



During last week's meeting we celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week. Here are a few

## ways to support teachers all year long:

- Advocate for policies that support teachers (attend school board meetings, call/write elected officials, etc.)
- Check out books and podcasts written and/or created by educators. Here are some suggestions-

**Book:** “The Teachers: A Year Inside America’s Most Vulnerable, Important Profession” by Alexandra Robbins

**Podcast:** *Black Educators Matter*

Talk about it! Share your stories of how the educators in your life have made an impact with friends and family. A public act of appreciation goes a long way, so consider making your next social media post about the power of teachers.

[Learn more](#)

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## May 2023 Spotlight

### Breastfeeding Support for Chester Families

**Presenter: Kaiden Levy, Program Coordinator,  
PA Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics**

Our presenter, Kaiden Levy, provided an overview of breastfeeding programs, specifically in the Chester community. Helpful links shared during her presentation can be found below:

[Ten Steps to a Breastfeeding Family Friendly Community](#)

[The Providing Urgent Maternal Protections \(PUMP\)  
for Nursing Mothers Act: What You Should Know](#)

[Zipmilk](#)

***If you would like to contact Kaiden for partnership opportunities and print outs for your workplace, [click here.](#)***

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**During the May CTC meeting, we asked attendees to answer the following trivia question:**

Q: "According to the National Education Association, what percentage of teachers are considering leaving the profession within the next 18-24 months?"

A: 55%

**Congratulations to our May CTC trivia winner, Josh Keiner from J. Lewis Crozer Library!**



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## DELAWARE COUNTY CTC NETWORK ANNOUNCEMENTS MAY 2023

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May 2023

### **Chester Education Foundation**

Chester Education Foundation is currently recruiting for our Blueprint for Success and STEP programs. See fliers for more information, and please share with anyone that you think might be interested. Thanks!



## BLUEPRINT FOR SUCCESS PROGRAM

*Need a job? This program is for you!*

-  **Resume Prep & Interview Coaching!**
-  **Paid Internship!**
-  **Job Placement!**

Scan this QR code  
for more information



Are you a high school graduate and need help finding a good job?

Are you between 18-24 years old and reside in Delaware County, PA?

Chester Education Foundation would love to help you create a **Blueprint for Your Success!** Contact us now to get started!



[egreene@chestereducation.org](mailto:egreene@chestereducation.org)



(610) 364-1212



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Suite 700  
Chester, PA 19013

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A proud partner of the  American Job Center network



## **STEP Program**

(16-18 years old)

**Success Training & Employment Program**

- ✓ **College & Career Counseling!**
- ✓ **Resume & Interview Prep!**
- ✓ **Paid Work Experience!**

Scan this QR code  
for more information



### **EARN AS YOU LEARN!**

The **STEP** program offers assistance with college or job applications, financial literacy workshops, tutoring, writing resumes, preparing for interviews, & more!

If you are 16-18 years old and reside in Chester, PA, Chester Education Foundation would love to help you take the next **STEP** towards your future. Contact us now to get started!



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May 2023

**Foundation for Delaware County:  
Fatherhood Engagement Committee**



The Foundation for Delaware County  
Fatherhood Engagement Committee

## FATHERHOOD AWARENESS MONTH

Save the Date and Call for Programming

The Fatherhood Engagement Committee invites you to create a fatherhood related event, virtual or in person, during the month of June 2023.

The Fatherhood Engagement Committee was launched in 2021 to create a fatherhood continuum of care amongst community providers. This Continuum of Care collects and coordinates services in Delaware County to assist fathers in the pregnancy, birth, and postpartum fatherhood journey.



Be sure to check out the  
Dad's Café May 10, 2023 6:30 p.m.  
gifts provided!

Registration <https://tinyurl.com/572nf4j8>

THE THIRD ANNUAL FATHERHOOD  
SUMMIT WILL TAKE PLACE THE  
WEDNESDAY AFTER FATHER'S DAY,  
JUNE 21, 2023

We will share more details soon.

