

publisher's note



DEAR COLLINGSWOOD READERS.

We are so excited to welcome Spring in our April edition of *Collingswood Living* - the neighbors of Collingswood have given our publication so much praise and we are so appreciative to get feedback from so many of you!

This month, our family feature is a special one! We highlight Monica Miller and family with The Suburban Jungle, sharing with you the story of this local plant exchange and how it got its stardom!

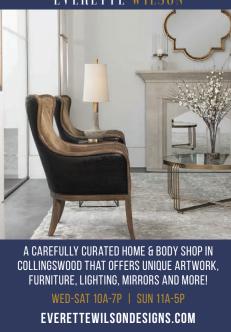
Additionally, we hear from our experts Drew Burgo (Burgo Plumbing) Dr. George (Cobblestone Kids), and Jim Clancy (United Methodist Communities).

We of course feature Colls' local food scene, Around Town, Pets, Sports and so much more. We hope you enjoy this issue and invite you to share your story with us for future editions!

Stay Hip, Collingswood!

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TFYOU ARE TRANSITIONING INTO THE ROLE OF CAREGIVER for a loved one with dementia, it's normal to struggle with [⊥]understanding the behaviors associated with their condition. Below are three of the most common behaviors exhibited by people living with dementia, as well as tips for handling them.

- **1.** Because dementia affects a person's ability to communicate, those with the condition can struggle to verbalize when they're uncomfortable, confused, or in pain. This can be incredibly frustrating for them, and often results in the person becoming verbally or physically aggressive. To help reduce aggressive outbursts, you can help keep your loved one's environment free from triggers that agitate or overstimulate them, such as loud noises or bright lights. You should also try to determine if they are in physical pain in case they need medical attention. Most importantly, don't take their aggressive behavior personally and remember it is just part of the disease.
- 2. As dementia progresses, people become confused about dates, times, and places. Even if you're caring for your loved one at home, for example, they may still ask repeatedly to "go home." If your senior parent is expressing this kind of confusion, repeatedly reminding them that they are at home isn't helpful. Instead, try showing them sentimental photos or comforting,

- familiar objects that may help them realize for themselves or otherwise reduce their agitation.
- 3. We've all had momentary lapses in memory, but it's vital to be vigilantifyour loved one starts displaying poor judgement, risky behaviors, or general confusion completing everyday activities. Hoarding, struggling with finances, empty refrigerators, or wearing dirty, mismatched clothing are all common signs that your loved one requires more assistance. If you have noticed they're struggling to remember to pay bills or properly put away groceries, you can help them establish a daily routine or create a list of daily activities for them to reference. If you feel that your parent needs more assistance than you can provide on your own, consider in-home assistance from a certified home health aide or companion, or research the specialized memory care communities in your area.

To learn more about our specialized memory care program or other senior living options for yourself or your loved one, please contact United Methodist Communities at Collingswood at 856-854-4331. You can also visit our website, Collingswood. UMCommunities.org, to explore our living options and expert resources or schedule a tour.





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TITH SPRING FEVER ON EVERYONE'S MIND, we couldn't have selected a better feature family to introduce to the Collingswood community. Meet Monica Miller, the initiating force behind the plant loving group, Suburban Jungle, and her family. Monica and her husband, Brian Hogan, have called Collingswood home since the fall of 2004, even before growing their own family with their two beautiful children, 9 and 5 year old Henry and June.

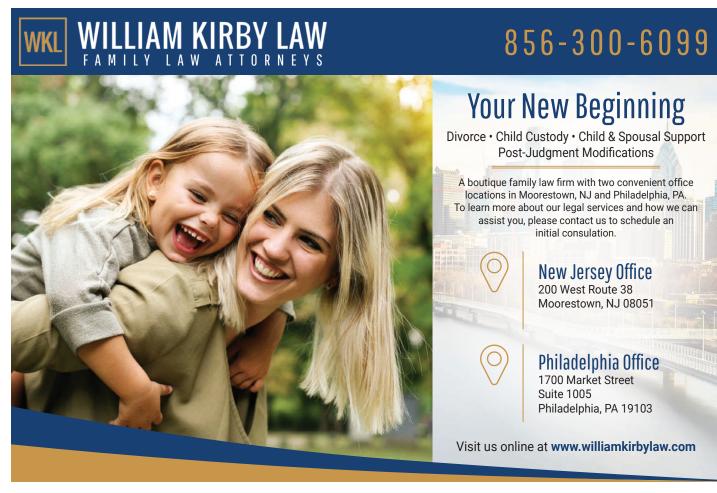
Monica, who grew up in Northeast Philadelphia, met Brian after graduating college from Temple University in early 2004. The couple bought a 1970 Ford Econoline camper van and went on a cross country adventure for three months. Shortly after, the couple got engaged in late of that year and Monica moved in with Brian at his current Collingswood home. "We sort of figured that if we could spend three months together in a camper van peacefully, that marriage shouldn't be a problem," Monica laughs. The couple did marry on October 8, 2005 at the Awbury Arboretum.

