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## AN UNCOMMON THREAD

July is jumping for folk singer Tom Chapin with new album and Morristown show

By **ROBERTA BURKHART**  
OUT & ABOUT EDITOR

**F**olk music is “more important now than ever. Just getting together and coming to a live concert and singing about things that matter...becomes a hugely heart warming and affirmative action.”

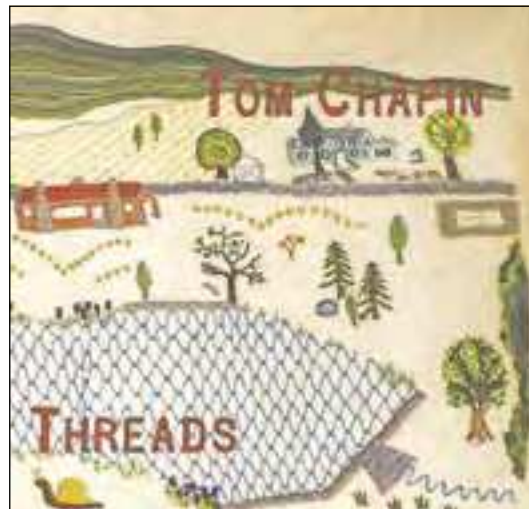
So says multi-talented folk artist Tom Chapin, who is set to release his 25th album, “Threads,” Friday, July 7, and then, two weeks later, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 21, perform at The Minstrel inside the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship, 21 Normandy Heights Road in Morris Township. The concert is part of The Minstrel Acoustic Concert Series, sponsored by The Folk Project each Friday evening.

A folk concert aims to “articulate the whole human animal and doesn’t shy away from the political side. What we do is talk about what it’s like to be alive right now,” Chapin said during a recent telephone interview from his home in Piermont, N.Y. Many folk songs take on a “new, urgent meaning ... when a lot of what we believe in is under attack. Songs about the human condition, the poor as well as the rich, ... have quite an amazing power right now. Part of that is the news is really angry and combative and not positive and I feel blessed in my work and in my life so I to try to work toward the light.”

Chapin offers up a mix of story songs, ballads, comedic and political songs, family music, sing alongs, old-time folk classics and a song or two written by his late brother, Harry, who is most known for his No. 1 hit, “Cat’s in the Cradle.”

He accompanies himself on acoustic guitar, banjo and autoharp. In a career that spans five decades, 25 albums and three Grammy awards, the Hudson Valley troubadour has covered an incredible amount of creative ground. In addition to his work as a recording artist and concert performer, Chapin has acted on Broadway as well as working extensively in television, radio and films.

Chapin has maintained two long and productive parallel careers: both as a respected contemporary



folk artist and as a pioneer in the field of children's music. In addition to his musical and media endeavors, Chapin is a tireless advocate on behalf of a variety of charitable organizations. He serves on the board of directors of WhyHunger, an organization founded in 1975 by Harry. Tom remains active in a variety of environmental causes, as well as efforts on behalf of music and the arts in public schools.

### Wonder Women

The latest album, “Threads,” includes wonderful stories about two extraordinary women, Julia Ward Howe and Dorothy Day.

Dorothy Day was an American journalist, social activist, and Catholic convert. Day became a key figure in the Catholic Worker Movement and earned a national reputation as a political radical, perhaps the most famous radical in American Catholic Church history. In 1917, she was imprisoned as a member of the nonviolent Silent Sentinels. In the 1930s, Day worked closely with fellow



Folk artist Tom Chapin releases his 25th album, titled “Threads,” on Friday, July 7, followed two weeks later with a performance at The Minstrel inside the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship in Morris Township.

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# Revolutionary Times returns to Morris County July 4

## Re-enactors will read Declaration of Independence aloud on Morristown Green

Celebrate the country's independence by attending and participating in Revolutionary Times festivities in and around Morristown on Tuesday, July 4. The fifth annual event is free to the public and appropriate for all ages.

Morristown National Historical Park, the nation's first historical park, is a major sponsor of the event along with the Morris County Tourism Bureau and the Washington Association of New Jersey. Admission to the park will be free Sunday through Tuesday, July 2-4, in honor of the holiday. The park's hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

The Hanover Township Landmark Commission will give a free tour of its 1718 Burying Yard located on Route 10 East in Whippany at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 4. This one-hour tour will high-

light the earliest settlers of Morris County. Pre-register by calling (973) 631-5151 or sign up by emailing [info@morristourism.org](mailto:info@morristourism.org).

Two hours later, at noon, costumed National Park Service interpreters will read the Declaration of Independence, an annual Morris County tradition, on the Morristown Green. Audience participation is encouraged. There will be music, a musket salute and free historical walking tours of the Presbyterian Church's sanctuary and Colonial-era graveyard, which was established in 1733. In case of rain, the event will move indoors to the Presbyterian Church, 57 East Park Place in



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On Sunday, July 2, Morristown National Historical Park will offer free concerts at 1 and 3 p.m. at Washington's Headquarters on the lawn behind the Ford Man-

sion, 30 Washington Place in Morristown. The Old Barracks Fife and Drum Corps will perform. Audience members are advised to bring blankets and lawn chairs for the concert. Rain location will be

on-site in the Washington's Headquarters Museum auditorium.

For more information about all the holiday happenings, visit [www.morristourism.org](http://www.morristourism.org) or call (973) 631-5151.

## Plays in the Park returns with 'Jesus Christ Superstar' from July 13 to 22

Trilogy Repertory Company will open another summer season of Bernards Township's Plays in the Park with Tim Rice's and Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Jesus Christ Superstar."

Performances will take place at the outdoor amphitheater at Pleasant Valley Park on Valley Road in the Basking Ridge section of Bernards Township at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays, July 13-15 and 20-22. The season continues July 28-29 and Aug. 3-5 with William Shakespeare's comedy, "Twelfth Night."

"Jesus Christ Superstar" is directed by Jaye Barre of Basking Ridge with musical direction by Joe Lesky of Somerset and choreography by Mariella Klinger of Highland Park. The musical tells the story of the last seven days in the life of Jesus of Nazareth, portrayed by Troy Giel of East Orange, through the perspective of Judas Iscariot, played by David Seamon of Highland Park.

Told only through song and based loosely on the Gospels, the story also delves into the political upheavals of the day and the interpersonal struggles between Jesus and Judas. Other main roles include Caiaphas (John Lamb of Randolph Township), Mary Magdalene (Isabel Pluchi-

no of Far Hills), Herod (Joseph Schmidt of Bedminster Township), Pontius Pilate (John Wells), Annas (Frank Skokan of Bedminster), and Peter (Owen McKenna of Basking Ridge).

"Jesus Christ Superstar" was conceived for the stage by John O'Horgan, with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyrics by Tim Rice. The musical opened on Broadway at the Mark Hellinger Theater on October 12, 1971. It ran for 711 performances and received five Tony Award nominations.

The show underwent three revivals, plus a filmed version in 1973. Theatergoers will recognize the hit song "I Don't Know How to Love Him," sung by Yvonne Elliman, as well as "Everything's Alright," and "Superstar."

The production team for the musical also includes Basking Ridge residents Lorrie Lane, executive producer, Erin Taylor and Marilyn Gamba, stage manager/assistant, and Beverly Webb, set decoration and costumes.

Admission is free, but donations are accepted. Audience members are urged to bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. For more information, call (908) 204-3003 or visit [www.trilogyrepertory.com](http://www.trilogyrepertory.com).

