

THE LOCAL TOURIST

COMFORT CAFÉ & BISTRO OPENS IN QUINTON

Comfort Café & Bistro in Quinton opened on March 6th. Focusing on breakfast & lunch, they offer delicious, fresh fare. Taking over the space of the former EMS Café, they have completely renovated the space to make it modern and welcoming.

Owner, Samantha Brown was born and raised in Lower Alloways Creek. Owning her own eatery had been her dream for a decade. Her dream became a reality in the span of one day. "I was told about the space and talked to the owners of the building and they handed me a key that same day to start the floor to ceiling renovations, all because they saw my vision for this place and just fell in love with it. It was something the community was in desperate need of and it's so nice to fill a need and serve our small town."



**MON-SAT: 6AM-3PM
 CLOSED SUNDAYS** 97 Quinton Marlboro Rd., Quinton
 (856)350-6562
MUST TRY: THE RICOTTA BOARD

Comfort Café & Bistro plans on many community events-- soon offering line dancing nights, swing dancing, open mic nights, community family nights with fireside s'mores, and a live music night as well! They also offer the space for private events. I could not have done any of it without my family. "My dad and husband helped with most of the renovations and my whole family helps out at the café on a daily basis whenever I need a hand."

LOST ELEPHANT BREWING QUIETLY OPENS

During the weekend of March 17th, Salem County's newest brewery, Lost Elephant, quietly opened its doors. Owners Marghi (pronounced Mar-ghee, not Margie) & Tom announced via facebook that they would be softly open to the public that evening. They were overwhelmed with local support and positivity.

Marghi, the majority owner and brewer, wanted to open in Salem County because of her experience growing up here. The scenic beauty of the county and the core values of our residents inspired her to create something complimentary to the Salem County we've enjoyed for decades. Tom, a transplant from Philadelphia has grown quite fond of our relaxed way of living here & is happy to now call Salem County home. He's adapted so well that he can't live without his Carhart!



20 N. Main Street, Elmer

The couple happily resides in-county & aims to provide an inclusive, safe gathering space for all. Inspired by the lore of Elephant Swamp Trail, they leaned into the local story of an elephant escaped from a circus train when the rail trail was once part of the Pennsylvania- Reading Railroad in the late 1800's. Their name isn't the only thing that pays homage to the local legend. Once you walk into the beautiful brewery, you are greeted by a colorful elephant on vinyl behind their bar. Their tap handles are authentic railroad spikes from the railroad that ran through Elephant Swamp Trail!

With Lost Elephant being a nano-brewery, they currently have the capacity to brew small batch brews, which allows Marghi the opportunity to be experimental with their beers and put her Salem County heart into it.

Regular hours begin the weekend of April 14th.

SALEM OAK SEEDLING TO BE PLANTED AT RIVERVIEW

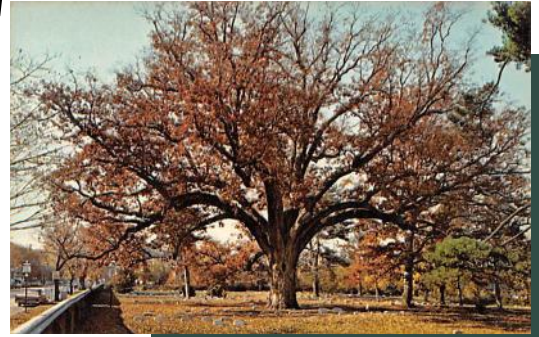
On April 22, 2023 a seedling from the original 600-yr-old Salem Oak Tree will be planted in Riverview Beach Park, Pennsville NJ.

The ceremony will start at the back of the park near the New Sweden Heritage Monument at 3:00 pm followed by the planting of the tree /seedling by Pennsville Mayor, Robert McDade at the front of the Park near the Township of Pennsville Park & Recreation office. *(Rain or Shine)*

New Sweden Colony, established in 1638 in the Delaware River Valley played a significant role in the establishment of the United States of America. Native Americans lived on this land when the Salem Oak tree was a seedling. The Swedes and Finns treated the Native Americans with respect and lived peacefully among them.

On June 6, 2019 the 600 year old magnificent white oak (Salem Oak) tree fell that was located at the Salem Friends Burial Ground in Salem, NJ.

For more information go to www.colonialnews sweden.org.



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FIRST SEEDLINGS PLANTED FOR FUTURE KOSHER VINEYARD

On April 10th, locals gathered in Alliance to celebrate Alliance Community Reboot's newest initiative.

Alliance Community Reboot (ACRe), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, seeks to rebuild Jewish farm-based community in South New Jersey, on the site of the Alliance Colony, the first Jewish agricultural society in North America.

This creative new venture is rooted deep in history. In Judaism, wine is a symbol of joy and celebration, of liberation and of creation. With the new seeds in the ground with thanks to Vinetech, it will take 4-5 years before ACRe can produce wine. Eli Silins, kosher vintner and founder of Camuna Cellars in Philadelphia will work with ACRe to ensure quality and integrity throughout the process.

William and Malya Levin, founders of Alliance Community Reboot, anticipate this small vineyard as a place for gathering and education---

For more information on ACRe, visit acreboot.org

YOUNG KOI SHOW AT BENI HANNA

A Young Koi Show in conjunction with Tri-State ZNA Koi Club will be hosted at Beni Hanna Nishikigoi on Saturday, **May 20th from 9am-2pm**. All are invited to come out and see all the beautiful young koi in competition.

