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March at the Fulton comes in like a lion, and just keeps roaring!

On March 12, the Fulton mainstage will be miraculously transformed into Gilead, Wisconsin's Spitfire Grill. The Spitfire Grill, a musical stage adaptation of the hit 1996 movie, tells the story of Percy Talbot, a young woman eager to leave her troubled past behind. Percy arrives in Gilead looking to start a new life only to find a population beaten down by adversity and looking to get out of town. It falls to Percy to help the people of Gilead see for the first time in years just what it is that they already have. Running from March 12 through March 29, The Spitfire Grill features characters of realism and depth and more than a dozen soul-stirring, original bluegrass songs. Then the Fulton turns up the heat even further on March 16 when world-renowned actress and comedienne, Lily Tomlin brings her one-woman show to the theatre for a one-night-only benefit performance to support programs at the Fulton. First introduced to American audiences on television's Laugh-In, where she became famous for such characters as Edith Ann and Ernestine the operator, Ms. Tomlin went on to win multiple awards for her writing, acting and comedy performances. Tickets to see Lily Tomlin on March 16 are priced from \$60 to \$150, with a limited number of \$300 VIP tickets available that entitle the holder to attend an exclusive post-show reception with Ms. Tomlin. To purchase tickets for The Spitfire Grill or an evening with Lily Tomlin, visit www.fultontheatre.org or call 717-397-7425. Operators (perhaps even Ernestine) are standing by.

This Month's Events

Through Mar 13th: The Tragedy of King Richard the Third

The villain everyone loves to hate, Richard III, is at the Theater of the Seventh Sister (438 N. Queen St.). In this compelling Shakespeare Play, self-proclaimed villain, Richard, Duke of Gloucester betrays, seduces and slaughters his way to the throne. One of Shakespeare's most popular plays, "The Tragedy of King Richard the Third" explores the nature of power, jealousy and fate in a way that has captivated audiences for centuries. Performances are Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays & Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. General admission \$25, Seniors (65+) \$23, Students (13-College) \$20, Juniors (12 and under) \$15. Reserve tickets by calling the box office at (717) 396-7764 or e-mailing theseventhsister@mac.com. For more information, visit Theater of the Seventh Sister online at www.seventhsister.com.

Through May 15th: Arctic Adventure Exhibit at the North Museum

Bear facts and whale tales are just the tip of the iceberg at Arctic Adventure, the newest and coolest exhibition at the North Museum (400 College Ave.). The Museum is free for children under three. For more information, call (717) 291-3941 or visit www.northmuseum.org.

Through May 16th: Rhythm for Your Soul, Drumming with Tammi Hessen

Come to Radiance (9 W. Grant St.) the 3rd Saturday of each month and explore the ancient rhythms within yourself! Instructor Tammi Hessen will lead you through the story of the djembe drum, the basics of how to play the djembe and dunun drums, and how to put the techniques together to learn ancient traditional rhythms and songs. Classes are for drummers of all ages and all skill levels. Classes are every 3rd Saturday through May, from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Participants are welcome to rent a djembe for \$2 or bring frame drums to play during the rhythms. For more information call Radiance at (717) 290-1517.

This Month's Events

Mar 1st: Family Science Sunday

Slither in to the North Museum (400 College Ave.) to meet reptiles of all shapes and sizes. Several species of snakes look alike, but some may be venomous, others are harmless. Jack Hubley, the host of "Wild Moments" on WGAL-TV, will introduce us to the differences between venomous and non-venomous snakes. He will present tips on how to identify snakes and what to look for if you encounter a snake. Live specimens will allow you to take a close look at identifying snakes. Jack's presentations are at 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. in the North Museum's Kinsey Room. For more information call 717-291-3941 or visit www.northmuseum.org.

Mar 3rd: Photography for Artists

In this one day photography workshop at the Pennsylvania Guild of Craftsmen (252 N Prince St), participants will leave with the ability to document work with continuous lighting, setup professional backgrounds and lighting, and understand various camera settings with either digital or film based cameras. These techniques will translate easily into digital or film images of your newest work for your website, applications or documentation of your craft's development. All mediums welcome: jewelry, pottery, 2-D, sculpture, etc. This class is from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. with a maximum of 22 students and costs \$140 for members (\$145 non-members). For details visit www.pacrafts.org/workshops.

Mar 3rd: Can Your Old Slides and Photo Editing for Shows

This two session class hosted by the Pennsylvania Guild of Craftsmen (252 N. Prince St.), teaches participants the techniques and advantages of presenting your art work in a digital environment. Instructor Tony Ferguson teaches how to scan your old 35 mm slides to a digital format, turning them into beautiful new digital images. After scanning the slides, Ferguson demonstrates color adjustment, resizing, and optimizing the images. He will walk the class through the steps of removing scratches and dust. Additional techniques such as sharpen, blur, cloning, burning and dodging will be covered. The second session will focus on reformatting your digital files for different online jury systems and presentation on artists websites. This class is from 9 a.m.–1 p.m. \$85 for Members, \$95 non-members. For details visit www.pacrafts.org/workshops.

