

Service in the Franciscan Tradition

Opportunities to get involved



INTRODUCTION

- Inherent in the mission of Neumann University is the challenge to place knowledge at the service of others. The call to service invites us to be attentive to the needs of all, especially the least among us. Service flows from compassion, love and respect, and leads to identification with and understanding of those whom we serve.
- This Service Booklet **describes service opportunities with Neumann University's** established community partners. In addition, we have included service opportunities recommended by members of our Neumann family.
- If you wish to participate individually in any Service experience, please contact the Volunteer coordinator or Megan Camp. If you wish to engage a class, team, Honor Society or club, contact Megan Camp at campm@Neumann.edu

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- In October 2014, 645 students completed the National Assessment of Service and Community Engagement (NASCE) survey. 49% of students stated that they participate in service at college; however, 81% said that they were engaged in service prior to college. Responses indicated that students engage most frequently in service related to combatting hunger, improving health, and supporting children and youth and to a lesser extent in service connected with civic participation, economic development, elder care, environmental concern and advocacy, homelessness, and religion and spirituality.
- Recommendations encouraged us to get students involved in Service from the very beginning. As a result, First Year Welcome Weekend now includes a Morning of Service!

FIRST YEAR MORNING OF SERVICE 2016-2017



INTRODUCTION cont.

- In Fall of 2015, 259 faculty, staff, and administrators responded to the Faculty, Staff and Administration version of NASCE. 72% of the respondents reported that they participate in some type service. Results revealed that Neumann personnel are highly engaged in service related to civic participation, elder care, health, religion and spirituality, and youth. To a lesser degree personnel serve in areas related to economic development, environmental concern and advocacy, homelessness, and hunger.
- Recommendations, based on the two surveys, challenge all of us - students, faculty, staff, and administrators - to increase the frequency and depth of our service engagement. This booklet is organized around the categories of Service measured in the NASCE surveys: Civic participation, Economic development, Elder care, Environmental awareness and advocacy, Health, Homelessness and hunger, Religion and spirituality, and Youth.

Civic Participation



Marine Corps League, Delaware County Detachment

Volunteers clean up extensive grounds, performing yard work and other labor. This requires about five hours of service, always on a Saturday. The Marine Corps League is a federally chartered organization designed to continue the traditions and preserve the history of the United States Marine Corps, as well as to provide assistance to Marines and their families.

Contact: Andy Miller: millera@neumann.edu; 610-361-2545; Bachmann 302P



Veterans' Ceremonies at Neumann

Volunteers assist with taking down and setting up a classroom, as well as directing veterans, their families, and the public around campus, and many other necessary functions. **Veterans' ceremonies** usually occur once a semester and require 2-5 hours of service.

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Aston Community Day

Saturday, October 1 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Community Day will begin with a parade from Neumann University starting at 9:30 a.m.

Contact Megan Camp campm@neumann.edu.

Aston Community Day is a great opportunity to give back to our Aston neighbors!



Stockings for Soldiers

Stockings for Soldiers was founded to help improve the morale and welfare of members of the deployed armed forces of the United States of America. This project annually provides more than 10,000 holiday stockings filled with special items for the troops.

Volunteer Hours: Oct. 10th to Dec. 2nd 2016; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Branmar Plaza Shopping Center 1812 Marsh Road, Wilmington, DE

<http://www.stockingsforsoldiers.org>

info@StockingsForSoldiers.org



Pennsylvania Immigration and Citizenship Coalition

PICC is a non-profit advocacy organization working to protect the rights of immigrants, refugees, and new Americans locally, statewide and at the national level. Citizenship ceremonies, every Monday and Friday at 10am and noon, offer an opportunity to assist new citizens with voter registration and also to see the end process of becoming a citizen.

Volunteers should arrive half an hour early (first time volunteering) for training and set up.

Contact: Maria Sotomayor (Neumann alum, 2013)
mariasotomayor@paimmigrant.org or 215-832-3482.

