

CPS Service-Learning Initiative Calendar 2011-2012

Thu Sep 22, 2011

3pm - 5pm New Service-Learning Coach Orientation

Where: CPS, 320 N. Elizabeth Street

Description: New Service-Learning Coach Orientation

Fri Sep 23, 2011

3pm - 5pm Harris Fellows Meeting

Where: TBA

Description:

Contact Cristina Salgado, program manager, at 773-553-6392 or Csalgad1@gmail.com

Sat Sep 24, 2011

7am - 5pm International Day of Climate Action

Where: Chicago

Description:

Moving Planet will be a day to put our demands for climate action into motion—marching, biking, skating—calling for the world to go beyond fossil fuels. Find an event in Chicago here: <http://www.moving-planet.org/>

9am - 12pm National Public Lands Day - Seed Collection at Hegewisch Marsh

Where: Hegewisch Marsh, 13250 S. Torrence Ave., Chicago, IL

Description:

Join the Chicago Department of Environment in helping with vital wetland and restoration by collecting seeds at Hegewisch Marsh, which is in its fifth year of restoration work. Volunteers will collect native seeds from prairie plants and learn about restoration at the site. Instruction on plant ID and seed collection will be provided. Materials will be provided. Please wear long sleeve shirts, jeans or old pants, work shoes and bring a refillable water bottle. Call Jerry Attere at 312-744-9136 to RSVP.

9:30am - 12:30pm Loyola Beach Dunes Workday

Where: Loyola Beach Dunes (Pratt Blvd. & Lake Michigan)

Description:

Help the Chicago Park District enhance Loyola Beach Dunes by planting native dune plants, pulling invasive weeds, and enhancing the nature area. Tools and gloves will be provided. Please dress for the weather. Questions: Contact Ann Whalen, 773-743-2662, for more information. Meet at the entrance to the natural area.

11am - 2pm Roll Beyond Coal: Bike Ride, Rally and March for Clean Energy

Where: Daley Plaza

Description:

On Saturday September 24th, citizens of Chicago will come together on the International Day of Climate Action to call for a roll out of current solutions to the climate crisis. Roll Beyond Coal is an event that will bring Chicagoans together to create a local movement to build clean, climate smart transportation and energy options that are good for ...our health and planet. Our event is one of many planned worldwide calling on leaders and corporations, those who have previously denied or moved too slowly to address climate change, to stop holding up progress and to get moving now to work with us to solve the climate crisis. Check <http://www.chicagoradicalendar.org> for event details.

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11am - 2pm Understanding Adulthood and Creating Partnerships with Youth

Where: Chicago Freedom Schools Center for Social Change, 719 S. State St., Ste. 3N

Description:

Adulthood is a form of oppression that privileges adults over youth and children. It perpetuates age-based stereotypes that limit the potential for intergenerational power-building. When people practice adulthood, young people are viewed as objects instead of resources. This training will help adults learn more about how to dismantle adulthood culturally, institutionally, interpersonally, and personally in order to create healthy partnerships with youth. Participants will be challenged to learn what they can do to be an ally to young people in schools and organizations. Pre-registration is required. Complete the registration for the Adulthood training online here. This workshop is intended for adults who are working with youth in schools, neighborhoods, organizations, and places of worship. Please contact Hilda Franco at hilda@chicagofreedomschool.org with any questions. <http://www.chicagofreedomschool.org/>

Sun Sep 25, 2011

8am - 12pm Brookfield Zoo Run Run

Where: 8400 31st Street, Brookfield, IL

Description:

Each year more species lose their race for survival and disappear from the wild. But it is a race we can win, and YOU CAN HELP! The Chicago Zoological Society Conservation Fund is dedicated to making a difference for these species across the globe. Better than ever with courses entirely within the park! To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

1pm - 3pm

Teachers for Social Justice Curriculum Fair PR/Outreach Committee Meeting

Description:

Interested in helping out with the TSJ Curriculum Fair on the PR/Outreach committee? Email steph.organize@gmail.com for more information on this upcoming meeting.

Mon Sep 26, 2011

5:30pm - 8:30pm

Beyond the Prison Industrial Complex: The World We Want is the World We Need

Where: UIC -- 750 S. Halsted, Room 302, Student Center East

Description:

Scholar and activist Ruth Wilson Gilmore, author of the award winning book, *Golden Gulag*, will discuss her stunning critique of mass imprisonment. She is the past President of the American Studies Association; co-founder of Critical Resistance, a national organization working to end the prison industrial complex, and co-founder of the California Prison Moratorium Project. Gilmore's visionary leadership has been instrumental in advancing the campaign to end the prison industrial complex and to build genuine pathways to freedom and justice. For information, call: The Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy (312) 996-6339 or The Jane Addams Hull House Museum (312) 413-5353. blog: beyondthepic.tumblr.com email: beyondthepic@gmail.com All are welcome. This event is ADA accessible.

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Tue Sep 27, 2011

3pm - 5pm CERAP New Teachers Orientation

Where: 320 N. Elizabeth St.

Description:

Information meeting for teachers interested in the Carbon Emissions Reduction Action Project (CERAP). Contact Jon Schmidt at 773.553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us

Sat Oct 1, 2011

7am - 12pm AIDS Run/Walk Event

Where: Grant Park

Description:

Since its inception in 2001, more than 20,000 participants, raising more than \$3 million net, have converged in Grant Park to get moving against HIV/AIDS. Join the fight with thousands of others in 2011 and help the AIDS Foundation of Chicago (AFC) raise more than \$500,000 net! It's never too early to start fundraising. If you need assistance please call (312) 922-2322. Contact the AIDS Run & Walk Chicago Team at runwalk@aidschicago.org or (312) 334-0946 or visit the website at <http://www.aidsrunwalk.org>

8:30am - 1:15pm McCormick Teacher Resource Fair

Where: National Teachers Academy, 55 W Cermak Chicago, IL

Description:

Join the McCormick Foundation Civics Program for our sixth annual Teacher Resource Fair. This event offers middle and high school educators the opportunity to attend professional development sessions led by area teachers and staff from the Civics Program as well as other civic-minded organizations. 3 CPDUs available For more information visit <http://robertmccormickfoundation.net> or contact Janice Belzowski, professional development coordinator, at JBelzowski@McCormickFoundation.org.

9am - 12pm

Beaubien Woods Ecological Stewardship Volunteer Day (Monthly on the first Saturday)

Where:

Beaubien Woods, meet at the preserve's only picnic shelter adjacent to Flatfoot Lake (take Bishop Ford [I-94] to the Beaubien Woods, exit #69 just south of 130th St. If coming from the south, exit at 1030th St. and loop back onto the expressway so that you can get off on Beaubien Exit)

Description:

On the first Thursday of every month, learn about this natural area and clear invasive species from the preserve with the Field Museum & Forest Preserve District of Cook County. Your help goes a long way in helping to beautify the site. Tools, gloves and snacks provided.