**CONTACT DR. ONAJE MUID:**  
[omuid@delcofoundation.org](mailto:omuid@delcofoundation.org)  
215 990-1279



May 2023

**J. Lewis Crozer Library**

# JLC JAWN

to keep you posted on what's happening at Crozer...

## FEATURED PROGRAMS

### CRAFTERNOON

#### DIY PAPER FLOWER BOUQUETS & POP-UP CARDS

Let's show love and appreciation for the special women in our lives! Come to Crozer Library to learn how to make paper flower bouquets and pop-up cards that will be sure to brighten their day! All supplies and instruction provided.

**THURSDAY MAY 11TH 11:00AM - 12:00PM**  
**SATURDAY MAY 13TH 11:00AM - 12:00PM**



### SPRING PAINT PARTY

Create your own cherry blossom tree masterpiece!

Come to Crozer Library and enjoy an evening of painting! Local artist and Assistant Director, Joann Simone, will guide you in creating a cherry blossom tree in full bloom to celebrate spring and Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. All supplies included.

Space is limited so be sure to register by scanning the QR code or by calling the library at 610-494-3454.



**WEDNESDAYS 10:00AM - 11:00AM**

### HERBAL TEA BLENDING WITH TIFFANY ROBBINS

Learn how to blend a variety of herbs into a tasty tea!

Local clinical herbalist Tiffany Robbins will guide participants on how to select and blend herbs, based on their different attributes, for taste and nourishment. The best part of this program will be sipping these wonderful libations!

Register by scanning the QR code or by calling the library at 610-494-3454.

**THURSDAY MAY 18TH 6:15PM - 7:15PM**



### CELEBRATING JEWISH HERITAGE IN COMICS

In honor of Jewish Heritage Month, Crozer Library explores Jewish superheroes and the writers and artists who played an important role in the creation of modern comics!

This special program will feature an art exhibit showcasing the history of Jewish heritage in comics as well as a DIY superhero cape craft for kids. All supplies included.

**THURSDAY MAY 25TH 4:00PM - 5:00PM**



Source: Comic Basics (2023)

### LIBRARY MURAL PROJECT

Please share your ideas and vision for the creation of new exterior artwork by Painting Freedom that will be painted by YOU, the community of Chester, for the J. Lewis Crozer Library!

Scan the QR code below and complete the form or come into the library and fill out the form at the customer service desk.



## RECURRING PROGRAMS

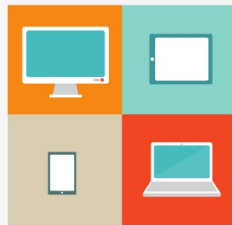
check these out EVERY month!

### DIGITAL DILEMMAS

Having issues with your email? Can't upload photos to social media or get them off your phone? Need help accessing attachments or perhaps creating marketing materials?

Bring your device and digital dilemma to the library for one-on-one assistance! Register for a 20-minute appointment online by scanning the QR code or by calling the library at 610-494-3454.

**TUESDAYS 11:00AM - 1:00PM**  
**FRIDAYS 1:00PM - 3:00PM**



### COFFEE & COLORING @ CROZER

Come to Crozer Library and get over the mid-week slump by coloring yourself calm! Coffee, tea, and all coloring supplies provided.

Adult coloring can improve your health by promoting mindfulness, by relieving stress, by giving your brain a workout—requires the right and left hemispheres of your brain to communicate to complete the task, nurturing your creativity along with other skills, by embracing the opportunity for play as it can be an enjoyable and relaxing activity that takes us back to our childhood and resurfaces old memories.

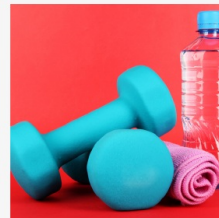
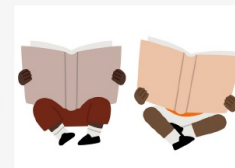
**WEDNESDAYS 10:00AM - 11:00AM**

### READ & PLAY

#### A FAMILY & FRIENDS STORYTIME

This program is designed to promote language and early literacy skills through interactive stories, songs, rhymes, and movement. Children of all ages and abilities are welcome to learn and play together!