<http://www.paimmigrant.org/>

US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)
30th N 41st Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104



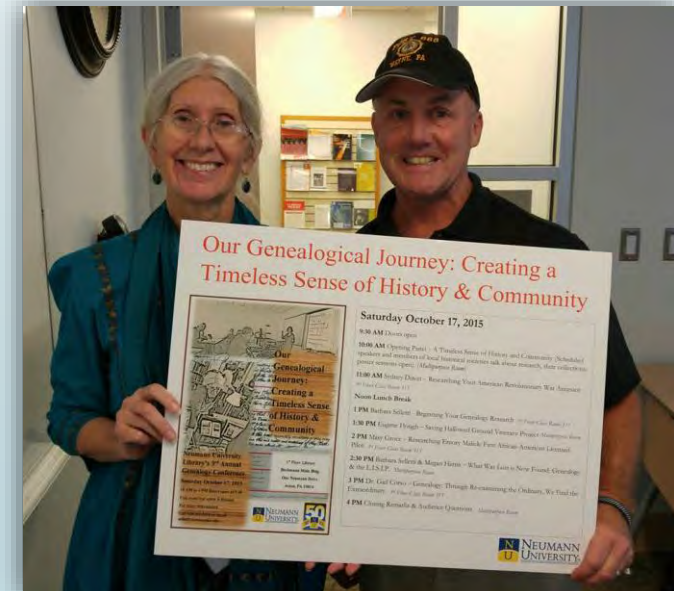
SAVING HALLOWED GROUND FOUNDATION

Saving Hallowed Ground Foundation (SHGF) is part of a worldwide organization dedicated to the preservation and protection of monuments and markers that commemorate veterans and patriots.

Saving Hallowed Ground, a Supporting Partner with the National WW1 Centennial Commission, Washington DC, is also involved with the National Centennial Memorial Tree Planting Project.

<http://www.worldwar1centennial.org/index.php/saving-hallowed-ground.html>

To learn more about either project, contact Barbara Selletti sellettib@neumann.edu





Economic Development

Fair Trade

Fair Trade products respect people and the planet.

Rigorous social, environmental and economic standards work to promote safe and healthy working conditions, protect the environment, enable transparency, and empower communities to build strong, thriving businesses.

When you choose products with the Fair Trade label, your purchases can improve an entire community's day-to-day lives.

For information about Fair Trade see [Catholic Relief Services Fair Trade](#)

Neumann is a Fair Trade campus. To support initiatives that deepen our commitment to Fair Trade, contact Patrick McKenzie, Director of Campus Ministry at mckenzpj@neumann.edu





Elder Care

Assisi House

Assisi House is the retirement convent for the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia.

Volunteers help with meals in the dining room, serve as guardian angels for sisters, help with arts and crafts and other activities, and simply spend some time with the sisters.

<http://www.osfphila.org/retirement/assisi>

Contact Megan Camp for information about volunteering or engaging a class in a project.

Students are also invited to participate with Campus Ministry. Register [here](#)



HUMANITIES 200 course collaboration with ASSISI HOUSE

In this course, students are paired with sisters at Assisi House to conduct a series of interviews about **the sister's life** and professional experiences. After the interview process is complete, the student drafts a short biography of the sister and collaborates with her to produce a final version. These biographies will be given to the sisters and presented at a reading open to the campus community later in the semester.

This course collaborates with Sisters each semester to view and critique films, create artwork, and share personal memoirs. For information about implementing such a project with persons who are elderly, contact William Hamilton at hamiltow@Neumann.edu



Anna's Place

Anna's Place is a Franciscan Hospitality Center sponsored by the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia and named in honor of their foundress, Maria Anna Bachmann. The staff at Anna's Place offer a welcoming atmosphere to the people in and around Chester, PA, as they gather for activities that promote growth in mind, body, heart and spirit.

Contact: Sr. Jean Rupertus, 610-361-5900, jrupertus@osfphila.org

Sr. Libby Pepe, epepe@osfphila.org

Students are invited to participate with Campus Ministry.

Register [here](#).



Fair Acres

Fair Acres, a Delaware County facility, serves elderly men and women. Volunteers play bingo with the residents, decorate the unit, knit and crochet items, escort residents on outings, and help with parties and entertainment.

Neumann students regularly volunteer for the Senior Proms in the fall ([sign up here](#)) and the Casino Days in the spring. To participate in the 2016-2017 activities, contact Megan Camp.

Contact: Cheryl Everngham, 610.891.5770, evernghamc@fairacres.org



Divine Providence Village

Divine Providence Village supports individuals with various developmental challenges to reach their fullest potential in spiritual, emotional, psycho-social and physical well being. A ministry of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Divine Providence Village helps each person to live with dignity and respect in a caring environment.

Volunteers can assist with daily activities or special craft events.

Contact: Candi Foell, cfoell@CHS-ADPHILA.ORG



Environmental Awareness & Advocacy



Adopt-A-Highway

As part of this PennDot affiliation, Neumann University is responsible for the 2 mile stretch of Route 452 between Five Points and the Route 95 interchange.