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11am - 12pm

Chicago Conservation Corps (C3) Fall 2011 Environmental Leadership Training Series Orientation

Where: Chicago Center for Green Technology 445 N. Sacramento Blvd. Chicago, IL 60649

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1pm - 5pm Pedal for Peace Bike-a-Thon

Where: Chicago lakefront

Description:

Chicago Religious Leadership Network on Latin America Sign up to ride on the 12 or 24 mile loop along the beautiful Chicago lakefront and ask friends and family to sponsor you. All proceeds will go to support health, education, and advocacy projects in Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras. Contact Jim Vondracek, jvondracek@crln.org or 773-293-3680 for more information. Visit <http://www.crln.org> to download a Pedal for Peace packet, including a printable pre-registration form, pledge form, instructions and a fuller description of the projects funded, are attached. If

Sun Oct 2, 2011

7:30am - 12pm Multiple Myeloma Race for Research

Where: Grant Statue - Lincoln Park

Description:

The MMRF Race for Research 5K Walk/Run is a family friendly event and is appropriate for all ages and skill levels. Fundraising is not required, though greatly appreciated. For more information about the MMRF Race for Research Series, contact rates@themmrf.org or Laura L. Higgins at 203-652-0238. For more information on the web at <http://www.themmrf.org/>

9am - 12pm

North Park Village Stewardship Day (Weekly on Sundays and Wednesdays)

Where: North Park Village Nature Center (5801 N. Pulaski Rd.)

Description:

Come out any Sunday or Wednesday throughout the year to help the Chicago Park District restore the woodland, wetland, and prairie communities in the nature preserve. Activities include planting native species and invasive species control. Registration is required. Please call the Nature Center at 312-744-5472 to register. The Nature Center is located at 5801 N. Pulaski Rd., between Foster Ave. and Peterson Ave. Tools, gloves, and refreshments are provided.

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Mon Oct 3, 2011

State Farm Youth Council Applications Due

Mon Oct 3, 2011 - Tue Oct 4, 2011

Where: Nationwide

Description:

If you are between the ages of 17-20 and passionate about service-learning, then come join the State Farm Youth Advisory Board! Each year, some of the best and brightest students from the U.S. and Canada are selected to the Board. Apply online at <http://www.statefarmyab.com/apply>.

10:30am - 12pm The Food Circle (Weekly on Mondays)

Where: Old Town

Description:

Volunteers are welcome on Mondays throughout the school year to bag and distribute food in our Monday Food Service Program. Contact Sarah Cummings, program coordinator, for more information scummings@mgrf.org

12pm - 1pm

Chicago Conservation Corps (C3) Fall 2011 Environmental Leadership Training Series Orientation

Where: City Hall, 121 N. La Salle St., 11th Floor, Chicago, IL 60602

Description:

To apply for Chicago Conservation Corps' Fall 2011 Environmental Leadership Training Series, you must be a City of Chicago resident and attend an orientation. Please note times are subject to change. At the Chicago Conservation Corps' Fall 2011 Environmental Leadership Training Series, you'll learn from community and environmental leaders about urban environmental challenges and opportunities for change; then you'll lead an environmental service project in your community with C3 support and resources. To sign up for an orientation or for more information, visit www.conservationcorps.org or contact C3 at 312-743-9283 or conservation@cityofchicago.org. A \$75 fee covers course participation and project support. Financial assistance is available upon request.

5:30pm - 8:30pm

Active Trans Volunteer Nights (Monthly on the first and third Mondays)

Where: 9 West Hubbard Street, Suite 402

Description:

Every first and third Tuesday of the month Active Transportation Alliance needs regular assistance at its office at 9 W. Hubbard St., Suite 402, Chicago. Projects will vary, and may include (but are not limited to) stuffing envelopes, data entry, targeted phone calls, and event preparation. Snacks will be provided. This is an excellent opportunity to meet other bicycle advocates in a social environment. All volunteers are welcome regardless of membership status. RSVP to kevin@activetrans.org or 312.427.3325 x239

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Tue Oct 4, 2011

6pm - 7pm

Chicago Conservation Corps (C3) Fall 2011 Environmental Leadership Training Series Orientation

Where: Washington Park Fieldhouse, 5531 S. Martin Luther King Dr., Chicago, IL 60637

Description:

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6pm - 8pm Dignity Diner (Weekly on Tuesdays)

Where: Holy Covenant Methodist Church, 925 W Diversey, Chicago, IL 60614

Description:

Dignity Diner is a weekly feeding program serving Chicago's homeless and hungry. Throughout the year, the church provides a vegetarian meal, restaurant-style, where "respect is always on the menu." Approximately 50 men women are served a nutritious meal every Tuesday night, and those who are unable to stay are given a meal to take away. To volunteer email us at dignitydinerchicago@gmail.com for details, or come by Tuesday nights at 5:30pm Phone: (773) 528-6462

Thu Oct 6, 2011

3pm - 5pm Service-Learning Recycling Coalition Meeting

Where: 320 N. Elizabeth St.

Description:

Service-Learning Recycling Coalition Meeting Contact Jon Schmidt at 773.553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us

Sat Oct 8, 2011

9am - 12pm Dan Ryan Woods Stewardship Workday

Where:

Dan Ryan Woods, meet at the parking lot on the north side of 87th St. two blocks east of S. Western Ave.

Description:

On the second Saturday of each month, Friends of the Dan Ryan Woods, Friends of the Forest Preserves & Forest Preserve District of Cook County remove invasive plants, collect seeds and clean up the preserve so native flora and fauna can thrive. For more information and to RSVP contact Benjamin Fox at 773-398-1178 or benjamin@fotfp.org.

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9am - 12pm

Eggers Woods Stewardship Workday (Monthly on the second Saturday)

Where: Eggers Woods - East 112th St. and Ave. E. Meet near the caretaker's house.

Description:

On the second Saturday of each month, Calumet Ecological Park Association & Forest Preserve District of Cook County clear invasive brush from the site's savanna and woodland. Tools and gloves provided. For more information and to RSVP contact John Pastrik at 773-991-0613

9am - 12pm Montrose Point "Magic Hedge" Workday

Where: Montrose Point Bird Sanctuary, 315 Montrose Harbor Drive

Description:

Contact David Painter, dvdpaint@yahoo.com prior to the workday to confirm dates. Meet at the "Magic hedge" located on Montrose Ave, east of Lake Shore Drive. Drive east towards the lake and as the road turns north, take the first right by the bait shop. Continue to the nature area on the left, just before the harbor parking lot. Parking is available on the street.

