

## Getting a Good Deal

Everyone likes to get a bargain, and with these tips, you may be able to save a few bucks.

**Senior discounts:** Your age can earn you automatic savings. Many businesses offer discounts to seniors, including some restaurants, movie theaters, museums, grocery stores, thrift stores and banks. Sometimes the discount applies to specific products or certain days of the week.

**Other discounts:** If you are a veteran or a member of AARP or an auto club, such as AAA, you may be able to save money at various merchants. Before making a purchase, ask if you can take advantage of these discounts.

**Coupons:** Saving a few dollars may be as simple as presenting a coupon, which can be found in newspapers, magazines, marketing mailers and online.

**Memberships:** Many stores have exclusive offers for those who belong to their membership program. While some are free to join, some may charge an annual fee, but if you are a frequent customer, the savings may outweigh the price.

**Always ask:** Businesses may not advertise the discounts they offer, so be sure to inquire. You may be surprised at the money you can save just by asking!

## Tropical Treat

They're golden, tropical and oh-so-sweet. Pineapples have long been prized for their refreshing taste and regal image.

Pineapples originated in South America and were brought to the Caribbean islands, where Christopher Columbus encountered the strange-looking fruit on one of his voyages. He introduced the pineapple to Europe, and it became a status symbol among royalty.

During Colonial times, only the wealthy could afford the few pineapples that were shipped to America. Dinner parties in affluent homes showcased the exotic fruit as a decoration in elaborate food displays. The pineapple grew into a symbol of hospitality and was often depicted in home décor, art and architecture.

Around the turn of the 20th century, Massachusetts native James Dole moved to the island of Oahu, Hawaii, and started a pineapple plantation and canning operation, which later became Dole Food Co. Ad campaigns and recipes promoting canned pineapple led to booming sales, and the fruit became more widely available and an affordable treat.

Hawaii is the only U.S. state that grows pineapples.

## Rocking Through Time

Relaxing on the front porch with a glass of lemonade or soothing a baby to sleep with a lullaby are activities that bring to mind a classic piece of furniture: the rocking chair.

While rocking cradles had been around since at least the Middle Ages, and toy rocking horses since the 1600s, it took a bit longer to create chairs that rocked. Most historians agree that rocking chairs originated in North America in the early 18th century. Typically placed outdoors, often in gardens, these early versions were made by attaching curved runners to old chairs to give them a new purpose.

As the furniture gained popularity, craftsmen began designing chairs for the intention of rocking. Styles such as Windsor, Shaker and Boston emerged, along with Michael Thonet's bentwood rocker, famous for its arms that curve elegantly into rocking legs. The development of wicker furniture made intricate designs possible and made the chairs more weatherproof.

By the 20th century, rocking chairs were a common fixture both indoors and out, providing a resting spot in nurseries and parlors and on front porches.

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## From the Director

Hello Residents of  
The Devonshire!

What an  
exciting  
time it is  
to be here  
at The  
Devonshire!  
I am  
delighted  
that the  
renovations



are complete so you can relax  
and have fun in our new space.  
Our Grand Reopening was a  
great success; I was happy to  
see your smiling faces enjoying  
the festivities!

I look forward to the months to  
come and I hope you enjoy the  
improvements here as much  
as I do. We are working hard  
to make The Devonshire the  
best it can be! We have fun  
things planned to finish out the  
summer so be on the lookout!

Sincerely,

Natalie Fox

Executive Director

## Remembering Woodstock

In August 1969, thousands of people crowded into a hayfield in rural New York for Woodstock, a music festival that became a cultural phenomenon.

Four young men organized the Aug. 15-17 event to raise money to build a recording studio and retreat for musicians. Billed as "An Aquarian Exposition: Three Days of Peace and Music," the festival was planned to be held in Woodstock, N.Y., but problems forced a change in location to a farmer's field 50 miles away in Bethel, N.Y., in the Catskill Mountains.



About 50,000 attendees were expected. When crowds began arriving two days early before ticket booths were set up, organizers decided to make the concert free, and nearly half a million people swarmed to the venue.

Some of the biggest names in music performed at Woodstock. Among the 32 acts were the Grateful Dead, Janis Joplin, Arlo Guthrie, Sly and the Family Stone, Joan Baez, Ravi Shankar, Santana, and The Who. Rain delays pushed the festival into a fourth day, and Jimi Hendrix closed it out, playing an iconic version of "The Star-Spangled Banner" on his electric guitar.

Woodstock is often praised for its peaceful expression of the musical and cultural idealism of the 1960s. The festival site is now home to a museum and a music pavilion, where some of the original Woodstock performers have returned to play.