## 'A Funny Thing' to happen in Chester

The Chester Theatre Group will stage eight performances of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" from Friday, June 30, through Sunday, July 16. Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and at 2 p.m. Sundays.

"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" is the story of Pseudolus, a Roman slave who attempts to win his freedom by helping his master woo the pretty girl next door. But the road to romance is never smooth, as our crafty hero dodges a riotous succession of stunning surprises, mistaken identities, wild chases, bawdy humor, and zany characters — all in the pursuit of love and freedom.

This fast-paced, witty and irreverent romp features infectious tunes and laugh out loud lyrics by musical theater legend Stephen Sondheim, with a book by Burt Shevelove and Larry Gelbart, creator of the hit TV show, "M.A.S.H."

The original production of "Forum" won several Tony Awards and has enjoyed two Broadway revivals. Every actor who has opened in the role of Pseudolus on Broadway, including Zero Mostel, Phil Silvers, and Nathan Lane, won a Best Leading Actor Tony Award for his performance.

The Chester Theatre Group performs in The Black River Playhouse, an intimate,



Starring in Chester Theatre Group's production of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" are, from left, Dale Monroe, Lauren Layfield, Sam Mulaney and Jim Clancy.

in-the-round 100-seat theater in the heart of Chester Borough's historic district, on the corner of Grove Street and Maple Avenue. For more information, visit [www.chestertheatregroup.org](http://www.chestertheatregroup.org).

Tickets cost \$25, or \$22 for seniors ages 65 and up and students under age 18. Tickets may be purchased online at [www.chestertheatregroup.org](http://www.chestertheatregroup.org).



# CHAPIN: Folk artist honors heroes, family in 25th album

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activist Peter Maurin to establish the Catholic Worker Movement, a pacifist movement that combines direct aid for the poor and homeless with nonviolent direct action on their behalf. She practiced civil disobedience, which led to additional arrests in 1955, 1957, and in 1973 at the age of 75.

In addition, Chapin's great uncle Forster Batterham—his grandfather's brother—and Day had a child together, Tamar Teresa, on March 4, 1926.

"I met her several times, a lot when I was a child," Chapin said of Day.

Not only the family collection but also his admiration for her tireless work among the poor and destitute of New York City inspired him to write, "Home Again (Forster & Dorothy)," the sixth track on the new album.

"Julia Ward Howe (A Mother's Day For Peace)" is an ode to the American poet and author, best known for writing "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." She was also an advocate for abolitionism and was a social activist, particularly for women's suffrage. In

1870 — nearly 40 years before it became an official U.S. holiday in 1914 — Howe issued her inspired Mother's Day Proclamation, which called upon mothers of all nationalities to "rise up through the ashes and devastation" of war, urging a Mother's Day dedicated to peace.

Day and Howe were "both activist women who made a real difference," Chapin said.

"Threads" also features a few political songs and celebrates of the birth of two new grandchildren, Chapin said. The album will be available for purchase when Chapin performs in Morristown on Friday, July 21. He said he's sure to include some selections from the new album at the concert.

Tickets for the show cost \$10 and can only be purchased at the door. Children ages 12 and under are admitted free. For more information about the show, call (973) 335-9489 or visit [www.folkproject.org](http://www.folkproject.org). Samples of Chapin's music are available at The Folk Project website and also at [www.tomchapin.com](http://www.tomchapin.com), which will also offer copies of "Threads" for sale on Friday, July 7. The cd will also be available at the concert.



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**'RE-IMAGINE EVERYTHING'**

The latest exhibit at J. Cacciola – Gallery W in Bernardsville, "Re-imagine Everything," features works by contemporary artists Diana González Gandolfi, Lisa Pressman, and Adam Welch. The show will be on view through Saturday, July 29, at the gallery located at 35 Mill Street. An artist talk and champagne toast at the gallery will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 22. Works included in the exhibit are: "Stop It," left, by Lisa Pressman, an encaustic on panel, and "Fetish Series," above, by Adam Welch, ceramic bricks with ready-made glaze and gold luster.

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Tours of community gardens throughout Morris County will be offered Saturday and Sunday, July 15 and 16.

## Area community gardens welcome visitors July 15-16

Community Gardens throughout Morris County will be open to the public for Open Gates Weekend from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 15, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 16.

Attendees may discover the joys of growing their own food and eating local, scenic garden tours, delicious food tastings, and explore what's growing.

This event showcases the beauty and diversity of Morris County's Community Gardens, and highlights the people, plants, and planting techniques that make these gardens thrive. The connection to local food pan-

tries is another important feature at Morris County Community Gardens.

"Each garden has found a unique way to help address the issues of food security here in Morris County," said Cynthia Triolo, Morris County Park Commission's Community Garden Manager. "Garden tours, food tastings, and garden related demonstrations will all be offered at the various Community Gardens."

Admission is free for this rain-or-shine program. For more information and a map of participating gardens, visit [www.arboretumfriends.org](http://www.arboretumfriends.org).

## • BOOK NOOK • Our Book Club

**How would you describe your club?**

Our book club is made of retired teachers and friends of these teachers. Our group size varies from 10-13. We meet on the third Tuesday of the month. We do not meet over the summer. Our members volunteer to host when it is convenient for them. The host provides snacks, drinks, dessert and coffee. Our snacks tend to be appetizer foods, both hot and cold.

**How do you select your books?**

We try to set up a calendar at our meeting in June for the next year. To keep costs down, we try to choose books that are not currently on the bestseller lists and are available in the local libraries. The presenter usually does not present her book at the same time as she hosts. We usually end up with a variety of mostly fiction books, but we do have some non-fiction books too. The presenter provides information about the author and leads the book discussion/questions.

**What are some of your favorite fiction selections?**

Some of the top fiction books we have read and enjoyed include "Loving Frank" by Nancy Horan, "Sarah's Key" by Tatiana de Rosnay, "The Help" by Kathryn Stockett, "The Space Between Us" by Thrity Umrigar, "The Homecoming of Samuel Lake" by Jenny Winfield, "The Invention of



Members are, from left, Barbara Ruggeri of Mendham, Beth Williams of Dover, Mindy Turner of Randolph Township, Virginia Anderson and Linda Nixon, both of Morristown, Donna Rottengen of Hope, Elle Douglass of Denville, Barbara Christjohn of Morristown, MaryAnn Chapkosky of Stillwater and Evelyn Hammaren of Randolph.

Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd, "Orphan Train" by Christina Baker Kline, "Mudbound" by Hillary Jordon, "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah, "The Aviator's Wife" by Melanie Benjamin, "A Man Called Ove" by Frederik Bachman and "Calling Me Home" by Julie Kibler.

**What are some of your favorite non-fiction selections?**

Some of the top non-fiction books we have read and enjoyed include "Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln" by Doris Kearns Goodwin, "The Woman Behind the New Deal: The Life and Lega-

cy of Frances Perkins" by Kirstin Downey, "Shadow Divers: The True Adventure of Two Americans Who Risked Everything to Solve One of the Last Mysteries of World War II" by Robert Kurson, "Monuments Men: Allied Heroes, Nazi Thieves, and the Greatest Treasure Hunt in History" by Robert Edsel, "The Devil in the White City" by Erik Larsen, "The Other Wes Moore" by Wes Moore, and "Unbroken" by Laura Hillenbrand.

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# Great Falls, Mt., and the search for Sacagawea's tribe

Editor's Note: This is the 14th in a monthly series detailing the discoveries made during the author's road trip following the trail of Lewis and Clark.

