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News From The Coalition, Inc.

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Greetings Coalition Family!

Marcus Mosiah Garvey, August 17, 1887 – June 10, 1940 Visionary, Pan-Africanist, Back to Africa Leader and a Symbol of Black Pride and Self Determination

Our Community Improvement Workshops are resuming In late September. If you haven't already, look to take advantage of the invaluable information and instruction we offer free to community leaders and organizers.

September 10th we are inviting leaders and organizers from all over the country to participate in a gathering that will go a long way toward empowering those unknown, but important organizations that are working at the grass roots level making a difference with limited resources. Your participation is vital!

WHAT: The Coalition's First National Organizational Policy Summit
WHEN: Saturday, September 10, 2011, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
WHERE: The School District Bldg. Main Auditorium
440 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19130
WHY: Develop a "Policy Bank" to Support Organizations' Social

Change Efforts

"No matter what accomplishments you make, somebody helped you." - Althea Gibson

"We each hold a piece to the puzzle." – Dr. John Elliott Churchville "Communicate... Cooperate... Collaborate"

FOR OUR CHILDREN

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

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Cap4Kids Hint of the Week

The Digital Divide refers to the gap between individuals and businesses at different socio-economic levels regard both to their opportunities to access information and communications technologies (ICT's) and to their use of the Internet for a wide variety of activities. To help bridge this divide, there are several resources in Philly, listed on the Cap4Kids website (www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia).

On the **Parenting Handout**

(http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent_handouts/parenting_foster ______adoption.html), under Miscellaneous, you will find *Team Children Low Cost Computers and the new <u>Comcast Internet Essentials</u> where families who have a child that qualifies for free school lunches, can get low cost internet (\$9.99 mo) and a low cost computer. Also, under the Literacy tab*

(http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent_handouts/literacy.html) you will find info about *Parent University* where families can take free computer classes, as well as the YMCA technology classes. ----- Coalition members! Activate '<u>Your' web link</u> on The Coalition, Inc. web site -----

> Two Powerhouse Education Advocates School Superintendent Dr Arlene Ackerman And Judge Doris Smith-Ribner

Dr Ackerman will provide information on the curriculum, her plans for improving the Philadelphia school system and how we can support her. Judge Doris Smith-Ribner, who brought us all day kindergarten, will discuss her latest endeavor to improve the chances of ex-inmates' reentry into society

It is no coincidence that lack of education and imprisonment generally go hand in hand. For those that fall into the prison industrial complex, we need a plan to help them transition from incarceration to freedom. If we are ever going to get out of the vicious pattern of poverty and jail, education holds the key.

By the time the fool has learned the game, the players have dispersed. Ghanaian Proverb

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 eighty countries! Click here: *EightCitiesMAP* Choose "Philadelphia's Online *Community* "Newsletter" from the menu.

Please come out and support our sisters. Bring the children with you. Their input will be appreciated.

Date:

Time:

Location:

Saturday, August 27, 2011 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Joseph Coleman Library 68 West Chelten Ave Between Germantown Ave & Greene St Philadelphia PA

Admission is free to the public

For more information, call: 215-474-3577 ----- Coalition members! Activate '<u>Your' web link</u> on The Coalition, Inc. web site -----

Paul "Earthquake" Moore

Presents

Community Boot Camp

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

From August 2011 through SEPTEMBER 2011

All young people are invited to experience a weekend of fun, discipline, and leadership activities when the Community Boot Camp resumes on , AUG 13-14 2011 It is the four of seven individual weekend sessions for youth

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

Delaware County areas. For two days and one night on AUG 13-14 2011, children 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 Salute Report

- ~ Military Alphabet Code
- ~ Military Time
- ~ Violence, Drug and Alcohol Prevention
- ~ Community Basketball
- ~ Drilling Ceremony
 - Don't miss the opportunity to register your child for Community Boot

A people without the knowledge of their past history, origin and culture is like a tree without roots. Marcus Garvey

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and download a copy of the Pledge of Commitment and return it to us the.pa.coalition@gmail.com Camp. Parents can register by calling 215-385-2696 or Camps begin in AUG 2011 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, All checks should be , and sent to P.O. Box 5323, Philadelphia, PA 19142.

