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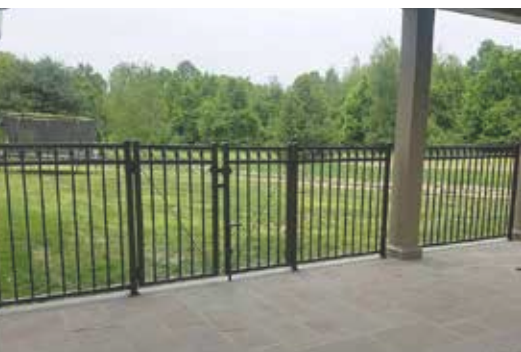
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This season invites us to pause, reflect and embrace the true spirit of giving, not just through gifts, but through kindness, generosity and connection. It's a time to gather close, to share stories and laughter, and to carry the light of gratitude into the new year.

December is also a personally gratifying time for us, with it being the month that *Newtown City Lifestyle* launched in 2019. We still relish covering interesting people, businesses and developments, and look forward to continuing to serve Newtown, New Hope, Upper Makefield, Washington Crossing and Wrightstown.

As a reminder, the Newtown Business Association Holiday Parade, sponsored by the Newtown Athletic Club, will be held on Sunday, Dec. 7. Please visit NewtownBA.org or follow @NewtownBusinessAssociation on Instagram for all the details. You won't want to miss it!!

From all of us at *Newtown City Lifestyle*, thank you for being part of our community. We're honored to share your stories and celebrate the heart of our community together.

From my family to yours, wishing you health, happiness and a bright start to the new year.

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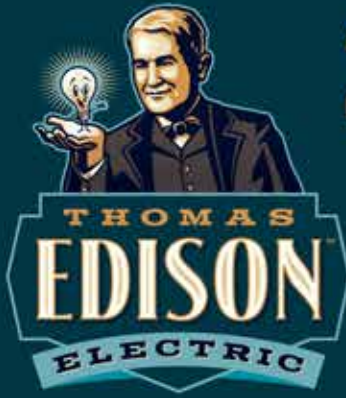
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A ROUNDUP OF NEWS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES



Notice The New Dog Breed During Philly-Based National Dog Show?

American Kennel Club officials certified one new breed, the Danish-Swedish Farmdog, as eligible this year to compete in conformation at dog shows across America, including the National Dog Show presented by Purina Thanksgiving Day on NBC, as hosted by the Kennel Club of Philadelphia. The Danish-Swedish Farmdog was part of the Working Group, and is now one of 214 different breeds eligible for judging at some 3,000 dog shows in the United States.

Mary Carillo, Host,
The National Dog Show



Logan Inn Reopens In New Hope

Days after fire damaged the Logan Inn in New Hope, the staff reopened for regular service. "Thanks to the quick response of local first responders, everyone is safe, and the situation was managed swiftly," stated the innkeepers in a Facebook posting. "We want to take a moment to thank our community for the overwhelming support and compassion. Your messages, visits and words of encouragement have reminded us just how special New Hope truly is."

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Flourish Café Celebrates Grand Opening In Newtown

Flourish Café opened in Newtown at 2817 S. Eagle Road and became a new Newtown Business Association member. The crew there especially likes to celebrate the special moments in guests' lives. In fact, every birthday guest receives a slice of their homemade cake. They state that everything they serve is made from scratch – from housemade sauces to their beloved syrniki, from breakfasts inspired by American comfort to dinners touched by European charm.

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Partners In Planting: Newtown Groups Among Bucks Beautiful Grant-Funded Projects

Bucks Beautiful representatives announced recipients of their latest round of grants, awarded to support impactful beautification and reforestation projects: Newtown Middle School [students will plant Bucks Beautiful's signature seasonal daffodil bulbs to bring color, joy to campus grounds]; Sol Finestone Elementary School, Newtown [5,000 daffodil bulbs will be planted along entrance, with third-graders planting portion in conjunction with science lesson]; Washington Crossing Historic Park [Phase 2 of rehabilitation and expansion of the Thompson-Neely Kitchen Garden].

