

# THIS WEEK AT

VOLUME 10, ISSUE 49

FRIDAY, JULY 12, 2024

- We have had a lot of great events going on at SCARC! **SUMMER EXPERIENCE** is in full swing and there has been no shortage of fun. Yesterday, I was presented with a new tapestry that our Session 1 campers made at Peters Valley. This beautiful sun print was made with all the beautiful things the group found in nature (with the exception of special guest star, Mickey Mouse!) **PETERS, VALLEY, MORRIS COUNTY GLASS MUSEUM, TREESCAPES, ETC.** have all been wonderful destinations so far. Session 2 is in full swing and despite the **HEAT**, they are out and about having fun. Thanks go out to the staff for keeping smiles on their faces **EVERY DAY** and even doing activities they are a little nervous about (.....climbing into high ropes courses.....).



- It seems so far this year that beating the heat is a theme. We have had several weeks with temperatures into the high 80's and into the 90's! Despite the heat, we had an amazing Walkathon on June 23<sup>rd</sup>! Hundreds came out to enjoy an early start to our walk and help celebrate the fact that the SCARC Foundation surpassed its fundraising goal for the year! Thank you to ALL the donors and to all that beat the heat and came out to join us at the Sussex County Fairgrounds! Our homes and our staff showed up in grand style – many having made their own shirts!



- I am always happy to hear about participants of day program being passionate about something. Perhaps it is sewing, or being in charge of coffee or the mechanics of zippers. Yup, you heard me right. Brad loves to talk about appliances and zippers. He has stored up a ton of knowledge on both and often sends letters to manufacturers about improving the quality of an appliance or zipper. He also advocates for good quality items to be sold in more stores. Recently, Brad did a presentation at our Patty Dolan Center on zippers. He created his own presentation with some help from staff and then proudly presented it to the group. Thanks to Brad for sharing his knowledge and for taking the time to put together a great presentation.



- We have some amazing **NEW RENOVATION** projects going on in our homes these days! New decks, floors, renovated bathrooms & kitchens, etc. Thanks to our home staff for their patience and thanks to our facilities team for managing these projects! See the pictures above for some nice examples.