

FRIDAY:

3:00 pm

FOR THE LOVE OF PETS – Patrick Carroll

Do you get along well with others? Are you needy? Do you like to play? Enjoy traveling? These are all good questions to ask a potential four-legged friend. If only they could answer back! A pet is a member of your family, and we all know how important it is to have great relationships with your relatives! Delaware Humane's Executive Director, Patrick Carroll will talk about the role a pet plays in one's life, and how selecting a compatible cat or dog is important. He will have some adoptable pets on hand. You just might discover a new relationship for yourself!

Patrick became the Executive Director of the Delaware Humane Association (DHA) in November 2009, after serving as Acting Executive Director for three months. He joined the DHA staff in January 2006 as the agency's first full-time Development Director. In this role, he was responsible for all aspects of fund raising, including major gifts, grants, sponsorships, marketing, and special events. Before that, Patrick was the Executive Director of Public Allies Delaware for six years. He has a Bachelor's degree in Animal Science from the University of Delaware and a Master's degree in Education from Penn State University. He lives in the Cool Spring neighborhood in Wilmington with his partner, and is the proud "parent" of a chocolate lab (Bonnie) and a black lab mix (Barkley).

4:30 pm

GENIUS, INTELLIGENCE AND CREATIVITY: FINDING THE GENIUS WITHIN – Bonnie L. Miller

A high-energy workshop that will discuss Genius, Intelligence and Creativity with a focus on Howard Gardner's theory of Multiple Intelligences. This workshop discusses the perception of what makes a genius, the most famous geniuses and how we all can find the genius within.

Bonnie is a dynamic educator with more than 25 years experience in designing and delivering education and training programs such as: career development, employability skills, interpersonal skills, management development, teambuilding, creative thinking and problem solving and computer-based training programs. Bonnie has presented to large groups such as the Mid Atlantic Intergovernmental Audit Forum, the New Castle County Chamber of Commerce, New Castle County employees, Statewide Training and Advisory Network of Delaware, Kalmar Nickel among other organizations. Bonnie holds a Master of Science degree in Training and Organization Development from St. Joseph's University and a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Delaware.

5:30 pm

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

Have a healthy relationship with your food! There are wonderful restaurant within walking distance or a short drive. Let us help you find a perfect match!

8:00 pm

POOLSIDE ENTERTAINMENT WITH UNISON

Rob Conn and Rikki Saienni combined forces to form Unison: an impressive guitar and vocal acoustic duo based out of Newark, DE. Performing with two guitars and two harmonious voices, Unison puts an acoustic spin on a variety of some of your favorite tunes from the 70's to the current Billboard Top 100 Chart. Their performance style, variety of song choice, special guests, and creativity have always set them apart.

SATURDAY:

9:30 am

WHY CAN'T WE GET ALONG? - Millicent J. Carvalho Grevious, PhD, MSS, LSW

There is a high cost associated with conflict. Left unchecked, conflict can damage relationships and lead to senseless violence. Using real-life examples, conflict resolution trainer and researcher, Dr. Millicent Carvalho-Grevious, examines the process of shifting the conversation into a dialogue, whereby transforming the interaction towards eloquent solutions of problems. Participants will have the opportunity to assess their own conflict management styles in advance to this stimulating and engaging presentation.

Dr. Carvalho-Grevious has been a conflict resolution coach and practicing mediator for over 25 years, and is an associate professor of social work at Delaware State University. She mediates community, family and workplace disputes and is a special education mediator for the Office of Dispute Resolution for the Pennsylvania Department of Education, and is a volunteer Ombudsman for the National Guard. Dr Carvalho-Grevious also serves on the board of directors of the International Association of Restorative Justice and Deliberation and formerly was a mediator for the U.S. Postal Service. Most notably, she was one of 14 conflict resolution experts and practitioners from 11 nations, invited to Chongqing, China for an October 2009 forum to share insights on establishing social harmony amongst displaced populations against the backdrop of the worldwide financial crisis.

11:00 am

EXPLORING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY THROUGH GENEALOGY – Michael Dixon

This program sponsored by the Delaware Humanities Forum

Using a how-to approach, this program gives someone interested in exploring their family history step-by-step instructions in getting started on a genealogical research project. Essential research techniques are introduced, genealogical records are discussed, and research facilities are identified. Throughout the program there is an emphasis on equipping the participant with the necessary information to carry on with researching and documenting a family's history. Based on the groups interest the records of specific ethnic groups will be included in the discussion. The program places a strong emphasis on the discussion of how the family's story fits into the larger context of community and history.

12:15 pm

PIZZA POOL PARTY

Enjoy pizza with plenty of favorite toppings, and hang out by the pool (weather permitting) with your friends for a quick afternoon dip.

1:30 pm

REMEMBERING NIGHTS AT THE DRIVE-IN – Ed Okonowicz

America's love affair with movies and automobiles combined in 1933 in New Jersey with the opening of the first drive-in theater. This American institution became a site for family events and teenage rites of passage, and today is an important part of the particular community's historical and business heritage. Learn why and how this entertainment venue began, grew and declined, plus the local story of Delaware's longest operating outdoor venue, the Diamond State Drive-In, which closed in 2008.

6:00 pm

BBQ DINNER

Time to enjoy some down-home cooking! We've got old-fashioned pork and beef BBQ and all the fixin's – including some decadent desserts – Come hungry!

8:00 pm

KARAOKE

Grab some liquid courage if you must, but join your friends for fun and laughs. Sing your best song, or cheer on your friends.

SUNDAY:

11:00 am

ETIQUETTE AND CULTURAL INTERPRETATIONS – Lisa Strong Chase

This program sponsored by the Delaware Humanities Forum

Follow the evolution of civil society's "rules of the game" as they developed from King Louis XIV's court through the interpretations and societal impact of "proper manners" in the New World and the Victorian era to today's society, where customs can differ greatly from one country to the next, especially in the area of entertaining guests. Learn about the origins of a variety of our most genteel behaviors, and how to be properly at ease in social and business settings.

12:15 pm

MENSA TESTING