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# *News From The Coalition, Inc.*

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## **Greetings Coalition Family!**

*"There is no comparison between that which is lost by not succeeding and that which is lost by not trying."*

*Francis Bacon*

I can't tell you how many people I have met through this network who, when they set out to make changes in their neighborhoods or communities were told 'You can't do that! , No one's ever succeeded at that before! That simply cannot be done!' Those who have succeeded are the ones who have rushed head-first into the battle and achieved unexpected victories. Keep kicking, even when your feet get sore!

## **FOR OUR CHILDREN**

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

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Paul "Earthquake" Moore

Presents

### **Community Boot Camp**

From April 2010 through SEPTEMBER 2010

All young people are invited to experience a weekend of fun, discipline, and leadership activities.

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 is an exciting and positive weekend for youth in the Philadelphia and Delaware County areas.

For two days and one night, 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

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 neighborhood clean-ups.

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

*The secret of success in life is for a man to be ready for his opportunity when it comes. - Earl of Beaconsfield*

*We are proud to announce that News From The Coalition, Inc. is featured on the internationally acclaimed site Eight Cities Map which is read in more than One hundred seventy countries!  
[Click here:](#)  
[EightCitiesMAP](#)  
Choose  
"Philadelphia's Online Community  
"Newsletter" from the menu.*

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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### **ASAP seeks info for annual after school directory**

ASAP/After School Activities Partnerships is updating its annual directory of after school programs to be published in September in the Philadelphia Daily News.

The directory is also available on the web as a service to parents, caregivers and youth workers.

To be listed, after school sites or programs can go [here](#) or call 215-545-2727 ext. 12.

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### **City Year Greater Philadelphia's 9th Annual Serve-A-Thon** will be held on May 15th.

City Year unites young people of all backgrounds for a year of full-time service, giving them the skills and opportunities to change the world. As tutors, mentors, and role models, as young leaders we make a difference in the lives of children and transform schools and neighborhoods across the United States and in South Africa.

We also hold large-scale community service events throughout the year, like

Serve-A-Thon  
to be held on  
Saturday, May 15th  
8:15 am to 2:00 pm

Tustin Recreation Center  
60th Street and Columbia Avenue  
West Philadelphia 19151

*Be at peace with yourself  
first and then you will be  
able to bring peace to  
others. -- Thomas A.  
Kempis*

I want to extend a welcome, and encourage you to come out and participate.

At Serve-A-Thon we will be working on a multitude of projects such as painting, landscaping, and light construction!

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.

We will also have MUSIC, a CARNIVAL for the kids, and LUNCH provided to all volunteers! For more information or to register please visit our website [www.whyiserve.com](http://www.whyiserve.com)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

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**South Philadelphia education roundtable**  
The [SouthEast Philadelphia Collaborative](#)

will host an  
Educational Roundtable  
for school staff, youth and community members on  
Monday, May 24th from  
4-6:30pm at the  
Fleisher Art Memorial,  
719 Catherine Street.

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The event will focus on educational issues that impact our students in 19147 and 19148 zip codes, as well as the educational agenda of the Collaborative.

To RSVP, email [Cory Miller](mailto:Cory.Miller@sepcollab.com) or call 215-486-1645 ext. 204.

The Collaborative is also offering an internship opportunity for college students for a Database Assistant who will support the Database Manager in developing, implementing and customizing the database according to the multiple different clients and program requirements.

Interested applications should email [here](#).

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Come Join Us For  
**FAMILY FUN DAY**

At Rainbow Ridge Farm Equestrian Center

Every Sunday 1-4 PM (weather Permitting)

Free Admissions Kids and Adult

Pony Rides  
Small petting zoo  
Arts and Crafts  
Face painting



Learn to Groom a horse, Feed animals, and much more.