Mar 4th: Lecture with Playwright Christopher Durang

The inaugural lecture of the Lapine Family Visiting Theatre Artist Fund at F&M's Roschel Performing Arts Center (633 College Ave.) features award-winning playwright Christopher Durang. Durang's plays have been produced on and off-Broadway, around the country and abroad. His Obie Award-winning work includes Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All For You, The Marriage of Bette and Boo and Betty's Summer Vacation. Durang has been the recipient of Guggenheim and Rockefeller fellowships, the CBS Playwriting Fellowship and the Lecompte du Nouy Foundation grant, among other awards. This Lecture is free to the public. For more information call 717-291-3879

Mar 5th–28th: Convergence of Synergy

Annex 24 Gallery presents the work of artists Kenny Reisig, John Berkey and Raymond Rall. These 'Old-Friend' artists convene to present independent components from paintings, photography, sculpture, carvings, etchings, projection, and combinations thereof in celebration of Annex 24's 1st year anniversary! Throughout the month, Annex 24 will present collections and perspectives from Vanessa Reisig (photo), Sam Altdoerffer (photo), Chip Buckley (stained glass/mirror) and Nate Washburgh (painted slate). In typical Annex 24 fashion, these artists and their exhibitions complete a convergence of synergy where the final outcome of their working systems is greater than the sum of its individual parts. Artist will be present for a First Friday reception 5 p.m.-9 p.m. For more information call 717-341-0028 or www.annex24gallery.com.

Mar 6th: First Friday

First Fridays are a great time to experience Downtown Lancaster! Join the thousands who enjoy the evening's artistic energy. Over 90 art venues and shops extend their hours to 9 p.m., some even later! For a complete listing of monthly First Friday activities, visit www.LancasterARTS.com.

Mar 6th: "Expanding Universe" Gallery Talk & Reception

F&M's Dana Gallery at The Phillips Museum of Art (Steinman College Center) presents the work of Brooklyn based artist Martha Walker titled "Expanding Universe." The Gallery talk & reception begins at 4:30 p.m. and presents Walker's welded steel sculptures. Gallery admission is free and open to the public, and the exhibition runs through Mar 29th. For more information call 717-291-3879.

Mar 6th: Friday Night Live! @ BUILDING CHARACTER

Enjoy Friday Night Live! @ BUILDING CHARACTER (342 N. Queen St. Warehouse B) with 8-Track Radio and local craft and food artisans featuring the J.P. McCaskey High School art show. Cast a vote for your favorite art pieces in the "publicly-juried" J.P. McCaskey High School art show and help raise funds for BUILDING CHARACTER's art scholarship fund and the J.P. McCaskey art club. Event starts at 6 p.m. and is free to the public. For more information about the event call 717-394-7201 or visit www.buildingcharacter.biz. For information about the McCaskey art club contact Lisa Wolf, J.P. McCaskey (717) 291-6211 ex. 30269.

Mar 6th: Photography show at Carmen & David's Creamery

Carmen & David's (23 N. Prince Street) will showcase another young photographer for the month of march, beginning on First Friday. Nathan Deatrick is a 21 year old native to Lancaster County who captures pictures of some very ordinary objects and architectural shapes from some very interesting views. Nate does not use any photo shop or manipulations of any kind with his work. His current works include Lancaster, Philadelphia, New York and shots from a recent road trip to Florida.

Mar 6th: First Friday Kirtan

Ohm' your way to the Yoga Path (428 N. Duke Street) and experience the uplifting energy of Kirtan, a form of a group chanting from ancient India. Afterwards, enjoy a sampling of delicious Ayurvedic vegetarian foods flavored with exotic and healing Indian spices presented by Spice of Life. 7:45 – 9:00 p.m. \$10 at the door. For more information, call 717-392-3992 or visit www.yogapathlanaster.com.

Mar 6th: Modigliani String Quartet

Modigliani String Quartet will perform at F&M's Barshinger Center of Musical Arts (633 College Ave.). The Quartet won the 2006 Young Concert Artists International Auditions in New York and has performed at Carnegie's Zankel Hall and the Kennedy Center. Their program will include works by Haydn, Beethoven and Ravel. Tickets are available at www.tdf.fandm.edu:16080/boxoffice/ or by calling 717-358-4858. Tickets are \$1 for students and \$10 for the general public. Performance begins at 8 p.m.

Mar 6th: Opposites Attract @ Irish Gypsy TRUNK SHOW

Irish Gypsy (52 N. Prince St.) invites you to meet head shoe designer, Jessica Todd, and owner Rick Kramer of the brand new shoe line 'Opposites Attract'. View and try on the new styles for spring '09. Be one of the first to own a pair of these fashion forward, comfortable, and innovative new styles. For a sneak peak at this new brand visit www.oppositesattractshoes.com and see them for yourself at Irish Gypsy. For more information call Irish Gypsy at 717-394-3303 or visit www.irishgypsystyle.com.

This Month's Events

Mar 6th & 7th: Symposium for Emerging Scholars

F&M presents the CLAS Inaugural Symposium for Emerging Scholars at the Bonchek Lecture Hall, Barshinger Life Sciences & Philosophy building (F&M Campus). This symposium engages the concept of "resonance" as it applies to texts, ideas and events that are transformed in space and time. Featuring presentations and roundtables with four young scholars from across the U.S. whose work embodies the ideals of liberal arts scholarship and education. Stanley J. Michalak's keynote address is on Mar 6th at 5:30 p.m. Mar 7th features presentations and roundtables with Sonja A. Trent Brown at 9 a.m., Timothy Armer at 10:30 a.m., Melissa Stein at 1 p.m., and Devon Powers at 2:30 p.m. The symposium is free and open to the public. For more information call 717-291-3837.