Crews are needed twice in the fall and twice in the spring.
For more information, contact Megan Camp.

FALL 2016 Dates:
October 2nd
November 13th



Red Hill Farm

Red Hill Farm is located conveniently near Neumann's campus and is always looking for volunteers who enjoy working outdoors.

Contact: 610-558-6799, <http://www.osfphila.org/red/what>

Farm Manager:

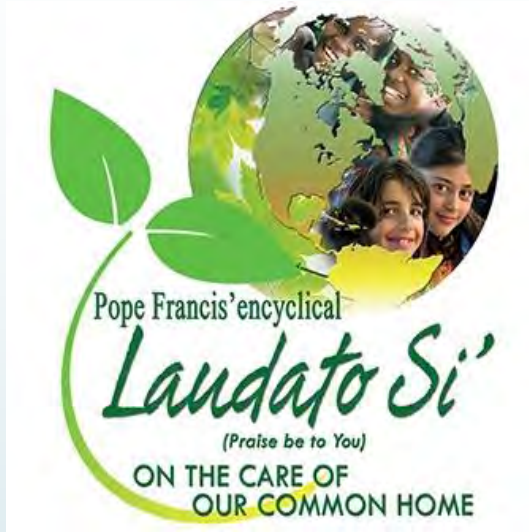
Margaret Lilley mlilley@osfphila.org

Farm Education Coordinator:

Joanne Rosenbaum jrosenbaum@osfphila.org



Catholic Climate Covenant



In 2006, to address growing ecological awareness and the need to implement Catholic Social Teaching on ecology within the US Church, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) helped form Catholic Climate Covenant.

Each year Catholic Climate Covenant provides resources to support an educational program in conjunction with [the Feast of St. Francis](#).

Catholic Climate Covenant also promotes the [St. Francis Pledge to Care for Creation](#).

To learn more about [Catholic Climate Covenant](#) and the St. Francis environmental initiatives, contact Jacqueline Martin martinj@neumann.edu.

Citizens' Climate Lobby

Citizens' Climate Lobby is a non-profit, non-partisan, grassroots advocacy organization focused on national policies to address climate change. The organization advocates for a carbon fee and dividend proposal by building friendly relationships with federally elected officials.

Website: www.citizensclimatelobby.org

Volunteer opportunities: Join a local chapter. There are active chapters, which have monthly meetings, in Chester County and Philadelphia (including Delaware County).

Contact: Mac Given at mgiven@neumann.edu



Providence Animal Center (Formerly the Delaware County SPCA)

Providence Animal Center offers life-affirming rescue, medical care, treatment, protection and placement of companion animals. Providence has an unwavering commitment to this mission and will always strive to deliver the most optimal, advanced care to our animal friends – and their owners. Providence Animal Center is: Lifesaving. Adoption. Wellness. Community.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Dog Kennels & Cattery: Cleaning, socialization, training & enrichment
- Dog walking
- Bathers and groomers
- Off-site adoption event support
- Photography & online promotion of the animals
- Drivers for transporting animals to and from our safe haven
- Office and Front Desk help – filing, follow-up calls, greeting
- Large & Small event committees

Jamie Neborak, Director of Volunteer Programs

Email: jneborak@providenceac.org

Phone: 610-566-1370, x218



[Wish List for Donations](#)

[Introduction to Providence Animal Center](#)

[Volunteer Information](#)

Tyler Arboretum

Tyler Arboretum is a non-profit public garden in Delaware County. Tyler Arboretum volunteers play an essential role in inspiring and engaging thousands of visitors each year.

As a volunteer at the Arboretum, you'll have many opportunities to share your talents, explore new areas and connect with people of all ages.

<https://www.tylerarboretum.org/support-2/volunteer/>



Newlin Grist Mill

Newlin Grist Mill offers unique and rewarding volunteer opportunities for people of all ages, interests, and commitment levels. Our volunteers can satisfy their diverse interests by helping in areas such as archaeology, special events, and natural resources. Task-based projects that have a clear beginning and end are ideal if you want to make a difference but have limited availability. Seasonal volunteers work together staffing the Visitor Center, leading interpretive tours of Newlin Grist Mill's historic buildings, and demonstrating blacksmithing. Newlin Grist Mill welcomes individuals, student groups, scouts, and business organizations. Help preserve history and nature at this distinctive site.

If you are interested in volunteering at Newlin Grist Mill, please call 610.459.2359 or fill out the form [here](#).