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All PROCEEDS Go To Our  
Therapeutic Riding Program Non-profit 501 (c) 3 Corporation

(215) 766-9357

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Pipersville, PA 18947

5 min from doylestown Bucks County Pa Mins from Central NJ

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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](#)

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)

*To lead people, walk beside them ... As for the best leaders, the people do not notice their existence. The next best, the people honor and praise. The next, the people fear; and the next, the people hate. When the best leader's work is done the people say, "We did it ourselves". - Lao Tzu*

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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%2FOHes5INSqVL9hr>>

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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.

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

*"In order to have a winner, the team must have a feeling of unity; every player must put the team first -- ahead of personal glory." – Paul 'Bear' Bryant*

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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 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,
- \*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.

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.

*Some have been thought  
brave because they were  
afraid to run away. -  
Thomas Fuller*

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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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



**For the Lexophiliacs**

*A boiled egg is hard to beat.*

*(You're gonna miss this feature when it's gone.)*

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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:

- May 17
- May 31
- June 7

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**CAP 4 Kids Hint of the Week**

The earlier you identify a child as having developmental delays, and the earlier you initiate interventions, the better outcomes you will usually have.

On the [www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia](http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia) website, under the Early Intervention parent handout, [http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent\\_handouts/early\\_intervention\\_services.html](http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent_handouts/early_intervention_services.html), you will find descriptions and contact information for the Early Intervention programs in Philly and PA.

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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.

Do you remember this  
guy?

*Some mornings, it's just not  
worth gnawing through the  
leather straps. - Emo  
Philips*

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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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Evelyn Graves Drama Productions  
presents

### **A MOTHER'S DAY TRIBUTE** the play

Samson and Delilah  
Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup> 2010  
Evelyn Graves Dinner Theater  
1115 Whitby Avenue (at W. Cobbs Creek Parkway)  
Yeadon, PA 19050

Dr. Evelyn Graves Founder/Artistic Director  
Donation \$48 Orchestra \$52 Youth \$20 Dinner Included

for more information: 215.727.7796

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

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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 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.

**IF I HAD NEVER BEEN BORN**

*If I had never been born, what would there be instead of me?*

*A young girl? A yellow rose?  
A hawk?*

*Oh, yes, a hawk!  
A hawk there'd be instead of me.*

*Grandma Edna Gordon,  
Hawk Clan Elder of the Seneca Nation, Six Nations Iroquois*

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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 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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*An idiot called the airport for flight information. "How long is your flight from Los Angeles to Denver?" he asked. "Just a minute," the pleasant agent replied. "Thank You" he said and hung up.*

***The Raw Family  
Newsletter***

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

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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**

**The Black Male Development Symposium  
&**

The Frator Heru Institute  
present

Rites-of-Passage

public presentation and braceleting ceremony

Saturday, May 8, 2010

The African American Museum in Philadelphia

701 Arch Street

Philadelphia, PA 19106

6pm - 9pm

Tickets: \$15

(\$10 advance purchase includes "Raising Him Alone" panel discussion from 3pm - 5pm)

Please join us for the 6th Annual BMDS Reception and FHI Rites-of-Passage Public Presentation and Braceleting Ceremony. This ceremony introduces this year's ROP initiates to the public after their successful completion of The FHI ROP 1st Rites Program.

This program follows the "Raising Him Alone" tour, Limited Enrollment ... Unlimited Potential panel discussion and book signing, part of a series of events leading up to the BMDS on Saturday, May 15.

For Tickets

E-mail: [mail@thefratorheruinstitute.org](mailto:mail@thefratorheruinstitute.org)

Or

Contact:

Kevin Covington at 215-200-4196

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*In terms of the revolution, I believe that the revolution will be a revolution of dispossessed people in this country: that's the Mexican American, the Puerto Rican American, the American Indian, and black people. - H. Rap Brown*

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Lower Level  
Philadelphia, PA 19122  
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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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A Special Jazz Vespers Performance  
Barbara Montgomery  
presents the

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

SUNDAY, MAY 9, 2009

5:00 p.m.

