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# *News From The Coalition, Inc.*

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## **Greetings Coalition Family!**

The most successful of those who wear the mantle of community servant/leader realize we are blessed to be able to serve, so we serve with attitudes of joy and fulfillment.

*For today and its blessings, I owe the world an attitude of gratitude. (Clarence E. Hodges)*

## **FOR OUR CHILDREN**

*"It is easier to build children than it is to repair men." ...Frederick Douglass*

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### **From our friends at the Campaign for Youth Justice**

The Campaign for Youth Justice urges groups from across the country to show support for reducing the practice of trying, sentencing, and incarcerating youth in the adult criminal justice system by signing onto the enclosed National Resolution on Trying and Sentencing Youth as Adults

<<http://salsa.democracynaction.org/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=YuR64Rw%2\BJO8I9PXfXr2%2Fus5lNSqVL9hr>>

(see: <http://www.campaignforyouthjustice.org/national-resolution.html> <http://salsa.democracynaction.org/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=ZENtUVYUS\sC3CJ4OPkcHMs5lNSqVL9hr>).

Every year an estimated 200,000 youth are tried, sentenced, or incarcerated as adults in the United States, and most of these children are prosecuted for non-violent offenses.

Young people who are tried in the adult system are more likely to reoffend than youth retained in the juvenile system, and when they are sentenced as adults they are exposed to collateral consequences that impact their ability to further their education and employment.

Prosecuting youth to the adult system is a pathway to recidivism, abuse, and long-term negative consequences to their educational and employment options. It is a dangerous and costly practice.

Please sign onto the National Resolution today and show your support for keeping young offenders out of the adult criminal justice system. Groups wishing to sign-on to the resolution should email the

Campaign for Youth Justice at [jjstate@cfyj.org](mailto:jjstate@cfyj.org)  
subject=Resolution

Sign Name; Organization

City, State

Phone

The deadline is Friday, May 14. The link to the resolution is

<http://www.campaignforyouthjustice.org/national-resolution.html>  
<<http://salsa.democracynaction.org/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=134Fn2I4t\y6NvqBF0%2FOHes5lNSqVL9hr>>

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Paul "Earthquake" Moore  
Presents

**Community Boot Camp**

From April 2010 through SEPTEMBER 2010

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[Click here:](#)

[EightCitiesMAP](#)

Choose

"Philadelphia's Online Community

"Newsletter" from the menu.

All young people are invited to experience a weekend of fun, discipline, and leadership activities when the Community Boot Camp

resumes on

April 17-18, 2010

It is the first of seven individual weekend sessions for youth scheduled to be held from April through September 2010

Hosted by Paul "Earthquake" Moore, Community Boot Camp will be an exciting and positive weekend for youth in the Philadelphia and Delaware County areas.

For two days and one night on

April 17-18 2010,

children ages 8-15

will have the opportunity to spend time with positive role models from various industries including city officials, TV and radio personalities, and sports figures. The aim is to show young people a better way of life through positive activities and role models and make them believe they can have an impact on their surrounding communities and future careers.

Young people will spend the night in the field, sleeping in tents, during which time they will be mentored by the men and women of the U.S. Army Reserve.

Activities to take place will include:

- ~ Community Clean up
- ~ Salute Report
- ~ Military Alphabet Code
- ~ Military Time
- ~ Violence, Drug and Alcohol Prevention
- ~ Community Basketball
- ~ Drilling Ceremony

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Community Boot Camp is being sponsored in part by PAUL "EARTHQUAKE" MOORE, from PHILADELPHIA, a community activist, Moore has had the privilege of developing programs and activities that support positive teen development. Holds basketball tournaments, skating parties, Black History Month activities, and

*God ever works with those  
who work with will.  
Aeschylus*

If you have a favorite relevant quote, why not share it with our readers. send to [TheCoalitionNews@gmail.com](mailto:TheCoalitionNews@gmail.com)  
We will credit you with the submission.

neighborhood clean-ups.

In addition, the organization has supported youth in developing relationships with the church.

Don't miss the opportunity to register your child for Community Boot Camp. Parents can register by calling 215-385-2696 or Camps begin

April 17-18, 2010

And run through to

September 2010

Donations are needed to buy daily meals, sleeping bags, and equipment for the youth who attend. Those who wish to donate to the Community Boot Camp should call 215-385-2696, or email Paul "Earthquake" Moore at

[earth\\_quake1@hotmail.com](mailto:earth_quake1@hotmail.com)

All checks should be and sent to

P.O. Box 5323

Philadelphia, PA 19142. Video

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SrV\\_WEqETN4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SrV_WEqETN4)

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### **Graduate! Philadelphia offers college fair**

Graduate! Philadelphia will celebrate the second anniversary of its Northeast

Philadelphia site with a

Returning to College Fair on

Tuesday, April 27th from

3-7pm at

CORA Services,

8540 Verree Road in

Philadelphia.

The event offers instant decision admissions from many of its 15 partner colleges, workshops on study skills, managing stress and becoming an effective student, giveaways, raffles and a celebratory cake.

For more information, call 215-574-1341.

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### **Partners sought for youth action teams**

Since 1997, MEE has implemented a unique youth employment model in which it hires and trains local youth to conduct peer-to-peer outreach to deliver health promotion messages to their community.

Most recently, MEE implemented Community Action Teams as part of its Blueprint for a Safer Philadelphia campaign, through which it provided employment, life skills and self efficacy and leadership training for 100 young people.

*From an actual newspaper contest where entrants age 4 to 15 were asked to imitate "Deep Thoughts by Jack Handey."...(final installment)*

*If we could just get everyone to close their eyes and visualize world peace for an hour, imagine how serene and quiet it would be until the looting started. -- Age 15*

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MEE is seeking strategic partners to pursue or use available grant money for summer employment programs in other locations, and is reaching out to organizations that have access to youth and workforce development funds. CAT participants can help in developing leadership skills and a positive self-image, receive training in important life, academic and communications skills, gain exposure to new experiences, people and places, earn money and incentives as compensation for their participation, build their resumes with outreach and communications experience, and earn community service credits for high school.

For more information, call William Juzang at 215-829-4920 or [email](#)  
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### **CCP sponsors summer program for males**

Community College of Philadelphia has announced its 2010 Center for Male Engagement Summer Enrichment Program, geared towards African American males. The program is a four-week intensive summer program for high school students graduating in June 2010 who intend to enter the Community College of Philadelphia for the first time as a full-time student in fall 2010.

Students who successfully complete the program will automatically become a member of the Community College of Philadelphia's Center for Male Engagement. Through the Center, they will be assigned a Support Coach who will assist them with personal needs in addition to encouraging them to take advantage of the many academic and social opportunities at the College.

The program takes place  
Monday through Thursday,  
9am to 3pm, from  
July 12th through August 5th.

For more details, [click here](#) or call 215-751-8817.

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### **Free Library of Philadelphia Teen Poetry Slam**

Poetry and Spoken Word

Friday, April 23rd 2010 at 3:30 pm  
Montgomery Auditorium  
Central Library  
1901 Vine Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Rules: Performers must be prepared to present twice

*"I would rather have a  
mind opened by wonder  
than one closed by belief."  
--Gerry Spence*

Poems must be performed not read  
Performances limited to 1 ½ minutes  
No props or audio  
Keep it clean!!!

Prizes: 1st prize: \$150, 2nd Prize: \$100, 3rd Prize \$75  
Open to all Philadelphia High School Students

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Deadline to Register:

Monday, April 19, 2010

To register call or email Aurora Sanchez at 215.686.5415 or  
[sancheza@freelibrary.org](mailto:sancheza@freelibrary.org)

Montgomery Auditorium  
Parkway Central Library  
1901 Vine St  
3:30 pm

Event open to the public

This program has been made possible with generous support from the  
Philadelphia City Institute Board of Managers.

Aurora V. Sanchez  
Free Library of Philadelphia  
1901 Vine Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19103  
215.686.5415 (Teen Outreach and voicemail)  
215.686.5372 (Teen Author Series)  
215.563.3628 (f)

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## **Free Scholarships to Cornell's Summer College**

Cornell's Summer College, now in its forty-ninth year,  
is one of the nation's longest running and most highly regarded  
precollege academic programs.

It brings more than 800 academically talented high school sophomores,  
juniors, and seniors from around the world to Cornell each  
summer for three- and six-week programs.

Summer College students have the unparalleled opportunity to:

\*experience what it's like to live and learn at a great Ivy League university,

*So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth.” - Baha'u'llah*

- \*take real university courses,
- \*work closely with Cornell's world-renowned faculty,
- \*learn three to six college credits,
- \*explore majors and career options,
- \*get a jump on successful college applications,
- \*make friends from around the world-and much, much more.

As Cornell alum, you also might be interested to know that in addition to the gains realized by students, Summer College contributes significantly to Cornell's recruitment efforts by introducing a geographically, ethnically, and socio-economically diverse group of talented students to Cornell at the crucial time. Many former Summer Collegians apply to Cornell, and each year a significant number are members of the entering class.

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Again, we would be grateful if you would share this information with individuals or organizations you think could benefit from our award-winning Cornell program. This year's application deadline for most programs is April, 30. Students can connect with other Summer College fans through the Facebook link on our homepage <http://www.summercollege.cornell.edu/> and can reach us directly at [summer\\_college@cornell.edu](mailto:summer_college@cornell.edu) or 607.255.6203.

