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The Rural Report

REAL ESTATE NEWS AND VIEWS FROM DON MYERS AND THE RE/MAX CENTRE REALTY FARM AND RURAL LIFESTYLE DIVISION



SPECIAL DAYS

As I've said before, spring and summer are my favorite seasons. But as I dream of the "Green, Green Grass of Home" during late fall and winter, there are some very special times that happen from late fall through winter. First, Thanksgiving. Turkey, stuffing, family meals, over the river, and through the woods. And the next day, Black Friday. For hunters, that leads right into buck season. Then, in about 2 weeks, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Candlelight services, family Christmas meals, Christmas Eve, or Christmas Day. A baby born, Santa Claus, gifts, expressions of caring and sharing among family and friends. A week later, following Christmas is a brand new year. New Year's Day. More family meals, with some meals with pork and sauerkraut. (PA German tradition for good luck). Then, we have Valentine's Day in the middle of February. Red candy boxes, red cards, and, last but not least, red hearts are proliferating everywhere. Love everywhere! Here is a word of caution. Never forget a personalized gift and card for a birthday, Christmas, or your anniversary,

But what is wrong here? What happened between the end of November and the middle of February? Yes, the cute, cuddly little critter known as Punxsutawney Phil. February 2nd, each year since 1887, Phil makes a special effort to awaken early from his winter hibernation. He always makes it on time. He is known by various names such as "Seer of Seers" and "Sage of Sages". Some call him the "Prognosticator of Prognosticators". 40,000 people this year visited his home to get his prediction at 7:15am. He had live TV coverage. And poof! February 3 comes and it is like February 2nd didn't happen. Why don't we have Groundhog Day cards, Groundhog Day presents, Groundhog Day wrapping paper, and Goundhog Day family meals? It is a real travesty. If you would like to right this wrong, We need to get started early. Maybe you could stop by our Ag Progress Days display and we can organize a steering committee!

Don, Lori, and Brandy





UPCOMING EVENTS IN CENTRE COUNTY

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE: An Interactive Murder Mystery Party

February 14 @ 6:00 pm

Join us for this interactive murder mystery costume party where you will get to mingle, question suspects, and solve a murder. Will be hosted at the Gamble Mills.

Drop in Guided Tour: Art and Nature

February 15 @ 2:00 pm

Drop in and discover the Palmer's world-class collections and exhibitions with a friendly and knowledgeable museum guide.

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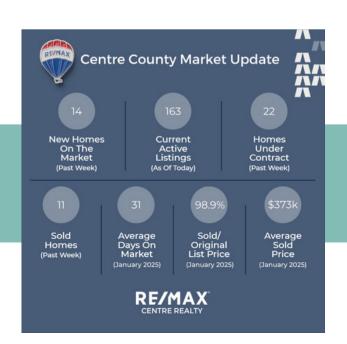
February 21 @ 10:00 am

THON is a student-run philanthropy committed to enhancing the lives of children & families impacted by childhood cancer. Our mission is to provide emotional & financial support, spread awareness, & ensure funding for critical research—all in pursuit of a cure.

Visit https://www.statecollege.com/events/ for more events information.

CENTRE COUNTY MARKET UPDATE

Effective date: February 3, 2025





REAL ESTATE NEWS



WHAT PLUMBERS WISH YOU KNEW

Plumbing issues can quickly escalate if not handled properly, and professional plumbers have valuable insights on how to prevent common household problems. From avoiding grease and food buildup in drains to knowing when to shut off your water supply, these expert tips can help homeowners maintain their plumbing systems and make the most of their service calls.

To read full article <u>click here</u>.



PA THIRD BEST STATE TO RAISE A FAMILY

Pennsylvania ranked third-best for raising a family, thanks to strong public education, safety, and pediatric health care. It boasts the nation's second-highest high school graduation rate and a top 10 ranking for pediatricians per 100,000 children.

To read full article click here.



<u>5 WAYS TO ENJOY YOUR BACK YARD THIS WINTER</u>

With a few additions, your backyard can become a cozy winter retreat. Fire pits, outdoor lighting, warm furniture, hot tubs, and winter gardens can help you enjoy the season while staying comfortable outdoors.

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For Sale!

RAYSTOWN RURAL LOTS OFF LITTLE VALLEY ROAD, SAXTON, PA



Secluded wooded lots in Pennsylvania's Terrace Mountains, located in a Dark Sky area, offer breathtaking night sky views, including the Milky Way. Just 10 minutes from Lake Raystown and a trout stream at Trough Creek State Park, these lots provide easy access. They come with public sewer and utilities, a 6,000 connection fee, and are ready for your dream cabin.

Lot 11 - .91 Acres - \$29,500

Lot 14 - 1.32 Acres - SOLD

Lot 22 - 0.93 Acre - \$39,500 - SOLD

Lot 23 - 0.99 Acre - \$42,500 - SALE PENDING

Lot 24 - 3.05 aCRE - \$99,500 - SALE PENDING

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