CULINARY HARVEST CURATED CHEESE AND WINE PAIRING | Private cheese tasting and wine pairing at the Rushton Conservation Center for 12 people. The tasting is curated by Culinary Harvest and will include cheeses from Chester County cheesemakers The Farm at Doe Run and Birchrun Hills Farm. Sam Kennedy, Award-winning Chester County cheesemaker and Sue Miller, cheesemaker and owner of Birchrun Hill Farm, will guide attendees through a detailed and spirited tasting of individual cheeses. They will discuss the care for their animals, farming practices, and the importance of sustainable agriculture in Chester County.

This experience will be held at the Rushton Conservation Center, overlooking Rushton Farm and the Rushton Woods Preserve. A local wine collector has carefully selected fine red and white wines to complement each cheese you and your group will be tasting, rounding out this truly unique experience!

Generously donated by Culinary Harvest, The Farm at Doe Run, Birchrun Hills Farm and Willistown Conservation Trust. Value: $2,850

CUSTOM PET PORTRAIT BY LOCAL ARTIST GENEVIEVE SYNDER | Work with Genevieve to get the perfect photo of your pet that she will turn into an 11” x 14” oil painting on linen or board. All animal types are welcome! Genevieve was born and raised in Chester County, where she and her husband Eric still reside. From childhood, she has found joy in painting and drawing. She began her career in set design for television, but since 2005, she has focused exclusively on painting. Since that time, her award-winning paintings have been on display at juried shows and invitationals, and her work has been used for cards, posters, magazine covers and calendars, including the most recent 2020 Radnor Hunt calendar. Genevieve has been a long-time supporter of land conservation.

Generously donated by Genevieve Snyder. Value: $1,200

COCKTAIL PARTY FOR 20 IN RADNOR HUNT RACE TOWER | Designed by John Milner Architects in 1999, the Radnor Hunt Race Tower is set in the middle of Radnor Hunt’s steeplechase track and affords a panoramic view of the Willistown countryside, featuring 104 acres of open space permanently protected by the founders of Willistown Conservation Trust.

Gather a group of 20 friends and party on all three floors! The Race Tower is yours for four hours on a mutually agreed upon date. The Trust will decorate and stock the bar, Radnor Hunt will serve your choice of hors d’oeuvres, and the Hetzel Brothers will be your private band for the evening.

Generously donated by Radnor Hunt, Hetzel Brothers Band and Willistown Conservation Trust. Value: $3,000

A PRIVATE DINNER FOR 12 AT HIBID FARM | Caroline Moran, the owner of HiBid Farm, has replaced the old working barn with an enchanting party barn that is detail-perfect for a private dinner, and it could be yours for an evening! Start off with a warm welcome by a few of our Trustees, a sampling of local cheeses, and live music by the Hetzel Brothers featuring Erik Hetzel, Director of the Trust’s Land Protection Program.

A chef from Peachtree Catering will work with you to create a custom, seasonally inspired menu. If you choose to schedule your dinner during prime harvest season —July, August or September — you can incorporate fresh and organic produce from Rushton Farm into your meal. A very special friend of the Trust has donated wine from his own cellar to complement your menu.

Generously donated by Caroline Moran, Jon Weinrott of Peachtree Catering and Events, Erik Hetzel, Hetzel Brothers, Willistown Conservation Trust and a special Willistown Conservation Trust supporter. Value: $5,400

A DAY OF FLY FISHING WITH CATSKILL CASTS & COVERTS | Enjoy a half day of drift boat fishing with Orvis endorsed and registered fishing guide, Rick Watson, owner and proprietor of Catskill Casts and Coverts. Rick graduated from the Orvis Western Rivers Guide School in Jackson Hole Wyoming and began his guiding career in 1991. He currently guides on the Upper Delaware as well as saltwater trips in Guatemala, Belize and Florida.

Winning bidder will receive a private, half-day fishing trip down the scenic Upper Delaware River bordering Pennsylvania and New York. The Upper Delaware is known for its native brown trout population. After a day on the river, the winning bidder will enjoy a one-night stay at private accommodations on the river. Food, refreshments, fishing rods, flies and equipment will be provided. A valid fishing license is required but not included.

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