The Rural Report

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



JUST ONE?

Do you all have a sheet of paper and a pen or pencil? Do you have your annual list? If not, I'll give you 15 seconds to get them so we don't hold the others up too much. OK, let's go. Now let's check your list twice. Oops, wrong holiday.

The fourth Thursday of November is Thanksgiving every year. It is a day that is celebrated across the country. Many families have a large family gathering and meal with all the trimmings. Hunters prepare for the soon to come deer season. It is a day of many family traditions carried on from year to year. And we can't forget Black Friday and all the deals!

But is there just one Thanksgiving day each year? How about if you take your sheet of paper and list the things from throughout the year to give thanks for? Maybe the birth of a son or daughter, the arrival of a grandchild, a marriage, maybe escaping injury in a vehicle accident, the end of the country's shutdown and flight issues, a promotion or pay raise, a new pet, and it could go on and on and on. Each one of these is a day of Thanksgiving for us when it happens.

Needless to say, not every day is a day of Thanksgiving. Things can and do happen. There is an age-old question asking, "Why do bad things happen to good people?" But even in times when bad things happen, many times there will be rays of hope and help coming from a friend, neighbor, church, or charity. Those rays of hope are also times of Thanksgiving.

We wish all of you a blessed Thanksgiving, and many small Thanksgivings the coming year!

-Don, Lori, and Brandy





UPCOMING EVENTS IN CENTRE COUNTY

Room at the Table

November 21 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm

Join Bridge of Hope Centre County for a **spaghetti dinner** on Friday, November 21 from 4–7 PM at Zion Community Church (3261 Zion Rd, Bellefonte). Enjoy spaghetti, salad, and dessert with dine-in or take-out options. Dinner is by donation (suggested \$10/person). Hear inspiring stories from program graduates at 5:30 and 6:30 PM.

Sunday Bellefonte Afternoon Chamber Music Series

November 23 at 2:30 pm

The Whistle Tones Flute Quartet will present a concert entitled "Playful Pursuits from the Family of Flutes" featuring classical, jazz, and pop music performed on flute, piccolo, and alto flute.

Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner

November 27 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

The Bellefonte Knights of Columbus will be hosting a FREE Thanksgiving Dinner to the public on Thanksgiving Day (November 27th) from 11AM-2PM at 315 Stoney Batter, Bellefonte, PA (up the hill from the dollar general). The menu will include Roasted Turkey, Glazed Ham, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Stuffing, Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Corn, Cranberry Sauce, Rolls, and Pie. Eat in and take-out available, no reservations required.

CENTRE COUNTY MARKET UPDATE

Effective date: November 1, 2025





REAL ESTATE NEWS



BELLEFONTE FAMILY WINS HGTV'S 'SCARIEST HOUSE IN AMERICA' AND A \$150K HOME MAKEOVER

A Bellefonte family won HGTV's Scariest House in America contest, earning a \$150,000 renovation for their historic home beside the cemetery gatehouse. Designer Alison Victoria transformed the space with bold colors, custom features, and help from local builders—turning the family's long-term vision into a stunning eight-week makeover.

To read full article click here.



WIRE FRAUD WARS

Real estate expert Cheryl Knowlton is sounding the alarm on the rising threat of wire fraud, urging agents to adopt stronger verification protocols and proactive cybersecurity practices. Her upcoming Triple Play session, Wire Fraud Wars, will equip Realtors® with practical tools, scripts, and strategies to protect clients—and themselves—in an increasingly high-risk digital landscape.

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HOME REPAIR SCAMS

With home repair scams costing homeowners Home repair scams are on the rise, and Hippo Home Insurance outlines key red flags along with simple steps homeowners can take to verify contractors and avoid fraud. Their five tips offer guidance on spotting scams, asking the right questions, and knowing what to do if something feels off.



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New Updates

PRICE REDUCTION AND SALE PENDING UPDATE! WOODED LOTS NEAR LAKE RAYSTOWN



Discover the rare opportunity to own a 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.

Lot 4 - 6 Acres - PRICE REDUCTION Lot 11 - .91 Acres - SALE PENDING



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