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

*We hang the petty thieves  
and appoint the great  
ones to public office. --  
Aesop.*

Ms. Montgomery's music:

"think Benny Carter's alto with lyrics...a woman with something to offer..."

George Harris, All About Jazz

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"a measure of spiritual intensity that goes far beyond..." swing2bop.com

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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>

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and the mission of the Lutheran Church of the Holy Communion

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

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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/l/d7464;215.685.1993>

*Nature gave us one tongue  
and two ears so we could  
hear twice as much as we  
speak. - Epictetus: Quotes*

Lincoln Pool  
Rowland & Shelmire St

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

Pickett Pool  
Wayne & Chelton St

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

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- 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

*Remember Jethro  
Clampett?, well he had  
relatives...*

*Dear Ma and Pa:*

*I am well. Hope you are  
too. Tell Brother Walt and  
Brother Elmer that the  
Marine Corps beats  
working for old man Minch  
by a mile. Tell them to join  
up quick before all of the  
places are filled.*

*I was restless at first  
because you got to stay in  
bed till nearly 6 a.m., but I  
am getting so I like to sleep  
late. Tell Walt and Elmer  
all you do before breakfast  
is smooth your cot and  
shine some things. No hogs  
to slop, feed to pitch, mash  
to mix, wood to split, fire to  
lay... practically nothing.  
Men got to shave but it's  
not so bad... there's warm  
water. Breakfast is strong  
on trimmings like fruit  
juice, cereal, eggs, bacon,  
etc., but kind of weak on  
chops, potatoes, ham, steak,  
fried eggplant, pie, and  
other regular food, but tell  
Walt and Elmer you can  
always sit by the two city  
boys that live on coffee.  
Their food plus yours holds  
you 'til noon when you get  
fed again. It's no wonder  
these city boys can't walk  
much. (cont.)*

Valley. 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**



*We go on "route marches," which the platoon sergeant says are long walks to harden us. If he thinks so, it's not my place to tell him different. A "route march" is about as far as to our mailbox at home. Then the city guys get sore feet and we all ride back in trucks.*

*The country is nice but awful flat. The sergeant is like a school teacher. He nags a lot. The captain is like the school board. Majors and colonels just ride around and frown. They don't bother you none.*

*This next will kill Walt and Elmer with laughing. I keep getting medals for shooting. I don't know why. The bulls-eye is near as big as a chipmunk head and don't move, and it ain't shooting at you like the Higgett boys at home. All you got to do is lie there all comfortable and hit it. You don't even load your own cartridges. They come in boxes.*

*Then we have what they call hand-to-hand combat training. You get to wrestle with them city boys. I have to be real careful though, they break real easy. It ain't like fighting with that ole bull at home. I'm about the best they got in this except for that Tug Jordan from over in Silver Lake. I only beat him once. He joined up the same time as me, but I'm only 5'6" and 130 pounds and he's 6'8" and near 300 pounds dry. (cont.)*

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**

**Philadelphia is a huge underutilized asset.**

From Dust to Dollars: Creating Value from Underutilized Assets

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

*Be sure to tell Walt and Elmer to hurry and join up before other fellers get onto this setup and come stampeding on*

*Your loving daughter,*

*Alice*

*(Thx. to Maizee Moss)*

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

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.

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

Hereeeeeeeeeeeeeees...  
Kathy's Korner!

Three vampires walk into a bar. The bartender looks at him suspiciously, but decides to serve them anyway. "What'll be, boys?"

The first vampire says "Blood. Give me blood."  
The second vampire says "I too wish for blood!"  
The third vampire says "Give me plasma."  
The Bartender smiles and says "Got it. Two bloods, and a blood-light."

(Kathy Parsons is a regular contributor.)

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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 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.

*It is necessary to the happiness of man that he be mentally faithful to himself. Infidelity does not consist in believing, or in disbelieving, it consists in professing to believe what he does not believe.*  
Thomas Paine

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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: May 15th.

