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A Taste of Old Italy ... *and Beyond*

Newtown lunch bunch shares their foodie favorites with Destination



Pasta pappardelle with scallops, mussels and clams in a marinara sauce.



Seafood stew ciampino swimming in salmon, crabmeat, mussels, clams, langoustine shrimp and calamari in a salty marinara sauce with garlic and oil.

By Jeff Werner

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NEWTOWN TOWNSHIP >> I was looking for a story to showcase Newtown’s growing restaurant scene when I stumbled upon the lunch bunch, a group of local friends who meet once a week for two reasons only – to socialize and to try out a different restaurant.

On this particular Friday they were getting together at Vecchia Osteria by Pasquale, which is tucked next to the Newtown Depot Shopping Center at 20 Richboro Road in a spot that could easily be overlooked by the traveling public.

But one step inside and it’s like you’ve stepped across the ocean into a cozy ristorante in Italy, maybe on a hillside overlooking a vineyard. Let your imagination take you away. The atmosphere is warm and comfortable, and the food, we’ll, we’ll get to that later.

So I sat down for lunch with the lunch bunch consisting of about nine Newtownians, including a local judge, several business owners and two township supervisors – who were gracious enough to let a reporter crash their party.

Three of them – District Judge Mick Petrucci, Paul Blancado and Paul Salvatore – started the informal, loosely-organized group after meeting for lunch at Isaac Newton’s earlier this year. The group has since expanded to about 10, including Mike Iapalucci, Kurt Lesser, Paul Wehner, Ryan Gallagher, Mike Gallagher and Kyle Davis.

“We had such an awesome time at Isaac’s that we decided to do it every week,” said Petrucci.



Pasquale Palino, the owner and executive chef at Vecchia Osteria by Pasquale.

“And with all the new restaurants that have opened recently, we thought it would be a great opportunity to explore the food delicacies of Newtown, both established and new.

“We are so fortunate here in Newtown to have so many restaurants here like the Green Parrot, Isaac Newton’s, Vecchia, the Temperance House and La Stalla that draw so many people from outside of Newtown. It’s just a thriving place to open an eatery,” he said.

What’s also nice, adds Salvatore, is that at most of the restaurants the owners are there. “They’re mom and pops and many of them live in Newtown or nearby. You get that personalized service and attention that you don’t get at the chains.”

Before the group had a chance to order, an antipasto plate appeared in the middle of the table compliments of the owner and executive chef, Pasquale Palino, who was a very gracious host and often stopped by the table to see how lunch was progressing.

Today, the group – made up mostly of Italians - chose to enjoy lunch in the only way Italians know how - “family style” - selecting choices from the day’s specials to share, including a beautifully prepared plate of branzino, a white fish Mediterranean seabass.

They also chose two homemade pasta dishes – homemade pasta pappardelle with scallops, mussels and clams in marinara sauce and a seafood stew ciampino swimming in salmon, crabmeat, mussels, clams, langoustine shrimp and calamari in a salty marinara sauce with garlic and oil.

I ordered from the menu, selecting the Rigatoni alla Vodka with a vodka infused pink cream sauce and Vidalia onions, accompanied by thick, homemade pasta. As a fan of vodka rigatoni, I was not disappointed with the texture and taste sensation that greeted my taste buds.

Meanwhile, the lunch bunch appeared equally, if not more satisfied, with their selections.

“That is pure deliciousness in a bowl,” one of them said of

the seafood stew.

After dinner and over espressos and some of the most amazing cannoli and tiramisu I have ever tasted, it was time to drill down and find out what the hotspots are in Newtown from this group of locals.

It didn’t take long for the recommendations to begin pouring out, some of them surprising and others more predictable.

Kurt Lesser highly recommended Duck Sauce, a Chinese restaurant located at the historic White Hall Hotel on South State Street. Their shrimp egg rolls are phenomenal, he said. “I never had a better one in my life.”

Duck Sauce received equally rave reviews from the others in the group.

“The go to dish at Duck Sauce is Wok Seared Beef. Trust me,” said Petrucci. “It’s beef seared in a wok in this great little brown sauce over a bed of spinach with caramelized onions and little onion sticks sprinkled on top.”

The group also savored their lunchtime visit to La Stalla where they started off with a board of assorted Italian meats and cheeses, olives and roasted peppers, many of which the restaurant will be featuring at its new Italian Market which is slated to open this summer at the Promenade on Sycamore Street.

“It’s food we love and we all grew up with,” said Blancado. “A lot of people here aren’t exposed to that kind of food. It’s exciting what they are planning to bring to Newtown.”

For their La Stalla lunch, sandwiches were the order of the day, including the Maiale di Pietro – sliced pork, broccoli rabe and hot peppers topped with provolone cheese – and the Giambotta – a grilled sausage, sautéed peppers and onion sandwich.

“They were absolutely delicious. It was a fantastic meal,” said Petrucci.

“In my opinion, we have some of the higher quality Italian restaurants – Vecchia, La Stalla, Florentino’s,” said Petrucci. “We have a lot of good quality in Newtown.”

The group also highly recommended a visit to Madara’s Seafood located inside the Newtown Farmer’s Market on Eagle Road. The group unanimously agreed - the blackened grouper is out of this world.

“Oh my God,” said Petrucci. “It is to die for.”

One member broke with the group, choosing to order tacos and a black bean burrito from Dos Amores Mexican Cuisine, which he said were “phenomenal,” especially the black bean burrito stuffing.

“We could go back there again,” said Blancado.

Individual suggestions from the Lunch Bunch include the burgers and Greek salad at Isaac Newton’s and the “best unkept secret about Newtown” - the cheese steak sandwiches at the State Street Kitchen, which they described as “phenomenal.”

