



This Week in Mt. Gretna



Celebrating our 27th year of service to the Mt. Gretna Community ♦ Friday, July 18, 2025
The 133rd Season ♦ Mt. Gretna Visitor Information Center open Tuesday-Sunday from 1-5pm

Friday, July 18

- 8-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
9-11am MG Bird Club: meets year-round every Friday. Novices welcome! Bring binoculars. Call 717-964 3412 for info. PL/CHP
10am **Poems That Blew My Mind**, with Jesse Waters: *Natalie Anderson's Couldn't Say* and *.3 license from Her Real Real Name*, as well as *Mark Cox's The Hound*. HP/CHP
5pm Friday Happy Hour: open to MG area residents/their guests. Snacks/food welcome. BYOB. Heritage Park
7:30pm **Crossing Abbey Road**: an evening with the Beatles tribute band. Pay-What-You-Want. TB/HER
7:30pm **Million Dollar Quartet**: on December 4, 1956 in Memphis, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins & Elvis Presley make history in this jam session at Sun Records. \$45-15. PH/GTH
7:30-10:30pm MG Roller Rink open; \$8+ skate rental
8-11pm **The Lowry Blues Band** performs at the MG Hideaway

Saturday, July 19

- 8-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
10-1pm MG Library open
10am **History on the Porch**: Coffee and conversation around MG's history. HS/HIS
10-5pm **Christmas in July: Oils with Carolyn**: postponed until 8/23. 3 Summer Arts. Info/registration at <https://www.3summerarts.com/classes/1198>
11am **Gretna Theater for Kids: Pete the Cat**. \$11/\$8. PH/GTH
11-2pm **Community Picnic**: join your neighbors for food, games for kids, snow cones, popcorn, and to meet our firefighters. FH/VFC
1-4pm MG Area Historical Society open
1-4pm **Agile Mindset, Complex World**, with Jeff Grimshaw. Discuss mindsets and practices anyone can adopt. Limit: 35. Pre-register at <https://tinyurl.run/m0eeUx> HP/CHP
3pm **Million Dollar Quartet**: see Friday listing.
7:30pm **Million Dollar Quartet**: see Friday listing. CLOSING.
7:30pm **Broadway's Greatest Hits 2025**. Arrive early to get a seat for this popular show! Pay-What-You-Want. TB/MSO
7:30-10:30pm MG Roller Rink open; \$8+ skate rental
8-11pm **Cheyenne Rock Band** performs at the MG Hideaway

Sunday, July 20

- 7-11am **Biker Breakfast** at the Lawn Fire Company. \$15.
8:30am Worship. MC/UMC
10am Worship. TB/UMC
10am Worship. Trinity Lutheran Church of Colebrook
10am **Worship in Awe & Wonder**, Rev. Dr. Joseph Jr., St. Paul's Missionary Baptist Church, Harrisburg, and the Susquehanna Chorale Quartet. PH/CHP
10-1pm MG Library open
12-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
1-4pm MG Area Historical Society open
1pm **Painting Story Stones**: small rocks with forest elements painted on them are used to tell stories - and you'll do it! Ages 5+. Free. Pre-register by calling 717.964.3808 or governordick@hotmail.com. EC/GDE
1:30pm **Golden Eagle Hikers**: a slower-paced 2-3 mile hike for those over 50. Free. Pre-register at 717.964.3808 or governordick@hotmail.com. EC/GDE
1:30-4pm MG Roller Rink open; \$6+ skate rental.
6:45pm **First Listen**, a free performance with local talented youth. PH/GM!
7pm **MG Bible Festival Hymn Sing**, with Bob Kettering and Dr. Rod Shearer. Free will offering. TB/BBF
7:30pm **The Erinys Quartet**, who has earned international praise for vibrant performances and excellence in interpretation. \$33-8. PH/GM!

