

Customers of the Month

ART & NAOMI DUPRAT



Unexpected Pleasures

Dawn's first blush tints the horizon—Nature doesn't disappoint.

Soon, long pale fingers smear honey light across sentinel screens.

Muddled in restless sleep, I blink against mesh-filtered rays and struggle to consciousness. Behind my eyes, uneasy dreams scratch my lids. My plush gray cat, curled like a comma within the curve of my bent knees, rises and stretches

toward waking. Impatient for food and attention, he taps his face against my cheek, his breath warm and steady, then licks with sandpaper tongue my nose and chin. Lids still closed, I reach with fingertips to stroke silky fur behind his ears and

rub gentle circles with my thumb atop his head. Rumbling purrs, sweetly rhythmic, reward my gestures. The dark night images, just beneath the surface, dissolve like vapor. I stir to wakefulness in morning's amber glow.

Naomi Duprat

The highlighted poem was written by our Customer of the Month, Naomi Duprat! The Duprat family has not only been loyal customers but also beloved friends. We look forward to our ongoing partnership with them and appreciate Naomi's poetic gift. We hope you will delight in this poem as much as we have!

July's Special Offer:

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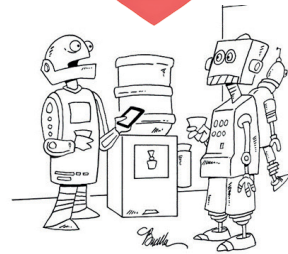
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"It just dawned on me that every time we make a phone call, it's a robocall."

FUN N' GAMES

Ending with drums, cymbals

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Across

- Letterman's network
- Sausage
- Skill
- Kind of tube
- Ed.'s request
- Condoleezz Rice's department
- Movie preview
- That guy
- ___ tenens (substitute)
- Sooner St.
- Come up with
- Home to more than a billion
- Affirmative action
- Physics lab device, for short
- Eccentric
- Shadow
- Aussie hopper, for short

Down

- Actors
- Scottish hillside
- Baseball datum
- Smart remark
- Not factual
- Genetic info carrier
- Actor Green
- of "Buffy"
- Arborist's concern
- Friendly
- Country estate
- Alternative to acrylics
- Make a sweater
- Type of list
- Taro root
- Modern court evidence

The headline is a clue to the answer in the diagonal.

JOKE:

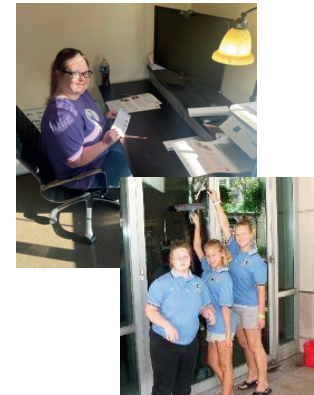
How does a butcher introduce his wife?

Meet, Patty!

AT HOME MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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A Focus on the Family

Since our establishment in 1998, Ric has always emphasized involving his family in the business to create a true family company. When he started, he had three young daughters who were eager to assist him with his business endeavors. Their early tasks included distributing flyers and competing to hang the most door hangers in different neighborhoods, so if you received a flyer in the 90s or early 2000s, it was likely from them!

As the girls grew older, they expanded their roles within the company. Karissa, Ric's middle daughter, gravitated toward the administrative and customer service aspects of the business. She handled phone calls, updated customer information, and organized paperwork. Kelsey, Ric's youngest daughter, found joy in the production side of the business. She accompanied her dad on tasks like power washing decks, laying out canvas covers, cleaning windows, and preparing areas for painting.

All three daughters remain actively engaged in the company today. Karissa, now a new mom, works part-time handling administrative and customer service duties. She is often the person you interact with when scheduling estimates or making payments over the phone. Kelsey, a teacher, contributes during summers by managing social media and occasionally assisting with significant customer projects. Elisha manages our newsletters, she handles the printing, folding, and timely distribution of our communications.

Furthermore, it's not just Ric's daughters who play a role in the company. Over the years, you may have encountered various family members at job sites, such as Ric's brother-in-laws, or friends of the family. We take pride in being a company that upholds strong family values.

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Company Website

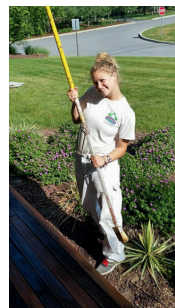


Customer Reviews

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Company Updates:



Kelsey Caylor-

Ric's youngest daughter who lives in Georgia. She is a full-time teacher and dog mom who works for the business part time over the summer with website updating. She will be marrying her fiancé Evan in November

Company Uniforms- We have found a great local company to work with and have new company apparel. We are excited to see everyone in the new company apparel and believe that it will foster a greater sense of unity and pride within our team. Thank you for your continued dedication and hard work. Let's wear our new uniforms with pride and continue to make great strides together!

Fourth of July Fireworks Injuries & House Fires

Fireworks cause house fires and injuries. Nearly 20,000 fires annually are blamed on fireworks, according to the National Fire Protection Association. Even the most common fireworks, such as a sparkler, can start a fire. The Consumer Product Safety Commission reported in 2015 that a 19-year-old woman died from smoke inhalation in an apartment fire started by a sparkler. It seems a teenager threw a sparkler through the second-floor window to get the attention of his friend. But his friend was sleeping downstairs. The sparkler started a fire that engulfed the house, killing the woman.