Best regards,

Abby H. Eller, Director, and the Summer College staff  
Cornell University Summer College Programs for High School Students  
B20 Day Hall  
Ithaca , NY 14853  
607.255.6203; Fax 607.255.6665  
[www.summercollege.cornell.edu](http://www.summercollege.cornell.edu)

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### **United Way's [Center for Youth Development](#) has announced its Core Curriculum & Mentor Training Schedule for this spring.**

CYD coordinates and delivers trainings to improve the quality and build the capacity of youth programs throughout the region. Trainings are open to all out-of-school time staff and non-profit professionals in southeastern Pennsylvania.

In registering, please take note of the identified target audience (including age of youth served) for each training, as well as trainings that are part of a series (201, 202, etc) and therefore should not be registered for individually. Space is limited. To register please visit the Community Impact Training

Institute [website](#).

For more information, [email here](#).

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*"Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there." ...Will Rogers*

Dear Family and Friends

We are excited to announce the 5th Annual Philadelphia Fatherhood Festival. The event will be held on Saturday, June 12, 2010 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. The Fatherhood Festival addresses the issues that plague our families and communities. The event is a FREE, full day conference consisting of discussion groups, notable guest speakers, and educational roundtables for all fathers and father-figures. Our goal is to change the lives of men, thereby changing the lives of children and families forever. We are asking for your help.

Sincerely,

Fatherhood Festival Planning Committee

Festival Planning Meeting  
Strategic Planning

Please join Us at our Festival planning meeting. We need your thoughts, ideas, and suggestions. Each day most of us are involved in meetings and sessions that have minimal impact to our community. The Father Festival will provide you with the opportunity to give back and help strengthen our children and our families. We need you, your experience, and your vision to make the festival a success. Please come out and help us make a difference.

Our kickoff meeting was held on  
Monday, February 22, 2010  
at the

School District of Philadelphia Main Building,  
Parent Resource Center,  
440 N. Broad Street (Broad & Spring Garden).

Please mark your calendars. The subsequent meetings will be held at the same location on the following dates:

- April 19
- May 3
- May 17
- May 31
- June 7

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**For the Lexophiliacs**

*Local Area Network in Australia: The LAN down under.*

*(We are ignoring the many requests that this feature be discontinued. Please stop writing in.)*

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**CAP 4 Kids Hint of the Week**

Did you know that Cap4Kids Philadelphia has hundreds of resources listed on the [www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia](http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia) website that care for families and children?

Please see the attached Suggested Ways to Use Cap4Kids attached and link families in need with the social service agencies that serve them. Please continue to advocate for every child, every family, every community to prevent and address youth violence and the many permanent scars that it leaves.

To bring awareness to this epidemic and to highlight the many amazing youth in our community, Physicians for Social Responsibility are hosting the annual Legs Against Arms 5K run/1 mile walk at St. Joes to bring about awareness of the programs that address youth violence. Please see <http://www.legsagainstarms.org/> for more information.

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**Black College Tours 2010 (40+)**

<http://blackexcel.org/black-college-tours-2010.html>

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**PhillyGoes2College**

With a little over 50% of our kids graduating high school on time and only 18% graduating college, we MUST all work on this issue together for the future of our city.

The Mayor's office recently created an office called "PhillyGoes2College" that will start working to improve these statistics

([http://www.philly.com/inquirer/home\\_top\\_stories/20100104\\_Nutter\\_to\\_focus\\_on\\_increasing\\_college\\_admissions.html](http://www.philly.com/inquirer/home_top_stories/20100104_Nutter_to_focus_on_increasing_college_admissions.html)), and on the

[www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia](http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia) website, under the Education Handout, you will find multiple sources for children, families and child advocates to help, from an early age, on the road to educational success

([http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent\\_handouts/education.html](http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent_handouts/education.html)).

Here you will find listings for various school choices, timelines, resources for out-of-school youth, and college prep and college admission tools.

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**Earn Free Trip to Egypt for Black Kids and Adults**

The African Heritage Institute (also known as the D'zert Club) is

Do you remember this guy?

*England is better only because I stand out there as 'unusual'. - Emo Philips*

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sponsoring a 2-year African History Program that, once completed, the participants earn an all expense paid trip to Egypt. This program is for Black kids from ages 7-14 and adults over the age of 21.

See the success stories of students that completed the program and have gone to Egypt. They are amazing. Students grades went up in school, lateness and absences decreased and there was a remarkable increase in the students respect for their elders. One brother who attended was able to get a full 4-year scholarship to school as a result of being a part of the program.

Get all of the details at

[www.BlackBusinessNetwork.com/theone](http://www.BlackBusinessNetwork.com/theone)

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### **Help For Parents With School-Age Children**

Are you a parent, relative, or health care professional with any of the following scenarios?

- \* Not too sure how to register child for Kindergarten or Head Start.
- \* Trying to decide on what type of school best fits a child's needs. Public or Charter or Magnet or Catholic?
- \* Want to get a child motivate and focused on college.
- \* Want to get child back in school after taking a leave, but don't know what options there are for out-of-school youth.
- \* Child being bullied in school and don't know what to do.
- \* Child not doing well in school and may have a learning difference.

On the [www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia](http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia) website, under the Education parent handout

[http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent\\_handouts/education.html](http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent_handouts/education.html)

and the Resource tab

<http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/resources.html> there are resources in the community to help advocates for children find help for their child's educational needs. Please become familiar with the listed resources and continue to bridge the gap between families in need and the agencies and resources that serve them.

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**The Food stamp program under the new stimulus package is now called the SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program).**

Did you know?

Eligibility for SNAP benefits changed so many more families in food insecure households are now eligible.

On the [www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia](http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia) website, under the Food and

*“The more selfish you are  
the smaller your world  
becomes.*

*You make yourself smaller  
by being selfish.”  
Grandma Edna Gordon,  
Hawk Clan Elder of the  
Seneca Nation, Six Nations  
Iroquois*

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Nutrition parent handout, you will find several organizations who can help families find out if they are eligible. Also, on the COMPASS website they can apply for these benefits and many others.

For more info you can also go to

<http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/ServicesPrograms/FoodStamps/>

Please continue to link families in need with the appropriate social services agencies that serve them through Cap4Kids. Thanks.

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**Online resources for parents:** [www.chestercountymoms.com](http://www.chestercountymoms.com),  
[www.germantownavenueparents.com](http://www.germantownavenueparents.com), [www.norristownmom.com](http://www.norristownmom.com).

## **THIS WEEK**

**Hello Everyone,**

My name is Raymond Gant I am a project manager for  
Greater Philadelphia Cares.

On Friday April 23rd

1pm to 4pm

we need 30-40 volunteers preferably from 19122 area to come out to

Ferguson Elementary School

2000 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street

Philadelphia, PA 19122

We need parents, neighbors, concerns citizens, we need your help! We will be painting games on the playground and helping to spruce up the library with painting quotes and murals.

This type of atmosphere gives a brighter learning space for our children, it also helps strengthen families.

For further info please contact Ray Gant @215 964 7627 or email me  
[rohproject@comcast.net](mailto:rohproject@comcast.net)

Thank You,

Ray Gant

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### **Muslim groups building health network**

Beginning with the Philadelphia area, the [Muslim Alliance in North America’s SHARE Centers](#) and the [Islamic Social Services Association of Philadelphia](#) are working to build a network of existing free health care clinics by networking with tens of thousands of Muslim physicians, nurses,

*The way I understand it,  
the Russians are sort of a  
combination of evil and  
incompetence... sort of like  
the Post Office with tanks. -  
Emo Philips*

**The Raw Family  
Newsletter**

<http://www.rawfamily.com/>

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dentists, optometrists, health care providers, and private ambulance services. This network, which will begin in Philadelphia, will also lay the groundwork for additional clinics that will reach out to the unserved or underserved citizens, particularly of America's inner city neighborhoods

where there are over 30 million Americans uninsured, of which 50% - 60% are African American and Hispanic.

The groups are sponsoring a presentation on the initiative at a health care forum on

April 24th

beginning at

1:30pm

at the

Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts

Broad and Spruce Streets

Philadelphia

The forum will be followed by an entertainment program at 6pm.

Tickets for the full day of activities are \$50.

Register [here](#).

For more information, call Qasim Khan at 773-557-9315 or Rashidah Abdul Khabeer at 215-432-6691.

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**EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

**Lifeguard Positions Philadelphia**

Department of Parks & Recreation

Do you have what it takes to be a lifeguard?

- Must be certified in Lifeguard Training, First Aid & CPR
  - Must be 16 years of age or older
- Must pass a drug screening, criminal record, child abuse and FBI clearance check

Want to become a Lifeguard?

- You must be at least 15 and know how to swim to take the class
- Pass a lifeguard screening, once you pass, you can enroll in a class
  - Classes starting now: (3 locations)

Sayre Morris Pool

59th & Spruce

<http://www.facebook.com/1/d7464;215.685.1993>

*“Unity to be real must stand the severest strain without breaking” - Mahatma Gandhi*

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Lincoln Pool  
Rowland & Shelmire St

<http://www.facebook.com/l/d7464;215.685.8751>

Pickett Pool  
Wayne & Cheltenham St

<http://www.facebook.com/l/d7464;215.686.2196>

- Cost is \$100 for the entire course and materials

Minimum salary is \$12.33 per hour  
Maximum salary is \$14.60 per hour with experience

Be responsible, save a life, make some money

Members of the NAACP Philly Youth Council have the opportunity to obtain much more info, and direct contact information for more opportunities. Visit the NAACP Philly Office at 1619 Cecil B. Moore Avenue, or attend one of our 2nd/4th Saturday meetings, or any of our community service activities to join our group now!