Monday, July 21

- 10-12pm MG Library open
10am **Good Bugs, Bad Bugs**: Join entomologist Dr. Chris Riley as he makes sense of our six-legged landscape neighbors. HP/CHP
1pm Mahjong: join us on the porch! All levels of play are welcome. Questions? Call 717-200-1187. HP/CHP
5pm Yoga with Nicole Gray. 717.926.1262. \$10. EC/GDE
7pm **Book Discussion: Laurie Frankel's This is How It Always Is**, led by Lynne Davies. LB/LIB
7:15pm **MGSoA Artist Lecture: Happy to Wait**, with Neil Callander. Also available online. HP/SOA

Tuesday, July 22

- 10-12pm MG Library open
10am **A Day with Doug Tallamy: Homegrown National Park**: a national challenge to create diverse ecosystems in our yards/communities. See ad p. 3. Donation. PH/CHP

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Our thanks to the Mt. Gretna Arts Council for compiling and producing the summer calendar on www.mtgretna.org. Tax-deductible donations, of any amount, are most appreciated and can be forwarded to the "Mt. Gretna Arts Council," PO Box 513, Dept. TWIMG, Mt. Gretna, Pennsylvania 17064-0513. Their website is www.artscouncil.mtgretna.com/

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(Tuesday, July 22 - continued)

- 3:30pm **A Day with Doug Tallamy: How Can I Help? How We Can Save Nature in Our Yards.** Doug answers many common questions about ecological landscaping. See ad p. 3. Donation. PH/CHP
- 6-8pm MG Library open
- 7pm **Critters & Creatures:** Patrick Miller will discuss PA wildlife you may find in your backyard. If the weather is good, we'll be outside, so bring a blanket or lawn chair. HP/CHP

Wednesday, July 23

- 8-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
- 10-12pm MG Library open
- 10am **Children's Storytime & Activity:** story, followed by a artistic or nature activity. LB/LIB
- 10am **Four Pillars Panel Discussion,** with the illustrious Jay Noble, discussing the work of *Francisco Goya*. Available online. HP/SOA
- 4pm Yoga with Stephanie Bost. Info: 717.269.2455. \$8. HP/CHP
- 6-8pm MG Library open
- 6-9pm **The Exactlys** perform at the MG Hideaway
- 7pm **Classic Disaster Movies of the 70s: Earthquake,** hosted by Ted Martin. HP/CHP

Thursday, July 24

- 8-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
- 10-12pm MG Library open
- 10am **Rachel Carson: Silent Spring.** Colleen Webster re-enacts Rachel Carson, as she walks the woods in Maine, 1952. HP/CHP
- 10am Yoga for Kids, with Pat Steely. CHQ Playground Gazebo/CHP
- 4-9pm **Men's Tennis Tournament.** Bring a lawn chair; food available. TC/MG Tennis Club
- 7pm **Soldier's Field Meadow: A Community Ecological Project,** with Elyse Jurgen, Waxing EcoWorks showcases the community benefits from this project. HP/CHP
- 8pm Weekly Trivia Night at the MG Hideaway

Friday, July 25

- 8-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
- 9am MG Bird Club. See previous Friday listing.
- 10am **Poems That Blew My Mind,** with Jesse Waters, who discusses three works by Larry Levis. HP/CHP
- 4-9pm Men's Tennis Tournament. See Thursday listing.
- 5pm Friday Happy Hour: open to MG area residents/their guests. Snacks/food welcome. BYOB. Heritage Park Pavilion/CMA
- 7:17pm Lovebug:** family-friendly movement, poetry and an elaborate set and costumes combine in this unique dance production. Wear your favorite pjs. Performed by the FRWRD Dance Company. \$18/15. PH/GM!/GTH
- 7:30pm **Movie Night: Christmas in July: Elf:** Dress up for the merriment! Popcorn, treats. Donation. TB/HER
- 7:30-10:30pm MG Roller Rink open; \$8+ skate rental
- 8-11pm **The Ben Ginder Group** performs at the MG Hideaway

Saturday, July 26

- 8-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
- 10-1pm MG Library open
- 12pm **Poisonous Plants:** learn about forest plants you don't want to touch or consume! Free. Call 717.964.3808 or email governordick@hotmail.com to register. EC/GDE
- 1-2pm **Free Flamenco Class,** with dancers from **Noche Flamenca.** Beginners, experienced dancers and spectators welcome. PH/GM!
- 4-9pm Men's Tennis Tournament. See Thursday listing.
- 7:30pm **Gretna Theater Apprentice Caberet:** join us at the Timbers for a performance, an evening of storytelling and song, directed by Michael Philip O'Brian and Dan Kazemi. Drinks available for purchase. Pay-What-You-Want. Call 717.964.3601 for reservations. MG Timbers/GTH
- 7:30pm **Noche Flamenca's Searching for Goya:** a spellbinding performance inspired by the paintings of Francisco de Goya. \$41-8. PH/GM!
- 7:30pm **The Music of Fleetwood Mac & Abba:** Blend returns with this popular show. Pay-What-You-Want. TB/MS
- 8-11pm **Therapy Barn** performs at the MG Hideaway