Join Newlin Grist Mill today for an enriching volunteer experience!



Health



Gearing Up

Gearing Up provides women in transition from abuse, addiction, and/or incarceration with the skills, equipment, and guidance to safely ride a bicycle for exercise, transportation, and personal growth. Gearing Up provides women with regular coaching, mentoring, and support to make healthy lifestyle changes.

Most of the volunteer opportunities revolve around riding bikes with the women of Gearing Up. We welcome folks to come out to a volunteer orientation and then come on rides with us at one of our partner programs in different neighborhoods of Philadelphia.

To learn more contact: Amanda Breen breena@neumann.edu

<http://www.gearing-up.org/>



NU Walks For Aids And Cancer

Neumann students have generously supported several **“WALKS”** to raise awareness and funds for persons living with AIDS and scholarships for Neumann students impacted by cancer.

For several years Neumann students, especially students who volunteer with the Ministry of Caring at [House of Joseph](#), have participated in the annual [AIDS Walk](#). This year's walk is September 24, 2016.

On the Sunday of Homecoming Weekend (October 16, 2016) The Massey Breast Cancer 2 Mile Fun Run/1 Mile Walk will take place at Ridley Park.

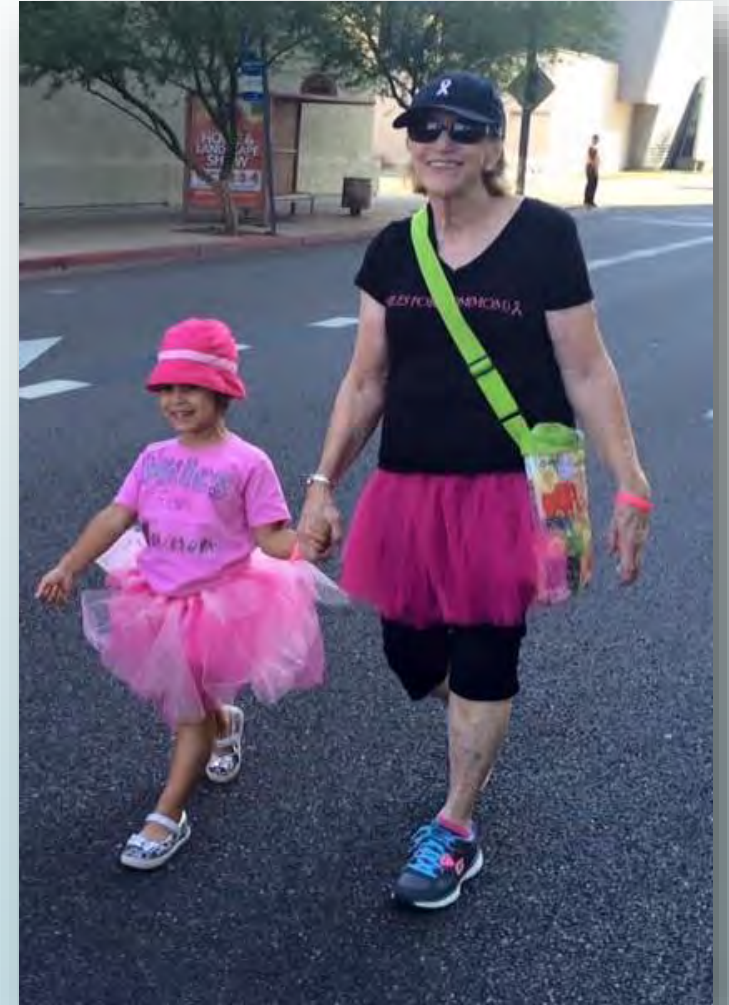
In April 2017, students will invite participation in the COLOR Walk for Cancer. Watch for details!

Contact Megan Camp to learn how to get involved in these events!



Other Walks For Cancer

After their mother was diagnosed with breast cancer, Rina Keller (Social Work) and her brother created MILES FOR MOM (MOM), a breast cancer awareness team, in her honor. Their team has raised over \$43,000 towards finding the cure for cancer! Because of research, technology, amazing doctors, and dedicated supporters, their mother has been able to continue managing this disease. To learn more about how you can support cancer research, contact Rina Keller – kellerr@neumann.edu



Other Walks For Cancer



As a student at Penn State University, Brieanne Seguin (Athletic Training) became highly engaged with events to raise awareness and funds for pediatric cancer. Brie continues to support the following initiatives:

[The Emily Whitehead Foundation](#)

[The Hope Express](#) and [The Four Diamonds Fund](#)

[Be The Match Registry](#)

Several athletic training students plan to participate in some of these events this Fall.