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### **United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania, Coming of Age offer 3-day Learning Lab**

Coming of Age, a collaboration of United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania, the Temple University's Center for Intergenerational Learning, WHYY and AARP of Pennsylvania, will sponsor a 3-day learning lab on

Capturing the Energy and Expertise of People 50+ on

May 19th,

at United Way,

1709 Benjamin Franklin Parkway in

Philadelphia, PA

The event is part of COA's effort to help the nonprofit community to learn more about engaging experienced volunteers to help meet greater demand at a time of shrinking resources.

Whether retired or working, people age 50+ are extraordinary resources, whose energy and expertise can help nonprofit agencies accomplish their mission.

And we have more than 1,500,000 such people here in the Delaware Valley.

*First learn the meaning of what you say, and then speak. – Epictetus*

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They are a rich, immense — and very much underutilized — volunteer talent pool!

The Learning Lab will show nonprofits how to apply best practices to meet their mission; motivate people age 50+; assess readiness to capture the talent of people age 50+; create roles fusing your mission and their interests; and creating a high-impact and doable marketing and recruitment campaign.

Almost 1,000 executive directors, program directors and volunteer managers have taken this workshop series across the nation.

The cost for the 3-day workshop is only \$180 and includes all materials and a continental breakfast and lunch each day.

For more information or to sign up, click [here](#)

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### **Summer camp in Bulgaria open to young journalists worldwide**

International Experience, Study Abroad, Young Journalists Deadline:

High school students worldwide who are interested in journalism, writing and personal development are invited to attend an Educational Summer Camp in Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria from July 4 to 24.

Deadline to apply: June 20.

All courses will be taught in English. In addition to the aforementioned topics, the curriculum includes sports, field trips to the Rila Monastery and Sofia, movies and other activities.

The summer program is organized by the American University in Bulgaria.

The camp fee is 510 (about US\$710).

For more information, visit

<http://www.aubg.bg/camp>

or e-mail Nadejda Afendova at [nadia@aubg.bg](mailto:nadia@aubg.bg)

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### **HEALTH MATTERS**

**Experts say 40 percent of cancers could be prevented**

Kate Kelland

*If you want to make peace,  
you don't talk to your  
friends. You talk to your  
enemies. --Mother Teresa*

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LONDON (Reuters) - Forty percent of the 12 million people diagnosed with cancer worldwide each year could avert the killer disease by protecting themselves against infections and changing their lifestyles, experts said...

Read the full story

<http://www.reuters.com/article/idUSTRE6113PX20100202?feedType=nl&feedName=ushealth600>

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### **Get Fresh!**

Volunteer with Philabundance Fresh for All

You recycle out the wazoo and consider yourself consigliere of the enviro-sack mafia.

Hence, a cause you can believe in: Philabundance wants to fill those ubiquitous bags with produce through its new Fresh for All program.

And you can help by volunteering.

The nonprofit hands out perishables at six sites in the Delaware Valley — where nutritious diet staples are hard to come by, especially in tough times.

With a minimum three-hour commitment, you'll keep busy. Help with admin, approve clients, or do community outreach (posting mailings, making phone calls).

Looking for something physical?

Take food to sites, divide apples, and dole out the goods. You'll be doing a major part to help people get the fruits and veggies they need.

And that's a green movement to be proud of.

To participate in Fresh for All, contact  
Tunisia Garnett (215-339-0900 ext. 238 or  
[tgarnett@philabundance.org](mailto:tgarnett@philabundance.org)).

For more information, go to [www.philabundance.org](http://www.philabundance.org)

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Tips for making oatmeal appealing to kids

<http://advison.webevents.yahoo.com/mompowergroup/>

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## **GREEN PIECE**

### **EARTH DAY 2010 for PEACE**

Thursday, April 22  
in Philadelphia

“Honor the Earth: Abolish Nuclear Weapons”

*A woman sent her son to  
get a tin of beans from the  
store. The boy went and  
found nobody at the store  
except the shopkeeper who  
was up the ladder filling up  
his shelves.*

*'Give me a tin of beans for  
my mother,' said the boy.  
The keeper, from up there  
told him: 'Wait in the line.'  
The boy looked around and  
saw nobody so he said  
again:*

*'Give me a tin of beans for  
my mum.'*

*The keeper said again: 'I  
told wait for your turn.'  
The boy asked for the third  
time for the tin of beans.  
'Can you see how many  
people there are before  
you? I said wait for your  
turn!'*

*The boy, who realizes he  
was being taken for ride,  
reached for a tin of peas  
from the lowest shelf and  
through it at the  
shopkeeper, hitting him in  
his forehead.*

*The Shopkeeper came down  
bleeding all over and said to  
the boy:*

*'See what you have done?  
You broke my head.'*

*'Good grief, of all these  
people you picked up on  
me?' said the boy.*

*(Thx. to George Majors)*

**Submit your own  
humor, and let our  
readers know how  
funny you can be. We  
obviously need the help.  
;) (Family appropriate)**

Unite and Organize for a Nuclear-Free Planet!

12 noon:

Rally at Independence Mall

Rain or shine,

6th and Market St.

With music, speakers and special guests

1 to 4 pm: Earth Day ceremony at Independence Mall  
and Peace Walk to Camden, NJ (South Waterfront community)

Stay tuned for more details

For more info: Call 610-544-1818 / Email [nptwalk2010@gmail.com](mailto:nptwalk2010@gmail.com)

Visit [www.nptwalk2010.org](http://www.nptwalk2010.org)

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The Blue Green Alliance

wanted to pass on the exciting news that

registration is now open for the

2010 Good Jobs, Green Jobs

<http://www.greenjobsconference.org>

National Conference,

May 4-6, in

Washington, D.C.

The 2010 Conference is the leading forum for turning ideas into action and building a green economy that creates good jobs, reduces global warming and preserves America's economic and environmental security.

You can register now by visiting [www.greenjobsconference.org](http://www.greenjobsconference.org).

This year's Conference promises to be an extraordinary event. The Conference features two days of exciting plenaries and more than 100 informative workshops on topics ranging from green manufacturing to environmental and occupational health and safety to business, investment and new markets.

Take a minute to view the agenda

<http://www.greenjobsconference.org/agenda/2010>

and workshops

<http://www.greenjobsconference.org/workshop-schedule/2010>.

Featured speakers include Richard L. Trumka, President of the AFL-CIO, Leo W. Gerard, International President of the United Steelworkers, Carl Pope, Executive Director of the Sierra Club, Dr. Paul Anastas, Assistant Administrator for EPA's Office and Research and Development, Dr. David Michaels, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health,



Hereeeeeeeeeeeeeee...  
Kathy's Korner!

*There was a man that owned a giant gorilla and, all its life, he'd never left it on its own. But eventually he had to go on a business trip and had to leave his gorilla in the care of his next-door neighbor. So he explained to his neighbor that all he had to do was feed his gorilla three bananas a day at three, six and nine o'clock.*

*But he was never ever, ever to touch its fur.*

*So the next day the man came and gave the gorilla a banana and looked at it for a while thinking, "Why can't I touch its fur?" as their didnt seem to be anything wrong with it.*

*Every day he came in and looked for a little while longer as he still couldnt understand until, about a week later, he'd worked himself into a frenzy and decided that he was going to touch the gorilla.*

*He passed it the banana and very gently brushed the back of his hand against its fur.*

*Suddenly the gorilla went ape and started to jump around, then it turned and began to running towards the man who, in turn, ran through the front door, over the lawn, across the street, into some one else's sports car and drove off.*

*In the rear-view mirror, he could see the gorilla in its own sports car, driving right behind him. (cont.)*

Michael Nutter, Mayor of Philadelphia, Robert Stanton, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Policy, Management and Budget,

Rick Fedrizzi, President and CEO of the U.S. Green Building Council, and George H. Miller, President of the American Institute of Architects.

In addition, this year's Conference features the 2010 Green <http://www.greenjobsconference.org/greeninnovationexpo> Innovation Expo, where more than 100 exhibitors from labor, industry, environment and academia will be on hand to demonstrate how they are charting the path toward growing the green economy and developing clean energy jobs.

Register today for the 2010 Good Jobs, Green Jobs

<http://www.greenjobsconference.org>

National Conference.

<http://www.certain.com/products/certain-registration/online-registration-ev>

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### **Philadelphia is a huge underutilized asset.**

From Dust to Dollars: Creating Value from Underutilized Assets

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/harvardbusiness?sid=H6f94aa705ec4920897666766dea63ef6>

By Rosabeth Moss Kanter

The green movement focuses attention on numerous resources going to waste that could be turned into cost savings, revenue streams, and profitable businesses while saving the earth — wind power, solar energy, fuels from burning biomass. That sensibility signals an important new value proposition: From dust to dollars! Build innovation around existing but underutilized assets.

Waste was an industrial age motif. To have more of something than one could possibly use signified affluence and high status. That was the point of the impractical extra space at Donald Trump's palace, Mar a Lago, or the hundreds of pairs of shoes owned by former Philippines First Lady Imelda Marcos. In that context, growth came from selling bigger portions, larger cars, and more of everything, guaranteeing waste. Of course, one person's waste was another person's waste management company; I know many immigrants who attained the American dream through scrap metal.

*He drove for two hours until the engine began to splutter and the car just stopped. He jumped out and began to run down the street, over a brick wall, into someone's front garden and up the apple tree.*

*He turned around to find the gorilla right behind him beating its chest.*

*The man jumped down and ran back in to the street screaming, until it became dark and he thought he'd lost the gorilla.*

*The man ran into an alleyway then, suddenly, he saw a giant shadow coming down the street ahead.*

*The gorilla!*

*It came to the end of the alley, stood and looked straight into the bloodshot eyes of the man and came towards him slowly.*

*This time there was no escape. As the gorilla neared him, the man began to feel faint.*

*The giant beast came face to face with him, raised its mighty hand and said, "Tag! You're it!"*

*(Kathy Parsons is a regular contributor.)*

In today's less-forgiving times, it's not enough to hide conspicuous consumption behind gated communities, cloth coats, or vans instead of limousines, and to give up corporate jets and lavish parties. It is imperative (and good business) to better use underutilized assets, not simply to reduce waste.

