



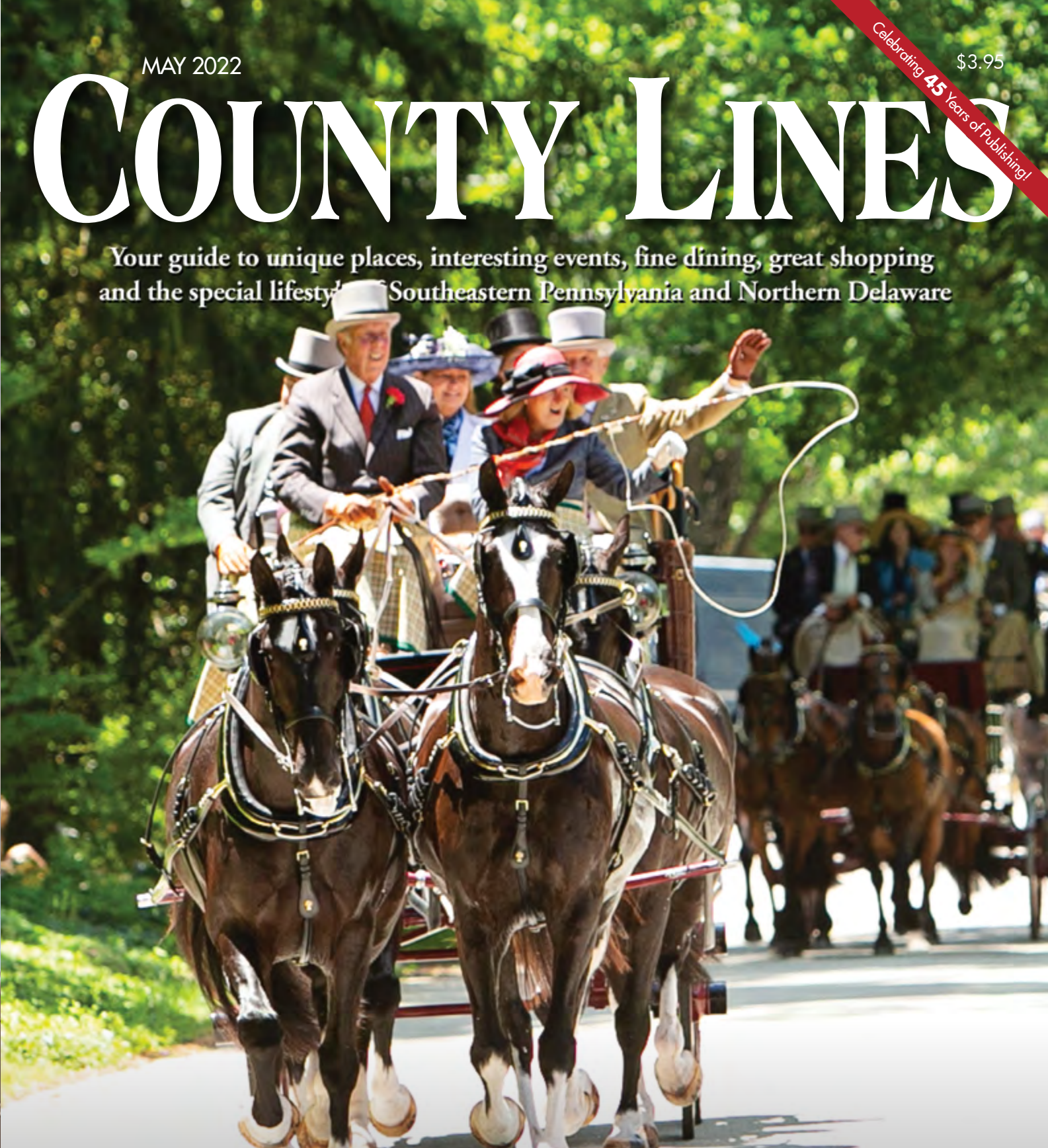
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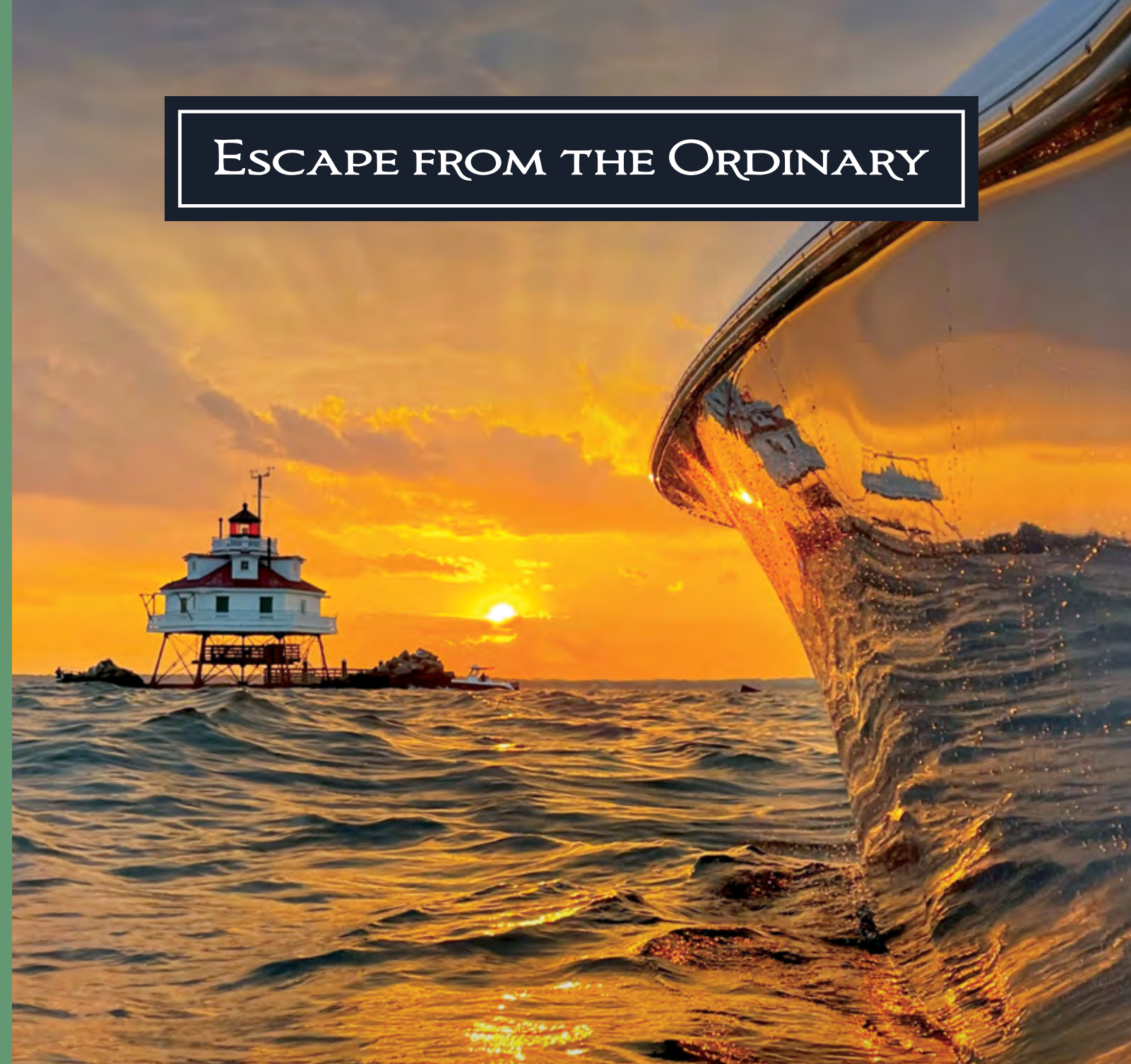


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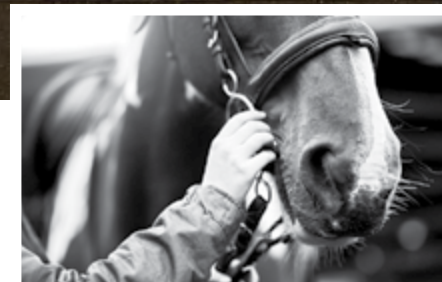


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from the EDITOR

Celebrate May — spring blooms, art shows, Mother's Day, steeplechase races and the Devon Horse Show and Country Fair. Let us be your guide!

"The Devon Horse Show Celebrates Its 126th Year," writes Laurel Anderson about the 11 days of fun — family days at the Country Fair, excitement of the Grand Prix and pageantry of the Carriage Pleasure Drive (see our cover shot). Our schedule and Brenda Carpenter's stunning photos will help you plan what to see.

Alexis Barrick says "It's Steeplechase Season and We're Off to the Races" — more ways to celebrate spring. Three May weekends bring the Winterthur Point-to-Point (on Mother's Day), Willowdale Steeplechase and the Radnor Hunt Races. Plus three reasons to buy a gorgeous hat!

Love the historic barns of Chester County? In "Barns & BBQ Tour is Back," Monica McQuail explains how Willistown Conservation Trust's fundraiser gives you a peek inside. (For a modern take, see "Dream Barns.")

Spring adds new life and beauty to the world, and the Brandywine Valley art scene does the same for *County Lines* country. In "Art Gallery Roundup," Danielle Izquierdo is your guide to over a dozen art shows, tours, gallery walks and more!

There's more spring beauty in local gardening events and plant sales. "Home & Garden" by Marci Tomassone directs you to the best.

If you're on the Main Line some late afternoon and you're hungry, thirsty or both, you're in luck. Ed Malet gathers the latest on "Happy Hours on the Western Main Line." For Cinco de Mayo, we have margarita recipes and more to lubricate your celebration.

Or if it's morning and you're feeling peckish, Shannon Montgomery surveyed diners, cafés, bakeries and coffee shops, and found the "Best Bets for Breakfast."

And there's more for foodies in the story behind Olga Sorzano's Baba's Brew kombucha in Brandywine Table's "Mother Made."

Finally, celebrate spring with things to do from our "Best Local Events."

Thank you for reading. Happy May!

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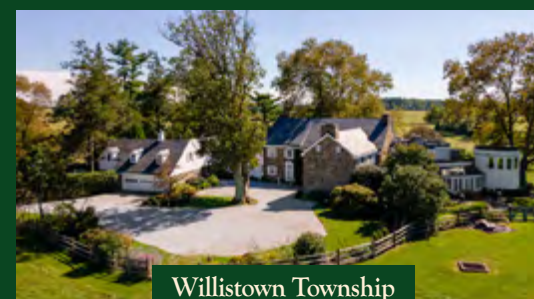
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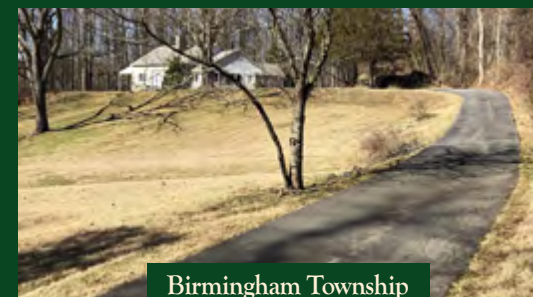
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a classic topiary plant, like boxwood, and use garden shears to trim into fun shapes — cones, cubes or double balls. Paint a planter for that extra touch! *RenovatedFaith.com. LongwoodGardens.org.*



Sounds of Vinyl. Millennials rediscovered vinyl, causing records to outsell CDs since 2020 (and now at a 30-year high!).

Whether you're loving album cover art, creating a dedicated listening room or just rediscovering vinyl's warm sound, there's no denying the cracks and pops of a needle on vinyl add to the immersive experience. Find your sounds at **West Chester's top spots for vinyl** — Creep Records, Electric Avenue Music or Hop Fidelity, where you'll get free brews while you browse. *ShopCreep.com. ElectricAvenueMusicWC.com. HopFidelity.com.*



Launch Entrepreneurs. Penn State Great Valley hosts its 10th annual golf outing at the Applecross Country Club in Downingtown on May 17 to support the **Great Valley LaunchBox program** and scholarships. Penn State will match the first \$25,000 raised to support early-stage entrepreneurs taking first steps toward their dreams. Enjoy a buffet lunch and dinner, cocktail reception in the clubhouse and silent action, plus awards and prizes as you help turn good ideas into great businesses. *GreatValley.Launchbox.PSU.edu.*

Screens by the Schuylkill. Enjoy an outdoor movie event at the Pottstown Riverfront Park by the Schuylkill River on May 21. The **Paddling Film Festival** presents the best paddling films of 2022. Arrive before the show begins at 8:30 p.m. to grab free popcorn and raffle tickets. Or make a day of it and join the Used Outdoor Gear Sale fundraiser and paddling trips of 8.5 and 5 miles, with shuttle service. Get inspired to paddle rivers, lakes and more. Tickets \$15; \$25/couple. *SchuylkillRiver.org.*



Flower Moon. Flowers aren't the only things rising this May. Glowing a radiant red during a **lunar eclipse** on May 16 (at 12:14 a.m.), a red supermoon appears large and bright as sunlight passes through Earth's atmosphere onto the moon creating the hue. This eclipse occurs during the Flower Moon — the name given this month's full moon because of the abundance of blooms during May in the northern hemisphere. Watch the heavens and see for yourself! *Space.com.*



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House. Together they transformed the White House from a public residence into a museum and engaged with some of the most celebrated interior designers of the 20th century. 5105 Kennett Pk., Winterthur. Tues.-Sun., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$8-\$22. 800-448-3883; Winterthur.org.

Wilmington Grand Prix Weekend

May 13-15

Join one of the Top 10 criterium bike races in the country, held in downtown Wilmington. The Grand Prix includes

a street festival and parade on Saturday. Time trials are held on Friday evening at Monkey Hill in Brandywine Park. The Gran Fondo on Sunday is a recreational ride through the area's attractions. 818 Market

St., Wilmington. Fri., 5 to 8 p.m.; Sat., 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun., 8 a.m. start. 302-655-6483; WilmGrandPrix.com.



Wheels of Wayne

May 15

Cruise on in for the 8th Annual Car Show in downtown Wayne and see antique, classic and custom vehicles while you enjoy entertainment, food, prizes and more. Fun for the whole family. N. Wayne and West Aves. 1 to 3:30 p.m. Free. Rain date, May 22. 610-688-5600; Radnor.com/WOW.

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May 21-22

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local nonprofit. Plantation Field, 387 Green Valley Rd., Coatesville. Sat., 5K, 15K, Kids, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sun., 5K, 10K, Kids, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sat., Toughest Mudder, 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. Visit website to register. ToughMudder.com/Events/Philly.

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MAY 8

Family 2nd Sunday at Delaware Art Museum. Children up to 12 and their families experience an activity that explores a new medium or technique each month from a professional teaching artist. 2301 Kentmere Pkwy., Wilmington. 10, 11, noon. Free. 302-571-9590; DelArt.org.

MAY 14

"Here Comes the Sun" in Malvern. King Street comes alive with store events, balloon artist, face painters, caricature artists and more. A "beverage garden" serves local beer, wine and other drinks, and a Beatles cover band performs in Burke Park, 26 S. Warren Ave. Noon to 4. MalvernBusiness.com.

MAY 15

Helicopter Rides at The American Helicopter Museum. Riders will enjoy 5 minutes in the air. Three passengers per ride. Weather permitting. 1220 American Blvd., West Chester. 12:30 to 3:30. \$75 per person. 610-436-9600; AmericanHelicopter.Museum.



MAY 18–21

Phoenixville Dogwood Festival. The festival is back with a carnival, the Dogwood Parade (on Sat at 1), food and vendors and, new this year, a beer garden. Reeves Park, 2nd & Main Sts., Phoenixville. Wed–Fri, 6 to 10 pm; Sat, noon to 10. All-you-can-ride wristbands, \$25. PhoenixvilleDogwoodFestival.org.



JUNE 2–5

The Strawberry Festival. The Rotary Club of Coatesville hosts and offers family entertainment, rides, kids activities, monster trucks, Friday fireworks and more. Benefits the Coatesville community. Brandywine Hospital, at Rt. 30 Bypass, Coatesville. Thur, 5 to 10; Fri, 5 to 11; Sat, noon to 11; Sun, noon to 6:30. BrandywineStrawberryFestival.com.

JUNE 4

Strawberry Festival at Linvilla Orchards. Celebrate the peak of the local strawberry season by coming out to pick your own from the fields at Linvilla. Rain date, June 5. 137 W. Knowlton Rd., Media. Begins at 8 am. 610-876-7116; Linvilla.com.



JUNE 4

Historic Newtown Square Day. A community celebration with demonstrations, Revolutionary War and Native American re-enactors, art, tours of historic sites, sheep shearing, music, antique cars, children's activities and more. Square Tavern, Rt. 252 & Goshen Rd., Newtown Square. 10 to 4. Free. 610-975-0290; HistoricNewtownSquare.org.



ART, CRAFTS & ANTIQUES

See Art Gallery Round Up in this issue for more.

THROUGH JUNE 10

Exhibition at The Art Trust—Reflections.

Seven talented artists exhibit new work, including one exhibit-specific piece: their unique take on a self-portrait in response to being an artist during the pandemic. May 6, cocktail reception & Gallery Walk in West Chester, 5 to 9; May 19, artists' talk, 7 pm; June 9, closing event, 5 to 8:30. The Art Trust at Meridian Bank, 16 W. Market St., West Chester. TheArtTrust.org.

MAY 6–8

The Potters Guild Spring Sale. Annual sale offering handcrafted functional and decorative pottery. Indoors with Covid protocols in place including masks required. Duke Gallery, Community Arts Center, 414 Plush Mill Rd., Wallingford. Fri, 10 to 8, Sat–Sun, 10 to 5. Free. ThePottersGuild.com.



BOOKS

MAY 4–JUNE 1

Wellington Square Bookshop. Classics Book Club: May 4, "Heart of Darkness" by Joseph Conrad; June 1, "Mrs. Dalloway" by Virginia Woolf. **NonFiction Book Club:** May 5, "Talking To Strangers" by Malcolm Gladwell. **Fiction Book Club:** May 18–19, "The Vanishing Half" by Brit Bennett. 549 Wellington Sq., Exton. 610-458-1144; WellingtonSquareBooks.com.

MAY 17 & 26

Main Point Book Club. Fiction Book Club: May 17, "The Promise" by Damon Galgut. **NonFiction Book Club:** May 26, "Lost & Found" by Kathryn Schulz. 116 N. Wayne Ave., Wayne. For times, 484-580-6978; MainPointBooks.com.

APRIL 28

DelArt Readers Book Club. A virtual event on Zoom. This month, "Lizzie Siddal: The Tragedy of a Pre-Raphaelite Supermodel" by Lucinda Hawksley. 2301 Kentmere Pkwy., Wilmington. 6 to 8 pm. Free. 302-571-9590; DelArt.org.