First, I would like to apologize for a mistaken caption last month. The featured photo of the river was not the Missouri but the Clearwater in Idaho, which I will be mentioning in this column.

After we visited the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Great Falls, Mont., we walked a short distance to Giant Springs State Park and the 200-foot-long Roe River, one of the largest freshwater springs in the country which forms one of the shortest rivers in the country.

Lewis described it as the largest spring he ever saw. We could see the water – which is a constant 54 degrees – bubbling up to the surface and flowing toward the Missouri. Its clarity allowed us to view the emerald green underwater vegetation.

Back in the city of Great Falls, a trolley tour gave us an overview of the city's history, which we followed with a visit to the C.M. Russell Museum. A noted western artist, "Charlie," was born in 1864 in Missouri. At the age of 16, he went out to Montana and worked on sheep and cattle ranches, which gave him a good insight into cowboy and Native American life in the west.

Among the exhibits were personal letters illustrated with charming watercolors, which he had sent to friends. He painted a mural depicting Lewis and Clark meeting the Flathead Indians, which hangs in the Montana State Capitol building in Helena where we were able to see it. Russell was not only a painter of the west, but also a sculptor and illustrator who became famous worldwide and in great demand during his lifetime. One of his famous sculptures is of a cowboy fanning his hat in the air while riding a twisting bucking bronco.

We were nearing the Three Forks area where the Jefferson, Madison and Gallatin rivers join to form the Missouri, but since I had visited this area on the previous trip, we drove toward Missoula, Mont., to cross the Bitterroot Mountains, stopping at the National Bison Range, which was established in 1908 in northwestern Montana to protect these magnificent animals.

We drove the 22-mile gravel loop road seeing herds scattered over the hillsides and in the ponderosa pine forests. They certainly are sizable and substantial-looking up close.

When the Corps of Discovery was in the Three Forks area, Lewis mentions that Sacagawea was dangerously sick. This was a great concern because they were counting on her influence with the Shoshones to obtain horses for the trek over the mountains. Lewis treated her with laudanum, which



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## ROAD TRIP OF DISCOVERY

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contains opium and mineral water. She recovered, probably becoming a little "high" in the process.

It was soon after this when one of the greatest coincidences of the trip occurred. Sacagawea had become visibly excited when they reached the Three Forks area in the summer of 1805, recognizing it as the area from where she had been kidnapped about seven years before. It took some days to locate her Shoshone Tribe and at first the natives were afraid of the strangers. After receiving gifts and realizing the strangers had come in peace, the Shoshones agreed to a meeting.

The translation path was quite complicated, involving the Shoshone, Hidatsa, French and English languages. As this was going on, Sacagawea suddenly realized that the Shoshone Chief Cameahwait was her brother, whom she thought she would never see again. After an emotional meeting, and some trading of trinkets, tools, clothing and beads, the horses were supplied to the explorers.

The Indians thought it would take five days to cross the Bitterroot Mountains, not 11 precarious and dangerous days through snow and freezing temperatures, with the danger of frostbite and starvation. The explorers named one creek they crossed "Hungry Creek" because they had nothing to eat.

Finally when they stumbled out of the mountains, they were met by the Nez Perce Tribe who generously fed the travelers and helped them get ready for the next part of the trip down the Clearwater, Snake and Columbia rivers. Without the help of the Nez Perce, the men probably would have perished.



**Left:** Giant Springs, in left foreground, is one of the largest freshwater springs in the country. The water from the springs forms the 200-foot-long Roe River – one of the shortest rivers in the country – which is shown above flowing into the Missouri River. **Right:** Herds of buffalo roam the hillsides and ponderosa pine forests of the National Bison Range, which was established in 1908 in northwestern Montana.

We traveled the beautiful Lewis and Clark Highway through the mountains and the Clearwater National Wilderness Area in Idaho. Along the way we stopped at an extensive visitor center with a model of the Bitterroot Mountain range and the Corps' trail mapped out across it. They went along

the top of the range, whereas we followed the clear, shallow, frothy Lochsa River with its rocky bed to where it meets up with the Selway River to form the Clearwater River.

Next stop on the Road Trip of Discovery reveals an interesting chance encounter for us and a visit to Spokane, Wash.

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# Where, oh where, will my next wine cellar be?

Basement is not a good answer. Truth be told and my wife Mariette and my circle of friends would vouch for this. I never called my basement a basement for the sheer scorn of the mediocre implied in the root word base as in basic.

The B word was hence banned from the Rajan Family lexicon and substituted with an equally blah proxy, Lower Level. A naked basement is a snake-pit for those bottled beauties. Between the damp, the odors, the creepy crawlies, the vibrating washer-dryer and the monster heat spewing furnace, the basement is a war zone for the demure juice. Yet all my cellars past have been in the lower level. But they were ensconced in dedicated cellar rooms with all the temperature and humidity trappings. My last one in Short Hills actually had three micro climates: one each for wines, single-vineyard olive oils and artisanal cheeses. Admittedly, an over-indulgence and a source of scorn from my humble catholic wife, my bourgeois friends, however, relished the layering. It was not the temperature nuances that charmed them but the mood evocation when visiting each dedicated chamber within chamber of whispering clarets, oils and raw-milk cheeses. Theater my friends, Theater as implied in this insensitive mod to Shakespeare's immortal words, (my mods in brackets):

*"All the world's (cellar's) a stage,*

*And all the men and women (wine, olive oil and cheese) merely players;*

*They have their exits and their entrances,*

*And one man (me) in his time plays many parts..."*

So its abundantly clear that boring rack-warehouses that describe most of today's cellars do little for me. And that ever-so-predictable motif of wine case labels, grapes, vines and wine glass splattered over walls, borders and cellar doors has, at least for me, the excitement and allure of an old Ford Pinto. Wine Barrel furniture recently making the rounds would be the absolute low. I submit that I am arrogant and judgmental but so are you with bell bottoms and Elvis impersonators. Give me brave!

Brave is taking a former church and re-shaping its stained-glass attic into a cellar; the subdued light in myriad colors adding to the red in those divine vessels. The belfry tower would be tad more dramatic except for the vibrations from the hourly gong.



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**READ BETWEEN THE WINES**

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Brave is taking an un-commissioned fire station, poles intact, polka-dotted dalmatian and all to create drama around the wine. Double whammy, especially, for the Peter Pans among us men who never grew up from our fire engine obsessions. How about a carriage house with stable stalls intact to earmark left and right bank Bordeaux or to distinguish French Burgundy from Willamette Pinot Noir. Pedigree wines! Get it?

Brave is moving a grain silo from a country farmhouse to your McMansion compound and having the wines stacked in a rising spiral fitted internally with an open elevator akin to those used at construction sites, gilded or painted, of course, to access the 1961 Lafite that's right at the top, where it should be. You are getting the drift, I presume.

The Oceanographic Museum in Monte Carlo, Monaco, where the lower level (not basement) viewing room juts into the Mediterranean and the sea's vibrant creatures are at full view. What a perfect place to put down some inspired whites like Batards and Montrachets and some Paris-tasting bound 1976 Montelenas. Mermaid-magnet guaranteed. Perhaps an abandoned factory or printing press with its resident lathes and hardware painted in red and burgundy to complement your muscular, masculine reds like Barolos, Zinfandel, Bordeaux, Syrah and Chateaufort du Papes.

