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Spring Garden CDC's Covid-19 Neighborhood "Navigation" Guide September 18, 2020 Weekly Update

Local Businesses and Cultural Institutions

Indoor Dining Resumed in Philadelphia on September 8 for the First Time Since March 2020, at 25% of Capacity: The following restaurants in our area have opened for indoor dining:

A Mano, Bishop's Collar, Cicala, Clementine's Stable Café, Fairview, Fare, Gabi, Green Room, Jack's Firehouse, iPho, La Calaca Feliz, La Scala's Pronto, Little Pete's, Osteria, St. Stephen's Green, Thirsty Dice, Urban Saloon, Zorba's.

For other local restaurants, call to see when/if they plan to resume indoor dining.

Many Local Restaurants Are Also Offering Outdoor Dining (Some with Outdoor Heaters for Chilly Evenings), see the attached for local outdoor dining locales.

Call for hours and days of operation and/or check their websites/social media.

Thirsty Dice, 1642 Fairmount Ave. (17th St. side) Reopened For Indoor Board Games on September 11, In Addition to Its "Grab and Go" Games and Food for Takeout or Delivery, Ice Cream "Scoop Shop", and Indoor and Outdoor Dining:
Call 215-765-2679 or visit their website at www.thirstydice.com.

Attached is a list of other local businesses and their current offerings. Support our local businesses to help them survive the pandemic!

Cicala at the Divine Lorraine is Offering a Pop Up Pasticceria (Bakery) October 11, 11 AM to 2 PM, including breads, cookies, and mini cakes. Breads must be pre-ordered; other items can be purchased in person while supplies last. Click [here](#) to preorder and for more information.

Eastern State Penitentiary Has Added Night Tours of its Dark Creepy Cell Blocks (in Addition to Daytime Tours), To Be Offered September 18 Through November 15. Night Tours start at 6 PM on select nights. Purchase Night Tour tickets online at www.easternstate.org for a timed 30 minute entry window. Capacity is limited to 25%. The pandemic forced cancellation of the Prison's longtime Terror Behind the Walls Halloween event for 2020, their major fundraiser, but you can still enjoy some of the same haunted house experience by participating in a Night Tour this

Fall. Daytime tours also continue Fri.-Sun. from 10 AM to 5 PM. The popular 191FREE0 free resident admission is also back. Check their website for more information. ***Become a member to help the site survive the pandemic.*** Click [here](#).

The Philadelphia Museum of Art has Reopened with Strict Precautions in Place:

Hours are 10AM to 5PM Sat., Sun., and Thurs.; until 7:30 PM Wed. and Fri.; closed Mon.-Tues. Guests must wear masks and observe social distancing. Temperature checks are taken at the door. The Espresso Bar is open with a limited menu. Only one entrance is open, the North Entrance on Kelly Drive. Reservations are strongly recommended, visit www.philamuseum.org.

Governmental Issues and Responses Re Covid-19

On September 15, 2020, a Federal Judge in Pittsburgh Ruled that Certain of Governor Wolf’s Pandemic Orders Were Unconstitutional, as Impinging on Fundamental Individual Liberties; A Stay Request and an Appeal are Planned:

The case was brought by Butler, Fayette, Greene, and Washington Counties. They challenged the Governor’s stay at home order, closure of non-life-sustaining businesses, and indoor and outdoor gathering limits, designed to stem the spread of the coronavirus. The Judge, appointed in 2019, found that the order impinged on fundamental constitutional liberties. The ruling does not impact other Orders, including the mandatory mask order. The ruling comes as states are girding for a potential resurgence of the virus in the fall, just as the flu season also begins. A previous ruling by Federal Judge Surrick (of Philadelphia) upheld many parts of Governor Wolf’s orders, as did the PA Supreme Court in July (regarding Governor Wolf’s emergency declaration). An appeal of the latest decision is expected.

Philadelphia’s City Solicitor Has Advised that the City’s Limits for Indoor and Outdoor Gatherings Are Not Affected by the Federal Court Ruling Against the State’s Limits on Gatherings.

A Bipartisan Coalition in the House, Dubbed the “Problem Solvers Caucus”, Has Proposed a \$1.5 Trillion Coronavirus Stimulus Package: The caucus includes 50 House members equally divided between Republicans and Democrats, who seek to foster bi-partisan cooperation on key policy issues. Included is a second round of stimulus checks, supplemental unemployment benefits, state and local funding, aid for small businesses and schools, and election funding, and other provisions.

The U.S. Senate May Balk at Anything Beyond its Recently Proposed “Skinny” \$500 Billion Package, that has no state and local government funding or a second round of stimulus checks.

The Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Has Announced that the House Will Stay in Session Until a Stimulus Aid Package is Passed.

Unemployed Workers in PA Began Receiving an Additional \$300 a Week in Supplemental Unemployment Benefits Retroactive to August 1, 2020 Under the Lost Wages Assistance Program (“LWA”) on Sunday September 14: Applications opened Sunday September 13. Applicants must log into www.uc.pa.gov/cert as if they were filing a biweekly claim, then select “Complete LWA certification”. To qualify, applicants must already be receiving \$100 a week from an existing unemployment program. LWA payments will be made retroactively for August 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. The funds are Federal FEMA Disaster Relief moneys, diverted by Executive Order, and will provide 6 weeks+/- of supplemental unemployment.

Governor Wolf Has Announced that PA Restaurants (But Not in Philadelphia, Which Has its Own Rules) Can Increase Indoor Dining Capacity to 50% of Capacity Starting on September 21; Alcohol Sales Must Stop at 11:00 PM and Can Only Be Served With Food: Restaurants must commit to observing safety precautions through completing a self-certification process. Ongoing enforcement will begin October 5. A list of self-certifying restaurants will be published on a state website. **New Jersey Approved Indoor Dining at 25% Capacity, Starting on September 4.**

Starting September 14, Philadelphia Allowed Outdoor Gatherings of up to 150 People (the Prior Limit was 50); The Limit on Indoor Gatherings Remains at 25.

The PA Department of Health Has Updated Its Nursing Home Guidelines To Allow for Visitors “In Limited Situations”: Visitors may include friends, family and volunteers if they are deemed to be “important caregivers” and they can play an important role in the resident’s physical, mental and emotional wellbeing.

For Information About Which States Are Currently Included in Pennsylvania’s Self-Quarantine List, click [here](#). Those coming into PA from any of the States on the list (including returning PA residents) must self-quarantine for 14 days upon arrival. The list changes frequently as new states are added, and others removed.

Philadelphia Has Allowed Movie Theaters to Open, At Strict Capacity Limits:

Multiscreen theaters are limited to a total of 250 people, with individual screen showings limited to 25 people. No food is allowed.

With Congress Deadlocked on Aid to State and Local Governments, Many States (Including PA and New Jersey) are Looking at Significantly Reduced Budgets

With Major Cuts in Services: The bipartisan National Governors Association and Moody's Analytics have cited the need for \$500 billion in Federal aid to states and local governments to avoid major damage to the economy.

New Jersey Has Responded to the Budget Crisis By, Among Other Steps, Raising Tolls on Two Major Roadways (the New Jersey Turnpike and Garden State Parkway) By 36% and 27% Respectively:

Tolls will also go up on the Atlantic City Expressway, and gas taxes go up by 9 cents a gallon, to maintain the State's transportation trust fund. Gasoline consumption dropped significantly this year.

A Seriously Inaccurate Census Count Could Result From an Early Closing of the Counting on September 30, as Ordered by the Administration; A Federal Judge Had Enjoined the Early Census Shut Down Until a Hearing Can be Held, Now Postponed Until September 22 After Officials Failed to Produce the Required Documents:

Be sure to fill out your census form now if you have not already done so. Click [here](#). The census count is extremely important, including for the establishment of voting districts, State representation in Congress, and trillions of dollars of federal funding, among other issues. *The 2020 count will shape America for the next decade!*

The Administration's Payroll Tax Deferral Program Began September 1: Employees Are Still Liable to Pay the Tax by April 30, 2021, and Employers Must Start Withholding Double Taxes in the First Four Months of 2021; Employees May Want to Opt-Out:

The current deferral isn't mandatory. If you don't want a double deduction in 2021, tell your employer you want to opt out now. If you think you have received a raise, it may just have been the payroll tax deferral!

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC"), a Division of the Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS"), Has Issued a Nationwide Moratorium on Residential Evictions, Based on Coronavirus Concerns:

The CDC's September 1, 2020 ban is effective through December 31, 2020. It is not clear whether the CDC had the authority to issue the order. Some exceptions apply.

A Philadelphia Judge Has Ordered a Ban on Residential Evictions Until

September 23: The order also limits the number of eviction notices that the City's landlord tenant officer can serve until September 21, and he/she must serve notices explaining the new Federal moratorium on eviction for nonpayment of rent, and provide a form to be used to apply for federal protection. Click [here](#) for the form. *The City's Landlord-tenant Court reopened after Labor Day.*

Philadelphia Criminal Courts Began Holding Jury Trials Again on September 9, With Strict Controls in Place; Civil Jury Trials Have Been Postponed Until January

2021: The number of jurors called to report for criminal trial jury duty is being limited. Jurors will be in a separate room from the Courtroom, with a plexiglass divider. They will watch the trial through Zoom and masks are required. The number of people in elevators is being limited. Hand sanitizers have been installed throughout, including in Courtrooms and elevators.

