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#### Marc Fraser | Director of Security

The Hershey's Mill Security
Department would like to remind
pedestrians that they should utilize
sidewalks, where available. When
sidewalks are unavailable, pedestrians
should utilize the shoulder on the left
side of the road facing oncoming traffic,
as this allows drivers and pedestrians
alike a much better opportunity to
see the other approaching. Also, if
pedestrians will be walking around
dusk or after dark, they should wear
bright-colored clothing (reflective, if
possible) and carry a flashlight to make
them more visible to motorists.

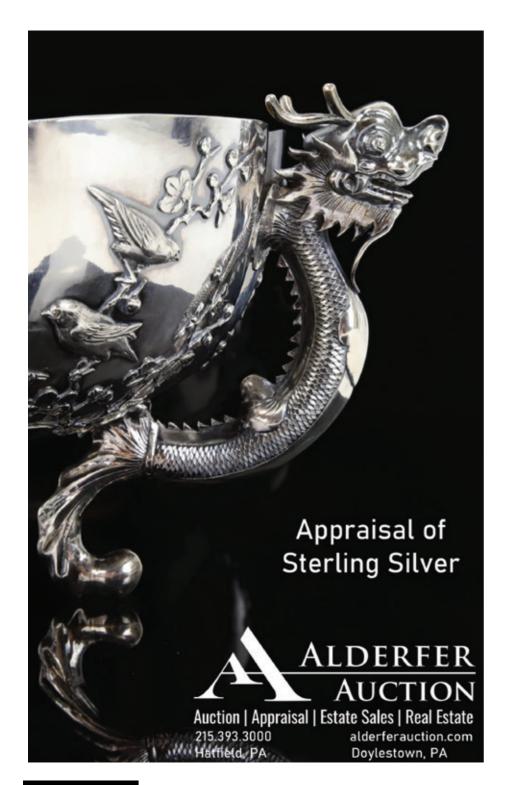
Motorists need to remember to adhere to the 27 MPH speed limit along Chandler Drive and Mill Road, and drivers should always yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. Keep in mind that Hershey's Mill roadways also have several 'blind spots' (small rises in the road, curves, and other areas of poor visibility). In these areas, pedestrians should use extra caution and be aware that drivers may have a difficult time seeing them. Just because a pedestrian notices the vehicle coming toward them does not mean that the driver has also seen the pedestrian. Both parties should always use caution when sharing the roadways within Hershey's Mill!

Lastly, all people (pedestrians and operators of automobiles, golf carts, bicycles etc.) utilizing Hershey's Mill roadways and walkways are required to abide by the traffic rules and regulations of Hershey's Mill.

Thank you!



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#### **Residents Update**

Please pull this page out of the Guide and Digest to include it in your 2023 Resident Directory so you have the current information.

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#### **CALLING ALL POKER PLAYERS!**

On Sunday, April 2 from Noon to 5:00 p.m. a Texas Hold'em poker tournament will be held at the Downingtown Country Club to benefit Family Service of Chester County. \$100 reserves your seat for an afternoon of fun, food, and play. For questions and reservations, please contact Tyler Changeris at 717-344-0341 or tchangeris@familyservice.us.

#### DEB DORSEY TEAM SHREDDING EVENT TO BE HELD SATURDAY APRIL 15

This is your chance to declutter! On Saturday, April 15, from 9:00 a.m. until Noon (or until the truck is full), the Deb Dorsey Team, affiliated with Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Fox & Roach, REALTORS\*, will host

its annual shredding event for all Hershey's Mill residents.

"This is an event we love to offer this great community of our clients and friends," says Deb Dorsey, team leader. Her father, Dave Dorsey, and husband, Mike Green, also work for the team. With the exception of April 2020, when the event was canceled because of Covid, the team has hosted this free, rain-or-shine shredding event for the last five years. Residents can declutter and destroy excess paper, knowing personal information will not be compromised.

"We encourage all residents to drive up with their items to shred," says Dorsey. "Our team will clear materials out without them having to exit their cars." Dorsey also notes that, this April, there will once again be two Wiggins Shredding trucks scheduled to arrive early to the pool parking lot.

Don't miss this chance to declutter while helping the environment. If you have any questions about the event, please email or call Dave Dorsey at dave@debdorsey.com or 610-724-2879.

#### THE FUTURE OF EVERYDAY LIFE: A HEALTHIER PLANET AND A HEALTHIER YOU

Join us for an exciting family event on Saturday April 15 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the East Goshen Park. Come participate in this free event jointly sponsored by both East and West Goshen Townships. It will be fun and informative for the entire family. There will be environment and sustainability focused vendors, videos, demos, and local residents sharing their green home improvement experiences, crafts and games for kids, native plants gardening tips, and EV cars and bikes to view.

We have prepared some helpful videos to preview before you attend. (Not a requirement for admission.) Contact Henry at henry.deh.alexander@gmail. com if you wish to view them. You'll be glad you did! Sunday April 16 is the rain date.

#### **IGC CONCIERGE JEWELERS**

IGC Concierge Jewelers will be in the Community Center from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. providing a wide range of jewelry services. IGC will be there to purchase the following items: finished or broken gold,

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silver, or platinum jewelry items, gemstones, sterling silver flatware and sterling silver accessory pieces, fine timepieces such as Omega and Rolex (just to name a few brands), as well as gold or silver coins and vintage paper currency. With their state-ofthe-art service center and superior craftsmen, they can expertly repair your fine jewelry and fine timepieces. They also repair fine mantel clocks, wall clocks, or grandfather clocks. Some minor repairs and some watch battery replacement can be done while you wait. The experts from IGC will inspect your fine jewelry and fine timepieces free of charge.

Find extra money in your unwanted items. Complimentary coffee and doughnuts will be served. If you have



any questions or wish to make an appointment, please contact IGC at (610) 876-6638. See you at the event!

IGC Concierge Jewelers will be in the Community Center from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on April 20, 2023.

# PAOLI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY'S SHOWCASE OF HERSHEY'S MILL HOMES May 11, 2023 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

#### Nancy Parke | Ashton Showcase of Homes Publicity Chair

It's almost here! The Showcase of Homes (SOH) at Hershey's Mill is coming soon. This traditionally-annual event is back after a brief respite during Covid. The Paoli Hospital Auxiliary (PHA) has organized an exciting day of events starting with an insider's view of six lovely tour homes within the Hershey's Mill's villages. This begins at 10:00 a.m. There will be an optional luncheon at the Hershey's Mill Golf Club where there will be a Vendor's Boutique with eight local retailers as well as raffles.

Be sure to tune in to The Showcase of Homes featured on HMCTV during the last two weeks of April. Jeannie Colvin, Chair, and Maureen Kennedy, Co-Chair, of this event will provide interesting and relevant information about the SOH so you are well prepared for the day's festivities.

Here's what you need to know: Tour Tickets for SOH - \$35. Luncheon tickets (Optional) at Hershey's Mill Golf Club - \$35.

#### DATES FOR SOH TICKET SALES:

Community Center Upstairs Foyer – 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

April 17, 18, 19 (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) April 24, 25, 26 (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) May 1, 2, 3 (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) May 8, 9, 10 (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) May 11 (Thursday) 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. only

#### Hershey's Mill Golf Club Front Entrance

April 19, 26, May 3 (Wednesday) 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

April 22, 29 (Saturday) 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. May 5 (Friday) 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

If you cannot purchase tickets at the above times, you can contact Ferdie Lamb at 610-350-8774 or glambfd@yahoo.com.

### SAVE THE DATE FARMERS MARKET AND MINI HEALTH FAIR

May 24, 2023 10:00 a.m. to Noon at the Community Center

This event will feature many vendors such as: Moving Consultants, Financial Advisors, Insurance Advisors, Home Healthcare Providers, Senior Living/ Assisted Living Facilities, FREE Blood Pressure Screening, Senior Living Advisors, AND MORE.

Come and enjoy morning refreshments with your friends and neighbors. Vendors will offer complimentary fruits and vegetables as well as providing valuable information on their services. Enter to WIN one of two beautiful raffle gifts! This event is sponsored by Harmony Cares Medical Group and The Wagner Group/Compass Real Estate.

We hope to see you there!!

### COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH AND PRESENTATION

Wednesday, May 3 at 11:00 a.m. at the Hershey's Mill Golf Club

Discover a world of possibilities at White Horse Village! Join us for a luncheon featuring a 30-minute social with complimentary beer and wine, followed by a presentation about the active senior living community situated on a 96-acre campus in Newtown Square.

RSVP by April 24 to Terri McCabe at 610-675-2054 or tmccabe@ whitehorsevillage.org with your entrée selection: chicken, salmon, or vegetarian.