My wanderlust has enabled cellar viewings in about four dozen countries around the world. Most have immaculate collections, not to be confused with cellar charisma. One early stand out for sheer creative dazzle is the glass and steel wine-tower at Aureole at Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas with its ultra-creative wine pull. Admit, dreaming up 'out of the box' architectural homes for my wine is a wasteful, indulgent exercise in empty fantasy rooted in the impractical. But then again we should all be driving Volvos. Should we? Live a little.



## WHAT'S WHAT

The Madison-based rock 'n' roll band, What's What, **above**, will open the annual Downtown Concert Series hosted by the Museum of Early Trades and Crafts and the Madison Downtown Development Commission from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, June 30, on the lawn of the museum at 9 Main St. at Green Village Road. Members of What's What are, from left, drummer Bill Geyer, vocalist and bassist Mike Shugrue, and vocalist and guitarist Phil Duffy, all of Madison, and lead guitarist Tom Doherty of Basking Ridge. Over the summer, the Friday evening Downtown Concert Series will continue, rain-or-shine, on July 14 and 28, Aug. 11 and 25, and Sept. 8.

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# YOUR TABLE IS READY

## Summer at The Grain House

— By Deb McCoy

The Grain House has just launched a new summer dinner menu that is filled with enticing flavors in all categories. Here are just a few of the many highlights that you won't want to miss:

### APPETIZERS:

- Avocado Toast with Marinated Heirloom Tomatoes, Burrata, Basil – The staff could not get enough of this exciting interpretation.
- Chickpea Shawarma Dip – made with Hummus, Roasted Garbanzos, Quinoa, Tabbouleh, and Pita – How can something so healthy taste so wonderful?

### FROM THE GRILL:

Grass Fed Grilled Short Ribs (Lancaster Valley) with Korean BBQ Sauce, Ginger Maple Whipped Sweet Potato and Sesame Garlic Snap Peas, a luscious combination that looks as beautiful as it tastes. If you like ribs that literally melt in your mouth, you will find no dish better than this one!

### POT & PAN:

- Grass Fed New Zealand Rack of Lamb with Boursin Whipped Potato, Honey-Roasted Baby Carrots with Pistachios and Zucchini Mint Puree
- Flounder (Georges Bank) with Crab Meat Stuffing, Butternut Squash & Yuzu Jus, Quinoa & Lentil Salad with Cashew, Pomegranate & Edamame – This delicious melding of flavors is exquisitely presented on the plate.

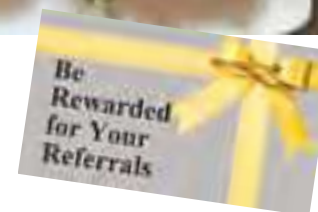
The new menu can also be enjoyed al fresco on the Grain House patio, further increasing the enjoyment of a few hours outdoors.

Plans for the Grain House during the summer also include special menu events including Blueberry Week (July 6th-8th), Corn Week (August 9th-12th), and Tomato Week (September 7th-9th).

A special event will be held for future brides and grooms, all of whom are invited to attend Wedding Fest '17 at the Olde Mill Inn & the Grain House. The event will be held in July and will feature all types of wedding vendors plus a sampling of wedding cuisine, wedding cake and signature drinks, plus much more! Brides and their guests are complimentary, but registration is required at [OldeMillInn.com](http://OldeMillInn.com). Don't miss this one-of-a-kind annual wedding event! More details will be available on the website.

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## • ART CALENDAR •

### "Reimagine Everything,"

featuring works by contemporary artists Diana González Gandolfi, Lisa Pressman, and Adam Welch, will be on view through Saturday, July 29, at J. Cacciola – Gallery W, 35 Mill Street in Bernardsville. An artist talk and champagne toast at the gallery will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 22. For more information, call (212) 462-4646 or email [info@jacciolagalleryw.com](mailto:info@jacciolagalleryw.com).

### NJ Audubon: NJ Audubon Photography Instructors' Summer Exhibition,

an exhibition of photographs from Phil Witt, David DesRochers, Jack Moskowitz and others, will be on view through Tuesday, Aug. 29, at the at the Wayrick Wildlife Art Gallery at the Scherman Hoffman Wildlife Sanctuary, 11 Hardscrabble Road, Bernardsville. David DesRochers and Phil Witt, long-time instructors for sanctuary's photography workshop series, have been photographing the natural world for decades. Their pictures have won awards in numerous competitions. Their enthusiasm for both nature and photography is evident in their images — ranging from local landscapes to wildlife from the Galapagos, Costa Rica and Tanzania. They, along with this year's workshop assistants, Cathy DesRochers, Becky Witt, and Jack Moskowitz, whose photo, "Ghost Lake," appears **below**, will exhibit their nature-oriented images in this show. Admission is free. The gallery is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays. It is closed Mondays.



"Common Ground" is on view now through Thursday, Aug. 24, at Gallery at 14 Maple, located at 14 Maple Ave. in Morristown. This ex-



"The Observer," a collection of paintings by artist Gail Kolflat, including "Life and the Progression of Human Bonds – Birth and Demise," **above**, will be on view in the Heinz W. Otto Gallery at the Watchung Arts Center, 18 Stirling Road in Watchung. The exhibit is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Fridays and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays.

hibit features works by six New Jersey artists, including Elaine Becker of South Orange, Dominant Dansby of Jersey City, Dahlia Elsayed of Palisades Park, Heejung Kim of Bogota, Mel Leipzig of Trenton and Alex Piccirillo of Nutley. The Gallery at 14 Maple is free and open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and by appointment.

"The Garden State: Living off the Land in Early New Jersey," is on view through Sunday, Sept. 3, at the Museum of Early Trades and Crafts at 9 Main St. at Green Village Road in Madison. The exhibit explores the odd assortment of tools, from bee smokers to cradle scythes, that farmers in 18th and 19th century New Jersey utilized in order to survive. The exhibit also features a new generation of Garden State farmers who are working to make the distance from farm to table a little bit shorter for today's families. Regular admission is \$5 for adults; \$3 for senior citizens, students, and children 6 and older, and free for museum members and children 5 and younger, with a maximum family admission of \$15. The museum's summer hours, through August, are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; the museum is closed on Sunday and Monday during the summer, but will resume Sunday hours from noon to 5 p.m. in the fall.

"Celebration of Summer," featuring the artists of Studio 7

Fine Art Gallery in Bernardsville, will remain on view through Saturday, Aug. 26. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays to Saturdays. For more information, call (908) 963-0365 or visit [www.studio7artgallery.com](http://www.studio7artgallery.com).

**Morris Arts' new Spring/Summer 2017 Exhibit** is on view through Friday, Sept. 1, at the Atrium Gallery, located on Floors 2 to 5 of the Morris County Administration and Records Building, 10 Court St. in Morristown. Featuring 237 works by member artists from the HUB Camera Club, ARTsee, the Blackwell Street Center for the Arts, the Myhelan Artists Network and the Drew Art Association, the exhibit showcases the creative talents of 79 artists working in wide variety of media such as oil, acrylic, collage, multimedia, pencil, paper, encaustic, watercolor and photography. For more information, contact Lynn L. Siebert, gallery director, and director of Arts Participation & Communication for Morris Arts, at (973) 285-5115, ext. 10 or [lsiebert@morrisarts.org](mailto:lsiebert@morrisarts.org).