Mar 6th–Apr 10th: Landscapes of Imagination

Presented by PCA&D (204 N. Prince St.), "Landscapes of Imagination" is a rarely-seen exhibit of drawings, etchings and illustrations by Marvin Bileck (deceased 4/2005) and drawings by Emily Nelligan (b. 1924). The artwork includes explorations into a subject that inspired both artists over a period of 50 years: the landscape of Great Cranberry Island, Maine. When creating work, Bileck and Nelligan allow their imaginations to wander through the landscape and then translate their experiences in distinctly different, but intensely sublime styles. Nelligan explores shadows that play with daylight and darkness and Bileck used an intense linear style to depict nature in various states of glory and decay. The PCA&D Main Gallery is free and open to the public, 8:30 a.m.– 4:30 p.m. Monday–Friday. Opening reception on First Friday Mar 6th. PCA&D and is handicap accessible. for more information visit www.pcad.edu or call 717-396-7833.

Mar 6th–Apr 26th: A Novel Approach: Literary Inspiration

The Demuth Museum (120 E. King St.) hosts its annual Invitational exhibition showcasing the work of contemporary artists from Lancaster and the surrounding region based on a theme inspired by the art of Charles Demuth (1883-1935). This year's exhibition takes its theme from Demuth's literary illustrations – a series of imaginative watercolor works inspired by contemporary novels and short stories of his day. Each of the participating thirty-two artists explore a work of fiction that inspired them. This year's Invitational exhibition will feature several artists taking part in this series for the first time, along with many long-time participants. An opening reception will be held on Friday, Mar 6, from 5 p.m.–7 p.m. in conjunction with First Friday. Regular Museum Hours: Tuesday – Saturday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. & Sunday 1 p.m.– 4 p.m. For more information, please call 717-299-9940 or contact info@demuth.org.

Mar 7th: Fire Spinning at BUILDING CHARACTER

The Lancaster-Art-and-Workshop-Meet-up presents Fire Spinning instigated by artMARKET vendor, Chelas-Is-A-Show-Off at BUILDING CHARACTER (342 N. Queen St. Warehouse B). Come to this spectacular show of fire spinners in front of BUILDING CHARACTER. Meet the performers: Calamity Jane, Bender (brandishing his Poi, and possibly his flaming whip), along with other interesting characters. All are welcome but members have special privileges. For more information visit www.buildingcharacter.biz or call 717-394-7201.

Mar 7th: Needlefelt Eggs and Spring Birds

At the Heritage Center (5 W. King St.), Kim Hondares guides students through the basics of needlefelting to help them create charming Easter eggs and spring birds using raw wool. This event is from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. No experience is necessary. Cost is \$32 (\$28 members of the Heritage Center) and includes kit. For more information call (717) 299-6440.

Mar 7th: Rings from Precious Metal Clay

In this intermediate Precious Metal Clay (PMC) class, at the PA Guild of Craftsmen (252 N. Prince St.), you will build upon your knowledge in PMC by making something everybody loves and can't get enough of, rings! Guild favorite Wendy Schuster covers two methods in PMC ring construction: a simple overlap technique and a slightly more challenging butt joint technique, which has no visible interior seam. Stamping, texturing and setting heat safe stones will also be covered along with sizing techniques. The instructor's extensive supply of stamps, molds, textures, and tool kits will be made available to students during class time. By the end of this workshop students will have at least two one-of-a-kind fine silver rings. \$115 for members, \$125 non-members. Class is from 10 a.m.– 4 p.m. For details visit www.pacrafts.org/workshops.

Mar 7th–Apr 11th: "Here Comes Peter Cottontail"

Beulah the Easter Egg laying chicken joins Peter Cottontail in this holiday celebration with marionettes at the Hole in the Wall Puppet Theatre (126 N. Water St.). Performances are Friday & Saturday at 10 a.m. Tickets \$9.00. For reservations call 717-394-8398.

Mar 8th: Spring Tour Preview Concert

Franklin & Marshall Chamber Singers perform works by Johannes Brahms, Giuseppe Pitoni, John Tavener, Warren Martin, Patrick Hawes, Gerald Finzi, and William Dawson at the Barshinger Center for Musical Arts (F&M Campus). The concert begins at 3 p.m. and is free to the public. For more information call 717-291-4346.

Mar 9th: Reading by author Bret Anthony Johnston

F&M College hosts a free reading at the Philadelphia Alumni Writer's House (633 College Ave.) by Bret Anthony Johnston, author of the internationally acclaimed "Corpus Christi: Stories" and the editor of "Naming the World: And Other Exercises for the Creative Writer". Named a Best Book of the Year by The Independent of London and The Irish Times, "Corpus Christi: Stories" also received the Christopher Isherwood Prize and the James Michener Fellowship, among others. In 2006, the National Book Foundation honored him with a new National Book Award for writers under 35. A skateboarder for almost 20 years, Johnston is currently director of Creative Writing at Harvard University. This event begins at 8 p.m. and is free to the public.