10am - 3pm Volunteer Work Day - Seed Collection

Where: Cressmoor Prairie, Hobart, IN

Description:

At only 42 acres Cressmoor Prairie in Hobart, is the largest remnant black prairie in Indiana and is home to just under 300 species of plants. Recently a new four acre addition has been added and restoration is underway. Stewardship staff have already cleared all the invasive shrubs from the site and now we need your help to collect seed form the high quality portions of the prairie so they can be sown in the restoration site this winter. Lunch will be provided, please RSVP to Shirley Heinz Land Trust at volunteer@heinztrust.org if you wish to attend, and for directions to the site.

1pm - 3pm Cleanup of Burnham Greenway

Where: Eggers Grove at Forest Preserve Parking Lot, 112th St. & Ave. E. Chicago, IL

Description:

Join Calumet Ecological Park Association for a cleanup of Burnham Greenway along Eggers Grove Forest Preserve. Wear sturdy shoes, long pants, and dress for the weather. For more information call John at 773-991-0613 or Judy at 773-646-4773.

Sun Oct 9, 2011

4:30am - 3pm Bank of America Chicago Marathon

Where: Grant Park

Description:

Volunteers will serve on the Information Services Team as Runner Info volunteers. You'll be a source of information at various points around Grant Park. You'll distribute maps, answer general event questions, and help direct people to their destinations. Volunteers must be 18 years old. Volunteers are needed on Sunday, October 9 from 4:30 AM until 3:00 PM. Two shift are available (4:30 AM - 9:00 AM and 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM). Sign up for one or both! Why volunteer at the Bank of America Chicago Marathon? You get to be a part of one of the biggest sporting days in Chicago! Plus, you're helping someone fulfill a lifelong goal and may even witness history! For more information, contact Bryan Ganek at Chicago Area Runners Association at bryan@cararuns.org

1pm - 3pm Teachers for Social Justice General Meeting

Where: UIC College of Education, 1040 W. Harrison, 3rd Floor Commons

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Tue Oct 11, 2011

9am - 4:30pm Rev Up! Professional Development for Supporting Youth Activism

Where: Chicago Freedom School Center for Social Change, 719 S. State St., Ste. 3N, Chicago, IL

Description:

Chicago Freedom Schools offers a four-day training institute for youth organizers and youth workers who are interested in exploring how to incorporate social change approaches into their work. Organizers who are working with youth on campaigns or issues are invited to this institute which will feature workshops led by social change organizations across the city and opportunities to network with others in the same field. Please contact Hilda Franco at hilda@chicagofreedomschool.org with any questions.

6pm - 9pm

National Coming Out - Showcase Showing Out and Showing Pridetitled event

Where: Carter G. Woodson Library, 9525 South Halsted Street, Chicago, IL

Description:

On October 11th the Coalition for Justice and Respect (CJR) and the Coalition for Justice and Respect Foundation (CJRF) in collaboration with King of Gay Music JR Scandocious and the Chicago Public Library will Commemorate National Coming Out Day by presenting an entertainment showcase of Black LGBT performers featuring Tim'm West. This is an open and free event. For more information visit <http://www.chicagoradicalendar.org>

Wed Oct 12, 2011

9am - 4:30pm Rev Up! Professional Development for Supporting Youth Activism

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6pm - 7pm

Inspiration Cafe Volunteer Orientation (Monthly on the second Wednesday and second Saturday)

Where: Inspiration Cafe, 4554 N. Broadway, Suite 207

Description:

Volunteer at this café and supportive service for homeless persons that treats them with respect and dignity as they work their way back to self-sufficiency. Volunteer orientations are scheduled twice monthly. For a full schedule, check the website at <http://inspirationcorp.org/> or contact Anna Mangahas, 773-878-0981 x231, amangahas@inspirationcorp.org or volunteer@inspirationcorp.org

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Thu Oct 13, 2011

9am - 4:30pm Rev Up! Professional Development for Supporting Youth Activism

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Fri Oct 14, 2011

9am - 4:30pm Rev Up! Professional Development for Supporting Youth Activism

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Sat Oct 15, 2011

9am - 12pm Powderhorn Prairie Stewardship (Monthly on the third Saturday)

Where:

Powderhorn Lake parking lot on the east side of Brainard Ave. just south of Burnham Ave.

Description:

On the third Saturday of every month help Friends of the Forest Preserves & Forest Preserve District of Cook County clear invasive brush from this beautiful prairie and savanna. Tools and gloves provided. For more information and to RSVP contact Alice Brandon at 312-356-9990.

9am - 12pm Washington Park Habitat Restoration Workday

Where: Meet at the Fountain of Time, west end of the Midway Plaisance and Cottage Grove

Description:

The Washington Park Habitat Restoration workdays are every third Saturday from 9 to Noon (March to October). For 2011, the dates are June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17 and October 15. Meet at the Fountain of Time, west end of the Midway Plaisance and Cottage Grove. Tools and gloves will be provided. If you have questions please contact the site steward, Madiem Kawa at 773-203-3418 or sunshine0711@gmail.com

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10am - 3pm Alliance for Climate Education Student Leadership Training

Where: Alliance for Climate Education

Description:

Learn about climate change, its local impacts, and relevant solutions; Understand how to effectively organize your Action Team; Improve communication and camaraderie within your Action Team; Learn how to turn your awesome project idea into an effective Action Plan; and Connect with nearby students and teachers to create a local support network. ACE Leadership Trainings are ideal for new Action Team members, experienced Action Team members and Faculty Sponsors. Contact Leah Qusba at leah.qusba@climateeducation.org or 312.224.2975 for more information.

10am - 3pm Native Seed Collecting

Where: Eleven Acre Prairie in Hobart, IN

Description:

We will be collecting native prairie seed, which will be later grown in Save the Dunes greenhouse to be planted back at Eleven Acre Prairie next year as part of the restoration work that is occurring at the site. This is a great opportunity to learn about native prairie species and habitat restoration. Please RSVP to Samantha Erdelac at sam@savedunes.org.

Sun Oct 16, 2011

1pm - 5pm Chicago CROP Hunger Walk

Where: UIC Student Center East, 750 A. Halsted St., Chicago.

Description:

A 5k, 10K or Golden Mile option walk to raise funds to combat hunger. Walkers and volunteers needed. Registration from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., Kickoff at 2:00 p.m. Contact: Julia Jones, Church World Service 630-200-4572 chicagocrop@gmail.com Register online at www.chicagocropwalk.org

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7am - 3pm PeaceJam Slam - Kickoff for Peace Jam Clubs

Where: Bernhard Center - Western Michigan University - Kalamazoo, MI

Description:

The theme of this year's Slam is Restoring the Earth's Environments. Students will explore themes of environmental justice and sustainability and learn practical skills for how to make their homes, schools, and communities more sustainable. They will be able to share ideas and perspectives with other PeaceJam youth and our amazing college mentors! The Slam will feature training for new and veteran club advisors on the newly-updated Ambassadors Curriculum 2.0! As always, we will also be announcing the Nobel Laureate who will be joining us at the Youth Conference in April! Questions? Want to register your club for the Slam? Contact Kevin at atkidd@greatlakespeacejam.org. We look forward to seeing all our students and advisors from across Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio!