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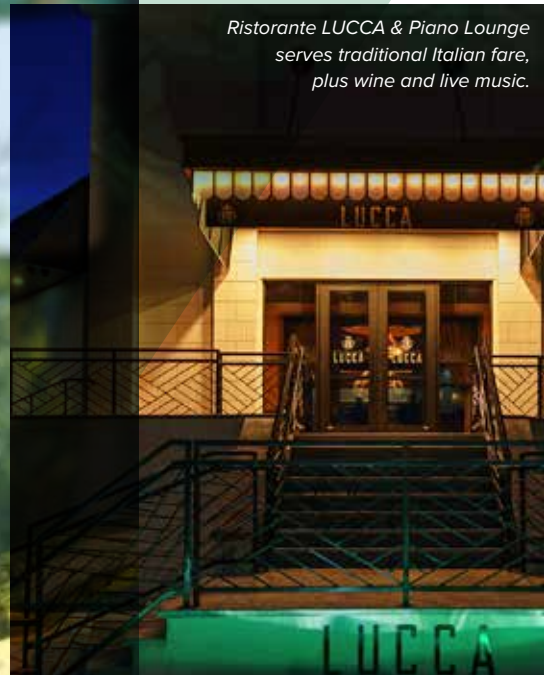
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PONDERING *holiday gift* IDEAS?

"Kindness is like snow; it beautifies everything it covers," stated writer, poet, visual artist and philosopher Kahlil Gibran. And kindness through giving gifts can be uplifting and thoroughly satisfying.

Encircle others with a reminder of love through a diamond bracelet at Michael's Jewelers. Michael Kanoff, owner of Michael's Jewelers, says his team is ready to suggest wonderful gift options at their new location in Yardley at 920 Antique Alley.

Gift cards also are a popular gift-giving method because they reduce decision fatigue and make giving easier while still preserving thoughtfulness. So, go ahead and swipe with love because it's the card that counts!

Stop by the following regional businesses for additional gift ideas and holiday-related special times: Piccolo Trattoria; 4Ever Young Anti-aging Solutions; Stockton Market; Ristorante LUCCA; barre 3; Head 2 Toe Menswear; Super Buy Rite; Nothing Bundt Cakes; Rittenhouse Home; Terrain Gardens; The Well Lounge (at the NAC) and Lunachick.

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While spreading holiday cheer, the Terrain Cafe team says 'The More, The Merrier' when it comes to gift cards. Earn a 20%, 30% or 40% bonus card upon purchase [\$50 - \$149: earn a 20% bonus, \$150 - \$499: earn a 30% bonus, \$500-plus: earn a 40% bonus]; \$50-plus in gift cards online through Jan. 10, 2026. Gift cards are redeemable at all Terrain Cafe, Pizzeria Vetri and Gatehouse locations. Bonus cards can be redeemed between Jan. 19 to March 31, 2026.

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New Book Ready For *Holiday* Gifting

BUCKS COUNTY DENIZEN AUTHORS 'DEVIL WEARS PRADA VIBES' LITERARY NOVEL



Yardley native and Pennsbury High School graduate Caroline Palmer recently published her first novel titled *Workhorse*. It was inspired by her time working in the magazine industry in New York City during the early 2000s, including 10 years as an editor at *Vogue*.

The novel has been described as "a richly drawn, unsettling and wickedly funny story of envy and ambition set against the glamor and privilege of media and high society in New York City at its height."

From 2014 to 2019, Caroline was the director of editorial, video and social media at Amazon Fashion. Prior to her tenure at Amazon, she spent seven years as the editor of *Vogue.com*. Her previous work has appeared in various publications, including *The New York Times*, *Life*, *Seventeen* magazine and *Vogue*.

***Workhorse* synopsis:** At the turn of the millennium, editorial assistant Clodagh "Clo" Harmon wants nothing more than to rise through the ranks at the world's most prestigious fashion magazine. There's just one problem: She doesn't have the right pedigree. Instead, Clo is a "workhorse" surrounded by beautiful, wealthy, impossibly well-connected "show horses" who get ahead without effort, including her beguiling cubicle-mate, Davis Lawrence, the daughter of a beloved but fading Broadway actress. Harry Wood, Davis's boarding school classmate and a reporter with visions of his own media empire, might be Clo's ally in gaming the system, or he might be the only thing standing between Clo and her rightful place at the top. In a career punctuated by moments of high absurdity, sudden windfalls and devastating reversals of fortune, Clo wades across boundaries, taking ever greater and more dangerous risks to become the important person she wants to be within the confines of a world where female ambition remains cloaked. But who really is Clo underneath all the borrowed designer clothes and studied manners – and who are we if we share her desires?