CAR SHOW

MAY 28

42nd Annual Chester County Car Show. Featuring antique and classic cars, street rods,

trucks, motorcycles, a flea market, food vendors and DJ. Fun for all. Classic Auto Mall, 6180 Morgantown Rd., Morgantown. 9 to 3. ChescoACC.com.

JUNE 4

Ales & Petals—Cars & Motorcycles of England

Car Show. Enjoy food, live music, craft beers and tour this large British motoring show with over 250 classic British cars and motorcycles. On the grounds of Historic Hope Lodge, 553 Bethlehem Pk., Ft. Washington. 10 to 4. \$5–\$10. HistoricHopeLodge.org/Ales-Petals-Car-Show.

DANCE

MAY 20, 21, 22

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EQUESTRIAN EVENTS
See *Steeplechase and Devon Horse Show* articles in this issue.

MAY 1
77th Annual Kimberton Hunt Club Horse Show. Enjoy a full schedule of classes in Hunters & Jumpers, Hunter & Jumper Stakes, Mini-Prix, Marshall & Sterling Medals, Hunter Derby Hunt n’ Go format, Lead Line and more. Ludwig’s Corner Show Grounds, 5 Nantmeal Rd., Glenmoore. 610-469-0227; KimbertonHunt.org.

MAY 14–15
Derby at the Vineyard. A horse jumping event in the vineyard with wine, local beer and cider, live music, food trucks, vendors. Put on your best derby day attire (think big hats & bright colors!) for a chance to win prizes for “Best Dressed.” Penns Woods Winery, 124 Beaver Valley Rd., Chadds Ford. 10 to 6. \$15. 610-459-0808; PennsWoodsWinery.com/Derby.html.



MAY 28–29
43rd Annual Therapeutic Riders Division of the Devon Horse Show. Over 175 riders of all abilities compete in equitation, dressage and trail classes. Competition kicks off on Sat. and culminates with the award ceremonies on Sun. Devon Horse Show Grounds. Devon Horse Show Grounds, 23 Dorset Rd., Devon. Sat, 8 to 5, free. Thomcroft.org.



MAY 29–SEPTEMBER 25
Fridays & Sundays
Brandywine Polo. Spectators picnic and tailgate at the grounds. 232 Polo Rd., Toughkenamon. Friday Twilight Polo—gates open at 5; match at 5:30. Sun, gates open at 1:30; match at 3, \$15–\$20. Cancelled for rain or extreme heat. 610-268-8692; BrandywinePolo.com.

FESTIVALS
MAY 7
Cinco de Mayo in Downtown Oxford. Come out for great food from the Mexican restaurants downtown, fun piñata crafts and more. S. Third St., Oxford. 5 to 8 pm. OxfordMain-Street.com.

MAY 7
Cinco de Mayo in Kennett Square. A family-oriented street festival, highlighting arts, music and food. In the parking lot at 600 S. Broad St. 1 to 7 pm. Free. 610-444-8188; HistoricKennettSquare.com.

MAY 14
The Philadelphia Fleadh. Annual Irish-American Festival featuring live Celtic rock, traditional Irish music and dance, shopping, vendors, food, spirits, kids activities and more. Philadelphia Mills, 4501 Woodhaven Rd., Philadelphia. 11 to 8. \$18. PhillyFleadh.com.

May 30
Memorial Day Parade in Kennett Square. A great hometown parade featuring bands, veterans, re-enactors, dancers, antique cars, bagpipers, fife and drum corps, fire trucks and more. Kennett High School, 100 E. South St. and ends at Union Hill Cemetery. 10 am. KennettMemorialDayParade.com.



MAY 30
Memorial Day Parade in Media. The Veterans Legacy Project and Media Borough host the annual parade which starts at Barrall Field, located at the intersection of State and Edgmont Sts., Media. 10 am to 5 pm. For more information, VisitMediaPA.com.

JUNE 5
153rd Annual Malvern Memorial Day Parade. The Upper Main Line Memorial Associ-

Local Farm Markets

Artisan Exchange, 208 Carter Dr. Unit 13 B, West Chester. Sat, 10 to 1. ArtisanExchange.net.

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

Market at Coverdale Farm Preserve, 543 Way Rd., Greenville. Fri, 2 to 7; Sat, 10 to 5; Sun, 11 to 3. DelNature.org.

Downingtown Farmers Market, Kerr Park, Log House Field, 28 E. Pennsylvania Ave. Sat, 9 to 1. 610-836-1391; GrowingRootsPartners.com.

Eagleview Farmers Market, Eagleview Town Center, 570 Wellington Sq., Exton. Thurs, 3 to 6:30. 610-836-1391; GrowingRootsPartners.com.

Kennett Square Farmers Market, The Creamery, 401 Birch St. Fri, 3 to 6. 610-444-8188; KSQFarmersMarket.com.

Lancaster County Farmers Market, 389 W. Lancaster Ave., Wayne. Wed, Fri & Sat, 6 to 4. 610-688-9856; LancasterCountyFarmersMarket.com.

Malvern Farmers Market, Burke Park, 26 S. Warren Ave. Sat, 9 to 1. 610-836-1391; GrowingRootsPartners.com.

Pete’s Produce Farm, 1225 E. Street Rd., West Chester. Mon–Sat, 9 to 6; Sun, 9 to 5:30. 610-399-3711; PetesProduceFarm.com.

Phoenixville Farmers Market, 200 Mill St. Sat, 10 to noon; seniors, 9–9:30. PhoenixvilleFarmersMarket.org.

Pottstown Farmers Mkt., 100 E. High St. Every other Sat, 9–1. 484-948-6061; PottstownFarm.org.

Rodney Square Farmers Market, 10th & N. Market St., Wilmington. Wed, 10 to 2. InWilmDE.com/Events/Downtown-Farmers-Market-at-Rodney-Square.

Swarthmore Farmers Market, 121 Park Ave. Sat, 9 to noon. 215-733-9599; SwarthmoreFarmersMarket.org.

Thornbury Farmers Mkt. & CSA, 1256 Thornbury Rd., West Chester. Sat, 9 to 6; Sun, 11 to 5. ThornburyFarmCSA.com.

Thornton Farmers Mkt., 330 Glen Mills Rd. Sat, 10 to 1. Facebook.com/ThorntonFarmersMarket.

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

Westtown Amish Market, 1165 Wilmington Pk., West Chester. Thur, 9 to 6; Fri, 9 to 7; Sat, 8 to 4. 610-492-5700; WestChesterAmishMarket.com.

ation sponsors this event that begins on King St. at the fire station and ends at Memorial Park on Monument Ave. MalvernMemorialParade.com.

FILM
MAY 15
The Hunchback of Notre Dame with Live Theatre Organ at The Colonial Theatre. The Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley presents live theatre organ accompaniment for the 1923 silent classic that set the standard for horror films. 227 Bridge St., Phoenixville. 2 pm. \$7–\$12. TheColonialTheatre.com. TOSDV.com.

FOOD & BREWS
THROUGH MAY 26
“Chef’s Best” Fundraiser for ACT in Faith of Greater West Chester. Four West Chester restaurants—Ram’s Head Bar and Grill, Opa Taverna, Split Rail Tavern and Slow Hand—offer a free signature appetizer to patrons who purchase a \$50 ticket, one coupon per restaurant. Diners then vote for the “Best of Chef’s Best.” To purchase tickets, ActInFaithGWC.org.



MAY–SEPTEMBER
Wednesdays
Dining Under the Stars in Media. Stroll. Shop. Dine. Restaurants set up tables on State Street, which is closed from Jackson to Orange for this summer-long outdoor dining event. Check VisitMediaPA.com for participating restaurants.

MAY 5
21st Annual Bringing Hope Home Great Guys Dinner. The event brings a sigh of relief to families dealing with the financial hardships a cancer diagnosis can cause by offering financial assistance. Join the great guys (and gals) for dinner, cocktails, auctions and more. Springfield Country Club, 400 W. Sproul Rd., Springfield. BringingHopeHome.org.

MAY 12
Wine and Wander at Stoneleigh: A Natural Garden. An exclusive, after-hours tour through the garden while enjoying a sampling of four different natural wines. 1829 E.

County Line Rd., Villanova. 5:30 to 7 pm. \$50. NatLands.org.



MAY 14
Delaware Art Museum Presents “Brunch at Tiffany’s.” This 2nd Annual Brunch, Brushes, and Blooms event has a Tiffany twist. Enjoy brunch bites and morning cocktails in the sculpture garden, watch local artists at work and bid on those works to benefit the Museum. “Breakfast at Tiffany’s” attire encouraged. 2301 Kentmere Pkwy., Wilmington. 11 to 2. \$95–\$115. DelArt.org.

MAY 19–SEPTEMBER 15
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MAY 22–NOVEMBER 6
Taste Kennett Food Tours. Visit six restaurants, a brewery, a market and specialty shops on a 3-hour guided walking food tour through historic Kennett Square. Enjoy food tastings at

each stop, a little bit of history, and a fun afternoon. 1 pm. \$59. TasteKennett.com.

MAY 23–28
City Restaurant Week in Wilmington. Offering everything from Asian to French to Italian, sample creative cuisine. \$15/lunch and \$35/dinner. CityRestaurantWeek.com.

MAY 26
Hagley Alfresco. A new series of outdoor dining and entertainment events featuring local restaurants and live music. Hagley Museum

& Library, 298 Buck Rd., Wilmington. 5 to 7:30 pm. \$30; \$5 event-only option is available. Hagley.org.



MAY 28–29
FlavorFest at Mount Hope. Enjoy sampling and sales with 26 wineries and 7 distilleries. Shop unique merchants and enjoy lunch from the on-site kitchens. Mt. Hope Estate & Winery, 2775 Lebanon Rd., Manheim. 11 to 5. Advance tickets req., \$5.95–\$19.95. PARenFaire.com.

JUNE 1–AUGUST 31
Wednesdays
Bike & Hike & Brews at Hagley Museum & Library. Bring a picnic to enjoy at the picnic pavilion on Workers' Hill or at a table along the Brandywine. Dogfish Head craft beer and Woodside Farm Creamery ice cream are available for purchase. 200 Hagley Creek Rd. 5 to 8 pm. \$5. 302-658-2400; Hagley.org.

JUNE 3
Brew at the Brandywine Zoo. Party among the animals at the zoo after hours and enjoy a variety of beer, wine and spirits, light fare and ice cream. Food and beverages are included in admission. Brandywine Park, 1001 N. Park Dr., Wilmington. 5:30 to 8:30. \$30–\$50. BrandywineZoo.org.

JUNE 4
Willistown Conservation Trust Barns & BBQ. See article in this issue.

FUNDRAISERS
MAY 16
FORE Health Golf Invitational for Chester County Hospital. A great day of golf to benefit the NICU and Women's and Children's Health Services. Chester Valley Golf Club, 430 Swedesford Rd., Malvern. For more information, ChesterCountyHospital.org/Giving.

MAY 21
Canine Partners for Life Unleashed & Uncorked: Unleashing the Possibilities. Meet CPL recipients and pups, indulge in wonderful food and music, meet graduates and their service dogs and enjoy exciting live and silent auctions and a variety of games. Deerfield Golf Club, 507 Thompson Station Rd.,

Newark, DE. 5 to 7 pm. \$99 includes meal and two drink tickets. K94Life.org.



JUNE 7
CVIM's Annual Golf Classic. Join Community Volunteers in Medicine for a day of golf along with breakfast, lunch, dinner, open bar, auction and giveaways, to support the region's largest free healthcare center for families without health insurance. Applebrook Golf Club, 100 Line Rd., Malvern. CVIM.org.

GARDENS
See Home & Garden feature in this issue.

THROUGH SEPTEMBER
Pennsylvania Horticultural Soc. Announces Opening of PHS Pop Up Gardens. Visit urban garden spaces in Manayunk and on South Street and enjoy entertainment and events, food and beverages. Manayunk: 106 Jamestown Ave., Phila. South Street: 1438 South St., Phila. Mon–Wed, 5 to 10 pm; Thurs, 5 to 11; Fri–Sat, noon to midnight; Sun, 11 am to 9 pm. PHSONline.org/PopUp.



MAY 5–OCTOBER 30
Longwood Gardens Illuminated Fountain Shows. Find a place to sit—or stand back in awe—as water in all shapes, sizes and heights combines with music and infinite colors. 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square.

Thurs–Sat, 9:15. \$18–\$25. 610-388-1000; LongwoodGardens.org.

JUNE 3
Natural Lands Stardust! Celebration. Kick off summer with a celebration including garden strolling, roving supper and much merriment. The event benefits Natural Lands' mission to save open space, care for nature and connect people to the outdoors in eastern PA and southern NJ. Stoneleigh: a natural garden, 1829 County Line Rd., Villanova. 6:30 to 9:30. Tickets start at \$300. NatLands.org.

MUSEUMS
THROUGH MAY 8
Brandywine River Museum of Art. "Wayne Thiebaud 100: Paintings, Prints and Drawings." 1 Hoffman's Mill Rd., Chadds Ford. Wed–Mon, 10 to 4. \$6–\$18. Brandywine.org.

THROUGH MAY 15
The Barnes Foundation Presents "Water, Wind, Breath: Southwest Native Art in Community." A major exhibition of historic and contemporary Southwest Native art, including Pueblo and Navajo pottery, textiles and jewelry. Roberts Gallery, 2025 Benjamin Franklin Pkwy., Philadelphia. Thurs–Mon, 11 to 5. \$5–\$25. BarnesFoundation.org.

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MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT.....

APRIL 29–JUNE 2

American Music Theatre. *Apr. 29–May 1*, Riverdance; *May 6*, Gary Allan; *May 7*, Crowder: The Milk & Honey Tour; *May 10*, Chicago; *May 13*, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band; *May 15*, An Intimate Evening with David Foster: Hitman Tour; *May 21*, Piff the Magic Dragon & Puddles Pity Party; *May 22*, Jimmy Fortune, The Malpass Brothers and Wilson Fairchild; *May 27–28*, Girl Named Tom; *June 2*, An Evening with Kenny G. 2425 Lincoln Hwy. E., Lancaster. 888-729-4718; AMTShows.com.

MAY 1–27

The Keswick Theatre Presents. *May 1*, Chazz Palminteri: A Bronx Tale; *May 3*, Ruben Studdard sings Luther Vandross; *May 7*, One Night with Nikki Glaser; *May 8*, Beth Hart; *May 11*, Symphony X; *May 12*, Jessie James Decker; *May 13*, Ace Frehley; *May 14*, Joan Osborne & Madeleine Peyroux; *May 15*, That Motown Band; *May 19*, Angel, Corky Laing’s Mountain, Soraia; *May 20*, Piff the Magic Dragon & Puddles Pity Party; *May 21*, Doo Wop Volume 6; *May 22*, Marc Maron; *May 27*, Mo’Nique. 291 N. Keswick Ave., Glenside. Times and tickets, 215-572-7650; KeswickTheatre.com.



MAY 6–JUNE 3

Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center. *May 6*, High Noon—A Tribute to Lynyrd Skynyrd & Southern Rock; *May 7*, An Evening with Tom Rush; *May 8*, Danny Paisley; *May 28*, The Boston Comedy Festival; *June 3*, Better Than Bacon: Improv Comedy. 226 N. High St., West



Chester. Times and tickets, 610-356-2787; UptownWestChester.org.

MAY 6–JUNE 4

The Grand Wilmington. *May 6*, Trey Kennedy: The “Are Your For Real” tour; *May 7*, The Rock Orchestra: Tro Genesis; *May 14*, Tammy Pescatelli; *May 22*, Seldom Scene; *June 4*, Piano Men: Time in a Bottle. 818 N. Market St., Wilmington. Times and tickets, 302-652-5577; TheGrandWilmington.org.

MAY 7

Kennett Symphony Orchestra Mother’s Day Weekend Concert at Winterthur. The orchestra will be performing “An Afternoon of a Faun” by Claude Debussy and “Nonet in E-flat Major” by Louise Farrenc. 5105 Kennett Pk., Winterthur. 11 am. \$15. 610-444-6363; KennettSymphony.org.

MAY 7–JUNE 5

Point Entertainment Presents at The Colonial Theatre. *May 7*, An Evening with Joe Bob Briggs: How Rednecks Saved Hollywood; *May 14*, This Filthy World: An Evening with John Waters; *May 20*, Kathy Mattea & Suzy Bogguss: Together At Last; *June 3*, The Room Live! with comedian Greg Sestero; *June 5*, Steve Earle and The Dukes with special guests The Whitmore Sisters. 227 Bridge St., Phoenixville. Times and tickets, 610-917-1228; TheColonialTheatre.com.

MAY 15

Kennett Symphony Orchestra Masterworks Concert. Winner of the Kennett Symphony Composition Competition; *Les Preludes* by Franz Liszt; Violin Concerto by Johannes Brahms, David Kim, violin. Unionville High School, 740 Unionville Rd, Kennett Square. 3 pm. \$10–\$63. 610-444-6363; KennettSymphony.org.

MAY 20

The Ladybug Music Festival. A celebration of women in music with a 100% female-fronted lineup, giving platforms to women in all areas of music event production. Venues located along Lower Market St., Wilmington. Times and tickets, 302-229-9575; TheLadyBugFestival.com.

MAY 20–JUNE 3

Kennett Flash. *May 20*, Kim Richey; *May 22*, Corky Laing Plays Mountain—Rooftop Series; *June 3*, Mark Unruh. 102 Sycamore Alley, Kennett Square. Times and tickets, 484-732-8295; KennettFlash.org.

MAY 21

Field Jam at Stroud Preserve. First in the “Music Without Walls” series, Field Jam features lively music, craft beer and tasty food truck treats. 454 N. Creek Rd., West Chester. 6 to 9 pm. \$45. NatLands.org.

Coming in Annapolis, MD

May 1
May Day in Annapolis

Residents and businesses in the Downtown Historic District display baskets of fresh cut flowers in front of their homes and businesses. VisitAnnapolis.org/Events.

June 3–5
Let’s Go Music Festival

Enjoy a weekend of top live music acts from country to rock to pop. This year’s headliners feature Lynyrd Skynrd, Outlaws, Billy Currington, Goo Goo Dolls and more. 1450 Generals Hwy., Crownsville, MD. For the full line up and tickets, visit LetsGoFest.com.

June 5–12
Annapolis Arts Week

The week-long event encompasses all the wide-ranging artistic creativity that has made the area a haven for art lovers. VisitAnnapolis.org/Events.

July 2–4
4th of July Weekend Celebration

Three days of citywide events including live music and salsa dancing, historic tours and fireworks. Parade on Sat, 10:30 am; fireworks will be launched from a barge in Annapolis Harbor on Sun, 9:15 pm. For more information, VisitAnnapolis.org/Events.

August 5
77th Annual Rotary Club of Annapolis Crab Feast

Get your fill of Maryland’s famous blue crabs — plus vegetable crab soup, corn on the cob, beef barbeque sandwiches, hot dogs, draft beer and more. Benefits local community and cultural organizations. Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, 550 Taylor Ave., Annapolis. 5 to 8 pm. AnnapolisRotary.org/CrabFeast.