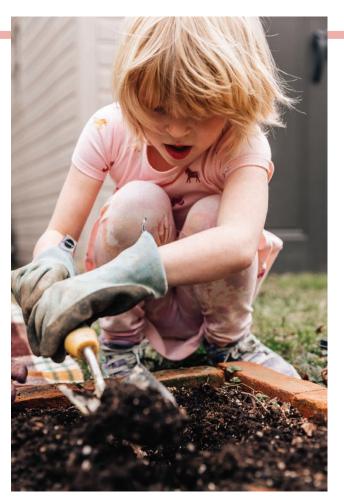
After a few years of newlywed bliss in their Collingswood home, the couple was back to embracing the call from the great outdoors and their adventurous spirit. Brian worked seasonally as a Park Ranger for the National Park Service from 2010 to 2013, so they rented out their house and lived at several national parks including Olympic National Park, White Sands National Park, Grand Canyon and Yellowstone. They moved back to Philadelphia in 2012 when Monica was 8 months pregnant with their son Henry, while Brian did one more final season as a Park Ranger at Gettysburg. The couple finally returned to Collingswood in 2013 and have been here ever since. Monica and Brian grew their family with one more seedling and welcomed a baby girl, June, into the family in 2016.

During the time that the couple was living in National Parks, Monica continued her career at the University of Pennsylvania, where she had



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worked since 2007. "I was fortunate enough to be able to work remotely in my position," Miller explains. Still with the University today, Monica specifically works in Development at The Wharton School.

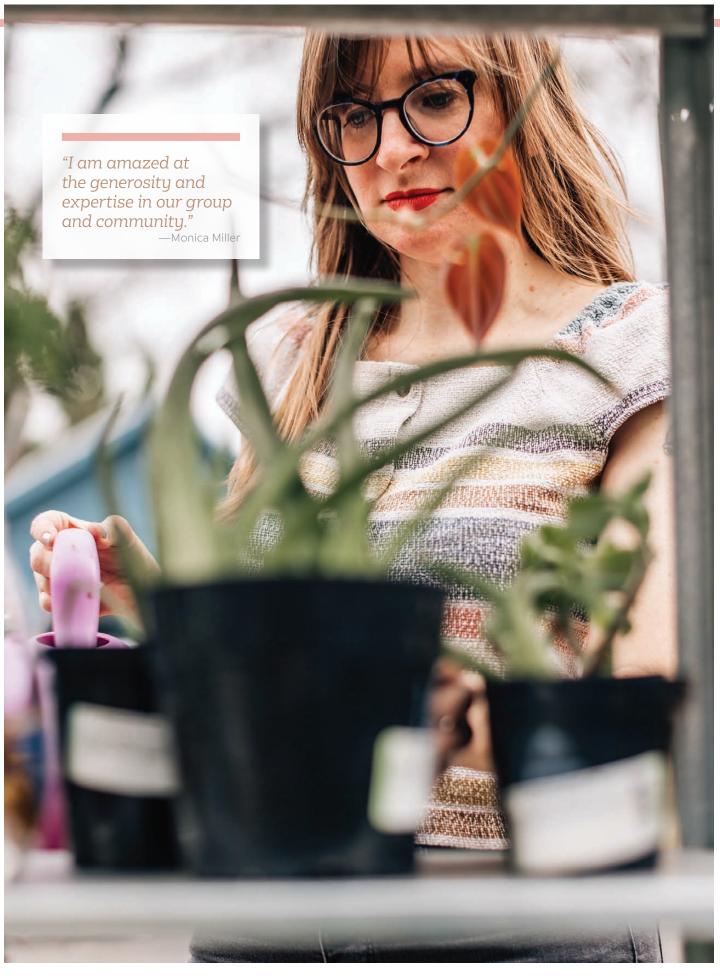
In February of 2019, Monica, now a wife and mother with a full time career, had aspirations of wanting something else in life, what so many of us want, an outside interest. Suburban Jungle became a passion project for Monica out of her love of plants and the community.