For more information,
please contact Brieanne Seguin

Email: seguinb@neumann.edu

Lily's Hope

The Lily's Hope Foundation supports babies, children, and families with urgent needs due to premature birth. Lily's Hope currently focuses on hospitals in northeastern Pennsylvania, but is expanding its outreach to many other areas.

Lily's Hope assists families by providing "Packages of Hope" containing needed items.

See [Lily's Hope website](#) to learn more.

To learn how a class, club, or Honor Society can support Lily's Hope, contact Megan Camp.



Medical Mission Service Immersion Trip to Nicaragua

Many churches and other organizations sponsor service immersion trips. Nursing instructor Corona Robinson has participated in such trips recently to Nicaragua. If you wish to learn more about such an opportunity, contact Corona Robinson at robinsoc@neumann.edu.



Homelessness & Hunger



Operation Hunger

Neumann students gather at different locations around campus to make Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwiches for those most in need in the city of Chester. To participate with Neumann Campus Ministry, register [here](#).



St. Katherine Drexel Clothing Closet

For several years, faculty and staff have donated clean, gently-used clothing for the St. Katherine Drexel Clothing Closet. Donations are especially needed for babies and children. Sr. Eileen Valerie Kulacz is willing to accept these donations. Sr. Eileen and the sisters with whom she lives place the clothing in bags, sorted by size and gender. Adult size articles of clothing are also welcome, especially when they are sorted and folded.

Please contact Sr. Eileen Valerie at kulacz@neumann.edu with questions.

Volunteers are always welcome at St. Katherine Drexel!!! Please call 484-490-5079 if you wish to volunteer.



Ministry of Caring

The Ministry of Caring helps persons living in poverty in the Greater Wilmington area. Volunteers sort donations, assist with food preparation, serve at the Emmanuel Dining Rooms, and work at the child care and nursing centers. Ministry of Caring was founded by Capuchin Franciscan Friar Ronald Giannone with the assistance of Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia. Neumann Campus Ministry volunteers assist monthly at the House of Joseph II which serves formerly homeless persons with HIV/AIDS. To visit House of Joseph with Campus Ministry. Register [here](#).

Contact: (302)652-5523 <http://www.ministryofcaring.org/volunteering-ministry-caring>



Friendship House

Friendship House is an organization dedicated to serving the homeless population in Wilmington. There are day centers, live-in facilities and a clothing donation center that are always looking for volunteers. The organization was founded by Neumann Pastoral Care and Counseling alum, Marcy Perkins '87, and her husband, Bill.

Contact: (302)652-8278 <http://www.friendship-house.org/Vol/Ops.asp>



Sunday Breakfast Mission

Sunday Breakfast Mission provides housing for homeless men, women and children and also serves a daily meal to 200 people. Volunteers prepare and serve food, mentor, work with children and assist with the clothing distribution center.

Students can get involved in many ways. Each Spring, Sunday breakfast mission organizes a Hope Tote Campaign, which includes collecting and distributing toiletry items around the Easter holiday. They also do a Back to School Backpack collection and distribution in August. Students can also sign up to serve lunch or dinner.

The Pastoral Care and Counseling Honor Society engages in service with this ministry.

To organize a volunteer opportunity at Sunday Breakfast Mission, contact Donna Griffith at 302-652-8314 ext. 111.

110 N. Poplar Street
Wilmington, DE 19801

info@sundaybreakfastmission.org

<http://www.sundaybreakfastmission.org/>



City Team

Throughout the Greater Delaware Valley, Cityteam is providing hot meals, safe shelter, showers, and clean clothing to Chester's homeless population. Visit their website to see how to be involved: <https://www.cityteam.org/philadelphia/>

For more information contact: Lynette Crews, lcrews@cityteam.org

<http://cityteamchester.cityteam.volunteerhub.com/events/index>



St. Francis Inn

Saint Francis Inn, located in Kensington, serves 300 meals a day 365 days a year to all who come to the door in need of food. Most guests of the Inn are children, families, elderly, people addicted to drugs, and prostitutes. All the food served at the Inn is donated. The first priority is to serve everyone who comes to the Inn with dignity and respect. Volunteers are needed to cook, serve and clean.