START SMART BACK TO SCHOOL FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES GIVEAWAY AT JANES

For the sixth straight year, Janes Memorial United Methodist Church will provide new book bags and school supplies to children K thru 12 during Start Smart Program on Saturday September 10, 11 am to 2 pm (doors open from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm) at 47 East Haines Street.

Children and parents from the Germantown area are invited to attend the event that features performance by renown hip hop dancers, a mime group and a muscial interlude, activities for parents, a career round table for middle/high school students, free lunch, and schoolbags filled with supplies. Children must be present to receive a book bag.

"Our church is sensitive to the needs of our community. We recognize that some families are not sure how they will be able to afford new book bags and school supplies for the upcoming school year. We are blessed as a church in the community to give back to our community and make sure the children in this neighborhood are as prepared for the first few days of school with tools that will allow them to START SMART AND STAY SMART" said Rev. Dr. Andrew Foster, III senior pastor of Janes Church. Over the past six years Janes has distributed over 1400 book bags filled with supplies and provide a subsequent event each January to replenish the supplies the children may have used throughtout the first half of the school year.

"We hope that providing the essential tools needed for school, each child will be better prepared for the challenges they face during the school

year" said Nadene Partlow, Janes Start Smart coordinator. Funding to support this endeavor was made possible by the Office of Councilwoman Donna Reed Miller, Vine Foundation and the generous donations of Janes Church congregation. For more information on this program, contact the Church's office at <u>215-844-9564</u>.

THIS WEEK

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God and Nature first made us what we are, and then out of our own created genius we make ourselves what we want to be. Follow always that great law. Let the sky and God be our limit and Eternity our measurement. Marcus Garvey

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Education advocates hold workshop on navigating choices

Only 56 percent of School District of Philadelphia students graduate in four years. The rate for African American male students is worse: 45 percent.

To combat this problem through education, Philadelphia Black Alliance for Educational Options will hold training for parents to learn how to navigate the educational system in Philadelphia. The training will take

> place on Saturday, August 20th from 9am to 3pm at Eastern University Falls Center, 3300 Henry Avenue, 3 Falls Center Philadelphia Pa.

At the workshop, parents and caregivers will be able to learn about resources, including programs and services offered to the community by Philadelphia BAEO, how to access educational options including cyber/home, charter and private schools, special education, particularly if your child has or has been identified as needing an IEP, and after school and enrichment programs.

The training is funded by the Foundation to Promote Open Society, which is part of the national Campaign for Black Achievement. Admission is free. A light meal and children's activities (ages 4 to 12) will be provided for those who RSVP. Call 215-851-1795 or send an email response to gale@baeo.org.

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AAMP to screen classic 1936 Robeson film

The African American Museum of Philadelphia will offer a screening of the 1936 film, Show Boat, on Saturday, August 20th from 1-3pm.
The film features a classic and moving rendition of Ol' Man River by Paul Robeson, and is co-sponsored by the West Philadelphia Cultural Alliance's Paul Robeson House Museum.
The event is part of the museum's exhibit, Free To Be: The Impact and Artistry of African Americans in Paris, 1900-1940.
Admission to the screening is free with museum admission.
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"African American Short Films"

City: Philadelphia Station: WCAU / NBC Date: 8/20 Time: 4:00PM Set Your VCR, DVR to record or TIVO African American Short Films, Watch Us Again or Watch US Later!!!!

I know no national boundary where the Negro is concerned. The whole world is my province until Africa is free. Marcus Garvey

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Please tell your friends and family to watch this show. Click here for: Other Broadcasts this week in other cities. email us: Badami TV Badami_TV@mail.vresp.com Like us on Facebook join us on Twitter friend me on FaceBook Contact us so we can read your comments and notify you when we will be on next. GoodThoughts, Frank Badami This show contains 5 short films. Enjoy!!!! "African American Short Films" Right here you will see short films made by African Americans that range from comedy to drama and all the shades in-between that are entertaining and totally socially relevant. "This Time" is a relationship based short film with a surprise ending. It may remind you of an Oscar winning film made in 1967. "The Fall" African American Short Films is happy to bring you this extremely well produced film from London England, which incorporates animation in this drama about a man and his brother. "Secret Admirer" Is a dark comedy about a married couple and it has Quite an ending! "False Alarm" is a funny short that reminds us to keep an eye on the calendar. "Bottom of A Glass" is a 3 minuet short film on the experimental side, but with a message. It is Very Touching but Very Different. Visit us at www.badamitv.com Thanks for watching! ----- Coalition members! Activate 'Your' web link on The Coalition, Inc. web site -----

> It's their future: **The Cost of War on Women and Children** JOBS!!! NOT WAR!!!!

