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This month, we're highlighting the magic of the season and what our community has to offer that helps spread holiday cheer. However, while this season can be beautiful for some, it can be painful and lonely for others, especially those who have recently lost a loved one. In the true spirit of the season, let's take care of those in our community who need assistance or who are alone. Acts of kindness go a long way. Perhaps you can volunteer, donate, or bake cookies for a neighbor. Forgiveness at Christmas also can be a great time to let go of anger, bitterness and revenge. When you forgive others, you can create a more harmonious world by empowering them to extend forgiveness to others.

My hope for you this season is that you feel love and peace, and that we all remember to take care of each other extending grace, empathy and love.

Happy Holidays!

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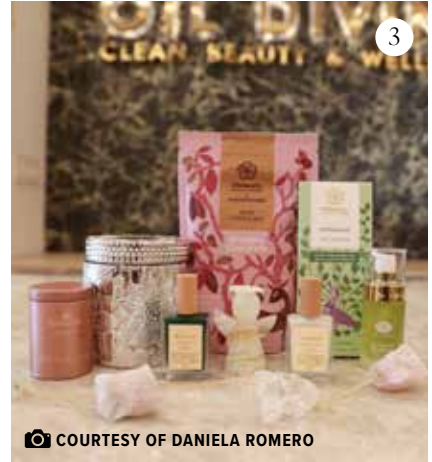


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New Hope Fashion Designer Opens Retail Boutique

Morgan Grabarz, a fashion designer who was a 2018 graduate of New Hope-Solebury High School and who trained in New York City, opened a retail store alongside jewelry designer AB D3SIGN at 12 N. Union Street in Lambertville, New Jersey. Her current creations span coats, sweaters, dresses, skirts, shirts, bodysuits, shawls, swimsuits, vests, T-shirts for men and jackets. To view more of Morgan's styles, stop by the store or visit MorganGrabarz.com.



Photography by Impeccably Designed
Homes by Donna Hoffman

Leader, Team Of Local Luxury Interior Design Firm Earn Awards

Donna Hoffman and the Impeccably Designed Homes team recently received a prestigious design award, plus three third-place design awards, from the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) in the Entertainment/Living Room, Bedroom and Home Office categories. Donna is deemed a design thought leader in *Forbes*, *Real Simple*, TV and radio. She's also called the "nation's No. 1 design coach," after founding TheInteriorDesignAdvocate.com online courses that empower DIYers and design professionals internationally.