Mar 10th: Email, Blog & Web Tactics

This three part presentation at the PA Guild of Craftsmen (252 N. Prince St.) is provided for artists who want a new strategy on how to reach previous and potential customers online. Learn tips on how to email your customers without overwhelming them. Start a free blog to keep people engaged and allow them to post comments. Lastly, launch your first website or create a new website with strategies on how to keep it clean, clear and simple. These three web tactics will allow you to brand your work heavily without overwhelming your time. \$35 for members, \$37 for non-members. Class is from 10 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Details can be found at www.pacrafts.org/workshops.

Mar 12th: "Babel: How It Was Done in Odessa"

This performance at The Other Room Theater (F&M Campus) is based on the stories by Russian-Jewish writer Isaac Babel (1894-1940) by his grandson Andrei Malaev-Babel. "Babel: How It Was Done in Odessa" celebrates the colorful life of Odessa and its citizens before the Russian Revolution. Performance begins at 8 p.m. and is free to the public. For more information call 717-291-4024.

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Mar 12th: Reception and Gallery Talk with Artist Carol Piersol

F&M College's Sally Mather Gibson Curriculum Gallery (F&M Campus) presents the Fabric works of Carol Piersol. Piersol has worked with fabric and fabric design as art since her childhood and in the costume shop at Roschel Center for the Performing Arts. The show runs from Mar 5th through April 5th and is free to the public. For more information call 717-291-3879.

Mar 12th–29th: The Spitfire Grill at the Fulton

After her release from prison, Perchance Talbott needed a place to make a fresh start. Inspired by an image of "autumn colors along Copper Creek near Gilead, Wisconsin," from an old travel guide, Percy picks a town on its last legs. The small, remaining population has been beaten down by years of adversity and false memories of a perfect past. Hannah, the cantankerous owner of the Spitfire Grill, who just wants to sell the grill and move on, but can't find a buyer, reluctantly takes Percy in. And the town will never be the same again. After the rumors and speculation about Percy's intentions die down, the denizens of Gilead uncover the hope that had been lying dormant for decades. Filled with over a dozen soul-stirring bluegrass songs, The Spitfire Grill will lift and inspire even the most cynical heart. For more information and tickets contact 717-397-7425 or visit www.thefulton.org.

Mar 13th: Friday Night Live! with Tiny Purple Fishes

Rock out with the sound of Tiny Purple Fishes at BUILDING CHARACTER (342 N. Queen St. Warehouse B). Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and music starts at 8 p.m. BYOB. \$3 cover. For more information visit www.buildingcharacter.biz or call 717-394-7201.

Mar 14th: Divination Journaling

Through the twin processes of divination and journaling, Radiance (9 W. Grant St.) hosts this workshop where you become the seeker and learn to recognize patterns in the past, the present moment, and shift paradigms that shape your future. Find ways in which your journaling practice can release fear and foster your intuition. This class is appropriate for all levels of writers and seekers. A fun introduction to concepts or a more in- depth exploration: Your journey will be a personal one. Bring a journal. Additional supplies will be provided. Class will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$20. Call 290-1517 to reserve your space!

Mar 14th: Free Food Saturday at the Pickle Bar

Come to Isaac's Downtown (25 N. Queen Street) for live music and free food from 9:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. at the Pickle Bar. For more information, call 717-394-5544.

Mar 14th: Grands are Grand!

Grandparents are invited to bring their pre-school aged grandchildren to the North Museum (400 College Ave.) on the second Saturday of each month at 10:30 to share a story, science activities, and crafts. Grands are Grand! features classic children's literature, including many Caldecott Medal winners. This month's theme is Hoppin' Into Science: Frogs & Toads - How are frogs and toads different and alike? Examine museum specimens and learn about the unique frog life cycle. We'll read Frog Went A-Courtin by John Langstaff. Grands are Grand! is free with admission, but reservations for each class are required. To register or call for more information, call 717-291-4371 or visit www.northmuseum.org.

Mar 15th: Monthly Reiki Shares

Reiki Shares began in January of 2008, and continue to be held on the 3rd Sunday afternoon of each month, from 1:30 p.m.– 4 p.m. at Radiance (9 W. Grant St.). Anyone with at least a Reiki Level 1 attunement is welcome to participate. Mark your calendar for this ongoing event! Calling ahead is recommended at 717-209-1517.

Mar 16th: The Fulton Presents: An Evening of Classic Lily Tomlin

An Evening of Classic Lily Tomlin is a nostalgic and warm presentation of Ms. Tomlin's greatest hits with more than a dozen of her famous characters, including the precocious 6-year-old Edith Ann, the irascible telephone operator Ernestine, the aging beauty adviser Madame Lupe, Lucille the rubber addict, prim Judith Beasley from Calumet City, Indiana, and Lily's most profound character, Trudy, the schizophrenic street lady who starred in "The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe." It will be a night of cerebral comedy and prescient social commentary woven amongst Ms. Tomlin's affectionate reminiscences about her childhood in the Midwest. This event is one night only and helps benefit the many programs of the Fulton Opera House Foundation. For more information and tickets contact 717-397-7425 or visit www.thefulton.org.

