



TERHUNE ORCHARDS NEWS

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SPRING 2022

Let's Go Fly a Kite – April 30 & May 1

Kite Day is our annual tradition to welcome spring at Terhune Orchards. This soaring spring festival is a perfect time to explore the farm during one of its most beautiful seasons, April 30 & May 1 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Children can use their imaginations to make and decorate their own kites. We use a kite design that is guaranteed to fly! Choose from a colorful assortment of pre-made kite kits in the form of birds, butterflies, and more. Or bring your favorite kite from home. Whichever kite you choose, there will be a rainbow of colors in every shape and size floating through the air above our orchards. If we are in luck the apple trees will also be in bloom.

Listen to the sounds of country music as your kite dances in the wind. Local bands will play from 12pm-4pm, on Saturday Tookany Creek and on Sunday, Chickens 'n Such.

Have a great time playing on the farm. Take a pony ride. Join in the fun of old-fashioned games and children's activities in the barnyard such as Hopscotch, Hula Hoop the Horse. Our special children playhouses will be open, Junior Mechanic Shop and Little Tots Farm Store. Don't miss having have a hop in the Hippy



Hop Corral or taking a duck for Duckie Race. Play on our play tractors and take a turn in the pedal tractor track.

Our sheep shearer, Joel Markevey, will shear our sheep in the barnyard on Sunday. Get to know our barnyard friends while you visit.

Hungry kite fliers will find farm fresh lunch and snacks at Pam's Food Tent. Sample Terhune Orchards' spring menu items including BBQ chicken, country style chili, salads and fresh baked pies. Our famous apple cider donuts and fresh pressed apple cider make every visit to the farm complete.



Adults can enjoy a visit to our Wine Orchard where Terhune's own 18 varieties of wine are available for tasting under the 100-year-old apple trees. Tasting flights, wine by the glass and wine slushy will be available to toast the Spring.

There is nothing like Spring on the farm. Join us this spring weekend to see our freshly planted fields, fruit trees and flowers blooming; the fresh air and beauty of all the season has to offer.

Admission \$12 Online/\$15 At Gate (age 3 and up). Winery & Farm Store: for weekend entry, admission tickets required.

Purchase online terhuneorchards.ticketspice.com/kite-day-2022



Pick-Your-Own Fun!

In late April, as soon as asparagus spears start to emerge, Terhune Orchard's Pick-Your-Own season begins. We eagerly await this first spring crop as sign that Spring is truly here to stay. Picking asparagus is a unique experience for the entire family. When picking this Garden State favorite, simply locate a tender, young stalk and snap it off close to the ground – no tools required. Come back often to pick a fresh bunch as our season lasts for about a month.

Our Strawberry picking begins in late May and usually lasts 2-3 weeks depending on the weather. This sweet berry is a favorite fruit of many. Easy to pick for all ages so it is a great, fun family activity. Our juicy strawberries are grown on raised beds, with plastic to keep away weeds and wood chip mulch in the middles for easy walking.

In June, Cherry lovers rejoice because it is



time for Terhune Orchards sweet and tart cherries to be picked. We grow sweet cherries for eating, and tart cherries for baking and making jam. Cherry season is very short in mid-June. Growing cherries requires special care. We cover our orchard to keep out excess water and prevent the cherries from cracking and we net the orchard to keep out the birds! Since cherry season is short, sign up for notification to know when to pick. Don't be late!

Sign up at terhuneorchards.com for e-mail notifications and follow us on Facebook and

Spring Renewal On the Farm

By Pam Mount

Spring cleaning has hit Terhune Orchards in a big way this year. Starting with the children's play area — out with the old wooden tactor and wagon structure and in with a brand new one and adding a wooden jeep for "driving" around the farm.



Mount grandchildren on new porch of farm store

The construction was watched by a lineup of goats, donkeys and sheep along the fence. A new roof on the apple building which is now over 100 years old. It was time! The cider building roof was replaced as well as the bakery roof and the vegetable storage room behind the store. All looking trim and neat for the years to come.

Top it all off with our wonderful new apple building porch, handicap ramp and series of steps down the front. All painted white and welcoming. To finish off the apple barn, new red, wood siding on the front! So all this leads up to spring when the apple orchards, peach orchards and cherry orchards bloom to do their part in welcoming everyone to the new and glorious season at Terhune Orchards.

