## **Customer Spotlight:**



This month we would like to shine the light on new customers Kim Toomey & Joe Schumacher. Kim & Joe awarded us with the contract for making repairs to and painting their beautiful and unique home in Wayne, as well as many additional work orders for carpentry repairs we found during surface preparations. Last but not least, we appreciate the trust they showed in us by leaving us access to their home while they were away. Welcome to the Taylor Painting family. We hope you will be around for a long, long time!!

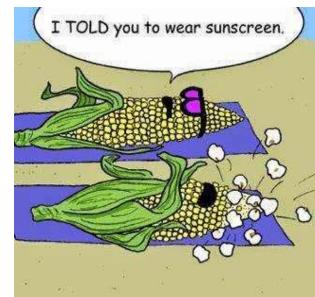
# A Special Welcome to Our Newest Customers!



We would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest customers: Matthew Delaney, Patrick Ross, Ed & Bonnie Shew, Michael Allen, Kim Toomey & Joe Schumacher, and Brian & Susan O'Neill!

Thank you all for putting your trust in our company and giving us the opportunity to prove our worth to you as we help you make these improvements to your lovely homes & businesses. Our goal is to make you "repeat for life" customers, so please let us know how we're doing!!

# ~Playground~



# ~Summer Lovin'~



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#### Ah Summer...

### Hot Fun in the Summertime

That time of year when everything slows down just a little bit (unless you're a painting contractor, then it's full speed ahead crazy busy outdoor season!). But yes, routines are a little less frantic with kids out of school. Bedtimes get pushed back a little later as we linger outside over the remains of the day: BBQ dinners, a cold beer, a melting popsicle...watching as the fireflies arrive to light up the night.

Summer for us brings back childhood memories, of course. For me it was trips to Margate, NJ, with my parents, brother, and sister to visit our grandparents. The long car rides spent trying to torture one another without getting caught by my father's stern look in the rearview mirror. The sigh of relief when we finally saw Lucy the (65 ft. tall) Elephant, which was the signal to us that, yes, we were there yet!

For Richelle it was trips with her father and sisters to other local beaches like Ocean City, NJ, (where the girls knocked a salt shaker behind the stove, pulled it out to retrieve it, and caused a gas leak in their room!), or one year they drove to Montreal and she discovered the \$2 bill, watched *The Flintstones* in French, and swam in the '76 Olympic Pool.

When we started our own family, the first few years we did day trips to Sesame Place, Dutch Wonderland and the like. Eventually we move on to boogie boarding and waterslides at nearby Wildwood & Morey's Piers ("Watch the tramcar please!"). And then we bit the bullet and started doing Disney, Universal, Discovery Cove, and several amazing beaches along the southern and western Florida coastlines. We have a lot of incredible memories from those destinations, as well as some staycations spent just enjoying our local Y, riding bikes, exploring Valley Forge Park, eating ice cream, and watching the kids <u>Be</u> kids.

I guess our priorities for summer change as we get older. Kids have (and are allowed to have) a lot of expectations for what "summer break" will bring. As adults, we somehow have to carry on with everyday life and still manage to provide that illusion of continual relaxation and fun. It's not an easy job, but as we all know, childhood only lasts for so long. It's my hope that there is a second childhood of sorts somewhere around the bend. Where relaxation and fun become second nature for grown-ups too and not something we pay to cram into seven short days a year. That's my dream of retirement anyway – if you know different don't disillusion me, okay?!

Hope you've been enjoying a great summer. Have a fun and safe Labor Day weekend! Give us a call when the kiddos are back in school to get started on your interior projects before the holidays. And as always, thank you for your patronage. All My Best,

Contact Anytime 610-220-0980 Tim www.taylorpaintingco.com



### **HOT Summer Nights! What's happening in** Your neck of the woods?



WHAT'S UP WEST CHESTER??!! As someone pointed out, we unintentionally left your fine town out of the current events section of our last newsletter. Well, since you all have been showing us SO much love lately, we decided to dedicate the *entire* section to events going on in *your* area in this issue! We hope that those of you living in WC, and all our other customers - many of whom live nearby - will find one or more things of interest to do from our list. Be safe and have fun!

Benchmark Twilight Cycling Classic -- August 12, 2017, 4 pm to 10 pm. West Chester's professional sporting event.

Market Street Block Party -- August 12, 2017, 4pm to 8pm. Head down to Market Street to watch the bike race.

Although the name has changed to the Benchmark Twilight Cycling Classic, you can still count on the fun & excitement of past years. Thrill to top-notch professional bike racing w/the Iron Hill Pro Men's Criterium & The Brumbaugh Wealth Management Pro Women's **Criterium**. Enjoy top amateur racing in the **Rothman** Institute Amateur Criterium. Have a blast watching the Tolsdorf Trike Challenge. Sign up your children in the West Chester Dental Arts Kids' Race. Mark your calendar: August 12, downtown WC. . . for the thrill of it!

#### Thanks for the Referrals!

Much of the work at Taylor Painting comes from our satisfied customers telling their friends and family about us. We recently reinstated our customer referral program and are so glad we did! When you refer someone to us and it turns into a job, at the end of that job we will thank you with a \$100 gift card for your favorite restaurant, donation to your favorite charity, or discount on future work! Your choice!~

-This month we are thanking Ellen Covner, Owner of Ellen's Custom Gardens, LLC, for the Lois Duncan referral – as well as numerous others over the years! Also, Steve & Colleen McGinn for referring Ed & Bonnie Shew, and Meg & Jerry Kilpatrick for referring Susan & Brian O'Neill. We appreciate the work more than you know and hope to be a part of your future projects!



#### THE FUZZY-FOOTED GIANTS ARE BACK!

Thursday, August 31, 2017!

to Darlington, south to Market, and east to Walnut Street.