Teach-in and Strategy Session A New Economy is Possible Organized by: United for Peace & Justice Delaware Valley Network Education Committee. Endorsed by: Philadelphia National Writers Union, UAW Local 1981, AFL-CIO, Philadelphia Area Black Radical Congress, Philadelphia Regional Anti-War Network, Brandywine Peace Community, Philadelphia Women's International League for Peace & Freedom, Pittsburgh Area Black Radical Congress,

Liberate the minds of men and ultimately you will liberate the bodies of men. Marcus Garvey

If you have a favorite joke, why not share it with our readers. send to TheCoalitionNews @gmail.com We will credit you with the submission. National Alliance of Women Veterans. 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, Sunday, August 21 st, 2011 at the Philadelphia Free Library, 19th and Vine Streets, Philadelphia, PA19103 After an overview of the U S warfare situation, we will conduct panels. Questions at the root of removing United States armed forces will be discussed. Primary U S armed forces removal locations: Libya, Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan and other locations beginning by the end of 2011, if not sooner.

What is the cost in human beings of the wars on U S citizens and on Philadelphian women and children? Specifically, what is the human cost of United States programs
on women and children in loss of education, social services and medical care? How are wars using personnel and affecting women and children in in the U S military? How do depleted nuclear energy weapons, drones, and other military hardware fit into the increased human costs on women and children trapped in the wars in Libya, Iraq, Afghanistan, and Pakistan?
Is the U S government in human, health, sustainable, alternative energy relationships with oil-rich areas of the world? What can we do as U S citizens to get better information from U S media?
Very importantly, we will ask audience members for input on solving the questions above.

A break in the program will allow networking and sharing of lunches people bring with them.

Drinks of seltzer, iced tea, coffee and water will be provided. Donate whatever participants can afford, no one will be turned away on the day of the forum.

Look at the web site - <u>http://www.ufpj-dvn.org/</u> or call: 267-259-7196 or 215-382-1531 for further information.

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EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OPPORUNITIES

FEMA positions up to six figures available in our online <u>Coalition Group</u> ongoing updates will be posted as they become available.

HEALTH MATTERS

The "Dirty Dozen"

Whether you are on a budget and need to prioritize your organic purchases, or you would simply like to know which type of produce has the highest pesticide residues—and which do not—the following guide from the *Environmental Working Group* will help.

12 Most Contaminated

- Peaches, Apples, Sweet Bell Peppers, Celery, Nectarines, Strawberries. Cherries, Pears, Grapes (Imported), Spinach, Lettuce, Potatoes.
- 12 Least Contaminated
 - Onions, Avocado, Sweet Corn (Frozen), Pineapples, Mango, Asparagus, Sweet Peas (Frozen), Kiwi Fruit, Bananas, Cabbage, Broccoli, Papaya.

More Information For easy reference, download a copy of the wallet guide! Source: Environmental Working Group, www.ewg.org and Food News, www.foodnews.org ----- Coalition members! Activate 'Your' web link on The Coalition, Inc. web site -----

Center in the Park helps with memory loss study

Ever walk into a room to find something you just put down and ask yourself, "Where did I put that?" While that alone is not a sign of memory loss problems, more frequent issues with recall may be a sign of problems to come.

<u>Center in the Park</u>, located in Germantown's Vernon Park, is collaborating on outreach and recruitment for a community-based research program, <u>Hold That Thought</u>, is a survey being conducted <u>through the end of August</u>, by the Jefferson Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University and funded by the National Institute of Health. A ten-dollar Rite-aid gift card will be awarded for your participation.