"Suburban Jungle is an online and in-person community of local plant nerds. I was eager to connect with friends and neighbors who were equally in love with plants. I was approaching 40 and realized that while working full-time and being mother of two kids, I had left my own hobbies and interests on the back burner. I made a Facebook group and added a handful of friends that I knew were into houseplants and gardening. Then about an hour later I almost deleted it, because it felt terrifying to take up that space and put myself out there. I am so glad that I gave it time and let it grow," explains Miller.

Later that year, Monica held the first in-person plant exchange at the Collingswood Library, where there were about 5 people total. The group was still very new, so they needed more visibility. Monica reached out to David Hodges of the Collingswood Farmer's Market and he agreed to host the group at the market. Several group members volunteered to help set up and staff the table. "The event had a great turnout of members who came to exchange plants and there was lots of interest from people passing by and learning about the group for the first time. I started to realize that there were a lot of people who were interested in plants but did not currently have a collection of plants to share and trade. The group started to build momentum and we held another plant swap at Double Nickel Brewing, a Bulb Lasagna workshop hosted by Madeleine Nist and two events at BeSpoke," Miller shares.









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900 Haddon Ave. Suite 102 Collingswood, NJ 08108 856-854-4242 www.kresloffeye.com Unfortunately and suddenly the pandemic happened and the group had to cancel two upcoming events. "Obviously it was a scary and uncertain time for everyone as we craved connection but were trapped in our homes," Miller recalls. In April of 2020, Monica put a wooden crate in front of her house and left out some sunflower seeds and pea seedlings to share. Over the course of the pandemic the "Plant Stand" evolved into several shelves in front of her home where members could safely drop off seeds, houseplants, outdoor plants, and garden decor and supplies to share. The Plant Stand is still going strong – even today! Every day Monica makes a post as to what is available and members update the post with what they drop off and pick up so that there is a rough idea of what is still available. Monica explains, "It is so fun to have organic conversations and connections right on my doorstep!"

Besides the Plant Stand, the Facebook group is very active, with members asking questions about plant care, sharing resources, events and, of course, plant memes. Suburban Jungle is also a no-sale group. In addition to the Plant Stand, members offer items in the Facebook Group for free for pick-up and sometimes trade houseplants. The main goal of the group, according to Monica, is to facilitate a low risk way for people to try something new without a big investment if something goes wrong. There is always a chance to try again.

"I am amazed by the generosity and expertise in our group and community. Our members share their extra seedlings from seed starting projects, outdoor plants they divided or need to relocate, houseplants they don't have room for, plant cuttings that they have propagated, seeds they purchased or have collected and saved. And then there are all of the ways we have collaborated! My husband designed our logo, Sprouting Connections shares their extra vegetable seedlings, Bridget Briscione Ceramics has shared vessels and planters, Evelyn Taylor Designs made custom Suburban jungle plant markers to sell as a fundraiser for the group, Wild Roots has donated native plants, Collingswood Monarch Project donated a Wild Root's Pollinator Kit to create a Monarch Waystation at the Plant Stand (through a grant from the Horticultural Society of New Jersey). I have met so many interesting people who have shared their knowledge about native plants, pollinators, mycology, local ecology and sustainability," Monica shares.



With excitement and momentum, Monica is in the works with a new project venture. "I am very excited about our newest collaboration which combines two of my very favorite things: reading and plants. In 2021, Emily Beach Paull messaged me and offered to organize a Book Club centered around books related to plants and nature. We have a core group that has read and discussed six books over the past year. This past month, John Martin donated his time and materials and built the group a Lending Library that will house plant and nature themed books for the community to borrow. I love to read and when researching a new subject it is so hard to know where to start. I hope that this library will encourage members to learn more about subjects of interest to them. We will have a wishlist of books available locally through Ida's Bookshop that people can donate to the Lending Library to keep it stocked," Miller excitedly explains.