JUNE 3–4

Wine & Jazz at Longwood Gardens. *June 3*, a Wine & Jazz All Stars performance in the Open Air Theatre, 7:30, \$49. *June 4*, the festival begins with live music and a selection of wines. Sip along to exceptional jazz then catch the jazz-inspired *Take the A Train to Birdland* Illuminated Fountain Performance after the sun sets. 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square. 2 to 10 pm. \$59. 610-388-1000; Longwood.org.

JUNE 5

Turks Head Music Festival. Two stages feature seven local bands performing different genres of music and approximately 90 artists and vendors



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What's Happening at West Chester University

WCU's spring semester comes to a close and brings events for the community to enjoy. For more, check WCUPA.edu.



Music on Campus

May 3. Collegium Musicum Concert. Student musicians experiment with historical instruments and perform at the Collegium Musicum, 817 S. High St. 7:30 to 9 pm.

May 5. 4th Annual Concert on the Quad. Pack your lawn chairs, blankets and snacks for the Concert on the Quad, featuring WCU's Symphony Orchestra. 700 S. High St. 5:30 to 7 pm.

May 6. Criterions Jazz Ensemble Concert. Madeleine Wing Adler Theatre, 817 S. High St. 7:30 pm.

May 7. Kennett Symphony Children's Chorus Spring Concert. Boys and girls K-12 perform springtime songs. 700 S. High St. 7 to 8:30 pm.

May 21. International Organ Competition. Candidates from all over the U.S. compete. Madeleine Wing Adler Theatre, Performing Arts Center, 817 S. High St. 9 am to 5 pm.

May 22. Unknown Bones—A Crossmen Alumni Benefit Concert. Enjoy an afternoon of music benefitting WCU's Alumni Association. 3 to 4:30 pm. Madeleine Wing Adler Theatre Performing Arts Center. 817 S. High St.

WCU Graduation Weekend May 12-15

Commencement ceremonies bring family and friends to our area. Plan for festivities, traffic near campus and crowded restaurants.

Golf Outings

May 13. 10th Annual Friars Society Golf Outing. Golf with fellow Friars Alumni to support WCU's Friars Society. Honeybrook Golf Club. 1422 Cambridge Rd., Honey Brook. Shotgun start at 9 am. \$110-\$600.

May 20. QB Classic. Support WCU's football scholarship at the annual golf outing with Head Coach Bill Zwaan. Downingtown Country Club. 93 Country Club Dr., Downingtown. 7 am to 4 pm. \$200-\$5,000. WCUAlumni.org.

set up booths throughout Everhart Park to sell their high quality arts and crafts. 100 S. Brandywine St., West Chester. Noon to 7 pm. Rain date, June 12. Free. TurksHeadFestival.com.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.....

MAY 1

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

MAY 1

Cinco de Mayo Benefit Bike Ride & Walk. Cyclists with and without disabilities support the PA Center for Adapted Sports. 25- and 50-mile road routes plus up to 23 miles on the Chester Valley Trail. Valley Creek Corp. Ctr., 220 Valley Creek Trail, Exton. Reg., 7:30. \$40. Post-ride fiesta at noon. CincoDeMayoRide.org.

MAY 1-7, 5

Bournelyf Special Camp 2022 Hand to Hand 5K Run & 2K Walk. The in-person race will begin and end at the corner of Church & Gay St., West Chester, on May 5. Virtual option: May 1st to May 7th, run or walk 5K/2K on a course of your choosing and submit your time. BSCWC.org to register or sponsor.

MAY 7

32nd Kennett Run. Events for everyone with your choice of the 5K, 10K, one mile or Power Run 5K and 10K races through Kennett Square. Bring the kids under 10 for the free pond run. 405 N. Walnut Rd., Kennett Square. Registration, 6:30 am, start at 9. \$40. KennettRun.net.

MAY 7

Run the Vineyards—Mother's Day 5K. A 5K run and Kids Fun Run on the scenic course through Penns Woods Winery. Stay to enjoy pizza, live music and free race photos. 124 Beaver Valley Rd., Chadds Ford. Registration ends May 6. Race, 9 am. \$25 for Kids Run; \$44 for 5K. GoodDayForARun.com/RTV-2022.

MAY 7

Walk MS—Greater Delaware Valley Chapter. Philadelphia Museum of Art, 2600 Benjamin Franklin Pkwy., Philadelphia. Site opens at 7:30 am; walk begins at 8:30. 1- and 3-mile routes available. To register online visit, WalkPAE.NationalMSSociety.org.

MAY 10, 24

Evening Walks—Ashland Nature Center. Delaware Nature Society staff guides you on four hikes at different preserves: Ashland Nature Center, Bucktoe Creek Preserve, Coverdale Farm Preserve and Flint Woods Preserve. 3511 Barley

Mill Rd., Hockessin. 5:30 to 7:30 pm. \$55/series. 302-239-2334; DelawareNatureSociety.org.

MAY 28

Bald Eagle Watch at Bryn Coed Preserve. Join a volunteer-guided hike to hear about eagles and bluebirds at Bryn Coed. Spotting scopes will be set up for visitors to observe eagle nesting activity. 1869 Flint Rd., Chester Springs. 10 am to noon. Donation accepted. Reg. req. 610-353-5587, ext. 221; NatLands.org.

MAY 28

Kayak the Christina. Get a closer look at the sea of green and the city skyline as you watch Great Blue Herons, American Beaver and other marsh creatures on a paddle along the tidal Christina River. DuPont Environmental Education Center, 1400 Delmarva Ln., Wilmington. 10 to 1. \$25. DelNature.org.

JUNE 4

11th Annual Tails & Trails 5K Run/2K Walk. Join in-person at Main Line Animal Rescue's 60-acre farm or participate virtually. In-person offerings include beer garden, food, music, raffles and adoptable animals. MLAR, 1149 Pike Springs Rd., Chester Springs. Reg., 7:30 am; run at 9. \$35. MLAR.org/TailsAndTrails.



THEATER.....

THROUGH MAY 1

Smokey Joe's Café at The Fulton Theatre. An electric stroll through the iconic songbook of Leiber and Stoller, rock 'n' roll's legendary songwriters. 12 N. Prince St., Lancaster. Times and tickets, 717-397-7425; TheFulton.org.

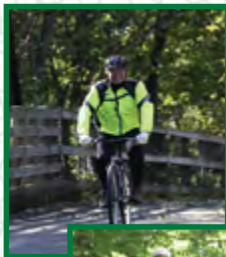
THROUGH MAY 1

Hold These Truths at People's Light. A solo play inspired by the true story of Gordon Hirabayashi and his journey of resistance to the 1942 forced removal and internment of over 120,000 people of Japanese descent. 39 Conestoga Rd., Malvern. 610-644-3500; PeoplesLight.org.

THROUGH JUNE 5

Sister Act: The Musical at Media Theatre. Filled with powerful gospel music, outrageous dancing and a truly moving story. 104 E. State St., Media. Times and tickets, 610-891-0100; MediaTheatre.org.

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MAY 11-22

Brighton Beach Memoirs at Delaware Theatre Company. Neil Simon's coming-of-age comedy. 200 Water St., Wilmington. Times and tickets, 302-594-1100; DelawareTheatre.org.

MAY 14-JUNE 26

Candlelight Theatre Presents Clue On Stage. A murder mystery that will leave both cult-fans and newcomers in stitches as they try to figure out who did it. 2208 Millers Rd., Wilmington. Times and tickets, 302-475-2313; Candlelight-TheatreDelaware.com.

JUNE 9-12

Fiddler on the Roof at The Playhouse. The heartwarming story of fathers and daughters, husbands and wives and life, love and laughter. 1007 N. Market St., Wilmington. Times and tickets, 302-888-0200; TheGrandWilmington.org.

TOWNS, TALKS & TOURS.....

MAY 6, 14, 19

1st Fridays, 2nd Saturdays, 3rd Thursdays.
First Fridays: May 6, Lancaster City, 717-509-ARTS; VisitLancasterCity.com. **Oxford,** 610-998-9494; DowntownOxfordPA.org. **Phoenixville,** 610-933-3253; PhoenixvilleFirst.org. **West Chester,** 610-738-3350; DowntownWest-Chester.com. **Wilmington Art Loop,** 302-576-2135; CityFestWilm.com.

Second Saturday Virtual Arts Stroll: May 14, Media, 484-445-4161; MediaArtsCouncil.org.
Third Thursday Malvern Stroll: May 19, MalvernBusiness.com.

MAY 17, JUNE 21

Food for Thought: Community Conversations. Chester County Community Foundation hosts meaningful conversations on Zoom about diversity, equity and inclusion in America on the third Tuesday of the month at noon. Register at ChescoCF.org/Explore/Food-For-Thought. ♦

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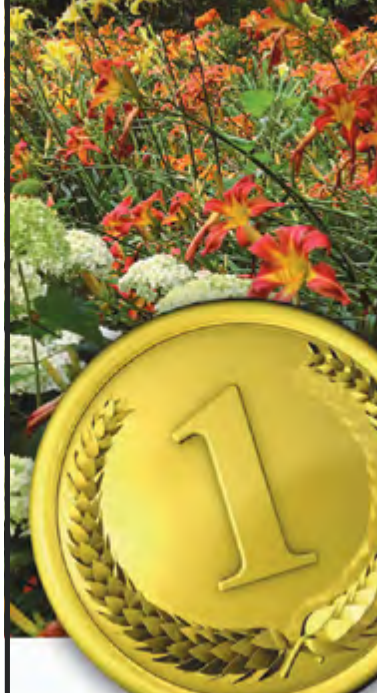
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Barns & BBQ After Party at Bryn Clovis Farm

Barns & BBQ Tour is Back

WILLISTOWN CONSERVATION TRUST'S ANNUAL TOUR LETS YOU SEE INSIDE ICONIC CHESTER COUNTY BARNs.

Monica McQuail, Willistown Conservation Trust

IF YOU'VE EVER SECRETLY ZILLOWED YOUR NEIGHBORS' house, curious to see the improvements they made before it went on the market, don't worry. You're not alone. Zillow views have jumped since the beginning of the pandemic, Instagram accounts like @ZillowGoneWild have amassed over 1.4 million followers, and this act of peeking behind the curtains has become so normalized it's turned Zillow into a verb.

And here in Chester County, we have our own variation on getting a peek inside. The many charming colonial barns and quaint farmhouses hidden behind rows of trees only add to our curiosity when we pass them on our country drives. What histories and stories exist behind the closed doors of those lovely houses and farms? And how do we get to see inside?

SEE BEHIND THE CURTAINS

Well, on June 4 this year, you can discover answers to those questions and more if you join Willistown Conservation Trust for their

annual Morning Barn Tour and Barns & BBQ celebration. History buffs, conservation enthusiasts, design aficionados and curious neighbors alike are invited to peek behind the curtain — or trees — of some of the stunning properties that dot the Willistown countryside.

Both tour options — the budget-friendly Morning Barn Tour and the traditional Barns & BBQ bash, complete with an evening of live music, dinner and fun — will lead visitors on a unique and intimate sight-seeing journey through a handful of conserved properties and the barns that complete them.

You'll learn about the fascinating history of these properties and how they came to be protected in partnership with the Trust, in addition to enjoying stories and seeing design trends in the fabulous barns.

To inspire you to join this year's upcoming tour through the countryside, you're invited to learn more about two of the 2021 tour stops — Bryn Clovis and Duckett Mill. These properties include intriguing facets of history gleaned from "Acres of Quakers: An Architectural & Cultural History of Willistown Township, Chester

County, Pennsylvania, From First Settlement Through 1990."

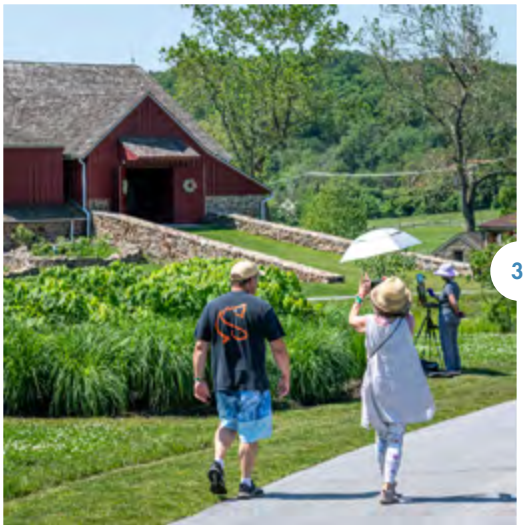
BRYN CLOVIS

Horses are not the first animals to occupy the magnificent Bryn Clovis Barn, built in the early 20th century. Formerly devoted to dairy production, this barn once housed the legendary Ardrossan beagles. A more recent renovation provided the present-day layout of horse stalls, supply rooms and tack rooms.

Next to the barn stands a run-in shed set into the hillside and designed by John Milner Architects to complement the barn and the sweeping hilltop views. With its signature eyebrow dormers and thoughtful design, this run-in shed was the 1994 winner of the Main Line Builders Association Honor Award.

A small plot of land marked by the stump of a 300-year-old oak that once towered over the original Hundred Acre Field is the resting place for many beloved racehorses, including Crème Fraîche, owned by Bryn Clovis' late owner, Mrs. Betty Moran. "He [Crème Fraîche] always loved it here, and now he can enjoy this spot forever," said Mrs. Moran. Thanks to her commitment to conservation, so too can future generations of horses and people alike.

Sadly, Betty passed away in January 2020, though leaving behind a lasting legacy of philanthropy and land protection. Over the past 40 years, she played a significant role in



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1. Bryn Clovis Interior
2. Bryn Clovis Steeples
3. Barn Tour Visitors stopping at a Barn Stop
4. Bryn Clovis Conserved Land



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- 5. Duckett Mill Gardens
- 6. Donkeys at Duckett Mill
- 7. Duckett Mill Barn Horse Stalls

helping maintain Willistown's rural character, having participated in numerous land protection partnerships that saved beautiful parcels of land from development.

DUCKETT MILL FARM

Across the Garrett Mill Road bridge and at the end of a long dirt lane sits Duckett Mill Farm, a property where history abounds. The Joseph H. Duckett House (c. 1840), the Duckett Paper Mill (c. 1839) and several outbuildings transport us to a working farm and business in the early days of Willistown.

In 1838, Joseph H. Duckett purchased 38 acres on which he built a paper mill, a bleach house and a water house with a wheel, the ruins of which can be seen today. At the time of its construction, the 30-foot water wheel was the largest in Pennsylvania.

Unfortunately Joseph suffered many financial setbacks while building the mill, resulting in several liens from unpaid contractors. This ultimately led to a sale of the property to John B. Duckett, who renamed the mill Forest Mills Paper Company.

By 1850, the mill produced a variety of products including writing, printing, wrapping and envelope papers. Most notably, Forest Mills Paper Company made 30 tons of special paper used to cover the roof of Horticultural Hall, erected in Fairmount Park for the 1876 Centennial Exposition. Sadly 25 years later, a disastrous fire forced

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the temporary closure of the paper mill and its subsequent sale.

In 1927, a severe drought hit the area, resulting in Ridley Creek being pumped dry to satisfy the water needs of the Borough of West Chester. This brought about the ultimate demise of Duckett Mill.

Not far from the Mill sits the 2.5-story, fieldstone “Miller’s Cottage” that’s been lovingly restored to its humble roots with the help of Warren Claytor Architects.

Stepping inside, you can imagine what life was like in an early Chester County home. Corner fireplaces on each floor provided warmth, and the curved window jambs added interesting texture — along with additional light — to the otherwise boxy structure. The north-side window on the first floor features one of the few remaining pay drawers — once used to distribute payroll to workers — in Chester County.

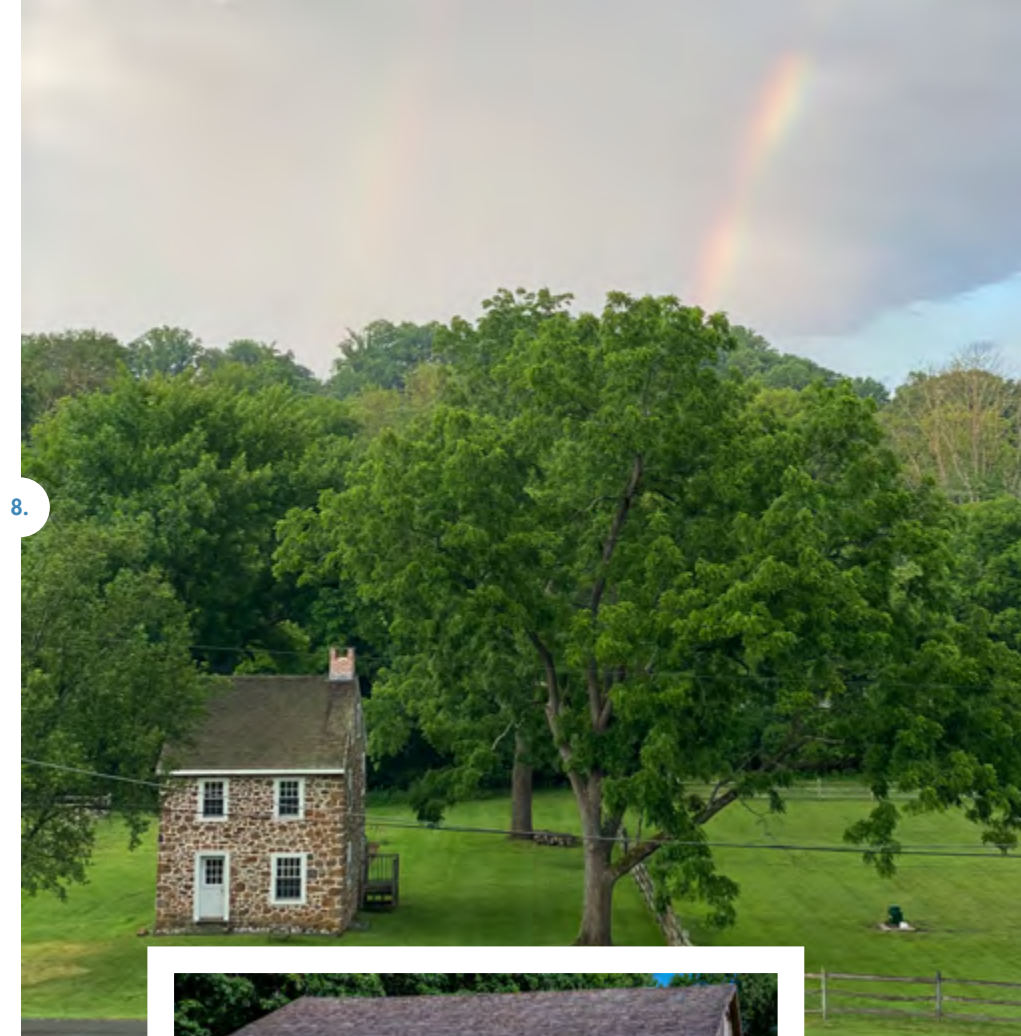
Additionally, a timber-framed, stone bank barn with its closed forebay overlooks the adjacent fields bordered by Ridley Creek. Once home to horses, mules, cattle and swine, the barn’s residents now include two donkeys, two driving ponies, a former competitive show hunter, and antique pony carriages.

