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VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

1. Waterfront Cleanup

Date: Saturday, March 28 from 10-1pm

Description: Chemung is providing a tent, Boatyard Grill is providing Starbucks Coffee, Dan Karrig of the Water Resources Council is providing bags and the City is providing trash pick-up assistance and you and your employees are bringing gloves and helping to clean-up. Come down to the tent which will be located in the large parking lot across from the Ithaca Boating Center just north of Castaways and pitch in.

2. Cornell Garden Plot

Date: before Saturday, April 25

Description: Volunteers are needed to help the Cornell Garden Plot Committee. They are a non-profit organization open to and of great benefit to the entire community. Cornell donates the land, and we (the volunteer committee) parcel it out into individual gardens to rent to anyone who wants to garden. The rental fee covers our expenses - plowing the land, paying for water, compost, advertising, water hoses and other supplies. Our land is located on Freese Road, off Hanshaw Road near the Dyce bee lab.

Contact: For more info, please contact Mary Ascenzi at maa8@cornell.edu or at 607-844-4535

3. COMPASS II-2.0 Project

Date: Evenings and weekends in March 2009; Mon-Thurs 5-9pm and Sat 10am-6pm; Sun 12-6pm

Location: Human Services Coalition of Tompkins County, 100 W. Seneca St., Ithaca, NY (Women's Community Building)

Description: In February, 2009 we launched the household survey component of COMPASS II-2.0. We are looking for volunteers to offer their time and skills to conduct telephone interviews with households in Tompkins County. This is a great opportunity to learn more about your community and help out with an interesting, valuable project.

Contact: Lisa Horn, Project Consultant, email: lisa.horn@gmail.com or phone: 607-316-2748

JOBS

1. Graduate Assistantship

Deadline: April 20

Description: A two-year Graduate Assistantship position available in the Campus Center and Student Activities Department at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. The Graduate Assistantship will provide valuable experience for individuals interested in a career working in Community Service and/or Campus Center/Student Activities Administration. The Graduate Assistant works 25 hours per week assisting WPI in developing a highly visible community service program, serves as advisor to the undergraduate Student Government, and assists with some supervision of student activities. The stipend is \$15,000 per year, paid over ten months with three weeks paid vacation during the academic break weeks.

Contact: For more information on graduate programs at the Worcester Consortium Colleges, you may access their website at: www.cowc.org or contact Emily Perlow at 508-831-5961

2. Educational Outreach Coordinator

Date: March 30

Description: Part-time 20 hrs/wk. Responsibilities: develops, implements and coordinates agency outreach projects and programs; develops and implements public education and information services about individuals with disabilities; performs all clerical, managerial, and administrative responsibilities as required; arranges coverage for tabling events; and performs other duties as request.

Contact: For more info, please contact Lenore Schwager at flic12@yahoo.com. Please send resume and cover letter to Finger Lakes Independence Center, 215 Fifth St, Ithaca, NY 14850.

3. Educational Outreach Coordinator

Description: Youth Advocate Program, Inc., a nationwide leader in providing community-based alternatives to residential and foster care placement, for at risk youth. Have you worked with at risk youth and or youth? We are accepting resumes for a part-time position of Youth Advocate, for the Tompkins County Program. The program provides community based wraparound services for families who have youth returning from placement or at risk of residential care. Candidates must be over 21, with valid drivers license, car and carry at least 100/300 limits in auto insurance. If you are looking for a flexible, high energy position this is for you.

Contact: Please send resumes to The Youth Advocate Program, 423 1st Street, Ithaca NY 14850, or stop by with a resume. You can call 607-277-5254 attn: Jerame Hawkins.

SCHOLARSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS (GRANTS)

1. Robinson-Appel Humanitarian Award

Deadline: Friday, March 20

Description: Fund your service project! This award provides support for students' projects addressing a community's social needs. Three \$1,500 awards will be given. Applications due Friday, March 20. Applications are available at www.psc.cornell.edu or at 200 Barnes Hall.

Contact: For more info, please email lje7@cornell.edu

2. Call for Grant Applications

Deadline: April 8

Description: The Cornell University College of Human Ecology course, Leadership in the Nonprofit Sector, in collaboration with the Sunshine Lady Foundation and United Way of Tompkins County, aims to support and strength local organizations. As the 43 students enrolled in this course, we have been entrusted with \$10,000 to allocate to the community. Our group is committed to creating a dynamic relationship with nonprofits in the community, learning from and giving back to these organizations.

