Nurses & Neighbors Collaborative (NNC) Quarterly

Upcoming Events

Oct 26 -VegFallFest

Nov 5 - Diabetes Expo

Nov 6 - The Vital Signs of a Healthy Retirement: Money, Muscles, Meals, and Meaning

Mar 4, 2026 - Lunch with a Purpose

More details and events at <u>delawareinstitute.org/events</u>



Xuhao Zhou and Bet Wong were selected to attend the free OpenAl Jam for non-profits at the Queen in Wilmington. We are using OpenAl's ChatGPT to create an agent that can provide transportation solutions for accessing care in one call. We are also leveraging ChatGPT 5 to supercharge the Neighborhood Foot Care Patrol.



On August 14, Jane Kurz presented on the nurse clinic at the Day Shelter located within the Community Resource Center to the Franciscans Council. A special thanks goes to Rhona Prescott for facilitating this connection. The Franciscans Council has pledged to provide a monthly contribution to support Jane's important work.

In Memory of Bonnie Perratto, MSN, MBA, RN, NEA-BC, FACHE

Bonnie Perratto was a lifelong champion of nursing. She served on our Board from 2024 until her passing on September 4, 2025, and she maintained her nursing license throughout 2025.

Bonnie retired as the Chief Nursing Executive for Bayhealth in Dover, DE, in 2017. At Nurses & Neighbors, we were blessed by her wisdom, advocacy, and friendship. Even during times of illness, she continued to support our mission and embody the very best of nursing leadership.



In her honor, we will be making a donation to the Bonnie Perratto Nursing Scholarship at The BayHealth Foundation, ensuring that her legacy continues through the next generation of nurses.

Join us for foot screenings and foot care education at the 23rd Diabetes EXPO - Nov 5 at BayHealth Blue Hen Conference Center in Dover. Free - lunch included.



Supporting Fund for Women's inaugural Women's Forum on 9/30: L to R - Pat Bartels, Sharon Smith, Bet Wong, Angelina Pulsifer, and Terri Sarisky.



Mary Bremer Memorial Fund contributes \$500 to Shepherd's Office's Food Pantry

Thank you to our neighbor Jim Bremer for his generous donation to Nurses & Neighbors to grow the Mary Bremer Memorial Fund. L to R: Ginny Birdsell, Maureen Whitney, Pat Boland, and Greta Browning.

Neighborhood Health Hubs

- Nancy Hromack and her neighbors at Heritage Creek coordinated CPR/AED and Narcan training with Beebe Population Health. Erin Sharp from PAM Rehab presented on care transitions and post-acute care.
- Kudos to Penny Catton and her neighbors at Stonewater
 Creek for successfully conducting another food drive on
 August 15, collecting 558 pounds of food and cash for CASA in
 Milford. Additionally, the residents at Stonewater Creek
 organized flu shots and health screenings, including cancer
 screenings in collaboration with Beebe and Cape Pharmacy.

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