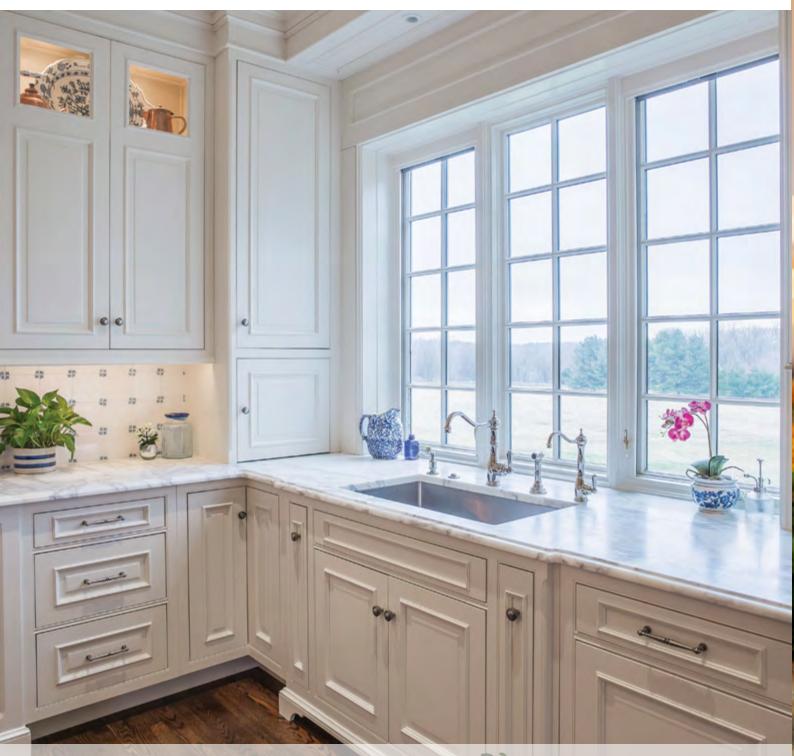
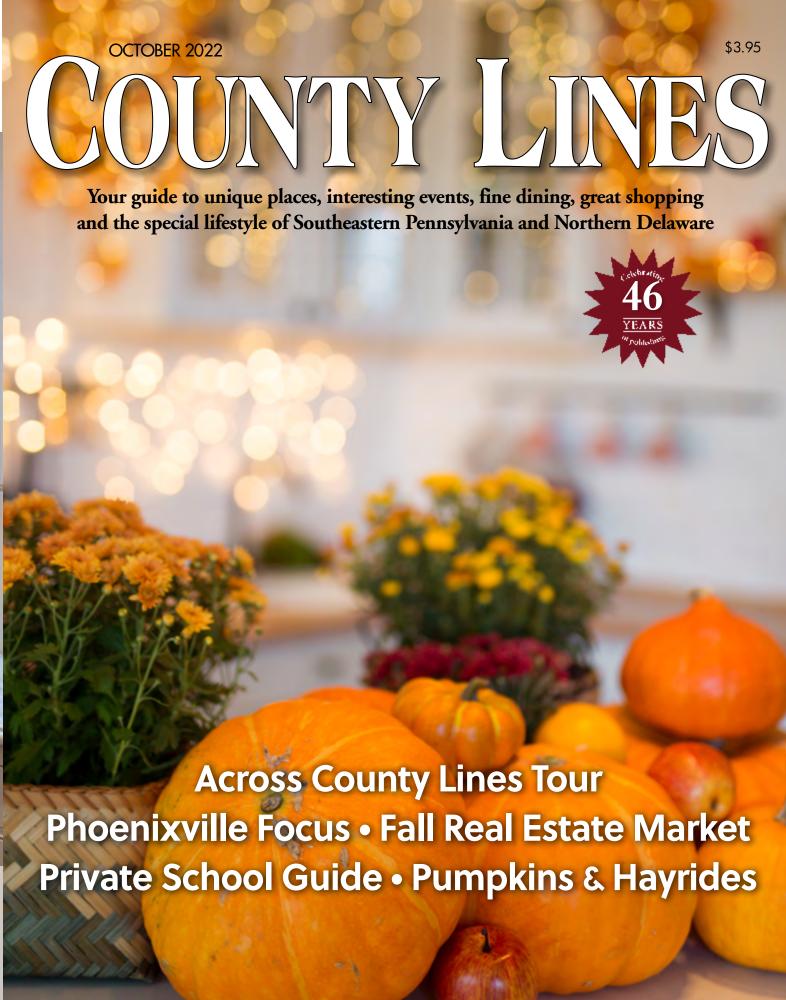
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Bittersweet Drive | Pocopson Township

Set on 7.3 exceedingly private acres in Pocopson Township, sits this spectacular, tutor style home featuring a wonderful main level Master Suite with "His" and "Her" bathrooms, Walk-in Closets, a private Office, and a large Bedroom. The home boasts 5 Bedrooms, 8.3 Bathrooms plus a four room guest/in-law suite easily accessed by way of the home's three level elevator. The main level Living Room, Dining Room, incredible Kitchen, and stellar Family Room must be seen to be appreciated! All of the Bedrooms enjoy En-Suite Bathrooms. The Lower Level features an amazing Wine Cellar, Theater, Game Room and second Family Room. This fabulous property is located with easy access to Wilmington plus set in the nationally ranked Unionville-Chadds Ford School District! \$4,200,000



Cedarcroft may be the most famous home in the tri-state area! Constructed in 1860 by legendary Bayard Taylor, Cedarcroft's visitors included Ralph Waldo Emerson and Horace Greeley. The property's late owner took great pains to ensure the significant architectural features of the home were well maintained. The Living Room, Library, and Dining Room all feature 13' ceilings, stunning wood flooring, incredible moldings, and fireplaces. Upon entry, you are greeted by a stately staircase that ascends to the second level. Upstairs is a Master Suite with a fireplace, private bath, and large closet/dressing area. There is another large bedroom with a fireplace and five additional bedrooms, some of which could easily have walls removed to make larger spaces. Additional restoration is required.





Coventryville Area

Coventry Forge Farm is a quintessentially historic Chester County country estate, replete with an 18th century stone farmhouse, a fully updated cottage, a studio along the meandering and trout filled French Creek, a 9-stall barn and 23.4 acres of pastures and open space to enjoy. Surrounded on three sides by the 535 acre Warwick County Park and in an area of numerous deed restricted properties, this farm is situated in a highly protected area and close to the the Horseshoe Trail. The property is of extreme historic significance. In 1717, Samuel Nutt built this home and the Coventry Forge on the property. This iron works was the first constructed in Chester County and only the second in Pennsylvania. Additionally, there are two garages offering a total of four parking spaces.

In Owen J. Roberts Schools and close to Rt. 23 and 100.





Birmingham Township

Set on six acres in a sought-after section of Birmingham Township, this property has been tastefully restored with the addition of three new bathrooms, new Kitchen, stunning landscaping, new lighting, new air conditioning, new cedar roof - the list goes on! The home dates back to 1789 and, in its history, was owned by generations of Brintons and Darlingtons. The home has 3 bedrooms, each with a full bath, and is move-in ready. The setting is incredibly private and offers lovely views.





West Bradford Township

If you ever thought that living in a converted antique stone barn might be appealing, you must see this fabulous property. Set on a total of 7.8 acres, this five bedroom, two and half bath home enjoys volumes of space, soaring stone walls, lots of exposed beams plus a wonderful floor plan. The home has a fabulous Primary Suite and a lower level apartment - perfect for guests or the in-laws! The detached two car Garage has an attached two stall barn which opens to several pastures. \$850,000





Kennett Township

This 4 BR, 2.1 BA home sits at the end of a quiet road and its protected view is of woodlands and community open space. The location is ideal for those needing to commute to Wilmington or get on Route One. The home has a fabulous Primary Suite with a Bedroom, Walk-in Closet, and a luxurious bathroom featuring a ten foot shower stall with glass walls, two shower heads, and an overhead skylight. The Kitchen has stainless high end appliances and opens to a Deck running the home's length.



The **EDITOR**

Got to love October. Golden autumn days, harvest time, the coming holidays.

Put the top down, if you have one, and go for a tour of *County Lines* country. In "Across County Lines," Shannon Montgomery visits several Chester County towns, the Main Line, Delaware County and Wilmington. Emily Hart continues the tour in "Phenomenally Phun in Phoenixville" a town that's ever-changing and always worth a visit.

Enjoy the vivid foliage, pumpkins, scarecrows and mums everywhere this month. In "Autumn in America's Garden Capital," Chanticleer's Marie Ingegneri helps you choose among 30+ public gardens in our area. Gina Mullen suggests places for family fun in "Hayrides and Fall Festivities," and Elizabeth Hughes has history and tips for seasonal carving and painting in "Gourd-geous Pumpkins."

The school year has started and Cara Corridoni explores what draws parents to choose a private school for their kids. She reviews the major factors in "Independent Minded." Plus Marci Tomassone shares a Guide to Private Schools with more information.

The fall real estate market is here, and it's changed. Laurel Anderson talks to local realtors in "Location, Location and the New Normal" and learns that they are bullish on our hyper-local market. Read about a special property currently on the market in "Bootjack Farm," as Anderson tours a 1730s stone farmhouse on almost 40 acres in Kennett Township.

Stop the presses! We've just learned that beer is ageable! In fact, some beer improves with age, writes Mark Safarick of Dogfish Head Craft Brewery in "Tips & Tricks for Properly Cellaring Beer." More on food: Brandywine Table's Alyssa Thayer goes Italian in "Like Mamie Used to Make"

— pasta, meat sauce, chicken marsala and more. Plus we preview the Good Food Fest coming to Kimberton Fair Grounds. Find out what "good food" really means.

As always, our Best Local Events are filled with family fun, festivals, fundraisers and more. Thank you for reading.





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Crafty Carpentry. TV personality, local home goods shop owner and carpenter/contractor Jeff Devlin is moving his store, Sycamore & Stone, to a historic property in Chester Springs. Bask in the peaceful, Americana vibe as you visit the shop inside

> the old stone barn, plan a vacation at the 18th-century farmhouse-turned-Airbnb or design custom projects at Devlin's personal woodshop, School-House Woodworking. Devlin's motto — build, shop, stay — gives more great reasons to shop local. 1251 Conestoga Rd., Chester Springs. SycamoreAndStone-Farm.com. SchoolHouseWoodworking.

Book Nook

Congrats to Looker Books, a new woman-owned bookstore recently accepted into the Coatesville Small **Business Incubator** Program. Owner Dana Looker combined her nonprofit and custome service experience to



create an immersive, cozy space for all readers to nurture their love of reading and discover something new each visit. Looker plans to work out of the pop-up shop while searching for the store's forever home in downtown Coatesville. 228 E. Lincoln Hwy., Coatesville. LookerBooks.com.

First Frost. Save your plants, gardeners! October 12 marks the average date for the fall's first frost in our area. Depending on how chilly the temperature, the effect on our outdoor plants may be light, when few plants are affected (29° to 32°), moderate, when many are destroyed (25° to 28°) or severe, for extreme devastation (24°). It's no autumnal equinox, but the first frost is worth noting on your calendar. A quick search online can help you protect your plants from the freeze. Almanac.com.

LGBTQ+ Pride. "Come out" to West Chester for the first ever West Chester Community Outfest street festival on Saturday, October 1 from noon to 4 p.m., an annual awareness day to support those in the LGBTQ+ community in coming out. The two-block festival space on Gay Street (High to Darlington Sts.) featuring performances by drag queens and musicians, street vendors, activities for kids and more is set to raise awareness and show that West Chester welcomes everyone! Downton West Chester.com.



Freaky Friday. For all you horror fans, Frankenstein Friday falls on October 28 this year. Commemorating Mary Wollstonecraft Shelly's famous novel, this holiday recognizes her

creative genius and enduring contribution to the horror genre. Get in the groove for Halloween by celebrating this freaky Friday with over 60 Frankenstein movie adaptations or by delving into Shelly's 19th-century novel, written while she was competing to write the best ghost story. National Today.com.







October Picks Our Picks for top events this month

Delco Arts Week

October 1-9

Over nine days in October, Delaware County will host more than 60 events — including many free to the public — from concerts, film and dance to exhibitions, festivals, workshops,



activities for kids and more. You'll find something for all ages as Delco artists and performers share their talent, love of the arts and community spirit with both residents and visitors. For details and the complete schedule, visit DelcoArts.org.

The Classics at Brantwyn

October 2

"Brunch, Blues & Hot Cars" is the theme for this unique garden fundraiser centered around beautiful and historic automobiles from the beginning of the 20th century to the present. Held on the exquisite grounds of the Brantwyn Estate (formerly a du Pont

family residence), The Classics features an open bar, gourmet brunch and music. Benefits Kennett Symphony Orchestra. 600 Rockland Rd., Wilmington. 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. \$95. KennettSymphony.org.



King of Prussia Beerfest Royale

October 6 & 8

Come for over 50 craft and international brewers, 100+ beers and area restaurants in an outdoor beer garden, live music and giant yard games. Oct. 6, The King's Plate, a regal pairing event and culinary competition including unlimited food and beer samples, creative cocktails, local wine, decadent desserts and live music, 5:30 to 9 p.m., \$75-\$80; Oct. 8, the Main Event, VIP, 3:30 to 8:30, \$65; general admission, 4:30 to 8:30, \$55. Designated driver, \$15. Held at King of Prussia Mall. KOPBeerfest.com.

Radnor Hunt Horse Trials

October 7 & 8

Celebrate 50 years of eventing and giving back to the



local community. The main event includes dressage, show jumping and cross country with a new Modified Division, followed by a Country Buffet & Pig Roast

PHOTO BY AMY DRAGOO after party at 3

p.m. with beer, live music and auctions. Radnor Hunt Club, 826 Providence Rd., Malvern. Grounds open at 7 a.m. RadnorHuntHorseTrials.org.

Chester County History Center's 4th Annual Halloween Ball — Le Cirque

October 29

Save the date for a memorable night of fun and nostalgia with fine fare by Spence Cafe, live music, skilled circus performers from Airplay Entertainment, a fabulous silent auction and the opportunity to raise your paddle in support of the History Center. Benefits the preservation and permanence of 300 years of Chester County history. 225 N. High St., West Chester. 6:30 p.m. \$125. MyCCHC.org/HalloweenBall.



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<u>best</u> Local Events

THROUGH OCTOBER 2

98th Annual Union-ville Community Fair.
Family activities, contests, music, live animal exhibits, food, beer and wine garden, hayrides, BMX bike show, a haunted tent and more. Landhope Farms, 101 E. Street Rd., Kennett Square. at, 10 to 6; Sun, 10 to 4. \$5, \$10 pairlne org.

OCTOBER

Lights Festival at Plantation Field. Ignite your personalized sky lantern and let it take flight. Enjoy food, live music, dancing and the sight of the sky lit with thousands of lanterns. 1537 W. Doe Run Rd., Kennett Square. Gates open at 4. \$35 includes lantern kit. \$10 parking. The Lights Fest. com.

OCTOBER

Railroad Days at the Train and Trolley Museum. Enjoy a miniature train ride for the kids, plus vendors, art, music and food. *Drexel Lodge Park, Rt. 3, Newtown Square. 10 to 4 pm. NSHistory.org.*

OCTOBER

Truck & Tractor Day at Winterthur Museum of Art. Get up close to trucks and tractors, check out other vehicles and equipment, suit up in firefighter gear, take a hayride and even milk a mechanical cow. 5105 Kennett Pk., Winterthur, DE. 10 to 4. \$6–\$20. Winterthur.org.

OCTOBER 1-3

October Happenings at Morris Arboretum. *Oct. 1–31*, Spooky Scarecrow Walk: vote for your favorite from more than 30 scarecrows on display. *Oct. 29 & 30*, Trick or Treat Trail:



come in costume and walk along the Spooky Scarecrow loop for trick-or-treating and candy for the kids, 1 to 3 pm. 100 E. Northwestern Ave., Philadelphia. Mon–Fri, 10 to 5; Sat & Sun, 9 to 5. Garden adm., \$10–\$20. Morris-Arboretum ara

OCTOBER :

Westlown Doy 2022. Carnival games, petting zoo, food trucks, live bands, Civil and Revolutionary War reenactors, vendors, crafts and more. Tour the historic Oakbourne Mansion. Let the kids "dig" for archaeological artifacts. Explore a police cruiser, ambulance and fire truck. *Oakbourne Park. 11 to 3. WesttownPA.org.*

OCTOBER 2

Radnor Fall Harvest & Great Pumpkin Patch.
Tractor and pony rides, pumpkin patches and painting, hayrides, music and refreshments.

painting, hayrides, music and refreshments.
The Willows, 490 Darby-Paoli Rd., Radnor.
1 to 4. Free. Rain date, Oct. 9. 610-688-5600;
Radnor.com.