Suburban Jungle is just one of many green initiatives in the Collingswood area. If residents are interested in getting more involved locally, Monica recommends checking out town and community initiatives including the Collingswood Green Team, the Collingswood Community Habitat Project, the Collingswood Community Garden and the Collingswood Monarch Project.

She also suggests connecting with Wild Roots and Red Oak Permaculture for native plants and ecological landscaping.

To see all of the amazing flora and fauna that South Jersey has to offer, follow naturalist and Director of Camp Creek Run, Keara Giannotti, on Instagram.

"Suburban Jungle has given me so much by connecting me to my community at a time that I needed it the most, I'm hoping it does the same for everyone who joins the group!" ■





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THEN YOU'RE A PARENT, IT'S EXPECTED to deal with the occasional scraped knee or bump on the head. What isn't anticipated is an injury that leaves your child upset, bleeding, or even missing a tooth. We know what to do when our child has a cut — wash it off, maybe put a little Neosporin on it, and apply a kid-friendly bandage. But what if your child knocks out a tooth? Do you know what to do then? It can be hard not to panic when you find yourself in this situation, but the good news is that if you can stay calm, think clearly, and contact your pediatric dental office, they can take care of your child and give them the help they need to ensure the best possible

SO, WHAT SHOULD YOU DO WHEN A BABY TOOTH IS KNOCKED OUT?

Although it certainly looks scary — and your child is probably completely panicked — a knocked out baby tooth is rarely a serious problem. Baby teeth don't have the long root of a permanent tooth, so they can be easy to knock out during a traumatic injury. This also means that when they do come out, they're less likely to cause serious damage to soft tissue in the mouth.

We don't replace baby teeth that have been knocked out because it could damage

the permanent tooth that is developing beneath it, so your main concern in this scenario should be making sure there are no other injuries to your child and stopping the bleeding. Have your child rinse his or her mouth with water, then use a clean, cold wet washcloth or piece of gauze as a compress to stop the bleeding and reduce any swelling. Ask your child to bite down on the washcloth or gauze to hold it in place.

Once you've had a chance to assess the situation, give your pediatric dentist a call. They also may suggest that you bring your child in for a quick visit to check on any other teeth that may have been damaged or to assess any injuries to the lips or gum tissues.

WHAT TO DO WHEN A PERMANENT TOOTH IS KNOCKED

OUT? A traumatic injury is more complicated when it's a permanent tooth that has been knocked out. When it's an adult tooth that has been knocked off, you do need to find the tooth, if possible. Our goal is to put the natural tooth back in place, rather than resorting to an artificial replacement.

With that said, it's just as important to stay calm and assess the situation before taking the following steps:

The first priority when a permanent tooth is lost is placing it back in the socket if possible. You should pick up the tooth by the crown (the part of the tooth you usually see in the mouth), not the root. If it has become dirty, gently rinse it with water but do not wipe it excessively. Then, gently push it back into the socket if possible. Have your child bite on a piece of paper towel or washcloth to help hold the tooth in place until they can see one of our pediatric dentists.

If you are unable to implant the tooth right away, place the tooth in a cup of cold milk and contact your pediatric dentist right away for an emergency visit. The sooner the better, because the chances of saving the tooth decline the longer it is out of its socket.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you don't have milk available do NOT use water! The best alternative to milk is storing the tooth in a cup of your child's saliva.

Your child can bite on a cold washcloth to help control any swelling or bleeding that has occurred from the trauma.

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HIS MONTH, WE CONNECTED with Mr. Steven Smith, principal at Mark Newbie Elementary School. He chose Mrs. Lisa DeAmicis as the school's first outstanding teacher.

"I am proud to showcase one of our dedicated teachers, Mrs. DeAmicis, and a model student, Montgomery Mahan. Mrs. DeAmicis instructs our fourth grade classroom here at Mark Newbie. Her creativity was on display this year during a Glow in the Dark Day and Potato Olympic Games. She brings her lessons to life daily by connecting them to her students' personal interests. It is through the relationships that she builds with her students that fosters their love for learning.