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

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.)

John and Tony were in the bar, pondering over Tony's problems. "Andrea and I want to get married," said Tony, "but we can't find anywhere to live."  
"Why don't you live with Andrea's parents?" suggested John.  
"We can't do that," said Tony, "they're living with their parents!"

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

### 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

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- 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*)

### 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**

*Never hire or promote in your own image. It is foolish to replicate your strength and idiotic to replicate your weakness. It is essential to employ, trust, and reward those whose perspective, ability, and judgment are radically different from yours. It is also rare, for it requires uncommon humility, tolerance, and wisdom. - Dee W. Hock, Fast Company*

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Mark Your Calendar!

### **Community Improvement Workshops**

Free Interactive Workshops

### **Leading From the Bottom**

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

6-8:30pm

Facilitated by

John Elliott Churchville, Ph.D, J.D.,  
Chairman/CEO Liberation Fellowship CDC

### **Urban Networking 101**

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

6-8:30pm

Facilitated by

Michael Rice, Network Entrepreneur  
CEO

Professional Networking Associates

Publisher, The Connector, Networking Resource Magazine

Both workshops will be held at:

School District Building

440 N. Broad Street

Philadelphia, PA

Sponsored by

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Contact info: Call 267-303-0653

Or register online:

[www.theconnectornetwork.com/communityleadership](http://www.theconnectornetwork.com/communityleadership)

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

*Think of managing change as an adventure. It tests your skills and abilities. It brings forth talent that may have been dormant.*

*Change is also a training ground for leadership. When we think of leaders, we remember times of change, innovation and conflict. Leadership is often about shaping a new way of life. To do that, you must advance change, take risks and accept responsibility for making change happen.*  
- Charles E. Rice, CEO of Barnett Bank

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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 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](#)



*"Four rules of leadership in a free legislative body: First, no matter how hard-fought the issue, never get personal. Don't say or do anything that may come back to haunt you on another issue, another day.... Second, do your homework. You can't lead without knowing what you're talking about.... Third, the American legislative process is one of give and take. Use your power as a leader to persuade, not intimidate.... Fourth, be considerate of the needs of your colleagues, even if they're at the bottom of the totem pole...."— George Bush Former President of the United States*

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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 grant monies 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 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

"Leadership is not magnetic personality, that can just as well be a glib tongue. It is not "making friends and influencing people", that is flattery. Leadership is lifting a person's vision to higher sights, the raising of a person's performance to a higher standard, the building of a personality beyond its normal limitations."— Peter F. Drucker

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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-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-](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).

*Everyone has a photographic memory. Some just don't have film.- Unknown.*

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 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

*A blow with a word  
strikes deeper than a blow  
with a sword. -- Robert  
Burton.*

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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.

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**

*When you are joyous,  
look deep into your heart  
and you shall find it is  
only that which has given  
you sorrow that is giving  
you joy. When you are  
sorrowful look again in  
your heart, and you shall  
see that in truth you are  
weeping for that which  
has been your delight.  
-- Khalil Gibran.*

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## 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."

### 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

*Kind words can be short  
and easy to speak but their  
echoes are truly endless. –  
Mother Teresa*

to recreationally interact as a family unit.

Creative Kids Club is a member of The Coalition, Inc. See their new website: <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 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.

*People who are unable to motivate themselves must be content with mediocrity, no matter how impressive their other talents. - Andrew Carnegie*

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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.

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

*Wise men make more opportunities than they find. – Francis Bacon*

<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 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 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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*Nothing that grieves us can be called little: by the eternal laws of proportion a child's loss of a doll and a king's loss of a crown are events of the same size. -- Unknown.*

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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*

### Free Library Author Events

Holly Black

White Cat

with Cassandra Clare City of Glass

Saturday, May 8, 2010

4:00PM

FREE

White Cat is the first of the Curse Workers books, the highly-anticipated new fantasy series from Holly Black

Black is the New York Times bestselling author of

The Spiderwick Chronicles,

basis for the successful eponymous feature film. With White Cat, Black

leaves behind tales of old-world faerie mischief for a modern-day dark

fantasy caper complete with con artists, criminal curses, family

intrigue, and romance. Black's first book, Tithe: A Modern Faerie Tale,

was included in the American Library Association's Best Books for

Young Adults; her other young adult novels include Valiant and Ironside,

winner of the Andre Norton Award for excellence in young adult

literature.

