

The Friendly Times

T'is the Season for Outdoor Fun in Kennett Square!

As the weather warms, Friends Home and Linden Hall are buzzing with activity, and so is Kennett Square!



Memorial Day Parade - Monday, May 29 10 am - 12 noon

Kennett Square loves a parade, and the Memorial Day Parade—a fun, family-friendly event with something for everyone—is always its largest. The parade honors our veterans, many of whom participate in the parade, riding in antique convertibles.

Over a dozen marching bands and musical groups participate in the parade each year, from the Ferko String Band (Mummers) to the Philadelphia Eagles Pep Band and bagpipers, fife and drum corps, drum and bugle corps, high-school bands, and more. Spectators also enjoy seeing dancers, classic cars, colorful floats created by various community organizations, historic reenactors, vintage military equipment, fire trucks, a Viking ship, and much more. The parade reflects and celebrates the community's great cultural diversity with participants such as the popular

Aztec dancers, charros on horseback, and Chinese folk dancers. The parade begins at 10am at Kennett High School and follows South Union Street to East Cypress Street, up the 100 block of South Broad Street, then west on State Street to North Union Street and on to Union Hill Cemetery, where a memorial service with a 21-gun salute and a wreath-laying ceremony is held.

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This time of year, lots of young people visit Friends Home to complete their community service projects and learn interesting and useful things along the way. Here, Ed teaches a young lady about herb gardening.



SAVE THE DATE
The Kennett Library & Resource Center will open June 26th followed by the Grand Opening Celebration on August 27, 2023
Stay tuned for details:
KennettLibrary.org

All Around Friends Home and Linden Hall



Third Thursdays are Back! Next one is June 15

The popular Third Thursdays on State Street return in 2023 for a new season of outdoor dining, extended shopping hours, live music, and family-friendly activities. Third Thursdays bring the community together and support restaurants and small businesses on State Street.

State Street is closed from Broad to Center Streets from 5pm to 10pm every Third Thursday from May through October. To ensure an outdoor table, we recommend making a reservation at your favorite restaurant.

<https://kennettcollaborative.org/event/third-thursdays-on-state-street/all>

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Kennett Symphony at Longwood June 25

Get ready to take in the sights of Longwood Gardens and the sounds of the Kennett Symphony. Waltzes and Galops abound as we present a collection of beloved light classical pieces including the sunny and delightful Capriccio Italien, the mercurial Flight of the Bumblebee, the heartfelt Vocalise as well as music from John William's score to Schindler's List.

For more information, kennettsymphony.org

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In the month of



JUNE is named for Juno, the ancient Roman goddess of marriage and childbirth and wife of Jupiter. The month of June is still a popular month for weddings today!

June 5 is World Environment Day

Commemorated to raise environmental awareness across the globe.

June 14 is Flag Day

Be sure to raise the flag! Learn about the U.S. Flag Code, which provides guidelines for displaying the American flag properly.

June 18 is Father's Day

The first Father's Day was celebrated on June 19, 1910. In 1924 U.S. Pres. Calvin Coolidge gave his support to the observance, and in 1966 Pres. Lyndon B. Johnson issued a proclamation that recognized the day. It became a national holiday in 1972, when Pres. Richard Nixon signed legislation designating the third Sunday of June as Father's Day.

June 19 is Juneteenth (also known as Freedom Day or Emancipation Day).

On this day in 1865, Union General Gordon Granger read the Emancipation Proclamation aloud in Galveston, Texas, effectively liberating enslaved people in the state, which had thus far been beyond control of the Union Army.

June 21 is the summer solstice, which heralds the start of summer in the Northern Hemisphere. It's the day with the most hours of daylight. In the Southern Hemisphere, winter begins at this time.

June 24 is Midsummer Day, traditionally the midpoint of the growing season, halfway between planting and harvesting. It is celebrated in many cultures on the night of June 23, as Midsummer Eve.

In Memorium



Victor E. Leto, age 95, of Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, passed away on Monday April 24, 2023, at Chester County Hospital, West Chester, PA. Born in Kennett Square, he was the son of the late Oreste Leto Sr. and the late Jennie Sicco Leto. Victor lived in the same childhood home throughout his life.

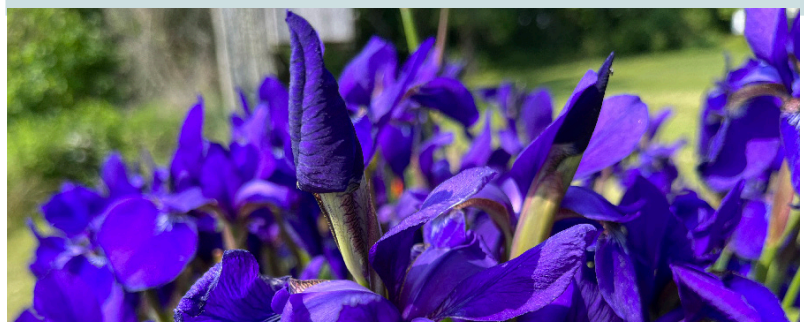
Victor graduated from Kennett High School, Class of 1945. He then started college at Penn State University but was drafted into the Army during World War II, serving our country from 1945 to 1947. He then returned to PSU and earned his degree from the School of Agriculture in 1950.

After college Victor started a large poultry business on the family farm, operating that for several years. He then established and operated a successful mushroom growing business. Victor stayed abreast of advances in that industry, frequently attending post-graduate courses and seminars in the US and abroad.

He enjoyed deer hunting and was an avid trout fisherman. He was a member of Shellbark Lodge, located in Lycoming County, PA, where he not only hunted and fished but made lifelong friendships with other members.

An accomplished pilot, Victor loved flying. He joined a group of local men who started the Kennett Flying Club in 1947. The Club purchased a two-passenger Ercoupe, which they flew from a small field in New Garden Township where the Giant store is now located.

Even more than all his accomplishments, Victor was known for his extremely kind, encouraging, and generous nature. Always willing to lend his support, he was a constant, loyal caregiver to parents and siblings for 50 years. His nieces and nephews all have fond memories of time spent with their special uncle.





The Joys of JUNE



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Biking
 Bugs
 Celebrate
 Fathers Day
 Fireflies
 Fun
 Goodbyes
 Graduation
 Hummingbird
 Jump rope
 Strawberries
 Summer
 Sunburn
 Sunglasses
 Sunscreen
 Vacation

Poetry Corner

"June" Sang the River

by Annette Wynne

"June" sang the river, "June" sang the sky;
 "June" sang the trees and the flowers together,
 "June" sang the meadow-lark, "June" sing I;
 June is the month of singing weather.
 June is the time for swinging clover,
 Time for the rumbling old fat bee-rover,
 Time for the sky to bend sweetly over,
 And whisper, "Earth dear, from the East to the West
 You are lovely all seasons—but in June far the best!"

Happy Birthday

June 1	Margaret Snyder
June 4	Allen Gliniewicz
June 6	Eileen Jennings
June 7	Ed Johnson
June 8	Greg Leonard
June 9	Florence Bertrando
June 13	Erma Amen
June 25	Bessie Parrish