



Stroll the Streets of Gettysburg

Springtime in Gettysburg is always beautiful. Once this snow is gone, we can start to make way for the beautiful flowers that the Gettysburg Garden Club spreads throughout the town. Shops will start to open more days and longer hours while restaurants will have outside dining without the necessity of a heater beside you. Ghost tours will once again inhabit the streets and tourists in horse drawn carriages will pass through.

Friday, March 5 is First Friday, Gettysburg Style. GARMA businesses will be celebrating with the green theme of St. Patrick. The Adams County Arts Council on S. Washington St. will feature an outdoor-themed collection of ACAC member artwork during the month of March, holding a reception on March 5. The Ragged Edge Coffee House on Chambersburg St. will be showcasing the work of local watercolor artist Tom Rooney. Gallery 30 on York St. will showcase handcrafted Birds-Eye Maple Cutting Boards for their First Friday reception. Check member's Facebook pages and websites for a full listing of First Friday fun.

While we still aren't able to go to our local theaters, Majestic Theater on Carlisle St. and Gettysburg Community Theatre on York St., you can still enjoy movies and performances virtually. Majestic Movies at Home lets you view movies at no charge by simply clicking the link on their Facebook page. Gettysburg Community Theatre is currently looking for actors to perform on stage in streamed productions (socially distanced on stage with no audience in the theatre). And if you're looking for Saturday night laughs, you can watch their Online Improv Show.

March is Women's History Month and what better way to spend a Saturday or Sunday than to walk the streets of historic Gettysburg with a Licensed Town Guide. These are one-hour tours discussing some of the heroics of the women who were here during the Battle of Gettysburg.

There are many beautiful days ahead of us in the weeks to come. One event that I am personally looking forward to is the Gettysburg's Spring Outdoor Antique Show on Saturday, May 15. This year marks the 54th year of wonderful, quality vendors and antiques gracing the streets of downtown Gettysburg. Let's cross our fingers for beautiful weather that day.

Remember that when you're dining or shopping in the downtown, there's no need to rush yourself. Meters in the square and downtown have three-hour parking limits. This does not include the parking garage or the meters on the side of the garage.

Explore the beauty that is Gettysburg. We are fortunate to live amongst such rich history, beautiful museums, shops and incredible culinary cuisines. For a complete list of GARMA members visit our website at www.gettysburgretailmerchants.com.

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