9am - 12pm Make a Difference Day - Invasive Plant Removal

Where: Hegewisch Marsh, 13250 S. Torrence Ave., Chicago, IL

Description:

Join the Chicago Department of Environment and learn how to identify and safely cut down and remove buckthorn and help remove illegally dumped trash. Interested volunteers are urged to assist us in this important effort. Please wear long sleeve shirts, jeans or old pants, and work shoes. Dress for the weather and bring a refillable water bottle. Call Jerry Attere at 312-744-9136 to RSVP.

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10am - 1pm

Kickapoo Prairie Stewardship Workday (Monthly on the last Saturday)

Where:

Kickapoo Prairie, park in the Thornton Township Municipal Building (Halsted and 144th St.) and meet at the entrance to the prairie site that is directly west and across the street from the parking lot.

Description:

On the last Saturday of each month, Friends of the Forest Preserve & Forest Preserve District of Cook County clear invasive brush from this beautiful prairie. Tools and gloves provided. For more information and to RSVP contact Eileen Klees at 773-238-4221 or ekless@wowway.com

11am - 5pm Anti-Racism Training for White Allies

Where: Chicago Freedom Schools Center for Social Change, 719 S. State St., Ste. 3N

Description:

Join the Chicago Alliance for Racial Equity (CARE) for a training on how white people can be effective allies to people of color. The workshop addresses how white privilege is manifested in individuals and society, how to develop practices and tools that interrupt racism, and how to take action against racism as individuals and as a collective. This training is intended for people who identify as white who want to work as allies to people of color. Please contact Hannah Jacoby at hannah@chicagofreedomschool.org with any questions.

Sun Oct 23, 2011

8am - 7:30pm Chicago Humanities Festival: tech-knowledge

Where: Hyde Park

Description:

High school seniors are welcome to work at the ticket desk or help usher at the Chicago Humanities Festival. Three-hour shifts are available throughout the day. Register to volunteer at <http://www.chicagohumanities.org/en/About/Volunteers.aspx>. Please contact Saloni Dar, Associate Director, Administration & Operations, at 312-661-1028 ext. 15 for details about volunteering.

Thu Oct 27, 2011

3pm - 5pm

Civic Action Project Training - Constitutional Right Foundation Chicago

Where: Hamburger University, Oak Brook, IL

Description:

Constitutional Rights Foundation Chicago - Civic Action Project Training for schools participating in the yearlong project. Contact Dee Runaas, High School Programs Director, 312-663-9057x208 or runaas@crfc.org for more information

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Fri Oct 28, 2011

7:30am - 3:30pm

2011 Illinois Law-Related Education Conference - "Technology and theFuture of Democracy"

Where: Hamburger University, Oak Brook, IL

Description:

CRFC's annual conference features dynamic workshops with nationally recognized presenters on legal and political issues, interactive teaching methods, and innovative materials for the classroom. For more information, contact Margie Chan or Tawny Lane at CRFC at 1-312-663-9057, or via e-mail at chan@crfc.org or lane@crfc.org.

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Where: TBA

Description:

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Mon Oct 31, 2011

Harris Fellows Proposal Deadline

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Description:

The Harris Fellows fund student-led service projects for CPS clubs. Contact Cristina Salgado, program manager, at 773-553-6392 or Csalgad1@gmail.com for more information.

Service-Learning Proposal Deadline

Mon Oct 31, 2011 - Tue Nov 1, 2011

Where: 320 N. Elizabeth St.

Description:

Service-learning coaches should email Jon Schmidt at jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us service-learning annual proposals by today.

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Wed Nov 2, 2011

8am - 7pm International Research on Service-Learning Conference

Where: Palmer House, Chicago, IL

Description:

Illinois Campus Compact, DePaul University, National-Louis University, Loyola University Chicago, Columbia College Chicago, Northern Illinois University and the International Association for Research on Service-learning and Community Engagement are proud to invite you to the International Association for Research on Service-learning and Community Engagement Annual Conference. The conference will be held November 2-4, 2011 at the historic Palmer House Hilton in the heart of downtown Chicago ("the loop"). For more information: Illinois Campus Compact 25 E. Jackson, Suite 1400, Chicago, IL 60604 Phone: 312-362-7693 or <http://www.researchslce.org>

Thu Nov 3, 2011

8am - 7pm International Research on Service-Learning Conference

Where: Palmer House, Chicago, IL

Description:

Illinois Campus Compact, DePaul University, National-Louis University, Loyola University Chicago, Columbia College Chicago, Northern Illinois University and the International Association for Research on Service-learning and Community Engagement are proud to invite you to the International Association for Research on Service-learning and Community Engagement Annual Conference. The conference will be held November 2-4, 2011 at the historic Palmer House Hilton in the heart of downtown Chicago ("the loop"). For more information: Illinois Campus Compact 25 E. Jackson, Suite 1400, Chicago, IL 60604 Phone: 312-362-7693 or <http://www.researchslce.org>

Fri Nov 4, 2011

8am - 7pm International Research on Service-Learning Conference

Where: Palmer House, Chicago, IL

Description:

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9am - 4pm Freedom Riders: Democracy in Action Full-Day Workshop

Where: TBD

Description:

Facing History and Ourselves From May until December 1961, more than 400 black and white Americans risked their lives by simply traveling together through the Deep South. Deliberately violating Jim Crow laws, the Freedom Riders' belief in non-violent activism was sorely tested as mob violence and bitter racism greeted them along the way. Facing History is an educational partner for this PBS American Experience film, and workshop participants will learn more about southern segregation laws and models of political resistance during the civil rights movement. Register online at <http://www.facehistory.org>

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6pm - 9pm Moments of Justice: An Evening with Dolores Huerta

Where: National Museum of Mexican Art, 1852 W. 19 St.

Description:

Fundraiser which includes dinner, drinks, a silent auction and a speech by Dolores Huerta. For more information call 312-435-1201 or email info@chicagofreedomschool.org

Sat Nov 5, 2011

8:30am - 7:30pm Chicago Humanities Festival: tech-knowledge

Where: Chicago

Description:

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8:30am - 4pm UIC Youth Development Summit

Where: Uplift Community High School, 900 W. Wilson Avenue, Chicago, IL

Description:

www.ydsummit.org The University of Illinois at Chicago Youth Development Program is pleased to announce the 2nd annual Youth Development Summit. Join us for a day of workshops and networking with others who believe in the value of engaging youth as agents of change. Workshops highlighting Youth Development principles in action will be of interest to youth workers, educators, community organizers, social workers, and youth advocates. The focus of the 2011 Youth Development Summit will be a combination of workshops that address the following: social/emotional development; youth leadership and participatory practices; safety, health and well-being; youth/adult partnerships; art and youth development; family and community engagement; and participatory evaluation and action research. To register for the conference, please go to www.ydsummit.org and download the registration form. You are able to pay through the site. Prices: \$40 before October 15th, 2011. The cost after October 15th, as well as on-site registration, is \$50. Student price: \$20. Please e-mail ydsummituic@gmail.com with any questions.