**The contemporary pastels of Linda Schwartz** of Warren will be on view at the Clarence Dillon Public Library, 2336 Lamington Road in Bedminster Township during June. Capturing people, places, and objects that evoke emotion and connect us to the past, to memories, to joy, and to childhood is Schwartz's motivation. Color, shape, light, and reflections are the themes that she uses to ex-

plore those connections with pastels. She studied portraiture and painting at the Visual Arts Center in Summit and at the Center for Contemporary Art in Bedminster. The exhibit will be held in the downstairs meeting room of the library and is free and open to the public.

"On the Road & Home Again," featuring the works of artist Sally Abbott, including "Morning Sun," **below**, will be on view through Tuesday, Sept. 12, in the Lundt-Glover Gallery in the Chatham Township Municipal Building, 58 Meyersville Road in Chatham. The exhibit, hosted by the Art League of the Chathams, includes landscapes and seascapes that Abbott painted from photos she took on her travels and still lifes that she painted at home. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. Artwork is for sale. For information, call (973) 635-4600.



## • POTPOURRI •

### COMIC BOOKS

**The fifth annual** Garden State Comic Fest returns to the William G. Mennen Sports Arena in Morris Township on Saturday and Sunday, July 8 and 9. The event will feature top-flight comic vendors, cosplayers, and creators. Children ages 11 and under are admitted free and there is no charge for parking. A variety of ticket options, including early admission, VIP, and two-day passes, are available for purchase online at [www.gardenstatecomicfest.com](http://www.gardenstatecomicfest.com). Tickets cost \$25 and up. For more information, visit [www.gardenstatecomicfest.com](http://www.gardenstatecomicfest.com) or find the event on Facebook and Twitter.

### ECO-FUN

**Foraging Workshop and Walk with Author, Ellen Zachos** will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 24, at the Schiff Nature Center, 339 Pleasant Valley Road in Mendham. Join Zachos, a garden writer, photographer, and lecturer, who will share her expertise and then lead a hike on the preserve noting edible plants along the way. This program is intended for ages 16 and up and costs \$25 for members or \$30 for non-members. Advance registration is required by calling (973) 543-6004.

**Star gazing with the Morris Museum Astronomical Society** will be held from 9 p.m. to midnight Saturday, July 1, at the Schiff Nature Center, 339 Pleasant Valley Road in Mendham. Bring a picnic blanket and a late night snack to enjoy a quiet summer evening with Schiff and Joe Molnar from the Morris Museum Astronomical Society for a night of star gazing. Meet at the nature center and walk as a group to the great meadow for a tour of the summer sky and gazing through a telescope. The program costs \$8 for members or \$10 for non-members. Register by Wednesday, May 31, by calling (973) 543-6004.

### GARDENING

**Open Gates Weekend**, featuring tours of community gardens

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## · KIDS CALENDAR ·

### FILMS

**"The Secret Life of Pets"** will be screened for free at 7 p.m. Monday, July 17, at the Mayo Performing Arts Center, 100 South Street in Morristown. Two mismatched mutts get lost and must find their way home. During their journey, they encounter a bunny who plans to lead a group of abandoned pets on a mission of revenge against humanity. Featuring the voices of Louis C.K., Eric Stonestreet, and Kevin Hart, this film is rated PG.

### HANDS-ON



**Camp Out on the Beach, above,** family friendly, activity-filled overnight campouts, will be held Fridays, June 23, and Aug. 4, at Sunrise Lake in Lewis Morris Park in Morris Township. While Camp Out on the Beach begins at 7 p.m., attendees may arrive at 4 p.m. for free beach admission and swimming. For an additional fee, run, jump, splash and have a blast on the Wibit, an inflatable obstacle course, and explore the scenic lake by renting a paddle or row boat. Attendees should bring a picnic dinner to eat beachside. As the sun sets, campers can relax and gather around a roaring campfire to listen to stories while making scrumptious s'mores and playing games. S'more making kits and breakfast will be provided. The campout costs \$45 per tent site. Preregistration is required and can be made by calling (973) 326-7616 or emailing recreation@morrisparks.net.

**Art in the Garden,** for ages 9-13, will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays, July 11, 18, and 25, and Aug. 1, 8, and 15, at the Haggerty Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum in Morris Township. Young artists will explore different art media to capture the beauty of the natural world, and create masterpieces in this six-week series. This program costs \$60. Call (973) 631-5004 to register.

### LASER SHOW

**"The Skies over Hogwarts"** will be pre-

sented at 7 and 8 p.m. Friday, July 28, at the Planetarium at Raritan Valley Community College, 118 Lamington Road in Branchburg. Join an eclectic group of witches and wizards as they guide you through a "Harry Potter"-themed tour of the night sky. Learn how J.K. Rowling used astronomy as the inspiration for some of her characters' names. (Recommended for ages 8 and older) Tickets cost \$8 for one show or \$14 for two shows on the same day. Reservations are strongly suggested for all Planetarium shows. For more information, call (908) 231-8805 or visit [www.raritanval.edu/planetarium](http://www.raritanval.edu/planetarium).

**"Laser Pop Rock"** will be presented at 6 p.m. Friday, July 7; and at 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25, at 3:30 p.m. at the Planetarium at Raritan Valley Community College, 118 Lamington Road in Branchburg. Lasers dance across the Planetarium dome while music is played. Songs include "The Lion Sleeps Tonight" by The Tokens, "Campfire Song Song" by Spongebob Squarepants, and "Shake It Off" by Taylor Swift. (Recommended for ages 6-12) Tickets cost \$8 for one show or \$14 for two shows on the same day. Reservations are strongly suggested for all Planetarium shows and can be made by calling (908) 231-8805.

**"Magic Tree House: Space Mission"** will be presented at 7 p.m. Fridays, July 7 and 14, and at 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays, July 11 & 25, at 2:30 p.m. at the Planetarium at Raritan Valley Community College, 118 Lamington Road in Branchburg. Join Jack and Annie as they discover the secrets of the sun, moon, planets, space travel, and more. Who can help them answer the questions left for them by the mysterious "M"? The show is based on the same-titled, best-selling series of novels. The "Countdown to the Eclipse" segment is also included. (Recommended for ages 5 and older). Tickets cost \$8 for one show or \$14 for

two shows on the same day.

**"Earth, Moon, Sun, and Coyote"** will be presented at 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays, July 11, 18, and 25 at the Planetarium at Raritan Valley Community College, 118 Lamington Road in Branchburg. Coyote has a razor-sharp wit, but he's a little confused about what he sees in the sky. Join this amusing character (adapted from Native American oral traditions) in a fast-paced and fun, full-dome show that tells Native American stories; explores lunar phases, eclipses, and other puzzles; and examine how humans learn through space exploration. The "Countdown to the Eclipse" segment is also included. (Recommended ages 8-12). Tickets cost \$8 for one show or \$14 for two shows on the same day.

### NATURE FUN

**NJ Audubon: Wildlife Treasure Hunt,** a family program led by teacher naturalist Dorothy Smullen, will be held from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, June 25, at the Scherman Hoffman Wildlife Sanctuary, 11 Hardscrabble Road, Bernardsville. Spending more than two hours in the fields, forests and wet areas of the sanctuary, Smullen will lead the search for examples of major groups of plants and animals, as well as looking for nematodes, tardigrades, slime mold and different kinds of non-flowering plants. Microscope viewing will be included. This program is intended for ages 7 and up. The program costs \$8 for members or \$12 for non-members. Children under age 14 attend for free. Call 908-396-6386 to register by Friday, June 23.