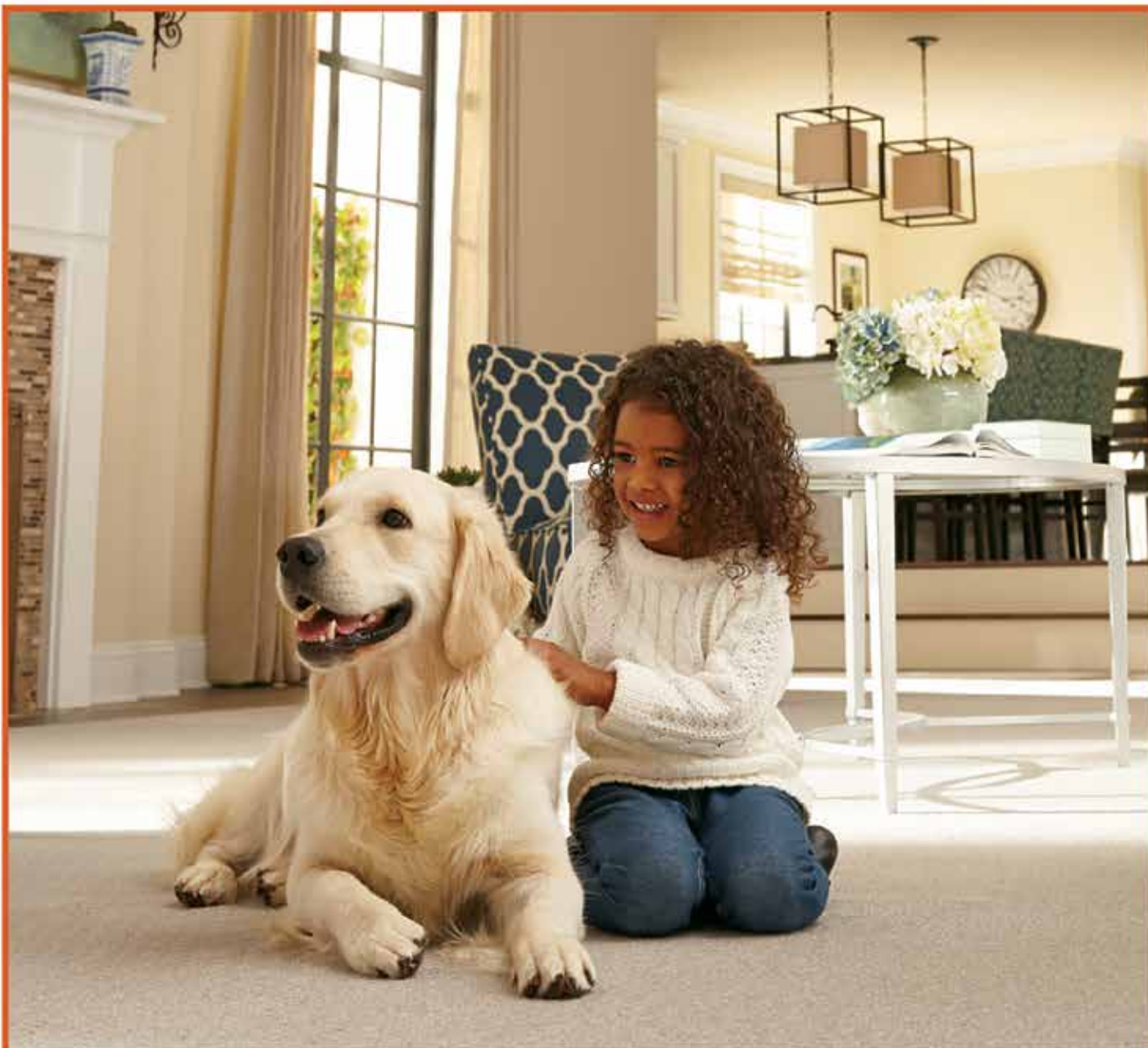
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Celebrating Student Success: BCCCF Fundraising Gala

Bucks County Community College Foundation representatives held the biennial fundraising gala, "Celebrating Student Success," to raise vital funds for the Bucks Student Emergency Fund, while also honoring the Michael G. Fitzpatrick Foundation for its enduring contributions to the Bucks community. The gala took place in the historic Tyler Hall Mansion and its surrounding Tyler Gardens on the Newtown Campus. Guests enjoyed live entertainment, dancing, auctions and the opportunity to impact lives of Bucks County students.

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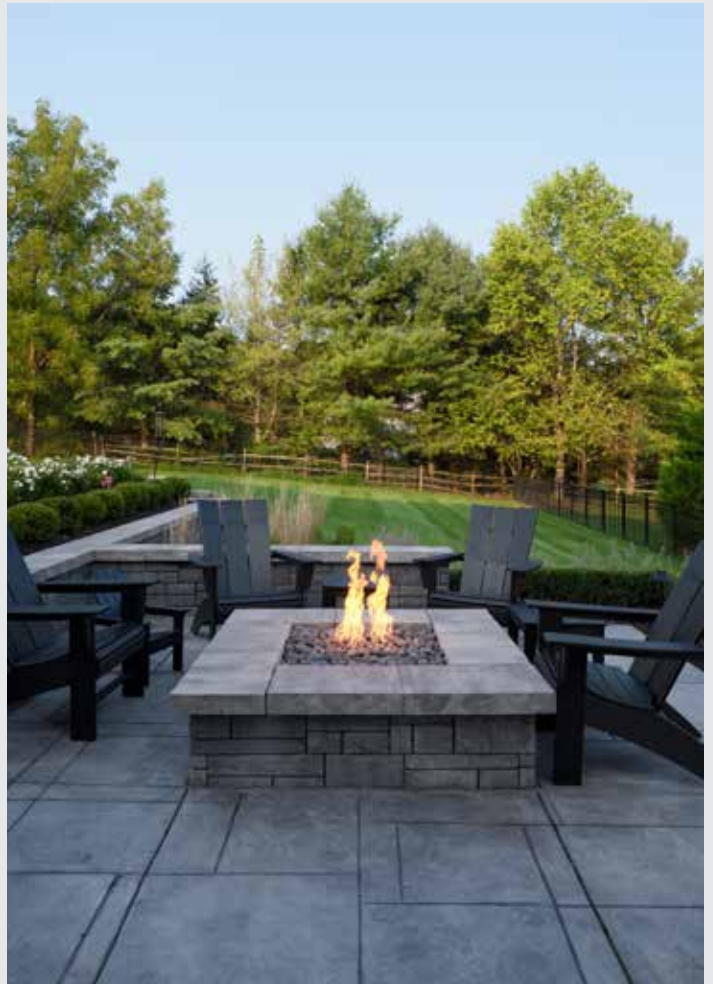