Keep in mind, when Destination Newtown sat down with the Lunch Bunch they had only visited a handful of restaurants. There are still plenty more to explore, savor and enjoy.

“We’re looking forward to checking out many more places,” said Blancado.

So as I wound down my time with the group and took the last bites of the tiramisu, I asked one final question. What kind of restaurant or eatery would they like to see open in Newtown?

They all agreed on three – a “killer” Mexican restaurant, a good barbecue place - like Sweet Lucy’s Smokehouse in Northeast Philadelphia - and a sink-your-teeth-into steakhouse.

Sounds delicious to me!

Capturing Bucks County en plein air

Artists from across the nation coming here to paint the landscape

By Jeff Werner

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NEWTOWN >> If you're in Bucks County during the second week in June, you might catch a glimpse of artists working en plein air and inspired by some of the same stunning landscapes, historic buildings and vistas that greeted Pennsylvania Impressionists like Edward Redfield a century ago.

The Bucks County Community College is teaming up with the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce and Alan Fetterman Fine Art to celebrate the county's rich and celebrated artistic heritage with Bucks County's first Plein Air Festival from June 6 to 11, culminating in a public festival on the college's campus in Newtown.

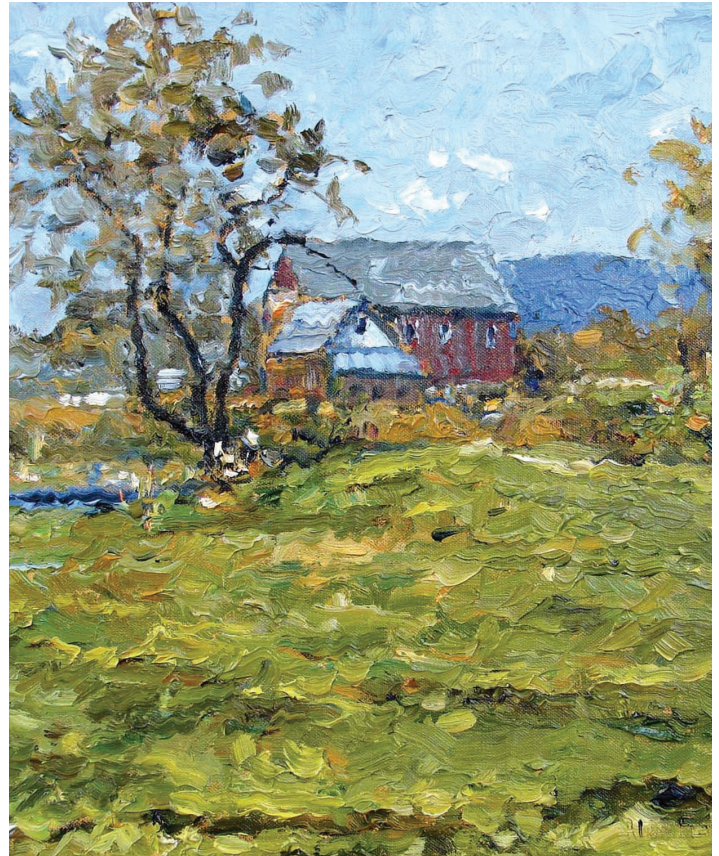
"We're excited to bring this to Bucks County," said Linda Lee, the co-chair of the festival. "We have artists coming here from throughout the nation to paint Bucks County as they see it through their eyes. It's going to be exciting to watch them create and then to view their completed works."

During the first half of the week, 50 juried artists selected from around the nation, including 10 from Bucks County, will be using watercolor, acrylics and paint to capture the rolling landscapes, lakes and rivers, covered bridges, stone farm houses and historic estates that have inspired artists here for more than a century.

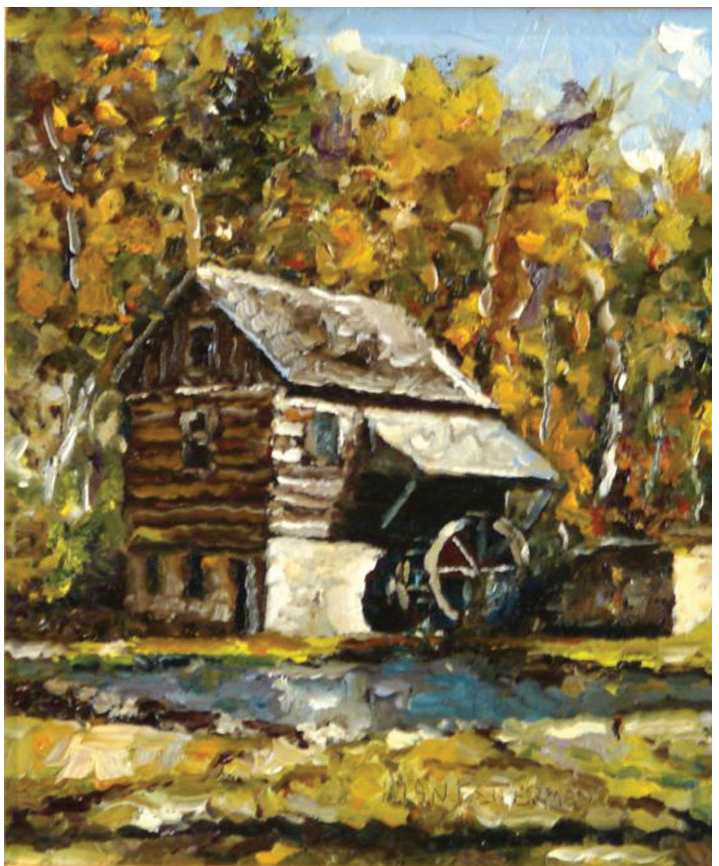
On June 7, the artists are scheduled to paint in the Lake and Steam District of Upper Bucks County. On June 8 they will be in the cultural district of Doylestown and New Hope. On June 9 they will be in the southern Bucks County historic district. And on June 10 they will be painting in Newtown, Tyler State Park and on the Bucks County Community College campus.