"Montgomery is a focused learner who enjoys interacting with friends, encouraging them to never give up, and to always persevere. His interests extend beyond the classroom into music and sports. I look forward to seeing and hearing about the many accomplishments that lay ahead for him.

"We are lucky to have them both as members of our Mark Newbie team."

LISA DeAMICIS, Teacher at Mark Newbie Elementary

Why did you become a teacher?

When I was in fifth grade, I had an amazing teacher, Mrs. Ginsburg. She was always joking with us and made learning fun. When she would read to us, I hung on every word.

The year after I moved on to middle school, my mother became the school nurse at my old elementary school. I would always ride my bike down to the school to visit with my mom and would always stop in to say hello to Mrs. Ginsburg. I would help her with papers, setting up her room, and talk about books. She would always ask me what my plans for the future were, and I would tell her to become a teacher like her. I wanted to instill in children a love of learning the way she had with me.

What is your teaching philosophy?

My teaching philosophy is that children learn best when they are in a positive learning environment where they feel welcomed and comfortable to try new things without the fear of making mistakes. We recognize that mistakes are all part of learning. It's an amazing feeling to watch the students learn a new math concept and feel comfortable to take risks on their own to push themselves more. An example of this is learning to divide multi-digit numbers. It's such a hard concept with the multiple steps and processes. By the end of the first day of learning how to divide three-digit dividends, the kids were giving themselves problems with 5 and 6-digit dividends. Some were even trying 2-digit divisors!

What do you feel is your biggest strength as a teacher?

My biggest strength as a teacher is making connections with my students and using those connections to get them excited to learn. By building relationships, the learning piece falls into place.

I can engage learners by creating lessons that are geared towards their interests and then use that engagement to push their thinking farther.

What is your favorite part about teaching at Newbie?

I've been teaching at Mark Newbie School for 24 years and the family atmosphere has always been my favorite part. Having such a small school community, we get to know the students and their families from very early on. The students walk past the third, fourth, and fifth grade rooms every morning on the way in and we begin building relationships with them. By the time they reach us in the upper grades, we know them.

The staff at Mark Newbie is a big part of the family atmosphere. We support each other inside and outside of school. If there is something that one of us needs or we are asking for help with something personal, there will always be someone there.

What are your favorite hobbies and interests?

Does shopping at bookstores count as a hobby? I love reading - especially biographies. My classroom library is filled with books and our biography section is pretty thick! I also love learning about history. My parents were very big on vacationing along the east coast - if George Washington was there, then we were there, again and again.... Now my husband and sons get to experience those trips, too!

Having two middle school aged boys keeps me very busy. Sundays in the fall and spring you can find me on the soccer fields and weeknights and weekends in the winter are spent on the basketball courts.

Why did you select this student?

I selected Montgomery because he is a leader in the classroom. His positive attitude, combined with his grit, is evident throughout the day. Whether it's a new math concept we are learning, or working on a science investigation, he rolls up his sleeves and gets to work. Monty gets so involved in what we are learning - his enthusiasm spills out! I especially love leaving him on a read-aloud cliffhanger! Montgomery is liked and respected by all of his classmates. He is constantly setting an example for the students inside and outside of the classroom. It's been a pleasure watching him grow this year!



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MONTGOMERY MAHAN, Student at Mark Newbie Elementary

What is your favorite subject?

Math is my favorite subject because I like numbers. There are also a ton of hard word problems that make my brain stronger.

Mrs. DeAmicis makes learning math fun because she explains each step so people can understand.

What do you feel is the most important part of being a good member of your school community?

You should always be kind because you don't know how hard something is until you walk in their shoes.

What is the most challenging part of being a student today?

The most challenging part of being a student right now is dealing with COVID-19. Wearing masks was hard but now it's optional. School has been wonderful the past few weeks as we adjust back to pre-COVID times.

What would you like to do in the future? In the future I would like to be a neurologist

as a career. I enjoy helping people and I know how important doctors are to our community. I would also want to be in the major soccer league. I enjoy playing fullback as my go to position. Mrs. DeAmicis' class jobs where we get paid and make deposits has taught me I need to take care of my money and I need a job!

What's your favorite part about being a student at Mark Newbie School?

All the kids at the school are very kind and caring. I wish I could spend more time in this school but you don't get younger! I will never forget the moments I have had at this school. Mr. Smith and Mrs. DeAmicis contribute to make Newbie so special for all of the students.