THE HANSBARGER FAMILY

Provide Proper Winter Preparation

JON KONTZ, PLANT DESIGN GROUP:
HOW TO READY HARDSCAPES, YARDS, PLANTS

ARTICLE BY JULIE BROWN PATTON



Before winter weather gets harsh is the time to ensure hardscapes, exterior structures and backyard elements can stand up to the onslaught of ice, snow and freezing temps. Jon Kontz, CEO of PLANT Design Group, says with good preparation, homeowners can both protect hardscape investments and be sure outdoor spaces emerge unscathed in the spring. He also addresses how to prepare plants. Following are Jon's beneficial tips regarding key factors:

PREP OUTDOOR FURNITURE

If outdoor furniture won't be used over the winter, it should be stored neatly where it's protected from elements. This both reduces wear and tear and makes snow removal easier. While storing everything indoors is preferred, at a minimum, use heavy-duty, waterproof furniture covers.

PREP OUTDOOR KITCHENS

If not using outdoor kitchens during wintry months, Jon recommends making sure all appliances are well covered, and any drawers, storage areas or cabinets are securely closed. "Store anything delicate inside or in an outdoor shed. Shut off gas lines if applicable," he adds.

INSPECT OUTDOOR LIGHTING

Even if homeowners won't be using yards as much during the winter months, Jon suggests making sure all lighting is working and that lightbulbs are good. He says, "Pay special attention to ensure that walkway lighting is functional for safe travels around the property. Take visual stock and note the location of any non-functional bulbs and replace them with the recommended ones per lighting manufacturer specifications.

It's always a smart idea to keep some spares handy for the various bulb types your space requires."

STOCK UP ON SURFACE-SAFE DEICER

One thing to avoid is causing any damage to hardscaping. Jon says certain deicing compounds, such as rock salt, can damage stone and pavers. He recommends using a salt-free alternative deicer, such as calcium chloride. "Or, you can use a gritty material like sand. While sand won't remove ice, it's surface safe and will make your space more traversable," he says.

Get plenty of the right deicer so only one trip needs to be made before the winter season is in full swing, he adds. "It's far better to be left with a few unused bags in the spring than having to race to the store when a big winter storm is forecasted to compete for what's left on store shelves."

NO METAL SHOVELS

Ditch metal shovels, asserts Jon. "They can destroy hardscapes, and mark up natural stone and pavers alike. There are plastics capable of handling the toughest of snow. It can be hard to identify sidewalk borders when snow falls, so get some 'sidewalk and driveway' markers, which are available at most home improvement and hardware stores."

