LEADERSHIP NOW NEWSLETTER

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MAY 2026

OUR FELLOWS LEARNED REASON THIS MONTH

Our Fellows Class met for their April session at UPMC Carlisle earlier this month. To start the day a group of Fellows presented on Reason, highlighting the importance of reality over perception. Then Dan Jensen from Harrisburg University of Science and Technology presented on Decision Making Models. This included the overview of the systematic process of problem-solving including definition, identity the problem, analyzing the problem, selecting and evaluating solutions and building a realistic action plan. They continued with some team building and then heard about *Community Needs on the Growth of the County* from Kirk Stoner, Director of Planning for Cumberland County, PA. We can't believe that their last class is next week and they will be graduating soon after!

& THEN LEARNED LEADERSHIP LESSONS ON THE BATTLEFIELD

Our Fellows went on their Bus Tour of Gettysburg last week, sponsored by Alliance Financial and led by our Alum, Cody Baker '24. He brought history to life as he presented on leadership lessons that included locations such as the Gettysburg National Military Park, Seminary Ridge, Little Round Top, and The Pennsylvania Monument. Throughout the day Cody presented on different perspectives of leadership, gave examples of decisions made by the top leaders, and how each area played a part in outcome of the Civil War. The class finished out the day at Cemetery Ridge and the Soldiers' National Cemetery for a time of reflection. Overall, it was a great day of learning about leadership and seeing how the different decisions leaders made affected the aspects of the war!

JLC STUDENTS LEARNED FINAL LESSONS & GRADUATED FROM THE PROGRAM

This month our JLC students met for their last session at UPMC Carlisle. A group of students led an ice breaker and then Coach Mike Greene of IntegrityWorks Coaching presented to the students on Habit 6: Synergize and 7: Sharpen the Saw. After a break, they heard from a UPMC Panel made up of Paulo Oliveira, Manager of Volunteer Services; Elena Romero Dailey, MD, VP of Medical Affairs; and Shayla Thompson, RACR, sHRBP, Senior Director, Human Resources. Thank you to the panel for sharing with the students! Then John G Anthony II of Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation presented Finances 101 before Donovin Lindsay of College Knowledge Foundation led Mock Interviews with the students.

On April 10th, the students met again to complete the last step of the program...Graduation! As always, we have had a great group of students this year in the program and we are so glad that we got to be a part of this journey with them. We wish them the best of luck in the future!

LC FELLOWS CLASS OF 2026 GRADUATION BREAKFAST

SPONSORED BY: Morgan Stanley

Don't miss your chance to join us to celebrate the Graduating Class of Fellows for 2026! We will recognize our guest faculty, corporate partners, and community sponsors who help make our program possible as well as hear from our graduating class of fellows about their experiences. Come and join us to celebrate the class of 2026 and learn more about Leadership Cumberland!

Event Schedule
8:30 - 9:00 AM - Registration & Breakfast
9:00 - 10:30 AM - Graduation Program

Ticket Options
$35 - General Admission Ticket
$210 - Table of 4 & Ad in Program
$350 - Table of 8 & Ad in Program

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REGISTER HERE BY MAY 7TH

NONPROFIT BOARD OPENINGS, EVENTS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE 30TH ANNUAL AMANI FESTIVAL
We are excited to invite you to the 30th Annual Amani Festival, a vibrant celebration of cultural diversity and community unity, taking place on Saturday, May 2, 2026 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Carlisle Expo Center, located at 100 K. Street, Carlisle. Co-founded by Floyd Stokes and Dr. Eliseo Rosario to promote diversity education, the Amani Festival—meaning "peace" in Swahili—brings together people from all backgrounds through the joy of food, music, dance, art, education, and shared traditions. Everyone is welcome to join us in this free family friendly event.

2026 CAAP SUMMIT - EFFICIENCY WITH EMPATHY
Attend the CAAP Summit "Efficiency with Empathy: Where Innovation Meets Humanity" on May 20-21, Hybrid or in person in Harrisburg! As AI reshapes how work gets done, this summit centers on using technology to simplify systems, reduce burnout, and create space for compassion—both for clients and the people who serve them. Participants will explore how to implement AI and tech based solutions while cultivating supportive, psychologically safe workplaces grounded in human connection. Visit www.thecaap.org/caap-summit-website to register for the event!

CAHA CLOTHING DONATION DRIVE
The Auxiliary will collect CLOTHING/SHOES ONLY on May 13, 2026 for the CommunityAid store in Mechanicsburg. Please drop oi donations from 6:30 am to 8:00 am and 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm in the parking lot nearest to the UPMC Carlisle Emergency Room Entrance. A donation box will also be available in the UPMC CARLISLE Visitors Entrance between 8:00 am and 2:00 pm.

CAHA SPRING FUNDRAISERS
Mother's Day Plant Orders will arrive on Tuesday, May 5, 2026! You may pick up your order at the UPMC Carlisle Visitors Entrance Lobby on May 5, 2026 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. Auxiliary members will deliver other plant orders to UPMC Carlisle employees.

On Tuesday, May 19, 2026 from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, the Auxiliary welcomes Playa Bowls of Carlisle to the UPMC Carlisle Women's Center Parking Lot (oi Spring Drive) to sell their SPECIAL TREATS!

CARLISLE FAMILY YMCA - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SWIM MEET
The Carlisle YMCA is hosting the CARY Spring Long Course USA Swim Meet on May 1-3. We are looking for volunteers to help make it a success, specifically the Y safety team. Here is a link to the sign-up page and a description in each section of what type of volunteers we are looking for. Please review the available slots and click on the button to sign up. More details about each position are listed, but if you have any questions, please email Michelle Bell at mbell@carlislefamilyymca.org.

THE PEYTON WALKER FOUNDATION - CPR/AED CLASSES & SCREENINGS
During the month of May, we will be hoding **FREE CPR & AED Certification Classes** for boy scouts and girl scouts (grades 8-12). This is an opportunity to learn lifesaving skills that protect your community in the event of an emergency. You will learn how to effectively perform CPR and apply an AED (defibrillator) to adults, children, and infants. You will also learn how to perform the abdominal thrust if someone is choking.
Register Here: https://www.peytonwalker.org/scoutcpr/
Classes will be held from 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm at:
5/5 Cumberland Valley Ninth Grade Academy
5/6 York College: Grumbacher Sports & Fitness Center
5/11: Derry Township Community Center
5/15: High Foundation - Lancaster
5/20: Shippensburg High School

FREE Adult Heart Screening (18 years of age and up) in partnership with WellSpan Health on: Saturday, May 30th, at the Chambersburg Memorial YMCA, from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM! We are also seeking volunteers to support this lifesaving event.
Register Here: https://www.peytonwalker.org/adult-heart-screenings-18/

WALK FOR PAWS - HUMANE SOCIETY OF HARRISBURG
Save the date! On May 30 from 10 am - 1 pm, families, friends, and four-legged besties will gather at Harrisburg Area Community College for Walk for Paws, a feel-good celebration where every step helps save lives. Whether you're dashing through our 5K color run, strolling the 1 mile walk, stretching it out with yoga and puppies, or cheering from the sidelines, there's a place for everyone. Expect a live DJ, local vendors, a kids fun zone, adoptable pets ready to meet their people, and a crowd-favorite pet costume contest. Bring your dog, your kids, your friends—or just your big heart. Together, we'll walk (and run) for paws, for love, and for a future where every pet belongs! Now is the perfect time to sign up, save with early bird registration, and be part of a day powered by compassion and community. Register here.

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