OCTOBER 2-NOVEMBER 6 Sundays

West Chester Roilroad Folioge Express. Enjoy a brisk fall afternoon along the picturesque Chester Creek Valley on a 90-minute journey back in time to the village of Glen Mills and return. Trains depart the station at 203 E. Market St., West Chester. Noon and 2 pm. \$8–\$20, 610-430-2233: West Chester RR net

OCTOBER 8

Upper Main Line Rotary Oktoberfest Main Line. Games, pumpkin decorating, face painting and bouncy obstacle courses for the kids, plus live music, dancing, German food and a great beer selection — all under a huge tent. Rain or shine. Church of the Good Samaritan, 212 W. Lancaster Ave., Paoli. Noon to 7, Adults \$15, UMI Ratary org.

OCTOBER 8 & 9

Chester County Balloon Festival. Over 20 hot air balloons take flight twice per day, a beer garden, music, great food, crafts, kid zone and more. Benefits the Chester County Hero Fund and other local youth community groups. Willowdale Steeplechase Grounds, 101 E. Street Rd., Kennett Square. Fri., 4:30 to 8:30; Sat., 2:30 to 9; Sun., 2:30 to 7:30. \$10-\$25. CCBalloonFest.com.

OCTOBER 20-22

The Great Pumpkin Carve 2022. Over 70 giant pumpkins are carved by local artists and will then be lit and displayed. Enjoy a kid-friendly Haunted Trail, raffle prizes and live music. Food, local craft beer and wine are available for purchase. Chadds Ford Historical Society, 1736 Creek Rd., Chadds Ford. Thurs-Fri, 4 to 9; Sat, 3 to 9. \$5-\$15. GreatPumpkinCarve.com.

OCTOBER 22 & 29

Hagley Events. *Oct.* 22, Howl-O-Ween at Hagley: Bring your leashed canine companion (with or without a costume) to enjoy Hallow-een-themed activities designed especially for our four-legged friends, 10 to 4, costume parade at 11:30. Oct. 29, Halloween at Hagley: children are invited to come in costume and visit stations for treats. 10 to 4. 200 Hagley Creek Rd., Wilmington. \$8–\$15. Hagley.org.

OCTOBER 26

West Chester Halloween Parade. Begins on Market St. between Church & Darlington. Marching bands and cheerleading performances featured. *Market St. 7 pm. Rain date, Oct. 27. West-Chester.com.*

OCTORER 20

Tram & Treat at Winterthur Museum of Art. Dress your goblins and ghosts in their Halloween finest and head to Winterthur for daytime trick-or-treating in the garden. Ride a tram and then walk in the Enchanted Woods to enjoy candy, crafts, live music and games. 5105 Kennett Pk., Winterthur, DE. 10 to 2. \$6–\$20. Winterthur.ore.

OCTORED 20

American Helicopter Museum Haunted Helicopters. Come in costume and enjoy activities and treats at the museum. 1220 American Blvd., West Chester. 6 to 8 pm. \$10; 12 and under free. 610-436-9600; American-Helicopter. Museum.



ART, CRAFTS & ANTIQUES OCTOBER 1

Lititz Porkwolk. Talented artisans in ceramics, decor, fiber arts, jewelry, painting, drawing and woodworking exhibit at Lititz Springs Park, 24 N. Broad St., Lititz. Sponsored by Moravian Manor. 9 to 4. Free. LititzParkwalk.com.

OCTOBER 7

Fall Gallery Walk in West Chester. Explore the vibrant art scene in downtown West Chester. Six galleries combine with additional "one-night-only" venues throughout the downtown area to showcase Chester County artists. Presented by Sunset Hill Jewelers and Fine Arts Gallery and hosted by the West Chester Business Improvement District. 5 to 9 pm. Free parking. DowntownWestChester.com.



OCTOBER 9 & 23

Clover Market. Shop from a curated lineup of handmade, antique and vintage vendors and enjoy food trucks, music and more at two locations in October. *Oct. 9,* 7 N. Bryn Mawr Ave., Bryn Mawr. *Oct. 23,* 600 S. Broad St. parking lot, Kennett Square. 10 to 4. Free. The Clover-Market.com.



OCTOBER 15 & 16 Kennett Arts Festival. You'll find something for



everyone with over 100 artists, live music, children's activities and a selection of local food vendors, including beer and wine. Benefits Kennett Library. 600 S. Broad St., Kennett Square. Preview Sat, 9 to 10 am, \$50 includes continental breakfast. Festival, Sat, 10 to 6; Sun, 10 to 4. \$5; under 12, free. KennettArts.com.

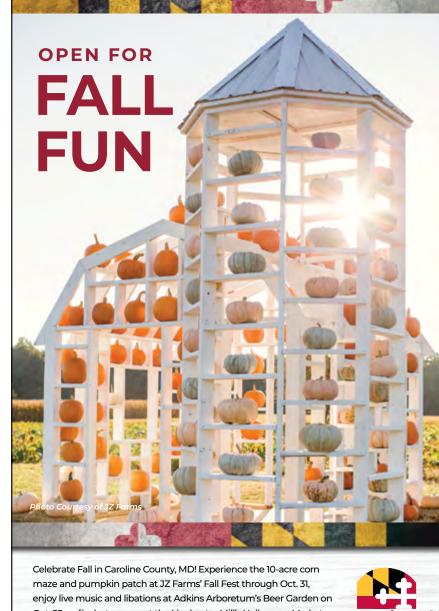
OCTOBER 15 & 16

Hagley Craft Fair. Artisans from the Mid-Atlantic area will display and sell their fine arts, crafts and gourmet items. Hagley Museum & Library, 298 Buck Rd., Wilmington. Sat, 10 to 5; Sun, 10 to 4. \$5. Hagley.org.

NOVEMBER 7-27

18th Annual Scenes of the Schuylkill Art Show. Enjoy a night of art, awards and cocktails. Supporters of the river and trail will be recognized with an awards ceremony. The





maze and pumpkin patch at JZ Farms' Fall Fest through Oct. 31, enjoy live music and libations at Adkins Arboretum's Beer Garden on Oct. 22, or find a treasure at the Linchester Mill's Halloween Market on Oct. 28. See these events – and more – at VisitCaroline.org.

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evening will also include a silent auction. Benefits Schuylkill River Greenways. Montgomery County Community College West Campus, North Hall Gallery, 16 W. High St., Pottstown. SchuylkillRiver.org/ArtShow.

NOVEMBER 10-13

Winterthur's 58th Annual Delaware Antiques Show. The in-person show features more than 60 distinguished dealers in American antiques and decorative arts. Preview Party, Thurs, 5 to 9, tickets start at \$125. Chase Center, 815 Justison St., Wilmington. Fri–Sat, 11 to 6; Sun, 11 to 5. \$25. 302-888-4803; Winterthur.org.



BOOKS

OCTOBER 6-20

Wellington Square Bookshop. NonFiction Book Club: *Oct. 6*, "Stranger in the Shogun's City" by Amy Stanley. Fiction Book Club: *Oct. 19, 20*, "The Sentence" by Louise Erdrich. Check website for times. 549 Wellington Sq., Exton. WellingtonSquareBooks.com.

OCTOBER 18 & 27

Main Point Book Club. Fiction Book Club: Oct. 18, "Harlem Shuffle" by Colson Whitehead. Oct. 27, "Agent Sonya" by Ben Macintyre. 116 N. Wayne Ave., Wayne. For times, Main-PointBooks.com.

OCTOBER 27

DelArt Readers Book Club. Held onsite and virtual, this community-led event meets monthly to discuss, debate, celebrate and share works of fiction and nonfiction. 2301 Kentmere Pkwy., Wilmington. 6 to 8 pm. Free. DelArt.org.

DANCE.....

OCTOBER 22-23

First State Bollet Presents *Dracula*. Experience the dramatic and terrifying Bram Stoker tale like you never have before — sure to leave you breathless. The Grand, Copeland Hall, 818 N. Market St., Wilmington. Sat, 7 pm; Sun, 2. \$22.99—\$65. The Grand Wilmington.org.

DESIGN / HOME SHOWS
THROUGH OCTOBER 16
2022 Bucks County Designer House & Gar-

dens. This year's home, Broadhurst, is a Bucks County farmhouse dating to the late 1800s, located on Holicong Road in Buckingham Township. Park and shuttle from Our Lady of Guadalupe, 5194 Cold Spring Creamery Rd., Doylestown. Benefits Doylestown Health. \$36.75. BucksCountyDesignerHouse.org.

EQUESTRIAN EVENTS

OCTOBER 13-16

Moryland 5 Star at Fair Hill. Three-Day Eventing, the ultimate test of horse and rider, is featured here with Dressage, Cross-Country and Show Jumping zones. Between events, check out the retail vendors, food and beverage offerings and the Fresh Food Fest. 4600 Telegraph Rd., Elkton, MD. \$15–\$81, under 10 free. Maryland5Star.us.



NOVEMBER 6

88th Running of the Pennsylvania Hunt Cup.

A timber steeplechase race with a distance of 4 miles and 22 fences. Enjoy vendors, a carriage parade and, new this year, tailgating under tents. North of Rt. 926 and Newark Rd., Unionville. Gates open, 10:30. \$75 in advance (visit website); \$100 on the day. Benefits Chester Co. Food Bank. PAHuntCup.org.

FESTIVALS & FAIRS

THROUGH OCTOBER 30

Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire. A cast of hundreds fill the shire. Visit the website for themed weekends such as Fairies and Fantasy Weekend and Wizarding Weekend. Mt. Hope Estate, 2775 Lebanon Rd., Manheim. Sat–Sun, 11 to 8. \$16.95–\$31.95. PARenFaire.com.

OCTOBER 1

171st Annual St. David's Country Fair. A funfilled day for the whole family with flea market, food booths, antiques and more. Midway games and prizes, mini train ride and pumpkin painting. Benefits the church's 30+ outreach partners. 763 S. Valley Forge Rd., Wayne. 10 to 4. \$2–\$10. 610-688-7947; StDavidsChurch.org/Fair.

OCTOBER 1

Newlin Grist Mill Fall Harvest Festival. Featuring a wide variety of historic skills and trades demonstrations. The theme, "Food Traditions Past and Present," includes cooks, bakers and beverage experts as foods and cooking from the

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. FarmToCityMarkets.com.

Market at Coverdale Farm Preserve, 543 Way Rd., Greenville, DE. 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. 484-753-6363; GrowingRootsPartners.com.

Eagleview Farmers Market, Eagleview Town Center, 570 Wellington Sq., Exton. Thurs, 3 to 6:30. 484-753-6363; 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; Lancaster County Farmers Market.com.

Malvern Farmers Market, Burke Park, 26 S. Warren Ave. Sat, 9 to 1. 484-753-6363; GrowingRootsPartners.com.

Media Farmers Market, Edgemont St. between Front & State Sts. Sun, 10 to 1. FarmToCityMarkets.com.

Newtown Square Farmers Market, 3625 Chapel Rd. Fri., 3 to 6. Facebook.com/ NewtownSquareFarmersMarket.

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.

Thombury Farmers Mkt. & CSA, 1256 Thombury Rd., West Chester. Sat, 9 to 6; Sun, 11 to 5. ThomburyFarmCSA.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. 18th century will be featured. Area chefs compete in food challenges. 219 Cheyney Rd., Glen Mills. 10 to 4; Food Festival, 11 to 7. \$5 parking. NewlinGristMill.org.

OCTOBER 7 & 8

Strasburg Heritage Society's Golden Anniversary Festival. A celebration of the preservation of the homes and history of this delightful town. *Oct. 7,* Community Night with an ice cream social, free movie and games, 5 to 9. *Oct. 8,* Heritage Fest featuring buggy rides with a tour guide through the historic district, children's activities, food trucks and more, 9 to 5. 122 S. Decatur St., Strasburg. For details, StrasburgHeritageSociety.org.

FILM.....

OCTOBER 1-30

Fall Frights at The Colonial Theatre. Get into the spirit of Halloween with movies that range from the frightening to the macabre to the hilariously funny and to kid friendly films. Visit their website for a complete lineup and tickets. The Colonial Theatre.com.



OCTOBER 20-22

Drive-In Movie Weekend at Winterthur. Pile your friends and family into the car and take in a fun film under the night sky. *Oct. 20, The Wizard of Oz; Oct. 21, Harry Potter and the Sorcere's Stone; Oct. 22, Hocus Pocus.* 5105 Kennett Pk., Winterthur, DE. 5:30 to 9 pm. \$40 per car. Winterthur.org.

FOOD & BREWS

OCTOBER 1

Historic Kennett Brewfest's 25th Anniversary.



The Connoisseur Session ticket includes food pairings from Talula's Table and live music, noon to 5, \$85. The regular Brewfest session features unlimited tastings from over 70 local and regional craft breweries and cideries as well as live music, food trucks and vendors, 1:30 to 5, \$60. Benefits the Kennett Collaborative. 600 S. Broad St., Kennett Square. KennettBrewfest.com.

OCTOBER 9

Rotary Club of West Chester—Chili Cookoff Downtown West Chester gets spicy! Over 70 chili-cooking teams—businesses, nonprofits, hometown cooks—line the streets for this cookoff and compete for prizes in several categories. Sample as many as you can and vote for your favorite. Benefits local nonprofits. Gay St., West Chester. Noon to 3. \$10. West Chester Chili Cook off.com.





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NOVEMBER 6

2nd Annual Good Food Fest. See article in

FUNDRAISERS...

OCTOBER 7

Bryn Mawr Rehab Hospital's Designer Handbag Bingo. Join the fun and help support patient therapy programs at the rehab center. SS. Simon & Jude Meehan Center, 8 Cavanaugh Ct., West Chester. Begins at noon. Phone 484-496-5599 for tickets.

OCTOBER 3

The People's Light 20th Annual Golf Classic.

Your tee time is reserved at the beautiful and historic Waynesborough Country Club, Darby Paoli Rd., Paoli. Check-in/lunch, 10 am; noon start; 4:30 cocktails/dinner. Benefits People's Light Arts Education programs. Register at PeoplesLight.org.

OCTOBER 8

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Breast Cancer Awareness Month

OCTOBER 2

Komen New Jersey More Than Pink Walk. Event day is packed with loads of fun and interactive activities that will take your Race/Walk to the next level. Six Flags Great Adventure, 1 Six Flags Blvd., Jackson NJ. Komen.org.

OCTOBER 14

PA Breast Cancer Coalition 2022 Conference. A full day of workshops, awards ceremony, scholarship recipients, exhibits and luncheon. \$25. Register online. 800-377-8828; PABreastCancer.org.

OCTOBER 29

2022 Komen National More Than Pink Walk Where You Are. Join online for the virtual opening ceremony and Race/ Walk celebration. Then walk all day long on the treadmill, your neighborhood sidewalk or the paths of your favorite park or trail. KomenPhiladelphia.org.



OCTOBER 23

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer of Wilmington. Walk to raise awareness and funds to save lives from breast cancer, Bellevue State Park, 800 Carr Rd., Wilmington. To register, 302-669-6323; MakingStrides.ACSEvents.org.

NOVEMBER 3

Unite for Her - 10th Annual Chef and Wine Tasting Event. A farm-totable event, featuring culinary creations from over 25 top chefs, paired with special offerings from wineries, breweries and spirit vendors. Auctions, a wine grab and live music. Phoenixville Foundry, 2 N. Main St., Phoenixville. 5:30 pm. \$175-\$250. UniteForHer.org/Harvest.

NOVEMBER 5

Living Beyond Breast Cancer's Annual Black-tie Gala—The Butterfly Ball. One of LBBC's most important events. Loews Philadelphia Hotel, 1200 Market St., Philadelphia. \$400. LBBC.org.

lives of children with disabilities. 360 Locust Grove Rd., West Chester. 6 to 10. For tickets, Springbrook-Farm.org/Hoe-Down.

OCTOBER 8

Annual Gala at The American Helicopter Museum — Vertical Flight Evolution. Museum fundraiser with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. dinner and live music. 1220 American Blvd., West Chester. 6 to 9:30. \$150. AmericanHelicopter.Museum.

