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## PROJECT SPOTLIGHT

### An Award-Winning Parade Home



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Our 2019 Parade of Homes entry exceeded our expectations this year! This home won every award in its category – Best Exterior, Best Interior Design, Best Kitchen, Best Bath, Best Decorated and Best of Show. We are also delighted that this home was awarded Honorable Mention for the Fulton Award. This award, named after Fulton Bank who sponsors the event, is given to the home with the highest overall score.

Located in the Willow Bend Farm community just south of Lancaster, this single-family home combined industrial and farmhouse accents. Many custom touches were added throughout the home, and they were designed and built by Skip Butler – a longtime employee of Metzler Home Builders. These unique additions made it a stunning one-of-a-kind home.

The foyer featured a transom window in the hallway leading into the main living area, giving it a light, airy feel. The powder room off the foyer boasted a custom wood top and vessel bowl, shiplap on the walls and a black decorative mirror to match the faucet.

The kitchen showcased beautiful gray cabinets with a white quartz countertop and subway tile. Floating shelves on either side of the range, glass wall cabinets and a farm sink gave this kitchen a charming farmhouse feel. A favorite feature of many was the spacious pantry with a sliding barn door.

A gorgeous fireplace was the focal point of the family room. Stone, a custom mantel, columns and shiplap were all added to enhance the beauty.

A unique feature of our Parade Home was two tables provided by YZ Lancaster. The dining table and the coffee table, both live-edge and custom-crafted specifically for our home, brought an extra element of beauty to the décor.

A spacious master suite provided a retreat for relaxing and winding down at the end of a busy day. A soaking tub and tile shower were included in the master bath.

Last, but not least, we went outside the box

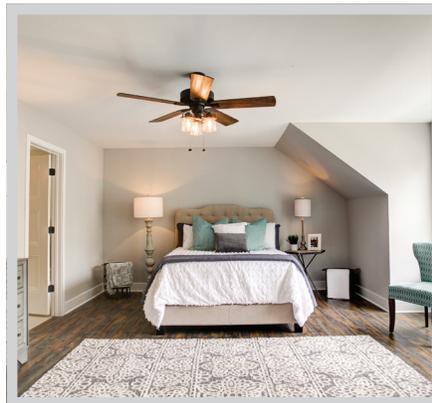
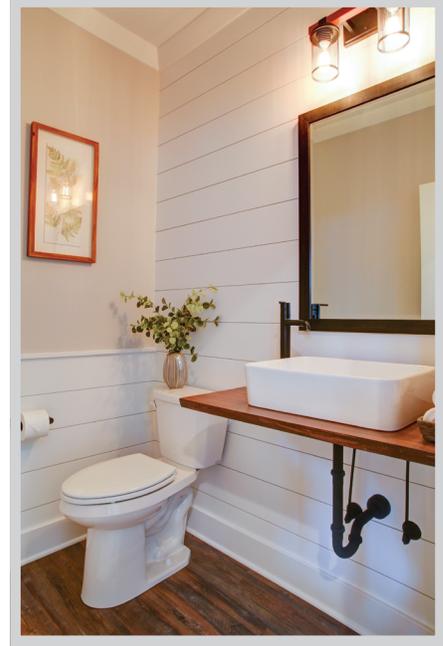
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with an industrial style finished basement that we staged as a game room. The exposed ceiling joists were painted black to further enhance the industrial “vibe” of the space. We had never finished a basement before for a Parade home, but with the

walk-out doors to a lower level patio, it was the perfect set-up to do so. And finishing off this area provided 700 additional square feet of living space.

We are truly grateful to the Building

Industry Association of Lancaster County for organizing this event each year. We have participated in the Parade of Homes since 1993, and we find it’s the perfect way to showcase our talent and our product!



## Willow Bend Farm



The two communities we are currently building in are heading down the home stretch. There are only a few lots left in each community, so if you or someone you know has entertained the idea of living in Willow Bend Farm or the Villas at Featherton, the time to act is now!

The Villas at Featherton near Elizabethtown is comprised of duplex units. There are currently two homes complete and available for quick sale. Two other units are being built and there

## Villas at Featherton



is still time to make your own interior selections.

