



**Date:** Sunday, 11/27 1:00 pm **SOLD OUT**  
Thursday 12/1 6:00 pm **SOLD OUT**

**JUST ADDED: SUNDAY 12/4—1:00 PM**  
**This will fill up quickly! Sign up soon!**

**Place: Stone Lake Wine Bar**  
8 Mount Bethel Plaza Suite 32  
Mt Bethel, PA 18343  
(570) 583-2331  
@stonelakewinery

**Cost:** \$40. (includes all supplies)  
Snacks available for purchase.

**Reservations Required:**  
[www.gindergreenhouse.com](http://www.gindergreenhouse.com)  
**Click on the Shop tab on the top**



**These Gnomes can be prickly!**  
**Garden Gloves are Recommended!**



These are sample pictures—Actual gnomes will vary depending on availability of supplies.

Ginder Greenhouse, 558 Lake Minsi Dr., Bangor PA 18013 610-588-0222  
gindergreenhouse@gmail.com



**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**  
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## Soil Health Field Walk

By Becky Bartlett

**EASTON** - The Northampton County division of Farmland Preservation, in coordination with the United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resource Conservation Service Bethlehem Field Office, conducted a Soil Health Field Walk at Gracedale Cropland Fields on November 15th. Thirty-one local farmers, landowners and resource professionals toured fields seeded with cereal rye, crimson, clover and red clover. During the tour, they dug holes in the soil to examine its health.

Soil Health is the continued capacity of the soil to function as a vital living ecosystem that sustains plants, animals, and humans. Healthy high functioning soils provide a multitude of benefits to the community as a whole. Some of the functions of healthy soils are the production of food, feed, and fiber; the capture, filtration, and storage of water; cycling and recycling of nutrient and chemicals; resisting erosive forces; detoxification of pollutants; and providing and enhancing habitat for greater biodiversity.

The cereal rye, crimson clover, and red clover plants growing in the Gracedale Cropland Fields were broadcasted into standing crops of corn and soybeans on September 3rd via an airplane. This cover crop will continue to grow until April, providing many benefits to the health of the soil.

Following the crop talk, the group made their way back to the newly renovated Conference Room in the Greystone Building for group discussions on soil health, management practices, nutrient management, crop rotations, and obstacles preventing further implementation of greater soil health management practices in agricultural systems. The farmers discussed current issues and obstacles limiting the sustainment of the agricultural industry and higher level, sustainable land management and food production in agricultural systems.

For additional information on cover cropping and soil health, contact the Northampton County Farmland Preservation office at 610-829-6287.

## Public Meetings!

Master Site Plan for

### Upper Mount Bethel Preserve

Scan to share an invite or join the Public Meeting virtually!



SCAN ME

<https://qrco.de/bdGpYC>

A master plan is being completed the Upper Mount Bethel Preserve. Please attend upcoming public meeting to share information and your ideas!

Attend in-person at :  
Upper Mount Bethel Township Building  
387 Ye Olde Highway, Mount Bethel, PA 18343

OR attend virtually at the meeting links below:

- Public Meeting #2 - Initial Concepts  
Wednesday, December 7th, 2022 - 7pm
- Public Meeting #3 - Draft Plan  
Wednesday, March 1st, 2023 - 7pm
- Public Meeting #4 - Final Plan  
Wednesday, May 31st, 2023 - 7pm

The master plan is being conducted by Upper Mt. Bethel Township and Simone Collins Landscape Architecture, planning consultants to the Township. For more information, please contact Sarah Leeper, RLA at 610-239-7601 or [sleeper@simonecollins.com](mailto:sleeper@simonecollins.com)

TAKE THE PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY

Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022 to Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023

Scan the QR code

Or find the survey at

<https://qrco.de/bd8hzm>



**Dyle E. Bray Home Association**  
**202 Washington Blvd. Bangor Pa.**  
**610-588-5555**

## Calendar For The Month Of December

December 2nd Is Pig Bingo Starts At 7pm,  
December 3 Is Pool Tournament Starts At 12,  
December 10 Is Kid's Christmas Party At 12-2  
Also December 10 Is Adult Ugly Sweater &  
Xmas Party With Dj Jukebox Jr 8-11.



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