OCTOBER 9

Thorncroft Equestrian Center's 13th Annual Lobstah Bake. Enjoy a lobster dinner complete with pork BBQ and a selection of sides. Open beer and wine bar, soda and light cocktail hour food provided. Jimmy Moran North Arena, 190 Line Rd., Malvern. 4 pm. Tickets \$95 and up. Reservations a must. Thorncroft.org/Lobster-Bake-Fundraiser.



OCTOBER 15

3rd Annual Wine Tasting with Coach Dick Vermeil. You are cordially invited to join Hall of Fame Class of 2022 Coach Dick Vermeil for his 3rd annual private virtual wine tasting in support of Bournelyf Special Camp. 5:30 via Zoom. Tickets start at \$500. BSCWC.org.

OCTOBER 21

The 2022 Gravediggers' Ball. Fundraiser of the Friends of Laurel Hill and West Laurel Hill Cemeteries. Enjoy open bar, great food, music and auction items. Black-tie, costume or masquerade attire requested. Masonic Temple Philadelphia, 1 N. Broad St., Philadelphia. 7 pm. \$250 and up. GravediggersBall.org.



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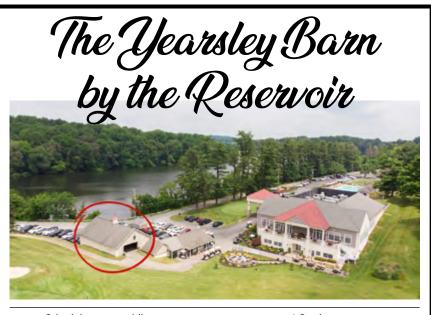
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to the big band playing live among the historic trains. Dress to impress in your best 1940s vintage attire or military uniform and enjoy light refreshments. Benefits the museum. 300 Gap Rd., Strasburg. 7 to 10. \$20-\$25. RRMuseumPA.org.



NOVEMBER 5

10th Annual PSPCA Bark & Whine Gala. The most important fundraising event of the year and a night to celebrate the Rescue's mission with cocktails, dinner and dancing. Support by purchasing a Bark in the Box, take part in the silent auction or make a donation. 2300 Arena, Philadelphia. 6:30 to 11. Visit website for tickets, PSPCA.org.

NOVEMBER 5

40th Annual French & Pickering's Annual Auction Party. Enjoy cocktails, auctions and delicious food. Benefits French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust. Stonewall Golf Club, Bulltown Rd., Elverson. 6 pm. Tickets \$125 and up. FrenchAndPickering.org.

GARDENS & FLOWER SHOWS.....

THROUGH 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. Don't miss Light: Installations by Bruce Munro, Thurs-Sun evenings. 1001 Longwood Rd., Kennett Square. Thurs-Sat, 9:15. \$18-\$25. 610-388-1000; LongwoodGardens.org.

THROUGH OCTOBER 31

Spooky ArBOOretum Garden Tour at Morris Arboretum. Get into the spirit of the season with knowledgeable guides on a tour of trees and plants that may include "Little Devil" ninebark, witches' brooms, pumpkin fullmoon maples and more. 100 E. Northwestern Ave., Philadelphia. Mon-Fri, 10:30; Sat & Sun, 1 pm. Garden adm., \$10-\$20. MorrisArboretum.org.

OCTOBER 1

Delaware Nature Society Fall Native Plant Sale. Shop a variety of native plants for a yard that supports clean water, birds, butterflies and more. Proceeds support conservation and protection of waterways. Coverdale Farm Preserve,

543 Way Rd., Greenville, DE. 9 to 2. Free. DelNature.org.



MUSEUMS

THROUGH JANUARY 8

Brandywine River Museum of Art. "Fragile Earth: The Naturalist Impulse in Contemporary Art." 1 Hoffman's Mill Rd., Chadds Ford. Wed-Mon, 10 to 4. \$6-\$18. Brandywine.org.

THROUGH JANUARY 8

Winterthur Museum. "Jacqueline Kennedy and Henry Francis du Pont: From Winterthur to the White House," the collaboration between First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy and Henry Francis du Pont to restore the White House interiors. 5105 Kennett Pk., Winterthur, DE. Tues-Sun, 10 to 5. \$8-\$22. Winterthur.org.

OCTOBER 15-JANUARY 2

Delaware Art Museum, "Wes Memeger: The Square and Other Concerns." 2301 Kentmere Pkwy., Wilmington. Wed, 10 to 4; Thurs, 10 to 8; Fri-Sun, 10 to 4. \$6-\$12, Sun, free. 302-571-9590; DelArt.org.

OCTOBER 16-JANUARY 29

The Barnes Foundation. "Modigliani Up Close"—Explore how the iconic artist created his paintings and sculpture. 2025 Benjamin Franklin Pkwy., Philadelphia. Thurs-Mon, 11 to 5. \$28-\$30. BarnesFoundation.org.



MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT.....

OCTOBER 1

Beats & Brews. Don't miss Natural Lands' annual bash, which includes live music, craft brews, fantastic food options and sunset socializing. Binky Lee Preserve, 1445 Pikeland Rd., Chester Springs. 6 to 9. \$45. NatLands.org.

OCTOBER 2

Celtic Concert. Charlie Zahm with fidder Tad Marks perform on the lawn at St. Matthew's UCC, 2350 Conestoga Rd., Chester Springs. Bring blankets or chairs. \$5-\$10. 3 pm. 610-458-8583; Facebook.com/SaintMatthewsUCC.

OCTOBER 2 & 16

Delaware County Concerts. Chamber Concert: Oct. 2, Antonin Dvorák, Quintet no. 2 for piano and strings. Symphony Concert: Oct. 16, "Sunshine and Darkness" features the music of Nielsen, Sibelius, Lalo and Halvorsen; "Virtuosity and Variations" highlights Coleridge-Taylor, Rachmaninov and Elgar. Neumann University, Meagher Theatre, 1 Neumann Dr., Aston. 3 pm. \$15-\$20. DCSMusic.org.

OCTOBER 2-30

The Keswick Theatre Presents. Oct. 2, Mohamed Allaoua; Oct. 5, Trash Taste; Oct. 6, Trace Adkins; Oct. 7 & 8, Close to the Edge 50th Anniversary Tour: An Evening with YES; Oct. 13, Tina Karol; Oct. 14, John Petrucci featuring Mike Portnoy and Dave LaRue; Oct. 15, The Man In Black: A Tribute to Johnny Cash; Oct. 20, Face 2 Face: The Tribute Concert; Oct. 21, Renaissance; Oct. 22, Almost Queen; Oct. 25, Michael Schenker; Oct. 28, Steve Vai; Oct. 29, Night of the Gabaghouls; Oct. 30, Celebrating David Bowie. 291 N. Keswick Ave., Glenside. Times and tickets, KeswickTheatre.com.



OCTOBER 4-NOVEMBER 5

At The Grand in Wilmington. Oct. 4, The Aretha Experience: R.E.S.P.E.C.T., Copeland Hall; Oct. 7, Montell Jordan Featuring special guest Howard Hewett, Copeland Hall; Oct. 8, MasterChef Junior Live, Copeland Hall; Oct. 8, Chris Difford at The Baby Grand; Oct. 13, Fortune Feimster: "Hey Y'all," Copeland Hall; Oct. 14, Tracy Morgan: "No Disrespect" at The Playhouse; Nov. 5, Ottmar Liebert & Luna Negra at The Baby Grand. 818 N. Market St., Wilmington. The Grand Wilmington.org.

OCTOBER 6-NOVEMBER 4

Uptown! at Knauer Performing Arts Center. Oct. 6, YYNOT "An evening of Classic Rush;" Oct. 7, The Lords of 52nd Street; Oct. 8, Taylor-Simon-King Tribute Show; Oct. 13, Tusk Tribute to Fleetwood Mac; Oct. 14, Urban Guerilla Orchestra; Oct. 15, First Ladies of Rock & Soul; Oct. 20, Lili Añel; Oct. 21, Let's Hang On! Frankie Valli and The Four SeasonsTribute Show; Oct. 22, The ELO Tribute Show; Oct. 28. Bad Animals: The Heart Tribute: Nov. 3, 7 Bridges: The Ultimate Eagles Experience. 226 N. High St., West Chester,. Times and tickets, UptownWestChester.org.



OCTOBER 7-22

American Music Theatre. Oct. 7, The Texas Tenors; Oct. 13, Marty Stuart and His Fabulous Superlatives; Oct. 14, Disney Junior Live On Tour: Costume Palooza; Oct. 15, Engelbert Humperdinck; Oct. 16, The Man in Black: A Tribute to Johnny Cash; Oct. 22, Celebrating David Bowie. 2425 Lincoln Hwy. E., Lancaster. Times and tickets, 888-729-4718; AMTShows.com.

OCTOBER 14 & 15

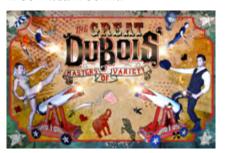
Lancaster Symphony Orchestra Masterworks Concert. Performing the music of Bernstein, Midkif and Dvorák. First Presbyterian Church, 140 E. Orange St., Lancaster. Fri, 7:30; Sat, 2 & 7 pm. \$39-\$79. LancasterSymphony.org.

OCTOBER 29

Performance at The Square Tavern. Actress Ceil Mann performs Edgar Allen Poe's "The Tell Tale Heart" in the tavern main room. Refreshments served, tours and art gallery open between readings. 3716 Goshen Rd, Newtown Square. 1 & 3 pm. Reserve a seat at Info@ NSHistory.org. Seating limited. NSHistory.org.

NOVEMBER 4

WCU Live! Presents The Great DuBois. A fastpaced, high energy circus show for all ages and the most unique 2-person circus show you will ever see. Emilie K. Asplundh Concert Hall, 700 S. High St., West Chester. 8 pm. \$15-\$25. WCUPA.edu/WCULive.



NOVEMBER 5

Kennett Symphony Presents "Schubert & Champagne." With seating around the orchestra, you get a unique perspective. Food and drink is available throughout the performance. Mendenhall Inn, 323 Kennett Pk., Mendenhall. 11 am. \$50. KennettSymphony.org.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.....

OCTOBER 1 & 8

Sunset and S'mores at Mt. Cuba Center. Bring the family out for a scenic hayride through Mt. Cuba's natural lands. Arrive at a bonfire where you can relax or explore your surroundings and enjoy fireside snacks, s'mores and adult and family-friendly beverages while the sun sets. 3120 Barkey Mill Rd., Hockessin, DE. 5 to 7. \$15. MtCubaCenter.org.



OCTOBER 9

CCDSIG Buddy Walk and Family Run & Fun Day. The Chester County Down Syndrome Interest Group holds a 5K, Buddy Walk and Fun Run and Dash for kids. West Goshen Park, Five Points & Fern Hill Rds., West Chester. 10 to 2. CCDSIG.org/Buddy-Walk.

OCTOBER 15

Willistown Conservation Trust Run-a-Muck Countryside Bash. Run the 5K or muck (walk) the cross-country trail over Crum Creek and through the woods. Enjoy food, beer, wine, a bonfire, live music, lawn games, mechanical bull rides and more. On Point Farm, 6114 Goshen Rd., Newtown Square. 2:30 pm. \$20-\$45. WC-Trust.org/Run-a-Muck.

OCTOBER 23

To Love A Canine Rescue Event-The 8th Annual Miles for Mutts. Join TLC Rescue and adoptable dogs for a fun 5K race and 1-mile fun walk raising money for veterinary care for rescue dogs. In person or online. Wilson Farm Park, 500 Lee Rd., Wayne. Race starts at 9 am. \$20-\$35. TLCRescuePA.com.

OCTOBER 30

45th Annual Radnor Run. Register to be an in-person or virtual participant in the 5-Mile Race, 2-Mile Trail Walk, or ½-Mile Kids Fun Run. Benefits the American Lung Association.

Radnor Township Building, Encke Park, 301 Iven Ave., Radnor. Reg, 7 am, race, 8:30. \$30-\$40. 800-LUNG-USA; Lung.org/RadnorRun.

THEATER.....

THROUGH OCTOBER 2

Here You Come Again at Delaware Theatre Company. A touching new musical about a has-been-who-never-was comedian and his relationship with his longtime idol, Dolly Parton. 200 Water St., Wilmington. Times and tickets, 302-594-1100; Delaware Theatre.org.

THROUGH OCTOBER 16

Mushroom at People's Light. A locally-inspired world premiere play that takes place in Kennett Square. 39 Conestoga Rd., Malvern. Times and tickets, 610-644-3500; PeoplesLight.org.

THROUGH OCTOBER 16

Kinky Boots at Fulton Theatre. Season opener at The Fulton, 12 N. Prince St., Lancaster. Times and tickets, 717-397-7425; TheFulton.org.

THROUGH OCTOBER 30

Rent at Media Theatre. Winner of the Tony Award for Best Musical and the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, Rent has become a pop cultural phenomenon. 104 E. State St., Media. Times and tickets, 610-891-0100; MediaTheatre.org.

THROUGH OCTOBER 30

The Candlelight Theatre Presents Memphis. Winner of four 2010 Tony Awards, including Best Musical. 2208 Millers Rd., Wilmington. Times and tickets, 302-475-2313; Candlelight-TheatreDelaware.org.

OCTOBER 8-30

Matilda Jr. The Musical at Media Theatre. The story of Matilda, who has astonishing wit, intelligence ... and special powers. 104 E. State St., Media. Sat, 11 am; Sun, noon. \$17-\$22. 610-891-0100; MediaTheatre.org.

OCTOBER 12-30

Black Angels Over Tuskegee at Delaware Theatre Company. Award-winning drama of six men's journey to become the first African American aviators in the United States Army Air Forces. 200 Water St., Wilmington. Times and tickets, 302-594-1100; Delaware Theatre.org.

OCTOBER 28 & 30

OperaDelaware Presents Così fan Tutte. The classic Mozart comedy full of charm, cheek and costume changes. 4 S. Poplar St., Wilmington. Times and tickets, 302-442-7807; OperaDE.org.

TOWNS, TALKS & TOURS.....

THROUGH OCTOBER 3

Phoenixville Inside Out. Businesses set up in the closed sidewalk and roadway between Starr and

Main Sts., and from Main to Gay Sts. beginning at 2 pm on Fri, ending 7 am Mon. The Main and Bridge Street parking lot will also be closed. PhoenixvilleFirst.org.

OCTOBER 7, 8, 20

1st Fridays, 2nd Saturdays, 3rd Thursdays. First Fridays: Oct. 7, 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: Oct. 8, Media, 484-445-4161; MediaArtsCouncil.org. Third Thursday Malvern Stroll: Oct. 20, MalvernBusiness.com.

OCTOBER 1

81st Annual Chester County Day Tour. This year's self-driving tour celebrates the Northwestern quadrant of the county, with a walking tour in West Chester Borough. The Hunt takes place at Bellwood Hunt Club, Hibernia County Park, 763 Cedar Knoll Rd., Coatesville. Tour, \$55. Pre-purchased boxed lunches: \$18. Benefits The Women's Auxiliary to Chester Co. Hospital's pledge towards the advancement of breast health. ChesterCountyDay.com.

OCTOBER 16

Kennett Underground Railroad Bus Tours.

Visit documented Underground Railroad sites, historic homes and Quaker meetinghouses while learning about local abolitionists and anti-slavery activity. Begin at Brandywine Valley Tourist Information Center, 300 Greenwood Rd., Kennett Square. 1:30. \$28. KennettUndergroundRR.org.

OCTOBER 20

West Chester Historic Preservation Awards.

The West Chester Downtown Foundation created this awards program to recognize and honor projects both large and small that help highlight and preserve West Chester's historic character. Winners announced at the Chester County History Center, 225 N. High St., West Chester. 5:30 pm. \$25. WCDF.org/Preservation.

OCTOBER 21 & 22, 28 & 29

Colonial Pennsylvania Plantation Lantern Ghost Tours. Follow the torchlit path around the 1700s farm for an evening of strange sounds, candlelight and ghostly stories for Delaware County's most mysterious, scary and true tales of terror. Strongly recommended for ages 12 and up. \$15-\$20. Advance tickets req. Visit ColonialPlantation.org.

