

### **COMPEER CHATTER**

January/February/March 2020

"Be a friend. Change a life."

## FRIENDSGIVING: A COMPEER HOLIDAY CELEBRATION!

Saturday, December 7, 2019 — Compeer clients, volunteers, and guests from all over gathered together at Poplar Run StoneRidge in Myerstown to enjoy a spectacular holiday celebration – Friendsgiving. Guests arrived to find tables set up with festive holiday decorations. The Lebanon chapter of Guitars 4 Vets was providing a soothing soundtrack to the event. At the far end of the banquet hall, vendors such as Patriot Home Care, Handmade Custom Creations, and Art by Artemus were offering great items for last-minute holiday shopping.

By 1 PM, all the guests had arrived; and Friendsgiving began! Compeer executive director Kendra Elliott welcomed everyone to the event and introduced the event's featured entertainment, character juggler Chris Ivey! Ivey entertained the audience with numerous juggling feats & magic tricks, all while delivering fun dialogue that delighted everyone in attendance.

Chris Ivey's performance ended with a daring & dangerous feat, as he juggled three knives all while balancing a sword atop his head! With Ivey's performance over, executive director Kendra Elliott took over the event's proceedings once more.

She and Compeer board member Oratio Thomas recognized Compeer staff, board members, and past & present organizations that have supported Compeer! Elliott finished up the event with a raffle giveaway, a centerpiece giveaway, and a door prize giveaway. With that, our Friendsgiving holiday celebration was over for another year.







# COMPER'S YOUTH DROGRAM CELEBRATES A SUCCESSFUL KICKOFF:

On Monday December 9, 2019, Compeer officially started its newest program – youth mentoring! The program kicked off at Cedar Crest, where high school students participated in an important training session so that they were prepared to volunteer.

They then traveled to the Cedar Crest middle school, where they were officially matched with a youth mentee! The matches then chatted so that they got to know each other a little better. We are excited about the future of this program and wish all of our current matches great success!





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#### **COMPEER SOCIALS CALENDAR**

#### **January**

January 9 6 - 8 PM

Game Night

January 16 1 – 2:30 PM

Craft Lunch & Learn w/ Michelle Stehman

January 24 9 AM

Coffee & Camaraderie @ Heisey's Diner (Veterans only)

**February** 

February 13 6 - 8 PM

Pick Your Movie Night

February 20 1 – 2:30 PM

Lunch & Learn: Discussion on Relationships w/quest

February 28 9 AM

Coffee & Camaraderie @ Heisey's Diner (Veterans only)

March

March 12 6 - 8 PM

Spring Craft Night

March 19 1 – 2:30 PM

Exercise Lunch & Learn w/ UPMC guest

March 27 9 AM

Coffee & Camaraderie @ Heisey's Diner (Veterans only)

#### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

January 4 - 11 PA Farm Show PA Farm Show Complex Admission: \$15/parking

January 5 3 PM Palmyra Community Epiphany Concert Palmyra Church of the Brethren Admission: Free

January 18 - 20 Community Weekend AACA Museum Admission: \$9.50

March 7 10 AM – 4 PM Spring Craft & Vendor Show Lebanon Valley Expo Center Admission: Free

March 31 6:30 – 8 PM Take a Break Tuesday
Annville Free Library Admission: Free

#### WHAT ARE COMPEER SOCIALS?

Each month Compeer hosts three socials for our volunteers and clients as a way to socialize and build a sense of community. These socials have flexible times and dates so make sure to check the calendar to the left for more information on them.

All socials are held at the Senior Community Center in Lebanon (710 Maple Street) unless otherwise noted.

RSVP to attend or for rides (Lebanon only) at 717-272-8317. Please try to give at least two days' notice.



January	February	March
Kenneth H. 1/6	Christina R. 2/2	Angela M. 3/1
Cindy L. 1/6	Brian P. 2/7	Steven C. 3/3
Mini N. 1/9	Eric G. 2/7	George Mo. 3/7
Edward M. 1/13	Crystal G. 2/8	Robin Z. 3/8
Priscilla W. 1/14	Ann Y. 2/19	Melissa G. 3/9
David S. 1/22	Bruce H. 2/21	John N. 3/11
Carol D. 1/25	Michael F. 2/23	Marti B. 3/13
Marilyn V. 1/25	Laura K. 2/24	Kathleen N. 3/13
Bonnie W. 1/26		Nicole B. 3/13
Sara B. 1/29		Ann B. 3/21
		Kristene C. 3/21
		Ricky D. 3/28

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