The worst injuries are caused by illegal fireworks: M-80s and cherry bombs. These fireworks have been illegal since 1966 when Congress passed the Child Protection Act that specifically outlawed them. Today it is a felony to possess or explode a cherry bomb or M-80. The problem with fireworks is that if handled in a reckless manner, there are no second chances. Nearly two-thirds of fireworks-related injuries are caused by backyard fireworks, including firecrackers and bottle rockets. About 20 percent of injuries are caused by firecrackers and 19 percent are caused by sparklers.

According to the NFPA, the most frequent injuries from fireworks are: 36% Hand or finger, 19% Head, face and ear, 19% Eye, 11% Trunk or other, 10% Leg, 5% Arm. More than half of the injuries are burns. A new hazard is the use of toy drones flying near fireworks. This is an unlawful act, according to Forbes, and that's because it is incredibly dangerous. A drone that catches fire can land anywhere, including on people. It literally becomes a flying firebomb.

Keep a bucket of water or the hose handy. It's not hard to do. It doesn't spoil the fun. But you can use it to douse duds or prevent small fires from getting big.



A Special
TO OUR
CUSTOMERS FROM
LAST MONTH

Wendy of Middletown
Allen of Hummelstown
Abbey of Palmyra
Carol of Harrisburg
John of Harrisburg
Joe of Harrisburg
Art of Harrisburg
Julie of Harrisburg
Harold of Mechanicsburg
Kimber of Middletown
Ben of Harrisburg
Sarah of Boiling Springs
Megan of Harrisburg
Mark and Lisette of Grantville
Jennifer of Harrisburg
Natalie of Harrisburg
Randy of Middletown
Susan of Highspire
Bruce of Harrisburg
Valarie of Harrisburg
Matt of Shirmans Dale
Guy of Palmyra

Thank you
for Your Business!!

New customers*
CHECK OUT THE
VIDEO TESTIMONIALS
ON OUR FACEBOOK
PAGE!



Tips for Summer Curb Appeal!

Do you want to have the best curb appeal on the block? Follow these easy steps!

Mow to the right height. Set your mower to cut about three inches off the ground. Longer turf will retain more moisture and better shade the soil so the roots won't get dry. The shade helps to keep out crabgrass.

Tall grass is greener and more attractive. It also helps to mitigate brownouts that are common during the dog days of summer, according to money.com.

Upgrade your house numbers. Get larger, more readable numbers at a home improvement store. Or visit houseofantiquehardware.com for interesting numerals in all sorts of fonts. Get some that are not only attractive but that can be easily read from a distance. Avoid frilly numbers. Remember to put up reflectors at the end of your driveway so visitors know when to turn in to your place. Reflectors help alert other drivers to a driveway.

More expensive but very effective, replace a cracked or outdated walkways while it's still summer.

Interlocking pavers make it easy to do the job yourself.

Update your flower boxes. When fall bloomers, such as mums and autumn sage are finished blooming, cut back the plants and poke in evergreen branches.



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Smash Burgers

Nothing says summer quite like a good burger! This time we are teaching you how to make a perfect smash burger and there's one secret that is life-changing.

Servings: 4 Burgers Prep Time: 5 mins Cook Time: 15 mins Total Time: 20 mins

Ingredients

1 Pound Ground Beef Blend, 60% ground chuck and 40% ground brisket or ground sirloin
1 Tablespoon Canola Oil
2 Tablespoons Butter, unsalted, softened
4 Potato Burger Buns
Salt and Pepper
American Cheese
Killer Burger Sauce
Lettuce
Pickles
White Onion, chopped



Directions

- Form ¼ pound beef into loose 2" balls. Set aside in the freezer on a plate.
- 1 Pound Ground Beef Blend
- Brush a 12-inch cast iron skillet with oil and set it over medium heat until shimmering.
- 1 Tablespoon Canola Oil
- Add the butter to the pan and place the buns, cut side down on the hot skillet. Cook just until the buns are nicely toasted and set the buns aside.
- 2 Tablespoons Butter, 4 Potato Burger Buns
- Remove the meat from the freezer and season with salt and pepper. Place in a preheat, slightly oiled cast iron skillet and press down firmly and evenly to flatten the meat. Generously season the other side of the patty with salt & pepper.
- Salt and Pepper
- Cook until caramelization begins, about 1 minute. Flip and add the cheese.
- American Cheese
- Place a large lid over the burgers the last 30 seconds to melt the cheese. If you want the burgers more done wait a minute before adding the cheese.
- Spread your burger sauce and lettuce over the bottom bun. Top with 1-2 patties and pickles and onion before enjoying.

Serving: 1 Burger Calories: 489kcal, Carbohydrates: 22g Protein: 24g Fat: 34g, Saturated Fat: 13g



<https://ohsweetbasil.com/how-to-make-a-perfect-smash-burger-recipe/#recipecom/slow-cooker-cilantro-lime-chicken-tacos/>

Scan this QR code for July 4th Fireworks happening in the Harrisburg Area!