OCTOBER 22

Paoli Battlefield Paranormal Tour. The Mal-

vern Paranormal Society, Interstate Paranormal Research, Tri-County Paranormal, Freespirit and Dirty Jersey Ghost Hunting Paranormal Group lead a paranormal investigation of the Paoli Battlefield. Bring flashlights and cameras. Monument & Wayne Aves., Malvern. 7 to 11 pm. \$45. Register on PBPFInc.org. •



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NOVEMBER 6 AT THE KIMBERTON **FAIRGROUNDS**

OOD FOOD." THE WORDS mean something different to just about anyone you ask. To some, good food simply tastes good. To others, it may be food that has meaning or a special memory attached to it, like a favorite family recipe. And ideally, good food is food that's good for you, too.

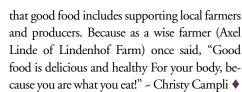
But what makes food good for you? In part, it's where the food comes from.

That's where Good Food Fest comes in. This November, Growing Roots Partners along with Kimberton Whole Foods have planned Southeast Pennsylvania's ultimate celebration of good food — with a focus on the people who grow, make, raise and produce it.

This second annual "epic farmers market" will showcase over 100 local farmers and makers in a fun-filled day at Kimberton Fairgrounds for the whole family to learn, enjoy and support PA agriculture. Good food lovers should expect to fill their favorite reusable shopping bags with locally made products and meet the people who made them, while sampling everything from farmstead cheese to coffee along the way.

Good food fans can also enjoy live music by Frog Holler Band, sip local libations from the Pouring Room and grab a bite at the many local food trucks that will be out for the day. Local agriculture is the star of the show, from a special Good Food Fest beer brewed with 100% local ingredients to live farm animals, fiber spinning and cooking demos.

After a day spent at Good Food Fest, you might just have a deeper understanding of what "good food" truly means. The hope, of course, is





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TAKE A HAYRIDE FOR MORE FALL FUN

Gina Mullen

HAT BEGAN AS FARM children piling into wagons loaded with hay at the end of the day's chores has transformed into a can't-miss fall festivity. Now autumn isn't complete without a leisurely, tractor-pulled hayride with views of tall cornstalks and ripe pumpkins, plus the sweet scent of hay and delectable apples.

Here are some of our favorite local hayrides for the whole family to enjoy.

CHESTER COUNTY

With a reservation, fun-lovers at Highland Orchards in West Chester get several options for hayrides. The hour-long hayride travels through scenic orchards, while the two-hour ride includes a 45-minute tractor-pulled wagon ride around the orchards to a private campfire area. For three- and four-hour events, groups can schedule more time at the campfire. Through October, Fall Harvest Weekends are scheduled for Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. and include a 15-minute hayride loop through the orchard. Buy apple cider and donuts from the market to snack on during your ride. *HighlandOrchards.net*.

Chester Springs' Milky Way Farms offers hayrides for up to 20, with reservations. During their annual Pumpkin Harvest Season, stroll the pumpkin patch, wander through the corn maze, take family photos and visit the farm animals on weekdays from 3 to 5 p.m. (\$5 admission). During the week, navigate through a family-friendly corn maze (\$3 a ticket). Plus, BYOW (bring your own wagon) for pumpkins, vegetables, honey and other items for sale. Before heading home, stop by the famous Creamery for an ice cream treat from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. *MilkyWayFarm.com*.

DELAWARE COUNTY

Through November 6, take a trip to Media's Linvilla Orchards for Pumpkinland, featuring an array of autumn activities including apple or pumpkin picking, mazes and several spook-tacular scenes for the whole family, including Harvest Hayrides. Enjoy views of the farm on a scenic 15-minute ride through the fields, departing from Pumpkinland. Kiddos love the Hayride to the Witch's House, where a friendly witch tells stories, jokes and gives out treats, with a campfire stocked with cider and marshmallows awaiting at the end. Or take in the pleasure of a crisp fall evening on the Autumn Moon Hayride, a 20-minute loop through the farm surrounded by apple trees under the evening sky, complete with a crackling campfire, toasted marshmallows and homemade apple cider. *Linvilla.com*.

Media is also the home to Indian Orchards Farm, an old-fashioned, family-run farm for 109 years. Dubbed a "best-kept secret of Delco" by visitors, this non-commercialized farm offers in-season fruits and vegetables for the picking, including September peaches, October apples and November pumpkins for only \$3.50 per person. Enjoy hayrides every weekend, grills for use after fishing at the lake, homemade apple cider and produce grown from organic seeds. Want to skip picking your own produce? Stop by the farmstand to pick up your fruits and veggies. *IndianOrchardsFarm.com*.







LANCASTER COUNTY

Located in the heart of Pennsylvania Dutch Country, Cherry Crest Adventure Form is brimming with fall fun. This solar-operated property contains an adventure farm surrounded by over 300 acres of lush, cultivated crops. Find more than 50 Farm Fun activities on the farm, including the Farm Tour Wagon Ride, Hay Chute Slide, Amazing Maize Maze, Petting Zoo, Apple Blasters and more. Voted a Top 10 Corn Maze in America from 2018–2021 by USA Today (#1 in 2020), this farm knows how to create family fun! Cherry Crest Farm.com.

FOR A SPECIAL HALLOWEEN TREAT ...

The Haunted Hayride finally returns to the Bottes Motel in 2022 at Arasapha Farm with new, gigantic sets to ramp up the Halloween fun. With amazing props, digital effects, spooky actors and horrifying makeup, the Haunted Hayride has scared visitors for over 30 years, earning it a feature on the Travel Channel and

#1 rating for Haunted Attractions in America by news outlets like CNN Travel and *USA Today*. This 25-minute horror ride through the deep, haunted forest of Arasapha Farm features monstrous displays and pyrotechnics and is guaranteed to strike fear in the bravest of souls. *TheBatesMotel.com*.



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Gourd-geous Pumpins

CARVE OR PAINT YOUR PUMPKINS FOR HALLOWEEN FUN

Elizabeth Hughes

ctober is here, so Halloween is just around the corner. Time to stock up on candy, put together your costume and, of course, decorate for the season.

This year, do more than put out a few grocery store pumpkins on your doorstep. Instead carve or paint your freshly picked pumpkins. Here's the lowdown on this quintessential Halloween activity, including its origins, where to see master pumpkin carvers at work and a new spin on this classic tradition.

HAUNTED ORIGINS

The tradition of carving pumpkins originated centuries ago in Ireland, rooted in the legend of "Stingy Jack," who tricked the Devil for personal gain. Barred from heaven or hell when he died, Jack was sent off into the night with only a burning coal to light his way. To help on his journey, he put the coal into a carved turnip and has

been roaming the Earth ever since, becoming known as "Jack of the Lantern" or "Jack O'Lantern."

In Ireland and Scotland, people began carving scary faces into turnips and potatoes, placing them by doors and windows to ward off Jack and other evil spirits. Immigrants brought the tradition to the United States, using pumpkins, which are native to the New World, instead.

PUMPKIN PICKING AND CARVING

Join in this spooky tradition for fall fun for the whole family. Local farms and farm markets abound with pumpkins this time of year. Many pumpkin patches will let you pick your own pumpkins fresh off the vine so you find the perfect pumpkin for your Halloween.

Some of our favorite spots include Highland Orchards in West Chester, Milky Way Farms in Chester Springs and Linvilla Or-



1. Ramsey's Farm

2. The Great Pumpkin Carve

3. Merrymead Farm

chards in Media. For more, check out "Give 'Em Pumpkin to Talk About" in our October 2021 issue and on our website, *CountyLines-Magazine.com*.

Or bring your family (ages 8 and up) to Morris Arboretum in Chestnut Hill on Saturday, October 22 for their Pumpkin Carving Party. Pumpkins and equipment are provided, as well as patterns and ideas to help create a spectacular pumpkin.

Need more inspiration? Head to the Chadds Ford Historical Society for The Great Pumpkin Carve, October 20–22. On Thursday, watch local artists transform over 70 giant pumpkins into Halloween masterpieces to be lit and displayed on Friday and Saturday. All three nights include a kid-friendly Haunted Trail, raffle prizes and live music, plus food, local craft beer and wine (the last two for the parents).

PAINTING PUMPKINS

For a modern spin on this Halloween tradition, consider painting your pumpkins instead. A safe, easy alternative to carving, painting is a great option for families with young children — plus, painted pumpkins last much longer than their carved counterparts!

Don't want to make a mess of your house? Visit local places and events that offer pumpkin painting. Every weekend in October, head to Landsdale's Merrymead Farm for their 39th annual Fall Harvest Days, chock full of fall activities like hayrides, a cornstalk tunnel, kiddie wagon trail and pumpkin painting. The pumpkin patch

at Romsey's Form in Wilmington has a pumpkin painting station, as well as a corn maze, barnyard animals and a "Spookley the Square Pumpkin" themed maze for younger kids.

On October 1, the Fall Harvest Festival returns at Newlin Grist Mill in Glen Mills. Though the event is known for its 18th-century trade demonstrations and food, there's plenty for the kids to do, including hayrides, pupper shows and pumpkin painting.

Whether you carve or paint your pumpkins this fall, we guarantee you'll have some *scary* good fun! •

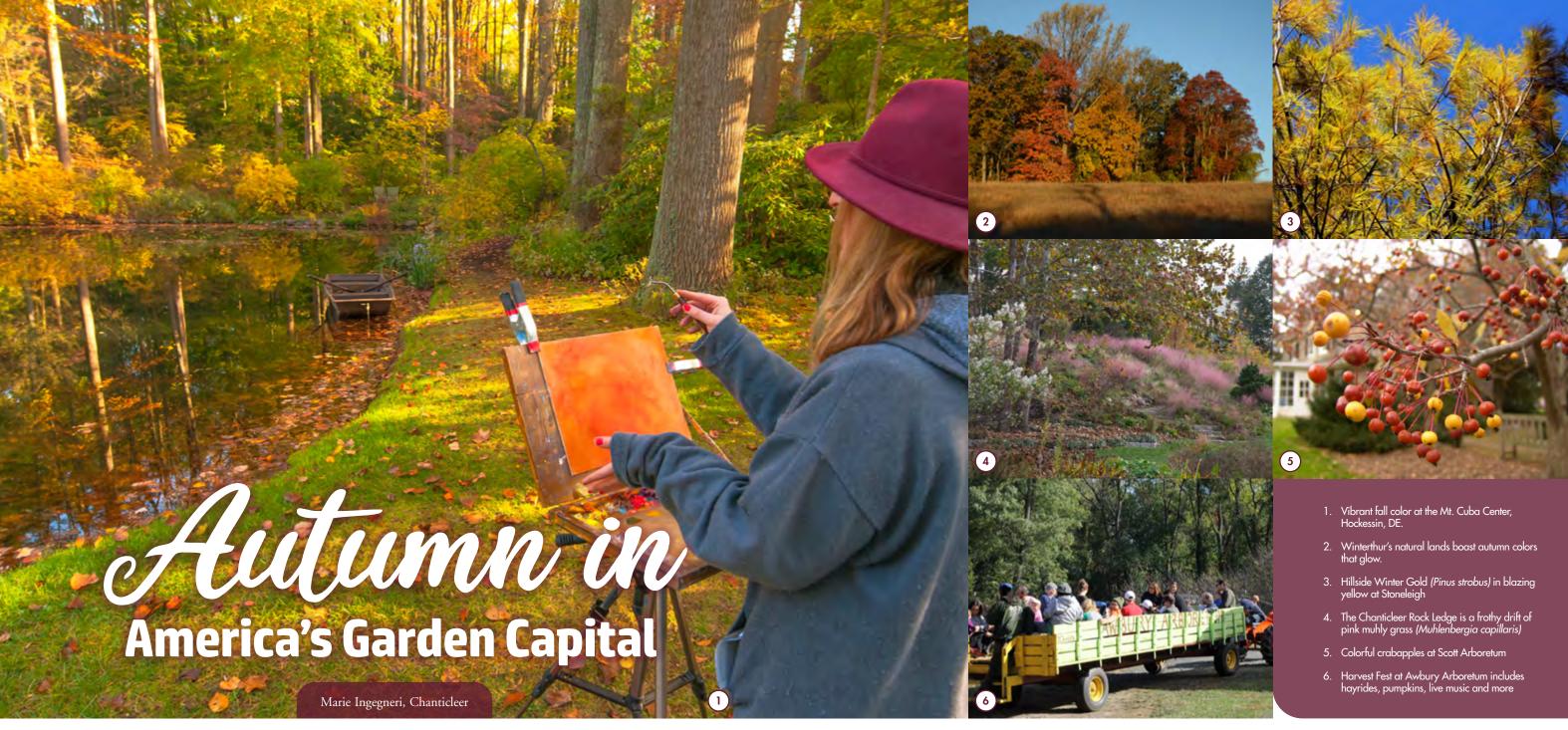


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Ready to get carving? Here are some tips to get you started.

- Pick the right pumpkin. Look for one with smooth skin and minimal bumps. A flat front surface makes it easier to draw on your design and carve it out. Avoid pumpkins with soft, possibly rotting spots.
- ★ Safety first. To avoid accidents, use small, controlled motions when carving. Keep your hands and carving tools dry so tools don't slip from your hands. If kids are carving, have them use age-appropriate tools and always under supervision.
- Plan your design. Save time, stress and mistakes by drawing your design on paper before transferring it to the pumpkin. Better yet, download pumpkin templates online and print out your favorites to use.
- Keep it clean. Pumpkin carving can be messy. To minimize cleanup, put down newspaper or a drop cloth before you begin.
- Skip the candles. Avoid fire haze ards and messy wax by lighting your jack-o-lantern with LED tealights. Get flameless candles that flicker or look like melting
- Preserve your pumpkins. To keep your jack-o-lantern looking its best, apply petroleum jelly to the carvings to prevent them from drying out and rotting.
- Neep squirrels at bay. Stop squirrels from eating the fruits of your labor by sprinkling household spices on your pumpkin. Squirrels hate hot stuff, so hot sauce, cayenne pepper or red pepper flakes work great.

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HE RETURN OF AUTUMN HOLDS THE PROMISE of vivid fall foliage, crisp air and earthy scents, harvest activities, spooky fun and chrysanthemums everywhere. Experience the best of the new season at over 30 public gardens, historic landscapes and arboreta in America's Garden Capital — right in our backyard.

FALL COLOR

In the Philadelphia area, peak time for fall foliage is typically the third week of October through mid-November, depending, naturally, on the weather. A rainy or dry summer can delay or quicken the color change.

Bright sunny days followed by cool nights from late September into October are required for the best hues. Of course, there's plenty of color before and after this period, so plan your visit and know it will include incredible eye candy.

A great place to start your leaf peeping is Mt. Cuba, where you'll find picture-perfect, bright yellow, orange and gold leaves falling from beech and tulip poplar trees.

Nearby, Winterthur's oak trees will soon be ablaze with russet and deep orange hues. And at Stoneleigh: A Natural Garden, discover the Eastern white pine 'Hillside Winter Gold.' The needles of this cultivar turn gold as fall's temperatures drop, proving that not all evergreens are, well, ever green.

Autumn brings about lovely change to lesser-known plants as well. At Chanticleer, visitors look forward to autumn color. Near the Pond, clouds of pink and white flowering bunch grass, known as big muhly (Muhlenbergia lindheimeri), emerge from pink muhly, a perennial sedge-like plant (Muhlenbergia capillaris), creating a painterly effect at the Rock Ledge. Another fall favorite is the white flowered groundseltree or sea myrtle (Baccharis halimifolia) surrounded by conifers in the Pond Garden that appear even brighter after summer colors fade.

Adding more interest to the season are plants with seasonal berries and scents. At The Scott Arboretum at Swarthmore College, you'll find an abundance of fall color, including colorful crabapple trees.

While most trees have an earthy aroma as bacteria decomposes plant matter in the soil, the katsura tree, found at Chanticleer and Morris Arboretum, has a different chemical reaction in the leaves that evokes the scent of cotton candy. Make this a must-see, er, smell while visiting both gardens.

GARDENS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

In addition to stunning foliage, there are several autumnal events planned at your local arboreta to treat the varied interests of the whole family.

Outdoor Storytime at Tyler Arboretum continues into autumn on October 5 and 12, 10 to 11 a.m. Designed for ages 3 to 6,

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"A Chest Full of Stories with Miss Karen" focuses on nature-based stories followed by an activity to spark creativity, such as a walk along the garden's scenic loop to collect and identify leaves.

The Farm at Awbury Arboretum holds their season-ending Sunday Fun Days with Harvest Fest on October 30, 1 to 4 p.m. Bring the whole family to the garden for hayrides, a pumpkin sale, live music, a farmers market, workshops and, of course, a visit with the goats and chickens. Stay late to visit the garden's English Landscape and Haines Field for views of golden beeches and deep red tupelo trees.