<http://www.stfrancisinn.org/>



Cathedral Kitchen

Begun in 1976 by college students inspired by Mother Teresa, Cathedral Kitchen has always relied upon volunteer help to make the meal program work. Over 7,000 volunteer slots are filled each year to serve meals, saving many thousands of dollars in staffing costs. Volunteers perform other roles as well, such as picking up and delivering donated food or helping in the office.

http://cathedralkitchen.org/get_involved/volunteer/



Religion



Retreat for Men in Transition

Retreat for Men in Transition, Malvern Retreat House, Malvern , PA

The retreat serves homeless men who are currently living in two shelters located in Center City Philadelphia, **Bethesda House** and **St. John's Hospice**. This overnight retreat is in its 6th year and has welcomed over 45 men per retreat. Men from the Neumann Community, graduates from the NU Pastoral Care and Counseling and Organizational Leadership programs, and Neumann's Board of Directors serve as facilitators and as companions to the retreatants during the overnight experience.

The program served as a precursor for the current Women in Transition retreat also held at Malvern Retreat House.

Volunteers from the Neumann Community who might be interested can contact Len DiPaul at Dipaull@neumann.edu



Catholic Family Fun Club

The Catholic Family Fun Club is created by families and for families so that Catholics can build community and grow in the faith together.

<http://www.meetup.com/Catholic-Family-Fun-Club>

How you can be involved: find and post activities to the crowd sourced calendar, help compile analytics, communicate with members, plan activities for families

For more information: Mary Beth Yount, catholicfamilyfun@gmail.com





Youth

Drexel Neumann Academy (DNA)

Founded in 2006 and cosponsored by the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Neumann University, and St. Katherine Drexel Parish, DNA provides a Catholic elementary school education in a multicultural environment with a focus on Franciscan Values. Students experience an extended school day and extended school year. There are many different volunteer opportunities for individuals, clubs, teams, and classes.

Contact: Sister Cathy McGovern
(610)872-7358

www.drexelneumannacademy.net



C.L.A.R.E. Hands-on Science Fun

Undergraduate students in ECE 315, Science Methods Pre-K to 4th Grade, take part in 15 hours of service learning by participating in the C.L.A.R.E., *Children Learning And Reaching Excellence*, program at Drexel Neumann Academy.

Students plan and implement hands-on science activities with the children at DNA. Students submit voice-recorded reflections about their experiences.

For more information about the program, contact Laura Taddei taddeil@neumann.edu



Service-learning, Citizenship, Social Studies & DNA

Neumann education majors partner with fourth grade students from DNA with the goal of promoting and integrating “civic responsibility” within the social studies curriculum. Working at DNA, Neumann students have an opportunity to practice educational theory and practical applications in a real life setting. Students from Neumann and DNA work, collaborate, and celebrate “civic responsibility” through various experiences.

Visits to Neumann foster within the young students the goal of pursuing a college degree. The entire experience supports Neumann’s mission of “educating a diverse community of learners based on the belief that knowledge is a gift to be shared in the service of others and that learning is a life-long process.” Contact Cynthia Ferraro for more information at ferraroc@Neumann.edu.



Family Fun Night

The purpose of this event, hosted by students in a graduate education course on *Family, Community and School Partnerships*, was to:

- Provide families with ideas on summer activities to prevent summer learning loss
- Promote family interaction and raise awareness for community resources
- Bring together diverse families and cultures
- Promote literacy for all learners

Neumann students learned about the importance of connecting family, community and school by planning, researching ideas, and facilitating an event to bring family, community and school together. During the planning stage, students reached out to community organizations, developed activities, and collected resources and donations from local businesses. The final stage included reflecting on the event and developing a family engagement plan.

To view pictures from the event, click the link - <http://tinyurl.com/family-fun-night-pics>

To view a wikispaces page used to promote collaboration, click the link here:
<http://ece599familycommunityschool.wikispaces.com/Family+and+Community+Event>

To get involved in the next Family Fun Night contact Laura Taddei taddeil@neumann.edu



Reach Out And Read

Kappa Delta Pi (KDP) students hosted a book drive to kick off the holiday season. Through social media, posted signs, and collection tables, the educational honor society collected over 1,000 new and gently used books for Children's Hospital of Philadelphia's *Reach Out and Read* program.

Reach Out and Read is a nonprofit organization that gives young children a foundation for success by incorporating books into pediatric care and encouraging families to read aloud together. The program is built on the unique relationship a pediatric doctor has with families. *Reach Out and Read* partners with more than 5,500 primary care sites across all 50 states, with a special emphasis on children growing up in low-income communities. KDP plans to collect books again in November 2016.