Mar 17th: St. Patty's Day at the Pickle Bar!

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with half priced Green Pickle Martinis and Green Beer at Isaac's Downtown and the Pickle Bar (25 N. Queen Street). 717-394-5544.

Mar 18th: Hemp Hemp Hurray!

Hemp Hemp Hurray is hosted by Susquehanna Sustainable Business Network Partners and Peachy Green. Artist Susan Weaver shares her experience working with Hemp and other natural fibers and shares the advantages of Hemp, its history and importance to the early European settlers of the 1700's. Susan Weaver has been a hand weaver for over 20 years. She began her studies at The Mannings Handweaving School in East Berlin, PA. In 1991, she studied Mexican tapestry weaving at El Instituto de Allende Art School in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico. Upon returning to the U.S., she and her husband relocated to Arizona, where she explored Southwest textile techniques, including Navajo weaving on their reservation. Moving back to Lancaster in 1998, Susan worked at Landis Valley Museum for 7 years as the Textile Educator. Always being drawn to native and natural fibers in her weaving studies, Susan has woven with a variety of interesting plant fibers, from agave, yucca, stinging nettle, dog bain, to flax, hemp, and organic cotton. The lecture is from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Peachy Green (25 W. King St.). Admission is open to the public with a \$5 suggested donation to the Susquehanna Sustainable Business Network. For more information visit www.susquehannasbn.org/events/Hemp.

March 19th: Coffee & Conversation

Get over that mid-afternoon slump and join us for an hour of engaging science topics over your favorite cup o' joe at the North Museum (400 College Ave.). Meet local experts who will lead discussions, and questions and encourage debate. Plan for an afternoon more stimulating than an espresso from Starbucks! Coffee and Conversation is free to the public, light refreshments will be served. Join the North Museum's own Cosmic Mike for a discussion on light pollution. Learn about the Globe at Night movement and ways to measure light pollution in your own neighborhood. 3:30-4:30 p.m. For more information, call 717-291-4371 or visit www.northmuseum.org.

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Mar 20th: WXPN Presents Music Fridays!

The third Friday of every month, from 6 p.m.–9 p.m., Downtown Lancaster and WXPN host Music Friday. Performances abound throughout the 300 Block of North Queen Street as well as restaurants and businesses all over Downtown Lancaster on sidewalks and inside stores. Performances include belly dancing, a jazz quintet, solo acoustic, rock and Americana groups. Each month brings new performers to Music Friday. There is free parking available at BUILDING CHARACTER, behind Onions Cafe. For a list of participating merchants, visit www.DowntownLancaster.com.

Mar 20th: Friday Night Live! on Music Friday with Trash and Glory

Join BUILDING CHARACTER (342 N. Queen St. Warehouse B), as they Jam with the sounds of Trash & Glory on Music Friday. Admission is free and music starts at 8 p.m. BYOB. For more information visit www.buildingcharacter.biz or call 717-394-7201.

Mar 20th: Gallery 141's "Listening Room"

Gallery 141 (113 N. Water St.) creates a "listening room" environment for at least 2 bands beginning at 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. Local bands and some bands from the Philly area are featured. Check www.Gallery141.blogspot.com for band listings, myspaces and videos of performances.

Mar 20th: Open House at the Gem Den

The owners of Pottery Works invites you to Visit the Gem Den (16 W. Orange Street), located below Pottery Works. This hidden gem is a fantastic source of rocks, fossils, minerals, crystals, jewelry and gifts. Stop by between 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Visit www.thegemdenlancaster.com for more information.

March 21st: PCA&D Open House

Pennsylvania College of Art & Design (204 N. Prince St.) hosts an open house from 11 a.m.–2:30 p.m. This Open House is the perfect opportunity to visit PCA&D. Learn about its B.F.A. programs in fine arts, illustration, graphic design and photography. Have your portfolio reviewed, meet faculty and students, tour the newly-expanded buildings, and see what current PCA&D students are creating. You will also learn about financial aid, housing options, and the College's pre-college offerings for high school students. PCA&D and is handicap accessible. for more information visit www.pcad.edu or call 717-396-7833.

Mar 24th: Cashing In: Pricing & Selling Your Craft

The PA Guild of Craftsmen (252 N. Prince St.) hosts this class on pricing and selling your creative work. This class is designed to help craftsmen price and sell their work to private customers, stores, or at shows. Have you ever heard the terms: attention, interest, desire, and action? How about features, benefits, visualizing, smoking out objections or closing? These are terms that every professional sales person knows, and if you sell your work, you are a sales person. This course will help you understand the dynamics of selling and how to recognize signs that people are ready to make your work their own. \$30 for members, \$33 for non-members. Class is from 10 a.m.–3 p.m. For details visit www.pacrafts.org/workshops.

Mar 24th: Lecture with artists Christo & Jeanne-Claude

Married couple and artistic collaborators Christo and Jeanne-Claude speak about their upcoming projects of large-scale environmental art works that incorporate elements of painting, sculpture, textiles, architecture and urban planning. The husband and wife team also speak about their previous works, "Over the River: Project for the Arkansas River, State of Colorado" and "The Mastaba: Project for the United Arab Emirates." This lecture begins at 4:30 p.m. at the Roschel Auditorium, (F&M Campus). Admission is free but tickets are required. Call the box office at 717-358-4858.