Philadelphia District Attorney Krasner Filed a Petition to the PA Supreme Court To Block the You Tube Real Time Broadcasting of Philadelphia Criminal Trials, to Avoid Witness and Defendant Intimidation; the PA Supreme Court Granted the Petition on September 17th:

Oddly, when Philadelphia criminal jury trials resumed, with jurors in one room and the proceedings in another, the virtual format selected was online real time broadcasting on You Tube. The DA petitioned the Supreme Court to halt this form of proceedings, arguing that those viewing the broadcasts could record them, redistribute them over social media, and use them to intimidate witnesses and defendants. (It is for this reason, among others, that cell phones and other electronic devices are prohibited in courtrooms). The DA presented other alternatives including closed circuit tv, or private Zoom proceedings. *On September 17, the PA Supreme Court granted the petition. It is not clear what alternative virtual format will now be used.*

Philadelphia Will Put Off Reassessing Properties in 2021 (For the 2022 Tax year) Because of the Pandemic:

That means that if tax rates stay the same, there will be no increase in real estate taxes at least until 2023.

PA Will Start Offering REAL IDs at Its Recently Reopened Drivers' License Centers, But the Enforcement Date Has Been Moved to October 1, 2021.

The Philadelphia Parking Authority is Seeking to Advance Its New "Park, Eat, Love" Campaign, to Promote Indoor Dining, in a Poster Design Contest:

Contestants can get rules and submission requirements [here](#). The poster should

incorporate the above slogan. The deadline is October 6, 2020. Winners receive a year of free parking at a PPA garage. ***We all love the Parking Authority, right?***

Voting in the November Election: Good News on Several Fronts!

On September 17, the PA Supreme Court Ruled That Mail-In Ballots Are Eligible To be Counted if Postmarked by Election Day and Received within 3 Days After The Election; It Authorized the Use of Drop Boxes and Satellite Election Offices:

It is not clear if the PA legislature will try to undo the Court's decisions on mail-in ballots. A vote on more restrictive PA Senate legislation is expected on September 21. Governor Wolf vows to veto any legislation that restricts mail-in voting. ***He has also been urging the legislature to allow processing of the ballots starting 21 days before the election (opening the envelopes and removing and scanning the ballots, checking voter eligibility, etc.).*** The Supreme Court ruling also removed a Green Party candidate from the PA ballot.

Former PA Governor Tom Ridge (R) Has Urged the PA Legislature to Allow Election Officials to Start Preparing Mail-in Ballots for Counting Well Before the Polls Close.

The PA Department of State Has Directed Counties Not To Discard Mail-In Ballots Solely Because an Election Official Did Not Think the Signature Matched That of the Voter, and to Give Voters A Chance to Correct The Issue: The State now has a uniform process for verifying signatures on Mail-In Ballots.

A Federal Judge in Washington State Grated an Injunction Sought By 14 States to Temporarily Block Operational Changes at The Post Office That Have Slowed Mail Delivery: The Judge found that the changes were a politically motivated attack on the efficiency of the Postal Service that could disrupt the 2020 election. The States sought and were granted an injunction to require the Postal Service to end the "leave behind" policy where mail trucks go out on delivery routes before loading all of the mail, treat mail in ballots as 1st Class Mail, and restore/retain the high speed sorting machines required for 1st Class Mail processing, that have previously been removed or are slated to be removed.

Request Your Mail-In Ballot Now, and Mail it Back as Soon as You Receive It:

Click [here](#) to request a ballot and the click [here](#) after mailing it to check whether it has been received.

More Poll Workers are Being Sought for the 700-800 Polling Places That Philadelphia Proposes to Open for the November Election; Sign Up Now! The

pay is \$250 including \$50 for a mandatory training session. Given the confusion engendered by the possibility that the State Legislature could enact new restrictive rules, Philadelphia must be prepared for more in-person voting. Many poll workers have traditionally been older individuals who could be more susceptible to the virus. As a result, Philadelphia is looking for new, and in many cases, younger volunteers. To sign up to be a poll worker, click [here](#).

Stay Tuned for The Ultimate Decision on the PA Election Laws that Will Govern the Conduct of PA's November 3 Election.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has recommended mail-in ballots as a way to vote without risking exposure to the virus at the polls.