"Bucks County is nothing shy of amazing. It is truly a land to love," said highly recognized and award-winning American artist Alan Fetterman, who conceptualized the festival to celebrate the rich history and artistic expression and promote its importance in Bucks County.

"We are blessed to have wonderful givers maintaining and sustaining its greatness in community, environment, the arts



"June" – a watercolor by Alan Fetterman



"Water Wheel - Cotalossa Road" - a watercolor by Alan Fetterman



Artist Alan Fetterman working in plein air.

and culture. With more than 50 years of calling Bucks County my home, building this wonderful festival with the partnerships of BCCC and the CBCC is an honor. I hope this national event will become a seed for much fruit to fall across our land."

Fetterman is one of five jurors who selected the participating artists for the festival. The other jurors include Kenn Backhaus, a Master level artist and past president of the Plein Air Painters of America, the oldest and most prestigious plein air group in the country; Al Gury, a painter, educator, writer, curator and the chair of painting at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts; and Lisa Tremper Hanover, the director and CEO of the James A. Michener Art Museum and former Director of the Philip and Muriel Berman Museum of Art at Ursinus College.

The week-long event continues Friday night with a Collectors' Preview Gala and Juried Award Presentation held in conjunction with the annual Tyler Tasting Party hosted by the BCCC Foundation.

The community is invited to attend a night filled with good food, wine, spirits, music and art while being among the first to view and purchase plein air artwork on display.

During the awards portion of the evening, festival organizers will present the Best of

Show award to the winner of the competition, including a \$5,000 cash prize and the Alan Fetterman Fine Art Medal. Other awards include first prize, \$3,000; second prize, \$2,000; third prize, \$1,000; Bucks County Resident Artist Prize, \$1,000; People's Choice Award, \$1,000; and four honorable mention awards, \$500 each.

The celebration culminates with the first Plein Air Festival, which is scheduled to unfold on the campus of the Bucks County Community College in Newtown on Saturday, June 11. The event, which is free and open to the public, will feature a Quick Draw competition, exhibition and sale sponsored by the Bucks County Arts & Cultural Council and held inside the Links Pavilion.

"All the artwork they created during the week will be on display. It will be wonderful to see it all in one spot," said Lee. "And there will be a lot of fun, music and art demonstrations."

In addition, the artists will have opportunity to sell their works with 40-percent of each commission benefiting arts scholarships and arts programming in Bucks County.

For information about the festival and additional details, visit BucksCountyPleinAir.org, email bcpleinair@bucks.edu or call 215-968-8224.

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Tubby Olive – A State Street Experience

Step inside and try a sample of organic olive oil and balsamic vinegars



By Jeff Werner
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NEWTOWN >> Historic State Street in Newtown Borough is lined with eclectic shops and businesses, but none more unique than the Tubby Olive, especially if you're a foodie.

Since opening in 2010, the store, located a few doors down from The Temperance House, has become a must-visit destination for people who are looking to try new food experiences.

"People come in here to get creative and buy their goodies to eat at home," said Sharon Huss, who co-owns the store with Nancy Murray. "And who doesn't love food and new ways of putting it all together?"

Once inside this locally-owned food and gourmet shop, customers are greeted by rows of stainless steel vessels containing more than 70 of the finest and freshest olive oils and balsamic and specialty vinegars around, the basis for any delicious salad, vegetable or entrée.

Every traditional, infused and organic olive oil and balsamic vinegar is available to sample,

giving customers an idea of what they are about to buy or how it might work with a dish they are planning to prepare, maybe for a dinner party or just the family.

Customers can choose from the hottest sellers – the five most popular enjoy a place of prominence on ‘The Mantel’ inside the store. The top seller, not surprisingly, is the traditional balsamic vinaigrette.

There’s also a number of other flavors and varieties available, all of them containing information about where they were crushed and where they are from.

“For the novice cook to the seasoned chef we have a multitude of inspiring flavors and recipe ideas,” said Huss. “Not sure what to choose? Tell us what you are going to make and our expert guidance will help you choose the perfect Tubby Olive product to please your palate and your culinary needs.”

After tasting the product, Huss said nine times out of 10 the first question out of their mouths is, ‘What’s in it?’

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For the experienced cooks and foodies, a trip to the Tubby Olive may be as simple as picking up their favorite oils and vinaigrettes for the dish they are preparing. But for the rest of the store’s clientele, the store’s monthly cooking demonstrations, a posting of seasonal recipes and a room chock full of thousands of recipes are there to provide ideas, inspiration and education.

“Some people will come into the recipe room first and pick something out. But



Sharon Huss, pictured, co-owns the Tubby Olive with Nancy Murray. They opened the Newtown store in 2010 and have since expanded to two additional locations - Doylestown and the Reading Terminal Market in Philadelphia.

I would say the majority of people taste first, find their favorites and then visit the recipe room to decide what they can make using it,” said Huss.

In addition, each month the Tubby Olive features a special theme. In May, for example, the focus is on salads and dressings. June is all about grilling. And July offers a seafood theme.

Guest chefs are invited to the Tubby Olive stores in Newtown and in Doylestown, typically during the weekend, to whip up mouth-watering creations as a way of educating customers on the varied use of the oils and vinaigrettes available at the store.

Among the store’s most recent guest chef additions is 16-year-old Council Rock student Jason Khaytin from Holland, who appeared as a finalist on the TV cooking show, “Chopped,” which airs on the Food Network.