ARTICLE BY JULIE BROWN PATTON | PHOTOGRAPHY BY TAYLOR JEWELL

Caroline Palmer



Newtown City Lifestyle caught up with this new author for an interesting behind-the-scenes peek about the process and excitement.

HOW DID LIVING IN BUCKS COUNTY INFLUENCE YOUR CAREER AND POSSIBLY ANY PORTIONS OF YOUR NEW BOOK?

"The main character of the book, Clodagh Harmon, hails from Bucks County and went to the local public schools, which was clearly influenced by my own upbringing. I like that it not only makes her sort of clear-eyed about the world in which she finds herself, but it also gives her a little grit."

HOW MANY DRAFTS DID YOUR BOOK GO THROUGH TO REACH ITS FINAL VERSION?

"The book took about two years from start to finish, plus about half a year of editing. I have three young kids and when I started, I was working full time, so I established a routine where I woke up at 4:15 a.m. and wrote from 4:45-7:45 a.m., which was actually a lot more magical than it sounds. Once I have a conversation about missing shoes or start packing lunches, I find I can't return to writing; it needs a special kind of focus. I also take a nap every day before school pick-up to survive."

WHICH CHARACTER WAS THE MOST CHALLENGING TO WRITE ABOUT? WHY?

"I was really fascinated about the relationship between Davis and her mother, Barbara Lawrence, but all my characters developed as I got to understand them better. I didn't have an outline, and I sort of wrote my way into it. In fact, certain behaviors (and thus plot points) had to be edited as I progressed through the book. There were so many times I would think: Wait, that doesn't make sense. Now that I know this character so well, I know she would never do that."

WHAT DO YOU HOPE READERS TAKE AWAY FROM IT?

"*Workhorse* started out as a character study. I wanted to see if I could write a relatable, funny female character who was also not a very good person, someone who did bad things and hurt people, but to whom you still feel a strange affinity, and whose actions, maybe, resonated with your own. And while, of course, there are women that behave badly in fiction, I find we generally place them in a context in which their evil-doings are understandable, and often, forgivable. I guess I wanted to challenge the idea that simple ambition is not an accepted excuse for women."

DO YOU PLAN TO WRITE OTHER NOVELS?

"Yes, I'm working on my second book, which is actually entirely based in Philadelphia, and it includes everything from Irish bars to cheerleaders."

FROM WHERE CAN YOUR BOOK BE PURCHASED? AT ANY LOCAL BOOKSTORES?

"I'm passionate about local bookstores, and there's one in Yardley called Commonplace Books on Main Street. In Newtown, please hit up Newtown Bookshop. It's also available at mass retailers, including Barnes & Noble, Amazon and Target."

The book is also being marketed in the United Kingdom and Australia. Caroline now lives in Montclair, New Jersey. She says the story "also been optioned for television."

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Friends of Washington Crossing Park Leadership Team (left to right): Bryanna Galvan, Jennifer Martin, Ross Heutmaker and Michelle Flanagan.



ARTICLE BY MADELINE MARRIOTT | PHOTOGRAPHY BY BRIAN WAGNER

Washington Crossing Historic Park enthusiasts will celebrate the 250th anniversary signing of the Declaration of Independence in style, officially observed July 4, 2026, thanks in part to a recent grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The \$25,000 grant is part of the Celebrate America! Public Impact Project, which provides financial assistance for projects that focus on the founding of the American nation, key historical figures and milestones that reflect the exceptional achievements of the United States.

The funds will allow the park to expand and upgrade its living history programs across the 500-acre site, which give a glimpse into 18th century life through interactive experiences with actors. In addition to thousands of families and history lovers, the park hosts 10,000-plus students and chaperones each year through their Colonial Days field trip program.

“It’s all about bringing history to life,” says Jennifer Martin, executive director of the Friends of Washington Crossing Historic Park, the organization that oversees the park’s activities. “We want to immerse visitors in our history and allow them to see what really happened here and understand our community that has a unique and direct tie to the founding of our nation.”

Upgraded 2026 living history projects, which take place at the Thompson-Neely House and the Lower Park Village, include a soldier’s encampment and an officer’s quarters built in partnership with Americana Corner. The park also receives funding for its projects from the National Park Service and private foundations and individual donors.