Proceeds from the Morning Barn Tour and Barns & BBQ event support Willistown Conservation Trust’s continued effort to preserve and protect the scenic beauty and natural resources that make Chester County the hidden gem it is today. For more information and to purchase tickets for June 4, visit WCTrust.org/Barns-BBQ. ♦

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Willistown Conservation Trust focuses on 28,000 acres within the watersheds of Ridley, Crum and Darby Creeks in Chester and Delaware Counties. Since 1996, the Trust has permanently conserved over 7,500 acres, including three nature preserves open to the public: Ashbridge, Kirkwood and Rushton Woods Preserves. The Trust also offers nationally renowned programs: Bird Conservation, Community Farm, Education and Outreach, Land Protection, Stewardship and Watershed Protection Programs. More at WCTrust.org.

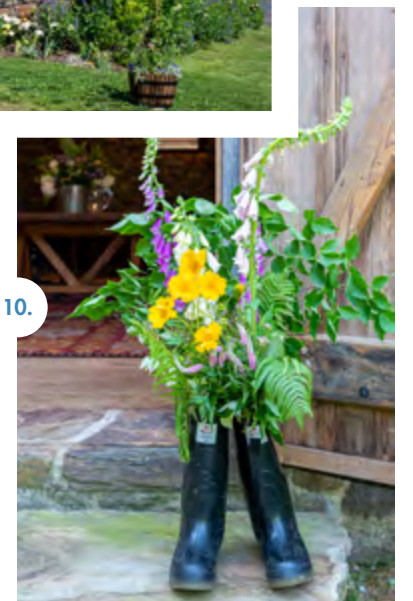
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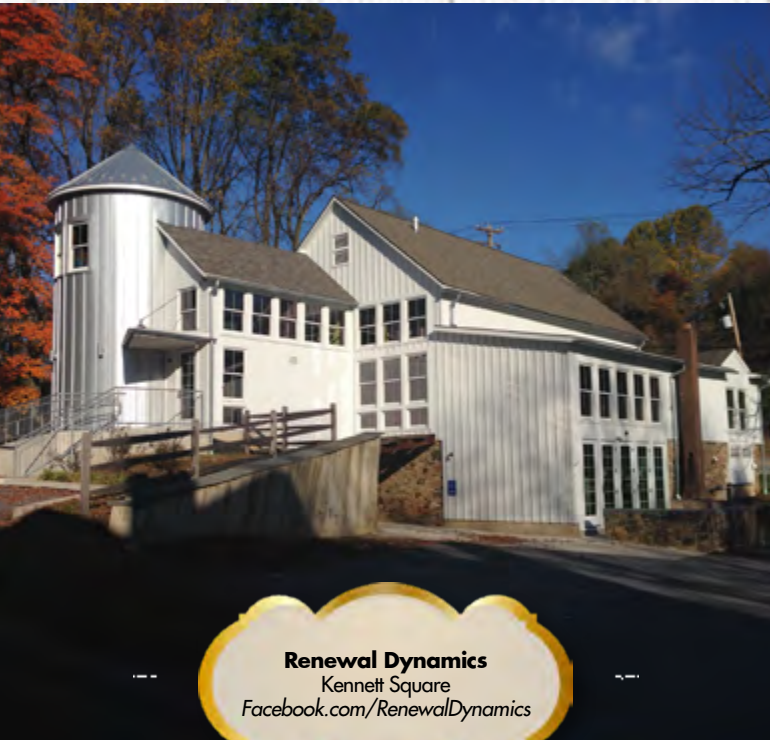
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- 8. Rainbow over Duckett Mill Farm
- 9. Duckett Mill Barn
- 10. Barns & BBQ Farm boots

DREAM BARNS

They dot the countryside — historic structures, stone bank barns and brand spanking new construction. Working barns, equestrian palaces, party barns and even transformations into homes. And if you can't round up enough neighbors for an old-fashioned barn raising, let one of our architects or builders help you create your dream barn.



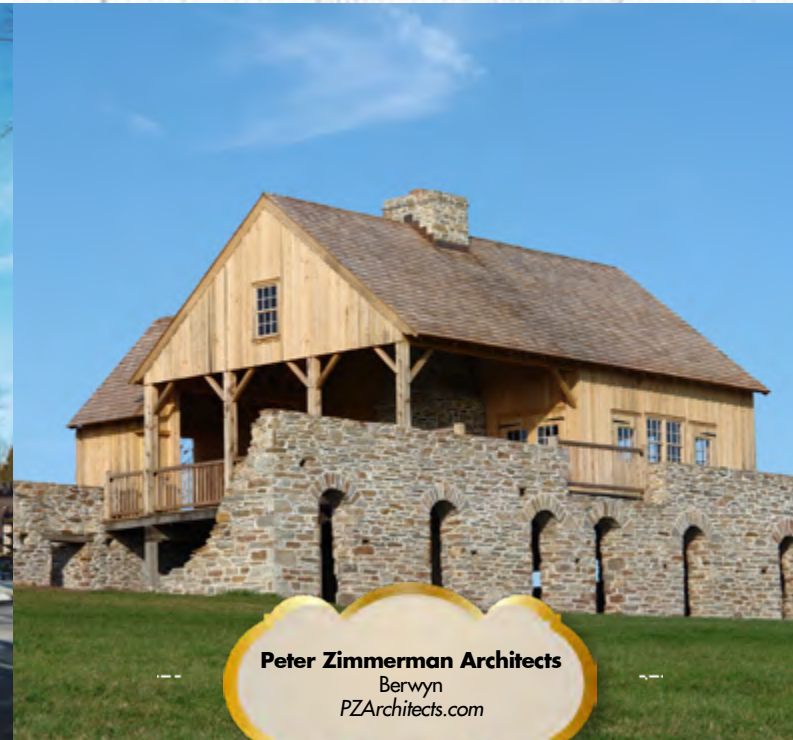
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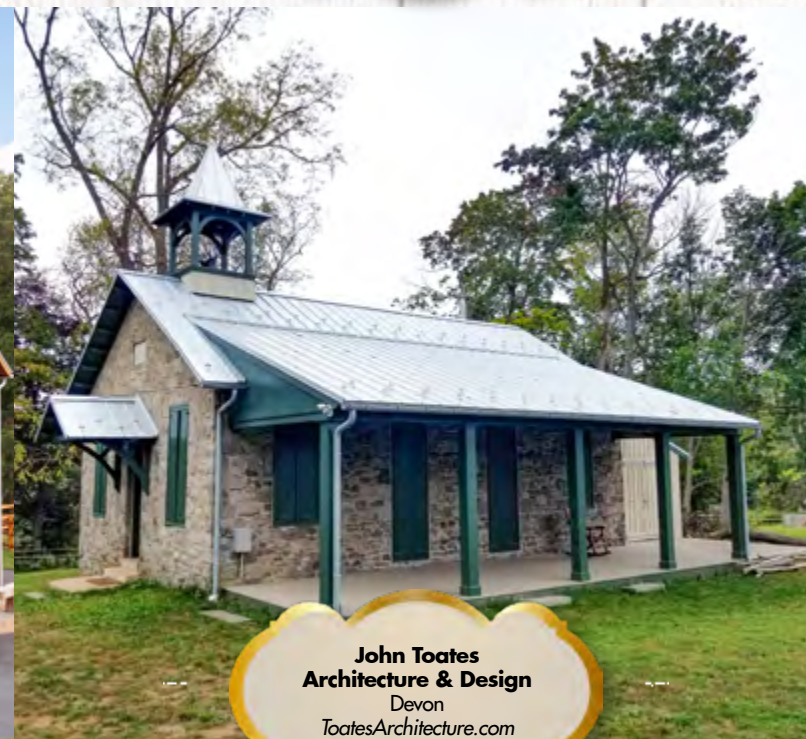
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Mark your calendar for these art events in this year's spring roundup.

49TH YELLOW SPRINGS ART SHOW

Bring color to your day with a visit to the 49th Yellow Springs Art Show, running through Sunday, May 15th. The show features over 4,000 works in a wide range of media including sculpture, watercolors, pastels and oils. Coupled with the charming setting in the village of Historic Yellow Springs, this show is a special treat every spring.

As a bonus, this year's art show also has your Mother's Day plans covered. "Art Around the Village," on May 8th from 10 to 4 p.m., provides a host of outdoor activities like plein air painting, a pottery demonstration, Mother's Day basket raffles and live music on the Lincoln Building's porch. Savor fresh wine and cheese for a lunchtime snack at their pop-up shop. Plus, 35% of proceeds from the day's art sales go to Historic Yellow Springs to maintain its histor-

ic buildings and support educational programs and community events. YellowSprings.org.

WEST CHESTER GALLERY WALK

What sounds better than an evening stroll through downtown West Chester viewing art? Explore the vibrant art scene at this Spring's Gallery Walk, showcasing the work of a thriving community of artists in West Chester. Presented by Sunset Hill Jewelers and Fine Arts Gallery and hosted by the West Chester Business Improvement District, this annual event takes place on Friday, May 6th from 4 to 8 p.m. and includes free, on-street parking — always a bonus in West Chester.

Browse art on display at 18 stops — in local galleries, including Church Street Gallery and Visual Expansion Gallery, and in one-night-only venues throughout downtown. Extend your evening with drinks and dinner at one of West Chester's many restaurants. Get a map of art stops on the BID website to plan your tour.

Mark your calendars for Fall's Gallery Walk scheduled for October — double your art fun! DowntownWestChester.com.

14TH ANNUAL WAYNE ART CENTER PLEIN AIR FESTIVAL

Get ready for art and fresh air! Wayne Art Center celebrates its 14th annual Plein Air Festival from May 9th to May 14th, fully em-

bracing the practice of painting *en plein air* ("outdoors" in French). Over 30 professional artists from around the country can be found all around Wayne, painting the town's landscapes and buildings as members of the public look on.

On May 14th from 6 to 10 p.m., guests at the Collector's Preview Party get a first glimpse of over 250 landscape paintings created by these artists. Enjoy live music paired with hors d'oeuvres and drinks from the open bar at this ticketed event. Starting the next day, the artwork goes on display and sale at the festival's exhibition, running through June 25th. WayneArt.org.

CHESTER COUNTY STUDIO TOUR

Interested in seeing where local artists hone their craft? Visit 66 studios used by 165 local artists as part of this year's Chester County Studio Tour, on Saturday and Sunday, May 14th and 15th. During this self-driving tour, you'll meet artists all around the county happy to discuss the paintings, sculptures, photography, glass, pottery and even jewelry they create.

Check the website for hours (they vary) and suggested routes. For example, click the website's Find 5 tab, put in your location, and see which five local studios are closest to you. Over 600 signs scattered around the county will help guide your tour. CountyStudioTour.com.

CRAFT + MERCANTILE – EAGLEVIEW

Support local makers and artisans at Craft + Mercantile on two Friday evenings, May 20th and June 17th from 5 to 8 p.m. Browse

over 20 stalls filled with unique, handmade products displayed under the stars and string lights in Eagleview Town Center. For dinner, head to the night market's food trucks or a nearby Town Center restaurant, and sip cocktails or beer while enjoying live music.

Bring the whole family along for an evening of fun. While parents shop and grab a bite to eat, kids 12 and under can enjoy doing arts and crafts. GrowingRootsPartners.com.

ART GALLERY AT DEVON

Alongside equestrian fun at the Devon Horse Show, the Art Gallery at Devon displays a fine selection of art. See the Devon Horse Show article in this issue for more.

AT THE MUSEUMS

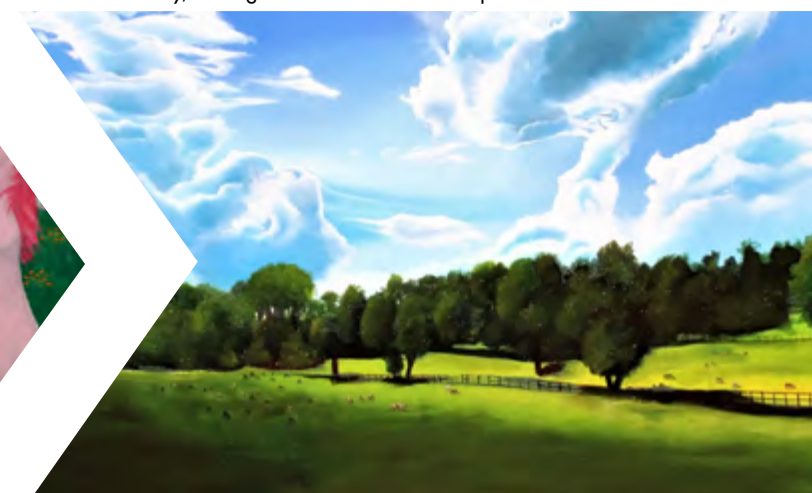
Art and poetry make for a magical museum trip. [The Delaware Art Museum](http://TheDelawareArtMuseum) celebrates the Distinguished Artist exhibition, "e. jean lanyon: The Magic Language," through August 7th. Delaware-native lanyon weaves visual art and poetry together to convey a powerful story of nature and the human experience. View nearly 70 objects dating from the 1950s through 2021, including illustrations, paintings, prints and books. Entry to the exhibit is included with museum admission, \$6–\$14. DelArt.org.

Want to learn how early-20th-century, self-taught, American painters changed the art world? [Brandywine River Museum of Art](http://BrandywineRiverMuseumofArt) opens a new exhibit, "Gatecrashers: The Rise of the Self-Taught Artist in America," from May 28th through September 5th.

Brandywine River Museum of Art Exhibition, Gatecrashers, Lawrence Lebdukus



David Katz Gallery, Casting Shadows at Joanie's Sheep Farm





Ginkgo Arts



Gallery 222



Art Trust Gallery Exhibition, Reflections, Lorraine Glessner



John H. Baker Gallery

Explore over 60 works that offer a fascinating perspective on how these artists were perceived for “gatecrashing” the art world during both World Wars. The exhibition showcases two dozen painters, including Anna Mary Robertson “Grandma” Moses, John Kane and West Chester’s own Horace Pippin. See how these works shaped American art as we know it. Admission, \$6–\$18. Brandywine.org.

SMALLER GALLERIES

Nestled in downtown West Chester, [David Katz Gallery](http://DavidKatzGallery.com) is one of West Chester’s only artist-owned galleries, opened in 2020. Katz paints scenes capturing the county’s beauty in landscapes set below vivid backdrops of blue skies. Make sure to visit during West Chester Spring’s Gallery Walk on May 6th. DavidKatzGallery.com.

Also part of Gallery Walk, [Ginkgo Arts](http://GinkgoArtsWC.com) is West Chester’s newest art collective, dedicated to creating a supportive community of artists of all kinds. Check out their two large exhibition spaces where artists can connect with buyers and discuss their works during open studio events. You can catch a glimpse of art in the display windows facing High Street where artwork rotates each month. GinkgoArtsWC.com.

Swing over to Malvern to visit [Gallery 222](http://Gallery222.com), which offers a host of events for May. Attend the Show Opening and Artist Reception

for artists Stefanie Lieberman, Rachel Altschuler and Jan Wier on May 4th and 5th. Bring the kiddos for face painting during Malvern’s “Here Comes the Sun” event on May 14th, and stroll along Malvern’s King Street and discover their plein air artists at the May 19th Art Stroll from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Gallery222Malvern.com.

MULTI-ARTIST GALLERIES

Although the pandemic took a toll on our lives, some artists transformed those challenging times into moving works of art. [The Art Trust Gallery](http://TheArtTrust.org) at Meridian Bank’s “Reflections” exhibit displays works by seven local artists and their self-portraits in response to their experience during that time. Visit through June 10th or during the Artist’s Talk on May 19th from 7 to 8 p.m. and closing reception on June 9th from 5 to 8:30 p.m. to celebrate this evocative exhibit. TheArtTrust.org.

At West Chester University, you can view the works of young artists at the annual Senior BFA Exhibition through May 24th. Visit the [John H. Baker Gallery](http://JohnH.BakerGallery.com) in the University’s E.O. Bull Center of the Arts and explore the art of multi-disciplinary students through drawings, paintings, sculptures and ceramics. On the University’s website, enjoy a virtual tour of the past exhibitions. WCUPA.edu. ♦



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The Devon Horse Show Celebrates Its 126th Year!

Story by Laurel Anderson Photos by Brenda Carpenter

ONE OF OUR FAVORITE signs of Spring — and further evidence that things are truly returning to normal — is the announcement of the Devon Horse Show schedule. This tradition is anticipated each year by world-class equestrians competing for prizes, families looking for fun, and pony riders filled with dreams. When the show posted its 2022 schedule on its website, we all savored our plans for the 11 days of festivities on the fabled show grounds.

This year celebrates 126 years of extraordinary athleticism, horsemanship

and family fun, when the Devon Horse Show and Country Fair opens on Thursday, May 26th and continues filling the days and nights with festivities inside and outside the rings through June 5th at its historic home grounds just off Lancaster Avenue.

A fixture on the social calendar, the Devon Horse Show is the oldest and largest outdoor multi-breed horse show in North America. If you're a fan, you've surely missed the past two-year hiatus. If you're yet to become a fan, we urge you to join in the fun.

FAMILY FUN

FAMILIES HAVE LOOKED FORWARD TO the Devon Horse Show, and especially the fun at the County Fair, for generations. From the towering Ferris wheel lighting up the night sky to the classic carousel with carved horses, there's plenty to do on the [Midway](#), including snacking on fried Oreos, cotton candy and ice cream as well as crowd-favorites like Devon fudge and lemon sticks.

Make plans to come on [Family Days](#), Thursday, May 26 and Tuesday, May 31, with special activities planned for everyone — that means entertainment, food and fun all day long. And come back for the Itty Bitty Tea Party on Sunday, May 29 (reservations required) and the Itty Bitty Hat Parade on Sunday, June 5, with crafts before the parade to create a charming chapeau or other take-aways.