**NJ Audubon: Nocturnal Fliers: Bats and Moths,** a family program led by teacher naturalist Dorothy Smullen, will be held from 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. Friday, July 7, at the

Scherman Hoffman Wildlife Sanctuary, 11 Hardscrabble Road, Bernardsville. After an illustrated presentation about the common moths and bats in our area, Smullen will lead the group outside to look for moths and to hear bat sounds with an acoustic monitor. Cost for audubon members is \$8, non-members pay \$12. Children under 14 years of age can attend for free. Call (908) 396-6386 by Wednesday, July 5, to register.

### THEATER

**"The Wizard of Oz"** will be staged at 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Aug. 10 and 11, and at 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, at the Morris Museum, 6 Normandy Heights Road, Morris Township. This production contains all of the beloved Oscar-winning songs from the movie including "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" and "We're Off To See The Wizard," plus all the favorite characters and iconic moments. Rediscover the story of Oz in this fantastic musical treat for the entire family. Presented by Theatre Next Door. Tickets cost \$25 or \$20 for members, seniors and students. To purchase them, call (973) 971-3706, visit [www.morrismuseum.org](http://www.morrismuseum.org).

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by Linda Thistle

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# You go, girl: 'Wonder Woman' has all the right moves

By **MICHAEL S. GOLDBERGER**  
FILM CRITIC

## >> MOVIE REVIEW

With Gal Gadot's depiction of the title character in director Patty Jenkins's "Wonder Woman," we at long last have a superhero who is, well, really super. The beauty breathes revivifying life into a genre that has of late become contrived, overburdened with character minutiae only zealots care about, and saddled with storylines that mistake convoluted for ingenuity.

While doubtless the merchandisers will make a fortune selling the lunchboxes, pajamas and other tchotchkes celebrating the franchise, for once the commercial hype can't approach the artistic triumph.

Harking back to the original, uplifting purpose of superheroes, Ms. Jenkins's superbly directed meld of adventure, social conscience and eye-filling visuals should deservedly attract those filmgoers who otherwise wouldn't think twice of considering such fare. But there has been much buzz about its humanitarian notions regarding gender equality, civil rights and other sacred values our better instincts attempt to find in art whenever dark forces threaten to cloud them in reality. One can make a case for the film as a grand metaphor in the cause of democracy.

While "Wonder Woman" cannot jump from the screen a la Woody Allen's "Purple Rose of Cairo" (1985) to restore civility and dignity to our national image, her heartening example reminds us what that looks like, and that it's worth fighting to reinstate our better self. Just speculating here, but I've little doubt the Founding Fathers would expect no less. Of course Diana, Princess of Themyscira... Wonder Woman or Diana Prince to us... answers to a higher authority. A demigoddess with roots in Hellenic theology, she's all about justice and reason.

She needs little prodding. Still, it hurts neither her nor our romantic sense when Steve Trevor, a handsome, WWI aviator/spy on a secret mission played by Chris Pine, crash lands just off her shore. After Diana saves him and he tells her how the mortal world is in the grips of evil, she figures that it's her fight, too. You see, she's heard

'Wonder Woman,' rated PG-13, is a Warner Bros. release directed by Patty Jenkins and stars Gal Gadot, Chris Pine and David Thewlis. Running time: 141 minutes

★★★★

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of this legendary threat her whole life. Surely it's that accursed Ares, the god of war, who's causing all the misery, death and destruction.

Naturally, Steve wants to get back to the fray alone. But you know how it goes when a goddess sets her mind to something, especially if she's become protective of, and curious about, a brave, dashing mortal from another world. Hence the stage is set for a great and virtuous partnership in the name of ending the war to end all wars. Screenwriter Allan Heinberg, working from a story he created with Jason Fuchs and Zack Snyder, fashions a splendid mix of actual history, Greek mythology and comic book lore that director Jenkins molds into an action-packed civics lesson.

But it's Ms. Gadot, whose persona, it is said, was sculpted from clay by her mom, Hippolyta, with a little help from Zeus, who gives the film its magic spark of enchantment. Aside from being beautiful, she possesses all the superhero gimmicks and trappings that capture the youthful portion of our imaginations...the lasso of truth, the bullet-stopping bracelets, and the projectile tiara. At 5'10" and the majestic stature befitting a demigod, her alluring embodiment of honor and morality gives credence to the philosophical ideal that truth is beauty and all that entails.

Complementing the traffic-stopping ingénue's stellar portrayal, Mr. Pine's gallant patriot is the perfect, mortal counterpart. Adding a smart note of levity between the challenges that befall them, the pair's getting-to-know-you tutorial is engagingly dreamy-eyed. Mutually charmed, but knowing

they have a whole bunch of world saving to do before they can fully commit to their attraction, for now they must be content in epitomizing the thought that love conquers all.

Playing a Greek chorus to their heroic idealism, three Sancho Panzas provide added portraits of whimsy and courage while supplying the script with a fancifully winning slice of comic book sensibility and inclusion. Said Taghmaoui's diminutive Sameer, a spy who really wanted to be an actor, but was "the wrong color," comically ogles Diana whenever he's not scheming; Ewen Bremner's Charlie is a Scottish sharpshooter who drowns his posttraumatic syndrome in booze; and Eugene Brave Rock's Chief has a profound talent for smuggling people across front lines.

Facilitated through virtually seamless special effects, combined with award-worthy art direction, all of these exquisite ingredients are stunningly fitted into the WWI scenario with a period piece legitimacy that dramatically underlines the film's egalitarian message. That is, there is such a thing as objective truth; people are indeed capable of noble deeds even in the threatening face of corrupt, moneyed interests; and, despite what bigoted authoritarians might dictate to divide us, we are all one people.

Thus, while a defiantly obstructionist majority of our Congress has of late forgotten that they swore to uphold those principles and ideals, we can only hope their children or grandchildren will take them to see "Wonder Woman," who will entertainingly remind them of their duty.

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throughout Morris County, will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 15, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 16. This event showcases the beauty and diversity of Morris County's Community Gardens, and highlights the people, plants, and planting techniques that make these gardens thrive. Admission is free, and no registration is required for this rain-or-shine program. This event is sponsored by The Friends of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum. For more information and a map of Open Gates Community Gardens, visit [arboretumfriends.org](http://arboretumfriends.org).

**Flowers Galore: Tea and Tour** will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Mondays, July 10, Aug. 21, and Sept. 18 at the Frelinghuysen Arboretum, 353 East Hanover Avenue in Morris Township. Step onto the beautiful grounds for an expert-led tour focusing on seasonal blooms. Learn about the history of the arboretum, which is on the State and National Registers of Historic Places, along with fascinating facts about its gardens. A leisurely, one-hour-long stroll makes frequent stops in various gardens, including the Shade Garden, Fern Garden, and the scented Rose Garden. After the tour, enjoy a delicious tea prepared by a classically trained baker in Matilda's Café. A sumptuous selection of scones, traditional tea sandwiches, baked-from-scratch pastries, and teas from around the world are featured. Comfortable walking shoes and your stylish garden hat are encouraged. The cost of both tour and tea is \$35. To register and for more information, call (973) 394-1100.

## MUSEUM

**"The Fords: Morristown's 'Revolutionary' Family"** will be presented at 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 19, as part of the Tea and Treasures series at the Morris Museum, 6 Normandy Heights Road in Morristown. Join Jude Pfister, chief of cultural resources at Morristown National Historical Park and author of five books, as he tells the story of the Ford Family and their impact on Morris County, and our nation. From the country's early beginnings during the Revolution, to the changing cultural and economic landscape of the 19th century, the legacy of this family is part of the American story. Tickets cost \$10 for members or \$12 for non-members and must be purchased in advance by calling (973) 971-3706.