Another harvest-related event is Morris Arboretum's Historic Springfield Mill Days on October 16, 1 to 4 p.m. Here guests may learn the process of grinding and sifting corn to produce meal and, rumor has it, sample muffins made with fresh ground ingredients.

And harvest isn't complete without a scarecrow. With their fresh crop of artisan scarecrows, Morris Arboretum's 15th

Annual Scarecrow Walk returns October 1-31. Make a game of finding all 30+ scarecrows displayed throughout the garden's brilliant hues, and then vote for your favorite to determine the winners.

FRIGHT FUN

With several Halloween-related events offered, Laurel Hill Cemetery is the place to visit to get into the spirit of the season. Don your most comfortable costume to race through the cemetery among headstones and falling leaves at the Rest in Peace 5K Run on October 1, 5 to 8 p.m.

Interested in discovering more about the history of Laurel Hill's residents? Register for one of several daytime walking tours, or try an evening outing for a slightly spookier experience. This event is perfect for the teenager in your family. But beware, real apparitions have been seen.

FLOWERS

Mums are the defacto flower of autumn. and Longwood Gardens is giving this bloom its due during the annual Chrysanthemum Festival, from October 1-November 13. With nearly 40 rare cultivars and more than 80,000 blooms, Longwood artists create living sculptures, contorting mums into designer forms not to be missed. Also planned for display is The Thousand Bloom Mum with more than 1,500 arranged flowers.

With maples, sweetgums, cypress, oaks and dogwoods in vibrant hues of deep red, bright orange, gold and purple, the gardens of America's Garden Capital offer spectacular leaf peeping with equally brilliant events to enjoy the season.

Learn more and plan your visit at AmericasGardenCapital.org. ♦

Chanticleer has been called the most romantic, imaginative and exciting public garden in America. It's a garden of pleasure and learning, relaxing yet filled with ideas to take home. Open through October 30th, Wednesday-Sunday, 10 am to 5 pm, and set to reopen March 29th, 2023. 786 Church Rd., Wayne. Visit ChanticleerGarden.org to plan your visit.



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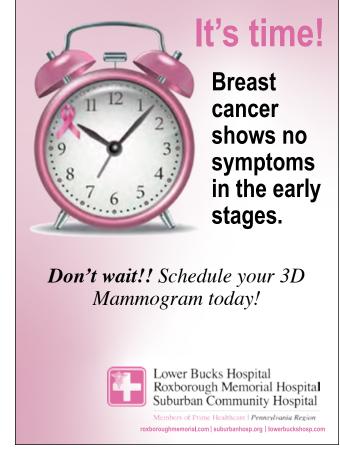
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CELEBRATE FALL WITH A DRIVE THROUGH SCENIC CHESTER COUNTY AND BEYOND

Shannon Montgomery

ALL HAS ARRIVED, AND THERE'S NO BETTER time for a road trip across *County Lines* country. Admire colorful landscapes and discover charming towns throughout our area.

So, get your family together and take a drive to a few of our neighboring towns for plenty of food, drink, shopping and more. Let us be your guide.

WEST CHESTER

Our first stop is Chester County's county seat, West Chester. Stroll the brick sidewalks of this award-winning downtown to find unique shops and over 60 tempting restaurants just waiting for you.

West Chester's dining scene always has something new to try. Sip locally roasted coffee at Turks Head Café on Church Street — it is

pumpkin spice season — then grab a sticky bun from City Buns, High Street's newest eatery. Looking for a different kind of spice? Savor Southern flavors at Blazin' J's or FIRE Nashville Hot Chicken, both on Gay Street.

Follow your meal with a show at Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center, West Chester's home for the performing arts, including music, theater, dance and comedy. They're gearing up for their first self-produced theater season, starting with *The Butterfingers Angel, Mary & Joseph, Herod the Nut, & the Slaughter of 12 Hit Carols in a Pear Tree*, a quirky but charming retelling of the Nativity, November 30 to December 23.

Art lovers can explore the downtown's vibrant art scene at the Fall Gallery Walk on Friday, October 7. The tour features 20 stops, including the Art Trust at Meridian Bank, Church Street Gallery and David Katz Gallery, along with one-night-only venues in local businesses, like Gemelli Café, Hop Fidelity and Kathleen L. Penny Interiors. Hosted by the West Chester Business Improvement District, this free event, 4 to 8 p.m., offers free, on-street parking — always a plus.

Complete your visit with some retail therapy. Discover the latest trends at Tish Boutique, and get something for the little ones across the street at newly-opened Tish Kids. For home décor and gifts, head to Pine + Quill on Walnut Street. And jump start your holiday shopping at the many unique boutiques in town.

Speaking of the holidays, the highly anticipated Old-Foshioned Christmos Porode returns on Friday, December 2, after a three-year hiatus.

DOWNINGTOWN & EXTON

Just five miles apart, Downingtown and Exton combine to make a great day trip, although both towns have plenty of attractions on their own.

Start Saturday morning (9 to 1) at the Downingtown Formers Market, now presented by Growing Roots Partners. Head to Kerr Park for locally grown fruits and veggies, fresh meats and cheeses, baked goods and more, along with live music.

Next, visit one of Downingtown's great bars and restaurants. Taste the difference locally sourced ingredients make at Amoni's BYOB, then head upstairs for a drink at Amoni's North, their new craft cocktail bar. More of a beer person? Check out the seasonal and specialty brews at Victory Brewing Compony's taproom outside town.

Turks Head Café

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Blazin' J's

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Later, head to Exton for more dining and shopping options. Browse the stores at the outdoor mall, Main Street at Exton, then fuel up with a tasty sandwich on Appetites on Main's heated patio. Looking for family fun? Head to Roundl in the Exton Square Mall for bowling, arcade games, pool, ping pong, karaoke and more.

Remember, there's more to Exton than malls and shopping centers. The Chester County Library (the main branch) has all your favorite fall reads. Prefer to buy your books? Shop local at Wellington Square Bookshop in Eagleview. For restaurants, there are old favorites like Ron's Original Bar & Grill as well at White Dog Café's newest location opening in the former historic Vickers Restaurant.

MAIN LINE

Take a drive along Lancaster Avenue (Route 30) in Philadelphia's western suburbs and you'll find yourself in the heart of the Main Line. Meander down residential side roads and marvel at gorgeous mansions and well-manicured gardens, and be sure to check out what's happening in the towns.

The Main Line dining scene continues to grow. Marc Vetri's long-awaited Italian steakhouse, Fiore Rosso, is finally open in Bryn Mawr. Admire original Picassos while indulging in premium steaks from their tower-style meat-aging case. Or visit Will's + Bill's, an upscale brewery that's revitalized the old Mackenzie Brew House location in Berwyn. You can get a taste of childhood at Ardmore's Twenty One Pips, a two-story restau-

rant and bar with over 500 board games to play while you await your meal.

Get into the Halloween spirit at Pooli Bottlefield as it brings back its Paranormal Tour on October 22. Supernatural experts from the Malvern Paranormal Society, Interstate Paranormal Research, Tri-County Paranormal, Freesprit and Dirty Jersey Hunting Paranormal Group lead a tour through the battlefield and investigate paranormal activity. Afraid of the dark? Visit during the day for a self-guided tour, picnic on the grounds and explore the pristine Revolutionary War battlefield — much less frightening!

Check out the performances at People's Light in Malvern. Through October 16, see the world premiere of *Mushroom*, written by *Mare of Easttown's* Elisa Davis and set in

Kennett Square. Next up — *Alice in Wonderland: A Musical Panto*, from November 16 to January 1. And anytime, visit the onsite restaurant, The Fern & Foble, for comfort food made from scratch.

DELAWARE COUNTY

For something different, head south to Delaware County. Spooky vibes abound at Colonial Pennsylvania Plantation during their Lantern Ghost Tours. Relive 300 years of mysterious, true tales of terror as you follow the torchlit path through the grounds by candlelight.

While you're in Newtown Square, pick up some special Halloween candy from Christopher Chocolotes, and get a head start on fall planting with mums and more from Mostardi Nursery.

For more scary fun, head to Arosopho Form in Glen Mills for the Bates Motel and Haunted Hayride, celebrating "30 Years of Fear." Featured on the Travel Channel and in *USA Today,* the 25-minute horror ride features huge, detailed sets, like a 100-foot-long, 40-foot-tall insane asylum, a full-scale New England church and 200-foot cave.

Finally, no trip to Delco would be complete without a stop in Media, "Everybody's Hometown." See *RENT* or *Matilda Jr.* this month at the Media Theatre, and come back for *The Sound of Music* November 16 through January 8.

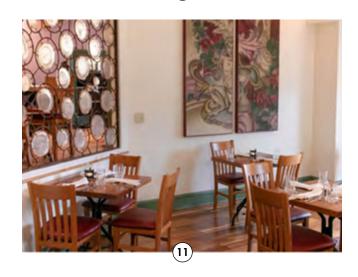
Then enjoy dinner at one of the many locally owned restaurants. The historic Towne House now features five unique dining areas, each with its own menu, like the traditional Irish cuisine and 300-plus whiskeys at The Shebeen. Or sample seasonally inspired, new American cuisine and craft cocktails at Two Fourteen, the newest project from Media restauranteur Loic Barnieu and chef Michael Hackett.

SOUTHERN CHESTER COUNTY

Head back to southern Chester County for beautiful gardens, museums and delicious food and drinks. The Chrysanthemum Festival at Longwood Gardens is a must-see, as specialty chrysanthemum forms fill the Conservatory with vibrant colors. At night, marvel at "Light: Installations by Bruce Munro," eight massive light







Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center Fall Gallery Walk Pine + Quill Amani's BYOB Appetites on Main Wellington Square Bookshop

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installations including "Field of Light," featuring 18,000 illuminated bulbs across the Large and Small Lake landscape, a thousand white flamingos in "Ramandu's Table" and "Green Flash," a three-and-a-half-meter geodesic sphere.

While in Kennett Square, get dinner at one of the fine restaurants lining State Street. Order classic Italian dishes at La Verona, enjoy upscale American cuisine at Verbena or savor the famous Farm Table dinner at Talula's Table — provided you make reservations well in advance! Visit on a Third Thursday on State Street — last one on October 20 — featuring outdoor dining, extended shopping hours, live music, pop-up vendors and more.

Check out plein air painting at the Brondywine River Museum, which is hosting Plein Air Days at Kuerner Farm on October 14 and 16, and November 4 and 6. Visit this National Historic Landmark where Andrew Wyeth found intriguing subjects for his paintings for over 70 years. Artists working in all media are invited to explore the property to capture the iconic setting in their art.

Great beer and wine also await you in Chadds Ford. 2SP Brewing Company's new taproom features a 20-seat bar, with 12 of their beers on tap and a dog-friendly outdoor patio. Or take home an award-winning wine from Penns Woods Winery, like their 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve or 2020 Sauvignon Blanc.

WILMINGTON

Take a drive on scenic Route 52, aka the Brandywine Valley National Scenic Byway, across the state line and discover what Wilmington has to offer.

Hop aboard the Wilmington Western Roilroad to admire fall in the Red Clay Valley during the Autumn Leaf Special, ride alongside a friendly witch on the Halloween Express, or enjoy a hayride on a converted railroad flatcar.

Wilmington is also home to many theaters and museums. See one-night performances at The Grand Wilmington, like "RESPECT: The Aretha Franklin Experience" on October 4, or get into the spooky spirit with the First State Ballet Theatre's per-

formance of *Dracula* on October 22 and 23. Meanwhile, *Tootsie* and *Stomp* are at the Playhouse on Rodney Square, and Tracy Morgan will be cracking jokes on October 14.

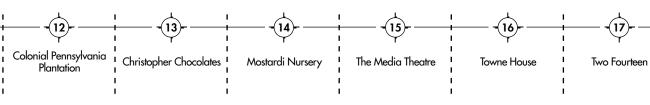
New exhibitions are always opening at the Delaware Art Museum. This month see "A Marriage of Arts and Crafts: Evelyn and William De Morgan," from October 22 into the New Year. And the new-and-improved Delaware Museum of Nature and Science is back after a complete renovation to its galleries and public spaces.

Finally, the Wilmington dining scene is abuzz with rave reviews of Bardea Food & Drink. Chef Antimo DiMeo's innovative Italian dishes have made it a two-time James Beard Award semifinalist and one of *Philly Mag's* Top 50 Restaurants. Plus, Bardea Steak — named one of "America's Most Anticipated Restaurant Openings of 2022" by *Vogue* — is now open right next door.

Between the shopping, dining and sightseeing, be sure to stop and take in the beautiful fall colors and painted land-scapes that make our area so special. •







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PHENOMENALLY in Phoenix ville

COULDN'T RESIST THE PUN FOR THIS FUN TOWN

Emily Hart

T'S EARLY ON A PHRIDAY EVENING AND PHESTIVIties are in full swing in Phoenixville. Music and art thrive. Bikes, pups and pedestrians in fashions from 1963 to 2023 head from Bridge Street to Main.

They traverse a new rainbow crosswalk signaling that everyone is welcome. Every day of the week, on summer days Phoenixville is cool, and in the snow, it's hot.

Whether warm or cool weather, Brown's Cow is the perfect start of any visit to the borough. There are 40+ reasons to go: 40+ flavors of ice cream plus dairy-free Gadzooks!, sorbet and Tofutti. Try a Brown Cow root beer float with chocolate syrup, whipped cream and jimmies or the Milkshake of the Month. Treats in a nostalgic atmosphere — old Coca-Cola crates, antique wooden handle scoops and hand-crank churners — in the shop on Main are so popular that lines sometimes trail far out onto the sidewalk ... which, it turns out, is great fun.

Brown's Cow's next-door neighbor is vinyl shop Forever Changes, where the door is always open for music. Spinning records keep people dancing and singing in the streets, whether waiting for shakes or extending the fun of outdoor events.

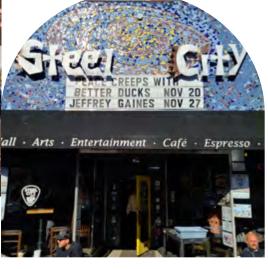
Forever Changes, named after an album by 1960s band Love and celebrating its first birthday last November, was started by Shawn Steel City Coffeehouse & Brewery







Colonial Theatre Bluebird Distilling







Cephas. As a new baby, Cephas came home from the hospital to a building that housed his family above his father's iconic record store — Philadelphia's King James Records.

Last year Cephas rekindled his family's love of vinyl with a shop that offers curated collections of records for beginners and seasoned collectors, turntables and music-inspired local art, notebooks made from vintage album covers and more. He also partners to bring music-related movies to the Colonial Theatre, such as July's showing of Prince's "Sign 'O' the Times" and concerts to Soundbank, just up and across the street.

BACK TO BLOBFEST

This summer, the Colonial Theatre's Blobfest was held in person, the first time since the pandemic began. Crowds were ecstatic to return. People celebrated in the street and throughout town. Iconic Steel City Coffeehouse & Brewery saw its busiest day ever.

Jumping up and down, cheering and watching moviegoers' elation and flying popcorn was Colonial Theatre's new executive director, Jennifer Carlson. Carlson moved to Phoenixville from Connecticut, drawn to the town's "exciting, thriving community," she says. To get people out of their living rooms and into the theater, she's already luring folks with rich experiences pairing movies and food - such as "Mamma Mia!" and the great cuisine of Avlos, the authentic Greek restaurant on Bridge Street with to-die-for dakos, papoutsakia and sokolatopita.

In October at the Colonial, sit back in your seat to revel in Rufus Wainwright's songs or sit at its edge for some horror flicks to get your blood pumping.

For more entertainment and food, head to The Sound Bank Music Room & Tophouse. The full kitchen and bar offer burgers, dogs and craft beers, and the stage offers music of all genres. They reopened earlier this year and plan fall concerts featuring jazz and tributes to Tom Petty and the Allman Brothers.

HOPS AND SHOPS

There are lots of Happy Hours and gathering spots for your tastebuds and return to social life. Bluebird Distilling spills over with people and music early on weekends. At outdoor tables or the indoor tasting room, imbibe and sip Gin 'N Juice, vodka Bluebirds or Tommy's Margaritas.