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#### HERSHEY'S MILL ART GROUP

#### Martha Hanson | Franklin

"To the artist there is never anything ugly in nature." - Auguste Rodin

Members of the Art Group are looking forward to getting outdoors in the spring and using nature to inspire their art. Our new exhibit will be revealed in the spring. Please visit the Community Center to see our latest creations. Our theme for this season has been nature, and our members are using the surroundings of The Mill, as well as their own photos, as subjects for their latest art. Come join us on Wednesday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to Noon in the Cove. We welcome anyone interested in creating art in a social setting no matter what their skill level may be.

#### HERSHEY'S MILL BOOK CLUB

#### Carol Barkovsky | Eaton

The Mill Book Club will meet on Thursday, April 13 in The Sullivan House at 2:00 p.m. This month we will be discussing The Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams. Martha Hanson will be leading the discussion. This novel is based on actual events. Esme is the daughter of one of the scholars collecting words for the first Oxford English Dictionary. She grows up in the Scriptorium observing the lexicographers from beneath their sorting table. One day she finds a slip of paper under the table containing the word bondmaid, meaning slave girl. She saves this word and others that have been discarded by the men as deemed unimportant. As

Esme becomes a young woman, she discovers that there is a world of words and meanings belonging to women and the common folk that has been unrecognized and unrecorded by these scholars. She begins to search out these words to create her own dictionary, *The Dictionary of Lost Words*.

The events in this novel take place during the height of the suffrage movement and tell the story of Esme's journey from the sheltered world of academia to the world of everyday people.

Planning ahead: we will be discussing *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn on May 11. Please contact Carol Barkovsky at for more information.

#### HERSHEY'S MILL CAREGIVERS' SUPPORT GROUP

#### Robert Hughes | Franklin

Most dementia experts say MUSIC "is the last thing to go." Your loved one (LO) may not remember your name but still can play "Moonlight Sonata" flawlessly on the piano. Do you know your LO's music preferences? Explore The Mill's Verizon TV channels of 'Music Choice' and channel 39 Allentown PBS WLVT. WLVT and others offer reruns of the "Lawrence Welk Show." Record these episodes and see which appeal to your LO.

The Mill's Caregivers' Support Group provides a safe and caring forum for information-sharing and support for the Caregivers of Loved Ones with chronic conditions such as Dementia, Parkinson's, and other related

diseases. The group meets every first Thursday of the month in the Paoli Room of HM Community Center at 10:00 a.m. For further information call Robert Hughes at .

#### HERSHEY'S MILL KNITTING CIRCLE

#### Ruth Schick | Chatham

Spring is around the corner and it's time to think about warm-weather projects. If you are a knitter, crocheter, or other handcrafter, why not join our Knitting Circle? We love to work on projects together, take part in a little banter, and have all-around fun. We meet on Thursdays from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Paoli

Room of the Community Center. When summer arrives and the weather is good, we meet at the Pool. For information about the Knitting Circle, contact Ruth Schick at

#### HERSHEY'S MILL NATURE GROUP

#### Christine McCormick | Ashton

April is the month to celebrate Earth Day. We at The Mill have much to celebrate—the swooping, swerving tree swallows return, bluebirds nesting, native plants bursting forth, and the rare plants of the serpentine barrens popping up in their special

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Nature Group Volunteers at the Barrens

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place. The Mill Nature Group volunteers have been working through the winter—clearing inappropriate growth from the barrens, collecting/cleaning and packing native plant seeds from the garden, and preparing nest boxes for a new season. Ioin the celebration at the Native Plant Garden on April 22. Volunteers to support the garden

maintenance, planting of native plants in the riparian buffer of the woodland garden, and monitoring nest boxes are always welcome. Check The Mill Bus Trip listings to sign up for Spring at Stoneleigh on May 9. The visit last year was fantastic, and it is an amazingly different place in the spring! Learn more about The Mill Nature Group at our spring meeting on May 11 at 7:00 p.m. in Wooldridge Hall. All residents are invited. The Photo Contest judges have been busy appreciating the 2022 entries showcasing nature in our community. We look forward to sharing them on the HMNG website and in the Guide and Digest in the coming months. As your garden comes into bloom, take some pictures and submit them to hersheysmillnature@gmail.com for 2023. Links to the past Nature Group Zoom lectures and more are posted at hersheysmill.org/activities/hmng.



Tree Swallow by Linda Kane, Jefferson Village

### HERSHEY'S MILL NEWER USERS MAC GROUP

Rene McNally | Devon Saturday, April 22, The Mill's Newer Users MAC Group will meet on Zoom from 10:00 a.m. to Noon. The main Mac group is also meeting on Zoom on the second Saturday, April 8 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, with a question and answer period from 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., followed by a quest speaker. Both meetings are excellent (and free) opportunities to learn about your computer, iPad, and iPhone. You don't have to be a member of the Main Line Macintosh Users Group to Zoom in, and there are no dumb questions.

If you wish to be included for meeting reminders and receive information about connecting on Zoom for either meeting, contact Carol Campanelli at

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#### Louise Davidson | Inverness

If you ever see Donna Licata pushing what would seem to be her grandchild in a little pink stroller, I am sure you'll be surprised to see that the sweetie in the stroller is actually Mocha, Donna's adorable fluffy little dog. Mocha is a happy fourteen-pound eight-year-old that had a frightening start in life. She and her littermates were found with their mother, who had frozen to death. The seven-week-old puppies were taken to a shelter, and Donna adopted Mocha one week later. As Mocha was maturing it seemed that she was some kind of doodle, possibly a cross between a miniature poodle and a Bichon Frise.

Donna told me that Mocha is a dog who adores people, especially children, as well as other dogs. Throughout my visit Mocha left no doubt that interacting with people is fun. When I arrived at Donna's home. Mocha jumped up on the couch next to Donna, and soon made her way over to me. It did not take long for her to fall asleep snuggled next to me. When she awoke, I was showered with oodles of gentle kisses; then she jumped off the couch and was ready to play! Her nearby basket of toys and balls gave her lots of choices of what to bring to Donna and me to throw for her to fetch and return. Mocha has another basket with special doggie

bones, of which she chooses one type to carry around the house seeking hiding places. She showed me just how she does this. Mocha has her own blanket on the couch and on the footstool in front of the couch, so she can always be next to Donna while Donna is reading or watching TV. When Donna watches TV in the bedroom, Mocha lies at the bottom of the bed also watching TV.



When Mocha goes shopping in her stroller with Donna, the friendly greetings from adults and children is just the kind of attention Mocha craves. When visiting Donna's adult children and grandchildren, who live nearby, Mocha loves, loves, loves interacting with Donna's grandchildren.

Being such a playful dog, Mocha enjoys her time spent with other dogs. The visits with Donna's children and grandchildren give Mocha the opportunity to play with their dogs - Hank, Max, Kensie, and Charlie. And she often has playdates at the home of her special neighborhood dog friend Ginger. Mocha enjoys her time with the dogs at East Goshen Park as well.

Although Mocha is now a spunky and happy girl, she was noticeably sick

and in pain at about age two and was diagnosed with Addison's Disease. Daily pills and a trip to the vet's office every 24-25 days to be given an intramuscular shot has kept the condition under control. Because she's a dog with a sunny disposition, her frequent vet visits are not a problem at all.

Please stop to say hello to Mocha when you see her in her pink stroller. You'll be glad to meet this sweet little dog!

> Would you like your pet interviewed for Pet of the Month in the Guide and Digest? Give us a call (610-436-6429) or email editor@hmctvguide.com and we will call you for an appointment.

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# Pierre & Jan Nolin

#### Arleen Romano | Yardley

It must have been Kismet! Two children who immigrated here and formed a connection. Pierre Nolin's family

moved to Massachusetts from Quebec. His father graduated from MIT, and they moved to Wilmington. Jan Nolin was five when her family immigrated from Scotland, first to Calgary and then to Pennsylvania.

They met as teens working at a local greenhouse when Jan was sixteen and Pierre eighteen. Jan was the cashier but was more interested in Pierre than the flowers and trees. Soon they were going to Longwood Gardens on their dates.

Pierre graduated from the University of Delaware with a degree in Landscape Horticulture and was hired by J. Franklin Styer nurseries, which has an over-100-year history here. During this time, he was involved with the Philadelphia Flower Show and belonged to the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. Back in the '70s, while working for Styer, his job included planting trees in a relatively



new community called Hershey's Mill, in the Ashton and Brighton villages. Pierre could never know back then that someday he would be a resident in The Mill!

Over the next forty plus years Pierre worked with two IT firms. He retired last year but has always retained his interest in gardening.

