



York, Pennsylvania

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Local "Newspaper" Created to Foster Connection, Community Growth

aka what am I reading and why does it exist

by: Sara Mack

This is the first EVER edition of the York msprint! Even though I grew up in Pennsylvania (about an hour north of Philly), I'm a fairly newly minted York resident. I moved here from DC last May, and I've been doing my best to get acquainted with the area and amazing community here since then.

This newspaper isn't meant to be about Matthew and I, but as we're having conversations about local going-ons and writing most of the segments in the msprint (at least at first), it felt fitting to do a round of introductions and to explain our intention behind publishing this.

My name is Sara! I am a zine creator, music maker (bass and clarinet and whatever else feels fun) and nature enjoyer. I've tabled at several zinefests on the east coast, and I had the total pleasure of contributing to the Xeroxed Dreams exhibit at the Grotto earlier this year. I also play bass in No Cheese, which leads me to Matthew...

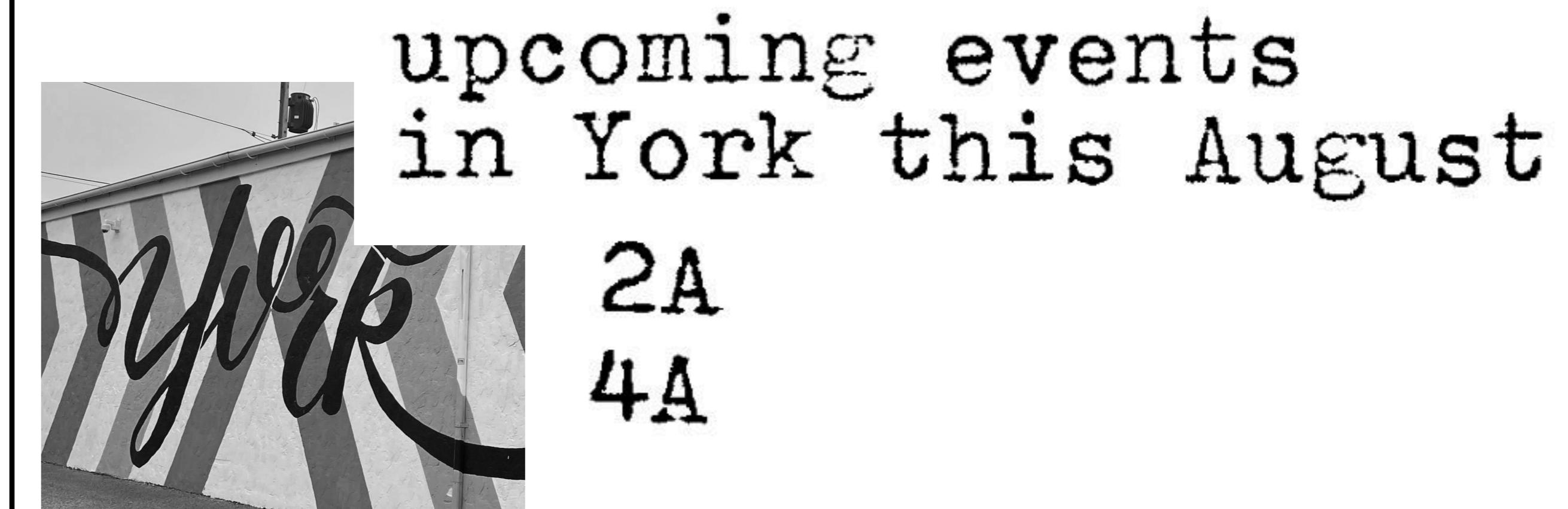
Matthew is the No Cheese guitarist and singer! He also is a certified DIY Music People Connector, which is an official title. He has been known to share music reviews based off of the curated tetris-playing experience that occurs while listening to an album. Matthew also facilitates any and all tech support required in producing msprint media.

Upon moving to York, we were overwhelmed by the art scene and unexpected (by us) concentration of People Doing Art here. Without tons of connections it felt exciting, but hard to hear about upcoming events before they already passed.

We are excited about the idea of generating a physical piece of media designed to start the conversation about what's to come this month. Sure, you can find some of the same info on Facebook Events. Selfishly, though, this feels like a way for Matthew and I to curate a list of stuff that might otherwise fall through the cracks - and to meet people while we're at it.

