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LEADERSHIP CHESTER COUNTY

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INTRODUCING THE Class of 2017



Denise M. Antonelli, Esq. Partner | GAWTHROP GREENWOOD, PC

EXPERTISE Attorney focused on trusts and estates with experience as a board member and a willingness to learn and serve

VOLUNTEERS as President, Board of Directors, ACT in Faith of Greater West Chester

SERVICE INTERESTS Poverty alleviation

"Leadership Chester County challenges participants to engage and learn, through both its sessions and project work. If one is interested in participating in a nonprofit board, the course is invaluable."



Carol L. Baker Director | READ2DREAM FOUNDATION Sponsor: BRANDYWINE VALLEY HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

EXPERTISE Retired educator with expertise in early childhood literacy

VOLUNTEERS Read2Dream for early childhood literacy, also in adult literacy and animal rescue

SERVICE INTERESTS Education and early childhood literacy

"LCC provided a great experience through brilliant presenters on a wide range of topics, a tour of local nonprofits, projects and the poverty simulation. The program prepares its graduates to serve as board leaders in our community and beyond. I highly recommend this program."



Claudia E. Brown Administrative Coordinator | CARE CENTER FOUNDATION EXPERTISE Education law SERVICE INTERESTS Education, Health

"This program is truly excellent. It should be offered in colleges at the graduate level."



Lori Cushman

Product Sales Specialist | **BENTLEY SYSTEMS, INC.**

EXPERTISE Technical software sales professional experienced in management and team building

VOLUNTEERS as Bentley Systems' United Way of Chester County Campaign Chair, and with West Chester Area Education Foundation

SERVICE INTERESTS Education, suicide prevention, breaking the cycle of poverty

"Leadership Chester County has sparked me to want to give back to the community that I love so much. I now feel I have the skills to contribute in a much more meaningful way." "LCC was an excellent program which provided me the opportunity to learn from community leaders to become an effective nonprofit board member."

David R. Daniels

Structural Engineer | DANIELS CONSULTING ENGINEERS, LLC

EXPERTISE Structural engineering and management expertise with dedication and professionalism

VOLUNTEERS at Chester County Pennsylvania MATHCOUNTS, Ltd. and Structural Engineers Association of PA

SERVICE INTERESTS Education



"LCC has strengthened my understanding of the unique challenges and strategies that impact nonprofits. What I learned, while applicable to any vertical's leadership development, concentrated on the unique application for board service to a nonprofit." Kelly M. Dungee Director, Clinical Information Systems WESTSIDE FAMILY HEALTHCARE

Self-sponsored

EXPERTISE Licensed RN; healthcare delivery, management, information systems and informatics, and an understanding of the community and its unique benefits and challenges

SERVICE INTERESTS Health



"LCC provided an opportunity to become a better nonprofit organization leader through appropriate educational content, real life examples and application through the class project experience." Jon Fisher Preconstruction Manager | BLUE ROCK CONSTRUCTION Sponsor: WARFEL CONSTRUCTION

EXPERTISE Housing, construction and management professional with experience leading teams, planning projects and coordinating team efforts

> SERVICE INTERESTS Education, financial independence, housing



"Leadership Chester County was my first insight into nonprofit work and the program had such a profound impact on me that I joined the board of an organization that focuses on mentoring at-risk kids through sports and physical fitness – a goal that I am very passionate about."

Brian J. Forgue, Esq. Attorney | MACELREE HARVEY, LTD.

EXPERTISE Attorney with expertise in commercial and banking/finance litigation

VOLUNTEERS as Board member, Youth Mentoring Partnership

SERVICE INTERESTS Health and youth mentoring

"Leadership Chester County really opened my eyes to the power of the nonprofit sector to do great things in our community... The project provided a great opportunity to work with some very talented folks from across a number of different fields with a diversity of skill-sets." William Freidmann Owner | BLUE DOG PRINTING & DESIGN Sponsor: THE ROTARY CLUB OF WEST CHESTER

EXPERTISE Local business owner with skills in marketing and management, with a desire to give back to the community

VOLUNTEERS as President-Elect, The Rotary Club of West Chester; VP, Chester County's Children, Inc.; Board member, West Chester University Alumni Association; Exton Region Chamber of Commerce Nonprofit Council

SERVICE INTERESTS Child welfare, community growth







Carlo Garcia

Director, STB Controller COMMUNICATIONS TEST DESIGN, INC.