“When you come to the park, you can actually sit around the campfire, climb into the brush huts, interact with soldiers, and really see what life was like back then,” Jennifer explains.

During the 2026 semiquincentennial year, the park’s team members will focus on recognizing the contributions of a wide range of Americans to the Revolutionary War effort.

“We want everyone to see themselves in the history,” Jennifer says. “To that end, we’ve enhanced our interpretation to be more inclusive, sharing the contributions of women, Black soldiers and average civilians, in addition to people like General Washington.”

Jennifer also wants to spotlight the stories of specific Americans to foster a deeper understanding of the people involved in historical events. “With our site-specific interpretations, visitors can connect directly with the people that were part of the Crossing story,” she says. “Rather than saying what soldiers in general did, we’re really looking at specific accounts of individuals that were involved in the campaign to humanize the story a bit more.”



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The Friends of Washington Crossing Park is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to *supporting the educational programs and historic preservation efforts of Washington Crossing Historic Park.*

The living history programs, which will take place weekly from April to September, are part of a larger list of celebratory activities occurring at the park throughout 2026. There will be a celebration of Washington's Birthday in February, an enhanced Fourth of July celebration and the yearly Christmas Day reenactment of Washington's crossing of the Delaware River.

This year, the organization is building a Durham boat, the type

used in the crossing, in partnership with the Independence Seaport Museum in Philadelphia to allow visitor immersion in the crossing experience.

"We want people to know they can celebrate with us all year long, not just at the major holidays," Jennifer says. "This 250th anniversary is an opportunity for us to reflect on the events that made us a young nation. If you hear about the 250th and want to know what that means to you, come out to these sites. Don't just go to Philadelphia and Washington, D.C., even though they're going to have lots to offer, but get out the sites right in your community that allow you to create memories right in your own backyard," Jennifer encourages.

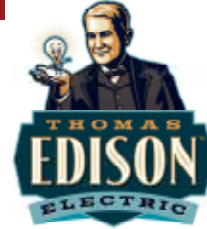
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BCCC honored friends and family of Lester Minkel, the college's first librarian.



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Archival photos are displayed at the BCCC Library in Newtown to commemorate its 60th anniversary.

Library staffers at Bucks County Community College (BCCC) have been providing the gifts of reading, knowledge and curiosity to students and residents alike for 60 years.

“Our mission at the library is to serve the people of Bucks County: to enrich their lives, advance their careers and enable them to become lifelong learners and more responsible citizens,” says Kelly Deeny, interlibrary loan/records library technician.

The library is located on the main Newtown Campus at 275 Swamp Road in Newtown. It opened to students on Sept. 29, 1965, as part of a sweeping movement to increase access to higher education across the nation.

The library was briefly housed in what is now Pemberton Hall before moving to the current building in 1972. Attached to the building is the Zlock Performing Arts Center, which hosts events, lectures and performances for the college and community.

This library's collections include more than 150,000 print books and periodicals, a diverse multimedia collection and databases containing 20,000-plus electronic journals, 2,000 electronic books, 500 electronic reference titles, about 6,000 streaming videos and more than a million art images.

In celebration of the library's 60th anniversary, Kelly recently assembled a presentation about Lester Minkel, the college's first librarian.

“Born in Iowa, Lester Minkel broke from the family's farming tradition to pursue an education, and established a reputation as a beloved educator, friend and family man who loved to travel and cook,” she explains.

His achievements as librarian include the purchase of reference books displayed at the 1964 World's Fair by the American Library Association, and partnering with the Bucks County Free Library.

The 28 librarians, technicians and assistants now on staff are passionate about information literacy and provide resources to ensure Bucks County residents can find, retrieve, evaluate and use information ethically and efficiently.

For example, curious researchers can find the library's guide to the CRAAPP test, a tool used to evaluate the dependability of web sources and scholarly articles. The test encourages users to consider a source's currency, reliability, authority/accuracy, purpose and point of view to determine if it is a proper resource. Additionally, the website features information available to the public about how to properly cite sources in a number of different formats.

The library also hosts weekly events, such as Meditation in the Library on Wednesday afternoons, and holds regular exhibitions open to the public. Recent topics have included a history of wooden utensils and tools, a road trip to catalog the independent bookshops of New Jersey and the Bucks In Time Archival Project. This project, helmed by the entire BCCC library team over the course of several events, asked students to anonymously answer what they enjoyed most about their Bucks' experience. The answers were then compiled into a file now available in the archives. They hope to make this a yearly project to go along with their celebration of Family History Month each October.