**THURSDAYS 10:30AM - 11:15AM**



### EXERCISE WITH KYLE

Looking to start exercising again or re-energize your exercise routine?

Join Certified Personal Trainer, Kyle Lanier, for a low impact/chair exercise program using light weights to work on your strength, stamina, and balance. Please bring your own towel and be sure to wear comfortable clothes and shoes!

All ages welcome. No registration required.  
**EVERY 1ST AND 3RD THURSDAY 11:30AM**

### DIGITAL SKILLS (65+)

Learn basic computer to advanced computer skills in a fun, stress-free environment! No prior knowledge or computer experience required.

Register by scanning the QR code or by calling the library 610-494-3454.

**THURSDAYS 2:00PM - 3:00PM**



### DIGITAL SKILLS

CLASS FOR SENIORS (65+)

## DIGITAL SKILLS (ALL AGES)

Learn basic computer to advanced computer skills in a fun, stress-free environment! No prior knowledge or computer experience required.

Register by scanning the QR code or by calling the library 610-494-3454.

THURSDAYS 3:00PM - 4:00PM



## MOVIE MATINEES @ CROZER

Take a seat and chill in the Crozer Community Room to enjoy an afternoon movie and FREE popcorn!

May 12th *Everything, Everywhere All at Once*

May 19th *Minari*

May 26th *Lion*

FRIDAYS 1:30PM



## JOB SEARCH & CAREER TOOLS

*Need help navigating the job search and application process?*

Schedule a one-on-one appointment for support and resources on job searching techniques, career building tools, and creating or updating your resume and cover letter.

Register for an appointment online by scanning the QR code or by calling the library 610-494-3454.



EVERY 1ST AND 3RD THURSDAY  
6:00PM - 7:30PM



## NO PRESSURE BOOK CLUB

*No assigned books. No pressure.*

Come to Crozer Library once a month for No Pressure Book Club, a relaxed gathering of readers and book lovers to talk about books. What kind of books? Any kind! Talk about one you're currently reading or listening to, one you've read, or even one you'd like to read. Light refreshments will be provided.

THURSDAYS ONCE A MONTH 6:00PM - 7:00PM

## CROZER GOT GAME

**ARE YOU GAME?**

Drop by Crozer Library for an hour or two of board gaming fun. The Library will provide a variety of tabletop board games, cards, puzzles, and more, or you can bring your own favorite game to share. All ages welcome.

SATURDAYS ONCE A MONTH 1:30PM - 3:30PM

## MOVIE NIGHT @ CROZER

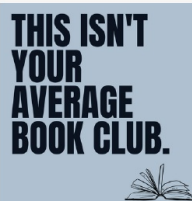
Take a seat and chill in the Crozer Community Room to enjoy a movie and FREE popcorn!

May 4th *Solo: A Star Wars Story*

May 11th *Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings*

May 25th *Black Adam*

THURSDAYS 5:30PM



May 2023

## Widener University

Social Work Counseling Services

### About SWCS

Social Work Counseling Services (SWCS) is a human services agency of the Center for Social Work Education that serves a dual mission of helping the community, while also providing internship experiences in an agency setting, offering real-world generalist or clinical social worker experience.

### Eligibility for Services

- 18 and over
- Not currently receiving therapeutic services elsewhere

### Contact Us



## Social Work Counseling Services



**Contact Us**  
610-499-4682



**Our Website**  
<https://www.widener.edu/about/campus-community-resources/clinics-centers/social-work-counseling-services>



**Our Address**  
Hanum House  
524 East 14th St  
Chester, PA 19013  
Intersection of 14th and Walnut

Meeting people where they are...  
supporting where they want to be.

May 2023



# Child and Family Focus

Call for Respite Provider



## Child and Family Focus

CHILDREN'S  
MENTAL HEALTH  
RESPIRE  
PROGRAM

CAREGIVERS, DO  
YOU NEED A  
BREAK?!