### Cassandra Clare

Cassandra Clare's Mortal Instruments series has a fan in Twilight author

Stephenie Meyer, who writes, "The Mortal Instruments series is a story

world that I love to live in... if it has to end, then City of Glass is the most

perfect way for that to happen. Beautiful!"

Beginning with City of Bones and City of Ashes--both New York Times

bestsellers---this dark, urban fantasy tells the story of Clary Fray, a

teenage girl who becomes entangled with Shadowhunters--a race of

powerful,

demon-destroying warriors--and the quest to find the "mortal

instruments" that can control them. Clare's next book, Clockwork Angel,

*I believe that the horrifying deterioration in the ethical conduct of people today stems from the mechanization and dehumnaization of our lives... the disasterous by-product of the scientific and technical mentality. Nostra culpa. Man grows cold faster than the planet he inhabits. -- Albert Einstein.*

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John F. Timoney [Beat Cop to Top Cop: A Tale of Three Cities](#)

Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at

7:30PM, FREE

Named "America's Top Cop" by Esquire Magazine, John F. Timoney has served as First Deputy Commissioner for the New York Police Department, Police Commissioner for the City of Philadelphia, and Chief of Police for the City of Miami. An immigrant from Dublin, Ireland, Timoney joined the New York Police Department, serving as a Narcotics Specialist in the South Bronx and rising to become the youngest four-star chief in the history of the NYPD. At the NYPD, he helped develop CompStat, a crime analysis and police management process, which he also implemented in Philadelphia to great success--crime decreased in all categories, especially homicide.

Beat Cop to Top Cop is a riveting ride through Timoney's career and offers advice on how police departments can make lower crime rates last.

Nathaniel Philbrick [The Last Stand: Custer, Sitting Bull, and the Battle of the Little Bighorn](#)

Wednesday, May 12, 2010 at

12:00PM, FREE

The author of modern and authoritative historical narratives, New York Times bestselling author Nathaniel Philbrick won the National Book Award in 2000 for *In the Heart of the Sea*, was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for *Mayflower* in 2007, and won the Boston Globe-Horn Book Award for *Revenge of the Whale*.

In *The Last Stand*, Philbrick evokes the history, geography, and haunting beauty of the Great Plains and tells one of the most iconic and misunderstood stories of the American West.

**General Information**

Author Events are held in the  
Montgomery Auditorium  
at the

Parkway Central Library  
1901 Vine Street,

unless noted. Events generally consist of a talk by the author

The tragedy of the civil rights movement is that just as it achieved the beginning of the end of racial segregation, white educated elites became swept up in the glamour of the sexual revolution.  
Maggie Gallagher

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and a Q & A period with the audience followed by a book signing.  
Books are sold on-site.  
Seating begins 45 minutes prior to event start times.  
No tickets or reservations are required for Free Author Events.

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Free Library Author Events  
Andy Kahan, Director  
Sara M. Goddard, Associate Director

Susan Strecker, Program Assistant  
phone: 215-567-4341  
email: [authorevents@freelibrary.org](mailto:authorevents@freelibrary.org)

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Featured Podcast  
Nathaniel Philbrick  
A Sea of Glory  
Nathaniel Philbrick visited the Free Library in 2003 to discuss the 1840's U.S. Exploring Expedition--the largest discovery voyage the western world had seen.  
Recorded 11/22/2003  
[Listen now](#)

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### 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