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Sedona Taphouse



Bistro on Bridge



The party is already rolling with great beers, beverages and tasty food at Sedona Taphouse. Try a SuperVillain IPA with Devil's Pass pasta or refreshing Solera sour ale with crab cakes. Get crafty, fruity, hoppy or saucy with friends at Bistro on Bridge over cocktails, beers and wings with lots of flavors.

Linger a little longer over dinner at Polomo's, starting with flatbread and continuing with filet mignon or bass. Savor Sage Mediterranean's Elizabeth salad with crab, shrimp, calamari on romaine, tomatoes and olives. Never, ever skip dessert at Avlos — Greek yogurt with rose petal marmalade or traditional Greek Easter bread with honey syrup, whipped cream and almonds.

The morning after an evening on the town, visit Sweet Brew. At the café that turns a year old in December, BYOB means build your own bagel. Choose your fave New York bagel, specialty cream cheese — garden veggie, jalapeño cheddar — and toppings — Fruity Pebbles, Nutella or Flamin' Hot Cheetos at the storefront where Bridge Street Chocolates used to be. Fortunately, the chocolates are still in town just across the street.

Bridge and Main Street are often confused by visitors. Bridge Street runs along French Creek before it crosses the Schuylkill River. Main runs across Bridge and south to connect with Routes 23 and 29. But both offer great shopping and entertainment.

Allow the fabulous shop windows throughout town to pull you in. Admire the Christmas hobby horse at Cameron Peters, then get delightfully lost at its choose-your-own blooms wall or the DIY plant bar and potting station where you select ... well, plants and pots. On Main since 2021, the floral designer has three times the space, flowers and charming gifts as it did at its location on Bridge.

Walk, run or ride to Twisted Cog, selling electric bikes and others, plus offering service for the one you rode into town from the Canal Trail.

JUST YOUR STYLE

With so many places to go out to now, it's time to get gussied up once again.



For fashions for women who like to dress up and have a good time, enter the House of WE. The boutique opened Memorial Day week this year. Glam up their sparkly and beaded garments with your favorite dazzling stilettos, pair with white sneakers for a casual day or go barefoot to wear the same outfit on an island beach. Gift yourself and a friend with unique, dazzling bags in lush colors and recycled fabric from Sixton of London.

On October 8 get your quirk on at the fabulous vintage and flea market, A Whole Lot of LuLu, brought to you by the owners of LuLu Boutique & Gifterie. You never know what you'll find — an antique brooch, pop culture swag or the most eccentric "don't-know-what-it-is-but-I-must-haveit" you've ever seen. Another option: nearly any day of the year head to TC House of Style for fun and funky vintage and consignment.

GET OUTTA TOWN!

Farther down Bridge Street, discover the Mont Clare Deli & Market, brought to you by the owners of Steel City. With most of town turning out for the eatery and community hub's opening on April 19, they sold out and had to close early the first day in order to restock! Eat in or out, or take home faves with raves. "The Phoenixville" roast beef sandwich with sauteed asparagus, "The Mont Clare" boasting turkey and bacon, and rib eye plus plenty of vegetarian cheesesteaks.

There's plenty of parking — a boon these days — but villagers young and old walk over for the nostalgic root beer floats among old black and white photos of co-owner Laura's Italian family and shelves of grab 'n' go meatballs, local honey and artichokes from Italy.

Out from Phoenxville's town center and into the woods, find Colonial Gardens. The same garden center, gift and floral shop that releases 400 butterflies at a festival each summer captures ghosts and goblins for haunted hayrides, a haunted hedge maze and a grand pumpkin patch each October.

With so much back in the groove in Phoenixville, I'm pheeling up for a trip. How about you? •







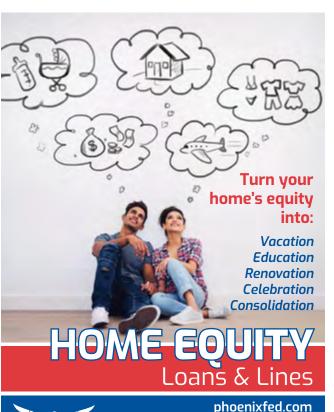
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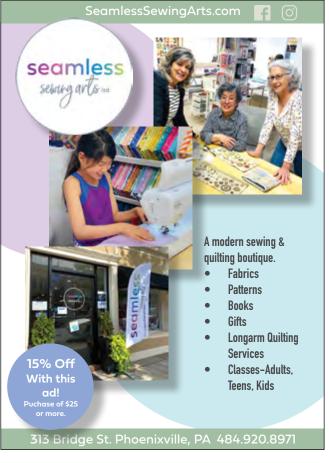
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Phoenixville Events

Accelerate Career Students Car & Craft Show

October 1

Antique and classic cars, custom, military and muscle cars, diesel trucks, motorcycles and more at this annual event also featuring food, a craft fair, music and raffle. Benefits student scholarships. TCHS Pickering, 1580 Charlestown Rd. 9 to 2. PhoenixvilleChamber.org.

36th Annual Phoenixville Run

October 1-22

Oct. 1–22, Virtual Challenge—participate how you want, when you want, where you want. Oct. 22, in-person 5K and 10K events. Benefits Citizen Advocacy of Chester County. Reeves Park, 2nd Ave. & Main St. 8:30 am. \$35. Phoenixville.org.

First Fridays in Phoenixville

October 7, November 4

First Fridays will operate within the weekly Bridge Street open-air closure to create the feel of a night market there. 5:30 to 8:30. Phoenixville.org.

The Colonial Theatre / Point Entertainment

October 7-November 26

Oct. 7, Jeff Allen: 2.0 Tour; Oct. 13, Rufus Wainwright: Unfollow The Rules; Oct. 30, "Nosferatu" (1922) with Live Theatre Organ Accompaniment; Nov. 26, Killer Queen: A Tribute to Queen. 227 Bridge St. TheColonialTheatre.com.

A Whole Lot of LuLu October 8

Outdoor biannual flea market with local vendors selling handmade crafts, vintage items and more. Live music and kids activities. Bridge & Main Sts. 10 to 4. AW-holeLotOfLuLu.com.

25th Annual FirstGlance Film Festival October 14–16

See over 45 indie films from shorts to features, documentaries to web series as Philadelphia's Independent Film Festival returns to the Colonial Theatre. Join First-Glance in person for red carpet interviews, after-parties, dinner and brunch specials and a live awards presentation. 227 Bridge St. \$15–\$20. FirstGlanceFilms.com.

Phoenixville Harvest Festival

October 27-30

Fun all weekend including a market at the new Phoenixville Recreation Center, 501 Franklin Ave., a beer garden, pet events, trunk or treat, "The Nightmare Before Christmas" at the Colonial and more. Held throughout town. Check website for dates and times. PhoenixvilleHarvest-Festival.com.

Wine, Wit & Wisdom

November 3

New York Times best selling author Jasmine Guillory is featured at this annual

event benefitting the Phoenixville Library. The event will include a silent auction, fine wine and food. RiverCrest Golf Club & Preserve, 100 Rivercrest Dr. 6 to 9. For tickets and registration, PhoenixvilleLibrary.org.

5th Annual Phoenixville Bed Races

November 5

Race teams will build, decorate and race beds on wheels to raise funds for two Phoenixville organizations that provide shelter for the homeless and to win the title of "Fastest Bed." Start at Reeves Park, 2nd Ave. & Main St. 11 am, race begins at noon. PXVBedRaces.org.



Phoenixville Chamber of Commerce Charity Gala

November 19

Dinner, dancing and silent auction with great items. Rivercrest Golf Club & Preserve, 100 Golf Club Dr. 5:30. Visit website to register. PhoenixvilleChamber.org.



Burn Off the Bird 5K

November 26

Held annually on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, the Jaycees 5K Race & 1-mile Fun Run begin and end at Franklin Commons, 400 Franklin Ave. Benefits the Phoenixville Jaycees Foundation to fund community events. 9 to 10:30 am. Phoenixville.org.

Feel The Holiday Spirit in Phoenixville

November 26-December 7

Nov. 26, Small Business Saturday, all day; *Nov. 27*, Artist Sunday, all day; *Dec. 2*, First Friday Holiday Edition and tree lighting downtown, 6 to 8 pm; *Dec. 7*, Luminaria Shopping Night, 5 to 8 pm. PhoenixvilleFirst.org.

Annual Candlelight Holiday Tour

December 3

Decorated homes and churches, crafts, music, refreshments. Benefits Ann's Heart Blue, The Clinic, Phoenixville Area Senior Center, Firebird Children's Theatre and Phoenixville Children's Library. \$25. 4 to 8. 610-933-9181; PHXHolidayTour.Weebly.com.

Firebird Festival 2022

December 10

Burning of the Firebird at Veteran's Field, 192 Mowere Rd. 5 to 10 pm. \$30–\$140. FirebirdFestival.com.



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here a child goes to school can be a fundamental developmental decision that influences the person they will become as an adult. For many parents, it's simply a rite of passage, as they watch their little student board the bus to what they themselves knew as kids — whether that's attending a public school, religious school or independent school.

"We have a lot of students who come because their mother and grandmother went to Villa Maria," said Jennifer Rose, Director of Enrollment Management at Villa Maria Academy, an all-girls Catholic college preparatory school in Malvern.

For other parents, it's a well-researched decision with spreadsheets and checkboxes. For those families looking at options, the "why" was narrowed down a few years ago by the National Association of Independent Schools. An NAIS study of 50 parents considering an independent school found parents typically do so for one of four reasons: to get academic help, to ensure academic success, to get more specialized attention or to ensure specific core values are attained.

That's an analysis Alissa McGrisken, Director of Family Engagement and Associate Director of Enrollment and Financial Assistance at Totnoll School, a co-ed independent school in Wilmington, finds to be true. "If [parents] are looking out, they are looking out for a reason," she said.

How schools craft their messages to meet concerns of parents searching for a new school is based on many factors, from resources to regulations to class sizes. But, there are a few areas where administrators and parents agree that independent schools stand out.

ABILITY TO BE AGILE

Each day the middle school students at Montgomery School, an independent school in Chester Springs, break for a 30-minute lunch. A few years ago, the teachers noticed their students were

coming back to the classroom amped up and distracted, not ready to learn. That spring, the teachers took the issue to the school's administrators. Solutions were discussed, and the following fall students returned to find a 15-minute post-lunch activity period added to their schedules.

"We continuously ask, 'What's best for the student? What's best for our community?" said Katie Sillup, Montgomery School's Family and Community Engagement Coordinator.

Smaller class sizes, lack of mandated tests and fewer government regulations give teachers at independent schools an opportunity to assess and approach each situation differently and pivot quickly if something isn't working.

"Each student brings their own strengths and weaknesses," said Daniel Hickey, Head of School and seventh-grade English teacher at Upland Country Day School in Kennett Square. "I can develop diverse measures of understanding so all students find success. I can do that with 16 kids. It would be hard with 30."

TEACHERS AND STAFF

Not surprisingly, when asked what sets an education apart, teachers and staff are among the first factors mentioned.

"Our son's teacher called the other day at 7:30 p.m. just to check in," said Caroline Mazza, the mother of a Montgomery School fourth-grade student. She remembers signaling her husband a thumbs-up about the evening call to let him know everything was okay.

That extra attention really stands out with parents.

"The teachers do a phenomenal job of trying to make sure each student is engaged and learning," said Paul Chambers, parent to three kids in private school.

Many private school teachers hold advanced degrees and are recognized as professionals in their fields — professional artists, published writers or active researchers. Private schools see value in these distinctions and work to foster a teacher's passions beyond teaching.

"We have a computer science faculty member with an interest in cyber security. We can support that educator and bring that expertise to the students," said Chris Torino, Assistant Head of School at Episcopol Academy, a faith-based co-ed day school in Newtown Square.

In addition to teachers, private schools often set themselves apart with an office full of dedicated advisors. At Villa Maria, students are assigned a college counselor when they begin their freshman year. The advisors are there to help students navigate the college admissions process early on.

"We focus on finding the 'right fit' college," said Rose. At Episcopal, the college counselors work to prepare the whole family. "Parents benefit from the education as well," said Torino.

BREADTH OF OPPORTUNITIES

Upland School has a unique on-campus feature — a hockey rink. Because of this resource, each year Upland graduates a handful of students who excel in the sport and go on to play in high school and college. But the rink doesn't exist just for the benefit of these select athletes. It's there for every student.



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"We get skates on our kindergarteners. We build it into our gym curriculum," said Hickey. "It teaches the kids early to pick yourself up and keep going." A life lesson.

At Montgomery School, they take advantage of their 60-acre campus to go sledding in winter. At Episcopal, the newspaper is led by a former *Philadelphia Inquirer* reporter. Haverford School has specialized kilns, 3D printers, robotics programs and state-of-the-art athletic facilities, but to Sarah Garling, Director of Marketing and Communications at the all-boys college preparatory school on the Main Line, it's not just that these opportunities exist that's important. Participation is key.

"Parents like that their kids come here and can do whatever they want. There are kids who will be a pitcher on the baseball team and then work on the stage crew," said Garling. "We try not to let students operate in a silo."

Parent Paul Chambers is happy that the schools require kids to step out of their "comfort zone."

ADHERENCE TO CORE VALUES, AKA DEVELOPING THE WHOLE STUDENT

At Episcopal Academy, their core values are so integral to what they do that their lower school uniforms have "the stripes." Five bands on each student's sleeve serve as a visible reminder that growth is not simply about learning.

For parents Chris and Caroline Mazza, it was the embodiment of the school's core values that caught their attention when they first visited Montgomery School. Chris described being on a tour with the head of admissions. Every student they passed politely greeted the adults. "The way these kids presented themselves, so proper, it almost seemed rehearsed, like there were cameras," he said.

Of course, there weren't cameras. The behavior and composure were just part of the school's value of leadership. "You really do see the school nurturing these kids to be leaders," Chris said.

At Haverford, the school embraces 24 core virtues — attributes such as character, loyalty, teamwork and selflessness. "Being able to ingrain that in kids early — those are really important things every kid at Haverford gets," said Galing.

ALUMNI SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY

Shortly after mom-of-three Rosemary gave birth to her youngest, her oldest child found himself in front of all the students in Tatnall's early division. It was part of a weekly school-hosted get-together when classmates share milestones and celebrations. Four-year-old Grayson was brought up to introduce his baby sister. He was given a platform and a "big brother" crown. Rosemary was in a car accident prior to the delivery and couldn't be there, so the teachers recorded the whole presentation for her.

"I don't know how I would have gotten through it without the Tatnall community," she said.

That idea of community was echoed by others I spoke with, whether it was in the context of alumni giving their time and advice, families embracing a new student or classmates encouraging each other to take risks. While it's hard to say this experience is unique to private schools, it's a testament to finding a school that's a good fit for the student and the family.

Hickey at Upland School files it under one of those intangibles you won't find on a marketing brochure. "There's something to be said for really feeling happy and safe at school. If school is stressful or worrisome, that's a very different takeaway," he said.

In the end, a variety of reasons will factor into the decision to go to public school or private school, religious or independent, co-ed or single-sex school.

"It's not private versus public school," said Amber Buller, a child psychologist and mother to two private school students. "It's really [about] which is the right school for your student and your family. If that school's not meeting your needs, then you're going to start looking at other options."

Rose at Villa Maria remembered how they knew they found the right school for their daughter. "When my daughter said, 'This is the school I feel most comfortable at.' That was all we needed to hear."

Cara Corridoni writes the weekly newsletter "Hello West Chester."