Willow Bend Farm is located just south of Lancaster. There is a duplex home available and construction on a four-unit townhome building will be starting shortly. You are still able to make your interior selections on these homes as well.

Give us a call today to get more details on these lovely homes before it's too late!

## NATIONAL JUST BECAUSE DAY

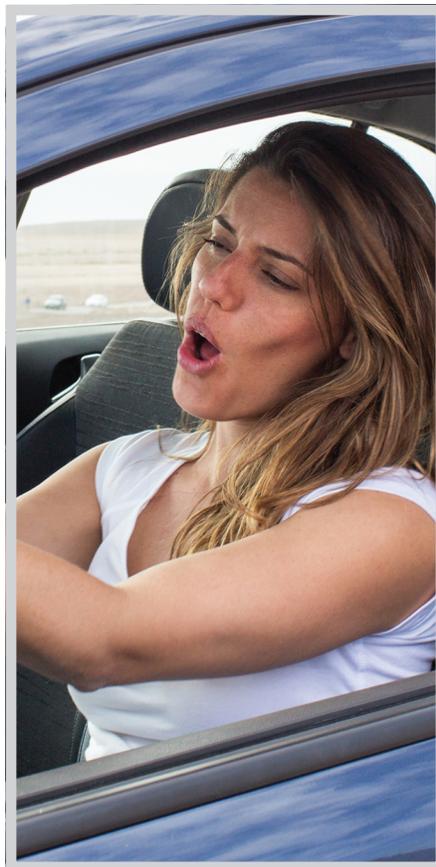
Each year on August 27th it is National Just Because Day. Feel free to celebrate this day any way you choose. Just because!

Every day we all do things that are expected or required of us or because we have to. On National Just Because Day, that does not apply. This day is a chance to do something without rhyme or reason.

- Maybe you want to use a vacation day just to go fishing? Do it ... just because.
- Perhaps you would like to pay the tab for the table next to you at your favorite restaurant? Do it ... just because.
- Do you want to sing really loud while you're in your car, by yourself, with your windows rolled down? Do it ... just because.
- Is there is an outfit at the mall that you've been admiring? Buy it ... just because.
- Wouldn't it be fun to surprise someone with flowers? Do it ... just because.

Remember if you want to do something fun and spontaneous and out of the ordinary today, do it ... just because!

Source: [www.nationaldaycalendar.com](http://www.nationaldaycalendar.com)



# FALL CHORES & CLEANING CHECKLIST

With fall just around the corner, it's soon time to think about tending to these projects around your home.

1. Plant spring bulbs like tulips, daffodils, hyacinths, alliums, etc.
2. Fall is a great time to divide perennials, except for ones that flower in the fall. It is best to divide those in the spring.
3. In areas where the ground freezes, be sure to winterize sprinkler systems by blowing out the water in the lines and shutting down the system for the winter.
4. In areas where the weather turns cold, be sure to remove any hoses that are still attached.
5. Remove leaves and debris out of gutters.
6. Cover patio furniture or place in a protected area like a shed or garage.
7. To avoid outdoor pots from breaking during the winter, either cover them and place in a protected area, empty them or move them indoors.
8. Set up some bird feeders for overwintering birds like cardinals.
9. Pull up summer annuals and either compost them or appropriately dispose of them. Be careful not to compost plants that may have been infected by a disease. It is better to dispose of those plants.
10. Winterize lawn mowers and clean garden tools. A light coating of oil on the tools will keep them from rusting over the winter.

Source: [www.spring-green.com](http://www.spring-green.com)

# The Lakes

## AT DONEGAL SPRINGS

We will soon be starting construction in The Lakes at Donegal Springs. There are 11 lots available in this community, just under ¼ acre each. Located on the edge of Mount Joy Borough and in the Donegal School District, this neighborhood features a lake,

walking trails, pavilion, playground, baseball field, tennis courts and basketball courts. It has public water, public sewer and natural gas, and is convenient to Lancaster, Harrisburg and Hershey. Call us at (717) 687-6302 for more information.

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