Jan was a stay-at-home mom with their two daughters. With her free time, she discovered an aptitude for crafting. Jan insists she is a crafter, not an artist. She paints watercolors and enjoys exploring new techniques, including her experiments with alcohol ink. This process involves manipulating the ink in diverse ways to form abstract designs. One of her creations is a series of thirty different tiles using this method. The overall effect of the vivid colors and designs is striking. She also has a large canvass

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done with alcohol ink that is hung on their deck for a pop of color during the warm months. A tall attractive glass container holds dried lavender from the lavender plants she grows in her courtyard. Some of her most impressive work is her knitting.

Her blankets, scarves, and accessories are beautifully-detailed. When I commented on how complex the stitches look, she noted there are only two stitches in knitting, knit and purl. That's difficult to understand when you see her complicated patterns. She finds some of her most challenging ideas on Pinterest. She has used her skill to teach others to knit.

Jan enjoyed gardening with Pierre, but when she developed Lyme disease twice, they discovered it was from the moles and voles in their gardens who can carry ticks. So the impressive garden Pierre has built in The Mill was designed be critter-proof, with protective screening beneath and



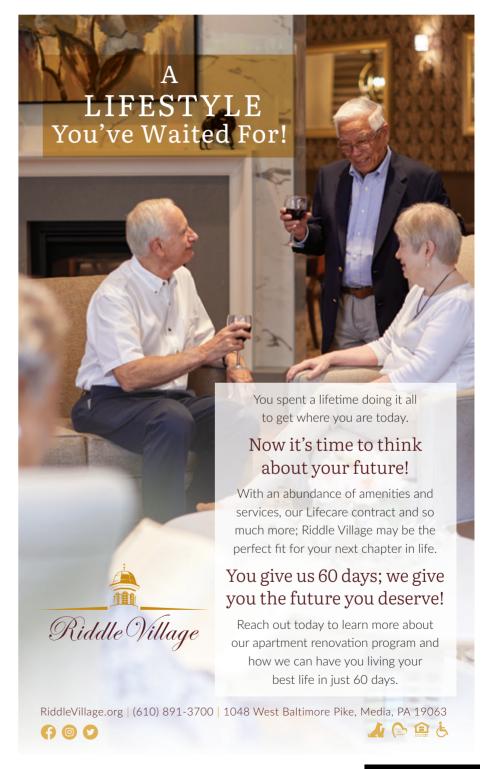
One of Jan's many designs

surrounding their garden to protect Jan and all the garden vegetables they grow. Pierre's horticulture knowledge and experience has come in handy with his recently becoming the Landscape Committee Chair for Yardley Village.

With all the beauty inside and outside their home, look for their home which will be featured in the Showcase of Homes in May this year.

Pierre's garden





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#### **Bus Trips**

Please remember that the Guide and Digest may not reflect the most current Bus Trip information. The HM News sent to each resident via e-mail and the bulletin board on Channel 971 will be the source of up-to-date information about the Bus Trips. You can also view the information on www.hersheysmill. org/activities/bustrips/.

Shen Yun Performing Arts Thursday, April 13, 2023 Cost: \$145 Departs: Noon Contact: Terri Morse,

With an all-new 2023 program of stories, costumes, and choreography, Shen Yun takes you on an extraordinary journey through China's 5,000 years of divinely inspired culture. Established in New York in 2006, Shen Yun Performing Arts is the world's premier classical Chinese dance company that is reviving the beauty and goodness of China before communism. Experience a lost culture through the incredible art of classical Chinese dance, and see legends come to life. Shen Yun makes this possible by pushing the boundaries of the performing arts, with a unique blend of stunning costuming, high-tech backdrops, and an orchestra like no other.

Lehigh Valley IronPigs & Fireworks Friday, April 21, 2023 Cost: \$35 + Food Departs: 5:00 p.m. Contact: Marc Fraser.

We will be traveling to Coca-Cola Park in Allentown to watch the Lehigh Valley IronPigs, AAA minor league affiliate of the Philadelphia Phillies, take on the Worcester Red Sox for a 7:05 p.m. game. We have great field level seats, and we will enjoy a wonderful fireworks show after the game! Food is on your own at one of the many ballpark concessions. Children age 8+ are welcome.

Ocean City, NJ (Sports Memorabilia Show or Explore On Your Own) Saturday, April 29, 2023 Cost: \$30 + Lunch

Departs: 8:00 a.m.

Contact: Mary Ann McCarry,

Enjoy a day on your own in Ocean City, NJ. For those interested, there is a Sports Memorabilia Show at the Ocean City Music Pier from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Vendors will have sports merchandise and collector's items on display and for sale. Special guests and 'meet and greet' opportunities are being scheduled and will be announced. Or you can choose to spend time on the Boardwalk visiting Ocean City shops and stores. Downtown stores (Asbury Avenue from 6th to 14th streets) will also have 'merchant table sales' set up for visitors.

Philadelphia Phillies Saturday, May 6, 2023 Cost: \$75 + Food Departs: 4:30 p.m. Contact: Marc Fraser,

Join us for an evening of baseball at Citizen's Bank Park as we watch our Philadelphia Phillies take on the Boston Red Sox in a 7:15 p.m. game. Seats are in Sections 326/327, and food is on your own at one of the ballpark concessions. Call right away, as we







HM BUS TRIP WALNUT STREET THEATRE Feb 4, 2023

Clockwise from top: In lobby, L to R - Joan Evans, Joan Schenk, Judy Mackleer In lobby, Boyd and Judy Mackleer

Intermission, L to R - Caroline Weisbecker, Marlene Houston, Barbara Drennon, Barbara Pfister

expect our trips to see the Phillies this season to again sell out quickly! Children age 8+ are welcome.

Springtime at Stoneleigh: A Natural Garden Tuesday, May 9, 2023 Cost: \$30

Departs: 9:30 a.m. Contact: Jayne Lytle,

Stoneleigh in Villanova, a spectacular 42-acre natural garden opened to the public since 2018, comes alive

in springtime with trillium, dwarf iris, woodland phlox, trumpet honeysuckles, flowering dogwoods, redbuds and much more. Our staffguided walking tour of the gardens will provide us with interesting facts about newly designed gardens and with an appreciation of the past landscape designs by the Olmsted Brothers. We will also tour the magnificent Tudor Revival-style

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mansion, which is usually only open for special events, so don't miss this opportunity for a peek inside! Expect extensive walking on paved pathways. Should weather prohibit our tour on May 9, we have booked a rain date of May 16. Be sure to mark your calendar for both dates.

**Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre** – **Footloose** 

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

**Cost: \$85** 

Departs: 10:00 a.m. Contact: Maria Edwards.

See a live performance of *Footloose*, the musical based on the 1984 movie. Teenager Ren McCormack moved

from Chicago to small town Bomont where the Reverend has convinced the town to outlaw dancing. Ren must convince the town to allow the teenagers to dance again and eventually heal from a tragedy that affected them all. The trip includes an all-you-can-eat buffet lunch with a full salad bar and a variety of entrees and desserts

**Delaware Park** Thursday, May 25, 2023 Cost: \$20 + Lunch Departs: 10:00 a.m. Contact: Marge Bach,

Join us at Delaware Park for an exciting day at the races! Watch the horse racing or try your luck at slots

and table games. \$25 free slots play is given to everyone on the bus. Lunch is on your own. **Cost: \$85** 

The Barnes Foundation Thursday, June 1, 2023

Departs: 10:00 a.m. Contact: Priscilla Burt,

Ioin our visit to the Barnes Foundation for a docent-led tour of Dr. Albert Barnes' amazing collection of impressionist, post-impressionist, and modern paintings, now celebrating its 100th anniversary. After the tour, we will have lunch in the Museum Dining Room, followed by free time in the Museum or Gift Shop. Lunch is included in the cost.

**Stone Harbor** Thursday, June 15, 2023 Cost: \$30 + Meals Departs: 9:00 a.m. Contact: Joan Bove,

Enjoy a day on your own in the beautiful seaside town of Stone Harbor, With the Intercoastal Waterway to the west and the Atlantic Ocean to the east, visitors can enjoy peaceful beaches, a quaint downtown, and exceptional restaurants on this barrier island. The shopping district is home to a variety of boutiques and shops that offer seashore chic clothing, jewelry, gifts, and home decor. There is a wide variety of restaurants for lunch and dinner. NOTE: Rain date is Thursday, June 22, so be sure to mark your calendar for both dates.

Fulton Theatre - Grease Wednesday, July 5, 2023

**Cost: \$80** 

Departs: 12:15 p.m.

Contact: Mary Ann McCarry,

Ioin us at the Historic Fulton Theatre as we go back to Rydell High with the Class of 1959! Poodle skirts, leather jackets, bobby socks, pedal pushers, and lots of fun! It is the love story of Danny Zuko and Sandy Dumbroski with lots of singing and dancing.

