



News You Can Use Newsletter- Spring 2013



2013 AmeriCorps Week Service Day sponsored by The Ohio CDC and Ama Vera's (New Harvest Urban Arts Center) community garden in Linden March 2013. This event was coordinated by Tressa Augustine, OSU Extension/University District Master Gardener.

Weinland Park Litter Team - Weinland Park Litter Team looking for youth volunteers and leaders ages 11-17 wanted for summer enrichment program. Team members will participate in neighborhood clean-ups, service learning, 4-H Youth Development projects and much more! For details, call 614-247-1983.

Spring has arrived! - Is your lawn and garden ready? Now is the time to prepare for the growing season. Do have questions? What do I need? What to plant? Where to plant? Whether you're a beginner gardener or have years of experience, we can help! Get garden information, resources, education, advice and more! For details, call 614-247-1983.

"Roots & Roofs" - A great community and volunteer event with an emphasis on a neighborhood litter clean-up; beautification through planting flowers, spreading mulch, preparing community gardens. They will also showcase homes in Weinland Park. For more information, contact Barbara Fant at 614-251-4000. The event takes place Saturday, May 4, 2013 at the Godman Guild (303 E 6th St, 43201) 9:30 am to 2:30 pm.

Growing Your Own Food Workshop Series – Are you interested in turning your lawn into a garden? OSU Extension and Local Matters will be hosting two workshops at the Godman Guild (303 E 6th St, 43201) **on Tuesday, April 9th 7:00 pm-8:30 pm** and **Saturday, April 27th 10:00 am-12:00 pm** about how to legally grow your own food and answer any questions you may have about urban gardening. To RSVP, send an email to localmattersintern@gmail.com

Volunteer Opportunities Available in Weinland Park – Do you want to make a difference in your community? Weinland Park has many wonderful opportunities for you to get involved! For details on how you can get involved or to sign up, call 614-247-1983.

Moms 2 B – is a fun, weekly gathering designed to inform pregnant women about food nutrition, parenting, and infant mortality education. Please come out and join us at Grace Missionary Baptist Church (1182 N 6th St, 43201) every **Wednesday 11:00 am-1:00 pm**. For more information, please contact Katie Richardson at 614-307-6709.

Father Factor Program: Come and discover how you can connect with your children and help them reach their full potential. Seventh Avenue Community Baptist Church, in collaboration with Action for Children, will be hosting **The Father Factor** program for **8 consecutive Tuesdays between the hours of 6:00 pm-8:00 pm**. Limited seats, so don't delay and call today: Glenn Harris at 614-224-0222, Ext. 137 or via email: glennharris@actionforchildren.org.

The **Weinland Park Individual Development Account (IDA)** program is a matched savings program designed to help you save for and purchase your asset dream. Participants open special savings accounts and save at least \$25 or more each month. When they're ready to buy a house, launch a business, or go to school, their savings are matched. Participants can earn up to \$1,000 by saving \$500. We give you \$2 for every \$1 you save. For more details, call 614-247-1983.

Home Buyer Education Workshops are offered bi-monthly at no extra charge to participants. OSU Extension offers an 8 hour HUD-approved Home Buyer Education program for prospective home buyers. Income-eligible graduates of the program are eligible to apply for the City of Columbus Down Payment Assistance Program (up to \$5,000). To register, call 614-299-2915. Our next classes take place on **Saturday, May 11th and Saturday, May 18th (you must attend both days)** at the Godman Guild (303 E 6th St, 43201) **9:00 am-1:00 pm**.

Financial Literacy Workshops are offered bi-monthly for families who want to take control of their finances. Participants will learn the importance of budgeting, savings, credit, banking, identity theft and much more! For details, call 614-299-2915. Classes will be held on **Saturday, April 12th and Saturday, April 20th**, and again on **Saturday, June 8th and Saturday, June 15th** at the Godman Guild (303 E 6th St., 43201) **9:00 am- 1:00 pm**.

Homeowner Assistance – Are you behind on your mortgage payments? Do you have a tax lien on your home? **Restoring Stability** provides free mortgage assistance (up to \$35,000) tax lien assistance, land more. For more information, call 888-404-4674 or visit restoringstability.org.

The **Rebuilding Together Central Ohio Tool Library** is available to anyone living Franklin County who needs to borrow tools for home repairs. For more information, call 614-258-6392 or visit <http://www.rtcenralohio.org/tool-library>.

Resources for Renters including counseling, programs and training is available. If interested, call 614-247-1983.

Getting Ahead: Become An Early Childhood Teacher: If you are looking for employment as an Early Childhood teacher, but you do not have the certifications, here is your opportunity! **Getting Ahead** is a program designed to train and prepare individuals for specific areas of employment. Classes are held at the Schoenbaum Family Center (175 E 7th Ave, 43201) on Monday and Wednesday from **10:00 am.-1:00 pm from Wednesday, April 22nd- Wednesday, June 12th (8 weeks)**. Participants will receive a \$20 gift card for each completed workshop. Child care and lunch are provided during the workshops. For more information, call 614 247-7488.

