



This Week in Mt. Gretna



Celebrating our 27th year of service to the Mt. Gretna Community ♦ Friday, July 25, 2025
The 133rd Season ♦ Mt. Gretna Visitor Information Center open Tuesday-Sunday from 1-5pm

Friday, July 25

- 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, who discusses three works by Larry Levis. HP/CHP
4-9pm Men's Tennis Tournament. Bring a lawn chair; food available. TC/MG Tennis Club
5pm Friday Happy Hour: open to MG area residents/their guests. Snacks/food welcome. BYOB. Heritage Park
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 Friday listing.
7:30pm **Gretna Theater Apprentice Cabaret:** 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. Dinner is not included, but is available by reservation. 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

(Sunday, July 27 - continued)

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

Monday, July 28

- 10-12pm MG Library open
10am **Kids Art Collaboration** with Kelly Gatto. Ages 6-12. \$10. Final session. Pre-register at www.mtgretna.org. HP/CHP
Mahjong: join us on the porch! All levels of play are welcome. Questions? Call 717-200-1187. HP/CHP
Men's Tennis Tournament. See Friday listing.
Yoga with Nicole Gray. 717.926.1262. \$10. EC/GDE
Book Discussion: *Claire Pooley's How to Age Disgracefully*, led by Jamie Cecil. LB/LIB
MGSOA Artist Lecture: *Chill Vibes Only*, with Xico Greenwald, available online. HP/SOA

Tuesday, July 29

- MG Library open
LVC Book Review: *Philip Shenon's Jesus Wept: Seven Popes and the Battle for the Soul of the Catholic Church*, reviewed by Kevin Pry, Professor Emeritus, English. HP/CHP
Men's Tennis Tournament. See Friday listing.
MG Supper Club: Just Press Play Barbershop Quartet, with dinner by Chef-on-the-Go, Becky Briody. BYOB. \$30. By advance reservation only. 717.200.1187. HP/CHP
MG Library open

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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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Wednesday, July 30

- 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:** *On Leland Bell & Andre Derain*, with Stanley Lewis. Available online. HP/SOA
4pm Yoga with Stephanie Bost. Info: 717.269.2455. \$8. HP/CHP
4-9pm Men's Tennis Tournament. See Friday listing.
6-8pm MG Library open
6-9pm **Casey & Jessica Batz** perform at the MG Hideaway
7pm **The Mythical Origins of Hadestown:** Jennifer Besse discusses the two Greek Myths upon which Hadestown is based: Hades & Persephone and Orpheus & Eurydice. HP/CHP (*see ad p. 3*)

Thursday, July 31

- 8-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
10-12pm MG Library open
10am **Dechurching and Christian Decline:** the significant marginalization of the church in the west may be what properly purifies the faith and its institution, with Firmin DeBrabander, Professor of Philosophy, Maryland Institute College of Art. HP/CHP
10am Yoga for Kids, with Pat Steely. CHQ Playground Gazebo/CHP
2pm **Hadestown: Teen Edition**, in collaboration with Sycamore Stage Theatre Company and Hershey Theatre Apollo Arts Awards. \$48-18. OPENING. PH/GTH
6pm **Ikebana Summer Arrangement**, with Heather Jones. Learn the ancient art of Japanese flower arrangement. \$38. Limit: 10. SOLD OUT. HP/CHP
6pm **Summer Journal (Kids) with Debbie.** SOLD OUT. 3 Summer Arts
7:30pm **Hadestown: Teen Edition.** See afternoon listing.
8pm Weekly Trivia Night at the MG Hideaway