#### **SERIES TRIPS**

2023-2024 Walnut Street Theatre Series **Thursday & Saturday Matinees Cost: \$60** Departs: 12:30 p.m. **Thursday Series Contact:** Jayne Lytle, **Saturday Series Contact:** Priscilla Burt,

We encourage you to sign up right away, as these trips fill up very quickly! Cost reflects per-person admission. The 2023-2024 Season includes the remaining show:

Thursday 4/18/24 & Saturday 4/20/24 - Beautiful: The Carole King Musical

#### **NOTES:**

- 1. Prior to making payment, anyone who wishes to participate in a bus trip must first call the contact person to ensure that there is still room on the bus.
- 2. All bus riders must be age 18 or older unless otherwise noted in the trip write-up.

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#### **Bus Trips (continued)**

- 3. Following current CDC guidelines, passengers riding on the Hershev's Mill bus are not required to wear masks
- 4. Trip payment checks should be made payable to 'HERSHEY'S MILL HOA; sealed in an envelope (noting trip name and date) and placed in the maroon 'Customer Service' mailbox next to the Security Center in the exit lane at the Main Gate.
- 5. Refunds are only granted if (1) the trip is canceled, or (2) the trip has a wait list from which another passenger can fill the vacated spot.

- 6. Bus leaves promptly at the scheduled Leave Time. Please plan to arrive at the Recreation Area parking lot 10 minutes early for boarding.
- 7. The Hershey's Mill Bus Committee is always looking for more volunteers to help share ideas and plan bus trips! If interested, call Marc Fraser at
- 8. Hershey's Mill residents may rent the bus for their own private trips or functions. For more information, contact Marc Fraser at



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### Retiring... from Driving

#### Frances Waldron | Chatham

For many Americans, driving is an essential part of their identity, giving them freedom, autonomy, and independence. A car can be a status symbol, much more than just a means to get from here to there. What happens when driving is no longer an option? How do you make that decision? How do you help a loved one make that decision? How do you get around without driving?

Simply being older is not a risk factor for driving. Older drivers tend to have self-limiting behaviors that decrease their involvement in car accidents statistically. For example, older drivers tend to avoid night driving, travel shorter distances, and skip rush hour. However, older adult bodies are more

fragile and less likely to withstand an automobile accident. When older adults are involved in accidents, no matter who is at fault, injuries, and even fatalities, are more likely.

If you or a loved one need to consider retiring from driving, you can enlist the help of your primary care physician (PCP), a family member, or a trusted friend. People who love us and have seen our driving behaviors are often the most helpful. If you want a professional assessment of your driving abilities, your PCP can refer you to a Driver Rehabilitation Program at Bryn Mawr Rehab. For more information on this program, call 484-596-5000 or visit mainlinehealth.org/driver-rehab. This program lets you work with

a specially-certified occupational therapist to determine any changes that might be needed.

Several years ago, The Hartford, AARP, and the American Occupational Therapy Association formed a partnership to help older drivers continue to drive safely and to help with the transition to driver emeritus. They created excellent resources for self-assessment and guidance for family members available through The Hartford and AARP. The link to We Need to Talk through The Hartford is https://www.thehartford.com/resources/mature-market-excellence/family-conversations-with-older-drivers

AARP has a list of driving warning signs and other helpful information for older adults and family members. The link is: https://www.aarp.org/caregiving/basics/info-2019/is-it-time-to-stop-driving.html?

Chester County has more transportation options without driving than many of our neighbors.

- In addition to family or friends, there are taxis, Uber and Lyft.
- Go-Go Grandparent at https:// get.gogograndparent.com/ or call 855-464-6872 ext. 1829 to schedule a ride. Similar to Uber and Lyft, but dedicated to older adults. Does not require a smartphone.
- Rainbow Limousine of West Chester at https://www.rainbowlimosvc.com/ or 610-696-6060.
- Rover Community Transportation http://www.riderover.com/ or call

- 484-696-3854 (office) or 877-873-8415 for scheduling.
- Surrey Services for Seniors, Inc. at https://surreyservices.org/services/get-around/. Surrey has various offices in our area. The number for the Media office is 610-566-0505.

You will need to check with any of these services you are considering to obtain the most current rules and requirements.

In addition, due to the pandemic, almost everything can be delivered to your door. Sometimes, telehealth for minor health issues or a zoom meeting with your financial advisor is just easier.

Frances Waldron - . Feel free to leave me a message with questions or comments.



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#### **Local History**

### Pennsylvania's Railroad War

#### Jeff Smith | Princeton

In the early years of our nation, shipping goods across Pennsylvania depended on teams of horses following Indian trails and took 18-35 days depending on weather conditions. In 1794, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania opened a 62-mile-long turnpike from Philadelphia to Lancaster and later extended it another 10 miles to Columbia on the Susquehanna River. Pavement of the turnpike was logs laid crosswise to the direction of travel. In the early 1800s, canal boats became a great improvement in time, cost, and comfort with the only downside being the canals would freeze in the winter. Beginning in 1826 and completed in 1834, the state built and operated a joint canal-railroad system called the Main Line of Public Works, which was the genesis of today's Main Line communities. Passengers from

Philadelphia rode in horse or steamdrawn rail cars for 82 miles to the beginning of the canal at Columbia. The canal boats, pulled by mules, followed the Susquehanna and Juniata

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rivers 172 miles to Hollidaysburg where passengers changed to another horse-drawn railroad that carried them over the Allegheny Mountain



#### Local History (continued)

to Johnstown. There, the passengers again boarded a canal boat to take them the remaining 104 miles to Pittsburgh. The entire trip took four and a half days.

In 1839, the Pennsylvania Legislature was persuaded to authorize \$30,000 to survey an all-rail route between Harrisburg and Pittsburgh. The Pennsylvania Railroad was chartered in 1846, and by early 1854, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh were connected entirely by rail, and the network of canals became obsolete.

The Pennsylvania Railroad became known as the "Pennsy" and linked New York and Chicago via Philadelphia, Harrisburg, and Pittsburgh. Their main competition was Vanderbilt's New York Central and Hudson River Railroad that linked the west with New York via Albany, Buffalo, and Cleveland. Vanderbilt was angered when he believed the Pennsy was gaining control of a line on the west shore of the Hudson River that would siphon off revenue from his line on the east side of the river. To retaliate, Vanderbilt embarked on building a competing

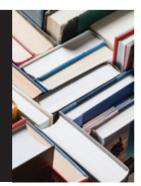
rail line across Pennsylvania to the south of the Pennsy line. Many Pittsburgh industrialists, hoping for more competition that would lower their freight rates, were supportive of Vanderbilt's South Pennsylvania Railroad. In early 1884, work began on constructing a bridge across the Susquehanna River in Harrisburg and excavating the seven tunnels through the mountains. After a couple of years of construction, J. Pierpont Morgan, who had a seat on the Board of the New York Central, called a meeting between the Presidents of both railroads in order to craft a truce between them. They agreed the Pennsy would purchase the South Pennsylvania Railroad in return for selling the West Shore Railroad to Vanderbilt. The truce brought an immediate end to further construction even though 60% of the grading was completed, four and a half miles of tunnels were excavated and \$10 million had been spent on the unfinished project that became known as Vanderbilt's Folly. If Vanderbilt found the project somewhat humiliating, it didn't bother him very long as he died three months later.



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### Margaret Callahan

#### Elizabeth Guilday | Franklin

While many of us spend winter afternoons dreaming of sunny summer days by the pool, you might not know that there are several tasks to be handled each month of the year to maintain a community swimming pool's inviting readiness each Memorial Day. Margaret Callahan has been learning what those tasks are. She stepped up in 2020 to help out and now co-chairs the Franklin Village (FV) swimming pool committee with Bill Shipley.

Margaret's most visible service role may be that of VP of the Franklin Village Council. The Council is the body of five members, all residents of Franklin Village, plus a CSK property management representative. The Council meets monthly to review reports from each of the Village committees: Finance, Landscaping, Architecture, Decorating, Communications, Welcome, Lighting, and Social. The Council also investigates

questions of policy alignment with committee members and by resident request. VPs sometimes attend HM Master Association meetings in the Council President's place. The Master Association, as you might recall, is the consortium of Council representatives from across the 25 Villages at Hershey's Mill.

Since joining the FV Council, Margaret has gotten an insider's appreciation for the essential nature of the work that residents who act as committee members are doing. While some of us may be happily oblivious to cracks in the road or damaged signage, it's great to know someone is looking out to prevent problems before they start!