Library services extend far beyond the walls of the Newtown building.

“Extension libraries on the Lower and Upper Bucks campuses received new facilities in 2007 (Lower Bucks) and 2010 (Upper),” Kelly says. “The Library has supported the College's Virtual Campus since the inception of the online learning program in the early 1990s, and now provides extensive online collections and services.”



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INGREDIENTS:

- 2 oz dark or spiced rum
- 3/4 oz cinnamon simple syrup
- 1 oz heavy cream
- 1 whole egg
- Dash of ground nutmeg
- Dash of vanilla extract

Garnish: cinnamon stick and a light dusting of nutmeg or cinnamon

Make Cinnamon Simple Syrup:

Combine 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 cup water, and 2 cinnamon sticks in a saucepan. Simmer for 10 mins, let cool, and strain. Store in the fridge.

Add rum, cinnamon syrup, cream, egg, vanilla, and a pinch of nutmeg to a shaker. Shake vigorously for 15-20 seconds to emulsify the egg. Strain into a coupe or stemmed glass like the one in your photo. Top with a cinnamon stick across the rim and a dusting of nutmeg or cinnamon.

Optional: Add 1/2 oz chilled espresso for a coffee kick.

INSTRUCTIONS:



FESTIVE CRANBERRY GIN FIZZ

A bright, elegant cocktail with a foamy top and a hint of holiday spirit.

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 oz gin
- 1 oz cranberry juice
- 3/4 oz lemon juice
- 1/2 oz simple syrup
- 1 egg white

Optional: splash of sparkling water or club soda

Garnish: fresh rosemary or thyme sprig

INSTRUCTIONS:

In a cocktail shaker, combine gin, cranberry juice, lemon juice, simple syrup, and egg white. Shake vigorously for about 20 seconds to create the frothy top. Double strain into a chilled coupe glass to get that smooth, foamy top. Add a small splash of sparkling water if you'd like a bit of fizz. Gently place a sprig of rosemary or thyme on top of the foam.



BOURBON VANILLA BEAN HOT CHOCOLATE

An ultra-creamy, chocolatey holiday drink with a hit of warm bourbon and a vanilla bean twist.

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 cups whole milk
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 1/2 cup high-quality dark chocolate (chopped or chips)
- 2 tbsp unsweetened cocoa powder
- 2 tbsp sugar or maple syrup
- 1/2 tsp pure vanilla extract
 - Pinch of sea salt
 - 2 oz bourbon

Topping: 4 large marshmallows

Optional garnish: grated dark chocolate, whipped cream, cinnamon

INSTRUCTIONS:

In a small saucepan over medium heat, combine milk, cream, cocoa powder, sugar, vanilla, and salt. Whisk until smooth and heated through. Add chopped dark chocolate and stir constantly until melted and silky. Lower heat if needed to avoid scorching. Remove from heat, then stir in bourbon. Taste and adjust sweetness or strength to your liking. Top with marshmallows. Add whipped cream, a sprinkle of cinnamon or nutmeg, and shaved chocolate.

Optional: Add a pinch of cinnamon and cayenne for spicy depth

Kid-friendly version: Omit bourbon and add peppermint extract or caramel syrup instead.



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TAMARACK RESORT: A FOUR-SEASON ESCAPE



Idaho's Only Ski, Golf And Lake Resort Redefines Year-Round Adventure

"A lot of resorts bill themselves as four seasons, but there isn't a whole lot to do during the spring and summers. With Tamarack, it really is," says Tamarack Resort Managing Partner Gabriel Navarro.

Promoting itself as America's only ski, golf and lake resort, Tamarack has undergone a renaissance since Gabriel, his brother Marcel Navarro and brother-in-law Martin Pico took full control in 2021 under their company, MMGEquity Partners.

Located north of Boise, the resort now offers a private Club at Tamarack, ski-in/ski-out condominiums, seven spots for food and drinks plus a hearty schedule of programming and events.