You can generally catch Jason working at the Tubby Olive on Fridays and Saturdays. And if you’re lucky, you’ll catch him preparing some of his amazing dishes following that month’s store theme.

And while you’re shopping for that perfect meal, check out the store’s growing number of locally-sourced, artisanal products.

Gift selections include Gregory Benjamin’s Preserves made in Carversville, Mimi’s Nuts made in Newtown, Graziano’s Marinara Sauce made in Doylestown, grilled sauces and composites made in Doylestown by Off Beat Gourmet; cheese from Valley Shepherd Creamery in Hunterdon County, New Jersey; and Zoe’s Chocolates in Waynesboro.

For additional information about the Tubby Olive, visit the tubbyolive.com. In addition to its Newtown store at 17 South State Street, the Tubby Olive also has locations at 6 West State Street, Doylestown, and at the Reading Terminal Market in Philadelphia.



ANTIQUE AND CLASSIC AUTO SHOW - The annual Newtown Antique and Classic Auto Show rolls onto State Street with more than 200 vehicles on Sunday, July 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



WELCOME DAY

May 1, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A "Street Fair With Flair" will be held on Sycamore Street between Durham and Richboro roads. More than 150 booths will showcase businesses, artisans and crafters. Other features: food, live entertainment and activities for the kids. The event is sponsored by the Newtown Business Association.

WALKING TOUR

May 7 at 2 p.m.

The Newtown Historic Association will host a "Walking Tour of George School" on Saturday, May 7 beginning at 2 p.m. The tour begins at the parking lot by the 1812 Meeting House and will include the Mollie Dodd Library to see the Archive display area, the new Gym to see the new historical display there, the Train Station location and the Main Building to see the Moravian Pottery and Tile Works fireplaces. The tour will be led by David B. Long who has been the official



MEMORIAL DAY - Ed Hackett, commander of the Newtown American Legion Post, waves to the crowds during the 2015 Newtown Memorial Day Parade. This year's march and solemn ceremonies take place on Monday, May 30.

archivist at George School since 2008. He is responsible for maintaining the Quaker school's historical documents, non-digital photographs and related objects. A "Good Will" donation of \$5 per person would be appreciated. Reservations are not required and the walk will be held rain or shine. For information, call 215-968-3914 or visit www.newtownhistoric.org.

SUNDAY SOCIAL

May 15, 2 to 4 p.m.

Newtown Historic Association presents a "Sunday Social at the Half Moon Inn" on Sunday, May 15 from 2 to 4 p.m. The Half Moon is located at 105 Court Street (Court Street and Centre Avenue). It's a wonderful opportunity to tour the historic tavern and experience an afternoon of friends and cheer. For information, call 215-968-3914 or visit www.newtownhistoric.org

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 30

Newtown pays tribute to its veterans with a Memorial Day Parade and solemn ceremonies. The parade forms at 9 a.m. at the Newtown Commons and parades through the streets of town. At 12 p.m., a vintage baseball game is played at Pickering Field.

TYLER TASTING PARTY

June 10, 6 to 10 p.m.

The annual Tyler Tasting Party takes place at Tyler Mansion on the campus of the Bucks County Community College on Swamp Road, Newtown. The premier food and wine tasting event typically attracts more than 400 people. Proceeds benefit students enrolled in the college's Historic Preservation program and the preservation of and restoration of Tyler Hall. For information and tickets, call 215-968-8224 or email foundation@bucks.edu

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL JUNE 4, 11 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

A Strawberry Festival takes place on the grounds of the Historic Presbyterian Church on Sycamore Street next to the Promenade. The event features fresh strawberries, strawberry shortcake, hot dogs and cheese imported from Lancaster County and homemade baked goods. Other features: gently-used books, plants, a

flea market, musical entertainment and tours of the church.

MY FAIR LADY

June 23 to 29

The Newtown Arts Company continues its 2016 season with "My Fair Lady" June 23 to 29 at the Newtown Theatre on North State Street. This show, with lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner and music by Frederick Lowe, is the standard by which all others are measured. Based on George Bernard Shaw's play and Gabriel Pascal's motion picture, "Pygmalion," it's no wonder everyone - not just Henry Higgins - falls in love with Eliza Doolittle. Showtime is Thursday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. with a Sunday matinee at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$21 rear reserved and \$24 front reserved. To reserve tickets, call 215-860-7058 or email tickets@newtownarts.com. For more information, visit www.newtownartscompany.com.

MOVIES IN THE PARK

June, July, August

The Newtown Borough Recreation Board shows Movies in the Park throughout the summer at Linton Memorial Park (Corner of Penn Street and South Lincoln). For movies, dates and times, visit [facebook.com/newtownmovies](https://www.facebook.com/newtownmovies)

ANTIQUE AND CLASSIC AUTO SHOW

July 10, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Antique and Classic Auto Show rolls onto State Street with more than 200 vehicles dating from 1900 to 1991. Trophies and prizes will be awarded, including Best of Show. Featured will be Classics, Trucks, Sports, Street Rods and Muscle Cars. Have an antique auto? To register, visit newtownba.org. Rain date is the following Sunday.

STAGE DOOR

August 4 to 10

The Newtown Arts Company brings "Stage Door" to the stage at the Newtown Theatre on North State Street. Written by Edna Ferber and George S. Kauffman, this is a "comedic valentine to aspiring actresses everywhere. Showtime is Thursday, Tuesday



MARKET DAY - The Newtown Historical Association presents Market Day on Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the streets and inside the Court Inn (Court Street and Centre Avenue) in Newtown. More than 50 crafters, demonstrators and artists will showcase a wide range of crafts, from bee keeping, quilting, rug braiding and spinning to fine arts, photography and woodcarving.

and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinee at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$17 rear reserved and \$20 front reserved. To reserve tickets, call 215-860-7058 or email tickets@newtownarts.com. For more information, visit www.newtownartscompany.com.