Friday, August 1

- 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 Mark Cox's *Sunday* and *The Healing Portion*, as well as Tony Hoagland's *Benevolence*. HP/CHP
5pm Friday Happy Hour: open to MG area residents/their guests. Snacks/food welcome. BYOB. Heritage Park Pavilion/CMA
5:30pm **First Friday** at the Timbers
6pm **Gratitude Journal, Part I, Mixed Media w/Debbie.** \$29. 3 Summer Arts. Info/registration at <https://www.3summerarts.com/classes/1201>
7:30pm **Hadestown: Teen Edition.** See Thursday listing.
7:30-10:30pm MG Roller Rink open; \$8+ skate rental
8-11pm **Scott Galbraith** performs at the MG Hideaway

Saturday, August 2

- 8-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
9am **Lecture.** Topic TBD relating to nature/gardening/env/t. Free. Pre-register at 717.964.3808 or governordick@hotmail.com. EC/GDE
10-1pm MG Library open

(Saturday, August 2 - continued)

10-3pm	MG Tour of Homes & Gardens: \$25 in advance. \$30 day of tour. \$5 twelve and under. Proceeds benefit Gretna Music. Day of tickets at the tents beside the MG Post Office or Hall of Philosophy. Online at: https://tinyurl.com/46nekn3y	
10-5pm	Pink Flamingo: Oils with Donna. \$58. 3 Summer Arts. Info / registration at https://www.3summerarts.com/classes/1199	

- 11am **Kid's Theatre: Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus**, a Musical. Back by popular demand; based on a book by Mo Willems. \$11. PH/GTH
7:30pm **Perrin & Steinway:** vocal/piano jazz duet, postponed from last season. Pay-What-You-Want. TB/HER
7:30pm **Hadestown: Teen Edition.** See Thursday listing.
8-11pm **The Palm City Ramblers** perform at the MG Hideaway

Sunday, August 3

- 8:30am Worship. MC/UMC
10am Worship. TB/UMC
10am Worship. Trinity Lutheran Church of Colebrook
10am **Worship in Awe & Wonder**, with Dr. Herbert Smith, Professor of Religious Studies, McPherson College, KS and David Graff, Marimba. PH/CHP
10-1pm MG Library open
12-4pm Governor Dick Environmental Center open
1-4pm **Bluegrass Jam on the Porch.** Inside in case of inclement weather. Bring your lawn chair or instruments to join along. EC/GDE
1-4pm MG Area Historical Society open
1:30-4pm MG Roller Rink open; \$6+ skate rental
2pm **Hadestown: Teen Edition.** See Thursday listing. CLOSING.
7pm **Lancaster British Brass.** Free will offering. TB/BBF

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!



