

## New Reading

**A NEW REASON FOR HAPPINESS:** TABLE contributor and friend, Nancy Mramor, Ph.D., recently released her new book titled *Top Ten Tips for Lasting Happiness*. The book includes personal submissions from 17 different authors including Eleanor Schano, Gina Mazza, Paul Friday and Jennifer Antkowiak to name just a few. I too had the honor of contributing a piece on the connection between cooking, food and happiness. Get your copy and a little inspiration for happiness today at [dimramor.com](http://dimramor.com).

**HIT THE ROAD:** Fresh out of ideas for day trips and weekend getaways? Pick up *Moon Pennsylvania*, a new guide to the Keystone State by TABLE contributor Anna Dubrovsky. The Pittsburgh-based writer crisscrossed the state, exploring attractions as varied as Gettysburg National Military Park, the beaches of Presque Isle, and the barrel rooms of award-winning wineries, to produce the 633-page guide, available in major bookstores and online. It's part of the Moon Handbooks series, famous for first-rate advice on what to do, where to eat, and where to stay. [moon.com](http://moon.com)

**RICHARD SNOODGRASS:** On the 10th anniversary of the events of 9/11, Carnegie Mellon University Press is publishing TABLE contributor Richard Snodgrass's book of photographs and text on the Flight 93 Temporary Memorial entitled *An Uncommon Field*. In conjunction with the book's publication, Sewickley Gallery and TABLE Magazine are holding a book signing and fundraiser for the Flight 93 Memorial at the Sewickley Gallery on Friday, September 16th, from 6 to 8 p.m. Special one-of-a-kind prints of images from the book will be offered for a tax deductible contribution to the Flight 93 National Memorial. [sewickleygallery.com](http://sewickleygallery.com).

## New Restaurants

**CURE:** Years ago, I received a call from my father who was working out in California at the time. He had been to a farmers' market and met a talented young chef and charcuterie master named Justin Severino. Turns out Justin was from Pittsburgh and returning home later that year. Since then, he worked as sous and executive chef around town, and is now venturing into his own concept. CURE (as in the curing of meats for his legendary charcuterie), in Lawrenceville will be "extra local urban Mediterranean," according to Justin. The décor will be in a "reclaimed" fashion, BYOB and opening later this fall. 5336 Butler Street, [curerestaurantpgh.com](http://curerestaurantpgh.com)

**TASTE OF DAHNTAHN:** Courtney Lynch-Crawford, owner of Nine on Nine, announces the opening of her newest concept: Taste of Dahntahn. The menu by executive chef Lea Corbett is designed to be international in flair and the décor, art deco. This will be a welcome, new option for breakfast in town, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner seven days a week. Opening the week of August 15 at 535 Liberty Avenue.

**GATORS:** John Scott, past owner of Gators in Bloomfield, announces a new location for the beloved Gators brand. He recently took over the location of J.D.'s Pub on Saxonburg Blvd. and is introducing Gators Grille, a fresh new destination for a fun-loving pub feel, with the new food stylings of chef John Cuda and an expanded bar selection of craft beers and mature wine list. The whole place is experiencing a "dramatic facelift," according to Scott including a new outdoor patio, new interior and large garage doors that open to allow for family friendly indoor/outdoor casual dining. [gators-grille.com](http://gators-grille.com).

## And the winner is...

TABLE readers have spoken! Via Twitter, Facebook and an on-line survey you've helped us choose a winner of our farm-fresh summer cocktail throw down. Maggie Meskey from Salt of The Earth's "Endless Summer" cocktail was the winning vote-getter. But we know also that Rob Hirst's "Stitch in Thyme" is a huge hit at Soba and became one of the most ordered drinks on the menu this summer. Big congratulations and thanks to these two uber-talented mixologists for indulging us with their summer cocktail recipes. And thanks to you for mixing, sipping and voting. Both recipes can be found in our Summer Season recipe box at [tablemagazine.com](http://tablemagazine.com).

## featured contributors



### Heather Mull, Photographer

A native of Somerset County, Heather is staff photographer for Pittsburgh City Paper and a freelance shooter who loves, loves, LOVES good food and western Pennsylvania.

Every season, you will see Heather's work throughout the pages of TABLE, which has helped the publication win multiple national and international design and creativity awards.

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### Scott Paulson, Writer

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### Anna Dubrovsky, Writer

An experienced food and travel writer, Anna can be found tripping around Southwestern PA seeking out all the tastes, smells and techniques that make our region's food fabulous. She recently wrote a state PA guidebook titled *Moon Pennsylvania*. [moon.com](http://moon.com)



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### Rhonda Scholdt, Writer

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### Richard Snodgrass, Photographer & Writer

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