Renowned as a top-tier ski resort, it features 2,800 vertical feet of skiable terrain spread over 1,530 acres, with runs and trails suitable for beginners and seasoned pros alike. In warmer months, Tamarack Resort transforms into a haven for outdoor enthusiasts with mountain biking trails, hiking paths, ziplining, whitewater rafting, marina with boat and watercraft rentals and a 19-hole championship golf course that showcases expansive views of Lake Cascade, breathtaking mountains and lush meadows.

The resort offers an array of vacation rentals, including luxury estate homes, alpine chalets, Village or Lodge condominiums and mountainside cabins. Beyond outdoor adventures, Tamarack delights guests with fine dining options featuring locally inspired cuisine, relaxing spa services and a variety of lake activities such as kayaking, paddle-boarding, wake surfing, e-foiling and fishing.

But while Tamarack is thriving now, it previously was vacated when previous owners went bankrupt in 2008.

Gabriel says, "Although the resort had been sealed off for 10 years, it looked as if the construction workers had walked off the job just yesterday. Hammers, screwdrivers, the plans on the tables. So, the first visit was an interesting one."



Photo by Sherri Harkin

The Florida-based MMG had become a player in the ski resort space after acquiring a portfolio of commercial properties (Whistler Blackcomb in British Columbia, Mammoth in California, Copper in Colorado, Snowshoe Mountain Resort in West Virginia, and Stratton Mountain Resort in Vermont). When the Tamarack opportunity came around, MMG partnered with other firms and created Tamarack Resort Holdings to acquire the resort.

“The first few years were challenging, having been a failed ski resort,” Gabriel says. “Many wondered, ‘Was this new owner going to do what they say they are going to do?’”

“Eighteen months later, we had worked through all of the pieces to be able to put Humpty Dumpty back together,” he adds. “My second trip out there, the family went out with me. It was neat, just walking them through the Village and laying out the vision, and then for them to go back two years later and see it complete. But again, we had the confidence, with the right partners and with the original general contractor on board, to finish what was the original master plan.”

“We’re now focused on delivering a new meaningful amenity each year, which further elevates the resort.”



Recovery steps included aspects such as reinstalling the Wildwood Lift in 2019, which had been repossessed and removed in 2012.

“We’re now focused on delivering a new meaningful amenity each year, which further elevates the resort. Six years later, having invested over \$200 million in the resort, that skepticism is no longer there. Tamarack 2.0 is thriving,” he vows.

Construction started on a 100-slip marina on Lake Cascade in August, plans are underway for a hotel and clubhouse over the next few years and new real estate and communities are coming online each year. Gabriel states, “Every year, we’ll continue to deliver a transformational addition to the resort. We’ve accomplished a lot in the last five years, but I’m equally excited as to what we’ll do in the next 10.”

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DECEMBER 5TH

Holiday Tree Lighting

Newtown Borough Fire Station / 6:30 PM

Organizers state the tree lighting is slated for approximately 7 p.m., but may need to happen sooner, so it's best to get there (14 Liberty Street) early. This 2-hour event is sponsored by the Newtown Experience Group.

DECEMBER 6TH

Holiday Open House Tour

Five Private Homes And Eight Public Buildings / 10:00 AM

Celebrate the season's beauty via Newtown Historic Association's Holiday Open House Tour. Now in its 62nd year, this tour allows visitors to peek into several of Newtown's unique private residences, all dressed for the holidays. Tour hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Early-bird ticket prices: \$30 for members/\$35 for non-members, NewtownHistoric.org/HouseTour or at Newtown Book & Record Exchange (cash/check only).

DECEMBER 7TH

2025 Newtown Holiday Parade

Newtown Township & Newtown Boro / 12:00 PM

Embrace magic of this seasonal parade and additional fun offerings. It's being organized by Newtown Business Association, sponsored by Newtown Athletic Club. Santa makes grand entrance at the parade's end. Enjoy face painting, treats, hot beverages, petting zoo, Santa letters within a Holiday/Christmas Village ambiance. Watch for social media posts or go to NewtownBA.org for parade route and activity-related updates.

DECEMBER 16TH

5th Annual Illuminated Classical Christmas Concert

The Newtown Theatre / 7:30 PM

This one-of-a-kind, 2-hour concert is illuminated by hundreds of elegant white lights and features string musicians from the Newtown Chamber Orchestra. It will include well-known classical works as well as some popular holiday songs. The night also will include a special-guest narration of 'Twas the Night Before Christmas with orchestra accompaniment. Tickets range from \$39.99 to VIP \$53.