The Mount family is also doing well. Reuwei's girls, Maya, 17, Tess and Sasha, 14, will celebrate their birthday on May 14, same day as Gary, another spring renewal! Tannwen's family, Becket, now 14, growing fast — a foot in the last three years! Standing eye to eye with his dad. Twins, Hadley and Clayton are blooming as well, back to school, 1st grade!

Son Mark has finished his 20 year tour of duty with the US army- we are very proud of his service! He and his family have settled outside Chicago where he is working security at the airport.

So come join us for spring on the farm and celebrate new beginnings.



Instagram for updates from the farm. As soon as crops are available to pick, we will let you know. Experience the fun of harvesting yourself!

Bunny Chase - Sat & Sun, April 16 & April 17, 10:00a.m. - 4p.m.

Celebrate the arrival of spring at Terhune Orchards' Bunny Chase on Easter weekend: April 16 & 17, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Spring has sprung at Terhune Orchards! The farm animals are enjoying spring in the pasture and the bulbs are blooming. Come for a fun event family event. Follow the treasure hunt clues around the farm, discovering the spring! At the end of the hunt, guests can choose to do a bunny craft activity and meet the real Terhune bunnies.



Have a great time playing on the farm – take a hop on the Hopscotch, Hula Hoop the Horse or ride a real horse at the pony rides! Our special children's playhouses will be open, Don't miss having a hop in the Hippity Hop Corral or taking a duck for Duckie Race. Play on the tractor play area and take a pedal tractor for a spin.

After following the bunny prints around the farm, hop over to the Farm Food Tent. It will be filled with homemade goodies including donuts, pie, cookies, apple cider, soup, chili, salads, hot dogs, and much more. Adults can visit the Terhune Orchards Vineyard and Winery to sample our award-winning wines made from grapes grown right here on the farm. A fun event for all ages!



Enjoy live music on the farm. On Saturday, listen to the tunes of Brian & Sam Bortnick and on Sunday, Chickens N Such.

Help us celebrate the end of winter and the beginning of spring on the farm.

Admission is \$10 Online/\$14 At Gate (3 year and older). Purchase online <https://terhuneorchards.ticketspice.com/bunny-chase> additional charge for craft.

Winery & Farm Store: for weekend entry, admission tickets must be purchased.

Order online terhuneorchards.com for curbside pick-up for all your Easter shopping, easy pickup this weekend at our Terhune Favorites Stand by the flagpole.



Birthday Parties on the Farm

Our barnyard birthday parties are a unique way to celebrate with your family and friends. Make lasting memories here on the farm. Held in a special reserved area, enjoy two hours of fun farm activities during your big day.



Little ones will enjoy special access to our children's playhouses – Little Tots Farm Store and Junior Mechanic's Workshop. Your guests will enjoy fresh apple cider donuts and apple cider. Young ones will have a blast feeding our barnyard friends, playing in the barnyard play area and, and taking the pedal tractors for a spin. Each child takes home happy memories and a Terhune Orchards coloring book. Pony rides, wagon rides and special garden story-time and seed planting are available for an additional charge.

Spring and summer are the perfect time of year for an outdoor party on the farm. Enjoy the fresh open air and come celebrate your special day with us at Terhune.

To reserve your date for a birthday party or for more information, visit www.terhuneorchards.com/birthday or call 609-924-2310.



Farm Tours - Great for Groups of All Kinds Schools, Daycare, Camps, Brownies, Seniors

Spring is a wonderful time for groups of all ages to visit the farm. Terhune Orchards offers a variety of educational programs for pre-k to elementary students, brownie troops, teens, and adults. Each tour is adapted to match the age and interests of the group. Groups will enjoy a hands-on activity, use of play area, visit animal barn yard, children garden and snack.

School groups will learn about seeds and how plants grow, discuss pollinators, water, soil and make some new friends in the barnyard. Adult tours will learn about our history, methods of farming and may add wine tasting and tasty farm treats as a package.

New this spring – now offering Brownie badge

program. Come to Terhune and have fun while earning your badge with us.

Tours are available by appointment from April through November. More information and rates at terhuneorchards.com/school-trips or 609-924-2310.