9am - 12pm Montrose Point "Magic Hedge" Workday

Where: Montrose Point Bird Sanctuary, 315 Montrose Harbor Drive

Description:

Contact David Painter, dvdpaint@yahoo.com prior to the workday to confirm dates. Meet at the "Magic hedge" located on Montrose Ave, east of Lake Shore Drive. Drive east towards the lake and as the road turns north, take the first right by the bait shop. Continue to the nature area on the left, just before the harbor parking lot. Parking is available on the street.

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9:30am - 1:30pm

Chicago Conservation Corps (C3) Fall 2011 Leadership Training Series

Where: Chicago Center for Green Technology, 445 N. Sacramento Blvd., Chicago, IL 60649

Description:

At the Chicago Conservation Corps' Fall 2011 Environmental Leadership Training Series, you'll learn from community and environmental challenges and opportunities for change; then you'll lead an environmental service project in your community with C3 support and resources. To apply for the C3 Fall 2011 Leadership Training Series, you must be a City of Chicago resident and attend one of the orientation sessions in October. The Nov. 12th field trip is mandatory. To sign up for an orientation or for more information, visit www.conservationcorps.org or contact C3 at 312-743-9283 or conservation@cityofchicago.org. A \$75 fee covers course participation and project support. Financial assistance is available upon request.

10am - 3pm Volunteer Workday - Firebreak Construction

Where: Bur Oak Woods, Hobart, IN

Description:

Over the past three years Shirley Heinze Land Trust stewardship staff have restored 55 acres of remnant Bur Oak savanna at the site. Much of the herbaceous plant community once found here has disappeared due to past degradation. Now that the canopy structure has been restored and a diverse herbaceous plant community introduced, this site desperately needs fire to give it a kick in the right direction. On this day we will be constructing a firebreak around a large portion of the property to be used for a prescribed burn this fall. Lunch will be provided, please RSVP at volunteer@heinztrust.org if you wish to attend and for directions to the site.

Sun Nov 6, 2011

7am - 12pm SkyRise Chicago

Where: Willis Tower, Chicago, IL

Description:

SkyRise Chicago needs volunteers to cheer on climbers and hand-cyclists, hand-out water and food and direct people as they arrive. Benefits the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago. Register to volunteer at <http://ric.convio.net/>

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Mon Nov 7, 2011

10am - 11am Chicago Humanities Festival

Where: Chicago

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Thu Nov 10, 2011

8:30am - 5pm Progressive Education Network National Conference

Where: Francis W. Parker School

Description:

The Power of Progressive Practice: Formative Conversations on Assessment, Social Action, Equity, Democracy, and Reflection. Interact with and learn from urban, suburban, and rural educators from public and private schools across the country. Check <http://www.progressiveed.org/> for more information.

Fri Nov 11, 2011

10am - 11am Chicago Humanities Festival

Where: Chicago

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Where:

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Description:

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9am - 10:30am Thanksgiving Day Parade School (Training)

Description:

Learn about positions and receive a training about the Thanksgiving Day Parade. This training is mandatory in order to volunteer at the parade. Sign up online: www.chicagofestivals.org For more information contact Dan Mulka, 312-235-2217 Dan.Mulka@chicagofestivals.org

11am - 1pm Teachers for Social Justice General Meeting

Where: UIC, College of Education, 1040 W. Harrison, 3rd Floor Commons

Sun Nov 13, 2011

8am - 12pm Chicago's Perfect 10 Mile & 10K

Where: Navy Pier

Description:

Benefits the AIDS Foundation of Chicago and the Chicago Children's Museum. Register to volunteer at <http://www.chicagosperfect10.com/>.

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1pm - 3pm Burnham Greenway Tree Mulch

Where: Bean's Park, 108th St. Ave. D, Chicago, IL

Description:

Volunteers are needed to help Calumet Ecological Park Association and Trees R Beautiful mulch the trees in Bean's Park area along the Burnham Greenway. Wear sturdy shoes and bring gloves. Please RSVP by calling John Pastirik at 773-991-0613 or Judy at 773-646-4773.

Fri Nov 18, 2011

2:30pm - 4:30pm Jane Addams Week of Service Teacher Workshop

Where: Hull House, 800 South Halsted Street, Chicago

Description:

Learn about the work of Jane Addams and how to teach her legacy in class to prepare for a service-learning project. Contact Jon Schmidt at 773-553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us for more information.

Sat Nov 19, 2011

10am - 5pm Chicago-Area Teaching for Social Justice Curriculum Fair

Where: Orozco Elementary Fine Arts & Sciences, 1940 W 18th St Chicago, IL 60608

Description:

Eleventh Annual Chicago-Area Teaching for Social Justice Curriculum Fair: Defend and Transform Public Education In "science fair" format, and completely grassroots volunteer-organized, the Curriculum Fair will provide over 600 educators, activists, parents, youth & community members with a space to share curricula, resources, and inspiration. We'll be making friends & building relationships, exploring ideas & projects, connecting our histories & struggles. All in a spirit of social justice and education for liberation.

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10am - 11am Mikva Challenge Project Soap Box

Description:

Mikva Challenge organizes the annual Project Soapbox Public Speaking Competition where Chicago Public High School Students prepare and present speeches about the issues they feel are the most pressing for Chicago youth.

1pm - 3pm Lake Powderhorn Cleanup

Where: Lake Powderhorn Forest Preserve, E. Brainard Ave., Burnham, IL

Description:

Volunteers are needed to help clean up the shoreline of the lake. Meet in the parking lot. Wear sturdy shoes, long pants and gloves. For more information call John at 773-991-0613 or Judy at 773-646-4773.

Thu Nov 24, 2011

5am - 12pm Thanksgiving Day Parade

Description:

Volunteer at the Chicago Thanksgiving Day Parade! Timeslots are between 5-7:30am. Parade School, on Nov. 12 from 9-10:30am is mandatory. Sign up online: www.chicagofestivals.org For more information contact Dan Mulka, 312-235-2217 Dan.Mulka@chicagofestivals.org

Tue Nov 29, 2011

2:30pm - 4:30pm All Coach Service-Learning Meeting

Where: 320 N. Elizabeth St.