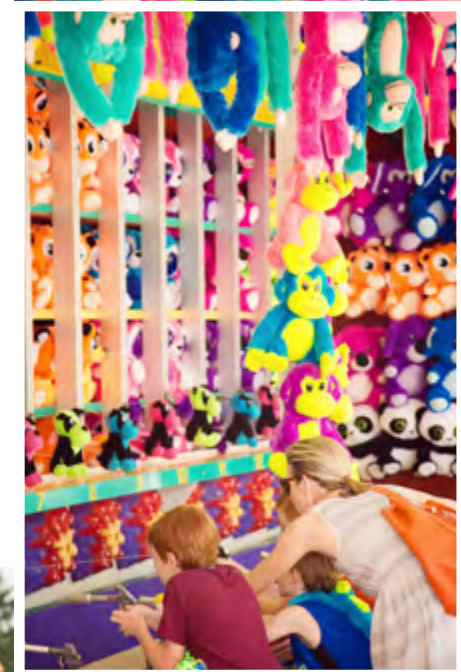
You can celebrate [Memorial Day](#) at Devon as it follows the tradition of honoring our community heroes, including local military and emergency responders.

When you get hungry or thirsty, perk up with a stop at Reading Coffee Company, or visit the Devon Garden Café or Sips & Bits for snacks, grab-and-go plates and signature cocktails. The beloved burgers, hot dogs, pizza and fries are still available along [Food Alley](#), plus traditional tea sandwiches from the Tea Cart.

As always, Clydesdale Corner serves beer, hard seltzer and cocktails, while the Wine Gazebo offers wine, beer and hard seltzer. New this year is online ordering from Carlino's Market, where you can get a tempting charcuterie board to enjoy as you while the away the afternoon.

And of course there's plenty of boutique [shopping at the Country Fair](#). Want a new Devon souvenir? In addition to classic caps, tees and sweatshirts of years past, designer Julia Gash created iconic Devon scenes for specialty home goods (including platters, aprons and notebooks) and Kailey Smith has new Devon blue fashions. For the men, Bird Dog Bay Silks unveils a new trophy print for silk ties and bow ties.

Make family memories here this year.



ACTION IN THE RINGS

COME TO THE DEVON HORSE SHOW TO SEE world-class horsemanship in a wide variety of events, in addition to the breed show. Watch the Hunters and Jumpers, Saddlebreds and Hackneys, Sidesaddle and Lead Line. You'll see Roadsters, Unicorns and Carriage Driving, too.

The [Carriage Pleasure Drive](#) on Sunday, May 29, starts at St. David's Church cemetery grounds for preliminary judging, while spectators enjoy picnicking. There's a chance to compete in the Spectator Picnic contest before the carriages head out for their drive through Devon neighborhoods on their way to the Dixon Oval at the Horse Show grounds.

For the youngsters, there's [Junior Weekend](#) at the opening of the show and the perennial favorite, the colorful, costumed [Pony Hunt Club](#) teams. And of course, the munchkins in the [Lead Line](#) are a highlight, where adorable kiddos in the under-3 and under-5 groups are led around the Dixon Oval for their moment in the main ring. Ribbons are awarded, but everyone gets a Devon-blue lollipop.

Our canine friends get the spotlight on Thursday, May 26, for the [Dog Show](#) in the Dixon Oval. Watch the Walk-trot, Jumper and Tricks classes along with the Lead Line costume contest parade.

For those interested in a behind-the-scenes look at things, the free [Back Barn Tours](#) return on Tuesday, May 31, so you can get an up-close and personal look at what's happening.

The excitement mounts with the [Devon Arena Eventing](#) contest on May 29, with action spanning the Dixon Oval and Wheeler Ring, over a course with 30 show jumps as riders compete for the \$50,000 prize. Earlier in the show, a fast paced relay race, the [Mounted Games](#), features the skills and teamwork of younger riders, while Junior Jumpers take to the ring on Friday night, May 27, clearing 4'6" jumps.

And the highlight each year is the spectacular [Sapphire Grand Prix of Devon](#), Thursday, June 2, featuring some of the best-known riders. Thrill to equine athletes carrying their riders gracefully over the towering jumps to win the \$250,000 purse. Reserve your seats early for this sold-out night.

There's plenty of action in the Dixon Oval, Wheeler Ring and behind the scenes for days of thrills at the Devon Horse Show.



AND MORE ...

FIRST NIGHT AT DEVON IS ANOTHER TRADITION that's highly anticipated — the kick-off to the Horse Show and Country Fair. This festive evening on Wednesday, May 25, before the show's official opening, features an elegant cocktail reception for about 200 guests as well as artists with works on display at the Devon Art Gallery. Friends of art, horsemanship and philanthropy mingle at this fundraiser as they preview and purchase original art on display, including the official 2022 poster, created by Elise Phillips. Tickets are \$125.

Stop in throughout the run of the show to see the two-room cottage that's home to the [Devon Art Gallery](#). Art created by 50 new and returning artists covers the walls in this unique juried show. You'll find horses, landscapes and delightful works on display. Visit in person and virtually to choose a piece and add a red dot to claim it as your own.

Another highlight of the show is **Ladies Day**, Wednesday, June 1, when guests enjoy live music, an elegant reception and the highly anticipated Hat Contests. Local and celebrity judges pick the best hats in five categories, including Plume of the Day. This year's theme is "Feathers and Frocks," so plan your outfit accordingly! Tickets are required for some events, including the catered lunch at the Devon Club.

Want to win a Devon Blue Ribbon, no horse required? You do need a Devon box, though, to enter the [Grandest of the Grandstands](#) competition on Friday, June 3. Bring your finest food, flowers, props and dress to the nines to create your own theme for your Devon box and join in the fun. Best Food and Best Theme awards await those in single and group/sky boxes.

And finally, the **Plant Sale** marks the closing of the show to find new homes for the lovely plants and flowers that have adorned the grounds. It's scheduled for around 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 5.

Until next year!

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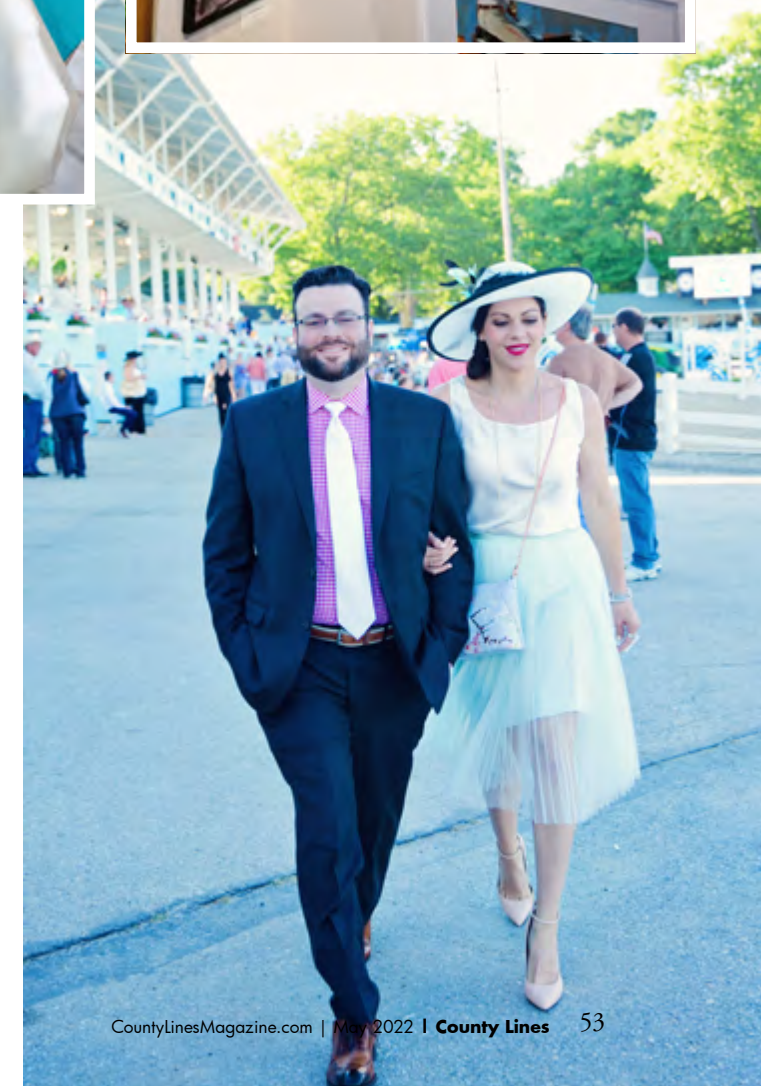
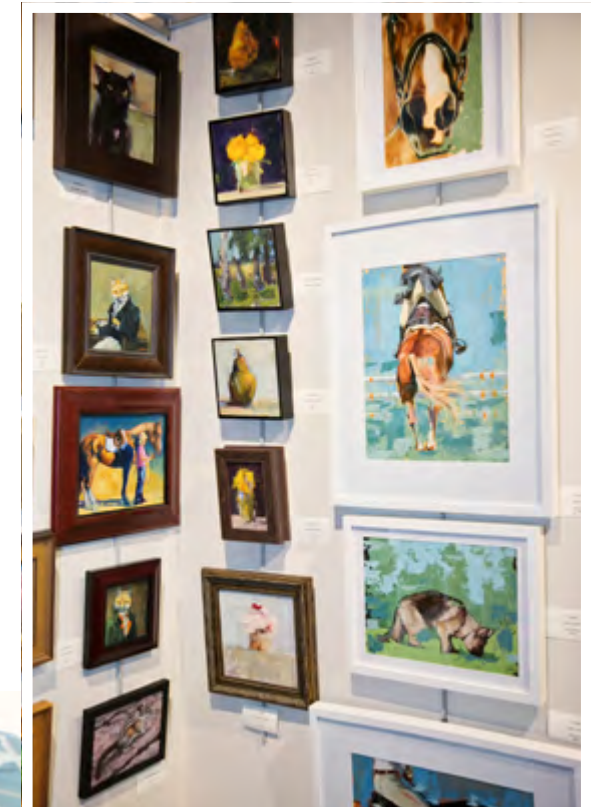
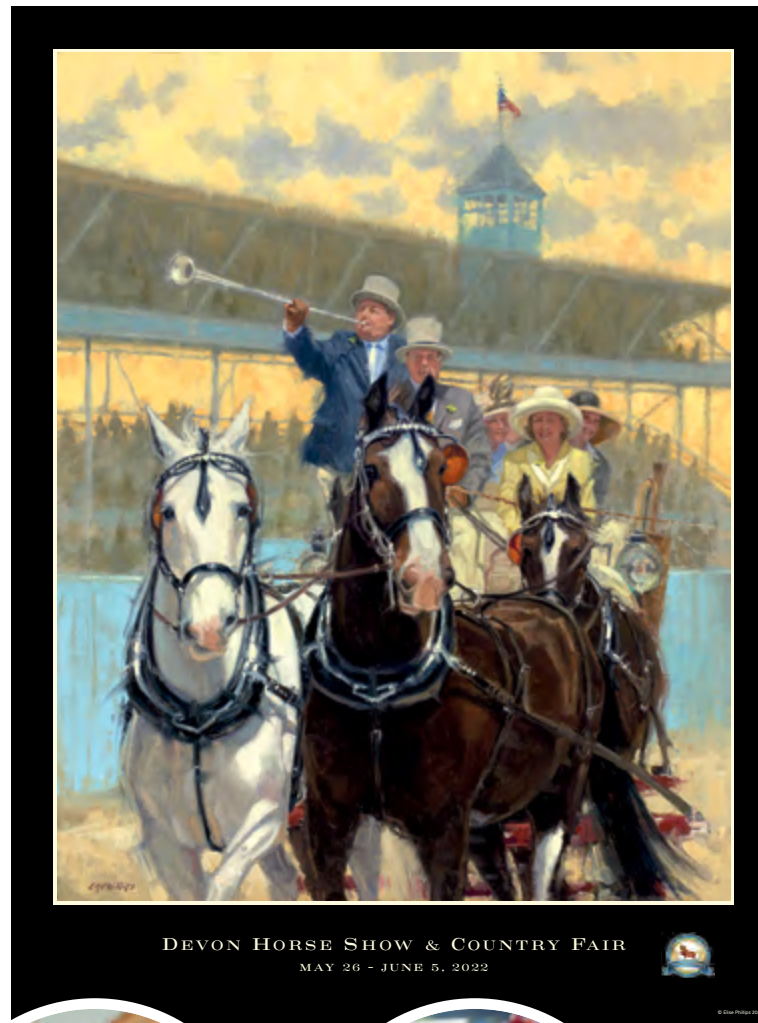
WHAT: The Devon Horse Show & Country Fair

WHERE: Devon Horse Show Grounds,
Lancaster Ave., Devon

WHEN: May 26–June 5; 8 a.m. to around 10 p.m.

INFORMATION: [DevonHorseShow.net](#) & Facebook

BENEFICIARY: Bryn Mawr Hospital



Your Guide to 11 Days of Fun at the Devon Horse Show & Country Fair

Wednesday—May 25
First Night Event
Art Gallery at Devon

Thursday—May 26
Junior Weekend –
Family Day

Entertainment, food & fun for the entire family. Don't miss the Devon Dog Contest in the Dixon Oval at 7 p.m.

Dixon Oval, 8 a.m.
• WIHS Equitation Jumper
• USEF Talent Search

Wheeler Ring, 7:30 a.m.
• Pony Hunter Breeding
• Best Young Pony
• PHBHA Trophy
• Leading Pony Breeder Handler Award
• Dover Saddlery Equestrian Medal

Friday—May 27

Visit the official Souvenir booth for all new 2022 merchandise and get an early start at the 60+ vendors. evening highlights include the USPC Mounted Games and Junior Jumpers!"

Dixon Oval, 8 a.m.
• ASPCA Maclay & R.W. Mutch Equitation Champ.
• Junior Hunters

Wheeler Ring, 8 a.m.
• Pony Hunters

Dixon Oval, 8 p.m.
• Exhibition: USPC Mounted Games
• Junior Jumpers

Saturday—May 28

It's all about kids today. The adorable Lead Line class starts at 1 p.m.

Dixon Oval, 8 a.m.
• Junior Hunters
• Lead Line
• Devon Grand Jr. Hunter Ch.
• Best Child Rider on a Horse

Wheeler Ring, 8 a.m.
• Pony Hunters
• Devon Grand Pony Hunter Ch.
• Best Child Rider on a Pony
• Pony Sportsmanship Award
• Pony Hunt Teams

Dixon Oval, 7 p.m.
• Exhibition: Radnor Hunt Hounds
• Junior Jumper Classic

• Junior Jumpers
• Leading Jumper Rider Award

Sunday—May 29
Cheer on Carriage Drivers as they travel through the streets of Devon. Visit the Carriage Party at St. David's and the Itty Bitty Tea Party.

Dixon Oval, 11 a.m.
• Children's Jumper

Dixon Oval, 1 p.m.
• Exhibition
• Carriage Pleasure Drive
• Championship Drive Off
• Pleasure Drive Amateur Whip Award
• Junior Jumpers

Dixon Oval, 7 p.m.
• \$50,000 Arena Eventing

Memorial Day Monday—May 30
A special recognition ceremony will honor community heroes featuring local military and emergency responders, 6:30 p.m. Free gen. adm. for military personnel, first responders and their families.

Dixon Oval, 8 a.m.
• Exhibition
• Tribute to Heroes
• Hunter Classes

Wheeler Ring, following Hunter
• Hunter Classes

Dixon Oval, 7 p.m.
• NAL Adult Jumper Classic
• Adult Jumper Championship
• Pony Races
• Coaching
• Single/Pair Pony Driving
• Single/Pair Pony Ch.

Tuesday—May 31
Family Day
Entertainment, food and fun for the whole family. Don't miss a behind-the-scenes look at the barns on the Devon Horse Show grounds.

Dixon Oval, 8 a.m.
• Exhibition
• Hunter Classes

Wheeler Ring, 9 a.m.
• Young Jumpers

Dixon Oval, 7 p.m.
• Jet Run Devon Welcome Stake
• Single Horse Driving
• Coaching
• Coach Horn Competition

• Single Horse Ch.

Wednesday—June 1
Ladies Day

Ladies Day at Devon! Ladies Side Saddle Classes and the Ladies Hat Contest and luncheon event.

Dixon Oval, 8 a.m.
• Hunter Classes
• Leading Lady Rider Award
• Leading Mare Award
• Devon Grand Hunter Ch.
• Devon Leading Hunting Rider
• Leading Groom Award

Dixon Oval, Noon
• Ladies Side Saddle
• Ladies Side Saddle Ch.

Dixon Oval, 1:30 p.m.
• Hackeys & Jumpers
• Open & Junior Park Pleasure

Dixon Oval, 7 p.m.
• Devon International Speed Stake
• Hackneys
• Saddlebreds
• Coaching
• Pleasure Driving
• Saddlebred Show
• Pleasure Driving

Thursday—June 2

\$250,000 Sapphire Grand Prix.

Dixon Oval, 8 a.m.
• Main Line Challenge
• USHJA \$25,000 Internat'l Hunter Derby

Dixon Oval, 4:30 p.m.
Devon at Sunset

• Pleasure Driving
• Roadster Pony & Horse
• Coaching — Performance
• Hackney/Harness Pony

Sapphire Grand Prix of Devon

There's nothing more thrilling than the Sapphire Grand Prix.

Dixon Oval 8 p.m.
• Open Jumpers—FEI \$250,000 Sapphire Grand Prix
• McDevitt Style Award

Friday—June 3

Highlight tonight is the "Grandest of the Grand Box Contest." Don't let the week end without tea sandwiches and iced tea from the Tea Cart. The Devon Speed Derby is one to watch!

MAY 25
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JUNE 5

Dixon Oval, 7:30 a.m.
• A/O Jumpers & Hunters
• Pleasure Driving
• Roadster Pony

Wheeler Ring, 8 a.m.
• Local Hunters

Dixon Oval, 7 p.m.
• Open Jumpers — Devon Speed Derby
• Coaching Championship & Coach Horn
• Pleasure Driving Ch.
• Fine Harness Ch.
• Hackney Pony Ch.
• Roadster Pony Ch.

Saturday—June 4

The winner of this year's Devon Derby is announced tonight! The evening's Idle Dice Jumper Stake is beyond exciting!

Dixon Oval, 8 a.m.
• Amateur/Owner Hunters
• Saddlebreds & Hackneys
• Devon Grand Amateur / Owner Hunter Ch.
• Saddlebreds & Hackneys
• Devon Leading Amateur / Owner Hunter Rider
• Country Pleasure Driving Ch.
• Amateur Jumper Ch.
• Amateur Jumper Leading Rider

Wheeler Ring, 8:30 a.m.
• Amateur/Owner 3'3" Hunters
• Grand A/O Hunter Ch.
• Local Hunters
• Local Hunter Sportsmanship
• Working Fox Hunter

Dixon Oval, 6:45 p.m.
• Open Jumper Stake
• Leading Open Jumper
• Leading Lady Rider
• Roadster Horse Ch.
• Hackney/Harness Pony Ch.

Sunday—June 5

Children's Day featuring the Itty-Bitty Hat Parade & Plant Sale.

Dixon Oval, 8 a.m.
• Hunter Breeding Division
• Best PA Bred Horse
• Leading PA Handler Award
• Best Thoroughbred
• Best Yearling & Young Horse
• Leading Handler Award
• Amateur/Junior Handler
• Young Hunter Under Saddle ♦

Updates at DevonHorseShow.net.