What is your favorite hobby (sport, activity, etc...)?

At school my favorite hobby is playing kick ball outside. As a hobby at home I enjoy playing soccer, baseball, and swimming.

Is there something you would like to share with Mrs. DeAmicis?

I would like to thank Mrs.DeAmicis for being a great teacher and I thank her for teaching me all sorts of new things. I would also like to thank her for being so kind and encouraging me to do my best. I know she wants me to be successful.

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wanted to bring her work to a larger platform! Tatiana graciously agreed to share a little bit about herself, her work and her inspiration with Collingswood Living readers!

"Hi there, I'm Tatiana Nieves, a 32-year-old mother, wife and Collingswood local! I'm currently residing in one of the most beautiful and artsy towns in New Jersey called Collingswood. I have a beautiful tribe of artists at home as well, two 12-year-old girls, a four-year-old little man and a beautiful artist himself, Anthony Johnson my husband.

"My artwork you see today is inspired by my growth within life changes of good verses evil that allowed me to connect with my innermost being.

"It's speaking out loud, showing my courage and struggles that no one truly knows about, as a mommy who glowed and stayed pure through my thick skin. It's the texture and layering of my art that symbolizes how I feel in my own skin!

"As women we hide within what hurts the most. In today's world, not many can RISE and show STRENGTH through all forms of abuse, and I just want to be a positive example of how strong we truly are as humans. (It's definitely GIRL

"We all have a story! Art in all forms has helped me stay positive and has highlighted my true self. It has also helped to make me a better mother. So this is my way, finally, the feeling of being free!

"So, you may ask why charcuterie boards?

supporting local artists!"

"Number One - I've learned in my journey of hiding in fear that gathering people together has brought me positive energy and tons of happiness and love to my purpose. So, why not create a piece that can gather people together!

"Number Two - Honestly, who doesn't love charcuterie boards! "And a huge thank you for being a part of my story and

For more information on Tatiana's pieces you can visit her website at ONETAarts.com or follow her on Instagram: tnieves and Facebook at: Tatiana Nieves.





NE OF THE MOST UNMISTAKABLE ODORS homeowners can experience is that of a sewer issue.

Sewer problems are not only unpleasant, but they can be

Sewer problems are not only unpleasant, but they can be very frustrating especially when you cannot see what is causing the problem. You can end up spending a ton of money trying to locate the problem and still come up short, perhaps even paying for a non-existent problem.

Properly identifying the cause of any sewer problem is the first step towards fixing it and that is where a sewer camera comes in. With this camera, your professional plumber can see exactly what is causing the problem and use the right method to fix it.

What is a Sewer Camera? A sewer camera is a waterproof camera attached to a flexible rod or cable that is led through the sewer pipes to help detect any problems that may be in them. The cameras have radio transmitters that record the location of the problem so that the plumber can know exactly where to go and how to fix it.

Using a sewer camera inspection means that you will not have to dig up your yard to try and locate the cause of the problem. Not only will it save you a lot of money but it will also remove the added headache of destroying your yard.

If the problem with your sewer is on a visible part of the plumbing, you can easily DIY or hire a plumber to fix it at low cost. Unfortunately, this is not always the outcome. Here are a few common sewer problems that can only be detected by using a plumbing camera.

Broken or Cracked Pipes Broken and cracked pipes lead to leakages which can cause you to pay higher water bills especially if the crack is on the water pipes. Sewer leaks release untreated waste, which is also not good for the environment. A camera inspection can help to detect any defects on your pipes. A sewer camera will help to identify exactly what you are dealing with and how much it will cost to repair.

Clogs in Pipes One of the most common sewer problems that homeowners have to deal with is clogged pipes. It might seem easy just to fix the clog using a snake machine but this can sometimes punch a hole through the clog instead of actually removing it.

It's always better to learn what is causing the blockage, remove it completely and hopefully stop the situation from occurring again. The sewer camera will help you see the clog, know its cause, and how to fix it. Your plumber can then use only the right solution for the clogged pipe to help preserve your pipes.

Pesky Tree Roots If you have trees in your yard, then there are high chances that you might have to deal with this kind of plumbing problem. Tree root infiltration is common with pipes that are made out of cast iron, clay, or other porous materials.

