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North Penn United Way



Volunteers

eNEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL UNITED WAY

Are You Suited for Success?

Are you or someone you know unemployed or underemployed? Could you use a career wardrobe makeover? 

"Suit Yourself" is a chance for local residents to shop for new and gently used business attire at no charge. Local HR representatives will be making presentations on interview tips and other job search-related information. One-on-one time will be available after each presentation for questions and resume reviews. Each person is asked to bring a copy of their most recent resume with them.

"Suit Yourself" is being held on September 30, 2009 at the Best Western - The Inn at Towamencin. Two sessions are being offered, one at 2 p.m. and another at 5 p.m. In order to better prepare for the event, we are asking each person to sign up in advance for the session of their choice. However, walk-ins are welcome!

To sign up, please contact Christa Detweiler at (215) 855 - 3002 or at c.detweiler@npuw.org.

If you are interested in donating a new or gently used item, please contact Lisa Jones for more information at (215) 256 - 5018 or at ljones@harleysvillegroup.com.

A Successful School Year Starts with a Smile!

Give.

You can direct your contribution to one of the action areas-Education, Income and Health-or choose all three. As always, we will also process a restricted contribution to qualified 501 (c) 3 organizations.

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Advocate.

You can make change happen with your voice. United Way needs people who are passionate about education, income and health to make some noise.

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Volunteer.

United Way works with volunteers and local nonprofits to develop the best opportunities for youth, busy working adults and seniors.

[Volunteer Opportunities](#) near you.

The North Penn United Way is dedicated to making sure that all elementary school students in the North Penn and Indian Valley areas can enjoy their first day of school with a backpack, new school supplies, and a smile on their face.

The North Penn United Way is currently collecting backpacks that are stuffed with the fun school essentials that help make the first day so exciting! We're asking that each backpack include the following:

- * School Bag
- * Folders
- * Glue Stick
- * Pack of Pencils and Erasers
- * Box or Two of Tissues
- * Assignment/Agenda Book
- * Pencil Box or Pouch
- * Colored Pencils and/or Crayons
- * 3 Ring Binder



If you'd prefer, we can do the shopping for you! The NPUW is also accepting donations in the form of gift cards from local retailers, such as Walmart, who sell school supplies.

Stuffed backpacks and gift card donations can be left at one of the following drop-off locations :

- Any Univest branch in Montgomery County
- Indian Valley Family YMCA
- Harleysville Books
- Indian Valley or North Penn Boys and Girls Club
- Lansdale or Indian Valley Public Library
- National Penn Bank in Lansdale
- Souderton Area Pool
- Towamencin Pool
- Lansdale Pools - 4th Street & White's Road

We are asking that all donations be submitted no later than Friday, August 21, to ensure that the children receive them prior to the first day of school. If you have any questions, please call the North Penn United Way at (215) 855 - 3002.

Days of Caring

Days of Caring will be held on September 22, 2009. Days of Caring connects volunteers with local nonprofit groups to complete a wide variety of community-based projects. Projects range from painting a mural or building a playground to reading to preschoolers or renovating community housing.

This unique event gives employees from local companies an opportunity to spend their workday volunteering to make a difference in the lives of children, local families and seniors.

Would the people in your organization like to get their hands dirty for a day? Do you have volunteers who would

Upcoming Events

Univest Grand Prix
The Univest Grand Prix will be held on September 12th. All proceeds benefit Penn Foundation. For more information, please click [here](#). To learn more about Penn Foundation, click [here](#).

North Penn United Way Annual 5K Run

The annual 5K run will take place on September 26th at Harleysville Insurance. For more information and to register, click [here](#).

Save the Date!

On October 3rd, the NPUW will hold its annual Campaign kick-off and Days of Caring Celebration at the Lansdale International Oktoberfest. Please join us at White's Road Park from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. for a day of fun, including music, food and games.

NPUW Employee Campaign Chair Luncheon

On August 25th, the United Way will host a luncheon to discuss ways to improve the United Way Community Campaign. Guests are asked to come ready to share ideas that have worked for their company in previous years. The luncheon will be held at Whiskey River Grille in Mainland.

2-1-1 Update

Pennsylvania does not have a 2-1-1 service - yet! The 2-1-1 hotline has been setup and soon will be taking calls. 2-1-1 is a confidential, toll-free, 3-digit hotline that connects people quickly and

help with a painting, planting, or building project? Would you like to make a difference in the community? Sign up NOW!!

For more information on how you DoC paint can participate, email Theresa Schwartzer at schwartzert@univest.net.



Teen Leadership Experience - a Rewarding Experience for All!

Indian Valley Boys and Girls Club hosted its first ever Teen Leadership Experience from July 6th-16th. Twenty-two teens from the area attended the camp that focused on Communication and Diversity, Community Service, and Financial Responsibility. Teens also learned how to fill out job applications and participated in mock interviews. The teens also took on a class project and worked together painting a mural on one of the walls at the Boys and Girls Club. The camp concluded with a graduation celebration, for which each teen prepared a closing speech.



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easily with vital resources in their area. These important resources range from local childcare agencies to shelter availability to disease epidemic information. For more information on 2-1-1, visit www.PA211.org.

Partnership for Prescription Assistance

The Partnership for Prescription Assistance can help you reduce your coverage costs by up to \$100. Prescription drug discount cards from *familywize* are free and can be used nationwide at more than 53,000 participating pharmacies. Find out where you can get a *familywize* prescription drug discount card at www.familywize.org.

Be an Advocate

You can LIVE UNITED by helping us spread the word. Imagine how many people we could reach if everyone who reads this forwards it to five people.



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