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News From The Coalition, Inc.

"Communication – Cooperation – Collaboration"

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Greetings Coalition Family!

Keep in mind that you are only one person, but you are that person and it just takes that person to get the job done. Take care of yourself, eat and rest well, and avoid the toxic elements that seek to impede your progress. GOD loves you and so do we, and there's nothing you can do about it!

We have a choice every day - to act on yesterday's good intentions or get an early start on tomorrow's regrets.

~Robert Brault

*"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

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In these trying times, many families are having financial difficulties including budgeting; foreclosures; and credit issues. On the www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia website, under the Parenting Resources Handout (http://www.cap4kids.org/philadelphia/parent_handouts/parenting_foster_care_adoption.html), you will find a section entitled Benefits/Financial Planning for Families. Here you will find multiple resources to help families stretch their dollar and receive the benefits that they deserve. You will also find the Consumer Credit Counseling Service that helps families with various financial challenges.

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THIS WEEK

Please join Physicians for Social Responsibility at

The 12th Annual Soul of Medicine Brunch

Sunday October 23, 2011 from 11:00-1:00pm

College of Physicians

19 S. 22nd Street, Philadelphia, 19103

"Being a Physician: Not for the Faint of Heart"

In its 12th year, this anticipated annual event brings clinicians and students together to discuss their role and survival in the current healthcare environment. A themed, storytelling format is used to engage attendees followed by informal small discussion groups between clinicians and students.

Featuring Guest Speaker Dr. Esther K. Chung

Esther K. Chung is Associate Professor of Pediatrics at Jefferson Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University and Nemours. She is Director of the Newborn Nursery at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and Director of JeffSTARS, an advocacy training program for residents and students. Dr. Chung received her MD/MPH joint degree from Columbia University in 1991, and has devoted over 20 years of service to families living in poverty.

Ken Ginsburg Soul of Medicine Award

Awarded annually to the 4th year student at each of the 5 area medical schools who emulates the values of the Soul of Medicine founder Ken

"If you want happiness for a lifetime - help the next generation." - Chinese Proverbs

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EightCitiesMAP
Choose "Philadelphia's Online Community "Newsletter" from the menu.*

schools who emulates the values of the Soul of Medicine founder Ken Ginsburg. He/she cares for their patients with respect, compassion, understanding and integrity. Treats those around their patients, fellow students and faculty with respect, understanding and appreciation.

Students are welcome as guests. Faculty and practitioners are asked to contribute \$25. [Click here to RSVP](#)

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King of Prussia Career Fair

Monday, October 24, 2011,
11AM - 2PM

Dolce Valley Forge Hotel
1301 West Dekalb Pike
King of Prussia, PA 19406

<http://www.coasttocoastcareerfairs.com>

NAACP Professional Career Reception
Tuesday, October 25, 2011, 10AM – 3PM

Embassy Suites Philadelphia – Airport
9000 Bartram Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19153

<http://psijobfair.com>

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Urban Networking 101

Back by popular demand is the dynamic Urban Networking101. This workshop is facilitated by Michael Rice, a master networker with over 25 years of networking in both private and public sectors. In this first session of four part series, participants learn how to identify their personal skill sets. They learn how to ask questions that get them resources and connections. They also develop and practice their 30 second introduction or elevator speech.

Tuesday, October 25th
6-8:30 pm. at the
School District Bldg,
440 North Broad Street,
Philadelphia, PA.

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The Harvest: Spoken Soul 215 Open Mic

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*"Don't let your victories go to your head, or your failures go to your heart."
- Author Unknown*

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Spoken Soul 215 is a spoken word artist collective dedicated to promoting open mic events throughout the Philadelphia region. The collective is proud to bring you The Harvest every month, where poets, vocalists, lyricists, emcees and musicians come to share their gifts. Spoken Soul 215 consists of artists Just Greg, Lyrispect, Rhapsode, Reuben Jones & Vision, hailing from all over the country, but representing Philadelphia. They present The Harvest in conjunction with Buje Concepts Marketing, Skyy Vodka, SP PHotography, Fur Salon and more importantly, YOU!

