'Night of Lights' shines bright in Chestnut Hill

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Back for another year is one of Chestnut Hill’s brightest events, Night of Lights. Friday, Oct. 8 at 6:45 p.m., spectators can watch as the “Flip the Switch” ceremony kicks off. As the release states, Night of Lights will transform Avenue into a nightly interactive exhibition of local history and architecture. Archival photos that highlight the history of Chestnut Hill, Mt. Airy, Germantown, and Springfield Township will be projected through eight storefront windows, and neighboring historic buildings are illuminated with colored lights. In addition to the event, the Avenue will feature an antique car display, wine tastings from Jefferson Vineyards, remarks from local officials who will flip the switch to commence the exhibition.

The fun doesn’t stop with just the event this Friday night either. Additional activations are planned throughout the 10-day run that complement Conservancy’s efforts and promote the community’s local history, including a prohibition-style speakeasy on Oct. 9; craftspeople demonstrations highlighting masonry, woodworking, metalworking, and stained glass on Oct. 13; a social with a fortune teller on Oct. 16; the burying of a time capsule to honor Woodward Co.’s 100th anniversary on Oct. 17; and more.

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