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According to the information on [governor.pa.gov](http://governor.pa.gov), being in the green phase means easing most of the previous restrictions by lifting stay at home and business closure orders. Businesses that were closed in the yellow phase can reopen. However, some basic restrictions remain in place, such as limits on building capacity and large gatherings. This phase has been described as “the new normal.”

Some of the details are gatherings of more than 250 people remain prohibited. This would include most festivals, conferences, sporting events or concerts. Religious worship is exempt from restrictions, but social distancing and other mitigation methods are strongly encouraged.

All businesses operating at 50% occupancy in yellow phase may increase to 75%, but working remotely is still strongly encouraged. Businesses with in-person operations must follow updated safety requirements. Personal care services, such as hair salons and barbershops, open at 50% occupancy and by appointment only. Construction activity may return to full capacity.

Restaurants and bars open for dine-in service, but with occupancy limits and other guidelines.

Indoor recreation, including gyms, spas and health and wellness facilities, open at 50% occupancy with appointments strongly encouraged. All entertainment, including casinos,



The Pittsburgh Zoo will be opening for walk in visits but will also offer Zoofari, a drive in visit.

theaters and shopping malls, open at 50% occupancy.

Many people are very excited about the transition to green but some are still hesitant of going out full force. Each person needs to make their own decisions based on their comfort level but no matter what you choose, all should abide by requests of the Governor regarding masks, social distancing as best as possible and being aware of others. There are many activities that can be done this month while still being safe.

The Pittsburgh Zoo will be opening Friday, June 5, with modifications to keep everyone safe. They will also continue to offer Zoofari, a drive through experience where you don't have to leave your car for people who aren't quite ready to walk through. Go to [pittsburghzoo.org](http://pittsburghzoo.org) for details.

Venture Outdoors is offering many different outside activities during June. There are tremendous benefits of exercising and meditating, especially their stress reducing effects. Yoga is the perfect way to wind down after an invigorating hike. On June 20, they are offering a relaxed-paced 2-3 mile hike in Frick Park followed by an introduction to yoga and meditation sequence. Go to [ventureoutdoors.org](http://ventureoutdoors.org) for details.

Carnegie Museum of Art hasn't announced plans to open as of yet but they are still offering different virtual activities for every day of the week along with viewing exhibits and all of the museum collections. Visit [cmoa.org](http://cmoa.org) to enjoy these virtual events

now and to follow their plans for opening this summer.

The Carnegie Museum of Natural History is also offering, Museum at Home until they can open safely. Go to [carnegiemnh.org](http://carnegiemnh.org) for updates and at home activities.

Go to [www.warhol.org/warhol-at-home/](http://www.warhol.org/warhol-at-home/) to visit “Warhol at Home” during this time for a very interesting exploration of the museum.

The Three Rivers Arts Festival is providing an experience that will go down in history! “THE FESTIVAL IS VIRTUAL. THE ART IS REAL.” The event will open to the public June 5 – 14. Each evening, the Festival will present live-streamed events, on the Dollar Bank Digital Main Stage enabling a real-time communal experience. The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust has reimagined every aspect of the Dollar Bank #TRAF20 – performing art, visual art, creative activities, even food – for ten days of free art and music unlike any other in its history. The goal is to shine a light on the 500 artists and community partners taking part in the event and to deliver a memorable Festival for everyone. Together, we will celebrate this iconic 61-year Pittsburgh tradition. Their virtual festival grounds are located at [TrustArts.org/TRAF](http://TrustArts.org/TRAF).

As of printing, the Farmer's Markets around the area are postponing opening but have plans to open in the next few weeks. Check with each neighborhood or borough periodically for updates.

Market Square Farmer's Market and is open but is moving locations. The new name is 11<sup>th</sup> Street Farmers Market and will be held on Sundays, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. The Farmers Market – now in its 16th season – will be temporarily moving to a new location near the Convention Center at 11<sup>th</sup> Street and Waterfront Place, downtown, to facilitate increased social distancing and pedestrian access while providing access to locally-grown produce and goods.

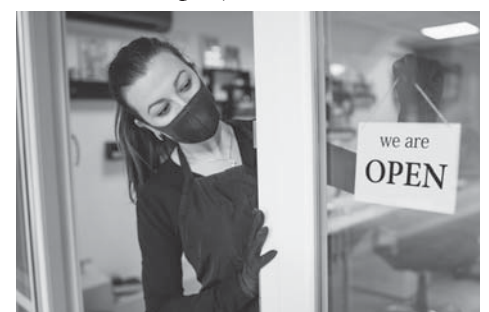
The rain-or-shine market will continue to offer regionally-grown produce, organic products, and small-batch foods from a variety of vendors each week. Admission to the market is free, with limited free parking also being made available thanks to the support of The Buncher Company and Alco Parking.