EMAIL: [RESPITE@CHILDANDFAMILYFOCUS.ORG](mailto:RESPITE@CHILDANDFAMILYFOCUS.ORG)

CALL: 610-732-8682

VISIT: [WWW.CHILDANDFAMILYFOCUS.ORG](http://WWW.CHILDANDFAMILYFOCUS.ORG)

FIND OUT IF YOUR  
FAMILY IS ELIGIBLE  
FOR FREE RESPIRE  
CHILD CARE:

Children ages 3-21 with a mental health diagnosis, and mental health services, residing in Bucks, Chester, or Delaware Counties may be eligible.



May 2023

**The Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College**



# Peony Palooza!

Presented by the **MID-ATLANTIC  
PEONY SOCIETY** and



**THE SCOTT ARBORETUM  
OF SWARTHMORE COLLEGE**

From big and blousy to delicate and dazzling,  
explore and appreciate the variety peonies bring to spring.

## **WEDNESDAY, MAY 24**

1 – 7 pm | Peony Show  
Open to Public

3 – 6 pm | Make & Take  
Youth Peony Arranging

5:30 pm | Judging for Youth Peony  
Arranging Contest

## **THURSDAY, MAY 25**

10 am – 5 pm | Peony Show  
Open to Public

3 pm | Garden Peony Tour



All events hosted at the Scott Arboretum.  
Visit [scottarboretum.org](http://scottarboretum.org) for full event details.

Dean Bond  
Rose Garden at the  
Scott Arboretum  
Rain or shine event!



Thursday,  
June 1, 2023  
4 to 8 pm

Celebrate one of summer's most prized flowers with free activities for the whole family:

- Tour the Dean Bond Rose Garden
- Taste rose-inspired bites and beverages
- Pick up a rose plant for your garden
- Picnic surrounded by live music
- Create rose art with your family
- Complete your Rose Passport as you experience the world of roses!

Purchase supper at our

**FOOD TRUCK**



Please bring cash or credit.



Visit [scottarboretum.org](http://scottarboretum.org) for all event details

May 2023

**Tripley Foundation**

# June 19th - June 29th

at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church

Camp Encouragement supports and nurtures children who are grieving the loss of a loved one and provides a place to heal, grow and live a more fulfilling life. We envision a world where grieving children are not forgotten or left to grieve alone and are supported by a community that appreciates them.



[Learn more and register](#)

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May 2023

## **Chester Community Coalition**

# 2nd Annual WEAR ORANGE PEACE WALK



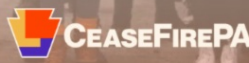
## Saturday, June 3, 2023

Starting at 9th & Kerlin --10am

Finishing at MLK Park--11:00am-1:00pm

Memorial butterfly release honoring the lives of those lost to gun violence

For registration  
please scan here:





REGISTER FOR THE  
ADVOCACY  
TRAINING, 5/17

CRIME SURVIVORS FOR SAFETY AND JUSTICE PRESENTS

# SURVIVORS SPEAK

PENNSYLVANIA | 2023

June 13, 2023



REGISTER TO  
ATTEND FROM  
CHESTER, 6/13

WHEN SURVIVORS SPEAK, CHANGE HAPPENS

#SurvivorsSpeak





**JUNE 2023**

# NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH EVENT CALENDAR

JUNE 1	JUNE 3	JUNE 8	JUNE 13	JUNE 22	JUNE 29	JUNE 30
<b>GUN SAFETY TRAINING</b>	<b>PEACE WALK</b>	<b>GARDEN MEDITATION</b>	<b>ADVOCACY DAY</b>	<b>STOP THE BLEED</b>	<b>SOUL BOXES &amp; GAMES</b>	<b>CRAB BOIL &amp; BBQ</b>
<b>2PM-4PM</b> In partnership with CeasefirePA, The Fatherhood Project, and Babies First. We will kick off the month with a gun safety training. Free gun locks, gift card prizes and food will be provided!	<b>10AM-1PM</b> The meet-up will take place at 9th and Kerlin St. and the Wear Orange Peace Walk will be ending at MLK Park. MLK Park will be open to vendors and the community for free water, ice, games, music, massages, giveaways and more!	<b>1PM-3PM</b> Ruth Bennett Farm will host Shaun C. (@NeroiSoft) and Chester Community Coalition for a tour of the farm and a guided meditation sound bath, followed by a bouquet building workshop. Refreshments will be provided!	<b>ALL DAY EVENT</b> Crime survivors for Safety and Justice will provide bus transportation from 7th and central to Harrisburg and back. This event will be a chance to tell our stories and demand what we need to heal! Lunch will be provided!	<b>11AM-1PM</b> Minutes count! Someone who is severely bleeding can bleed out in as little as 5 minutes. Come and get hands-on practice of applying direct pressure, packing a wound, and using a tourniquet to stop bleeding. In partnership with Crozer and Chester Housing Authority.	<b>BGCC MEMBERS</b> In partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of Chester, we'll have a night of art, games, creativity and conversation with teens about solutions to gun violence.	<b>3:30PM-7:30PM</b> Join us in our commitment to end gun violence and heal with our community. Free crabs (while supplies last), hot dogs, and burgers! Bring the family for music, dancing, food and fun!
<b>THE ACCESS CENTER</b>	<b>MLK PARK</b>	<b>RUTH BENNETT FARM</b>	<b>HARRISBURG, PA</b>	<b>HOUSING AUTHORITY</b>	<b>BOYS &amp; GIRLS CLUB</b>	<b>MLK PARK</b>

## WHY DO YOU WEAR ORANGE?

May 2023

**Ruth Bennett Community Farm, Chester Community Coalition, and Chester Housing Authority**

Chester Community Coalition  
in partnership with  
Chester Housing Authority and Ruth Bennett Community Farm  
*invite you join us for a*

# GARDEN SOUND BATH MEDITATION

*with Shaun C*

@NEROLISOFT

*Followed by a garden tour and free bouquet work shop where we will  
craft bouquets with local, seasonal and organically grown flowers*

MUST BE 18 YEARS AND OVER, LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE

**Thursday, June 8**

**1:00pm-3:00pm**

Ruth Bennett Community Farm

1498 Carl's Lane, Chester, PA



May 2023

**CeaseFire PA**



Gun Violence Prevention Awareness Month!

# KIDS' SAFETY FIRST



**June 1st, Thurs.  
2-4pm**



**ACCESS Center**

701 Booth Street  
Chester, PA 19013



**Register here:**

<https://act.ceasefirepa.org/a/gun-safety-workshop-families>

## GUN SAFETY WORKSHOP

**Refreshments**

**Gift cards! Prizes!**

**Free gun locks**

Free childcare & transportation

**FAMILIES WELCOME**

**FIREARMS  
\* NOT PERMITTED \*  
AT WORKSHOP**



May 2023

**Delaware County Health Department**



# Community Health Assessment SURVEY



We need YOUR help!



What matters to you?

The Delaware County Health Department and its partners in the community will use this information to find out what health issues you care about and your ideas to make our community healthier.

[Or Click Here for Survey](#)

[Results Link](#)

May 2023

**Crozer Health and Chester Community Coalition**

**Free Training  
Register TODAY!**



Stop the Bleed is one of our nation's largest public health campaigns. It's goal is to save lives by training people how to stop traumatic bleeding. Anyone can be trained and be ready to save someone's life – a friend, a family member, or the person next to you – whether you know them or not. Get trained, be ready, spread the word. Stop the Bleed.



Date  
**June 22, 2023**



Time  
**11:00AM-1:00PM**  
*light breakfast will be provided*



More Info  
**Chester Community Coalition  
(610) 368-0714**

Approximately  
40% of trauma-  
related deaths  
worldwide are due  
to bleeding

Tourniquet  
Training  
Seminar

Traumatic  
Wound  
First Aid  
Management



May 2023

## **Chester Boys and Girls Club**

After Prom

Reach out to Angie Johnson for more information on tables, vending, and volunteer opportunities for the Chester After Prom hosted by the Chester Boys and Girls Club.