The study will compare two programs (behavioral activation and talk therapy) to prevent memory loss in people who are already having mild memory problems. Participants should be having trouble with memory, be African American and at least 65 years old, and have a family member, caregiver or friend who will be their study partner. Each person enrolling receives a gift of \$20, and \$20 per visit.

Men who are in earnest are not afraid of consequences. Marcus Garvey

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Chance has never yet satisfied the hope of a suffering people. Marcus Garvey

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Center in the Park has a track record of participation in communitybased research projects, most recently, having conducted Beat the Blues, a community-based depression intervention study.

Lynn Fields Harris, CIP Executive Director, said that "In the past, African Americans have been reluctant to participate in research, so there is a lack of information on how mental health and wellness issues affect African American elders. This project gives the CIP community an important opportunity to contribute to knowledge about aging and programs for minority elders with mild memory problems. Hold That Thought builds on CIP's experience with implementing evidence-based programs."

For more information, call Erika Barber at <u>215-848-7722</u>. ----- Coalition members! Activate '<u>Your' web link</u> on The Coalition, Inc. web site -----

Voucher programs offer fresh produce to seniors and mothers

Each summer, the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program provides vouchers redeemable for fresh fruits, vegetables and herbs to senior citizens at approved local farmers markets, roadside stands and community-supported agriculture programs.

The program provides low-income seniors with four vouchers, totaling \$20, which they can exchange for Pennsylvania-grown produce. To qualify for the program, individuals must be 60 or older by December

31, 2011, with a total household income before taxes of less than \$20,147 for a single person and \$27,214 for a couple, based on 2010 income. Proof of age and residency is required. To find out what senior centers are providing vouchers across the city, contact

the PCA help line at 215-765-9040.

The vouchers will be made available at the

Philadelphia Senior Center,

Broad and Lombard

from 2pm to 4pm Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays starting July 11th until they run out.

For information about voucher distribution at the Philadelphia Senior Center, contact Charles Brown at 215-546-5879.

A searchable list of participating farmers markets can be found <u>here</u>. A similar program, the state's <u>Farmers Market Nutrition Program</u>, offers food for low-income women who are pregnant or who have a child up to age 5 who is at nutritional risk. Both programs run now through

November 30th.

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I have no desire to take all black people back to Africa; there are blacks who are no good here and will likewise be no good there. - Marcus Garvey

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40 Easy Ways to Go Greener at Home – Besides Recycling

1. <u>Plant an herb garden</u>. It's good to have a reminder around of where our food originates.

2. Switch all your lightbulbs to CFLs (or at least switch a few).

- 3. Create a homemade compost bin for \$15.
- 4. Switch one appliance to an energy efficient model (look for the "<u>energy star</u>" label).

5. Stop using disposable bags – order some reusable bags, or <u>make your</u> <u>own</u>. My favorites are <u>Envirosax</u> and <u>Flip & Tumble</u>.

6. Buy an inexpensive reusable water bottle, and stop buying plastic disposable bottles. Then watch *<u>The Story of Bottled Water</u>*, a short movie about the bottled water phenomena.

7. Wash laundry in cold water instead of hot.

8. Turn off lights when you leave the room.

9. Don't turn on lights at all for as long as you can — open your curtains and enjoy natural light.

10. Drive the speed limit, and combine all your errands for the week in one trip.

Source: http://simplemom.net/tips-to-go-green-at-home/

11. Better yet, walk or ride a bike to your errands that are two miles or closer.

12. Support your local economy and shop at your farmer's market.

13. Turn off your computer completely at night.

14. Research whether you can <u>sign up for green power</u> from your utility company.

15. Pay as many bills as possible online.

16. Put a stop to unsolicited mail — sign up to <u>opt out of pre-screened</u> <u>credit card offers</u>. While you're at it, go ahead and <u>make sure you're on</u> <u>the "do not call" list</u>, just to make your life more peaceful.

17. Reuse scrap paper. Print on two sides, or let your kids color on the back side of used paper.

18. Conduct a <u>quick energy audit</u> of your home.

19. Subscribe to good eco-friendly blogs. My favorites are <u>The Daily</u> <u>Green</u>, <u>TreeHugger</u>, and <u>Keeper of the Home</u>. Of course, you gotta subscribe to <u>Simple Organic</u>.

