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**October 11th, 2017**

***“Never stop doing little things for others.***

***Sometimes those little things occupy the biggest part of their hearts” ~Anonymous~***

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**A. *SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS***

**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)

**WCU Resource Pantry Food Drive – 2 DAYS LEFT!!**

**September 29th-October 13th**

West Chester University is celebrating the one year birthday of our on-campus resource pantry located in Commonwealth Hall, Lower Level. The pantry offers seasonal fresh vegetables, nonperishable food, personal hygiene products, school supplies, and a career closet. Volunteers are needed to help check on the bins halfway through the drive and at the end of the drive to collect bins across campus and unload them at the pantry. If interested in volunteering sign up for a shift at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4eada723a0fe3-food> if these times do not work with your schedule, consider donating non-perishables; look for the yellow bins across campus!

**DC central Kitchen’s Alexander Justice Moore**

**Thursday, October 26th, 7:00pm in Emily Asplundh Concert Hall, West Chester University**

Author of The Food Fighters, Alexander Justice Moore will be speaking on our campus. This is a free event, but you must RSVP through <https://wcupatix.secure.force.com/ticket/#details_a0S36000003v7ecEAA>

***B.    UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES***

**Group Leaders for Paranormal Investigations**

**Saturday October 14th**

Chadds Fords Historical Society is partnering with Delmarva Historic Haunts (DHH) to perform public Paranormal Investigations at their sites. They are looking for enthusiastic group leaders to help guide and monitor groups of approximately 10 guests as they navigate each site during the investigations.   DHH will lead the actual investigations. Investigation times are 7:30pm-10:15pm and 10:30pm-1:15am.   They ask that you arrive approximately 30 minutes prior to starting (times are shown below) to prep for your group and receive event information. To sign up go to<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f4caba829aaf58-volunteer>

**Tree Planting**

**Saturday October 14th**

Join in on planting trees to create riparian buffer along Valley Creek from 8:30am until 12pm! All you need is gloves, boots and a shovel if you have one. This volunteer opportunity is located at Cedar Hollow Preserve, 1635 Church Road in Malvern PA. Contact Ray Clarke at raymond.clarke@outlook.com or 610-247-7090 if interested or with any questions!

**Light The Night Cancer Walk Volunteers Needed**

**Saturday October 14th**

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society is looking for volunteers on October 14th to help out with their Light the Night Cancer Walk at Wilson Farm Park in Wayne PA. Volunteers are need from 9am-3pm to help set up the event or 3pm-9pm to help run and clean up the event. To register to volunteer please follow this link <https://www.llsform.org/0190FS01/form20/index.html>

**Looking for Course Marshalls!**

**Saturday October 14th**

Course Marshalls are need to volunteer at the Harvest Running Festival which benefits The Land Conservancy for Southern Chester County and the Travis Manion Foundation. The festival will take place in Landenberg, PA. Sign up to volunteer at <https://runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/PA/Landenberg/HarvestRunningFestival>. Any help is greatly appreciated!

**The Great Pumpkin Carving**

**Thursday, October 19th,5pm-9pm**

The Chadds Ford Historical Society is looking for volunteers for their annual Great Pumpkin Carve. Volunteers are needed to assist with admissions, handout wristbands, help at the membership tent, t-shirt sales, raffle booth, glow stuff and at the CFHS store. If you’re interested in volunteering at the event sign up at<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4cadaf28a0f85-20161>

**American Red Cross Blood Drive, Sykes Ballrooms B and C**

**Thursday, October 19th**

Did you know 1 pint of blood can save up to 3 lives? Do your part and donate now.  Blood drive will run from 11:00am until 4:00pm. Sign up at <http://www.redcrossblood.org/rcbmobile/drive/chooseDonationTime.jsp>  Please visit:   <http://www.redcrossblood.org/make-donation> and search by sponsor code WCU to schedule an appointment.  Please contact tedra.farrell@redcross.org if you have questions.

**The Great Pumpkin Carving**

**Friday, October 20th, 5pm-9pm**

The Chadds Ford Historical Society is looking for volunteers for their annual Great Pumpkin Carve. Volunteers are needed to assist with admissions, handout wristbands, help at the membership tent, t-shirt sales, raffle booth, glow stuff and at the CFHS store. If you’re interested in volunteering at the event sign up at<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4cadaf28a0f85-20161>

**The Great Pumpkin Carving**

**Saturday, October 21st, 3pm-9pm**

The Chadds Ford Historical Society is looking for volunteers for their annual Great Pumpkin Carve. Volunteers are needed to assist with admissions, handout wristbands, help at the membership tent, t-shirt sales, raffle booth, glow stuff and at the CFHS store. If you’re interested in volunteering at the event sign up at<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4cadaf28a0f85-20161>

**East Goshen Township Pumpkin Festival**

**Saturday, October 21st 10:00am-1:00pm**

Come out and help with the EGT Pumpkin Festival. There will be hay rides, face painting, petting zoo, bowling, apple bobbing and more. If you are interested in learning more or to volunteer contact Jason Lang at 610-692-7171

**Healthy Halloween – Upper Main Line**

**Saturday October 21st, 4pm-8pm**

Help at the Annual Healthy Halloween Party at the Upper Main Line YMCA. Actors are needed to fill the rooms and halls of their “Wild West Ghost Town”, friendly characters are needed to lead groups of families through the Cassatt Mansion, and volunteers are needed to help run the different carnival games, plus so much more!  Costumes and role review will be done upon arrival. Please contact the Upper Main Line YMCA at braicich@ymcagbw.org if interested in this volunteer opportunity.

