**SERVICE CORNER**

**February 1, 2018**

**Office of Service-Learning and Volunteer Programs**

**Commonwealth Hall, Lower Level, 715 S. New Street (Enter at Student Health Services)**

[www.wcupa.edu/volunteer](http://www.wcupa.edu/volunteer)

**“It’s not just about you.” ~ Anonymous**

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***SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS***

**Flu immunizations are still available in Student Health Services!**

Call Student Health Services to make an appointment to get your FREE immunization and T-shirt! Stay healthy during this rough flu season! Call (610) 436-2509 to schedule an appointment.

**WCU Managers’ Community Souper Bowl Food Drive**

**Thursday, February 1st through Monday, February 5th**

Cast your vote on who you believe will win the Super Bowl by placing a food donation in the color coded bin of your favored team. Collection bins will be located inside Lawrence, Sykes, and Philips Memorial Building. Examples of some items most needed are Progresso Soups (non-condensed), Chef Boyardee, canned chicken, tuna, beets, fruit cups, jars of pasta sauce, snacks, etc.. All donations benefit the WCU Resource Pantry.

**2018 Spring Volunteer Fair**

**Thursday, February 8th, 11:00am-2:00pm, Sykes Union Ballrooms**
The Office of Service-Learning and Volunteer Programs will be hosting the 2018 Spring Volunteer Fair so that you can stop by and connect with over 50 community and government agencies and learn about the many volunteer opportunities they may have!

**Play4Kay Basketball Game & Fundraiser**

**Saturday, February 10th, 12:00pm-5:00pm, Hollinger Field House**

**Game #1 starts at 1:00pm; Game #2 starts at 3:00pm**

Play4Kay is a special basketball game & fundraiser held annually here at WCU to benefit [The Kay Yow Cancer Fund](https://kayyow.com/). Kay Yow, former North Carolina State University head women’s basketball coach formed the fund before losing her battle with cancer in 2009. Join Women’s Basketball and the Office of Service-Learning and Volunteer Programs at the Play4Kay basketball games and have fun in the “Pink Zone” behind the stands where $5 will earn you 5 raffle tickets and unlimited access to family friendly activities, face painting, a moon bounce, a photo booth and more. The Pink Zone will have additional raffle tickets for sale, food, and special Play4Kay t-shirts for sale.  All proceeds from raffle ticket sales, t-shirt sales, and Pink Zone entry will go to the Kay Yow Cancer Fund.

**Voters Organized Through Engagement (VOTE) Conference**

**Signup Deadline Monday, February 19th**

**Date of Event, Saturday, March 3rd, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster PA**

Interested in taking political action? WCU is sending a delegation of students to the VOTE Conference at F&M College. The conference serves as a "National Student Conference on Voter Engagement and Activation". Learn more about voter engagement among college students and current mobilization efforts. During breakout sessions, WCU will expand upon our voter engagement platform and design high-impact practices for the Midterm Primary. All costs and transportation sponsored by OSLVP for the first five students to sign up. Deadline to sign up:

**American Red Cross Blood Drive, Sykes Ballrooms**

**Tuesday, February 20th**

**Wednesday, March 7th**

**Tuesday, April 17th**

Did you know that one pint of blood can save up to three lives? Your donations are always needed. The blood drives will run from 11:00am-4:00pm. Go to <https://www.redcrossblood.org/rcbmobile/drive/chooseDonationTime.jsp> to sign up to donate.