20. Before buying anything new, first check your local <u>Craigslist</u> or <u>Freecycle</u>.

21. Support local restaurants that use food derived less than 100 miles away, and learn more about <u>the benefits of eating locally</u>.

22. Fix leaky faucets.

23. Make your own household cleaners. I've got quite a few recipes in

GREEN PIECE

A reading man and woman is a ready man and woman, but a writing man and woman is exact. Marcus Garvey

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<u>my e-book</u>.

24. Line dry your laundry.

25. Watch *<u>The Story of Stuff</u>* with your kids, and talk about the impact your household trash has on our landfills.

26. <u>Learn with your kids about another country or culture</u>, expanding your knowledge to other sides of the world.

- 28. Lower the temperature on your hot water heater.
- 29. Unplug unused chargers and appliances.

30. Repurpose something – <u>turn one of your well-worn t-shirts into</u> <u>basic play pants</u> for your baby. Or save egg cartons for paint wells, seed starters, treasure boxes, or a myriad of other crafts.

31. Collect rainwater, and use it to water your houseplants and garden.

32. <u>Switch to cloth diapers</u> – or at least do a combination with disposables.

33. Switch to shade-grown coffee with the "Fair Trade" label.

34. Use a <u>Diva Cup</u> for your monthly cycles.

35. <u>Use cloth instead of paper to clean your kitchen</u>. Be frugal, and make these rags out of old towels and t-shirts.

36. Use cloth napkins daily instead of paper.

37. Read <u>Animal, Vegetable, Miracle</u>, and open your eyes to the way conventional food is processed. Watch <u>Food, Inc.</u> while you're at it.
38. Repurpose glass jars as leftover containers and bulk storage,

especially in the kitchen.

39. Five-minute showers – make it a goal for yourself.

40. Donate to – and shop at – thrift stores such as Goodwill. You'll be recycling perfectly usable items, and you'll be supporting your local economy.

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The <u>Electronic Industries Alliance</u> provides a list of local electronic recycling facilities, including Philly's Northeast Drop-off Center at State Road & Ashburner Street and Northwest Drop-Off Center at Domino Lane & Umbria Street.

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

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

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Africa for the Africans... at home and abroad! Marcus Garvey

Get Fresh!

Volunteer with Philabundance Fresh for All You recycle out the wazoo and consider yourself consigliore 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 programs. 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). For more information, go to www.philabundance.org

GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS & INSTRUCTION

SpotLight On Our Efforts

Dear Friend and Supporter,

We have an urgent request: Help send our 300 math literacy workers "back to schools" in Mississippi, Boston, Chicago, Michigan, Miami, Los Angeles, New York, Ohio, and Southern IL where they will inspire young people to develop their math skills and advocate for an education that ensures their readiness for college.

For 15 years, the

Young People's Project (YPP)

has worked with more than 15,000 young people who might otherwise have become victims of failed education systems. Today we employ 15 trainers across our national network who train 300 high school and college students to become Math Literacy Workers (MLW) who teach math to over 1,500 elementary and middle school students in out of school settings annually. At least 90% of our math literacy workers graduate from high school and 60% enter college. YPP can count several math educators and math majors among its graduates.

I like honesty and fair play. - Marcus Garvey

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In NYC only 37% of all students were college ready after four years of high school and half of those deemed college ready graduated from only 20 of the 360 schools reporting.

In New York State, only 13% of Black students and 15% of Hispanic high school graduates were ready for college. (NYTimes, June 15, 2011) Nationally 60% of Black men who don't graduate from high school end up in the prison system.

In the California State University system 58% of all students who meet college entrance requirements must remediate math and English in their

first year of college, and at some schools it is as high as 91%. Math is a gateway to college readiness and success. The odds of graduating from college increase dramatically for students who go beyond Algebra II. Taking Trigonometry increases the odds of earning a bachelors degree to almost 4:1, Precalculus to 6:1, and Calculus to 8:1. However fewer than 43% of students in the lowest SES quintile attend schools that offer calculus, and only 63% attend schools that offer

Trigonometry. YPP's work is a powerful model for improving educational and social outcomes particularly for poor students and students of color.