With a full-time career as an Operations Manager for an environmental consulting firm, Margaret brings up-to-date experience with technology to her role as Web Wizard for the Franklin Village website. Her generous contribution of this

unique talent results in reliable, accessible communication among Village residents and the broader community.

Margaret and her husband, Kevin Callahan, came to Hershey's Mill in 2016. Kevin's parents were one-time residents. Their decision to move to

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The Mill was made quickly, based on their prior knowledge of the many benefits of the community. Plus, "It was the prettiest place around."

"Digging in dirt from April through November" is probably Margaret's favorite thing to do. With the help of Margaret's sister, Joanne, who visits often from Kennett Square, Margaret and Kevin keep an impressive garden of flowers and vegetables in the Community Garden. Other pastimes include playing pickleball and bocce with Kevin and an extensive group of Hershey's Mill friends and having fun with paper folding and crochet with Joanne (two hobbies the sisters learned while in isolation together in COVID). Hanging around Margaret and her husband, Kevin, Margaret's quick wit and insightful perspectives regularly make for the most interesting conversations.

You might catch Margaret tooling about the Hershey's Mill grounds in her occasionally souped-up golf cart! Margaret credits her parents' example of "always learning new things" for some of her willingness to take the risk of stepping into service positions. Her advice to anyone looking to dip their toe in the water (!) of volunteering is to let your background be known; your expertise is valuable. Don't underestimate your knowledge and experience. Then, do what you're comfortable doing. Whatever you choose, remember: "Jump in the pool! The water's fine!"



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|                   | 1:00 pm Cards & Games                                |                                      | 12:30 pm Social Bridge       | 1:00 pm Knitting                           | 2:00 pm Scrabble                         |          |
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|                   | 1:00 pm Cards & Games                                | 7:00 pm Singers Rehearsal            | 12:30 pm Social Bridge       |  | 2:00 pm Scrabble                         |          |
|                   | 7:00 pm Folk Song Circle                             |                                      | 1:00 pm Groff Mah Jong       |  |  |          |
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#### **Community TV Programming**

| Programs   | April 1 — April 15<br>(7:00 p.m. show April 15<br>will not be shown) |      |      |       |
|--|--|------|------|-------|
| Scams and Elder Abuse Fredda Maddox, Sheriff of Chester County, and Victoria Long, Legal Advocate, Senior Law Center, West Chester, provide important information with examples on how to stay alert and be smart. Resources of help for seniors are provided. Ends 10:45 a.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m., 12:45 a.m. | 10:00  | 4:00 | 7:00 | 12:00 |
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|                     | April 1-7 Beauty and the Beast (PG) (2017)  Emma Watson, Dan Stevens  |
|---------------------|---|
| Movies<br>—<br>Noon | A selfish prince is cursed to become a monster for the rest of his life, unless he learns to fall in love with a beautiful young woman. (Run time 2:09) |
| &<br>8:30 p.m.      | April 7-14 The Greatest Story Ever Told (G) (1965) Max von Sydow, Charlton Heston   |
|                     | The life of Jesus of Nazareth unfolds in an epic production. (Run time 3:13)  |

For **Programs and Movies**, go to NEW channel numbers **970 & 971** (Bulletin Board information appears only if neither is currently airing). Call HMCTV at **610-436-5922** if you **aren't able to receive** our TV channels. To view Programs online, go to <a href="www.hersheysmill.org">www.hersheysmill.org</a> and navigate from TV & Digest to HMCTV to Original Programming.

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| Programs   | April 16 — May 1<br>(7:00 p.m. show May 1<br>will not be shown) |      |      |       |
|--|---|------|------|-------|
| Showcase of Homes 2023 Welcoming the return of the Paoli Hospital Auxiliary's Showcase of Homes on May 11, 2023 are Chair Jeannie Colvin and co-Chair Maureen Kennedy, telling Kay Ricker about the six homes, ticket sales, option of lunch at Hershey's Mill Golf Club, and the proceeds going to Paoli Hospital.  Ends 10:45 a.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m., 12:45 a.m. | 10:00   | 4:00 | 7:00 | 12:00 |
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| Movies                 | April 14-24 The Mighty Macs (G) (2009) Ellen Burstyn, Carla Gugino The story of a tiny all-girls Catholic college and their road to their first national basketball championship. (Run time 1:39) |
|------------------------|---|
| Noon<br>&<br>8:30 p.m. | <b>April 24-30</b> Woman in Gold (PG-13) (2015) Helen Mirren, Ryan Reynolds   |
|                        | Maria Altmann, a Jewish refugee, takes on the Austrian government to recover artwork she believes rightfully belongs to her family. (Run time 1:52)   |

| 24 hours/day channel 971   | Bulletin Board |
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### **Opening To Newness**

#### John Groch | Chatham

While the Romans named the fourth month *Aprilis*, its precise derivation is not certain. The prevailing theory is it comes from the verb, *aperire*, "to open," which suggests the onset of plant growth in the form of bursting leaves and blossoms. This concept coincides with the Greek term for spring, which also means "opening."

Nothing warms a gardener's heart more than the thought of opening up his garden, tilling the soil and working in the mulched leaves and manure that have been breaking down, curing and providing essential nutrients and organic matter that will help vegetables and flowers flourish and beautify the plot laid bare by the harsh winds and cold of winter. Both the body and the psyche of the laboring gardener are once again invigorated by the strenuous effort of preparing the fertile ground for the seeds and seedlings of spring growth.

Although we no longer depend entirely upon our own gardening efforts to sustain ourselves with food, gardeners still enjoy the satisfaction of producing at least a portion of their own sustenance, and many take additional pleasure in sharing their bounty with friends and the needy by donations to food cupboards. Our former closeness to nature and its mysteries is long-lost but can still be rekindled symbolically by tending to our own modest garden plots.

April's gradual warming of our piece of the planet inspires us to take notice of the newness of life in the natural world around us. It opens us up to the possibilities of new experiences, symbolized by the delicate, green shoots of plants emerging from the humble earth at our feet. What had shut down in the barren coldness of winter is now coming alive with new growth bathed in warm rains and the rays of the sun. By allowing ourselves to be enveloped by this same warmth and vitality, we find ourselves comforted and enlivened by the hope of things to come. So often in these trying times of warfare, crime, and economic uncertainty, we are tempted to become forlorn and to wonder what this world is coming to.

Springtime reminds us of the miraculous resilience of Nature and the vital importance of hope in a better future, one which we ourselves can help build, one act of care and kindness at a time.

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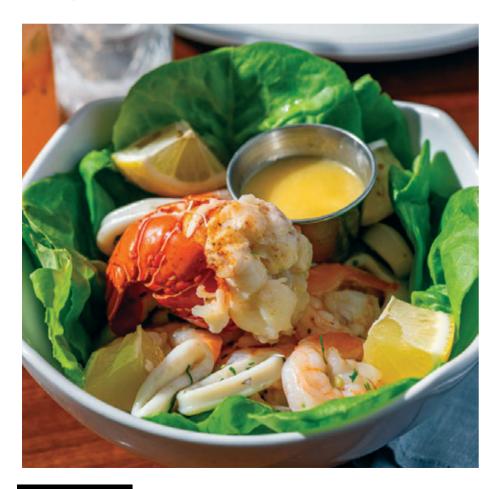
### Greystone Oyster Bar

#### Bill and Patricia Schultz | Chatham

Situated very conveniently on North Church Street between Gay and Market Streets, and very close to the famous Yori's Bakery in the center of West Chester (one of the 67 County Seats in PA), is a relatively new dining location geared for all seafood lovers. Greystone Oyster Bar is a fine seafood restaurant offering a vast array of raw and cooked seafood

choices. They offer a selection of craft beer, wine by the bottle or glass, and sophisticated cocktails.

We have dined there three times and the last time was in late November 2022. That time, we went for a seafood-centric lunch as Greystone is open for lunch and dinner 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 or 10:00 p.m. every day, which makes it very convenient when the seafood urge hits! On this lunch



occasion, we were not disappointed by any aspect, including the service. The food was nicely prepared and presented, very fresh, with fine attentive service, and the price level choices allowed one to make decent and somewhat reasonable selections.

Patricia ordered the seasonal seafood salad (which she has tried once before) and Bill ordered the very abundant Cobb salad. Bill also ordered for sharing the 'Clam Pot' which turned out to be a wonderful bargain and hearty surprise of corn, potatoes, and many steamed clams, with a choice of Chorizo San Marzano or Garlic White Wine broth, which turned out to be worthy of dipping the warm bread in the broth. As a little splurge, we added onto our order the raw on the half shell middle neck clams with a choice of two tasty sauces. The clams were priced individually at a modest price for each so we ordered four, but they were so fresh and robustly flavorful we wished we had ordered more... maybe the next time.