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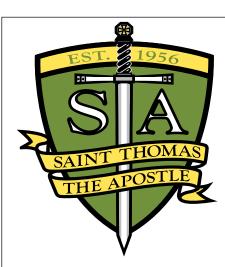
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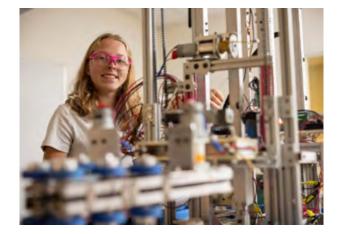
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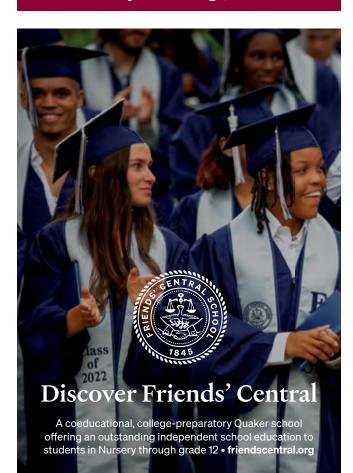
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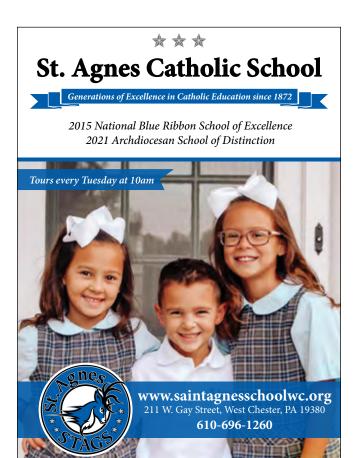


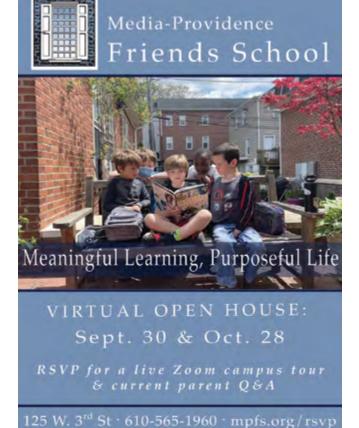
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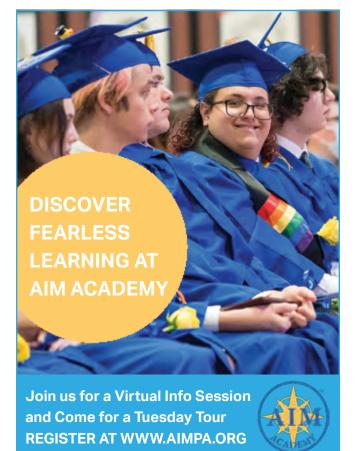
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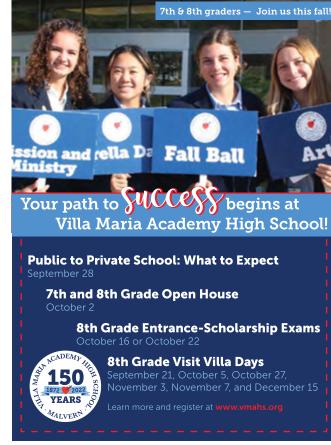
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Bootjack Farm

A 1730s FARMHOUSE ON ALMOST 40 ACRES IN KENNETT TOWNSHIP

Laurel Anderson

T WAS THE VIEW FROM THE HILLTOP OF LUSH, rolling southern Chester County countryside that convinced the Case parents to move their nine children to Bookjack Farm almost 50 years ago, says daughter Jennie. "And my mother always wanted to live in an old farmhouse," she adds.

The original 1730s stone farmhouse remains the core of the large, gracious home, which was expanded and renovated over the years. The additions provided space for a large family along with a perfect setting for the many collections Jennie's mother assembled. "She collected antiques, primitives, dolls, dollhouses and so much more," says Jennie. Glass-front display cases in one of the rooms remain as evidence of those past collections.

When asked about a special memory of the family home, Jennie volunteers, "About a year after moving in, we all dressed up in period garb for a special occasion — we opened the farm to the public as a stop on the 1976 Chester County Day Tour, many Octobers ago."

This October, the property is ready for new owners to enjoy country life on Bootjack Farm.

THE SETTING

Set at the end of Starvegut Lane, Bookjack Farm is surprisingly secluded, yet still close to Kennett Square — less than ten minutes from downtown Kennett and from Longwood Gardens. And it's convenient to both Philadelphia and Wilmington as well.

Views of the property past the pond and an eight-stall barn surrounded by the remains of a once-massive former stone bank barn add to the sense of country living with equestrian extras. The rebuilt barn has a large hayloft and water access plus acres of pastures nearby. Easy access to Stateline Woods Preserve adds additional miles of trails for riding and hiking.

trees, including a massive magnolia, cover the property. A few stately oaks are hundreds of years old, says Jennie. And a large,



MAIN HOUSE

Like most historic farmhouses, the original 1730s core grew over the centuries. A larger kitchen was added. Formal rooms and additional bedrooms came later. All the while, period details were preserved — thick walls, original wide-plank wooden floors, walk-in fireplaces, exposed beams, a springhouse below the main-level bedroom.

barn and pond beyond. And 2002 saw a significant renovation of

the great room, based on designs drawn by Jennie's mother and refined by architects from Bernardon.

"We called it the tavern room," says Jennie, describing the log cabin-style open space designed to look compatible with the original structure, with exposed beams, trusses and vaulted ceiling. Like other work on the home, the construction incorporated materials from Lancaster County — reclaimed wood, barn doors, old brick and slate for the floors.

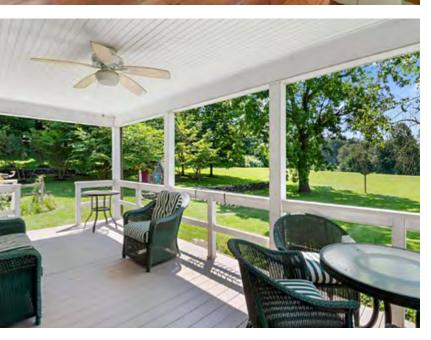
Modern amenities were included during the renovations, with radiant heat under the brick floors and a full-house generator added. Historic details — a beehive oven, rosehead nails in wide-plank floorboards — were preserved, along with countryside views from most rooms of the elongated home.

Towering evergreens, old-growth hardwood trees and specimen In the 1990s, the addition of a bright, indoor sunroom and spacious open porch capitalized on the view overlooking the pool,

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THE ROOMS

The main house currently has five bedrooms, four bathrooms and five fireplaces over multiple levels, including a finished attic and basement. A one-bedroom in-law suite with separate entrance is over the two-car garage.

On the main level, in addition to the living room, dining room, kitchen, breakfast room and spacious great room/tavern room, are the sun room and a bedroom plus full bath.

Two staircases take you to the second level, where the primary bedroom and bath are located. Two additional bedrooms, another full hallway bathroom and a cedar closet complete this floor. A large additional bedroom is on the top level. The bedrooms have built-ins, some with fireplaces, exposed beams and other charming details.

The lower level includes the laundry room, ample storage, rec room and a surprise — an indoor putting green!

OUTDOOR SPACES

Several outdoor spaces are perfect for entertaining or relaxing. The covered porch off the main level and the ground-level covered patio with stone walls both provide space to enjoy the views. Meanwhile, the pool area, a charming children's playhouse and level grass fields — large enough for several soccer fields — afford space for family fun.

The eight-stall bank barn with center aisle, which once housed seven horses and a few ponies, will spark the imagination of equestrians. Acres of pastures are awaiting the addition of paddocks to complete the dream.

And it's still possible to climb to the highest point on the property — now marked by a wooden bench and cherry trees — and share the same view that inspired the Case parents to embrace life on Bookjack Farm so many years ago. •

This 37-acre property in Kennett Township — with a 5-bedroom, 4-bath, 5-fireplace main residence plus a separate 1-bedroom apartment, 8-stall barn and springhouse — is offered at \$3.45 million. The property is under a conservation easement that allows for expansion of the house and barn. For more information. contact Karen Nader at Monument Sotheby's International Realty. 484-888-5597; Karen.Nader@SothebysRealty.com.



and the New Normal

THE LOCAL FALL 2022 REAL ESTATE **MARKET IS** CHANGING.

Laurel Anderson

HE ALMOST IRRATIONAL EXuberance of the early 2022 real estate market was never expected to be sustainable. Frothy levels of activity with routine multiple offers, bidding wars and waived inspections were bound to deflate. Fueled to a great extent by historically low mortgage interest rates and a new workfrom-home culture that had many searching for a dream home, that hot a market was bound to cool. Even in our special corner of the Brandywine Valley.

Realtors in our area uniformly advise that there's been a gradual return to a more normalized market. And they agree this is a healthier situation for all parties.

Some saw a pause in the market in the early spring when mortgage rates went from 3.22% in January to 4% in March, then 5.8% in June. And inflation pumped the brakes, too.

It took a beat for some buyers — especially those new to the real estate market









Camille Gracie, Country Properties



Gary Scheivert, Berkshire Hathaway, Fox & Roach



Missy Schwartz, Berkshire Hathaway,

— to be educated that even at 6%, mortgage rates were still far from record highs. Remember the high of 18% in 1981 and above 8% in 2000 and 6.3% in 2007? The low pandemic interest rates were the anomaly, and mortgage rates heading toward 6% are a sign that things are returning to a more normal range.

Here's what the team at Holly Gross Group shares: "Since the spring market, we've noticed the pace of the market is returning to a more controlled level. While prices are not decreasing, longer days on market and the return of inspections have become more frequent."

Sue Fitzgerald, Compass Realty, has this to add: "Housing inventory in our local market is still at historic lows. With millions of millennials coming of age to purchase a home, post-Covid demand and low inventory will keep our suburban Philadelphia real estate market strong and stable — with gradual normalization and rebalancing for the foreseeable future."

Overall, agents remain bullish. Koren Nader of Monument Sotheby's International Realty (formerly Brandywine Fine Properties, Sotheby's) says this: "There are conflicting perceptions about the real estate market today. While some are concerned over inventory and inflation, we are continuing to see confidence. Buyers and sellers alike are benefiting from the strength of the real estate investment."

So it's good news ... and good news.

ADVICE TO BUYERS

Granted, local housing inventory is lower, with some luxury properties that didn't sell during the heated market now being removed and many boomers staying put and not downsizing. But there are excellent properties for sale, and an educated buyer can find a good new home. Agents advise that buyers still need to act quickly if they find an ideal property. But now there's less need to abandon rationality.

Holly Gross sums up her advice to buyers: "Interest rates are still historically low. Prices are not going to go down — they're going to continue the upward trend. If you

want to buy a home, buy now. Don't expect prices to come down. When you find the right house, make a strong offer with few contingencies to get the home you desire."

Inspection contingencies — which realtors generally advise against waiving — are coming back as part of offers. Now many buyers set a floor on the sellers' cost to cure defects — waiving smaller issues below a few thousand dollars. This way buyers are protected against major defects — think future major stucco problems — but sellers don't see the inspection process as a price re-

In addition, the fall market will likely take less of an emotional toll — on buyers losing many properties and on realtors having to give bad news to so many disappointed bidders.

ADVICE TO SELLERS

Sellers are reminded not to get greedy or unrealistic. Too-high sale prices can scare away buyers and keep properties outside those potential buyers see, because of set price parameters. Yet sellers who want to get top dollar still need to present their home at its best.

An experienced agent can help with setting the price and staging the property. With a background in interior design, Camille Gracie of Country Properties works closely with sellers of luxury properties. "Our area is seeing home prices up 6% and holding," she says, demonstrating the importance of expert intel.

Gracie also helps with everything from gently rearranging the interior to providing plants from her garden. "Curb appeal remains important, so add attractive seasonal details, like pumpkins and ornamental grasses to enhance the exterior. Editing and depersonalizing the interior help the home appeal to a wider pool of buyers," Gracie adds. She advises storing excess items off site and putting away personal items.

Add carefully edited details to create texture and unify the color scheme from room to room to create flow. Attractive live plants and flowers, pillows, throws and baskets will give the home polish.

All the agents advised that buyers store the clutter, paint walls, shampoo or replace carpets, and make the space open and welcoming. Some advice never changes.

HOT SPOTS AND NEW OPTIONS

Desirable areas remain attractive to buyers, including much of the Brandywine Valley. Monument's Nader says that the pandemic opened greater geographic boundaries for many buyers who are now able to expand their searches. This brings buyers from New York and beyond.

And what began during the pandemic as a preference for a walkable neighborhood has remained a strong desire. Small towns like Media and West Chester continue to be attractive and sustain strong selling prices. "West Chester, in particular, remains a hot market. A walkable, neighborhood town with a college and plenty of restaurants in the county seat," says Gary Scheivert, Berkshire Hathaway, Fox & Roach.

While there may be some softening of asking prices in other areas, the hot spots are still hot, Scheivert says. Yet increased interest rates affect buyers' overall buying power, pricing some out of the current market or causing them to wait.

Other buyers are looking at different options. There's a kind of trickle-down effect, says Scheivert. A \$300,000 condo may be a more realistic option for a first-time buyer than a single-family home now requiring higher monthly payments.

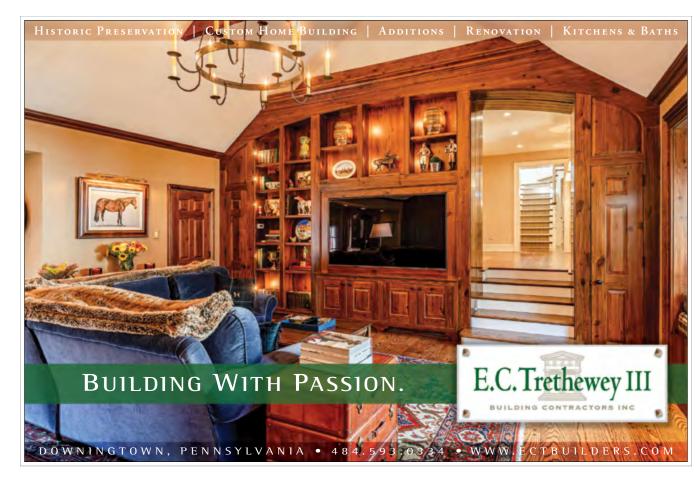
If a property is a true star — good location, good schools, good condition, good price — buyers may still compete against multiple offers, all cash, no contingencies, says Missy Schwartz, Berkshire Hathaway. Although now there may be fewer buyers in that com-

Some buyers who lost out on buying during the buzzy market are now more open to the not-perfect property — maybe something that needs a little work and imagination, Schwartz says. And since younger kids can adjust to a new school if a move happens during the school year, the fall market continues to see families actively looking. Most buyers do hope to wrap up their deal before the holidays and certainly before the end of the 2022 tax year.

FINAL WORDS ON FALL

And remember the old real estate adage — location, location, location. When you're reading articles in national publications about the major downturn predicted for the overall real estate market, keep in mind the view of Compass' Fitzgerald: "Like weather, real estate is local — even 'hyper-local.' So when listening to the national news, remember to put that 'hype' in perspective."

Sound local advice to take to heart! ◆





CREATE YOUR OWN DELICIOUS VINTAGE COLLECTION

Mark Safarik, Dogfish Head Craft Brewery

I 'M SURE YOU'VE HEARD THE EXPRESSION, "LIKE wine, it gets better with age." But those of us in the beer business ask, why should wine have all the fun?

Many people don't realize that beer is also ageable. In fact, some beers are created specifically with cellaring in mind.

Another thing to keep in mind for aging beer: It's a lot like enjoying music. Some folks enjoy the latest hits, while others prefer to stick to the classics. And there's no right or wrong choice — especially when it comes to enjoying beer — only an ever-expanding array of options.

Now, you're probably asking yourself a couple of questions if you're new to aging beer — What beers can and should be aged? How do I properly age a beer? Won't "old beer" make me ill?

While there are no hard and fast rules for aging beer, let me share a few tips to keep in mind as you explore and experiment.

1. LEARN BY EXPERIMENTING

As a beer ages, certain flavors will fade while others become more pronounced. There are various factors that cause these changes, but the biggest influence is oxidation. While some beers respond better to oxidation than others, you won't know what you like until you try. And that's part of the fun.

For example, hops — whether bitter, floral or citrusy — tend to fade in flavor over time, meaning hop-forward IPAs typically aren't the best candidates for aging. Yet some beers, like Dogfish Head's 120 Minute IPA (a continually-hopped, 15-20% ABV IPA), actually benefit from aging.

After a year or two of cellaring, this style of beer becomes smoother and more approachable, plus the aging process brings out some delicious sweet sherry and marmalade notes.

Long story short — if you aren't sure how aging will affect the taste of a particular beer, buy a few bottles. Drink one fresh and stash the rest. After six months, crack open a bottle to see if you like the direction it's taking. If so, try another in six months and see what you think. And if the taste is heading away from what you enjoy, invite some friends and finish it off.

2. HIGH-ALCOHOL BEERS TEND TO AGE BETTER

There are exceptions, but beers that are 10% ABV or higher are most often recommended for aging. As with the 120 Minute IPA, most higher-alcohol beers are full of pungent, complex flavors. Many of them also have a dark, heavy malt profile.

Take another example from Dogfish Head. World Wide Stout is a dark, roasty stout brewed with a ridiculous amount of barley, creating a beer reminiscent of a fine port wine. At 15-20% ABV, this beer's alcohol content makes it a great candidate for aging.