Mar 25th: Job Search Strategies Lecture

Hosted by F&M College at the Bonchek House Great Room (F&M Campus), Thomas Rhoads, VP Innovational Services Career Consulting Division and professional career coach presents Job Search Strategies in a Tight Job Market. The program outlines an innovative and effective job hunt, including essential steps of preparation, networking and interviewing methodology, and tools needed to produce results in a competitive job market. It will specifically address many myths, common misunderstandings, and pitfalls inherent in the traditional job search. Admission is free but limit 50 people. Lecture begins at 6 p.m. Please RSVP by calling 717-291-3848.

March 25th: North Museum Science & Engineering Fair STEM Breakfast Showcase

All local business owners and community members are invited to join students, parents, and local business leaders for the fair's STEM Breakfast Showcase. STEM stands for science, technology, engineering, and math. See the 400 STEM-related projects submitted by the county's young scientists and enjoy a light breakfast. This free event is being sponsored by the Lancaster County Workforce Investment Board. This event is from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in Mayser Gymnasium at Franklin & Marshall College To RSVP, please contact Erika Snitzer at 717-291-4149 or esnitzer@northmuseum.org.

Mar 26th: Adam Sol's Jeremiah, Ohio

F&M College presents Poet Adam Sol's new novel in verse, Jeremiah, Ohio. Jeremiah, Ohio re-conceives the Biblical prophet Jeremiah as a modern-day protagonist, embarking upon a road trip through rural America just before the events of Sept. 11, 2001. Sol is the author of two previous collections of poetry: Jonah's Promise, which won Mid-List Press' First Series Award for Poetry, and Crowd of Sounds, which won Canada's prestigious Trillium Award for Poetry. Philadelphia Alumni Writer's House, (633 College Ave.), F&M Campus. Admission is free to the public. The event begins at 8 p.m.

Mar 27–Dec 31st: Rainbow Yarns

The Heritage Center of Lancaster County is pleased to announce a Navajo weaving exhibition titled Rainbow Yarn: Navajo Rugs, Germantown Yarns and the Pennsylvania Connection at the Lancaster Quilt and Textile Museum (37 N. Market Street) in Downtown Lancaster, Pennsylvania. For more information call (717) 299-6440.

Mar 27th: The Heritage Center Museum Re-Opens

The Heritage Center Museum (5 W. King Street) is revamping its popular exhibition, the Amish of Lancaster County, to include more attention to the boom in Amish cottage industries and an emphasis on the fundamental tenets of Amish culture. Also back for the third year is the working 1920s Print Shop on the third floor of the museum, which is operated by volunteer printers on a regular basis. Check the Heritage Center's website at www.lancasterheritage.com for more information and printing demonstration hours or call 717-299-6440.

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Mar 27th & 28th: "Philosophy, the Life Sciences, and Society" Conference

F&M College brings together people from philosophy and the life sciences to discuss topics at the intersection of philosophy and biology at the Bonchek Lecture Hall, Barshinger Building (F&M Campus). Speakers include John Dupre, Professor of Philosophy of Science at the University of Exeter and Director of the Economic and Social Research Council's Center for Genomics in Society; Jonathan Kaplan, Associate Professor of Philosophy at Oregon State University; Inmaculada De Melo-Martin, Associate Professor in the Division of Medical Ethics at Cornell Weill Medical College. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information call 717-291-3837.

Mar 28th: The Elements of Quilting: Design, Color, Tools & Methods of Construction

In this workshop at the Japser Yeates Education Center (24 S. Queen St.) Instructor Jo Garvin teaches the Elements of Quilting. Learn about design, choosing colors, tools, methods of construction, and purchasing fabric. Garvin covers the basics, and gives you the confidence to start a simple quilting project. Registration deadline is March 6, 2009. Parking is available in several nearby lots on Prince, Orange, and King Streets. Class is from 9 a.m.–1 p.m. and costs \$30 for members and \$40 non-members. For more information contact the Heritage Center Museum at 717-393-3364 or visit www.lancasterheritage.com.

Mar 28th: Reiki III Class, Universal Life Energy

Radiance (9 W. Grant St.) presents a Level III Reiki class "Universal Life Energy". Experience the power of Reiki in this class being taught by Reiki Master, Marilyn J. Landis. Attunement to Reiki III further increases and enhances the amount of Universal Life Energy that flows through the body. Reiki III heals the spiritual body, bringing about profound life changes and completing the Reiki healing circle. Prerequisite: Reiki Level I and II Attunement. Class is from 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Cost is \$350.00 and it includes a copy of the book, Essential Reiki Teaching Manual by Diane Stein. Please RSVP by Saturday, Mar 21st. For more information call 717-290-1517, or stop in to register & pick up your book.

Mar 28th & 29th: Metal Clay: Bronze Age & Silver Decade

In this class at the PA Guild of Craftsmen (252 N. Prince St.), learn to make bronze medallions, belt buckles, hollow bead forms, jewelry and small sculptures quickly and without costly, complicated lost wax casting techniques. Once fired, the bronze can be worked using all metal techniques. This workshop will also have several projects using precious metal silver clay and mold making. No experience necessary, prior experience welcome. \$180 for members, \$190 non-members (\$75.25 materials fee made payable to instructor at the time of the class, fee may increase due to fluctuations in the metals market, this fee covers \$20 in BronzClay, \$35 in PMC, \$15 for a PMC starter tool kit and \$2.25 for rubber mold material). Class is from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. For details visit www.pacrafts.org/workshops.