MIDDLETOWN GRANGE FAIR

August 17 to 21

The community agricultural fair features fun, good food, entertainment and more than 4,200 exhibits ranging from 4-H animals to quilts at the Middletown Grange Fairgrounds on Penns Park Road in Wrightstown Township. For information, visit www.grangefair.org

NEWTOWN BEERFEST

Saturday, Sept. 17

The Newtown Fire Association presents the 2015 Newtown Beerfest on Saturday, Sept. 17 from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Stocking Works, 410 South State Street, Newtown. The event includes beer tasting, live music, food and live entertainment. Tickets typically go on sale during the summer at NewtownBeerfest.com. Proceeds benefit the Newtown Fire Association.

NBA BUSINESS EXPO

Sept. 21, 3 to 7 p.m.

The 10th Annual Newtown Business Association Expo takes place from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Newtown Athletic Club with a focus on both consumer and business-to-business networking. The free event spotlights more than 70 NBA member businesses, trades and restaurants. The event is free and open to the public.

NEWTOWN MARKET DAY

Oct. 1, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Market Day, the Newtown Historic Association's 38th annual colonial craft and art fair will be held on Saturday, October 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (rain date, Sunday, Oct. 3) on Court Street and Centre Avenue in front of the the Half Moon Inn. For more than three decades the Newtown Historic Association has held Market Day. This custom revives an old harvest season tradition in Newtown, where long ago local farmers brought their crops

to town to sell and enjoy a day of festivities and contests that culminated with a horse race down State Street. There are more than 50 crafters, demonstrators and artists coming with a wide variety of interesting crafts, from bee keeping, quilting, rug braiding, spinning, fine arts, photography and woodcarving.

AND THEN THERE WERE NONE

Oct. 13 to 19

Just in time for the Halloween season, the Newtown Arts Company brings Agatha Christie's "And Then There Were None" to the stage of the Newtown Theatre. Ten guilty strangers are trapped on an island. One by one they are accused of murder; one by one they start to die. In this superlative mystery comedy statuettes of little soldier boys on the mantel of a house on an island off the coast of Devon fall to the floor and break one by one as those in the house succumb to a diabolical avenger. Showtime is Thursday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. with a Sunday matinee at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$17 rear reserved and \$20 front reserved. To reserve tickets, call 1-800-838-3006 or visit www.newtownartscompany.com.

NEWTOWN HALLOWEEN PARADE

Saturday, Oct. 29

Newtown shows off its favorite Halloween costumes during a hometown Halloween Parade down State Street led by the Council Rock High School North Marching Band. The parade forms at the Stocking Works where costume judging takes place. It will then march north on State Street to the Newtown Theatre where prizes will be awarded for best costumes.

HOMES FOR THE HOLIDAY

Saturday, Dec. 3

Newtown Borough invites the public to attend its 54th Holiday House Tour on Saturday, Dec. 3. The annual tour is a splendid way to kick off the holidays and enjoy the good cheer and tidings of the season. For the \$30 cost of a tour ticket, visitors can enjoy Newtown on foot for an up-close look at the interiors of six private homes and several public buildings, all dressed for the holidays. Included in the cost of the tour is entry to the Half-Moon Inn, a beautifully restored 18th century building and home to the Newtown Historic Association, sponsor of the tour. Inside, tour goers will enjoy period musical entertainment, hearthside colonial cooking demonstrations and refreshments of mulled



NEWTOWN THEATRE - Movies are shown daily at the Newtown Theatre, the nation's oldest movie theatre and live performance venue located at 120 N. State Street. In addition, it is home to the Newtown Arts Company which will be staging numerous productions at the theatre throughout 2016.

cider and cheese. Tour hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Advance tickets can be purchased at Newtown Book & Record, 102 S. State Street and on-line at www.newtownhistoric.org. On the day of the tour, purchase tour tickets at the Half-Moon Inn, Court Street and Centre Avenue, and at the Stocking Works, 301 South State Street, Newtown.

CHILI LUNCHEON

Saturday, Dec. 3

The Historic Church Committee of the Newtown Presbyterian Church serves a Chili Luncheon in conjunction with the Newtown Historic Association House Tour. Proceeds are used for the maintenance and beautification of the Historic Sycamore Street Church buildings and gardens. Erected in 1769 and placed on the National Historic Registry in July 1987, this church is used during the summer for Sunday worship and for special occasions. For details, call the church office at 215-968-3861.

NEWTOWN HOLIDAY PARADE

Sunday, Dec. 4

The 10th annual Newtown Holiday Parade steps off at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec 4. Presented by the Newtown Business Association, the parade continues to provide a magical experience for the entire community; more than 5,000 people are expected to come and watch the estimated 1,200 participants, including high school marching bands, Mummers Bands, horse-drawn carriages, floats, antique cars, color guard, fire trucks, Santa and more. The parade begins on South State Street at the Stocking Works Building and continue north on State Street, turns left onto Washington Avenue, then turn right onto Sycamore Street before ending at Durham Road (at the Green Parrot).

THE NUNSENSE CHRISTMAS MUSICAL, NUTCRACKERS

Dec. 1 to 7

To celebrate the holiday season, the Newtown Arts Company presents "The Nonsense Christmas Musical, Nutcrackers," Dec. 1 to 7 at the Newtown Theatre on South State Street. The show stars the nuns you love, plus Father Virgil and four of Mount Saint Helen's most talented students. Featuring all new songs including Twelve Days Prior to Christmas, Santa Ain't Comin' to Our House, We Three Kings of Orient Are Us and It's Better to Give than to Receive, the show is filled with typical "Nonsense" humor, some of your favorite carols and a "Secret Santa" audience participation. Showtime is Thursday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. with a Sunday matinee at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$21 rear reserved and \$24 front reserved. To reserve tickets, call 1-800-838-3006, email tickets@newtownartscompany.com or visit www.newtownartscompany.com.