Read & Pick Fun for Little Farmers

Spring is in the air! We invite our youngest farmers to experience life on the farm through fun and educational program at Terhune Orchards.



Our Read & Pick program focuses on our crops and outdoor farm activities. This innovative program is an educational program with a story-time, highlighting a fruit or farm area and with a hands-on activity. Children get to pick our latest crops such as strawberries, cherries, blueberries, and flowers or participate in a craft activity. We offer two sessions at 9:30am and 11am on Tuesday mornings, late April – early October. See full schedule www.terhuneorchards.com/read-pick-program

Season Pass available! Purchase online only. Receive 10% off! Enjoy a season full of fun. Pass must be purchased by date of first session April 26.

Programs last about an hour. Online purchase of tickets is required. terhuneorchards.ticketspice.com/read-pick



Host a Unique Private and Corporate Event at Terhune Orchards

Our farm is a wonderful location for making memorable events for small and large groups of friends, families, and co-workers.

It is the season to reconnect in person while still being in the fresh open air. Reward employees and cultivate team spirit by holding a farm event filled with fresh air and activities. A visit to Terhune offers a relaxed atmosphere to share ideas, boost morale, and celebrate accomplishments.

Allow us to help you plan a unique bridal shower, baby shower, anniversary party, or cherished family celebration.

Event spaces at Terhune Orchards are suitable

for large or small groups looking for the perfect spot to work and play.

For more information on creating a one-of-a-kind event for your group, email tmount@terhuneorchards.com or call 609-924-2310.



Winter Projects After COVID

By Gary Mount

Well, it is not exactly “After COVID” — that is still with us — but many projects got postponed the past two years. We are happy to say that we — and our staff — are learning to cope with COVID. Everyone has followed our family’s example and all staff are fully vaccinated and boosted. We still have staggered lunch times and socially distanced lunch tables but thank goodness many of our staff work outdoors in the fresh air.

And thinking of our staff, we welcomed a new worker from Afghanistan three weeks ago. He and his family arrived in the US, live close to the farm, and working here is his first American job. We wish him well and appreciate the extra help.

But about the winter projects. There is never any end to the ideas that the Terhune team thinks

it. <https://www.terhuneorchards.com/a-building-of-many-names/>

The farmstore needed some work. The main building, front porch, rear porch, and the attached vegetable cooler all needed new roofs. Adding a leaky bakery roof and we had a lot to get done. We closed the farm for one day (unheard of) and Chuck’s Home Improvements (now called Precision Builders) came and did the whole job in one day, and they even cleaned up afterwards. I could not believe it! Very impressive.

The farmstore was not finished. The front porch needed replacement. Built 35 years ago, it not only was in bad shape, but it made our store inaccessible to handicapped customers. Our new porch, designed by Vince Picente of Inside Architecture, looks great, is larger, has better steps and handrails, and has a handicapped accessible



of (Pam, Gary, Reuwai, and Tannwen) and each year it is a rush to completion. A big hurrahy is due to the Terhune Deer Fence team for finishing replacement fences on two farms and a new fence on one farm. As growers of fruits and vegetables, we could not farm here without excluding the deer. There is such a high deer population in this area, and they like to eat everything we grow. The two replacements upgraded our very first year fences, put up over 25 years ago. We are now much better fence builders with taller posts and better fence wire available and we know how to avoid failures of the past. However, deer are very adaptable and learn fast. We hope that we have learned faster. The new fence we build is on the farm we purchased last year at 32 Van Kirk Road. Fencing totals: 3 farms, 140 acres, 15,000 feet of 8-foot-high woven wire fence, 10 gates, and 650 12-foot-long posts. Just terrific — what’s not to like?

Another big project is repair and upgrade of the solar installation on our new barn that was built in 2010. When finished, the project will increase our solar output to just slightly less than that needed for that building — that will be great! (we could make the solar even bigger but it is not financially prudent to exceed the actual electrical power used) We are looking forward to working with Advanced Solar Products who installed our two systems and this project will complete the solar possibilities on our barn and winery. All of the solar is roof mounted so there is no impact on our farmland nor any increased run off. What’s not to like?