Other:

The PA Public Utility Commission Has Prohibited Non-Payment Utility Shutoff for Utilities Governed by the PUC Until Further Notice. A decision had been delayed multiple times into the next hearing, but the Commission decided on September 17 to disallow non-payment utility shutoff resumption until further notice (it could technically be brought up again at any Commission meeting, but is reportedly not expected to be heard until April 2021 at the earliest).

The City is Closing Multiple Streets Near the Sports Complex in South Philadelphia in Advance of the Eagles Home Opener on Sunday September 20, to Enforce the City's Ban on Tailgate Parties.

Health

Some Recent Polls Have Shown That More Americans Are Reluctant to Get the Coronavirus Vaccine, When Released, Citing Fears that a Vaccine Rushed Out for Political Reasons May Not Be Safe or Effective:

The Head of the Centers For Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") Has Now Advised that a Vaccine Will Not Be Generally Available to the Public Until Late in the 2nd Quarter or the 3rd Quarter of 2021: He also stated that "masks are the most important health tool we have", and may offer more protection than a vaccine. The CDC had earlier advised states to get ready to distribute a vaccine in October and November 2020.

Good News: Wearing A Mask Will Also Help Protect Against Transmission of the Flu, as We head into the Fall-Winter Flu Season with the Pandemic Still with Us.

There Are Three Categories of Coronavirus Tests Available; What Do they Do?

It is reported that there are 3 broad categories of coronavirus tests used in the U.S. 1) Genetic tests, mostly done by nasal swab, but some by saliva tests, look for the virus DNA and are said to be the most accurate. The tests typically take hours to come back. 2) Antigen tests look for protein on the surface of the virus and while not as effective are cheaper, faster and require less specialized lab equipment. They require a nasal swab. A recently approved Abbot Labs antigen test can get results in 15 minutes. 3) Antibody tests look for proteins that show whether a person has had and fought off the virus. It is not clear if infected people develop antibodies. These tests are typically used to measure what percentage of the population has been infected.

THE EPA Has Approved Nearly 500 Household Products That Kill the Virus: Some are faster- acting than others, taking from 1 to 10 minutes to be effective. For the complete list, click [here](#).

On September 10, Philadelphia City Council Voted to Require Employers to Provide 2 Weeks of Paid Sick Leave, Through December 31, 2020, For Employees Not Covered by Federal Sick Leave Legislation, Including Gig Workers. The Mayor has said he will sign the bill.

Community College Students Are Working as Contact Tracers; the City is at Now at 75% Effectiveness in Tracing: The City reached out to Community College to recruit tracers and 7 were given jobs. The City sought individuals from all zip codes and those who speak other languages. As of last week, the City has been able to trace 75% of the contacts identified by infected patients.

Vybe Urgent Care, with a Facility at 1500 Spring Garden St., is Now Offering a Rapid Nasal Swab Test by Appointment, With Results in 15 Minutes, For Asymptomatic Patients: The 15 minute results are extremely helpful for those who need quick clearance for work, school, travel, or access to medical or other care. The test is currently not covered by insurance, although that may change, and costs \$75. For an appointment call 267-728-4033.

Contact Tracing is Vital to Stem the Spread of the Virus: Click [here](#) if you wish to be hired or volunteer to serve as a contact tracer in PA.

The Parkway, Rodin Museum, Azalea Garden and Ridge Ave. Encampments Were to be Disbanded At 9 AM Wednesday September 9, Per a City Order, But the City's Deadline Came and Went With No Action Taken: Neighbors are becoming increasingly frustrated with this ongoing 3-month-old situation that poses significant health and safety problems for both the occupants and the community. The City says it is working on permanent housing initiatives for the occupants, but more individuals keep joining the encampments. The Mayor announced that an agreement had been reached for nonprofits to acquire 300 vacant City properties for housing. He declined a brunch invitation with the occupants and has stated that it is hard to negotiate a resolution because there is no clear leader. The City has already housed 130 individuals.

It Is More Important than Ever to Get A Flu Shot This Year (Both Adults and Children): With the coronavirus pandemic still very much with us, and flu season approaching, doctors are strongly urging that everyone (including children) get a flu shot. This will help lessen the number of flu cases and avoid the hospitals filling up with flu patients, when their capacity is already stretched thin with the pandemic. Also, the flu and the coronavirus share many symptoms, and it can be hard to tell them apart. Coronavirus patients need to be isolated. There is a treatment for the flu, but not yet for the virus. Some providers including drug stores have the flu vaccine now. Follow the advice of your medical provider on your flu shot. ***If you are over 65, and you get the shot at a drug store, be sure to ask for the shot for that age group.***

Assistance and Other City, State, and Community Programs

PA U.S. Senator Bob Casey Announced on Sept 14 that PA Has Been Awarded \$1.988 billion in Funding for Eviction Relief/Rental Assistance from the Community Development Block Grants Program, Funded By the CARES Act: Philadelphia Will Receive \$11.3 Million: Funds have been awarded to localities based on higher risk of eviction because of job loss and business closures.