DECEMBER 20TH

A Christmas Story

The Newtown Theatre / 1:00 PM

Prepurchased general admission is \$6.50 each ticket, and tickets are \$10 at the door. Seating is first come, first served. Free parking is available along North State Street, in the municipal lot between Washington and Centre Avenue, and in the municipal lot next to Newtown Borough Hall (23 North State Street). The movie is expected to run through 2:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 21ST

Chanukah Lighting Event

North State Street between Greene Street and Washington Avenue / 4:00 PM

The sponsor of this event is Lubavitch of Bucks County. It concludes at 5:30 p.m. There is no rain date. Lubavitch of Bucks County provides a diverse network of social, educational and religious programming and opportunities to help improve meaningful and joyful life experiences for the Jewish community.

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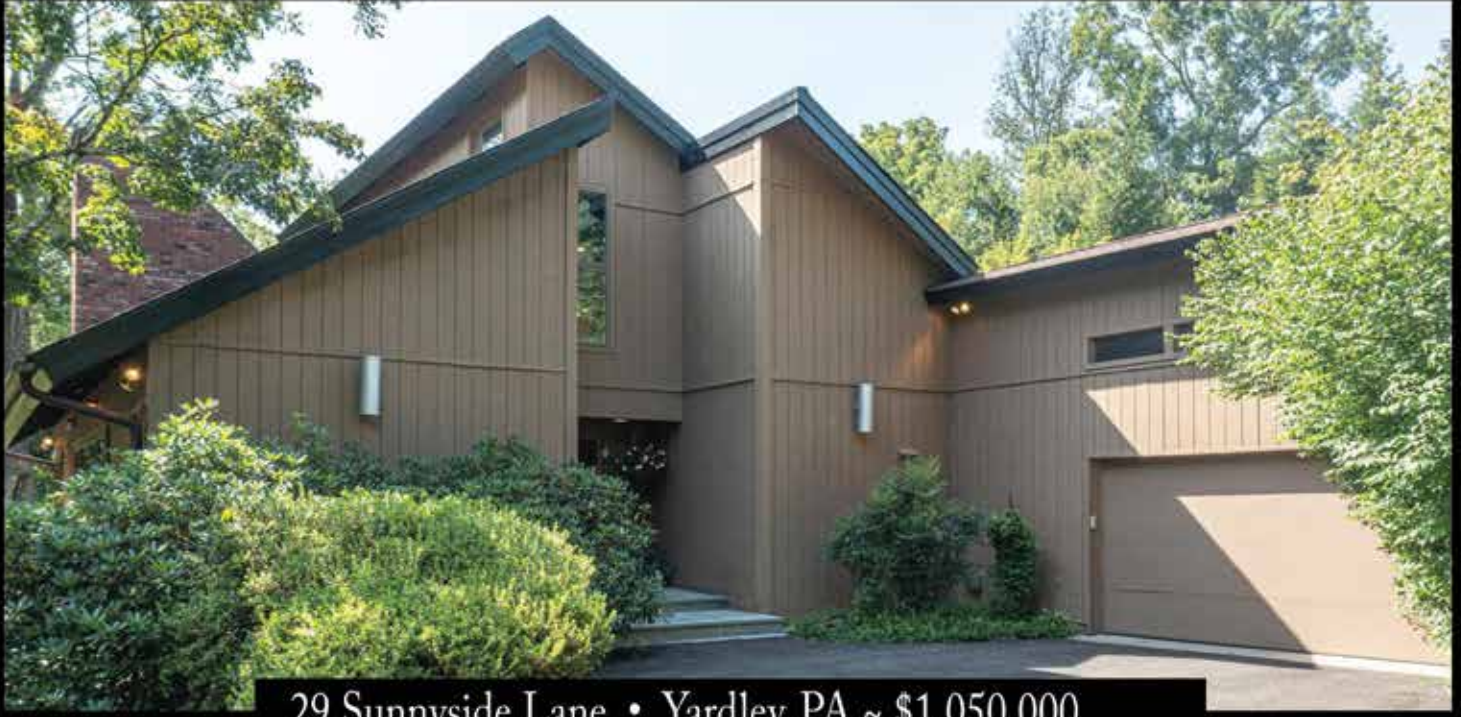
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