Munch on some food examples. In Boston, order Peking duck, and get the skin and some meat. In Hong Kong, Peking duck includes the skin, meat, and broth in separate courses. In Beijing, Peking duck uses all of the above plus adds the bones — no waste. A Taiwanese executive friend who summers on Cape Cod visits the docks most mornings to ask fishing crews for the fish heads they discard. Creative cooks invent wonderful dishes out of leftovers, tossing the rest in the compost pile to enrich the soil.

Don't take me literally. The idea is unlock the hidden value of something that would otherwise be wasted. Used tires — a major pollution problem — are being used by Cemex in road beds in Mexico and by Brazilian artists in Sao Paulo to create attractive, comfortable furniture.

Companies recycle cans and bottles but rarely create innovations out of them. An entrepreneur friend made watch faces out of discarded soda bottle caps, selling them as fashion watches (at high margins considering the zero cost of the bottle caps). Students in a high school chemistry class in New Hampshire collected used cooking oil from local restaurants to convert into fuel that they hoped would run school buses, while extracting the glycerin to make soap that they sold to fund their experiment. Talk about synergies.

What byproducts have hidden value? Companies are experimenting with carbon capture that can reduce carbon footprints while being used for carbonated beverages. Zoos have been particularly creative with the kind of waste-we-don't-talk-about-in-polite-company (and I don't mean composting toilets, although that might be a good idea too). Toronto and Singapore zoos took the lead in creating a profitable line of fertilizers for home gardens by processing and packaging animal waste under the brand name "Zoo Doo."

Space often goes to waste. Companies can turn unused conference rooms into training centers for other organizations. Airports recognize that the areas between gates are retail sales opportunities; the Pittsburgh airport was among the first to be a destination shopping mall, not just a transportation platform. WPP grew to a global advertising giant from a company making wire shopping carts when managers realized the carts could hold advertising placards. Minute Clinics in CVS pharmacies offer routine health services in underutilized areas near aspirins and greeting cards. I've urged branch banks

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to give floor space to neighborhood merchants for displays and demonstration, building community value and bringing traffic to the branch.

Human energy can also be put to better use. Years ago I joked that communities could generate electricity by from runners on a giant treadmill.

Then I discovered that this idea is the basis of actual experiments.

Bicycles power computers for children in remote villages that lack electricity.

So why not go further? What if every office had a health center connected to a generator? Employees could get exercise while displays show them how much power they are producing.

Get fit and keep the lights on at the same time.

Of course, it's also essential to better utilize the most underutilized asset of all in many companies: brainpower. Employee imagination could be used to search for trash, literal or figurative, with innovation value.

Mount a campaign for the best ideas about using underutilized or discarded assets. There's nothing to lose — it's wasted anyway — and a great deal to gain. Besides, chairs made out of used tires are great for the beach, and compost plus Zoo Doo grow wonderful gardens.

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### **Don't throw your old TVs away!**

All electronics can be dropped off for recycling at either  
Domino Lane & Umbria St.

or

State Rd. & Ashburner St. in Philadelphia  
at the

Streets Department Sanitation Convenience Centers,

Monday through Saturday

8:00 am to 6:00 pm.

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### **Weavers Way #5 plastics recycling resumes**

Fellow Recyclers,

Weavers Way collection of #5 plastics, which are not included in the City's recycling program, will be on the 3rd Saturday of each month: April 17th.

The collections take place at the co-op's garage,  
at 542 Carpenter Lane,

*The difference between the right word and the almost right word is the difference between lightning and the lightening bug... Mark Twain*

*If you would like to report on a recent community event, feel free to send us a brief account of what happened in document format, and we will share it with our readers. Send your information to: [News From The Coalition, Inc.](#)*

*All entries for submission should be received by noon, the Monday prior to publish date and in Press Release form.*

which is across the street and a bit further down the block from the Big Blue Marble bookstore.

Please note that we need volunteers to keep this project going. (Weavers Way members can get work credit for helping us; work shifts are available on co-op's the online calendar.)

The #5 category includes yogurt cups, sour cream containers, hummus tubs, some medicine bottles, and more. Your recyclables must be clean and dry to be accepted. Check to make sure there are no other materials (paper, screws, other number plastics) on the items you bring in. Impurities of any kind compromise the recycling process and usually lead to the discarding of an entire batch. Exclude any lids unless they are clearly marked #5. (Most lids from #5 containers are #4 plastic, but this is not always the case.)

We ask recyclers for a small donation to cover postage costs of mailing the recyclables to the Gimme 5 processing facility in New York.

Before bringing your #5s to the collection, be sure that they meet the requirements for Gimme 5:

All items must be CLEAN and DRY. If they contained food or any oily or dirty product, make sure they have been washed, not just rinsed. Items stacked when wet tend to stay wet, so allow washed items to dry fully before stacking or packing.

The #5 stamp needs to be visible on each item. Lids are separate items. Don't assume lids are the same number plastic as the container; sometimes they are but usually they are not. Check to make sure there are no other materials (labels, paper, other number plastics, metal) on the items you bring in.

Brita filters are also welcome! Let them air dry for several days to make sure they are completely dry.

We'll see you soon!

Carolyn, Helen, Priscilla and Stevik  
of the Weavers Way Environment Committee

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Recycling Services Inc. in Pottstown takes styrofoam on Saturday and Tuesday mornings. <http://www.recyclingservices.org/>

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**For sustainable enterprise go to Green Jobs Philly**  
<http://www.greenjobsphilly.org/news>

## PERSONAL AND HOME SECURITY

*(This is supposedly a true story)*

*On a recent weekend in Atlantic City, a woman won a bucketful of quarters at a slot machine. She took a break from the slots for dinner with her husband in the hotel dining room.*

*But first she wanted to stash the quarters in her room. 'I'll be right back and we'll go eat,' she told her husband and she carried the coin-laden bucket to the elevator.*

*As she was about to walk into the elevator she noticed two men already aboard. Both were black. One of them was big... very big... an intimidating figure. The woman froze. Her first thought was: These two are going to rob me. Her next thought was: Don't be a bigot, they look like perfectly nice gentlemen. But racial stereotypes are powerful, and fear immobilized her. She stood and stared at the two men. She felt anxious, flustered, and ashamed. She hoped they didn't read her mind, but knew they surely did; her hesitation about joining them on the elevator was all too obvious. Her face was flushed. She couldn't just stand there, so with a mighty effort of will she picked up one foot and stepped forward and followed with the other foot and was on the elevator.*

*Avoiding eye contact, she turned around stiffly and faced the elevator doors as they closed. A second passed, and then another second, and then another. Her fear increased. The elevator didn't move. Panic consumed her. (cont.)*

### Protect Yourself from Carjacking

Carjacking is the taking of a motor vehicle in the possession of another by means of force or fear. Security conscious drivers are less likely to be a victim of carjacking than those who are careless. Crimes can take place at any time but more often take place at night, and are more often committed by young males. Top spots for carjacking include intersections and parking lots at malls, apartments, businesses and schools. The following precautions will reduce your chances of being victimized:

#### Getting In

- Reduce your chances of being carjacked by walking to your car purposefully, and stay alert.
- Approach your car with the key in hand. Look around and inside the car before getting in.

#### Getting Out

- Park in well-lighted areas, near sidewalks or walkways. Avoid parking near dumpsters, wooded areas, large vans or trucks, or anything else that limits your visibility.
- Never leave valuables in plain view even if the car is locked. Put them in the trunk or out of sight.
- Keep doors locked and windows rolled up, no matter how short the distance or how safe the area.
- Look around, especially at places where you slow down or stop, such as garages and parking lots, intersections, self-serve gas stations and car washes, highway entry and exit ramps, and ATMs.
- When coming to a stop, leave enough room to maneuver around other cars, especially if you sense trouble and need to get away.
- Avoid driving alone, if possible. Travel with someone, especially at night.
- Don't stop to assist a stranger whose car has broken down. Help instead by using your cell phone or driving to the nearest phone and calling police to help.
- Always keep your car well maintained, and make sure you have plenty of gas. *(Develop the attitude that anything below ½ tank*

is critical)

*'My God, she thought, I'm trapped and about to be robbed' Her heart plummeted. Perspiration poured from every pore. Then ...one of the men said, "Hit the floor." Instinct told her: Do what they tell you. The bucket of quarters flew upwards as she threw out her arms and collapsed on the elevator carpet. A shower of coins rained down on her. Take my money and spare me, she prayed.*

*More seconds passed. She heard one of the men say politely, 'Ma'am, if you'll just tell us what floor you're going to, we'll push the button.'*

*The one who said it had a little trouble getting the words out. He was trying mightily to hold in a belly laugh. She lifted her head and looked up at the two men. They reached down to help her up. Confused, she struggled to her feet. 'When I told my man here to hit the floor,' said the average sized one, 'I meant that he should hit the elevator button for our floor. I didn't mean for you to hit the floor, ma'am.' He spoke genially. He bit his lip. It was obvious he was having a hard time not laughing.*

*She thought: 'My God, what a spectacle I've made of myself.' She was too humiliated to speak. She wanted to blurt out an apology, but words failed her. How do you apologize to two perfectly respectable gentlemen for behaving as though they were going to rob you? She didn't know what to say. (cont.)*

## If It Happens to You

- If the carjacker threatens you with a gun or other weapon, give up your car. Don't argue. Your life is worth more than a car.
- Get away as quickly as possible.
- Contact the police immediately.