Phase 2 of Philadelphia's Rental Assistance Program is Open. Renters can now receive \$1,500 a month in assistance, thanks to the above funding. Click [here](#) for more information, the guidelines, and to apply.

Become a “Grocery LifeLine” Provider: Help a Project HOME Resident with Groceries Next Time You Shop: Click [here](#) and scroll down to “Select Now” to select a resident’s profile. Follow the online instructions regarding purchase of groceries and delivery (or do an online purchase and delivery if you so choose). There is also a number to call and an email for any questions about the program.

PHDC IS Offering is Basic Systems Home Repair Program for Single Family Homeowners: Click [here](#) for more information and the income guidelines.

The State is Offering a “Shared Work” Program, Whereby Employers Can Temporarily Reduce the Hours of a Group of Employees and Divide the Hours Equally: Employees receive partial unemployment benefits. The program allows employers to retain their workforce during a temporary slowdown and then be able to ramp up quickly, without the effort and expense of new hiring and training. Click [here](#) for more information and to apply.

Restaurants Offering Takeout Can Apply for A Temporary Loading Zone: Click [here](#) to apply. You must have a Business Privilege License to apply.

Businesses Can Apply for a Refund of U&O Taxes for Periods in Which They Did Not Operate: Click [here](#).

The Nonprofit Pennsylvania 30 Day Fund Offers Forgivable Loans of Up to \$3,000 For Small Businesses: The business must have between 3 and 30 employees to qualify, be owned and operated by a PA resident, and have been in business one year. Click [here](#) to apply.

PGW and the Philadelphia Water Department Have Suspended Non-Payment Terminations and Late Fees.

Residents Needing Assistance with Their Gas and/or Water Bills Can Apply for PGW’s CRP or Other Assistance Programs: Click [here](#) for more information on PGW Assistance Programs. Click [here](#) for more information on Water Department Assistance Programs.

Philadelphia Elementary and High School Students Needing an Internet Enabled Device Can Pick up a Chromebook, On Loan from the School District, at a Number of Locations in the City: Click [here](#) for more information.

A State Environmental Protection Agency Small Business Advantage Grant Will Provide up to \$7,000 for Small Businesses (with a 50% Match) for Energy Efficiency: Click [here](#) for more information and to apply.

PHDC is Offering \$1,000 Grants to Artists in its “Art is Essential Initiative”

Focusing on Public Art: The deadline is October 7, 2020. The program is focused on “reimagining public art” and seeks ideas on “What does engagement mean today”. The ideas can be expressed in any medium and from artists at any experience level. For more information and to apply: artisessentialphl.com.

Philadelphia is Offering a Hotline for Low Income Families in Philadelphia

Needing Free Internet for Students to Participate in Distance Learning: The new hotline is run by United Way and will provide families of K-12 students with advice on how to get free internet. Dial 211 and press 1 to speak to a resource navigator. The service will be available 24/7 and in 150 languages. The free Internet program is being operated in partnership with Comcast and other entities and will provide free Internet to some 35,000 families with children in the Philadelphia School District, and charter and private schools.

The City is Now Operating Access Centers to Provide Supervised Sites For School Children For Digital Learning, Primarily For Families Who Work Outside the Home and Cannot Afford Childcare:

The first phase opened on September 8 with 31 sites serving 800 children in grades K to 6. Click [here](#) for information about eligibility, sites, and how to enroll. Families who need help with digital learning can get help from PHLConnected, click [here](#).

The City is Still Providing Free Boxes of Food and Meals: A list of boxed food pickup sites is at www.phila.gov/food. Thursday pickups are between 10 AM and 12 PM. One box per household. Call 311 or visit the website to check that the site is still open. Student, senior, and outdoor meals will also still be provided in partnership with Step Up to the Plate, Philadelphia Corporation for Aging, and Liberty Resources. See the site listed above for locations.