EXPERTISE Financial, operations and branch management professional with experience working in teams

SERVICE INTERESTS Education, financial independence and health

"Leadership Chester County has increased my understanding of the needs in Chester County and has been a great experience."



Joyce E. Glanfield

Manager of Accounting | ACCESSLEX INSTITUTE

EXPERTISE Accountant and financial analyst experienced in diverse finance teams spanning for-profit and nonprofit environments

SERVICE INTERESTS Education, children and youth programs

"The comprehensive, A-to-Z presentations of a board member's duties and responsibilities are invaluable to anyone who volunteers in the community."



Bernice M. Ho

Communications Specialist | SIEMENS HEALTHINEERS

EXPERTISE Communicator with marketing, public relations, employee, leadership and issues management experience in the hospital and healthcare industry

VOLUNTEERS at Holy Child Academy

SERVICE INTERESTS Education and health

"The chance to learn from top experts on nonprofit topics and hearing about their experiences, insights and above all, passion for community service, was the most rewarding part of my LCC experience."



Fallon E. Maloney

Director of Retail | CITADEL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

EXPERTISE Retail banker with business development and people management skills, responsible for several Chester and Montgomery County locations

VOLUNTEERS on the Board of Great Valley Chamber of Commerce

SERVICE INTERESTS Education and health

"Leadership Chester County was an excellent program which gave me additional insights and resources into nonprofit boards. It gave me the tools and knowledge to be an effective board member while enhancing my skills as a leader."



John McDermott

Senior Infrastructure Engineer
CITADEL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

EXPERTISE Information technology engineer with experience coaching youth sports

SERVICE INTERESTS Education and youth mentoring

"The experience has been a great foundation for me personally, not having any knowledge of how or what to do on a board. It's been a great eye-opener for what's involved and the great responsibility that comes along with such a position."



Alisha Marie McDougal

Marketing Coordinator | **PAC STRAPPING PRODUCTS, INC.**

EXPERTISE Marketing professional with process improvement and team building skills as well as experience connecting underpriveleged community members to resources

> **SERVICE INTERESTS** Education, health and environment; helping single mothers throughout Chester County

"Leadership Chester County provided me with a great *experience in the community* and learning how to serve on a nonprofit board with dedication and leadership. The relationships built in this wonderful class I feel could last a lifetime."

"Leadership Chester County has

opened my eyes to see how rich

Chester County truly is, not just

from a financial aspect, but with

people and organizations that

truly care about the residents' well

being."

"As the chair of a small nonprofit, my goal was to learn 'all that I didn't know' that would improve and/or protect us. This course has far exceeded my expectations; I now have a long to-do list!"

Nicholas J. McLaughlin, Sr.

Branch Relationship Manager & Field Team Lead DNB FIRST

EXPERTISE Financial relationship manager with expertise in consumer and business banking, dedication and community connections

VOLUNTEERS in Education and youth health

SERVICE INTERESTS Education, finance and youth health





Leona M. Mendenhall Realtor | KELLER WILLIAMS REAL ESTATE Sponsor: WE KARE @ EXTON KW

EXPERTISE Former building supply business owner with expertise in residential home sales; extensive background in nonprofit leadership roles, including local political positions

VOLUNTEERS as Chair of WeKare @ Exton KW

SERVICE INTERESTS Health and housing

"My LCC experience opened my eyes to the community needs in Chester County. The class also showed me the amazing network of support resources that we have in Chester County that truly make a difference in others' lives."

"LCC provided me with education

on nonprofits and their boards,

including governance, financial management, legal issues, recognition of personality traits and how to manage them to

the best effect, and the wisdom

of diversify on boards. I gained

knowledge of the unique issues of economics, employment, and poverty in Chester County and of the many nonprofits attempting to

address those issues.

Keith Montone Director of Risk Management **COMMUNICATIONS TEST DESIGN, INC.**

EXPERTISE Global risk management; insurance expertise including loss control, environmental health and safety

VOLUNTEERS with United Way of Chester County Community Impact Team, Bishop Shanahan Endowment Fund, Chester Co. Economic Development Council

SERVICE INTERESTS Education



Linda Peduto

Manager-Vendor Management Office | BENTLEY SYSTEMS, INC.