We'll also try to provide interviews with local folks doing cool things and spotlight our highlights from recent months. Stay tuned and please drop us a line if you have thoughts or ideas for future issues. Email york@msprint.media or leave a note for us at the shop in York where you found this...

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York Revolution Offers Unique Perspective

by: Matthew Gargano

The most unexpected joy I experienced upon discovering the multitude of things to do in York was learning about the York Revolution.

The Revs play in the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball (ALPB). Contrary to what many assume, teams in the ALPB are not farm teams or feeder programs for Major or Minor League Baseball teams.

While the Harrisburg Senators serve as the Double-A affiliate of the Washington Nationals, our York Revolution team serves a different purpose to the Great American Pastime.



Prior to 2019, the MLB and the ALPB came to an agreement wherein experimental rules would be playtested during ALPB seasons to see if the new rules could be implemented in the MLB. In 2020 the MLB signed the ALPB as the first MLB Partner League further codifying their cooperations.

What a joy it is to be at a local baseball game. I had never before had the means to sit behind home plate while root root rooting for the home team, or to watch playoff action from seats behind the home team dugout.

Outside of the MLB, there aren't many places you can watch your team battle it out against a two-time MLB All Star and World Series MVP, like Pablo Sandoval on the Staten Island FerryHawks. While a handful of Revs alumni have gone on to play for the MLB (one even pitches in the Savannah Bananas' Banana Ball League!), the experience is not about the rare opportunity to see a player before they make it big.

Even if you are not traditionally a fan of baseball, there is a simple joy to be found in cheering on the players that represent our city surrounded by neighbors seated alongside you in the stands.

Our Revs entered this season coming off a 2024 ALPB Championship win, and they held strong with the best first half-season record in the North Division. This accomplishment clinched the team's spot in the ALPB playoffs.



There's no better time to follow along as the Revs prepare to battle the Lancaster Stormers for first in the second half standings this August and blaze a path into the playoffs on Saturday, September 20th.



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AUGUST EVENTS

Peeled Docuseries Premiere

Local filmmakers debut Peeled, a docuseries about the lives of traveling showgirls. This film screening contains mature content.

8/17, 6:00PM-9:00PM
York College
441 Country Club Rd, York, PA
Tickets required



Lancaster Living Poetry Museum

Local poets from Lancaster perform as great poets through history, bringing classic poems to life.

8/17, 1:00PM
Josh Johnson Creative Studio
56 S Duke St, York, PA

Joi in Hearingland

Artist Joicy (Joi) Serrano shares her art and experiences as a Hard of Hearing artist.

8/15, 5:00PM-9:00PM
280 W Market St, York, PA
A reception will be held from 5-6PM.

Greener Codorus

Join the Lower Susquehanna Riverkeepers in manually cleaning vegetation along the banks of the codorus to prevent the use of herbicides which will flow into our waterways.

8/13, 8/27
Foundry Plaza Codorus Boat Basin
228 W Philadelphia St, York, PA
Registration Required

Rudy Park Demonstration Gardens: Fighting Food Insecurity

York County Master Gardeners invites the community to tour, explore, and enjoy the Demonstration Gardens at John Rudy Park. There will be speakers, educational displays, and opportunities to "Ask a master gardener", as well as a farmers market, food trucks, and children's activites.

Rudy Park Demonstration Gardens: Fighting Food Insecurity
8/9, 9:00AM-1:30PM
The Demonstration Gardens at John Rudy Park
400 Mundis Race Rd, York, PA

Opinion: You Can Just Make It Happen!!!

One of the most interesting things we've observed since moving here is the perception that there just "isn't a lot goin on" here in York.

It should be relatively apparent that we don't agree with that sentiment after reaching the end of this newspaper. That said, if you DO think the above statement is true you can (and maybe should) be channeling that energy into helping to make the change.

In many cases, putting energy and time into something turns out to be all that is necessary to make it happen.

If you find yourself wishing that a particular group or community or activity existed here, don't count yourself out of the opportunity to just... do it. Or find people that can help you make it happen.

Experimenting with what it means to truly see a plant at Josh Johnson Creative Studio

by: Sara Mack

The creative minds behind Josh Johnson Creative Studio unveiled the Plant Portraits Group Show officially during July's Second Friday festivities (a departure from the regularly scheduled First Friday programming due to the 4th of July holiday).

