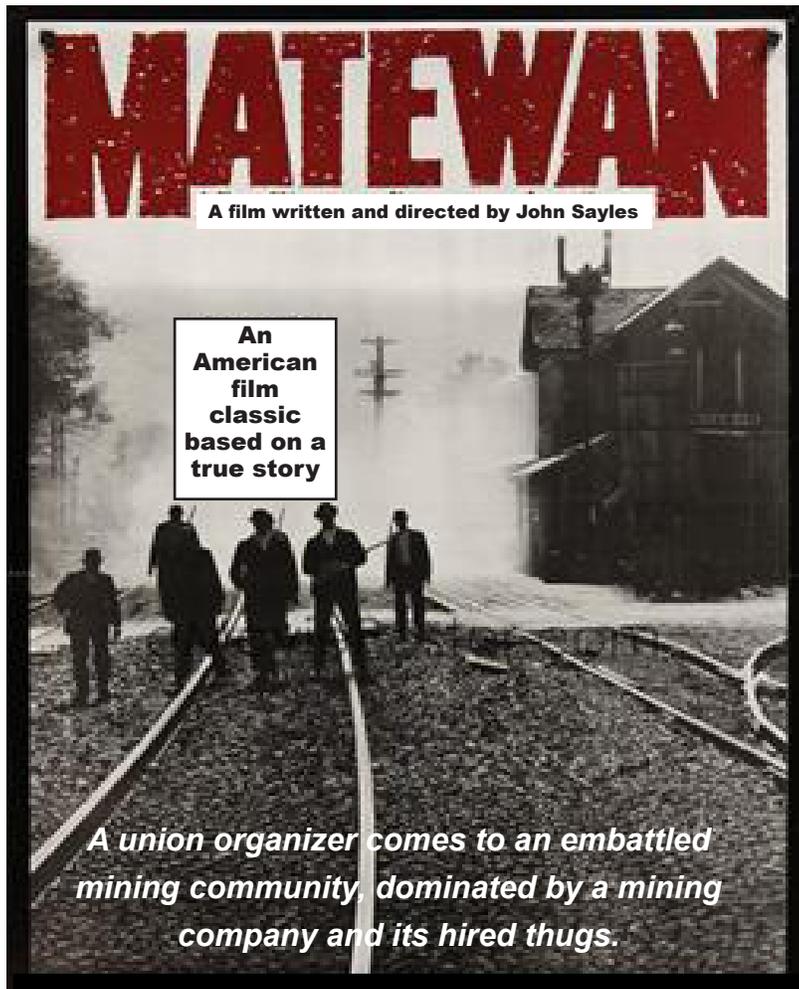


**Friday, Sept. 6, at 7 p.m.**  
**Peace Center of Delaware County**  
**1001 Old Sproul Rd., Springfield, PA**  
**FREE!**



**132 min. PG-13. 1987.**

*MATEWAN* brings to life the bitter coal miners strike of 1920 in Mingo County, West Virginia. The mining company cuts workers' wages. The miners go on strike. The mining company imports African Americans and Italian workers from outside to break the strike.

An interracial struggle ensues, until workers realize their strength lies in solidarity. Union organizer Joe Kenehan says, "You know there ain't but two sides in this world—they that work and them that don't. You work; they don't. That's all you got to know about the enemy."

The film's unfolding drama culminates in a tragic confrontation. Within the riveting events of the struggle, writer and ace of independent film making, John Sayles, weaves issues of economic power and social justice, with the question of nonviolence versus violence to achieve justice.

Chris Cooper stars in the pivotal role of union organizer Joe Kenehan. The always superb James Earl Jones plays the leader of the Black workers.

There are heroes and villains throughout the film, dramatic turns, and suspense from start to finish.

*MATEWAN* is storytelling with multiple messages and lessons from American labor history: lessons for our times, certainly.

Peace Center of Delaware County  
**First-Friday Film Series**

Springfield Friends Meetinghouse  
(Behind Mr. Car Wash, at the corner of Old Marple Road and Rt. 320/W Sproul Road)

**7 p.m. — Free — Large Screen**

Doors open 6:30 p.m. for light refreshments. After-film discussion  
Directions: [www.delcopeacecenter.org](http://www.delcopeacecenter.org), or call (610) 544-1818

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