Until next year...



It's Steeplechase Season

& We're Off to the Races

STEEPLECHASE RACES HAVE RETURNED,
FILLING MAY WITH EQUESTRIAN FUN
FOR EVERYONE!

Alexis Barrick

Willowdale Steeplechase
PHOTO BY E. HEDLEY

MAY BRINGS THE RETURN OF THE STEEPLECHASE SEASON TO the Brandywine Valley and beyond — one of the best reasons to celebrate spring and enjoy living in an equestrian hub.

Three local races are taking place throughout May, featuring sleek thoroughbred horses and fun festivals that family and friends of all ages will enjoy. Make your way to the races for carriage and foxhound parades, great food and drink, lively tailgating and the heart-pounding excitement of steeplechase racing.

While each race is steeped in its own distinctive traditions mixed with plenty of fun, every race also raises money for a good cause — from promoting land conservation to improving water quality to supporting a world-class veterinary clinic. Feel free to have fun as you do good.

Here's what you need to know to get back in the saddle for this year's racing season!

A LITTLE HISTORY

First, a short refresher. Originating in 18th-century Ireland as a cross-country horse race with jumps over streams, stone walls and hedges, steeplechase races have a rich history flowing from the Emerald Isle to our shores in the U.S. in the 20th century.

Before achieving the level of pageantry that spectators expect today, steeplechase races began rather simply as a way to test a horse's athleticism by racing from church steeple to church steeple (hence the name) through Ireland's verdant countryside.

By the 21st century, the races have evolved into a beloved equestrian tradition often marked by spectators dressed to impress and tailgate feasts designed to be envied. Prized thoroughbreds racing around tracks guided by skilled jockeys bedecked in their colorful silks create a captivating event you don't have to be a lifelong equestrian to enjoy.



Winterthur Point-to-Point
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44TH WINTERTHUR POINT-TO-POINT

Make this year's Mother's Day special by attending Winterthur's Point-to-Point Steeplechase, kicking off the racing season on May 8. (*Note:* this race takes Willowdale's usual holiday spot on the racing calendar.)

The finest riders and horses on the National Steeplechase Association race circuit provide unparalleled excitement as they jump and race on the intricate course spread across Winterthur's rolling hills. The day's program of races is accompanied by a full schedule of events, such as the Parade of River Hills Foxhounds, Rolls-Royce Owners' Club Antique Auto Display, and the spectacular George A. "Frolic" Weymouth Antique Carriage Parade. More activities on this fun-filled day include a Mother's Day brunch, games, crafts, contests and shopping.

Slip into your best race-day attire for a chance to win the Best Dressed Head to Toe contest or impress with your finest silver and elegant lunch for the Tailgate Party judging. After placing your wager for the Bet the House Race Raffle, take the kiddos for some fun at the Stick Pony Races.

Then head to the Marketplace for a change of pace, and shop for an outfit for your next equestrian event. There are several more this May!

Proceeds from the races go towards helping maintain Winterthur's historic grounds.

IF YOU GO: Sunday, May 8. 4910 Kennett Pk., Wilmington. For tickets, call, email or visit the website. *NOTE: No General Admission or day-of ticket sales.* 302-888-4994. Point-to-Point@Winterthur.org. Winterthur.org.

TIP: Check the website for special events like the Mother's Day Hunt Brunch Tent to spoil your mom.



29TH WILLOWDALE STEEPLECHASE

Whether you're a die-hard steeplechase fan or just like spending the day with family and friends in the beautiful southern Chester County countryside, it's time to make plans for the Willowdale Steeplechase, returning at full capacity this year on May 14. This favorite community event will "wow" with a day of thrilling steeplechase races and fun for one and all.

Let the lush scenery and six sanctioned races transport you to the British Isles that inspired the race course's design. Outside the course, there's competition for two-legged guests, including vying for the title of Best Dressed, Best Hat and Best Tailgate. Wear your most vibrant colors and set up a stand-out tailgate party complete with a feast and signature cocktails for a chance to claim a prize!

Enjoy delicious food and drink provided by an assortment of local vendors or BYO for a personalized tailgate spread. Keep in mind, beer is the only alcoholic beverage sold by the vendors.

Kids' Alley is where little ones can make and race stick ponies and join other fun activities such as a new coloring contest and a Straw Bale Maze. Plus, Jack Russell terrier and pony races ensure your kiddos will be entertained all day.

Willowdale Steeplechase benefits two local charities — Stroud Water Research Center and Penn Vet's New Bolton Center.

IF YOU GO: Saturday, May 14. 101 E. Street Rd., Kennett Square. For tickets, call or visit the website. *NOTE: No General Admission or day-of ticket sales.* 610-444-0937. WillowdaleSteeplechase.org.

TIP: Bring your furry family members! Well-behaved dogs are welcome but must be on a leash.

91ST RADNOR HUNT RACES

Grab your favorite bowtie and most fascinating fascinator, the annual Radnor Hunt Races are returning on May 21 in full force! This major Main Line social event draws over 20,000 spectators to support racing and has raised over \$5 million for open space and clean water programs.

The Radnor Races, held at the Radnor Hunt Club, are celebrating their 91st year of world-class steeplechase racing. As one of the oldest regional steeplechase races, this event draws the best thoroughbred horses, riders and trainers from across the country to compete in five jump races for their chance at purses totaling \$200,000. In its second year, the sidesaddle event is another can't-miss display of equestrian prowess!

The festivities go well beyond the steeplechase races, as the day includes activities ranging from antique carriage and foxhound parades to tailgating to crowd-watching.

The grounds offer a range of ways to enjoy the day, from tailgating with the Picnic Patrons or from your car in the infield, to watching from party or rail tents along the course, to sitting in a traditional box or superbox, to stopping by the



Willowdale Steeplechase
PHOTOS BY E. HEDLEY



corporate and sponsors' tents. Check out the all-inclusive Fox's Den with gourmet catering, full bar service and general hobnobbing from some of the best seats on the grounds or try the new exclusive Paddock Tables near the finish line.

Radnor Hunt's Race for Open Space supports Brandywine Conservancy's open space and clean water programs. Brandywine Conservancy has been the sole beneficiary of the races for over 40 years.

IF YOU GO: *Saturday, May 21. 826 Providence Rd., Malvern. To purchase tickets, visit the website. NOTE: No General Admission or day-of ticket sales. RadnorHuntRaces.org.*

TIP: *Radnor Hunt draws in a big crowd, so plan ahead for traffic on crowded two-lane county roads.*

86TH FAIR HILL RACES

Sadly, the 86th running of the Fair Hill Races has been cancelled for 2022, due to necessary repairs to the three new infield arenas. Here's hoping they're back next year!

FairHillFoundation.org. ♦



Radnor Hunt Races
PHOTOS BY BOB PLANT



STEEPLECHASE SCHEDULES

44th POINT-TO-POINT AT WINTERTHUR
SUNDAY, MAY 8

- 10:30 am – Gates open
- 11:45 am – Delaware State Police Pipes and Drums
- 12:00 pm – Alison Hershsbell Pony Races
- 12:30 pm – Parade of River Hills Foxhounds
- 1:00 pm – George A. "Frolic" Weymouth Antique Carriage Parade
- 1:30 pm – Tailgate Picnic Competition Presentation
Stick Horse Races (ages 4 and under)
- 1:50 pm – National Anthem (sung by Rebecca Gasperetti)
- 2:00 pm – Isabella du Pont Sharp Memorial Maiden Timber Race
- 2:15 pm – Stick Horse Races (ages 5-7)
- 2:30 pm – Winterthur Bowl Open Timber Stakes
- 2:45 pm – Stick Horse races (ages 8-10)
- 3:00 pm – Vicmead Plate Amateur Apprentice Timber Race in honor of Louis "Paddy" Neilson III
- 3:30 pm – Middletown Cup Amateur Training Flat Race
- 3:45 pm – Presentation of the Greta Brown Layton Trophy
- 4:00 pm – Gates close

29th RUNNING OF THE WILLOWDALE STEEPLECHASE
SATURDAY, MAY 14

- 10:00 am – Gates open, Welcome Announcements
- 10:30 am – Jack Russell Terrier Races
- 11:30 am – Pony Races
- 12:00 pm – Tailgate, Hat and Best Dressed Contest judging begins
- 12:45 pm – National Anthem
- 1:00 pm – First race. Apprentice Rider Hurdle: Liam Magee SOTA Apprentice Rider Race; 12:30 p.m. paddock time
- 1:30 pm – Second race. Maiden Claiming Hurdle: The Folly; 1:00 p.m. paddock time.
- 2:00 pm – Third race. Ratings Handicap Hurdle: Rose Tree Cup
- 2:30 pm – Fourth race. Amateur Timber Stakes: The Buttonwood Sycamore Farms Willowdale Steeplechase Stakes
- 3:00 pm – Fifth race. Maiden Timber: The Landhope Cup
- 3:30 pm – Sixth race. Amateur Apprentice Timber: The Marshall W. Jenney Memorial Foxhunter's Chase
- 5:30 pm – Gates close

91st ANNUAL RADNOR HUNT RACES
SATURDAY, MAY 21

- 9:00 am – Gates open
- 12:00 pm – National Anthem with Orpheus Club of Phila. and Mounted Color Guard of the First Troop Philadelphia City Cavalry
- 12:30 pm – Katherine W. Illoway Invitational Sidesaddle Race
- 1:30 pm – 1st Race: The Milfern Cup
- 2:05 pm – 2nd Race: The Thompson Memorial Steeplechase
- 2:20 pm – Carriage Parade
- 2:45 pm – 3rd Race: Radnor Hunt Cup
- 3:00 pm – Parade of the Radnor Foxhounds
- 3:15 pm – 4th Race: National Hunt Cup
- 3:50 pm – 5th Race: Henry Collins Steeplechase
- 5:00 pm – Gates close

THE 29TH RUNNING OF THE
WILLOWDALE STEEPLECHASE
PRESENTED BY THE 24TH FUND

SATURDAY, May 14, 2022

The Tradition Continues!



PC: Jim Graham

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The tradition continues at the Willowdale Steeplechase May 14, 2022 with the finest in Thoroughbred Jump Racing. Gates Open 10am, 6 Sanctioned Horse Races, Pony Races, Jack Russell Terrier Races, Kids' Alley, Best Dressed, Hat and Tailgate Contests. Location: 101 East Street Road, Kennett Square, PA 19348

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Mt. Cuba Center



Herb Society of America Herb Sale



Delaware Nature Society Plant Sale



Brandywine River Museum of Art Native Plant Sale

APRIL 30–MAY 1

Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens Plant Sale Weekend. A large sale co-sponsored by the Valley Forge Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society. Jenkins Arboretum, 631 Berwyn Baptist Rd., Devon. 610-647-8870; JenkinsArboretum.org.

MAY 1

Chestnut Hill Home & Garden Festival. Explore plants, crafts and artwork from over 150 vendors as home and garden design and supplies take the spotlight. Germantown Ave., Chestnut Hill. 11 to 5. Rain date May 15. 215-247-6696; ChestnutHillPA.com.

MAY 1

Wildflower Celebration at Mt. Cuba Center. Experience a magnificent display of native spring blooms, enjoy live music, gardening activities, outdoor family programming and more. Native plants will be available for purchase, while supplies last. Register at MtCubaCenter.org/Wildflower.

MAY 4, 11, 18, 25

Garden Insider at Winterthur Museum & Gardens. Go behind the scenes each week with a specialist who will share insights and expertise about the Winterthur garden and estate. Incl. with adm. Rt. 52, Winterthur, DE. 10 to 3. \$5–\$20. 800-448-3883; Winterthur.org.

MAY 5–7

100th Wilmington Flower Market + Music Festival. Benefits dozens of nonprofit Delaware children's agencies. Carnival rides, art, gifts, entertainment, flowers and plants of all kinds are available. Rockford Park, Wilmington. Thurs–Fri, 10 to 8; Sat, 10 to 7. Free. 302-995-5699; WilmingtonFlowerMarket.org.

MAY 6–7

Arasapha Garden Club's 80th Anniversary May Market in Historic New Castle. Unique flowering plants and herbs, shrubs and artisan crafts. Market Square, 201 Delaware St., New Castle, DE. Fri, noon to 5; Sat, 9 to 3. 302-322-7895; Arasapha.org.

MAY 6–7

DE Nature Society Native Plant Sale. More than 300 rare varieties of native wildflowers, trees, shrubs, ferns and aquatic plants for sale. Many species that attract wildlife. Coverdale Farm, 543 Way Rd., Greenville, DE. Fri, 3 to 7 (member day); Sat, 9 to 3. 302-239-2334; DelNature.org/NPS.

MAY 6–7

Landis Valley Museum Herb & Garden Faire. Featuring plants from Landis Valley Museum's Heirloom Seed Project plus heirlooms, natives and other hard-to-find varieties from vendors spread out over the historic village area. 2451 Kissel Hill Rd., Lancaster. 9 to 5. 717-569-0401; LandisValleyHerbFaire.org.

MAY 7

Azaleas & Bluebells at Winterthur Museum & Gardens. The day's events will include plant sales and tours of the azaleas, both guided and self-guided. Incl. with admission. Rt. 52, Winterthur, DE. 10 to 3. \$5–\$20. 800-448-3883; Winterthur.org.

MAY 7

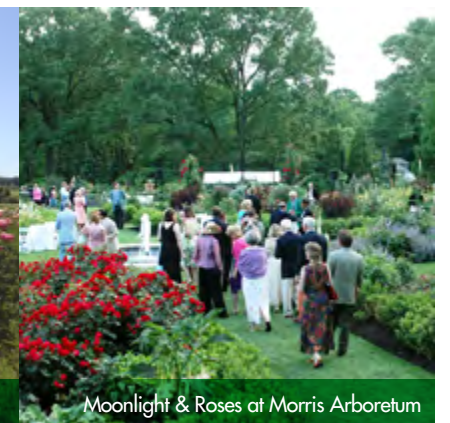
Wilmington Garden Day's 75th Annual Tour. Homes and gardens are featured at this rain-or-shine event. Walk through a majestic bamboo forest, a formal English garden and be inspired by patio container plantings. Benefits Delaware's children in need. 10 to 4. \$35. WilmingtonGardenDay.org.



Chestnut Hill Home & Garden Festival



Styer's Festival of the Peony



Moonlight & Roses at Morris Arboretum

MAY 7

Stoneleigh: A Natural Garden—Spring Flowering Tree Tour. Join Stoneleigh staff and explore the fascinating collection of early-blooming trees, from dogwoods and redbuds to silverbells and serviceberries. 1829 E. County Line Rd., Villanova. 10:30 to noon. \$15. 610-353-5587; StoneleighGarden.org.

MAY 7

Mother's Day Weekend at Welkinweir. The gardens, with azaleas at their peak, will be open, as well as the estate house. Bring a picnic to enjoy in the garden or in the tent. Free. 1368 Prizer Rd., Pottstown. 610-469-7543; Welkinweir.org.

MAY 7–8

Brandywine River Museum of Art Wildflower, Native Plant & Seed Sale. Shop for a wide variety of native grasses, ferns, vines, shrubs and trees. Staff and volunteers will be on hand to answer questions and provide planting information. Rt. 1, Chadds Ford. 9:30 to 4:30. Free. 610-388-2700; BrandywineMuseum.org.

MAY 9

Mid-Atlantic Peony Society Tour and Reception at Scott Arboretum. Join the tour that will focus on tree peonies. Reception to follow. Swarthmore College, 500 College Ave., Wister Center, Swarthmore. 5 to 7 pm. Free. 610-328-8023; ScottArboretum.org.

MAY 11

48th Annual Shipley School Secret Gardens Tour. Explore magnificent properties located in Main Line neighborhoods with a luncheon to follow. Tour and seated lunch, \$80; tour only, \$45. 8:30 to 4:30. 610-525-4544; ShipleySchool.org/SecretGardens.

MAY 12

83rd Annual Phila. Herb Society of America Herb Sale. Culinary and fragrant herbs and many rare and unusual scented geraniums and salvias will be featured. The Made By Members boutique highlights herbal specialties. Historic Yellow Springs, 1685 Art School Rd., Chester Springs.

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JUNE 3

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JUNE 4

Garden Day at White Horse Village. The senior living community showcases the talents of resident gardeners. Self-guided tours, 10:30, complimentary lunch at noon, reg. req. 535 Gradyville Rd., Newtown Square. Free. WhiteHorseVillage.org.

JUNE 7

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SEPTEMBER 10-11

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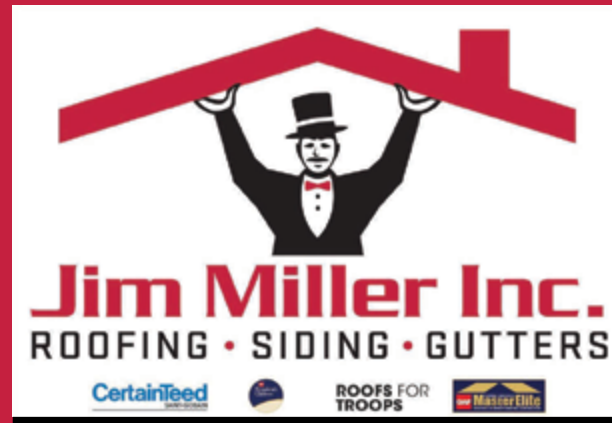


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DEVON

Amis Trattoria is a short walk from the Devon Horse Show grounds. For years the site of Waterloo Gardens, the Urban Outfitters' development is now called Devon Yard and is home to Amis Trattoria along with a few other shops and eateries.

Happy Hour at Amis is Monday to Friday, 4 to 6 p.m. Draft beer and wine are \$2 off, and you can sip a glass of sangria or an Aperol spritz for \$8. Snacks, such as cacio e pepe fries or crispy eggplant chips, are \$5, while Shared Bites, such as crispy Brussels sprouts or stracciatella bruschetta, are \$8.

Also in Devon Yard is Pizzeria Vetri, one of its four locations (also in King of Prussia, Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia's Art Museum area). Happy Hour here is every weekday, 4 to 6 p.m. Enjoy \$5 beers, \$6 glasses of wine, \$7 cocktails (including a house margarita) and three kinds of pizza for \$10. And pizza, as the name suggests, is a specialty. Made with dough fermented for four days and baked in 650° ovens. Delicious!

WAYNE

About a mile and a half to the east of Devon is Autograph Brasserie, serving a Happy Hour menu from 4 to 6 p.m. on weekdays. Draft beer is \$6, wine is \$7, and you can get a Blackberry Smash, Cosmopolitan, Grey Hound or Margarita for \$8. Food ranges from \$6 for bacon-wrapped dates or truffle Parmesan fries, to \$9 for salmon tacos or mussels, to \$12 for a burger. Plus, you can order a half dozen oysters for \$6.