**Healthy Halloween – West Chester**

**Saturday, October 21st, 5pm-9 pm**

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4aa5a92ca1fb6-healthy3>

Annual Healthy Halloween Party at the West Chester YMCA is a fun time for the volunteers!  Come dressed in a costume, if you choose, and have a great evening entertaining the community as our facility gets transformed into a Halloween Haven!

**Tree Planting**

**Saturday, October 21st 2017**

The Brandywine Conservancy will be having an upcoming tree planting on their campus in Chadds Ford from 9am until 12pm. Volunteers do not need any previous tree planting experience. For more information or to volunteer contact Meredith at mmayer@brandywine.org

**Rise Against Hunger**

**Sunday, October 22nd**

An international hunger relief organization that distributes food and life-changing aid to the world’s most vulnerable, mobilizing the necessary resources to end hunger by 2030. [http://www.riseagainsthunger.org](http://www.riseagainsthunger.org/)  Volunteers are needed for shifts from 12:00 pm and on through the rest of the day.  Go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0545a9aa2faa8-rise> to sign up.

**Pumpkin Painting**

**Monday, October 23rd**

Ascend Hospice is looking for a group of volunteers to paint mini pumpkins for their hospice patients. They will provide pumpkins, paint and brushes. Pumpkins would need to be picked up no later than October 23rd. If interested contact their volunteer supervisor at Marina.McGough@ascendhealth.com

**Fall Festival**

**Friday, October 27th 3:00pm-9:00pm**

Trinity Church is looking for volunteers for their upcoming fall festival. This event is located at 1022 Pottstown Pike West Chester, PA. For more information or to help volunteer contact their Pastor at pastorcraigdunaway@gmail.com

**Healthy Halloween – Kennett Square**

**Saturday, October 28th 6:00pm-8:00pm**

Kennett Area YMCA is hosting their annual Healthy Halloween with a spook room, DJ, dancing, games, and crafts a moon bounce and more. They will also be hosting their youth coat drive during this event. If you would like more information on either of these or would like to volunteer, contact Kelly at ksharp@ymcagbw.org

**AACR’s Revolutions for Research**

**Saturday, November 4th**

American Association for Cancer Research are looking for volunteers at their Revolutions for Research indoor cycling event, being held at the Simeone Auto Museum. For more information or to sign up to volunteer check out this link <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d45aaad2aa5fe3-revolutions5>

**Try a Tri**

**Sunday, November 5th, 3:30pm-7:30 pm**

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4aa5a92ca1fb6-tryand>

Volunteers are needed for the pool deck, wellness floor, and gym attendants.

**Thanksgiving Meal Delivery**

**Friday, November 17th**

Make a difference in a homeless families holiday season.  From 10:00am until 1:00pm help assist in delivering Thanksgiving boxes to families in need! Contact Robin Meixner at r.meixner@friendsassoc.org if interested in this opportunity.

**2017 Fall Park Clean Up**

**Saturday, November 18th**

Come out to Everhart Park to help with the annual fall clean up! There are two shifts 9:00am until 12:00pm the second shift is 1:00pm until 4:00pm, but you're welcome to stay and do both! Some gloves and rakes will be available but if you have your own be sure to bring them! For more information contact herb.schwabe.FOEP@gmail.com

***C. ONGOING VOLUNTEER/INTERNSHIP/EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES***

**West Chester Area Senior Center Breakfast and Lunch Volunteers**

Breakfast Volunteers needed Monday through Friday 7:30am until 9:30am. Help set up, serve and clean up.  For more information contact iqstudios@aol.com.  Lunch Volunteers needed Monday through Friday 11:15am until 1:15pm. Help set up, serve and clean up. For more information contact iqstudios@aol.com

**Saturday Night Lights, Saturdays**

October 14th 2017- May 26th 2017, 7:00pm-10:00pm 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>

**Family Fun Time West Chester YMCA** on Airport Road hosts family time every Sunday from 1:00pm until 3:00pm. Families can jump in the moon bounce, play kickball, swim in the pool and much more. The YMCA is looking for volunteers to help run the different stations throughout the building. If you would like to volunteer on Sunday or multiple sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4aa5a92ca1fb6-family1>

**Adapted Wellness Program**, Are you interested in volunteering with individuals who have disabilities? On Mondays, there is an adapted wellness program held in the Sturzebecker Fitness Center from 4:15pm until 5:30pm or 5:15pm until 6:30pm. If interested contact Samantha McAleer at sm847607@wcupa.edu

**Special Olympics Rammies Soccer**, on Thursdays at the Women's Rugby Field from 4:15pm until 6:15pm you can help volunteer with individuals who have disabilities.  If interested contact Samantha McAleer at sm847607@wcupa.edu

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

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