Sunday, July 27

- 8:30am Worship. MC/UMC
- 10am Worship. TB/UMC
- 10am Worship. Trinity Lutheran Church of Colebrook
- 10am **Annual Jazz Service,** with Pastor John Overman and the SoWhat! Jazz Trio. PH/GM!
- 10-1pm MG Library open
- 10:30-5pm **MGSOA Annual Student Show.** View the art and meet the talented artists of our school. HP/SOA
- 12-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
- 1-4pm MG Area Historical Society open
- 1:30-4pm MG Roller Rink open; \$6+ skate rental
- 4-9pm Men's Tennis Tournament. See Thursday listing.
- 6:45 **First Listen: Noah Spangler Quintet.** Free 20 minute concert by a local talented youth. PH/GM!
- 7pm **Choir Festival:** 100 voices, directed by the Susquehanna Chorale's Linda Tedford. Freewill offering. TB/BBF
- 7:30pm **Emmet Cohen Trio:** multi-faceted composer and jazz pianist is a leading force in contemporary music. \$34-8. Limited availability. PH/GM!

Friday, July 25
7:17pm at the
Playhouse

Come wearing
your favorite pjs
and be enthralled
with the
movement,
poetry, costumes,
and set. It will be
an unforgettable
experience for the
whole family!

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CG * Chautauqua grounds
 CP * Chautauqua playground
 EC * Governor Dick Environmental Ctr.
 FH * MG Fire Hall/parking lot

Program/Activity Location Codes (Two letters):

HC * Heights Community Building
 HP * Hall of Philosophy
 HS * MG Area Historical Society
 LB * MG Library
 MC * Methodist Church

PG * Chautauqua Playground
 PH * Playhouse
 PL * Chautauqua parking lot
 TB * Campmeeting Tabernacle
 TC * Tennis Courts/Tennis Club Grounds

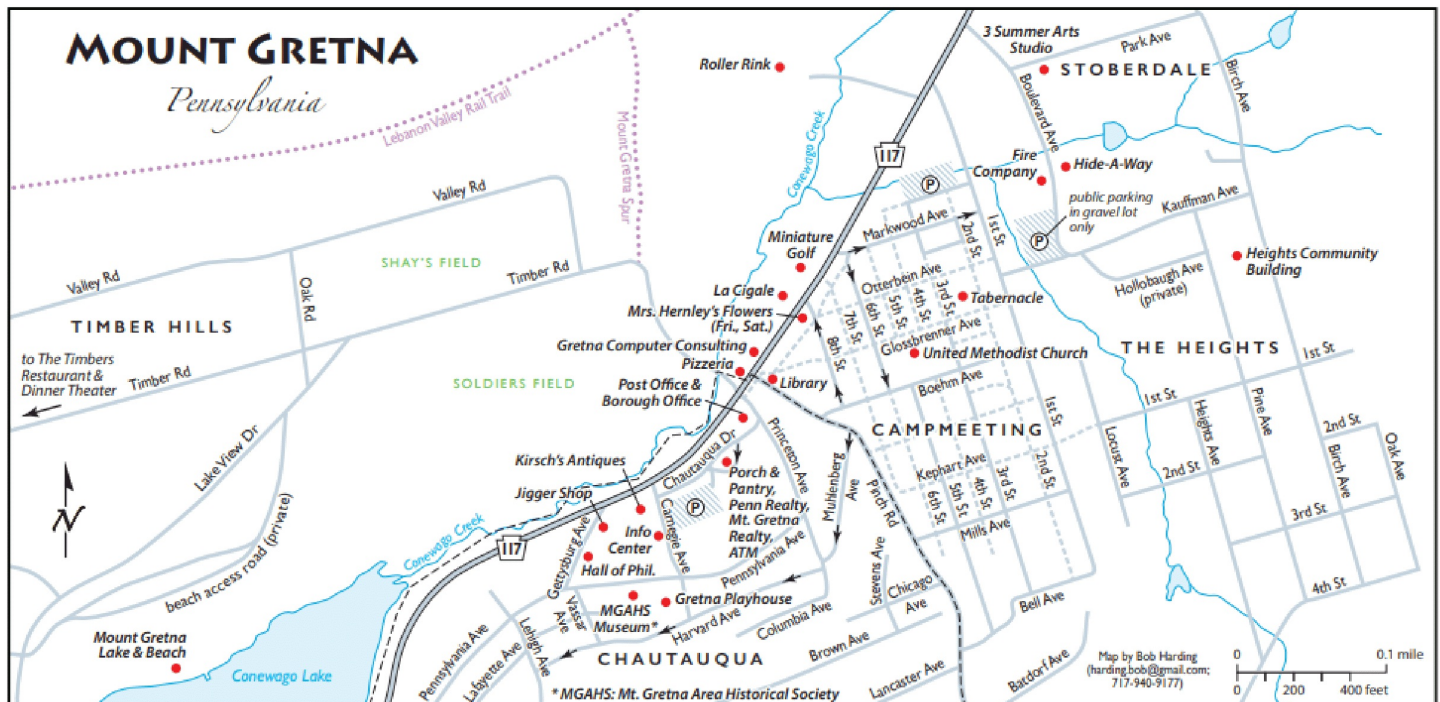
ACN * MG Arts Council
 BBF * Bible Festival/Summer at the Tabernacle
 CFN * Pennsylvania Chautauqua Foundation
 CHP * Chautauqua Summer Programs
 CIC * Original MG Cicada Festival
 CMP * Campmeeting Association