Mar 29th: Lecture "Finding a Common Word"

Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness Spring Peace Forum "Finding a Common Word: Negotiating the Volatile Mix of Religion, Oil and Politics in US-Iranian Relations." Presented by Charles A. Kimball, Professor of Comparative Religion at Wake Forest University at the Roschel Performing Arts Center (F&M Campus). Kimball is an ordained Baptist minister who received his doctorate from Harvard University in comparative religion with specialization in Islamic studies, Kimball is the author of three books about religion in the Middle East. Lecture begins at 3 p.m. and is free to the public. For more information call 717-358-4575.

Mar 29th: Ning Mu, Viola and Xun Pan, Piano

A professor of viola at F&M and faculty member at Pennsylvania Academy of Music, Ning Mu has played chamber music recitals in Carnegie Hall and Alice Tully Hall. His performance will include works of Clarke, Bloch, Beethoven and traditional Chinese Folk songs. Mu's performance begins at 3 p.m. at the Barshinger Center of Musical Arts (F&M Campus). Tickets are \$1 for students and \$10 for the general public. For tickets visit the box office at www.tdf.fandm.edu:16080/boxoffice/ or call 717-358-4858.

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Photo Contest



Win five Downtown Dollars by being the first to identify the location of this issue's Downtown Lancaster Photo Trivia Contest. Congratulations to Tori Giesler of Lancaster PA for correctly guessing Senorita Burrita as

last month's photo! Be the next person to correctly identify this Downtown shop and win! Clue: This little Co. has hand-made gift cards and collectables from all over the world.

Send your guess to ckieffer@teamlanc.org.

Downtown Highlights Art Attack



artMARKET @ BUILDING CHARACTER

In little over a year, BUILDING CHARACTER has built a reputation for being one of the most reliable arts and social venues in Downtown Lancaster. Owners Tony Nies and Marty Hulse recently furthered that reputation when they opened the artMARKET (342 N. Queen St. Warehouse C). BUILDING CHARACTER's artMARKET extends their warehouse space by 3,000 square feet dedicated to artists, artisans, and performers. Two thirds of the artMARKET is divided between residents selling everything from vintage apparel & jewelry to photographs & salvage art. making up the 1,000 square foot final third is a community space where BUILDING

CHARACTER hosts an ever changing line-up of community events, art shows and their latest series Friday Night Live! If you have met owners Tony or Marty, the dynamic duo of Downtown Lancaster, then it would be no surprise that the idea for artMARKET was born from their enthusiasm for Downtown, and their drive to bring new and exciting experiences to the community. They do this in spades, with the artMARKET, while holding true to the treasure-trove experience they originally established with BUILDING CHARACTER. artMARKET @ BUILDING CHARACTER is open seven days a week with events every Friday Night and many more throughout the week. For more information visit www.buildingcharacter.biz or call 717-394-7201. return to top

DID You Know?

The Fulton Theater is the oldest continually running theater in the United States, and is one of only three theaters recognized as National Historic Landmarks (the others are the Walnut Street Theatre in Philadelphia and the Goldenrod Showboat in St. Louis, Missouri).

Have an Event?

Have an Event? Submit to us by the 10th day of each month prior to the publication month. April events are due by March 10th. Submit Events to: publications@goodproductions.us

Have A Photo?

Have A Photo? Submit your favorite photo of Downtown Lancaster for a chance to see it featured in a future issue of The Lancaster Downtown Difference. Submit Photo to: publications@goodproductions.us



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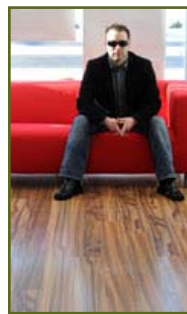
Local Appetite



Carmen & David's Creamery

You don't normally associate ice-cream with winter-time treats, but one stop into Carmen & David's Creamery (25 N. Prince St.) and a bite of any of their ever changing and growing flavors will have you singing a different tune. Carmen & David's is bright and colorful inside with a neighborhood atmosphere that is authentic, welcoming and friendly. Carmen & David's Creamery opened at the start of this new year and has been serving up over 100 classic ice-cream flavors, regional favorites, and signature recipes created by the creamery's owners. Extending the Buy Fresh Buy Local trend, husband and wife team Carmen and David Garcia-Hommel use ingredients as close to home as they can. The dairy is from a local dairy farmer and much of the inspiration for flavors comes from ingredients bought at Central Market. They serve up all of the classic ice-cream treats from sundaes to banana splits, milkshakes, and warm creations like hot-chocolate to keep you warm on your way home. Carmen & David's Creamery is open Tuesday–Thursday from noon to 8 p.m., Friday & Saturday noon to 10 p.m., and Sunday noon to 6 p.m. with extended hours coming when the days get warmer. For more information call 717-393-2015.

