for the ever-changing menu and hours of operation.

##### Restaurant Alba

7 W. King St.  
610.644.4009; RestaurantAlba.com

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245 Lancaster Ave.  
484.450.8890; StoveAndTap.com

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114 S. Olive St.  
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610.293.9333; BlackPowderTavern.com

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#### DanDan

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##### The Goat's Beard

103 N. Wayne Ave.  
484.584.4979; TheGoatsBeardWayne.com

##### ★ White Dog Café

503 W. Lancaster Ave.  
610.688.7646; WhiteDog.com

##### Teresa's Café and Next Door Bar

120-126 N. Wayne Ave.  
610.293.9909; TeresasCafe.com

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*See West Chester article, dining guide and map in this issue.*

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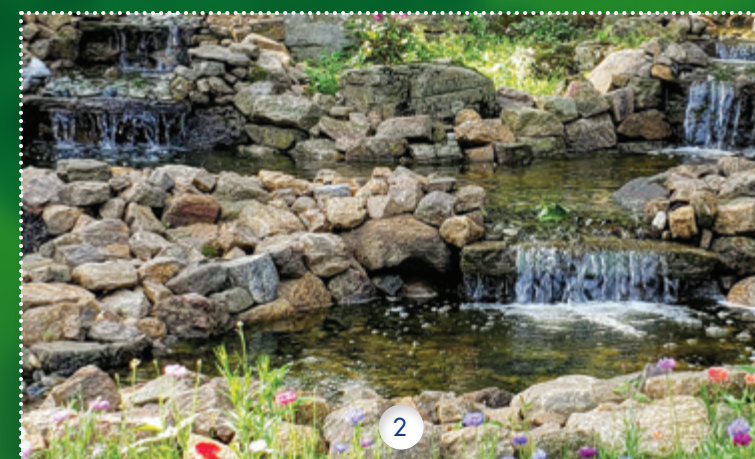
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