CHECK EXTERIOR STRUCTURE RAIN GUTTERS

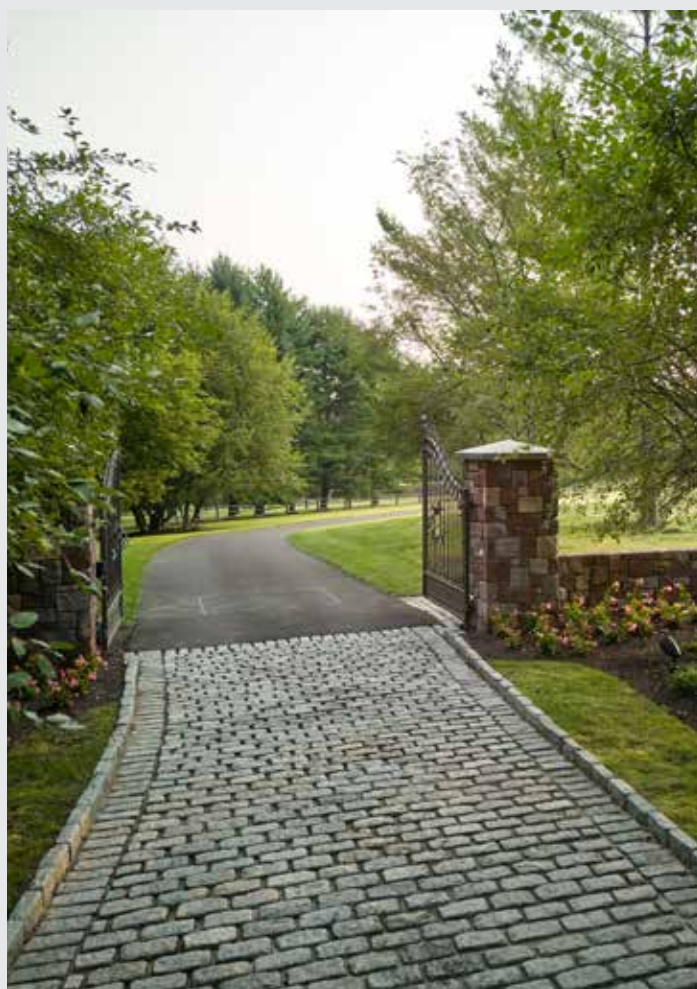
Visually inspect gutters and egresses to ensure they're free of fall leaves or other debris. Also, if water isn't draining properly, Jon says to clear blockage in patio and lawn drains or get in touch with an installer or builder who can verify they're working properly.

"Just Do It: Simply put, following these and other winter prep steps to maintain your hardscaping will save you time and money in the long run. Be proactive!"

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~Jon Kontz, PLANT Design Group



CHOOSE WINTERING STEPS FOR INDOOR PLANTS

One option is to store plants indoors in a basement or dry garage (low light) environments. This option works well for bulbs, cyclamen and most tropicals. Jon says the temperature should stay between 45-60 degrees. "Dry plants out, then mist with water once per week. Soil should not be too dry or too wet. Store plants in paper or an organic breathable fabric, not plastic."

Jon says to be sure plants are clean, pest free and not root bound, except for plants that love to be root bound, such as snake plant, peace lily, spider plant, jade plant, hoyo, aloe vera, Boston ferns, philodendron, succulents, Bird of Paradise and banana plants.

Conversely, to induce dormancy until 'waking them up' with moisture and warmth, Jon suggests being careful bringing them back into the light because new growth can be damaged by sudden change in light and temperature.

To keep plants flourishing through winter, he says to clean plants with soap and water before they come in for cold months. He says such plants should be basically under-watered, but given as much light as possible and kept pest-free. "If you're concerned about pests in soil, you can drench soil with 1 cap rubbing alcohol and 1 cap dish-soap in 1 gallon of water," he adds.

To identify pests on indoor plants, he recommends looking for dirty or discolored leaves; black mold on leaves; fungus; white spots under leaves or where leaves meet the stems; spiderwebs; visible bugs; or small, turtle-shaped spots that could be scale.

"Prevent fungus gnats by letting the top 1 inch of soil dry out between waterings," he states. "Prevent spider mites by keeping plants' leaves clean. Prevent the ever-so-apocalyptic mealybug and scale by throwing away plants, pots and stakes that have been exposed to mealybugs."

Pests can be treated with insecticidal soap, or Jon has an organic mixture he likes rather than using surfactants. It's his Neem/Castile mixture (1 ounce Neem Oil and 1/2 ounce of Castile Soap per gallon of water). But he cautions to be advised that this mixture

expires after 24 hours due to the photosensitivity of Neem Oil.

It's always a good idea to protect wood and fixtures around plants that are housed indoors. He says it's also safer to wear eye and respiratory protection when treating for plant pests. "Don't spray in bright sunlight and be sure to wash off the mixture after spraying and letting it sit on plants that have sensitive leaves," he adds.