Jointly hosted by Gretna Theater & Gretna Music

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

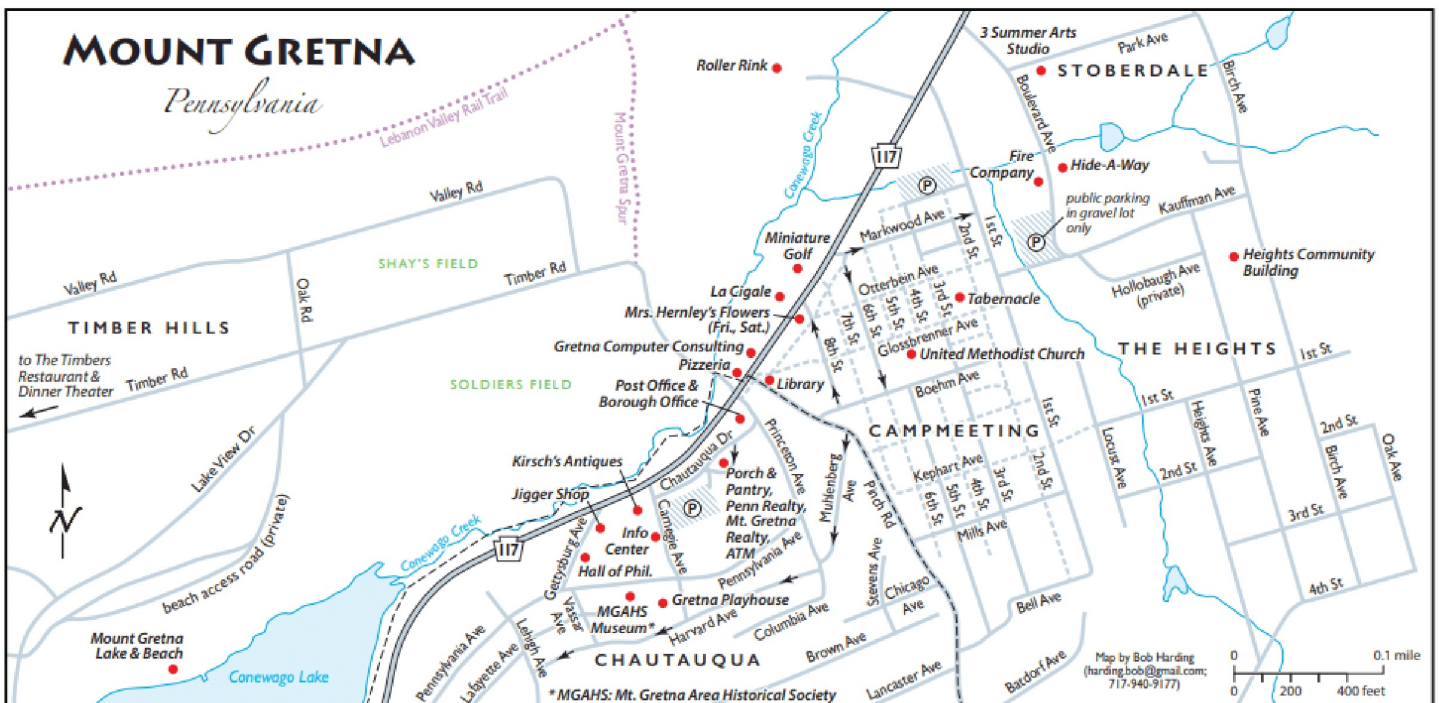
ACN * MG Arts Council
 BBF * Bible Festival/Summer at the Tabernacle
 CFN * Pennsylvania Chautauqua Foundation
 CHP * Chautauqua Summer Programs
 CIC * Original MG Cicada Festival
 CMP * Campmeeting Association

Sponsoring Organization Codes (Three letters):

GDE * Governor Dick Environmental Center
 GM! * Greta Music
 GTH * Greta 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. Greta 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.



The Mythical Origins of Hadestown

Hadestown is about two relationships: the one between Hades and Persephone and the one between Orpheus and Eurydice. Both relationships were mythically important to the Greeks, serving as the foundations for two very different ancient cults.

Jennifer Besse will be discussing the two Greek myths, explaining the associated religious cults, and sharing a LOT of ancient artwork including ancient Greek vase paintings, sculptures, and architecture. Jennifer Besse taught Greek mythology at Franklin and Marshall College, Millersville University, and Elizabethtown College for ten years. She currently teaches Latin at Cedar Crest High School. There will not be any "spoilers" included in the talk, scheduled in the Hall of Philosophy at 7 pm on Wednesday, July 30.



Saturday, July 26

7:30pm at the Timbers

Call 717.964.3601 for reservations.

Pay-What-You-Want

Dinner not included, but drinks available for purchase.





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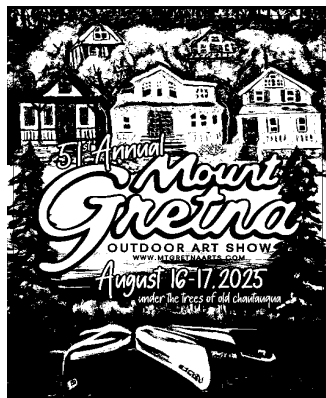
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**Trinity Lutheran
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Saturday, July 26 from 2-8pm
in the church's lush green backyard

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
This Week's Ice Cream Flavors:
Salted Caramel & Strawberry

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