Spring Garden CDC, Along with Spring Garden Civic Association, Has Inaugurated a “Solo Cleanup Program”, With a Free Kit For Residents, With Cleaning Supplies and Equipment:

The SGCA and SGCDC typically have two cleanups a year, April and the Fall, with supplemental leaf cleanup days held into December. However, with the pandemic continuing, with no end in sight, these group activities are not safe and are no longer being scheduled. But residents can still do their part to keep their own blocks, and problem blocks in the neighborhood, clean, tidy, and litter-and-weed-free. To help, the SGCA and SGCDC are providing Solo Cleanup kits. Email SGCA President Patrick Boyle at sgcasanitation@gmail.com or info@springgardencdc.com to sign up. We urge everyone to continue the Solo

cleaning program into the fall and winter and to get your friends and neighbors involved, as well. We look forward to hearing from you! ***Dog Park Members can complete their mandatory 4 hours per quarter of volunteer work in Spring Garden through this program.***

Entertainment, Culture, Sports, Other Programs

All of Our City's Cultural Institutions Have Been Hit Hard By the Mandatory Closures and Restrictions, and Decrease in Visitors; Become a Member, if You Are Able, to Help them Weather the Pandemic: In our area, they include Eastern State Penitentiary, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Rodin Museum, Please Touch Museum, and the Franklin Institute. Become a member now!

Philadelphia's ABC/Dunkin Donuts Thanksgiving Day Parade Has Been Cancelled; A Celebration Will Be Held Instead: The City has cancelled large gatherings at least through February 2021, which impacts the Thanksgiving Day Parade and the Mummers. Details of the alternative Thanksgiving Celebration will be provided as we get closer to the event.

Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York Will Feature Floats, Performers and Giant Balloons on One Block of 34th St. vs. a 2 1/2 Mile Parade: It will be broadcast from 9 AM to Noon on Thanksgiving, on NBC, with live and recorded elements.

The Made in Philadelphia Fall Market (In-Person Shopping and Multi Day Event) is Being Held Outside City Hall: Local crafters, photographers and artisans will sell their wares outside at City Hall. Masks and social distancing are required. Dates are Sept. 11, 17-18, 24-25, Oct. 1-2, and 9-11, 12 PM to 7 PM, weather permitting. Visit www.madeinphila.com for more information.

The Fringe Festival Will Be Held Mostly Online, With Some In-Person Events. Visit www.fringearts.com for more information.

Philadelphia's "Greenfest" Environmental Festival, Sponsored by Toyota Hybrids, is Going Digital: It is the largest environmental festival in the region, and this would have been its 15th year. It includes over 100 organizations and vendors and focuses on teaching everyone what they can do to make their daily lives more sustainable. The festival runs from Saturday September 12 to Sunday September 27. Visit www.cleanair.org/greenfest for more information.

The Broad Street Run Will Be A Virtual Event This Year: From September 12 through October 3, runners can record their 10 mile runs at a site of their choice, at their own pace, on an electronic device, and submit the results. Organizers encourage participants to create their own routes. Suggested venues include Fairmount Park, the Ben Franklin Bridge, Penn Park, the Kelly Drive Loop, and FDR Park. There will be no awards, but participants will be sent a T-shirt and a medal in the mail. For more information and to sign up to participate, visit www.broadstreetrun.com

A “Jurassic Quest” Dinosaur Drive-Through is Being Held at the Wells Fargo Center – now extended through September 20! There are more than 70 life-like dinosaurs and an audio tour. The cost is \$49 per vehicle with 9 occupants or fewer. Tickets must be purchased in advance at www.jurassicquest.com. ***You can also get fun dinosaur toys at the online shop on their website.*** Stock up now for a fun-filled prehistoric-themed holiday season.

Oaks, PA Pop-Up Drive-In Movie Theater: The Greater Philadelphia Expo Center in Oaks, PA is hosting a Cinema Pop-Up drive-in movie theater, organized by Kilburn Live, at the Expo Center Fairgrounds. The site holds 233 cars. Tickets are sold by the car (6 people maximum) and cost \$25.00. The price is more reasonable than some other drive-ins that charge by the person. Click [here](#) for more information and to purchase tickets.

Financial

The Public Transportation Funding Crisis Could Adversely Affect the Recovery of the Economy and Cost PA Manufacturing Jobs: PA manufacturers that provide equipment for Philadelphia’s SEPTA and other large metropolitan transportation systems may lose orders, and slash jobs, if public transportation systems fail or are forced to cut back on service, in the absence of further federal funding.