To water overwintering plants successfully, Jon says to have a saucer under plants that's at least 2 inches wider than the base of the pot. "It's best to know the makeup of your water, too. For well water, you may need to balance alkalinity with constant feed fertilizer for acid-loving plant types, which are most flowering plants and ferns. Regarding chlorinated water, it will need to sit for 24 hours before watering plants with it."

"Make sure there's a hole in your pots for drainage," Jon continues. "And not using a nozzle on watering can avoid dripping."

He says to put plants on a weekly watering schedule for the winter by picking a certain watering day of the week. Use a moisture meter probe, or finger, to test for dried out soil or moisture in the soil.

To wet soil of a dried out houseplant, the best method is to submerge the entire pot in a bucket of water for 15-30 minutes, allowing the soil to absorb water slowly from the bottom up; this is called bottom watering; alternatively, the pot can be placed in a shallow dish of water and let it soak until the soil is evenly moist, ensuring to drain excess water afterwards

To tell if plants need to be repotted, look for coloration of roots, as in white vs. brown. Repot into breathable pots, such as terra cotta or concrete.

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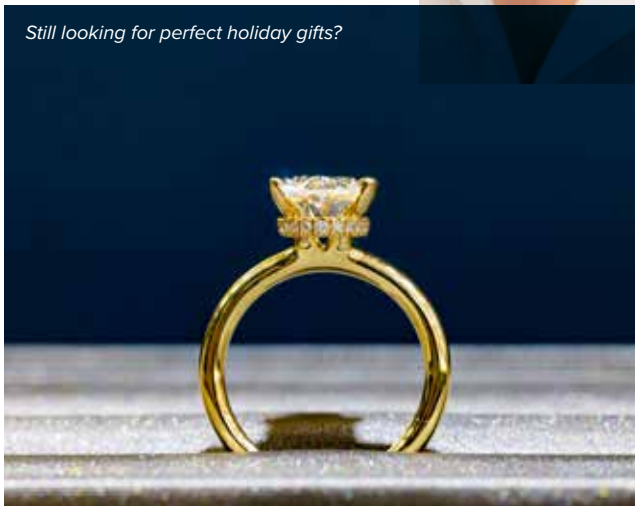
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Michael's Jewelers will be one of the new retail tenants within Wegmans Prickett Preserve at Edgewood project off of Stony Hill Road.

Michael Kanoff, owner/operator of Michael's Jewelers, says they plan to relocate during February from their Yardley store at 1619 Big Oak Road to the new address 920 Antique Alley.

Established in 1976, this family-owned and operated business provides a beautiful array of jewelry, such as fine diamonds, watches, engagement rings, bridal rings, wedding bands, necklaces,

bracelets and custom pieces. They also handle repairs for watches and jewelry.

"We look forward to being located across the street from Shady Brook Farm, and being among the new retail and restaurant space at this convenient roadside property," Michael says.

He adds that the store's space will be doubled to 2,500 square feet, and will include a new bridal boutique. He says their jewelry repair shop will be moving to the new store space, too.

"We'll still concentrate on what we do best, but we'll have more room to do it in," Michael states. "We believe we'll be in good business company at our new location, and we appreciate that the existing historic farmhouse and barn on

the property is destined to be preserved and repurposed."

The development is slated to include nine multi-family buildings containing 200 apartment units, plus a clubhouse with a pool, and seven commercial buildings totaling 52,000 square feet.

In addition to the Wegmans grocery store, Prickett Preserve also will include The Chase Bank and CVS Pharmacy. Other businesses reportedly joining the development Firebirds Wood Fire Grill, Duck Donuts, Go Glow, Urgent Vet, Paris Baguette, Verizon and LaGrange-French Bistro.

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- Bronson's Original Punch 2oz
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- Cranberry Juice 2oz.

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To commemorate America's 250th birthday, Bucks 250 representatives gathered diverse community stakeholders at the Mercer Museum to launch this notable initiative to celebrate history and this significant anniversary. The U.S Semiquincentennial, also called the Bisesquincentennial, the Sestercentennial or the Quarter Millennial, will be the 250th anniversary of the 1776 U.S. Declaration of Independence. The milestone officially will be celebrated on July 4, 2026. Bucks 250 board chair and County Commissioner Bob Harvie says, "Let's reflect on values fought for during our Revolution, and do all we can to make sure every American lives the dream of genuine freedom, liberty and equality."