Description:

All Coach Service-Learning Meeting Contact Jon Schmidt at 773-553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us

Thu Dec 1, 2011

4pm - 6pm MLK Celebration of Service PD

Where: TBA

Description:

MLK Celebration of Service Professional Development. Receive training and material to prepare for a service-learning experience with your students. Contact Jon Schmidt at 773-553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us

Sat Dec 3, 2011

8:30am - 3pm Harris Fellows Student Leadership Conference

Where: DePaul University/Lincoln Park

Description:

Participants in the Harris Fellows program run leadership training workshops for Chicago students, after which attendees will have the opportunity to network with other student leaders from CPS schools. All schools are welcome. RSVP to Jon Schmidt 773-553-6391 jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us

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10am - 3pm

Alliance for Climate Education Raise Your Voice/ Student Leadership Training

Where: Alliance for Climate Education

Description:

Students learn public speaking skills, and about climate change, its local impacts, and relevant solutions. ACE Leadership Trainings are ideal for new Action Team members, experienced Action Team members and Faculty Sponsors. Service-learning coaches are welcome to bring student leaders interested in impacting their school through sustainability projects. Contact Leah Qusba at leah.qusba@climateeducation.org or 312.224.2975 for more information.

Mon Dec 5, 2011

7am - 3pm Jane Addams Week of Service (December 5-9, 2011)

Where: Chicago

Description:

The week of December 5-9, honor Jane Addams' work by participating in a service experience with your class. Prearranged projects are available through the Service-Learning Initiative or your class may create their own. Contact Cristina Salgado, program manager, at 773-553-6392 or Csalgad1@gmail.com for more information.

Wed Dec 7, 2011

8:30am - 4pm Choices in Little Rock Seminar

Where: National Teachers Academy, 55 W Cermak Road Chicago, IL

Description:

Eighth grade teachers will explore the Facing History and Ourselves resource guide, Choices in Little Rock — a collection of teaching suggestions, activities, and primary sources that focus on the desegregation of Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1957. These efforts led to a crisis that historian Taylor Branch once described as "the most severe test of the Constitution since the civil war." Register at <http://www.facingthefuture.org>

Thu Dec 8, 2011

8:30am - 4pm Choices in Little Rock Seminar

Where: National Teachers Academy, 55 W Cermak Road Chicago, IL

Description:

Eighth grade teachers will explore the Facing History and Ourselves resource guide, Choices in Little Rock — a collection of teaching suggestions, activities, and primary sources that focus on the desegregation of Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1957. These efforts led to a crisis that historian Taylor Branch once described as "the most severe test of the Constitution since the civil war." Register at <http://www.facingthefuture.org>

Fri Dec 9, 2011

8:30am - 4pm Choices in Little Rock Seminar

Where: National Teachers Academy, 55 W Cermak Road Chicago, IL

Description:

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10am - 11am Equal Justice Under the Law Teacher/Student Conference

Where: TBA

Description:

Equal Justice Under Law is designed to enhance students' understanding of a recently decided U.S. Supreme Court case and related public policy questions. In their classes, students examine case facts, review the constitutional issue, consider the arguments they find persuasive, and analyze a related law or public policy using CRFC developed curriculum materials. CRFC also conducts parallel conferences in Chicago and Springfield where students come together to deliberate the constitutional issue and discuss policy applications with peers from a variety of school settings. Topics have included school drug testing, the juvenile death penalty, and physician-assisted suicide. The program occurs in the fall semester. Contact Dee Runas for more information

Sat Dec 10, 2011

9am - 12pm Dan Ryan Woods Stewardship

Where:

Dan Ryan Woods, meet at the parking lot on the north side of 87th St. two blocks east of S. Western Ave.

Description:

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10am - 3pm Volunteer Workday - Invasive Shrub Removal

Where: Hidden Prairie, Hobart Marsh, Hobart, IN

Description:

Hidden Prairie is a small remnant prairie and part of the larger Hobart marsh natural area complex. The highly diverse prairie is surrounded by residential development. Because of this, it is difficult to implement prescribed fire with any frequency. Exotic shrubs have now begun to invade the prairie. We will be using brush cutters and loppers to remove the shrubs. We will then cut the tree stumps with herbicide and sow seed gathered from the prairie to give native forbs a chance to recolonize in the area. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to the Shirley Heinze Land Trust at volunteer@heinzetrust.org if you wish to attend and for the directions to the site.

Sun Dec 11, 2011

1pm - 3pm Teachers for Social Justice General Meeting

Where: UIC, College of Education, 1040 W. Harrison Street, 3rd Floor Commons

Sat Dec 17, 2011

9am - 12pm Jingle Bell Run

Where: Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Dr (at Fullerton), Chicago

Description:

Get in the spirit this holiday season at the Arthritis Foundation's Jingle Bell Run/Walk for Arthritis®. Be one of the thousands of runners and walkers who hit the nation's pavements, pathways and parks this winter to fight arthritis, the nation's most common cause of disability. Jingle Bell Run/Walk® is a fun and festive way to kick off your holidays by helping others! Wear a holiday themed costume. Tie jingle bells to your shoelaces. Run or walk a 5 kilometer route with your team members and celebrate the season by giving. To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

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10am - 3pm Burning Brush Piles

Where: Eleven Acre Prairie in Hobart, IN

Description:

We will be burning brush piles to remove roughly four acres of woody thicket that was cleared last winter. Must be 14+. Come learn about all the work Save the Dunes has been doing on the site. Please RSVP and/or send questions to Samantha Erdelac at sam@savedunes.org.

Sun Jan 1, 2012

11am - 2pm New Year's Day 5K

Where: Lincoln Park (Stockton Drive & LaSalle), Chicago, IL

Description:

Kick off 2011 on a healthy footing at the New Year's Day 5K Run & Walk-- Chicago's first official 5K running event of 2011! This iconic annual run/walk -- now celebrating its 26th year -- is a fave with Windy City sports enthusiasts! A portion of run/walk proceeds will benefit the Lake View Citizens' Council, a non-profit neighborhood organization. To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Sat Jan 14, 2012

7am - 5pm Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration of Service

Where: Locations throughout Chicago

Description:

Join hundreds of CPS students from across the city at this day of service to honor the legacy of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. with Chicago Cares. Contact: Katie Clendenning, Chicago Cares kclendenning@chicagocares.org

Mon Jan 16, 2012

7am - 3pm Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service

Where: Locations throughout Chicago

Description:

Join hundreds of CPS students from across the city at this day of service to honor the legacy of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Contact Cristina Salgado, program manager, at 773-553-6392 or Csalgad1@gmail.com

Wed Jan 18, 2012

9am - 4pm

Fundamental Freedoms: A Workshop Exploring Eleanor Roosevelt and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

Where: TBD

Description:

On December 10, 1948, shortly after the devastation of World War II and the horrors of the Holocaust, the newly formed United Nations General Assembly passed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR). Eleanor Roosevelt, the chairperson of the commission that researched and wrote the UDHR, is the subject of Facing History's new resourcebook, Fundamental Freedoms: Eleanor Roosevelt and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Join us as we examine the concept of "universal" rights, the complexities of multinational negotiation, the document's vision and aspiration, and its impact on the world today. Register at <http://www.facinghistory.org>

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Tue Jan 31, 2012

12:30pm - 2:30pm Cesar E. Chavez Month of Service Teacher Workshop

Where: Casa Michoacan, 1638 S. Blue Island Ave.