## OUTDOORS

**First Sunday Garden Tours** will be offered at 2 p.m. on Sundays, July 2, Aug. 6, Sept. 3 and Oct. 1 at the Frelinghuysen Arboretum, 353 East Hanover Avenue in Morris Township. Meet at the Haggerty Education Center. The tour costs \$3 per person and exact change is appreciated.

## SINGLES

**Outdoor Single Friends**, a social club for single, active men and women ages 50 and older, meets monthly, holds summer picnics at local parks, and hosts a variety of day trips and longer getaways to cultural events, tourist attractions, charity events and outdoor explorations. For more information, call Patty at (973) 770-3915.



## • MUSIC CALENDAR •

### CHORAL

**The Masterwork Chorus' 18th season of Summer Sings** continues at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, through July 26, in air-conditioned Rodda Hall at the Chatham United Methodist Church, 460 Main Street (Route 124) in Chatham. Each week features a prominent area conductor leading community singers, professional soloists and accompanist in favorites of the choral repertoire. Works include the Mozart "Requiem" and "Coronation Mass" (June 28), Mendelssohn's "Elijah" (July 12), Schubert's "Mass in G" and Duruflé "Requiem" (July 19) and Brahms' "German Requiem" with three Bruckner motets. Note there is no sing on July 5. Admission to each sing at the door is \$15, which includes refreshments and loaner scores. Booklets containing five admission tickets are available for \$65, and tickets may be shared. Student and listener admission is \$7.50. For more information on the complete program and guest conductors or to purchase tickets online, visit [www.masterwork.org](http://www.masterwork.org).

### FOLK



**Broadside Electric** will perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 7, at The Minstrel, Morristown Unitarian Fellowship, 21 Normandy Heights Rd., Morris Township. **Fiona Tyndall, above,** opens. Admission costs \$10 for adults and children ages 12 and under are admitted free. For more information, call (973) 335-9489 or go to [www.folkproject.org](http://www.folkproject.org).

**Tom Chapin** will perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 21, at The Minstrel, Morristown Unitarian Fellowship, 21 Normandy Heights Rd., Morris Township. **Butch Ross** opens. Admission costs \$10 for adults and children ages 12 and under are admitted free. For



Grammy award-winning blues-rock group Blues Traveler visits Morristown's Mayo Performing Arts Center at 8 p.m. Saturday, July 15. Led by singer John Popper, Blues Traveler performs a mix of old and new, drawing upon their 30 years as one of music's most popular live bands. Formed in Princeton in 1987, the band scored mainstream success in the 1990s with their hit album, "Four," which spawned the top selling hits "Hook" and "Run-Around." Their most recent release is "Blow Up The Moon." Tickets cost \$39-\$69.

more information, call (973) 335-9489 or go to [www.folkproject.org](http://www.folkproject.org).

**The Minstrel's 42nd Birthday Show** will be staged at 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 28, at The Minstrel, Morristown Unitarian Fellowship, 21 Normandy Heights Rd., Morris Township. Admission, which includes refreshments, costs \$12 for adults and children ages 12 and under are admitted free. For more information, call (973) 335-9489 or go to [www.folkproject.org](http://www.folkproject.org).

### JAZZ

**Dan Levinson's Midsummer Night's Jazz Party** will be staged at 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 10, at the Morris Museum, 6 Normandy Heights Road, Morris Township. Join us for the Third Annual Midsummer Jazz Party, a night of hot, swinging jazz played by the best musicians in the area. Led by clarinet favorite Dan Levinson, the band include vocalist Molly Ryan, Mike Davis on trumpet, Harvey Tibbs on trombone, Mark Shane on piano, Rob Adkins on bass, and Kevin Dorn on drums. Tickets cost \$17 in advance or \$20 at the door. Purchase them by calling (973) 971-3706 or by visiting [www.morrismuseum.org](http://www.morrismuseum.org).

**Full Count Big Band: A Night in Las Vegas** will be staged at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 20, at the Morris Museum, 6 Normandy Heights Road, Morris Township. Singer Joe Ferrara headlines a salute to the great singers

who made Las Vegas the entertainment capital of the world: Frank Sinatra, Tom Jones, Sammy Davis Jr., Elvis Presley, Tony Bennett, Bobby Darin, Louis Prima, Buddy Greco and Dean Martin. Ferrara is a talented entertainer who crosses all genres of music and has appeared with musicians such as Lou Pallo, Rio Clemente, and the Stone Temple Pilots. The 17-piece big band brings together top area musicians and has delighted audiences for more than a decade. Tickets cost \$17 in advance or \$20 at the door. Purchase them by calling (973) 971-3706 or by visiting [www.morrismuseum.org](http://www.morrismuseum.org).

**Bria Skonberg** will perform at 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 24, at the Morris Museum, 6 Normandy Heights Road, Morris Township. This Jazz Society favorite is a star on the rise in the jazz world. Since moving to New York in 2010, she has been winning critical and audience acclaim and was called "the shining hope of hot jazz" by The New York Times. Tickets cost \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Purchase them by calling (973) 971-3706 or by visiting [www.morrismuseum.org](http://www.morrismuseum.org).

**Dave Koz and Larry Graham: Side by Side Summer 2017** will be staged at 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, at the Mayo Performing Arts Center, 100 South St. in Morristown. It's an evening of cool summertime jazz headlined by 8-time Grammy nominee, saxophonist Dave Koz. Joining Dave onstage will be Larry Graham ("One in a Million You"), best known as both the bass guitar player in Sly & the Family Stone and as the founder

and front man of Graham Central Station. Tickets cost \$49 to \$89.

### OLDIES



**The Righteous Brothers, above,** featuring Bill Medley and Bucky Heard, will perform at 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, at the Mayo Performing Arts Center, 100 South Street in Morristown. The concert experience features their biggest hits – "Lovin' Feelin'", "Soul & Inspiration," "Unchained Melody," "Rock and Roll Heaven," Medley's Grammy-winning Dirty Dancing theme "The Time of My Life," and much, much more. Tickets cost \$39 to \$79.

**50 Summers of Love**, starring Micky Dolenz of The Monkees, Mark Lindsay former Lead Singer of Paul Revere & The Raiders and The Fab Four: The Ultimate Tribute, will be staged at 8 p.m. Thursday, July 27, at the Mayo Performing Arts Center, 100 South St. in Morristown. 50 Summers of Love celebrates the anniversary of a time when peace, love and music filled the air and flowers were in everybody's hair. Tickets cost \$49 to \$89.

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## · THEATER CALENDAR ·

### AUDITIONS

**Auditions for Brundage Park Playhouse's annual Kid's Cabaret** will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, June 28 and 30, at the playhouse on Carrell Road in Randolph Township. Auditioners, ages eight to 19, should be prepared to sing a song that best features their vocal skills and should bring a head shot and/or resume to the audition. Auditioners must be available for tech week, which is Wednesday to Tuesday, Aug. 2-8, and for all performances, which will be staged Wednesday to Sunday, Aug. 9-13. For more information, call (973) 989-7092 or visit [www.brundageparkplayhouse.org](http://www.brundageparkplayhouse.org).