The décor is an early and accurate classic oyster house with lots of tile, bright lights, spacious tables and

seating. There is, of course, a real bar and adjoining oyster bar combo that also enhances the vibe of authenticity to the real old-fashioned oyster house atmosphere. The dining room is slightly apart from the bar area, which we appreciated.

The menu choices are classic seafood restaurant: shrimp cocktail, lobster mac and cheese, mussels, clams, oysters, calamari, tuna poke bowl, lobster bisque, clam chowder, lobster ravioli, and many more. The choices are vast enough we suggest satisfying the cravings of any seafood aficionado. The seafood was fresh and nicely-presented with care by the staff. The staff were very informative, helping or guiding us to our best choices. We found their advice to be accurate and quite helpful. We appreciated their guidance.

The next time we go, we are going to get the lobster roll. Be advised the menu pricing seemed to be appropriate for fresh seafood — not a bargain, but very fair for the value/quality/quantity received. We recommend Greystone when you really need that seafood 'fix!'

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### Birds & Birding

### Brief answers to frequently asked questions

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Northern Cardinal, Lindsey Davis, Yardley

#### 1. Do Cardinals Use a Nest Box?

The quick answer is "No." Unlike cavity nesting birds (blue birds, tree swallows, chickadees, etc.), cardinals prefer to build their nests within the branches of shrubs and trees. Preferred trees include Pines, Maples, Cedars, Spruces and Locusts. Preferred shrubs include Honeysuckle, Hawthorn, and Privet hedges. In general, Cardinals nest relatively low with most nests being at a height of 5-7 feet.

Cardinals build a typical cup-shaped (bowl) nest of plant material such as small branches and twigs. The outside of their nest appears somewhat untidy but the inner cup is very neat and round. Female Cardinals usually build their nest alone, although their partner may collect twigs and other nesting materials and present them to the female.

The nesting season for Cardinals is March through August. The female usually lays two or three eggs which are ivory, grayish, or greenish and speckled or spotted in gray or brown. The incubation period is approximately 12 days. The chicks leave the nest (fledge) 7-13 days after hatching.



House Sparrow Sandy Dewees, Devonshire

### 2. Why are House Sparrows the Least Wanted Backyard Bird?

House Sparrows are a non-native and invasive species which were introduced to North America from Europe in the mid-1800s. This species often kills native birds in order to take over their nesting sites, especially bluebirds, tree swallows, and purple martin boxes.

The male house sparrow has a gray and rusty crown with pale cheeks and a black bib; the female, in contrast, is rather plain with dusty brown overall coloring, strong stripes on her back and patches of pale feathers behind her eyes. House Sparrow nests are loosely built and incorporate a variety of materials such as twigs, grasses, bits of plastic, and other debris, and feathers — a rather messy structure.

Typically, the female House Sparrow lays three to six whitish to greenish-white eggs with brown and gray dots, often concentrated toward the larger end of the egg. Both parents share incubation for 10-14 days, and both feed the nestlings. The young leave the nest about two weeks after hatching.

Be a responsible nest box landlord. If you notice that House Sparrows are having a negative impact on native birds trying to nest in boxes near you, there are several methods available to discourage them. Since the House Sparrow is a non-native invasive species, it is not protected by law and it is legal to disrupt their attempts to occupy nest boxes. The simplest way to do this is by physically removing their nest, and eggs if present. You may have to do this several times before the House Sparrow decides to leave and try nesting somewhere else. Or you might try plugging the birdhouse hole with a rubber stopper until the sparrows move on.

Robert Coldwell, Ulste

#### 3. Can Hummingbirds Walk?

We all marvel at the incredible flight abilities of hummingbirds. But do they use their feet, and can they walk? Surprisingly the answer to whether or not they can walk is "no." Hummingbirds do not have the ability to walk like other birds do. While hummingbird legs and feet are structurally similar to other songbirds, their feet and legs are comparatively reduced in size. This structural change is responsible for the incredible flight skills of hummingbirds. However, this structural change - short, disproportionate, weak legs – results in a slow-motion, sideways shuffle which only allows hummingbirds to cover relatively short distances on

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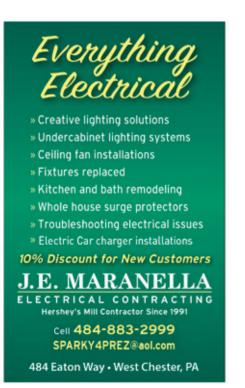
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foot. Nonetheless, they can still use their feet to build nests, fight, and perch.

Speaking of hummingbirds, when should you put out hummingbird feeders in the spring? As we approach spring and daytime and nighttime temperatures begin to moderate, we might expect to see migrating hummingbirds arrive in our area. So, it is time to consider placing a hummingbird feeder and plant plants providing nectar-filled blooms, especially red and tube-shaped flowers.

Here are several hummingbird feeder mistakes you should try to avoid:

• Using red dye in the sugar water: Although it is tempting to purchase



red colored sugar water or even make it yourself by adding red food coloring – don't. The artificial ingredient in red food dye has the potential to harm hummingbirds.

- Adding any ingredients other than plain sugar water: Adding sweet ingredients such as honey, brown sugar, or fruit juice to the hummingbird mixture is also to be avoided. Both honey and brown sugar can both be harmfully sticky, plus brown sugar contains molasses which may be harmful to hummingbirds due to its high iron content. Feed only pure sugar water – one part white sugar (not powdered sugar) mixed with four parts water. Extra sugar water can be saved under refrigeration for up to a week.
- Setting feeders in the wrong place or at the wrong time: Place feeders outside when hummingbirds are reported to be arriving in the spring and leave the feeders up for any late migrating hummingbirds in the fall. Keep feeders high enough off the ground and out of the reach of predators like cats or critters such as squirrels and raccoons. Consider placing the feeder in partial shade to slow algae growth and keep nectar fresh longer.
- Offering only one hummingbird feeder: Hummingbirds are very territorial and can be very aggressive to other hummers. So, providing more than one feeder can help to deflect the aggression and provide nectar for more than one hummer.

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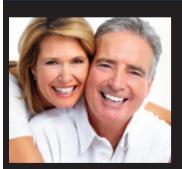
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#### Pam Hudson | Eaton

#### **Creamy Mushroom Soup**

#### **Ingredients**

- 1 1/2 lb mixed mushrooms, like baby bellas, oyster, shitake, and maitake, sliced
- 3 large shallots cut into 3/4" wedges
- 5 tbsp olive oil, divided
- 3/4 tsp fine salt, divided
- 2 garlic cloves, minced or finely grated
- 2 tsp chopped fresh thyme leaves.
- $\bullet\,$  4 c no-salt-added or low-sodium beef or vegetable broth, plus extra if needed
- 1 15 oz can no-salt-added cannellini beans, drained and rinsed
- 1/2 tsp black pepper
- 1/4 c dry sherry
- · chopped fresh flat leaf parsley, for garnish

#### **Instructions**

Position racks in top and bottom thirds of oven, preheat to 425°.

In large bowl toss mushrooms and shallots in 3 tbsp of oil. Spread across two rimmed baking sheets and roast for 12 minutes. Stir, switch the racks top to bottom, rotating each sheet front to back and continue to roast for 10 to 15 minutes more or until mushrooms and shallots soften and brown. Remove from oven and set aside.

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#### **Recipes (continued)**

In large pot over medium heat add remaining 2 tbsp of oil and heat until shimmering. Add garlic and thyme and cook, stirring until fragrant, 30 seconds. Reserve 1/4 c of the mushrooms for garnish. Add remaining mushrooms and the shallots to the pot, along with the broth, beans, pepper, and 1/4 tsp of salt. Increase heat to high, bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium-low and simmer uncovered, for 10 minutes. Stir in sherry and cook for 3 minutes more.

Using an immersion blender or food processor, puree the soup. Stir in extra broth if necessary to thin the soup to your desired consistency.

Ladle soup into bowls, garnish with reserved mushrooms and parsley.

#### **Crown Roast of Lamb**

#### Ingredients

- 2 racks of lamb 6-8 ribs each
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tsp kosher salt
- 1/2 tsp fresh ground pepper
- 6 cloves garlic, minced
- 4 tsp fresh thyme, chopped
- 1 1/2 tsp ground coriander
- 1 1/2 tbsp sherry vinegar
- 1 tsp Dijon mustard
- 1 tsp chopped fresh rosemary leaves

#### **Instructions**

Preheat oven to 375°.