Another project was improvements to the Terhune farmstore. It was built long ago — in the 1920s — and I have written about it in the past. It is on our webpage; use this link to read about

ramp. When our contractor Denarksi Builders started the project, I saw a handicapped customer who was watching the work. She was sitting in her wheelchair, practically in tears. It seems that up until now she had not been able to make it into our store. I was impressed-moved-stunned. I don’t know the word to use. I hope that I get to see her come back-in the farmstore!

The last winter project is the most unique. Not unique because of its name which is a “high tunnel” — but what it does for our farm. High tunnels are sort of simple, they are unheated greenhouses and with this winter’s addition, we now have 6 high tunnels. They are covered in plastic about 30 ft x 100 ft, have doors on both ends and sides that roll up. We open them when it is hot, close them when it is cold. The crops are grown in the dirt floor and our tunnels are part of our organic farm. It does not sound so unique, but it allows us to pick fresh lettuce, mixed greens, kale, herbs, spinach, and chard all winter long. For our farm like ours that stays open all year, that’s unique. We plant in September, pick all winter, and even get an early planting of tomatoes in April. What’s not to like?



Get Your Garden Ready: Herbs, Flowering & Vegetable Plants

As the warmer weather approaches it is time to prepare your garden for spring planting. Grown in our greenhouse are organic herb and vegetable plants along with array of colorful annuals.



We have over 20 varieties of culinary herb plants for you to grow. Choose from favorites such as basil, oregano, thyme, rosemary, sage, chives, spearmint, and parsley. We have more unusual herbs, like lemon verbena, which are difficult to find at the supermarket but are very easy to grow yourself.

As farmers, we enjoy sharing the skills of how to grow food in the home garden. Owner of Terhune Orchards, Pam Mount, will hold her Free Annual Herb and Garden Class on May 14 at 10am. Pam’s class is a great way for home gardener to learn tips on growing and combining herb plants in the garden. Register at terhuneorchards.com

Hanging baskets will bring instant color to your patio or porch. With varieties suitable for sun or partial shade our baskets will bloom all summer.



Celebrate Summer with Firefly Festival, June 26, 4-9 p.m.

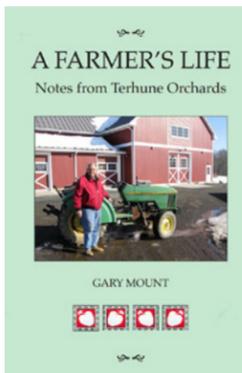


FREE Event: Enjoy an evening of nature, music, good food and outdoor fun.

Flickering Fun: Be your own firefly by making your own wings and antenna. Take a pony ride. Tasty treats in the Food Tent. Adults can visit the Wine Orchard.

Bring your wings and dancing shoes, Lolly Hopwood will be performing. Come and enjoy a flickering, flying, fun FREE evening on the farm.





A FARMER'S LIFE
Notes from Terhune Orchards
GARY MOUNT

Gary Mount publishes *A Farmer's Life: Notes from Terhune Orchards*. Enjoy Terhune history and the inside story of farming. Now available. Collection of articles.

Purchase on the online store www.terhuneorchards.com

Calendar of Events 2022

Farm Store & Barn Yard Open Daily All Year

Sat. & Sun.: Winery Weekend Music Series (see box at right)

Apr. 16 & 17: Bunny Chase 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Apr. 26: Read & Pick Chickens 9:30 & 11 a.m.

Apr. 30 & May 1: Kite Day, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

May 7 & 8: Mother's Day Wine Trail Weekend, 12-5 p.m.

May 10: Read & Pick: Vegetables, 9:30 & 11 a.m.

May 14: Pam's Herb Class, 10 a.m.

May 24: Read & Pick: Growing a Garden of Goodies, 9:30 & 11 a.m.

June 3: Sunset Sips & Sounds Kicks Off Every Friday 5-8 p.m. (see box for schedule)

June 7: Read & Pick Program: Strawberries, 9:30 & 11 a.m.

June 14: Read & Pick Program: Cherries, 9:30 & 11 a.m.

June 18 & 19: Father's Day Weekend Special at the Winery

June 26: Firefly Festival, 4-9 p.m.

June 28: Read & Pick Program: Monarchs, Swallowtails & Honeybees, 9:30 & 11 a.m.

July 9 & 10: Blueberry Bash 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.