Visit the website at [downtownpittsburgh.com/farmersmarket/](http://downtownpittsburgh.com/farmersmarket/) to find out about vendor pre-ordering, social distancing, and other rules for this season.

Bloomfield Saturday market is open from 9 am – 1 p.m. Everyone wear a mask and practice social distancing. They are located at 5050 Liberty Avenue, between S. Winebiddle and Gross Street. Visit [bloomfieldnow.org/bloomfield-saturday-market/](http://bloomfieldnow.org/bloomfield-saturday-market/) for details.

Even though Allegheny County is in the Green Zone and we are able to go to the movies, it seems as if the theaters aren't quite ready to open. Cinemark is looking for a mid-summer open date and Big Phoenix isn't sure of a date yet. That means that we still need to be creative for our summer movie fun!

Move a TV out to a covered porch, set up a comfy seating area, invite a few friends over, have some drinks and snacks and rent a movie. If you have a screen projector, all the more



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# MUSINGS...THINGS FALL APART



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*Sharon and Nancy Smyth, her business partner in Two Wise Women, together published, "Chocolate or Lunch, How Choices Impact Relationships." If you have tense relationships, this book is for you. Both books are available through Amazon.*

*The truth is that things don't really get solved. They come together and they fall apart. Then they come together again and fall apart again."*

Pema Chodron

## Things fall apart

The sentence after the above quote, from Chodron's priceless book *When Things Fall Apart*, is, "It's just like that." Yikes.

Is it true that things really do come together and fall apart over and over and then you die? I think it is true, and that's why Chodron, a Buddhist nun, encourages us to accept that reality. The falling apart can be devastating and the coming together fabulous!

The pandemic is things falling apart on a big scale. My heart aches when I think of all the people around the world whose lives have been deeply affected by illness and death. And economic consequences that are still murky.

I have surely experienced things falling apart in my life big time. Wondering if there's any way to breathe again, to survive. Earthquakes, war, poverty, divorce, death of parents and two husbands, cancer. And yet each time things did come together again.

## We wake up

Each time my world has fallen apart and come together again I was deeply changed....as if I'd been asleep and suddenly woke up. I saw the world and my place in it with more clarity.

Chodron also says,

*"The only time we ever know what's really going on....is when the rug's been pulled out and we can't find anywhere to land. We use these situations either to wake ourselves up or to put ourselves to sleep. Right now – in the very instant of groundlessness – is the seed of taking care of those who need our care and of discovering our goodness."*

According to Chodron, in falling apart times we have choices to make:

Will we wake up or go to sleep?

Will we care for those who need our care?

Will we discover our goodness?

## Coming together again

There's hope in the cycle, in the waking up. I have been amazed and delighted at some of what people have told me this weird pandemic time has made possible for them. Here are some examples from clients and friends,

*"I have decided to ask for a demotion when I go back to work. Life is too short*

*and I don't want to be overwhelmed every day anymore."* Jen

*"I've cleaned every closet and cupboard in my house. It feels soooo good!"* Wendy

*"This pandemic has healed my family. We are talking and enjoying each other. It is amazing."* Carla

*"A Talbot's huge sale catalogue arrived and I'm not interested. I've figured out what matters and it isn't clothes."* Marnie

Mirasee, a Montreal based company, ran a fabulous online Mastermind Group for 90 people and international conference for 550 with 3 weeks notice.

Things continue to come together and fall apart and come together again and fall apart again and come together again.

## COACHING TIPS/QUESTIONS

What will help you accept the falling apart stage?

When things come together again, who will you decide to be?

What has become important to you?

How will you care for those who need your care?

Have you discovered your goodness?

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# The Fishin' Hole



by Sam Hall

The entire world needs to go fishing right now, today. I know it would help, but sadly most can't or, won't go. In lieu of that, YOU should go fishing. It will help you to better deal with the entire world. Park somewhere that requires you to take a solitary walk early in the morning, and use that walk to begin to seek the inner peace we all so desperately need right now, the water will do the rest.