Follow these steps to French the rack of lamb: Make cut on the fat side of the ribs, perpendicular to them, about 2 1/2" down from the rib ends. Cut through the fat down to the rib bones. Turn the rack on end, with bones facing up and push a knife through the flesh between each rib, using the initial cut as a guide for the knife. Cut down the side of each rib to remove the excess fat in between each rib. Using strong kitchen twine, wrap twine around each rib at the base, nearest the meat and pull to remove all of the remaining fat and sinew from the rib bone. Bend each rack into a semicircle (meat side in, fat side out), and using kitchen twine tie them together at the base and center, in order to hold the racks together. The rib ends should be pushed outward to create the look of a crown.

Rub the lamb with the olive oil. Combine salt, pepper, garlic, thyme, and coriander and press all over the lamb.

Place roast in a Bundt pan with center of the pan coming up through the middle of the roast.

Place on middle rack of the oven and cook for 30 to 35 minutes, until the meat reaches an internal temperature of  $130^{\circ}$  F. This is approximately 8 to 12 minutes per pound.

Remove from oven, transfer roast to a rack, cover with foil, and let meat rest for 20 minutes. While the meat is resting add the sherry vinegar, mustard, and rosemary to the juices that accumulated in the Bundt pan while cooking. Stir to combine. Taste and adjust seasoning as needed.

Cut string away from roast and place cooked stuffing, rice, or barley in the center if desired. Serve the warm sauce with the roast.

#### **Hungarian Scalloped Potatoes**

#### **Ingredients**

- 6-8 russet potatoes cooked, peeled, and sliced
- 1/4 lb butter
- · 4 hard cooked eggs chopped
- 1 pint sour cream
- 1/4 tsp pepper

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#### **Recipes (continued)**

- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tbsp chopped onion
- · fresh chives

#### Instructions

While the potatoes are hot melt the butter over them, stir in eggs.

Fold in sour cream, onion, salt, pepper, and chives.

Place in oven-proof container.

Top with buttered crumbs.

Bake for 30 minutes at 350°

#### Strawberry Rhubarb Crisp

#### **Ingredients**

- 2 1/2 lb strawberries, hulled and halved
- 1 1/5 lb rhubarb, chopped into 1" pieces
- 1 1/2 c granulated sugar
- 1/4 c corn starch
- 1 tbsp vanilla extract
- 2 c quick cooking oats
- 1 1/5 c all-purpose flour
- 1 c packed brown sugar
- 2 sticks cold unsalted butter, cubed
- · whipped cream for serving

#### Instructions

Preheat oven to 425°.

Toss together the strawberries, rhubarb, granulated sugar, corn starch, and vanilla in a large bowl. Transfer to a  $13 \times 9$  pan.

Combine oats, flour, and brown sugar in a second large bowl. Add butter and use your fingers to work it into the flour mixture until it resembles coarse cornmeal with pea-size pieces of butter.

Sprinkle this over the top of the fruit, covering it completely.

Bake about 30-35 minutes, until bubbly. Serve warm with whipped cream.

#### **Correction to the March Recipes section:**

In the Beef Stroganoff recipe, the "1 ham bone-2 pounds ham shanks or 2 pounds smoked pork hocks" were added to the list of ingredients mistakenly. They should not have been included as part of this recipe.





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#### Janice Saunders | Eaton

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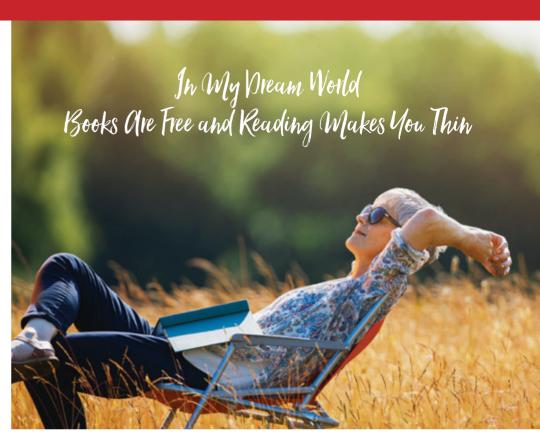
#### A Mystery of Mysteries: The Death and Life of Edgar Allen Poe by Mark Dawidziak

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stage exits of all time." The author alternates between chapters set in the final months of Poe's life with chapters describing his early life. After the death of his mother. Poe became the foster child of John and Fanny Allen, a wealthy merchant who brought the child to England for five years, during which time the young Poe flourished as a student of languages. While Poe is best known for his dark and haunting stories, he considered himself foremost a poet. He wrote a substantial number of satires, hoaxes, and humorous pieces, and was said to have a tremendous sense of humor. However, he is primarily remembered as an author of horror and mystery. While many writers have speculated as to the cause of Poe's untimely death, this biographer has a theory more mundane than spectacular. (Summary of review by Deborah Hopkinson, Book Page, February 2023).



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#### Scott Burkhart | Inverness

It began as a simple idea that culminated on February 15 with a seven-car convoy delivering 1,035 pounds of food to the Chester County Food Bank. Where did all this food come from?

The idea that the pickleball community should work together on a project to benefit our West Chester community began to take shape around Christmas. A group of us decided to support the Chester County Food Bank. It serves more than 160 partner agencies in Chester County and distributes three million meals annually.

Christmas time is when food donations peak, and February is the lowest month. So we decided to designate February 6-14 as the official food drive using the theme "Take Aim At Hunger" along with Cupid as our logo. In essence we were changing Valen-tine's to Valen-teers.

To get the ball rolling and to include everyone in The Mill in this worthwhile cause, a plan was needed. First, permission and promotion were needed. That being accomplished, the Food Bank was contacted to understand their criteria for donations. It was standard. They accepted cans and boxes of nonperishable foods that did not exceed their 'use by' dates. They also

had a unique program called Color Some Kindness. This consisted of decorating Grocery Boxes for Seniors to brighten their day a little as they received their food

The plan was set in motion.
Collection boxes, decorated with the "Take Aim at Hunger" theme, were placed at the Pickleball Pavilion,
Community Center, and HM Golf
Club. Next, volunteers stepped up to collect donations daily, store the

What began as a simple idea turned into thirty-two volunteers collecting 1,035 pounds of food for a worthy cause. As is often noted, volunteers do not get paid because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.

donated food, and finally transport the collected food to the Food Bank.

Let's face it, The Mill is made up of volunteers. For example: look at the Publisher page at the beginning of this digest...volunteers, or the Activities Contacts at the end of the digest... all volunteers. Village presidents and councils, sports leaders, the tech committee. The list goes on and on, but I am restricted to 500 words. You get the idea, so it was no surprise that the pickleball community stepped up to volunteer and our community made the donations.



Fourteen volunteers took on the task of using their artistic talents to decorate the fifty boxes supplied by the food bank for the Boxes for Seniors program. It became more like a party as everyone had a good time drawing and displaying their works of art. I am sure these gave a smile to the seniors who received said boxes.

It was then decided that a culminating activity would be nice, so a Coffee and Cookie Pickleball party was held on Valentine's Day. Sixteen volunteers used their skills to bake and decorate

hundreds of cookies and six more took on the task of serving the plethora of people that came.

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### More on AI (Artificial Intelligence)

#### Don Trauger | Kennett

Last month, I wrote about a new technology called AI. Although it is not exactly new, how it's being delivered to users *is* new. Now, we can think of it as a service. Last month, I asked questions of the service, and it delivered answers. The answers seemed reasonable and believable. Even so, it has a long way to go before it becomes a fully reliable and dependable service where we can be

sure of the accuracy of the answers or information displayed. It also must show the sources of and how it derived that information.

This is a huge development in computer science, not only regarding the technical aspects, but also in the way information is presented to the user, as it is delivered in everyday language. But the service will also respond with complex answers when asked complex questions. Microsoft's

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Bing and Google are feverishly working to imbed AI into their search engines. Bing has a wait list where you can sign up now for future use. Bing's home page is https://bing.com. Click "Learn More" and follow the prompts to be added to the wait list. Google's Bard is behind Bing in development, so there's no AI service available currently.

New technologies may come with new risks, and we will have to address them. Implementing acceptable use policies and educating the public about their use will be needed.

As far as operational AI services go, ChatBot is the one to try. Access it by going to https://www.chatbot.com for a 14-day free trial. Another is https:// you.com. Sign up to start using it.

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### Recycling for Televisions, Electronics, & Other Items

Many Hershey's Mill residents are replacing older televisions with new flat screen televisions during the Verizon Upgrade Transition. Where should you recycle old televisions and other electronics? Many recycling locations charge to recycle electronics, especially televisions. The following provides information on locations that you can drive to yourself that do not charge a fee as well as a local service\* that will pick up your television and other electronics and recycle them for a fee.

