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# YOUTH EXPERIENCING SUCCESS



*An initiative of the Delaware County Youth Council*

## HIGHLIGHTS THIS ISSUE:

**Careers Awareness**  
**BE PROUD Foundation**  
**Get to Know our Youth-Student Spotlight**

## Careers Awareness

**During the entire month of November!!**

### Save the DATES

### High School Career Awareness Fair at DCCC

November 2nd

9am-12pm

Talk with career professionals in the Health Care, Law Enforcement, Technology, Green Jobs, Banking, Manufacturing, Early Childhood & more!!  
(Boxed lunches will be provided)

### Middle School Career Presentations

November 4th, 10th, 16th, 21st

45 minute to 1 hour career presentations at your school



**Careers Awareness High School  
Career Fair 2010 at DCCC**

Join our e-newsletter by contacting:  
[suzannehoffman@delcoyouthcouncil.org](mailto:suzannehoffman@delcoyouthcouncil.org)

**Get to Know....  
Delaware County's Youth Service Providers!!**

**The BE PROUD foundation located in Media, PA.**



**We will highlight our Youth Service Providers in our bi-monthly Y.E.S. e-newsletters and on our [delcoworks.org](http://delcoworks.org) website under the tab Youth Council!**

**In August the Delaware County Youth Council was able to hold their board meeting at the BE PROUD location in Media, PA! The committee members were able to meet and talk with students who attended this past summer 2011 STEP UP program.**

**Thank you so much BE PROUD for all you're doing to make the Youth of Delaware County learn, succeed, and archive their goals!**

#### **ABOUT BE PROUD**

Founded in 1997, the Be Proud Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. The Be Proud Foundation serves youth in Delaware County, PA through a variety of programs such as: Day Treatment Program, Client Accountability Program, Summer Restitution Program, and the STEP UP Program. The Be Proud Foundation's purpose is to promote, support and provide experiential learning opportunities so youth are better equipped to: communicate more effectively with others; place trust in themselves and others; be more aware of the environment; cooperate together as they work toward common goals; make good decisions and solve problems creatively as a group; overcome fears and learn the benefits of taking necessary risks; have more confidence in themselves; demonstrate their own skills and abilities; and become productive citizens.

#### **ABOUT THE 2011 STEP UP PROGRAM**

The STEP UP Program is an employment training and college preparatory program. It provides 13 students, entering their senior year at Upper Darby High School, with employment training, company tours, summer work experience, services and support in order for them to graduate from high school, pursue post-secondary education, and find employment. This past summer, STEP UP participants completed their summer work experience in Upper Darby. In cooperation with the Upper Darby Township Recreation Department, participants painted the fencing at the 69<sup>th</sup> Street Field and Naylor's Run Park. They attended academic enhancement, career development, and college preparation workshops. They also went on tours of local businesses such as: Wawa, Inc. in Wawa, PA, Mercy Fitzgerald Hospital in Darby, PA, Endless Pools in Media, PA, UPS in Philadelphia, PA, the Franklin Mint Federal Credit Union in Broomall, PA, and the Regional Computer Forensic Laboratory in Radnor, PA.

# We would like to thank the students from the 2011 STEP UP PROGRAM at BE PROUD!!

These students spent many hours this past summer helping to make  
Delaware County a better place to live, grow and learn!!



**Naylor's Run, Upper Darby Township, PA**



**69th Street Recreation Area, Upper Darby**



**Students have a site visit tour at Mercy Fitzgerald Hospital**



If you have any questions or would like additional information,  
please contact Suzanne Hoffman at 610.447.1433 or [suzannehoffman@delcoyouthcouncil.org](mailto:suzannehoffman@delcoyouthcouncil.org)

## Get to know our YOUTH! STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



**Helen Ann Lawless**

### Student Spotlight

**Name:** Helen Ann Lawless

**School:** Ridley High School

**Grade Level:** Junior

Helen is a junior at Ridley High School. In addition to being a dedicated student, Helen serves as a member of the Raider Ambassadors and assist the school with several events including back to school night and tours to new students. Helen's outside school activities includes being part of the Holmes Presbyterian Youth Group, playing softball, indoor soccer and swimming. Helen continues to be very active in her community. The Youth Council of Delaware County commends Helen for her achievements.

The Youth Council of the Delaware County Workforce Investment Board proudly acknowledges student achievement. To nominate, contact Suzanne Hoffman at 610-447-1433 or by e-mail at [studentspotlight@delcoyouthcouncil.org](mailto:studentspotlight@delcoyouthcouncil.org).

If you would like any information on how you can get involved please email [suzannehoffman@delcoyouthcouncil.org](mailto:suzannehoffman@delcoyouthcouncil.org)



## Student Spotlight

The Delaware County Youth Council partnered with the Delaware County Times highlighting outstanding students who go the extra mile. Criteria for these students include being a Delaware County resident, active in schools clubs, actively volunteering in the community and mentoring others. Good deeds and exceptional stories may also be published.

If you know of an outstanding student deserving of a nomination, or would like additional information, please contact **Suzanne Hoffman at 610.447.1433 or [StudentSpotlight@delcoyouthcouncil.org](mailto:StudentSpotlight@delcoyouthcouncil.org)**

## The Delaware County Youth Council-

The Youth Council is responsible for developing a comprehensive workforce investment strategy for youth programs and services. It identifies youth programs, develops requests for proposals and makes recommendations to the WIB Executive Committee on the allocation of funds for youth services. The Council also oversees the performance of youth programs and services.

Membership on the Youth Council include members of the WIB who have a special interest or expertise in youth policy; representatives of youth services agencies, including juvenile justice and local law enforcement agencies; representatives of local public housing authorities; parents of eligible youth; former participants of youth programs; and representatives of organizations with experience in youth activities.



## Delaware County Youth Leadership Academy Facebook Page

Please join our group on Facebook where you can now become a part of a great network of youth academy alumni.

The Delaware County Youth Leadership Academy group has been created for recent students and alumni to share ideas; connect with past alumni for mentoring opportunities and learn best practices of leadership.

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Delaware County Youth Leadership Academy...and like our page

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