Source: <http://police.sdsu.edu/personalsafe.htm>

For a more aggressive role in your protection:

[www.selfdefensewithanattitude.com](http://www.selfdefensewithanattitude.com)

## GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS & INSTRUCTION

### 200 Free Scholarships For Minorities (NEW UPDATED 2010 LISTINGS)

<http://www.blackexcel.org/200-Scholarships.html>

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## HIV/AIDS Prevention Workshop

### Workshop Summary

Culturally-Relevant Communication about HIV/AIDS is an interactive and user-friendly workshop. Ivan J. Juzang, MEE President and Founder will examine the environmental influences, attitudes and behaviors and unique communication style of urban, ethnic and other hard-to-reach audiences; review theories and techniques for developing cost-effective and culturally-relevant communication strategies; and then show session attendees how to apply these learnings to their own HIV/AIDS testing programs, prevention services and outreach efforts.

### Learning Objectives

After attending the session, attendees will have the background necessary to more effectively communicate with their target audiences about sex, sexuality and HIV/AIDS. They will also have a clearer understanding of media consumption patterns and other social factors that impact sexual decision-making; and the attitudes, motivations and perceptions of minorities on healthy sexuality and HIV/AIDS prevention, testing and treatment. Such

*The 3 of them gathered up the strewn quarters and refilled her bucket. When the elevator arrived at her floor, they insisted on walking her to her room. She seemed a little unsteady on her feet, and they were afraid she might not make it down the corridor. At her door they bid her a good evening. As she slipped into her room she could hear them roaring with laughter while they walked back to the elevator. The woman brushed herself off. She pulled herself together and went downstairs for dinner with her husband.*

*The next morning flowers were delivered to her room- a dozen roses. Attached to EACH rose was a crisp one hundred-dollar bill. The card said: 'Thanks for the best laugh we've had in years'*

*It was signed,  
Eddie Murphy & Michael Jordan*

information will help interventionists, community-based organizations and service providers develop innovative and effective messages and services targeted to minority audiences.

#### Workshop Description:

Topics explored during the session include:

The environmental context, peer group dynamics and social interactions that influence sexual behaviors;

How service providers can be more culturally aware, and increase the effectiveness of their outreach, media and materials; and

Strategies for attracting the hardest-to-reach audiences to HIV-prevention, testing and treatment programs.

For more information on other workshops and schedules visit their [website](#)

To inquire about a MEE Workshop at Your Organization call 215.829.4920 or Email [here](#)

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#### **At- Risk Youth**

Annie E. Casey Foundation

<http://www.aecf.org>

A private charitable organization dedicated to helping build better futures for disadvantaged children in the United States. The foundation offers community-focused grants. The site also has several publications. Provides funding to both 501(c)(3) and local/state government. Organizations wishing to send a proposal to the Foundation should submit a letter of no more than three pages explaining the organization and its project and how the money will be used. Send the letters to: The AEC Foundation; Attn: Office of the President; 701 Saint Paul St.; Baltimore, MD 21202.

Phone: 410-547-6600

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#### **AOL Time Warner Foundation**

<http://aoltimewarnerfoundation.org>

The AOL Time Warner Foundation is dedicated to using the power of media, communications and information technology to serve the public interest and strengthen society. However, rather than simply providing grants or funding unsolicited requests, the foundation prefers to enter into sustainable strategic partnerships with organizations that have a demonstrated commitment to pioneering innovative ways of meeting four

*Our talents are the gift that God gives to us... What we make of our talents is our gift back to God. - Leo Buscaglia*

priorities: Equipping kids for the 21st century; Extending Internet benefits to all; Engaging communities in the arts; and Empowering citizens and civic participation.

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### **AT&T Foundation**

<http://www.att.com/foundation>

The AT&T Foundation seeks to educate, enrich, engage, and empower the communities served by AT&T. The Foundation's funding areas are education, civic and community service, and arts and culture.

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### **Beaumont Foundation**

<http://www.bmtfoundation.com/grants/>

The Beaumont Foundation of America (BFA), a non-profit philanthropic organization, is dedicated to the enriching the lives of individuals by providing technology to historically underserved schools and communities. The foundation believes technologies are essential tools for progress in the 21st century, and that given access to digital information, people will have an equal opportunity to advance socially, economically and intellectually.

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**The Student Achievement Grants program** provides grants of \$5,000 each to improve the academic achievement of students by engaging in critical thinking and problem solving that deepen knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection. Proposals for work resulting in low-income and minority student success with honors, advanced placement, and other challenging curricula are particularly encouraged. Grant funds may be used for resource materials, supplies, equipment, transportation, software, and scholars-in-residence.

Applicants must be practicing U.S. public school teachers in grades K-12, public school education support professionals, or faculty and staff at public higher education institutions.

Visit the NEA Foundation Web site for complete grant program information

RFP Link: <http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/15016125/neafdn>

For additional RFPs in Education, visit:

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat\\_education.jhtml](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat_education.jhtml)

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### **NIH Summer Institute on Community-Based Participatory Research**

The National Institutes of Health has announced the 2nd summer institute. We are thrilled to see that the organizers have responded to Community-



*"When I hear somebody  
sigh, "Life is hard," I am  
always tempted to ask,  
"Compared to what?""  
...Sydney J. Harris*

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Campus Partnerships for Health's (CCPH) comments on last year's summer institute.

When the 1st NIH institute on CBPR was announced, CCPH expressed concern about its exclusive focus on academic researchers.

In CBPR, the community is involved at the very start of the research, so it was incongruent that the institute did not include the community partners or acknowledge the possibility of a community partner as a principal investigator or co-PI.

This summer's institute has been designed for community-academic partner teams (see below for details).

CCPH has successfully implemented community-academic partner team-based model of CBPR training:

[http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/pdf\\_files/2005CBPRInstituteApp3-25.pdf](http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/pdf_files/2005CBPRInstituteApp3-25.pdf)

and

[http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/pdf\\_files/2005%20Summer%20Institute%20Agenda.pdf](http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/pdf_files/2005%20Summer%20Institute%20Agenda.pdf)

The training curriculum, "Developing and Sustaining CBPR Partnerships" is available online at [www.cbprcurriculum.info](http://www.cbprcurriculum.info).

If you're interested in bringing a CBPR training workshop or institute to your location, contact CCPH senior consultant Rachel Vaughn at [sliccph@mcw.edu](mailto:sliccph@mcw.edu) for more information.

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### **Banta Company Foundation**

The Banta Company Foundation provides funding for at-risk youth and delinquency prevention initiatives. The funds can be used for equipment, general/operating expenses, seed money, program development, as well as other areas. For more information please contact: Banta Company Foundation; 225 Main Street; PO Box 8003; Menasha, WI 54952-8003.

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### **Best Buy Children's Foundation**

<http://communications.bestbuy.com/communityrelations/>

The mission of the Best Buy Children's Foundation is to improve the lives of youth aged 5 - 18 in communities where Best Buy maintains a business presence. The Foundation awards grants to nonprofit organizations with innovative approaches to developing life skills in young people through education, mentoring, and leadership development. Funds can be used for: program development; direct project support; specific curriculum development; and scholarship aid for participants in life skills or mentoring

*Far from being the product of a democratic revolution and of an opposition to English institutions, the constitution of the United States was the result of a powerful reaction against democracy, and in favor of the traditions of the mother country. - John Acton*

programs. The Foundation typically awards grants ranging from \$2000 - \$10,000 to nonprofits.

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### **Healthy Community Outreach Program**

will be granted to nonprofit organizations to support grassroots efforts which increase awareness on critical health initiatives through health walks, health fairs and health education outreach.

Grants up to \$25,000 will be considered.

Please provide all levels of event sponsorships on your application.

Nonprofit organizations with evidence of IRS 501(c)(3) designation or de facto tax-exempt status may apply for a grant, with the following exceptions advertising; capital campaigns; grants or scholarships to individuals; multiyear requests; political causes and events; or religious organizations in support of their sacramental or theological functions.

[http://www.aetna.com/foundation/grants\\_reg/guidelines.html](http://www.aetna.com/foundation/grants_reg/guidelines.html)>Awards

Ongoing Deadline

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### **Ben and Jerry's Foundation**

Ben and Jerry's Foundation has no specific program areas. The Foundation seeks projects that lead to societal change or address the root causes of problems. The Foundation awards grants ranging in amount from \$1,000 to \$15,000. Applicants must submit a letter of interest at any time during the year.

<http://www.benjerry.com/foundation/index.html>

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### **AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENTS ARE NOT APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS**

Even if you do not have a college-aged child at home, please share this with someone who does, pass this scholarship information on to anyone and everyone that comes to mind. Though there are a number of companies and organizations that have donated moneys for scholarship use to African Americans, a great deal of the money is being returned because of a lack of interest.

No one is going to knock on our doors and ask if we can use a scholarship.

Take the initiative to get your children involved. There is no need for money to be returned to donating companies because we fail to apply for it.

*To manage a system effectively, you might focus on the interactions of the parts rather than their behavior taken separately. - Russell L. Ackoff*

Please pass this information on to family members, nieces, nephews, and friends with children etc. We must get the word out that money is available. If you are a college student or getting ready to become one, you probably already know how useful additional money can be. Our youth really could use these scholarships. Thanks!!