ONGOING

NEWTOWN THEATRE

- Movies are shown weekly at the Newtown Theatre, the nation's oldest movie theatre and live performance venue located at 120 N. State Street. Movies were first shown in the building in 1906 when viewers got their first look at film images of the San Francisco Earthquake which happened that same year. Prior to the movie showing era, the building, built in 1831, served as a lecture hall, town meeting place and theatrical venue. Generations of Bucks County residents have crossed the threshold of the theatre for date nights, family outings and movie premiers. To find out what's showing, visit www.thenewtowntheatre.com or call 215-968-3859.

BCCC

- There's always something happening on the campus of the Bucks County Community College, Swamp Road in Newtown. For a current listing of events, visit www.bucks.edu/news/culture/artsatbucks/



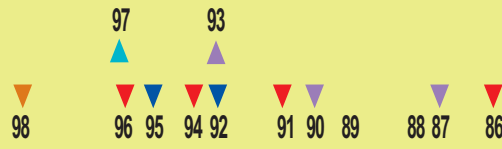
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N. Sycamore Street

Durham Rd

99 Goodnoe's Corner

Silo Dr.

99b The Promenade

99c Historic Presbyterian Church

101

105 107 108

▶ APPAREL & FASHION

- 3 Yours, Mine and Ours - 408 S. State St
- 15 LYJ - Love Your Jeans - 128 S. State Street
- 29 Shoe Café - 13 Centre Avenue
- 30 Gap Body - 43 S. State St.
- 36 Adorn Me - 32 S. State St.
- 38 Giovanni's Fine Fashions - 28 S. State St.
- 39 Pro Shop of Newtown - 26 S. State St.
- 44 25 South Essentials - 18 S. State St.
- 47 25 South Denim - 23 S. State St.
- 48 Newtown Jewelers - 21 S. State St.
- 54 Heidi's Boutique - 10 S. State St.
- 61 Athletic Shoe Shop - 12 E. Washington Ave.
- 72 Priorities for Her - 24 N. State St.
- 72 Priorities Shoes - 24 N. State St.
- 97 Tokens of Affection - 271 N. Sycamore St.
- 99 Marisa Boutique The Art of Apparel - Goodnoe's Crn.
- 99b Anthropologie (Promenade) - 200 N. Sycamore St.
- 99b Bernie Robbins Jewelers (Promenade) - 200 N. Sycamore St.
- 100 Milk Money - 123 N. Sycamore St.
- 105 Luna Chick - 10 Swamp Rd.

▶ CULTURAL & ENTERTAINMENT

- 17 Newtown School of Music - 120 S. State St.
- 25a **NEWTOWN HISTORIC ASSOC.** - Court & Centre
- 25b Newtown Library Co. - 114 E. Centre Avenue
- 29 EyeEnvision Photography - 11 Centre Avenue
- 57 Studio of Dance & Performing Arts - 4 W. Wash. Ave.
- 78 **NEWTOWN THEATRE** - 120 N. State St.

▶ CONVENIENCE / GROCERY

- 67 Grapevine Natural Grocery - 5 N. State St.
- 99 Rite Aid - Goodnoe's Corner
- 115 7-11 Convenience Store - 100 S. Sycamore St.
- 120 Newtown Wine and Spirits - 10-14 W. Centre Ave.
- 120 Newtown Beer Store - 10 W. Centre Ave.

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▶ HOME, DECOR / FLORAL & SPECIALTY ITEMS

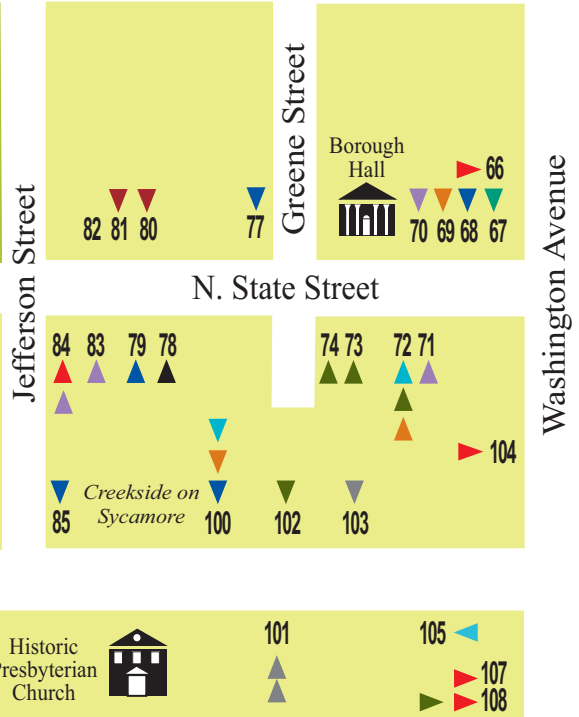
- 3 Hipps & Sons Coins & Precious Metals - 408 S. State St.
- 11 **HAMILTON BUILDING SUPPLY CO.** - 201 S. State St.
- 12 Tis Herself 1898 - 130 S. State St
- 18 Newtown Clock Shoppe - 121 S. State St.
- 19 Byers Treasures - 110 S. State St.
- 20 Newtown Hardware House - 106-108 S. State St.
- 21 **NEWTOWN BOOK & RECORD** - 102 S. State St.
- 23 Rhodes Newtown Flower & Gift - 103 S. State St.
- 41 David J. Witchell Home - 22 S. State St.
- 45 Alternate Dimension Toys - 16 S. State St.
- 55 Ned's Cigar & Lottery Store - 4 S. State St.
- 54 **KNIT** - 10 S. State St.
- 54b The Homestead - 10 S. State St.
- 60 Salve Regina Books & Gifts - 4 E. Washington Ave.
- 68 Rittenhouse Home - 17 N. State St.
- 77 Clark's Flower Shop - 101 N. State
- 79 Soulutions for Daily Living - 126 N. State St.
- 85 Arya Oriental Rug - 159 N. Sycamore St.
- 92 Newtown Optical - 239 N. Sycamore St.
- 95 Knitting to Know Ewe - 247 N. Sycamore St.
- 100 **SYCAMORE KITCHENS** - 123 N. Sycamore St.
- 116 Newtown Floral Co. - 17 Cambridge Lane