**Auditions for Neil Simon's "Barefoot in the Park"** will be hosted by The Chatham Players at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, June 28-29, at the Chatham Playhouse, 23 North Passaic Ave. in Chatham. Production dates are Friday, Oct. 6, through Saturday, Oct. 21, with rehearsals to begin in mid-August. Director Hegarty seeks four men and two women to fill out his cast. Auditioners should be familiar with the play and be prepared to read from sides, which can be found at [www.chathamplayers.org](http://www.chathamplayers.org).

### MUSICALS

**"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum"** will be staged in eight performances from Friday, June 30, through Sunday, July 16, by the Chester Theatre Group. Performances are Friday and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets cost \$25, or \$22 for seniors 65 and students. Purchase tickets at [chestertheatregroup.org](http://chestertheatregroup.org).

**Stephen Sondheim's "Sweeney Todd"** will be presented by the Light Opera of New Jersey at 8 p.m. July 14, 15, 21 and 22, and at 2 p.m. July 16 and 23, 2017, at South Orange Performing Arts Center, 1 SOPAC Way in South Orange. Tickets may be purchased at <http://www.sopacnow.org/> or by calling (973) 313-2787.

### ONE-MAN SHOWS

**Candice Guardino's "Italian Bred"** will be staged at 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 6, at the Bickford Theatre inside the Morris Museum, 6 Normandy Heights Road in Morris Township. Having written down everything her loving and outspoken grandmother ever uttered, Guardino

slips in and out of characters as she cooks up a full meal of growing up on Staten Island. Tickets cost \$40, \$38 for seniors and museum members, or \$20 for students ages 18 and under or with a valid college ID. Purchase them by calling (973) 971-3706 or by visiting [www.morrismuseum.org](http://www.morrismuseum.org).

### PLAYS



Shakespeare's **"A Midsummer Night's Dream,"** above, with Courtney McGowan

portraying Snug, will be staged by the Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey through Sunday, July 30, at the company's Outdoor Stage: the amphitheater of the College of Saint Elizabeth at 2 Convent Road off Madison Avenue in the Convent Station section of Morris Township. Performances begin at 8 p.m., with an additional matinee each Sunday at 4:30 p.m. There are no shows on Mondays. Single ticket prices begin at \$37, and tickets are free for patrons 18 and younger. Families are invited to picnic under the stars. For information and tickets, call the box office at (973) 408-5600 or visit [www.shakespearenj.org](http://www.shakespearenj.org).

**"The Bungler,"** a Molière comedy in an English version by Richard Wilbur, will be staged by the Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey beginning Wednesday, July 5, at the Main Stage, 36 Madison Avenue in Madison. Brian B. Crowe directs. The play highlights Molière at his frothiest and silliest as it follows the hilarious adventures of a clueless young lover and his clever servant attempting to help him win the heart and hand of a beautiful gypsy girl. For information and tickets, call the box office at (973) 408-5600 or visit [www.shakespearenj.org](http://www.shakespearenj.org).

## Farmers markets in full swing all around the area

*Editor's note: The following is a list of farmers markets now open throughout the area. Enjoy!*

**Bernardsville:** 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturdays through Nov. 11, train station parking lot located at the intersection of Route 202 and Claremont Road. A wide variety of fresh vegetables, and fruits and poultry products will be offered by New Jersey farmers: Silver Lake, Hensler and Griggstown farms. Other fine products range from: Valley Shepherd Creamery cheeses, Baker's Bounty baked goods, Pickelicious, Krakus Deli, and Alan Grossman who provides cut flowers and herbs. Native plants are offered by Cooper's Hollow Farm.

**Boonton:** 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturdays through Nov. 18, Upper Plane Street Parking Lot. Available will be fresh fruits and vegetables, produce, honey, baked goods including gluten-free varieties, flowers, pasture-raised pork and poultry, and more.

**Chatham Borough:** 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturdays through Nov. 18, located in Railroad Plaza South off Fairmount Avenue. Jersey Fresh fruits and vegetables, flowers, bath products, artisan cheeses, dried fruits and nuts, eggs, fresh mozzarella, gourmet pickles and olives, honey, Jersey-made wines, knife blade sharpening, locally prepared

foods, pasture-raised meat and poultry. WIC and Senior FMNP vouchers accepted by some farmers.

**Chester:** 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Sundays through Oct. 8 on Perry Street, right off Main Street. Fresh fruits and vegetables, gourmet baked goods, pastries and pies, honey, Jersey wine, locally prepared cheese.

**Clinton:** 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Sundays weather-permitting through Oct. 29, Clinton Fire Company parking lot, 1 New Street (off Highway 22 near the post office). The market provides support and promotes small family farms by offering locally grown healthy, nutritious, and seasonally fresh produce with organically raised greens for the community. There is limited parking on-site. Parking is also on nearby East Main Street and other side streets, as well as the PNC Bank lot next door to the fire company.

**Denville:** 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Sundays through Nov. 19, Bloomfield Avenue parking lot. Fresh fruits, vegetables, gourmet breads, cheeses, and more. WIC and Senior FMNP vouchers accepted by some farmers.

**East Hanover:** noon – 6 p.m. Mondays through Oct. 30, Lurker Park, 609 Ridgedale Avenue. Variety of fruits and vegetables. WIC and Senior FMNP vouchers accepted

by some farmers.

**Flemington:** 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Saturdays year-round at Stangl Factory Farmers' Market, Mine Street and Stangl Road, Flemington.

**High Bridge:** 8:30 a.m. – noon, the second Saturday of each month through October, parking lot of Riverside Wine and Liquors, 45 Main St. For more information, email [info@HBbusiness.org](mailto:info@HBbusiness.org) or call (908) 638-9066.

**Madison:** 2 – 7 p.m. Thursdays through Oct. 26, Central Avenue between Main Street and Cook Avenue. Alstede Farms, Aspen Ridge Farm, Melick's Town Farm and Vacchiano Farm are bringing their "Jersey Fresh" produce to downtown Madison again this year. Also returning are a variety of vendors, including Pickle Licious, Paolo's Kitchen, Gary's Wine & Marketplace, Gourmet Nuts and Dried Fruits, Secret Garden Soap of Madison, Squeezed Fresh Lemonade, Verrilli's Bakery and more.

**Mendham Township:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturdays June through October, at Pitney Farm, 1 Cold Hill Road. Offerings include fresh fruits and vegetables, meats, eggs, honey, granola, flowers, fresh pressed juice, gluten-free cupcakes, olives, pickle, nuts, wine, pre-made Italian meals, cheese, fresh

jam, olive oil, soap, and more.

**Morris Plains:** 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturdays through Oct. 7, Speedwell Avenue Merchant Block Extension. Treats include a variety of fruits and vegetables, jams and jellies, eggs, artisan breads, cheeses, home made soaps and more.

**Morristown:** 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. Sundays through November, in the municipal parking lot at the intersection of Spring and Morris Streets. Fresh fruits and vegetables, local ingredient-prepared foods, cheese, fish, poultry, honey, picked products, live music, cooking demonstrations and tastings. WIC and Senior FMNP vouchers accepted by some farmers.

**Raritan Township:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays through Nov. 19 at the Dvoor Farm, 111 Mine Street off the route 12 circle in Raritan Township. shoppers can find a bounty of locally grown, organic vegetables, grass-fed beef, artisan breads, cheeses, honey, pies, plants and much more. The market also frequently features live music and family-friendly events.

**Washington Township:** The Long Valley Green Market, 3 to 7 p.m. Thursdays, 20 Schooley's Mountain Road. For more information, including a complete vendor list, visit: [longvalleygreenmarket.com](http://longvalleygreenmarket.com).