For more information on how you can help, contact Jenelle Abnett at abnettj@Neumann.edu.



Benedictine School in Ridgely, Maryland

Students from the Education Department travel via Neumann vans to the Benedictine School in Ridgely, Maryland for a three day service learning trip during Winter Break. During the day students work in the various classrooms in the school, which is a residential facility for pupils with multiple disabilities. Each evening students engage in reflection activities. As part of the experience, students also have dinner with adults with special needs who live in community group homes. Len DiPaul, Megan Scranton and Dan McKee serve as faculty moderators.

Typically, Education students who are in their Junior or Senior year participate in this experience. Students and faculty stay on the grounds of the Benedictine School which can accommodate up to 12 students.

Interested individuals should contact Dan McKee at mckeed@neumann.edu, Megan Scranton at scrantom@neumann.edu or Len DiPaul at dipaull@neumann.edu.



The Francis Program

The Francis Program is a collaboration designed and implemented through Elwyn's Education Division Directors, Neumann University Faculty, and Neumann University Pre-Service Secondary Educators. The program affords youth and young adults with special needs opportunities to explore their dreams, strengthen belief in themselves, and expand their skill set via experiential learning on a university campus.

Participants gain first-hand knowledge regarding the unique reciprocal benefits experienced by youth and young adults with special needs and their typically-developing peers. The interactive and complementary nature of similar-aged students, one set completing their high school tenure and one set working towards a secondary education certification, underscores the bidirectional nature of authentic learning.

The mission of the program is to promote self-determination through skill-building, live models, and authentic exposure.

For additional information, contact Marisa Rauscher rauschem@neumann.edu

CADES

Students in the education department partner with CADES (Children and Adults with Disabilities Educational Services) to provide field trip experiences to 16-21-year-old students. Neumann students plan and execute one field trip a month for the CADES students who come to Neumann and spend half a day with similar aged peers. Neumann students have planned events such as an Olympic sports day, an Amazing Race challenge course, and a Grammy evening including music video making. The goal is to allow Neumann students to work with people who have severe disabilities and to give CADES students a college experience. For more information contact Jenelle Abnett at abnettj@Neumann.edu.



Neumann University Library

Education Department Library Carnival

The Education department partnered with the library staff to give back to the local Aston community. Students in the *Collaboration and Communication* class collaborated, designed, and hosted a carnival night for the local community and Neumann family. A Friday evening event held in the NU library brought the children of our own student and faculty body, along with children from Aston, together to play carnival games, create fun crafts and enjoy favorite carnival snacks. The entire event was student designed and run. This event is one of many that supports the relationship Neumann has with our Aston Township family and friends.

If your department, class, or club would like to offer an activity for the Aston community utilizing Neumann's library facilities contact Jenelle Abnett (abnettj@Neumann.edu) or Tiffany McGregor (mcgregort@Neumann.edu).



Breakfast with Santa

Breakfast with Santa, organized by the *Knights for Education* student club, invites children and families from Neumann and the greater community to the University for a hot breakfast, pictures with Santa, crafts, and games. Admission to the breakfast is a children's toy or game. These toys are donated to Sacred Heart Catholic Church Christmas Shoppe which ensures that children in the heart of Camden enjoy a happy Christmas.

To support this event
contact Dr. Tammy Feil
at feilt@neumann.edu



Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt is an initiative of Delta Pi, Neumann's National Catholic Honor Society.

In the past, Knights for Education has also helped with this event. Approximately 200 members of the Aston community have attended this free event annually for the past four years!

In addition to separate egg hunts for younger and older children (ages 0-5 and ages 6+), there are moon bounces, face painting, crafts, games, and other treats (juice, soft pretzels, coffee for the parents).

Every year the Easter Bunny hops by for pictures!