Description:

Learn about the work and influence of Cesar E. Chavez to provide a service-learning experience for your class. Contact Jon Schmidt at 773-553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us

Wed Feb 1, 2012

State Farm Youth Grant Applications Available

Wed Feb 1, 2012 - Thu Feb 2, 2012

Description:

If you are involved with an organization or school and have a great idea for a service-learning project to impact student achievement in YOUR community, apply for a grant here! The grants range in size from \$25,000-\$100,000, and must adhere to strict service-guidelines outlined within the application. Go to <http://www.statefarmyab.com/apply> to apply.

Thu Feb 23, 2012

2:30pm - 4:30pm All Service-Learning Coach Meeting

Where: 320 N. Elizabeth St.

Description:

All Service-Learning Coach Meeting Contact Jon Schmidt at 773-553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us

Sat Feb 25, 2012

10am - 2pm Harris Fellows Principal/Student Dialogue

Where: TBA

Description:

Harris Fellows and CPS students join in a day of dialogue. All principals are welcome to attend. Contact Cristina Salgado, program manager, at 773-553-6392 or Csalgad1@gmail.com

Sun Feb 26, 2012

10am - 2pm Wacky Snacky 5K

Where: Downtown Chicago

Description:

The Wacky 5K Run celebrates National Snack Food Month by hosting a huge, post-race, indoor buffet of snack food. This sumptuous, tantalizing spread of both healthy and not-so-healthy snacks is set up on tables formed in a big horseshoe. Participants are given a goody bag and encouraged to fill it from the bountiful selection of snacks ranging from sweet to salty to healthy. This snack food fantasy buffet has something to satisfy most every craving, and every participant is encouraged to check their guilt at the door. Benefits the Blind Service Association. To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

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Thu Mar 1, 2012

7am - 5pm Cesar Chavez Month of Service (Month of March)

Where: Locations throughout Chicago

Description:

Throughout the month of March classes commemorate the life of Cesar Chavez by participating in service-learning learning experience. Contact Cristina Salgado, program manager, 773-553-6392, Csalgad1@gmail.com to sign up for a project.

Tue Mar 20, 2012

10am - 2pm St. Paddy's 5K Run/Walk, NEW 8K Run & Leprechaun Leap

Where: Nature Museum, Cannon Drive & Fullerton (2430 N. Cannon Drive), Chicago, IL

Description:

Officially title the "St. Paddy's 5K Run/Walk benefiting the Irish-American Heritage Center featuring the Special Olympics Chicago 8K Run," also new in this year will be a post-run/walk party at the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum with live music, awards and prizes, and where participants of legal age will be treated to a complimentary Guinness beer. Benefits the Irish American Heritage Center. To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Wed Mar 21, 2012

9am - 4pm Teaching the Holocaust Through Literature 3-Day Seminar

Where: TBD

Description:

This three day seminar for 8th grade Chicago Public Schools Language Arts and Social Studies teachers will integrate ways to teach the Holocaust through the lens of literature. We will explore literature including fiction, nonfiction, poetry, short stories, and diaries using a variety of interactive Facing History strategies and materials. Priority will be given to schools involved in the Choices in Little Rock initiative. Scholarships will be provided for qualifying schools. Register at <http://www.facinghistory.org>

Thu Mar 22, 2012

9am - 4pm Teaching the Holocaust Through Literature 3-Day Seminar

Where: TBD

Description:

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Sat Mar 31, 2012

8am - 2pm Cesar E. Chavez Day of Reflection

Where: Benito Juarez Community Academy, 1450-1510 W. Cermak Chicago, IL 60608

Description:

Students participate in a day of reflection, with food, music and leadership activities, to commemorate the life of Cesar Chavez. Cristina Salgado, program manager 773-553-2024 Csalgad1@gmail.com

Mon Apr 2, 2012

8am - 5pm Alternative Spring Break Week

Where: Chicago

Description:

Contact Cristina Salgado, program manager, at 773-553-2024 or Csalgad1@gmail.com

Wed Apr 11, 2012

8am - 5pm NYLC Service-Learning Conference

Where: Minneapolis Convention Center

Description:

Our World, Our Future National Youth Leadership Conference (NYLC) and youthrive, the Upper Midwest Affiliate of PeaceJam International have joined forces for 2012 to bring you one outstanding event. Join us April 11-14, 2012 at the Minneapolis Convention Center for the most comprehensive service-learning professional development opportunity in the world! Attend the 23rd Annual National Service-Learning Conference® and youthrive PeaceJam Leadership Conference, bringing you the largest gathering of youth and practitioners involved in the service-learning movement. Visit <http://www.nylc.org> for more information.

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Sat Apr 14, 2012

8am - 3pm CPS Service-Learning Conference

Where: TBA

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Tue Apr 17, 2012

4:30pm - 7pm

Two Who Dared: Story of American Rescue During the Holocaust After-School Workshop

Where: TBD

Description:

Waitstill Sharp, a Unitarian minister from Massachusetts, and his wife Martha, a social worker, helped feed and shelter thousands of refugees and assisted anti-Nazi dissidents and Jews as they escaped to safety, first in Nazi-occupied Czechoslovakia and later in France. The Sharps were recognized as Righteous Among the Nations at Yad Vashem—the highest recognition accorded by the state of Israel to non-Jews who risked their lives to save Jews during World War II. The Sharps' compelling story, told in the film *Two Who Dared*, reveals a largely unknown chapter of Holocaust history and provides a new perspective on America's relationship to it. This film is an important addition to Facing History's collection of classroom resources that focus on rescue and resistance during the Holocaust.

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Fri Apr 20, 2012

9am - 4pm Not in Our Town Full-Day Workshop

Where: TBD

Description:

As immigrant populations expand in communities across the country, Not In Our Town: Light In the Darkness documents an issue that impacts students, schools, and entire communities with increasing frequency. The film provides a lens for considering both the negative reactions that can lead to tragic events when ignored, and the positive outcomes that are possible in communities that work to heal divisions and embrace all their residents. Workshop participants will explore ways to use these resources to develop lessons pertaining to U.S. immigration issues throughout our history, and encourage students to reflect on their capacity to confront bigotry and hatred, and create more inclusive communities. Register at <http://www.facinghistory.org>

Sat Apr 21, 2012

8am - 5pm Comcast Cares Day

Where: Locations throughout Chicago

Description:

Every year on the last day of April Comcast brings together tens of thousands of Comcast employees, their families and friends to make a positive impact in neighborhoods across the country. Contact Cristina Salgado at Csalgad1@gmail.com or 773-553-6392.