8pm Tuesday, October 25th, 2011 &
Wednesday, November 30th, 2011
World Café Live
3025 Walnut St.,
Philadelphia, PA, 19104

Doors / Dinner seating at 7:00pm | Showtime 8:00pm | Downstairs Live
Advance Tickets: General Admission Seating*: \$10 (\$9 ticket \$1 processing fee) Day of Show Tickets: General Admission Seating*: \$12 (\$11 ticket \$1 processing fee)

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EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OPPORUNITIES

FEMA positions up to six figures available in our online [Coalition Group](#) ongoing updates will be posted as they become available.

HEALTH MATTERS

Hepatitis B testing on Saturday

This Saturday, free testing for hepatitis B at four different locations in the city. Hep B is even more common than HIV and higher in the Asian community.

Good morning partners – I wanted to give you all some quick updates on our 10/22 B A Hero Screening Day. We are confirmed and ready at all 4 sites!

- Children's Hospital of Philadelphia – The CHOP screening and education event will take place in the

Stokes Auditorium, Main Building.

CHOP is generously donating phlebotomy for this event, and we

Kind words do not cost much. Yet they accomplish much. - Blaise Pascal

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will be screening both children and adults. This is a great opportunity for entire high-risk families to be screened! AFAHO, our community partner for this site, will be promoting the event to the African immigrant community, and will be bringing participants and providing translation. P-HOP, UPenn APAMSA, Circle K and Alex Shirreffs, the Philadelphia Adult Viral Hepatitis Coordinator, will be volunteering at this site, as well. Big thanks to Jessi Erlichman, CHOP site leader, for pulling this site together!

- Drexel/Hahnemann

The event will be held at
231 North Broad Street,

directly across the street from the main hospital entrance. We are lucky to have both Melissa Coleman and Dr. Kenneth Rothstein in attendance at this event, where we will be screening high-risk folks from around Chinatown. We will have bi-lingual staff (Mandarin/English) and volunteers at this site. The Center for Asian Health and ASIAC are major community partners for this site. Drexel Team HBV, PCOM APAMSA and Circle K are all sending volunteers to help out. Many thanks to Melissa Coleman for taking the lead!

- Jefferson – This event will be at

Alumni Hall,
1020 Locust St,
Philadelphia, PA 19107.

We are working with the Chinese Health and Information Center to screen individuals from the Chinatown area. Jefferson APAMSA is a major contributor at this site, and will be volunteering on that day. Many thanks to Phil Siu, and to Leilei Duan for working so hard to complete this site!

- Einstein – The Einstein screening and education will take place at

Center for Liver Disease,
Klein Suite 101, First Floor of Klein Building,
5401 Old York Road.

The Center for Asian Health, Asian Community Health Coalition, HepTREC and Cambodian Association of Greater Philadelphia (CAGP) are partnering to make this site a success! Circle K students from Temple will be volunteering at this site, as well as UMDNJ APAMSA students. Many thanks to Eileen Brunwasser and Victor Araya for helping to

*"There's only one corner
of the universe you can be
certain of improving, and
that's your own self." -
Aldous Huxley*

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Kingsessing Fifth Division Community of Neighbors

COME ON OUT WITH K5DCN FOR OUR

“WALK TOO WELLNESS II.”

WALKING TOGETHER WE WILL GET SOME EXERCISE AND WE
BUILD OUR RELATIONSHIPS, AND LEARN ABOUT OUR DIETS.

EVERY MONDAY AND TUESDAY (6PM) WE MEET AT THE

CORNER OF

51ST AND CHESTER AVENUE.

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Contact: Christians United Against Addiction

Sherry Jones at 215-248-0260 or

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GREEN PIECE

Banana Peels Can Purify Polluted Drinking Water, Scientists Say

by [Katie Robbins](#)

Did you hear the one about the chemist and the banana peel?

As much as it sounds like one, this isn't the set-up for a slapstick punch line. Scientists in Brazil have discovered that banana peels can be used to clean polluted drinking water, [NPR reports](#).

Gustavo Castro, an environmental chemist at Sao Paulo State University, suspected that we might be overlooking valuable properties in the peels.