Contact

May 2023

## **4 Circles Beyond**

The Peace, Liberation & The Arts (PL&A) Summer Camp provides a multi-week experience for youth, ages 12 - 17. In order to foster peace and liberation for Chester youth, we must address at least three circles – the personal, the family and the larger community.

[Learn more](#)

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May 2023

## The Foundation for Delaware County

(Pandemic resources for pregnant and postpartum women in the Delaware County)

### **Denise R. Martin**

Outreach and Engagement Specialist/Cribs For Kids Coordinator

The Foundation For Delaware County  
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1510 Chester Pike, Suite 300/301  
Eddystone, PA 19022  
Tele: (610) 619-6113  
Cell: (267) 453-7342  
Email: [dmartin@delcofoundation.org](mailto:dmartin@delcofoundation.org)

- **Healthy Start** is a Community Health Worker model with tiered case management services for pregnant women. Staff focus on healthcare access to help ensure full-term and healthy pregnancies, support breastfeeding and infant care, manage information and resource coordination, connect moms with in-house counseling for Perinatal Mood and Anxiety Disorders or postpartum depressions, and civil legal assistance through our Medical Legal Partnership program.
- **Nurse Family Partnership** pairs first-time, low-income mothers with home-visiting nurses throughout Delaware County. Women must be enrolled in the program prior to 28 weeks to be eligible for the program which continues until the baby's 2nd-birthday. This relationship-based program focuses on healthcare access and health education, positive parenting, infant growth and development, and support for mom in working towards self-sufficiency. Enrolled mothers are also able to access behavioral health supports and civil legal assistance.
- **Delaware County WIC (Women, Infants and Children) Program** is also a great program to ensure healthy pregnancies and improve birth outcomes, focusing on growth and development of children. It provides eligible pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women, infants and children under age 5 with nutrition information, breastfeeding support, and nutritious food and referrals. WIC helps to build strong, healthy families and ensure kids enter kindergarten healthy and ready to learn!
- **Cribs for Kids** is a referral-based program to provide Safe Sleep Education and a new Pack & Play to families who are challenged by extreme poverty and displacement due to domestic violence or house fires. Cribs for Kids nationally has been an important resource and champion in the fight to prevent sleep-related deaths in communities across America.
- **The Center for Hispanic Resources** is a drop in (now telephonic) program that provides assistance to Delaware County's Spanish-speaking community. Bilingual case management staff assist participants with completing applications, making appointments and connecting with community-based resources, providing translation services and limited interpretation services.

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**The Foundation for Delaware County's  
Healthy Start, Nurse-Family Partnership &  
Cribs for Kids staff  
are here for you during the COVID-19 Crisis.**

**If you are pregnant and live in Delaware County, please contact us to learn about our helpful programs including; telehealth nurse and case management support, social work services, safe sleep education and supplies, breastfeeding support and civil legal assistance. Please share with others who may qualify!  
Bilingual (Spanish-speaking) staff available.**

To find out more please contact Denise Martin, Outreach and Engagement Specialist, at 267-453-7342 or by email at [dmartin@delcofoundation.org](mailto:dmartin@delcofoundation.org)

Our referral form is [here!](#)



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***Please join us for the June CTC meeting on  
Thursday, June 8th at 9:00AM.***

**ZOOM INFORMATION FOR MEETING**

**Zoom ID: 955 2608 7607**

**Passcode: 982073**

*Join Zoom Meeting*

*[https://zoom.us/j/95526087607?  
pwd=NG9BeWpMTFdVNnJSSHJGZm1EQmNWdz09](https://zoom.us/j/95526087607?pwd=NG9BeWpMTFdVNnJSSHJGZm1EQmNWdz09)*

Visit CEF's  
website



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