For a list of scholarships please visit our group 'The Coalition, Inc.'

<http://groups.google.com/group/coalition-the>

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## **SpotLight On Our Efforts**

### **CREATIVE KIDS CLUB**

In 1996, a group of children from Salem Mission Baptist Church needed activities to keep them occupied but funds were low. So the youth group set out to find free fun things for them to do. The very first trip was to a free grandparents' festival, in Fort Washington, PA. This event gave out free samples of different products to the children; they played interactive games, and had a great time. That trip attended by four families marked the beginning of the Creative Kids Club that now has over 75 families and are still growing.

Children in our club must be "creative" in motion in everything they do; this is the purpose of our name. We strive to bring out the creativity of our members through exposing them to art craft workshops, recreational activities and cultural events.

The Creative Kids Club members are youth (ages 1 to 18) and their families, of all socioeconomic levels, and diverse multicultural religious beliefs. Whether they're foster children, youngsters cared for by their grandparents, little one from single or two parent homes or developmentally delayed children, we even managed to create an enriching symbiosis between the club's special needs members and seniors. We strive to teach our children by being different are what make you special. The developmentally delayed children and youth integrate and increase their self-esteem when they are included as members of the club. Likewise, senior citizens on limited income have gotten in on the Creative Kids Club action; they enjoy the company of the youth who appreciate having a grandparent around.

The Creative Kids Club's programs are design to provide structured developmentally appropriate recreational services in the areas of program development, recreational interaction and training/workshops. Our motto is

“You Provide the Family, We’ll Provide the Fun.”

*It is not how old you are,  
but how you are old... Jules  
Renard*

## MISSION

Our mission is to provide recreational and educational events, activities and workshops that empower our families and youth, to strength and enhance personal growth, education, self-sufficiency and leadership.

## VISION

Our vision is to provide recreational resource for individual and families to recreationally interact as a family unit.

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[the.pa.coalition@gmail.com](mailto:the.pa.coalition@gmail.com)

Creative Kids Club is a member of The Coalition, Inc. See their new web  
<http://www.creativekidsclub.net/>

To contact Creative Kids Club: <http://www.creativekidsclub.net/#/contact-us/4537314362>

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## Village of the Arts and Humanities

The Village of Arts and Humanities, located at  
2544 Germantown Avenue  
Philadelphia, PA 19133,

seeks to build community through its innovative education, social, construction and arts programs. In all of its projects and activities, the Village seeks to do justice to the humanity of people who live in inner-city North Philadelphia and in similar urban situations.

The need for a new urban landscape in 1986, spawned The Village Arts and Humanities (the Village) of North Philadelphia. Emerging as an outgrowth from a place Arthur Hall named Ile Ife Black Humanitarian Center—Ile Ife is drawn from Yoruba (Nigeria) cosmology and means the birthplace of humanity and also the “House of Love”--the Village was incarnated from a small neighborhood park project headed by Lily Yeh, the Village founder and two African American men in recovery from substance abuse. Since its inception, the Village has transformed a 260 square block area of North Philadelphia, one block at a time through a neighborhood revitalization program that has evolved into a major provider of arts-inspired programs including education, land transformation, construction, and economic development.

Fast forward 20 years, and you can’t miss the impact of the Village within the community, starting with the larger than life murals, and colorful tile mosaics that punctuate housing projects, parks, even sidewalks as a visual

*One comes to believe whatever one repeats to oneself sufficiently often, whether the statement be true or false. It comes to be dominating thought in one's mind. Robert Collier*

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testament to the work being done to improve the lives of North Philadelphia residents.

Today, we are a multi-faceted, professionally staffed, arts organization, governed by a community-based board of directors. We have won numerous local and international awards and citations for innovation and achievement, and earned high marks within the community for serving thousands of low-income, primarily underserved African American dwellers. However, North Philadelphia could well be anywhere around the globe where people suffer due to cultural differences or economic inequities; and that is why our program resonates so strongly worldwide.

We foster a new multiculturalism that embraces the gifts and the challenges expressed by all cultures and people. Our programs seek to tap into the common threads of all communities that have been labeled at risk, underprivileged, impoverished, undereducated, and stressed to create anomalies in the same undeniable way that the blues, gospel, jazz and even hip hop have done, with cross cultural success. We know that the Arts transcend race, culture, religion, education, socioeconomic background, gender, sexual orientation, age, or ableism.

Our work is described as provocative, muscular and risky. We are not limited by convention but instead boldly redefine art to incorporate environmental justice, greening and beautification, as well as community organizing.

Solid is the foundation from which we were originated. Lily Yeh endeavored under difficult situations and limited resources to make work that has forever shifted perceptions in the lives of oppressed people living in urban settings.

We value our staff, board of directors and volunteers and recognize their ability to affect change.

If you are interested in learning more about the Village's arts and environmental programs, special events, performances, volunteer opportunities, and other ways to help, please contact our Volunteer/Outreach coordinator at 215.225.7830 or [volunteers@villagearts.org](mailto:volunteers@villagearts.org)

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The mission of

### **The Children's Advocacy Project (CAP)**

is to help bridge the gap between the many quality social service agencies in the Philadelphia area and the families that need their help the most. To bridge this gap, we aim to empower and to inform those that care for the children of Philadelphia through this web site. The CAP will assist families, health care professionals, and social service providers by furnishing the tools necessary to connect families in need to the appropriate social service agencies that serve them.

*A great attitude does much more than turn on the lights in our worlds; it seems to magically connect us to all sorts of serendipitous opportunities that were somehow absent before the change. Earl Nightingale*

To continue our series of Cap4Kids Hints of the Week and the root causes of violence in our city, let's consider Lead Poisoning.

Lead poisoning directly affects our children's developing brain and several studies (see attached PDF from Minneapolis Dept. of Health) show a direct correlation between Lead exposure, anti-social behavior and violence.

On the [www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia](http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia) website, under the Safety Handout ([http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent\\_handouts/safety.html](http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent_handouts/safety.html)), there are links to the Childhood Lead Prevention Program of Philadelphia, as well as Free Home Safety inspections to pick up lead in the environment BEFORE the toxic effects affects our children.

Daniel R. Taylor, D.O., FAAP

<http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/>

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### **Website Offers Revolutionary Green Alternatives for Communities/Nations**

Greetings. I hope that you and your business/ organizations are all doing well. As we enter into a new year, I expect that many of us have already envisioned what we would like to accomplish in this new year. As long as we have positive intentions for not just ourselves but also our fellow inhabitants on this planet as well as the mother Earth herself, may the Creator of the Universe bless our visions and goals to become a material manifestation.

I would like to invite everyone to visit

<http://africanindependence.org/Projects.aspx>

I am one of the co-founders of this organization. While the initiative of this organization focuses on improving the lives of the African Diaspora and building up eco-friendly, peaceful, self sustaining and prosperous communities in their ancestral lands, we extend a welcome hand for all to check a part of our vision out by visiting our site. Our site was put in video format for simplicity and visuals to keep the interests of our visitors. When you first click on the provided website address, you will notice that we begin with our goals on dealing with electricity. There are actually two clips explaining the same technology, we recommend the second clip for a more detailed explanation on how this technology works. The following two clips deals with how we plan on providing clean water to the citizens and

*If there is any great secret of success in life, it lies in the ability to put yourself in the other person's place and to see things from his point of view - as well as your own. – Henry Ford*

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then water recycling.

The fifth video demonstrates how sewer systems are unnecessary. There are many issues that we tackle on our site. We are currently in talks with university and reverse engineers to have these technologies made at a lower cost and with high quality specifications.

Any feedback or suggestions is welcome and any donations would be highly appreciated.

There is a lot of useful information and we encourage all to take advantage of it and to view it for themselves, we're confident that you will be excited as we are once you see the potential in such technology.

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## **ARTS FOR AWARENESS**

*I see little of more importance to the future of our country and of civilization than full recognition of the place of the artist. If art is to nourish the roots of our culture, society must set the artist free to follow his vision wherever it takes him. Pauline Kael*

### **Writing Radio Drama Workshop**

Character, plot, story, description, soundscape, dialogue, these and more are the elements that combine in the author controlled medium of dramatic radio.

This radio scriptwriting workshop will guide workshop participants through the process of creating short radio plays for WPEB. Participants should come to this workshop with a story idea for a topic or issue relevant to their community, and be prepared to get dramatic!

More info on the instructor, Ed Shockley: <http://www.edshockley.com/>  
INSTRUCTOR: Award-winning writer and 2008 Pew Fellow Ed Shockley has authored more than 70 plays, films and the new book, Notes from a Practicing Writer. His radio credits include head writer for the NPR show, The Corner and Unsung Heroes; actor in Ismael Reed's Mumbo Jumbo; and co-creator of the Philadelphia Dramatists Center Radio Play initiative.

<http://www.edshockley.com/>

DATES: Mondays, April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24 TIME: 7:00-9:00 PM;  
SPRING 2010

Location: Scribe Video Center,  
4212 Chestnut Street, 3rd Floor

Fee: \$75. Free to members of the WPEB 88.1 FM community

Boone T. Nguyen  
Program Manager  
Scribe Video Center  
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Philadelphia, PA 19104

p. 215-222-4201

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*"...in such a world of  
conflict, a world of victims  
and executioners, it is the  
job of thinking people, not  
to be on the side of the  
executioners." -  
Albert Camus*

SUNDAY, MAY 9, 2009

5:00 p.m.