Tree roots are tenacious and dig through cracks in the pipes in search of water. This not only blocks your pipes put also damages them. Fixing this problem can be very costly because of the damages and work involved. Cameras are flexible and can easily



go through the pipes and help locate any infiltration by the tree roots. This means the plumber can be able to diagnose the problem without having to dig up the lawn first.

Collapsed Sewer Pipes Blockages in sewer lines can at times be due to collapsed pipes. Without using the camera, your plumber will not be able to tell if the pipes are collapsed or damaged, including the exact location of the collapse.

Sagging Pipes When the sewer pipes sag or descend, they become bellied. This then allows dirt, debris, and any other kind of wastes to get caught up in the sag, and often this results in repeat blockages. When seals that are between the pipes become loose, they can leak waste from the pipes.

Sewer lines made from metals that corrode and degrade create more issues and can be a big problem if not addressed immediately. The camera will allow the plumber to pinpoint the exact location of the sag to fix it.

Major Blockages Major blockages are caused by years of constantly sending grease, hair, paper, and other waste that should otherwise go through the waste disposal or the trashcan, down the sewer drain. Over time, it can cause a build-up that can severely block the pipes.

Your pipes might be in perfect condition but when blocked with such waste they will not function properly. A sewer camera service will help locate the blockage so your plumber can repair it.

Detect Rust in Pipes Sewer pipes made from metal are prone to rusting with over time. When the metal excessively corrodes, it becomes weak and this will cause the pipes to crack.

Corrosion, if not dealt with can spread and therefore, it is important to replace all corroded pipes as soon as you detect them. If your drains are backing up, or you have noticed some puddles of water or sewage in your yard, then you might be having a problem

with your sewer drainage. The moment you detect these telltale signs; ensure you call a plumber.

Plumbing problems are almost impossible to live with, and you will only have peace of mind once you can detect it and fix it as soon as possible. The use of sewer cameras will help you do just that!

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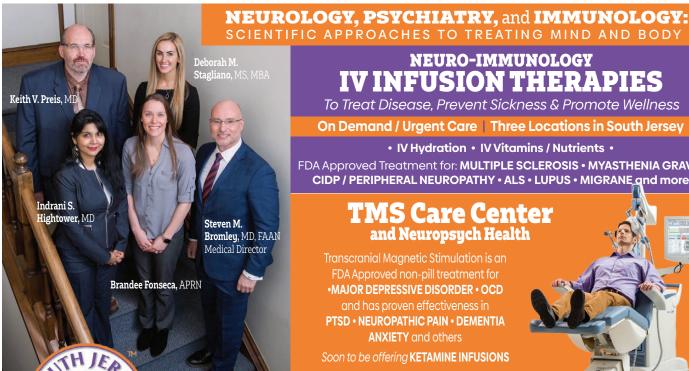
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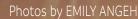


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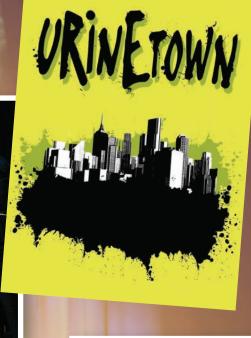
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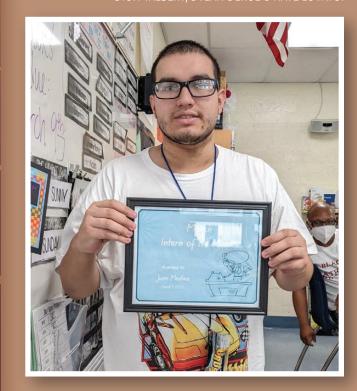
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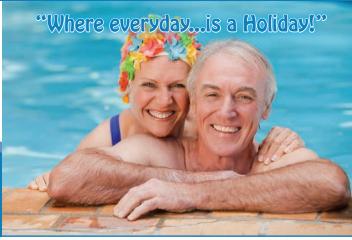




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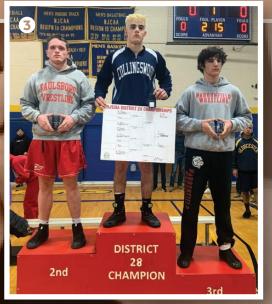
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- 3. Ben Moore of Everette Wilson Design the host with the most!
- 4. Gettin' crafty for the Spring season at Hammer and Stain!
- 5. Official ribbon cutting for Chesco Hemp Company! Collingswood's first CBD based storefront.
- 6. Pip and Jer from Team JFK Living... give back big with a pantry food drive to benefit the Food Bank of South Jersey! @foodbanksj
- 7. Congratulations to the nine Collingswood singers who participated in the 39th Annual South Jersey Elementary Chorus Festival! These students put in extra time after school to practice and rehearse challenging choral music, and came together to sing with other young musicians from across the region!