Continue east another mile or so on Lancaster Avenue to White Dog Café, marked by a statue of, yes, a white dog (there are more,

many more, dogs inside). This is one of four White Dog locations so far (including University City, Haverford, Glen Mills) with a fifth planned for the former Vickers Restaurant location in Exton. On weekdays, from 4 to 6 p.m., there's a long Happy Hour menu — for what they call the “Happiest Hour” — featuring \$6 draft beers, \$7 glasses of wine, half-priced bottles of wine, \$8 selected cocktails, plus red or white sangria. For food, choose from 11 dishes, from fried pickles to mushroom soup to yellowfin tuna tartare, priced from \$6 to \$12.

Next, there's Goat's Beard, just off Lancaster Avenue at the main intersection with North Wayne Avenue. At Happy Hour, from 4 to 6 p.m. on weekdays, try the Goat's Beard Alpha Acid Trip, specially brewed by Conshohocken Brewing, for \$5. For \$6, choose Bulleit and Bulleit Rye mixed drinks. And for \$7, they will pour you a glass of pinot grigio or pinot noir.

A block north on Wayne Avenue is the Great American Pub, one of three locations in the area (also in Phoenixville and Conshohocken). From 4 to 6 p.m., they serve pizza or quesadillas for \$6, plus beer and wine at \$1 to \$2 off the regular price.

A landmark on Lancaster Avenue, the Wayne Hotel is home to Rosalie, a fine Italian restaurant and bar, where you'll find its “Happiest Hour,” 4 to 6 p.m. on weekdays. Draft beer is \$5, wine is \$6 and cocktails are \$7. For food, choose from six aperitivos and three pizzas for \$7 to \$15. On Friday evenings, enjoy live music.

Off the Lancaster Avenue strip and north of Route 202 is Black Powder Tavern, known for its hospitality and great bar. Find draft beer or house wine for \$6 and most appetizers for \$7, including crispy sprouts, fried pickles, Cajun nachos, bacon-wrapped pretzel



The collage consists of four square images arranged in a row. Above each image is a small icon of a building and a label. The first image shows a woman smiling and holding a glass of beer, with the label 'PizzeriaVetri'. The second image shows a woman smiling and holding a glass of beer, with the label 'Autograph Brasserie'. The third image shows a bottle of beer and a can of beer, with the label 'Goat's Beard'. The fourth image shows a pizza and a glass of wine, with the label 'Rosalie'.

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dogs and beer-baked pretzel sticks, plus \$8 for southwest chicken meatballs, and Alsatian flatbread for \$9. Happy Hour is 4 to 6 p.m. on weekdays.

RADNOR & VILLANOVA

Estia Greek Taverna is just north of Lancaster Avenue and features a later Happy Hour, from 3:30 to 6 p.m. Sunday to Friday with \$5 beers, \$8 glasses of wine and \$10 cocktails. On the food menu are five kinds of seafood — oysters, shrimp, calamari, mussels, salmon tartare — for \$10 to \$18 — and assorted Greek specialties, like eggplant and zucchini chips, spanakopita and cheese saganaki for \$10. If you're really hungry, order chicken or shrimp souvlaki large for \$22 or \$25.

A bit farther north from Lancaster Pike, you'll find 333 Belrose Bar & Grill, a sophisticated place to while away the late afternoon. From 4 to 6 p.m. on weekdays, enjoy six kinds of bar snacks, including a burger, pulled pork, fried chicken, calamari, quesadillas and spring rolls for \$9 to \$17. You can also get four kinds of chicken wings, five kinds of French fries, three kinds of nacho plates or three kinds of sliders from \$5.50 to \$14. With that menu, you can likely skip dinner. It also offers ten cocktails at \$11 to \$14.

Finally, heading east from Devon, is a recently redone spot on the Villanova campus, The Refectory, now managed by the folks from Ardmore's Ripplewood Whiskey & Craft. Every day, from 4 to 6

p.m., there's Happy Hour, featuring cocktails, including an Augustinian Old Fashioned, for \$6 to \$10, draft beers for \$5 and wine for \$7. Snacks — oysters, sliders, flatbreads, mahi tacos, deviled eggs — are all \$5. Stop by and feel like a student ... but with more spending power.

BERWYN

The town of Berwyn is about a mile to the west of the Devon Horse Show grounds. It's home to one of our favorite local breweries, La Cabra Brewing, serving Happy Hour from 4 to 6 p.m., Tuesdays to Fridays. Wings are half-price. And half-pints of its own Hipster Catnip are \$4.

Nearby you'll find 30 Main, offering Happy Hour from 5 to 7 p.m., Tuesday to Sunday, meaning including weekends! The menu is extensive but changes often, so check the website.

Close to the train station on Lancaster Avenue is Berwyn Tavern. This spot filled with locals of all generations offers Happy Hour, but again, the menu changes often, so you need to ask about it when you stop in.

If you're really hungry, try newly opened Will's + Bill's. From 4 to 6 p.m., all week, they serve fondue, wings, lamb meatballs, calamari and burgers plus five other dishes, priced from \$6.50 to \$9.50, along with oysters, clams and shrimp at \$1.50 to \$2.25 each. That's in addition to pints of beer for \$5, high balls for \$6 and glasses of

wine, martinis, manhattans or cosmos for \$7. A real bargain! You'll have to leave Lancaster Avenue, though. It's by Route 202, about two miles to the north.

MALVERN

Finally, Malvern. Our first stop is General Warren, a historic inn — the building dates to 1745 — about six miles from the Devon Horse Show grounds. On Tuesday through Friday, from 4 to 5:30 p.m., join them for Happy Hour. Spend the time enjoying draft beers for \$4, bottled beers at \$2 off, and house wines for \$5. Cocktails and mixed drinks are \$2 off. Choose from 12 small plates, from snapper soup at \$7 to a Malvern dip sandwich at \$20. Sit outside on the lovely terrace, weather permitting.

Stove & Tap, also in Malvern (and West Chester), has a "Tappy Hour" from 4 to 6 p.m., all week. The food menu changes, but all of its "bites" are priced at \$8. Drinks are \$6, domestic draft beers are \$3, craft draft beers are \$5, wine is \$4 and well spirits are \$6.

Don't get me wrong. The Devon Horse Show is always entertaining and exciting. Yet, in the late afternoon, if you find yourself yearning for something beyond the pizza, burgers and fries at the snack stands, head for one of the many places within just a few miles to whet your whistle, satisfy your appetite and meet your friends. ♦

Where to Find Happy Hours

Amis Trattoria, 138 W. Lancaster Ave., Ste 140, Devon. 610-590-4782.

Pizzeria Vetri, 138 W. Lancaster Ave., Devon. 484-207-6663.

Autograph Brasserie, 503 Lancaster Ave., Wayne. 610-964-2588.

White Dog Café, 200 W. Lancaster Ave., Wayne 610-225-3700.

The Goat's Beard, 103 N. Wayne Ave., Wayne. 484-584-4979.

Great American Pub, 4 N. Wayne Ave., Wayne. 610-964-9535.

Rosalie, 139 E. Lancaster Ave., Wayne. 610-977-0600.

Black Powder Tavern, 1164 Valley Forge Rd., Wayne. 610-293-9333.

Estia Greek Taverna, 222 Radnor Chester Rd., Radnor. 484-581-7124.

333 Belrose Bar & Grill, 333 Belrose Ln., Radnor. 610-293-1000.

The Refectory, 222 Radnor Chester Rd., Villanova. 484-581-7124.

La Cabra Brewing, 642 Lancaster Ave., Berwyn. 610-240-7908.

30 Main Bistro, 660 Lancaster Ave., Berwyn. 610-220-2367.

Berwyn Tavern, 625 Lancaster Ave., Berwyn. 610-889-9352.

Will's + Bill's, 324 Swedesford Rd., Berwyn. 484-318-8538.

General Warren, 9 Old Lancaster Rd., Malvern. 610-296-3637.

Stove & Tap, 245 Lancaster Ave., Malvern. 484-450-8890.



The Refectory



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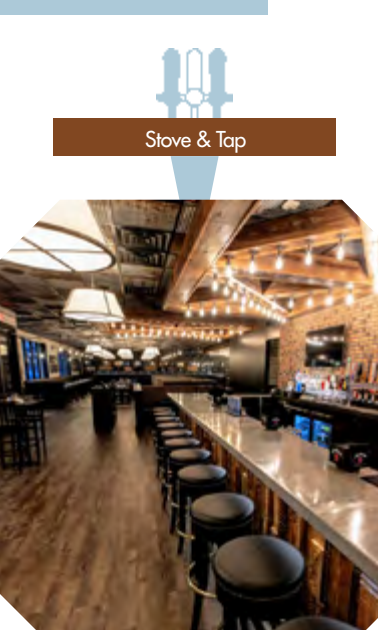
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BREAKFAST: IT'S THE MOST important meal of the day. Maybe that's why there are so many different ways to enjoy it — eggs, pancakes, French toast, sandwiches, burritos ... It make us hungry just thinking about it!

Here are some of our favorite local breakfast spots, starting with West Chester then noshing our way through Chester and Delaware counties, the western Main Line and Wilmington.

From diners and cafés to bakeries and coffee shops, this list has it all. No matter what you're craving, find the perfect place to start your day.

WEST CHESTER

DK Diner

This classic stainless-steel diner has been a local staple since 1952. The DK serves up all-day breakfast with a smile. Popular dishes include three-egg omelets, buttermilk "hotcakes," cinnamon bun French toast and homemade chipped beef. 609 E. Gay St. DKDiner.com.

Gramm's Kitchen

Here's a family-owned spot with all your breakfast faves — pancakes, waffles, sandwiches and a whole lot of omelets! Try almond French toast with blueberries, strawberries and whipped cream, New York strip steak and eggs, or one of their many eggs Benedict varieties, like the smoked Benedict with Nova Scotia smoked salmon. 557 E. Gay St. GrammsKitchen.com.

Market Street Grill

The Market Street Grill offers creative takes on breakfast classics, like the ever-popular Bruno burrito, Christian and Waffles (pickle-brined fried chicken on a waffle with homemade andouille gravy) and a breakfast quesadilla with scrambled eggs, pepper jack cheese, refried beans, pico de gallo and your choice of meat. 6 W. Market St. TheMarketStreetGrill.com.

Penn's Table

Family owned and operated since 1976, this is a laidback, family-friendly spot serving traditional breakfast fare along with a variety of specials, including the Penn's Table Favorite (homemade sausage gravy over buttermilk

biscuits and eggs) and the "WIZ WIT" breakfast burrito stuffed with four scrambled eggs, rib-eye steak, onions, home fries and, of course, cheese wiz. 100 W. Gay St. PennsTable.com.

Roots Café

Eat well and do good for the planet at a place that's committed to using locally sourced ingredients. Order a breakfast favorite, like French toast or a breakfast sandwich, or try one of their specialty dishes — duck leg hash or avocado Benedict, anyone? 133 E. Gay St. RootsCafeWC.com.

Two Birds Café

This cozy spot takes scratch cooking to a new level — even the jam for your toast is house made! Popular dishes include the hen's egg platter with country potatoes and your choice of meat, a breakfast burrito jam-packed with fresh ingredients, and the brisket omelet with roasted mushrooms, onions and cheddar. 653 Downingtown Pk. TwoBirdsCafeWC.com.

EXTON

Bistro 24

The folks at Bistro 24 have been making delicious food from scratch for over 20 years. Try one of their gourmet omelets, Belgian waffles or signature pancakes — with a side of Cherrywood smoked bacon and fresh-squeezed orange juice, of course! Gluten free options available. 100 Marchwood Rd. Bistro24Grill.com.

MALVERN

The Classic Diner

Head to the Classic Diner for an upscale version of breakfast classics — smoked salmon scrambled eggs topped with capers and diced tomatoes, eggs Benedict with sautéed spinach, pear and cinnamon cream stuffed French toast with orange brandy sauce. Don't forget to try their "stickiest" buns! 827 Lincoln Ave. TheClassicDinerPA.com.

Dixie Picnic

With a Southern-style scratch kitchen using old family recipes, Dixie Picnic has the kind of menu where every item has a story. Try

Momma's eggs Benedict al fresco topped with cured pork loin and fresh Hollandaise, southern sticky bun French toast or homemade biscuits covered in Bucky's sausage gravy or topped with Smithfield country ham and cheddar. 215 Lancaster Ave. DixiePicnic.com.

Julie Anne's Place

Check out this cozy, family-owned café for a warm atmosphere and good food. Try one of the chef's specials, like their chocolate chip banana nut bread French toast, lox and bagel platter or the Mexican Mess — scrambled eggs with sausage, onion, jalapeño and all your favorite taco toppings. For an extra homey meal, eat on the cozy front porch. 22 S. Warren Ave. Facebook.com/JulieAnnesPlace.

Malvern Buttery

Sit at communal tables in this sun-filled café and sip on a big cup of coffee, tea or a delicious hand-crafted drink. Try their artisanal pastries, quiche, egg soufflé sandwiches or breakfast bowls — and don't forget to grab a loaf of handmade bread to take home. 233 E. King St. MalvernButtery.com.

DEVON

The Black Cat Café

Breakfast and cats — what's not to love? Meet adoptable cats while feasting on breakfast favorites — omelets, sandwiches, pancakes and French toast. Looking for a family-style meal? Try a pancake board, a breakfast-y take on the charcuterie board, including pancakes, sausage, berries and just about any pancake topping you can imagine. Plus, 100% of the café's proceeds go to PALS animal rescue. 42 Berkley Rd. TheBlackCatCafeDevon.org.

WAYNE

Gryphon Café

Locations in West Chester and Kensington

This independent coffee company roasts their own beans in house. Coffee is their specialty, but they also offer seasonal drinks, pastries and light breakfast fare. Vegan options available. 105 W. Lancaster Ave. GryphonCoffee.com.



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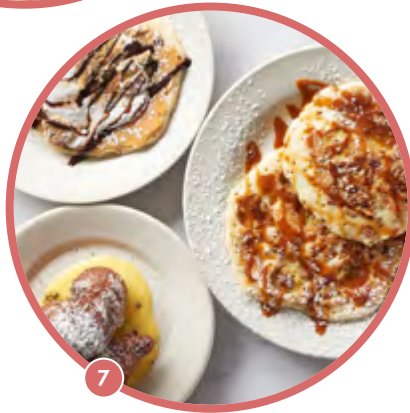
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Minella's Diner

Sleepy Villanova students and celebs alike (like Rupert Grint of "Harry Potter" fame) love that breakfast is served all day here. Try an omelet — Western, Greek, Caprese and many, many more — or buttermilk pancakes with fresh berries, bananas, chocolate chips or even ice cream. Then stop by the bakery to pick up a treat to go. *320 Lancaster Ave. MinellasDiner.com.*

KENNETT SQUARE

Talula's Table

This gourmet market is the place to get delicious baked goods — chocolate croissants, lemon-lavender scones, vanilla brown butter pound cake and much more. For those looking for a hardier meal, try their croissant breakfast sandwiches, egg frittatas or breakfast burritos. Get your breakfast to-go or sit inside at their rustic dining table. *102 W. State St. TalulasTable.com.*

DOWNINGTOWN

The Coffee Cup

This relaxed coffee shop has been serving up home-cooked breakfasts since 1956. The Coffee Cup has all the breakfast classics — omelets, pancakes, eggs any style. They're also "The Home of the Mess," a delicious scramble of eggs, potatoes and your choice of meat with onions and green peppers. *117 E. Lancaster Ave. TheCoffeeCupOnline.com.*

The Farmhouse Coffee & Espresso Bar

Drink coffee and snack on pastries in this cozy café with rustic vibes. The Farmhouse serves specialty coffee and handcrafted beverages along with fresh-baked donuts, muffins, croissants and more from their bakery. Check out their creamery for ice cream, hand-spun milkshakes and made-to-order waffles once the weather gets warm. *115 W. Lancaster Ave. FarmhouseCoffee.com.*

Green Street Grill

At the Market Street Grill's sister restaurant, breakfast is served all day, and it's a

good thing — their menu is huge! Try one of ten specialty omelets, seven kinds of eggs Benedict or just about anything else you're craving for a soul-satisfying breakfast. *150 E. Pennsylvania Ave. GreetStGrill.com.*

PHOENIXVILLE

Steel City Coffeehouse & Brewery

Known for their live music at night, Steel City offers reasons to visit during the day as well. They serve breakfast all day — sandwiches, burritos, bowls, even a breakfast flatbread. There's also plenty of pastries and, of course, coffee to keep you going all day long. Vegan options, too. *203 Bridge St. SteelCityCoffeehouse.com.*

Your Mom's Place

This funky spot on Bridge Street prides itself on making breakfast "Just Like Mom Used to Make." They serve all your faves — buttermilk pancakes, breakfast sandwiches, thick-cut French toast — along with some of "Mom's Special Omelets," like spicy Italian, veggie delight and the "Heart Attack Special," three of your favorite breakfast meats in an omelet covered in cheese. *324 Bridge St. MomsPhoenixville.com.*

MEDIA

Bittersweet Kitchen

This cozy spot uses only the freshest ingredients in your breakfast — and you can taste it! Indulge in crème brûlée pancakes with a burnt sugar top or challah French toast stuffed with cream cheese and topped with bourbon-caramel sauce. Or go with the classic Bittersweet Breakfast of eggs, buttermilk biscuits and potatoes or one of their daily specials. *18 S. Orange St. EatAtBittersweet.com.*

The Court Diner

This charming, family-friendly eatery has been serving home-cooked comfort food for over 50 years. Order their homemade waffles or brioche French toast, or try one of their specialty om-

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BICHRUNVILLE

ButterScotch Pastry

Known for its fresh pastries made daily, this café also serves breakfast from Chef Francis of the beloved Bichrunville Store Café. Their rotating menu includes crispy breakfast wraps, homemade soufflés, quiche and croissant French toast with fresh berries and walnuts. 1406 Hollow Rd. ButterScotchPastry.com.

BALA CYNWYD

The Landing Kitchen

It’s a bit of a hike, but there’s delicious breakfast fare from a renowned Philly chef on the Schuylkill Riverfront. Try one of their breakfast sandwiches, French toast or smoked salmon on toast, and pair it with Modcup or La Colombe coffee

and a pastry. 617 Righters Ferry Rd., Bala Cynwyd. TheLandingKitchen.com.

WILMINGTON

Centreville Café

Now under new ownership, this cozy café located in a converted historical home is the epitome of “homey.” Grab a pastry and latte for a quick meal, or sit down and enjoy a homecooked breakfast with friends. Try a breakfast sandwich, like the classic Wart (eggs and American cheese with your choice of meat), or something unique, like the Sammy — smoked salmon, wasabi, capers, red onion, tomato and cucumber on a bagel or wrap. 5800 Kennett Pk. CentrevilleCafe.com.