"I have heard for a long time that we usually throw out the best part of the fruit and that most of the nutrients and proteins are in parts not used by us, such as the peels," he told the [American Chemical Society](#) in a podcast. "From there, I decided to make an initial experiment to determine the chemical composition of the peel."

Castro found that banana peels contain nitrogen, sulfur, and carboxylic acids, which, he noted, bind with positively-charged heavy metals often leached into water from mining or industrial runoff. Since many methods of removing metals from the water are expensive and toxic, Castro thought he might be on to a more natural method of cleaning drinking water.

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"When written in Chinese, the word 'crisis' is composed of two characters. One represents danger and the other represents opportunity." - John F. Kennedy

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*A day is Eternity's seed,
and we are its Gardeners.
~Erika Harris*

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He and his colleagues chopped and dried bits of banana peel and combined them with water from Brazil's polluted Paraná River. The peels stood up to other types of commonly-used filtering products like silica and carbon, and scientists found that the peels could be used up to 11 times without losing their purifying powers.

And they were cheap.

"I was surprised to learn that something so simple could work so well," said Castro. "I believe banana peels can be of great importance in water purification."

But one important question remains: With banana skins going to a good cause, what will pranksters use for a good-old fashioned peel pratfall?
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The [Electronic Industries Alliance](#) 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. <http://www.recyclingservices.org/>

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

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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 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

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I thought growing up was something that happened automatically as you got older. But it turns out it's something you have to choose to do. ~From the television show Scrubs

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Are you currently in shut off status with your utility companies? ACHIEVEability now accepting UESF utility applications. See flyer attached. Utility Grant Program: Will assist with gas (PGW), electric (PECO) and water (PWD) accounts in shut off status or already terminated. Maximum amount for gas and electric is \$1,500 and water is \$500. All grants must be applied to the utility account and reach a zero balance. If the bill is an excess of the grant the applicant is responsible for the balance at time of their application. **ELIGIBILITY**· Applicant must have notice from utility company of termination or impending shut off.· When LiHeap Cash and Crisis opens, applicant must have notice of award amount or denial letter.· Applicant must be a Philadelphia resident.· Applicant must not have received Utility Grant in past 24 months.· Applicant must have social security cards and 30-day income information for everyone in household.· Applicant must provide utility bill in their name.· Applicant must be within the below income guidelines:

House-hold Size	Per Month
1 person	\$1,588
2 persons	\$2,145
3 persons	\$2,702
4 persons	\$3,259
5 persons	\$3,816
6 persons	\$4,374

Contact ACHIEVEability's Community Office at 215-748-8838 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

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LIFT-Philadelphia sponsors free workshop series for community

LIFT-Philadelphia is sponsoring a free workshop series starting this October on topics such as Food and Nutrition, Rock Your Resume, Dental Health and Screening, Interviewing, Financial Recovery, and Basics of Computer Use.

For more information: <http://hostsed.uwsepa.org/newsletter/lift.pdf>

SpotLight On Our Efforts

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Hereeeeeeeeeeeeeees...
Kathy's Korner!

As a premed student at Washington University in St. Louis, I had to take a difficult class in physics. One day our professor was discussing a particularly complicated concept. A student rudely interrupted to ask "Why do we have to learn this stuff?" "To save lives." the professor responded quickly and continued the lecture. A few minutes later, the same student spoke up again. "So how does physics save lives?" he persisted. "It usually keeps the idiots like you out of medical school," replied the professor.

(Kathy Parsons is a regular contributor.)

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All entries for

The Kingsessing Fifth Division Community of Neighbors is a community group, with a core group of block captains, who have been actively involved in servicing the needs of the residents in our community. This year our organization will be sponsoring our 2nd annual blanket drive to collect blankets for members of our community.

The name of this project is

“Operation Blank Out the Cold.”