A Special Jazz Vespers Performance

Barbara Montgomery

presents the

**6th Annual Mother's Day Concert**

TO REMEMBER AND HONOR THE VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE  
AND THEIR FAMILIES  
WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN CHANGED FOREVER

with Tom Lawton, piano, Lee Smith, bass, and Ed Dennis, drums

Lutheran Church of the Holy Communion

2110 Chestnut Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.567.3668

Ms. Montgomery's music:

"think Benny Carter's alto with lyrics...a woman with something to offer..."  
George Harris, All About Jazz

"a measure of spiritual intensity that goes far beyond..." [swing2bop.com](http://swing2bop.com)

Free Will Offering to benefit:

the farmhouse: a retreat for artists and others  
with a commitment to the mentorship of youth  
bcreative~bgiving~bpeace

<http://www.bandbjazz.org>

and

the mission of the Lutheran Church of the Holy Communion

<http://www.lc-hc.org>

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*The best executive is the one who has sense enough to pick good men to do what he wants done, and self-restraint enough to keep from meddling with them while they do it... Theodore Roosevelt*

## **SAVE the DATE for the 2010 West Oak Lane Jazz and Arts Festival**

Mark your calendars for another fabulous festival in West Oak Lane third weekend in June 2010.

For more information about volunteering, vending, and sponsorship, visit

[www.westoaklanefestival.com](http://www.westoaklanefestival.com) .

email [nkillebrew@ogontzave.org](mailto:nkillebrew@ogontzave.org)

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### **Jus' Words at Dowlings Place**

1310 No. Broad St. Phila

Every Thurs. 9pm to 1am

- Poets
- Rappers
- Singers
- Spoken Word Artists

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## **COMING UP**

### **All invited to join us on a Spiritual Journey for Peace**

Philadelphia – 7th Annual  
INTERFAITH WALK FOR

PEACE and RECONCILIATION

Walking Dialogue and Reflection among Jews, Muslims, Christians,  
Sikh, Buddhist, Baha'i, Hindu, and others

Celebrate with Prayer, Music, and Sharing

SUNDAY, 25 APRIL 2010 - 2:00pm

Wear WHITE as an expression of UNITY

OPENING GATHERING and CEREMONIES

Hickman Temple African Methodist Episcopal  
(5001 Baltimore)

WALKING DIALOGUE to  
St Francis de Sales Roman Catholic  
(4625 Springfield)

WALKING DIALOGUE through  
CLARK PARK

*"All of the great leaders have had one characteristic in common: it was the willingness to confront unequivocally the major anxiety of their people in their time. This, and not much else, is the essence of leadership."— John Kenneth Galbraith*

WALKING DIALOGUE AND REFLECTIONS to  
Calvary United Methodist Church  
(Kol Tzedek; West Phila Mennonite)  
CLOSING GATHERING and REFRESHMENTS  
(801 S 48th at Baltimore)

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PRE-WALK GATHERING - 12:30pm  
Al-Aqsa Islamic Society  
1501 Germantown Avenue (3rd/Jefferson)  
Free parking. Buses carry walkers to and back from Walk

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PLEASE WEAR WHITE AS AN EXPRESSION OF UNITY  
A bus will follow walkers for those who need to ride part of all of the way  
Emergency medical assistance will be available.

NO POLITICAL BANNERS PLEASE

DETAILS/MORE INFORMATION:

[www.interfaithpeacewalk.org](http://www.interfaithpeacewalk.org)

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Greetings Everyone,

Our 1st fund-raiser event at Champagne Cafe' was so nice we had to do it  
twice!

On Saturday May 1, 2010  
SMSV INC.

will be hosting a Beef-Turkey and unlimited beer fundraiser for our youth  
programs at

Coo's Sports Bar & Lounge  
located at

822 N. Broad St.

This is a newly renovated & spacious facility that serves great food! Tickets  
are only \$20 and are being sold by several board members, if you would like  
to purchase a ticket & support our youth programs please respond back to  
this e-mail. Tickets are going fast so please don't delay there was a limited  
number of ticket's printed.

WE WILL ALSO BE AIRING THE MAYWEATHER VS. MOSLEY  
FIGHT!!

*"No institution can possibly survive if it needs geniuses or supermen to manage it. It must be organized in such a way as to be able to get along under a leadership composed of average human beings." — Peter Drucker*

Thank You For Your Support!

A. Nasir

(215) 983-7841

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The Philadelphia International Action Center will once again be holding a  
**GIANT RUMMAGE SALE**

This year it will be on Saturday, MAY 8.

Please consider donating any used (or new) items that you are eager to be rid of that someone else may treasure or be eager to have.

We need: BOOKS, RECORDS, CD'S, CLOTHING, TOYS, GAMES, HOUSEWARES, SMALL APPLIANCES, SMALL & MID SIZE FURNITURE, BIKES, LINENS, ETC.

We can also use plants and bake goods.

If you have items to donate, give us a call at 215-724-1618 or email [PhillyIAC@peoplesmail.net](mailto:PhillyIAC@peoplesmail.net)

Call for location

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Paul "Earthquake" Moore Presents

**11th Annual**

**Weekend of Peace**

**Gospel-O-Rama**

Friday, May 14th, 2010

from 8-11 p.m.

Elmwood Skating Rink  
2400 S. 71st St.

\$10 Donation- dedicated to youth activities in Philly/DE County

**Motorcycle Ride for Peace**

Saturday, May 15th, 2010

Begins at 11 a.m.

at Broad St. & Pattison Ave.

Ride sponsored by the State Burners MC

Riders Wanted

Dep. Comm. Steven Johnson to kickoff the ceremony

Sponsored by: Pasco, Inc.

For more information, contact Paul "Earthquake" Moore at

215-385-2696 or [Earth\\_quake1@hotmail.com](mailto:Earth_quake1@hotmail.com).

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The Officers and Councilors of the  
Historical Society of Pennsylvania present

**A 1910 CELEBRATION  
BOBBED HAIR, BUNNY HUG,  
AND BIRTH OF A BUILDING**

Thursday, April 29, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.  
Historical Society of Pennsylvania  
1300 Locust Street, Philadelphia

Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Our Building

HONORING

Cokie Roberts, Jerry and Marciarose Shestack,  
and Henry Lafayette Collins III

If you would like to receive an invitation, please  
contact Emilie Kretschmar at 215-732-6200 ext.300  
or [ekretschmar@hsp.org](mailto:ekretschmar@hsp.org).

For more information, click here.

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(May 19-21, 2010)

## Important Conference for Community Leaders

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As a leader in your community--whether you define that "community" as family, neighborhood, region, and/or group affiliation--you know the challenges and triumphs of doing that work effectively.

I-LEAD and the POWER Coalition would like to invite you to an upcoming conference designed for leaders just like you, to provide opportunities for supporting your work, for disseminating useful information and resources, and networking with other leaders from the Philadelphia region.

The conference, entitled "Yes We Can! Be Part of the Change...Be Part of the Movement," is being held from May 19-21 in historic Valley Forge. On May 20, workshop topics--focusing on higher education, community technology, health care reform, violence prevention, faith-based initiatives, etc.--are designed to be relevant to today's community leaders, to encourage sharing, and are organized around the principles and concepts of the CPR Blueprint.

The CPR (Community Through Personal Responsibility) Blueprint was developed and articulated in conjunction with other community leaders, and has grown since its inception in 2006. We would like to share this with you, and invite you to share it with other leaders, whether or not you decide to attend the May conference. This document is available for download [at:p://www.i-lead-community.org/downloads/CPR\\_Blueprint.pdf](http://www.i-lead-community.org/downloads/CPR_Blueprint.pdf)

If you would like to receive more information about the conference, please contact Veronica Norris (Chair, Conference Planning Team):  
(877) 427-8092 Ext. 2 or [vnorris@i-lead.org](mailto:vnorris@i-lead.org)

If you would like more information about the CPR Blueprint, please contact Denise Kirkland (Director of Organizational Development):  
(877) 427-7037 or [kirkland@i-lead.org](mailto:kirkland@i-lead.org)

We hope to hear from you, and hope the values and commitments of the CPR Blueprint resonate with your work. Most importantly, we hope to meet you at the upcoming conference!

Donna Diehl 215-707-1827 [voice]

\* \* \* Outside PA \* \* \*

*Two confirmed bachelors sat talking, their conversation drifted from politics to cooking. "I got a cookbook once," said one, "but I could never do anything with it." "Too much fancy work in it, eh?" asked the other. "You said it. Every one of the recipes began the same way – Take a clean dish."*

## **MAY 1st: the 6th Annual MAY DAY MARCH in NYC!**

Saturday, May 1, 2010

12:00pm - 4:00pm

Location: UNION SQUARE 14th St. & Broadway, Manhattan

<http://www.may1.info/>

**OPEN EVENT - FORWARD WIDELY! INVITE EVERYONE YOU KNOW TO SUPPORT THIS CAUSE!**

**JOIN THE 6th ANNUAL MAY DAY MARCH SAT MAY 1ST,  
MARCH FOR WORKER & IMMIGRANT RIGHTS  
12noon UNION SQUARE  
14th St. & Broadway, Manhattan**

**Rebel Diaz Arts Collective Bronx & May 1st Present:  
MAY DAY FREEDOM FEST -Invest in our Youth!  
Hip-Hop Concert in Support of Immigrant & Worker Rights. Performances  
by New York's leading artists & youth!**

**Join thousands of workers and immigrants demanding FULL RIGHTS  
NOW!**

**NO TO THE GUEST WORKER PROGRAM!**

**NO TO WAR!**

**PASS THE DOMESTIC WORKERS BILL!**

**LEGALIZATION OF IMMIGRANTS!**

**JOBS, HOUSING, & SERVICES FOR ALL!**

**Tell Senator Schumer Real Immigration Reform Means:**

- Stop Criminalizing Immigrants
- Not Just TPS, Amnesty for Haitian Immigrants Repeal NAFTA/CAFTA
- Political Asylum for Victor Toro
- Stop Sexual Trafficking

The Schumer Plan is not "Comprehensive Immigration reform." It is Sensenbrenner with another name, it will lead to an increase in raids & punishment of immigrants.

