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HORSING AROUND

Against a splendid backdrop of rolling hills and colorful leaves, over 35,000 spectators will gather for the 93rd running of the Far Hills Race Meeting on October 19, 2013. Whether you're invited to one of the elaborate buffets or toting your own picnic, it's a day filled with horses, fashion, food and fun. Proceeds to benefit the Somerville Medical Center. www.farhillsrace.org

Don't know what to wear? Neiman Marcus and DePasquale the Spa have joined forces to give your look a galloping start. Join them on September 28 at Neiman's for the "Art of the Race," an evening of equestrian inspired fashion, beauty tips, cocktails and tastes from New Jersey's best restaurants. Proceeds to benefit the Cancer Support Community. www.depasqualethespa.com





TAKE THOSE OLD RECORDS OFF THE SHELF

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WHAT'S FOR DINNER?

Have a late soccer practice? These sweet and savory pork tacos can be quickly prepped and on the table in about 20 minutes.



Yield: 4 servings, 2 tacos each

- 1 pound thinly-cut boneless chops (1/2-inch thick), cut into strips
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon soy sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon ground chipotle pepper (smoked or plain paprika can be used as an alternative)
- 8 small corn tortillas, warmed
- 1 cup shredded romaine lettuce
- 1 cup pico de gallo or favorite salsa
- Sour cream or crema to taste

In a medium sized bowl combine the honey, olive oil, lemon juice, soy sauce and ground chipotle pepper and whisk to combine. Add the sliced pork to the marinade and let it sit for 15 minutes.

Heat a skillet over high heat. Add the slices of pork to the skillet and cook for 1-2 minutes on each side, flipping with tongs in the middle of the cooking process. Once cooked, remove the pork to a plate and reserve.

Arrange 8 corn tortillas on a platter. Sprinkle each with equal amounts of shredded lettuce and pico de gallo. Arrange a few pieces of pork on top of each taco, and top with sour cream or crema if desired. Source: National Pork Board