**WCU Resource Pantry**

West Chester University is proud to have established an on campus resource pantry for students in need, located in Commonwealth Hall, Lower Level. The pantry offers seasonal fresh vegetables, nonperishable food, personal hygiene products, school supplies, and a career closet.  To make an appointment, contact Gabby Singh at pantry@wcupa.edu or visit [www.wcupa.edu/pantry](http://www.wcupa.edu/pantry)

***UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES***

**2018 Career Fair**

**Wednesday, February 21, Sykes Ballrooms**

Do you need volunteer hours? Consider helping at the Career Fair! Shifts are available during the day. Register for your or your group on OrgSync. <https://orgsync.com/32134/forms/296830>

***ONGOING VOLUNTEER/INTERNSHIP/EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES***

**Camp Abilities**

Camp Abilities camps are educational sports experiences for young people who are blind or have low vision. The purpose of the camp is to empower children to be physically active, improve their overall health and wellness, encourage them to make food choices that support an active lifestyle, and develop their confidence and self-esteem through sport and physical activity. Volunteer coaching positions at Camp Abilities pair you one on one with a young athlete with a visual impairment to act as an individualize performance coach for the duration of the program. Coaches are trained prior to athlete arrival (training dates are included in the dates below), as well as fed and housed for the length of the camp experience. Camp Abilities PA is entirely WCU student, faculty, and alumni run. Camp Abilities Arizona and Delaware usually attract about 12 WCU students per year, as well as college students from around the country. For more information, contact Maria Lepore-Stevens at mlepore-stevens@wcupa.edu. **Apply to volunteer for Camp Abilities camps:**

**Pennsylvania:**WCU, May 24-28, [www.campabilitiespa.org/coach](http://www.campabilitiespa.org/coach)

**Arizona:** Tucson, June 2-9, <http://www.campabilitiestucson.org/become-a-coach.html>

**Delaware:**Felton, July 22-27, <http://www.campabilitiesdelaware.org/coach>

**Volunteer Communications Assistant** needed at the Kennett Senior Center. The Kennett Senior Center helps seniors stay physically and emotionally healthy, mentally alert and financially independent. A volunteer Communications Assistant is needed to help spread the word about the senior center and all of the services, programs and volunteer opportunities they have. The Volunteer Communications Assistant will come to the Senior Center and get to know us before transitioning and working from home or school. Our three main needs are in website development using Word Press, interaction with print and social media (press releases/articles and regular scheduled social media postings) and training of a staff member for continuity of work. If the student identifies opportunities to grow in responsibility with new communications ideas, they will be welcomed and considered. Contact Lizabeth Conner at (610)444-4819 X105 for more information.

**PennEnvironment Internship**

PennEnvironment is looking for candidates to help educate and engage citizens in the most critical environmental issues of our time. You can help PennEnvironment spread vital information on environmental advocacy in the media, build coalitions, organize events, and lobby decision-makers. Ultimately, you can help defend the environment, work to keep public lands in public hands, and protect our rivers, lakes, and drinking water. To apply visit: [PennEnvironment Application](https://jobs.environmentamerica.org/PA-intern-apply.html?_ga=2.100439390.1796684773.1516115272-1630954329.1516115272).

**Philadelphia Parks and Recreation Ecosystem Management Intern**

Join Philadelphia’s Parks and Recreation team as an Ecosystem Management Intern from March through August 2018. This internship will include two separate ecosystem management project types; Invasive plant control (March 15th to May 1st) and Emerald Ash Borer suppression (May 1st to August 30th). <https://cse.google.com/cse?oe=utf8&ie=utf8&source=uds&start=0&cx=003474906032785030072:utbav7zeaky&hl=en&q=Ecosystem%20intern#gsc.tab=0&gsc.q=Ecosystem%20intern&gsc.page=1>

**Saturday Night Lights, West Chester YMCA, Saturdays, 7pm-10pm**

October 14th 2017- May 26th 2017, The YMCA is looking for volunteers to interact with teens in lots of fun activities, like playing games, shooting hoops, and simply being a great role model! Feel free to sign up for one Saturday or multiple at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4aa5a92ca1fb6-saturday>

***CHECK OUT OUR ONLINE VOLUNTEER DIRECTORY FOR EVEN MORE OPPORTUNITIES***

[*http://wcupa.edu/volunteersearch*](http://wcupa.edu/volunteersearch)

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