Visit: [www.May1.info](http://www.May1.info) For information call: 212.633.6646 Volunteers

*"You have two ears and one mouth, use them in the same proportion." Ancient Chinese saying*

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55 W. 17th St. 5th Fl. Manhattan

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## WOMEN OF COLOR EXPO!

A Celebration of Black Women! An empowering, motivational, and entertaining forum that targets the specific needs and interests of Black Women! General sessions and seminars addressing critical issues facing Black Women from a pool of critically acclaimed presenters! Live Entertainment from some of today's hottest new talent.

The Women of Color Expo 2010 offers your company the opportunity to participate in an integrated consumer-marketing platform geared to drive awareness and promote the trial of your products. Key areas of the expo include beauty treatments, hair demonstrations, educational seminars and live entertainment featuring some of today's hottest talent.

The purpose of the "Women of Color Expo" is to reach out to aspiring and achieving women in the community from entry level to professionals. The expo will serve as a nucleus of support to identify and address the critical needs of women of color in the workforce as it relates to their career mobility and personal achievements.

The Chris Kerry group would be honored to have you attend the  
"Women of Color Expo"  
held at the  
Downtown Philadelphia Marriott  
May 8th 2010  
and  
GlenPointe Marriott  
Teaneck, New Jersey  
August 14th 2010.  
Dates for Baltimore and Detroit coming soon.

For questions about: sponsorship, vending and general inquiries please contact Kym at Raveena Media Group for more information.

Ph: 267-386-8204 ext. 2 or [raveenamedia@group.com](mailto:raveenamedia@group.com).  
Subj:"Women of Color"

## COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

*"Trust your own instinct.  
Your mistakes might as well  
be your own, instead of  
someone else's."- Billy  
Wilder*

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### **Group offers low-cost web access to nonprofits**

Mobile Citizen, a provider of mobile broadband for education and nonprofits, will offer a Technology Assistance Grant program beginning in January to provide non-profit organizations with affordable access to the Internet.

Available only in Portland, Oregon, Las Vegas, and Philadelphia, the grant includes reduced-price service from Mobile Citizen, with unlimited usage for only \$10/month or \$120/year per account. It bundles Mobile Citizen's wireless broadband, powered by WiMAX, a fourth generation (4G) technology from Clearwire Corporation with a variety of benefits available only to grantees, including:

- 12 months of service from Mobile Citizen extended to 15 months at no additional charge. With this, nonprofits receive three free months of service per account.
- Dedicated Mobile Citizen Customer Care customized for non-profit organizations.
- A free one-year membership to NTEN, a nonprofit technology network, ongoing information and news as well as access to a support community.
- A choice of additional benefits including an educational webinar series.

For more information, email [Kecia Carroll](mailto:Kecia.Carroll).

### **A HAND UP!**

I am the founder of the

### **C.N.A.s (Christians "N" Action)**

which is a ministry that has a heart for people and their needs.

We feed our community on a weekly basis and provide clothing to them but lately we haven't been able to because we have been out of funds. I have tried to solicit funds for some time now. No one seems to be able to help. While prayers are fine people still need food. The provisions have come out-of-pocket (mine) up until this time, but I have run dry. I believe that people want to make a change in their lives if some of us are willing to lend a hand.

"CHRISTINA SHERMAN" [passionatepromos@yahoo.com](mailto:passionatepromos@yahoo.com)  
(864) 207-0488

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### **SPECIAL NOTICE!**

### **Skip A Meal For Haiti**

Most Americans eat at least three meals a day. Some eat more often.



*"It is said an Eastern monarch once charged his wise men to invent him a sentence to be ever in view, and which should be true and appropriate in all times and situations. They presented him the words: 'And this, too, shall pass away.'" - Abraham Lincoln*

*If you would like to report on a recent community event, feel free to send us a brief account of what happened in document format, and we will share it with our readers.*

*Send your information to: [News From The Coalition, Inc.](#)*

*All entries for submission should be received by noon, the Monday prior to publish date and in Press Release form.*

Millions of people in Haiti have not had a meal in one week and a good meal in recent memory. Will you skip a meal for the people of Haiti and send the money to a relief agency?

### **Will you not eat one meal, on one day so that they can eat for a week?**

The cost of lunch at almost any affordable restaurant in America is between \$5.00 and \$14.00. Some restaurants have menus that serve four and five course dinners that can cost as much as \$100.00 per person, not including beverages. For as little as two dollars a day, you can help provide food, drinking water and some sanitation supplies for a Haitian child or adult. A \$14.00 contribution can help feed and hydrate a Haitian child for a week. We can all afford to make a difference!

The Black Star Project is asking you to miss at least one meal this week for the people of Haiti and to send the money that you would have spent on your breakfast, lunch or dinner to a relief fund that is on the ground working in Haiti.

Many people say they want to go to Haiti to help those affected by the earthquake. The cost of a round trip flight from New York City to Port-au-Prince, Haiti is more than \$2,000.00. Decent hotel lodging, which is virtually impossible to find in Haiti, might cost another \$2,000.00 for one week. And your mouth would become another mouth to feed of more than 2 million people who need food and water day.

Instead of going to Haiti, will you miss a lunch for Haiti and send the money you would have spent on that lunch to one of the on-the-ground relief agencies listed below:

The Black Star Project (773.285.9600) recommends that you send your contributions to:

Yele Haiti (Wyclef Jean's Relief Effort) at [www.yele.org](http://www.yele.org) or text YELE to 501501 to donate \$5.00 on your phone bill

UNICEF at [www.unicefusa.org](http://www.unicefusa.org) or call 800.367.5437

Doctors Without Borders at [www.doctorswithoutborders.org](http://www.doctorswithoutborders.org) or call 888.392.0392

American Red Cross at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) or call 800.REDCROSS (800.733.2767) or 800.257.7575 (Espanol)

Partners in Health at [www.pih.org](http://www.pih.org) or call 617.432.5256

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## **JOIN THE COALITION, INC!**

To join The Coalition go to:

[TheCoalitionInc.net](http://TheCoalitionInc.net)  
and download a copy of the Pledge of Commitment and return it to us  
[the.pa.coalition@gmail.com](mailto:the.pa.coalition@gmail.com)

As amazing as it may sound many people do not realize how easy it is to LEGALLY stop paying for their groceries! This is how the one hour television show began for the company whose website is at:

<http://nofullprices.net>

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Are these manufacturer coupons or coupons that I print on my computer?

A: All of our coupons are actual manufacturer coupons. Fewer and fewer retailers accept coupons that are printed from your computer because of a huge increase in counterfeit coupons. Actual manufacturer coupons which we issue are accepted everywhere that coupons are accepted.

Q: Can these coupons be doubled?

A: Yes. These are manufacturer issued coupons and may be doubled in any store that offers double coupons.

Q: What are the face values and the expiration dates of these coupons?

A: Being manufacturer coupons, the manufacturer determines the face values of the coupons. We currently stock coupons ranging in value from 40 cents to 5.00 dollars. The coupon expiration dates are generally valid for 90 days.

Q: How can I use \$1,000.00 worth of coupons in 90 days?

A: With our program, you get to choose the coupons you want, when you want them. This way you never have to worry about the coupons expiring.

Q: How do I choose the coupons I want?

A: Each coupon book contains coupon request slips which you fill out and send in. Those coupons are then mailed to you.

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### **Volunteer In Africa**

#### **Explore a Continent of Contrasts while Volunteering in Africa**

For over a decade, Cross-Cultural Solutions has supported thousands of volunteers in Africa on programs in Ghana, Morocco, South Africa and Tanzania.

CCS volunteers work side-by-side with local people in community organizations focused on supporting social services, education, and health initiatives.

Discover one of the world's most diverse continents and see firsthand the

challenges it faces and how you can make a positive impact with CCS.

Go to: [www.cross-cultural-solutions.org](http://www.cross-cultural-solutions.org)

**IT'S HERE!!**

**Our group A HAND UP! Is now open, please go to:**

**[A HAND UP!](#)**

In response to the needs of many grassroots organizations for the basic tools to implement and sustain their ideas and projects, The Coalition, Inc. members have come together to establish a network to facilitate the distribution/re-distribution of unwanted, unneeded, surplus and even repairable items for recycling.

To join: [A Hand Up!](#)

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## **WORD-OF-THE-WEEK**

**aesthete** \ES-theet\

One having or affecting great sensitivity to beauty, as in art or nature.

**Remember to support The Coalition, Inc.'s on-air personalities...**

**Civil Alert World** with Brother Sabir Bey Saturdays 5:30pm to 6:30pm on WNJC 1360 AM. Also listen in on WKDU 91.7 AM Friday, 12am to 3am

**Sister Phile Chionesu**, organizer of the Million Woman March, "**Nu Day Resurrection and Liberation**" Show LIVE each Saturday evening 10:30 PM--12:00 midnight EST.

"NU Day" is heard in Philly and, worldwide, through the internet at: [www.blogtalkradio.com/empreschi](http://www.blogtalkradio.com/empreschi) Or you can tune in via podcast at 646-652-2232

Call in and give your thoughts, comments, opinions at 1-646-652-2232

Or send an instant message to [mwmsistahood@aol.com](mailto:mwmsistahood@aol.com) to chat on line.