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- 2 large eggs
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Ingredients for topping:

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- 3 T. cocoa
- 2 c. powdered sugar
- · splash of milk
- mini chocolate eggs

Directions:

- 1. Pre-heat oven to 350° .
- 2. Melt the cocoa and butter together gently and allow to cool.
- 3. Beat in the eggs and sugar until smooth.
- 4. Fold in the flour.
- 5. Bake in a greased tin for 20-25 minutes until firm on the top but slightly soft underneath.
- $6. \ \ When cool cut into 16 \ equal \ squares \ by \ cutting \ into \ quarters \ and \ then \ cutting \ those \ quarters \ into \ quarters.$
- 7. In a large bowl beat together the butter, icing sugar and cocoa to make the chocolate frosting. If it is too thick and dry then add a tiny amount of milk.

I love the chocolatey indulgence of Easter and couldn't resist making these cute Easter

Chocolate Brownie Nests with my children to

welcome spring and Easter into our home!

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UIRKY, SLIGHTLY KITSCHY AND QUAINT—the best three ways I can summarize a visit to Sabrina's Café. Of course this mainly refers to the ambience, but the dishes are well executed comfort foods with a slight twist and are simply delicious. Sabrina's Café offers a comfortable atmosphere with both traditional choices and some interesting twists on old standards.

Sabrina's Café is a long established eatery on Haddon Avenue, as it opened its doors in Collingswood in late 2015. When thinking of Sabrina's, the phrase "oldie but goodie" is the best phrase to define this classic Collingswood staple. The husband-and-wife owners, Robert and Raquel, also own and operate a few locations in the Philadelphia area including University City, and the Fairmount section which puts Sabrina's Café just over the 20 year old anniversary mark.

Being a self professed foodie and "babe who brunches," I couldn't miss the opportunity to highlight one of my recent visits and reminders why this classic

Collingswood eatery is a town favorite!

If you're in the mood for breakfast, I highly recommend you kick start your day with a large specialty latte. With equal parts caffeine and dessert, I ordered the Maple Caramel latte, which is available as hot or iced.

I will admit that as a connoisseur of coffee, it was a tough choice from their other fun selections. The only thing to supersede the latte was the Challah Stuffed French Toast which was stuffed with a perfectly sweetened cream cheese and topped with bananas and vanilla bean syrup. To balance out the decadent overload, we counterbalanced and ordered the Avocado Toast. Of course this toast was prepared in a Sabrina's Café fashion, with smashed avocado, olive oil, pickled red onion, poached egg, everything spice piled on a thick multi-grain bread slice and served with a side salad. Another notable mention was the chicken and waffles, which is a favorite amongst regulars.

Feeling incredibly satisfied and as stuffed as the French toast we just consumed, we were ready to roll. But as any good foodie will tell you, if you love the place, order something 'to go' — you know, "for later." Having my eyes on the prize and lunch on my mind, we ordered a few Bhan Mi sandwiches to take with us on the road. Already being a fan of this sandwich, I was excited to try Sabrina's spin on this classic Vietnamese specialty. With pickled vegetables, hoisin mayo, shredded Nappa cabbage, jalapeño and your choice of pulled pork, grilled chicken breast, or crispy tofu or seitan for vegetarians, I went with the pulled pork. It was fresh, zesty and delicious, and paid ample respect to origins of a true Bhan Mi sandwich.

If you haven't tried Sabrina's Café, I highly recommend that you add it to your bucket list of places to dine in town. One small word of advice, do not go while on a diet, unless you're looking to test your personal willpower! Serving sizes are generous and while there are healthier selections than what we ordered, why skip an opportunity to indulge, even just a bit. After all, we all deserve a little something sweet once in awhile.









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