20% of former MLW reported that YPP increased their interest and confidence to pursue careers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics), and 39% reported YPP helped them improve their math grades in school. 83% of former MLW say YPP helped them to develop public speaking abilities and hone their leadership skills.

YPP is recognized as a leading organization by its peers. In 2005 it received and administered a 5-year National Science Foundation (NSF) grant to develop a train-the-trainer program. In 2010 it received a 3-year NSF/ITEST grant to participate in a research project on bridging math and computer programming.

The goal of our "Back to School" campaign is to raise \$180,000 by October 31.

We already have the commitment of a long-time supporter to raise \$60,000. The YPP Board and staff have committed to raising an additional \$60,000 through their networks. We need your support to raise the remaining \$60,000 to maintain our current programs and over the next year deepen and expand our work. With your help we will: Train 12 additional trainers qualified to train college and high school math literacy workers who in turn run YPP programs on college and high school campuses across the country;

You may call me a Klansman if you will, but, potentially, every white man is a Klansman, as far as the Negro in competition with whites socially, economically and politically is concerned, and there is no use lying. Marcus Garvey Expand our "YPP@HamiltonCollege" model to 2 new college sites, and our Brooklyn, New York, "YPP@Boys&GirlsHighSchool" model to 2 additional high school sites;
Establish a national data collection system to track math literacy workers through college, and to provide evidence for our best practices; Expand our donor base and network of support.
Please make your contribution today to the back to school campaign using the link below. (There is also the option to consider becoming a monthly donor.) http://www.typp.org/backtoschool. Sincerely and in appreciation of your ongoing support, Maisha Moses, and the YPP Leadership Team
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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

National Black Authors Tour & National Black Arts Spoken Word Tour with R.E.A.L. (Research in Exemplary African Literature)

Presents

2011 Summer/Fall Black Writers Institute (Free classes in writing, publishing and performance)

11:00am - 2:00pm on Saturdays (August/September) Dates: Saturday, August 20, 27, September 3, 17, 24

Topics:

How to Write a Book and Get Published How to Create Promotions, Publicity and schedule Bookings for a National Tour How to get interviews for Newspapers, Radio and Television How to prepare and utilize your Voice for Public Speaking, Performance and Readings How to Write for the Stage, Film, Print and Broadcast Media How to Break into the Entertainment Business and Performing Arts Field How to Write and Apply for Grants, Fellowships and Writing/Book Awards

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With confidence, you have won before you have started. - Marcus Garvey

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*** SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCES BY AWARDWINNING AND CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED WRITERS OF BOOKS AND FOR STAGE AND SCREEN!!!!!

Seating is Limited!!!! Please RSVP as soon as possible!!!!! For more information contact Maurice Henderson at (215) 820-7571 or <u>mauricebrianhenderson@yahoo.com</u> (www.mauricehenderson.org or <u>creativesocialmedia.org</u>) ----- Coalition members! Activate 'Your' web link on The Coalition, Inc. web site -----

Tides announces 35th anniversary social justice poster design contest

Professional and amateur artists from all backgrounds are invited to submit designs celebrating <u>Tides Foundation</u>'s social change work and compete for a cash award of \$500 and other honors.

The deadline for submissions is August 15th.

For more details, go <u>here</u>.

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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

Shale Gas Outrage Rally

WHEN: Wednesday September 7, 2011 from 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
WHERE: Center City Philadelphia, Arch St., between Broad and 13th Streets; In front of the Pennsylvania Convention Center
This demonstration being led by the environmental group "Protecting Our Waters" is in response to the Marcellus Shale Coalition's major conference in Philadelphia on Sept. 7th and 8th. CEOs from major
fracking companies will be plotting to expand their poisonous operations in PA, NY, OH, MD, WV, VA, and NJ. Pennsylvania Governor Tom Corbett and former governors Tom Ridge and Ed Rendell will be speaking in support of the industry. Dubbed "Shale Gas Insight," this is not only a key trade show for the industry, but also a brazen expression of its political muscle.

Appearing: Josh Fox, Director of the Oscar-nominated "Gasland;" Al Appleton, internationally respected water systems expert; impacted families from "shale country"; organizers fighting for the life of the Delaware River watershed, the commonwealth, the Marcellus Shale region, and the nation; and elected officials who have championed the cause of clean water, clean air, and human health. Additionally, a spiritual singer, comedian, and high-energy musicians will lift up our spirits in such serious times.