Other News

As Most Already Know, There Was A Horrendous Drug-Related Shooting at Roberto Clemente Playground September 16, At 8 PM, With 3 Armed Shooters, and 2 Dead and 3 Injured; Call Our Crime Hotline and Help Fight Back: We grieve for the young lives lost, and for those innocent bystanders who were injured. We

are enraged at the brutality brought into our community by the 3 shooters, and at the violence that they inflicted on our neighborhood. Please help us to eliminate the last vestiges of drug dealing and fight crime in our community. Call our crime hotline at 215-821-6465 or email springgardencrimeline@gmail.com ***and report any incidents of crime or drug dealing, or nuisance activities, with as much detail as you can provide. You may call anonymously if you like.***

On September 17, City Council Adopted a Resolution Calling for the Mayor to Take Steps (Spelled Out in the Resolution) to End Gun Violence. A copy of the resolution can be found [here](#).

I-76 Westbound Has Been Reduced to One Lane Until the End of the Year from University Ave. to 20th St. for Construction of a Median Barrier, and Certain Exits Are Also Closed: Westbound I-76 exit to South St. will be closed through the end of the year, and the South St. on-ramp to Eastbound I-76 eastbound will be closed for 6 weeks. The work will replace the entire median barrier in a new design to reduce flooding and lessen the chance of dangerous accidents. The current limited activity at the stadiums played a role in the timing of the work.

PATCO Has Reopened Stations Closed Earlier in the Pandemic, Including City Hall and 12/13th St: All stations will be open 24 hours a day except 9th/10th and Locust Streets, which closes daily between 12:07 AM and 4:20 AM.

Local Businesses – Ongoing Offerings

The Following Restaurants are Currently Offering Outdoor Dining:

A Mano	Gabi	McCrossen's
Bar Hygge*	The Green Room	OCF
Bishop's Collar	Jack's Firehouse	Osteria
Buena Onda	Juno	Rybread
Cicala	King of Tandoor	Santucci's
Clementine's Stable Café	Kelliann's	St. Stephen's Green
Coffee Cream & Dreams	La Calaca Feliz	South
Doma	La Scala's Pronto	Thirsty Dice
The Fairview	Little Pete's (has a tent)	Tela's
Fare	Luigi's Pizza Fresca	Urban Saloon
	Mangia Macaroni	Zorba's

*Bar Hygge also has a sit-down outdoor beer garden across the street at 1723 Fairmount Ave., called Brygge, with Bar Hygge food to eat on-site.

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The Fairview	La Calaca Feliz	Urban Saloon
Fare		

Takeout Food:

All of the restaurants listed above, but call them to be sure; Plus:

The Better Box	1519 Spring Garden St.	267-858-4143
Bishop's Collar	2349 Fairmount Ave.	215-765-1616
City View Pizza	1547 Spring Garden St.	215-564-1910
Engimono Poke & Deli	2319 Fairmount Ave.	215-454-6669
Engimono Sushi	1811 Fairmount Ave.	267-273-0303
Fairmount Pizza	2000 Fairmount Ave.	215-763-4000
Green Soul	1410 Mt. Vernon St.	215-660-9600
Kansai Sushi	1822 Spring Garden St.	215-568-0888
Luigi's Pizza	2401 Fairmount Ave.	215-769-8888
Mangia Macaroni	1543 Spring Garden St.	215-563-1690

Rybread	1711 Fairmount Ave.	215-769-0603
Sakura Japanese Cuisine	1521 Spring Garden St.	215-569-3838
South Jazz Kitchen	600 N. Broad St.	215-600-0220

Breakfast/ Brunch (Daily)

Coffee Cream & Dreams	1500 Fairmount Ave.	267-225-7602
Gabi	339 N. Broad St.	215-377-9407
John’s Place (Takeout Only)	1529 Spring Garden St.	215-665-0972
Little Pete’s (from 6:30AM, daily)	at The Philadelphian	215-232-5001
OCF Coffee House	2100 Fairmount Ave.	267-773-8081
Rybread	1711 Fairmount Ave.	215-769-0603
Tela’s	1833 Fairmount Ave.	215-235-0170

Breakfast/Brunch (Weekends Only)

Sat-Sun Hours

Bar Hygge	1720 Fairmount Ave.	215-765-2274	10:30AM - 2:30PM
Barnes Museum	2025 Ben Franklin Pkwy	215-278-7000	11AM - 4PM (Fri-Mon)
Bishop’s Collar	2349 Fairmount Ave.	215-765-1616	10:30AM - 2:30PM
The Fairview	601 N. 21 st St.	215-419-5940	10:30AM - 2:30PM
McCrossen’s	529 N. 20 th St.	215-854-0923	From 12 PM, on
St. Stephen’s Green	1701 Green St.	215-769-3291	10AM - 4PM

Ice Cream and Shakes (including “Adult Shakes”)

