

Savvy Sightings

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Be a Green Goddess

There's more to being a green goddess than switching to energy-efficient bulbs and using reusable bags. Ready to kick it up a notch?



Say Your Sari

Be eco-chic. These gorgeous wraps and scarves are made of recycled vintage saris in New Delhi. After the saris are hand-washed, they are cut into strips to be mixed and matched in an artistic fashion. Bonus: the company will plant 10 trees for every purchase. greensewn.com

Good Looks Can Be Bottled

Kathleen Plate creates socially conscious jewelry with recycled glass bottles and sterling silver or gold fill. She also designs an outstanding line of home accessories and lighting. smartglassjewelry.com



Mountain Lakes resident Regan Caton has developed a website that will help you take living green to the next level. Whether you're looking for an eco-friendly interior designer, a cleaning service that uses non-toxic and chemical-free products or an organic-based hair salon, the searchable database at Caton's site, theawarenest.com, will guide you toward environmentally and socially responsible businesses in your neighborhood.

Wipe Out Paper Towels

This cheerful little reusable cloth is absorbent, biodegradable and can be used in place of sponges and paper towels. While you are protecting the landfills from excess paper, you'll be protecting your family from nasty bacteria as the Skoy cloth can be sterilized in the dishwasher or microwave. skoycloth.com



Divine Dinner-vention

Aaargh, we had chicken last night and Chinese the night before, now what? Glad you asked. Here are some ideas to perk up your evening meal.



Make It or Take It

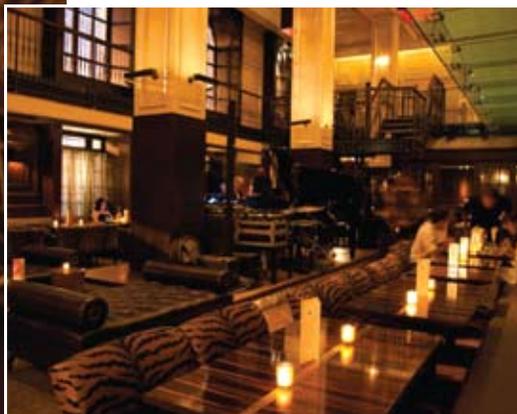
Looking for inspiration? The Kings Super Market in Short Hills has rolled out a daily “Make It or Take It” meal option. Watch the dish being demonstrated live at the Experience Food Stage or on one of the new monitors throughout the store. If you feel like cooking, the recipe and all the necessary ingredients will be available in one location. Short on time? You can buy the prepared meal in a ready-to-heat container. kingswebsite.com

Dinner and a Movie

It's dinner and a movie, not dinner and *then* a movie. AMC Theaters has introduced seat-side dining options at three New Jersey theaters. Perks include reserved seating, luxury recliners and swivel tables. Menus include everything from mango margaritas (yes, the real deal) to salads, sandwiches and smoked brisket quesadillas. Want to hang out before

or after the show? The theaters

have also added a lounge called MacGuffins where you can order a drink and a bite while discussing the movie. Menlo Park Mall in Edison, Bridgewater Commons in Somerset County and Essex Green in West Orange, amctheatres.com



The Swanky Supper

Dinner is just the beginning of a delicious and romantic night. Start with a taste of France at Millesime, the charming brasserie that has come to inhabit Country's former space at the Carlton Hotel on lower Madison Avenue in New York City. Set yourself up on the red banquettes beneath

crystal chandeliers and sip champagne while you enjoy the treasures of the sea. For post-supper entertainment, there's no need to don coats: the Carlton's sophisticated Salon (above) offers live music and cocktails inspired by the hotel's Tin Pan Alley roots. When its time to turn in, retire upstairs to your luxurious suite replete with Frette linens, down comforters, marble bathrooms and Molton Brown bath amenities. The Carlton Hotel, New York City, carltonhotelnyc.com



Duly Sited

Tsk. Sigh. Eye roll. Yep, your kid, the techno-whiz, does not want to help you resize a photo. Really, can you blame him? He's already shown you three times. Repair the parent-child bond with a visit to teachparentstech.org. The site (developed by google) has an extremely simple interface and short how-to videos that cover everything from such basics as setting your clock to video chatting.

Full disclosure: my eye-rolling daughter told me about this site.



Sweet and Sassy

From themed parties like Lights-Camera-Limo and the Ice Cream Dreams SPA Party, the Sweet and Sassy Salons know how to make a girl's celebration rock. Young guests are treated to manis, peddies, hair styling and (if Mom says okay) ear piercing. Best of all, guests can be picked up in the Sweet and Sassy custom pink limo. Four separately owned locations in Cherry Hill, Old Bridge, New Brunswick and Ridgewood, sweetandsassy.com



The 3rd Annual NJ Food and Wine Festival

A three-day festival of culinary events highlighted by the Top Chefs & Top Wines Dinner where each of six courses is prepared by a different chef, including Top Chef Season 7 winner Kevin Sbraga, Angelo Sosa (Top Chef All-Stars), Thomas Cizak of Chakra, Marc Aumont of NYC's The Modern, Humberto Campos Jr. of Restaurant Lorena and Chef Michael Weissaupt of Crystal Springs Resort. March 11-13, Crystal Springs Resorts, Vernon, crystalgolfresort.com

Two Guys with Tomatoes

You can't think of tomatoes without thinking of New Jersey. If you're Scott Stark or David Stoff, when you think of tomatoes, you think of sauce. The Bergen County natives have developed a simple yet tasty sauce that has no added sugar and is low sodium and gluten free. twoguyfoodgroup.com, available at Fairway Market, Whole Foods Markets and ShopRite supermarkets