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NOMINATING SOMEONE WHO DESERVES A CHRISTMAS BLESSING

“We believe in giving back and serving the communities where we live in a real and tangible way.”

Steven Schowengerdt
City Lifestyle Founder & CEO

As the Christmas season approaches, we're reminded of the power of community and kindness. This year, through City Lifestyle's nonprofit, The Kingdom Building Foundation, we will help people who may be struggling quietly without the support they need. But we need your help to find them.

Over the past three years, this campaign has grown into something truly beautiful, touching the lives of more than 150 families nationwide last year alone. Each year, we've seen firsthand how generosity can bring relief, hope, and a renewed sense of faith in others.

One person we had the opportunity to help was an 11-year-old boy diagnosed with a rare eye cancer. After he had to undergo chemotherapy and surgery to remove his eye, his doctors recommended a prosthetic one, but insurance wouldn't cover the cost, calling it "cosmetic." When we heard his story, we knew we had to help. Because of this campaign, he got his prosthetic eye and a piece of his childhood back with it.

Another was a wife and mother of two who fought a yearlong health battle and was diagnosed with a brain tumor. Just days before Christmas, she underwent surgery but passed away due to complications. Before her surgery, she received one of our cards and, in tears, told us this gift gave her some peace, knowing her family would have help in the difficult times ahead. It wasn't just about the financial support but knowing that someone cared.

These stories remind us why this campaign is so meaningful. It's not just

about writing checks; it's about telling people they aren't forgotten and that someone is there to lend a hand. It's about giving families a moment of relief when the world feels unbearable.

“We believe in giving back and serving the communities where we live in a real and tangible way,” says Steven Schowengerdt, CEO and founder of City Lifestyle. “This Giving Campaign is about personally impacting the lives of people we know with an unexpected check in the mail just to say that someone thought of them this holiday season.”

Together with Matthew Perry, President, Steven adds that the gratitude from recipients was overwhelming, affirming this tradition's importance. “We believe God has blessed our company with success,” Matthew adds, “so we want to be a blessing to others.”

We know many more people could use a little help this Christmas, and that's where you come in. Do you know someone who could use a blessing? We want to hear about them.

To nominate someone, scan the QR code or follow @CityLifestyle on Instagram, where you'll find the form in our bio. Nominations are open from November 27 to December 10, 2024. Let's bring hope to those who need it most.

The City Lifestyle Giving Campaign is completely confidential. No identities will be revealed or publicized. All entries will be read, and selections and the amount given to each recipient will be based on the severity of the need. For more information, visit KingdomBuildingFoundation.com.

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DECEMBER 7TH

Holiday Open House Tour

Private Homes Plus Entry To Half-Moon Inn / 10:00 AM

Now in its 61st year, this tour gives visitors a peek into several of Newtown's unique private residences, all dressed for the holidays. Tickets are \$30 for Newtown Historic Association members or \$35 for non-members, advance purchase, and will be sold the day of the tour for \$40 at the Half-moon Inn (Court Inn) and at the Stocking Works.

DECEMBER 7TH

Anastasia: The Musical

Bucks County Playhouse / 11:30 AM

Featuring popular songs from the original animated feature, Anastasia is a sweeping musical adventure that transports audiences from the twilight of the Russian Empire to the euphoria of Paris in the 1920s. A special "Anastasia Tea" is packaged with tickets for the show. The tea takes place in the historic Playhouse Barn with a ticket to the 1:30 p.m. show.

DECEMBER 8TH

First Crossing Of 2024 (tickets required)

Washington Crossing Historic Park's Historic Village / 10:00 AM

Each December, thousands of people gather on the Delaware River banks to watch the re-enactment of George Washington's daring 1776 Christmas night river crossing. During the event, several hundred reenactors in Continental military dress listen to an inspiring speech by Gen. Washington, and then row across the river in replica Durham boats. The actual crossing begins at approximately 1 p.m.



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