Thirsty Dice	1642 Fairmount Ave. (17th St Side)	215-765-2679
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Baked Goods, Keto:

DessertCrazy	1925 Fairmount Ave.	267-764-1411
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These Local Salons and Barber Shops are Now Open:

Civil Barbers	1631 Wallace St.	215-660-9556
Classic Barber	1517 Spring Garden St.	215-567-6166
Ou Salon	2323 Fairmount Ave.	267-930-3299
Shear Excellence	2019 Fairmount Ave.	267-519-9708
Shear Perfection	1535 Spring Garden St.	215-568-5009
SNIP Philadelphia	2052 Fairmount Ave.	215-232-7647
Sulimay’s Salon & Barber Studio	2333 Fairmount Ave.	215-763-4448

You Can Buy PPE at:

Fairmount Hardware	2011 Fairmount Ave.	215-765-5820
Luz Marina Montano Fashion Design - designer cloth masks, \$12 each or 5 for \$50	1914 Fairmount Ave. www.mmontano.com	267-972-7328

These Gyms and Fitness Centers are Now Open.

Anytime Fitness	1640 Fairmount Ave.	(RSVP online)	anytimefitness.com
BPM Fitness	1808 Spring Garden St.	(Call for appt.)	215-515-2110
Culture Philly Gym	1415 Melon St.	(Call for appt.)	267-607-5883
J'aime Fitness	2102 Brandywine St.	(1-on-1 training)	610-357-6675
Lumos Yoga & Barre	online & outdoor	(Call for appt.)	215-787-0700
Retro Fitness	1500 Spring Garden St.	(Walk ins)	570-591-1209
Yoga Habit	outdoor classes	(Book Online)	yogahabit.com

These local Businesses Provide To-Go Beer and Wine, and Some do Delivery:

Bar Hygge	1720 Fairmount Ave.	Growlers and Wine to go	215-765-2274
The Bishop's Collar	2349 Fairmount Ave.	6 packs of beer	215-765-1616
City View Pizza	1547 Spring Garden St.	6 packs of beer	215-564-1910
Fairmount Pizza	2000 Fairmount Ave.	6 packs of beer	215-763-4000
The Fairview	601 N 21st St.	6 packs of beer	215-419-5940
Fare	2028 Fairmount Ave.	Craft beers and 6 packs	215-763-5500
The Green Room	1940 Green St.	Craft beers and 6 packs	215-241-6776
Kelliann's Bar & Grill	1549 Spring Garden St.	Craft beers and 6 packs	215-563-6990
La Calaca Feliz	2321 Fairmount Ave.	Craft beers and 6 packs	215-787-9930
McCrossen's	529 N 20th St.	Craft beers and 6 packs	215-854-0923
Old Nelson	1500 Spring Garden St.	Craft beers and 6 packs	267-519-2239
Parkway Deli	2200 Spring Garden St.	Growlers and 6 packs	267-758-6785
Stone's Beer & Beverage Market	1701 Fairmount Ave.	Beer distributor	215-763-9789
St. Stephen's Green	1701 Green St.	6 packs of beer	267-239-8968

Gifts, Plants, Other:

The Neighborhood Potters, 2034 Fairmount Ave., is open for curbside pickup and in-store shopping by appointment. They will also ship your purchase. Find terrific gifts there for family and friends. www.sandiandneil.com, 215-439-0893.

Also, for great gifts, Ali’s Wagon, 2017 Fairmount Ave., is also open for limited in store shopping plus shipping, or curb side pickup. (Appt online) aliswagon.com

Bookhaven	2202 Fairmount Ave.	215-235-3226
Cerulean Arts	1355 Ridge Ave. (Appt online)	ceruleanarts.com
Fairmount Hardware	2011 Fairmount Ave.	215-765-5829
Plants Etc.	2313 Fairmount Ave.	215-236-3060

Food gifts:

Tela’s Market and Kitchen	1833 Fairmount Ave.	215-235-0170
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Physical Therapy, Health: Call to Schedule an Appointment

Jefferson Health	2100 Spring Garden St.	215-955-9555
Vybe Urgent Care	1500 Spring Garden St.	267-768-8288
Wallace and Nilan	1714 Fairmount Ave.	267-606-6923
Wellpoint	2014 Fairmount Ave.	267-687-5655

Pet Stores / Veterinary Care:

Art Museum Veterinary Center	1710 Fairmount Ave.	215-982-1490
Fairmount Animal Hospital	2315 Fairmount Ave.	215-684-1439
Fairmount Pet Shoppe	2024 Fairmount Ave.	215-236-6080