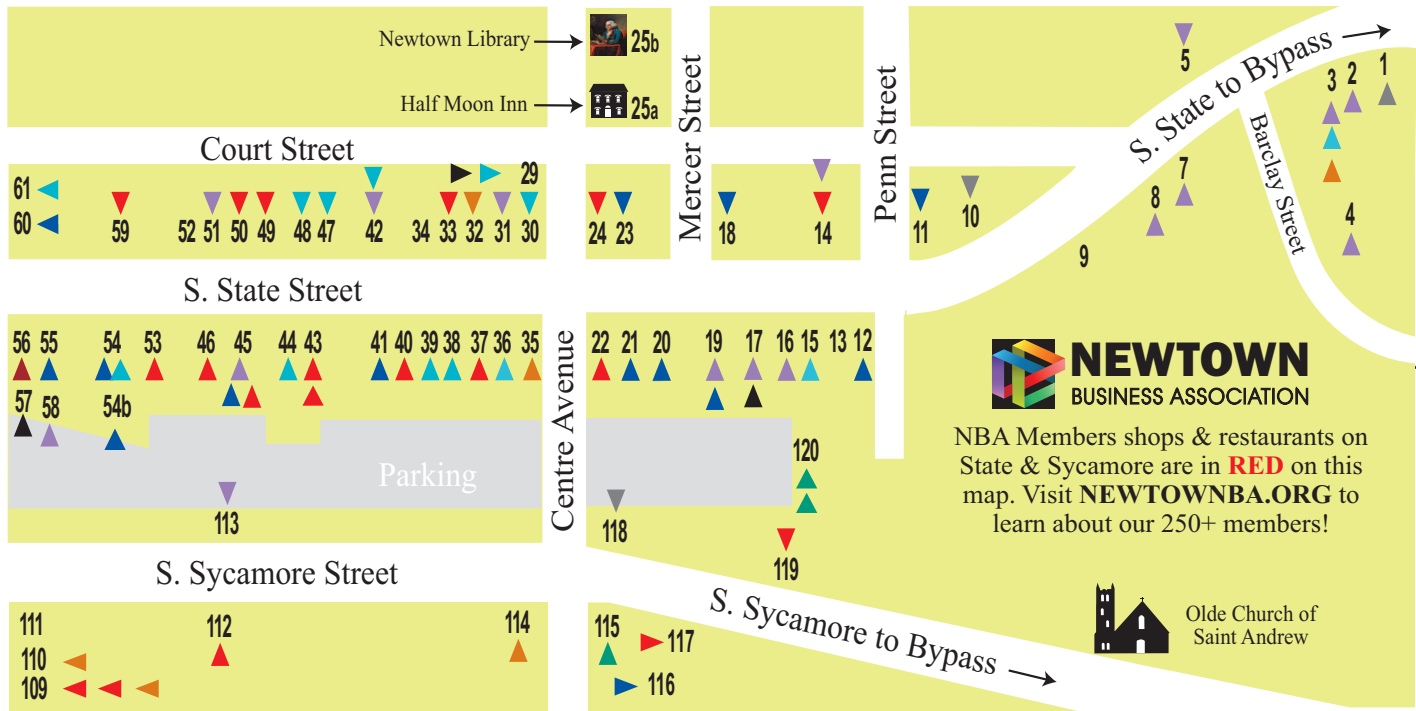
▶ AUTO DEALERSHIPS & RENTALS / GAS STATIONS

- 1 Tomlinson Auto Service (BP) - 496 S. State St.
- 10 Stockburger Service Center - 215 S State St.
- 101 **BILL MARSH FORD** - 10 N. Sycamore St.
- 101 Enterprise Car Rental - 10 N. Sycamore St.
- 103 Burns Auto Repair (Shell) - 19 N. Sycamore St.
- 118 Frank's Auto Center - 101 S. Sycamore St.

▶ SPORTS AND FITNESS

- 72 All Sports Officials, LLC - 24 N. State St.
- 73 Newtown Bicycle & Fitness - 30 N. State St.
- 74 **GENESIS PERSONAL FITNESS** - 28 N. State St.
- 102 Lang's Ski'N Scuba - 107 N. Sycamore St.
- 108 Yogasphere - 18 Swamp Rd.