The goal of this effort is to supply at least one blanket to the more than one hundred families that will be in need of such a resource. The belief of K5DCN's is that there are people such as you, your company, churches, agencies, and other organizations that would be interested in participating in such a worthy project. Last year thanks to many such as yourselves we collected 100 blankets. We know that because of the high cost of energy, and the financial crisis that our country continues to experience, our neighbors need our help. Due to health reasons we request that your donations be new blankets. K5DCN also knows that it was supporters like you who help us in September 2011 when we gave away 245 schoolbags full of school supplies.

The dates we will be collecting blankets are Saturday November 16, 2011 through Saturday November 30, 2011. The following place is a drop-off point for your contribution. 1216 South 52nd Street (11am-3pm) Monday thru Saturday. Please call for five blankets or more, we will pick up.

To support this worthy effort contact:

215-726-7547,
267-254-9972
267-432-3829

EMAIL: greg3957ben@aol.com

Blankets will be distributed on Saturday 12/03/11 during the Kingsessing Christmas Service at the Kingsessing Recreation Center, located at 49th and Chester Avenue.

Come on out and share the evening. Festivities start at 3pm. Thanking you in advance for your attention. April Turner Co-Coordinator
Gloria Turner Co-coordinator

SUPPORT OUR BLANKET COLLECTION FOR FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY. PLEASE GIVE.

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Wisdom is the quality that keeps you from getting into situations where you need it. ~Doug Larson

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Fifth Division Community of Neighbors Christmas Service at the Kingsessing Recreation Center, located at 49th and Chester Avenue. Come on out and share in the service. Start time 3PM.

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

African American Museum seeks volunteers

The African American Museum in Philadelphia collects and preserves art and artifacts and, through exhibitions and programs, interprets the history and stories of African Americans and those of the African Diaspora. AAMP welcomes volunteers primarily for clerical duties, including updating the website and mailing newsletters. Volunteers for special events are also welcome.

The museum offers one-time and ongoing volunteer opportunities. Generally, volunteers work normal business hours on weekdays or weekends, but special events may take place during the evenings. Although a background check isn't necessary, volunteers will be asked for a resume, as well as undergo an interview.

For more information, call Cassandra Murray at 215-574-0380 x227
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White House AAPI Initiative Asks Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders To Submit 3-Minute Videos

Highlighting Community's Change Makers

The White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders has launched an online video challenge, asking participants to submit personal stories about people who have had an impact on the people around them.

The effort, called "What's Your Story" aims to highlight community service by Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders whose dedication to a cause has made a difference in their communities.

Participants are asked to submit a video describing unique experiences that have shaped who they are in less than three minutes.

White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders director Kiran Ahuja said the video challenge is designed to help understand more about important issues facing the community and to highlight their contributions.

Entries are accepted in any form, including music video, public

service announcement, short film, video blog or in an interview format. Essays will also be accepted in the place of video entries. All entries should showcase someone's work around a specific issue facing the AAPI community in under three minutes or with fewer than 1,000 words.

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*You only have to do a very few things right in your life so long as you don't do too many things wrong.
- Warren Buffett*

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Entries should be submitted online at
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/WhatsYourStory>
by Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2011.

A video describing the Initiative's effort is available at
<http://youtu.be/UiSgHYNd53Q?hd=1>

A select number of entries will be posted on the White House website and a group of exceptional leaders highlighted will be selected to attend a White House briefing this fall and given the opportunity to share their stories in-person.

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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

PARENT APPRECIATION DAY EVENT

The Educational Advocates Reaching Today's Hardworking Students, Inc. (EARTHS) announced that, in conjunction with PARENT POWER, Central North E.P.I.C. Stakeholders, and Blues Babe Foundation, the 2nd Annual Parent Appreciation Day event will be held at the
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FREE information about children's programs, money management, and parent advocacy will be available. Light refreshments will be served and there will be FREE prizes and give-a-ways.

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It is wise to keep in mind that no success or failure is necessarily final. - Unknown

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BOOGIE ON DOWN TO THE PINK PLAYGROUND RAISES FUNDS FOR BREAST HEALTH INITIATIVE

Bebashi is pleased to host their first

Pink Playground Fundraiser
an indoor carnival for adults, on
Thursday, November 3, 2011
Waterview Lounge
1020 N. Delaware Avenue
Philadelphia, PA.