9am - 12pm Earth Day

Where: Chicago

Description:

Friends of the Parks believes every day should be Earth Day. In order to come together as a community each spring, Friends of the Parks hosts its annual Earth Day Parks & Preserves Clean-up. Join volunteers to clean and green a neighborhood park or preserve. Most sites will have extra work gloves - but you may want to bring your own to insure you have a pair. T-Shirts will be given on a first come, first served basis. Contact Mary Eileen Sullivan at sullivanme@fotp.org.

9am - 5pm Global Youth Service Day

Where: Locations throughout Chicago

Description:

Join millions of youth around the globe as they make a difference in their communities. For more information contact: Cristina Salgado 773-553-2024 csalgad1@gmail.com

Fri Apr 27, 2012

7am - 3pm Illinois Youth Summit

Where: Federal Court House, 219 S Dearborn St. Chicago

Description:

Illinois Youth Summit - Constitutional Rights Foundation Chicago Youth have the power to bring about change. Giving students a voice in decisions that affect them is what the Illinois Youth Summit is all about Now in its 18th year, the Illinois Youth Summit promotes awareness, investigation and civic action by high school students on current public policy issues affecting youth. The Illinois Youth Summit is a vital opportunity for high school students from across Illinois to work with community leaders and policymakers on issues affecting them. Contact Dee Runaas, High School Programs Director at 312-663-9057x208 or runaas@crfc.org for more information.

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Sat Apr 28, 2012

8am - 4pm Mikva Challenge Civics Fair

Where: TBA

Description: CPS students share service-learning and civics projects they've created. Contact

11am - 5pm Chicago Dia de Los Ninos Parade

Where: Harrison Park, 1824 S. Wood St Chicago, IL 60608

Description:

Children's Day is a Latin American tradition that celebrates the hopes we have for our children and the important role they play in shaping our future. More than 5,000 children and their families attend the Chicago Dia de los Niños Parade each year. The parade strives to raise awareness about the importance of education for children. Help with food, children's activities, logistics, or park activities for this annual parade in Pilsen. Contact Mr. Tony Gonzalez, 312-746-5491 or orynotg23@yahoo.com

Fri May 4, 2012

2pm - 11pm Cinco de Mayo Festival

Where: 26th and Kostner, Chicago, IL

Description:

This 2nd annual three-day festival (which is also held in the Little Village neighborhood, to many is the heart of Chicago's Mexican community), is long overdue! It will feature plenty of live music, food, arts & crafts, activities for families and children and much more. The bottomline? Little Village's Cinco de Mayo Festival celebrates Hispanic families and community with a joyous flair! Presented by Little Village Chamber of Commerce. To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Sat May 5, 2012

7am - 3pm White House Peacemakers Rally/Chicago Youth Service Day

Where: Chicago

Sat May 12, 2012

8am - 12pm River Rescue Day

Description: Friends of the Chicago River

Fri May 18, 2012

5pm - 7pm Harris Fellows Film Fest

Where: DePaul University

Description:

Come watch Harris Fellows films on service projects they've completed this school year. Contact Cristina Salgado, program manager, at 773-553-2024 or Csalgad1@gmail.com.

Wed May 23, 2012

6pm - 8pm CPS Service-Learning Coach Recognition and Awards Event

Where: TBA

Description:

Come celebrate the work students and teachers have experienced this school year. Contact Jon Schmidt at 773-553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us for more info.

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Fri Jun 1, 2012

8am - 2pm Run/Walk for Pancreatic Cancer

Where: Lake Shore East

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Sat Jun 2, 2012

8am - 2pm Run for The Zoo

Where: Stockton & Belden

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

8am - 1pm Summer of Service and Leadership Orientation

Where: 320 N. Elizabeth St.

Description:

Learn about the CPS Summer of Service and Leadership (SOSL), receive curriculum and guidance at this orientation. Contact Jon Schmidt at 773.553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us for more information about SOSL.

Sat Jun 9, 2012

8am - 2pm Lungivity Run/Walk

Where: Grant Park

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

8am - 3pm Wells Street Art Festival event

Where: North & Wells

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Tue Jun 12, 2012

10am - 10pm Puertorican Festival

Where: Division & California

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Wed Jun 13, 2012

8am - 5pm Harris Fellows Civic Leadership Camp

Where: Chicago

Description:

CPS students gain leadership skills through service-learning experiences throughout Chicago. Contact Cristina Salgado, program manager, at 773-553-6392 or Csalgad1@gmail.com, or Jon Schmidt at 773-553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us for more information.

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10am - 10pm Puertorican Festival

Where: Division & California

Description:

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Thu Jun 14, 2012

10am - 10pm Puertorican Festival

Where: Division & California

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Fri Jun 15, 2012

10am - 10pm Puertorican Festival

Where: Division & California

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Sat Jun 16, 2012

10am - 10pm Puertorican Festival

Where: Division & California

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Sun Jun 17, 2012

10am - 10pm Puertorican Festival

Where: Division & California

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Mon Jun 18, 2012

7am - 5pm National Conference on Volunteering and Service

Where: McCormick Place West at Lake Michigan

Description:

The National Conference on Volunteering and Service is the world's largest gathering of volunteer leaders from the nonprofit, government and corporate sectors. Convened by Points of Light Institute and the Corporation for National and Community Service, the annual event provides attendees with an opportunity to learn, connect and shape the future of service and volunteering through plenary sessions, workshops, special events and service projects. Contact Jon Schmidt at 773-553-6391 or jjschmidt@cps.k12.il.us.

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Tue Jun 19, 2012

7am - 5pm National Conference on Volunteering and Service

Where: McCormick Place West at Lake Michigan

Description:

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Wed Jun 20, 2012

7am - 5pm National Conference on Volunteering and Service

Where: McCormick Place West at Lake Michigan

Description:

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Fri Jun 22, 2012

10am - 10pm Pridefest

Where: Lakeview East

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Sat Jun 23, 2012

10am - 2pm Hunger Walk

Where: Soldier Field

Description:

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10am - 10pm Pridefest

Where: Lakeview East

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.

Thu Jul 12, 2012

9am - 2pm Bastille Day 5K Run & walk

Where: Cannon at Fullerton

Description:

To volunteer please contact Dianne Patterson, volunteer coordinator, at Dianne@chicagoevents.com or (773) 868-3010.