More details on all events at www.terhuneorchards.com

Farm Store, Bakery, Barn Yard & Farm Trail:

Open to the public daily all year 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Winery and Tasting Room: Open Fri-Sun 12 - 5 p.m.

School and Group Tours: April through November, by appointment,

Barnyard Birthday Parties: April through November, by appointment,

Private and Corporate Events: Year-round, By appointment

Pick-Your-Own Schedule:

April - Asparagus

May - Strawberries

June - Sweet Cherries, Sour

Cherries, Blueberries

July - Blueberries,

Blackberries, Flowers

August - Blackberries, Flowers

September and October -

Apples, Pumpkins, Flowers

Call the Farm Store

609-924-2310

for info on the availability of specific varieties



Enjoy live music and wine tasting in fresh open air of our Wine Orchard, open 12-5 p.m. No cover charge, families welcome.

(Music plays 1pm-4pm)

April 23: Bud Belviso

April 24: Mike & Laura

May 7: Bill O'Neal & Andy Koontz

May 8: Barbara Lin Band

May 14: Allan Willcockson

May 15: Mark Miklos

May 21: Bud Belviso

May 22: Carmen Marranco

May 28: Jerry Steele

May 29: Kara & Corey

May 30: Bill Flemer

June 4: Mark Miklos

June 5: Bill O'Neal & Andy Koontz

June 11: Brian Bortnick

June 12: Allan Willcockson

June 18: Jerry Steele

June 19: Kingston Ridge

June 25: Brian Bortnick

June 26: Charlotte Kendrick & Dan Rowe



Weekend Music Series with Jerry Steele.

Sunset Sips & Sounds

Fridays 5-8 p.m. June 3-Sept 9

Kick-off the weekend with live Music, no cover, light dinner fare

June 3: Bill Flemer & Friends Trio

June 10: Jerry Steele

June 17: Laundrymen

June 24: Ragtime Relics



Laundrymen



Join the Club - Rewarded with Discounts All Season

Terhune Club Cards are available in two values, Sampler Card worth over \$60 in value, and Deluxe Card worth over \$100 in value. Enjoy a season full of fresh produce!



See details and purchase cards at our online store www.terhuneorchards.com, or at the farm store.



Unwind at the Winery

Terhune Orchards Vineyard and Winery is celebrating spring with wine, song and welcoming back friends here to the farm. Our Terhune team had a busy winter bottling wine in the wine barn and caring for our grape vines, pruning and training them for the growing season. We produce 18 varieties of wine. Reds and whites wines are made from our own grapes and our fruit wines are created with an apple wine base made from apples from our own orchards. Each bottling is a little different depending on the growing season. We welcome you to come back and sample the new vintages.



Sample tasting flights, by the glass or a refreshing wine slushy as you gather with friends and family. Always family-friendly, everyone can enjoy the open space of the Wine Orchard located in our historic orchard of 100-year-old apple trees for the sights and sounds of a relaxing day on the farm.

Weekend Music Series, Spring series featuring local musicians on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 - 4 p.m. (see box for musicians) Enjoy local music each week in a variety of styles including country, bluegrass and jazz. Join family and friends for wine and light fare.

Celebrate Mom with a fun day for the whole

family during our Mother's Day Wine Trail Weekend on May 7 and 8. Moms receive \$2 off our tasting flights all weekend. Choose from one of our special flights of our award-winning wines. Enjoy live music both days and families are welcome.

Sips & Sounds - Our music series returns on Friday evenings from 5-8 p.m. June 3rd through September 9th. Start summer weekends off right by gathering with neighbors and friends with a glass of wine, light fare and local music.

Toast to Dads - Father's Day weekend June 18 and 19, dads also receive \$2 off our tasting flights. Join us for a game of cornhole in the wine orchard! Live music both days. Families will enjoy the whole farm.

After wine tasting, take a stroll on our farm trail, visit the barnyard, experience the fun of Pick-Your-Own or stop in the farm store for our farm fresh produce, baked goods and locally made gourmet items.

The tasting room is open Saturdays - Sundays from 12-5 p.m. and beginning Memorial Day weekend Friday-Sunday 12-5 p.m. Enjoy our 18 wines by the glass or as a tasting flight. Bottles of our wine are available every day in the farm store and the Trenton Farmers Market on Thursday-Saturday.

