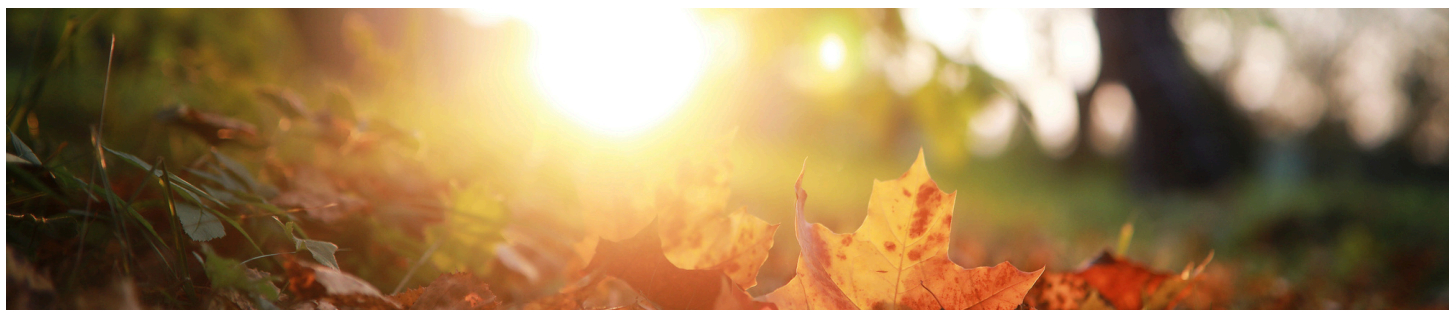


The Rural Report

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



IT'S THE END OF SUMMERTIME, AND THE LIVING' IS (FILL IN THE BLANK).

Think of one word or multiple word phrases to describe summer, 2025. I'll be ending with.....? I'm limiting my selection to a food item. Can you guess what that will be from past years? My mouth is already watering!

If you were farming this year, the promise each year holds was really tough to see. It was too wet and too cool in the first half of the growing season. Day after day, and week after week. But the fields looked as pretty and lush as I've ever seen them in the middle of July. Then, as July led to August, the cold and wet switches broke. We had heat waves and very dry periods, stressing the crops, gardens, and lawns far more than you like to see them stressed. I've never seen the degree of severe drought damage to crops that I'm seeing right now just happening since the middle of July But summer is far more than the ebb and flow of the weather. We had picnics, family times, parades, and carnivals, as well as our beloved Centre County Grange Fair and Encampment and Ag Progress Days.

What is your favorite thing about the summer? Mine, you can only get three days a year. Mid-August. The one and only world's most fabulously smooth, creamy, flavorful, melt-in-your-mouth, and not-in-your-cup milkshakes from the PA Guernsey Breeders display at Ag Progress Days! Wow!! I really think some enterprising PSU student should develop a home, single-serve PA Guernsey milkshake machine to take care of the other 362 days a year they are not available at Ag Progress Days! After all, if Keurig can do it with coffee, it can be done with milkshakes.

Don and Lori

PS - Lori agrees about the world's best milk shakes

Brandy, our marketing specialist, and her husband welcomed a baby girl to their family at the end of August. Help us in congratulating them and welcoming Hadley.



AG PROGRESS DAYS 2025

Thank you to everybody who came to visit us during Ag Progress Days this August 12-14th. Enjoy some photo's from the week below.





UPCOMING EVENTS IN CENTRE COUNTY

Downtown State College Farmers Market

September 19 @ 11:30 am to 5:30 pm

Join us Fridays in downtown State College on Locust Lane and discover our market and the people who make it possible.

Great Insect Fair

September 20 from 10:00 am

The Great Insect Fair is the Department of Entomology's annual extravaganza celebrating insects with lots of activities, games, crafts, tasty treats, and fun for everyone!

Maker Faire Happy Valley

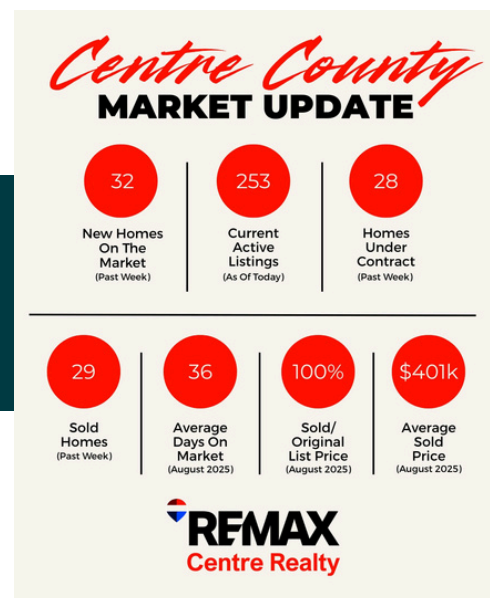
September 21 @ 11:00 am

A high-energy, hands-on showcase of creativity, innovation, and joyful curiosity. It's where curious minds and makers of all kinds come together to share what they've made, how they made it, and inspire a new generation of makers. We invite anyone who makes, tinkers, builds, or teaches others how to: come show us what you've made! SEEKING: Anyone who loves to make, tinker, or teach! Hobbyists, inventors, engineers, builders, tech lovers, scout troops and clubs, startups and DIYers.

→ Our Call for Makers is now OPEN! Apply to exhibit or present!

CENTRE COUNTY MARKET UPDATE

Effective date: September 2, 2025





REAL ESTATE NEWS



OVER HALF OF AMERICANS FEEL NOW IS THE RIGHT TIME TO BUY

More than half of Americans think now is a good time to buy a home, driven by concerns over rising prices and mortgage rates. Many first-time buyers value stability and personalization but still feel anxious about the costs and responsibilities of ownership.

To read full article [click here](#).



2 IN 5 HOMEOWNERS TURN TO AI FOR HOME REPAIR ADVICE

2 in 5 homeowners are turning to AI tools for home repair guidance, with many seeking help for routine maintenance, appliance issues, and pest control. While most find the technology useful for quick tips and troubleshooting, many still rely on professionals for complex repairs.

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PA HOME MARKET INVENTORY CONTINUES TO INCREASE

Pennsylvania's housing inventory in July reached a three-year high, with 42,270 homes on the market—a 9.5% increase compared to July 2024. While the median home price rose about 6.5% year over year to \$320,000, July saw a slight dip from June, signaling the market may be shifting toward greater balance.

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New Updates

MAJOR PRICE REDUCTION!!!

6-ACRE WOODED PARCEL NEAR LAKE RAYSTOWN



PRICE REDUCTION

Discover the rare opportunity to own a 6-acre private wooded estate nestled in the heart of central Pennsylvania's most sought-after outdoor destination. This unique tract of land sits within a selectively managed cabin community, designed to preserve privacy, aesthetics, and long-term property value.

Set within one of the Mid-Atlantic's premier Dark Skies regions, this property offers a rare opportunity to experience uninterrupted views of the night sky, where the Milky Way is visible to the naked eye. Whether you're an astrophotographer or simply love peaceful evenings under the stars, this is your place to escape.

NEW LISTING COMING SOON! Lot 11 - .91 acres, relatively level, public sewer and underground electricity. Keep your eyes peeled for this listing in the coming days.



RE/MAX Centre Realty is honored to be named Best Real Estate Company (Gold) and Best Property Management Company (Silver) in this year's Centre County Favorites contest! This is our second consecutive year earning the top real estate award, and we're so grateful to everyone who cast a vote and continues to trust us with their real estate needs.

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