But that's not all. The beer's dark malt bill provides additional flavor protection in the aging process, as well as some defense against shelf-life woes, like oxidation, light and heat.

3. STORAGE MATTERS

And speaking of shelf-life woes — this may be the most important tip of all storage matters. Yes, you can technically age beer anywhere, but to best ensure quality, it's important to store cellared beer in not surprisingly — cool, dark places like a basement or refrigerator set to 50-55 degrees. These conditions will protect it from elements like light and heat, which speed up the oxidation process.

I also recommend storing your cellared beers upright, in contrast to cellared wine stored on its side. That way, if sediment falls out of suspension as the beer ages, it settles at the bottom of the bottle.

And if you see sediment at the bottom of your bottle, don't worry — it's totally normal. In fact, that sediment is nothing more than yeast or protein particles. To avoid consuming it, chill your vintage brew for a few hours before gingerly pouring it into a glass, a bit like decanting wine.

If you do happen to drink some of those particles — or "floaties," as they're sometimes called — while you're enjoying your vintage brew, there's no need for concern. They won't hurt you, which brings us to my final tip.

4. BEER WON'T SPOIL

Last and certainly not least, when aging a beer, you don't need to worry about it going bad. Beer won't spoil like milk. You may not prefer what age does to the taste of a certain beer (or you may love it even more!), but regardless, aged beer won't make you sick.

As you can see, aging beer is more of an art than a science. I encourage you to give it a try and have some fun with your experiments. It's just beer, and what's the wort ... eh, *worst* that could happen?!

A few final thoughts on cellaring beer: I wanted to share some of my absolute favorite vintage brews. In addition to those from Dogfish Head, I highly recommend adding a couple of the following beers to your vintage stash — Allagash Brewing Coolship Series (any of them), Sierra Nevada Bigfoot Barleywine, Firestone Walker Parabola and Brewer Ommegang Three Philosophers.

All these beers' recipes and characteristics lend themselves to being great candidates for the aging process. And if you can will yourself not to drink them fresh (that self-restraint may be the toughest part), you're in for a real treat a few years down the road! Cheers! ♦

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rel megabreweries. He joined Dogfish Head in 2014 and currently focuses on new product development, innovation and R&D. Mark is a graduate of the University of California at Davis, known for its training in brewing science. More at Dogfish.com.

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

Brews News. Celebrate Oktoberfest with these new brews and breweries. West Chester's Artillery Brewing Company is opening a new taproom and beer garden in Drexel Hill. Called The Arsenal, it will feature 12 Artillery brews on tap, local wine and spirits, plus a full-service kitchen.



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Lancaster County-based Stoudts Brewing Company is back after closing in 2020. Carol Stoudt, first female brewmaster since Prohibition, teamed up with Philly's Evil Genius Beer Company to distribute Stoudts' iconic Oktoberfest lager and Stoudts Gold, plus more ales in 2023. Ein Prost! 4221 Fern Blvd., Drexel Hill. ArtilleryBrewing.com. Stoudts.com.

Pumpkin Spice Legacy. Autumn and pumpkin spice flavor go hand in hand. Though too often associated with Starbucks lattes, pumpkin spice originated in the early 17th century. The spice ingredients — cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves, allspice and ginger, all native to Southeast Asian islands merged to become commercially produced "pumpkin pie spice" in the 1930s. Now that you know its his-

tory, celebrate pumpkin spice season by making your own pumpkin-flavored goodies, from muffins to coffee to pies. FoodAndWine.com

Setting Sail. Time to say "bon voyage" to fine dining at Exton's historic Ship Inn. Despite a makeover from Chef Robert Irvine on Food Network's Restaurant: Impossible, the longtime restaurant has officially closed its doors. But, now you can say "ahoy" to a new microbrewery slated to take its place. Veteran-owned VK Brewing will serve beer brewed on site in their 10-barrel brewhouse along with a revitalized menu, featuring brewpub favorites plus an open pizza kitchen and raw bar. 693 E. Lincoln Hwy, Exton. VKBrewing.com.

More Dining Buzz. West Chester's Dragonfly Catering has spread its wings, landing in a new space in Chester Springs. Besides continuing to serve weekly ready-to-serve family meals, the husband-wife duo is hosting private events in the newly restored Flowing Springs Inn (circa 1825). The gorgeous event space features three dining rooms, two stone fireplaces, exposed wood beams and a long copper bar. 4000 Pottstown Pk., Pottstown. Dragonfly-Catering.com.



Restaurant News. The local dining scene is abuzz. Media restauranteurs Loic Barnieu and Mike Hackett transformed Diego's into Two Fourteen, a casual but elevated New American restaurant and cocktail bar.

And the talents behind Wilmington's Bardea Food & Drink opened Bardea Steak next door. One of Vogue's "Most Anticipated Restaurant Openings," it features five steaks from across the globe. For more about new restaurants in our area, check out "Across County Lines" in this issue. TwoFourteenRestaurant.com. BardeaSteak.com.



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Brandywine Table

Like Mamie Used to Make

A FAMILY-OWNED BUSINESS SHARES THE STORY BEHIND THEIR AUTHENTIC ITALIAN COMFORT FOOD.

Alyssa Thayer

N ITALIAN FAMILIES, FOOD IS LOVE AND LOVE IS family. And while pizza and pasta have become ubiquitous in this country, most of these foods pale in comparison to the real thing. Authentic Italian food is a symphony of fresh ingredients and practiced preparations. Taste, sight, feel and intuition serve as the instruments, all finely tuned by a long line of masterful matriarchs.

In the case of the Vaccaro family, owners and operators of Aunt Mamie's Italian Specialties in West Chester, the woman behind the recipes and passion for cooking was Philomena Vaccaro, affectionately called "Mamie."

Philomena's family emigrated from Southern Italy to Pennysylvania when she was a child, but Italian food remained the central theme of their lives. After settling in, her family opened an Italian eatery called Vaccaro's and would gather family, friends and neighbors each weekend for Sunday Dinner (really lunchtime).

"We always had a house full of people growing up, and it was always centered around the table, the food and eating," remembers Philomena's granddaughter, Denise Schatz. Denise's father Mike Vaccaro spent a career in the Marines, but even as his family moved around, the thing that always helped build community and bring people together was their food. "Gatherings always included lasagna, meatballs or something that was an authentic meal from our Italian heritage," Denise remembers.





After his retirement, Mike and his wife Theresa decided to open a small food business and name it after Mamie. Their original menu was simple — fresh pasta, gnocchi and marinara sauce — and they sold it all at local farmers markets. One of their favorite parts of selling at markets is interacting directly with customers. "Last week, a woman told me she bought ricotta gnocchi from us and mushrooms from another vendor and made something delicious. Those are the stories I love," Denise says.

While Aunt Mamie's continues to cater to their loyal foodie following, they've also expanded their line of prepared meals to accommodate those who are too busy or unable to cook from scratch.

All the culinary know-how at Aunt Mamie's is "homegrown" and descends directly from Mamie, who spent hours in the kitchen teaching her daughter-in-law Theresa the recipes. And while the team has grown over time, they all have one thing in common: "Everyone who works here grew up in an Italian household, with the root of their families being native to Italy," Denise says.

Nothing makes the Vaccaro family happier than being able to share those original recipes that have been cherished for so many years. It's their way of welcoming us to the famiglia!

You can find Aunt Mamies's fresh pasta and prepared Italian sauces and dishes at local farmers markets, or you can order directly from their website and pick them up from their kitchen in West Chester.



Recipes

While some of Aunt Mamie's recipes require special tools and tons of hands-on practice, they've graciously shared this selection of recipes to help bring a taste of Italy to our kitchens.

Italian Meat Sauce

What could be more delicious and classic than a good red meat sauce? Pair it with thicker and shorter pasta that can hold up to the sauce, or enjoy over ravioli or gnocchi.

Serves 8

1/4 C. extra virgin olive oil

1 large yellow onion, diced

4 cloves garlic, minced

2 lb. ground beef (at least 85% lean, the leaner the better)

2 tsp. garlic powder

2 tsp. salt

1 tsp. pepper

4 T. tomato paste

28 oz. ground (or crushed), peeled tomatoes

28 oz. tomato puree

2 T. fresh basil, chopped

2 tsp. sugar



In a large stock pot, heat oil until shimmering. Add onions and sauté until translucent (about 5 minutes). Add garlic and cook just until it releases its fragrance.

Add beef and cook until browned. If there's a lot of fat in the pot, drain the fat. If it's just a little fat, don't bother trying to drain it.

Sprinkle garlic powder, salt and pepper onto the meat and stir. Stir in tomato paste and cook until the bright red color disappears.

Meat should be a dark brown/burgundy color.

Add tomatoes, tomato puree, basil and sugar.

Bring mixture to a boil, then reduce heat to a simmer, stirring occasionally, until the meat sauce is thickened. This can take about an hour.

Taste the sauce and add more salt and pepper as desired.

This sauce pairs well with pappardelle, spaghetti or rigatoni pasta. It also goes well with potato or ricotta gnocchi and cheese ravioli.

Pasta Primer

There's much more to good pasta than just boiling water. Up your noodle game with a few of these famiglia-approved tips.

Fresh Take - Fresh pasta is different in many ways from its dry counterpart. For one, it's more delicate and needs far less cooking time (only a few minutes should do the trick). It also tends to have simpler ingredients. For Aunt Mamie's pasta, it's only semolina flour and water. That's it!

Market Made - Because fresh pasta has a shorter shelf life than dry, Aunt Mamie's makes it day of or the afternoon before now that's fresh! Have more than you can use? Denise recommends freezing the pasta as the best way to save it.

Dried Dish - While the delicate texture of fresh pasta can't be beaten, there are certain recipes when dry pasta is the way to go - like using pasta in soups that you plan to store and reheat

Great Shape - Not only is there a decision between dry and fresh pasta, there's also a choice of shape. Denise says short pasta with more nooks and crannies (think fusilli and penne) is great for standing up to heartier dishes with meats and veggies, while delicate linguinis and angel hair do better with lighter

Deciphering Done-ness - Aunt Mamie's team tirelessly tested their pasta to give you accurate cook times, but if you are working with a product without instructions, Denise says the best is simply to try it. Carefully pull a piece out, let it cool, taste it and decide. "You want it slightly chewy but not falling apart," she says.

Salt Like the Sea - Many chefs and home cooks will emphasize the importance of salting the pasta water. Some say to do it before it boils, others say after, but all agree it must be done. Just be careful that salinity is accounted for when using the water to

Star Starches - Think twice before throwing out that pasta water, for it's the stock secret of any Italian chef. The dissolved starches in the water serve as both a binding agent for the sauce and the pasta, and as a sauce thickener (as the water cooks out). Italian recipes often say to cook pasta al dente in water and finish it in

..... Pasta Alla Norma

This tomato-based pasta dish is said to have Sicilian roots and was originally created to highlight summer produce. Trust us when we say this is a year-round crowd pleaser.

Serves 4

1/4 C. olive oil

2 medium size egaplants (approx 2 pounds total), peeled and cut into 1-inch cubes

1/4 tsp. salt

1/2-1 tsp. crushed red pepper flakes (optional, based on your spice preference)

½ tsp. dried oregano

Nonstick cooking spray

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2 C. marinara sauce, warm

1/2 C. fresh basil leaves, chopped, plus a small handful for garnish if desired

³/₄ C. freshly grated Parmesan cheese

8 oz. fresh rigatoni, or pasta of your choice

Preheat oven to 400°.



In a large bowl drizzle olive oil on eggplant cubes and stir gently to coat all pieces. Sprinkle with salt, crushed red pepper flakes and oregano.

Spray a cookie sheet with nonstick cooking spray, spread prepared

eggplant on tray and bake for 15 minutes or until browned on the exterior and soft on the inside.

Remove eggplant from tray and place in a large bowl.

In a large pot, boil 4-6 quarts of water with 11/2 tablespoons salt. Cook pasta according to package directions.

Drain and add pasta to bowl with eggplant. Stir in marinara sauce, freshly grated parmesan cheese and fresh basil. Garnish with additional basil if desired.

Chicken Marsala

This is a great weekend meal idea that boasts all the best savory notes of cold weather meals without being too heavy. Enjoy as part of a relaxed evening in good company.



Serves 4

1 C. flour

4 (6-8 oz. each) boneless, skinless chicken breasts

Salt and pepper

1/4 C. vegetable oil

2½ oz. pancetta, cut into 1-inch long and 1/8-inch wide pieces

8 oz. white mushrooms, trimmed and sliced thin

1 garlic clove, minced

1 tsp. tomato paste

11/2 C. sweet Marsala wine

4½ tsp. lemon juice

4 T. unsalted butter, cut into 4 pieces and chilled

2 T. fresh parsley, chopped

1 lb. fresh spaghetti or fettuccine

Preheat oven to 200°.

In a 6-quart pot, bring 4 quarts of water and 1½ tablespoons of salt to a boil.

Place flour in a shallow dish or pie plate. Slice each chicken breast in half, horizontally, then cover chicken halves with plastic wrap and pound to an even 1/4-inch thickness with meat pounder. Pat chicken dry with paper towels and season with salt and pepper. Working with 1 cutlet at a time, dredge in flour mixture, shaking off excess, and transfer to large plate.

Heat 2 tablespoons oil in a 12-inch skillet over medium-high heat until the oil is shimmering. Place 4 chicken cutlets in skillet and cook until golden brown on first side, about 3 minutes. Flip cutlets, reduce heat to medium and cook until no longer pink and lightly browned on second side, about 2 minutes longer. Transfer to large oven-safe plate.

Wipe out skillet. Repeat with remaining 2 tablespoons oil and remaining cutlets. Tent plate loosely with aluminum foil and transfer to oven to keep warm while making sauce.

Cook pancetta in the now-empty skillet over low heat, stirring occasionally and scraping up any browned bits, until crisp, about 5 minutes. Remove pancetta with a slotted spoon and transfer to paper towel-lined plate.

Add mushrooms to skillet, increase heat to medium-high and cook, stirring occasionally, until softened and lightly browned, about 8 minutes. Stir in garlic, tomato paste and crisp pancetta and cook until tomato paste begins to brown, about 1 minute. Be careful not to cook longer than a minute or the garlic may burn. Turn off the heat and stir in Marsala, scraping any browned bits.

Return to high heat, bring to a vigorous simmer and cook, stirring occasionally, until sauce is thickened and measures 11/4 cups, about 5 minutes.

Add pasta to boiling water and cook according to package directions.

Off heat, stir in lemon juice and any accumulated chicken juices into the Marsala sauce. Whisk in butter one piece at a time. Stir in parsley and season with salt and pepper to taste. Pour sauce over chicken and serve immediately with pasta.

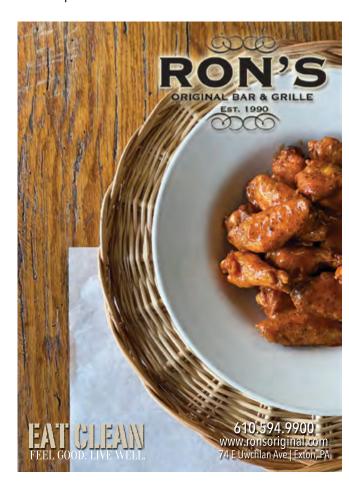
Lemon Garlic Pasta

This simple yet scrumptious dish is a good one to add to your dinner arsenal. Using that starchy pasta water to create the perfect silky consistency takes your pasta night to a whole new level.



Serves 4

1 lb. fresh pasta 1 T. olive oil 2 T. unsalted butter 6 garlic cloves, minced ½ tsp. red chili flakes Zest and juice of one lemon



1/2 C. grated parmesan cheese Chopped parsley for garnish, optional Salt & pepper to taste and to salt the pasta water

Bring 6 quarts of water and 1 tablespoon of salt to a rolling boil. Cook pasta according to package directions. Reserve 1-2 cups of pasta water before draining.

Heat olive oil in a large pan over medium heat. Add butter. Once butter is melted, stir in garlic and chili flakes and cook for 1-2 minutes. Watch carefully, as garlic can quickly burn.

Toss cooked pasta into the garlic-butter mixture. If it looks too dry, start adding small amounts of reserved pasta water until desired consistency is reached.

Stir in lemon zest and juice, then add parmesan cheese and toss well to combine.

Sprinkle with chopped parsley, additional cheese and lemon zest, if desired. Serve immediately. •

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