Information Night: School Options for Families- OSU Extension, in collaboration with School Choice Ohio, Cristo Rey Columbus High School, and Columbus Collegiate Academy, will be hosting an information night on **Wednesday, April 22nd 6:30 pm-7:30 pm** at the Godman Guild (303 E 6th Ave, 43201)

The **2013 Summer Camp Guide For Youth** is now available at <http://go.osu.edu/2013-summer-camp-guide>

The **Walking Club** meets every **Thursday and Friday** at the **Schoenbaum Family Center** (175 E 7th Ave, 43201) at **5:30 pm**. Make sure to wear comfortable shoes and bring water. Participants will receive a t-shirt/ pedometer to track your foot steps.

The **Weinland Park Community Civic Association** meets the 4th Wednesday of every month **6:30pm-8pm** at the **Schoenbaum Family Center** (175 E 7th Ave, 43201)

Adult Education Classes- Want to earn your GED, pass the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT), or take a college placement test? Want help getting ready for college classes? To register, call Godman Guild at 614-294-5476.

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Classes- Do you want to improve your English skills? Do you know anyone who could benefit from improving their English? Register for classes at the Godman Guild (303 E. 6th Ave, 43201) on **Thursday, April 11th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**. If you can't make registration, you can still attend classes every **Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm**. If you have questions, call 614-294-5476.

COMMUNITY COMPUTER CLASS SCHEDULE (APRIL – JUNE 2013)

OPEN COMPUTER LAB - If you need access to a computer or help with a job search/completing a resume, come to the computer lab at the Godman Guild (303 E 6th St, 43201). Open lab hours are **every Monday and Wednesday 3:00 pm-5:00 pm**.

Call 614-247-1983 for more information.

INTRODUCTION TO OFFICE

5/2/13 & 5/3/13

1:00PM-4:00PM

INTRODUCTION to Microsoft Office is a beginners' class where the students will learn about the Windows Desktop, the taskbar and Start Menu, creating folders, review cut, copy and paste options. The students will explore Microsoft **Word, Excel and PowerPoint**.

LOCATION: SECOND COMMUNITY CHURCH

311 S. HIGHLAND AVENUE

COLS, OHIO 43223

\$30.00

INTRODUCTION TO WORD

5/9/13 & 5/10/13

1:00PM-4:00PM

Microsoft Word is a beginners' class where students learn the ribbon and how to enter, update, delete or move words around in a document. Student will learn how to format documents so words are bold, underlined, italics, different font sizes, & set tabs.

LOCATION: GODMAN GUILD ASSOCIATION

303 EAST SIXTH STREET

COLS, OHIO 43201

\$ 30.00

ADVANCE WORD**5/16/13 & 5/17/13****1:00PM-4:00PM**

ADVANCE Microsoft Office Word is a course where students will learn about tables, how to sort data, use and create styles and themes, how to insert pictures into a document and then adjust their sizes shape.

LOCATION: GODMAN GUILD ASSOCIATION 303 EAST SIXTH STREET COLS, OHIO 43201 \$ 30.00

INTRODUCTION TO EXCEL**6/13/13 & 6/14/13****1:00PM-4:00PM**

INTRODUCTION Microsoft Office Excel is a beginner's class where students will identify spreadsheet components, learn about different data type, enter data, format data, copy and move data, and print and learn the usage of basic formulas and functions.

LOCATION: GODMAN GUILD ASSOCIATION 303 EAST SIXTH STREET COLS, OHIO 43201 \$ 30.00

ADVANCE TO EXCEL**6/20/13 & 6/21/13****1:00PM-4:00PM**

INTERMEDIATE Microsoft Office Excel is a class where students will work with multiple worksheets, discuss absolute versus relative coping of formulas learn more complex features and functions. Students will also create and modify charts, sort and filter data.

LOCATION: GODMAN GUILD ASSOCIATION 303 EAST SIXTH STREET COLS, OHIO 43201 \$ 30.00

BASIC COMPUTER & INTERNET introduces new users to computers, the different types of computers that exist, how they're used, what makes up a computer, and an introduction to the Windows operating system. Living Online using Windows provides specific guidelines for the knowledge and skills required to be a functional user of computer hardware, software, networks, and the Internet. These computer classes are offered throughout the City of Columbus, Ohio. When YOU finish the FREE six hour Basic & Internet Computer training, you can purchase discounted, high-speed internet and/or a refurbished laptop/ desktop computer. To register, call 614-292-7196. **FREE**

REGISTRATION: *To register, call 614-292-7196 or Latisha Jeffrey at latishajeffrey@gmail.com. Please leave a message with your name, phone number and the name of the class you're interested in taking. Upon receipt, you will receive a call confirming your registration. Advance Computer classes will be held on Thursday and Friday for a total of 6 hours. Payment should be remitted on the first day of class. Only money orders or checks payable to: OSU EXTENSION will be accepted.*

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Schoenbaum Family Center	175 E. Seventh Avenue	Columbus, OH 43201	614-247-1983

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