Why: Maximizing the sheer numbers attending this rally on September 7th will show a broad-based popular movement that will not tolerate contamination of our air, water, and earth by dirty drilling, or the corruption of our politicians by industry money. We will demand that not one more family be poisoned by fracking and shale gas extraction. Click here to RSVP

26th Annual Philadelphia Senior Games

GAMES'11 – By Lawrence Geller The 26th annual Philadelphia Senior Games jumpstarts its second quarter of a century on Wednesday, September 7, with a grand opening Body and Soul Fitness Expo at the Center in the Park Senior Community Center, 5818 Germantown Av., showcasing the physical, mental and athletic spirit of seniors 50+. The games usually held in the spring were delayed this year due to the administrative merger of the Dept. of Recreation (founder of the games and sole host 1986-2010) with the Parks Commission.

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To join The Coalition go to: <u>TheCoalitionInc.net</u> and download a copy of the Pledge of Commitment complete, and return it to us <u>the.pa.coalition@gmail.com</u>

Hereeeeeeeees... Kathy's Korner!

This feature will return next issue.

"We are so excited to be stepping up to the plate and co-hosting the games with Parks and Recreation," said Lynn Fields Harris, director of the center, which has been a past sponsor and a member of the games' planning committee.

"Notwithstanding the post-Labor Day start," she continued, "older adults can look forward to an exciting and memorable experience in whichever events they participate."

Registration fee for the games is \$10. Persons wishing more information should contact Ms. Brannon Johnson, program director, Center in the Park, at 215-848-7722.

Let the games begin!

Center in the Park is a community center that promotes positive aging and fosters community connections for older adults in Northwest Philadelphia, whose voices are critical instruments in shaping its activities and direction. CIP is accredited by the National Institute of Senior Centers, a unit of the National Council on Aging as a provider of excellent programs, activities and services for its active membership of more than 5,000 and its 1,000 homebound clients.

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Human Relations Commission seeks nominees for Human Rights Awards

The Philadelphia Commission on Human Relations

is accepting nominations for

2011 Human Rights Awards.

For more than 25 years, the PCHR has hosted an awards event to recognize individuals, nonprofits and business organizations for encouraging intergroup harmony in Philadelphia.

The Awards will be presented at the PCHR Annual Human Rights Awards Ceremony and 60th Anniversary Celebration on Wednesday, October 5th.

Award categories include Arts & Culture, Community Service, Law Enforcement, Corporate Responsibility, and Nonprofit Organization. Receiving the 2011 PCHR Clarence Farmer Service Award will be the Rev. Luis Cortes, Jr., President of Esperanza, a national organization that brings hope to Latino communities across America. In addition, Carol E. Tracy, Esq., Executive Director of the Women's Law Project, whose mission is to advance the rights and status of women throughout their lives, will receive the inaugural PCHR Sadie Alexander Leadership Award.

To nominate an individual or organization, call <u>215-686-4675</u> or send an e-mail to <u>Jack Fingerman</u>.

All nominations must include the name, mailing address, telephone

The Black skin is not a badge of shame, but rather a glorious symbol of national greatness. Marcus Garvey

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SECOND ANNUAL COMMEMORATION OF NAT TURNER'S SLAVE REBELLION

At 3:00 PM on Sunday, August 21, the People's Organization for Progress, together with the Friends of Nat Turner, will celebrate the 180th Anniversary of the slave rebellion which Turner led in South Hampton County, Virginia in 1831. During Turner's uprising on August 21, he and his supporters killed 56 slave owners and their murderous henchmen, marking the revolt as the rebellion with the highest number of white fatalities in the Antebellum South.

Newark's Nat Turner Park,

where the anniversary demonstration will take place, is located between 18th and Muhammad Ali Avenues in Newark's Central Ward, also bordered by Bergen & Livingston Streets, adjacent to the Hayes Park West Recreation area, as well as Central High School. "NatTurner Park in Newark is certainly unique in honoring this important battle against oppression in our history," Larry Hamm, chairman of the People's Organization for Progress explained. "We have an obligation to make certain that our young people know the full story

of this heroic insurrection," he added.