This exhibit features a host of hanging ceramic planters (with plants sprouting from them!) accompanied by their portraits - each created by an artist local to the greater York County area. The ceramic planters were created and contributed by local artists, TNR experts, and all-around cool people Alex and Erin Bastian.



On Second Friday, the exhibit's opening was commemorated with plant-themed tarot card readings facilitated by Rissa Miller as well as a plant sale!



Following the exhibit's launch, Ren Shaeffer and Tiffani Spangler hosted a plant-focused meditation at Josh Johnson Creative Studio on July 15th designed to foster connections with lemon balm, as well as with plants more generally.



I have a piece in the exhibit myself, and this is my first time displaying art in any kind of show. To me, this exhibit exemplifies the accepting art community in Downtown York and I appreciate the opportunity to spotlight plants in a new and exciting way.

The exhibit will be running at least through August 17th, so be sure to make your way to Josh's studio during the first half of this month to check it out and meet a new plant friend.



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CLASSIFIEDS

SHARING: Do you want to start composting at home? Free mini composting lessons & info sessions
email sara@msprint.media

SEEKING: DIY musicians interested in building the York music scene!!! Join the Central PA Arts & Music Scene discord: <https://discord.gg/DSPe2E28kV> and let's start collaborating in the York channel.
email matthew@msprint.media

SHARING: A variety of wooden chairs. Interested in one or several for yourself or someone in your community?
email sara@msprint.media

SEEKING: Folks interested in doing outdoor yoga in a local park, especially if anyone is interested in leading??
email sara@msprint.media

SEEKING: Leads on any local swimming spots... preferably not contaminated with e. coli
email sara@msprint.media

Leave your own note in our classifieds section!
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york@msprint.media

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EVENTS CON'T.

York Story Slam

10 Storytellers are picked from registered participants in the audience to tell a true story that relates to the monthly theme. August's theme: Daily Grind

8/19, 7:00PM
The Hangar at New York Wire Works
441 E Market St, York, PA
Tickets Required

Grotto Knowledge Share

Come and share your acquired knowledge with the community in a quick two minute exploration of any topic you like. Or join the group to absorb the knowledge others have to share.

8/8, 12:00PM-1:00PM
The Grotto Commons
15 E Philadelphia St, York, PA

Steph Holmes Artist Reception

Explore the work of Steph Holmes and hear from the artist at 6:00PM. Gather 256 provides complimentary snacks, beer, and wine.

8/15, 5:00PM-9:00PM
Gather 256
256 W Philadelphia St, York, PA

HIVE artspace Gallery Exhibits

HIVE displays a variety of works from local and regional artists revolving around a monthly theme. August's theme: Lore. Submissions for September's exhibit, On Repeat, are open from August 1-15.

August
HIVE artspace;
126 E King St, York, PA

**Bookmarked: Cradle of Conservation**

Shippensburg University Professor Dr. Allen Dieterich-Ward invites readers to discuss his new book, Cradle of Conservation: An Environmental History of Pennsylvania.

8/25, 7:00PM-8:00PM
York County History Center Museum, Library, and Archives
121 North Pershing Ave, York, PA
Registration required

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Grotto Figure Drawing

Annelise Vunno of Lovebug Illustrations leads a Nude Figure Drawing with background open to anyone. The focus of this session is to compose the work with an equal focus on background and figure.

8/25, 6:00PM-9:00PM
The Grotto Commons
15 E Philadelphia St, York, PA
Suggested Donation \$10

**Friday Night Jazz**

An evening of Jazz with new musicians every week.

8/1: Jamie Smucker Trio
8/8: Dave Wilson Trio
8/15: AJ Myers Trio
8/22: Larry Marshall Trio
8/29: Meashey, Loser, Kostoff

Fridays, 7:00PM-10:00PM
Victor's Italian Restaurant
554 S. Ogontz St, York, PA
No Cover

Thursday Run Club

Meet up with runners of all experience levels to run a suggested 3 mile route starting at Fleet Feet York.

Thursdays, 6:00PM-7:00PM
Fleet Feet
1511 Mt. Rose Ave, York, PA

**Artist Critique Night**

Open discussion and critique of art. Bring a snack to enjoy and some artwork if you'd like community feedback.

8/4, 6:00PM-8:00PM
Creatives on King
104 E King Street, York, PA

Want to see your local event featured in future editions?

email york@msprintmedia.com to submit your own!

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