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### What Can Be Recycled in a Staples store:

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## **Basic Bridge**

#### Walt Woerheide | Springton

The clues are all around us! The clues are all around us! The bidding can often provide good clues about how to play a hand. It can give strong hints as to where certain high cards are and are not.

South has a potentially strong threesuited hand. With fifteen high-card points and five spades, he opens one spade and starts dreaming of a slam with a good response by his partner. North has what is called a spade bust hand with his five spades, a singleton club and only seven high-card points. This is a good combination to jump directly to game to shut off the bidding.

West has nine sure club tricks. So, his five clubs bid has a chance of making it if his partner has anything, but it could also be a good sacrifice if his partner has nothing. The club bid by East means that South's void in clubs is worth five distribution points and his hand is now worth twenty points. He takes a gamble at five spades. East is crestfallen. If he tries six clubs, he could be down three, and if doubled he gives up five hundred points. If



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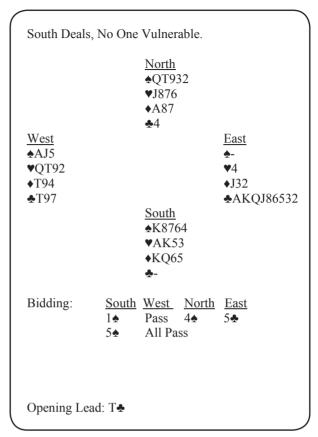
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North-South make five-spades, they only earn 450 points.

South ruffs to win the first trick. After surveying the dummy, South is thinking the hand is a lay down with the only losers being the ace of spades and one heart, provided the hearts break 3-2 or that West holds the queen. He is missing three spades, including the ace and jack. If spades split 2-1, his contract is safe. If the spades split 3-0, then he must guess which opponent would be holding them. But South should remember the bidding! The five clubs

bid may indicate as many as nine clubs. which would mean that East could have as few as four cards in the three suits other than clubs. So, if there is a bad split, West would be more likely to hold the three spades. Although South could lead a low spade and finesse with the ten in dummy, this would be a losing play if East holds the singleton jack of spades. So, South must lead the King of spades. Whether West takes the Ace or plays low, South will lose only one trump trick when East fails to follow suit.

After playing three rounds of trumps, South should test the

diamonds first. When he sees they split 3-3, he has made his contract losing only the ace of spades and a heart. If they did not split 3-3, then after taking the top three diamonds, he first takes the ace and king of hearts to see if the queen falls. But when East shows out on the second round of hearts, he knows that when he leads a low heart, West will take his queen, and then the jack of hearts in dummy becomes the eleventh trick. It pays to listen to the clues all around us!

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#### **BOWLING**

#### Rosie Taylor | Princeton

The 2022-23 bowling season is in the books. And what a season it was...80 bowlers for the first half, 72 bowlers for the second half, and over 25 subs filling in when necessary.

Besides the fun bowling, the season was celebrated with two hoagie luncheons, a pizza day, chances to win a free game on red pin Tuesdays, 'sweet' surprises for Valentine's Day and Halloween...all supported by the weekly 50/50 drawing. HM Bowling League is about fun, friendships and yes, bowling!

The 2023-24 season begins in October. Sign-up sheets will come out in mid-August, so put a reminder on your calendar to sign up early and join the best HM winter activity sport.

For additional information and to find out the winning teams for the first and second halves of the 2022-23 season, check out our website https://hersheysmill.org/hmsg-organization/hmsg-bowling/.

From the Bowling Committee, have a wonderful summer. See you in the fall.

#### **PICKLEBALL**

#### Tom Fant | Yardley

Line calls in Pickleball are made by the receiving team. The perimeter lines of the court are considered to be 'in bounds.' Unlike tennis balls that are 'bouncy' and compress when they strike the ground, pickleballs are hard and do not compress. Pickleballs hit the ground at a point, not an expanded surface. This makes line calls harder, because distance and angle create different points of view. That is why the receiving team makes the call, since they are the closest and have the best line of sight to make the call. Both members of the team must agree on the call, otherwise the call defaults to being in. In our friendly HM group, you hear a lot of "benefit of the doubt" or "too close to call out" by the receiver(s), as it is their ultimate responsibility. Of course, to make things more complex, the Kitchen line, only the serve, is considered out of bounds.

The Kitchen, how about it? The importance of this 7-foot vertical area on either side of the pickleball net... well, you can only take balls out of the air (volley) when you are standing outside of this non-volley-zone. If you hit the ball out of the air while in the kitchen or standing on the kitchen line, you lose the point. If the ball bounces inside of the kitchen, you can move into the kitchen to hit the ball off of a bounce, just be sure you reset your positioning and get out of the kitchen before the next volley.

#### **SHUFFLEBOARD**

#### Sandy Deckard | Jefferson

Happy April! I'm looking forward to a new season of shuffleboard! Admittedly, the construction is still pending the winter hiatus, but we hope and expect that we can get started on time. I generally drive by there at least once a day, so I'll keep an eye on how things are progressing. We will have brand new courts in a new location with some new equipment — a chalk board for each court, a leaf blower that we will share with the bocce and horseshoe teams, and some strategically-placed shade awnings.

We'll play on Wednesday and Saturday mornings, start time based on existing weather conditions. Traditionally, we continue playing until temperatures get too cold. Depending on the construction schedule, we will hold clinics to teach techniques/rules to newcomers or folks who want to resume playing the game after being away for a while. Usually we can provide some 'lefty' and 'righty' members to provide both perspectives in techniques.

I look forward to being the new shuffleboard leader and thank all of you who sent welcoming notes of encouragement and help. I will do my best to keep you informed of everything that's going on.



#### **TENNIS**

#### Dave Clewell | Robynwood

Winter is over, so let's play tennis. If there is a nice day feel free to go on Skedda and reserve a court. We will have two courts reserved starting May 1 for round robin (open tennis). E-mail will be sent to remind people to come and play at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday and at 3:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Our first scheduled event will be on Memorial Day, Monday May 29, where we will have an organized tennis event. Enjoy the spring and call me if you have any questions about the tennis program.



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### **Stop Landline Nuisance Calls**

#### **Bob Johnson | Princeton**

When we moved into Hershey's Mill last year, we got something we have not had in a long time - a landline phone. It is an integral part of the security system in Hershey's Mill, but we found that along with the landline came frequent nuisance calls.

Like a lot of people these days, we exclusively use our cell phones. The only reason we have a landline is to let visitors in the security gate, and to make/receive calls from the Security Team. But when the phone rings, we never know if it's someone at the gate, or a nuisance call. Putting the ringer on silent isn't a safe option, as the Security Team would not be able to call our home, and visitors would not be able to get in the gate.

And so began the mission to silence nuisance calls. Lots of searching on Google and Amazon found 'Call Block' systems that could be purchased for landlines. They have thousands of prebuilt blocked spam numbers. But this didn't seem like a great solution, as the robo call computers are always coming up with new numbers.

Eventually the solution was found on the Verizon website! Hershey's Mill home phones have "Fios Digital Voice Unlimited" service, with many free options that can be activated by the consumer. Some of these options include: voicemail, call-waiting, call-forwarding, do-not-disturb, etc.

Verizon's *Do Not Disturb* feature has solved the problem of nuisance calls! You can enter up to ten phone numbers that are *allowed to ring through*, but all other numbers are blocked.

Per the Verizon website: "Had enough of the phone ringing? **Do Not Disturb** allows you to automatically forward all calls to a prerecorded message or to voicemail without ever ringing your phone. If you need to allow certain callers to reach you, simply list their numbers to be able to ring through."

Below are instructions if you want to activate this feature:

Sign into Verizon with your username and password: https://secure.verizon.com/signin

Below the green phone icon: Click on "Manage your phone."

"Do Not Disturb" by default is in "Not Active" status. Click on "Not Active" to change the status.

Next click "Exempt Phone Numbers."

Then choose "Do Not Disturb greeting" (unless you prefer it to go to Voicemail).

Type in your first exempt phone number, then click red box: "Exempt Number."

Do this one at a time for up to ten phone numbers.

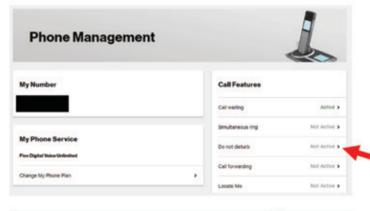
The following three phone numbers MUST be entered as "Exempt Numbers."

610-436-6403 Security Center 610-692-0549 Main Gate 610-701-6389 North Gate

This will leave you with up to seven more numbers you can choose to enter. You may want to add members of your household's cell phone numbers. Then click on "Save Changes."

If you give out your landline number and people call you on it, this probably isn't a good solution for you. But for people who exclusively use their cell phones, this is a fantastic way to silence all those landline nuisance calls!











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