"We look forward to making this a yearly event!" Newark residents and activists are invited to join POP and the Friends of Nat Turners Park, with drums and wearing African attire for this important celebration of our heritage.

For more information please contact Lois Thomas, President of Friends of Nat Turner Park at 973-242-2809, Elizabeth McGrady at 973-484-7951 or 973-801-0001.

Our success educationally, industrially and politically is based upon the protection of a nation founded by ourselves. And the nation can be nowhere else but in Africa. Marcus Garvey

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COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

Comcast unveils new plan to combat digital divide

Comcast has announced that it will begin offering a new service, <u>Internet Essentials</u>, in time for the 2011-12 school year. This initiative will directly address the major barriers that many in our communities face for in-home broadband adoption: affordability and lack of digital literacy.

In today's world, it is important for everyone to be digitally literate. Broadband adoption is vital for our communities because it helps improve our children's education, our local economy, and the ability for members of our communities to find jobs and benefit from opportunities available online.

Comcast Internet Essentials will provide eligible families with:

-- Affordable home Internet service (\$9.95 per month)

-- A low-cost computer (\$149.99 plus taxes)

-- Access to free internet training – online, in print and in classroom (at established community training sites)

Internet Essentials will be available everywhere that Comcast offers its high-speed Internet service. Students in more than 4,000 school districts in 39 states and the District of Columbia will be able to participate.

Comcast will accept new Internet Essentials participants for at least three years, through the end of the 2013-14 school year. Any household that qualifies during this three-year period will remain eligible for Internet Essentials, provided the household still qualifies for the program, until that child graduates from high school.

For more details, go here.

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Neighborhood Opportunities through Mobile Accessible Destinations

seeks host agencies

OIC seeks agencies to host computer, internet trainings Philadelphia OIC's NOMAD (Neighborhood Opportunities through Mobile Accessible Destinations) Program is currently seeking community partnerships with organizations that want to host computer & Internet trainings at their site(s) during the NOMAD's September-October 2011 training cycle. The NOMAD Program can deploy a mobile computer lab to partnership sites on a regular schedule to conduct basic-to- intermediate computer trainings, general Internet-usage classes, and informational technology sessions. Additionally, the labs can be used to support current or

There is no force like success, and that is why the individual makes all effort to surround himself throughout life with the evidence of it; as of the individual, so should it be of the nation. - Marcus Garvey planned workshops & classes developed by other organizations. <u>Go here</u> to become a NOMAD partner today OR call Erich Smith at 215-236-7700 for more information. ----- Coalition members! Activate 'Your' web link on The Coalition, Inc. web site -----

Free online journal focuses on technology for nonprofits

Technology can help nonprofits create the change they want to see in the world. But even with daily evidence of world-changing innovations and applications of technology, it's difficult for nonprofit leaders to know how to apply it to their missions.

<u>NTEN:Change</u>, a free online journal from the <u>Nonprofit Technology Network</u>,

provides the guidance and practical considerations nonprofits need to make the sound investments and decisions that will help them meet their goals.

Free subscriptions are available <u>here</u>. ----- Coalition members! Activate '<u>Your' web link</u> on The Coalition, Inc. web site -----

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 Free Trial.

www.mobilecitizen.org/grantphiladelphia

<u>A HAND UP!</u>

"None of us has gotten where we are solely by pulling ourselves up from our own bootstraps. We got here because somebody bent down and helped us." - Thurgood Marshall

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: <u>http://nofullprices.net</u>

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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There shall be no solution to this race problem until you, yourselves, strike the blow for liberty. - Marcus Garvey

Look for me in the whirlwind or the storm. -Marcus Garvey

IT'S HERE!! Our group A HAND UP! Is now open, please go to: <u>A HAND UP!</u>

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.

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WORD-OF-THE-WEEK

redoubtable \rih-DOW-tuh-buhl\: Arousing fear or alarm; formidable. Illustrious; eminent; worthy of respect or honor. Remember to support The Coalition, Inc.'s on-air personalities...

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 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 <u>mwmsistahood@aol.com</u> to chat on line.