Sponsoring Organization Codes (Three letters):

GDE * Governor Dick Environmental Center
 GM! * Gretna Music
 GTH * Gretna Theatre
 HCA * Heights Community Association
 HER * Heritage Festival
 HIS * MG Area Historical Society

LIB * MG Community Library
 MSC * MG Summer Concerts
 OAS * Outdoor Art Show
 SOA * MG School of Art
 UMC * United Methodist Church
 VFC * MG Volunteer Fire Company

Map Notes: (Le Sorelle) on the map is now the Porch & Pantry Café; also in that building is Penn Realty and Mt. Gretna Realty, along with the Jonestown Bank & Trust's ATM on Chautauqua Drive; the Gift Shop is Kirsch's Antiques; the Timbers is located at the end of Timber Road; to get to the Lake, follow Timber Rd. and take the first left turn; the building marked Realty Office on Rt. 117 is MG Mercantile. And Brandy Greiner sells flowers across the street from Hickey Architects on Fridays and Saturdays.



A Day with Doug Tallamy - Tuesday, July 22 - MG Playhouse

10am Homegrown National Park: our parks, preserves, and remaining wildlands – no matter how grand in scale – are too small and separated from one another to sustain the native trees, plants, insects, and animals on which our ecosystems depend. We can fix this problem by practicing conservation outside of wildlands. Thus, the concept for Homegrown National Park: a national challenge to create diverse ecosystems in our yards, communities, farms, and surrounding lands by reducing lawn, planting native, and removing invasives. The goal of HNP is to create a national movement to restore 20 million acres with natives, an area representing $\frac{1}{2}$ of what is now in lawn, as well as millions more acres in agriculture and woodlots. We are at a critical point where we are losing so many native plant and animal species that our life support systems are in jeopardy. However, if many people make small changes, TOGETHER we can restore healthy ecological networks and weather the changes ahead.

3:30pm How Can I Help? Still have questions about ecological landscaping. We'll discuss good, thoughtful questions about ecology and evolution, biodiversity, invasive species, insect declines, native and non-native plants, conservation and restoration, residential and city landscapes, urban issues, oak biology, keystone plants, Homegrown National Park, monarchs, supporting wildlife at home, and more. In this talk I address as many of these queries as I can with hope that my answers will further motivate people to help restore ecosystem function where they live, work, play, worship, and farm.



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door to the
Playhouse

Sat/Sun
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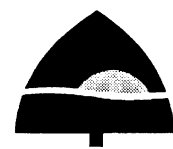


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11:30am - 2am

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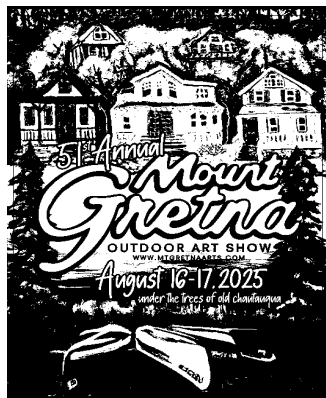
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The Chestnuts perform at 3:30pm
The Malta Band of Lancaster at 5pm

Chicken Corn Noodle Soup,
Homemade Hamburgers, Hot Dogs,
fries, pies and more!
Children's Playground



Burgers, Fries & Ice Cream
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