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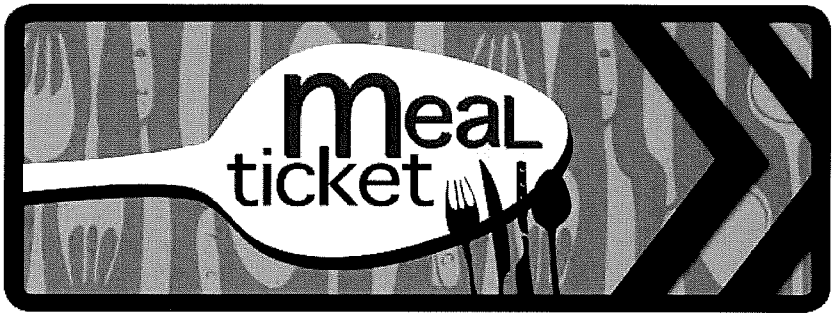

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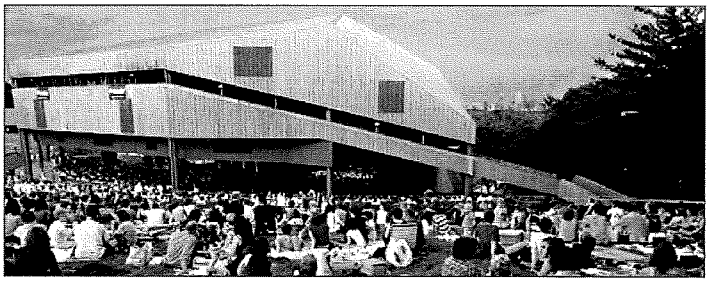

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The view from the top of the lawn.

Do you love to host parties with themes and costumes? Does planning a menu based on *Star Wars* or Mozart make your skin prickle? Then the **Mann Center for the Performing Arts** wants you to come out this summer and show them how you take your show on the road.

Three concert dates will host this year's **picnic competitions**. Costumes, props, culinary excellence and commitment to the theme of the evening all come into play, with "celebrity judges" making the rounds and noting the contenders. Here's your schedule:

- **Tue., June 30**: the program is *Mozart and a Midsummer Night's Dream*, with the theme of 'Animal Night.'
- **Tue., July 21**: the Philadelphia Orchestra will be performing *Hollywood Classics Under the Stars: Star Wars and More* and the theme is 'Star Wars.'
- **Tue., July 28**: the orchestra will perform Verdi and Rachmaninoff. The theme for this evening's competition is 'Fall in Love Again.'

Register for each nights' competition at the PECO Plaza at the Mann from 6-7:15 p.m.; judging will take place from 7:15-7:45 p.m. Three winners for each night will be announced from the stage, with prizes to include tickets to the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Please Touch Museum and The Franklin Institute, along with a set of designer picnic dishes courtesy of Mottahedeh.

Tickets range in price from $10 lawns to $50 in the lower pavilion, visit manncenter.org for more information and to purchase.

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