I got the chance to fish for both bass and trout this past month with a great deal of success. Early one Saturday, I walked a mile to an old favorite spot of mine in Washington County and the walk did me wonders, so did the largemouth bass. On my way home, I got curious about a stream along the way and stopped to have a look. Four beautiful brown trout later (one of them is pictured in this month's Fishing Hole) I went home a new man. Re-energized and refreshed. Fishing can do the same for you, I truly believe that.

There are still plenty of trout in the streams. I was cranky and irritable about the weather for all of April and most of May. Truthfully though, the coldest April ever and a very cool start to May along with plenty of rain has made the end of May and I think the month of June a great time to go trout fishing. The crowds are gone, but the fish are not.

If you are not into the trout, I can assure you the bass bite is on big-

time. Both smallmouth and largemouth bass are in full feeding mode as we enter meteorological summer. Try your crank baits and rubber worms just from the bank in the morning and evening hours. You will be delighted and, maybe refreshed like I was!

The trout I found are not spooked at all and I think that might be the case largely around our area, so it's a great time to take your kids out and chuck a night crawler or red worm at them. They are hungry and aggressive. I have found a lot more brown trout this year than in years past. So much so that I was certain there had been some change in the stocking practices of the state. It must just be how or where I was fishing because according to the Fish Commission, Pennsylvania stocked 3.2 million trout in 2020 with over 2 million of them being rainbows, and just 660,000 or so brownies. Yes I was wrong. Hey, it's happened before, I think. No more space for that story

though. Get out and find your inner peace, keep those lines tight and send me your pictures to [samdhall@comcast.net](mailto:samdhall@comcast.net) !



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## What Does it Mean to be in Green

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fun to show it outside while watching from blankets or chairs.

You could head to a drive-in movie. The closest theater to our area is Dependable Drive In. They have three screens and are open but with changes to accommodate COVID-19 safety precautions. Go to [dependabledrivein.com](http://dependabledrivein.com) for shows, times and details.

Most stand alone retail stores are open in some capacity and the Mall at Robinson is opening June 5. Check the website for individual



stores at the mall and for more details. No date set yet for South Hills Village.

Summer means swimming at pools and lakes but so far it seems as if the pools may remain closed in most neighborhoods. Be sure to check with your local borough offices

to see if things have changed. All State Park beaches will open for swimming on June 6. There are a few lakes around the area that have beaches and offer swimming. Moraine State Park is about 45 minutes north of Pittsburgh and has two beaches for swimming, a big lake for boating, fishing and more.

Ohiopyle State Park is open and has a lot to offer in terms of water activities and hiking. Sit in the creek bed and ride the water through two natural waterslides in Meadow Run. Caution must be used at all times as natural hazards exist.

Raccoon Creek State Park has a sandy beach with swimming along with a lake for fishing. It is about 35 minutes from Pittsburgh.

If you can take a 1-1/2 hour drive to Ryerson Station State Park, you can enjoy an open swimming pool. They have camping, hiking and a lake for fishing.

Check with [dcnr.pa.gov](http://dcnr.pa.gov) for more parks throughout PA and to find out what they have to offer.

This might be the summer to take a step back in time and introduce your kids to running through the sprinkler

or even just the hose as you properly spray them with freezing water. Remember those days?

Water balloon battles are always a great way to get exercise and cool off simultaneously! How about squirt guns? Make the best of these hot summer days while staying safe and helping keep COVID-19 at bay!



Restaurants and bars are open, so go and grab a bit, or a drink, on a patio with a few friends or head inside to dine. Be sure the establishment is following guidelines and staff are wearing masks, seating is spaced out, they offer one time throw away menus or it's listed on a chalk board, and they clearly have much lower than normal capacity. If you don't feel safe, you won't enjoy your dining ex-

perience. If you don't feel ready to go out, you can still support all the local businesses by ordering take out, doing curbside pick-up for retail, grabbing an ice cream every now and again, but most importantly staying safe and help keep everyone you can stay safe!

Nothing has been confirmed for small outdoor festivals, or events but check back with us in July and we'll keep you posted.

The Gateway Clipper is opening June 5 with Sightseeing Tours and more. They will open using the precautions provided by the CDC. All staff will be wearing masks and they request guests to please wear masks but it's not mandatory. There will be social distancing and other changes to make your trip a safe success! Info at [gatewayclipper.com](http://gatewayclipper.com).

This June will be a June to remember and will be talked about for many generations to come. Let's make sure that the conversation is about how well we all handled the COVID-19 situation and how we all took care of each other!

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