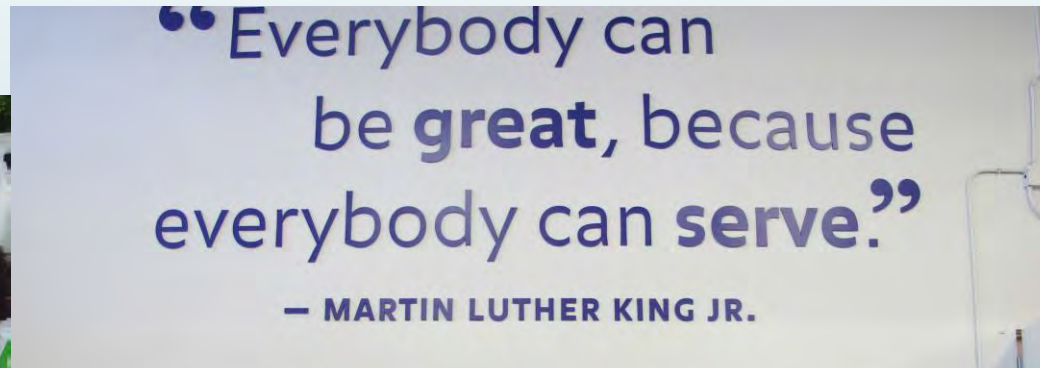
For additional information and to volunteer, contact Dr. Barbara Hanes at hanesb@neumann.edu.



Cradles to Crayons

Cradles to Crayons provides children from birth through age 12 living in homeless or low-income situations with the essential items they need to thrive – at home, at school and at play. The organization supplies these items free of charge by engaging and connecting communities that have with communities that need.

<https://www.cradlestocrayons.org/philadelphia/volunteer/families-and-individuals/>



Nativity Preparatory School

Founded by the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales, this Catholic middle school in Wilmington, DE serves low-income boys of all faiths in grades five through eight. The school provides a structured extended day and extended week program. Benefitting from high expectations, value formation, sophisticated summer programs, and rigorous academic standards, Nativity students experience academic success and demonstrate strong moral and social values.

Contact: Paul Webster at pwebster@nativitywilmington.org



Holy Family Regional School

Located in Aston, Holy Family Regional Catholic School, promotes a rigorous and comprehensive academic program within the context of a living faith community. Volunteers are welcome in many areas!

Contact: Jennifer Dolores - jdolores@holyfamilyaston.org



Saint James Regional School

Saint James Regional Catholic School is committed to educating children in a loving, caring, Christ-centered environment where students may grow spiritually as well as academically. Through a strong parent-teacher partnership, educational opportunities and extra-curricular activities, each child is encouraged to develop to his or her individual best. St. James Regional Catholic School is a financially independent school of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia serving our local region.

Contact Megan Camp to learn about volunteer options.

[St. James Regional School](#)

500 Tome Street
Ridley Park



College Access Center of Delaware County

The CACDC provides free college preparation services to high school students and adults. Services range from college and career awareness, study skills development, tutoring, mentoring, and assisting high school seniors and their parents with the college financial aid process. The greatest need is for course tutors, particularly in English, Math and Science; however, there are opportunities for other volunteers as well. Neumann University is one of seven University partners. <http://www.collegeaccessdelco.org/>

For additional information or to volunteer, contact Megan Camp.



LUCY

Lifting Up Camden's Youth

LUCY Outreach provides a wide array of services for Camden youth and young adults ages 12-25. At least five times each week, young people gather to engage in a variety of programs organized around one of four areas of youth development: educational, service-oriented, spiritual, and social. These programs include afterschool services, evening workshops and speakers, and weekend trips and retreats.

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kprinn@lucyoutreach.org
(856)964-9777 x604

<https://lucyoutreach.org/>



Acting without Boundaries

Acting Without Boundaries (AWB) is a unique year-round theater program providing an open forum for the creative and artistic expression of teenagers and young adults with physical disabilities. The goal of this program is to provide disabled young people the opportunity to pursue their love of acting and performing while building their belief in themselves and their abilities.

AWB relies on volunteers to put on successful performances. Volunteers assist actors at monthly workshop as they learn their lines and rehearse their parts. Many of the young actors are assigned one volunteer who is able to work with them through the entire process of preparing for and participating in a performance. During performances, volunteers help the actors with their lines and move wheelchairs on-stage. Other volunteers help with staging, props and sets.

To get involved:

Phone: (610) 922-8240

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Additional Service Opportunities with NU Campus Ministry

Service Immersion Experiences

Week-long service immersion experiences, both domestic and international, are offered four times per year. Applications are available each fall semester; cost varies per trip based on location and includes a pre-trip formation experience. For more information, contact campusministry@neumann.edu.



Post-Graduate Service

A Service Fair is offered each fall semester for students interested in doing a year of post-graduate service. Organizations such as Franciscan Volunteer Ministry, Jesuit Volunteer Corps, and Mercy Volunteer Corps will be on-site to answer questions. For more information, contact campusministry@neumann.edu.

CONCLUSION

This booklet is a work in progress.

We will update it periodically.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO SERVICE!