Store Front



European Eyeware

Gone are the days of every man, woman, and child in glasses with thick black frames. Stylish frames for glasses have been growing more prominent and diverse year after year. That's a good thing as it helps each of us express ourselves, our tastes, and accentuate the features that make us unique. Perhaps no one in Lancaster understands this better than European Eyeware's (741 Harrisburg Ave.) owner, Joe Mitchell. Mitchell opened this College Row shop in Mid-November after closing the original Duke St. business, Olde Towne Opticians. The change from Olde Town Opticians to European Eyeware is apparent the moment you step inside. The new location is spacious and modern, giving plenty of room to feature each of the many high end designers and styles Mitchell carries. Some of these designers include Alain Mikli, Bolle, Mykita, and Pro Design, and if there is a style unavailable at the store, it can be ordered for you. Mitchell knows the collections he carries, he knows how they fit, how they look, and their durability. He can easily recommend the right shape, style and material for your lifestyle and your look. European Eyeware is on College Row (741 Harrisburg Ave.) and open daily Tuesday thru Saturday. For more information visit www.europeaneyeware.com or call 717-393-4375.

Now & Later



Lombardo's

As new restaurants seem to pop-up every month in Downtown Lancaster, it's hard to believe Lombardo's (216 Harrisburg Ave.) Italian Restaurant has been in Downtown since the 1940's. With over fifty years of experience, this family-owned Lancaster institution has come to understand where they excel. Lombardo's serves classic Italian lunch and dinners six days a week in the Italian-American family style restaurant. Their baked pasta entrees like Lasagna and Manicotti are known for classic simplicity and Lombardo's signature sauces. The sauce is available to take home but good luck trying to recreate what you had here. Many of Lombardo's dishes are simple and traditional with well chosen accents to set them off. With offerings like Veal, Filet Mignon and their many pasta dishes, it is hard to save room for dessert, but well worth it. From American staples like carrot cake and Lombardo's rich and creamy cheesecake to well known Italian favorites like Italian Rum Cake and Tiramisu, the entire staff takes pride in their desserts. All of which are made in house and are a perfect way to end an evening out. Lombardo's Restaurant serves lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday. For more information visit www.lombardosrestaurant.com or call 717-394-3749.

Upcoming Events

Apr 3rd through 5th: Word Play #7: A Spoken Word Festival

Theater of the Seventh Sister presents "Word Play #7: A Spoken Word Festival at the Stahr Performing Arts Center (438 N. Queen St.). Co-directed by Daina Savage and Marie Winger, this one-of-a-kind regional event engages a dazzling blend of storytelling and stage poetry. Each year, more and more artists from Lancaster and beyond participate in this wonderful opportunity to give shape and movement to their written word. Come join us while we celebrate the sound and shape of words! Performances are Friday & Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15. Reserve tickets by calling the box office at 717-396-7764 or e-mailing theseventhsister@mac.com. For more information, visit Theater of the Seventh Sister on the web at www.seventhsister.com.

Apr 16th & 20th: Barnstormers Spring Training Exhibition Games

Kick off the Baseball season with the Barnstormers! The Lancaster Barnstormers are growing deeper roots into Lancaster County's baseball community with two exhibition games against local college baseball teams. The Barnstormers host Elizabethtown College Blue Jays on the 16th at 3:30 p.m. and F&M's Diplomats on the 20th at 5 p.m. Both exhibitions are free and open to the public at Clipper Magazine Stadium (650 N. Prince St.). Call (717) 509-HITS or visit www.LancasterBarnstormers.com for more information.

Apr 18th through May 2nd: "Broadway to Berlin" for the Over 21 Club

Robert Brock introduces his marionette "Liza Minnelli" in this cabaret show at the Hole in the Wall Puppet Theatre (126 N. Water St.). Broadway to Berlin features the talents of Kander & Ebb and Bob Fosse. Performances are Friday's at 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. and Saturday's at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$20 evenings, and \$15 matinees. For reservations call 717-394-8398.

Apr 23rd through May 3rd: The Exonerated by Jessica Blank & Erik Jensen

Theater of the Seventh Sister Presents The modern classic play, The Exonerated, at the Stahr Performing Arts Center (438 N. Queen St.). Meticulously researched, this play tells the true story of six citizens sent to Death Row for crimes they didn't commit. Performances are Fridays & Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Admission is \$25 with discounts available. For more information and tickets, contact the Theater of the Seventh Sister at seventhsister@mac.com, 717-396-7764 or visit www.seventhsister.com.

June 12th through 14th: 26th Annual Demuth Garden Tour Weekend

The Annual Demuth Garden Tour returns for 26th year. Held during the second weekend in June, the "House and Garden Tour" grants visitors access to both the home and garden of distinctive Lancaster residences. Intertwined with the history of the last three centuries, the rich variety of Lancaster architecture will provide the backdrop for our hosts' creative expression in gardening, as well as in interior design, restoration & remodeling projects, and art & antique collecting. For more information, please call 717-299-9940 or contact info@demuth.org.

For a complete listing of all Downtown events please visit [Community Calendar](#)



Downtown Dollars are still available

Downtown Dollars make great gifts and benefit Downtown Lancaster retailers. The dollars come in denominations of five and ten dollars and can be purchased at the Downtown Investment District office, 44 North Queen Street, in the Central Market Mall. For more information contact Cheryl Kieffer at 717-399-7977.