EXPERTISE Contract and vendor manager with logistical, organizational and listening skills

VOLUNTEERS with Good Works, Inc., Habitat for Humanity of Chester County, Wellsprings Congregation, Brandywine Valley Ski Club Activities Committee

SERVICE INTERESTS Education, financial independence, health, women's issues (shelters, employment counseling)





Anita D. Riccio, Ed.D.

Assistant Director of Student Services CHESTER COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT

EXPERTISE K-12 education, leadership, mental health programming, and community based instruction; leading teams in problem solving; connections within child-serving systems

SERVICE INTERESTS Education, mental health, advocacy

"The topics, presenters and practical application activities of LCC provided extensive information and opportunities for reflection on the role of a board member. The final project highlighted the value of diversified expertise on nonprofit boards. I am better prepared to assist now!"



Eric C. Rosle

Account Manager | ARTHUR HALL INSURANCE

EXPERTISE Insurance professional versed in personal and commercial insurance solutions, risk management and client advocacy

VOLUNTEERS for The Rotary Club of West Chester and on a United Way of Chester County Community Impact Team

SERVICE INTERESTS Education and health

"LCC presented a fresh and honest perspective on the current state of nonprofit governance. I am now better prepared to serve and contribute to success of our community. Thank you to the United Way, Arthur Hall Insurance, and everyone who participated in the program."



Danielle Wenner Schoeninger, J.D., Ed.D.

Assistant Director of Human Resources CHESTER COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT

EXPERTISE Human resources, employment and employee/leadership development, legal knowledge

employee/leadership development, legal knowledge, and event planning; connections with Chester County K-12 public schools

SERVICE INTERESTS Education, at-risk youth and young mothers

"Leadership Chester County was an enriching collegial experience, and an opportunity to learn about nonprofit boards from experts. The program cultivated my excitement to serve on a local nonprofit board in the future."



Chris Shoemaker

Director of Extended Learning | IMMACULATA UNIVERSITY

EXPERTISE Sales professional with employee development, organizational advancement and community outreach expertise

VOLUNTEERS as Vice President, Downingtown Young Whippets

SERVICE INTERESTS Education and youth development

Matthew Smith

Commercial Relationship Manager | FULTON BANK, N.A.

EXPERTISE Commercial banker with experience working in teams and promoting a mission; dedicated to promoting healthy lifestyles while providing financial assistance

VOLUNTEERS on Lionville YMCA Advisory Board **SERVICE INTERESTS** Financial independence, health "LCC provided me with an incredible experience to learn about the roles and responsibilities of nonprofit board members. The program also reminded me of the needs and resources available in Chester County. It certainly was a humbling experience and I'd highly recommend it to anyone looking to become a member of a nonprofit board."



"LCC has given me the knowledge and understanding to become an effective board member of a local nonprofit. The skills I've gained will be invaluable as I continue my involvement in Chester County."

Megan Wakelee Marketing Programs Manager | **BENTLEY SYSTEMS**, INC.

EXPERTISE Marketing and communications; program and project management; social media; organizational and leadership skills

> **VOLUNTEERS** for Big Brothers Big Sisters Southeastern Pennsylvania

> **SERVICE INTERESTS** Youth development



"LCC broadened my awareness of the socio-economic landscape of Chester County. *The tour and poverty* simulation provided a better understanding of the urgent needs facing some residents. Well-versed presenters helped me gain valuable knowledge to help me better serve our community."

"Leadership Chester County"

has expanded my knowledge of community involvement and

nonprofits. This valuable and

essential educational opportunity

will allow me to be productive

and effective in my future role as a board member with a

Shirley A. Warren

Customer Service Manager (Recently Retired) | IBM CORPORATION Self-sponsored

EXPERTISE Customer service and project management professional with expertise in IT operations; extensive experience in board governance

VOLUNTEERS Board, National Federation of the Blind of PA; President Emerita, Board, Volunteer English Program

SERVICE INTERESTS Education, health, immigration, climate change, mental health; governance, diversity and inclusion on nonprofit boards



Randy S. Williams, Sr. Area General Manager | **GEORGE KRAPF JR. & SONS, INC.**

EXPERTISE Student transportation and school district relationship manager

VOLUNTEERS with Iron Horse Helpers

SERVICE INTERESTS Education, financial independence, women and children in crisis



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