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Free will is not the liberty to do whatever one likes, but the power of doing whatever one sees ought to be done, even in the very face of otherwise overwhelming impulse. There lies freedom, indeed.

Unknown Source

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A woman who died found herself standing outside the Pearly Gates, being greeted by St. Peter. She asked him, "Oh, is this place what I really think it is? It's so beautiful.

Did I really make it to heaven?"

To which St. Peter replied, "Yes, my dear, these are the Gates to Heaven. But you must do one more thing before you can enter." The woman was very excited, and asked of St. Peter what she must do to pass through the gates. "Spell a word," St. Peter replied. "What word?" she asked.

"Any word," answered St. Peter. "It's your choice." The woman promptly replied, "Then the word I will spell is love.L-o-v-e." St. Peter congratulated her on her good fortune to have made it to Heaven, and asked her if she would mind taking his place at the gates for a few minutes while he went to the bathroom.

"I'd be honored," she said, "but what should I do if someone comes while you are gone?"

St. Peter reassured her, and instructed the woman to simply have any newcomers to the Pearly Gates to spell a word as she had done. So the woman is left

This exciting and festive event will include lots of live entertainment, jugglers, magicians, caricature artists, chair massages, cotton candy, popcorn, soft pretzels, prizes, wine bar and more. Bebashi will honor advocates and survivors of breast cancer at Pink Playground.

This year's award recipients include:

Elaine Groban of Susan G. Komen for the Cure - Philadelphia Affiliate who will receive the Advocate's Award;

Lorina Marshall Blake will receive the Survivor's Award; and Patricia K. Bradley, PhD, RN will receive the Quality of Life Award.

All funds raised will benefit Bebashi's, "Our Bodies" breast health initiative. "Our Bodies" identifies medically underserved women of color in metropolitan Philadelphia, and links them to resources that provide breast cancer screening and diagnostic services. "Our Bodies" educates women on how to reduce the risk of getting breast cancer and refers eligible participants to healthcare facilities and providers for screenings and tests related to breast health. Women of color are less likely to get Breast Cancer, but more likely to die from it. An increase in screenings, can detect abnormalities sooner and potentially save lives. Tickets may be purchased on-line at <http://bebashi.ticketleap.com/pink-playground> or by contacting Bebashi at 215.769.3561 x-140.

Ticket prices are as follows: Early bird donation is \$55 before October 20th; \$65 from October 21st through November 2nd; and \$70 at the door. About Bebashi: Bebashi was founded in 1985 in response to increasing incidences of HIV/AIDS in the urban community of Philadelphia, at a time when there were no HIV/AIDS educational programs or services targeting the African American or other communities of color. Our mission is to provide culturally sensitive health related information, direct service, research, and technical assistance to the urban community in the areas of sexual health and prevention of sexually transmitted diseases. Our services include: Our Bodies Breast Health Initiative, Prevention Education, Prevention Counseling and HIV/STI Testing, Syphilis Elimination, Early Intervention, Medical Case Management, Emergency Food Cupboard, and Support Groups. Bebashi is a 501©3 non profit organization.

For more information, please contact Deena Weems Thornton at Bebashi: Transition to Hope at 215 769-3561 x140 or

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Please visit us on-line at www.bebashi.org.

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sitting in St. Peter's chair and watching the beautiful angels soaring around her when a man approaches the gates. She realizes it is her loser husband.

"What happened?" she cried, "Why are you here?" (cont.)

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Her husband stared at her for a moment, then said, "I was so drunk when I left your funeral, I was in an accident. And now I am here? Did I really make it to Heaven?" To which the woman replied, "Not yet. You must spell a word first." "What word?" he asked. The woman responded, "Czechoslovakia." (Thx Laura Lawson)

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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, [Internet Essentials](#), 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.

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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.

[NTEN:Change](#), a free online journal from the [Nonprofit Technology Network](#),

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

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Group offers low-cost web access to nonprofits

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

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

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

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www.mobilecitizen.org/grantphiladelphia

A HAND UP!

"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

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<http://nofullprices.net>

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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.

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.

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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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