This event is **FREE and open to the public.*

Beni Hanna
Nishikigoi



67 North Stumpy Rd
Carneys Point

SNEAK PEEK!

Woodstown Coach Interior Restoration Update:

"We are very excited for all of the activities at the shop this week, but especially excited for the "Woodstown" Table Car! From flooring to windows, paint to woodwork, design and construction - it's all about to come together!"



woodstowncentral.com

ADVENTURE LOCAL
HOLLY HILLS NATURE PRESERVE
 374 ALLOWAY-FRIESBURG
 ROAD, BRIDGETON, NJ 08302
 (ALLOWAY)

A 2+ mile loop trail that is easy to access & has a large parking area.

This former golf course returned to nature offers hilly areas and a serene atmosphere.

Great trek for families- mostly paved, though some areas will not be the easiest with a stroller.

Salem County History:
 An Artist's Work

In the January number of the Ladies' Home Journal, Everett Shinn, formerly of Woodstown, and now of New York City, has two large pictures of pastels occupying an entire page. Mr. Shinn is preparing for his annual exhibition in New York City and has rented the largest art gallery [Durin-Ruel Galleries] in the city and will place on exhibition about two hundred of his pictures. The Paris "Figara," the leading newspaper of France, has in preparation an article which accords Mr. Shinn the place of one of the leading artists in America and places no other artist ahead of him. His wife, Florence S. Shinn, has had accepted since November 1st, in book and magazine work, about sixty pictures which in all probability has not been exceeded by any artist in America. She has just finished illustrating a new book called "The Mennonite Maid."

Salem Sunbeam, Salem, NJ, January 8, 1904

EVERETT SHINN IS FEATURED IN THE EXHIBIT, STEP INTO OUR CANVAS: 200 YEARS OF SALEM COUNTY ART AT THE SALEM COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

**CHECK OUT
 OUR NEW
 BILLBOARDS!**

*Find them in-county
 & in Delaware!*



*PAID THROUGH A GRANT THROUGH NJSCA, THESE BILLBOARDS WILL BE PLACED IN THREE LOCATIONS.

Date Night!



264 Williams Road
 Woodstown, NJ 08098

For tickets:
fieldandflocklavenderfarm.com

Time to Join!

CSA & FARM SHARES

Flower Share

ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH THE END OF JUNE.
 THE SHARES WILL RUN FROM JULY 2023-OCTOBER 2023. YOU CAN CHOOSE BI-MONTHLY (8 WEEKS) OR MONTHLY (4 WEEKS).
 OPTIONS INCLUDE:
 -ASSORTED CUT FLOWERS MASON JAR (INCLUDED) SHARE
 -ASSORTED CUT FLOWER BOUQUET SHARE
 -SUNFLOWER BOUQUET SHARE

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Wine CSA

A WINE CSA MEMBERSHIP IS A SPECIAL LEVEL OF COMMITMENT AND CONNECTION TO THE ART IN EVERYTHING WE DO HERE AT AUBURN ROAD: FROM OUR BEAUTIFUL WINE - HAND GROWN, HAND HARVESTED AND HANDMADE - TO THE MUSIC THAT ACCOMPANIES IT, THE COLORS THAT SURROUND IT, THE FLAVORS THAT ENHANCE IT AND THE PEOPLE THAT HELP YOU ENJOY IT.
 FOUR TIMES A YEAR - FEBRUARY, MAY, AUGUST AND NOVEMBER - OUR EXECUTIVE WINEMAKER, JULES, AND ASSISTANT WINEMAKER SLOANE, PRE-SELECT A SPECIAL 12 BOTTLE COLLECTION OF OUR WINES AND WE OFFER THEM TO OUR CSA MEMBERS.

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Produce CSA

SIGN UP NOW FOR A FULLY CUSTOMIZABLE SUPPLY OF PRODUCE BEGINNING THE WEEK OF MAY 7. SUPPORT A WORKING FAMILY FARM AND A COMMUNITY OF LOCAL PRODUCERS. HELP KEEP SALEM COUNTY GREEN. CONNECT WITH THE SEASONALITY OF LOCAL FOOD. FILL YOUR TABLE WITH THE FRESHEST PRODUCE HARVESTED AND PACKED JUST FOR YOU. YOUR BOX WILL BE CREATED ESPECIALLY FOR YOU BASED ON YOUR PREFERENCES AND YOU CAN PREVIEW AND CUSTOMIZE YOUR BOX.

Scan to LEARN MORE!



HELLO FROM OUR NEW DIRECTOR, AMY PETERSON!

I am so excited to be in the role of Director of Tourism & Cultural Affairs for Salem County! Salem County has always been such a special place to me. I frequently adventured here growing up & it made for an easy decision when it was time to purchase my home.

Some of you may know me as the former Director of Development for Stand Up for Salem, as the founder of South Jersey Adventures or from my local account, Salem County Amy.

My background is in both destination marketing and small business development, so this role combines many of my passions.

I reside in-county with my three children and enjoy hiking, local food + spirits, the arts, & local history.



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-Let's adventure local & enjoy Salem County!