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DINING / LODGING / SPECIALTY FOODS

- 5 Clubhouse Bar & Grill - 501 S. State St.
- 14 Duck Sauce - 127 S. State St.
- 14 Pat's Colonial Kitchen - 127 S. State St.
- 14 Snacks by the Lb. - 127 S. State St.
- 22 Starbucks Coffee - 100 S. State St.
- 24 Black Horse Tavern - 101 S. State St.
- 33 Trattoria Tiramisu - 31 S. State St.
- 37 Becky's Newtown Deli - 30 S. State St.
- 40 State Street Kitchen - 24 S. State St.
- 43 **ISAAC NEWTON'S RESTAURANT** - 18 S. State St.
- 43 Florentino's - 18 S. State St.
- 45 Café con Leche - 16 S. State St.
- 46 The World of Falafel - 14 S. State St.
- 50 The Tubby Olive - 17 S. State St.
- 53 **ZEBRA STRIPED WHALE** - 12 S. State St.
- 59 **THE TEMPERANCE HOUSE** - 12 S. State St.
- 66 Brick Hotel & Garden Grille - 1 E. Washington Ave.
- 84 Mom Mom's Gourmet Take & Bake - 156 N. State St.
- 86 The Saloon - 203 N. Sycamore St.
- 91 Newtown Pizza - 231 N. Sycamore St.
- 94 **GREEN STRAW SMOOTHIES** - 243 N. Sycamore St.
- 96 Sycamore Grill - 255 N. Sycamore St.
- 99 Zoe's Kitchen - Goodnoe's Corner
- 99 Jules Thin Crust Pizza - Goodnoe's Corner
- 99 Sweet Pea Creams & Confection - Goodnoe's Corner
- 99 **GREEN PARROT IRISH PUB** - Goodnoe's Corner
- 99c Italian Market Coming Soon - 186 N. Sycamore St.
- 104 The Caketeria - 5 W. Washington Ave.
- 107 **RITA'S WATER ICE** - 14 Swamp Rd.
- 108 **LA STALLA** - 18 Swamp Rd.
- 109 Meglio Wood Fired Pizza - 25 Swamp Rd.
- 109 Newtown Bagel Co. - 31 Swamp Rd.
- 112 Goodnoe Farm Dairy Bar - 4 S. Sycamore St.
- 117 Guru's Indian Cuisine - 12 Cambridge Ln.

ART AND ANTIQUES

- 56 **COUNTRYSIDE GALLERY/ FRAMING** - 2 S. State St.
- 80 Newtown Coin & Collectibles - 129 N. State St.
- 81 Newtown Antiques - 149 N. State St.

BEAUTY & SPA

- 2 Pizazz Hair Salon - 420 S. State St.
- 3 **SALON PRIVE** - 408 S. State St.
- 4 Personal Style by Donna Picone - 444 S. State St.
- 5 The Massage Studio of Newtown - 301 S. State St.
- 7 Faces - 252 S. State St.
- 8 Head Quarters Personal Hair - 226 S. State St.
- 14 Talking Heads Hair Salon - 127 S. State St.
- 14 Bella Sorrel Airbrush Tanning - 127 S. State St.
- 16 Primary Colors Salon - 126 S. State St.
- 16 **NICOLE CARMAN'S HAIR DESIGN** - 126 S. State St.
- 17 John's Barber Shop - 120 S. State St.
- 19 One Ten South Salon - 110 S. State St.
- 19 Fingertips & Tootsies - 110 S. State St.
- 31 Studio 35 Salon - 35 S. State St.
- 42 David J. Witchell At 25 South - 25 S. State St.
- 45 Just for Your Nails - 16 S. State St.
- 51 Blossom - 13 S. State St.
- 58 Sharon Brown's Beauty Salon - 6 W. Washington
- 70 **THE CAPELLI SHOP** - 13 N. State St.
- 71 Artistic Hair & Nail Salon - 24 N. State St.
- 83 Spa Haven - 154 N. State St.
- 84 The Hair Lounge - 156 N. State St.
- 87 Hollywood Nails - 211 N. Sycamore St.
- 90 **EDEN ORGANICS SALON/ SPA** - 227 N. Sycamore St.
- 93 Olivia's - 245 N. Sycamore St.

GUEST SERVICES & BANKING

- 3 Top Cleaners - 408 S. State St.
- 32 Newtown Shoe Repair - 33 S. State St.
- 35 **FIRST NATIONAL BANK & TRUST** - 40 S. State St.
- 69 Towne & Country Cleaners - 11 N. State St.
- 72 Newtown Laundry Company - 24 N. State St.
- 98 **PENN COMMUNITY BANK** - 295 N. Sycamore St.
- 99 **FIRSTTRUST BANK** - Goodnoes Corner
- 99 AT & T - Goodnoes Corner
- 99 Apple Cleaners - Goodnoes Corner
- 100 Freedom Travel Services - 123 N. Sycamore St.
- 109 **MONUMENT BANK** - 33 Swamp Road
- 110 **UNIVEST BANK** - 15 Swamp Road
- 114 **BENEFICIAL BANK** - 34 S. Sycamore Street

A Town for All Seasons Photos by: Jeff Werner

A photographic walk through the heart of Newtown



NEWTOWN >> A walk through downtown Newtown is something to be enjoyed and savored. No matter what the season, historic State Street is one of those unique and wonderful places that can be experienced, explored and enjoyed 365 days a

year. Stand at the corner of State and Centre and listen as the Westminster chimes of the First National Bank clock strike the hour, pause to enjoy the flowers spreading their blanket of color up and down the street and try to count the number of flags on display in the days and weeks leading up to Memorial Day and the Fourth of July holiday. Inside the street's eclectic shops, customers find welcoming merchants and a wide assortment of goods and services, from stationary, flowers and baked goods to hardware, clothing and much more. And its restaurants and eateries offer everything imaginable from a sandwich or a cup of coffee to pub food and a full course meal. And the best part of it all, a walk down State Street is absolutely free. Although the merchants and restauranteurs would appreciate you stopping by to support their little piece of small town America surrounded by a sea of suburbia.



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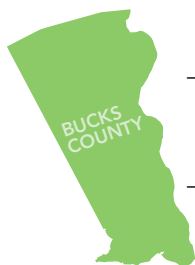
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