

Friday, June 1, at 7 p.m.
Peace Center of Delaware County
1001 Old Sproul Rd., Springfield, PA
FREE!

In the Name of the Father is the searing true story of the Guildford Four, each of whom were wrongly convicted for an IRA bombing in London in 1974. Nominated for six Oscars, the film is a political drama with a troubled father-and-son relationship at its core.

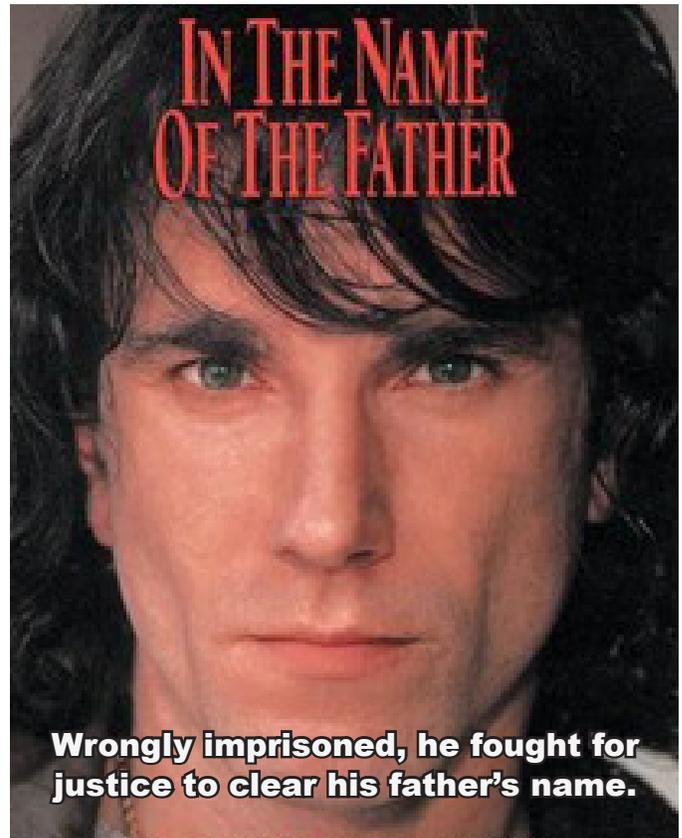
In a time of widespread public fear, due to numerous IRA bombings, the London police need to make someone accountable. They arrest four wild Irish teenagers and family members. Daniel Day-Lewis is one of the youth, whose father (Pete Postlethwaite) is arrested when he comes to London to help his son find a lawyer. Both actors were nominated for Oscars for their intense performances.

At the first trial, the prisoners are convicted and sentenced to life in prison. Despite being painted as terrorists, the son believes in hardly anything and the father's main concern is his family. As the years of imprisonment move by and an international cry for their freedom emerges, father and son learn to care about each other.

Emma Thompson, nominated for Best Supporting Actress, plays a pivotal role as the lawyer who ferrets out the truth and attempts to get the men's convictions overturned.

Upon its release, the film proved controversial for historical inaccuracies. Director Jim Sheridan, nominated for a Best Director Oscar, explained, "I was accused of lying, but the real lie was saying it was a film about the Guildford Four when really it was about a nonviolent parent."

In the Name of the Father is a classic film about freedom, struggle, hope, and love. Even more relevant today, this film is a plea to end the cycle of violence.



1993. 133 minutes. Historical drama. Rated R for language and politically generated violence. Director: Jim Sheridan. Screenplay: Terry George and Jim Sheridan.

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
Air Conditioned

Doors open 6:30 p.m. for light refreshments. After-film discussion.
Directions: www.delcopenacecenter.org, or call 484-574-1148