Contact: For more info, please visit <https://www.ctkodm.com/uwtc> – please use "Cornell" for the username and "HE4070" for the password to access current funding opportunities.

Contact: Please contact Meg Cole at mcole@uwtc.org or 272-6286 for additional info if you have any questions.

3. Robert S. Hatfield Award

Deadline: April 1

Description: This is a grant to study ethics in business. Applicants for the Hatfield Award must submit an application indicating their intended use for the award funds and how it is in accordance with the purpose of the fund. Applicants will be selected based upon the sufficiency of their funding need and the importance of the proposed work to the study of ethics in business.

Contact: More information can be found at <http://www.arts.cornell.edu/career/hatfield.htm>

4. Metzger Grant

Deadline: April 1

Description: The Metzger Grant is available for Arts & Sciences undergraduates pursuing a summer internship or project in public service. This award, named for Stanley D. Metzger (36), will be granted to a student who intends to follow a career in public service, or private charitable organizations, whether at any level of government, or institutions. In Spring 2009, up to \$3,000.00 will be awarded to an undergraduate in the College of Arts & Sciences.

Contact: The application is attached and will appear on www.arts.cornell.edu/career/

MORE IDEAS!

1. Send Bicycles to Ghana!

Date: (for the last drop-off) April 3

Description: Recycle Ithaca's Bicycles is shipping a container of bicycles to The Village Bicycle Project in Ghana! The Village Bicycle Project takes used bicycles from across the United States, Europe and Australia to provide reliable and affordable transportation for people in rural Ghana. Check out the website at www.villagebicycleproject.org. We have a grant from Cornell to help with shipping costs and we're scheduled to load the container on April 4th.

Contact: Please check out their website (www.villagebicycleproject.org) and feel free to call me (Liz) at 607.216.5341 or email erb32@cornell.edu if you have any questions about what/where/how or why to donate.

2. Art House Night

Date: April 3 from 5-8pm

Location: The Greenstate Building, 127 W. State Street

Description: Throughout the years, Family & Children's Service of Ithaca has been blessed by the generosity of many local, community-minded artists who have forged relationships with the agency in the spirit of philanthropy. As a reciprocal gesture, Family & Children's is pleased to open their doors to the public to view works by artists Kumi Korf, Denise Rusoff, and Laurel Guy. Light refreshments provided.

Contact: For more info, please contact Ithaca Downtown Alliance at 607-277-8679 or www.downtownithaca.com

3. Current Status of the Free Clinic- a project of the Ithaca Health Alliance

Date: April 13, 12:30-1:30pm

Location: Rice Conference Room, Biggs Building, Health Dept

Description: The Ithaca Free Clinic offers 100% free conventional and holistic healthcare services for anyone without health insurance. Bethany Shroeder, president of Ithaca Health Alliance will present information about their various services, types of visits, volunteer practitioners, and a demographic profile of their clients. She will also note their budget, funding, community involvement and relationship with the Ithaca Health Alliance.

4. Project Reassurance

Location: PSC 200 Barnes Hall and Women's Community Building on W. Seneca

Description: Baby items are collected for the Ithaca Teen Parenting/Pregnancy Program. This is in recognition of the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated, National Program Project Reassurance, the Oh So Lovely Lambda Omicron chapter. The care and protection of children is, first and foremost, a family concern. But when teenagers have babies, the consequences are throughout society. Help us help those in need.

5. INTO THE STREETS

Deadline: Wed, April 1

Description: INTO THE STREETS is holding a design contest where the winner will have his or her design featured on our 18th annual ITS T-Shirts!!! Just think, 1200 t-shirts with your design on it! The design will also be featured on posters that will be placed all around campus to promote Cornell's BIGGEST day of service where over 1000 Cornell students volunteer at various non-profit organizations in Ithaca. So come on, give back to the community and design something! The design must include "18th Annual Cornell Public Service Center's Into the Streets." All submissions must be in hard copy/on a CD.

Contact: For more info, please contact Mara Perman at mrp78 or Tia Hick at tmh76.