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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, May 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  
4212 Chestnut Street, 3rd Floor  
Philadelphia, PA 19104  
p. 215-222-4201  
f. 215-222-4205

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

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## 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**

Paul “Earthquake” Moore Presents

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**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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**Call for Papers**

Submission Deadline for Abstracts May 28, 2010  
4th International Conference on

*Raising teenagers is like  
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## Appropriate Technology

November 24-27, 2010, Accra, Ghana

Sponsors: Howard University, Washington DC, USA,  
Northern California Council of Black Professional Engineers (NCCBPE)  
National Technical Association, USA  
Technology Consultancy Centre at  
Kwame Nkrumah University of Science Technology  
Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana

### Theme

Appropriate Technology and Water:  
Solutions for a Thirsty Planet

The theme of our fourth International Conference on  
Appropriate Technology is designed to:

- 1) Promote the identification, assessment, archiving and tracking of appropriate technologies for sustainable use of water resources
- 2) Focus on how to meet the increasing and critical potable water needs of the less developed world, while facing the challenges of global climate change
- 3) Provide a forum for networking on appropriate technology solutions to sustainable development in Africa and across the Global South

### Background

The poorest countries and the poorest people will be hit the hardest by the impacts of climate change. According to leading environmentalists, in Africa, climate change has already caused irreversible impacts. Curtailing negative climate change and enacting solutions to poverty both require the implementation of sustainable, ecologically sound energy solutions. More than 500 million Africans lack access to electricity, while less than 5% of Africa's hydropower potential is being utilized. Ending poverty and improving the quality of life of this planet's poorest requires increased productivity in agriculture, industry and transport. Most solutions addressing increasing productivity require addressing water utilization. Clearly agricultural production requires water, but also much of industry and transportation have water demands. Most importantly maintaining a healthy human population requires sustainable drinking water and effective waste water processing.

Contact Person: Dr. John Trimble, [jtrimble@howard.edu](mailto:jtrimble@howard.edu)

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SAVE THE DATE  
(May 19-21, 2010)

*Much wisdom often goes  
with fewer words. -  
Sophocles*

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## Important Conference for Community Leaders

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!

*Young people are fitter to invent than to judge; fitter for execution than for counsel; and more fit for new projects than for settled business. - Francis Bacon*

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Donna Diehl 215-707-1827 [voice]

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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.

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Subj: "Women of Color"



*All living souls welcome whatever they are ready to cope with; all else they ignore, or pronounce to be monstrous and wrong, or deny to be possible. -- George Santayana*

*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.*

**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](#).

**A HAND UP!**

**City Year sponsors annual Serve-A-Thon**

[City Year Greater Philadelphia](#)

will be hosting its

9th Annual Serve-A-Thon

Saturday, May 15th

Tustin Recreation Center,

60th Street and Columbia Avenue

in West Philadelphia.

Serve-A-Thon is City Year's signature service event. It brings together hundreds of volunteers, ranging from school-age children and youth to corporate employees to active community members, in restoring and beautifying recreation centers used for the public good. The work performed by these volunteers transforms community resources into brighter, cleaner, and safer places for kids to participate in summer camps, after-school programs, and other enrichment activities. The event further serves to connect people of different backgrounds, ages, and life experiences in a day of powerful community service.

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In partnership with the Philadelphia Department of Recreation, City Year will help revitalize the recreation center, and the surrounding area near Overbrook High School.

Volunteers will be revitalizing the center by completing indoor and outdoor painting projects along with landscaping. The opening ceremony will be held at 8:15am and service ends at 2pm.

To register, click [here](#).

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### 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)  
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## **SPECIAL NOTICE!**

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

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

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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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### **America's Original Savings Network**

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

**pejorative** \pih-  
JOR-uh-tiv\  
Tending to make or  
become worse;  
Tending to  
disparage or belittle;  
A belittling or  
disparaging word or  
expression

**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/empresschi](http://www.blogtalkradio.com/empresschi) 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.