Le Cavalier

Located in the historic Hotel Du Pont, this is the place to go to treat yourself to a full hotel breakfast. Indulge in steak and eggs or French toast with blood oranges, or snack on avocado tartine or a bagel with lox. Make it a real event with something

from the bar, like their signature bloody Mary or a seasonal mimosa. 42 W. 11th St., LeCavalierDE.com.

Milk and Honey Coffeehouse & Gallery

Sip coffee while you admire the art that adorns the walls of this coffeehouse/art gallery. They also serve delicious breakfast dishes — sandwiches on a croissant, avocado toast and their famous blueberry pancakes topped with lemon zest. 807 N. Union St. MilkAndHoneyCoffeehouses.com.

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Cinco de Mayo

MARGARITAS AND MORE FOR YOUR CINCO FIESTA

Elizabeth Hughes

CINCO DE MAYO (THE fifth of May) is celebrated widely in the U.S. Though many think it's Mexican Independence Day (that's September 16), the date actually marks the Battle of Puebla, an

1862 battle won against French forces under Napoleon III.

The majority of Mexicans don't celebrate Cinco de Mayo, although it is celebrated in the Puebla region, where the battle was fought. But here in the

U.S., the date has become a popular time to celebrate Mexican heritage and culture.

To toast Cinco de Mayo this year, try these drinks, courtesy of local restaurants that mark the day.



The Fuego Verde

From Taco Grande in Wilmington

- 2 oz. Tanteo Jalapeño Tequila
- 1 oz. fresh lime juice
- 1 oz. cilantro simple syrup*
- 2 dash Bittermens Xocolatl Mole Bitters

***Cilantro Simple Syrup:** Blend 1 bunch cilantro with 3 cups water. Strain with a cheese cloth. Match the liquid produced with sugar. Stir until well combined and dissolved.

Shake tequila, lime juice and cilantro simple syrup and strain over fresh ice.

Top with 2 dashes of mole bitters.

Enjoy!

Yields 1 drink.



Orange Hibiscus Margarita

From Bomba Taco + Bar in Malvern

- 1.5 oz. Cazadores Reposado Tequila
- .5 oz. Ferrand Dry Curaçao
- 2 oz. margarita mix (equal parts lime juice, orange juice and agave nectar)
- 2 oz. orange hibiscus juice*

*Orange Hibiscus Juice

- 1 qt. water
- .5 oz. dried hibiscus

Rind of an orange

Add water, dried hibiscus and orange rind to a small saucepan and bring to a boil. Once water boils, remove from heat and allow to steep for 20 minutes. Place in the refrigerator to cool.

Shake tequila, curaçao, margarita mix and hibiscus juice.

Strain over fresh ice.

Yields 1 drink.

Cocktails



Más Fiesta Margarita

From Más Mexicali Cantina in West Chester

Classic Frozen Margarita Base

- 1.25 oz. tequila
- .75 oz. triple sec
- 1 oz. fresh squeezed lime juice
- 16 oz ice

Verde Margarita (green bottom layer)

- 2 oz. mango puree
- .5 oz. blue Curaçao
- .5 oz. simple syrup

Blanco Margarita (white middle layer)

- 3 oz. simple syrup

Rojo Margarita (red top layer)

- 4 oz. strawberry puree
- Lime slice for garnish

Combine ingredients for the Classic and Verde margaritas in a blender and blend until thick. Pour equally into 3 glasses.

Next combine ingredients for the Classic and Blanco margaritas in a blender and blend until thick. Pour into the 3 glasses, on top of the Verde layer.

Then combine ingredients for the Classic and Rojo margaritas in a blender and blend until thick. Pour on top of the Blanco layer to get the colors of the Mexican flag.

Garnish with a lime slice and enjoy!

Yields 3 drinks.

Note: Be sure to clean your blender between each colored layer!



Spicy Classic

From Estrella Tacos y Mas in Downingtown

- 2 oz. chili-infused rum
- 1 chile de árbol
- .5 oz freshly squeezed lime juice
- .75 oz organic agave
- Spicy rim (chipotle powder, sugar and salt)
- Lime slice for garnish

Add rum, chile, lime juice and agave to a shaker and shake for 30–35 seconds.

Rim a glass with spicy rim ingredients.

Fill the glass with ice and double strain the cocktail.

Garnish with a lime slice.

Yields 1 drink. ♦



Wondering what's the difference between tequila and mezcal?

To start, they're both agave-based spirits. But tequila is a type of mezcal (think of how bourbon and Scotch are types of whiskey).

Mezcal can be made from 28 different varieties of agave and is produced in nine Mexican states.

Tequila, on the other hand, can be made only from the blue agave plant, and in more limited regions. Tequila is made primarily in the state of Jalisco and in a few select municipalities in other states.

There's also a difference in taste, owing to different production methods. To make mezcal, agave hearts are slow-roasted in a pit, then mashed and fermented, producing a distinctly sweet and smoky taste.

For tequila, the agave hearts are typically steamed or roasted in an oven before being mashed and fermented. The flavor is affected by how long the tequila is aged, ranging from the young, agave-forward tasting blanco to the oaky, vanilla-flavored extra añejo, aged for more than three years.

No matter your preference, both tequila and mezcal are quintessential Mexican spirits adding an authentic taste to your Cinco fiesta.

Note: Liquor brands mentioned in these recipes were recommended by the restaurant staffs.

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Food News

A few of our favorite things to share this month about local food and drink

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Cool Cocktails. Downingtown's Amani's BYOB, home of award-winning Chef Jonathan Amann, took dining to a new level, literally, at newly opened **NORTH Craft Cocktail Bar**. Head upstairs to try their local draft beers and unique craft cocktails, like an Apricot Ginger Sour or Strawberry Basil Smash. Pair your drink with small plate options including short rib fries or artichoke and roasted garlic hummus, or a delicious entrée like a burger, smoked chicken cheesesteak or bronzino taco. 105 E. Lancaster Ave., Downingtown. AmanisNorth.com.



New Wine in Town. West Grove's Kreutz Creek Vineyards gets a fresh start under a new name: **The Acadian Wine Company**. Winemaker Kyle Jones, former head winemaker at Lancaster County's Nissley Vineyards, purchased the eight-acre vineyard in January with big plans, including opening a new wine-tasting area. Come sample their wines from estate-grown Cabernet Franc, Chardonnay, Merlot and Petit Verdot and enjoy the fruits of their labor. Cheers to new local wine! 555 S. Guernsey Rd., West Grove. AcadianWineCompany.com.

Historic Eats. Closing last October after 50 years of hospitality, Exton's **Vickers Restaurant** will become the fifth **White Dog Café** location while preserving this historical site. Serving up local, seasonal and sustainable food, the Fearless Restaurant Group is renovating the former abolitionist John Vickers' house to include a three-season room. And **Ship Inn**, another historic Exton restaurant, this one previously featured on Food Network's *Restaurant: Impossible*, is up for sale at \$2.25 million. 192 E. Welsh Pool Rd., Exton. WhiteDog.com.



Slice of Heaven. Craving a warm slice? You're in luck. **Pizzeria Vetri** recently reopened at a new spot in King of Prussia, popping fresh, authentic pizzas right out of their wood-fired ovens. Savor a slice of Margherita, pepperoni or spicy sausage pizza, or try their sausage or mushroom spinach calzones. For dessert, treat yourself to a sweeter option: a Nutella pizza baked with marshmallows and topped with powdered sugar. Yum! 150 Main St., King of Prussia. PizzeriaVetri.com.



“Mother” Made

A TOAST TO LOCAL KOMBUCHA AND THE MATRIARCH WHO INSPIRED IT ALL.

Alyssa Thayer



Olga Sorzano, owner of Baba's Brew

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR WHEN WE HONOR THE mother figures in our lives — the mommies, aunties and grammies who've helped shape us into the people we are today.

Memories of these women often come to us on the wings of a savored scent or in the taste of a familiar food.

For Olga Sorzano, owner of **Baba's Brew** of Phoenixville, kombucha is the taste of childhood. She was born in South Siberia and raised by her great-grandmother Dora, affectionately called “Baba” or “red squirrel” until age six. Baba's home-brewed kombucha was a cure-all. No matter the ailment, she'd simply say “have some kombucha.”

Turns out, Baba wasn't far off ... kombucha, a fermented tea drink, has amazing healing properties. Its raw fermentation process yields a host of beneficial probiotics and enzymes to support a healthy microbiome. Plus, its lightly sweet and tangy notes and naturally occurring effervescence make it supremely refreshing.

When Olga came to the U.S. in the 2000s, she was excited to find kombucha in some stores, but quickly realized it wasn't Baba's. They were “too sweet, too sour and too full of junk,” she says. It wasn't until Olga and her husband attended a fermentation festival in California that she drank kombucha fresh and vibrant enough to remind her of home.



Olga with her great-grandmother Baba, the woman who inspired it all. Olga volunteered at the World Central Kitchen to help Ukrainian refugees.

Olga says, “When you cannot find what you want, you create it yourself.” And so she did. Upon returning home she put her unique background in microbiology, chemistry and culinary arts to work, brewing kombucha that was delicious, nourishing and authentic to her roots. She named the business “Baba's Brew” after the woman who inspired it all and committed to using real, organic ingredients, sourced as locally as possible. “If I put my great-grandma's name on the bottle, I want her to be proud of what we are doing,” she says.

At its inception, Baba's Brew occupied a 70-square-foot space at Artisan Exchange in West Chester. Little by little the business grew, and Olga and her husband devoted more of their time to it. Eventually, they quit their jobs to focus 100% on Baba's. The couple moved into a 7,000-square-foot building in Phoenixville and opened Culture Factory in 2019, a tasting room and education space at the front of the brewery.

Baba used to say, “Every new thing is a well forgotten old thing,” and in the case of kombucha, it's certainly true. The seemingly new and trendy beverage was invented in 221 BC in China and has been enjoyed by many cultures since.

You can find Baba's Bucha at local grocers, cafes and on tap at several locations including Kimberton Whole Foods and the Culture Factory. Wherever you grab it, enjoy it in good health and with a nod to the strong and wise “Babas” of the world.



All of Baba's Bucha ingredients are organic and as local as possible. Cases of local pawpaws for a limited release flavor.

Recipes

Baba's Bucha is admittedly delicious on its own but also blends perfectly into mocktails, cocktails, smoothies and even baked treats.

Springtime Sips

If you're looking for something a tad more “spirited,” stir up one of these festive seasonal cocktails.



Flower Power Buchatini

This fun and flirty cocktail is everything you'd want from a special martini, all while keeping those wonderful probiotics intact. Serve it 'up' in a martini glass for a bit of added drama.

Garnish

- 2 T. dried organic rose petals (or other edible flowers), crushed
- ½ C. granulated sugar

Martini

- 8 oz. vodka or gin
- 6 oz. Flower Power kombucha
- Juice of 1 lemon

In a shallow, wide bowl or plate, combine flower petals and sugar. Moisten rim of glasses with lemon juice and press, then spin rim into sugar mixture to coat.

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Then add vodka or gin, kombucha and lemon juice. Shake for 30 seconds or until well chilled. Strain into prepared glasses.

Serves 4.

Blueberry Kombucha Mojito

This fruit-forward refreshing cocktail is simple to create and delicious to enjoy. Make it into a satisfying mocktail by simply omitting the rum.

- ¼ C. fresh blueberries, plus additional for garnish
- 8 mint leaves, plus additional for garnish
- 1 oz. white rum
- 6 oz. Baba's Bucha Purple Rain kombucha
- Juice of one-quarter lime

Add blueberries and mint leaves to a cocktail shaker. Using a muddler or



Bucha Basics

Say it: “kom-BOO-cha.”

Mother Made: Kombucha is a fermented tea drink. It uses a live pancake-shaped culture called a SCOBY or Symbiotic Culture of Bacteria and Yeast, which is also referred to as the “mother.”

Tasting Notes: The fermentation process transforms the tea and sugar into a refreshingly sweet and tart, naturally effervescent beverage. Baba's Bucha has five year-round flavors with various smaller releases each season.

Why It's Great: As with many fermented foods, it's extremely high in probiotics and beneficial enzymes, which do wonders for our digestion and immune system. Plus, the fruits and herbs added for flavor offer additional antioxidants, adaptogens and more.

Sugar Status: Olga is often asked if the product can be made sugar-free. Short answer: No. The sugar is needed to initiate the fermentation and feed the bacteria and yeast. That said, the fermentation process breaks down most of the sugar content into beneficial acids.

Satisfying Switch: Since kombucha has a refreshing taste and wonderful effervescence, it's a perfect replacement for soda. Sodas are much higher in sugar and don't offer any of the same health benefits. Sugar substitutes have also been found to hurt the body's microbiome.

Slow Start: For those who are new to kombucha and live fermented foods, Olga says to start with a little bit and let your system adjust. As with most things, having it often is more important than having it in large quantities. Start with a few ounces per sitting and see how you feel.

wooden spoon, muddle blueberries and mint together. Add rum and kombucha to the shaker and stir well.

Strain and pour the cocktail into a large glass filled with ice. Squeeze in the lime juice and garnish with mint leaves and blueberries.

Serve and enjoy! Serves 1.

Yogurt Panna Cotta and Kombucha Strawberry Jello

This dessert is fresh yet satisfying and benefits from the complex flavors of the kombucha. Make it ahead and serve cold to make your gathering simple and sweet.

Panna Cotta:

- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- 2 T. cold water
- 1 C. cream
- ¼ C. sugar
- 1 vanilla bean
- 2 C. Greek yogurt or strained regular full-fat yogurt

Jello:

- 1 T. cold water
- 1 T. unflavored gelatin

2 ½ C. kombucha (Ruby Sipper used but any fruity flavor will work)
1 C. strawberries, chopped



In a small bowl, sprinkle the gelatin over the cold water. Let stand until softened, about 5 minutes.

In a small saucepan, bring the cream, sugar, vanilla bean and its seeds to a simmer. Turn off the heat. Stir in the gelatin until melted.

In a bowl, whisk the yogurt until smooth. Gradually whisk in the vanilla cream. Remove the vanilla bean. Pour the mixture into six ½-cup ramekins and refrigerate until set, at least 3 hours.

Once set, make jello. Add cold water in a small saucepan, sprinkle gelatin on top and let it “bloom” for 5 minutes. Heat over low while stirring constantly until the gelatin is dissolved, about 2 minutes. Slowly add kombucha and chopped strawberries.

Cool completely.

Pour over chilled panna cotta. Place in the refrigerator and let chill for another 2 hours, until set.

Serves 6.

**Honey Almond Cake with Kombucha
Macerated Strawberries**

This delightful cake is the perfect finish to your Mother’s Day luncheon (or any other gathering). It is delicately sweet, moist and surprisingly wholesome.

1½ C. almond flour
½ C. coconut flour
¼ C. arrowroot starch
½ tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. baking powder
¼ tsp. salt
4 large eggs
¼ C. coconut oil, melted and cooled

⅔ C. honey
½ tsp. vanilla
⅓ C. kombucha (any honey, berry or floral flavor will work, we used Bee’s Knees)

Macerated Berries:
1½ C. strawberries, thinly sliced (can be any fresh, ripe berry)
⅓ C. kombucha (we used more Bee’s Knees)
1 T. coconut sugar

Optional Whipped Cream:
1 C. heavy cream, cold
1 T. coconut sugar
½ tsp. vanilla extract
1 pinch sea salt



****Shortcake Style:** If you want to make a double layered dessert, split the batter between two 6-inch cake pans. Once cooled, layer with whipped cream (or whipped coconut cream) in between the cakes and on top, and serve with macerated strawberries spooned over.

Preheat oven to 350°. Use a bit of coconut oil to fully grease a 9” cake pan. Place a circle of parchment paper in the bottom of the pan to allow the cake to release more easily. Set aside.

In a large bowl, sift and whisk together all dry ingredients (almond flour, coconut flour, arrowroot, baking soda, baking powder and salt).

In a separate large bowl, whisk together all wet ingredients (eggs, coconut oil, honey, vanilla and kombucha). Carefully mix dry ingredients into wet ingredients until fully incorporated but not over-stirred.

Pour batter into prepared cake pan and place into preheated oven. Bake for 20–25 minutes or until a toothpick/knife comes out clean.

While cake is baking, make macerated berries. Add berries, kombucha and coconut sugar to a small bowl. Let mixture stand for 30 minutes (sugars will dissolve and berries will absorb flavors). Stir occasionally.

Once cake is done baking, remove from oven and place on a rack to cool. Loosen edges with a butter knife and turn cake out onto a plate or cutting board. Allow to cool completely before slicing and serving with macerated berries spooned over top.

If serving with whipped cream, simply add all ingredients for whipped cream into mixer bowl and whisk on medium speed until frothy. Then, turn up to high until soft peaks form. Scoop a little whipped cream over top of the slices or use as directed above to make into a shortcake.

Serves 8.

***Note:** Spoon strawberries over just before serving since liquid will make the cake mushy if sitting for too long.

Kombucha Float



May gives us little glimpses of the warm weather ahead. Pick any balmy afternoon to enjoy the simplicity and innocence of this elevated childhood favorite.

2 scoops vanilla ice cream (or any other flavor),
nice cream (made from frozen bananas) or sorbet
1 C. Purple Rain kombucha (or any of your favorite flavors)

Scoop the ice cream into a large glass. Slowly pour the kombucha over. Serve immediately.

Serves 1.

Purple Power Smoothie

This antioxidant-rich smoothie is the perfect way to start the day. Mix and match berries and kombucha to make it fit your taste buds.



¾ C. kombucha (we used Purple Rain)
1½ C. frozen mango chunks
1 frozen banana, chopped
1½ C. frozen berries (we used a berry blend)
1 T. lemon juice
1 T. raw honey
¼–½ C. cold coconut water (or regular water)

***Optional:**
1 T. nut butter, to drizzle overtop

Add all ingredients except for coconut/regular water into a high-powered blender. Start on low and work your way up to high, blending on high for 30–40 seconds or until completely smooth. Pour in coconut/regular water slowly as needed to thin out mixture.

Serves 2.

Good ‘n’ Green Smoothie Bowl

There’s something fresh and invigorating about a vibrant smoothie bowl. This one also happens to be packed with good stuff: chlorophyll, iron, fiber and vitamin C to name a few.



½ C. frozen pineapple
½ large banana, frozen
½ avocado
1 T. lemon juice
½ C. chopped apple
½ C. baby spinach
½ C. kombucha (we used Believe for this one)

Add all ingredients to high-powered blender and blend until thick and smooth. Pour/scoop into a bowl and load with toppings: sliced fruit, seeds, shredded coconut, nuts and granola are all great.

Serves 1–2. ♦

Alyssa Thayer found her love of food at an early age, frolicking around her mother’s organic farm and eating her weight in berries and snap peas each summer. She is a self-proclaimed urban farm girl, whose mission is to bring inspired ideas to life, passionate people together, and good food to every table.

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