First introduced in 1933 after the repeal of Prohibition, the Clydesdales have served as a living symbol of not just Budweiser, but the unconquerable American spirit. Famous worldwide for their appearances in parades, television broadcasts and even Presidential inaugurations, they're now set to do their most important job yet -- deliver beer to RAMP certified downtown watering holes.

Swingin' Summer Thursday -- September 7, 2017, 6:30 to 9:30pm. Street music festival for the whole family. Free.

Chester County Restaurant Festival -- September 17, 2017, Noon to 5 pm. Lots of food and fun.

Gallery Walk -- October 6, 2017, starting at 5 pm. Enjoy art openings and special events throughout downtown.

West Chester Rotary's Annual Chili Cook-off -- October 8, 2017, noon to 3 pm. Vote for the best chili in West Chester!

Halloween Parade -- October 25, 2017, 7:00 pm. Bring your little monsters downtown and be in the parade!



**Grilled Parmesan Corn on The Cob** Can't stand the heat? Grill the corn! Sweet. savory, crunchy, fresh, nutty deliciousness! -40 mins - Vegetarian, Gluten free, · Serves 4

#### Ingredients

PRODUCE: **BAKING &** 4 Ears Corn, **SPICES:** Fresh on Cob 2 tsp Fresh Basil **OILS & VINEGAR:** ¼ tsp Pepper, ½ Cup Olive Oil Fresh Ground DAIRY: ½ tsp Sea Salt ½ Cup Parmesan Cheese, ½ tsp Garlic Fresh Grated Powder

- 1. Shuck corn. In small bowl mix olive oil, dried basil, garlic powder, salt & pepper. Place each piece of corn on a sheet of heavy-duty aluminum foil. Brush with olive oil mixture, generously sprinkle parmesan cheese all over corn and wrap tightly.
- 2. Preheat grill to 400°F. Grill corn for about 30 mins., turning every 10 mins.
- 3. Remove from grill, open foil packets and garnish with extra Parmesan cheese. Serve and enjoy! Nothing is better than savory, fresh, grilled corn!

**Late Summer Special Offer: COMPLIMENTARY Interior or Exterior Window Cleaning with any Interior Project Scheduled Before** October 31st, 2017

PLEASE MENTION COUPON WHEN **SCHEDULING YOUR FREE ESTIMATE** 

> **CALL TIM AT 610-220-0980** or Email Us at taylorpainting@comcast.net

**Bare Necessities Freshly Frozen Fruit Bars** Healthy, refreshing summer snacks for kids & adults.

#### Ingredients:

2-3 Kiwis, peeled & sliced - 1 pkg Fresh Strawberries, sliced 2-3 Tangerine Oranges, peeled & sliced - 1 pkg Fresh Blueberries

(Any of your favorite fruits cut in bite-sized pieces will do

2 Bottles/Cans/Cartons Coconut Water & Popsicle Molds Directions:

Add cut up fruit to popsicle molds (it's ok if there are spaces). You don't want the fruit packed too tightly.

Pour in coconut water until it reaches the top of each popsicle mold.

Freeze the molds overnight, or until solid. Once frozen, remove from mold and serve immediately.

Tip: To get the popsicles to separate from the mold easier, run the plastic under warm water until they slide out easily.

#### LATE SUMMER HOME MAINTENANCE TIPS:

Most of us dread thoughts of fall chores during the summer, but late summer is the ideal time to begin preparing for autumn and rough weather before its arrival. Use this guideline to help get your home in shape before the cold season.

#### INTERIOR: **#1 HOME SAFETY**

Before closing up your house & turning on heat for the 1st time, you should check all your safety devices to ensure they work properly. Replace the batteries in smoke & carbon monoxide detectors and make sure fire extinguishers aren't expired.

#### **#2 SCHEDULE FURNACE MAINTENANCE**

Once the cold season strikes, most HVAC Co.'s will likely be busy on service calls. Be proactive and schedule a furnace check in late August to ensure yours is functioning optimally. Late summer is the ideal time to catch small furnace problems before they cause large (and expensive) problems during a cold snap.

#### **#3 IMPROVE INSULATION**

With improved insulation in attic & walls, you'll be better able to prevent cold air from seeping inside. When cold drafts get into your home, they force your furnace to work overtime to heat the house. This leads to higher energy bills. Investing in insulation helps save on energy costs. Spending a little now saves more in the long

### **EXTERIOR:**

#### **#1 CHECK FOR CRACKS**

Inspect for cracks in your home's foundation and seal them properly to prevent cold drafts from getting inside. Cracks in the foundation or near windows also function as an entryway for unwanted critters like mice.

#### **#2 CHECK YOUR ROOF**

It's good to check your roof seasonally for potential problems, but definitely before cold weather hits. Look for loose shingles and make necessary repairs before autumn storms arrive. Don't forget to check your gutters while up on the roof. Although you'll likely need to clean your gutters after the leaves have fallen, you can still remove any leaves, branches or nests in late summer to ensure optimum drainage.

#### **#3 REINFORCE DOORS AND WINDOWS**

Before those first cold days arrive, set aside a day to replace your door and window screens with storm windows. You can also add weather stripping to doors and windows to help keep cool air from seeping inside.

#### **#4 TRIM YOUR TREES**

If you notice any dead branches or decaying limbs on the trees of your property, you should call your landscaping service to have them removed. These limbs can become hazardous when loaded with ice and snow. They can also prove vulnerable to winds, so it's best to remove them before they can fall on your house or vehicle.

Grab your cameras and watch as the horses clippity-clop along Gay and Market streets, delivering their favorite adult beverage to participating bars & restaurants downtown on:

It all starts at Gay and Matlack Streets, then proceeds west